



Road Riders For Jesus

Chapter 9 St. Charles, MO

Fellowship - Ride - Witness

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From Our President:



Steve Schroeder

Well, here it is, my first newsletter article as president of Chapter 9. Some have suggested that since so many from outside our chapter read our newsletter, that I give a little personal info, so I'll start out with that. I have been a member of Road Riders since July of '06. I joined after I got my '05 VTX 1300. Before this current stint, I served as chaplain and as vice president. You can get the rest of my info from the Bio page on the website, www.rrj9.org. (How's that, Gary, for sending people to the website?)

What do I hope to accomplish in the next two years? Mainly I hope to keep this chapter going as strong as it was going under Jack's leadership. This core group of folks who regularly attend meetings and join us on rides is such a great blessing! Chapter 9 members are always willing to help when a job needs to be done, whether it be helping with a fundraiser, helping to organize chapter events, state, or national events.

It is our members who make chapter 9 one of the more special chapter in RRJ. I don't think that's being conceited, just honest. We are blessed with some truly special people.

A quality of our chapter, and all RRJ chapters, is that they are in the Word and in prayer. I would ask each of you who is reading this to commit to praying for the following:

- Carl Crackel and his international staff
- Mike Burger and his state staff
- all chapters in RRJ and their leaders
- me, and the rest of the Chapter 9 leadership, Russ, Penny, Debbie, Dennis, and Gary.

I look forward to an exciting year ahead. I am really looking forward just to hanging out with you all and riding!

God bless us all!

Steve Schroeder
President Chapter 9

Meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month
at 8:30am.

Our location:

Ridgecrest Baptist Church
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Road Rider For Jesus Chapter 9 Elected Officers 2011 – 2013

President	Steve Schroeder
Vice President	Russ Weidner
Secretary	Penny Iannacone
Treasure	Debbie Ross
Chaplain	Dennis Bauer
Historian	Gary Pohlman

Fun Facts About the Bible

- The greatest warrior in the Bible is Gideon. With 300 men, 300 trumpets, and God, He defeated 135,000 Midianites.
- King Solomon had 700 wives and 300 concubines.
- The biggest and tallest villain in the Bible is Goliath at over 9-1/2 feet tall.
- The number 7 appears many times in the Bible. It is often linked to perfection or completion.
- There were 12 tribes of Israel and 12 disciples.
- The number 40 is used many times in the Bible. It often means God is about to usher in a new event or era. For instances, rain during the flood lasted 40 days, spies explored Canaan for 40 days, Jonah warned Nineveh for 40 days, and Jesus fasted in the wilderness for 40 days.

Death: the end of excuses,
the beginning of eternity

Down in the mouth?
It's time for a faith lift!

Thursday Chapter Night Out Schedule for 2011

March- Jack and Debbie Ross
April- Jan and Rich Aubuchon
May- Gary & Karen Pohlman
Jun- Russ and Linda Wiedner
July- Kevin & Yvonne Reynolds
August- Ken and Becky Nowack
September – No Dinner Days of Praise
October- John and Kathy Chisenhall
November- Steve Schroeder
December- No dinner RRJ Christmas party

Little known Facts about Valentine's Day

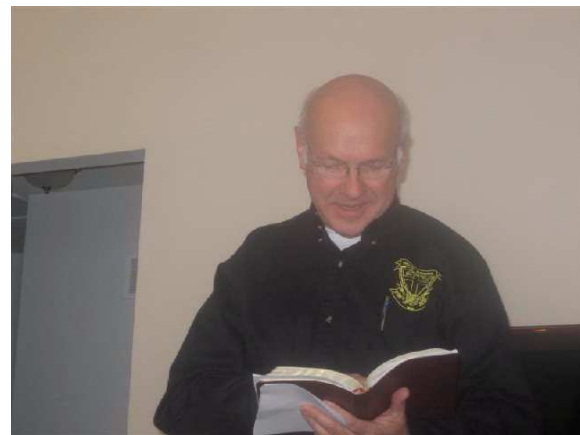
- It wasn't until 1537 that St. Valentine's Day was declared an official holiday. England's King Henry VIII declared February 14th a holiday.
- In the United States, 64 percent of men do not make plans in advance for a romantic Valentine's Day with their sweethearts.
- The 17th century a hopeful maiden ate a hard-boiled egg and pinned five bay leaves to her pillow before going to sleep on Valentine's eve. It was believed this would make her dream of her future husband.
- Cupid, another symbol of Valentines Day, became associated with it because he was the son of Venus, the Roman god of love and beauty. Cupid often appears on Valentine cards holding a bow and arrows because he is believed to use magical arrows to inspire feelings of love.

Chaplain's Corner

By Dennis Bauer

The Loving Thing

In February, with Valentine's Day, our thoughts turn to romantic love. Men are motivated to do those little extras that express love to their sweethearts. Flowers, candy, romantic dinners, jewelry are all part of the fair in this season. Ladies take extra care to express their love as well. So, let's look at this thing we call "love."



Dennis Bauer

The source of love is God. 1 John 4:16 says, "those who love are of God, for God is love." Just so we don't get off track let me quickly point out that Godly love is not romantic love. The Bible talks of three types of love: Godly love (Agape'), friendly love (Phileo) and erotic or sensual love (Eros). Romantic love would fall in the last category.

When the Bible calls on us to "love" one another it uses the word, "Agape'," the Godly love. Godly love is not based upon emotion or feeling. It is based upon *choice*. If a man says to his wife, "I love you because I choose to love you," she may become offended because that brand of love seems sterile and, almost, cold. But, in reality, it is the deepest form of love. It is that kind of love that says, "I love you even when you are unlovable." "I love you when your hair is a mess and you are not the most desirable creature in the world." "I love you when you're sick and when you're well." "I love you when you are irritable and having a bad hair day." "I love you no matter what changes may occur in our lives."

Love based upon feeling alone will fail. When your husband or wife is doing something that drives you nuts, love based upon feeling, will cease because you "feel" anger and may express it. When your stomach is upset you feel sick, not loving, right? Godly love chooses to do the loving thing no matter how you feel.

Now, men (and ladies), it is not very wise to tell your partner that you love them simply because you choose to. That may not be the most loving thing to do. When you love someone you will learn what best communicates to them. Men, the Godly love you hold for that special lady will motivate you to express that love with romance. Ladies, let me suggest that you express your Godly love for your man by showing him (as the Bible says in Eph. 5) respect and appreciation. When the expression and actions of love are motivated by choosing what is best for the other person you will find that the "romantic feelings" will follow. (and the rewards that go with them)

Read, again, the description of Godly love in 1 Cor. 13. Then follow the admonition to "Let love (Godly love) be your greatest aim." (Living Bible)

Praise and Prayers:

- Pray for Kellen Hardin (Russ and Linda's grandson) He is one of the triplets and he continues to have some heart issues.
- Jim Furqueson- he had been diagnosed with COPD and is on oxygen therapy. Pray for his peace and adjustment to the oxygen.
- Praise that Gary Pohlman was at the meeting and doing well following his knee surgery.
- Gene Gipson reported that he has low back and hip pain. For the next few Tuesdays they will do some shots in his joints to relieve the pain. He may need surgery later.
- Russ Wiedner is still having some pain after his gall bladder surgery. Pray for healing.
- Pray for Kathy and John Chisenhall as they continue to recover from surgeries.
- Pray for Kevin and Yvonne Reynolds. Their baby is due on April 11.
- Praise- Steve Schroder's son Mike is getting married in November



Safety Tip of the Month:

Escape Route

A good motorcyclist is constantly aware of his or her escape routes. An escape route is a path of travel that the rider can safely take to avoid a hazard. If the traffic in front of you suddenly screeched to a halt, do you have room on either side to go around it? If the car next to you decided to move into your lane, do you have room to brake or swerve onto the shoulder? If an oncoming car suddenly pulled out into your lane to pass, do you have somewhere else to go? Escape routes change all the time as the traffic mix changes. Keep your eyes moving, identify spaces large enough for your motorcycle, and always leave yourself a way out.

Featured Members

Our featured members this month are John and Kathy Chisenhall. Their story begins back in the 1970's where they lived on the same street and got to know each other. This coming August they will be married for 30 years!

John and Kathy have two sons, John 27 and Rob is 23. John is planning to be married in September. The Chienhalls have lived in St. Charles for the past 16 years. They have been members of RRJ for a long time.

John works in the service department for Laclede Gas and Kathy is a nurse and is employed by Ranken Jordan Pediatric Hospital.

They have been riding a motorcycle since 1972 and currently own a 2003 Honda VTX 1300. When asked how often do they ride, they stated "not as much as they would like!" When they take short trips around home they like going old 94 towards Alton or south on 94 towards Defiance.

John and Kathy have been on many long trips and some of their favorite memories with RRJ Chapter 9 are the trips to the Smokey Mountains, Arkansas and South Dakota.

Their church affiliation is with Ridgecrest Baptist Church in St. Charles.



Members: This is your newsletter! Please send your comments, praises, or just stories to the editor. Email them to Gary@GaryPohlman.com . We are One family and would like to hear from you!

Up Coming Events

February 12, 2011
Road Riders For Jesus
Not so Newly Wed Game/Dinner
More Information to Follow

Saturday March 26, 2011 9am
RRJ Chapter 57
Motorcycle Safety Seminar
SouthRidge Baptist Church
1815 Vieth Dr. Jefferson City, MO
\$15 (includes book, patch, & lunch)
RSVP for adequate planning
Wdcampbell@peoplepc.com
Or 573-680-6682

Chapter 9 "Culvers Fund Raisers"
Monday April 25th 2011
Tuesday May 24th 2011
More information to follow

May 1, 2011
Cancer Survivor Dinner
Chapter 9 to help serve dinner
Further info contact, Linda Wiedner at:
Lwiedner@mail.stcharles.k12.mo.us

May 13-14 2011
Cancer Research Relay
Linda encourages us to create a RRJ team
to raise funds for cancer research.
Further info contact, Linda Wiedner at:
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May 14, 2011
Road Riders For Jesus
Missouri State Rally
More Information to Follow

Would you like an Event Posted!
Contact
Gary @GaryPohlman.com

Members: Send me an email with your old,
funny or strange photos. You can add a
caption or we can make one up! I hope you
enjoy some of this months photos!
Email them to Gary@GaryPohlman.com

June 4, 2011
Road riders For Jesus
Son Rise Ride
More Information to Follow

September 7-11, 2011
Road Riders For Jesus
Days of Praise
More Information to Follow

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Join us at 7:30am the morning of our
meetings for breakfast and fellowship
at The Bread Co. 2079 Zumbahl Rd. in
Bogey Hills Plaza, just south of I-70.

RRJ 9 Meeting minutes
January 15, 2011

24 people were present at the January Chapter 9 meeting. It was held at the home of Dave and Penny Iannacone.

Prayer requests:

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Treasurer's report: We currently have a bank balance of \$679.78 We do have an outstanding check that was written to Ron Smith of Jeff City for \$55.00. Jack Ross will contact Ron Zamkus to check on it.

DVD Ride Like a Pro- There is a set of DVDs that gives some great safety tips and information about riding safely. We voted to purchase the videos to use in our meetings. Dave Iannacone will order them.

RRJ9 Thursday night dinners for 2011 These dinners will change to the 1st Thursday evening of each month. There will be no dinner in February. Hosts for the other months are:

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October- John and Kathy Chisenhall

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December- There will be no Thursday dinner due to the RRJ Christmas party

Valentine celebration: There will be a Valentine party at Have Bible Will Travel on Saturday, Feb 12. Reservations need to be in advance

Phone tree- A committee was put together for the purpose of organizing a phone tree when we need to communicate rides and other things. The committee was not ready today to make a report but will meet and give more information at a future meeting.

Minutes from January 15, 2011

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Fundraisers- Jack suggested that we continue to do fundraising events to support RRJ National.

Culvers fundraisers- April 25 and May 24. We will need volunteers to serve.

Wright City chapter would be glad to do a barbeque with us if we want to set something up with them. They have the equipment to help us.

May 1- Cancer survivor dinner. Linda Wiedner is an assistant for the St. Charles Relay for Life event this year. She asked that chapter 9 help serve dinner for the survivors on May 1st.

Linda also encouraged us to create a RRJ team to raise funds for cancer research. The relay is May 13-14.

Missouri State Rally this year is on May 14. More information to come later.

Safety tip- Rich Aubuchon tested everyone on road signs.

Devotion- 1 Kings 3:9- Solomon has a dream and he asks God what he wants him to do.

Solomon wanted to administer wisely. Jesus came to serve. As we look toward elections for our chapter, we should ask God to help us to serve and make good decisions in all that our chapter does this year.

Election- This is the year that chapter has officer election. The following were nominated and elected to the positions listed below. These will serve for the next 2 years.

President- Steve Schroeder

VP- Russ Wiedner

Secretary- Penny Iannacone

Treasurer- Debbie Ross

Historian- Gary Pohlman

Chaplain- Dennis Bauer

Jack thanked the chapter for the way the chapter has helped support him as our president. He asked that we continue to support the events of RRJ9 and Steve as he takes over the position as President of chapter 9.

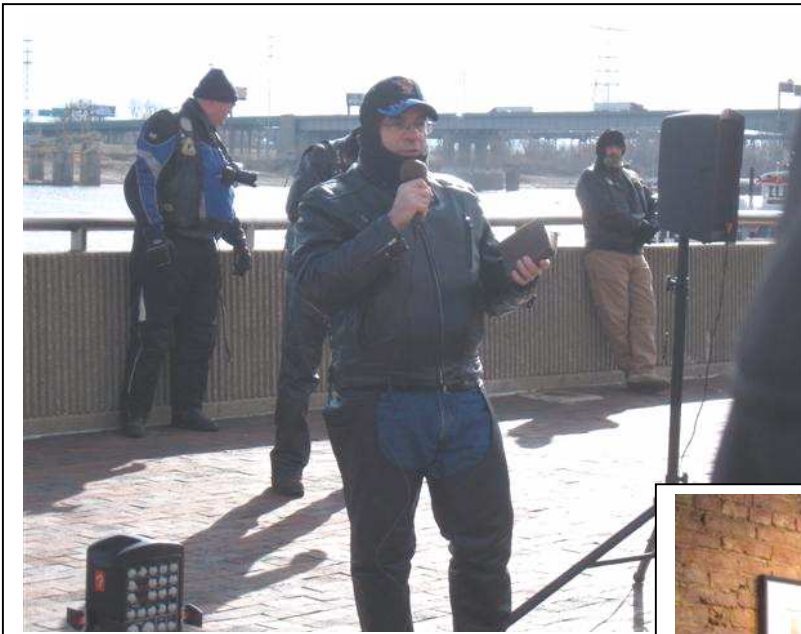
The meeting adjourned with prayer and we enjoyed a soup lunch together.

Members: Send me an email with your old, funny or strange photos. You can add a caption or we can make one up! I hope you enjoy this months photo!

Email them to Gary@GaryPohlman.com

January 1, 2011 Polar Bear Ride

What a great way to start the New Year, with a crisp ride and a good meal. Some of the members braved the cold and rode to the arch and then to Lewis and Clarks Restaurant in Old St Charles. While others of us were not so brave and drove to the restaurant in our warm vehicles. Either way a good time was had by all.



Need a new life?
God accepts trade-ins

You can fool yourself.
You can never fool God

On the Lighter Side

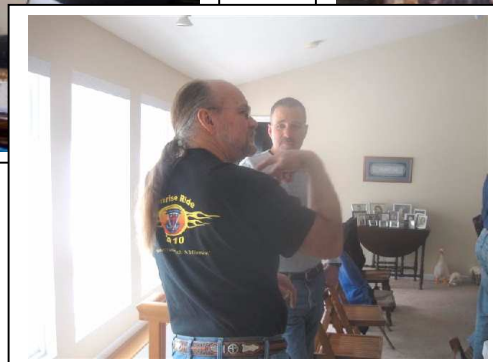
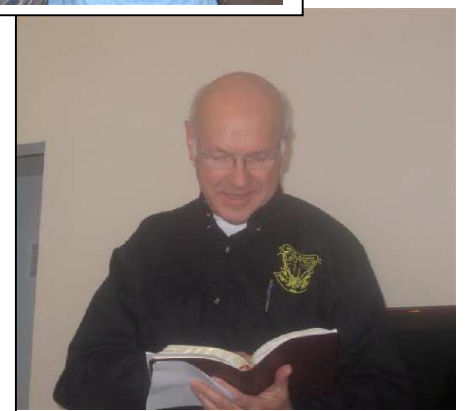


Looking For a Job

A guy I know (Al) walks into the police department looking for a job. The officer wants to ask him a few questions.... Officer: What's 2+2? Al: Ummmmm... 4! Officer: What's the square root of 100? Al: Ummmm... 10! Officer: Good! Now, who killed Abraham Lincoln? Al: Ummmm... I don't know! Officer: Well, you can go home and think about it. Come back tomorrow. Al goes home and calls me up, and I asked him if he got the job. Al says, excitedly, "Not only did I get the job, I'm already working on a murder case!"

January 15, 2011
RRJ Chapter Meeting
Pot Luck Chile and Soup
@ Dave & Penny Iannacone's

We had a special Saturday afternoon meeting at the home of Dave and Penny's. There was plenty of good food and snacks. We all had a great time and look forward to the coming riding season. It won't be long and we will have our spring motorcycle maintenance day.



The 2011 St Louis Auto Show

Or, How To Spend Money Like There's No Tomorrow

By David Reed

Thursday found me sitting at home with a rare day off from work. Actually it's called "ready reserve" in my profession, but not working is still a day off to me. My wife Donna mentioned on her way out the door, "You could go to the auto show today." Bing! Brilliant!

I called up my good friend Keith and at three o'clock we were heading down I-70 to the St Louis Convention Center in downtown St Louis. As we drove by the front of the center, a car pulls out of a parking space. No way! I carefully back the car into the spot and Keith asks a homeless-looking guy if this is an approved parking spot. He assures us it is and asks for spare change to buy bread (booze) for his children (chums). I give him 50 cents because he was nice and all, then I notice that the car in front and the car behind both have parking tickets on them. So we drive off and park on the fourth level of a \$10 parking garage.

Inside the show the first thing we see are the Dodge Ram pick-up trucks. Beautiful machines, they came in all flavors, from basic (\$39k) to all decked out (\$ don't ask). Beautiful trucks they were, I was ready to sign. The Dodge minivans were a far cry from the first generation of minivans I remember. There was a big knob sticking out of the dash that turned out to be the shifter. It wasn't labeled or anything, we just assumed because there wasn't one anywhere else. Weird. Keith and I admired for a long time the Dodge Challenger with the Hemi engine and glamorous show model standing next to it. Nearby we found the Hyundai's. They had one that was amazing. It was big, huge even, and with the driver's seat all the way back I still had room to spare in the back seat with my 6'1" size. It was called the Equus, which a pretty show girl said was pronounced "E-qwus". New from Korea, it went on sale in the US in December. The price? \$68,000. Seriously. We walked down the red avenue carpet trying to wrap \$68,000 and Hyundai into one sentence, but just couldn't do it. "I keep thinking," I said to Keith, "that I'd be driving home my \$68,000 Hyundai and a headlight would fall off or the door handle would break."

We walked around the Kia's, the Mazda's and the other Pacific Rim makes. Definitely nothing exciting going on here. At the Nissan 370Z a young guy who obviously couldn't afford even a door on this luxury racing machine was looking inside. "Hop in!" I cheered, which he immediately did. Keith said "You look right at home in there!" and the guy nodded in agreement. "Fits like a glove, doesn't it? And look at all that leather! Yep, it's a real babe magnet alright," I said encouragingly. Keith looked at the window sticker and exclaimed, "And it's only \$32,000 base price. Wow! Easily affordable!" We walked off leaving Johnny Sixpack in Babe Magnet Land. We're so bad.

Next were the Fords. Ah, my personal favorites! First, they had three shiny examples of the all-new Ford Explorer. Being the owner of an Explorer from the previous century, I was especially interested in this new version. I looked inside. Where was all the room? The back end was a good twelve inches shorter than mine. "The dogs wouldn't fit in this," I said to Keith. Next to it was a beautiful, big white Expedition. Now this was more like it! But at \$52k, it was definitely a Lottery Car. We moved to the various F-150's on display. Sha-weet! Room to spare inside, especially the four door model. Now this was more like it. Prices ranged from \$31k to \$58k depending on models and options. We really like these, except the Raptor, a machoman truck if ever there was one. Who in their right mind would drive \$58k of shiny black paint into the woods?

We looked at the Taurus, which was very promising until you actually sat in it. Too tight. I asked the sweet floor girl if they still have the Crown Victoria. "Ah, I don't think so. I can ask if you like." Sigh. The Fusion was nice enough, but I wasn't impressed with the fact it was 80% built in Mexico, the engine a 100% so. The Mustangs were heaven. A guy in an expensive suit sat down in the black GT coupe while his wife said "Robert, you really don't need a Mustang!" with that annoying sigh that wives who don't understand can make. Keith said "You look good in that!" and I added "It matches your suit perfectly!" He smiled and laughed. An unspoken bond exists between all men. The Escape was pretty nice. Not much room for a big driver, but it seemed just right for running errands and the seats were very plush. Best part was you don't climb up or down into it. The seat was at just the right height.

Lincolns. Where was my favorite, the Town Car? "Don't build them anymore," the pretty salesgirl said. We tried out the "new" Lincolns. No room. "Too tight," said Keith. I agreed. And with the front seat properly adjusted, there was no room at all in the back seat. Sigh. We checked out the \$65,000 Navigator. Sitting in it we both looked around inside, stretched out some, felt the seats. "Kinda hard seats," I said. "Yea, and not all that roomy," said Keith. "I expected more than this in a Navigator." An Expedition with more leather. We left the Lincoln site disappointed.

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Next, the Chevrolets. We checked out the Tahoe. The inside was very plush, but Keith was standing perplexed at the open tailgate. I asked what he was looking at. "I can't figure out how you're supposed to get in the third row of seats." He was right. How *do* you get in there? We asked the pretty show girl and she wasn't sure. "Maybe you have to fold up the middle seats," she squeaked. We looked over the new Malibu (Keith has an older one), but it was like oohing and aahing over a bowl of vanilla ice cream. I took a picture and we moved on to the Cadillac's.

The CTS was small, almost tiny. I'm not a small guy, and Keith is even more so. No no no, the CTS just wouldn't do. The DTS, or "DeVille" as we called it, was perfect! Roomy, full of luxury, and \$48k, which by now was a bargain price in this place. "Last year for this model," the stunning salesgirl in the short skirt said. My goodness, no wonder Detroit is going down the drain. They're killing off all their good cars! The Escalade was gorgeous, but the sticker price was definitely Lottery Car status. The seats were like a soft Beautyrest mattress.

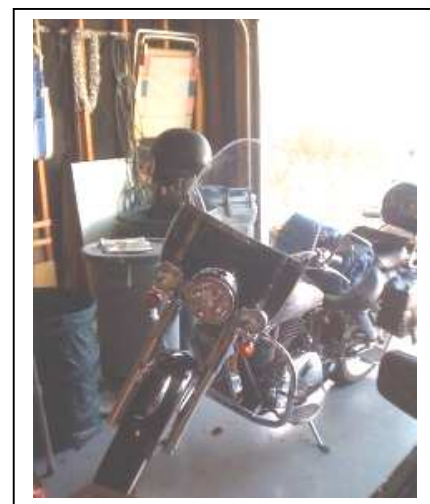
Buick's. "Everyone gives these cars great reviews," I told Keith. The biggest was the Lucerne, which according to Wikipedia is a region in Switzerland. Huh? But in its defense it was nice, and roomy too. "Last year," said the perky sales girl. "It's being replaced by the Lacrosse." We sat in the Lacrosse. Like the Ford Taurus, it was definitely a tight fit. Next came the Lexus and Toyota's, and if it wasn't for the chrome labels I never would have known the difference. Noticeably absent were the Mercedes and BMW's. "Kinda snooty of them, wouldn't you say?" I asked Keith. "Guess they got nothing new to show," he replied.

I was next immediately drawn to the Harley Davidson area. A beautiful 2011 Dyna SuperGlide sat there all gleaming in chrome. I was talking to the hot sales girl and asked what color was it. "Either maroon or brown, it's hard to tell," I said. "It's called Root Beer," she said. Strange, but that was exactly correct. Root beer! I asked what it costs and she said "You could probably get on this for around \$14,000."

On the way home we stopped for dinner. We eyed the pricy and luxurious Red Robin restaurant, but decided to go to Steakn' Shake next door instead. Like the auto show, we just weren't in that kind of price league.

That evening I stood in the garage and looked at my paid for 1998 Honda Aero 1100. As freezing as it was, she still shined and whispered, "Let's go! Let's go!" Unlike almost every car at the show, the shiny Honda had room to spare. I can stretch out in any direction and not be bothered by a window or door panel or center console. I'll never hit my head on the roof or door entry. I can feel the road through my soft leather seat, and as I roll down the byways of Missouri I'm not insulated from nature, but instead am one with her, communing with the sounds, smells and sights of the world around me. I can hit an open stretch, crack the throttle and enjoy God's splendor. The best vehicle in the auto show turned out to be right here in my own garage.

Did I mention it's paid for?



Road Riders For Jesus

Valentines Day Banquet



Saturday February 12, 2011
5pm – 9pm



Have Bible Will Travel
1745 Craig Rd.
Maryland Heights, MO 63146



Fun – Food - Fellowship



Don't Miss the:
"Not So Newly Wed Game"



Catered Dinner
Tickets \$15 each



32" Flat Screen TV Raffle
Tickets \$3 each or 2 for \$5

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY SEMINAR
SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2011, 9:00 AM
\$15.00 (INCLUDES BOOK/PATCH/LUNCH)

SOUTHRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH
1815 VIETH DR
JEFFERSON CITY, MO

Topics to be discussed will include but not limited to:

TCLOCK
Safety Gear
Weather

Basic Motorcycle Maintenance
Group Riding
Riding in the Rain

Please RSVP for adequate planning:
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