



2012

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A Few words from Bill & Sue

Well as you can tell the weather has been great so far and wow our riding season is just getting started. We kick it off with a Carter Cave ride. They are still giving winter tours at this time, In April we will be off to My Old Kentucky Home in Bardstown. I will need a volunteer to lead that one as I can't make it due to other obligations.

As you can see we canceled the Falls Creak Falls ride. We thought it would be important to support the new chapter W in Corbin Kentucky. This will be their Kick off so lets go and have a great time and lots of FUN, Will have more details at our gathering so don't miss it.

If you want to attended the OCP class the weekend of March 31st to April 1st please let me know, This way I can let Pat Coe who is attending. It will be in Shelbyville at the Best Western it starts at 8 am Saturday and Sunday.

Lets give a big hand to the new Membership Enhancement Coordinator Randy and Denise Coy. And a big thanks to Dedre Vanhoose for doing a great job with it and best of luck on District Team.

Bill & Sue Mucha CD KY-C

Kentucky Plaque

Plaque was captured at chapter G;s gathering on March 2ed and Chapter S won it. Also in attendance were Chapter's A,C, G, S, and N as you can see we did not bring it home. Thanks to Mike, Doug, Sue and my self for trying to capturing the Plaque. Next time is chapter S in Elisabeth Town on April the 15th at Golden Coral. They Eat at 4 pm and Meet at 5 pm hope a few of you can come along for the ride and try and capture it.



RIDER EDUCATION





Riders Education

Did everyone set their clock forward on Saturday, March 10th? Well, it's too late now!!!! With daylight giving us more ride time we need to remember to get some parking lot practice in. Some people may be a little rusty from the cold weather this year. In order to continue being safe you need to practice all you can to get your motoring legs under you again. As always please wear the appropriate clothing every time you ride, complete a full check of your motorcycle before you hit the road, and make certain you are in the right frame of mind to be able to ride safely.

We are always offering riders education and Medic First Aid classes for those that want them. I encourage every participant to enjoy the free education available to each and every one of you.

One big, very big event coming up is a new ride for our district. Over Memorial Day weekend we are going to embark on the state perimeter ride. This will take in about 1300 miles over four days. We will leave out on Friday morning at 9:00 from Louisville at the intersection of 264 and 31 west. We will make 14 required stops on the way to have our pictures taken at these checkpoints, and we will be staying overnight at three (3) of our wonderful state parks along the way. We have reserved 15 lodge rooms and 15 camping spaces for those riding with us. If you are interested in joining us on this new and wonderful experience, RSVP Pat or Loralee and get your name on the list. If there are enough participants we will break into two or three groups for the ride. We are reserving a block of rooms at Kenlake State Park, Dale Hollow State Park, and Jenny Wiley State Park. They are all very nice accommodations with some excellent scenery around them. We hope you can join us on this first ever event in our district. We will have patches created to acknowledge completion of the ride. We will provide additional details at chapter gatherings over the next couple of months or you can call us with any request for information.

We hope to see everyone at our meeting this month and as always, ride safe!! Friends for FUN, Safety and Knowledge!!!

We are Kentucky Proud,

Michael VanHoose Chapter Educator



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, Bruce Bigelow, Cliff Planck, Sue and Bill Mucha.

Great thanks go out to Mick and Dedre VanHoose as the COY for the chapter for chasing down the mascot. Give them a big hand for all the work they are doing.

Birthdays

Martha Samples March 1st
Mitchell Young March 1st
James Elam March 7th
Jeannie Bigelow March 31st
Michael VanHoose April 5th
Brenda Wise April 11th
Lena Campbell April 14th
Brenda Wise April 16th
Russ Bell (La Goo) April 24th



Anniversaries

Rick and Brenda Wise March 20th



KY-C MONTHLY GATHERING INFO

Don't forget our Gathering place !!!!

The Bluegrass Wings gather the 4th Tuesday of every month at Golden Corral 185 East New Circle Road, Lexington, KY 40505-2114 (859) 299-1600



Winning the mascot at chapter A gathering





2012 Chapter C Couple of

the Year

As your couple of the year, we wanted to bring you up to speed on our adventures. We had a very busy month in February, and March has not shown any signs of letting up.

We started off visiting Chapter H where Custard was having a big time with Rick and Liz Broadway. We won the mascot that night and brought Custard home. While he was with Dedre and I, he made a presentation at Dedre's work, helped with the Backpack for Kids program at church and also helped us serve dinner. He has his food handlers' license you know. Rick even gave him a hair bonnet. Custard went to physical therapy with Mike and afterward went to Bluegrass Community and Technical College for class and now has an honorary degree in Communications. Our cat Tiger even had a temporary playmate that week. We took Custard to Chapter N where the folks from Chapter G won him. We know he is in good hands. Mike went to Chapter G to try to win him back, but Chapter A has him now. We'll be headed there on Saturday, March 17 to try to get him again.

Aside from traveling for the mascot we paid visits to Chapters V, S, N, G and W. Did I forget to mention that we have a new chapter in Kentucky? Please, everyone welcome the new Chapter W to our ranks. They are in Corbin and meet the second Thursday of the month at their Shoney's off I 75 at exit 29. We hope that everyone makes them welcome and comes to their kickoff gathering on May 19 at Levi Jackson State Park from 11:00 until about 2:30. We hope the sun shines and there are plenty of bikes on hand.

Thanks for all your support and we hope to see you at the next chapter gathering!!

Michael and Dedre VanHoose 2012 Chapter C Couple of the Year





Ride Events

Web page www.gwrrakyc.org



March:

27th: Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral

31st: Carter Caves Ride 10: 00 am meet at parking lot behind Marathon station

April:

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

22ed: Babb family benefit See flyer in closed.

24th: Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral

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

May:

5th: Kentucky Derby Ride at 1000. Meet at the First Christian Church in Versailles, KY at 0900 for 3hours Leadership Training, then short ride through the horse farms, and 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 @ Golden Corral

June:

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 @ Golden Corral

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 @ Golden Corral

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

<u>August:</u>

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 @ Golden Corral

September:

September 20 thru 22 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!

Some of our chapter members have been quite busy visiting other chapters, and we greatly appreciate you! Bill, Sue, Mike and Dedre went to Chapter S for the first time this month. They've got the traveling plaque, so we'll be heading that way again on Sunday, April 15. Bill, Sue, Mike, Doug and Esther Coy went to Chapter A to try to capture the Couple of the Year mascot and were successful! The mascot will be up for grabs at our next meeting on Tuesday. The Coys (Randy, Denise, Doug and Esther) visited Chapter V this past week. Apparently Esther has been pretty lucky at 50/50! I can't wait to meet her and see if her luck will rub off! Come and join us on our visits to other chapters! Their dates and times are on the KY District website, but feel free to contact Bill Mucha or Mike VanHoose for a meeting place to ride together. Their info is on the front cover of the newsletter.

If you have any suggestions or dates for rides, be sure to let Mike VanHoose know. Hope to see you at our meeting on Tuesday!

Dedre VanHoose Membership Enhancement Feel free to contact me with any questions - dedrej2@aol.com or 859-229-5859

Passing of Stacy Babb

It is with great Regret to announce the passing of Stacy Babb. Please check your emails for information on funeral arrangements and the benefit that was planed.

From Dave Gove Chapter Director KY-H

Chapter H members & District N Chapter Directors,

It is with great sadness that we tell you we have lost one of our Chapter members. Stacey Babb passed away this morning after a long battle with cancer. We had previously sent to you background information regarding her health, and the Babb Family Benefit to be held Sunday afternoon, 22 April, here in Shelbyville.

Viewing will be Wednesday at the Shannon Funeral Home on Main St., Shelbyville. Time not available yet.

Burial will be Thursday in Edmonton (about 15 miles East of Glasgow). Time not available yet.

I'll pass on the time for the above events when available.

Cards may be sent to Tim and son Alex Babb at:

4962 Bell Ave.

Shelbyville, Ky. 40065



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.tngwrra.org/downloads/SpringFlingReg.pdf

June 14 thru 16

West Virginia District Convention "Down Home Rally"

Summersville, West Virginia

http://www.wvgwrra.org/newsletters/RallyForm2012.pdf

August 9 thru 11

Kentucky District "Blast" Convention "Derby Days"

Frankfort, Kentucky

http://gwraky.com/Doc/2012%20Convention%20flyer-5.pdf

September 20 thru 22

North Carolina District Convention "Wings Over North Carolina"

Concord, North Carolina

http://www.gwvranc.org/

October 4 thru 6

Virginia District Convention "Rally in the Valley"

Salem, Virginia

110 web page infro 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.

Babb Family Benefit

Sunday April 22, 2012

First Christian Church 1000 Eminence Pike Shelbyville, KY 40065

1:00 PM

Motorcycle Display/Silent Auction
Spaghetti Meal - \$5 per person – free for ages 5 and under
Baked goods/Drinks – donations accepted

3:00 PM

Concert – Exitup – Classic Rock/Christian Rock
Live Auction at Intermission

Wrap up 5:00

Baked Goods and Auction Items Accepted

Contact info: Dr. J. Howard Griffith 502-633-2763

All proceeds go to help Tim and Stacy with all the medical bills that have accumulated. About six months after Alex was born, Stacey was diagnosed with a brain tumor and had to undergo immediate surgery. The surgery was successful and they were able to remove the entire tumor. They did 30 treatments of radiation as precaution to kill any cancer cells that may have been left. The treatments covered the head and entire spine. This past September, she had to go back to the hospital because of headaches, they found 3 new tumors. The neuro-surgeon did not want to operate due to the locations of the tumors. After discussion with oncologists he decided to do surgery on the largest of the three tumors. He was able to remove almost half of that tumor. Due to the locations of the tumors, further surgery is not possible. Also, because she had 30 treatments of radiation many years ago, she was only able to get 11 treatments this time. So they are relying completely on chemotherapy and praying for a miracle.

For Donations make Checks payable to: 'First Christian Church c/o Babb Family Benefit'
Mail checks to: Babb Family Benefit
c/o Dr. J. Howard Griffith
1256 Cambridge Dr.
Shelbyville, Ky. 40065





Appalachian Region N Quilt Raffle - Fund Raiser

A quilt consisting of a segment representing each of the Chapters and Districts within Region N is currently under construction by a few of our fine members from Virginia. A 10" by 10" cloth panel has been requested from each of our Chapters. The segments should be no larger than 10" by 10", with the display panel being no larger than 8" by 8". This will leave a 1" border around all four sides of the panel, so that it may be sewn into the quilt. The panels will then be used to fabricate a two sided quilt, which will be awarded based on one ticket drawn at the 2012 Virginia Rally In the Valley Convention. Two books, containing 10 tickets each, have been distributed to each Chapter and District Director in Region N, for sale at \$5.00 each, to those members who wish to take a chance, or chances, to win this "one of a kind" quilt. Advance ticket sales have begun, and will continue through March 31, 2012. After that date, additional tickets may be purchased at the Tennessee, West Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina and Virginia Conventions, where the quilt will be on display. Ticket sales proceeds will go to support Region "N" operational costs.

CHAPTER SALES INCENTIVE: The Chapter selling the most tickets, during the period of 15 November and 31 March (and turning in the funds collected not later than 31 March) will receive a \$100.00 cash reward.

Raffle tickets are being distributed by, additional tickets may be obtained from, and funds should be turned-in (no later than March 31, 2012) to:

Jennifer Knight 2800 Ida Avenue Chester, VA 23831 Ph: (804) 898-1089

Email: willsgirl56@aol.com

Ouilt segments should be mailed to:

Debbie Dowell 6828 Dan Street Richmond, VA 23231 Ph: (804) 222-1303

Email: dowellmickev@comcast.net

Thanks in advance to all who support this fund raising project, so that we may better serve the members.

Your Region Team Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge



Photo of an actual quilt that was constructed for, and awarded at the 2011 Virginia Convention