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From the Colonel

Well another year has past and what a great year it has been!!

We have seen huge changes within our chapter this year. As My first year as president I have been overwhelmed. First our chapter was asked by the Barber Motorsports Park to put on an antique motorcycle show. The show was held in conjunction with the annual AHRMA race held there for the past few years.

With all the hard work & effort put into that show from some of our members, I feel the show was a huge success. The barber folks seemed very pleased not only with the show but with our chapter's professionalism. As always our chapter takes pride in all the events we participate in. The Barber was no exception. I looked back on the field after all our members and the crowd left & smiled as if it looked as if we were ever there. It was just as pretty as it was when we arrived.

We have had other events this year as well, (Big M Motorfest @ Memphis Motorsports Park, Gassville in the Park, Ark, Bolivar Forest Festival.) Each one a chapter success. We attend with pride & that shows no matter how large or small the event.

One of our members brought to my attention that we have not had one ride this year & here we are, an antique motorcycle club.(ridem don't hidem) We have only done a few shows. I do appreciate those thoughts. I would rather receive suggestions such as this, than receive nothing at all. I am asking all of you to please feel free to discuss what ever is on your mind with me or with any of the officers of this chapter.

I have tried to make the monthly meetings fun for every one (that's easy, thanks to the treasurer). But still get all the important stuff taken care of as well.

Once again, I would like to thank everyone for his and her help at the Barber Festival. We know how to show the public what a first class club should be like.

I look forward to the new upcoming year for the Confederate Chapter to only get bigger and better. With all of our members participating at all levels, this will help the club get stronger than ever. We should always remember those who have sacrificed so much in the past to make this club what it is today. With all of your help I'm sure that the new & up coming rides & events will be easier for everyone.

Barber Vintage Festival

By Matt Morgan

The Inaugural festival in Birmingham, AL started on Friday with several of the club members showing up to help in the set up of the swap meet area and the judging field. More of the club members started pouring in on Friday evening. Saturday morning started with the bike show judging from 10am. To 2pm. The voting was cast by peoples choice. The awards were presented at 4pm., with several of the club members taking home awards. A special thanks goes out to all of those who participated in the event. There were over 80 motorcycles in the show ranging from 1905–1970.

The highlight of Saturdays event was "The Race of the Century," between Calvin Burnett with his 1905 Indian and Bruce Lindsay's 1905 Harley. It was a close race, but in the end, Bruce edged ahead of Calvin for the win. That was a once in a lifetime opportunity to see such an event. There was also vintage racing going on all weekend. The swap meet area was full of vendors with parts for all makes of motorcycles, and they plan to expand for next year.

The Barber Museum is worth the trip in itself, with over 900 motorcycles on display, with the bikes changing daily. Ed is also the social event coordinator of the Confederate Chapter, he certainly has the gift to gab. Below is a picture of the first Harley that Ed owned. Nice hair due Ed!!

We in the Confederate Chapter are proud to have Ed Dacus in our club.



Our featured member for this issue is Mr. Ed Dacus. Edward Lee Dacus was born on Sept. 6th, 1956 in Memphis TN. He graduated form Hillcrest High, and married his high school sweetheart Sherry. Ed and his brother Tommy, are second generation sheet metal workers, and owners of O.H. Hendricks sheet metal and Protec fire systems.

Ed started riding motorcycles at the age of 14 on a Honda S90, and by the age of 22, he traded a 55 Chevy race car for his first Harley. It was a customized chopper built by supercycle, and Ed recall how "cool" he was riding this machine. Through the years, Ed has been involved in many motorsport hobbies, including drag racing, dune buggy racing, go kart racing, and riding atvs and street bikes. Ed has an impressive collection of antique bikes, which mainly consists of Indians, but there is a Harley in the mix.

Small Road Trip in Birmingham Area Leads to Gem of a Restaurant

Last fall, while in the Birmingham area for the Barber Motorsports Festival, four of us ladies, Anne Daniel, Angela Fowler, Sherry Dacus and Pam Cooper decided to take a short jaunt to the outskirts. We ran smack dab into the quaint little town of Irondale. What did we see, but the Original WhistleStop Café, (commonly known as the Irondale Café) on the edge of the train track just as it was in Fannie Flagg's book and on the screen in 1992 as, "Fried Green Tomatoes." Autographed photos and posters proved that we were in the right place.

We've never seen, or Smelled, anything like it!! Home cooking, at it's best, seeped from that little café. We decided to put aside our diets and our lean, mean bodies and chow down on the best lunch ever! Those folks did grandma proud! I actually saw Angela drooling with delight! Anne was determined to drag her husband, Dennis, back that night for seconds.....and Sherry, I never saw her face. It was buried in her plate.

Next year, while at the Barber, we will be looking for Birmingham's Statue of Liberty. Yes, that's right! It's one-fifth the size of the original in NYC.

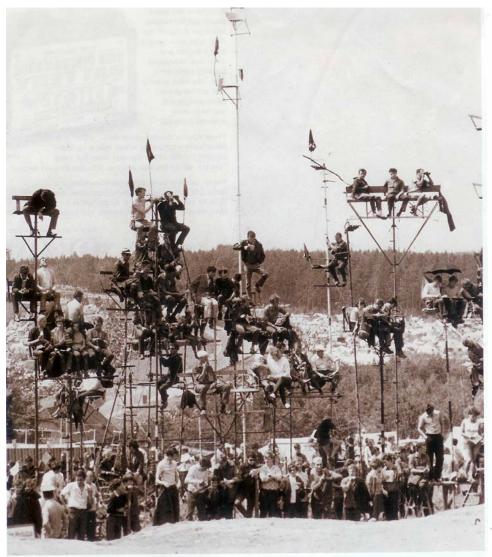
Should we find her, I hope she has something mighty good to eat!!

Signed.....

Big Buns on the Run Cooper

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GOOD SEATS STILL AVAILABLE

Some of the Confederate Chapter members trying to get a good seat for the Race of the Century at the Barber Festival!!!

Thoughts from the editor..... First of all, I would like to thank all of you that have stood behind me and helped me out with reviving the Rusty Rebel. It will be hard to fill the shoes of the past editors, they have done such a wonderful job! I still need help from our members with ideas to put into the newsletter like articles, tech questions, etc. If anyone has articles, or ideas please share them with us as we are going to try to make this the flagship newsletter! I am sure there are members out there that can help in the classified sections, because everyone is looking for parts or are trying to sell something. The idea behind a club is to come together with a common interest, help each other out, but most of all to have fun. I look forward to the coming year and to watch our club grow. I will also need some help with our members going to swapmeets, road runs or other gatherings that some of us may not be able to attend, so if you go to an event, share the experience with the club. In closing, thanks again for all the hard work from the club members, from the recruitment of new members, to helping out with our events.

The Editor

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