

The Director's Digressions

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February Ramblings

Why oh why do I get my motorcycle tabs in the winter and the snowmobile tabs in the summer? Makes no sense to me. But, this year we don't even have a snowmobile (sold that about a decade ago), and the motorcycles are both in a position where I can access the license plate. So it's not really that big a deal. Some of you reading this might be thinking... both?? Yeah. Fortunately, or unfortunately depending on your point of view, I overheard a conversation at last year's District Rally about a bike in Wisconsin for sale. A brand new Blue 2017 with heated seats and grips. Just the type of bike I had always wanted. And since I was swamped with work this past year, selling the 2008 was not a top priority. Hence, two bikes in the garage this winter. Now that work should be getting easier on my personal life, it will be more of a priority to sell the Red 2008 with 82,000 miles (any takers?) once riding season starts again.

In a few days, several members of MN-O will gather together to plan the rides and activities for 2020. Hopefully this year I (or some other volunteer) will get everything recorded, distributed and added to the calendar. I wasn't so good at that in 2019 so a few things got missed. There's also a possibility that during (and/or after) the meeting, members that attend will be able to watch a DVD – Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Sex (but were afraid to ask). It's not your typical GWRRA educational video, but it's guaranteed to get a few people laughing, a few people blushing, and certainly something to talk about the rest of the winter while we wait for the weather to cooperate.

And for those that are reading this and wondering why in the world we would be presenting a video like that – well, it's from our holiday party. Way before I joined the chapter, the holiday party included the Helmet Award. This was a helmet that was given to a 'special' person and decorated specifically for that couple/individual. Upon accepting it (along with the explanations of the decorations), the receiver was given an entire year to determine the next victim (I mean winner). Most of the time, the helmet was torn apart and re-decorated. Sometimes the recipient would purchase a new helmet and decorate it (so they could keep their award). One of the rules was that once you received a helmet, you could never receive it again. As you can imagine, eventually almost everyone had received it. So a few years ago, a Big Wheel was purchased, decorated and the Trike Award was created, resetting all the available recipients. At this year's party, a "unique" couple was awarded the Trike. The co-rider of this couple is known for her Better Than Sex Cake. So the DVD was actually re-titled to Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Better Than Sex Cake (but were afraid to ask). And now I suppose you're sorry you asked! If this is a hit, the chapter could be convinced to rent it out to other chapters for whatever purpose they have in mind.

Thanks for reading,