

January 19<sup>th</sup> 2009

## Chapter A, Seattle

# The cAPErs

This time of year drives me crazy. Depending on where you live or where you work, and the time of day, the temperature can change 20 degrees within a couple of miles. Sunday afternoon it registered 55f at my house and not a cloud in the sky. I jumped on my Wing, and headed down the road...Gerbing's OFF. One mile later, I checked the temperature and it had risen a degree...what a great feeling. I jump on Hwy 18 westbound for about 2 miles, took the first exit and found myself on an east/west oriented road that had not seen sunshine since probably August of last year. The roadway was severely frozen and extremely dangerous for any two wheeler. Please be patient, know your surrounding area and be aware of your immediate riding conditions. Ride within your comfort level. There are plenty of great weather riding days ahead...be careful APEs...it's jungle out there.

### LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Last Wednesdays social was held at IHOP in Renton. A room full of APEs enjoyed dinner and socializing. We got out our calendars and discussed every week of the 2009 riding season. Although our season is already packed with sister chapter and district events, we managed to squeeze in a few more suggestions like; 5 pass ride, burgers Miners, N. Cascades loop ride, Vampire Ride #2, Hurricane Ridge, Oly Penn loop, and my favorite a 39 county seat ride. Thanks to all of those in attendance for contributing.**

**We also got a bit more specific on the MR 2009 duty roster....I shouldn't say "duty" ...it would be better described as "privilege roster". After all, this is the opportunity for ALL of us to feel the APE pride of putting on a premier NW riding event for all NW motorcycle riders. There are only a few more positions to fill. In the future weeks ahead, we will get more specific about each task so as to ensure a fun and successful Mystery Ride 2009. By now, you all have the roster. If you have any**

questions regarding your area of responsibility, please be pro-active and give me a call, send me a note, or drag me aside at any future function and we can iron out the details. Again APEs, thanks for your participation.

On Sunday, Sam Grubbs, Kenny Urban, and Yvonne and I ventured down to the Chapter I CD installation. Doug Deskin is the new Chapter Director and named quite a few new staff members. Chapter I is a pretty impressive bunch. Their officers and staff members seem very involved and the enthusiasm they convey is infectious. I made the Chapter A introductions and proceeded to sell our MR 2009 event. I received 15 pre-registrations on Sunday for our event....a great start. MR 2009 flyers will be available at our January monthly Gathering of the APEs for all to start passing out.

## **FUTURE HAPPENINGS**

**SOCIAL LOCATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY  
ARE FURNISHED BY THE URBANS...THANKS**

**\*\*I am also mixing in the chapters that are installing new CD's**

**\*\*Jan 10-Saturday-Chapter Z new CD installation re-scheduled  
for feb 14**

**January 21 – ZOOPA at Southcenter for Tom C.**

**\*\*Jan 24-Saturday-Chapter O new CD installation**

**January 24<sup>th</sup> JANUARY GATHERING OF THE APEs at the Old Country Buffet on Kents East Hill. The food has been terrific, the prices reasonable, the restaurant is clean and friendly. Please join us. 9AM Following the APE gathering will be a short ride to the Clayton Stevens Sr. funeral in Puyallup. If the weather holds out, Wings are in order and APE banners and colors to be worn. Funeral home is Powers Funeral Home, 320 W. Pioneer Ave, Puyallup.**

**January 24<sup>th</sup> is also the Chapter I CASINO NIGHT at Camp Murray. Have all ID's, insurance paperwork, and proof of insurance ready for the guys at the gate. LEAVE YOUR FIREARMS HOME**

**January 28<sup>th</sup> – IKEA for more meatballs..ya sure..ya betcha**  
**THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR VOLUNTEERING TO MAKE SCRUMPTIOUS CHOICES ON YOUR GIVEN MONTH.**

**Mystery Ride: JULY 11<sup>th</sup> is the Mystery**  
**Our feature ride event of 2009. Check your roster and lets get organized.**

**Finally, if anyone at any time is unclear about the activities, events, meetings, parties, gatherings...the times, locations, dates, details...simply just e-mail me and I will gladly clarify for you.**

**DO YOUR TCLOCS BEFORE EVERY RIDE**

**Stay warm, watch the paint, avoid the ice, gravel, potholes (the size of small farm animals).**

**Roll On!**

**Jeff and Yvonne**

**Oh yeah, you might want to attend a few of the districts chapter gatherings if you have the opportunity. Yvonne and I won \$94 at Chapter I's last weekend whoopieeee**