



For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. Matthew 11:10

### From your President...

Hey Messengers,

The dog days of summer are upon us. It is has been too warm so hard to ride much. In July had a good time playing Putt Putt in Montgomery. This last Friday we had our Big Bang night at Saddle River. All attendees enjoyed it. Looks like this will be a regular event. We have some major events coming up. Texas Honor Ride fund raiser Sept 15<sup>th</sup> at Caney Creek Cowboy church. In October is the Colors Rally in Hatfield. If you have not been before please try to go. Great way to get a feel for CMA. November we have the Lone Star Rally in Galveston. The Texas Honor Ride to San Antonio is November 10. We have 35 children to take care of with Angel Tree in December. Therefore, as you can see we will be busy soon. So make your plans on what you can be a part of.



### We have the choice to live victoriously.

We read in 1 John 5:4

<sup>4</sup>For every child of God defeats this evil world and we achieve this victory through our faith. For us to live victoriously we must do three things. (1) *Restrict the Devil from moving in your life.* Jesus promised that God in Heaven will allow whatever you allow on earth, be he will not allow anything you don't allow. Think about that for a moment. If we allow it to happen God will allow it, but if we choose not to allow something he will not allow it either. If you look at Matthew 18:18-20 Jesus promised, "I also tell you this: If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you. For where two or three gather together as my followers, I am there among them." Satan does not want us to know that we have God given power to restrict him, but you do. Use it!! (2) *Dare to believe and reach for what God has promised you.* Paul taught us that whoever sows generously will also reap generously. A seed is anything you plant for a desired result, and the harvest is anything you decide to receive back from God. Both require an act of faith. God is not only our source and supply, but he is unlimited, impartial, and generous. (3) *Wake up the dreamer in you.* The Bible tells us that "Your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions." Your season of life and your gender are no problem for god. Ask him to rekindle your faith and refocus your vision. Choose to live victoriously!



The Messengers meet at Ryan's Steak House in Conroe every third Tuesday at 7:00 PM meeting time. Come early for food and fellowship. Ryan's Steakhouse is located at 1413 N. Loop 336 next to Wal-Mart. <http://www.cmausa.org/>



## From your Chaplain...

There's no doubt we're in the Dog days of summer. I tend to complain a lot about the heat, but what good does it do? Would it be better if it were really cold? What I should be doing instead of complaining is thanking God for His blessings.



Yes it gets a little hot here in Southeast TX, but we're actually blessed with a pretty much year round riding season, fall is just around the corner. The fact is that it does no good to complain about anything. Philippians 4:4 says, (Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again rejoice). If we're rejoicing we can't be complaining.

In Christ Alone

Steve Hill

## From Your Secretary...

Messengers,

It has been a busy summer so far despite the hot weather. The chapter has been very active in ministry as well as some pretty awesome fellowship.

For the second quarter of the year we had 351 Membership occurrences in 48 events that resulted in 44 Salvations and 134 other ministries.

The calendar is full it appears for the remaining year 2018 with a lot of opportunity to serve. Pray for the chapter, pray for Run for the Son and as a reminder, we have nominations for chapter officers here is couple of months with the election to follow. Please be in prayer for the chapter and that He guide the chapter and direct the leadership as He sees fit.

I look forward to serving alongside my chapter brothers and sisters.

Your Chapter Secretary,

Gary







## From your Vice-President...

### Two Seas

There are two seas in Palestine. One is fresh, and fish are in it. Splashes of green adorn its banks. Trees spread their branches over it and stretch out their thirsty roots to sip of its healing waters. Along its shores the children play, as children played when He was there. He loved it. He could look across its silver surface when He spoke His parables. And on a rolling plain not far away He fed five thousand people.

The River Jordan makes this sea with sparkling water from the hills. So it laughs in the sunshine. And men build their houses near to it, and birds their nests; and every kind of life is happier because it is there.

The River Jordan flows on south into another sea. Here is no splash of fish, no fluttering leaf, no song of birds, no children's laughter. Travelers choose another route, unless on urgent business. The air hangs heavy above its water, and neither man nor beast nor fowl will drink.

What makes this mighty difference in these neighbor seas? Not the river Jordan. It empties the same good water into both. Not the soil in which they lie not the country about.

This is the difference. The Sea of Galilee receives but does not keep the Jordan. For every drop that flows into it another drop flows out. The giving and receiving go on in equal measure.

The other sea is shrewder, hoarding its income jealously. It will not be tempted into any generous impulse. Every drop it gets, it keeps.

The Sea of Galilee gives and lives. This other sea gives nothing. It is named The Dead. There are two kinds of people in the world. There are two seas in Palestine.

by Gayle D. Erwin

### WHAT KIND OF SEA ARE YOU

Your Vice President,

Steve Burke



### Welcome Larry Watrous to The Messengers!





## Choosing the right motorcycle helmet

By [Allan Karl](#)  
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The single most important piece of safety gear you can buy is a motorcycle helmet. It seems silly to write this, but facts sink in when repeated: statistics prove that by wearing a motorcycle helmet, a rider will greatly reduce the risk of death or traumatic brain injury in the event of an accident. Of course, the purpose of a helmet is to protect the rider in the case of a crash or accident. However, helmets also protect riders' eyes and face from debris—and yes—bugs, and provide protection from other environmental elements such as weather and wind.

Beyond safety and protection, there are several other factors to consider when choosing a helmet. So let's explore various types of helmets available and the steps you should take in choosing the ideal one for you.

### Styles of motorcycle helmets

#### Full-face

A full-face helmet covers and protects your entire head and provide the best overall protection over any other. They are also the quietest because they reduce wind and road noise. Plus, many offer advanced features such as an internal sun visor that can be flipped down in the glaring sun. Because full-face helmets can get hot, causing riders to sweat, many manufacturers offer varying levels of ventilation and removable and washable liners.

#### Open-face

An open face helmet protects a rider's head and ears. But because there is no chin bar, open-face helmets do not protect the face. They look cool though, even retro or vintage. Think of Erik Estrada as "Ponch" in the 70's and 80's on the NBC series CHiPs. Some argue that open face helmets provide more visibility, ventilation, and because nothing covers the mouth, they are more suitable for drinking water or getting a bite to eat without taking off the helmet.

#### Modular

Modular helmets are like a hybrid between a full-face and open-face helmet. The chin bar is hinged so that when a rider wants to stop to eat or drink, read a map, or check their smartphone, it can be flipped up and raised out of the way. However, most modular helmets are not designed to be ridden in the flipped up position. While convenient, the hinge compromises the integrity of the helmet and makes for a weak spot in case of impact. Still, modular helmets are safer than a full-face or half helmet, and some include an internal flip-down sun visor, vents, and removable liners.

#### Half

A half-size helmet simply covers and protects the top of a rider's head. Also known as brain-buckets, half-helmets don't protect ears, face, or chin. Nor do they have face-shields to protect faces and eyes from debris. They are lighter and provide more airflow than any other helmet, but lack serious protection. For those more interested in fashion, a half-helmet does project that ultimate 'bad boy' or 'outlaw' image of motorcycle freedom. They are especially popular with cruiser and Harley-Davidson riders.

### What about face shields?

Full-face and modular helmets are fitted with removable and ratcheted face-shields that can be positioned from fully closed to open. And, some open-face helmets may offer a shield that can be snapped onto the exterior.

Choosing the right face-shield becomes an important consideration when purchasing a new helmet. In some cases, you may wish to buy several. Available in multiple colors and with varying levels of UV protection, mirrored or dark face-shields protect from glare and are best in very bright conditions. While, rose or yellow tinted face-shields can enhance contrast and definition in grey, overcast or dark conditions.

### Getting the right fit

#### 3 steps to choosing the right size helmet

Regardless of the helmet style you choose, if you haven't properly sized and fit the helmet all bets for comfort, safety, and fashion are off.

**1. The first step** is determining the shape of your head. Typically, riders will have one of three common head shapes. The first shape is long oval shape is where the rider's head is significantly longer front-to-back than it is side-to-side. Second is an intermediate oval where the rider's head is just slightly longer front-to-back than side-to-side. Finally, a round oval shape is where a rider's head is more or less the same dimension side-to-side as it is front to back.

Since some brands of helmets may be better suited to a certain head shape, consult with a reputable and knowledgeable dealer or retailer that can guide you to brands that fit better for the shape of your head.

**2. The second step** is measuring your head for helmet size. Using a cloth tape measure, measure from about an inch above your eyebrows and circle it around the largest part of your head. Cross-reference your head size with sizing charts provided by manufacturers to determine the correct helmet size.

**3. Finally**, and perhaps the most important step in choosing your helmet is trying them on. Your helmet should fit snug, have no hot-spots or pressure points, and be fastened at the chin with no play. With a properly fit helmet, you should not be able to slide your fingers between your forehead and the helmet padding. Plus, you should not be able to move the helmet by lifting the back of the helmet from your neckline, forward over your head. If the helmet moves and your head doesn't, the helmet is too small.

### Checking the certifications

Any helmet sold in the United States must be [DOT](#) approved. However, DOT-approved helmets are not all tested, they are simply manufactured according to safety levels and guidelines mandated by the U.S. Department of Transportation. Other private testing and certification organizations such as [Snell](#) and [Sharp](#) publish its own guidelines and test helmets independently.

So when budgeting for your next motorcycle helmet remember that while a pricier model doesn't always correlate to a safer helmet



# Birthdays

August			September		
8-02	Michael "Doc" Burnes	B-Day	9-6	Frank Stanley	B-Day
8-04	Burton Koenig	B-Day	9-21	Ellen Stanley	B-Day
8-05	Dennis Thornton	B-Day	9-27	Danny Jackson	B-Day
8-13	Cindy Delahunt	B-Day			
8-13	Cindy Dittrich	B-Day			
8-14	Jesse Meadows	B-Day			
8-18	Eloda Light	B-Day			
8-20	Sally Matthews	B-Day			
8-21	Mike Matthews	B-Day			
8-26	Jeanne Ramsey	B-Day			



## Upcoming Events

- Sonic Bike Night—August 23 7:00 pm**  
**Park Manor Church Service—Sunday, August 26 9:30am**  
**Gold Star Tribute Ride —Saturday, September 8 9:30pm**  
**Estelle Prison Ministry—Sunday, September 9 6:00pm**  
**Messenger Chapter Bible Study—Monday, Sept 10 6:30pm**  
**Cycle Gear Bike Night-Tuesday, September 11 6:00pm**  
**Park Manor Gospel Service—Thursday, September 13 6:30pm**  
**Big Bang Night-Friday, September 14 6:30pm**  
**Texas Honor Ride Fundraiser—Saturday, September 15**  
**Messenger Officer Meeting—Monday, September 17 6:30pm**  
**Ladies Star of Hope-Monday, September 17 6:30pm**  
**Messenger Chapter Meeting-Tuesday, September 18 7:00pm**  
**Golden Aspen Rally-September 19-23**  
**GBC Men's Star of Hope-Wednesday, September 19 7:30pm**  
**Park Manor Church Service—Sunday, September 23 9:30am**  
**Messenger Chapter Bible Study—Monday, Sept 24 6:30pm**  
**Sonic Bike Night —Thursday, September 27 7:00pm**  
**Lace, Grace & Gears Rally—September 28-30**  
**CMA Mens Star of Hope, Friday, September 28 7:30pm**  
**Home of Hope Rally-Saturday, September 29 8:00am**  
**Estelle Prison Ministry—Sunday, September 30 6:00pm**