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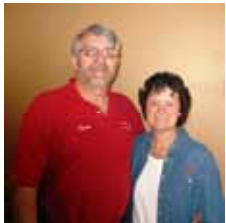
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BARBER'S BABBLE

Well here it is Memorial Day weekend and the beginning of summer and it looks like some beautiful weather coming our way. For those of you planning on traveling this summer I hope that you have a good time and return safely.

On another note, I would like to invite each and every chapter member to join me in visiting other chapter functions (meetings, etc). If you are interested I would like to hear from you, I think it is very important to support one another. So if you are interested please let me know, I will try to compile a list soon so we can decide as a group which ones we would like to attend.

Thanks to all our military personnel from the bottom of my heart. **GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!**



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Chapter Gathering Information

The Chapter O gathering is the 2nd Saturday of the month. We have breakfast at 9:00 A.M. followed by our meeting. Location: Yellow Jacket Inn 12011 Lake Michigan Drive.

Dinner Rides

We ride every Wednesday, April through October. We leave from the Allendale High School parking lot, 10760 68th St. Allendale Mi. at 6:30. November – March: Dinner is on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday. Location to be announced.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <u>Birthday</u> Hank Van Kampen Day Ride	2	3 <u>Dinner</u> Mike B. <u>Birthday</u> Joan Zwiers	4	5 <u>Birthday</u> Merritt Zwiers	6
7 <u>Anniversary</u> Steve & Barb Siegel	8	9 Day Ride	10 <u>Dinner</u> Denny B.	11	12	13 Breakfast Gathering
14 <u>Anniversary</u> Herm & Lori Patow	15	16 <u>Birthday</u> Steve Siegel	17 <u>Dinner</u> John B.	18 Day Ride	19	20 <u>Anniversary</u> Tom & Gayan Anys
21 <u>Birthday</u> Mike Bursma	22 <u>Birthday</u> Tom Guy	23 <u>Anniversary</u> Jim & Marylou Pilafas	24 <u>Brown Bag</u> George E.	25	26 <u>Anniversary</u> Ken & Kathleen Heibel Day Ride	27 <u>Anniversary</u> Bob & Jan Rosales <u>Birthday</u> Ken Heibel George Eisen
28	29 <u>Birthday</u> Lori Walters	30				

FOR A CURRENT AND UPDATED CALENDAR VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT www.gwrra-mi.org/chapter/O/index.htm. This calendar is updated as events change during the current month. If you have updates to the on-line calendar, please contact Connie Barber at 616-786-4918 or email: barber_74@hotmail.com

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

By Becky Kortman

June 1	Day Ride (Monday)
June 3	Dinner Ride
June 9	Day Ride (Tuesday)
June 10	Dinner Ride
June 13	Breakfast meeting
June 13	Bike Raffle Tickets due
June 17	Dinner Ride
June 18	Day Ride (Thursday)
June 24	Brown bag & Dessert Auction
June 26	Day Ride (Friday)
June 29	D2 Ride to Hell & back
July 2-5	Wing Ding, Tulsa OK
July 6	Day Ride (Monday)
July 11	Breakfast meeting
July 17-19	MI District Rally - West Branch, MI

June 13 - Breakfast meeting at the Yellow Jacket 9:00am meeting to follow

June 13 - ALL raffle tickets MUST be turned in...

June 24 - First brown bag of the season. On the last Wednesday of the months of **June, July & August** we have a brown bag ride. The leader will pick a nice picnic area and we bring a picnic lunch. We will also have our dessert auction. Dessert should be for 2 or more. Please wrap your dessert so it will be a surprise to the highest bidder. **(Please keep in mind you do not have to bring a dessert you can still bid on a dessert).** WHY DO WE HAVE A DESSERT AUCTION? The money raised will go to a local children charity. We have given to B93 in the past for the Roof Sit.

July 2-5 Wing Ding - Tulsa OK

July 11 - Breakfast meeting at the Yellow Jacket at 9:00 a.m. Meeting to follow

July 17-19 MI State Rally in West Branch MI. Chapter O has PA duly and handing out shirts on Saturday July 18 in the morning. Talk to Denny if you are able to attend and help out.

JUST FYI!!

Midnight Ride - August 22 is the Midnight ride to the bridge. As in the past many of us are staying at Mackinaw Motor Lodge. If you reserved a room last year and did not get a confirmation yet, call them. If you did not put in a reservation and you would like to go, Donna says she still has a couple of rooms and a few cottages left. Give her a call **231-436-5741**. Be sure to tell them you are with Chapter O.

Chapter O campers: We will be camping at Bear Lake for the Labor Day weekend.

Chapter O Directory - If you have any updates to make to the phone directory or the emergency list - please get them to me. You can e-mail me the updates - jigacademe567@altelco.net

For all persons interested in a weekly day ride:

On May 12th there were 10 of us that met at Community Restaurant in Zeeland to look at what we could do to get a day time ride started. We tossed it around and this is what we came up with. On the first week of the month we will ride on Monday, the second week we will ride on Tuesday, the third week we wide on Thursday, and the fourth week on Friday. This should give everyone that is interested the best chance to find a day that works for them. All rides will leave Community Restaurant in Zeeland at 10 a.m. If you want coffee or breakfast first, get there early. We will pick a destination for lunch and get a volunteer to lead on the day of the ride. So, come with ideas.

Our first ride we rode some nice roads for 1 ½ hours and ended at Keiser’s Kitchen in Lowell for lunch. We had 5 bikes. After a good lunch we headed back. Two bikes had to get straight back and the other 3 took a more scenic route.

This ride will be open to everyone! I put together a list of upcoming rides for the rest of the season. If you have any questions, give me a call, Dick Wynsma - 616-662-0859.

					May 29	
	June 1					
		June 9				
				June 18		
					June 26	*note skip 5 th week
	July 6					
		July 14				
				July 23		
					July 31	
	Aug 3					
		Aug 11				
				Aug 20		
					Aug 28	
	Aug 31					
		Sept 8				
				Sept. 17		
					Sept. 25	*note skip 5 th week
	Oct 5					
		Oct 13				
				Oct 22		
					Oct 30	

THE SAFETY CORNER

By Tom Anys



UPS drivers are some of the safest on the road. Despite having more than 117,000 drivers worldwide, logging more than a billion miles each year, UPS averages fewer than one accident per millions miles driven.

What make these men and women so safe? The answer can be traced back to 1917, when UPS bicycle messengers and drivers of the company's Ford Model T package-delivery vehicles were given their first defensive driving handbook. Over the years, UPS has continued to modify and improve its safe-driving program. At its core are "Five Seeing Habits". These techniques stress the importance of space and visibility. Applied to motorcycling, these can act as commandments for safe riding methods that focus on avoiding potential accident scenarios versus simply reacting to them.

Aim high in steering: Look as far down the road as possible to uncover important traffic information to make appropriate decisions.

Get the big picture: Maintain the proper following distance so you can comfortably determine the true hazards around your vehicle. Never tailgate others.

Keep your eyes moving: Scan, don't stare. Constantly shift your eyes while driving. Active eyes keep up with changing traffic conditions.

Leave yourself an out: Be prepared. Surround your vehicle with enough space in front and on at least one side to escape conflict.

Make sure they see you: Communicate in traffic with your horn, lights and turn signals to establish eye contact with other motorists and pedestrians. Be reasonably sure of their intentions.

UPS has turned the concept of safe driving methods into more than a program. It has become a societal value, one that strives to make roads less dangerous. By incorporating these tips into everyday riding, motorcyclists worldwide may one day be able to boast of a safety record of one accident per millions miles ridden.

Ron Lieback
Cycle World

Wednesday Night 50/50 Raffle:

May 6 – Mike & Laurie Bursema
May 20 – Bruce Veltema

May 13 – Tom & Toni Guy
May 27 –

May Breakfast Gathering:

Chapter Pride – Robert Scholl (son of CJ & Carol)
Progressive – Mary Briggs
50/50 Raffle – Glenn & Becky Kortman
Goldwing Raffle – Mary Briggs

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