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Editor's Lane...

While so many folks sat in their favorite chairs with pants unzipped waiting for enough room to scarf down one more slice of pumpkin pie, Caroline and I found ourselves enjoying dinner with my newly-married daughter, Nikki, and her husband, Andy, at their home. Nice, right? I have to admit, I was a little apprehensive. The rest of the guest list included my new son-in-law's mother, my son (Jay), Caroline's grandchildren (Harley and Davidson), Caroline's nephew (Bill), my ex-wife and her boyfriend (Arlean and Jay), my nephew (Matthew), my ex-brother-in-law and his wife (Joe and Dee) and their daughter and son (my niece and nephew, Brittany and Eric) and the guest of honor, my ex-mother-in-law (Dolly). As someone on Facebook noted, that's a lot of ex's! Quite a few folks thought maybe I had rocks in my head and, well, maybe I do. But to me, all of these people are part of my family and, as I get older, I'm finding that family is very important to me. Besides, it was nice to eat, drink, talk and laugh even if I did get picked on a little - it was good natured.

Both Caroline and I grew up with a strong work ethic and missed too much family time especially where our respective children were concerned. Over the past five years, I've had to struggle through the bad economy, my divorce and health issues. Although I went from being financially comfortable to giving up any extravagances and living more frugally, I have to admit it was also a very enlightening five years and I learned to appreciate a lot of what I use to take for granted.

I found Caroline about four years ago or should I say we found each other. She has seen me through my health issues and stood by my side through thick and thin and a little bit of insanity tossed in for good measure. I've also stood by Caroline through the passing of her daughter, Leigh, and her having to be not just grandmother to Harley and Davidson, but stepping into the role of "Mom." I've reconnected



somewhat with my children also (there was a time when neither of them would speak to me). Caroline showed me how important family is and encouraged me to reconnect with mine, even ex's. We have spent countless hours during road trips talking about life and all the unexpected twists and turns and what is, ultimately, most important.

So where am I heading with this personal dribble? The keyword here is "family." This holiday season take some time to reach out to your family – and not only blood or relatives acquired through marriage. Reach out to that neighbor or co-worker you know and wish them a Merry Christmas (or Happy Holiday if you want to be politically correct - I personally like Merry Christmas). Even better, do something nice for someone this holiday season. Good will toward men (and women) as the Christmas carol goes.

So there are my thoughts. Thanks for indulging me this month and, please, have a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. Now go give your family a friggin' hug, will ya??

*Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays,
Big Poppa & Miss Caroline
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SENIOR MOMENT

Name: Winky Brazzil ~ Age: 58 ~ Location: Springfield, Oregon

Winky Brazzil has raced in the AHDRA Northwest Nationals at Woodburn Oregon every year since 2004. He also raced in the Kent, Washington Pacific Nationals back when they had it there.

Winky began riding in the dirt at the age of 10. In 1977, he was involved in a wreck that broke dozens of bones and cost him his left eye. He may be the only rider in the AHDRA who races with one eye. Due to financial constraints and day jobs, Winky is not able to travel across the country. He and his wife, Anja, who makes up the "crew," support Winky's racing efforts by running a booth in vender's row (Winky Enterprises).

2011 marks the first time in three years that Winky didn't finish in the money at Woodburn. In the first round he won .005 above my dial in. In the second round, he was paired against Kevin



Guant. Winky thought he would break out at the 1200' mark but Kevin bested him by .0018. The year before, he went four rounds and finished in the semi-finals and the year before that he went four rounds and finished in the quarter finals. The first time Winky finished in the money, he went four rounds and lost to Stan Sheppard. He's not sure what year it was but he was thrilled just to have gone rounds.

You can find a link to his racing page on his website at www.winkyenterprises.com.

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ASK THE ATTORNEY

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When writing the December issue of Ask the Attorney, I try to come up with material that is fresh yet, summarizes what I have experienced over the past year.

This year, I have seen a very disturbing trend of insurance companies battling for increased market share based primarily on price.

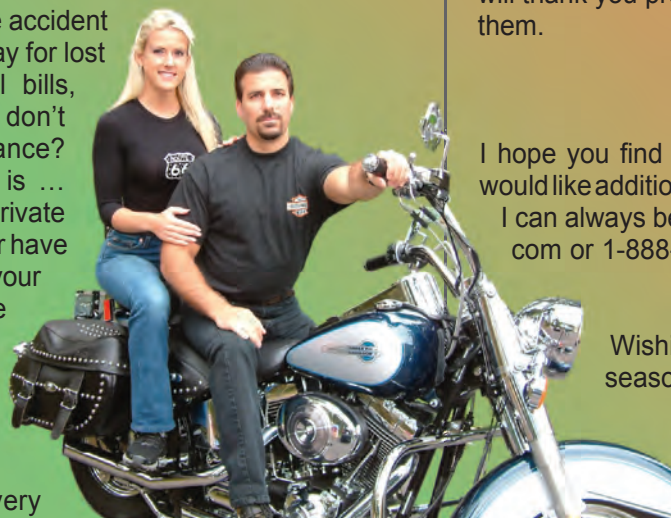
While this may sound good on its face, the flip side is that, although you may pay less, you will normally be getting less coverage and more hassles if you find yourself needing to make a claim.

Everyone needs to understand that, if "YOU" are saving money buying cheaper insurance, you should assume that everyone else is doing the same thing. The end result, is that more drivers – both motorcycle and automobile – are driving around with less insurance coverage than ever before.

In plain English, it is now more likely than ever, that if you are involved in an accident with another vehicle, the other vehicle will not have enough insurance coverage to compensate you for the damage to your bike, your medical bills, your lost wages, and your pain and suffering.

The only way to avoid this situation, if you are involved in an accident, is to purchase enough of your own insurance to cover your losses.

The issue that always arises in a serious motorcycle accident is; who is going to pay for lost wages and medical bills, especially if you don't have health insurance? The simple answer is ... unless YOU have private disability coverage or have disability through your employer, no one will immediately reimburse you for your lost wages. The same principal applies to medical coverage. It's very



simple, in PA, NJ and DE if you don't have medical coverage on your policy and don't have health insurance, you will be primarily responsible for your medical bills, co-pays and deductibles. The other insurance company will NOT initially pay your medical bills or lost wages even if their insured is 100% at fault. The exception is DE, where motorcycle policies carry \$15,000.00 in medical/wage loss coverage.

The only way to ensure that you are not completely reliant upon the other persons insurance, or lack thereof, is to purchase as much UNINSURED and UNDERINSURED coverage as possible on your policy. This is the only way to guarantee that you will receive money if you are injured by someone else with little or no insurance coverage.

To many of you, this may sound redundant, however, as stated above, I see an alarming trend toward purchasing less insurance, which ultimately means that if you haven't taken these steps to protect yourself, you will be at the mercy of someone else's insurance choices, and contrary to popular belief, there is little to no chance of recovering any money from the responsible individual personally.

I simply cannot stress how important it is to have the right insurance coverage on your own insurance policies. It is more important than the bike you ride, how loud your pipes are and how much chrome you have, while you may look and sound great, it won't mean a thing if you are seriously hurt by a person with cut-rate insurance.

When you are done reading this article, I urge every one of you to rip it out and share it with a friend. God forbid your friend is ever involved in a serious accident they will thank you profusely for sharing this information with them.

I hope you find this information informative and if you would like additional information on this topic, or any other, I can always be reached at LeeGaber@cycleattorney.com or 1-888-CYCLE-LAW (1-888-292-5352).

Wishing you all a happy and healthy holiday season...

Sincerely, LEE D. GABER, Esquire
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13 Questions with...

Kurt Whittington
Progressive International Motorcycle
Shows Production Manager

1. How long have you been involved Progressive International Motorcycle Shows? 5 years.

2. What exactly do you do in that capacity? Manage all of the entertainment features for the shows, i.e. – stunt riders, seminars, custom bike competition.

3. What do you like/admire most about yourself? I get shit done.

4. What is the one thing you would change about yourself? Add patience.

5. What would you consider your greatest extravagance? Specialty craft beer.

6. Where would you most like to reside if you could? Seattle.

7. Who is your fictional hero? Han Solo.

8. Who do you consider your real life hero? Australian motorcycle racer (retired), Troy Bayliss.

9. What is the most awesome thing you own? My Suzuki SV650, of course.

10. What is the question you are most often asked (and what is the answer you give)? "How did you run 100 miles?" Answer: Very slowly.

11. If you could choose any other occupation, what would that be? World Superbike racer.

12. If you could switch places with one person for a day, who would that person be? Any pro racer on a top World Superbike team.

13. What would you do if you were able to retire? A lot of riding all over the country.



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Mike Stull
Covington, VA

with the Caption...

'Why do we only stop
when HE has to pee?'



Events Calendar

DELAWARE EVENTS

DECEMBER 10TH . HARLEY-DAVIDSON OF SEAFORD HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

22586 Sussex Highway (Rt. 13), Seaford, DE. Come out for holiday fun. Visit with Santa 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. For more information visit www.hdofseaford.com.

DECEMBER 10TH . SNOW BALL HAUL 2011

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Two tall trees, a birch and a beech, are growing in the woods. A small tree begins to grow between them, and the beech says to the birch, 'Is that a son of a beech or a son of a birch?' The birch says he cannot tell, but just then a woodpecker lands on the sapling. The birch says, 'Woodpecker, you are a tree expert. Can you tell if that is a son of a beech or a son of a birch?' The woodpecker takes a taste of the small tree and replies, 'It is neither a son of a beech nor a son of a birch. It is, however, the best piece of ash I have ever poked my pecker into.'



Why lawyers should never ask a witness a question if they aren't prepared for the answer:

In a trial, a Southern small town prosecuting attorney called his first witness to the stand -- a grandmotherly, elderly woman. He approached her and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know me?" She responded, "Why, yes I do know you, Mr. Williams. I've known you since you were a young boy, and frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife, you manipulate people and talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a big shot when you haven't the brains to realize you never will amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you."

The lawyer was stunned. Not knowing what else to do, he pointed across the room and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know the defense attorney?"

She again replied, "Why yes, I do. I've known Mr. Bradley since he was a youngster, too. He's lazy, bigoted, and he has a drinking problem. He can't build a normal relationship with anyone and his law practice is one of the worst in the entire state. Not to mention he cheated on his wife with three different women. Yes, I know him."

The defense attorney almost died. The judge asked both counselors to approach the bench, and in a very quiet voice, he said, "If either of you bastards asks her if she knows me, you'll be jailed for contempt."



RIDE TO EAT - EAT TO RIDE

TILED KILT - WHITE MARSH, MD

By Jay Kuch, Mystery Food Critique

The weather is getting a little colder so throw on some additional layers and get out there and enjoy a ride in the Fall sunshine and semi-warm weather before 2011 ends.

This month I rode down to White Marsh, MD. I heard about the Tilted Kilt a few times from radio ads. Titled Kilt boasts good food, plenty of TVs, a wide selection of beer and great scenery.

Upon arrival, I was greeted by a lovely brunette in a red kilt with a white shirt tied just under her chest. As she led me to my table, I took some time to survey the vast selection of draft beers at the bar. I was seated at a high top directly in front of a huge projection screen. I looked around and saw at least 4 more screens the same size, a huge room off to one side featuring two pool tables, a leather sofa lounge, dart board, golden tea and bowling. Talk about the ultimate man cave! Now if only the food is as satisfying as the establishment itself.

My waitress, Lace, was very attractive in her "uniform" and was attentive to my needs even though she seemed very busy with other tables in addition to mine. Looking over the menu I found a diverse selection of Irish delicacies – no surprise there! In keeping with the theme, I decided to partake in a Guinness but for an appetizer I ordered nachos. A large plate arrived with regular nachos, covered with cheese, refried beans, tomatoes, jalapenos, chicken and black olives with sour cream, salsa, and guacamole on the side. They were good, nothing that set my taste buds on fire, but still very tasty. I also ordered the bacon burger for my main course. The menu listed it as a juicy burger, topped with bacon, shoestring onions, cheddar cheese, and a BBQ Guinness sauce. Not being a huge fan of the onion, I ordered the burger with everything else BUT onions. When it came to the table I have to say I was not impressed with the presentation. I lifted the bun and saw a slice of cheddar cheese, two shriveled pieces of bacon and not a trace of the BBQ sauce. The fries looked very appetizing – they were piled high and topped with garlic. Unfortunately, they tasted as though they sat under a heat lamp for far too long. They were a chewy texture that just didn't seem right. Adding ketchup helped and I was glad it was handy because my burger needed it. In all fairness, I did finally find a hint of what tasted like BBQ sauce about half way through my burger but that was it. All in all the

taste of the burger didn't excite me. I won't say the burger wasn't good but I did have higher expectations.

I wish I could say that was the end of my disappointment. Let's face it, after an okay appetizer and barely passable dinner, dessert should be your redemption. My lovely waitress approached and I was all set to order the Tilted Guilt - a chocolate chip cookie with vanilla ice cream and syrup (I'm getting hungry writing this, just as I'm sure you are reading it). But it wasn't to be. They were out of my dessert of choice. WTF! Oh well, I decided to have another drink and cut my losses.

I'm not saying Titled Kilt isn't worth the visit. It may be that I didn't find what they do well. There are a ton of menu items and perhaps I need to venture back and try a few more choices before I make my final decision. All in all the place was an awesome man cave with huge screen TVs, friendly staff, great "uniforms" and a great beer selection so I will return to Tilted Kilt soon to give them the opportunity to redeem themselves on the food end. Of course, I'll keep my loyal readers updated!

Tilted Kilt is located at 8133 Honeygo Blvd., White Marsh, MD. If you venture down that way, try not to drool over the girls and let me know your thoughts if you try some of the food selections.

Until then, it's just another day in paradise. As always send your comments or suggestions to Jay@flbdelmavva.com.



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DATING IN THE FAST LANE

By Terri Faust

A dear friend of mine recently lost his wife of 50+ years to cancer. He confided that this has been the hardest thing he's ever had to deal with. He always imagined he'd leave this world before her and for her to go first has been the ultimate heartbreak. I would often see them together, sometimes bickering (in the most loving way of course), often reminiscing on the early days of their marriage – they were inseparable until now. All that remains are her memories, and they haunt him daily. He and I talk about whether it's better to live a life devoid of true love, or to love someone so much, only to lose them. Is life even worth living if the one you planned to grow old with is taken from you? It's a hard question to answer, especially in the throes of heartache.

People my age, and younger often fail to grasp the meaning of true love – just look at Kim Kardashian’s recent marriage that lasted all of 72 days. No wonder a marriage spanning 50+ years is so hard to fathom...gee, that’s a LIFETIME! How many people do YOU know who have been married a lifetime? MY parents have been married for almost 52 years, despite being polar opposites. My father’s outgoing, extroverted, adventurous and loves talking to anyone he meets. Mom is introverted, reserved and prefers to stay at home. I think they understand each other’s limitations, know each other’s comfort zones and, most of all, respect those differences. They share a rich history together that helps them over the bumps in the road. There is a key to relationship longevity that some people have a firm grasp of, and others struggle with. There’s probably no greater accomplishment than sharing your life with someone – the good, the bad, and the ugly. Most choose to run at the first sign of problems-it’s the path of least resistance.

When I bought LG, I was somewhat intimidated by this bigger bike. After the clutch went out on a trip to O.C., I started having buyer's remorse. I knew the bike needed carb work when I bought it, but I started to wonder if something that looked so good on the outside, was really a hot mess on the inside



(sound familiar guys?) Like relationships, you never REALLY know what you're getting yourself into. The carb work revealed issues with the cables – Domino Effect. Kudos to Derek Turner for having the patience to tear down the engine, not once but twice, in order to fix the problems. One day it struck me how much bikes are like men (or women, depending on what you... ah...ride). I could either get pissed off over the stuff that was cropping up and depriving me of my wind therapy, or use it as a means to educate myself. Patience plays a big part in bonding with your new bike (or any bike if you're a novice rider). I disagree with anyone who thinks a bike is simply some chrome and a metal frame around an awesome engine. Every bike has a personality. And like any relationship you want to succeed at, and someone you hope to grow old with, requires patience, attention, love, compromise and understanding.

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CEASE AND DESIST

When I started Strip Club Choppers there were a lot of things I didn't know and even more I was just WRONG about. I thought we would be selling lots of parts and bikes and some swag. WRONG! We sell lots of swag, some parts and

an occasional scooter. When I finally finished the first T-shirt design I thought that was it. WRONG! I have to keep designing new items and adding new products because I have many repeat customers who want new items every time they see us at a show. My initial products were all for men. WRONG! Ladies account for almost 40% of our sales and always provide great customer feedback. I thought I would sell a shirt to someone and never hear from them again. WRONG! Many of my customers have become friends and visit us annually at events. I thought we would distribute a lot of products through a dealer network of bike shops. WRONG! We now have over 20 state franchises coming to a state near you.

One thing I did do right many years ago was trademark my logo and the words "STRIP CLUB CHOPPERS" as well as the alphabet font. Many of you may have heard that an individual recently decided to manufacture and sell SCC items on his own. I became aware this was happening during the fall rally in Ocean City, MD. A longtime SCC dealer and personal friend informed me that someone was selling RED SCC shirts. Because I have never made a red men's t-shirt in my life, concluding it was fake was not difficult. I was able to gather all the important info (i.e., name, address, pictures and company of the perpetrator) and contemplated my options, legal and otherwise, as I headed to Panama City for the fall rally. During this time I also used the various social networking outlets to alert people of these developments. As I indicated earlier, many of the events are like an annual reunion for me and my customers which came back to haunt the counterfeiter. As I sat at my booth in PCB, I received a text from a friend

informing me that the aforementioned counterfeiter was in town and my friend was looking at RED SCC shirts as he was texting me. I have never been so happy and mad at the same time but at least now I have a hard target.

After the booth closed, we worked closely with Caroline from Fast Lane Biker Delmarva to draft a cease and desist that I would personally serve on the counterfeiter. I rolled out the next morning with a couple buddies stopping only to notify the local sheriff of my intentions. As we approached the booth, I saw "MY" red shirts hanging in the counterfeiter's booth. We fired up the camera and, as they say, the rest is history. I was very angry but managed to serve the legal documents, while filming the entire process, without physically harming anyone. Funny thing is, I know the guy! He had applied to be a dealer years ago so he knew exactly what he was doing and who I was - which was evident by the look in his eyes.

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OPERATION WE CARE

Editor's note: Walt and I attended this event and we were in awe at the organization, commitment and good will we evidenced. This community rallied to donate and collect supplies sorely needed by deployed military personnel, raised funds for postage, prepared and donated food to nourish the many packing volunteers and coordinated the packing. Congratulations to Jeff Merritt for his successful efforts and special thanks to Bruce Bennett of Seaford Harley-Davidson for taking the time to walk us through the process and sharing this organization's history.



to walk us through the process and sharing this organization's history.

SHARPTOW, Maryland - Close to 200 patriotic folks took the Veterans Day weekend as an opportunity to reach out and thank our deployed men and women through Operation We Care. Fittingly in the Sharptown Fire Department's Memorial Hall, Operation We Care packed and shipped 330 packages on Sunday, November 13th. The first 171 of those boxes went to the 1049th Transportation Company from Seaford which is currently deployed. Three additional boxes were packed after the packing event as three more names of the deployed were gathered in the following days.

Operation We Care is a community based project that shipped more than 1,800 boxes in its four years, spending more than \$7,000 in postage last year alone. All financial donations go directly to postage costs, using the US Postal Service's flat rate, military discounted box.

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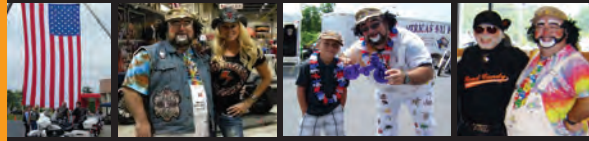
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TOY RUN CONQUERS ALL

by Alicia "BBA" Helfrich

Philadelphia, PA (11/6/2011) - Motorcyclists from PA, NJ, DE and beyond descended on Philadelphia, a/k/a The City of Brotherly Love, for the annual charity tradition that almost didn't happen.

On the first Sunday of each November, A.B.A.T.E.'s Delaware Valley Chapter 63 hold their annual For The Kids toy run to benefit handicapped, sick and underprivileged children. This event is the nation's oldest and largest of its kind and participants from all over the Mid-Atlantic region join in to insure its success. Last year, although excited to take part in the annual run, I was saddened to hear it was scheduled to be its last. The City of Philadelphia and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) decided they could no longer handle the traffic nor did they have the storage capacity to accommodate the thousands of toys donated by big-hearted bikers on this one particular day. We were told "All good things must come to an end."

Then an early Christmas miracle occurred. Just two weeks before the traditional toy run date, A.B.A.T.E. officials sent a blast email confirming that the toy run was on! Special recognition should be given to Congressman Bob Brady for his part in bringing plans for the 31st toy run together in a manner that was acceptable to all parties.

Now that the event was officially on again, I wasn't about to miss it. I rode into town the day before, checked into a hotel and anxiously waited for Sunday morning to arrive when I would line up with thousands of other bikers. As I hung out, waiting to squeeze into the roaring parade of bikes, my friends and

I took pictures and videos. Can you imagine approximately 20 minutes of motorcycles riding past? Now that's a lot of bikes!

I was proud to be a part of this special cause. The route was changed this



year but I actually enjoyed the new route more. I saw sections of the city I normally would not have seen. The new destination was Citizens Bank Park, a.k.a., the Phillies baseball stadium. I can tell you that parking our bikes was much easier than in last year's parking garage. There were no back ups and no long stop and go's along the way. It was pretty much a straight shot from downtown to the massive stadium parking lot. The Philly Phanatic, WMMR DJ Pierre Robert, Congressman Brady and Santa were among those present entertaining participants, chatting about the importance the event or posing for photo ops. Also on-hand was Barb's Harley Davidson, a traditional Philadelphia string band and representatives from C.A.P.E. (Child Abuse Prevention Effort).

The parade of bikes didn't pass by CHOP so I missed seeing the children there. But knowing our toys would still reach those kids made me smile. The Drexel University students who collected toys at the stadium will also distribute donations via their toy drive as well.



The dedication and hard work put forth by A.B.A.T.E. Delaware Valley Chapter 63 has paid off for the 31st year. I'm looking forward to next year's crisp, fall ride already!

So exercise caution when saying "All good things must come to an end" because you never know what miracle can happen with a little determination, conviction and a helping hand from a Congressman!



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Biker Babe Alicia



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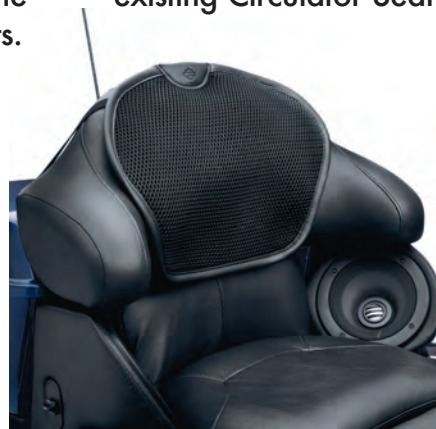
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Fast Lane Biker thanks all those who came out to show their support for the DSRG and Fast Lane Biker Magazine. We'll see you all next season!!



BARBECUE ANYONE?

By Terri Faust

Editor's Note: Several months ago, I received an email from Terri who authors Dating in the Fast Lane. She submitted her monthly article and it appeared to be a restaurant review. It seems that Terri was so impressed by the quality, quantity and variety of barbecue served at In The Sticks, a Sandtown, MD establishment she found while out riding, that she felt compelled to share it with the world. Since we already have our staff mystery food critic, Jay, we elected to put Terri's article on the back burner. Around that same time, we received an email from Tracey Cole, one of our sales reps. Tracey recently began dropping magazines off for distribution at a restaurant that served incredible barbecue and she thought we should send Jay to review this newly-found treasure. The name of the restaurant? You guessed it! In The Sticks certainly made an impression on FLBD staffers. Several weeks passed and Walt and I made tentative plans to visit In The Sticks and meet with the owner, Jim Martin. What we found was great food, good people and enough grounds around the establishment to host a major biker barbecue. Keep that in mind as you read Terri's article. Plans are being formed and we'll keep you posted as they develop.

I recently stopped at a local bar/grill for dinner with my guy, Don, and when the waitress brought my order, I was appalled. The burger I requested looked like one of those flat, boring, fast food kid's meal deals. Clearly I've become spoiled by the cuisine Jim Martin serves up at his new place in Sandtown, DE, aptly named In The Sticks. His red roofed restaurant is a little off the beaten path but not hard to find. Simply follow Route 10 out of Felton for approximately 6 miles and hang a left on Draper's Mill Road. The restaurant will be on the right, 100 yards from the Draper's Mill turn-off. Jim's place is biker friendly and you'll often see his '07 Ultra Glide parked out front although he hasn't had much time to ride since opening in June. Word is spreading quickly about the quality of Jim's smoked pork, chicken, ribs, pulled pork, beef brisket, pork loin, deli meats by the pound, Chesapeake Bay bratwurst with crab meat, and his cold subs. He's open for



breakfast, lunch and dinner. When you see the generous portions, you'll wonder how he can give you so much food for far less than his competition. But Jim is all about customer service and keeping his patrons happy. Don and I have sampled quite a bit of the menu, and while the pulled pork and brisket sandwiches are my favorites, everything on the menu is fantastic. When you pull into the driveway, the smell coming from the two smokers out back, along with the BBQ grill, will simply blow your mind. You'll KNOW you're in for a real treat – the hard part is picking just one item from the menu! Be sure to save a little room for desert – my personal favorite is the Dirt..yes, that's DIRT – but he also sells packaged ice cream treats, and is expanding his menu and desert options in the near future. Greta is usually behind the counter, offering friendly service with a smile and, despite being extremely busy at times, Jim makes it a point to get to know all of his customers and share a story and a few laughs with them. After all, dining isn't just about the food, it's about the entire experience and In The Sticks is an experience you'll thoroughly enjoy. How many places do you know, where the owner comes out to your table and shares recipes or BBQ tips with you?

The restaurant has seating for 35 and an outside picnic area to accommodate additional guests. Jim has hosted several functions for the Gumboro Firehall and a local church organization. He can serve upwards of 400 people with at least 3 day's advance notice. Whether you choose to dine-in, you're looking to pick up dinner on your way home, or you need to feed 400 guests, Jim can handle it all with fare that will leave everyone satisfied and talking about the food long after the meal is over!

Jim is presently collecting framed photos of his customers with their bikes for his "Wall of Biker Pride" – anyone who brings in a framed, ready-to-hang picture of themselves with their bike, will get a free sandwich. In The Sticks is worth checking out!

In The Sticks is located at 333 Draper's Mill Rd, Sandtown, DE.



TECH TIP

BY SHAWN E. SWEENEY, CYCLE-CONNECT

COLD WEATHER RIDING TIPS

Last month we talked about getting our bikes ready for winter storage and noted that some will not be doing this because they continue to ride off season. Well now that we have raked most of our leaves and experienced temperatures dipping below freezing, we need to adjust our riding habits a bit.

The first step in protecting yourself in colder temperatures is choosing the correct riding gear. Note that didn't say expensive, I said correct. The best way to keep the body warm is to dress in layers. Hell, just ask any Boy Scout. The first layer should be a tight-fitting garment like thermal underwear. I prefer the type with wicking properties to pull moisture away from the skin. Oh wait - our friend, the newbie from the September oil article, wonders how he can be sweating if it's cold outside. Answer: Wearing all your gear and taking even 20 or so steps, your body begins to heat up and that body heat now has nowhere to vent and we begin to sweat. Sweat is the body's air conditioner. The thermal underwear helps to turn it off by diverting the moisture away from you. The next 2 or 3 layers should be loose fitting. The final layer should be wind proof and, as usual, leather is our best friend here.

The biggest complaint I hear from cold-weather riders is that hands and feet get cold. There are several options to consider. A good set of thermal gloves seems to work for most and I have even worn latex gloves underneath them and it worked well. Heated gloves and grips work too but they come with a bigger price tag and require wiring. As long as you're getting the heated gloves, you can also invest in a nice heated vest, jacket, pants and socks. The problem is that your bike may not be equipped with a large enough charging system to handle all of this additional equipment. Many manufacturers of this type of gear will give you an amperage rating. Be sure to check your owner's manual and find the output rating of your charging system. It is best to stay below 50% of your bike's rated output.

Let's move on to boots. What I find works best for me is a good pair of leather insulated boots. The insulated mesh type seems to make my feet colder and using a big snow type boot is dangerous because you lose mobility in your foot controls.

During the winter I prefer a full face helmet and last year my wife bought me a neck sock - I laughed at her. But I have to admit, it worked great. Just keep that between us. For die-hard, half-shell guys there are some nice bandana-type face masks that work really well and you can even buy those sporting a scary face so you can scare people at stop lights. That should make it worth buying!

Our newbie may ask why so much time, effort and attention needs to be given to winter riding gear. It's real simple: We love riding our bikes and if we're not comfortable it takes some of that love away. Riding is therapy for many of us and we don't stop taking medicine because the seasons change.

The last few reminders for those who attempt cold-weather riding are to warm up your bike completely to avoid engine damage (even your tires need to warm up - tires are as stiff as a brick when cold), watch out for those yellow and white stripes in the road (when the stripes get cold it's like riding on grease), and nothing that has been written here will help you with how others share the road.

Ride safe into the New Year!

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Cougar of the Month



MISS FIFI

December's Hot Cougar is Miss Fifi from Los Angeles, CA. She is a successful lingerie designer who spent 20 years at the famous Frederick's of Hollywood. In 2002, Miss Fifi and her partner started LoveFifi.com, a lingerie and intimate apparel online store dedicated to beautiful women of all ages and sizes because a goddess is a goddess, pure and simple! Her website offers a full range of gorgeous lingerie, shapewear, and bras. By the way, her fabulously sexy push-up bras range from 32A-44G and her lingerie to 4X.

Fifi, whose real name is Amanda, got the name Fifi from her daughters. Whenever Amanda would get all dressed up and sparkly to go out for the evening, her daughters would ask "where are you going, Miss Fifi?" When Amanda left Frederick's to start her own company, it was only natural for her glamorous alter ego to be the image for the brand. When she's not designing underthings, Amanda loves to cook and entertain for family and friends and adores tinkering around her house and garden. She lives with her two dogs, Babydoll and Beau on top of a hill overlooking LA.

Amanda/Miss Fifi recently turned 63 years old.

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