

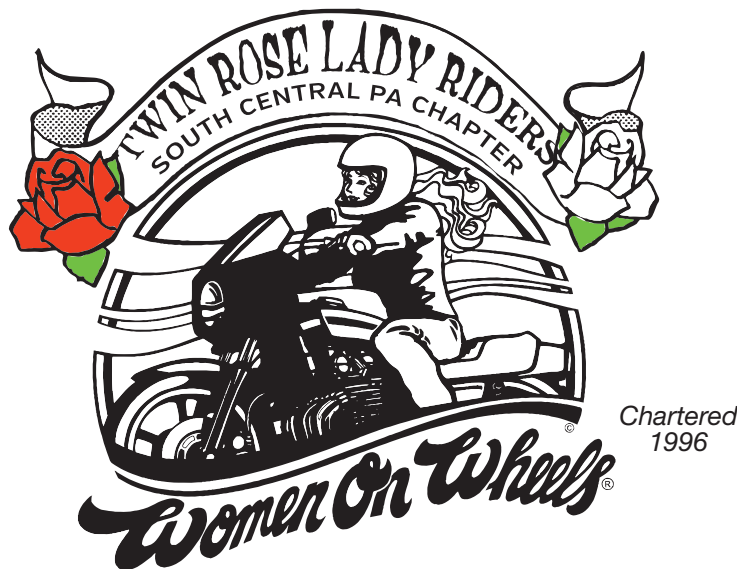
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f WOW: Twin Rose Lady Riders Chapter

#### Meets 2nd Sundays:

**NOV – MAR: 10:30 AM** brunch

**APR – OCT:** Check ride  
calendar or call for details  
on meeting sites or specific  
ride/rendezvous plans.

#### Welcome Prospective Members!

Would you like to ride with an enthusiastic local WOW chapter? Call any of the names above to chat, or check our web site and events calendar and drop by a meeting point. Support Guys always welcome, too!

**If you'd like to continue receiving chapter news, forward \$10 (check payable to Twin Rose Lady Riders) to the Treasurer's address above. It's an annual donation toward operating expenses.**

#### Membership Policy:

Women On Wheels® members and guests are welcome to participate with any chapter. We encourage you to **join the nat'l organization, as WOW membership is required for continued chapter participation** and because members are protected under our insurance plan. Application forms are available in the WOW magazine or from any chapter officer.

*Thank you,* to all who supported, donated, and volunteered time & talents to help make our 2017 Ride for H.O.P.E. a huge success. As we set up in the morning, I was very 'HOPEful' to see the great raffle prizes and yummy food filling the tables. I was also very grateful that Mother Nature donated wonderful weather for the day. Thanks to the York Motorcycle Club guys for once again graciously donating the use of their building and beverages. Before many of us arrived for set-up, our experienced crew of 'limers', Bernie, Sigi, Sue & John S started the day early and headed out for approximately 60 miles of laughs while they marked the route. A big thank you to Sue and John S for plotting yet another great route. There were many compliments on the beautiful roads and the special treat of the stop at H.O.P.E.

The nice weather brought out 58 registered participants - one of our highest numbers in the last few years. TRLR mascots, Gertie and Gracie, along with their friends Flat Bandit and Gregor, lent a 'paw' at registration. And we were very thankful for the volunteers at H.O.P.E. who greeted our participants with smiles at the stop in New Freedom. They helped make this year's event extra special. Read on in the newsletter for fun stories and pictures of everyone in action. It was rewarding to know that this year the Twin Rose Lady Riders were able to present Barb Titanish and H.O.P.E. with \$4,700. It felt good to know that the Twin Roses and all our donor friends were able to provide a little HOPE to those in the cancer community. The hard work by everyone to make this event successful - no matter how big or small the effort - is what makes me proud to be the Director and friend of such an amazing group of ladies and support guys.

I had the pleasure of introducing myself, the Twin Roses, and Women On Wheels to several prospective members. We look forward to meeting them at another TRLR event and HOPEfully encouraging them to join. One lady had unknowingly stumbled upon our event and without hesitation donated her calligraphy skills to making signs for our raffle prizes. Terri, we can't wait to have you join us for future activities.

On another note, our regular October Chapter ride was postponed one week in HOPEs of better weather. Although the skies were grey and roads were damp, the gentle curves and rolling hills of Berks County made for a beautiful ride. Thanks Pat for leading us on another one of your Fabulous Fall routes. [This ride also renewed my faith in the kindness of mankind. Read further in the newsletter for my adventure.]

### Happy Birthday

SuzuQ .....November 6  
Kathy R.....November 4  
Marie .....November 18

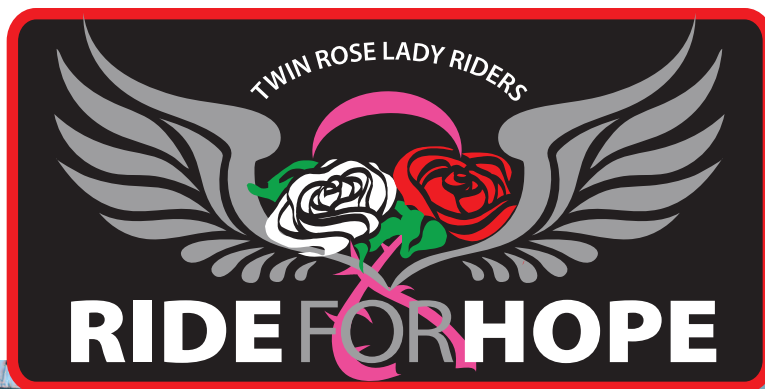
Roses, if your birthday has been missed  
send it (mo/day) to [suespittle@comcast.net](mailto:suespittle@comcast.net)

As the weather gets cooler I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our brunch meetings. Our November indoor meeting will be held in conjunction with YMC's fall 50/50 Feast at the Union Fire Company. The remainder of the indoor meetings will be held at the Round the Clock Diner - East. Until then, ride safe and stay warm!

*Lynn*

**Oct. 1, 2017**

Our 22nd event!



Lots of different makes & models at this year's event. And as Audrey Dawn said, "Things were hoppin' at the Ride For HOPE!"



Anna from Winding Road Riders Chapter was greeted at registration by Bandit, Misse, Natalie, Trish, Pat, Dawn, and several groundhogs. She, Pat, and Melissa rode the route together. We hope to see Melissa again soon.

*Dawn's Charlie used the route as a good excuse to geo-cache in Southern York County!*



Limers Sigi, Bernie, Sue S, and ever-patient John S always have entirely too much fun and always see something neat – like this hot air balloon at dawn.

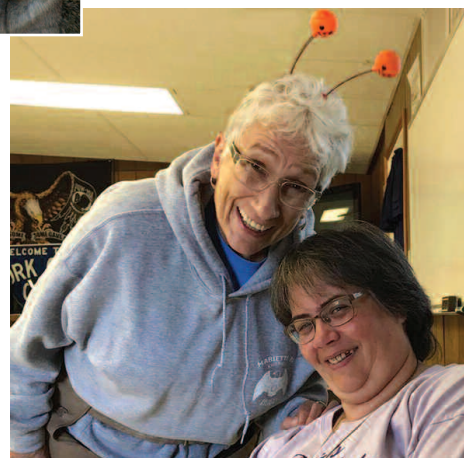
*We got an email from Jane S wishing the chapter all the best for our event.*



*Gregor, Gertie, and Gracie love any excuse to reunite.*

Thanks to MAWMR friends Crystal, Dawn, Sarah, and Allison for their support...

and Bobbi from Keystone Chapter, too!



We met some new female riders (like Terri) who we hope to see again, and it's always good to meet up with old friends at the event -- like Trish and Audrey Dawn.



Nancy coordinated the purchase of the event patch designed by Sue S. Each registrant received one along with a 2017 pin.

**H.O.P.E. DONATIONS COLLECTED:**

- In the Jar – \$46
- Lynn – \$1195
- Sigi – \$100
- Sue S – \$1475
- Bernie – \$400
- Nancy – \$50
- Melissa R – \$194
- Dawn H – \$400



**CLUB CHALLENGE:**

- York MC: 15 members
- Red Rose Riders: 6 members
- Garden Spot: 4 members

*(Dangly thingie to be created/donated again by Franklin Bronze Plaques)*

# The Thank-You Page...



Thanks to everyone who brought food to sell. And a big thanks to Kathy R for faithfully manning the counter of hot dogs, chili, meatballs and LOTS of desserts!

**FOOD SALES:**  
**\$160.50**

**BEVERAGE SALES:**  
**\$34**  
*(Special thanks to York MC for their drink donation.)*



Misse & SuzQ at the Raffle Table

**RAFFLE:**  
**\$111**  
**50/50:**  
**\$90.50**  
*(...plus the other \$90.50 to lucky Kathy R!)*

Many thanks to:

- 1st Capital Harley-Davidson for the Harley breast cancer awareness jewelry
- Hollinger's for the tee
- Misse for all of her jewelry creations
- Brown's for the basket of goodies

*... and to everyone else who donated items!*



If you showed your H.O.P.E. wristband you were able to draw an extra card for your hand. Gertie, Gregor, and Gracie supervised. *Our Nancy drew the 2nd best hand (3 Queens) and donated her winnings back to the cause!*

**58 REGISTRANTS = \$870**

**THANK YOU ROSES FOR ANYTHING & EVERYTHING!**

Lynn  
Dawn & Charlie  
Nancy & Jon  
Natalie  
Audrey Dawn  
Kathy R  
Trish  
Misse  
Susie  
Pat  
Kim & Marty  
Melissa R  
Sue S & John  
Bernie  
Sigi

It was such a beautiful day, many of the riders actually rode the route! **Carol and Barb** greeted them at the H.O.P.E. halfway point offering water, snacks, and a tour of the facility... plus a wristband.

***We thank them for their participation and look forward to making this year's donation presentation because There's No Place Like H.O.P.E.***

# ...and The Presentation!



Barb introduced the Roses to everyone at the craft fair then got a big hug and a fistful of donation checks from Lynn.



More fun than the event itself – our presentation of \$4700 to H.O.P.E.!  
Back: Kathy M, Lynn, Misse, Nancy, and Sue S; Front: Dawn, Barb and Carol



Kathy M, 2nd from right, had enjoyed the poker run with the Red Rose Riders, and was on her first ride with us. We didn't see Misse at the gas station, but she caught up to us on the road. Here she is modeling her new shirt!



The Serenity Room was a beehive of pre-Christmas activity with bins of gifts and bags of stuffed animals for the incredible number of children affected by cancer – themselves or their families.



Sue S led the group home via the 2nd half of the poker run route, then she, Dawn, and Lynn ended up at Mac's -- sitting outside -- in t-shirts -- eating ice cream in late October! Good day all around.



# *Sigi is Discovered! A Star is Born!*

*Sigi & Wolfi have just recently moved into a retirement village and the ad agency wanted to show that lively, energetic folks live there. They zoomed right in on Sigi! Here is her terrific story:*

About 2 weeks ago I was approached by staff at The Heritage asking if I would like to participate in a photo shoot promoting this community. The Heritage was voted Best Retirement Community in Berks County last month, so a crew came out to photograph residents in action. Since some of the people knew that I was recently touring Canada by bike, I was asked, too.

## **Boy, did I have an exciting morning.**

At 7:45 I had to bike to the entrance of the main building with all my biker gear on and was ushered into the hair salon where a make-up artist fluffed up my helmet hair, sprayed it stiff and proceeded to add make-up on my face... foundation, rouge, eye make-up, mascara and lipstick. I must say it looked pretty good, not overly done. Everything was timed – 1-1/2 hrs for the biker, they said.

Then on to the conference room, (minus bike) where the photo shoot was all set up. White floor mat with an X in the middle for me to stand, umbrellas, lighting, mike booms, video and still cameramen and director at the ready.

“Take your leather jacket off, let’s take a few shots of your vest, cross your arms in front of you, look mean – as if someone stole your parking spot, then smile a little, smile big, put your arms at the hips, in the pockets, look left a little...no, not that much, look to your right, look up a little bit, cross your legs, carry your helmet inside the crook of your arms...” etc.

*They must have taken a few hundred pictures.*

## **Then we went outside.**

“Sit on your bike, pretend you’re revving it up, gloves on, gloves off, helmet on, helmet off, helmet on with visor up, visor down, jacket on, jacket off, let’s get some shots of the patches on your vest, look tough, smile, wave, put your boot on the kickstand, off it, on again, off it, adjust your mirror, we want to get your reflection in there.

Then the director brought out a looooooong, fluffy red scarf which she tied around my neck, letting it hang in the back... “Now ride around the parking lot, let the wind blow the scarf behind you”. So I did, but the wind didn’t want to cooperate since I couldn’t ride very fast. (Who rides like that anyway?) They took pics anyway. Staff people arriving for work, cars coming in and out of parking lots.

So I took about 8 rounds of the parking lot and street until three of them decided to sit in the back of their van with open hatch and told me to follow them very closely. They went all over the campus taking pics and videos, telling me to go to the right of van, then more left, then middle.

Again, maybe a thousand pictures. Finally my shoot came to an end and the crew went inside for the belly dancers and then volleyball players in the pool!

It sure was very exciting and fun. Wolfi meanwhile slept through it all at home!

I don’t know where and when the brochures, newspaper ads or TV videos will appear, but they assured me that I will get pictures sent to me and I will be notified what will become of the photo shoot. In the meantime I was presented with the beautiful red scarf... not that I will be wearing it on my bike, fluttering behind me, but it’s a nice scarf!

– Sigi

*Wanted:  
Fond Memories from  
Female Riders!*

*Short or long. Happy endings only, please.  
Send them to the editor at [suespittle@comcast.net](mailto:suespittle@comcast.net).*

# TRLR "2nd Sunday Ride"

Postponed to the 3rd Sunday, Oct. 15, 2017

## Pat's Fall Excursion



### Riders:

Pat (FOO), Trish, Sue S, Terri, Lynn, Sigi

Potential White Rose Terri got quite a TRLR indoctrination on this ride. We tried to tell her that "things happen" on our rides, but maybe not *this* many things.

Sigi was running a bit late to the rendezvous and we were getting concerned. Turns out a gas pump would not recognize her zip code, forcing her to go inside and wait in a long line to try to prove she was not a felon.

The weather forecast was Sunny, Hot, and Blustery. Instead, as we headed out, it was Gray, Cool, and Breezy with Occasional Drizzle! But we did not care. The roads through Berks County were nice and Sue got to wave to several animals.

Unfortunately, Lynn's Spyder began ominously flashing "LOW VOLTAGE" so she pulled over to the shoulder to try to unplug anything that could possibly be a draw. Luckily, soon after that, Pat led us all to a truck stop for a stretch break. And that's where Lynn's story really began.

[See next page.]

Pat, Sigi, and Sue continued on to a shiny diner in Leesport to meet SuzQ and Nancy & Jon. Trish called SuzQ to tell us that Lynn and Terri were safely on their way home.



Pat's scooter advertising H.O.P.E. at the truck stop



The waitress took good care of Table 22 at the Leesport Diner on Rt 61. Above, Sigi, Pat, and SuzQ; below, Nancy, Jon, and Sue S



After a good lunch we all decided to head our separate ways, leaving the last half of Pat's fine route through the French Creek area for another day.

Thanks, Pat, for rolling with it all!

# *There's always HOPE*

***A story of renewed faith in the kindness and generosity of strangers.*** — by Lynn

With the recent violence, fighting and downright meanness stemming from differing points of view, lately my faith in mankind has been strained and tested to my core. It's hard to turn on the news and not hear about a shooting, a mean disagreement between political parties, or a racist gesture by a fellow human being. In times of need and uncertainty we become vulnerable and must fall back on friends and often must have faith in the simple kindness of strangers.

As I took off with the other TRLR's on our October Chapter ride, SilverFox and I were feeling good and looking forward to Pat's nice Fall ride. Then about 30 miles in, the Spyder began feeling 'sick' and giving me warning signals that something was not right with his electrical system. As we pulled into our scheduled gas/potty stop at the Love's service plaza I told the Roses and they quickly rallied around. I did not want to hold back the group and tried to tell them that SilverFox and I were going to somehow head home and that they should continue on. They were hearing none of it — the motto that we never leave anyone behind rang through my head and comforted me.

SilverFox got sicker and completely quit. That's when the TRLR spirit went into full gear. Prospective member Terri pulled out a battery tender while the others flagged down a Love's cashier for an extension cord and better yet, flagged down a trucker with a battery jump pack.



***Enter Niko*** — a young man who had stopped to fuel his big car-hauler so he could continue heading north to home in Massachusetts. Immediately my guard went up. No matter how brave or confident we think we are, women often find themselves in vulnerable

situations. We prepare as best we can with backup plans, but often we must simply rely on and have faith in mankind.

SilverFox roared back to life with the help of Niko and his battery pack. Sigi even furnished a wrench so he could tighten my loose cables. I graciously shook his hand and tried to slip him a 20 for his efforts. He immediately declined saying he enjoys helping others and hoped I'd "pay it forward." So I gave him a big hug and waved goodbye as he walked away. Terri volunteered to follow me home and the others continued on their ride.

*That's when SilverFox shut off again.*

Luckily, Niko was still walking back to his truck and again brought his battery jump pack and kind soul. Trish had been torn between staying with me or continuing on the ride with the others. She hung around to help til she saw things seemed to be under control.

You might think the story ends there, but Niko determined that the problem was more serious than a dead battery. With his mechanical knowledge, he knew I would not get far so he volunteered his car-carrier trailer and without hesitation added 80 miles and 2 more hours to his trip home!! Yes, Niko & I loaded SilverFox onto his trailer to head (with Terri following behind) to the nearest Spyder 'hospital' — Sports 'N Turf of Lancaster. And yes, miraculously we fit a three-wheeled Spyder on a two-wheel tracked trailer. If you look closely at the photo below, there is a small 2X4 getting ready to take the Spyder's full rear wheel! While Niko finished professionally securing the three wheels, Terri asked, "Did I pass initiation to join the Chapter?" I said there is no initiation, but you sure can join us — then gave her a big hug.

*Continued on next page*



## Lynn's story of HOPE continued –

The true extent of Niko's generosity and kindness became evident as I walked to the cab of his truck and was surprised to find his wife and two small children! As a family, they were willing to put their life on hold to help a complete stranger. As we traveled 222 S, it was comforting to see "Trish B" show up on my phone. Thanks Trish for again checking on my safety in true TRLR spirit.

My boyfriend, Jim, met us at Sports 'N Turf and helped Niko, Terri, and I unload. Afterward, Niko would again not take anything for his efforts so I slipped back to the truck and thanked his wife for their kindness. Reaching out for her hand I insisted she take the rolled-up bills and said treat Niko and the kids to something special – then quickly walked away before she could refuse. Jim drove me home and I waved goodbye to Terri at the 283/30 split.

I will probably never hear from Niko again but there is one thing I now know for sure... never give up HOPE! My faith in mankind has been renewed. Niko and his family were a godsend that day. Yes, I could have called AMA to arrange for towing and wait over an hour for a tow truck to arrive, but that was not in the cards that day. I completely believe that Niko and I were meant to cross paths, renewing both our souls with the reward of helping someone in need. Niko, I will think of you and your family and definitely "pay it forward" every chance I get.

P.S. The doc at the Sports 'N Turf Spyder 'hospital' diagnosed SilverFox with a bad voltage regulator, and, after a successful surgery and some recovery time, had him up & running 4 days later. Just in time to be off to another wonderful TRLR ride.



Thanks again, Terri!

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Lynn presented Nancy with her very own official Flat Bandit to build up excitement for the July 2018 WOW™ International Ride-In™ in Johnson City, TN.

CHATTER BOX



The Twin Rose Lady Riders chapter has been invited to 2 different WOW™ holiday gatherings:



#### Keystone Chapter Holiday Party

December 2

McKenzie Brew House

240 Lancaster Ave., Malvern, PA 19355

(sometimes comes up as town of Frazier)

Noon-4 PM

If you wish to participate in the Pollyanna please bring a gift valued at \$20 min.

RSVP to Marilyn • wowwaxberg@gmail.com

#### Winding Road Riders Christmas Party

December 9

The Metropolitan

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# Twin Rose Lady Riders 2017 Calendar of Events



**York Motorcycle Club**  
Breakfast  
3rd Sundays  
8:00-11 AM, \$5  
2333 Whiteford Rd.  
(just west of Galleria Mall)

**Nov 12**

**York MC 50/50 Feed**, Union Fire Hall, Noon-3 – SOLD OUT  
We'll have our first indoor get-together at this AYCE event  
*Directions: Union Fire Hall, 201 York St., Manchester 17345*  
*83 N to Emigsville Exit, straight off ramp onto Board Rd, follow for 2.8 miles (becomes York St.). Fire Hall on right.*

**Dec 10**

**TRLR 2nd Sunday Indoor Meeting/Brunch – new location in East York**  
Round-The-Clock East, 145 Memory Lane, York 17402  
*Coming from Lancaster take Mt Zion exit of Rt 30, straight across onto Whiteford Rd.; pass York MC, left at first light (Memory Ln), go thru 3 lights, restaurant on left in shopping center just past the Eastern Market.*

PLENTY OF PARKING! Meet & greet some new faces at our table in the back. We'll review the past year and start to plan 2018! Got ride ideas? Share 'em!

Find this events calendar at  
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