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"NEW REGIME"

CD Gold Line

Well, this is my last article as Chapter Director, but I plan on contributing other articles for this newsletter in the future on trips, etc. I can't believe how the time has slipped by. The last three years as Chapter Director has been rewarding and fun. As I stated in the beginning, I feel very lucky to have been among a group of people who have the experience and knowledge that make this a successful and fun chapter. Along

with you, I will be there to help our new leadership keep this chapter moving into the future.

I believe we are in good hands with Lenton and Leucetia along with Jim and Janet. Their enthusiasm and dedication will lead this chapter and keep it a fun group to belong to. Make sure you read the biography on Jim and Janet elsewhere in this issue.

Don't forget the trip to the Barber Motorsport Museum has been rescheduled for June 11-13. For those not going, we will have a bike show at the Senior Center on June 12th. Call me for details on this event.

Thanks again for all your support !

Ride Safe,

Hugh

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Next Chapter Meeting: **Golden Corral June 10, 2004 - 6:30 Eat, 7:30 Meet**

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WHAT YOU MISSED!

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

OTHER STUFF

New Faces

Billy & Michele DelaHunt from Greenville, Phil Neely (a former member who has a new white Gold Wing) and Jim Bussey joined us for the evening. Hope to see you back again soon.

- And with this issue we bid a fond farewell to our Chapter Director, **Hugh Waller**. Thank you for your dedication, hard work and ever present smile.

- After being Chapter Director for 3 years, **Hugh Waller finally won the 50/50!**

-**Jack Birge, Assistant District Director and Billy Mason from Crestview** were here to talk about what's going on in the Panhandle. A new ERC for Trikes is on the horizon as well as CPR classes. Contact Lenton Stephens or Jack Birge for more information.

-Hugh has a couple of video tapes available chock full of riding tips. Call Hugh if you would like to borrow one.

June Birthdays

Johnny Gargus	06/01
Vanessa Shivers	06/15
Linda Henley	06/17
Emma Wood	06/20
Len Martin	06/24
George McKee	06/29

June Anniversaries

Bob & Anne Lumsden	06/03
Len & Faith Martin	06/21
Lenton & Leucetia Stephens	06/23
Buck & Carol Harris	06/25

July Birthdays

Mike Share	07/05
Sonny Rollo	07/29

July Anniversaries

Marvin & JoNell Culverson	07/17
Jesse & Rita Hodsdon	07/24

June Re-up

Gary & B.J. Allen



Barber Motorsports Museum Trip

This will be held June 11-13th. We will depart from #1 (Hardee's Lake Jackson) at 9:00 AM, June 11th, 2004 for Leeds, Alabama. We will be stopping around every 100 miles for gas and rest breaks. We should cruise up there mid to late afternoon.

Those who want to go and have not already confirmed reservations with me at the Days Inn in Leeds should call and make your own reservations ASAP. If you desire to stay at the Days Inn, call (800) 329-7666 or (205) 699-9833. Other area motels are the Guesthouse International Inn (800) 214-8378 or (205) 702-2700, and Comfort Inn (800)228-5150 or (205) 640-6600. For those who want to stay at 29 Dreams Motorcycle Campground, call (205) 672-0309.

We will visit the museum on Saturday, June 12th after breakfast. Admission is \$10 per adult and opens at 10:00 AM central time. After visiting the museum, we can do a scenic ride that afternoon and perhaps eat at the ARK Restaurant which has fabulous seafood and is rated among the top 5 catfish restaurants in the USA.

We will leave Sunday morning, June 13th after breakfast for Tallahassee. Again, it is stressed that you make reservations ASAP if you have not already done so. Please call Charles Couch to let him know you are going.

GREAT News

Wow! Karen's on a roll!
 Congratulations are in order AGAIN!
 Karen Share has received her
Webmaster Certification from Florida State University.
 Her test site was none other than our own Canopy Road Cruiser site.

NEWLOOK

Did you think I sent you the wrong newsletter? No...it just needed some "freshening up" and what better occasion then new folks stepping up to take over the reins or is that the handlebars. I'm trying to loosen up a bit. That doesn't mean it's going to get all sloppy of course. But...if you've got some ideas for new topics, send them on over. Jokes, recipes...a great story like "ten good reasons not to run over a skunk". You know, some happy, light-hearted stuff to balance out your way too serious editor.



SAFETY CORNER

Tire Plugs *by James R. Davis*

Sometimes you can't win. I just had to replace a virtually new Elite II rear tire on my motorcycle because it had picked up a couple of small nails.

I know, all I really had to do was plug the tire. Right? Wrong!

Here are a few things you might consider about tire plugs:

Almost any single puncture (thru the tread) can be repaired by the use of a tire plug. (I would be willing to ride with a properly {from the inside} plugged tire anytime.)

You cannot put more than one plug within the same quadrant of a tire - safely.

You cannot put more than two plugs into a tire - period.

The manufacturers of tire plugs specifically disavow the safety of doing either of the last two items listed above. They also void their speed warranties as a result of any tire plugging. Your tire is probably marked MPH. If you have even one tire plug in it you should not drive faster than about 80 MPH using that tire.

I had picked up three small nails in my tire. All three leaked air when I removed them. 'My kingdom for a horse!' It cost me \$150 for another

new Elite II. (Life is too important to be left in the hands of three plugs when the manufacturers refuse to stand up for their safety.)

(In case you missed it earlier, every reference made here about 'tire plugs' refers to professionally installed, from the inside, tire repair plugs - NOT the emergency roadside repair kits which install from the outside of your tire.)

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Jimmy & Janet Godwin

Our new Assistant Chapter Directors

Name: Jimmy Godwin Jr.
Address: 172 Longleaf Drive, Crawfordville, Florida
Phone: (850) 926 -3044
Occupation: General Manager of Tallahassee Cranes
Significant Other: Janet
Children and Grandchildren: Laura-28, Ben-27, Kerrienne-20, and Grandson Ethan Walker-11 months
Pets: Nina - 8 month old black & white husky (for grandson) and "Maci" a mixed pomeranian
Years riding experience: 1 year
Bikes owned: Yamaha 400, Goldwing 1500
Longest ride: was Jimmy's recent trip to Deals Gap. Our funniest trip together has to be a ride to Ocala in 30° weather. We were so bundled up and Janet was closely cuddled in a warm deathgrip to Jimmy.
Favorite Motorcycle Road: Coastal Highways
Why I ride: To ride away from the troubles of the day. Enjoy calmness and tranquility and enjoy the beautiful scenery all around us. Lots of weekday nights we ride to the coast & watch the peaceful sunsets.
What I like best about Chapter FLI-A2: Friendship. We are learning so much from everyone-whether new places to ride; repair knowledge; accessories; and everyone's special riding stories. We so enjoy everyone's friendship & fellowship.

Janet and I are newly-weds, celebrating our first year anniversary several months ago. We live on seven acres which is a "work in progress" as we continue to establish flower gardens and prepare for a small "petting farm" of sorts for our grandson and future grandchildren to enjoy.

Since Janet and I enjoy the same hobbies and interests, our weekends are spent riding, exploring new places and spending time together enjoying the outdoors.

Editors Note:

What a great biography! We love seeing Jimmy and Janet's smiling faces at all the Canopy Road Cruiser happenings.

“KAREN’S KORNER” SPACE MATTERS *by Karen Share*

How To Stuff 10 Pounds In 5 Pound Saddlebags

OK ladies, need to know what to take and what to leave at home on your motorcycle trip? Remember, space matters unless you have a trailer! So pack small; get sample sizes of everything you can, or buy mini-bottles and fill them with shampoo, etc.

Another trick I have learned is to use Winn Dixie luggage; you know, those pesky plastic bags you get at the grocery. You can pack one for clothes, one for toiletries, etc. Then when you get to your Holiday Inn campsite you just tote in the bags! If you are really upscale you could get Dillard’s bags. And those old prescription bottles are great for Q-tips, jewelry, etc. Also, it doesn’t hurt to put your maps and guides in a plastic bag just in case your saddlebags leak.

Need I tell you how to pack? Heavy stuff on the bottom (keep your center of gravity low), stuff you need (hat, suntan lotion, jacket, etc.) on top.

Live to Ride!



KAREN’S MOTORCYCLE TRIP CHECKLIST

Motorcycle Stuff

- tool kit
- tire gauge
- flat fixer
- extra oil, distilled water, etc. as needed
- spare key
- bike lock
- bike cover
- spare fuses
- bike towel
- WD-40
- GWRRA Gold Book
- shop manual

Travel Stuff

- road maps
- motel or camping guides
- money

Clothes

- rain suit
- leathers
- gloves
- jacket and liner

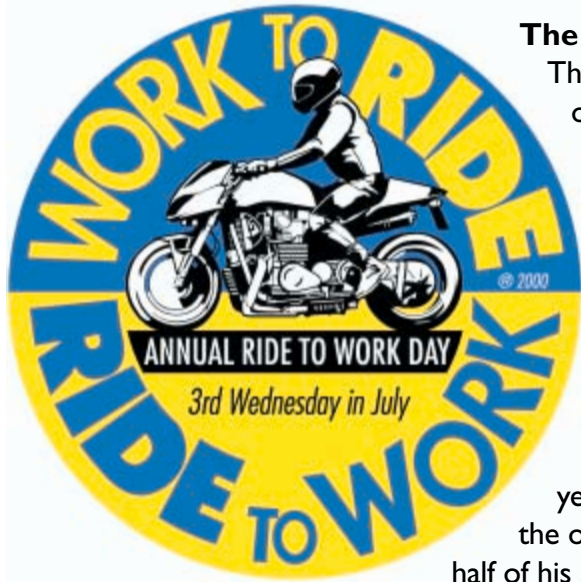
- riding clothes
- casual clothes
- jewelry
- unmentionables
- riding boots
- casual shoes or sandals
- pajamas

Toiletries

- toothbrush
- toothpaste
- chap stick
- shampoo
- conditioner
- hand lotion
- hair brush
- comb
- hair dryer
- nail clippers
- nail file
- deodorant
- Q-tips
- ear plugs (if your husband saws logs)
- prescriptions

Equipment

- first aid kit
- suntan lotion
- bunge cords
- camera
- notepad, pen, stamps, envelopes,
- address book
- alarm clock
- laundry bag



The 13th Annual National Ride To Work Day will be July 21, 2004.

The day can be an opportunity to make the point that motorcyclists are ordinary people of all ages and professions; that motorcycles get better gas mileage than cars, helping conserve resources; that they can ease traffic congestion and save parking spaces; and that they are much less damaging to the nation's highway system than cars and trucks.

Andy Goldfine, founder of Aerostich and newly elected member of the AMA Board of Directors, believes the world would be a better place if more people rode motorcycles to work. And he's doing his best to make that happen.

Goldfine has always been a believer in motorcycle commuting. Several years ago, he started actively promoting the concept with a takeoff on the old "Ride to Live, Live to Ride" slogan. Except that the "Ride to Work" half of his slogan meant literally that: Get on your bike and ride to work.

What started as a T-shirt turned into a movement. A number of people, chief among them Fred Rau and Bob and Patti Carpenter from the *Motorcycle Consumer News* staff, encouraged Goldfine to declare one day each summer as Ride to Work Day, encouraging all motorcyclists to take to the streets that day. In the years since, Ride to Work Day has become a reality on the third Wednesday of July, which makes it July 21 this year (for details, see www.ridetowork.org). It's now a major grassroots campaign with the backing of the AMA and many other groups.

Excerpt from: AMA Government Relations News & Notes. A monthly service compiled and edited by the AMA Government Relations Staff to keep motorcyclists informed of happenings around the world. Terry Lee Cook, Government Relations Specialist, 13515 Yarmouth Drive, Pickerington, OH 43147; fax 614-856-1920 or e-mail to tcCook@ama-cycle.org.

12 RULES FOR THE WING DRIVER

1. Takeoffs are optional; Stopping is mandatory.
2. Never try to drive farther than your fuel will allow.
3. When in doubt, stay home. No one ever suffered major injuries from a head-on with a remote control.
4. There are good stops and there are great stops. Any stop you can walk away from is a good one. A great one, you can drive your wing away from.
5. Learn from the mistakes of others, you may not live through yours.
6. Your probability of survival is directly and inversely proportional to your angle and speed of arrival to the stopping object. The higher the speed and closer head-on, the less chance of survival.
7. Never let your Wing take you someplace your brain hasn't spent at least 15 seconds.
8. In the eternal conflict between objects of plastic and steel moving at speed and the ground, the ground has yet to lose.
9. Good judgement comes from experience. Unfortunately experience comes from bad judgement. See rule #3
10. Keep looking around there's always something you missed.
11. Remember that gravity is not just a good idea, it's the law, and one that doesn't break easily.
12. Remember thy Co-rider for they are the bearers of great pleasure if you get it right and even greater suffering if you get it wrong.

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LOCAL RALLIES & EVENTS

2004

June	10	Chapter Meeting-Golden Corral-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
June	11	Trip to Barber Museum, Birmingham, Alabama
June	13	Return from Barber Museum Trip
June	12	Senior Center Dinner for Alzheimer's Research Center
June	17	Julia Mae's in Carrabelle - Depart # 3 at 6:30 PM
July	8	Chapter Meeting-Golden Corral-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
July	15	Seineyard's in Woodville-Depart # 3 at 6:30 PM
August	12	Chapter Meeting-Golden Corral-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
August	19	Pond House Restaurant in Bainbridge-Depart # 1 at 6:30 PM
September	9	Chapter Meeting-Golden Corral-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
September	16	O'Neil's in Thomasville- Depart # 6 at 6:30 PM
October	14	Chapter Meeting-Golden Corral-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
October	21	Savannah's at Waukulla Station-Depart # 3 at 6:30 PM
November	4	Chapter Meeting-Golden Corral-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
November	11	Chicken Pileau at Coon Bottom-Depart # 1 at 6:30 PM
December	9	Christmas Party will take the place of meeting -Tentative
December	16	No Dinner Ride

Make sure you check the latest NewsFlash (e-mail) sent out by Vanessa Shivers our Secretary/Treasurer for changes and additions to the ride calendar.

DEPARTURE POINTS

- # 1: Hardees, N. Monroe
- # 2: Circle K, Highway 20 & Capital Circle
- # 3: Circle K, Crawfordville Highway & Capital Circle
- # 4: Chevron, Highway 98 - Woodville Highway
- # 5: CITGO, Hwy., 90 - I-10 east (Cross Creek)
- # 6: NEW Publix, Thomasville - Bradfordville Roads
- # 7: Pilot Truck Stop on Hwy 90 West (previously Williams)

OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS

If you're not going on the Barber Museum Trip, **how about bringing your motorcycle to the Senior Citizens Center for their annual Dinner to benefit the Alzheimer's Reserch Center. Contact Hugh Waller for more information.**

Photo Hints:

There's a big difference between digital photos that look good on the internet (or your computer monitor) and photos that print good. Set your camera to the highest resolution setting available. That means fewer pictures, better quality. Your camera might say Best or Fine. You can always reduce the resolution (quality) for the screen but you can't add quality after the picture has been taken. 72 dpi for the screen (internet display) at the final size and 200 to 300 dpi at the final size for printing. (This is a rule of thumb for printing. It really depends on what kind of printer you are printing it on.)

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FLORIDA DISTRICT &

REGIONAL RALLIES

2004

June 17-19

Georgia District Rally
Hiawassee

July 4-8

Wing Ding
Grapevine, Texas

Aug. 11

FLI-E2
Poker Run
FT. Walton

Sept. 9-11

Region A Rally
Helen, GA

Sept. 24-25

FLI-T
Camp out & Poker Run
Crystal River

Oct. 1-2

Panhandle Bandits
Annual Getaway
Crestview

Oct. 2

FL2-L
Poker Run & Bike Show
Lakeland

Oct. 3

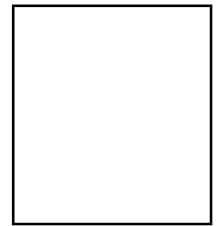
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Volusia Mall Show
Daytona

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