



Liberty Wings

March 2026 News



It has been great to see everyone over the last month for our weekly rides and events. Even though at times the weather has been questionable we have had great times and fellowship. Thanks Chapter N for hosting their annual chili cook off for Valentine's Day and the great entertainment that we got to witness. Hopefully the weather will continue to improve and we will get to do some more riding. This weekend we are planning a ride to Cotton Fields bar and grill and the weather at this time looks like it will be mid 70's and sunny, hopefully that will hold and we can have a great ride. There are several events in the upcoming months that we would like to go ahead and get out there so you can make plans to attend.

First Chapter Y will be celebrating 31 years as a chapter on April 15th 2026, So on April the 11th we will celebrate with a picnic at Tannehill Park from 10 to 2pm, we will be passing around a list for everyone at the next chapter meeting to sign up to bring sides, the chapter will be doing steaks for the meat and will be doing a cake for our birthday. Also the plans for the Alabama District Picnic have just been finalized for May the 9th at Rickwood Caverns from 10 till 2. Please make your plans to attend. Also please don't forget that District Rally coming up June, we will be in charge of the games again this year and will need help on Friday and Saturday to man the games, if you plan to attend please see if you can make some time to help us out with that endeavor. As always all of our events are 2, 3 or 4 wheels so please come no matter how you get there we always have a great time and fellowship. Hope to see you down the road. Please remember to always be safe out there.

years and will remain free

Philip and Sarah Keeton Teasley



"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction." – Ronald Reagan

*Wishing you thrilling rides and the freedom of the open road!
May every journey bring you joy and unforgettable memories.*

Paying Attention is NOT the Same as Being Alert/Aware

It is deadly, at the wrong time

By: James R. Davis

Yesterday I saw two motorcycle incidents that, thankfully, involved no accidents - but could have. One was funny, the other was an invitation to a disaster.

In the first instance I saw a motorcycle pull up to a red light and stop. There was a police car immediately behind him. The motorcyclist decided after about ten seconds that the light was stuck (I guess) and casually took off and crossed the street. I was right next to the police car and both occupants looked at each other and shook their heads. They took off after the motorcycle, lights flashing. The rider was not trying to get away - he saw the flashing lights and pulled over to get his ticket. He obviously had not noticed the police car behind him. I suspect most people would argue that he was not paying attention.

In the second instance I was walking my dog and as we got near the end of the block there is a stop sign because there is a busy side-street crossing there. A motorcycle rode up to the stop sign and stopped. He apparently looked both ways and saw that the only traffic was a city bus approaching from the left. But that bus had its blinkers on and was slowing to a stop at the bus stop on my left. Seeing that the bus was actually stopping the motorcyclist decided it was clear to enter the intersection and took off. ONE HALF SECOND later he grabbed a handful of brake and panic stopped as the car that had been to the left of the bus (and had, thus, been invisible to him) screeched its tires and did a panic stop trying to avoid hitting the motorcycle. They were both successful in stopping in time but the motorcyclist could reach out with his left hand and touch the car's hood at that time. Close! Some would argue that the motorcyclist was not paying attention.

In both cases I would argue that the motorcyclist WAS paying attention - too much of it - and was not alert or aware of his surroundings. It is simply not true that paying attention means alert or aware. It means, because we have a limited amount of attention to 'spend', that you are focused on something, not scanning and not particularly sensitive to other potential problems.

The first rider paid attention to the red light. He completely missed the fact that a police car was behind him. He also failed the patience test as ten seconds seemed like a long time to him, again I'm guessing. That lapse of awareness cost him a ticket but it could just as easily have cost him his life. Entering an intersection on a red light is a bet your life decision.

The second rider was paying attention - to the bus. He obviously failed to do anything like a 'What if there's a car hidden by that bus?' kind of self-preservation inner dialog. Instead, with all his attention on the bus, and seeing that it was not a threat to him, he concluded that there were no other vehicles and took off from the stop sign - right into the path of that hidden car.

Paying attention is usually the wrong thing to do when you are riding. Being alert and aware of your surroundings ('situational awareness' is what pilots call it) is life saving accident avoidance mental activity.

You pay attention AFTER you recognize a threat in order to assess what you should do about it. You do NOT pay attention before that so that you can detect threats.

“Never doubt the courage of the French. They were the ones who discovered that snails are edible.”

The staff and I would like remind you that if you have something of interest to Chapter Members, pictures, articles or whatever pertaining to EWMA, or our chapter please feel free to send us the information And we will include it in the next newsletter. You can contact us at



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**"I went to a bookstore and asked the saleswoman, 'Where's the self-help section?'
She said if she told me, it would defeat the purpose."**

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 Thank You Stacy Brooks for setting this up for the Chapter

**Region A {AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN}
Rally & Ride-In Schedule 2026**

March 12 - 14, 2026	2026 FL District Rally Happy 250th Birthday America!	Best Western Hotels & Resort 4200 NW 97th Boulevard Gainesville, FL 32606 352-331-3336
April 23 - 25, 2026	2026 Tennessee District Rally America's 250th Anniversary	Holiday Inn 101 West Springbrook Drive Johnson City, TN 37604 423-282-4611
May 14 - 16, 2026	2026 SC District Rally Happy Anniversary America 250 Years Proud!	Piedmont Community Center 3 Main St Piedmont, SC 29673
June 4 - 6, 2026	2026 Georgia District Rally Happy Birthday America	Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott 8035 S. Main St. Helen, GA 706-892-1225
June 25 - 27, 2026	2026 Alabama District Rally Living in America	DoubleTree by Hilton Riverfront 1101 6th Avenue NE Decatur, Alabama 256-355-3150
September 3 - 5, 2026	Eagle Wings Rendezvous 4th Annual Rally	Hyatt Place Sharonville 11345 Chester Rd Cincinnati, OH 45246

Door Prizes	Name
January	Chapter Y
February	Chapter Y
March	Denise Spense & Pepper Loveless
April	Mickey & Carol Willis
May	Keith & Joyce Cochran
June	Danny Baker
July	Jackie Knapp & Olen Dover
August	Clyde Herring
September	Robert & Gail Brown
October	Linda Teasley
November	Russ & Brenda Christie
December	Chapter Christmas Party

“Freedom isn’t free.”

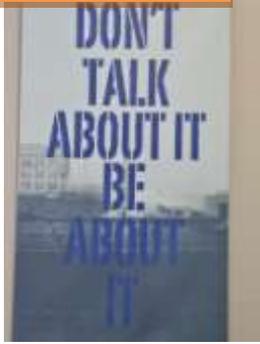
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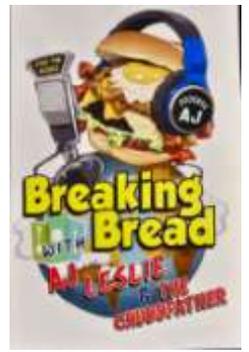
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Pictures

Chubbfathers 20 Members 2/7/2026



Everyone has a purpose in life. Perhaps yours is watching television.



Monthly Meeting 30 Members 2/10/2026



I have selective hearing. I'm sorry you weren't selected today.
Tomorrow isn't looking good either!



Never be afraid to try something new.
Remember amateurs built the Ark... professionals built the Titanic.

Chapter N's 25th Annual Chili Cook Off 26 Members 2/14/2026



The fact that there's a highway to hell and only a stairway to heaven says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers.



Who the hell was the first person to look inside an oyster and think "hmm... that big piece of snot looks delicious!"



I love it when my pets sigh. Like what ails you my little unemployed freeloader?

Chapter Y Valentine's Luncheon 16 Members 2/15/2026





Sometimes you just have to turn around, give a little smile, throw the match, and burn that bridge.



TIN TOP BAR-B-QUE
688-1409

Chapter Y
February 21, 2026



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Friends for Fun, Safety & Riding
CHAPTER Y



A 72-hr hold in a psych unit is beginning to intrigue me as a potential vacation opportunity.

Smiley Brothers 19 Members 2/28/2026



I'm the type of husband who will help my wife look for the candy bar I already ate.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

250TH ANNIVERSARY

— 1776 — 2026 —



**If you don't attend the rides or events,
you have no idea what you might miss.....**



Grinchette

**“Every time you feel yourself being pulled into other people’s drama, repeat these words:
Not my circus, not my monkeys.”**

Celebrate!

Happy birthday!



March Birthdays

10th Sara Leach

19th Ken Gray Jr

"Always remember that you are absolutely unique. Just like everyone else."

***Birthday cake
calories don't count***



"Statistics show that those who have the most birthdays live the longest."

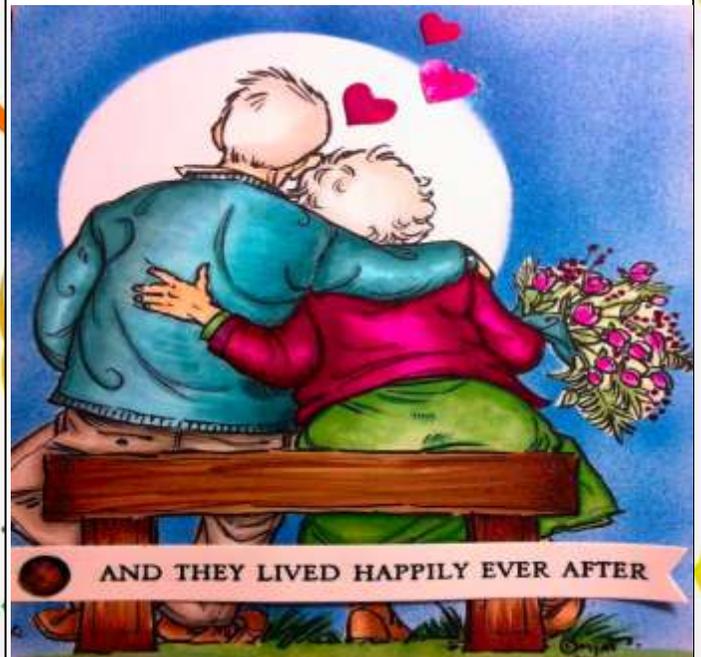
Happy Anniversary



March Anniversaries

Not Nary None!

"When someone is murdered, the police investigate the spouse first. That tells you everything you need to know about marriage." Katharine Hepburn





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Region A {AL/FL/GA/MS/NC/SC/TN}

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 HAPPY BIRTHDAY U.S. NAVY RESERVE	4	5	6	7 Lunch 11 am, Cotton Field, 167 Medical St, Snead, Meet at shell station next to Aldi Pinson, KSU 10 am BLUE S
8 SPRING FORWARD Turn your clocks ahead	9	10 AL-Y Monthly Meeting White House Restaurant 9830 Old Hwy 31 Warrior, Eat 6 pm/Meet 7pm	11	12	13	14 Breakfast Meet & Eat 8:30 am Ken's BBQ 4437 Pinson Valley Pkwy, B'ham, RED SHIRT
15	16	17 Happy St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20	21 Lunch 11 am, Chubbfathers 229 Kent Stone Blvd, Alabaster, Info week of ~ * BLUE SHIRT
22	23	24	25 NATIONAL MEDAL of HONOR DAY	26	27	28 Lunch 11 am, Buffalo Wild Wings 110 Atchison Parkway, Chelsea, Info week of ~ * RED SHIRT
29 NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY 	30	31	1	2	3	4

TBD ~ To be Decided (we don't know yet!) Watch your email for updates!

* = Check/watch your email for more details