



# the "WASH"



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## State Reps' Comments



**H**i, everyone. I certainly hope all of you are getting

ready for the riding season. I know Kevi and I are looking forward to it. Seems we've been grounded for a long, long time.

I rode my Gold Wing to Quincy to Chet's Honda on Saturday the 17th to get the factory recall fixed and have my tires looked at. My rear tire has only 6400 miles on it and it doesn't look too good. I hope there is a warranty on them. You all know how expensive they are. But I am fortunate to have a friend like Randy Schall who

works on my bike. He gave me a heads up on the tire. I always check the air pressure but don't take the time to really look over the tires. We know when we put them on and calculate about how long they should last. As I've said before, tires are so very important to the overall safety of riding.

I have changed a few dates on the upcoming events. Duane Wood wanted our group to have a campout with the IBM group June 15 to 17 at the Methow Valley Lightning Pines campground. That sounded like fun, So I changed the State rally to August 10, 11, and 12 at one of the campgrounds in the Ephrata area.

Details and directions to both events will be forthcoming. Sorry for any inconvenience this might have caused. I am trying to get in as many events as possible. I will always foul up someone's schedule.

It is time to get back to work. I sincerely hope I'll see most of you at the Spring banquet. It is always a great time. I am hoping the weather will be nice enough to ride to the event.

Until we meet again, Ride Lots, Ride Safe, and most of all, have lots of fun.

Kevin and Kevi Besel

### Spokane Area

**I** am probability way behind, and everybody already knows. The Spokane meets now at Conley Place, 12622 E Sprague, Spokane Valley, the first Saturday at 8:30 AM.

Just a point of info. I hope this finds everyone healthy wealthy and wise.

Please check the news letters and web sites to see if they are current with the change.

I hope to see you all this summer.

Ride and be HAPPY

Zack Hoffman



**Teddy Bear Run!**  
**The Dalles, Oregon**  
**April 28 starting at 11:00 AM.**

### For Sale!

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## Seattle Area

I'm really liking our new place. Yes, the seating is a little different. But, it seems the people come in and mill around and visit more before finding a place to sit. We used to come in, sit at a table and talk to the person next to you or across from you. Now we seem to do more mingling. I like that.

Well, we have happy/sad news. John Fisher was supposed to be gone for about six weeks traveling to Arizona. But he showed up for breakfast. What's up with that? It turns out that John bought himself a place in Meza, Arizona. He returned to take care of his affairs and will be leaving again before the end of the month. He will snow-bird until the weather gets too hot down there. By then, we should have some nice weather for riding up here. See you when you return for the summer, John.

By the time you read this, we may have had Sandy Bauer out for her very first motorcycle ride. Sandy is Pat Conlan's girl friend and has just recently been getting up early enough to come to breakfast!

We plan on taking a short ride on Sunday, but those plans were made before it started snowing again. It's only Tuesday - we still might make it by Sunday. The weather in the convergence zone is never predictable.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Spring Banquet April 21st. That is usually the first of my riding for the season. I understand that for entertainment this year, Randy Schall will singing all of Pierce Brosnon's songs from MaMa Mia. I can't wait to hear this!

See you on the road,

Mary Nordby



## Okanogan Area

Greetings from the Okanogan. Like last year, we STILL have snow.... However, signs indicate that Spring is coming – the snow is melting and soon we'll see bare ground. Actually thought of riding to the March breakfast meeting, but over-slept and didn't have time to get into the storage unit to get the bike out. Rented one last fall because we were NOT going to wait until June to get out this year...

Breakfast this month was good with Jill 'n' Jerry and Rollie and me. Still trying to figure out how to generate more interest up this way. Keep 'selling' UMCI, but don't see any of them at breakfast.

This past weekend (March 10<sup>th</sup>) we went to the M/C show in Spokane. Not a lot of 'new' to see, but it was good to run into Kevin 'n' Kevi, Randy 'n' Lynn and Tom Wells. This year should be fun. We bought a tent trailer there, so will HAVE to try it out. Ordered the hitch the other day and it is on its way. Now the wiring...

Y'all take care. RBM, BMF.

George 'n' Willie Penner



## COLUMBIA BASIN Area

We had a great turn out for a March meeting. There were 33 of our members there, wide awake and just waiting to hear what I had to say. And if you believe that, I have some prime property for sale in the Everglades. But, none the less, it is always a pleasure just sitting down to dinner with good friends. Yes, Harvey, I do have friends.

I introduced a (possibly) new member, Mr. Tom Fish. And Bruce Strait came to our meeting again. Hope to see lots more of both of them.

I handed out our riding schedule for the 2012 season. I try to set up rides for each regular meeting so at least our group has an idea of where we're going. That schedule is always subject to change, depending on what the group wants to do. There are some great rides this year, and I am fortunate that more and more people want to get involved in the ride, and even be the group leader for the day. It's great to see.

There were a few other ideas brought up. Sunny talked about the hospitality basket for State functions. She has done a great job taking care of this. We still need a few items to fill it up for the season, but she said overall it is looking pretty good.

Our thoughts go out to Maxine Hansen who had surgery on her foot. From the pictures that Mel showed us, it must have really hurt.

We are all hoping that Herb Ward will join us soon. His cancer is in remission, and he is just trying to get things back to normal. I know he will, and I'm sure he would welcome a call.

Things are set for the Spring banquet. Registration materials are in this newsletter. It is always a fun affair, and a good time to get reacquainted with everyone.

We had our 50/50 drawing at the breakfast, and of course, I didn't win anything. But on the bright side, neither did Harvey. It is so nice to have Harvey back, and he takes the kidding so very well. Harvey, we love you!

See you at the Spring banquet, and for sure, Ride Lots, Ride Safe, and most of all, have Lots of Fun!

Kevin and Kevi Besel



# WASHINGTON UMCI STATE EVENTS!! UPDATE 03/12/2012

April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> SPRING BANQUET CONNELL WA.

May 25<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> Memorial day Memorial Day "Rain Drop Rally" Wilbur Washington! Country lane Camp ground and R.V. always lots of fun great riding area.

June 15<sup>th</sup> thru 17<sup>th</sup> Camp out with IBMC group Lightning pines camp grounds Methow valley. Call Duane Wood for information! 360-766-6603

International Rally July 16<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Kamiah Idaho organized by Idaho UMCI group!! [www.lewisclarkresort.com](http://www.lewisclarkresort.com) for information or signup sheets on Idaho's web site!

August 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Washington State Rally!! Location not determined as of yet could be on West Side of the Mountain or around Ephrata Washington.

September 28<sup>th</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup> FREEZE-OUT Warden Lake R.V. Resort Warden Washington!!! Great fun Poker ride 50/50 potluck on Saturday night!! Bring your extra riding gear or whatever sale it trade it or just buy some more.



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TIME DATED MATERIAL



RECYCLE

**MT. VERNON AREA**

1st Saturday 9:00 AM  
Emerald City Grill  
1912 W. State Route 20  
Sedro Woolley, WA  
Duane Wood  
360-766-6603

**SEATTLE AREA**

2nd Saturday 9:00 AM  
Red Dragon Casino  
21917 Hwy 99  
Mountlake terrace, WA 98043  
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***BREAKFAST ANYONE?***

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**COLUMBIA BASIN  
AREA**

2nd Sunday 9:00 AM  
Call Kevi Besel for location.  
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**SPOKANE AREA**

1st Saturday 8:30 AM  
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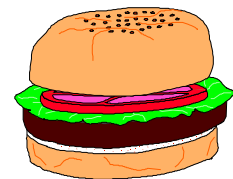
**OKANOGAN AREA**

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