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"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven. Mat 5:42 - 45

Local Chapter Happenings

July got off to a good start with the nice weather. Our annual worship service at Green River Lake State Park went well. We had a walk-through in the campground on Saturday evening telling campers about the service coming up in the morning. Those we met on the walk-through were enthusiastic about it but not too many of them followed up with action the next morning. We had more of our members there than campers attending the service. However, it did appear that the attendance was up from the pervious year.



For those that didn't make it, you can see it was a beautiful day for a morning worship service. Photo by Ron Mardis.



All our rides lined up beside the amphitheater. Photo by Tommy Watkins.

Ice cream was the treat we had when Dan and Linda provided it at a get-together at their home on the 12th. All had their share and there was plenty left over.

The next day, on the 13th, Tommy Watkins' church had a car and bike show that afternoon in Greensburg. It was

interesting to view some on the vehicles there, They allowed anyone attending to vote on their favorite and your editor won an award for his bike. That goes to show you that the competition was not that stiff.



The Greensburg bike show provided fun to more than just the ones showing their bikes. Photo by Tommy Watkins.

The Wings of Pink ride went exceptionally well due to the wonderful weather the Lord provided and the ride organizers. You can read more about the ride elsewhere in this issue.



As you can see, there were plenty of bikes on the Wings of Pink ride. Photo by Tommy Watkins.



Ask any one of this damp looking crew how their ride went on the Dragon. Photo by Tommy Watkins.

Linda's Wings of Pink

On Saturday July 26, 2014 the "Wings of Pink" benefit was held in Campbellsville. It was a beautiful day, sunshine, blue skies, lots of food, door prizes and most of all, members from the Vision Riders Chapter of CMA who put forth their best effort to assist in road work, food prep, registration, and just all around spreading good cheer. This was our 7th attempt at raising money for cancer research. This year we decided to offer assistance to a local person in their battle with this disease and without the enormous turnout of the local chapter members who helped, it would not have been as successful. We were able to donate \$2800.00. This is a perfect picture of what it means to be "the hands and feet of Jesus." Those of you who participated in any way are truly putting this into action.

I'm not sure how many of you are aware of the basis for "Wings of Pink" so I will give you an overview. A few years after I was diagnosed in 2002 with breast cancer (CANCER SUCKS by the way) I got connected with the Komen Foundation and started participating in their 3 day, 60 mile walk events. To register to walk you had to have a team so we started throwing names around for our Team. Dan, who is in love with Eagles, both the feathered kind and The Eagles from the 60's, came across this scripture, Isaiah 41:31: "*They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.*" Wow, sounded like a word from the Lord to me. It speaks volumes when you are walking and you're into about 40 miles and the sun is beating down on your head and your feet and muscles are screaming at you to quit...it keeps running thru your mind and sometimes that is all that keeps you taking the next step. About this time I was also attending a Bible study of Beth Moore's when she brought up these connections: Isaiah 41:31 see above, Exodus 19:4 "*...you yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself,*" and also Revelation 12:14 "*the woman was given the two wings of a great eagle so that she might fly to the place prepared for her in the desert, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent's reach.*" This was so

poignant that it was surely a sign that this must be the name chosen for our team. We started with only 2 and now it has grown too many volunteers. We have been allowed to spread God's love, plant some seeds, water some; only God knows about the reaping.

We wish to express our appreciation to the Vision Riders for all your help, your support from donations, and most of all for showing Gods love to the world so that perhaps we may change the world "one heart at a time." I know we have made a difference in this young lady's life.



Here is Linda addressing the riders at the end of the ride. Photo by Tommy Watkins.

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Mileage Award for June



Don Sparks got the mileage award for June and Tommy Cundiff presents it to him. Don racks up many more miles working than he does on his bike, so this is a plus.

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On July 18th, the CMA SIX pulled out of Campbellsville and headed for Deals Gap, NC and the Dragon Pitt Inn where we stayed last year. And yes folks, I got wet all weekend long. Big Blue and rain are well acquainted. To say that Tommy Cundiff does not ride in the rain is now a dead issue. On Friday, four of us rode the Dragon in pouring down rain, and came back to the Dragon Pitt and enjoyed some good bar-b-que and good fellowship with some folks who were staying there. We got up the next morning in the rain, and headed over to Wheels Thru Time in Maggie Valley, NC, and toured the museum. We came back through Cherokee, NC and went over the mountain in fairly dense fog into Gatlinburg, where we had a great dinner at the Peddler. If any of you ever go with us, keep your eyes and hands on your rolls, because they will disappear, won't they, Tommy Watkins? After dinner, we rode through Pigeon Forge, and met up with Keith Bricken who had rode down from Michigan and met up with us. On the way back to the Dragon Pitt, we crossed the Foothills Parkway, stopped on the top, and looked at the beautiful lights of Knoxville, and Maryville, TN and stood around and talked for awhile enjoying the beautiful peacefulness. We headed back to the Dragon Pitt for the rest of the night for more fun and fellowship, especially Shane. We got up the next morning and headed home. Thanks to all who rode: Tommy Watkins, Dan Hayes, Shane Moore, Ron Mardis, Mitch Collings for making this trip a lot of fun. I can't wait for next year. Linda's Wings of Pink ride was held July 26th. A big thank-you to Tommy Watkins for leading us on such a wonderful ride. We raised \$2800 for Angela Bault, a beautiful woman who is a cancer survivor. She found out just how generous bikers really are. A good time was had by all, and all who were there were touched. Keep checking the Vision Riders website for upcoming rides. Be safe, everyone. Remember, we have a mission: *Go out to the roads and country lanes and make them come in, so that my house will be full.* – Luke 14:23 NIV LET'S RIDE!

Birthdays and Anniversaries

July	Cory Watkins	July 28
	Judy Fenwick	July 26
	Mike Fenwick	July 30
	June Humphrey	July 8
August	Gordon Judd	August 9
	Joe Denny Roberts	August 13
	Tommy Cundiff	August 30
	Shane & Doris Moore	August 15