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A Few words from Bill & Sue

Just a reminder we have moved to a new gathering place. Roosters at the Wal-Mart shopping center on Man of War and Nicholasville Rd. The Chapter Team had dinner there and found the food to be good and price reasonable. We will have a private room and no music to talk over during the gathering. They are also adding a patio and can open the doors to let in the fresh air on summer nights.

As you all know we have the plaque and are expecting a few visitors from other chapters, we always have lots of fun and great time when we do. What a way to start off the new gathering place.

We had a few rides, the one to Carter caves we changed due to the weather was colder than expected and started to drizzle. So we took a trip on the back roads down to the Kentucky river near Frankfort and headed back for a good lunch at Ramsey's.

Mike lead a ride to My Old Kentucky Home with 6 bikes. He said they got a little wet on that day.

As you know Spring Fling is on April 26th to the 28th. I hope to see a few of you in Tennessee.

Our next ride will be on May 5th. We will start with some Leadership Training, then a short ride to get lunch, some more riding through the horse farms, ending at Keeneland to watch the Kentucky Derby.

Bill & Sue Mucha CD

Kentucky Plaque

Plaque was captured at chapter S gathering on March April 15th and Chapter C won it. Also in attendance were Chapter's A,C,G,, and N as you can see we did bring it home. Thanks to Mike, Dedre, Randy, Denise, Doug, Tim, Sue and myself for capturing the Plaque. Remember we meet at Roosters in the Wal-Mart shopping center on Man of War and Nicholasville Rd. Eat at 6 and meet at 7 hope you all come and help celebrate.



RIDER EDUCATION



Chapter Educators Trunk

I hope that everyone is starting to enjoy the warm weather we are having and that your motors are warmed up, serviced and ready to go. Riding season is here and so are the dangers that go with it. According to the Kentucky State Police motorcycle related accidents are up 69% over the same time period last year. That alone is significant to us motorcycle enthusiast.

Now we all know about gators in the road, right? So our discussion this month involves remembering those road obstacles that somehow seem to find their way in our path.

Road gators for the new people in GWRR are the remains of tire that have shredded or blown out on the roadway. Usually not a problem until you don't see one or it is night time and they are almost impossible to visualize. Everyone is cutting their grass now and they seem to always blow it onto the roadway. It's not too much of a problem until it rains, or the dew hits it during the mornings. With the heat, road oils and fuel are now coming to the surface, and we will probably still have a frost or two to worry about before the summer gets here.

For the next big problem, and can you guess what that is? Deer in our headlights or our eyes as I prefer to never find them. Night time is obviously the worst. According to the Kentucky State Police, nearly 47 percent of all accidents in the United States involving deer and vehicles happen in October, November and December because of the run of mating season, with November being the month with by far the highest number of incidents. Deer-auto collisions follow a pattern over a 24-hour period, the KSP said. The highest likelihood for a collision with deer is during the peak hours in the evening between 5 and 8 and in the morning between 5 and 8. Fifty-three percent of all collisions have happened in those time frames for the past five years.

The KSP also offered the following other defensive driving tips:

1. Be especially alert and drive with caution when you are moving through a known deer crossing zone.
2. Use your high-beam headlights whenever possible.
3. Upon spotting a deer, immediately slow down. Do not swerve because that can confuse deer as to where to run.
It could also cause you to lose control and hit a tree or another car.
Look for other deer after one has crossed the road. Deer are often found in herding packs.

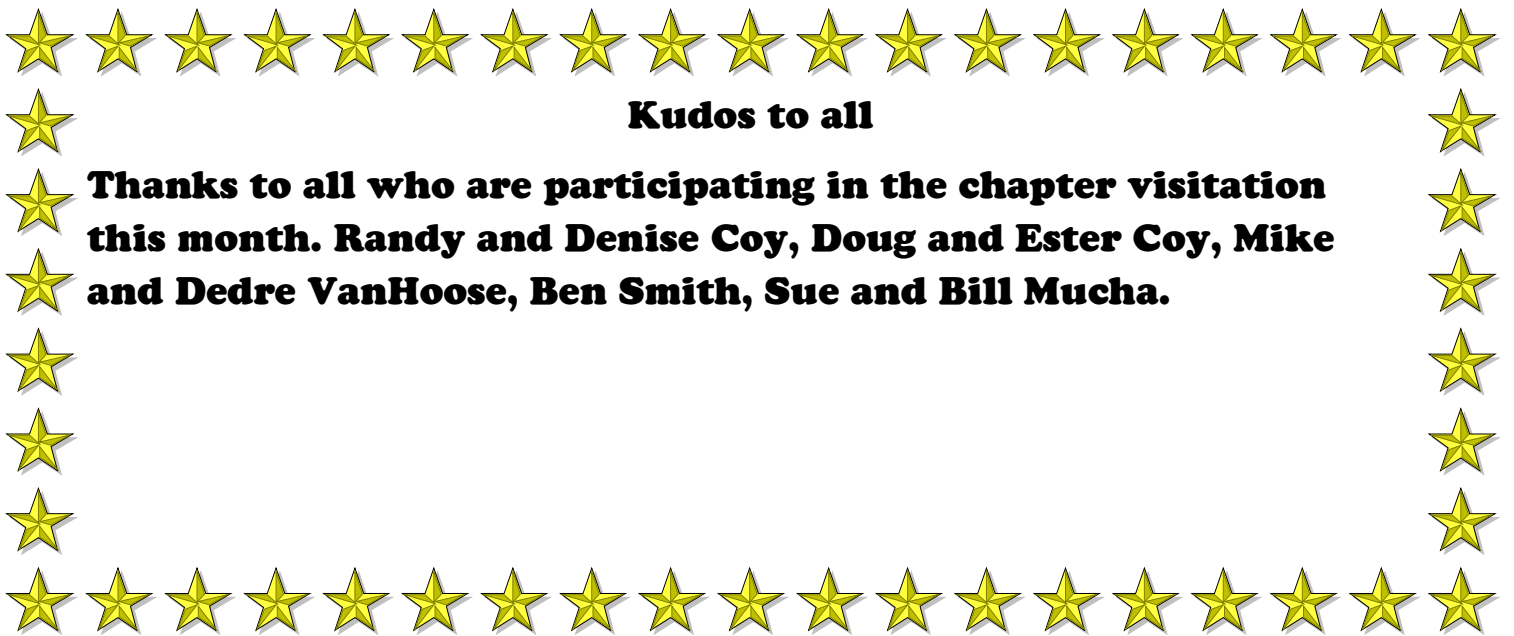
If you are unable to avoid a collision with a deer, take the following steps:

- Do not touch the animal. The deer, in attempting to move or get away, could hurt you or itself.
- Remove your automobile from the roadway, if possible.
- Call the police.

Please don't forget about our biggest problem, the other motorist on the roadways. They do not watch for us so we must remain vigilant.

Always remember to wear your safety gear; Helmet, Safety Jacket and Over the Ankle footwear. Have fun and ride safe!!!

Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge
Michael VanHoose – Chapter C Educator



Kudos to all

Thanks to all who are participating in the chapter visitation this month. Randy and Denise Coy, Doug and Ester Coy, Mike and Dedre VanHoose, Ben Smith, Sue and Bill Mucha.

Birthdays

Michael VanHoose April 5th

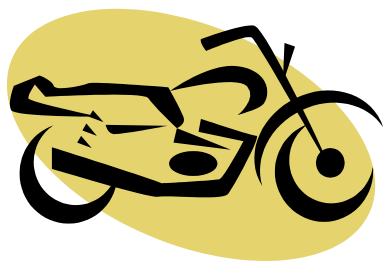
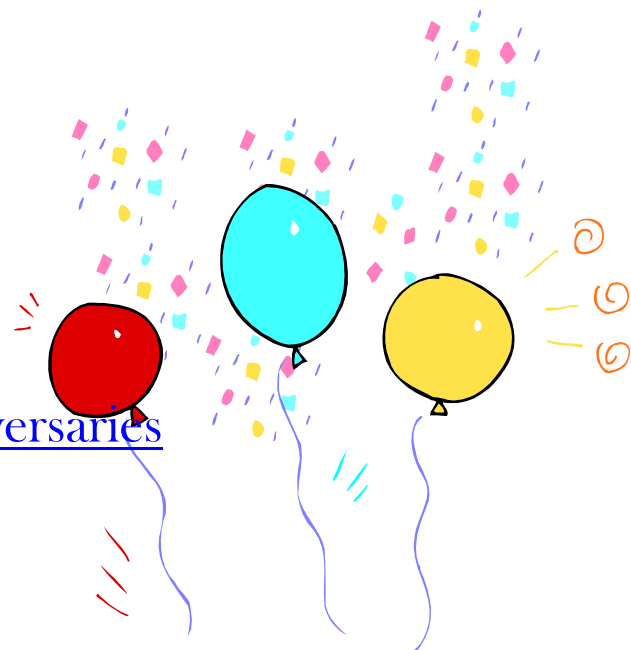
Brenda Wise April 11th

Lena Campbell April 14th

Brenda Wise April 16th

Russ Bell (La Goo) April 24th

Anniversaries

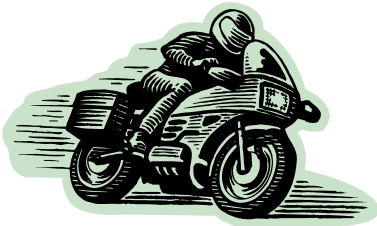


KY-C MONTHLY GATHERING INFO

Don't forget our Gathering place !!!!

The Bluegrass Wings gather the 4th Tuesday of every month at Roosters

COY Corner



2012 Chapter C Couple of the Year

Greetings from your worn out couple of the year! We have been busy this month chasing the Couple of the Year horse mascot Custard. Chapter H (Rick & Liz) won him from us at our last meeting and took Custard to Chapter G. Mike went there Randy and Denise Coy and Doug Coy, We were not successful there, but Chapter G (Rick & Leah) took Custard to Chapter N where we did capture him. Thanks to Doug Coy for meeting us at Chapter N. We had him for just a couple of days before taking him to Chapter S (Elizabethtown) who had the traveling plaque and Custard! Talk about a FULL house in Elizabethtown! Chapter C had a big following at that meeting - Bill & Sue Mucha, Tim & Lynn Hamby, Doug Coy, Randy & Denise Coy and Mike & Dedre. We won the plaque, but not Custard. However, Chapter G (Rick & Leah) won Custard and will bring him to Chapter C's meeting on April 24. We're going to have a big crowd at Rooster's - come join the fun!

May is double visitation points month! If three or more people visit another chapter's meeting, we get visitation points based on how many people go, how many miles we travel and what kind of chapter event we are visiting. During the month of May, we will get double the number of points, so please look at the District Website (GWRRAKY.com) and check the calendar of meetings to see where you can go. We do have to fill out a form and get it signed while we're there in order to get credit. Friday, May 4 will be Shelbyville's meeting, and Sunday, May 6 will be Elizabethtown. Tuesday, May 8 will be Florence. The District Ride In is Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12 at Elizabethtown. Saturday, May 19 is an especially busy day for visiting! We kick off a new chapter in Corbin, KY 11:00-2:30 at the Levi Jackson State Park. There are also two chapter meetings that evening - Louisville and Paintsville. Come take a ride and go with us! Contact Bill Mucha or Mike VanHoose to learn meeting places and times to travel.

Til next month,
Michael and Dedre VanHoose
Chapter C Couple of the Year





Ride Events



Web page www.gwrrakyc.org

April:

14th My Old Kentucky Home 10:00 am meet at parking lot behind Marathon station

22nd: Babb family benefit

24th: Chapter C Get Together @ Roosters

26th to the 28th: Spring Fling in Pigeon Forge, TN. Held at the Majestic Theater.

May:

5th: Kentucky Derby Ride at 900 am . Meet at the First Christian Church in Versailles, KY at 0900 for Leadership Training, then short ride through the horse farms with lunch, and a short ride ending at Keeneland to watch the Kentucky Derby.

11th –13th: Kentucky ride in at ELIZABETHTOWN CROSSROADS Camp Grounds

19th: A Celebration of life ride See insert for Jerry Elam.

19th: Ride to Chapter W Kickoff in Corbin, KY. Meet at Meijers Parking lot at Hamburg at 1000.

22nd: Chapter C Get Together @ Roosters

June:

2ed: Cruise for Kids Sponsored by Chick-fil-A With police riding demonstration at 10 am, Kick-stands up at 11:15

9th: Picnic ride 10:00 am meet at parking lot behind Marathon station

14th-16th: West Virginia District Convention "Down Home Rally" Summersville, West Virginia

23rd: Louisville Slugger ride 10:00 am meet at parking lot behind Marathon station

26th: Chapter C Get Together @ Roosters

July:

4th-7th: Wing Ding Fort Wayne IN.

14th: Covered Bridges ride 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Marathon station

24th: Chapter C Get Together @ Roosters

28th: Stearns Railroad 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Marathon station

August:

4th: Barn Quilt Ride 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Marathon station

9th-11th: Kentucky Blast Frankfort Ky.

25th: Bourbon Trail 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Marathon station

28th: Chapter C Get Together @ Roosters

September:

September 20 thru 22nd North Carolina District Convention "Wings Over North Carolina" Concord, North Carolina <http://www.gwrranc.org/>

As time gets closer for rides we will send out information with times and locations.



Greetings from Membership Enhancement!



Greetings from your MEC!

This article comes to you as a bit of an introduction. Denise and I have been members of GWRRA for about a year this time. That is to say that we were members once before some years ago around the year 2000. We joined to have access to Wing World and Rescue Plus and didn't really participate in the any chapter events. I'm a United Methodist clergyperson and believe me, I was already getting all the meetings I wanted and then some! We've been motorcycling on and off, for the better part of 37 years. We've owned nine bikes, the last four of which have been Gold Wings. (The only one that I haven't owned is the GL 1000.) We have well over 60,000 miles of safe riding on a Gold Wing. I am currently serving as the President/CEO of the Kentucky United Methodist Home for Children and Youth. I've been doing this for five years now. Denise is happily unemployed and therefore free travel with me as I continue to visit churches around the state to help raise money for the work of the Children's Home.

We rejoined GWRRA last July in order to start receiving Wing World again and even though I'm still getting plenty of meetings, we decided to give going to a chapter meeting a try. I really wanted to receive more training so I could become a safer, more experienced rider. I continue to pursue that goal. I had no idea that I would be the Membership Enhancement Coordinator, but here I am trying to live out my new responsibilities. I hope to help Chapter C become a stronger chapter and to help us have fun as we enjoy our common love of motorcycles.

Denise and I have been married for 37 years and we have one son, who is married and has two daughters. (The smartest, cutest, children you've ever met!) We hope to see you soon at Chapter C's meeting and I may be calling you soon to remind you about renewing your membership in GWRRA. See you soon!

Randy and Denise Coy MEC

Ride Coordinator News

Our next ride will be heading to Tennessee's Spring Fling. We're meeting at the Speedway on Richmond Road near I-75 at 9am on Thursday, April 26. Contact Mike VanHoose if you want to join us.

Saturday, May 5 will be a combination of training, lunch and ride. We will start at 9am at First Christian Church Life Center, 160 Lexington St, Versailles. We will teach two classes - How to Participate in GWRRA and How to Have Fun at a Rally. Lunch is tentatively scheduled for Wallace Station, Old Frankfort Pike, between Versailles and Midway. From there we will travel some beautiful Woodford County back roads and end at Keeneland to watch the Kentucky Derby.

Saturday, May 12 we will meet at 9am at the Thorntons on Lexington Road in Versailles to travel to the Ride In at Elizabethtown.

Saturday, May 19 has two events. The new Chapter W of Corbin will have their Chapter kick off at Levi Jackson State Park from 11am - 2:30pm. We will meet at the Hamburg Meijer's parking lot at 10am.

The other event is a Celebration of Life Ride for Jerry Elam starting at 2pm at the Marathon station on Paris Pike. After the ride there will be a potluck at Marilyn's, 1000 Applecross Dr. Lexington.

Friday, May 25 will start the state perimeter ride. We're planning to circle the state of KY from Friday-Monday. Our start point is in Louisville at the intersection of Moorman Dr and Dixie Highway at 9am.

I hope to see you at any or all of our rides!!

Michael VanHoose
Ride Coordinator



*Plan now to participate in our
Region "N" District Conventions for 2012*



April 26 thru 28

Tennessee District Convention "Spring Fling"

Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

<http://www.tngurra.org/downloads/SpringFlingReg.pdf>

June 14 thru 16

West Virginia District Convention "Down Home Rally"

Summersville, West Virginia

<http://www.wvgurra.org/newsletters/RallyForm2012.pdf>

August 9 thru 11

Kentucky District "Blast" Convention "Derby Days"

Frankfort, Kentucky

<http://gwrraky.com/Doc/2012%20Convention%20flyer-5.pdf>

September 20 thru 22

North Carolina District Convention "Wings Over North Carolina"

Concord, North Carolina

<http://www.gwrranc.org/>

October 4 thru 6

Virginia District Convention "Rally in the Valley"

Salem, Virginia

NO web page info as of yet.

A Celebration of Life Ride

May 19, 2012



We will have a scattering of the ashes ride at 2 p.m. at Chapter C's marshalling area. After the ride (approximately 4 p.m.) we will have a pig roast at our home, 1000 Applecross Drive, Lexington, KY 40511.

Meat, buns, condiments and drinks furnished. For those who wish to bring a dish, please do! There will be a vehicle at the marshalling area to pick up food.

For those who cannot make the ride, please join us for the food and fellowship in celebration of Jerry's life!

Please RSVP to Marilyn: 859-489-9617 or elams23@gmail.com so that I can have enough food for all!!

1000 Applecross Drive

Take New Circle Road to Leestown Road, exit going out of town. Turn right onto Greendale (at the Coca Cola Plant). Continue down Greendale and after the sharp S curve it is the third right.

Chapter C Marshalling Area

The marshalling area is behind the Marathon Station on Old Paris Pike. From I-75, take the Paris exit #113. Going towards town the station is directly on your right as you exit the interstate.