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First Thursday of the Month

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From the Chapter Director



Well can you believe it's NOVEMBER!!!! Boy the summer has really flown by and I hope winter goes just as fast.

Again when out either on your bike or car watch for farm machinery and especially deer as November 13th gun season comes in for deer hunting. Bow season is already in and we've had a youth hunt and a muzzle loader season already too so the deer are really starting to move, along with the rut coming soon.

I got word last week that Sally Ulery's Sister passed away. Most of you remember Annetta and Paul from Mississippi, they came to several Chapter Y events over the years when visiting Ralph and Sally. Please pray for Sally and all their Family.

Also some of you remember Daniel Clark from Benton, Daniel and Mitzi rode with us several years ago and he worked at General Tire with some of us. Daniel had a hip replacement and then had a stroke. They had to take him to Chicago instead of Nashville and he passed away Thursday the 28th at University of Chicago Hospital. He was 63 years old, His arrangements are yet to be finalized.

We had our Halloween Party on the 23rd. We had Randie and Martha, Johnny and Sherry and their Granddaughter and Jim Reising attend. The rest of You missed a good time, some good chili and good desserts.

The Mayfield Christmas Parade will be November 27th with more details to follow. We will dress the bikes up with garland, bows and stuffed animals or how ever you'd like. You can buy the battery powered lights also at Walmart. Grab a Santa hat and come ride with us, its lots of fun watching the kids, big and little, look at the bikes. The only thing is YOU CAN'T DRESS UP LIKE SANTA AS THAT'S RESERVED FOR THE FIRE TRUCK AT THE END OF THE PARADE!!!

I haven't got any word yet on the Murray Christmas Parade whether or not they are having it this year.

Be sure to keep December 11th open for the Chapter Y Christmas Party! It will be at 4 Little Pigs in the Hamlet Room as always, starting at 6:00 PM We will be playing dirty Santa again so bring a \$15.00 either a Man's or Lady's gift.

Ride Safe and Stay Alert
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Dan and Rita



Congratulations to Dan and Rita being named Assist. District Directors.

District Director Rick Cridlin makes the announcement at the October meeting.



Al Hansen's photo from Garden of the Gods ride.
10/21/2021



Garden of the Gods riders. Notice Al is in the picture.
He also took the picture! Pretty clever, Al.

View From The Saddle



Thanksgiving: (Merriam Webster) *the act of giving thanks; a prayer expressing gratitude; a public acknowledgment or celebration of divine goodness.*

Thanksgiving Day is a special day to me because it begins, for me at least, the beginning of the holiday season. It brings back such terrific memories of Thanksgivings from the past. Dad and I always went deer hunting in Oklahoma where I was raised. We would leave EXTREMELY early in my 10 year old mind, and come in from hunting tired and hungry. Opening the garage door leading in to our kitchen we'd be overcome with the smell of turkey in the broiler pan with a big pot of chicken and noodles

Mom made from scratch and sweet potatoes with marshmallows melted on top. And there in the dining room would be my grandparents wanting to know how the hunt went. Did we see anything? Was it cold? Are you hungry?

After we were stuffed to the gills we'd all head for the family room, turn on a football game and go to sleep! Later we'd have pumpkin pie with Cool Whip mounded high on top. The next morning Dad would make us turkey sandwiches to bring with us for our mid-morning lunch. They were fantastic!

The next holiday, of course, is Christmas. So, how old is your helmet? It's recommended that you replace your helmet every 5 years. The liner in my helmets don't get especially sweaty or smelly, thank goodness, but I know that the plastic parts, including the shell, can become brittle. The Styrofoam also begins to break down and loses it's ability to absorb an impact. Those aren't good things to happen to a piece of safety equipment that's suppose to protect your brain. Take a look under the liner and find the tag that shows the date of manufacture and unless you know when you bought it, you may be surprised to find out how old your trusty lid is. A new helmet would make a great Christmas gift this year.

So with the holidays upon us, let's think about all that we have to be thankful for. And let's try to remember that no matter how bad things look from time to time, I guarantee you there is someone having it tougher than we are. Let's be thankful for how lucky we are to have what we have; our friends, our families and our health.

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

Steve Knode

District Educator Report

Rick Artmayer District Educator



I had the privilege last month (October) to attend the Virginia District Rally in the Valley in Lynchburg, Virginia. I had never been to this rally and was not sure what to expect. The area has some nice roads, including the Blue Ridge Parkway. I was able to experience a decent number of miles on it and enjoy the tremendous views it offers.

This was not my first experience on the Blue Ridge Parkway, and I hope it is not my last. This road is smooth and well maintained, has a comfortable speed limit of 45 mph, and with so many turns of various radii, it is really a perfect place to use the training GWRRA Rider Education (and other rider programs) offers. It seemed like I was endlessly slowing, looking, pressing, and rolling, trying to be just as smooth as I could, going from outside to inside and back to outside again. Just as I was trained and practiced in the Advanced Rider Course.

Another experience this rally afforded me was a guided ride organized by the Virginia District. While not particularly long at about seventy-eight miles in total, the nine motorcycles that participated enjoyed some curvy sections, with several elevation changes to keep things interesting. What impressed me most about the ride was not the roads chosen, but the riders in the group. In the pre-ride instructions, crash scene response was discussed so that everyone was made aware who would take responsibility if there was a need. The riders in our group were from different Chapters of Virginia, Maryland, and Kentucky, yet we all rode as if we had ridden with each other for years. When the lead called for a change from staggered formation to single file, and vice versa, every member held up his hand to signal the change, even though every bike on the ride had a radio. Most everyone was signaling road hazards too, and the lead and drag had complete freedom to use the radio as needed. From my position as bike 5 of 9 (center of the group) I observed no spacing issues between the bikes. Everyone seemed to hold their spacing as normally recommended. For me, this built trust in the others and made the ride relaxed and stress-free.

I was also able to speak with Lorrie Thomas, the Director of GWRRA University. She is committed to providing instructors for any classes we want presented, and for which we do not have any instructors that are qualified to teach. Please let me know what classes you would like to experience, and your District Team will work to make it happen for you.

Richard Artmayer

KY District Educator

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