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#### **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.



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# WOW: Twin Rose Lady Riders Chapter

## Hello, you beautiful TRLRs -

**Beauty is in the eye of the beholder.** This old proverb has popped into my head a lot lately. Beauty cannot be judged objectively – different people have different views on the subject. Oh, this is so true in all aspects of my life! Although my two sons are similar in age, they see life differently. My neighbors each like different style houses, we maintain our properties at various levels of "beauty" and enjoy a variety of beloved modes of transportation from a beat-up truck, a family van, a bicycle, a sports car, a hybrid vehicle, a Harley Sportster and a Spyder RT. All beautiful in the eye of the beholder.

My riding friends and Twin Rose "family" mount all different bikes, enjoy different foods, dress differently and come in all shapes, sizes and colors. However, I feel the key to the success and happiness of our Chapter of WOW is that we don't judge, but rather accept what other members feel is their beauty. I try to broaden my horizons by at least considering the beauty someone else sees. Exposing yourself to something

new can sometimes allow a new beauty to enter your life.

This past weekend I experienced the "beauty" of my first MAWMR and of all those that attended. What a variety of personalities, beliefs, people, roads and bikes! Check out the great time had by all told through essay and pictures.

including the new TRLR support member – Gabby David, at right.



Those riding our June chapter ride to North East MD and Woody's hopefully took in some beautiful (and maybe never traveled before) southern York and southern Lancaster County roads, and enjoyed the company of our TRLR "family". Check out the story and pictures that follow. We didn't have time to visit our seedling sista' but will plan another trip real soon.

As I make final preparations to attend my 3rd consecutive (and WOW's 31st) Ride-In, I reminisce on the diversity and beauty of all WOW members and can't wait to experience that again. Watch out Colorado, here come the Roses!!

We're always looking for fun pictures and the cool stories that go along with them. We love bike and riding stories but any stories can be shared because it is one more thread that unites us as lady riders (and support guys). Please share.

# Happy Birthday

Kathy H .....July 27

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

Hope your July is filled with many experiences and adventures, but be sure to pause and enjoy the beauty in what is called your life!!

Keep the shiny side up and the rubber down,

Lynn

## TRLR 2nd Sunday Ride

## June 11, 2017 Woody's Crab House, North East, MD

As the "newbie" of the bunch, I just want to say thank you for a very nice day!

I have rode with other women motorcyclists, but honestly the Twin Rose Lady Riders have their act together! TRLR have fun, support each other and care about others. I hope I can keep up!

We (Lynn – leader of the pack, Sigi, Nancy & Jon C, Dawn & Charlie, Sue & John S and myself) left the Rutter's in Wrightsville around 10:45 AM. We rode down the York side of the river passing thru Long Level, Delta, across the Conowingo Dam (saw an eagle's nest), thru Port Deposit and into North East. The roads were in good shape except for the two sewer hoses left behind from somebody's camper.

Suzy K met us at Woody's. The air-conditioning at the restaurant was a welcome relief and the food was good, too!



The conversations across the table included the MAWMR ride in Virginia and the WOW ride in Colorado Springs. Nancy was busy drawing on the table with crayons and Dawn and Sue S were taking pictures. John S took a few pictures also with a lot of critiquing from the gang. Poor guy!

As we finished lunch, plans changed and all decided to head home (except Charlie who went geo-caching!) as the temperature was around 92°. Some of us headed up the Lancaster side of the river. Others took a different route home.

My thoughts were on taking a dip in my pool – which I did! Until next ride...Keep the rubber on the road!

#### - Anne Rinier

Ed. Note: John led Sue, Nancy & Jon on some great roads west, then back across the Conowingo and north to Mack's for some desperately needed milk shakes!







Our "HOPE Sapling" will just have to keep growing and wait for us to visit Elk Neck another time. Thanks, Lynn, for rolling with our hot change of plans.

The waitress at Woody's was the best. Somehow she kept us all in line AND took our photo!



## Runnin' on Biker Time – by Elaine

My first long trip...long to me that is. All 115 miles of it.

I really wanted to attend MAWMR but as the date approached the more apprehensive I became. Having only been riding occasionally for the last two years I was afraid to ride to Front Royal. I know the roads having grown up in Virginia and had driven them many times going to see family; riding on the bike, well, that's entirely different. Plans were all set to share a room with Natalie and Lynn, and now Natalie wasn't attending MAWMR – but she said she loves a good road trip and would still ride to Virginia with me. What a gal!!

As the departure date got closer I had a feeling of dread. Why didn't I just plan to cage it down, why did I agree to ride? Well, I hemmed & hawed finally packed up Scarlett. Natalie had asked if her friend Angela could ride along. Sure, the more the merrier. Oh no, we said we'd meet at 6:30 a.m. and its almost 7 and I haven't left the house. Quick text to Natalie and her reply "we are on biker time now, no hurry." That was my first indication that things may be okay. Of course in my rush I didn't eat breakfast. I asked if it was okay if we stopped at McDonald's in New Oxford; reply sure, no rush. There may be something to this "biker time!" We mounted up. I was to lead and set the pace. Off we go, nervous, you bet. I led us thru York to Abbottstown. Wow, that seemed fast getting to that point. Oh look, there's the McDonald's. I'm calming down and I hear the phrase inside my head — "it's biker time, slow down and enjoy." After our no hurry break I'm leading again and keep thinking am I going too slow or not fast enough? We're riding around Frederick on Rt 15. I never liked that area in a car because of the congestion and was worried about it on the bike. But we breezed through, piece of cake, and stopped on the west side of Harpers Ferry for gas. An old guy approached me about Scarlett, curious how she rode, and of course I encouraged him to sit on her. That was fun! We head out and in no time at all there's the hotel. By now I'm getting more comfortable and enjoying myself by looking at the scenery and just riding. And we're here! We say our goodbyes as Natalie and Angela head north.

I was so afraid I couldn't make the long trip. But by breaking it up, it seemed short. I had four fantastic days at MAWMR.

Gracie, Gertie, and Gregor. Loveable groundhogs popping up everywhere!

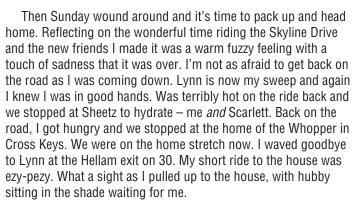
Gracie helping Dawn at registration and Gregor assisting Audrey with navigation.





Elaine & Lynn tubing on the Shenandoah River – with cows!

Jo & Support Guy Dan graciously helped Lynn with a park brake issue on her loaner Spyder. Then they took off with Tamela Rich on her Appalachian Tour.



What did I get from this trip? I can do anything I put my mind to. I can ride further than I thought, knowing I can stop when I want to. I will have to increase my endurance for further distances

between stops but in my mind if I know where I'm pushing to get to for my rest stop, I know I can make it. It may take me longer, but after this trip I know can do it. Not sure if I could do 300 miles in a day – but maybe a day and a half!

- Elaine (and Scarlett)



#### **Twin Rose Lady Riders**

## Mack's Ice Cream

Summer Solstice Celebration - June 21, 2017

Attendance:

Lynn, Dawn H, Trish, Nancy & Jon C, Sue & John S, Elaine, Natalie, Joan, Anne, and Mary

The rain clouds parted just in time for our ice cream gathering at Mack's in Hellam. Was fun seeing everyone, including Mary who drove up from Pylesville in Harford County MD to check out this crazy crew. We were amazed to think she'd traveled that distance (for us!?) – but then looked at a map and realized Sigi scooters in even farther from her house all the time! Hope Mary had a nice trip home utilizing Nancy's suggested back roads and we hope to see her again soon – no matter how many wheels.



Lynn presented Jon C with a loooong overdue and well-deserved gift card as Support Guy of the Year for all his help, especially during the July 2016 WOW Ride-In in Gettysburg. (At least we officially recognized him before July 2017!)

Then we surprised Lynn

with a plaque for her wonderful HOPE fundraising efforts last fall in honor of her friend who has since, sadly, passed away from cancer. Was a bittersweet tribute, but, again, well-deserved.

So it was an evening of ice cream and laughter... memories of the recent Mid-Atlantic Womens Motorcycle Rally in VA, planning for the July WOW Colorado Ride-in, and upcoming chapter rides.



Dawn awarded Lynn the beautiful Franklin Bronze Plaque (courtesy of our Purple Roses). It's so heavy it takes 2 to hold it up.

Elaine and John S
(trying not to drool as
his Novacane wears
off) admire Lynn's
tricked out Spyder —
with fender accent
lights and a veritable
light show glowing
underneath.



Natalie and Trish participated in the Veteran's Suicide Prevention & Awareness poker run out of the Marietta Legion on June 4. Similar



events were held all over the country on that day.

**Jane Santos**, our 2016 WOW Ride-In Liason/Denmother, says she'll be waiting in CO to greet her Pennsylvania friends.

**Natalie** recently enjoyed a soggy 9-day 2000-mi ride thru the southeast. She and 4 others saw Poplar Forest and Natural Bridge and did some honky-tonking in Nashville. They rode the Snake and the Diamondback but spent most of their time zig-zagging trying to avoid yet more rain. She says she can recommend good rain gear and waterproof luggage if anyone is interested!

And out in CA – now that her back is healing, **Marie** is allowed to ride her scooter. And it started right up after being idle 10 months!







Ed. Note: Many Roses are retired or have home offices. That -- and the darned rain -- kept lots of bikes parked on Monday. Except for Susan R's Spyder! She Rode To Work. And then there was Lynn...

# Lynn "rides" to work with the assistance of the

with the assistance of the painting she did at MAWMR







heading up the stairs...



and entering the office. Lynn wishes she had a longer commute!

### Are these helmets cool or what!











NEKO HELMET from Nitrinos Motostudio, Japan
The fiberglass ears are perforated so they do not generate resistance!

They are firmly affixed, but in the case of an accident they will sheer right off. Lots more critters on their website. Price: \$495 - \$660 depending on pattern.



Meet Geraldine. Yes, a 4th groundhog wheedles its way into our hearts. (Adopted by Elaine.)



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#### **BOLD = Chapter Rides**

(Try to support some of the other clubs' charity runs, too!)

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

Must be registered and insured to go on WOW® rides.

Must sign 2017 insurance waiver (see Dawn H or Sue S right before ride begins)

> Got ride ideas? Share them.

Consider volunteering to lead a ride. It's fun. (Honest.)

Watch for Updates!

July 4-6

WOW® Ride-In™, Colorado Springs [Safe travels, everyone!]

July 16 TRLR 3rd Sunday Ride

(Changed from 2nd to 3rd Sunday since many Roses will have just returned from CO)
York MC Annual Moul Poker Run; free

MEET: York MC lot to begin the ride together at 10 AM (If you want breakfast, you must arrive *much* earlier.)

Aug 13 TRLR 2nd Sunday Ride – Lake Tobias Wildlife Park, Halifax laketobias.com

FOO: Sue S; details to come

Park Admission: \$7; Safari: \$6 (plus cost of animal treats if desired)

Lunch example: Bison Burger, fries, drink \$8.95





Years ago when we were on the Tobias Safari an elk took a shine to Audrey Dawn!

Sept 10 TRLR 2nd Sunday Ride – covered bridge ride FOO: Dawn H

Sept 16 Aurora Car & Bike Show/Swap Meet; Aurora School, Rt 50, Aurora, WV

Oct 1 TRLR Ride For HOPE –

Never too soon to start advertising/raising funds!

- Sue S has flyers and chapter brochures if you want some.

- See a web site that lists events? Post ours. (Sue S has all the details.)

- Know a bike club? Get them to participate.

Scenic 60-mile charity ride; poker hands drawn; raffles & food Starts/ends at York MC, \$15 per person, Reg. 10-1:30

Oct 8 TRLR 2nd Sunday Ride – Pat's popular Fall Ride. Details to come.

**Nov 12 York MC 50/50 Feed**, Manchester Firehall, noon-3

Let's all get tix and have our first indoor get-together at this event!

Contact Dawn H for your \$15 ticket by August 31. That way you'll be in the running for 10 weeks of cash drawings prior to the All-You-Can-Eat feast.

\$5 extra for Gun Raffle ticket.



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