

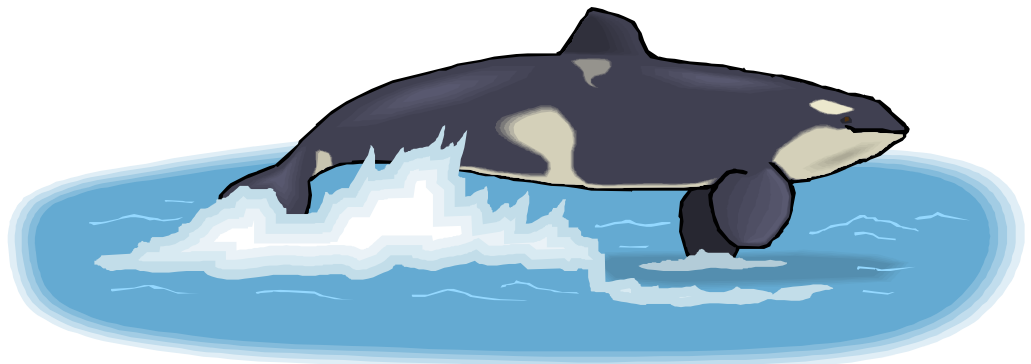
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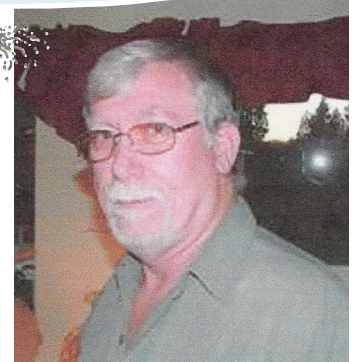


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Thoughts from your Chapter Director



Wow, it seems like 2006 has just flown by and here we are starting a new year.

We have got a lot planned for the New Year. If you look on the web, you can see that "O" will be on the Go. We have added an event calendar so you can plan for the whole year.

We have a few things going on in January starting with the Chosen Frozen ride to Olalla on New Years Day. Then we have the Casino night at Camp Murray, (WA- I) on the 13th. If you have never been there, you should go it is a lot of fun.

February will also be busy; on the 3rd we will have a Riders Education work shop in Buckley. The other big thing going on in February will be the Bowling Challenge. Chapter O will be host-ing it. We need all the bowlers and all of the support we can get. I am putting out the challenge to all other chapters to come and try to take the trophy home with them. This colossal battle will be on the 24th after our February Gathering. Look for the flyer on our Web site.

Well, that's about all I have for now but in closing, I want to thank you the chapter for all of your support and from my home to yours, I would like to wish everyone a very prosperous and safe New Year.

John.



Myrna's Thoughts

The Holiday Season is special for everyone. Some get a chance to spend time with their families that live far away, others simply make more quality time for their family that are close by. Life gets so fast paced, we sometimes forget to slow down and take time for the people that are most important to us.

We as a Chapter have enjoyed the many get-togethers that we have thru out the year. But Christmas is always special, time to gather & time to share stories and as always good food. In the past we have had many different types of gift exchanges. We did \$5 gifts, we did White Elephant gifts. (that made for great stories) We had moved up to more expensive gifts, this year we decided that we should give to those who Christmas it truly for, the children. We chose to donate toys to the Foster Children Program. We took numerous large bags of toys to the drop off site. Also, we auctioned a couple of things, along with a donation or two and were able to give a cash donation of sixty six dollars to the North Mason Food Bank.

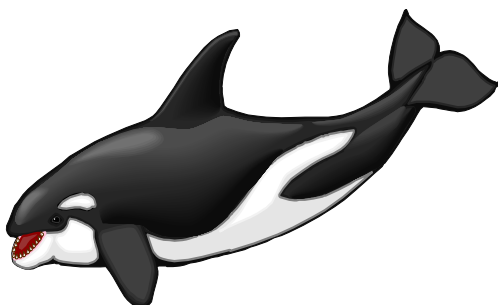
John & I are proud that the chapter has the opportunity to help out our local community at this time of need. Knowing that a child will have a toy to open on Christmas morning and a warm meal to fill an empty belly is a Christmas wish come true.

We would once again like to thank Jack & Colleen, for welcoming us all into their home.

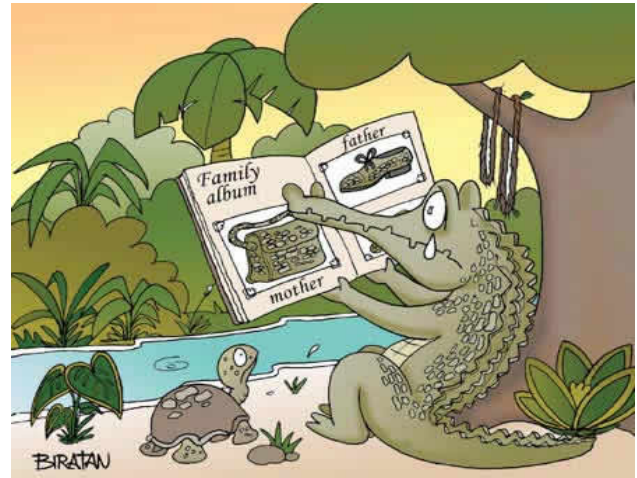
Hope that every one had a wonderful Christmas Season.

See you in the New Year.....

Myrna



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CHAPTER GATHERINGS



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| WA-V, Auburn, 1 st Thu | WA-Q, Puyallup, 1 st Fri |
| WA-M, Yakima, 1 st Sat | WA-R, Walla Walla, 1 st Sat |
| WA-B, Bremerton, 1 st Sun | WA-H, Lynden, 2 nd Tuesday |
| WA-W, Wenatchee, 2 nd Tues | WA-Y, Enumclaw, 2 nd Fri |
| WA-C, Everett, 2 nd Sat | WA-L, Kennewick, 2 nd Sat |
| WA-Z, Centralia, 2 nd Sat | WA-D, Aberdeen, 2 nd Sun |
| WA-S, Ephrata, 3 rd Thu | WA-E, Bellevue, 3 rd Sat |
| WA-G, Gig Harbor, 3 rd Sat | WA-K, White Salmon, 3 rd Sat |
| WA-P, Longview, 3 rd Sat | WA-I, Olympia, 3 rd Sun |
| WA-N, Spokane, 3 rd Sun | WA-A, Seattle, 4 th Sat |
| WA-O, Port Orchard, 4 th Sat | WA-F, Tacoma, 4 th Sun |

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WINTER DRIVING TIPS

The weatherman said we should get ready for a cold winter this year. One of the problems with cold winters is that many of our vehicles are not prepared to deal with the change in climate. Go through this checklist to make sure you make it through this winter.

1. Inspect your vehicle; this includes making sure that your battery and charging system are in good working order. Starting your vehicle in cold weather takes a lot more out of your battery than when the weather is warm. Check all your belts and hoses and make sure they are not cracked or worn. You know Murphy's law, if something bad is going to happen, it will happen when it is most inopportune and you may find yourself stranded somewhere.
2. "Winterize your car." Make sure the coolant in your radiator is ready for the colder temperature. Having enough anti-freeze in your radiator is the difference between a cracked engine block and a running vehicle. Repairing this problem is very costly. Gas stations will usually check your anti-freeze for you, but if you want to do it yourself, you can buy your own tool from an auto parts store for a few bucks.
3. Check your windshield wipers and your defroster. Make sure they are doing a good job of keeping your windshield as clear as possible. Poor visibility can lead to accidents.
4. Be prepared for delays. Automobile accidents can leave you stuck in traffic for hours at a time. Pack a blanket, some non-perishable food items, and some water or a two liter of soda pop and leave it in your vehicle. Those items may come in handy in the event that you get stranded with automobile problems or are forced to wait while accidents are investigated and cleared up.
5. SLOW DOWN. If bad weather hits, the best thing you can do to avoid getting into an accident is to slow down. By increasing the distance between you and other vehicles, you should be able to react in time to upcoming dangers. If driving in snow, exaggerate the amount of distance you normally would have between you and other vehicles. Make your turns gradually and accelerate and decelerate slowly. Keeping traction is the key to controlling your vehicle in the snow.

Be Safe on the roads, Ken Smith



Rider Educators, Donna and Alan

Fall Tips for Fall Trips

As we quickly enter our last phase of the riding for this year, there are some things to consider for ending the season on a safe note. Things that were not an issue in the summer may challenge your skills in the fall.

Daylight – As we ride into the fall season, the daylight hours are becoming much shorter. When planning a ride that extends late into the evening, be prepared for that change. Bring clothing that will be needed for cooler rides, such as a jacket liner, warmer gloves and a neck warmer. Clear eyewear should be worn in the evening to see and reflective type clothing to be seen.

Road Conditions – We have more opportunities to ride in the rain this time of year and combined with falling leaves it can get very slippery. Riding at excessive speeds over wet leaves is no joke. If you ride on wet roads or leaves, you may abruptly leave your motorcycle.

Road crews are finishing up their roadwork that may be hazardous for motorcyclist. Edges of the road may have little or no shoulders – edge traps. The road may also have 3-4 inch drops that make stopping or easing to the side of the road impossible. Goldwings are great touring bikes; just don't try off road touring.

Steel bridges and railroad tracks slippery when wet. Ride with caution and do not make fast moves that may cause you to lose control. Be steady or be ready to end up in the hospital with Nurse Betty.

Critter – All the animals lonely this time of year seem t want to run into the road way to greet us. Be on the lookout fro deer and other critters at any time but especially in the early morning hours or just before dark. It seems most critter exhibit their suicidal tendencies at that time the most. If you hunt don't use your Goldwing to bag your limit, it may cost you a lot of doe.

Fall riding can be most rewarding time of the year to ride your motorcycle. Being prepared for the changing weather and road conditions are the most important aspect of fall riding. Plan your ride and "embark" on an adventure to embrace the beautiful changing scenery.

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WINTERIZING YOUR MOTORCYCLE

As you know, proper storage of your motorcycle is important for safe, trouble free operation in the spring. Following are some tips to get your motorcycle ready for the winter months.

These tips are very general. If you have any questions, be sure to consult your owner's manual.

- Wash, dry and wax your motorcycle. This prevents rust and corrosion.
- Warm the motorcycle to operating temperature. Change the oil and filter.
- Check the air pressure in the tires and adjust the pressure as needed.
- Fill the gas tank completely with gas. Add a fuel stabilizer. The less air that can get in the tank the better.

- Remove the battery from the motorcycle. Check the water level and fill as needed with distilled water. Store the battery in a cool, dry place off of the concrete floor. Charge monthly with a trickle charger or use a battery tender. Also, **check the water monthly** and fill with distilled water if needed.

Store your motorcycle in a garage, if possible, and cover. Set your motorcycle on its center stand.

Now that your motorcycle is all snug for the winter, **let it rest.** Don't be tempted to start your motorcycle just to hear it run. Mother Nature has a funny way of condensing water in your motor oil and engine. You must operate your motorcycle until the engine oil reaches 212 degrees to dissipate the moisture. If you start your motorcycle and only run it for a few minutes, all you do is spread that moisture throughout the engine, which will cause rust and corrosion.

Don't forget to condition your leathers. They also need your love 'grin'.

Happy motoring, Ken Smith

Schedule of Events

- Jan 1st, Chosen Frozen Ride to Olalla Bridge, Lv: 10:00am, 76 station, Tremont
- Jan 7th, Chapter B's Regular Gathering
- Jan 9th, Diner Social, El Sombrero, Next to the old K-Mart on Mile Hill, Port Orchard, 6:30pm
- Jan 13th, Chapter I's Casino Night Camp Murray, Lv: 3:00pm from 76 station Tremont, Exit 122 off I-5 follow Signs, Doors open 4:00pm.
- Jan. 20th, Chapter E, Bellevue Visitation, Motorcycle or Car, Lv, Tremont 76, 7:00am. Also Chapter G's Regular Gathering day
- Jan. 23rd, Monthly Planning Meeting, Jim and Jan's, 6:30pm
- Jan. 27th, WA-O Regular Gathering, 8:00 am, Airport Diner, Bremerton Airport

January 2007

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

- 12-22, We missed Jan Olmstead
- 01-06, John Laird
- 01-12, Isaac Barrett
- 01-12, Melva LeFave
- 01-18, Kay Beck
- 01-22, John Scrivner
- 01-27, Debbie Holmes
- 01-29, Rick Williams



Anniversaries



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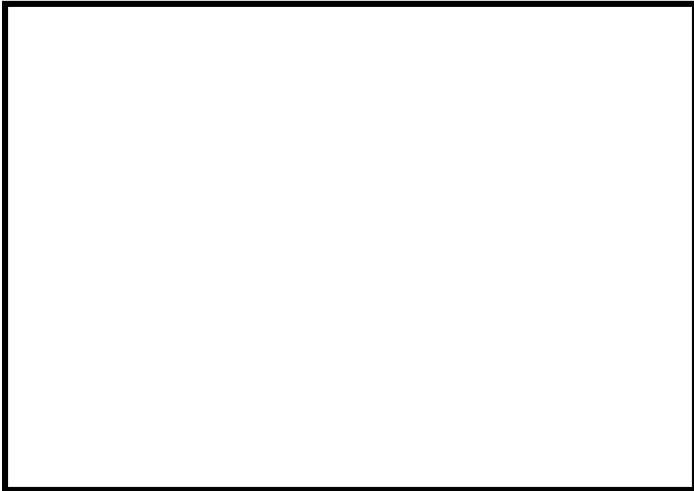
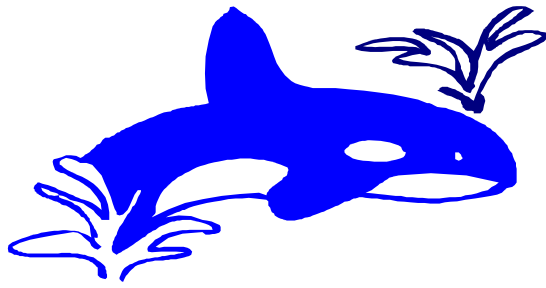
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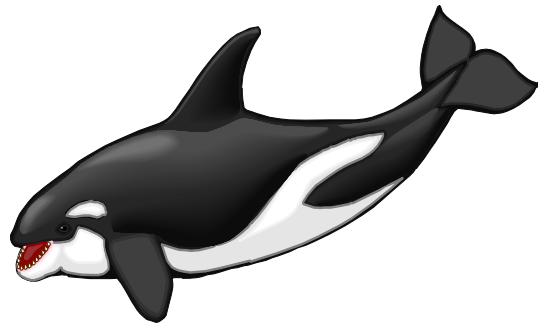
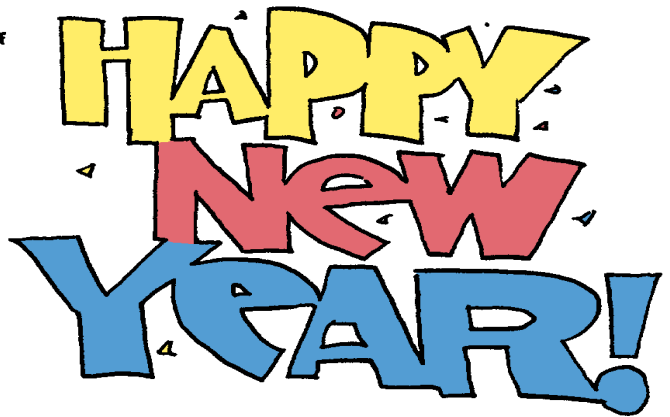
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