

Chapter U Gathering
Chuy's Restaurant, Selma TX.
3/20/2019

The March Gathering of Chapter U was held on Wednesday evening, 3/20/2019 at Chuy's Restaurant in Selma TX. We had another big crowd on hand this month with 31 members and one guest. Chapter Directors **Ed & Helen Smith** kicked things off with a big "Welcome" and then the traditional Pledge of Allegiance before beginning the meeting.

Ed did a rundown of member Birthday's and Wedding Anniversaries for March and then it was time for some awards and recognition. **Ron Perry** received his certificate for volunteering to be Chapter U's Ride Coordinator for 2019 and **Dwaine Smith** received his Level I Patch. Thanks, and Congratulations to them both.



Dwaine Houston receiving his Level I Patch



Chapter U's 2019 Ride Coordinator **Ron Perry**

Ed then shared some tragic news with the Chapter and issued a few reminders to everyone present. Among these reminders were **Know your Bike**, remember the rule **“All the Gear All the Time’ (ATGATT)**, **Check you Helmet** for damage or defects and **Know and Pay Attention to your body**. No one knows better than you “How you are feeling”. If you don't feel 100%, don't ride!

Granted, these (and others) are things we should all know, but it certainly doesn't hurt to be reminded about them once in a while. We all love to ride our beautiful machines but “Safety” should always be our first consideration when we are out with the Chapter or by ourselves. Chapter U has plenty of members that can testify to the fact that accidents can happen in the blink of an eye. Good Safety Habits could save you or your Co-Rider from serious injury or worse. Let's all pledge to be Safe, ALWAYS!

Next, **Ed** ran down some of the Chapters upcoming events.

Saturday 3/23/2019 was the Search for Wildflowers Ride.

Saturday 3/30/2019 was the Twisted Sisters Ride with Chapter R.

Thursday thru Saturday, 4/4 thru 4/6 will be Chapter O's Rally in Fredericksburg TX.

The Louisiana District Rally will be held at the same time.

Wednesday 4/17/2019 is the next Chapter U Gathering at Chuy's Restaurant in Selma TX.

Saturday 4/27/2019 we will hold another Progressive Lunch Ride Party. Helen Smith is looking for volunteers that would like to host the stops at their home. Please let her know if you are interested.

Please make plans to join Chapter U for one or all of these events. You can find more details about all events on the Chapter U Website.

Hospitality Ambassador **Pat Kendrick** had a reminder about the upcoming fundraiser that she is part of to benefit Roosevelt High School Students called the “Old Bag Luncheon”. The Luncheon takes place on May 2nd, from 11am to 3pm at Takes Park in Windcrest TX. If you are interested in attending this event, please contact **Pat** for more information.

Ed had a request from our sponsors **Kent Power & Motor Sports**. They are asking that we try to remember to redeem our gift cards that one of us wins every month at the gathering. These folks have been very generous to our Chapter and they give us the gift cards with the understanding that we will go shop with them. So, if you happen to win one of these gift cards be sure to go spend it at the location that presented it so they will keep on giving them and supporting our Chapter and its members.

Next was the MEC contest for the month. Everyone that wanted to participate was given a number and two were drawn. The contestants were **Ed Smith** and **Steve Van Gilder** and the game was mini cornhole. The players lined up at took their best shots at the mini boards with the mini beanbags. Steve wound up the winner when **Ed** self disqualified due to some type of technicality. It was all in good Chapter U fun though and I'm sure **Steve** will spend that Walmart gift card on something nice.



It was a Battle Royall for the mini cornhole Championship

Finally, was the Prize Raffle to finish off the night. There were lots of prizes on the table again this month with plenty of chances to win but the Biggest Winners were,

20%, \$26.00, **Bob Priester**

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\$25.00 Gift Card from **Kent Motorsports** in New Braunfels, **Dora Menchaca**

\$75.00 Gift Card from **Kent Powersports** in Selma, **Maria Morales**

Last Chance Winner, \$10.00 **Chuy's** Gift Card, **Dwaine Houston**

Congratulations to all of tonight's winners and Huge Thanks to our Sponsors **Kent Powersports Selma, Kent Motorsports New Braunfels, and Chuy's Restaurant Selma.**

See you at the next Gathering on April 17th, 2019.

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Please see all the photos from the Gathering on Shutterfly at [Texaschapteru](#).