

April 2021 Kansas Winger **KANSAS DISTRICT NEWS**

Welcome to the Kansas Winger, a monthly publication comprised of articles from Chapter Editors and our District Team.

Check out what Chapter members have been up to and see what fun events are coming up.

GWRRA members are members of all Chapters and are encouraged to attend any Chapter gathering and participate in any Chapter events.

Gold Wing Road Riders Association is all about
"FUN, SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE"

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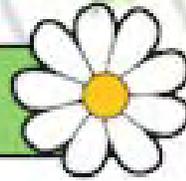
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April Showers Bring May Flowers



A message from your Kansas District Directors



Spring has sprung and we're getting some nice weather for riding! I hope everyone is taking advantage of them. Of course with spring along comes those wonderful Kansas breezes, you know, 40-50 mph.

Debbie is still in her sling, so no riding for her. But while she's down we bought Phyllis VanBuskirk's trike, so she can still one-hand wash, wax and dust it for a while. She's chomping at the bit to ride it, working hard at her physical therapy and religiously doing her daily exercises.

We went to Chapters A, P and Q's Maintenance Day on March 27th. A lot of fun was had by all. Some oil was changed and a GPS unit was repaired. Thanks to Chris and Michelle for providing the space and Chapter P for the donuts and especially the cinnamon rolls. Following the maintenance, we all loaded up and went to Boudreaux's for some excellent hamburgers. All in all a great maintenance day. Chapter H has a maintenance day scheduled really soon, check out their article in the newsletter for all the details. They always put on a great event, I urge you to go, have some fun and maybe pick up a few tips to keep your bike in good running order.

The Texas and Missouri Rally's are just around the corner and Wing Ding is rapidly approaching. We could still use some volunteers for the light show on July 2nd. I'd like to have enough people so that we could do two or three hour shifts. It's Kansas' only task at Wing Ding, so if you'd like to help out please let your Chapter Director know or contact me or Debbie directly. It appears that this riding season is going to open up, so plan some fun. We really hope to see a bunch of you at the upcoming events and on the open roads.

Some of your staff traveled to Independence, Kansas to check on preparations for our District Rally in September. Everything is on track and looking good. The motel is accepting reservations and Carolyn Steven is accepting Rally Registrations. The registration form with all info is in this newsletter and on our web page so, register and sell the Grand Prize tickets let's have a good turnout and enjoy old friendships.

Joe & Debbie Gattenby

CONGRATULATIONS!

2021

KANSAS DISTRICT
COUPLE OF THE YEAR

*We proudly announce
our 2021 District
Couple of the Year
Mick Scourer*

and

*Leslie Thompson
of Chapter B*

KANSAS DISTRICT TEAM



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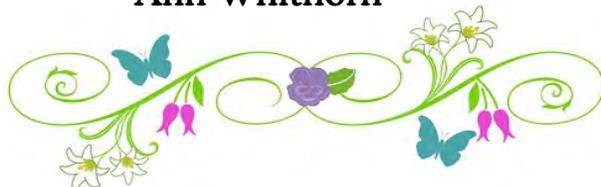
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KANSAS DIRECTORY OF CHAPTER DIRECTORS AND CHAPTER GATHERINGS TIMES AND PLACES

You are welcome to attend any Chapter gathering and introduce yourself
Everyone is welcome!

Call the Chapter Director if you have questions about a Chapter activity

If you live in an area where there is no Chapter close by
and would be interested in starting one,
contact the District Directors for assistance

CHAPTER A

Chris & Michelle Grooms CD
316-788-7842
chgrooms@cox.net
2nd Thursday, 7pm
Spears Restaurant
4323 W Maple, Wichita KS

CHAPTER B

Gary & Reba Ohler CD
913-845-3946
3rd Thursday, 7pm
JT's Grill
33255 Lexington Ave, DeSoto KS

CHAPTER F

Rick & Brenda Kistler CD
316-200-0726
4th Tuesday, 7pm
Oil Hill Elementary School
2700 W 6th, El Dorado KS
Brown Bag - Desserts Provided

CHAPTER H

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2nd Saturday, 7pm
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4323 W Maple, Wichita, KS

CHAPTER Q

Jack & Teresa Kistler CD
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1st Thursday 7pm
Boss Hog BBQ,
314 W 8th Street, Winfield KS





Winging Free
at the
2021 Kansas Rally
September 10th - 11th

Join us at the
Independence Civic Center
410 North Penn Ave.
Independence, Kansas

HOTEL INFORMATION:

APPLETREE INN PHONE: (620) 331-5500
201 N.8TH - INDEPENDENCE, KS 67301
KING BED ROOM \$65 + TAX - 2 QUEEN BED ROOM \$75 +TAX
(HOTEL HAS AN ELEVATOR)
RESERVE NOW ! ROOMS BLOCKED UNTIL AUGUST 27TH

Information may be subject to change and we will do our best to keep you advised

2021 WINGING FREE KANSAS RALLY

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY SEPT 9 th	Activity	Location	Contact
12:00 - 5:00 pm	Set up for vendors and activities		
FRIDAY SEPT 10 th			
8:30 - 9:00 am	Opening Ceremony	Main Room	Joe & Debbie Gattenby
9:00 am	Silent Auction begins (ends 2:00 pm Saturday)		
9:00 - 4:00 pm	Vendor Walk		
9:00 - 6:00 pm	Registration		
9:00 - 10:00 am	Rider Ed Seminar	Veterans Room	Rick Stevens
9:00 am	Scavenger Hunt (ends 2:00 pm Saturday)		
9:00 - 4:00 pm	Self Directed Rides	Registration Table	
10:00 - 11:00 am	Pack Your Bike	Veterans Room	Jack & Teresa Kistler
10:00 - 11:30 am	Bingo	Main Room	Donna Sand
11:30 - 1:00 pm	Dinner Break		
1:00 - 1:30 pm	Ice Cream Social	Kitchen	
1:00 - 2:00 pm	Black Jack	Main Room	Jack Kistler
2:00 - 3:00 pm	COY Class	Veterans Room	Doris Schoeck
3:00 - 5:00 pm	Ride		Gary Ohler
4:00 - 5:00 pm	Black Jack Playoff	Main Room	Jack Kistler
5:00 - 6:15 pm	Supper Break		
6:15 - 7:15 pm	Social Time	Main Room	
7:15 - 7:45 pm	50/50	Main Room	
8:00 pm	Stage Light Parade		
SATURDAY SEPT 11 th			
8:00 - 2:00 pm	Vendor Walk continued		
8:30 to 9:00 am	Master Level Meeting	Veterans Room	Rick Stevens
9:00 to Noon	Registration		Carolyn Stevens
9:00 - 10:00 am	Social Time / Games	Main Room	
10:00 - 11:00 am	Crash Scene Response	Veterans Room	Riders Ed
11:00 - 12:00 pm	Dinner Break		
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Baseball	Veterans Room	Sheila Tucker
1:30 pm	Bike Show Staging		
2:00 pm	Scavenger Hunt and Silent Auction Ends		
2:00 - 3:00 pm	Bike Show Classification/Staging/Judging		
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Crafts (\$5.00)	Veterans Room	Debbie Gattenby & Michelle Grooms
4:00 - 5:00 pm	Bingo	Main Room	Doris Schoeck
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Closing		Joe & Debbie Gattenby

Gold Wing Road Riders Association

KANSAS 2021 DISTRICT RALLY

“Winging Free”

September 10 - 12, 2021

Independence, Kansas

Host Motel:

Appletree Inn
201 N. 8th Street
Independence, KS 67301

Rooms blocked until August 27, 2021

Room Rate: King \$65 + tax 2 Queen Beds \$75+ tax

Call for Reservations: (620) 331-5500

Please Print

Rider: _____ GWRRA # _____ Age _____ (optional)

Co-Rider: _____ GWRRA # _____ Age _____ (optional)

Address: _____ City _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Your Chapter _____ Your District _____ Miles to Rally (if riding) _____

Grand Prize drawings will be Saturday evening during the closing ceremony

50/50 Drawings on Friday and Saturday evening

	QTY	PRICE	TOTAL
GWRRRA Life Member	_____	\$25.00	_____
GWRRRA Member	_____	\$30.00	_____
Non GWRRRA Member	_____	\$35.00	_____
One Day Pass Member	_____	\$15.00	_____
One Day Pass Non Member	_____	\$20.00	_____
District Director	_____	\$15.00	_____
District COY/IOY	_____	\$15.00	_____

Master Level IV # _____ # _____

Are you an Officer in GWRRRA (any level)? Your title _____

Are you a current “Couple of the Year”? Chapter _____ District _____

I/we agree to hold harmless GWRRRA, Kansas District GWRRRA, any co-sponsoring organizations and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by reason of participation in this event. I/we agree to assume responsibility for any property that I/we damage.

Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Co-Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Make checks payable to **GWRRRA Kansas** and mail with registration to:

Carolyn Stevens, District Treasurer, 6410 Aberdeen Street, Wichita, KS 67206.

For additional information contact Joe or Deb Gattenby at jogattenby@yahoo.com or gattenbyd@yahoo.com

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Senior Master IV #8248



Asst District Educators

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Barb Brown
Rick Kistler

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Rick Kistler
Barb Brown

A WORD FROM YOUR DISTRICT RIDER EDUCATORS

Hello everyone. Here it is April and it is time to get the bikes out get some much needed and wanted wind therapy. Asst. Rider Educator Bob Brown has included some tips for checking your bike out to get the riding season off to a trouble free year. We have been trying to provide you with some helpful tips to make your riding safer.

Chapter H is sponsoring a Medic First Aid – CPR class on May 8. The class will be held at Applewood's Restaurant 1515 S. Main South Hutchinson, KS at 2:00PM. Chapter H's normal meeting will follow the class. This is the first chance we have had to have this class in over a year. Please take the opportunity to take this class. We will be scheduling more as the year progresses but don't miss your chance to take the training we offer. Please contact Steve Bockhaus to sign up for this class. His email address is bockhaus@cox.net. We have also included a flyer with the registration and contact information for the class with the article this month.

The Advanced Rider Course that was scheduled for March 13th was cancelled due to rain and has been rescheduled for April 10 in Ponca City, OK. The information that is in the March Winger is still good just change the date to April 10. There are still openings for this course. Send your registration to the Oklahoma staff at the address listed on the flyer. Please take advantage of this opportunity offered from our friends in OK.

Have a good month and hope to see you at a meeting and or a ride soon. Stay safe.

15 DIY Motorcycle Tips to Ready Your Bike for Spring

These DIY motorcycle tips can get your bike ready for spring and get you on the road for a smooth highway cruise.

1. Check for Small Animals and Debris

If you haven't covered your bike thoroughly for the winter, you may be surprised to find that a small animal has taken up residence in your exhaust or air intake system. Examine these areas before starting your bike, and send any critters on their way.

2. Drain the Gas Tank

If the gas tank still contains old, untreated fuel, your motorcycle probably won't start. Drain the fuel tank and examine the fuel. If brown grit comes with the fuel, it's a sign the inside of your fuel tank has rusted. Flush your fuel tank with acid remover to prevent problems with your fuel system and ensure clean-burning fuel.

3. Treat Gasoline with Fuel Stabilizer

Even after draining the fuel system, there's a chance that stale gas and can cause engine misfiring or problems beyond simple DIY motorcycle repair. Adding fuel stabilizer to the tank clears any unwanted leftovers, plus helps the fuel system stay healthy.

4. Change the Oil

Even though you may have changed the oil and filter before you stored your bike for the winter, experts advise to do so again before your first ride of the new motorcycle season. The oil may have condensation build up from the winter and lack of use. At the very least, check the oil level before riding.

5. Check All Fluids

Gasoline is only one motorcycle fluid you should check when reviving your bike in the spring. Check hydraulic and brake fluid levels as well. Make sure any fluids left sitting in the reservoirs over winter didn't deteriorate. Examine fluid colors and consistencies. Replace fluids that look dirty or different from when new.

6. **Inspect Battery**

If a motorcycle battery was left on your bike over winter, you will need to either charge it or replace it. First, pull it out and charge it overnight. Secondly, if you don't have a maintenance-free battery, check fluid levels in each cell at this time. Use *distilled water* to fill the cells that are below the recommended level, not mineral-rich tap water. Distilled water keeps the combination of sulfuric acid and water as it should be without introducing minerals.

Once your battery is charged, test it. If it isn't holding a charge, replace it now, especially if it's over four years old. Replacing an old battery can prevent unforeseen problems such as being stranded or acid leaks.

7. **Check Electrical System**

There's nothing worse than thinking you have enough gas for a longer ride, and then find out the hard way that your gauge malfunctioned. Examine all gauges, switches, head lights, rear brake lights, the horn, and turn signals before hitting the road.

8. **Brighten the Headlights**

If your bike's headlight lenses seem foggy, and visibility is limited, it's time for some polishing. You can buy a headlight cleaner kit for around \$20, and clean the headlight yourself. Many motorcycle accidents occur because car and truck drivers claimed to not even see the motorcycle. Prevent unsafe riding by making sure your bike's lights are at their brightest.

9. **Examine the Controls**

Test your steering, throttle, and clutch to make sure they still work. Examine cables for frays, corrosion, or damage to coverings. Inspect lines and hoses for cracks, cuts, or signs of leaks. Control cables or hoses should not be folded or kinked, and steering should move freely. If this is not the case for your motorcycle, consider bringing your bike to a trusted mechanic to fix issues with controls.

10. **Clean and Lubricate Chain (If Bike Doesn't Have Drive Belt)**

A dirty chain will inhibit how a bike runs. For this DIY motorcycle fix, buy a wire brush and dip it in degreaser. Slide the brush along the chain until it's completely free of debris and mud. Then, rinse with fresh degreaser and wipe dry with a rag or sponge. Finish by spraying the **sprocket side** with lubricant. Also check for slack in the chain and adjust to manufacturer's specification.

11. Check Brake Pads and Levers

Check your brakes before you ride to make sure your first ride of the summer isn't your only ride of the summer. Brake pads should be at the very least 1/8 inch thick, preferably more. If brake pads are thinner or broken—replace immediately.

Test the position of your brake lever as well to make sure nothing shifted while in storage. Sit on your bike, grasp the handlebar ends, and place your fingers over the brake lever. If the lever touches slightly behind your fingers' first knuckles from your fingernails and does not engage brakes, you're in luck. No adjustments are needed. If the brake lever feels far away, use the lever span adjustment knob to move the levers to the correct position for you.

12. Measure Tire Air Pressure

Check all tires to make sure the pounds per square inch (PSI) are the recommended level. It's natural for tire pressure to decrease during winter, but if your tire pressure is below the recommended level, inflate tires to proper level to ensure safe and smooth riding. Check also for any damage such as cracks, worn tread, punctures, or bulges. If you find damage, replace the offending tire before riding.

13. Let the Engine Run

Allow the engine to run for a few minutes and listen for strange noises. Doing so ensures the motorcycle can stay running. You don't want to have your engine stall and fail miles from home!

14. Inspect the Spark Plugs

Check the gaps in the spark plugs for proper spacing. Check your owner's manual for the manufacturer's specifications and adjust. Replace worn plugs as needed.

15. Check for Loose Bolts

Once you're sure your motorcycle can stay running, check all bolts on your bike to guarantee everything is tightened properly. Take the bike for a short test ride, and feel for abnormal vibrations. Once you're back from the ride, check all bolts again to make sure nothing came loose. If all bolts and parts are in place, but you're feeling a rumbling or unusual vibration, there might be a bigger issue such as:

- Motor mounts
- Swingarm
- Axle
- Steering head fasteners
- Wheel balance
- Suspension

Apply these DIY Motorcycle Tips before your next ride.. Reminder practice, practice, practice , makes it permanent .

Ride Safe!

Assistant District Rider Educator
Bob & Barb Brown

**PRACTICE MAKES PERMANENT
YOU ARE WHAT YOU PRACTICE**



GWRRA MEDIC FIRST
AID CLASS®
ANNOUNCEMENT



_____ DISTRICT WILL BE HOSTING A

MEDIC FIRST AID CLASS®

CLASS DAY/ DATE: _____ TIME: _____

MEDIC FIRST AID® Class includes instruction in basic First Aid; CPR and AED use

EVENT LOCATION: _____

EVENT ADDRESS: _____

EVENT HOURS: _____

FEE PER MEMBER: \$ _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: _____

Lunch Will Will Not be served.

EVENT CONTACT INFORMATION: _____

TO REGISTER FOR THE CLASS COMPLETE & SUBMIT THE FORM BELOW:

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MEDIC FIRST AID® CLASS REGISTRATION (Please Print)

YOUR NAME: _____ GWRRA # _____

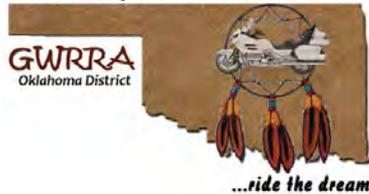
PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____ **DO NOT SEND CASH**

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: _____

MAIL COMPLETED REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT TO: _____

Catch the Spirit...



Oklahoma District Bike Advanced Rider Course



**APRIL 10, 2021
PONCA CITY AIRPORT 8AM-4PM
PONCA CITY, OK**

CONTACT:

**MAX ROWLETT
MAXER50@AOL.COM
580-704-8290**

OR

**STEVE COTTON
SCOTTON01@COX.NET
405-285-5962**

HURRY: ONLY 12 SLOTS



GWRRR Rider Education
Rider Course Registration Form
Advanced Rider Course



April 10, 2021

COURSE INFORMATION: An Advanced Rider Course for motorcycles only. Class starts on April 10th, 2021 at 8:00 am at Ponca City Airport, 2213 Waverly St., Ponca City, OK. Range starts at 1:00 pm at the airport.

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION: - Please complete (print clearly)

Rider: _____ GWRRR Membership # _____

Driver's License # _____ E-mail: _____

Co-Rider: _____ GWRRR Membership # _____

Street _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Chapter: _____ Day Phone: _____ **Emergency Number:** _____

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

1. Cost for all courses is **\$25.00** per motorcycle Full payment is required to reserve spot.
2. Registrations are accepted on a first-come basis. Class size is limited.
3. Cancellations will be accepted up 7 days prior to the course.
4. GWRRR reserves the right to cancel or reschedule courses. In the event of a cancellation by GWRRR, fees will be refunded. If the course is rescheduled, students will automatically be enrolled in that class. If a student is unable to attend the re-scheduled class, fees will be refunded.
5. Courses will take place rain or shine. No refunds due to weather.
6. Submitting this form does not guarantee a place in a course.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS: - required at the beginning of class:

1. Proof of current motorcycle insurance or bond coverage.
2. Riders/Co-Riders GWRRR members have priority over nonmembers.
3. Riders/Co-Riders must wear full protective gear as defined by GWRRR. (Helmet, gloves, long sleeves, full pants, and boots/shoes that cover the ankles).
4. Riders must have proof of valid operator's license with motorcycle endorsement.
5. Participation/waiver statement for course participation.
6. Co-Rider's participation will be determined by the instructor, based on the rider's capability.

NOTE: GWRRR Rider Education reserves the right to deny course participation to anyone failing to meet the above criteria or presenting an unsafe condition.

PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:

DATE: _____

Make check payable to: **GWRRR OK District**

Mail completed form and check (no cash please) to: **Max Rowlett, 13955 NE Tag Office, Fletcher, OK 73541**

Check _____ Received by: _____ Date _____



Chapter A – Wichita

Meet 2nd Thursday in Wichita at Spears Restaurant 7:00pm– Eat 6:00pm

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Chris & Michelle Grooms
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Ride Coordinator

Steve Bockhaus

Newsletter Editor

Michelle Grooms

Couple of the Year

Steve & Terri Bockhaus

MEC

Chris & Margo Roberts

Hello from Chapter A!!

We are more than ready for the spring weather to get here! Like y'all, we are wanting to get the bike out of the garage more and enjoy the beautiful riding weather that is surely coming soon.

On 3/20, Chapter A did have a ride to Jerri's Kitchen in Kingman. It had a great showing and excellent food with everyone having a great time! Even with there being a slight chill in the air, the sun was shining and we were riding. So it was a wonderful time. Thank you Bob & Barb Brown for setting this adventure up and taking us all on it.



Birthdays for April:

Terri Bockhaus 4/6

Linda McClung 4/24

Anniversaries for April:

Steve & Terri Bockhaus 4/16

On March 27th (Saturday), there is a maintenance day at the Grooms house. Starts at 0900 and going until noon. Donuts, coffee, OJ and water will be furnished. After working on the bikes, we are going to ride to Beaudroux Restaurant in Peck, KS. Please let Chris know if you are needing directions and he will give them to you. He can be reached at 993-0436 AFTER 4pm.

Chapter A's next gathering is at Spears Restaurant; eat at 6pm and gather at 7pm on April 8th. Of course, Free Pie Thursday is still going on.

As the season for riding is among us, let's remember our motto:

F - FRIENDS F - FUN S - SAFETY K - KNOWLEDGE

Until we meet again,
Chris & Michelle Grooms
Chapter A Directors

Hello from Mary & Larry Mazur!!

Just wanted to share a brief story about Larry and I's 1st ride of the year. It happened on March 7th and we went up to Cassoday for the 1st "Biker Sunday" for 2021. Although it was a little windy the weather was very nice (especially for early March). 1st thing that I noticed...was that we finally got to use some of the our masks that we own for the reason that we got them (instead of for Covid)



While in Cassoday we of course stopped for breakfast at the place that Gene & Dee Shannon built and had some wonderful burritos and visited with some very good friends

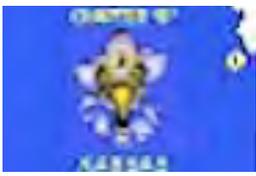


Here are a couple pictures of just a few of the bikes that we saw that day



Remember Biker Sunday in Cassoday is always the 1st Sunday of the month so if you get a chance you should take a ride...it will be well worth the effort. And don't forget to ask around find someone who is going because it's always more fun to ride with others!

That's all for now
Mary Mazur



Chapter B – DeSoto

Meet 3rd Thursday every month in DeSoto at JT's Grill 7:00 PM - Eat 6:00 PM

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Newsletter

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Paula Aiken

Chapter Couple of the Year

Bob & Audrey Savner

Fourteen of the fifteen people at Chapter B's March meeting had received at least their first vaccination for the COVID virus. Many of those fourteen had received both of their shots. Being the healthy "baby" of the group means this editor must wait until Phase 5 begins in order to receive a vaccination. Good thing there are a lot of masks at this house.

We were happy to have Joe and Debbie Gattenby join us at the meeting. Joe reminded us of the motorcycle events that will be happening in 2021. Hopefully with more and more people receiving their vaccinations, everyone will feel more comfortable participating in these events. Chapter B is certainly looking forward to getting together with even more of our friends this summer.

Reba Ohler was up to date on all things related to St. Patrick's Day as she answered eight of the ten trivia questions correctly. Here are some fun facts to share with your friends. Even though approximately 13 million pints of Guinness are consumed worldwide on St. Patrick's Day, until the 1970's it was a dry holiday. St. Patrick's Day was considered a religious holiday in Ireland; thus, all the pubs were closed. The very first St. Patrick's Day parade was in 1762 and took place in the United States, not Ireland. Corned beef and cabbage is not a traditional Irish dish. Pork was actually the preferred meat of Ireland. Beef however was cheaper in America for Irish immigrants and the beef and cabbage could be cooked in the same pot, so it became an American dish.

Steve Ramirez organized a breakfast get-together on February 27th at Flashbacks in Tonganoxie with a dozen Chapter B members. And, an impromptu dinner ride found eight members in Easton, KS enjoying a meal at Hilltop Market on March 4th. As the weather continues to improve, watch for more rides and Chapter B events.

CHAPTER B EVENTS FOR APRIL:

- April 2 - Dinner Get-together
- April 15 - Chapter Meeting
- April 30 - Breakfast Get-together



Safe travels,
Paula Aiken



Chapter F – El Dorado

Meet 4th Tuesday every month at Oil Hill Elementary School 7:00 PM - Brown Bag at 6:00 PM

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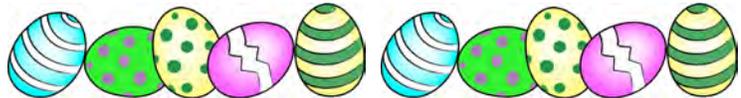
Individual of the Year

Sharon Webster

Couple of the Year

John & Karen Glaves

Greetings from Kansas Chapter F!



Our March meeting was called to order by Chapter Director Rick Kistler. Rick led us in the Flag Salute.

Joe Gattenby was called on for Kansas District News and he advised he had none.

Rick Stevens reported on the Rider Education Program.

Chris Grooms had nothing to report on Membership Enhancement.

Jack Schoeck gave a report on the Ride Coordination Program and advised everyone riding to be aware of the sand on the highways and in the corners as you ride.

Rick Kistler advised that our Spring Fling is coming up May 22, 2021. It will be held from 9:00 AM to 2:30 pm at the Towanda Park, 501 W. 6th, Towanda, Kansas. Prizes have been donated by Coleman. There will be games of: Corn Hole Toss, Lawn Darts, Basketball Toss, Bowling, Ladder Golf. Flyers about that day were handed out to everyone.

Lunch will be served and there will be Sloppy Joes, Chips, Water, and Dessert.

There were no April Birthdays or Anniversaries.

50/50 Was won by Russell Harrod (\$15.00) which he donated back to the Chapter. Karen Glaves \$15.00

The next gathering date will be April 27th, 2021 at our meeting place in Towanda, Kansas.

Rick thanked everyone for coming and advised everyone to be safe going home.

Doris Schoeck
News Letter Editor

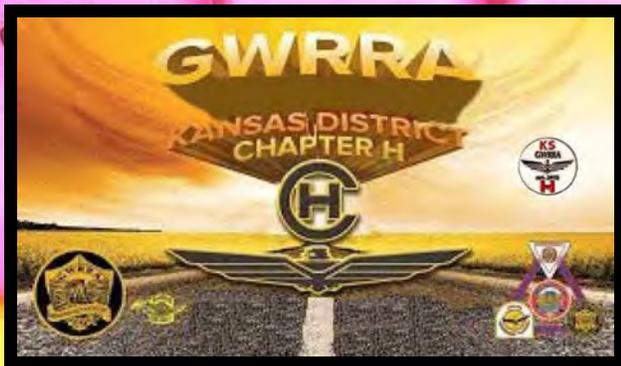
Happy Easter





KS-H Newsletter

Our next Chapter gathering is
April 10, 2021
 6:00 P.M. at
 Applewood's
 South Hutchinson, Kansas



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April has finally arrived. It's always interesting to see how the weather changes in the spring. Often the severe weather follows a similar path all summer. It was amazing that the summer of 2020 was particularly absent of severe storms, but I certainly don't expect that this summer. My Dad used to say, "*extremes follow extremes.*" Obviously we had an extreme winter, so we will see what summer brings.

Plans for a maintenance day in Hesston are underway. It's always good to inspect your motorcycle (or for that matter any vehicle) to make sure it stays in good operating condition. Items that are of special importance on a motorcycle are tires, brakes and lights. You really do NOT want a flat while riding, you need to be able to stop quickly, and it is very important to be seen.

I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE
ONE OF MY PEEPS



The maintenance day is planned for the morning of our meeting on April 10. If you want a tire change, we can do that the on the 10th if you get a tire ordered in advance from Dan's. I don't necessarily want to beat a dead horse, but the plan is to go over T-CLOCS at the meeting and talk about what we learned during the day. The April 2021 'Wing World' has 2 good articles on tires and 'dark side' (pages 26 & 34) and on batteries (page 74). Please read.

As I was perusing the new 'Wing World', several additional spring rallies, including the 2 main rallies in Canada, have been cancelled. However, the Missouri Rally, Wing Ding and the Kansas rally are still on. We certainly hope that COVID continues to die down. It will still make sense to be cautious and use good sanitation.

No one has contacted us saying they are anxious to be Assistant Chapter Directors for H, so we are again asking you to please consider stepping up. Certainly it takes some time and planning, but we have a great team that pitches in to help. It would be nearly impossible to make Chapter H work without the entire team and the members. Thanks to all of you!!

Make sure to check out some of the rides we have scheduled and hopefully we'll see you down the road.

Don & Jan Schroeder
KS-H Chapter Directors.



Chillin' with my peeps

Kansas Chapter H 2021 Couple of the Year



Don & Carma Gray



APRIL BIRTHDAYS!

1st Jeff Whithorn
5th Sheila Wiley
27th Rob H Farber



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES!

None !
Hmm? Wonder why?
This is a great month for
a wedding!

April GWRRA Anniversaries

Congratulations to this month's Chapter H member celebrating his membership anniversary with GWRRA!!

CHAPTER H MEMBER

YEARS WITH GWRRA

Douglas Freeman	36
Jeff Whithorn	21
Mike Koehn	6
Kalin Koehn	6
David Hiebert	6
Rhonda Hiebert	6
Sherry Stauffer Thompson	5





Chapter H Upcoming Activities

April 10 - Maintenance Day. Don Schroeder's 708 Charles, Hesston. Start at 9 AM, come and go till the work is done.. Same day tire change available if you contact Dan's Cycle to get the tire ordered and in stock before April 10. Oil change, general maintenance, etc.
Biscuits and Gravy, donuts, coffee. RSVP to 620-727-7789

April 10 - Meeting at Applewood Restaurant, 1515 S. Main, South. Hutchinson. Eat at 6, order and pay at the hostess desk. Meeting at 7:00. *Is your bike ready to ride?*

April 13 – Taco Tuesday 4:45 pm at the Rusty Needle, 1808 N. Plum, Hutch. As usual, RSVP to doncarmagray@sbcglobal.net, or text 620-921-0789 Don Gray. 410855

April 23 - 4th Friday Breakfast/Brunch, Cara's 114 W. Main, Arlington. Sharon Eisler hosting. Meet at Kwik Shop on 30th in Hutchinson at 10:00. Or meet us in Arlington at 10:30.
RSVP text 620-727-7789, or email Sharon at: shotzie2016@gmail.com

May 8 – Medic First Aid class, starts at 2 PM at Applewood Restaurant, 1515 S. Main, S. Hutchinson. Sign up with Steve Bockhaus. bockhaus@cox.net or text 316-772-6603

May 8 - Meeting at Applewood Restaurant, 1515 S. Main, S. Hutchinson
Eat at 6, order and pay at the hostess desk. Meeting at 7:00.

May 22 - Member Appreciation Breakfast. 10:00 am. Lakeside Park, McPherson, across from the swimming pool. Biscuits and Gravy, sausage. Corn Hole game, etc. RSVP by May 20

May 23 - Bug Run. Buy your stickers at **3:00 pm**, *Helmet time 3:15 from Kwik Shop on 30th, Hutch. We will be out about 3 hours. Then Braum's in Newton to announce the winner.

May 28 – 4th Friday Breakfast – TBD

June 9 – Dodge City day ride. Boot Hill and Miss Kitty's Restaurant. More detail to come. Thank you to Brian and Sherry O'Brien for planning and submitting this ride.

Potential rides and dates TBD: (you can pick a ride to submit or submit your own)
Eskimo Joes, Stillwater, OK. Hwy 99 ride Motorcycle museum ride
1st Sunday Cassoday Ride Braum's in Blackwell, OK

DISTRICT AND OTHER CHAPTERS' EVENTS AND FUN RIDES

1st Thursday - Chapter Q meeting, Boss Hog 314 W. 8th Winfield

2nd Thursday - Chapter A meeting at Spear's, 4323 W. Maple, Wichita

4th Tuesday - Chapter F meeting at Firebird Grill, 719 E. Main, Towanada

June 18-21 – Smack Dab Run – June 19, Labanon, KS, to Rugby, ND. 675 miles in 1 day.
For more information go to: <https://smackdab281.org/>
(This is not a GWRRA sponsored event)

June 29-July 3 - Wing Ding, Springfield, MO. You can find registration forms and information at
<https://www.wing-ding.org/#register> .

September 10-11 Kansas District Rally, Independence, KS. Registration forms can be found online at
<https://gwrraks.com/kansas-district-rally> Hotel: Appletree Inn, 620-331-5500 for reservations.

Hope to see you along the way!

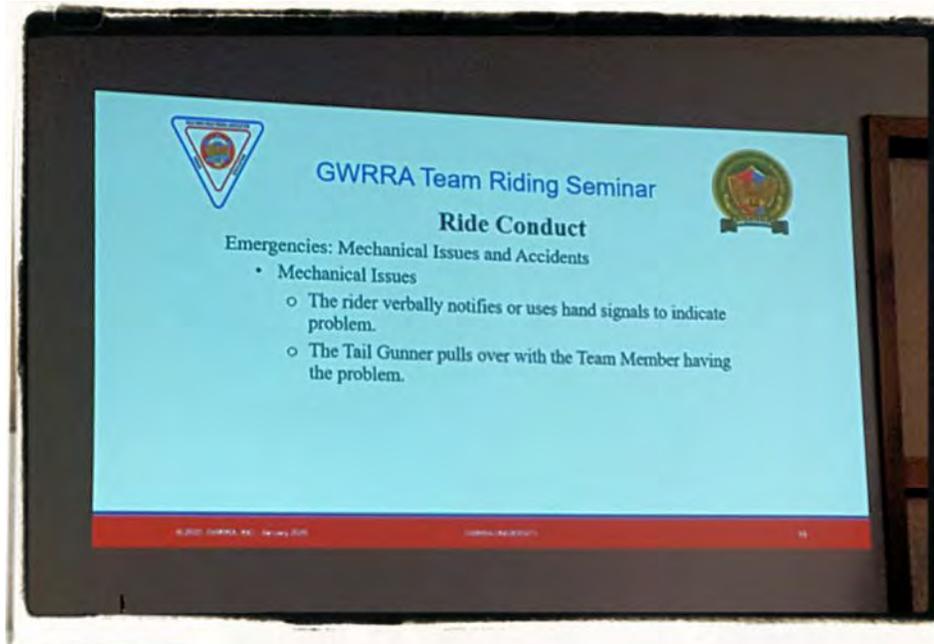


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together we will get through this



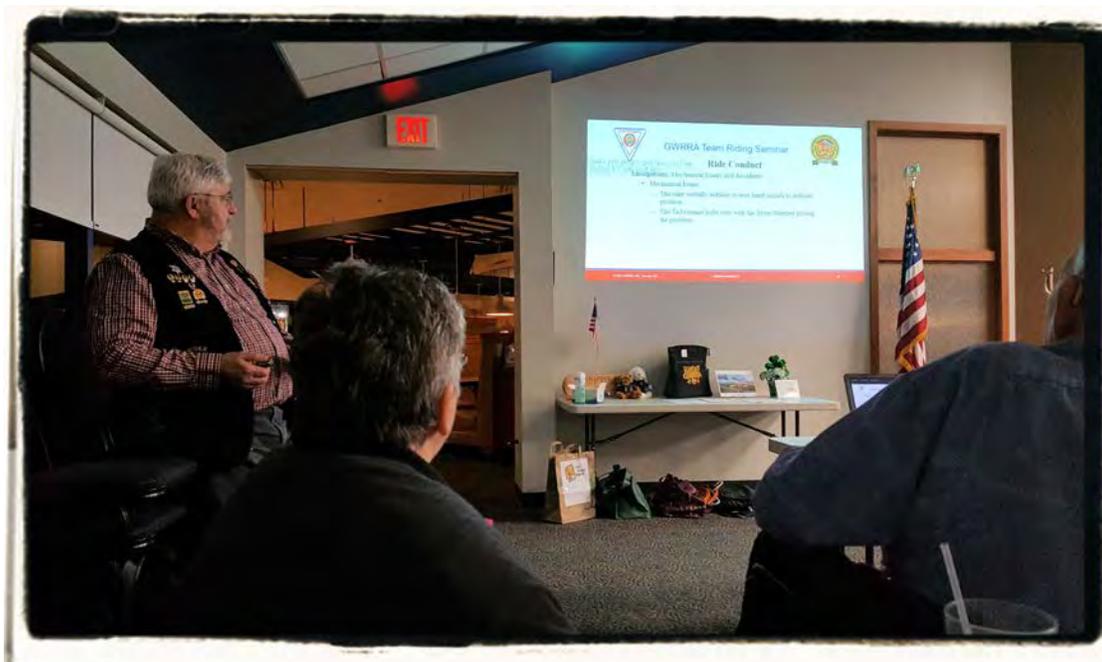
Safety & Knowledge

Rider Education



Thank you to our District Educator, Rick Stevens, for presenting a seminar on team riding at our March 2020 Chapter meeting and giving us valuable lessons on being a team member.

TEAM WORK MAKES THE TEAM WORK!





MARCH 6, 2021 ! SHORT NOTICE RIDE !

When the sun peaks out from behind the clouds and Kansas weather provides an opportunity to ride, you just HAVE to go for a ride! So Chuck & Kathy Schmidt, Don & Jan Schroeder and Jim Roup got together to enjoy a ride on a beautiful sunshine filled March day.

Commencing from Newton, they traveled over to Cassoday, then journeyed to Ad Astra at Strong City for pie & ice cream; and then winding up their ride at Braums in McPherson.



4th Friday Breakfast / Brunch Ride March 26, 2021



11 hungry souls drove up to Russell's Restaurant in Salina, Kansas to enjoy a hearty breakfast. Some of us had eyes bigger than our tummies and got doggy bags BUT Don Gray

"We can't believe you ate the whole thing!"





Chapter P – Derby

Meet 2nd Thursday in Wichita at Spears Restaurant 7:00pm– Eat 6:00pm

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Couple of the Year

Don & Tammy Vickers

Scrapbook

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CHAPTER P APRIL 2021 NEWSLETTER



Easter Crossword

ACROSS

- 4. You might do this to eggs for Easter
- 7. A hen makes this
- 8. Used to color eggs
- 9. The hen's baby
- 10. Colorful candy you might find in an Easter basket
- 11. Peter Cottontail is one

DOWN

- 1. Eggs might be made from this
- 2. Look for eggs
- 3. Easter Day event
- 4. Yellow or white spring flower that grows from a bulb
- 5. What the Easter Bunny brings
- 6. A pretty hat worn on Easter
- 9. Don't eat too much of this or you might get a belly ache





APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Denny Chesnut April 16



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Denny and Kathy Chesnut April 14

Spring is finely here!! Everyone ride safe!
David & Theresa McDonald
Directors Chapter P





Chapter Q – Winfield

Meet 1st Thursday at Boss Hogs BBQ in Winfield - 6:00 pm to eat 7:00 pm to meet

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Happy April everyone!!

Don't know about all of you but we're ready to see the rain end for awhile and get some riding in. We did make it up to Cassoday in March; it was a little windy but still a nice ride.

We had a good meeting in March. Duane and Vickie were back and so we had dessert again after our meal. Thanks Vickie!!

Our 50/50 winners for the night were: Kathy Chesnut, Chris Grooms and Rick Kistler.

The next couple of months you won't see much of Jack & I. Jack is still coaching high school softball and it's that time of year, but we'll be around when we can.

Our Chapter birthdays for the month of April are:

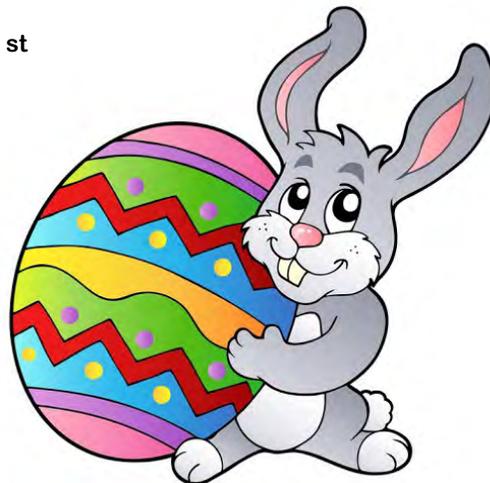
Zola Trenkle on the 5th

Karen Sweet on the 9th

Andrea Shepherd on the 21st

Until the next time,
Ride Safe

Jack & Teresa Kistler
KS-Q Directors



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