

February 2025 Newsletter



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Chapter P Gathering Information

February 8, 2025 9:00 AM

Lizard's Thicket 4616 Augusta Rd. (US-1) Lexington, SC





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The Chapter that rides...

CHAPTER DIRECTORS JOHN & CINDY WOOD



What a rugged beginning to the New Year. I think New Years Day was the best weather day of the year. We've experience two winter events including

weather day of the year. We've experience two winter events including snow. Hopefully things will get better moving forward. Groundhog Day will be a good indicator, and I'm hoping he predicts the end of winter. It's time to get out and do some riding. Our Chapter Gathering for February will be on February 8th and our Chapter Dinner will be on the 11th. Valentine's Day will be on Thursday the 14th, don't forget to let



your Sweetie know how much they mean to you, A good many of our Chapter Members will be cruising for 10 days on the Wings & Waves Cruise, so we're not planning

any events from February 15th to 22nd. We'll be celebrating Presidents Day on February 17th at sea. There's no doubt if the weather is nice around here our friends will be riding



and getting some wind therapy. I'm looking at planning a Retiree Ride on the 27th. If you were at the District Event on January 18th there were a few items mentioned to help everyone know what's go-

ing on not only in our Chapter, but other Chapters in SC. In addition to our Newsletter you can go to the District Website and view the calendar. Chapter Directors

throughout the state can add their events to this central informative space accessible by everyone.



I wanted to mention we had two Chapter Directors step down on January 1st, Chapter J (Myrtle Beach) and Chapter K (Spartanburg). The District Staff along with other folks held Gatherings at both Chapters in an effort to get someone to step up and keep things going. We had a group attend the Chapter K gathering and a member from Chapter S who lives near Spartanburg has stepped up to keep things going. Thank You Nancy Avery! Let's all do what we can to support her and keep the Chapter growing and active.



Although I didn't take any photos at our Chapter Dinner at the La Cienega Mexican restaurant on January 21st we did have seven members weather the snowstorm to be there. It was a nice place, good food and we'll need to go back when the weather is cooperating.

As most folks know, our friend Wayne Jackson passed on February 7th. He was always involved in Chapter events, planned many rides & camping events. Keep praying for Carolyn and her family. Just a reminder, EWMA Rally Season begins next month with the Florida Rally. A full list of Region A Rallies is listed here in the Newsletter. For those interested, Daytona Bike Week begins February 28 to March 9th. A few of us are planning to head down on March 6th, camping at the Daytona 200 Campground. If you plan to go, let me know and I can include you in the departure info. Again, we'll be getting into the riding season very soon so get your ride ready go.

**** 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 or me. If you have a special ride you'd like to take, let us know.

The Lexington Area Wings, Chapter P has been around since April 1997. Let's keep it going!

Until Next Time......





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Annual Polar Bear Ride Trotters Restaurant in Clinton, SC

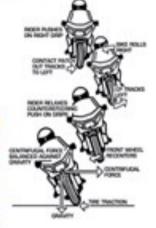


















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Wreaths Across America –Pick-Up at FJNC







EWMA—SC District 3rd Annual Kickoff















In Memory of Our Friend Richard Wayne Jackson Thanks for the Memories





Assistant Directors & Webmaster

Bob and Donna Baum

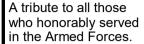
Tour of Honor

Honoring American Heroes -15 years of memories



Until next time.

Fins Up!/)





A shoutout to the First Responders who bravely rush to the scene to help those in need.



Honoring those and their families who paid the ultimate price while serving.

Bob and Donna









Retiree Ride to Mayberry Diner In Cross Hill, SC

Ride and Safety Coordinator

Rich Kitko



Staying Sharp: Safety Training & Practice for EWMA Riders

As riders, we know that safety isn't just about wearing the right gear—it's about sharpening our skills and staying prepared for whatever the road throws our way. As your **District Safety/Ride Coordinator**, I want to emphasize the importance of regular training and practice, especially during this time of year.

Safety Programs & Meeting Presentations

Chapter members can use the **EWMA-World.org** website for **meeting presentations** covering essential riding topics, including:

- ☐ Group riding protocols
- □ Emergency maneuvering
- ☐ Defensive riding techniques
- ☐ Motorcycle maintenance checks

These sessions are a great opportunity to refresh your knowledge, ask questions, and learn from fellow riders.

Parking Lot Practice Sessions

Chapter members can use **EWMA-World.org** to find **training resources and exercises** for:

- ☐ Slow-speed maneuvers
- ☐ Braking techniques
- ☐ Obstacle avoidance
- ☐ Tight turns & U-turns

These exercises build confidence and control, helping us stay safe on the road.

Now Is the Perfect Time to Train

As the seasons change, it's a great time to **revisit your riding skills** before heading out on longer rides. Whether you're a seasoned rider or just getting back on the road, **consistent practice keeps you sharp and ready**

Stay tuned for upcoming **safety and riding events**, and fet's make **safety a priority** for every ride. Ride smart, ride safe, and enjoy the journey!......Rich

Dates to Remember......

February is Black History Month

February 2-Groundhog Day

February 8-Chapter Gathering

February 9-Super Bowl Sunday

February 11-Chapter Dinner-Murray's

February 14-Valentines Day

February 16-27-Wings & Waves Cruise

February 17-Presidents Day February 27-Retiree Ride-TBA

February 28-March 9-Daytona Bike Week

March 6-9-Chapter Ride/Camping in Daytona/Daytona 200 Campground

March 8-Chapter Gathering

March 16-Blessing of the Bikes/Greenwood

March 17-Saint Patrick's Day

March 18-Chapter Dinner-TBA

March 20-Retiree Ride-TBA

March 28-30-District Ride Around the State (Don't forget to book your hotel rooms)

Check your email / FaceBook for changes and additions

Dinner Ride

TUESDAY February 11th– Dinner at Murray's Neighborhood Bar & Grill 2433 Charleston Hwy, Cayce –Edenwood Plaza Shopping Center





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Upcoming Rallies

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

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

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

June 5-7, 2025 - Georgia/Region A Ride-In, Helen, GA

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

August 28–30 Eagle Wings Rendezvous, Ft Smith, AL

October 16-18 Mississippi District Rally, Biloxi MS

Website for all EWMA Rallies: Events - Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association



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