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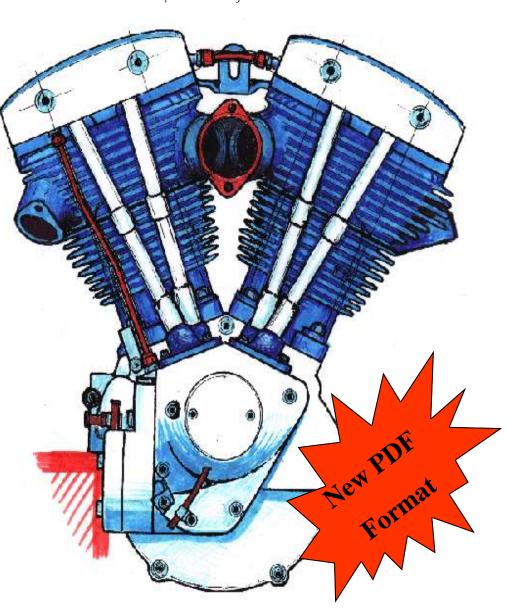
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Middle of June, Great weather, and two fantastic club rides to our credit.

The Scooter Ride was another great success as the spring opener to our riding season schedule. Again the Breakfast was a smashing success, the day was very pleasant, and the catered lunch at Shane and Rox's place was the perfect way to close the ride. Thanks to Rip Wiley, 1st stop, Wally Wages, 2nd stop, Calvin Burnett, 3rd stop, and Shane and Rox's. All in all, very interesting and lots of fun.

Next was the Cooper's River Run with Gassville in the Park on Saturday. Friday night dinner at PJ's on Red's Landing prove itself to be a dining experience. This restaurant is set above the bank of the White River with a great view and a 5 star menu that was out of this world.



Colonel Bob - How NOT to Start a Scooter Ride!!

Saturday was breakfast at the Norfork Cafe' then on to Gassville for a day in the sun and heat, hamburgers hot-

dogs drinks and live music. The bike show and the car show were very nice and the small craft fair was interesting. Back at the Cooper's the BOIL was heating up for the makings' of the Coop's infamous Carolina Slow Boil. Can't thank Coop and Pam enough for the Great food and the fine hospitality. Even though Dennis Daniels did not make it, we were NOT without something to work on. I took my 1966 Honda Dream for Troy to ride but it had a mind of it's own and turned out to be a hanger queen the whole weekend. Thanks to Ed who brought a 250 Suzuki to play on made a great ride for Troy. All were safe and had lots of fun.

Next big event is the Barber Festival. I am in search of another small bike to raffle again this year and think I may have one. However if anyone has any ideas please let me know. We will be doing more planning for this event in the upcoming meetings.

Then the Fall Scooter Ride will be close at hand. Anyone wanting to help plan and offer some ideas for shop stops please contact the Colonel, Big Daddy Ed Dacus or Coop to share your thought. Anyone wanting to plan a ride please do so and let me know when and where so we will all be there.

Remember to check the website for all the latest news and photos of the current past events and upcoming rides.

I have one other thing I need to talk about. While Pam was doing an audit of the Members roster she noticed we were missing quite a lot of the National Membership numbers. It is a requirement that you must be a member of the National to be a member of the local club. So, That being said I would like to ask all of you to please email or call me with your National number. If you don't have one I will send you an application for your convenience. Please help me in this effort to get and keep our roster as current as possible. Thank you, I look forward to hearing from you at bob.kenney@raymondjames.com or 901-487-7168Cell 9-1-684-1060 x-18 office 901-466-3778 home. This is required by National AMCA.

That's all I have for now. Till next time, Ride safe

Colonel Bob

Bob Kenney

Letter from the Editor—David Lloyd



Welcome to Summer!!

We went from cool weather in May, to full record heat in a matter of weeks. So much for our springtime weather? As Bob told us in his minutes, we have already placed a few Great rides under our belt, and I can assure you there will be a few more great rides before winter.

There are several things to alert you to concerning up-coming events. Of course we need to focus on getting everyone ready for this years Barber Vintage Weekend. Those dates are October 6 – 9, 2011. This year, it will be each person's responsibility to get his or her information and bikes listed on the pass sheet. Our club is getting way too big to assume everything will automatically fall into place. Our space gets

tighter and tighter each year, and we get more and more people wanting to attend. We have several dedicated members who spend many hours organizing the grounds, setting up all the details for the Bike Show, decorating the area, and preparation and cooking.

We still always need more club members who will roll up their sleeves and join us in the preparation work needed to continue making this event "Above the Top". Contact Bob Kenney, Ed Dacus, Les Cooper or myself if you are willing to help. More details will follow in the coming months as we draw nearer to October.

As most of you may already know, the Mississippi State HOG Rally is right here in our very own backyard this year. October 27-30, 2011, Southern Thunder Harley Davidson and Desoto County Mississippi will host the rally. We are currently working with Lisa Wade on an Antique Bike Show/Display where we can collect and donate all proceeds related to this bike show to St Jude Hospital. Les Cooper has contacted St Jude officials, and they are completely on-board. We are trying to finalize all the details and have them ready to present to the club by early August. – Be sure and mark your calendars for Oct 27-30, 2011

Davenport is approaching on Labor Day Weekend – August 31 – September 4, 2011. Many of our club members attend this event. If you have been to Davenport, when then, you know! If you haven't ever been, you are missing a Big Deal!

Calvin Burnett shares a Great Garage story in this edition. He sheds some light on the different workshop ideas we all have. This comes at a Great time, since many of us have been visiting different garages and workshops during our previous Scooter Rides. I would like to add one note concerning "The Perfect Garage" – I recently found a Tech series book on-line, "How to set up your Motorcycle Workshop". It was from Whitehorse Press. 200 page book with diagrams and color illustrations to help layout work areas and tool space. Sometimes very beginner basic, but it causes you to think toward an efficient and effective shop layout – Don't miss Calvin's story and look up that book from Whitehorse Press.

I know each one of us has our own schedules and events that play out through the summer and fall of this year. In my limited contact of only several club members on a regular basis, it would be interesting to know and share different things going on in your personal life. That would include Motorcycle related and non-motorcycle related.

Example: Sonja and I just returned from a weeklong mission trip in Canada. We went with 19 other people to help open a Summer Camp for Kids in the remote wilderness. Then in August 2011, I will journey to Ecuador to visit a family from Olive Branch, Ms. who moved to Ecuador 3 years ago. This will be a visionary trip to help them and see ways to serve and minister to them in the future.

I welcome any e-mails or phone calls from members who would share things about themselves. I say this over and over again!! "This is your Newsletter, about your members". As the newsletter editor, my responsibility should be to gather stories and photos from you and edit them into an enjoyable, organized piece of reading material.

Most club newsletter editors will tell you the same story (correct me if I am wrong - Tina) we end up being responsible for almost all the input and content ideas.

The perfect scenario would be most of our 130 members sharing e-mails, photo's, and information that could make a much more enjoyable newsletter about the happening of our very own club members. With that said, don't let me out of here without thanking each of you who do help me with the input and story line ideas.

Here is a thought for you to express back to me—Tell me your "Bucket List" related to Motorcycles! It could be a chase to find and own a rare bike, maybe a particular ride destination, or just to complete some project you already have.

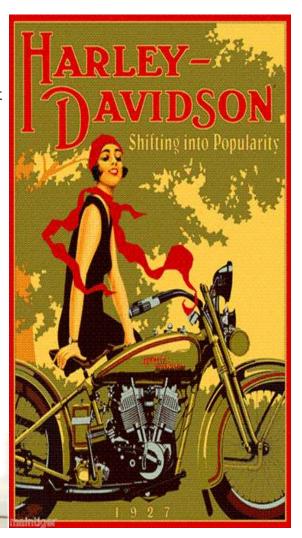
I have 2 "Bucket List" items stored in the old brain upstairs. 1st one is wanting to ride a pre 1934 Harley on the Iron Butt 1000 miles in 24 hours—2nd, I want to ride my 1919 Harley across the US at my own pace, like over 3 or 4 weeks—Looking for a partner who wants to challenge this ride with me sometime in the next few years. Coast to Coast, without all the stress of the Cannonball Rally.

Last quarter, I asked you if Elvis Rode Motorcycles? Then, proved he did with many great photos of him riding his toys. –

This quarter, I ask, "Did Women Ride Motorcycles"?

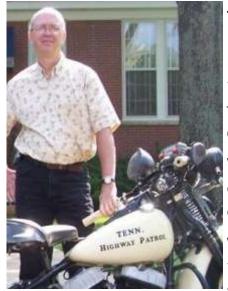
Keep the Shiny Side Up—David











Calvin Burnett

The Perfect Garage

It's obvious after all of the garage tours we've done on the Scooter Rides that everyone has a different idea of what the perfect garage is. One thing for sure, there is no "perfect" garage. Everyone always has an idea of how it could be better.

We know garages are never big enough. We know we can never have enough tools. We know we never have enough toys. We know someone else will always have a bigger garage with more tools and more toys.

We'll never have the perfect garage so let's work on making our garage time more enjoyable. This is challenging since everyone has different skill sets.

My old buddy Fleming Horne "Restored" bikes for many years with nothing more sophisticated than basic hand tools, a grinder with a wire brush and sandpaper. But he did have a bike lift. I'm sure when he first got that lift, it was a giant step forward in how much he enjoyed his restoration work. Outside of basic hand tools, I'd have to put that at the top of my list of goodies required in that "perfect garage". You don't have to spend a fortune. There is a great design for wooden lift in the back of the Harley military manuals from WWII. Be glad to run you a copy. Bet you could put the whole thing together for under \$100.

Unless you've got the bucks to buy nothing but 1st class original bikes, a blasting cabinet needs to be very high on your list of required equipment. I still remember when Fleming got his first bead blasting cabinet. It was like a 2 year old just discovered ice cream. After 30 years of cleaning bolts on a wire wheel, this was a huge leap. That's not to say that I savor my time at the blasting cabinet, but it beats the heck out of a wire brush.

Again, you don't have to spend a thousand bucks to get a cabinet. Harbor Freight and Northern Tool both have low end cabinets to start with or you can go really cheap, like I did and build your own. I built that to "tide me over" until I could afford a real cabinet. That was 23 years ago. It still works fine. The big bucks really on this deal winds up in a compressor. I was short on capacity for several years. Just meant I had to wait on it to catch up. Not all bad. I'd blast for a while and then go do something else for a bit. Kept me from getting bored with the blasting.

From here, it really depends on what you enjoy the most. Some folks are painters, others enjoy the mechanics, some thrive on fabrication. It's all about finding equipment that helps you increase your enjoyment of a project.

I do know this. I spent my first few year in the hobby just chasing projects. When it came time to work on the projects, it was a pain. The light bulb finally turned on one day and I started acquiring the equipment that would allow me to get the most enjoyment out of my hobby. For the price of one project, I've made all of my other projects much more enjoyable.

Calvin

Gassville in the park 2011

My how time flies when your riding or trying to ride your old beloved scooters! It seems like just yesterday when those of us there last year where watching BIG DADDY ED DACUS roll around on our barn floor wrenching on someone's cantankerous scooter for several years running. But this year would be different! We had new heads show up & step up to give BIG DADDY ED a much deserved rest from the dreaded barn floor. It seems that even the most seasoned riders and owners of these most cherished old scooters make mistakes like the best of them. Not only one but two of our members are so excited about the Gassville trip every year they wait until the last minute (as my lovely BRIDE Pam tells me) like most men do to get their scooters ready for a long beautiful ride in GOD'S country.



Hour's were spent by old and new participants of the Gassville trip to work on the Colonel's Dream to no avail. Seems hooking a battery up backwards not only does harm to a brand new battery but also to the electrical system on old scooters as well. Then we have 12 volt versus 6 volt. In this case after about 30 or 40 miles the over cooked battery let go! Stopping one of our new participants as good luck for these things to happen at a corner of an old country road in the middle of no where. The good luck of this the owner of the over cooked battery (not the rider) stayed behind with another newbie at an old country store on said corner. Not only are country folk friendly, but they are great cooks of sweets as well. As told by the owner of the cooked battery (ED DACUS) & the newbie Troy Kenney. The rider also newbie to Gassville Shane Dorton & I rode back with the rest of our group to get another truck and trailer from base camp. Seams that we had over loaded our rescue truck to the point of a broken down scooter wouldn't fit, as well as another passenger in the cab of the already full truck.

Backing up a few Months. I had started construction on our place in Norfork Ark for our members as well as our selves to have nicer accommodations for this event. Well mother nature tried my patients once again. Fowl weather, two evacuations, & lack of funds. It turned out that instead of full permanent living quarters, thanks to a really good friend & club member George Anaston we all had a fully functional CRAPPER in the barn!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Not only Hot (warm) water for a shower and sink but a brand new fully functional CRAPPER. Man life is good!

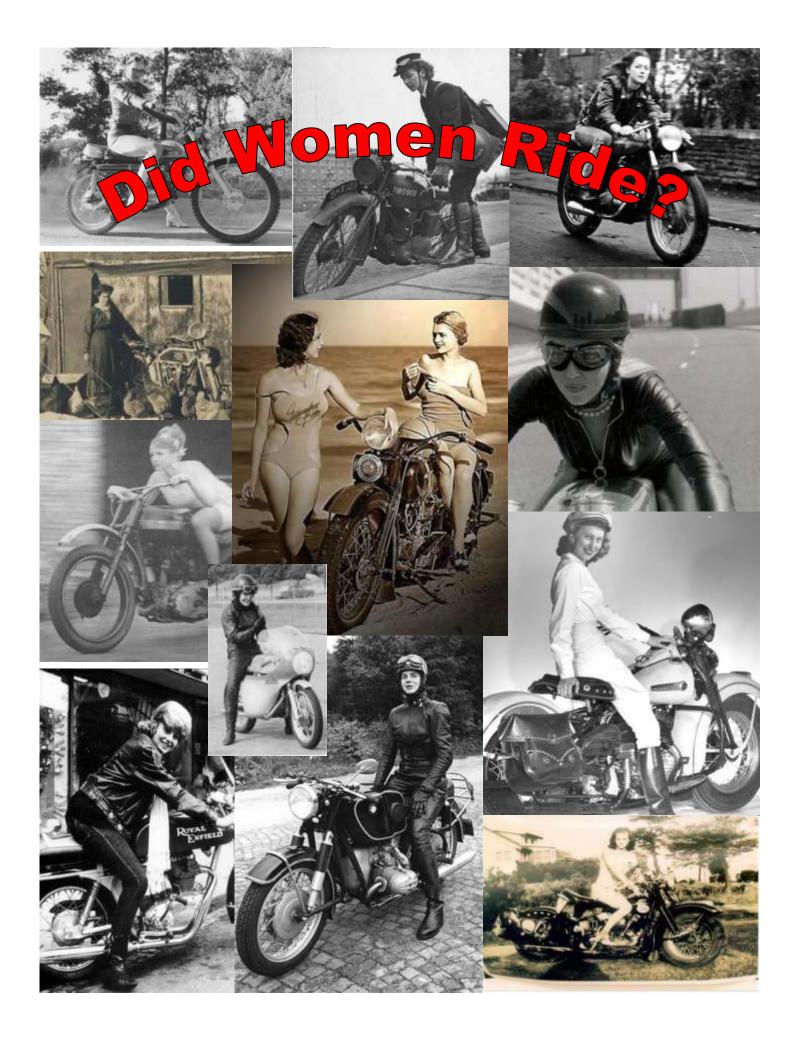
As it always seems to turn out, every one seemed to have a great time. With imp revisions made by all (which where truly country at best) due to the hot weather both at the park with fans brought by newbie Wally Wages, Man what a blessing those were. As well as the water mister system our lovely treasure & my lovely bride thought to purchase made the slow boil cook out bare able. And yes the meal was served well before Midnight

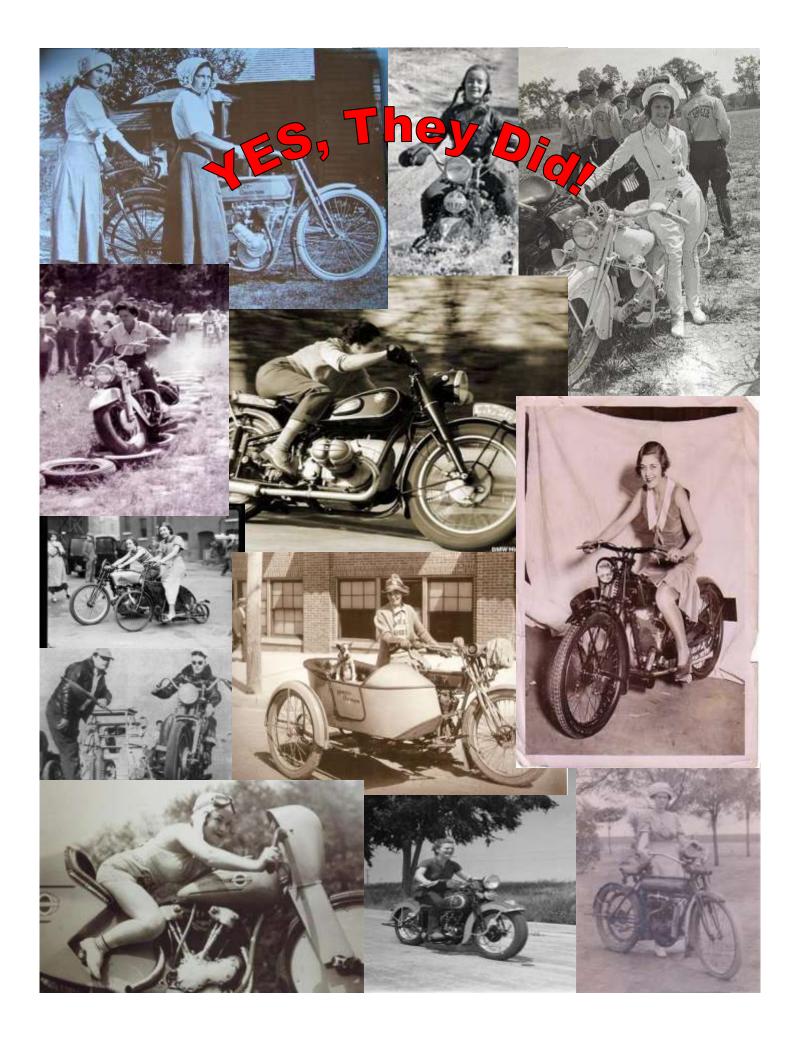
Thanks again to all those old returning guests & the new ones for making this so enjoyable. I look forward to what life brings for next year!

As Shack would say. Happy motoring

Cooper







AMCA Nationals

February 25-26 Omaha Chapter Fremont, NE (402) 660-5151

www.omahachapteramca.org

February 27-March 2

Everglades Chapter Road Run Palatka, FL (239) 851-7492 evergladeschapter.tripod.com

March 4-6

Sunshine Chapter Eustis, FL (386) 322-7984

www.sunshinechapteramca.org

April 29-May 1

Perkiomen Chapter Oley, PA (610) 948-4553 oleyfleamarket@comcast.net

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May 13-15

Southern National Denton, NC (417) 838-4777

www.amcasouthernnationalmeet.com

May 27-28

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Den Haag, The Netherlands
www.amca-europe.eu

June 10-12

Rhinebeck Coalition Rhinebeck, NY (518) 622-8519

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June 10-12

Viking Chapter St. Paul, MN (952) 941-4997 www.vikingmc.org

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Omaha Chapter Road Run Mullen, NE (402) 660-5151 www.omahachapteramca.org

June 17-18

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July 15-17

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July 19-22

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September 5-8

Chief Blackhawk Chapter Road Run Galena, IL□ (563) 323-8643 www.chiefblackhawk.org

September 25-28

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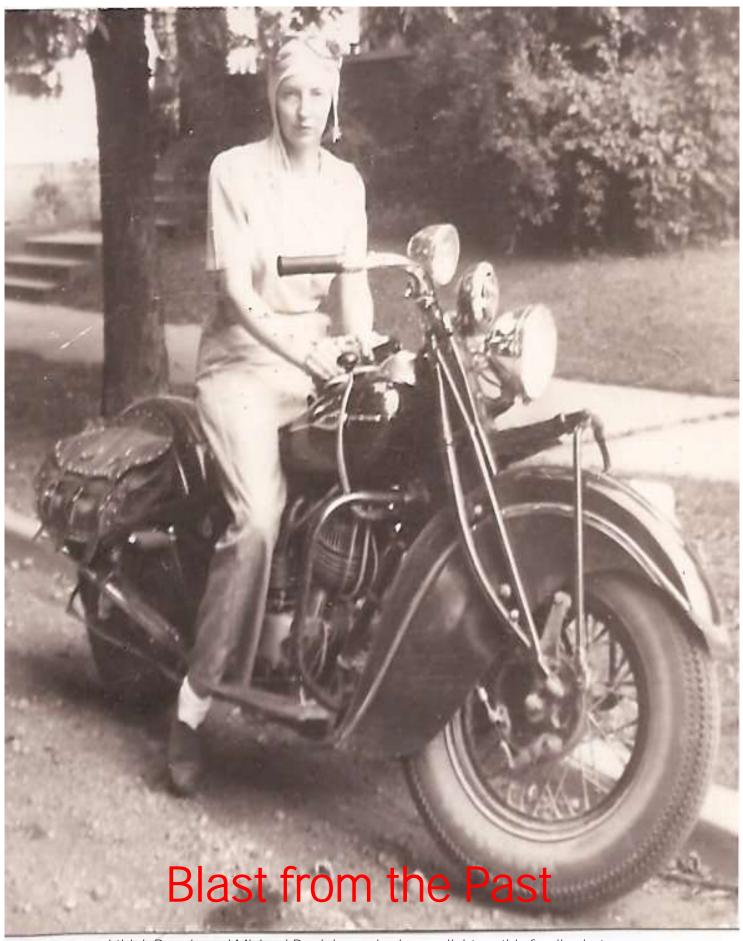
September 30-October 1

Chesapeake Chapter National Meet ☐

Jefferson, PA

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I think Dennis and Michael Daniel can shed some light on this family photo



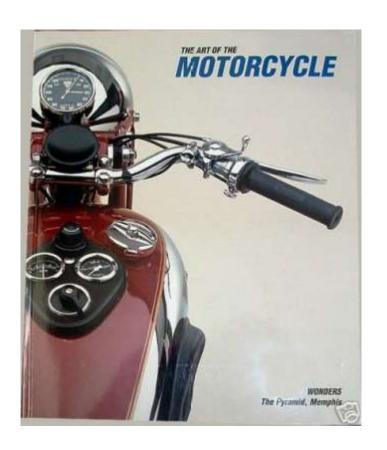
Members New Toys

1ST ANNUAL EMORIAL RIDE

Art of the Motorcycle

The Confederate Chapter is selling these Art of the Motorcycle books to raise money for the club —"New old stock" – 220 pg. Soft back Catalog Sofa Book. This book was sold at the Art of the Motorcycle exhibit in Memphis Tn. Excellent quality color photos – Get yours for only \$5 each—Case of 10 books for only \$50—These make great gifts!

Contact David Lloyd or Ed Dacus for yours today.





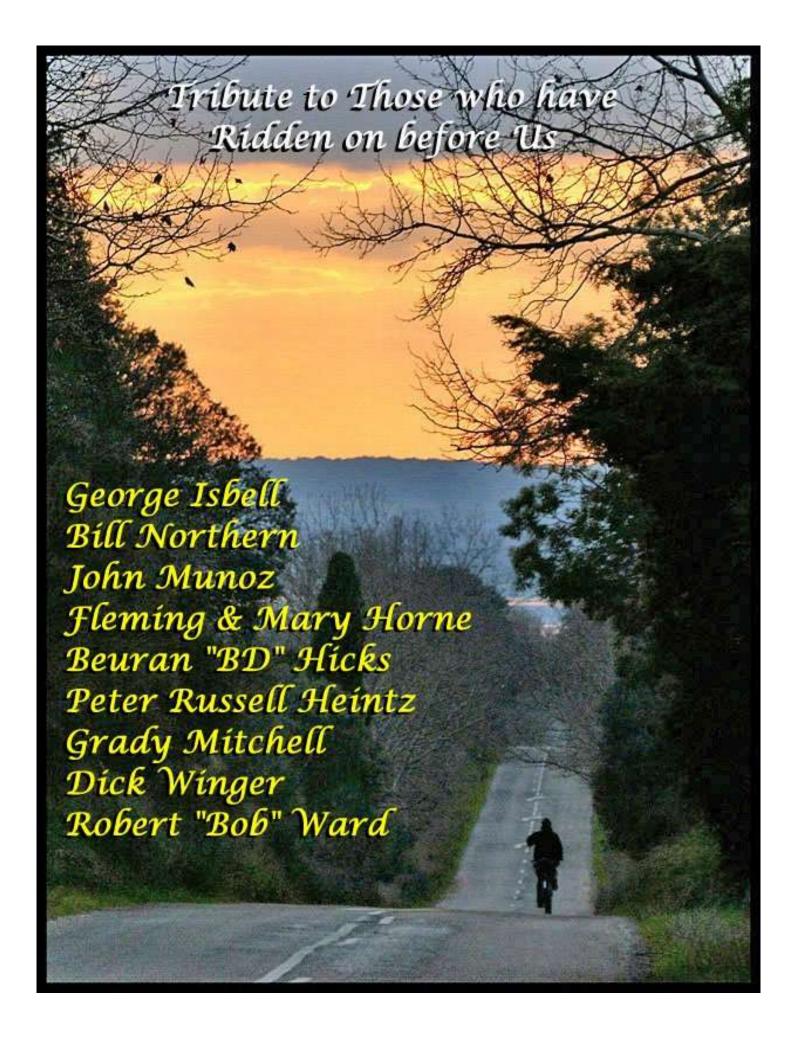
The **Bob Ward** 1st Memorial Ride was on June 25, 2011, sponsored by Bumpus Harley Davidson, Wheels of Thunder, Hooters, and Rolling Thunder.

Over 120 bikes participated in the rally, and many more came by for hamburgers and hotdogs.

CMT—ABATE sold T-shirts and raised over \$1500 dollars.

Look Twice—Save a Life!!

Bikers are Dying to be Seen!



Coffee filters Who knew!

Better than paper towels and a lot less expensive...

And you can buy 1,000 at the 'Dollar Tree' for almost nothing even the large ones!!

- 1. Cover bowls or dishes when cooking in the microwave.. Coffee filters make excellent covers.
- 2. Clean windows, mirrors, and chrome... Coffee filters are lint-free so they'll leave windows sparkling.
- 3. Protect China by separating your good dishes with a coffee filter between each dish.
- 4. Filter broken cork from wine. If you break the cork when opening a wine bottle, filter the wine through a coffee filter.
- 5. Protect a cast-iron skillet. Place a coffee filter in the skillet to absorb moisture and prevent rust.
- 6.. Apply shoe polish. Ball up a lint-free coffee filter.
- 7. Recycle frying oil. After frying, strain oil through a sieve lined with a coffee filter.
- 8. Weigh chopped foods. Place chopped ingredients in a coffee filter on a kitchen scale.
- 9. Hold tacos. Coffee filters make convenient wrappers for messy foods.
- 10. Stop the soil from leaking out of a plant pot.Line a plant pot with a coffee filter to prevent the soil from going through the drainage holes...
- 11. Prevent a Popsicle from dripping.. Poke one or two holes as needed in a coffee filter..
- 12. Do you think we used expensive strips to wax eyebrows? Use strips of coffee filters..
- 13.. Put a few in a plate and put your fried bacon, French fries, chicken fingers, etc on them. It soaks out all the grease.
- 14. Keep in the bathroom. They make great "razor nick fixers."
- 15. As a sewing backing. Use a filter as an easy-to-tear backing for embroidering or appliqueing soft fabrics.
- 16. Put baking soda into a coffee filter, tie to make a small bag and insert into shoes or a closet to absorb or prevent odors.
- 17. Use them to strain soup stock and to tie fresh herbs in to put in soups and stews.
- 18. Use a coffee filter to prevent spilling when you add fluids to your car.
- 19. Use them as a spoon rest while cooking and clean up small counter spills.
- 20. Can use to hold dry ingredients when baking or when cutting a piece of fruit or veggies..

 Saves on having extra bowls to wash..
- 21.. Use them to wrap Christmas ornaments for storage.
- 22. Use them to remove fingernail polish when out of cotton balls.
- 23. Use them to sprout seeds.. Simply dampen the coffee filter, place seeds inside, fold it and place it into a plastic baggie until they sprout.
- 24. Use coffee filters as blotting paper for pressed flowers. Place the flowers between two coffee filters and put the coffee filters in phone book..
- 25. Use as a disposable "snack bowl" for popcorn, chips, etc.



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