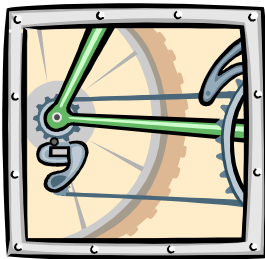


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P.E.P. Perceptions Emanating From the President



Silver Wheels Mission

To create and provide and environment for members and guests to:

- Ride for exercise and fun
- Enjoy the social side of cycling
- Improve cycling skills
- Learn more about cycling and educate others
- Promote cycling in our area

In recent board action it was decided to change the speed average for the star system used to differentiate our club rides. Over the past few years it has been noted that the average speed on rides has been creeping upwards. About 1 mph per category. This could be due to a number of factors. Most notably is that the membership is improving its fitness level and that's a good thing. Other possible reasons are better technique and better equipment. The changes will go into effect the 1st of next year (01/01/08) and are as follows:

One Star – no change; 6-10 mph average speed

Two Star – 11 to 12.9 mph average speed

Three Star – 13 to 14.9 mph average speed

Four Star – 15 – 16.9 mph average speed

Open – 17 mph and above average speed

The results are in from our first invitational ride (recently voted on by the board to be an annual event), the Dog Days and Wine Tour held this past August 11th. There were one hundred and fifteen (115) participants and the club turned a profit. Net income for the ride was \$735. Hip, hip, hooray. Congratulations to everyone who

help make it such a successful event.

On another topic, a reader asks, "Where is my correct position on the road for riding through an intersection? On a recent group ride a car split the group in half at a stop sign. Some of the group then passed the car on the right and rode through the intersection." This writer's opinion is that anyone passing the car on the right puts themselves in serious jeopardy.



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Welcome to Our New Members



Our club just seems to keep on growing! A big Silver Wheels welcome to the following new members:

Richard and Nelita Zitkowski, Teresa Nemeth, Larry Veglein. Welcome back Kurt Anderson.



Silver Wheels is fortunate to have 3 trained Effective Cycling instructors: Bob Burkhardt, Karen Farago, and Ed Stewart. Be sure to ask them if you have any riding questions!

Pep Talk

Should the car suddenly turn right, the outcome wouldn't be pretty. Never try to guess what the driver is going to do. The correct position for riders in this situation is to claim the lane (take the middle) behind the car. Let the car proceed first, then scan for cross traffic and go through the intersection when it is clear to do so. It's safer, and we haven't made an enemy of another driver. Likewise we shouldn't be riding on the berm through an intersection. Scan for overtaking traffic. Signal and move left into the lane (right tire track to middle) and then proceed through the intersection.

May the wind be always at your back and all roads lead downhill.

Bob Burkhardt

Fall-N-Leaf Bicycle Tour

The Fall-N-Leaf Bicycle Tour takes place on October 14. It is sponsored by the Mid Ohio Bikers. The start is at 9 AM and all riders must be on the road by 10 AM. There are 2 distances: 34 and 62 miles. The terrain is hilly and challenging. There will be 2 snack stops for the shorter ride and 4 for the longer ride. Limited sag service will be available, but the club requests that all riders have themselves and their bike in good shape.

The start of the ride is at the Comfort Inn, 4 miles south of Mansfield, Ohio at the intersection of I-71 and St. Rt. 97. It is exit 165. The cost is \$15.00 through 9/30 and \$18.00 thereafter. \$1.00 of the fee is donated to the Ohio Bicycle Federation.

This is the 29th annual Fall-N-Leaf tour and if past rides are any indication, it promises to be great. Those wishing accommodations should

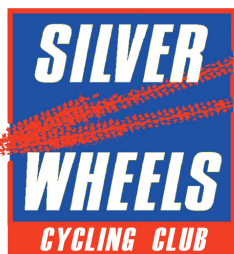
Contact Comfort Inn quickly at 419-886-4000 or other motels in the area.

If you are interested in this ride, please print a registration from the website at www.midohiobikers.org. Hope to see you there.



Trash Pick Up

Thanks to everybody that helped in our club project ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY even if only for a couple hours. We pick up four times a year with having three of them completed. Our fourth and last one for this season will be October 18, 2007 at 8:30 A.M. We will start same place at Drug Mart on SR 58 and Butter-nut Ridge. Contact Tom Cline if you have any questions.





ANNUAL BANQUET

You are cordially invited to the
Silver Wheels Cycling Club, Inc.

10th Annual Banquet

Thursday, December 13, 2007 – 6 to 9 P.M.

Sugarcreek Restaurant

5196 Detroit Road, Sheffield Village (behind Taco Bell)

Social 6:00 Dinner 6:30

Followed by Awards and Recognition

Registration limited to the first 80. Prepayment is required. Due no later than 11/30/07.

How to register: Send your payment to Silver Wheels Banquet, 27069 Oakwood Circle W107, Olmsted Falls, 44138. See form below for this purpose.

Cost: \$16 per person (guests are very welcome). Buffet style: roast beef, ham steak, roast turkey, marinated chicken, breaded pork chop, broiled scrod, mashed potatoes, vegetable, stuffing salad, dessert, beverage.

Featured Awards will include Ride Leader of the Year; Rookie of the Year; Tuff Ole Bird; and the esteemed Silver Wheeler award.

SILVER WHEELS BANQUET REGISTRATION

Thursday, December 13, 2007 – Sugarcreek

Member Name(s) _____

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