



Vision Riders



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Local Chapter Happenings

Remember our Polar Bear Ride on the first day of the year? We raised money and took food donations for our local food banks for the poor. Here below are the donations made to the local food banks. Note that the captions do not mean that the checks were presented to the governments, but to the food banks in the county mentioned.



Jamie makes the donation to Taylor County.



June gives the donation to Adair County.



Lisa passes a check to Marion County.



Gordon presents a check to Green County.

For those of you that missed Seasons Of Refreshing didn't get that spiritual uplifting that those that attended did. Why don't you make mental plans now to attend next year? It is always on a Friday evening and Saturday in the spring. If you can't make the Friday evening session, you can still come to the Saturday session. As a bonus, the goodie store is part of the team and is open to offer patches, shirts, jackets and all kinds of CMA stuff. Don't miss out next year!

Upcoming events in March include our Tuesday evening Bible studies at the home of Dan and Linda that begins at 7 PM Eastern. Plan now for the Commissioning Service at Elkhorn Baptist Church on March 26 at 7 PM Eastern. Go to our Web page and click on the calendar event to get a map if you don't know where it is.

Our Web page calendar has been updated recently to show the rides scheduled by BTF, so you should check to see if you wish to participate in their rides and see if any new events have been added since the last time you were there. Don't forget to do a reload on your browser. Many browsers just reload the last copy of the page from the first time you viewed it and you don't get any updates that way.



Goodie shopping at Seasons for Refreshing

Chaplin's Chat



Herbie Goff

The Collings family has lost a member of their family, so let's keep them in our prayers. It's always sad to lose someone we love in times of death, but praise God for those who die in Christ. They have reached a goal we are still working toward: Heaven. What a day that will be when we meet them again in that Promised Land and we see Jesus. In Psalm 23:4, David said: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil." We may ask, why? He tells us: "For thou art with me." Even in the time of death, God is with His people. This is something we need to share with others we come in contact with in the biker community. Tell those who are lost that if they will let Jesus in their life, they can share the rewards of heaven too.

Remember Psalm 23 again where it says: "I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

The riding season is getting closer, prepare and make plans now to win as many to Jesus this year that we can. Remember, we can do all things through Christ, Who strengthens us.

May God bless each one of you in a special way.

Herbie Goff
Phil. 4:13

Birthdays and Anniversaries

February

Linda Hayes 2/24
Barry & Jennifer Parker 2/19

March

Micah Watkins 3/3
Donna Smith 3/20
Lisa Healy 3/27
Tommy & Chris Cundiff 3/25
Darrell & Donna Smith 3/28

February Mileage Award

The award went to Mitch for 158 miles and was accepted by Theresa for him, since he had to work during the meeting time.



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Handbook Highlights

Representing CMA With Integrity

Listed below are several guidelines to provide a foundation for members in ministry. These procedures are in place to protect the integrity of our members and CMA. If you have any questions, please contact your State Coordinator.

- Commit to one back patch.
- Walk the Christian walk at all times, even when you are not wearing the CMA logo.
- Women minister to women and men minister to men, or couples minister together.
- Have modesty in apparel.
- Use of tobacco or alcohol by a CMA member at any CMA meeting or designated ministry area is not permitted.
- Keep tracts available for one-on-one witnessing.
- Involve only CMA members in services (including prayer) at secular events (if possible).
- Do not place the CMA logo on secular event fliers as a sponsor or promoter. The logo may *only* be used to announce that CMA will host a worship service or biker blessing.
- Do not share booth space with another motorcycle ministry.
- Do not use questionable door prizes (i.e. tattoo, body piercing, bar certificates, etc.).

From the Past

(A fictional sarcastic column pulled out of the editor's old writings with a serious meditation at the end.)

Albert Answers

Albert Alien, known for his articles supporting the activities of his cousin, Illegal, answers questions sent in by our readers about writing. Albert is a very busy fellow. He regrets that this is the only column he will do for now. He hopes his answers to some common questions will help the new and novice writer in their endeavors.

Question: *Albert, I sent an article in to a magazine and the editor replied that it was not what he was looking for at this time. I think that is a rather ambiguous reply. What should I make of this? Susie Slapstick*

Answer: Susie, that particular editor is trying to tell you that your timing is off. He wants you to resubmit your article once a week until his reply is something other than what he told you the first time. If you don't get an answer in a year or you keep getting the same reply, send him a personal letter. Tell him, don't ask, that you have submitted your article all the time throughout the year. Question why he didn't keep his word. Since he had it every week for a year, one of those weeks should have been "at this time." I'll bet his answer will surprise you.

Question: *Albert, baby, I did some real neat stuff and sent it off to several publishers. I've been waiting for six months now and haven't heard a word from any of them. Could it be because I didn't send a s.a.s.e.? I don't know what an s.a.s.e. is. Can you help me? Calvin Cooldude*

Answer: You are right, Calvin. It was because you didn't send a s.a.s.e. I'm surprised such a cool dude as you haven't figured that one out. Don't worry; Albert is here to help. An s.a.s.e. is short for Send Another Short Essay. If you didn't send another short essay, it probably was not what they were "looking for at this time." Read my answer to the previous question for an explanation of "looking for at this time."

Question: *Mr. Alien, can you help me. I am thinking about buying a computer. I'm confused about which one to buy. There is the Apple® and P.C.s. The P.C. comes with Windows®. I'm not sure if I want a computer with windows. Would one with screen doors be better? B. Gates*

Answer: Well, B. (is the B for Bruce, Bill, or Bob?), I think you should avoid the one with windows. With the shortage of energy these days, it is wasteful to have some of your writing leak out through the cracks. I would recommend the natural and bio-safe Apple®. It's the only computer powered by cider. When the screen starts to dim, all you have to do is drain the old cider and pour in a fresh quart. The advantage here is that you can stick the old cider in the fridge and it is still good to drink. Be careful, it will have a kick.

Thank you all for sending in your questions. I hope that I have been able to help. As always, don't forget my cousin, Illegal. He and his family are in hiding right now. There are a bunch of UFO nuts trying to track them down.

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Mini-Meditation

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.” (2 Tim 2:15 NIV)

Think about it. When you speak or write, is it something that lives up to your spiritual convictions? Have you compromised it in some way to please those listening or reading? Don't do it! There may be pleasure in sin for a time but, like a cancer, it will eat away at your convictions. Remember: "Kings take pleasure in honest lips; they value a man who speaks the truth." (Prov 16:13 NIV) It is so much more for the King of kings. †

Road Captain's Report



I noticed a post on Facebook the other day that went along with part of my article last month. “People need to learn that their actions do affect other people. So be careful what you say and do, it's not always just about you.” What we say or do can affect our witness and turn someone away from God instead of drawing them closer. Then He said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest” (Matthew 9; 37—38). I look at that verse and take it to mean that we are the laborers for the Lord and the harvest is the lost people of the world. We are to witness to the lost and also help the Christians who at times lose their way along the straight and narrow.

From Our President



Dear Brothers and Sisters,
February has flown by and we are in March already. Things are starting to happen for our chapter. We have a very busy year ahead. I hope all who can will be at Elkhorn Baptist Church on March 26th @ 7:00 pm est. for our commissioning service. We really need to be prepared to serve God as best we can. Please be in prayer for our chapter and all the events we will be attending. Keep all CMA chapters in your prayers. We only have two more Bible Studies on Tuesday night before our commissioning service. Please try to attend if at all possible.

God Bless
Keith Morris

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