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## BARBER'S BABBLE

I cannot believe it is already Autumn, where has the summer gone!!! By the time you read this we will have already gone to the Das Essenhouse. October brings us 2 GREAT Chapter O functions that are a must go to: Oct 3 – Steak Fry and Oct 17 – Bon Fire – Don't miss out!

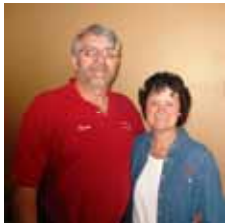
We have really had an excellent September as far as weather goes, we can only hope that we still have some good riding weather in October!!

I want to take this time to thank all the people that make this chapter what it is (that is the whole chapter), without the help of each and every one of you we would not be able to do what we do. THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart.

Until we meet again and ride again!

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Denny & Connie



**Herm & Lori Patow**  
**Chapter "O" 2009**  
**COUPLE OF THE YEAR**



### Chapter Gathering Information

The Chapter O gathering is the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 68<sup>th</sup> St. Allendale Mi. at 6:30. November – March: Dinner is on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday. Location to be announced.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 <b>STEAK FRY</b>
4	5 <b>Day Ride</b>	6	7 <b>Dinner</b> Herm Patow  <b>Birthday</b> John Boockmeier	8	9	10 <b>Breakfast Gathering</b>
11	12 <b>Anniversary</b> Carl & Mary Briggs	13  <b>Day Ride</b>	14 <b>Dinner</b> Denny Barber	15 <b>Birthday</b> Mary Briggs	16	17 <b>BON FIRE</b>
18	19	20	21 <b>Dinner</b> Steve Siegel Stable Inn	22  <b>Day Ride</b>	23	24
25 <b>Anniversary</b> Denny & Connie Barber <b>Birthday</b> Vicki Van Wingerden	26	27	28 <b>Dinner</b> Dick Wynsam Pop's Diner <b>Anniversary</b> Joe & Pam Karafa	29	30  <b>Day Ride</b>	31

FOR A CURRENT AND UPDATED CALENDAR  
VISIT OUR  
WEB SITE AT [www.gwrra-  
mi.org/chapter/O/index.htm](http://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

## October

3        Steak Fry  
7        Dinner Ride  
9-11    Mecosta Pines Camping  
10       Breakfast Meeting  
14       Dinner Ride  
17       Bon Fire  
21       Dinner Ride  
28       LAST official Dinner Ride  
SEE CALENDAR for day ride schedule

- ❖ **STEAK FRY** – at John & Jan Boockmeier’s house. A special “end of the season” thank you meal for a great riding season. 5:00 is the social hour with the meal at 6 p.m.
- ❖ **MECOSTA PINES CAMPING** – A few hardy campers will head up to Mecosta Pines for Camping. If you would love to go, call Mecosta Pine Campground for reservations. Have a great time!
- ❖ **BREAKFAST MEETING** – Meet at the Yellow Jacket at 9 a.m. for a buffet breakfast and a short meeting to follow. Perhaps if the weather is nice, we could go for a color tour and visit our friends camping at Mecosta Pines.
- ❖ **BON FIRE** - Our annual bon fire at the Briggs! What a fun way to end the riding season. We all enjoy our time around the giant fire! Fun starts at 6 p.m. or whenever you can make it. The chapter will provide the meat and beverage and everyone is to bring a dish to pass. You don’t want to miss out!
- ❖ **DINNER RIDES** – Meet at Allendale High School on Wednesdays. We leave at 6:30p.m., to a restaurant of the leaders choosing. See weekly emails for more information. If you are not on the email list contact Connie Barber.
- ❖ **DAY RIDES** – Meet at the Community Restaurant in Zeeland, rides leave at 10 a.m. Destinations to be determined each ride before leaving Zeeland. Contact Dick Wynsma for more information.

**Wednesday Night 50/50 Raffle:**

September 2 – Herm & Lori Patow                      September 9 – Dick & Jean Wynsma  
September 16 – Bernie & Donna Van Tuinen  
September 23 – Bernie & Donna Van Tuinen  
September 30 – to be announce in next month's issue

**September Breakfast Gathering:**

Chapter Pride – Steve Siegel  
Progressive – Wayne Harmsen – but he was not there to claim it – Sorry!  
50/50 Raffle – John Boockmeier

# THE SAFETY CORNER

By Tom Anys



So, who are you sharing the road with today?

SOMEBODY:

...dropping things while driving and then looking for them on the floor.

...very young and very inexperienced driver

...very old and cannot really drive anymore

...with very poor night vision, possibly not legal to drive after dark – throw in raining

...looking into sunrise or sunset while waiting to pull into an intersection

...with a physical ailment: cannot hardly turn their neck from side to side to look for traffic coming

...who just broke up with somebody and is highly emotional and definitely NOT thinking about driving

...texting or talking on the cell phone with driving

...tired, groggy, nodding off to sleep

...who has been drinking or under the influence of some kind of drug, possibly even a legal drug

...whose vehicle has bad brakes, shocks, steering or tires or maybe all those things are bad

Just look around, everybody has their own unique story and possible hazards they could impede.

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