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I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving!

This year can really vanished, and though we have had so many rides, events, rally's and dinners we still have this last month to go. The Christmas party will take place this Saturday at Napoli's in Wylie where good food will marry up with fun, gift exchanges, acknowledgements, and great company. I am proud of all we have done this year, it has been an adventure and a challenge. I realize now why so often the CD role is held by a retiree as you are always involved in one thing or another. Once one meeting ends the planning for the next begins, and a huge effort goes into trying to both keep the calendar full, as well as trying to be in attendance of all the things crammed in each week. There are a few charity rides left this month and I hope folks can attend and make some children happy! I would like to thank the folks who through their participation this year made this a whole lot of fun for Donna and me. We enjoyed each rally and ride and hope to have plenty more in 2016 if the weather will cut us some slack!

Donna and I pray that everyone has a wonderful Christmas, or Hanukkah, and a blessed New Year. And that the next year finds you in good health, good fortune and surrounded by those you love and those you love back!

Dan and Donna Rymarz
G2 Chapter Directors



Greetings Fellow Road Runners!

The weather the last month has been far from idea for motorcycle riding. On most occasions it has been well to keep the motorcycle parked, nice and cozy in the garage. It is also winter time and the temperatures will make it hard for riders to find warmth on the roadways. On some occasions it may even get warm. It is imperative that everyone wear the proper attire so you can be safe from the cold but also if it gets warm you do not over heat. There are several different options for winter gear. You have heated body suits, pants, jackets and to heated gloves. Your motorcycle can have heated hand grips as well as heated seats. If you're not into electrics then make sure your gear jackets and pants are properly insulated. Other items you can get are insulated boots, balaclava and fog proofing your helmet if the helmet is not fog proof. Your main concern in winter is hypothermia and frost bite. Just for a refresher lookup wind chill charts just to see how fast it can get critically cold.

On another note I will not be able to make the meetings so if you need me to do something just drop me an email and will see what we can do. I'm out in El Paso at Ft Bliss teaching our young soldiers how to safety ride motorcycles. Till next month ride safe.

Harry Whipple
G2 Chapter Educator

Gee Whillikers

Words gone as fast as the buggy whip! Sad really! The other day I said something to my son about driving a Jalopy and he looked at me quizzically and said what the heck is a Jalopy? OMG (new phrase!) he never heard of the word Jalopy!!

So we went to the computer and I pulled up a picture from the movie "The Grapes of Wrath" now that was a Jalopy!

I knew I was old.....

HOLY MACKEREL, I STILL USE MANY OF THESE!

WORDS AND PHRASES REMIND US OF THE WAY WE WORD.

by Richard Lederer

I hope you are hunky dory after you read this and chuckle.

About a month ago, I illuminated some old expressions that have become obsolete because of the inexorable march of technology. These phrases included "Don't touch that dial," "Carbon copy," "You sound like a broken record" and "Hung out to dry." A bevy of readers have asked me to shine light on more faded words and expressions, and I am happy to oblige:

Back in the olden days we had a lot of moxie. We'd put on our best bib and tucker and straighten up and fly right. Hubba-hubba! We'd cut a rug in some juke joint and then go necking and petting and smooching and spooning and billing and cooing and pitching woo in hot rods and jalopies in some passion pit or lovers' lane. Heavens to Betsy! Gee whillikers! Jumpin' Jehoshaphat! Holy moley! We were in like Flynn and living the life of Riley, and even a regular guy couldn't accuse us of being a knucklehead, a nincompoop or a pill. Not for all the tea in China!

Back in the olden days, life used to be swell, but when's the last time anything was swell? Swell has gone the way of beehives, pageboys and the D.A.; of spats, knickers, fedoras, poodle skirts, saddle shoes and pedal pushers. Oh, my aching back. Kilroy was here, but he isn't anymore.

Like Washington Irving's Rip Van Winkle and Kurt Vonnegut's Billy Pilgrim, we have become unstuck in time. We wake up from what surely has been just a short nap, and before we can say, "I'll be a monkey's uncle!" or "This is a fine kettle of fish!" we discover that the words we grew up with, the words that seemed omnipresent as oxygen, have vanished with scarcely a notice from our tongues and our pens and our keyboards.

Poof, poof, poof go the words of our youth, the words we've left behind. We blink, and they're gone, evanesced from the landscape and wordscape of our perception, like Mickey Mouse wristwatches, hula hoops, skate keys, candy cigarettes, little wax bottles of colored sugar water and an organ grinder's monkey.

Where have all those phrases gone? Long time passing. Where have all those phrases gone? Long time ago: Pshaw. The milkman did it. Think about the starving Armenians. Bigger than a bread box. Banned in Boston. The very idea! It's your nickel. Don't forget to pull the chain. Knee high to a grasshopper. Turn-of-the-century. Iron curtain. Domino theory. Fail safe. Civil defense. Fiddlesticks! You look like the wreck of the Hesperus. Cooties. Going like sixty. I'll see you in the funny papers. Don't take any wooden nickels. Heavens to Murgatroyd! And awa-a-ay we go!

Oh, my stars and garters! It turns out there are more of these lost words and expressions than Carter had liver pills. This can be disturbing stuff, this winking out of the words of our youth, these words that lodge in our heart's deep core. But just as one never steps into the same river twice, one cannot step into the same language twice. Even as one enters, words are swept downstream into the past, forever making a different river.

We of a certain age have been blessed to live in changeful times. For a child each new word is like a shiny toy, a toy that has no age. We at the other end of the chronological arc have the advantage of remembering there are words that once did not exist and there were words that once strutted their hour upon the earthly stage and now are heard no more, except in our collective memory. It's one of the greatest advantages of aging. We can have archaic and eat it, too.

See 'ya later, alligator!

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Joetta Oliver 12-03

Bill Godwin 12-04

Bill Henson 12-25

Karen Meloling 12-29

James Thomas 12-31

ANNIVERSARIES

NONE



December 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Nov 12:00pm Coat's For Kids leave from Princeton, TX	30	1 Dec 6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "G2" Monthly Gathering Cotton Patch Cafe, Greenville	2	3 6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "M" Monthly Gathering Mansfield	4	5 8:00am DFW Toys for Tots, Freedom Powersports McKinney 5:00pm Chapter G2 Christmas / Holiday Party!! Napoli's in Wylie
6	7	8 7:00pm - 8:00pm G2 Ice Cream Social, Greenville	9	10 6:30am Dinner somewhere 6:30pm	11	12 8:00am - 3:00pm North Texas Toy Run... Grapevine to Ft. Worth
13	14	15 6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "G2" Monthly Gathering at Napoli's in Wylie	16	17 6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "W2" Monthly Gathering Waxahachie	18	19
20	21	22 6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "R" Monthly Gathering Grapevine	23	24	25	26 5:00pm - 8:00pm Bowling at Allen Bowl 1011 S. Greenville, Ave., Allen, TX
27	28	29	30	31	1 Jan 11:30am New Year lunch Babe's in Garland Ride afterward	2