



October 2024 Newsletter



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Chapter P Gathering Information

NO GATHERING IN OCTOBER

Next Gathering

Saturday

November 9th 2024 9:00 AM

Lizard's Thicket

4616 Augusta Rd. (US-1)



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The Chapter that rides...

CHAPTER DIRECTORS JOHN & CINDY WOOD



Friends, before I go into the normal items of the Newsletter I'd like everyone to send prayers to everyone across the country affected by Hurricane Helene. There are many suffering, so offer a prayer and help if you can. God Bless.

Now that we've entered into Fall the temperatures should begin to drop to a point where we can get out and ride more comfortably. A few of us rode to the mountains last week expecting more colorful leaves, but it must still be a little early. As we enter into the final quarter of 2024 we have many events on the horizon. The first weekend in October 5th is filled with many events, including the Warbird Weekend Static Aviation Show in Greenville, Oktoberfest event in Newberry, and on October 6th is the 21st Annual Texas Roadhouse



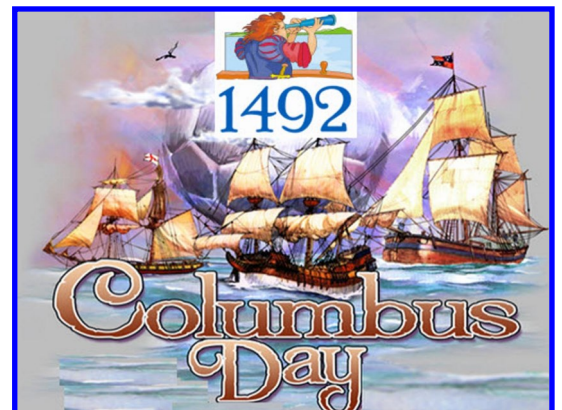
2024 Ride benefitting Homes for our Troops. October will also host the Annual District Picnic at Santee State Park. This will be a combination camping event coupled with a picnic on Saturday, October 12th. Since the picnic falls on our normal monthly Gathering day we won't be having a Gathering in October. In an effort to keep folks informed of what is going on, as I mentioned at our last Gathering, the "dates to remember" section along with the District Calendar will have our upcoming events listed. Updating the District Calendar of Chapter P events can only be done by the Chapter Director. With that said, I'll continue to send emails updating members of these upcoming events. I'd ask you to look ahead at upcoming months on the calendar for longer range planning, i.e. the Chapter Christmas Party, and/or the Vets Ride in order for you to plan your personal events to fit things into your schedules. Our normal monthly activities will not normally change, but information on times and locations will. Please refer to these two items for what's happening in the Chapter, District, & other Chapters in South Carolina. I mentioned needing a commitment from the Chapter members (8) to carry the flags for the parade in the Lexington Veterans Day Parade, November 3rd, In the last couple years it's been a struggle getting enough folks to carry the flags. Please let me know if you can assist. Thanks

In September the Chapter had two Chapter Dinners and our Monthly Gathering. In addition, we had several members participate in a 9/11 Memorial to Charleston sponsored by American Legion Post 147. It was a wet ride, but the route was great along with the police escort keeping us all safe. Another event added for September was a Mountain Camping/Riding trip to Willville Motorcycle Camp in the Meadows of Dan, Virginia. The weather was good, riding was great, and on our return trip we stopped and spent some time at the North Carolina Rally. Due to severe weather our Retiree Ride to Buffalo, SC had to be canceled, but we can make the trip in October. Mother natures wrath forced the cancellation of our breakfast ride to Shealy's and to Piedmont, SC for the Vintage Motorcycle Show. Went to the meeting spot to see if some hadn't gotten the word and behold we had four bikes. We couldn't let the great weather go to waste so we decided to head to Neeses for breakfast at Piggly Wiggly. Next we headed to Aiken for some ice cream at Flannagan's but it was closed. I was amazing to see the devastation around Aiken. We headed for home, a nice ride and special time with friends. As the month comes to a close, I ask folks to make time to participate in our events, dinners, rides, etc. Just a reminder, if you plan to attend the District Picnic on October 12th-Please let Mary Coral know

****** I'm looking for someone interested in serving as Chapter Director, please get with me.******
We have a vacant Staff Position - Assistant Safety/Ride Coordinator. If interested get with Rich Kitko.

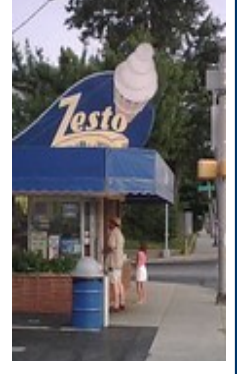
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John & Cindy

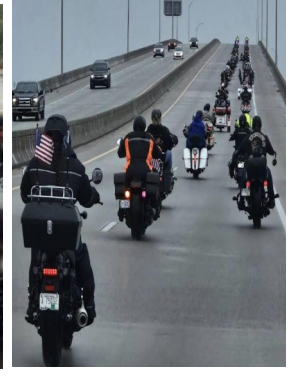


Past Events for September

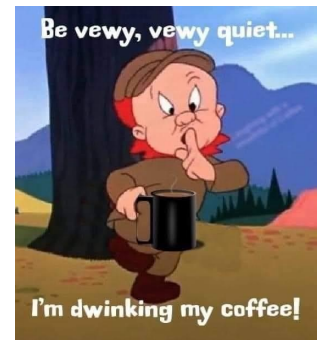
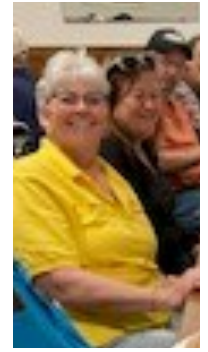
Chapter Dinner—Zesto's



9/11 Memorial Ride to Charleston, SC-September 8th



Chapter Gathering-Lizards Thicket-September 14th
Mary Ventresco took the Quarter Jar, Rick & Linda Ventresco took both 50-25-25 drawing.



Campout and Mountain Ride-Meadows of Dan, Virginia



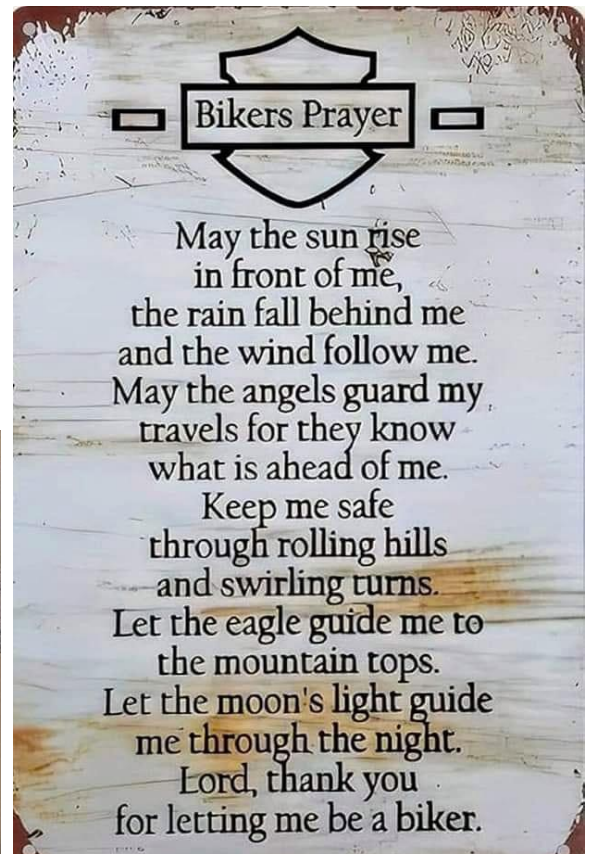
Willeville Motorcycle Campground



A quick stop at the NC Rally on the way home.



Chapter Dinner
San Jose'
Mexican
Restaurant



Assistant Directors & Webmaster Bob and Donna Baum



Another month has passed, and I think we have only been on one short ride. Hopefully, our riding will pick up as the weather gets a little cooler. And our schedule slows down a little.

I did come across something interesting in the last week or so. I read a story about someone who had been in an accident with his trike. He had gotten banged up, but the bike took the brunt of it. It turns out the bike was totaled as the frame was bent. This is when he found out his insurance considered the bike a two-wheeler. The trike kit is an accessory. This is also when he found out his accessory coverage was only \$3000. He figured the trike kit cost \$10K with another \$10K for installation. Imagine his surprise in finding out he was \$17K underinsured!

I know that typically we would review our insurance before getting the bike on the road in the spring. However, since we live someplace that we can ride all year long, it might not be a bad idea to look at your coverage now. I would hate for anyone here to end up in this situation.

As always, if you have any ride suggestions, please let us know. We're always looking for someplace new to see.

Until next time, Fins Up!/)

Bob and Donna

Ride & Safety Coordinator Richard Kitko



General Guidelines for Riding a Motorcycle Safely

Be visible:

- Remember that motorists often have trouble seeing motorcycles.
- Make sure your headlight works and is on day and night.
- Use reflective strips or decals on your clothing and on your motorcycle.
- Avoid riding in the blind spots of cars and trucks.
- If possible, flash your brake light when you are slowing down and before stopping.
- Have an escape route in case a motorist doesn't see you and violates your right-of-way.

Dress for safety:

Wear a quality helmet and eye protection. A full-face helmet provides the best protection.

Wear leather or other sturdy, protective clothing (jacket and pants); over-the-ankle boots; and gloves.

Bright clothing and a light-colored helmet increase the chances of being seen.

Dress for a crash as well as for the ride.

Apply effective mental strategies:

Constantly search the road for changing conditions. Use the Search-Evaluate-Execute strategy (SEE) to assess and respond to hazards before you have to react to an emergency.

Give yourself space and time as you search for traps and escape paths.

Give other motorists time and space to respond to you.

Use lane positioning to see and be seen.

Search for vehicles that may turn across your path, especially at intersections.

Use your turn signals for all turns and lane changes.

Ride as if you're invisible.

Don't ride when you are tired or under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.

Know and follow the rules of the road.

Know your bike and how to use it:

Study your motorcycle's owner's manual and make a habit of doing a pre-ride check.

Visit msf-usa.org to take one of our online courses or review the wealth of information in our library.

Get formal hands-on training and take refresher courses. Call 800.446.9227 or visit msf-usa.org to locate a Motorcycle Safety Foundation RiderCourseSM near you.

Develop your riding techniques before venturing into traffic, especially emergency braking and swerving maneuvers.

Practice often to keep your skills sharp.

Corner within your skill limits. Aggressive cornering is a major cause of crashes.

Know how to handle your bike in adverse conditions such as wet or sandy roads, high winds, and uneven surfaces.

Remember: Be mindful of collision traps and escape paths. People driving cars often don't notice motorcycles. Ride within your skill level and situational limits.

Richard Kitko
Safety & Ride Coordinator

Dates to Remember.....

October 1– Registration for SC District Campout due
October 5-Warbird Weekend/Greenville Municipal Airport
Oktoberfest/Newberry
October 6-Texas Roadhouse Ride for Homes for our Veterans
October 8-Chapter Dinner-Congaree House of Pizza
October 12– SC District Campout/Picnic-
October 19- Vintage Motorcycle Show/Piedmont SC
October 22-Chapter Dinner- Diablo's
October 30-Retiree Ride/Midway BBQ-Buffalo, SC

November 3– Lexington Veterans Parade–Daylight Savings
November 5-Election Day

December 1-Toys-for-Tots Ride
December 7– Chapter P Christmas Party
December 8– Veterans Christmas Ride

****Check your email / FaceBook for changes and additions****

Dinner Ride

Tuesday, October 8 –South Congaree House of Pizza
714 Main St. West Columbia. 803-755-7790

Tuesday, October 22-Diablo's Southwest Grill of Lexington
5541 Sunset Blvd, Lexington. 803-490-0111



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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Upcoming Rallies

October 24-26, 2024 EWMA MS District Rally - Biloxi, MS

March 14 - 16, 2025 - Florida District Rally - Gainesville, FL

April 24-26, 2025 - Tennessee Rally - Johnson City, TN

May 15-17, 2025 -South Carolina District Rally, Newberry , SC

June 5,6 & 7 - Georgia District Valley, Helen, GA

June 26-28, 2025- Alabama District Rally -Sheffield, Ala.

August 29-September 2, 2025-EWMA Rendezvous-Ft. Smith, Arkansas

TBA- North Carolina Rally - Brown Summit, N.C



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