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July / August 2014 Newsletter



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June 26 to - 28th East Central Regional Retreads®Rally, Quincy, Illinois

June 27th - 29th Biker's Reunion, New Liskeard, Ontario

July 21st - 23rd Western Pennsylvania Retreads®Rally, Cambridge Springs, PA

Aug. 12th - 14th Ontario Provincial Retreads® Rally, London, Ontario

Aug. 14th - 16th North Central Regional Retreads® Rally, Dover, Wisconsin

Sept. 4th - 6th New England Retreads® Rally, Seekonk, MA

Oct. 16th - 19th Biketoberfest, Daytona Beach, Florida



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"From those who were given much — much is expected"

That was my feelings five years ago when Marlene Patton asked me to be the Sunshine Region Director. I had been a member of the Retreads for almost thirty years and enjoyed the fellowship and fun immensely. I felt I owed the organization my service to repay that dept.

Now it is time for me to step down and ask someone else to take the position. It is my sincere hope that one of you will feel the same.

I have submitted my resignation, effective July 1st, to our president, Lloyd Smith. I will be sending him all the inventory, money and information. He will hold it until a new director is appointed.

I am asking all of the membership to send Lloyd (ph.337 855 7487 email Ismith9591@aol.com - address 2662 Phill's Lane, Lake Charles, La 70611) your nominations or application for the Sunshine Region Director position.

It has been a rewarding and learning experience. I owe a lot of people thanks for their help. Some of the people are:

Bobby Farris for designing and maintaining our website. He also stores and maintains our trailer.

Richard Handverger for his computer lessons and designing our original website.

All the group directors and area reps for their leadership.

Mary Ann Etter and Janis Gargus for their stories and reports.

I will always be thankful and a Retread!!

Jack Schardine

Sunshine Region Retreads Meeting Schedule

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Saturday, 8am We have breakfast and ride follows

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Sunday & Wednesday 9am Ride follows

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Meeting places and ride destination are announced weekly via email.

Ride schedule is determined quarterly during a chapter outing and posted via email.

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Leesburg News

by MaryAnn Etter

Retreads Newsletter May 13, 2014

Today was an absolutely beautiful day with twenty two members at Cracker Barrel for breakfast. The 50/50 was \$16.00 and was won by Gary Weber. Way to go Gary! You guys have done a lot for the club and you deserve it. Bob Walters got up and announced that he was having a ride from the food court at the Lake Square Mall on Thursday leaving at 0900. Anyone wanting to participate be there before 0900. He leads a great ride!

We had fourteen bikes and twenty two members. All the bikes but one took the ride which was led by Fred Hackett. I want to tell you, we went over roads we had never been on before with little or no traffic and beautiful home sites and homes and lots of animals. In fact, along one of the roads lay three dogs all in a row at the very edge of the road just lying there watching us all go by. We saw many horses and colts, peacocks, goats, cows (of course) and a few alpacas. Some of the roads were tree covered and some were very small and all were beautiful. There is no one other than Fred that knows all these gorgeous back roads. Now, since Fred has no CB radio that works, Bob Walters rode directly behind him on his Harley and relayed to everyone else where to turn and gestured to Fred when the tail gunner had gotten through a light or stop sign and then we were to all speed up to the posted speed limit. We had seven trikes, two scooters, Bobby Farris's antique that just "keeps on runnin" and the rest were two wheelers.

Was good to see Nan Sabo back on Dick's Gold Wing after her back surgery. She survived the whole ride but was a little tired by the end. Welcome back, Nan, we missed you. Two changes in the Sabo family. Her hair is now white and Dick's is now straight but you're never too old for change!

We got some sad news today. Pat Prost has moved back to Michigan so he and his wife can spend some time with the grandkids who range from a few months to eight years old. He flew down to ride his motorcycle back up and graced us with his presence on the ride today. We'll miss you Pat! Sorry to see you go. Have a safe trip back to Michigan on your bike! Let us know when you arrive.

Fred and Marge led us to the Farmhouse Restaurant outside of Silver Springs, Fl for great food at great prices. I had an open faced roast beef sandwich with french fries and a vegetable that was all I could eat and it was only \$5.95. The service was great, the food came out quickly and we all had a wonderful time. Fred and Marge thanks so much for all your knowledge of the back roads and the good places to eat and Bob Walters, thanks for being the communicator to the rest of us behind and thanks to Gary and Carol Weber for bringing up the rear and making sure everyone in front of them got to the restaurant.

Leesburg News (Continued)

Leesburg Retreads Newsletter June 3, 2014

I have some very sad news to report. One of our members passed a Robert Reyes who rode with us periodically and was a minister has gone on to be welcomed into the arms of the Lord.

The service will be held at the Faith Chapel Ministries, 101 South Truett St., Leesburg on June 7, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.

Going north on Rt 27 take a left (West) on Main St. go about ½ mile and turn left on Truett St (just before the 6 Stars Discount Beverage Store). Church is on corner of Butler and Truett. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Laverna.

We had twelve people on Tuesday for the ride. No 50/50 was held and Fred and Marge Hackett led another great ride. He was headed for Osteen to the diner but when we got to Debary we had some showers and the sky didn't look to promising so he decided to stop at The Swamp House Grill in Debary. The food was great and the swamp burgers were huge! The waitress asked our names as we ordered and remembered them throughout the whole meal. Thanks Fred and Marge!!!!!!!

We will continue to ride until the end of July and then start back up after Labor

Day in September unless it is still too hot. Stay tuned for further decisions on this.

Treasure Coast News Bob and Karen McGhee

Summer is here, as it indicates on the picture of our thermometer, in case you can't see it, it says 101 on our deck last month. Whew!!

We had good turnouts on some of the breakfasts last month. At Country Ham and Eggs, we had over 20 people. Had to sit in 3 different locations. We also had some new riders, Dee and Jeff on their Spyder. Hope you get to ride with us again.

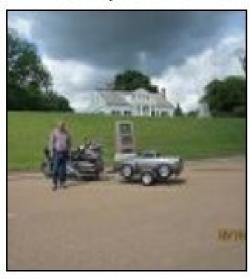
Somebody mentioned that CJ Cannons (Vero Beach airport) also serves breakfast, so we thought we would give it a try. Bob and I won't be there that day, so let us know if you want to keep it on the calendar for breakfast, of course it will always be there for dinner.

Don't forget to share some of you summer vacation pictures for the calendar.



Tallahassee News Janice Gargus

If it's May, its travel time for us. We like to travel in May, usually the weather is perfect. We took a short trip, though, as we had a wedding the middle of May We decided to make a Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina "loop".





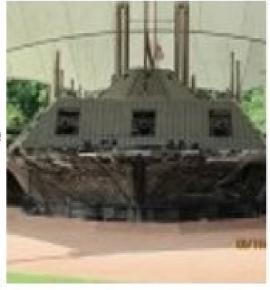
That was the plan anyway. But, as usual, when we arrived in Mobile it was raining. These poor people get a lot of rain, even more than we do in Tallahassee.

So, we headed north to Vicksburg to visit the Civil War Museum National Park. This Park is a wonderful resting place for The Civil War soldiers. Very hilly and lot's of trees. Very calm. The USS Cairo

was a great visit. See photos. The USS Cairo was only in service for 11 months before making history as the first U.S. marine vessel to be sunk by an electronically deto-

nated mine.

Then we headed on to Memphis. While there we watched the weather channel as we always do on a trip to gauge our next day's travel. Lo and behold the big front was heading our way. Therefore, we headed home, got in the car, and headed back up to



Beaufort, South Carolina to visit relatives. We admitted to ourselves we wouldn't travel as much if we had to do it on four wheels.

Retreads Ontario South AREA REP - Lorraine Jarvis

2014 International Rally Branson, MO

This year's International would be the earliest rally in the riding season we had ever attended. Given we were travelling on four wheels to accommodate our issues as well as bringing the dog along it was not so important but riding could prove to be trying.

Sunday May 4n-We were on the road around 7:00 am with our first stop to be the Duty Free shop in Sarnia. We rolled in around 9:00 am and began the routine we would carry on for the rest of our trip. Lorraine would walk the dog while I used the facilities and bought some liqueurs, and then I would tend to the dog while she went in for her duty free purchase. This bridge is the reason we got NEXUS passes and our trip was not held up by clearing customs. I gave the guard our cards and he asked where we were going. I responded: ultimately Branson, MO but today we would be staying in Terra Haute, IN. He returned the cards and wished us a good trip. Surprised, Lorraine asked him if he wanted to see the dog's papers. His response was a flat no. On we went!

Normally we gas up at Davison, MI but the GPS threw us a curve by taking us on to Rte 696. At this point I had no idea where it was taking us. We stopped for gas but the attendant was of no help regarding directions. We followed the GPS instructions and ended up at I-69 near Ann Arbor, MI. From here we would continue on Hwy 69, stopping every 300 kms for gas and at rest stops in between through Fort Wayne to Indianapolis. Here we got more bad advice from the GPS and took a joy ride through city streets, finally ending up on the I-70 to Terra Haute. As with other trips down this route the weather got warmer the further south we go

Once we turned off the highway Lorraine declared we had been here before, recognizing the local businesses. When we finally reached the Super 8 we were sure. The motel used cater to cliental from a nearby National Guard facility that no longer considered it suitable and it seemed to be suffering. Lorraine went out and bought us dinner from Fazoli's. Best spaghetti and meatballs I've ever eaten. The dog seemed to like the little dog park at the back of parking lot which made our stay a little easier.

Monday May 5th-Today we set off for Branson and the KOA campground where we had reserved a cabin somewhat like the ones in Spearfish, SD. The weather was nice and we made good time and had no problem navigating through Springfield, MO. At one point we spotted two bikes ahead of us and naturally wondered if they were Retreads@heading to the rally. The bikes had Ontario plates but they were not going to the rally. They were from Sault Ste, Marie and had endured some cool temperatures on the ride through upper Michigan and the bridge at Mackinac. Now they were looking for sunscreen. This was due to the bright sun beating down, raising the temperature to 89 degrees. The GPS ultimately took us to the campground but through a residential neighborhood. This provided us a glimpse of the rolling landscape of this town. We checked in at the park and were escorted to our cabin and given instructions on its amenities including: hydro, air conditioning, heater, ceiling fan with light, bathroom with shower, toilet, vanity, a closet area, a small table, queen size bed and two folding chairs. It had a porch with a swing, ample parking and a picnic table. The park also provided free Wi Fi. (The cost was just under \$50/night.) Other features of the park were public washrooms/showers, a pool (in season), excess room, dog park, laundry rooms, free pancake breakfasts as well as exceptionally courteous, helpful and friendly staff. After unloading we headed to the hospitality room and registered for the rally, bought draw tickets and had some munchies. We had spotted a red Victory touring bike with Ontario plates and sure enough Chris and Shirley were on site already. We would return later for the Rep's meeting which was well attended. We met up with Jim and Ann out of Southern California and reminisced about their 2011 Four Corners Rally in Oceanside CA. We had Jack and Jane and Margo and Rob over to our cabin to chat and have refreshments. Ken and Linda and Frank and Connie rolled in, to bring Ontario South numbers to 12. Later we would meet Lee Ann and Kelly from the North West Chapter, then it was back to the hall for the ice cream social. Later a number of draw tickets were pulled.

Retreads Ontario South AREA REP - Lorraine Jarvis (continued)





Tuesday May 6th-We would go to the hall for breakfast. We each had a biscuit with gravy, two sausage patties and pancakes for just over \$8.00. This was a filling breakfast and reasonably priced and would be repeated daily. Today's activities were the Moonshine Poker Run and a Mystery Dinner Theater. Lorraine wanted to go to the latter but wasn't sure where it was and how to get there and back so she didn't go.

Wednesday May 7th-The day was spent socializing and attending the BOD meeting. Lloyd was unfortunately called away on a family matter. There were rides and a tour of the Fantastic Caves. Later we were treated to "Road Kill Dinner Theater" which was unique and very good tasting. A number of skits were performed and were quite entertaining.

Thursday May 8th-Today would be a rainy one. We needed to make a run to Wal Mart for supplies. Jim and Ann also needed some things and did not have a car with them so we took a trip together. After shopping we decided to make sure how to get to where the banquet was to be held. That was the College of the Ozarks in Lookout Point, MO. It was just a few miles away and relatively straight forward so there wouldn't be any problem getting there later in the evening On the way back we hit a Denny's for lunch and later the ladies went to a Sketchers outlet and bought some shoes. The four of us would go to the banquet in our

vehicle as it was still rainy. The banquet was very nice even though there was some confusion with how the food would be dispensed. Another minor annoyance to some was that the facility was dry. The food was very good and abundant. Awards were made, 50/50 draws completed and representatives were allowed to advertise their upcoming rallies such as the 2015 Int'l in Montrose, CO. Overall the rally was a success with 228 registered with 12 from Ontario South, 2 from Ontario North West and 18 (20) from Canada but apparently there were 6 from Kawartha who we didn't come across.



Friday May 9th-The weather didn't look good for riding. The road was wet and caused a lot of spray. Jack and Jane left early enough to miss it and Frank and Ken were towing to Washington DC. We would head for Plainfield, IN today and stay at a Days Inn. It turned out to be quite seedy with what looked like some "working girls" on the premises.

Saturday May 10m-Today we would set our sights on home, We vowed not to get messed up on our way through Indianapolis and managed to hit the 465 North, the by pass around the city. The weather was nice the trip uneventful and our passage at Customs went very smooth (Nexus), well worth the initial investment if you travel across the border frequently. Home safe and our dog was surely happy with familiar surroundings.

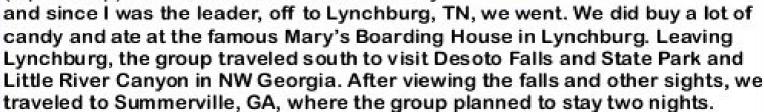
BOB-O-LOU MEMORIAL RIDE

Charles J Portero

Five members of the Silver Eagle Motorcycle Club of Tallahassee, Florida, recently returned from a weeklong trip made in honor or Robert Carraway who recently passed away unexpectedly. Bob had planned on going on the ride and

became "eager and ready to go" the closer the leave day approached. Bob was a charter member of the Silver Eagle Club and was known for looking for a "good deal" and his favorite pastime was visiting flea markets. The group left Tallahassee in an all-day rain en route to Scottsboro, AL, home of Airlines Unclaimed Luggage, one of Bob's favorites.

Prior to leaving Scottsboro, someone mentioned that they would love some whisky fudge (a prior trip). All I heard was the word whisky



The next day the group rode to Cloudland Canyon and saw one of the most beautiful views and water falls in all our travels. After visiting the canyon and other local roads, we turned toward home with plans to stay our last night on the road in Warm Springs, GA. Our plans were to eat at the well-known Bullard House but found it closed and was advised that it only opened the weekends this time of the year.

A new steak restaurant was recommended and after some efforts to get the leader on the right road, the restaurant was located. There were very few customers inside which gave us some concern that it may be a sign of questionable quality. However, after the first bite, our doubts disappeared. The steak and service were excellent. The restaurant will remain on our list of places to eat whenever we are back in Warm Springs.

The last day of the trip was beautiful and the ride home was "why we ride". One more stop was made to purchase more candy for our lovely wives who give us the freedom to ride and share our wonderful adventures with friends.

Bob, you were missed by all who felt that a vacant place was riding with us. It will remain so.

Bob Carraway was a member of the Tallahassee Retreads from 2002 thru 2011





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