Brothers and Sisters,

Here we are with another year in the books. It has been a strange and frustrating year. Our region has suffered with the effects of Covid just as the other regions have. We suffer from a major obstacle by being cut in half by the U.S. and Canadian border. We have tried to keep in touch with our monthly Zoom meetings since last spring. It has been a lot of fun with those of you that have participated. We always welcome new participants.

Over the past year there have not been a lot of events to attend in the region. For the most part everybody has stuck close to home. I know a few traveled to Deadwood South Dakota at the time the Western Rally was supposed to happen. It looked like they had a lot of fun. Another group traveled to the Bootlegger Rally which was one of the few rally’s that was not cancelled. I know members from that group and they always have fun everywhere they go. I believe the Alberta chapters tried to put together a few rides also. Also seen some rides that went on in British Columbia also.

As for this year we are still planning on moving forward with the Western being held in Cold Lake, Alberta. Hopefully by the time June rolls around the border will be open and large enough gatherings can be held so we have the kind of Western Rally we are accustomed too. If the border is closed, I would like to move forward with the Western Rally in Canada. At least the Canadians could hopefully get together. On the U.S. side I think we would pick a place to have a secondary Western Rally so that the U.S. members could get together for a long weekend and have some fun also. As always if somebody comes up with a better idea, I would be glad to hear it.

I look forward to serving as the Region 5 director for another summer. I hope to get out and put some miles on this summer and see some of you in person. I do not believe we have a host for the 2022 Western Rally. If any chapter or group of chapters are interested let me know. As always it would be great to see some of you on our monthly regional zoom meetings. I wish everybody well, stay safe, stay strong, and stay healthy. See you all soon.

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