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Chapter



From the Chapter Director



Well thanks to Rick & Leah along with Chapter K for a great weekend and great rides for our 2024 KY Ride In. Richard and I along with Steve and Jennie went to the Ride Inn and had a great time. Friday they had some great rides set up, guided and self guided with beautiful weather. Richard and I took one to the guided rides in my truck (we drove my truck, wasn't sure I should ride that much yet.) We had a great turn out for the Ride In this year. We all went out for Pizza on Thursday night and then Friday night the State cooked pork chops or BBQ Chicken with all the trimmings. There were games to play and just an overall great weekend, other than some rain Saturday.

Be sure when out riding or working in the yard to STAY HYDRATED, we aren't used to the hot weather and high humidity yet and it can hit you before you know it.

Hoping to do a ride June 15th not sure of the location yet, open to ideas!!

So glad no one from Chapter Y was hurt in the batch of tornados or straight line winds. I know several were without power for a few days and several had lots of limbs down but everyone was ok, Thank You Lord!!!

The KY Blast dates are August 15th, 16th & 17th in Danville. I have booked some rooms if anyone is interested just let me know.

Thank You for the prayers during my lasts stints and aneurysm surgery

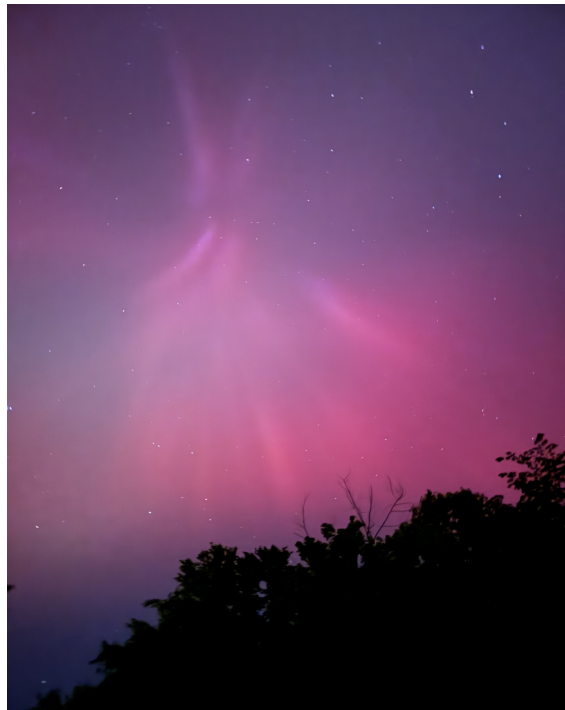
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Chapter Y C/D's
KY Assistant State Director

View From The Saddle



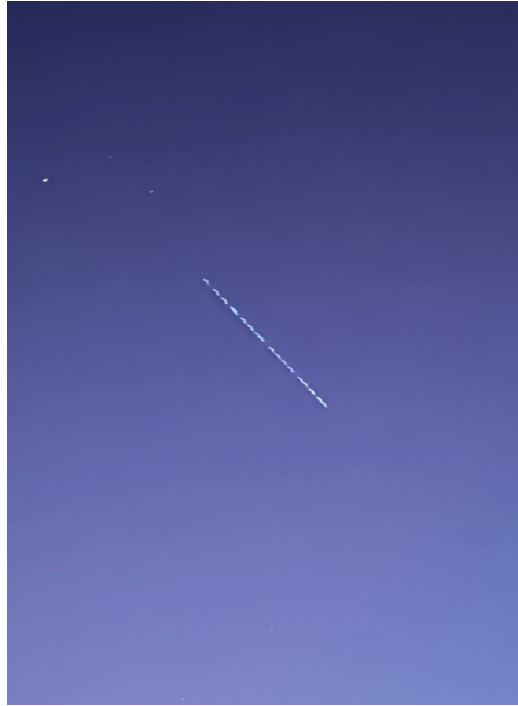
"Holy night lights, Batman!"

I hope everyone had a chance to see the Northern Lights last month. It was spectacular! We had seen Northern Lights before, several times, when we lived in North Dakota and Montana and even saw a little display when we lived in Nebraska but to see them in Kentucky...it was awesome! The pictures we took enhanced the colors more than we could see with the naked eye but even just staring at them as the colors ebbed and flowed was something to behold.



Northern Lights from Silent K Farm May 10, 2024

And we also saw another intriguing sight that night. The "satellite train" passed by earlier that evening. The satellite train, as you probably know, is a string of Starlink communication satellites that Elon Musk uses in his satellite internet service. There's a website www.findstarlink.com that will let you plug in your location and when you hit the Find Visible Times button it will tell you if there are any good viewing times coming up in the next 5 days. It then lists "Good", "Average" and "Poor" visibility. What you want to see is "Good" with "new" listed by it because that means the string of satellites should be tightly spaced forming the "train". As the "new" wears off the satellites begin to spread out. Still pretty impressive to see about 20 satellites chase each other across the sky but "new" is the most impressive. The times listed are based on what location you plug in to the app but it's approximate, give or take, say, 10 minutes. So don't give up too soon if they don't show exactly when predicted. Also, the travel direction is important. So check the site so you'll know if they are moving from NW to SE or some other direction. But look all around. We've been surprised to find the train overhead or closer to the horizon than what we expected. They usually show up just after sunset and just before sunrise.



Satellite Train May 10, 2024

The travel time for the train is about 4 minutes so you should be outside a little early. They seem to come out of no where and disappear quicker than you think it will. I have to wonder about all the "space junk" being fired in to space on a fairly regular basis. But Musk didn't ask me what I thought about that so I'll just enjoy the show for awhile.

Getting rides in this time of year should be easy. But it seems like the weather has something to say about when I ride. Not that I'm a "fair weather" rider but I do draw the line when it's raining, if I have a choice, or it's just uncomfortable due to the high heat and humidity. The humidity is the worst part for me. I still think the humidity should be in the 15-20% range, like it was in Nebraska. Those days here in the summer are like hen's teeth. (I checked Jennie's chickens and no teeth were found, so that's pretty rare.)

The Ride In was a well planned, well executed event, again. That's the first rally of the year and Chapter K did great job. Lots of good ride options and food. Can't beat that.

The Blast will be here before we know it. And in between is the Wing'DRider rally in Litchfield, IL. An old friend from Nebraska will come for a brief visit prior to the rally so we're really looking forward to seeing him. It will be his first visit to the Kentucky version of the Silent K Farm. Then we'll head for Litchfield arriving the night before opening ceremonies. Other Nebraska friends will be there, again, so we'll have a few days to catch up. I'm looking forward to it!

Steve Knode

Rider Education Report



The growth of Wing'D Rider is something that is getting a lot of attention these days. We are all being asked to assist in the efforts to attract more members. Because there is strength in numbers, this will benefit us all. The question of course is how do we attract new members, especially when we feel we are not good speakers or comfortable approaching strangers, or even leaving little ducks on the seats of motorcycles (which I think is a great idea)? How do we find people that want to be with us?

One way to do this is to be the rider or group that you would want to join. A group that is excited about riding and the friendship we are all enjoying now. Presenting a good appearance while you are out on a ride can cause the curious to approach you. Would you want to be part of a group that rolls into a restaurant and haphazardly goes to random spots anywhere, or a group that patiently stays together as they navigate the lot to an open section where they can all be together? Are you not involved or excited about riding? Have you lost the spark you had when you first joined? How do we get that excitement to return?

Read. Subscribe to enthusiast publications or find them at the local library. Motorcycle magazines have many exciting stories of people like us doing what we love to do. The internet has opportunities to learn about riding techniques that can make our sport safer and more entertaining. Knowledge is power and a tool kit you can use when someone asks about your riding skills.

Take classes. After riding for 27 years, I finally took the Basic Riding Course. For me it was mostly a review, but for several others in the class, I was an example to follow. They asked me about my riding because they saw something they wanted.

Practice. Put all the knowledge from the reading material and the riding classes into actual performance. Smoothly navigating through a crowded parking lot or a busy gas station will draw attention to you, in a good way. This attention will increase exponentially when in a group of like-minded riders.

Being the good rider that you are, and working to be the great rider you want to be, will attract people to you. All you need to do is answer their questions with the sincerity and energy that you have for motorcycling. The inquirer will want what you have. Lead by example. Because of your continued practice and education in our sport, you will attract new members without any extra special effort

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			Johnny Myers - knee	
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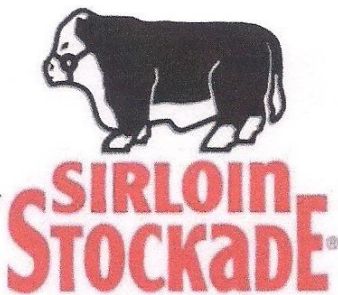
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