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Our September gathering will be our Chili Party/Potluck on Saturday, the 3rd of September at the home of Bob & Marilyn Klear, 2249 Redbud Lane, Delta, OH (419-822-5934)

Please bring a covered dish, your table service, your favorite soup bowl, something to drink and chairs to relax in as we enjoy this annual event.

Mike & Lois Monday will be leaving the Pilot Truck Stop Iron Skillet parking lot at N. Baltimore at 4:30 if you would like to ride along with them.





Mike & Lois Monday Chapter Team Directors



Does anyone know what happen to August ? It no sooner arrived and it was gone again. At least it was not as hot as July, though it had it's days. Thank you all who may have led a ride, went to coffee break, ice cream rides, and who helped with the garage sale. Many brought items to donate. Terri Barnet kept us well fed. Setup on Thursday did not take very long we had a lot of help and also Friday and Saturday. When it came time to close shop Saturday everyone pitched in and in no time we were done. That gave us more time to spend at the car show on Main Street. Some of us went to Waldo Peppers where we had some good food and a lot of laughs. The team work that we all do to make thing happen in my book make us CHAPTER OF THE YEAR EVERY MONTH. You all are the best in team work.

September is going to be a busy month also. Our gathering on September 3rd. will be at Bob and Marilyn Klear's, at 6:00pm. That is our Chili cook out. Things to bring: tableware, drinks, chairs, and your favorite side dish (one can be rhubarb). We will be leaving the Iron Skillet in North Baltimore at 4:30pm. to head to Bob and Marilyn's or if you just like to meet us there here is the address: 2249 Redbud Lane Delta Oh.

Region D Rally (Monster Mash) is September 15-17th in Coldwater, Mi. If you registered before Sept. 3rd. \$20 per members and \$25 for non-members. After the 3rd. \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Now if you are going up just for one day, it takes about two hours from North Baltimore if you take the turnpike. If you take State Route 6 west to Route 69 North it takes about three hours. The cost for a day pass is \$18 for members and \$20 for non-member.

September 11th Lunch ride with Bill and Sandy Nourse - leave Iron Skillet at 10am.
September 24th Teddy Bear Ride with Chapter S, time to be announced.
September 25th afternoon ride - leave Iron Skillet at 1pm.

Keep Them Wheels Rolling
Mike & Lois Monday



Vic & Barb Russell Assistant Chapter Team Directors

Hello everyone, September is here already!!

Well the weather sure has been a lot better for riding. Barb and I haven't done very much of that. As of this writing our bike is still in the shop. (almost 2 months now).

The garage sale was a big success. It was a lot of work but it came together very well. Lots of fun, great food and a thank you to Ted and Angie for letting us use their garage.

Coffee breaks this month will be at Steak and Shake on the 7th and 21st.
Don't forget about the ice cream rides on the 13th and the last one for the season on the 27th.

Keep having FUN,
Vic & Barb



Terry & Cindy Hoover Motorist Awareness



I had the pleasure of talking with Sergeant Mike McClain of the Ohio State Patrol Defiance Post the other day. No I did not get pulled over; I stopped in to his post to get his point of view on a few things. Mike belongs to a group of police officers that ride out of the Defiance area. He rides a Harley and was more than happy to sit down with me and give me a perspective of someone who rides and is also a police officer. I asked him what he thinks we can do to be more visible to the general public. After we talked for a while, it was like he was reading right out of a GWRRA information leaflet.

Number one on his list was to ride defensively! He said that most of the accidents that he investigates the driver of the motorcycle was not to blame, other than the ones that involved excessive speed. He agreed with me that the co-rider can be so important in helping us avoid collisions.

Number two on his list was to ride Staggered. He pointed out that not everyone likes riding in the left track so know that before you begin a ride and put that person in the right track where they feel more comfortable. By riding staggered it will give you a way out if you need it.

Number three on his list was a helmet. Wear it! While he does not always practice what he preaches he knows that he is taking a risk by not always wearing his helmet. He told me about an accident in Williams County this year that he believes that the rider would not have died had he been wearing his helmet.

Next we talked about being visible. He suggested wearing bright colored or reflective clothing. He thought that a wig-wag light was a great idea for the lead rider in the group, or if you are riding by yourself.

As we get closer to fall he reminded me that movement of animals will be increasing dramatically. He suggested that we install a deer whistle someplace on our bike. He is not 100% sure that they do anything but why take the chance. He said that the Defiance post investigated over 600 deer accidents last year alone.

He asked me if any of our riders pulled trailers. I told him only the smart ones, just kidding some of the dumb ones do too, no offense Droopy. He said that if they do they need to remember to think about the breaking efficiency and the added wind whip.

The last thing we talked about was not to push your equipment. Do not ride on bald tires or worn brakes. Make sure that your bike is serviced on a regular basis.

That's all for this month, ride safe!
Terry & Cindy



Mark & Sue Rupert Rider Educators



Deadly Dozen Myths Part 2

This is the 2nd half dozen. The 1st half dozen was in the February Newsletter RE article.

MYTH # 7- A SKILLED RIDER CAN HANDLE ANY SITUATION

The sharpest most skilled motorcyclist in the world riding aggressively and offensively will not be up to the task if say a car turns a short distance in front of you and stay broadside to you or someone pulls out in front of you. Even if you are as good as you think you are, you're living a pipe dream believing your superior skills will keep you out of trouble. About 11/2 years ago about the time of my accident, A 4 year Japanese bike racer champion by the name of Hirto was riding on a multi lane highway in Nagasaki Japan when a truck made a U-Turn in front of him. The resulting crash took his life. It's much better to avoid situations that can turn ugly. Slow down scan further ahead look for escape routes all the time. Think strategically and dress for the crash, Helmet, Gloves, long pants, long sleeve shirts and over the ankle boots or shoes.

MYTH # 8- IF YOU'RE GOING TO CRASH LAY IT DOWN

This line was developed by riders to explain why they ended up flat sided trying to avoid a crash when they really over braked or other wise lost control. You will scrub off a lot more speed braking in an upright position and tires on the pavement then you will sliding down the road on your butt. The slower you are going at the time of impact the better off you are. In an upright position you may go over the vehicle avoiding a direct hit on the side. Sliding on your side means you will impact a lot harder and being low means you will hit hard into the side of the other vehicle or be wedged underneath it. I'm a firm believer that if you have time to lay a bike down and get it turned so it is between you and the point of impact then have plenty of time to brake and steer your way out of trouble. You can't steer a bike that is sliding. Laying a bike down is considered a crash. Seems funny you crash to avoid a crash. An OxyMORON.

MYTH # 9- USING THE FRONT BRAKE WILL CAUSE YOU TO CRASH

This myth is perpetuated by inexperienced riders and seems more prevalent among Harley riders. The myth is you use the front brake the front tire will skid and down you go. This can happen if only the front brake is used and used too aggressively. Truth is using the back brake only will cause the rear tire to slide thus putting you down. Use both brakes at the same time is the proper braking method. Over 70% of your braking is done by the front wheel, the rest by the back wheel. When you brake the front suspension collapses putting more weight on the front wheel and less on the back wheel. This is why many bike manufactures use link braking anti-dive systems to help prevent this from happening. Using both brakes together will enable you to stop in a lot shorter distance without skidding your tires.

MYTH # 10- ONE BEER WON'T HURT

May be not while you are drinking it, but if you get on your motorcycle after that, the effects of a single beer can get you hurt for life. No matter how sure you are about being unaffected, studies say otherwise. You increase your risk to yourself and others when you drink and hit the road. Also, as you age your metabolism slows down and those couple of drinks, you had last night may still be affecting you the next morning.

MYTH # 11- I'M SAFER ON THE STREET THEN ON THE INTERSTATE

The thinking here must be that slower is safer, but that's only really true after the accident begins. Controlled access roadways are inherently safer because all the traffic is going the same way, and there are no side streets from which someone can pop into your path, no pedestrians and, often less roadside furniture to hit if you depart the roadway. Running down the road at 70 MPH side by side with the whirling wheels of a semi may seem hairy, but actually you are safer then at half the speed on a city street or country road.

MYTH # 12- A SKILLED RIDER CAN STOP BETTER WITH CONVENTIONAL BRAKES THEN WITH ANTI-LOCK BRAKES

Extensive testing done recently disproves this popular notion. Even on clean, dry, flat pavement, skilled experienced riders (who did hundreds of panic stops on out-rigger equipped motorcycles) stopped in less distance with anti-lock brakes (ABS) than with conventional or linked brakes. Though the tests didn't include pavement with wet, slick or dirty spots, ABS would certainly have performed even better under those conditions while eliminating much of the risk of crashing. The other cool thing about ABS on a motorcycle is that it allows you safely practice panic stops without risking a crash caused by lock-up.

Anyway, the next time someone tells you they had to "lay it down" or that green bikes crash more then purple ones, you can nod and snicker internally or challenge them. Just don't base your own riding choices on what other people assume unless there is some solid science to back it up.



Cindy Schreiner
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SEPTEMBER IS UPON US.....

Come said the wind to the leaves one day,
Come o're the meadows and we will play.
Put on your dresses scarlet and gold,
For summer is gone and the days grow cold.
- *A Children's Song of the 1880's*

The month of September has many special days and holidays – some you know – some you may not:

2nd – National Beheading Day

5th – Labor Day – organized to celebrate labor associations' strengths and contributions to the U.S. economy.

5th – Be Late for Something Day

11th – No News is Good News Day

11th – Patriot Day – a civic holiday

11th – Grandparents Day – to signify the "autumn years of life".

11th – 09/11/2001 Ten years ago President Bush was quoted as Saying:

"Thousands of lives were suddenly ended by evil, despicable acts of terror. The pictures of airplanes flying into buildings, fires burning, huge structures collapsing, have filled us with disbelief, terrible sadness and a quiet, unyielding anger.

23rd – First Day of Autumn

And on a lighter note – I just don't know why they always pick on us blondes ...

We laugh but her ID is safe.

During a recent password audit by Microsoft and Google, it was found that a blonde was using the following password:

"MickeyMinniePlutoHueyLouieDeweyDonaldGoofySacramento"

When asked why she had such a long password, she said she was told that it had to be at least 8 characters long and include at least one capital.



SEPTEMBER



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3  Chili Party/Potluck Bob & Marilyn Klear's 6 PM  Barb Russell
4	5 LABOR DAY 	6	7  Coffee Break	8	9	10
11  Lunch Ride Noon  Paul & Marilyn Kinn	12	13  Ice Cream Ride 6 PM  Chris Bacon	14  Nicholas Sammet	15  Region D Rally Coldwater, Michigan 15 th - 17 th	16  Sue Rupert Tony Lanagan	17
18	19	20	21  Coffee Break  Kay Romstadt	22  Marilyn Kinn Robb Sammet	23 	24  Chapter S Teddy Bear Ride Buckeye Time Out
25  Afternoon Ride 1 PM  Mike & Terri Hampshire  Cheri Pingle	26  Lorraine Sammet	27  Ice Cream Ride 6 PM  Dan Pingle	28	29	30	



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			Eat	Meet	
Chapter A	Findlay	1 st Saturday	9 AM	10 AM	Mike & Lois Monday 419-387-7459
Chapter C	Toledo				Closing
Chapter M2	Defiance	4 th Saturday	9 AM	10 AM	John & Jane Lime 419-395-2352
Chapter N	Lima	4 th Tuesday	6 PM	7 PM	Rosie & Doug Sanders 419-339-6626
Chapter S	Fremont	4 th Saturday	None	7 PM	Kirby & Sandy White (Pending) 419-956-0437
Chapter U	Celina	2 nd Saturday	5 PM	6 PM	Dorothy & Vic Gehrlich 937-693-8983
Chapter W2	Bowling Green	4 th Sunday	5 PM	6 PM	Tom & Jill Becker 419-838-7101

**Region D Rally & Convention
Monster Mash
September 15th - 17th
Coldwater, Michigan**

**Buckeye Time Out
September 23-25
Plain City, Ohio**

**Ohio Fall Officers Meeting
Nov. 19th - 20th**

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Hey everyone!

I am going to start working on updating my newsletter listing and also our friends listing.

If you receive our newsletter but no longer wish to be included please send me an e-mail at elsie125@woh.rr.com or call me at 419-435-5782 and leave a message.

If you know of someone who would like to receive our newsletter via e-mail just let me know and I will add them.

If you have any changes to our friends listing from last year please let me know by the end of September.

Thanks!

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