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Cool Cats Newsletter for July 2011



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GOLDWING

The Greatness of a Chapter is most accurately measured by the involvement of it's members

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Our monthly Chapter meeting get together is at the Lynnwood Dennys at 1216 Broadway North Everett. The meeting is on the second Saturday of each month. Breakfast at 8AM Meeting 9AM .

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A little liter from the Top Cat

CD's Corner

Hi Chapter C

For those of you who were at the last breakfast meeting, we talked about my stepping down. Russ showed an interest in taking over and I think he would make a great CD. Unfortunately my working and living in Idaho put quite a damper on what I wanted to do with the chapter; I'm not able to make any of the events except the breakfast meeting. You all deserve a lot more than that.

As far as the bale of straw goes, we are working together on our scheme. If you need to know what we need, and what you can do, call Russ. (Thank You Russ for volunteering your time).

Last Saturday I went to visit Chapter H in Idaho. I almost feel like a traitor, but it's only a mile from home. It's funny, the names are different, but the Goldwingers are the same; one guy I started to call Bruce, before I caught myself. I also saw 'Bert' there. We rode our bikes there,

and we planned on taking a ride up to the nearest Honda dealer.....40 miles away....but the sky opened up just as the meeting ended. So, we are still waiting to have our first family ride in nice weather.

A couple weekends ago it was really nice out so I drove my truck over to Monroe and traded it for my bike. The weather was beautiful that Sunday. Unfortunately the next morning it was pouring. I never thought about that when I left my truck in Monroe; wet ride to work. Monday, the 20th, we had 'National Ride Your Bike to Work' day. Luckily it wasn't raining. We all got our picture taken.....except for Dad. He was too busy eating his lunch. The picture will be in the Shop News Letter.

I'll be looking forward to seeing you all in July. **Danny**



Bruce McMahill on the 16th
Lee Ann Kelly on the 19th



Bruce & Sandy McMhill 13th

Money bags

This year, July has 5 Fridays, 5 Saturdays and 5 Sundays. This happens once every **823 years**. This is called money bags. read on!!!

This year we're going to experience four unusual dates.
1/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/1/11, 11/11/11 and that's not all...

Take the last two digits of the year in which you were born - now add the age you will be this year,

The results will be 111 for everyone in whole world. This is the year of the Money!!!

Take this test and pass it on to your more literate friends..



What it took to get an 8th grade education in 1895...

Remember when grandparents and great-grandparents stated that they only had an 8th grade education? Well, check this out. Could any of us have passed the 8th grade in 1895?

This is the eighth-grade final exam from 1895 in Salina , Kansas , USA . It was taken from the original document on file at the Smokey Valley Genealogical Society and Library in Salina , and reprinted by the Salina Journal.

8th Grade Final Exam: Salina , KS - 1895

Grammar (Time, one hour)

1. Give nine rules for the use of capital letters.
2. Name the parts of speech and define those that have no modifications.
3. Define verse, stanza and paragraph
4. What are the principal parts of a verb? Give principal parts of 'lie,' 'play,' and 'run.'
5. Define case; illustrate each case.
- 6 What is punctuation? Give rules for principal marks of punctuation.
- 7 - 10. Write a composition of about 150 words and show therein

that you understand the practical use of the rules of grammar.

Arithmetic (Time, 1 hour 15 minutes)

1. Name and define the Fundamental Rules of Arithmetic.
2. A wagon box is 2 ft. Deep, 10 feet long, and 3 ft. Wide. How many bushels of wheat will it hold?
3. If a load of wheat weighs 3,942 lbs., what is it worth at 50cts/bushel, deducting 1,050 lbs. For tare?
4. District No 33 has a valuation of \$35,000.. What is the necessary levy to carry on a school seven months at \$50 per month, and have \$104 for incidentals?
5. Find the cost of 6,720 lbs. Coal at \$6.00 per ton.
6. Find the interest of \$512.60 for 8 months and 18 days at 7 percent.
7. What is the cost of 40 boards 12 inches wide and 16 ft.. Long at \$20 per metre?
8. Find bank discount on \$300 for 90 days (no grace) at 10 percent.
9. What is the cost of a square farm at \$15 per acre, the distance of which is 640 rods?
10. Write a Bank Check, a Promissory Note, and a Receipt

U.S. History (Time, 45 minutes)

1. Give the epochs into which U.S. History is divided
2. Give an account of the discovery of America by Columbus
3. Relate the causes and results of the Revolutionary War.
4. Show the territorial growth of the United States
5. Tell what you can of the history of Kansas
6. Describe three of the most prominent battles of the Rebellion.
7. Who were the following: Morse, Whitney, Fulton, Bell, Lincoln,

Penn, and Howe?

8. Name events connected with the following dates: 1607, 1620, 1800, 1849, 1865.

Orthography (Time, one hour)

[Do we even know what this is??]

1. What is meant by the following: alphabet, phonetic, orthography, etymology, syllabication
2. What are elementary sounds? How classified?
3. What are the following, and give examples of each: trigraph, subvocals, diphthong, cognate letters, linguals
4. Give four substitutes for caret 'u.' (HUH?)
5. Give two rules for spelling words with final 'e.' Name two exceptions under each rule.
6. Give two uses of silent letters in spelling. Illustrate each.
7. Define the following prefixes and use in connection with a word: bi, dis-mis, pre, semi, post, non, inter, mono, sup.
8. Mark diacritically and divide into syllables the following, and name the sign that indicates the sound: card, ball, mercy, sir, odd, cell, rise, blood, fare, last.
9. Use the following correctly in sentences: cite, site, sight, fane, fain, feign, vane, vain, vein, raze, raise, rays.
10. Write 10 words frequently mispronounced and indicate pronunciation by use of diacritical marks and by syllabication.

Geography (Time, one hour)

1. What is climate? Upon what does climate depend?
2. How do you account for the extremes of climate in Kansas?

3. Of what use are rivers? Of what use is the ocean?
4. Describe the mountains of North America
5. Name and describe the following: Monrovia , Odessa , Denver , Manitoba , Hecla , Yukon , St. Helena, Juan Fernandez, Aspinwall and Orinoco
6. Name and locate the principal trade centers of the U.S. Name all the republics of Europe and give the capital of each..
8. Why is the Atlantic Coast colder than the Pacific in the same latitude?
9. Describe the process by which the water of the ocean returns to the sources of rivers.
10. Describe the movements of the earth. Give the inclination of the earth.

Notice that the exam took FIVE HOURS to complete.

Gives the saying 'he only had an 8th grade education' a whole new meaning, doesn't it?! No wonder they dropped out after 8th grade. They already knew more than they needed to know!



School Children of
Town of Glendale
1895

Medic First Aid Class

By Bruce R. McMahill

"Medic First Aid (MFA): It would be wonderful if we could achieve a goal of "zero" accidents, however accidents can and do happen and not necessarily to us.

The Medic First Aid program can prepare us to give aid and possibly save lives through becoming knowledgeable in First Aid and CPR. Rendering CPR and / or First Aid can happen anywhere at any time. And through training, we can become fully prepared to lend aid to accident victims."

Six Chapter Members -- Bruce / Sandy, Russell / Lee Ann, Charlie Hustace and Ron Van Hoose -- attended the Medic First Aid class at Bruce and Sandra's' home, Sunday June 12, 2011.

Mark and Lorraine Epperson, MFA Instructor and the Rider Educator of Chapter WA-M, Yakima, WA conducted the class.

We learned that emergency first aid does not require us to make complex decisions or have in-depth medical knowledge. Medic First Aid it easy to: learn, remember and perform.

Our class focused on our essential responsibilities as a first aid provider by;

- Recognizing a medical emergency,
- Making the decision to help,
- Identifying hazards and ensuring personal safety,
- Activating the Emergency Medical Services (system -- dialing 911) system, and, providing supportive basic first aid.

The class was well put together and provided us with the knowledge, skills and confidence necessary to manage a medical emergency until more advanced help arrives.

Well done Mark, well done indeed and thank you from the Members of Chapter WA-C.

Scenic Train Ride, Snoqualmie, WA

by Bruce R. McMahon

Our Chapter's June 2010 "After Meeting Ride" was to the small town of Snoqualmie, WA just 15 minutes east of Issaquah. We came here to explore the towns' wonderful railway heritage and ride the Snoqualmie Valley Railroad, a 70 minute round trip excursion between the towns of Snoqualmie, North Bend and south side of Snoqualmie Falls. Promptly at 12:30 pm, we stepped up to the Snoqualmie Valley Railway ticket counter where other travelers have

purchased tickets since 1890. We were ready to see Mt Si and Snoqualmie Falls traveling on railway coaches that are authentic and historically accurate.

These coaches feature limited doorway widths, narrow walkways between rows of "plush leather or cloth" seats and with steep stairwells for boarding. At the back of the train, a rail car had individual "wicker chairs" that could be moved around to see sights from either side of the train as well as to the rear.

We chose this last car in the train for our adventure on the Snoqualmie Valley Railway.

The Snoqualmie Valley Railway is a five mile common carrier railroad allowing museum visitors to experience a train excursion aboard antique railroad coaches through the Upper Snoqualmie Valley.

With only one locomotive at the front of the five passenger car train, we started by "backing up" from the town of Snoqualmie to North Bend with a "conductor" sitting on a chair "blowing an air horn -- two long, one short then one long" blasts on vintage air horns at every road crossing. Luckily I had my ear plugs with me and "quickly" the air blast signals were reduced. Other passengers just covered their ears.

From North Bend, the locomotive pulled us to Snoqualmie Falls, past the Electric Generating Station and beyond to the bend of Snoqualmie River racing westward toward Fall City and beyond. What a sight.

Something to consider for October "After Chapter Meeting Ride." How about riding the "Halloween Train" (advertisement below) for this October Chapter's Cider run?

Halloween Train at the Northwest Railway Museum

Saturday and Sunday, October 29* & 30*, 2011

Board Halloween Train in either Snoqualmie or North Bend.

All activities are at the Snoqualmie Depot.

* No passes, discounts, coupons or group rates accepted.

Trains Depart Snoqualmie at:

11:01am, 12:31pm, 2:01pm, 3:31pm and 4:11pm**

**Falls only run

Activities include: watch an old-fashioned cider press demonstration, listen to live music, enjoy Depot and train decorations, and sip warm apple cider. This fun celebration of Fall and Halloween is a great time for people of any age!

WA-C July 2001 Newsletter Article

by Bruce R. McMahill

Motorcycle Tire Inflation Facts:

Over the past few months, there have been several Chapter Newsletter articles and meeting talks about Motorcycle tires all with a common theme: the importance of proper motorcycle tire pressure for overall safety and performance -- PROPER TIRE PRESSURE.

One short note before continuing with more information about tires; under normal riding conditions, proper tire pressure INCREASES tire mileage. Simple as that.

Tire Problems Need Drastic Solutions

Every year, thousands of accidents are caused by under-inflated and neglected tires. Whether it's poor handling from a tire with low pressure or a serious accident resulting from a sudden blowout, we have all either experienced personally or have had friends who have suffered the consequences of a tire related problem.

Most riders are well aware of the recent Ford Explorer/Firestone situation that caused hundreds of deaths and resulted in the recall of thousands of vehicles and tires. But not many people are aware of the root cause of these accidents: Under inflated tires.

This tragic incident prompted the US government to create legislation requiring low pressure warning systems on all new passenger cars, vans and light trucks. In fact, the legislation is expected to expand to include commercial trucks, buses, recreational vehicles, and importantly to us, motorcycles. Other countries around the world are looking at similar legislation.

How often do you check your tires?

Proper tire pressure is critical for both rider safety and motorcycle performance. As maintenance studies and any mechanic will confirm, almost 50% of all motorcycle tires are under-inflated, often to dangerous levels. Yes, that's right, almost 50%. It's almost a certainty that right now, at least one of your tires is under-inflated, possibly dangerously under inflated.

How often do you check your tires? Do you check your tires once a week...once a month...or just before a big ride? Or are you like most riders and wait until your bike start to handle strange? If you're not checking your tires pretty well every time you get on the Motorcycle, then it's just not enough.

Mechanics talk about customers bringing in their motorcycles for a servicing because the handling is bad, only to find one or both tires are severely under-inflated.

But I can tell by looking!

A very dangerous practice is to judge tire pressure by visually gauging the tire's sidewall deflection (how flat the tire looks). However, with the stiff sidewalls of today's tires, you just can't tell by looking.

For example, the rear tire of touring bike is likely to appear fully inflated with only 20 PSI of tire pressure versus the required 38 PSI to 41 PSI.

The 20 PSI falls into the "dangerously under-inflated" category!

Why check while it's cold?

Because recommended tire pressures are always given as cold inflation values, it is always necessary to check tire pressures when the tires are cold. The pressure inside a tire naturally increases as temperature increases so checking a tire when its cold is the only way to get an accurate reading that you can compare to the recommended inflation pressure.

Motorcycle tires heat up quickly so even a short ride to the service station can heat the tires enough to give an improper cold inflation reading. It's always best to check the tires before you ride and to note each tire's pressure and how many psis the tire is under-inflated. When you get to the service station, add the corresponding amount air pressure to the tires.