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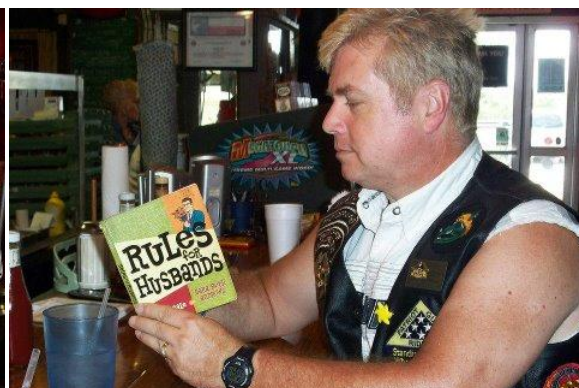
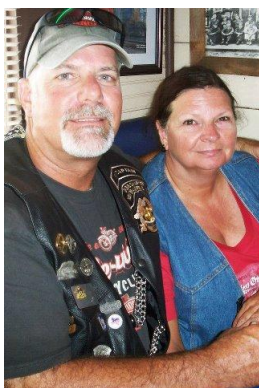
JULY MEETING MOMENTS



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
LARRY LYLES
JO AND DANIEL RAMIREZ
SCOTT BROWN



BILL THOMPSON RECEIVED
HIS GRUENE HOG PATCH



EVERYONE HAD A GREAT TIME ON THE BURGER RUN
BRACKEN STORE WAS THE BIG WINNER. YUM!
CURT EVEN FOUND SOME GOOD INFO ALONG THE WAY.

Challenge coins by Jerry Ramirez

Members of the U.S. military have a long-standing tradition of carrying a special coin symbolizing identity and pride in their unit of assignment. These personalized coins, produced especially for military units, bear their own revered symbols and mottos to reflect their affiliation and pride. These coins, known as challenge coins, are valued by troops in every branch of service. Today, challenge coins are not only carried by Soldiers, Sailors, Airman, and Marines, but also by many people outside the military like police officers and firefighters. As with the military, these coins identify the bearer as a member of a particular group with a well-defined history and mission. And, where ever members of these groups get together, they challenge each other with a “coin challenge” or “coining.” They slam, or tap, their unique coin on a bar to challenge all in the group to display their own coins. The member who fails to show his/her coin must pay a penalty: usually in the form of an adult beverage. The challenge rules will follow below.

Besides using coins for challenges, they are also used as rewards or as a keepsake of an event. Those Hoggies that have participated in Patriot Guard Riders (PGR) missions may have observed the PGR Ride Captain present a PGR coin to the bereaved family as a keepsake that the PGR stood for their loved one.

In 2009, the Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.) created its own challenge coin for Harley-Davidson motorcycle owners, stating “Those who ride Harley-Davidson motorcycles share a bond in much the same way as those who have served their country with pride. Carrying a H.O.G. National Challenge Coin in your pocket, on your bike or off, is a meaningful way to show your pride of Harley Davidson ownership – while also paying tribute to those who serve.” The H.O.G. coins have become immensely popular among Harley owners as more and more H.O.G. Chapters have adopted the challenge coin tradition to show pride and promote camaraderie in their chapters.

Here are the basic rules for the coin challenge:

1. RULES

- A. The challenge is initiated by drawing your coin, stating that you are initiating a coin check, and firmly tapping it on the bar or table. Dropping coin on the floor is also acceptable. You should produce an audible noise which can be easily heard by those being challenged. If you accidentally drop your coin and it makes an audible sound upon impact, then you have just “accidentally” initiated a coin check and rules apply.
- B. The response from all those persons being challenged is to draw their own coin in a similar manner.
- C. Any member of the group that is unable to properly respond to the challenge must buy a round of drinks for the person who initiated the challenge and members of the group who responded to the challenge.
- D. If everyone in the group being challenged responds in the correct manner, the person who initiated the challenge must buy a round of drinks for the members of the group they challenged.

2. WHEN – WHERE

- A. Coins checks are permitted any time, any place.

3. EXCEPTIONS:

- A. There are NO exceptions to the rules. If you cannot produce a coin to respond to the challenge, see Rule. 1.C
- The intent of adopting the coin challenge is purely for fun. It does not need to be an “adult beverage”, make your own choice, drink responsibly and only after the ride. Participation is strictly voluntary, and needless to say, it’s a lot more fun if more people participate. Let your officers know if you would like to see the Gruene H.O.G. adopt the coin challenge. The H.O.G. National coins cost \$15 and may be purchased from the Chapter’s Quartermaster at our monthly meetings



Coming up at Gruene Harley Davidson

HELP US HELP ONE OF OUR OWN..

On August 6th our Wreck Technician, Art Velasquez, will be undergoing a procedure to remove a cancerous tumor in his kidney. On

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25TH

we will be hosting a benefit to help Art and his family off set some of his medical expenses.

For more details or to register for the FUN RUN, call Nikki at 830-624-2473

*BBQ plates on sale from 12:30 - 2:30

\$5 raffle tickets for gift basket, Gift basket valued at over \$350

*BBQ plate provided for all riders.

*Complete the ride and draw 3 playing cards back at Gruene H-D

*Prizes for best and worst hand

*Raffle tickets on sale now!

FUN RUN:

- *Early registration until Thursday, August 23rd
- *Riders who register early receive a FREE gift upon completion of ride
- *Saturday, August 25th: Registration and first bike out at 9AM. Last bike out at 10AM.
- *4 Stops along Devil's Backbone
- *\$15 for a single rider/\$20 for double



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If you missed the beach party you definitely missed out



Come on in the waters fine!



Or just stay in the shade



Mike I still don't hear the ocean !



Just keep listening honey.



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