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MI - Chapter O
Lakeshore Wings
Holland MI
Region D
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Kortman Kaleidoscope

Glenn & Becky Kortman

Now that spring is here & you want to ride there are a few things that we need to do/ check before we head out for the first ride.

Make sure your tires are up to pressure & in good shape; i.e. tread ware, cracks, and porcupine quills. Check all your lights especially headlight, tail lights & indicators that: they are in working order.

Do your T-CLOCKS; check over your riding gear for fit, wear, and/or working order of components. Also, remember the intercom in the helmets. Your CB radio for the channel it is on is it transmitting as well as receiving. We all want to be able to hear you when necessary, like when there is road kill, a dog, deer, people in on or near the road, tell a funny story or a good joke. :)

If you pull a trailer check it out, too. Bulbs that worked last fall may not now - due to corrosion broke wire or just burned out. Remember the bearings on the axle (if your trailer has one) need to be greased too. Make your rides more enjoyable with less stress.

Remember they (the other drivers) haven't seen us (motorcycles) on the road for a while and might not see or pay attention to us.

SO BE CAREFUL OUT THERE

Chapter "O" Spring Campout

Please join us for a week-end of fun. The campground is under new ownership - Debbie & Rick Norman. They have made many new improvements. One thing is they added on to the community room to accommodate larger groups. We have the room reserved for our potluck.

Of course we will have a group POTLUCK on Saturday night and for those who do not camp, you are welcome to join us for supper. After a full belly we will gather around the campfire and tell stories. Maybe Dick will get some "tale to tell" information.

Where: Mecosta Pines in Morley

Telephone: 231-856-4556

When: May 20 - 22

Cost: \$20.00 per night - electric & water

If you want to join us, you will have to call the campground and make reservations, be sure to tell them you are with Chapter O.

Any questions - Call Mary @ 616-530-6418 or Sandi @ 616-734-4114

A Tale to Tell – Points well taken

Dick Wynsma

If you ever received a ticket for speeding, texting, running a red (yellow) light, making an improper turn or causing, an accident – you were probably rewarded points on your drivers record. When you build up enough points you lose the privilege to drive (your driver's license). Getting points is not a good thing to do. UNTIL NOW! Now you have the opportunity to get good "O" points (chips). You can get them for many things – here are just a few: Attend a breakfast gathering, have dinner with the chapter, wear your pride, bring a friend (WOW how easy is that!) Or by chance – find a Chapter O sticker or you may be the lucky holder for a second & third drawing of your 50/50 tickets. Now that you know how to get points – What could happen when you do?

I'll give you some possibilities: If you leave your chips (points) on the table, you could lose to the "O" person seated next to you or across from you, you could sell them to help pay for your meal, you could give them to your best friend.

From time to time you will have a chance to buy stuff with your chips. At the March Gathering – for instance -2 pies were auctioned off (Thank You Gina) One went for 600 points and the raspberry one (my favorite) that I was bidding on, went for 1150 points to a member of the State Staff. He only had that many points because the rest of the State Staff pitched in their chips. All in all this has proven to be a good motivator for all of us. We have more people attending so they can participate in the rewards program. The whole thing was the brain child of one person. JEAN. Thanks for the good idea. (Comment from Jean – I only planted the idea and Glenn & Becky make it grow!) "O" and one more thing -be sure to leave your chips at home next time, just in case another raspberry pie comes up for bids. I'll remember to bring mine!

CHAPTER O – CARE CORNER

new grand daughter – Jack & Gina
good tests results – Jean
good results - Lynn
Cancer – Bruce H.
Infection/knee replacement – Joan Z.

WHO ARE WE? *Read the clues to figure out who are we; tell Glenn or Becky to be rewarded 50 points for the first correct response, 25 pts for the second and third correct response.*

This Chapter O Couple have been together a long time, longer than most by today's standard. They own 3 Bikes; no wonder their hobbies are the same. He might be called a Speed Racer by the younger generation, and on a clear day she can see for miles and miles and miles. One of them is allowed to pack heat in all but 3 states. GOOD LUCK!

March's *Who Are We?* was Carl & Mary
Thank you to all who called emailed and asked. We had superb amount participation!

Good luck with this month's couple.

April 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 April Fool's Day	2
3	4	5 Jean W. B-day Dick's & Jean's Anniversary	6 RIDE Dick W 6:30 PM POPS	7	8	9 9AM CHAPTER GATHERING Hudsonville Grille Toni G B-day Spring Tune Up at Bruce V.
10 Jim V. B-day Gayan B-day	11 RIDE	12	13 RIDE Mike B. 6:30 PM	14	15	16 Dorothy B-day Bob R. B-day Spring Officers Meeting at Lexington Hotel , Lansing
17	18 RIDE	19	20 RIDE Herm 6:30 PM	21	22 Newsletter deadline	23 Deb C. B-day
24 EASTER	25 RIDE	26	27 RIDE Bernie 6:30 PM	28	29	30

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- 4-6 FIRST RIDE of the season, we are going to POPS in Walker. Dick W - leading
- 4-9 *CHAPTER GATHERING*(meeting); Hudsonville Grille, 4676 32nd Avenue
Bruce V. would like to host a Spring Tune Up of Bikes.
- 4-13 DINNER RIDE – Mike B. leading.
- 4-16 Spring Officers Meeting (CD, MEC, RE, and Treasurer)
- 4-20 DINNER RIDE– Herm leading.
- 4-22 Newsletters deadline; submit an article, a recipe, ideas, etc. get rewarded.
- 4-27 DINNER RIDE– Bernie leading.

DAY RIDES– We meet at 10 AM at Community Restaurant in Zeeland. We don't know where we are going until we leave. This is a great day ride, usually 2 hour ride to a restaurant then a meandering ride homeward.

UPCOMING

MAY

20-22 Camping – Mecosta Pines see/call Mary B. with questions and interest.

JUNE

18 Central Motor Sports is putting on their annual MOTORCYCLE OLYMPICS.
 25 or 26 ERC classes, Ionia, MI – see Jim for details and a sign up form

JULY

6-9th WING DING - Wing Ding 33, "Rollin' on Rocky Top", will be held in Knoxville, TN
 29-30th Michigan District Rally - *Ogemaw County Fairgrounds, West Branch MI*

AUG

6 Veterans Ride (see Wayne for details)
 19 25th Midnight Ride – Chapter G

OCT

7-9 Camping – Mecosta Pines see/call Mary B. with questions and interest.

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SAFETY CORNER

Jim Voogd, Ride Educator

Motorcycle Safety Test #3

1. When a car and motorcycle collide, most often it is because the car driver:
 - a. Runs the motorcycle off the road.
 - b. Collides head-on with the motorcycle.
 - c. Turns in front of the motorcycle.
 - d. Runs into the motorcycle from the side.
 - e. Is reading a comic book.
2. People ride motorcycles because:
 - a. They're fun to drive.
 - b. They cost less to buy and insure, and get better gas mileage than most cars.
 - c. Motorcycles are easier to park.
 - d. All of the above.
3. A drunk person can sober up by:
 - a. Waiting.
 - b. Eating.
 - c. Drinking water or coffee.
 - d. All of the above.
4. Because motorcycles only use a small portion of the road, it's okay to share the lane with them.
 - a. True
 - b. False
5. How often should motorcyclists check their mirrors for traffic and for motorcycles?
 - a. Every day.
 - b. Once or twice per minute.
 - c. Every 15 seconds.
 - d. Every 5-7 seconds.
6. What time of year do you expect to see motorcycles on the road?
 - a. Spring.
 - b. Summer
 - c. Fall
 - d. Winter
 - e. All of the above.
7. What would you suggest motorcyclists could do to be better drivers?
 - a. Allow cars to share the lane with them.
 - b. Pay attention, obey traffic laws and be courteous to other drivers.
 - c. Wear protective gear.
 - d. All of the above.
8. Why do motorcycle riders wiggle around on the seat, stand on the foot pegs, flap their arms and legs or stick their butts out?
 - a. They're stretching their muscles.
 - b. They're flirting with other drivers.
 - c. They're trying to get stinging insects out of their jackets.
 - d. They're listening to the radio.
9. Motorcyclists use hand signals:
 - a. Because they don't have turn signals.
 - b. To draw attention to themselves.
 - c. To intimidate other drivers.
 - d. Because they don't know where their turn signals are.
 - e. Either a or b could be correct.
10. Whenever a motorcycle's turn signal is flashing, it means the rider intends to turn or change lanes.
 - a. True
 - b. False

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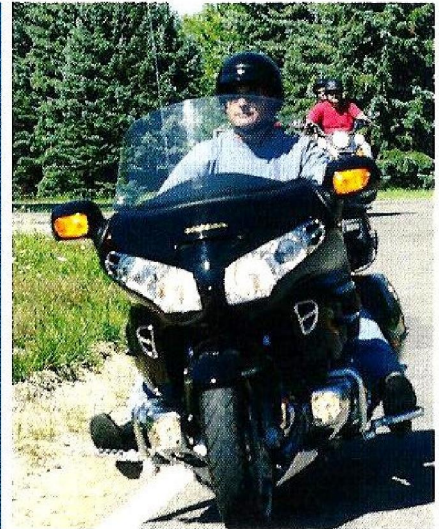
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