

The Kansas Winger

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Kansas Winger

The Monthly District News Letter

DISTRICT DIRECTORS



March came in like a lamb and on its way out like a lion.

Region convention is here and gone. A lot took place in Marshall TX. We have a new Region Couple of the Year, **Dale and Carleen Garrett of Texas District**. Our District Couple Marty & Ruth Dannar represented us very well and we are proud of them and thank them.

With all the changes in our Region we wish to give a sincere thanks to Harry & Joan and the rest of the region staff for a job well done.

Phyllis and I want to thank ALL of Kansas that attended the Region Rally and their help with registration and the bike show.

Kansas people and others help Phyllis celebrate her birthday. After registration closed on Friday, we all went to the Jalapeno Tree Mexican restaurant (22 in all) for the celebration. The restaurant helped out by losing power in the building for about 45 minutes J. But, as always, GW people found ways to entertain including singing to Phyllis during the black out. Those of you that were unable to attend missed a great time.

Phyllis and I are much honored to be asked to represent Region "H" as their Assistant Region Directors. We accepted that challenge. However; we will continue to serve as Kansas District Directors until January at our Mid-Winter Rendezvous, 2013.

Other news beyond the Region Convention. On Monday March 12 we left El Dorado and headed to El Reno, Oklahoma to Chapter N and Linda Huggard, the Chapter Director there.

They fixed supper for the 40 to Phoenix Rider, where we met up with chapter 'B' of De Sota Ks. There were around 69 people there. They headed on the next day to Phoenix. We spent the night and headed back home on Tuesday.

The next thing for Kansas is the District Camp out April 21st. The Horizon Program the following weekend, April 28 in El Dorado at the Old Rail Road Depot downtown.

We are ALL working on our Kansas convention in August at Manhattan. We have some really neat things in the planning stage.

Come join us, register early. This year we are giving the first 200 pre-registered a rally pin.

"You don't need us but WE need you"

Garry & Phyllis
Ks District Director

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You will be welcome.**

Call the CD if you need more information about a Chapter activity.

If you are interested in organizing a Chapter in your area,
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TECHNOLOGY UNLEASHED

Gary Mangus has passed the electronic media baton to Dale Mooney and Bill Tucker and they are racing away at full steam. They are very serious about trying to find new ways to constantly update the website with the most recent information while inserting a generous helping of humor. Now the website is more than informative, it's fun!

So now I feel like I'm not holding up my end of the deal. To save face I figured I had better get myself in gear and join the technology quest. After all, I have always prided myself on being a "teckie". Even though I have no idea how to spell it, I am one. So for my techno contribution.....drum roll please.....the Rider Ed team will be utilizing a program that, just 1 year ago, I would have sworn that I would never be involved with. But being a super "teckie", I had to swallow my pride and admit that "facebook" really is useful, and enables one to be constantly updated on the activities of their friends, their friend's friends, friends that really aren't friends, and....well you get the picture. But the reality of this website is that a lota lota individuals use Facebook to keep track of good, bad, and ugly information. Soooo, the KS GWRRA Rider Ed team has developed a Facebook Page titled "Goldwing Road Rider KS District Rider Ed" (I wanted to make it longer but just couldn't think of any more words). We will utilize this Facebook page to post training course schedules, changes, and motorcycle safety information. Since many of our members have immediate access via their personal electronic devices (smartphones, iPads, etc), we can post changes, such as weather updates, that will be accessible by you within seconds of posting.

We also encourage you to pass the Facebook page on to other members and non-members. The more riders that view our page, the more interest that will hopefully be developed in the RE program. The 2012 Rider Course Information is posted on our page which includes a trike course to be held at Hutchinson on May 6. Take a minute to pull up the page and provide comments. Hope to see you at Hutch.

Jim Lamb, your humble KS District Rider Educator

Hey everyone. Bill Tucker here. Thought I'd pass on some great news. We now have two, yep, two PLP (Parking Lot Practice) facilitators.

Steve Pena (KSF) and Dan Vickers (KSP) became certi-

fied PLP Facilitators at the Region 'H' Convention. Jim, Rick and I really appreciate them taking the time away from their 'fun time' to take the instruction course. They will be excellent facilitators.

If your chapter wants to sponsor a PLP, give one of them a call.

To Steve and Dan, thank you, thank you, for your willingness to help improve our riding skills.

Please keep the follow dates in mind for the opportunity to hone your skills on you motorcycle. It may reduce your risk potential when riding.

TRIKE

May 6th - Hutchinson, KS.

Oct 13 or 14- Location TBA

ERC's (Experience Riders course)

June 9 or 10 - Location TBA

Sept 22 or 23- Location TBA

TRAILING

Oct 14th - Location TBA

That's it from the Rider Ed team.

Please remember,

"Practice makes permanent, you are what you practice"

Bill Tucker, GWRRA Riding Instructor



**Gold Wing Road Riders Association
Region 'H'
Kansas District**



The Kansas District Rider Education Division is sponsoring a Trike Course **MAY 6, 2012**.

Cost: \$30.00 Member
\$35.00 Non-Member



The course of instruction will be held in Hutchinson Ks. We would like to have the Co-Riders participation (free).

CLASSROOM: Time: 8:30AM Sunday Location: Penwell Gable Community Room
300 east 30th, Hutchinson

RANGE: Time 12:30PM Location Hutchinson Sports Arena, east parking lot.
(approx) 720 east 11th, Hutchinson

We will break for lunch provided by Rider Ed.

TO REGISTER:

Contact Jim Lamb at 316-648-6170 or jctaa@hotmail.com OR
Bill Tucker 316-777-1052 or wtucker1@cox.net.

A SAFETY THOUGHT

"Practice Makes Permanent! You become what you Practice!"

From The Kansas District Trainers

Duane & Cathy Sherrard

FOR THE KANSAS DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TRAINERS

DUANE & CATHY SHERRARD

We hope everyone has adjusted to the time change. With the springing forward just means it is getting so much closer to riding season everyday. Trying to get the classroom training done for the most part before the weather really get nice.

Speaking of training, I realize everyone will read this just about the same time the class is getting ready to begin. On April 28 & 29, 2012, the Kansas District Trainers will be presenting a Horizon Training Program in El Dorado, Kansas. I hope everyone who attends will be asking for some more training to be presented at the chapter level. We have some seminars, which can be done, at one of your chapter gatherings. With advance notice and your chapter has some training they would like to have; we can make plans to do these on an evening or on some weekend. Keep this in mind and just ask. If this kind of training is something you would like to pursue, please contact us and we will work with you to get a date set. We will come do the training or we will make arrangements with one of several seminar instructors we now have in the district.

If anyone (chapter directors or just a member) would like to become an LTD or RE instructor, please get in contact with us. If we can get enough interested in becoming instructors, we will get an IDCP training set to get the interested people started towards getting certified as instructors. We can always use more dedicated instructors in the district.

As we are getting to the end of the first quarter we need to look at how we are going forward with the goals set by the chapters. Steve Cotton, Region H Leadership Trainer has written a very good article in the Wing Wisdom Whittles this month which talks about our chapter goals. I have included this article below our newsletter article this month. Chapter Directors please read and check with your team to see how you are doing with the goals set for your chapter this year. Remember to keep the FUN in GWRRA.

REMEMBER ITS NOT HOW FAR YOU RIDE, BUT THAT YOU RIDE SAFE AND ENJOY THE RIDE

Kansas District Trainers

Duane & Cathy Sherrard

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GWRRA

KANSAS DISTRICT LTD Division



Horizon Training Class



When? April 28/29, 2012

Where? El Dorado at The Depot

Time? Saturday 9am

Sunday 8am

Contact Duane & Cathy Sherrard
KSDT at 620-221-1556, email
wingers@kr24.net for additional
information The Depot address is
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Enroll in this educational & fun training before April 10th.
Early registration is helpful to the facilitators

KANSAS 2012 DISTRICT COUPLE OF THE YEAR

Larry & Mary Mazur



Larry retired from the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Dept in June 2007 with 28 + years of service. After 7 months of Goofing off he went back to work at Wesley Hospital in Security then was hired back by Sedgwick County for security which he has done the past 3 years. Mary has worked for the State of Kansas for 30+ years first in the clerks office and now in the courts. She has been Judge Clark Owens Admn Aide since December of 1998. Larry and Mary met at the court house and have been married since 1988. They have 1 daughter, married, but no grandchildren yet. Larry has ridden several bikes in his 30 yrs of riding. His first bike was a Honda CB200T and now rides a 07 Goldwing. He has ridden it 35000 and looking forward to many more. Mary did ride behind Larry but now rides a Suzuki C50 with a conversion named "The Tramp". They have been attending 'A' gatherings since they joined GWRRA in 2007 and serve as Asst Chapter Directors

The new 2012 Chapter Couples are on next page(s)

KANSAS 2012 COUPLES OF THE YEAR

KSB - Johnnie & Sharon Crow



We have been members of Chapter-B, De Soto, KS since July, 2005. We have been married for 48 years and have two children and one grandson. Our motorcycle experience goes back about 42 years ago when we purchased our first motorcycle. Our prize possession is our antique 1963, 650 Triumph that we keep for show and bragging rights and occasionally take out for short rides on the back roads here in Shawnee, Kansas.

In addition to our antique 63' Triumph; we currently ride a 2003 Honda 1800 Gold Wing trike. Another addition to our motorcycle collection, we also ride a 2005 Yamaha 1600 Road Star. With our motorcycle collection, needless to say, our garage is getting a little small.

Johnnie has been riding for over 50 years, and Sharon has been his co-rider for about 42 years. Retirement has given us the opportunity to ride more, meet a lot of new people, and participate more with the GWRRA group to create many wonderful memories of breakfast and dinner rides including the Wing Dings. We are looking forward to many more years of riding with members of Chapter B and creating new memories.

KSC - Don & Brenda Williams



Don and Brenda live in Manhattan KS and have a daughter and a grandson. They met on a blind date and have been married for 37 years.

Don is a retired Air Traffic Controller and now is the Tower Manager for Midwest Air Traffic Control in Manhattan.

Brenda worked as a teaching assistant & Paraprofessional in Junction City and Manhattan schools while their kids were in junior high. She later became an EMT-I/D working with the Westmoreland Ambulance Service until she retired.

Don wanted a Goldwing since he first saw one owned by a co-worker. He found one on Craigs list and test rode it and decided it was more bike than what he needed so he bought a VTX1300, but after 6 months decided it wasn't for touring comfort. He finally purchased a 2009 Goldwing and they now are enjoying the comforts of going on long trips.

KANSAS 2012 COUPLES OF THE YEAR - CONTINUED

KSF - John & Karen Glaves



John started riding as a teenager. He bought a Honda 250 and rode for a few years. Then he moved up to a 750 Yamaha, then a 1200 Gold Wing and a 1500 Gold Wing. He now has a 1800 Gold Wing trike and also is in the process of getting another trike. John worked for the Chevrolet and Butler County. He also works on outboard motors. He has one daughter.

Karen works in Wichita at Johnson Controls. She started riding in 1980 on a Honda 250 then traded on a 250 Yamaha and she is back to a 250 Honda Rebel.

KSP - David & Sherri McDonald



We have been married for 25 years as of January 17, 2012. We have three children Ashley 24, Lisa 22, and T.J 18. David is a Senior manager at DJ Engineering in Augusta and Sherri is the secretary & bookkeeper at their church, Christ Lutheran Church.

We live in Douglas, KS and have been members of GWRRA for three years and enjoy travelling with many of our GW friends. It is a great

honor to be Chapter Couple and we plan to see many of you at chapter gatherings. We would like to thank Rick Stevens and the members of our chapter for bestowing this honor upon us.

Thank You!

David & Sherri McDonald

2012 Kansas District Convention



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Rider Signature _____

Co-Rider Signature _____

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GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

Merit/Directors of The Year Award



LONNY AND KAREN HUNTER Director's of The Year 2011 Indiana Chapter 'E'

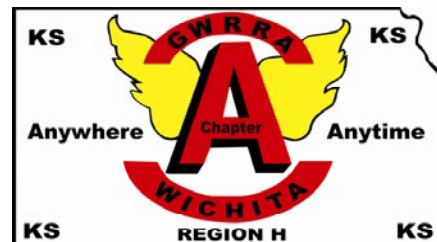
Nominations for 2012 Merit/Directors of the Year is now open. Contact your District Director for Additional information on this prestigious award.

Recipients will be honored at Wing Ding. They will receive a package for two that includes 5 night Hotel stay, free registration, free tickets to Thursday night meal/entertainment & two free Wing Ding shirts.



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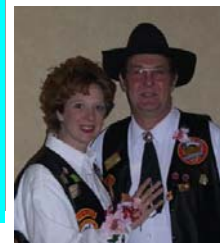
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Hello everyone, and happy spring. I've been kind of in a funk this week, with all the rain, and the bike sitting in the garage (still getting wet—though that ain't good!!!) Then I remind myself that things could always be worse—we could be in the Dallas area!!

Our intelligent, witty, handsome,



(do I really need to go on....) Chapter educator recently handed out certificates to the high mileage riders for last year. Can anyone guess the top male rider? I'll give you

a hint—this man has won this award for the last several years, and if you want to catch him, you will have to retire from your job to do it. (and while that sounds most inviting at this moment, I have to remind myself that it does pay the bills.) Now, wait a minute, did we ever define that all the miles must be on American soil? Many of those miles were put on in Israel!!! (Sad to say, he probably still beat out the rest of us without those miles, and after all, they WERE on his Goldwing.) Congratulations Dennis Joynt. We really are proud of you—and a lot jealous.

Next in line for high mileage for the males is Steve Bockhaus, with 8951 miles. The top female mileage goes to yours truly, Terri Bockhaus, with a total of 8312 miles.



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The weather has been beautiful and Chapter B members have been enjoying it.

Several members represented Chapter B in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Tonganoxie on Saturday, March 17. The group met in DeSoto and followed Johnnie and Sharon Crow to Tonganoxie via back roads. The weather looked slightly threatening, but the entire day was perfect. We assembled prior to the parade at Midwest Bikes and Trikes and got a chance to check out the new shop. We decorated the bikes, put on the green and away we went to downtown Tonganoxie. Our fearless leader looked great in his five-leaf clover glasses. It's possible he needed more luck than four-leaf clovers could bring.



The parade itself was only about four blocks long but the streets were lined with people and lots of kids. Everyone was all smiles and seemed to enjoy the bikes. Even though it was a short parade, we all had a good time. After the parade, Johnnie & Sharon Crow were again in the lead as we headed to Leavenworth for lunch. Following a short detour (Those five-leaf clover glasses weren't such good luck after all.), we enjoyed lunch at the Depot Restaurant before heading home. It was a wonderful spring day with friends.

Chapter B also had seven members participate in the 40 to Phoenix ride. It was a first time adventure for John English, Bill Groh, and Mick Schurer, while Dave Aiken, Ed James, and Roger and Missy Shores enjoyed the trip once again. Bill Groh's grandson, Brandon, was also along for the ride. Bill, Brandon, Ed, Roger, and Missy left Kansas early and headed east to start the trip in North Carolina. Dave, John, and Mick went due south to meet the group in El Reno, Oklahoma. District Directors, Garry and Phyllis VanBuskirk, also went to El Reno to see the group on their way.



After enjoying a nice meal in El Reno, and spending the night, the group headed on to Moriarty, New Mexico. With Roger and Missy as the group leaders, Chapter B was off and running. The good people of Moriarty also welcomed the group with a meal and good time. The mountainous area of New Mexico cools off at night and the 27 degree temperature on Wednesday morning when they left Moriarty had several of them wishing for their warmer clothes. But the sun came out and warmed them up quickly and all was right with the world once again. The group veered off the interstate approximately one hundred miles from Phoenix and enjoyed some two lane roads to finish the trip into town.

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We held our February meeting on the 21st and it was well attended with approximately 20 people. Ron led a lively discussion about various things happening in the near future.

Things got started with Bill Hanson emphasizing that since some bikes have been in winter storage that it was a good idea to do a good check of the bike from one end to the other for anything needing maintenance paying particular attention to the tires and air pressure. Also if the bike needs to go to the shop for maintenance now would be the time instead of waiting till good weather got here and having to wait in line and miss out on riding.

Some of the things folks might be interested in taking part in are the Region H convention March 28, 29, & 30th in Marshall, TX. Phyllis VanBuskirk did say she had some rooms reserved in case it's needed (contact her if you need a room). Chapter B is planning a ride to Beaumont, KS on April 14th to watch the small planes land on the highway there and taxi up to the hotel. Chapter B is also planning a ride to West Mineral, KS to see Big Brutus (Contact Alan Robertson Chapter B director for specifics). Having been born and raised in West Virginia and I also strip mined coal, I find the machine and museum to both be very interesting. The District camp out will be on April 28th and 29th in Council Grove for anybody interested in attending.

Our Chapter maintenance day is scheduled for April 28th at Ken and Arlene Felch's home; 2114 N.W Kendal Drive in Topeka. We will start at 10:00, not sure when the garage sale shopping will be over and then we'll have lunch. The menu is still being considered. Also if the weather cooper-

ates we'll take a ride after.

By now most people know that a tornado hit Harveyville. Don & Deb McCollugh were among the lucky ones and weren't in the path of it, however their daughter was and lost most of the windows in her house and also had other damage. The important part, none of her family were injured. Let's all hope they get back to normal real soon.

Our supper ride was on the 6th to Green Acres in Pamona. Gary and Susan Drake led the ride. Actually they met us at the restaurant. I had planned on giving Gary grief for "leading" the ride from the destination, but since he recently had a knee "scoped" I decided to let him off. He is doing well in his recovery as he has already found his way back to the golf course. We had 4 bikes and 9 people, which I thought was real good considering the wind was blowing around 40 mph. The weather guessers said it was going to calm down by 7 PM. As usual, they were wrong. Brenda and I had a chance to practice our leaning for the entire ride down interstate 70 from Topeka to Manhattan. Since the weather had been great all week and the weather guessers said it was going to be good on Saturday, I decided to see if we could get a chapter ride on short notice. I guess it was a pretty good idea as we had 9 bikes and 12 people show up for the ride to include a father and son team. Randy Benteman and his father Milton showed up, each on an 1800. Milton kept us young guys/gals on our toes. For myself I hope I can walk at 80 years old, let alone ride. Randy took a long lunch and here I thought I was the one with the position not a job.

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Chapter Scrapbook
Rick & Brenda Kistler



February 25th

Several Goldwingers went to the Park City Chill and I have never seen so many motorcycles in one spot in all my life. If you didn't make this event you really missed something worth going to see. I was there for 3 1/2 hours and I'm sure I did not see near all that was available to see. Everyplace you looked there were new things to look at, including motorcycles, trikes, cars and vendors. All the motorcycles were in pavilion #1 and all the cars were in pavilion #2. This made it easy for you to view your points of interest.



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Chapter H had their monthly meeting on March 15th at Sirloin Stockade, with approx. 30 in attendance. We had several from surrounding Chapters attending, inc. speaker/trainer Bill Tucker who gave a program on group/team riding.

On Saturday March 17 Directors Terry and Judy Mann rode to windy Winfield for Chapter Q's St. Paddy's Day Potato Bar, great get together with several other chapters. Also slipped in a test ride on Bobby's GW1800/Roadsmith, probably have to get one of them.



On Sunday March 18 we put our training in effect with a ride to the Wheatland Cafe in Hudson, Ks for a chicken buffet. It was a very windy day but was enjoyed by the 5 trikes and 2 bikes that rode.



Our next meeting is again on third Thursday April 19th at Sirloin Stockade, eat at 6:00, meeting at 6:30, program not set up yet. We will have another dinner ride before the next meeting, date to be determined. Thanks to all the other chapters for coming to our meeting and showing their support.

Chapter P – Wichita

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I would like to start off this month by saying congratulations to David and Sherri McDonald. They recently took over the position of Chapter Directors for Chapter P. David and Sherri have been a welcome addition to this Chapter and they will do a great job leading this Chapter in the future.



I would like to personally thank each of you that have given support and guidance to Carolyn and me during our tenure as Chapter Directors. We are not going very far. Carolyn is taking over as Treasurer. I will be filling the vacant position as Chapter P's Rider Educator. We are looking forward to seeing Chapter P grow and thrive.

By the time you are reading this we will have returned from Region H Convention in Marshall, TX. At this time David and Sherri McDonald, Dan Vickers and I are planning on riding down for the Convention. From the flyers and program it looks to be a great time and the opportunity to attend some wonderful seminars. The one in particular that I am looking forward to is the helicopter landing zone training that they have scheduled for Saturday morning.

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Chapter Q – Wellington



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KANSAS "Q" APRIL NEWSLETTER

Alright Chapter Q it's time to get out and ride. So hope all of you will start bringing us your courthouse pictures and telling your stories. Jack and I managed to get one more in March. We were going to Emporia for a basketball tourney and decided to ride and go ahead and get the courthouse up there. Our high school boys took second that night and we had a good ride. That's what you call killing two birds with one stone.

We are looking forward to our Spring Ride the weekend of April 27th-29th; we hope to see many of you with us. If you haven't made your reservations yet, you will need to get this done before the 20th of April. On Friday night we will be staying at Dodge City, at the Days Inn, 1610 W. Wyatt Earp Blvd. the phone number is 620-225-0231 and ask for the KSQ GWRRA rate it is \$59 + tax. Our second night we will be staying in Garden City at the Americas Best Value 1818 Comanche Drive, 620-275-5095, this block is under Teresa Kistler and the rate is \$60 + tax.

The St. Patty's Party turned out real well. We had approximately 30 people in attendance, with representation from Chapters A, F, H, Dist. Staff and of course our own members. We had 6 potatoes decorated and 4 were judged. Our winners of the contest were: Dale Mooney 1st place and Jim & Carol Owens with 2nd. Everyone had a chance to play games and just enjoy some good time together. Thanks go out to all of you that helped make our event a success.

Our next event on the agenda is our Maintenance Day, April 7th. We will once again have it in Udall at Action Jackson Automotive. We plan on getting it started around 9am and go until everyone is done. If there is anyone that can't make the morning, feel free to come after lunch. As far a lunch goes it will be provided, just not sure as of this writing what it will be. Surprise!!

April Birthdays: Karen Sweet 9th, Andrea Shepherd 21st and Carol Owens 23rd.

No Anniversaries

Ride Safe!!

Until the next time,
Teresa Kistler



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KSQ



Maintenance Day



April 7th 2012



9:00am to 3:00pm

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After the work is done, the 'Q'
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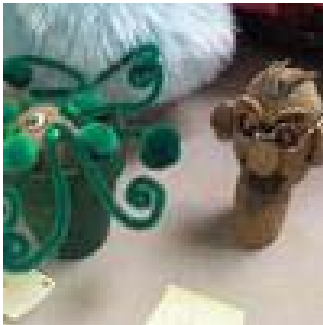
Submitted by Dale Mooney

Chapter Q's St. Patrick's Day Potato Bar Party

Jack and Teresa did a great job on this and their were about 35 showed up for the festivities. There was plenty to eat and any kind of topping you could want on a potato. There was games and a contest for the quietist potato. If you didn't make it, you missed the highlight of the week.



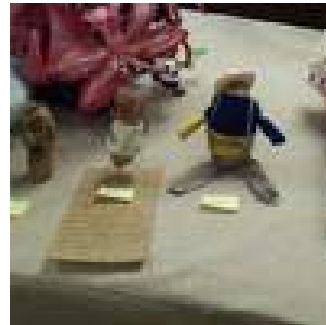
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The PotatoWinner



The Competition



BITS AND PIECES

THIS PAGE IS FOR ANYTHING THE MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE REST OF US! Such as a favorite restaurant, fun ride, Motorcycles & Motorcycle related items for sale etc.

Restaurants

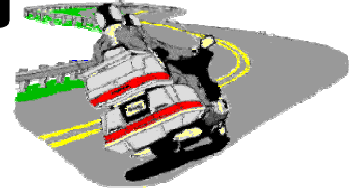
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The Winger Kitchen



CINNAMON CRUMB CAKE

(Submitted by R.K.)

2 cups flour
 1 1/2 tsp cinnamon
 1/2 cup shortening or 1 stick of butter
 1/2 tsp salt
 1/2 cup brown sugar
 1/2 cup sugar
 1 egg, beaten
 1 tsp baking soda
 1 tsp vanilla
 1 cup milk
 Chopped nuts, optional

Mix flour, cinnamon, shortening, salt, brown sugar and sugar together and reserve 3/4 cup mixture for topping.

Add egg, baking soda, vanilla and milk. Beat thoroughly. Pour into 8 x 8 or 9 x 9 pan, sprinkle w/topping and chopped nuts.

Bake 350 for 30 minutes.

ENJOY

BOURBON DIP

(from Kitty Ellis) Mississippi

1/2 Cup butter (softened)

1 Cup Powered sugar

1 egg white

Bourbon or Brandy to taste

Cream together sugar and butter

Beat in Egg white and bourbon

Beat till frothy

Refrigerate till used

Pecan Sandies



cookies

Units: US | [Metric](#)

1/2 cup [vegetable shortening](#)

1/2 cup [white sugar](#)

1/2 cup [powdered sugar](#)

1 [egg](#), beaten

1/4 teaspoon [salt](#)

1/2 teaspoon [cream of tartar](#)

1/2 teaspoon [baking soda](#)

1 teaspoon [vanilla](#)

1 3/4 cups [flour](#)

1/2 cup finely chopped [pe-cans](#)

Directions:

1
Preheat oven to 350 de-grees.

2
Measure flour, cream of tarter, and baking soda together and set aside.

3
Cream vegetable short-ening and sugars to-gether until fluffy.

4
Add vanilla, salt, and egg to sugar mixture and beat until smooth.

5
Add flour mixture to sugar mixture 1/3 at a time, beating after each addi-tion until completely

mixed.

6
Dough will seem a little thick.

7
Stir pecans into dough with a strong spoon.

8
Chill dough for 30- 45 minutes.

9
Roll dough into 1- 1 1/4 inch balls and place on ungreased cookie sheet.

10
Flatten balls to 1/4 inch thickness.

11
Bake for 12- 15 minutes, until slightly golden.

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Remove to cooling rack.

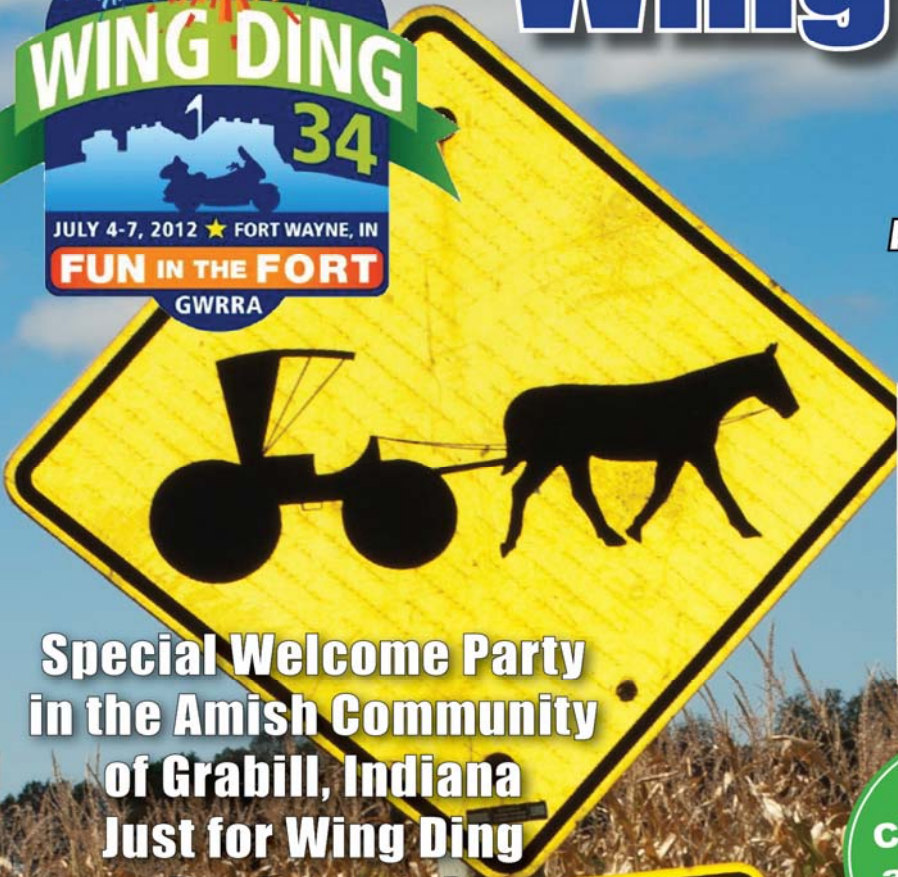
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When completely cool, store in air-tight con-tainer.

Wing Ding 34

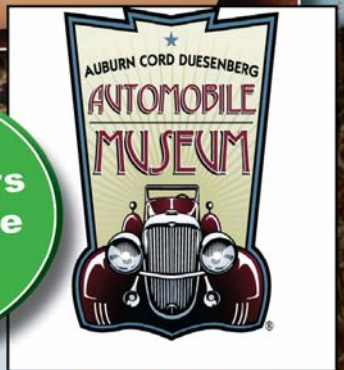
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GWRRA Instructor



Motorcycle Safety Foundation RiderCoach Preparation Course

Hutchinson Community College is sponsoring a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF)-RiderCoach Course. The RiderCoach Preparation Course will prepare motorcycle instructor candidates with the nuts and bolts of teaching the MSF's Basic Rider Course (BRC).

MSF-certified RiderCoach Trainers teach the instructor course. These specially trained RiderCoaches have completed the MSF's RiderCoach Trainer Preparation Course, and they are authorized to train candidates for MSF RiderCoach Certification.

Participant Qualifications: Must be a licensed motorcyclist, at least 18 years old, and currently ride on a frequent and routine basis. Participants should have several years of varied riding experiences and willing to commit to three weekends of training.

As a future teacher, you will need good communication skills. As a RiderCoach, you will be called upon to give your time to help teach *RiderCourses*. You may get paid to teach future classes at an approved training school, but you will not become rich in this field. A sincere desire to help reduce motorcycle accidents, injuries, and deaths is the prime motivator of *RiderCourse* RiderCoaches.

Course Schedule (Hutchinson, KS): This RiderCoach Preparation Course will be offered over a three (3) weekend schedule at Hutchinson Community College, Shears Technology Center, 1300 N. Plum, Hutchinson, KS 67501.

The 2012 training dates include the following three (3) weekends:
April 27, 28, 29 + May 4, 5, 6 + May 11, 12, 13 (8:00 AM – 6:00 PM Daily)

Registration Fee: \$350.00 per person (Fee covers tuition, course materials, and supplies)

Contact Information: Space is limited. To reserve your place in this class, contact Sharon Hovious at 620-665-3550 or email hoviouss@hutchcc.edu.

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February 28th

Chapter F had it monthly gathering. We had a goodly amount of people show up at the gathering. 21 persons.



March 1st

Chapter Q's Gathering took place in Ark City. Jack put on a good and interesting get-together and a lot of information was exchanged from the membership and from the visitors. A good Rider Ed presentation was made by Bill Tucker. Sorry! But there was no pictures taken.

March 3rd

chapter F had its monthly breakfast Run, and this month we went to you Eureka Kansas and eight at the Copper Kettle Restaurant. It was very cool that morning so there were only two motorcycles and three cars but the ones that attended had a good time and the food was good.



March 4th

Cassoday, Kansas had its grand opening for this year's season for motorcycle enthusiasts.

Rick Kessler and I rode our bikes up that morning. It was a little chilly but not real bad. In fact I had on my electric gear but I never did turn it own. I think the high for that day was like 67 and I would've thought a lot more would've turned out for the occasion. Unfortunately, they did not but Cassoday is hoping for a much better turnout, the first Sunday of next month. Sorry ! Once again, no pictures.

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March 12th

The district staff had a gathering at Garry and Phyllis VanBuskirk's house. The gathering lasted from 11:30 AM and this reporter left around four and the gathering was still in session. A lot was discussed and a lot was accomplished.



March 15th

Chapter H had its gathering in Hutchinson, Kansas. There were quite a few visitors from other chapters. There appeared to be around 30 people at the gathering and Bill (Tucker) gave a very good Rider Ed, the subject was group riding and the presentation was well received by the folks in attendance.

Next week a lot of us will start our initial preparation of packing and setting down driving routes to get there. Whatever route you take, take care and drive safely and I hope to see you there.

That's it for another month, a little on the short side, but the season is just now getting started so things will get really active here real soon. Until next month, never mind Dale BYE !

Chapter F COY report

February 28 Chapter F held there chapter meeting at the pizza hut on north main. Until we find a new home this will have to do. We were glad that David and Sherri McDonald and Bill Tucker were able to join us. For all of you that did not have to work and got to go on the breakfast ride to the Copper Kettle in Eureka I am sure that you had a good time although It might have been a little cool to ride I am sure some of you did. Ride safe

Karen

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Thursday found the group at the GWRRA Headquarters getting a tour and Dave winning the first door prize of the day, a \$50.00 gift certificate to a motorcycle shop. He was quick to locate that shop and spend his winnings. After visiting with GWRRA founders Paul Hildebrand and Shirley Stephens-Garcia, the group headed off to enjoy a baseball game and watch the Royals win.

Friday morning the Chapter B group split up with members heading home in various directions. Most arrived on Saturday and others on Sunday. All agreed it was another trip to remember and are looking forward to next year's journey west.

Chapter B events for April

April 5 - Dinner Ride

April 14 - Trip to Beaumont

April 21 - Trip to Big Brutus

April 28 - Breakfast Ride

Safe Travels,

Paula Aiken

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Bill Grey will be taking over as the new Region H Director at this Convention. Thanks to Harry Dollarhide for his time as Director. Harry will be moving on to International Director of Rider Education. He and Joan are also moving from Oklahoma to the great State of North Carolina. Good luck to them, they will be missed.

It is time to drag the bike and yourself out of winter storage. You need to dust the cobwebs off the bike and also dust off your riding skills for a great riding season. The Rider Education staff and instructors have some opportunities for you to improve your skills with a Trike ERC on May 6th in Hutchinson at the Sports Arena. (See the flyer in this edition of the Kansas Winger). We have several members of Chapter H planning on joining us for this training and hope to see many more of you there also. We have also scheduled some 2 wheel ERC's for this summer as well as another Trike course. In addition we are planning a Trailering course for late this summer. Contact your Chapter Rider Educator or Jim Lamb for more details and to reserve your slot for one or more of these courses.

Birthdays for April:

Wally Shutt 04-02

Lelyn Peters 04-03

Geoff Goodway 04-19

Anniversaries for April:

Dave & Gloria Brentlinger 04-11

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. BTW he lives in Cottonwood Falls and our ride was to Poncho's in Ottawa. The ride was great and other than the weather guys forgot a little thing called "wind" the weather was perfect. After arriving back in Topeka, 7 of us decided we needed to ride some more, so it was decided ice cream was the new destination. No not Dairy Queen. We headed to Wamego to the Kreeme Cup and while having our ice cream Al Davis said that Kansas was a great place to drag you pegs while riding down a straight road. Did I mention there was some wind? I want to thank John Gull for leading us from Topeka to Topeka. I came up with the destination, but John knows the roads much better than I do, as was demonstrated by only having to make one U turn just short of Ottawa. If the gate had been open there wouldn't have been a need for that turn.

We held our monthly meeting on the 20th at Perkins. It was very well attended. Garry and Phyllis VanBuskirk and Dave and Paula Akins were also in attendance. Bill Hanson reiterated the need to make sure your bike is road worthy and safe. In addition he also stressed this time of year is a good time to make sure your riding gear is in good shape and to replace any items that are worn out.

Dave gave a short talk about the 40 to Phoenix ride. He said it was much better than last year and recommended it to anybody that can work it into their schedule. Garry and Phyllis both discussed the upcoming camping trip at Council Grove with a breakfast ride to the Clarion Hotel in Manhattan (site

of the District Rally). They also discussed the District Rally and the need for volunteers to help with the event. John Gull suggested our chapter help with the registration. There were no objections, also Teresa Gull mentioned helping with the door prizes. Phyllis also asked for donations for the door prizes so if any members have items suitable keep that in mind.

The supper ride will be on April 3rd to be led by Al & Sandy Davis. The destination will be announced later.

Birthdays for Chapter C

- 7 Susan Drake
- 9 Donna Groh
- 13 Don McCullough
- 19 Dan Myrick
- 25 Jacob Davis

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Wing Wisdom Whittles

Prepared by Steve & Carolyn Cotton, Region H Trainers

“Whittles” articles are intended to provide information that can be presented by chapter members at monthly gatherings to help promote the Leadership Training Program. The hope is that chapters will enlist members to share the information to make it a FUN and interesting new experience.

Chapter Goal-Setting

At this point in the year, it is a good time to review with your staff how the first quarter of 2012 has evolved. Are you on track with your goals for the year? (Do you still need to write down your Chapter’s goals?) Do some of the objectives and goals need to be revised? Now is the time to take action!

What factors may increase the chances of success?

Is the goal measurable? You need to be able to track your progress along the way and see how far you’ve come.

Did you set a deadline? Assigning dates increases the level of commitment for each task.

Is the goal realistic? There is nothing wrong with thinking big. Just break the large items down to short-term, medium-term, and long-term steps as needed, so it doesn’t appear to be such a challenging task.

Setting goals for Chapters is just as important as setting personal goals. There are many areas where these same factors could be applied. Here are some items to consider with planning and goal setting:

- Written “job descriptions” for each position on the staff. It is important for everyone to understand what is expected. These descriptions are also helpful in recruiting staff members, since the prospect can see the tasks involved and better gauge the time commitment it involves.
 - Goals for change. What is the Chapter Team interested in changing? What changes would the Members in your Chapter like to see? Who is assigned to investigate the options and/or make those changes a reality? What are measurable parts of those changes, and when do you want to see them completed?
- Planning events. What events are on the calendar for the year? What planning is involved for each? What are the milestones involved with each action item in that planning?

As you can see, there are a number of things at the Chapter level that can benefit from goal setting. The same ideas apply to Districts and Regions as well. What are your Chapter’s goals? Have you shared your thoughts on the subject? Have you invited others to share in the decision making process? Everyone’s thoughts matter - You DO make a difference!

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Most of those miles came from Colorado and New Mexico, along with Knoxville, Tn. Mary Mazur won the award for the second highest female mileage rider. I don't have the paper in front of me to tell you Dennis or Mary's mileage, but if you want to know their mileage or how you compare, you can contact Marty Dannar. Marty did say that everyone's mileage (except maybe for Dennis) was considerably lower this year than last year.



Last month, Rod led us on a supper ride to Cios. It is an Italian restaurant in east Wichita on the Waterfront. I have to admit that I cringed when he told us the location, as the restaurants and shops in that area are generally pricey. I loosened my purse strings after I looked at the menu. Most entrees were less than \$10 and I ordered a side salad for \$1.99 more. The food was

excellent, and the service was awesome. I think we had a server at our table the entire evening. If my figure could handle it, I'd eat there all the time!!!

Coming events include: Maintenance day April 7 in Udall. Come check out Action Jackson's shop under the water tower, from 9-3. Show up to perform maintenance, install new chrome or lights, or just to wash my bike.

April 21st is the district campout in Council Grove. There are a lot of fun activities and rides planned for that weekend. Stay tuned.

April 28th is Horizon's training in El Dorado, at the depot. May 5th is a trike course. It will be held in Hutchinson. That will be very convenient for Chapter H, as many of their members are trike riders. I hear the classroom is at the mortuary. (that could be convenient as well, depending on how the class goes!!!!) Remember, Steve and I still teach CPR and first aid. Maybe it would be a good idea to take our class prior to taking the riding course!!! J

Thank you for putting up with my humor and letting me be me. Sure beats having me be anyone else. (I tried that for a while, in high school, but it never really worked out for me!) Until next time, I still love you all.

Terri

Special Events:

April 6—Terri Bockhaus
 April 10—Grace Vickers
 April 19—Marty Dannar
 April 25—Rod Gillett
 April 29-- Linda Shook

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Hello fellow Wingers!! The Spring Fever Bug has hit hot and heavy. This past week's showers along with temps in the 70's, flowering daffodils and crocus, budding trees, and the need for mowing the yard leads you to believe we've turned the corner with winter behind us.

Your District Officers met in El Dorado March 10th to finalize plans for the KS District Campout, April 21st-22nd at Council Grove Lake, Sante Fe Trail Site S1. Added to the weekend agenda was full Staff Meeting, including Chapter Directors. Plans for a GREAT KS District Convention, "Celebrate our Freedom", August 24th-26th, in Manhattan, will be shored up while everyone is in Council Grove. Registrations are on the District website. The first 200 registrations will receive an American flag. The District is in great hands with Garry and Phyllis developing the best Convention for GW members.

KS District is also hosting a Horizon Training, April 28th-29th in El Dorado. Contact District LTD Duane Sherrard for more info on this 1 1/2 day program of fun and learning. If you plan to attend, please let Duane know by April 10th.

Many from the District will be attending Region H Convention in Marshall TX the last week of March. At this writing we wish KS COY Marty and Ruth Dannar the best of luck in their endeavor to be selected Region COY. KS is to assist with Registration and the Bike Show.

April brings the start to District Convention circuit in our area: Louisiana, 12th-14th in Lafayette, May 17th-19th in New Braunfels is Texas Convention, May 24th-26th in Harrison is Arkansas Convention, May 31st-June 2nd in Branson is Missouri Convention. July 4th-7th is WingDing 34 in Fort Wayne IN. We look forward to seeing everyone in Council Grove, if not sooner. Remember, our responsibility for FRIENDS, FUN, SAFETY, and KNOWLEDGE is to you, the member! If you have ideas or suggestions, PLEASE give any of us a call, email, or just stop by.

Gary & Becky Mangus
Asst. KS District Directors