



Vision Riders Newsletter

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What's Happening?

Not a whole lot happened in February with the weather we had. I hope all of you are shoveled out by now. Your editor realized how a stupid mistake paid off years later. I bought a snow plow for the lawn tractor shortly after we moved here. It sat in the garage taking up space for seven years but came in quite handy for us and the neighbors after all the snow came down. I hope it is another seven years or even more before it is needed again.



If you remember the Polar Bear Run, the results of the donations were presented to local food banks & pantries. As of time of publication, these two pictures were sent to the local newspapers to make the public aware of our efforts to help the hungry.

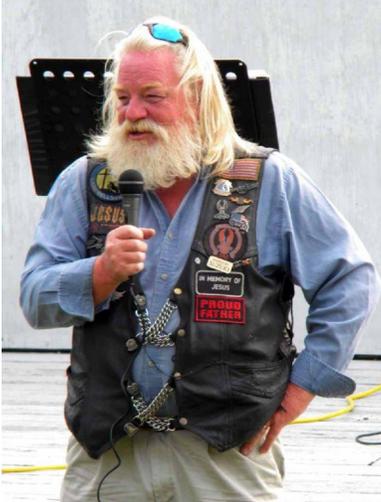


Mary Ann Ohsol, representing Vision Riders, the local chapter of the Christian Motorcyclists Association, presenting a donation of \$400 to the Community Service Center Food Pantry represented by Brenda Harmon, Coordinator, and Tim Cook, Treasurer.

The caption above was written by Mary Ann and sent to the Lebanon Enterprise.

The picture below is your Treasurer and Delores presenting the check to the Taylor County Ministerial Association that manages the local food pantry. The first day we went to present the check, I went into the wrong door and gave the check to the housing people. Before we left, the lady came out and made us aware of my mistake. That was a disappointment for them, know that the funds were not for them and for me for goofing up. I found the right door and called the next day to make sure they were open and the result is below. I wrote a short article and sent it along with the photo to the KKNJ. At the time of this article, it is not known if it will appear in print.





A Few Words From The President

Well here we are, at the beginning of a new year and ready to go and no place to go due to the awful white stuff called snow with icing on top. Lately I have been sitting around thinking about things. This year we have new leadership, not only within our chapter, but also our state leadership. If everyone is like me, they are hoping that they can do a good job without anything going wrong. Well, I just have to tell you that things will go wrong and we will just have to learn from our mistakes. Jesus sent his disciples out with the power to heal the sick, cast out demons, make the blind to see, the lame to walk and other things. The disciples returned from their duties all excited about all the things that they had accomplished. Jesus, in His quiet way, reminded them that they were excited for the wrong reasons. Instead of being excited about their new found abilities, they should be excited for the people that they helped, such as the deaf to hear, the blind to see, the lame to walk and to cure the sick of not only their illnesses, but also rid them of their demons. In a sense, the officers are like the disciples of the chapter, carrying out the wishes of the chapter. So if we kind of mess up, use the quiet voice and help us to correct our mistakes.

This year the rides seem to be everywhere and while there will be some rides you aren't able to ride, that's okay. The most important rides would be the Run For the Son on May 2nd and the State Rally in Renfro Valley. Hey that rhymes! Well, I encourage you to try to go on as many rides as you feel able to and there may even be rides or places that the Lord may lead you to go. Not only is the fellowship

wonderful, but it provides a common ground to share the Word of God and maybe even open the door for someone looking for God's help. It doesn't take 20 bikers to tell someone that God loves them but just one or two that show sincere concern about their fellow brother or sister. Anybody can do it, be it with a hug, a prayer, listening to the problems or even fixing the bike. God will let you know.

One more thing: Gordon, Theresa, and I went to the Seasons of Refreshing this past weekend. We had a good time. The speakers were great, the message was good, and the fellowship was even better. We talked with some old friends, and made new ones, and helped the host church's youth ministry.

So, thanks for your support and continue to keep us in our prayers as you are always in mine.

PS: I just became a new grandfather again; my youngest son and his wife had a little girl; what a cute little one; she is another of God's miracles.

Your brother and servant in Christ
Mitchell Collings, President

Seasons of Refreshing



Both photos by Thresea Collings





Mileage award for January



Photo by Ron & Melissa Mardis
Randall (Bear) Shofner got a new bike and put a few miles on it to get the mileage award for 161 miles.

For Sale
Bike Utility Trailer



As shown here connected. It comes with chains and spare tire and the hitch used on my bike. I don't use it that much and it takes up too much room in the garage. Contact Harry for details.

If you have an item for sale, pass the info and picture, if you have one, to the editor. It has to be bike related.

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