

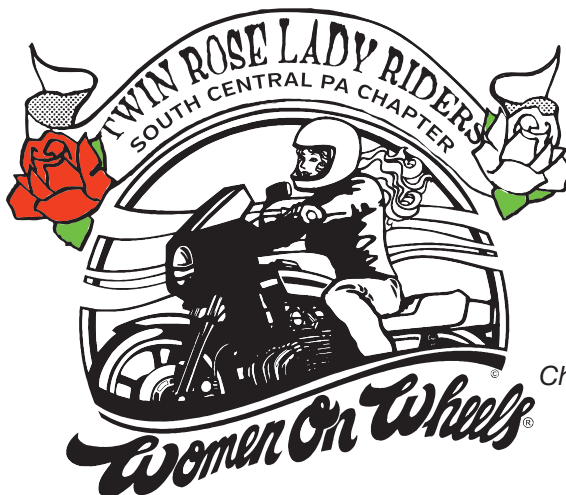
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 **WOW: Twin Rose Lady Riders Chapter**

Hi Ladies and Support Gents,

May is the month when the Twin Roses' riding season usually goes full throttle. Starting with the annual Voices for HOPE Banquet, International Female Ride Day, our Mother's Day Chapter ride and events we like to attend in support of other riding groups and charities. But once again, I'm pleading with Mother Nature to bring good riding weather to Central PA. A very humid, almost 90-degree early May day, allowed me to ride to the HOPE Banquet – but that weather was short lived. And overcast skies and cool weather forced us to modify our route for this year's International Female Ride Day. Keeping us close to home, quick thinking Sue S used part of our April Chapter ride that did not occur (yes – it rained) and led us zig-zagging around York County for ice cream. Way to go Sue!

May's Mother's Day Chapter ride was rained out with cold 50-degree temps and a forecast of over an inch of rain. We sure did miss catching up with Purple Roses Bernie and Audrey Dawn – and can't wait till we ride together again. A big thank-you to Audrey Dawn for planning that route. We will definitely do your Winter State Park ride on a better weather day.

May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month and 7 local (well, some semi-local) Harley-Davidson dealers sponsored the 2018 Women's Carnival Ride on May 13th. The weather was iffy, but Kathy M, Kathy's friend Sue S (uh-oh, another Sue S), Natalie, Dawn, Trish and I dared Mother Nature. Check out Nat's article in this issue to learn about all the fun we had and see if we were able to stay dry. (P.S. please know that no Chapter Directors were injured during dart throwing.)

June will be here before we know it and looking over my calendar I've got not one free weekend until mid-August... camping, riding or a combination of the two are scheduled. And I would not have it any other way!! Hope your days are also filled with fun activities. Check out the Calendar of Events and join us on a ride or two, or more. Don't forget **Ride to Work Day is**

Friday, June 15th. Since my commute most often does not involve a motorized vehicle, I'm counting on all you Ladies to participate. Send your pics and ride info to editor Sue S.

I'm very much looking forward to riding with many of you at MAWMR in Front Royal, VA and the WOW® Ride-In™ in Johnson City, TN. Laughs and lots of twisties are to come (plus I'm sure an ice cream cone or two somewhere along the way). Until then, ride often and ride safe,

Lynn

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.

Happy Birthday

PaulJune 5
Audrey Dawn.....June 10
Marty.....June 14
Lynn.....June 19
Trish.....June 27

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

Dear Mother Nature:

Last month we asked nicely – but now we've had enough! It's time you get over your SCS (Seasonal Confusion Syndrome) and bring on sunshine and 70-degree temps. Your cold April showers are dripping way into May! All we want is to feel the warmth of the sun on our faces and the wind in our hair.

Is that asking too much??

*Sincerely,
The Ladies and Support
Guys of the Twin Roses*

2018 Voices for Hope Banquet—May 3



Lynn, her friend Charlene, Sue S, Misse, Natalie, Dawn, and Trish had a good time at HOPE's Out Door Country Club banquet. Several at our TRLR table are cancer survivors so the speakers' stories were especially moving. It's always a fine evening and the Roses thanked the Chapter Treasury for splitting the ticket cost. Consider joining the group next May!



Dawn won the silent auction bid for this big basket of Brown's goodies. And Lynn was a door prize winner of a HOPE cookbook. She already owned one so she gifted it to Char.



Those who ordered chicken were served first so we said "Go on and start. Don't let it get cold. We'll just wait patiently for our meals."

Lynn gave friend Charlene her very first Spyder ride on Silver Fox. Nice way to get to the banquet!

Read her impressions of the evening below.

New Adventure with Unexpected HOPE

I was privileged to attend the 2018 Voices for HOPE Banquet and sit through the evening experiencing an array of emotions—from sadness to laughter. It was impressive to hear all the people involved that volunteer their time and donate money to HOPE for kids and adults with cancer. It was very inspiring to hear Buddy Hart's frank openness about all that he endured, and the ability to find humor and courage in his situation. Listening to the stories of the Brown family, who've lost loved ones, touched my heart deeply as they spoke with such pride of their family business and the donations they've provided over the years.

I was thankful to be sitting with a group of fantastic ladies from the Twin Rose Lady Riders, who welcomed and shared their evening with me. I attended as an invitation from my lifelong friend, Lynn Martin. We rode to the event together on her CanAm Spyder, named Silverfox. As I sat and explained my experience of riding to the Twin Rose Ladies at our table, we laughed together. You see, this was my first time on a cycle since I was a teenager. I recall fond memories of Lynn's Mom riding a motorcycle. Lynn has inherited the passion her Mom

shared with her years ago. I explained how I held on so tightly as we rode on the highway to get to the event, my hands hurt. To be honest, I was scared, but I was driven by the capable hands of Lynn and she got me there safely. The bike rode smoothly, and when we stopped at traffic lights, I tried to look 'cool' and not hold on, so I wouldn't look like such a novice. Lynn took the scenic way home, and I could see her love for riding as she 'danced' to the music, I sensed how she loved being in the cool air of the evening, and simply, just loves riding.

So, I had a most enjoyable evening and went home with a heart full of emotions shared by many people that help others and are very generous. Being able to meet new friends of Lynn's has helped me see why she loves spending time riding with these lovely ladies. And, I learned more about my dear friend Lynn, seeing her passion unfold in her riding where she feels the freedom of openness and also being closer to her Mom. A beautiful evening of new adventure with unexpected HOPE.

By Charlene Slater

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Skirting the Rain for International Female Ride Day – May 5



Lynn, new member Missy R, Dawn, Sue S, Kathy M, Kathy R (on back of Nancy's Spyder), and Nancy enjoyed the day before it rained again!

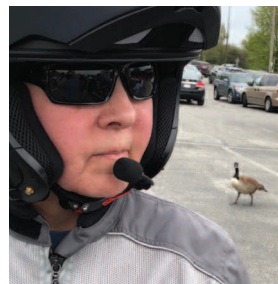
Sue S submitted this photo to WOW for their IFRD Photo Contest – watch for it on-line or maybe in the next *Women On Wheels* issue.

by Sue S

Saturday's weather was threatening – again! – so we decided not to ride the whole way to 3Bs. Instead, I said “follow me!” and led the ladies (plus Jon C) down to Wrightsville where we picked up my previously rained-out route from April. Dark clouds all around, the Roses enjoyed back roads down toward the Accomac then up toward Mt Wolf. We got to wave sweetly to the cop who waits for speeders behind the depots, then circled around the firehall to end up in Manchester for food and laughter.



Note to self: Bobcat scoops are huge. Do not order 2 again! Lynn said her Grilled Cheese Burger was tasty and Missy's lunch with chunky sweet potato fries looked good, too.



FOO Sue S & friend at B.A.M. discussed “fowl” weather.



Aurora, a very cute 6-yr-old, rolled up with daddy while we were having ice cream. It was her first ride and we told her she had picked the perfect day for it! (They were on the same vintage BMW that grandpa had taken daddy on when he was 6!) We'll look for Aurora to join the Twin Roses in about 10 years.

Trish also enjoyed IFRD!

She was part of a 15 motorcycle escort for buses of veterans from Lebanon VA Hospital to Elstonville Sportsmans Club. Her ‘charge’ at the fishing derby and subsequent fish fry was Army Vet Anthony who had been in an accident after his 2001 discharge and then found out he has Multiple Sclerosis. He caught the 3rd largest fish and there were smiles galore. The vets were fishing fanatics – catching their limits – then had their catch fileted right there and fried on the grill.

She said it was a “grand day!” Sure sounds it.

By Lynn M

Sue S's knowledge of local great riding roads made for an awesome impromptu zig-zag around eastern York County, avoiding the rain, and ending at Bobcat Creamery in Manchester. A direct route to Bobcat would have been about a 7-mile ride, but Sue managed to twist and turn our way there for almost 50 miles – I lost count, but I think we crossed over Route 30 at least 2 times!

As we treated ourselves to ice cream (Missy and I to a late lunch) we checked the radar again and found we were almost totally surrounded by rain. We donned our rain gear and went our separate ways.



Radar at meeting spot...then, Bobcat Creamery...then, Lynn at home.

Women's Carnival Run, May 12

by Natalie

Although everybody wanted a forecast with zero chance of rain, May 12 did not dawn that way. Each Rose made her own decision on how many wheels to take. Kathy M and friend Sue chose two, Lynn took three, and Kathy R & I chose four.

We all met at Susquehanna Harley to start our day! They had a Plinko game, coupons, flowers and snacks waiting for us. Our scavenger hunt task was to find their mascot. Turns out it was a gnome named Susquehanna Sam! With our bellies full of snacks, our game cards begun and a new pair of gloves for me (those coupons aren't going to spend themselves), we headed toward White's H-D in Lebanon.



White's had a cornhole game and a painting for us to find. And of course snacks and coupons!



We headed south with continued cloudy but dry skies.



Iron Valley was a sad stop. They were still reeling from the sudden loss of their beloved service manager, JJ. JJ was an amazing proponent of all

riders. I can tell you he answered the silliest new rider questions of this newbie without once making me feel like I WAS silly. We quickly pulled cards and answered our scavenger hunt question (they have been in business 15 years, btw.) and headed south towards Lancaster Harley-Davidson.



After a nice snack, goodie bag and a fun dart game—aimed at Lynn—I decided that I couldn't stand not having my knees in the breeze.



I grabbed my helmet out of Kathy's car and climbed on the back of Silver Fox. Having never experienced being fender fluff before, I thoroughly enjoyed being able to gawk around, chat with Lynn and dance!!!

We had a lovely ride to Chester Springs to spin a roulette wheel, take a gander at a 1926 Harley and eat some yummy Philadelphia soft pretzels!

Sue discovered the clutch lever on her Honda Shadow was loose! A nice Harley tech tightened everything up and we were on our way. Half way to Schaeffer's in Orwigsburg we stopped for gas and I decided it was time to climb back in the cager.



We attempted a skee ball game made up of clutch levers and cylinder heads — harder than you'd think! After discovering that Carl & Dan Schaeffer founded the dealership, we were all starving and ready for our dinner!! Of course, I couldn't possibly ride in to the end of our day in a cage! So it was back onto Silver Fox to Classic H-D. We enjoyed playing corn hole and Kathy and I spent more coupons on sling bags.



Kathy M, Trish and Sue all won prizes in the drawing!!! The Roses were represented! Classic served a delicious pork & chicken BBQ dinner. We ate quickly, keeping an eye on the sky and the radar screens on our phones.



Kathy R and I hit torrential rainfall going home in the car, and poor Trish & Dawn had to bravely power through it on their bikes!! We all made it safely home.



Every dealership was gracious and fun! They made us feel so special as women riders. We had an amazing day and I can't wait for next year.

From the TRLR Archives

The Twin Roses used to descend annually on Sigi's lovely home for a sleepover. She & Wolfie are always gracious and patient hosts.

**Here we are in their backyard in 2005...
2 Schmidt houses ago!**

Several Roses stopped by her new home in May, but it would be fun to ALL roll up again some day!



Also from 2005, an all-time favorite photo: **Dawn presents our Club Challenge plaque to the Buffalo Soldiers.** We had 120 registrants for that poker run and it was one of the few years the plaque was not won by York MC!

(Let the Editor know if you think of other neat old Tidbits and we'll print them in upcoming issues.)

"Where Have You Seen It?"

(Submit photos for this quiz to Editor Sue at suespittle@comcast.net.)



Answer to last month's quiz: Nibbles McGibbles -- the crazy gnome guy's walking path in Akron. Dawn says it would make a fun ride destination.



Kathy M said the weather, the ride, and the turnout was great for the Soldiers of the Law Ride in Hershey in April.



Kathy is also interested in signing up for this **ProRider York June 30th class**. Anyone else?

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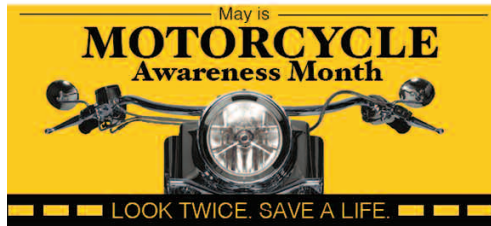
Class size is limited. Please register early.

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Audrey enjoyed a somewhat wet ride to Harper's Ferry for a wonderful weekend get-away with friend Tina. The weather cleared nicely for all of their sight-seeing.

So, that's one more fun ride detination to put on the long to-do list.



To help bring awareness to the safety of motorcyclists, May is designated as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The following statistics are for the 10-year period from 2007 to 2016 (the most recent available):



Tips for Motorcyclists:

- Never ride impaired or distracted.
- Obey traffic laws, wear DOT-compliant helmets and other protective gear.
- Make yourself visible by wearing bright colors and using reflective tape.
- Avoid riding in poor weather conditions.
- Use turn signals for every turn or lane change, even if you think no one will see it.
- Combine hand signals and turn signals to draw more attention to yourself.
- Position yourself in the lane where you will be most visible to other drivers.



Tips for Drivers:

- Never drive distracted.
- Allow a motorcyclist a full lane width to maneuver safely.
- Always signal before changing lanes or merging with traffic.
- Always check mirrors and blind spots before entering or leaving a lane of traffic.
- Motorcycle riders may change speed or adjust position within a lane suddenly in reaction to road and traffic conditions such as potholes, gravel, wet or slippery surfaces, pavement seams, railroad crossings, and grooved pavement.
- Allow more following distance when following a motorcycle. In dry conditions, motorcycles can stop more quickly than cars.

Motorcyclist Injuries And Injury Rates, 2007-2016

Year	Injuries	Registered motorcycles	Injury rate per 100,000 registered motorcycles	Vehicle miles traveled (millions)	Injury rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled
2007	103,000	7,138,476	1,443	21,396	481
2008	96,000	7,752,926	1,238	20,811	461
2009	90,000	7,929,724	1,130	20,822	430
2010	82,000	8,009,503	1,024	18,513	443
2011	81,000	8,437,502	965	18,542	439
2012	93,000	8,454,939	1,099	21,385	434
2013	88,000	8,404,687	1,052	20,366	434
2014	92,000	8,417,718	1,088	19,970	459
2015	88,000	8,600,936	1,028	19,606	451
2016	NA	8,679,380	NA	20,445	NA

NA-Data not available.

Motorcyclist Fatalities And Fatality Rates, 2007-2016

Year	Fatalities	Registered motorcycles	Fatality rate per 100,000 registered motorcycles	Vehicle miles traveled (millions)	Fatality rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled
2007	5,174	7,138,476	72.48	21,396	24.18
2008	5,312	7,752,926	68.52	20,811	25.52
2009	4,469	7,929,724	56.36	20,822	21.46
2010	4,518	8,009,503	56.41	18,513	24.40
2011	4,630	8,437,502	54.87	18,542	24.97
2012	4,986	8,454,939	58.97	21,385	23.32
2013	4,692	8,404,687	55.83	20,366	23.04
2014	4,594	8,417,718	54.58	19,970	23.00
2015	5,029	8,600,936	58.47	19,606	25.65
2016	5,286	8,679,380	60.90	20,445	25.85

Source: U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Federal Highway Administration.

In addition, during 2016:

- **Motorcycles made up 13% of traffic fatalities while motorcycles only made up 3% of registered vehicles.**
- **36% of motorcycle fatalities were victims over 50 years old.**

The risk of serious injury while driving a motorcycle is much higher than driving a vehicle. Motorcyclists don't have the structure of a car to protect them in an accident. Practicing safe and smart riding can help reduce the risk of serious injury or deadly accidents. See the side article for motorcyclist and vehicle driver safety tips. Ride safe.

Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)



Illustration of "The Redneck GPS" courtesy of Audrey who attests that it works!

2018 Mother's Day Ride

Summer will soon be here and we will have pretty much skipped the Spring riding season. Bikes are growing mold in the garage. Audrey Dawn had planned a day-long ride/picnic to Winter State Park but the weather did not cooperate. So we will file her route for the future.



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and this year it will once again make a stop at H.O.P.E. in New Freedom.

Please arrive fueled
and ready to ride.
KSU = Kick Stands Up
FOO = First One Out



Twin Rose Lady Riders 2018 Calendar of Events

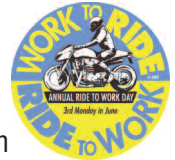
Must be registered
and insured to go
on WOW® rides.
Must sign insurance
waiver for 2018 --
see Dawn H, Lynn,
or Sue S for a form.

Chapter Rides & Events:

- June 10** **TRLR Second Sunday Ride**
Carsonville Hotel/Gold Mine Road
or maybe another destination.
Watch for details coming soon!
- July 10-12** **Women on Wheels® Ride-In™**
Johnson City, TN -- All packed?
- July 15** **YMC Margaret Moul Ride;** 9 AM-2 PM
- Aug 12** **TRLR Second Sunday Ride,** Knoebel's Grove
- Sept 9** **TRLR Second Sunday Ride**
- Oct 7** **TRLR Ride For HOPE!**
- Oct 14** **TRLR Second Sunday Ride;** FOO: Pat

Other events to support:

- June 10 K-9 Benefit escorted Ride, Lanc County
Public Safety Training Center near
Spookynook; \$20 inc t-shirt, food, and
K9 demos at 10:15 & 10:45; KSU noon
- June 15 Ride To Work Day
- June 21-23 MAWMR, Front Royal, VA
- Sept 16 Lebanon Valley MC Poker Run
- Oct 14 Boy Scout Camp Benefit, reg 9-10:30; \$25;
escorted ride starts at Bashore Scout
Reservation, Jonestown; KSU 11:20



Kathy R is planning a 3-day "Ice Cream Ride to the
Finger Lakes." Watch for updates on that idea!

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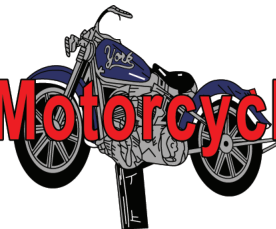
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