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GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

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The Monthly District News Letter

Jack & Doris Schoeck Directors

"Life is not the way it's supposed to be. It's the way it is. The way you cope with it, is what makes the difference".

By the time this newsletter is out "You All" will have a new District Director, Jack and Doris Schoeck from Emporia, Kansas. They have been members for 18years, being the first Chapter Director for Emporia (Chapter S). They have chosen Rick and Brenda Kistler as their Assistants District Directors. They will do them a good job they have served as Chapter Director, Membership Coordinator, District Historian and done an excellence job.

At our Region Convention we had International Director Jere Goodman and his wife. International Deputy Director Dave Carter and his wife, Couple of the Year Coordinators Steve and Tammy Hollingsworth. International Couple of the Year, Greg and Renee Demprey. We like to thank all of them for taking their time to come to Marshall to our Convention.

Phyllis and I would like to THANK all the Kansas people that attended the Region Convention for all there work and time they gave. Kansas had lots of duties this year, bike wash, hide the medallion, security and help Arkansas with classification for the bike show. Thanks again.

WE would like to THANK all of Kansas for being there for us while we served as your District Director, without you it wouldn't have been possible.

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

Garry & Phyllis VanBuskirk
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GWRRA Kansas Chapters, Chapter Directors and Get-Together Time & Place

**Feel free to attend any Chapter meeting and introduce yourself.
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,
Please contact GARRY & PHYLLIS VANBUSKIRK 316-321-0896
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Hi Everyone,

I had an opportunity to attend Chapter 'H' meeting to present several certificates to members obtaining Level II status in the Rider Education Program. Prior to recognizing those folks I presented Marv Ayers his Certificate of Appointment and Rider Educator Officers Pin as the new, actually the first Chapter Educator, KS-H.

Those receiving certificates are: Tom & Carolyn Colahan, Norman & Joan Frederick, Daryl Regier, Janice Scheurer and Toni Ayers all joined the Level I ranks. I thank you. Also, at Level II, all KS-H, are Nita Regier, Brad Thompson, Georgeanna Tritsch. I hope I didn't miss anyone

Marv in turn gave me three Level I applications which came from the challenge I gave to my four Chapter Educators. Hopefully the other CE's will be as successful as Marv in this challenge.

Travelled to Chapter 'F' meeting on March 5th. It is the February meeting that was cancelled due to snow, lots of snow :-)

I also presented Russel Harold his Certificate of Appointment and Rider Educator Officer Pin. He replaced Dave Wilson who served in that position for a number of years AND did a super good job at it.

As most know by now, the 2013 addition of the Rider Education Manual became a reality. One of the changes that needed my immediate attention was the mandate that anyone desiring to obtain Level III or IV and those otherwise qualified for Senior, Grand, Life Masters must take the Motor Awareness Seminar (MA).

With the help of Phyllis Van Buskirk, she was able to find a place for the seminar in El Dorado. I set a date March 9th for the seminar and via emails and attending chapter meetings, invited anyone interested to sign up. I thought I might get ten or so but at the end, I had 30 in attendance. WOW! What a pleasant surprise. We have a total of 35 Kansans that chose to take the MA.

The results of members getting qualified for levels

upgrade I was pleased to receive applications from Chapter Educators. Marv Ayers, Chapter Ed 'H' had six for me immediately after the meeting. Congrats to Marv Ayers, Terry & Judy Mann, Bruce Malecki, Chris Scheurer and Dale Tritsch for their Level III upgrade.

A thank you to John and Karen Glaves, KS-F for signing up for Level I. Your commitment is appreciated.

I'm happy to recognize Rick Kistler, KS-F for his upgrade to Senior Master. Thank you Rick for your support of Rider Education.

I'm not through with accolades'. Congratulations to Dale Mooney KS-F and District Web Master for earning his Level IV Masters Level. Welcome to Masters family.

We have new Chapter Educators in place in five of our seven chapters. Larry Mazur replaces Marty Dannar KS-A; Eric Wadman replaces John Wehr KS-B, Russel Harrold replaces Dave Wilson KS-F, Marv Ayers is the first Chapter Educator for KS-H. Rounding out the CE staff is Rick Stevens, KS-P. Hopefully sometime in the future a member will step forward to serve as CE's for KS-C and KS-Q. A 'pat on the back' to Marty, John, and Dave for giving of their time to serve as Chapter Educators.

Your Rider Ed team has a TTRC (Trike Trailering Course) scheduled for April 14th in Hutchinson. We have spaces available. If interested contact me (Bill Tucker) at wtucker1@cox.net and we will get you enrolled.

March also saw two Medic First Aid classes taught in the district. Chapter 'H' hosted one and their Chapter Educator, Marv Ayers taught that class under the watchful eye of MFA Trainers Steve & Terri Bockhaus. CONGRATS to Marv.

The second class was sponsored by KS-P. We thank them for providing the classroom and goodies.

That's it for the moment. Remember!

Practice Makes Permanent! You are what you Practice!

Bill



The Kansas District Trainers

Marty & Ruth Dannar



Wow is winter over yet? I wish but I know we still have several cold days left. To kick off our year of conventions is Region H in Marshall. I believe there will be around nine classes just on leadership training this year. If any of you can make it I will present the history of GWRRA on Thursday. I would really like to see all of you.

We will be having an OCP seminar on July 27th in El Dorado, KS. This will only be a one day seminar. It will be held in the depot. I will send out the exact address and time at a later date. We would enjoy having as many of you as possible. Jack Wagner will be our lead trainer. The change is now from a one and a half day to only a one day seminar. Most of you may have heard it is no longer a mandated class. I would like to stress the officer certification program is still very beneficial to most all members. It is a great way to learn the basic ideas, policy and procedures of the organi-

zation. It gives officers and members tools and information to be successful and help the chapter grow, along with the ability to keep fun, friendship and knowledge going. Please email or call if you would like to attend. I can probably provide donuts or cookies (maybe ice cream) if that would tempt anyone to come.

Ride Safe Ruth & Marty Dannar KS District Trainers





Medic First Aid



Steve & Terri Bockhaus

Kansas MFA Trainers



This article may not apply directly to first aid. But I believe that prevention of injury is an important part of first aid. As many of you are, I am basically lazy. Why would I want to do a treatment when injury can be avoided? So, by thinking outside of the box, maybe we can prevent some riding injuries.

We have all heard from the riders ed people about doing a “t-cloc” before a ride. This is a great idea, but how about doing a personal inspection before a ride? Many of us have not ridden all winter and now that it is spring, we want to start riding again. Are we ready? Let’s take a look.

We have checked the motorcycle’s tires, but how about out “tires”? I have two pairs of riding boots and I looked at both of them. One pair is in very good condition. But the other pair has worn leather and is cracking. The soles are also very worn and thin. I ask myself – “are these really safe to wear?” Do you possibly have a similar pair of boot?

We all have a pair of jeans or riding pants that we like to wear. Did they “shrink” over the winter? When the pants are tight and uncomfortable to wear, are we again risking injuries? The possible remedy is either adjust our body size or get a different pants size.

We check the motorcycle’s lights so that we can be seen and also so that we can see. But have we checked the face shield on our helmets? Are they scratched and dirty? Can we see through them clearly? Do we need to replace them? Also, have we had our eyes checked lately? Is our eyesight what it should be? I know I need new glasses and made an appointment with my eye doctor to take care of that.

Are we mentally ready to ride? This needs to be asked of ourselves every time we get on the motorcycle. We all know that when we are angry, we make riskier decisions than when we feel calm. This means that a rider will take chances while angry that they would normally avoid.

Another question we need to ask ourselves before any ride it “have I gotten enough rest and not feeling fatigued”? Remember that a tired brain slows down. Have we eaten and consumed enough water? Failure to eat can

and will cause your blood sugar to drop. Although skipping a meal may not result in severe problems, if your blood sugar drops too low it causes fatigue and it causes your thinking to become cloudy. You feel dizzy and may start to hallucinate. In severe cases it can cause life threatening medical problems. Dehydration is sped up by exposure to hot temperatures and to wind. Both of these are commonly faced condition for motorcycle riders.

I am not trying to teach “outside the book”. By all means, continue to do your pre-ride inspection, but don’t neglect to get yourself ready mentally as well as physically. One last parting thought. Sometimes it just doesn’t feel right. If you are having one of those days when you know something is a little off, go home. There is no shame in calling off a ride that doesn’t feel right. Listening to your instinct is a sign of an intelligent rider who is in tune with themselves and their bike on any given day.

SEE YOU SOON!!

Steve & Terri Bockhaus MFA Instructors/ Trainers

See next page on a special article on Bob Vickers, written and submitted by Terry Bockhaus

Bob Vickers was awarded a life membership award last month at Chapter A's monthly meeting. This sparked my interest to find out more about this interesting guy. Bob told me that his love of motorcycles started when he was young. His first motorized vehicle was a Cushman scooter. He reports that his first motorcycle was a Sears Italian Gilera. Other rides include a 500 cc Kawasaki and a 1000 Suzuki.

He was riding a 1400 cc Suzuki Cavacaide when he joined GWRRA in 1992. He was invited to a meeting by a fire investigator, who was an "Area Director". Bob has associated with Kansas Chapter A ever since. It should be mentioned that Bob was the motorcycle mechanic for the police department at the time.

Not long after joining GWRRA, Bob became the "ride captain" (now called ride coordinator) for Chapter A. He said he bought his first Goldwing after trying to pack his Suzuki for a campout. (that, and the fact that it had a reverse!) Now that he owned a Goldwing, he qualified to become an officer. He has held positions as Chapter Couple, assistant director, and chapter director.

When asked about memorable rides, Bob says he was once riding in the Grand lakes area with the Powell's and Max Garrett when they saw a mountain lion cross the road in front of them! Bob reports that he has ridden in most of the central states, as well as the northern border, New Mexico and Greenville, S.C. He says he has not yet had the chance to ride in Mississippi or Florida. When asked where he would like to go, he didn't hesitate, "Back to 20 years ago!"

In his younger years, Bob was a member of a water ski club. He figured that if those fools could celebrate the New Year by jumping in a river of freezing cold water, why can't motorcyclists don warm clothing and go for a ride? Hence, the New Year's ride became a tradition with GWRRA. Bob remarked that he has always had a motorcycle endorsement on his license, and he knew how to ride, but the experienced riders course (ERC) taught him how to handle a bike.

Written by Terri Bockhaus

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March 1, 2013

OCP-Officer Certification Update

Ben Franklin once said, “**Investment in knowledge pays the best interest.**”

When we introduced the Officer Certification Program (OCP), our intent was to provide a learning environment in which knowledge was shared with our Operations Directors and Assistant Directors. That knowledge gave those Officers a greater insight into GWRRA by facilitating a better understanding of our organizational structure and the basic policies and procedures. We made it mandatory training because we felt that the information was so critical to successful operations that we wanted to ensure that everyone in Director/Assistant positions benefited from the same knowledge base. We even went a step further and offered OCP to everyone else interested in learning more about the organization.

Initially, we experienced a considerable amount of pushback because the word, “mandatory,” did not sit well with some of our membership. Unfortunately, we did lose some of those members. Some of our Officer’s took the course reluctantly, but they did take it, and the feedback from those who have taken OCP has been very positive. Many have said they benefited from learning something new and wished this course had been available years ago. Actually, the information taught in OCP was not new - it was always available through our Officer’s Handbook. However, the OCP classroom experience did focus on the fundamentals and enabled attendees to ask questions. It was also a great opportunity for attendees to meet new friends and connect with one another.

What started out as 1½ day program has now evolved into a one-day course that is also available online for those who are not in a position to travel - or the number of attendees is too small to schedule a class.

What is most disconcerting is that the OCP “mandate” resulted in a negative perception that many other GWRRA offerings are also mandatory! It is my belief that the OCP mandate dissatisfaction served as a catalyst for many inaccurate, negative perceptions. (Please see my March 2013 *Wing World Magazine* article about the “*Anti-Fun Perception.*”)

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In addition, reluctant or forced attendance does not foster a positive learning environment, especially if you are continually lamenting the fact that you are there! It is a known fact in education that those interested in self-improvement and learning, benefit more because they come willingly to training.

Another possible perception brought on by the OCP “mandate” is that GWRRA fails to listen to the members. In my February article on “*The Stone that Sharpened the Sword*,” I made the following statement: “You and your thoughts do count!” These are not just words.

Words constitute feedback that can result in actions when appropriate and in the best interest of the membership. Some may feel when a decision is made, never go back. This is an area we may have to agree to disagree. My philosophy is, if it is wrong, correct it, regardless of how long it has been in place. Just because we always did something a certain way, does not necessarily make it right for today. OCP as a one day course and on-line course are examples of listening to the membership.

As such, effective March 1, 2013, OCP will no longer be mandatory for anyone.

However, OCP is not going away! It will still be offered and promoted to the fullest. **I strongly recommend that all volunteers take the course**, especially if you plan to serve as a Director/Assistant at a Chapter level or higher. In fact, OCP completion will be a factor we consider when multiple candidates are interested in the same position.

Let’s look at some additional benefits to taking OCP... Simply put, a better understanding of the organization will give you a better experience. It will also help you be more successful as a volunteer. As a Director/Assistant, it will also make you GWRRA-knowledgeable and a “go-to person.”

To all of the Officers, and the many members/volunteers who chose to attend OCP, I applaud your desire to learn more about our great organization! To all the dedicated trainers who continue to impart knowledge through OCP, **thank you**, your efforts contribute significantly to GWRRA and bring about better experiences for all of our members!

GWRRA offers a buffet selection of fun events, rides, and learning and each of us makes choices as to what pleases our palette. OCP is now part of the buffet for everyone and I sincerely hope that you will recognize the value and will sign up to take the course – in person or online!

Ride safe and be well.

Sincerely,

Jere D. Goodman
Director of GWRRA

Editor's Note: This article is a reprint from an email article sent to me by Garry & Phyllis Van Buskirk, Kansas District Directors for publishing. It had no title, so I gave it one. Hope the author doesn't mind



'Positive Attitude Accomplishes More Than Negativism'

"My wife and I have ridden together since 1961 while in high school but we worked odd hours and long hours and never felt we would be able to participate in GWRRRA even though from time to time we had owned a couple of wings and three valkries. I retired in 2006, in the fall and in the spring of 2007 we bought a new Gold Wing Trike.

About a week later we ran into Clark and Sand Wentz and picked up an application from them. Our hope was that we would find some friends to ride with and nothing more. We found them and a lot more. We participated in Chapter J -2, Clare, MI, as we had known Clark and Sandy since 1970 and it was our closest chapter. In 2009 our chapter attendance was down to about 8 or 10. The current ACE's were moving out of the area because of employment and the Chapter Director, Sandy Wentz was ready to close the chapter. I talked with her and said if she promised to stay on, I would be her assistant. She didn't respond right away and I thought she was not interested. A couple of months later closing the chapter came up again and I reminded her of my offer of help. This time we connected and she accepted my offer and soon gave us a copy of the officers hand book. I took this to heart and read it cover to cover. I could see from the manual many things in our chapter could be improved to help us grow.

Two years ago, when the OCP came out, I knew it was based on the hand book but it was required and I felt it would be a good review of the material. It was a very good review and I would have been embarrassed to have claimed I had read the manual! In mid summer of 2012 we decided it was time for us to become Chapter Directors. As

the time came closer I realized there was still much to learn. We were lucky enough to have a couple willing to become our assistants when we would take over but they had not taken the OCP. The course now was condensed to one day from the original two days and we decided to take the course with them as a reminder or refresher as we wanted to do the best job possible for our chapter.

Our chapter is in a small rural community and yet in the last three years we have grown from five or six couples ready to close to an average gathering of 35 to 40 people. We have brought fun back and we have done this by following a few principles. We have learned to try to be inclusive instead of exclusive. Try extra hard to greet and talk to people that are new. While giving some one the raspberries seems like great sport, it usually causes more harm than good. We try to respect the things that make us different, believe me we are all different.

The OCP is of enough value to stand on its own without being mandatory. Anyone that wants to do a good job for their chapter should embrace it. Anyone who doesn't want to do his best for his chapter wouldn't listen in a class anyway!"

Bob Scott, MI-J2 Chapter Director





Bill & Dea Ann Gray
Region 'H' Directors

Region 'H'

The Hospitality Region

"Operation 'H'

"No Winger Left Behind"

RALLY the Troops!

Finally! Spring has sprung and rally season is upon us. LET'S RIDE and catch up with old friends. While you're at it, find a new friend and invite them to join the fun. A few dates to put on your calendar:

April 4th, 5th, & 6th - Region H Convention, Marshall, TX
 April 19th & 20th- Louisiana Convention, Lafayette, LA
 May 17th & 18th- Texas Convention, Wichita Falls, TX
 May 24th & 25th- Arkansas Convention, Harrison, AR
 July 3rd— 6th WING DING 35, Greenville, SC

District, Region and National websites have flyers and registration forms. Links can be found at www.region-h.org

Chapter rallies, anniversaries, dinner rides, etc. are filling calendars as well! We encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities not only for the enjoyment of riding but for the camaraderie.

Be safe, have fun and we'll see you somewhere!

Bill & Dea Ann Gray

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Region H Rally
WING BREAK 2013 - APRIL 4th, 5th & 6th
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (draft #5 -2/19/13)

Thurs. April 4th	What	Where	Who	Region Contact
8:00 AM - Noon	Outside Vendor Setup	Parking	Region	Ruby Seale
8:00 AM - Noon	Inside Vendor Setup	Caddo	Region	Ruby Seale
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Region Team Meeting - <i>DD's too!</i>	Blue Bonnet	Region	Gray
Noon - 5:00 PM	Registration	Lobby	TX	Nahl
Noon - 5:00 PM	Information Booth w/ signups	Lobby	Region	Region
Noon - 5:00 PM	Security	Lobby/Vendors	TX	VanBuskirk
Noon - 5:00 PM	Leadership Training Table	Lobby	LTP	Wagner
Noon - 5:00 PM	Rider Ed Table	Lobby	R Ed	Belinoski
Noon - 5:00 PM	Recruiting Table	Lobby	MEP	Pyburn
Noon - 5:00 PM	Newsletter/Mascot/Scrapbook/Sign Up	Lobby	MEP	Pyburn
Noon - 5:00 PM	Ticket Sales	Lobby	COY	Garrett/Nahl
Noon - 1:00 PM	Win-Win Progress Reviews	Sabine	Cowan	Wagner
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	Public Speaking	Sabine	D Ward	Wagner
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	History of GWRRA	Sabine	Dannar	Wagner
6:30 PM	Opening Ceremonies	Theatre	Region	All
6:30 PM	Mini-Grand Prize Drawing \$250 (from pre-registrations)	Theatre	Region	Gray
6:30 PM	Party / Food Sponsored by Convention & Visitors Bureau			

Fri. April 5th	What	Where	Who	Region Contact
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Information Booth w/sign ups	Lobby	Region	Team
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	COY Interviews (Closed Meeting)	Golden Corral	MEP	Pyburn/Garrett
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Trike Course / Classroom	Stagecoach	REP	Belinoski
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Advanced Rider Course Classroom	Marshall	REP	Belinoski
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Leadership Training Table	Lobby	LTP	Wagner
8:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Registration	Lobby	LA	Nahl
12:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Registration	Lobby	OK	Nahl
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Security	Lobby/Vendor	KS	Vanbuskirk
12:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Security	Lobby/Vendor	AR	Vanbuskirk
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Vendors	Caddo	Region	Ruby Seale
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Rider Ed Table	Lobby	REP	Belinoski
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Recruiting Table	Lobby	MEP	Pyburn
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Ticket Sales	Lobby	COY	Garrett/Nahl
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Bike Show Sign Up	Lobby	REP	Belinoski
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Newsletter/Mascot/Scrapbook/Sign Up	Lobby	MEP	Pyburn
9:00 AM - ???	Medallion Hunt - until found	Lobby	KS	VanBuskirk
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	How to Have Fun At An Event	Sabine	Roussel	Wagner
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Trailing Seminar	Seven Flags	Fleming	Belinoski
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Road Captain Course / Classroom	All American	Rowlett	Belinoski
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	2013 Region COY Selection	Theater	MEP	Pyburn/Garrett
12:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Meet the Director - Jere Goodman	Theatre	Goodman	Gray
12:30 PM - 5:30 PM	CPR - First Aid	Seven Flags	MFA	Dean
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	You're an Officer-Now What?	Sabine	Irons	Wagner
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Chapter of the Year Open Discussion	Marshall	Region	Ann Nahl
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	What is a MEP Coordinator?	All American	S. Fleming	Pyburn
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Co-Rider Seminar	Stagecoach	Fleming	Belinoski
12:15 PM - 3:30 PM	Art Party	N. Entrance	Marshall V & A	Ann Nahl
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	What is a CD?	Sabine	Vince	Wagner
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Beach Blanket Bingo	Marshall	Region	Dea Ann/Voletta
2:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Road Captains Course (Road Portion)		Rowlett	Belinoski
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Bike Wash by Local Boys/Girls Club	Parking	KS	Penepent
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Motorcycling for the Mature Rider	Stagecoach	Thurston	Belinoski
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Theme Bike Show Staging	South Parking		Wagner/Penepent
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	REP Seminar TBA	All American	REP	Belinoski

Region H Rally

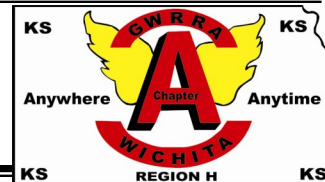
WING BREAK 2013 - APRIL 4th, 5th & 6th

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (draft #5 -2/19/13)

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Theme Bike Show	South Parking		Wagner/Penepent
5:00 PM – 6:30 PM	Poker Walk	Downtown	Region	Dea Ann
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM	Beach Party/Street Dance/Crazy Legs	Downtown	Region	Gray
7:00 PM	2013 COY Announcement	Downtown	Dave Ward	Pyburn
8:00 PM – 8:15 PM	Light Show Staging	Downtown	TX	Belinoski/Dean
8:30 PM	Light Show	Downtown	TX	Belinoski/Dean
9:00 PM	Light Parade	Downtown	Region	Belinoski/Dean
Sat. April 6th	What	Where	Who	Region Contact
7:00AM – 8:00 AM	Level 4 Masters Breakfast	Golden Corral	REP	Belinoski
8:30AM - 5:00 PM 8:30AM – 10:00 AM	Information Booth w/sign ups Drop off Newsletters, Mascots, Scrapbooks, and Banners for Judging	Lobby Stagecoach	Region MEP	Team Pyburn
8:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Historic Homes Tour	Marshall CVB	Geraldine	Dea Ann
8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Advanced Rider Course Range	Marshall HS	REP	Belinoski
8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Trike Course Range	Marshall HS	REP	Belinoski
8:30 AM – Noon	CPR/First Aid	Seven Flags	MFA	Dean
8:30 AM – Noon	Recruiting Table	Lobby	MEP	Pyburn
8:30 AM – 9:30AM	Why Motorist Awareness?	Marshall	K. Frazier	Penepent
8:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Registration	Lobby	AR	Nahl
8:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Security		LA	VanBuskirk
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM	Leadership Training Table	Lobby	LTP	Wagner
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM	Rider Ed Table	Lobby	R Ed	Belinoski
8:30 AM – 9:30 PM	Chapter Structure & Organization	Sabine	DePriest	Wagner
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM	Ticket Sales	Lobby	COY	Garrett/Nahl
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM	Vendors	Caddo	Region	Ruby Seale
9:00 AM – 10:00AM	Dress Competition-Couple, Chapter	Theatre	LA	Pyburn/Garrett
9:00 AM ???	Medallion Hunt – until found	Lobby	KS	Garry/Phyllis
9:30 AM – 11:00AM	Bike Show Classification	Parking	KS/AR	Wagner/Penepent
10:00AM – 11:00AM	Leadership Training Program – Open Discussion	Sabine	Jack Wagner	Wagner
10:00 AM – Noon	Judge Newsletters, Mascots, Scrapbooks, and Banners	Stagecoach	MEP	Pyburn
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Bike Wash by Local Boys/Girls Club	North Parking	KS	Penepent
10:30 AM – 11:30AM	Region H Couple of the Year Reunion	All American	MEC	Pyburn
10:30 AM – Noon	Off Bike Games	Parking	AR	Pyburn
10:30 AM – 11:30AM	Co-Rider Seminar	Marshall	Fleming	Belinoski
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Bike Show Staging	South Parking	AR/OK	Wagner/Penepent
11:30AM – 12:30 PM	What is the Rider Ed Program?	Sabine	B. Severe	Wagner
11:30AM - 12:30 PM	COY Round Table w/ Intl. COY Coordinator	All American	Intl. COY	Pyburn
Noon – 1:00 PM	First Aid Kit – What is in Yours?	Seven Flags	Dr. Bel.	Belinoski
Noon – 2:00 PM	Bike Show Judging	South Parking	AR/OK	Wagner/Penepent
12:30 PM- 1:30 PM	Beach Blanket Bingo	Marshall	Region	Dea Ann/Voletta
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Newsletters, Mascots, etc. pickup	Stagecoach	COY	Pyburn
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Round Table - Rider Educators	Seven Flags	REP	Belinoski
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Building High Performance Teams	Sabine	J. Severe	Wagner
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Public Access	Vendor Area		Ruby Seale
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Hypnotist – Johnie Fredman	Theatre	J. Fredman	Gray
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Closing Ceremonies	Theater	Region	All
*Rider Ed and Training Drawings **Grand Prize Drawings ***50/30/20 Drawings				

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Well it's April...

I sure hope by the time you read this that the snow is finally over with and you've had a chance to ride your bike. Of course they say April Showers bring May Flowers and although I know we need the rain real bad but I hope there's enough sunny days ahead so we can all get a chance to get out on our bikes

Chapter A had a few things planned for the end of March including a Dinner Ride on the 21st to Taliano's in Derby and a weekend trip to Guthrie Oklahoma. I hope those of you who went had a wonderful time. Chapter A also has a maintenance day on the 30th at Joe Gattenby's so I'm hoping to have some information on how well this went in the May newsletter.

At our monthly chapter meeting on the 14th we had a pretty good turn out

(Here is a picture of just a few of them)



Bill Tucker gave Larry Mazur a certificate & pin for being Chapter A's new Chapter Educator



Bill also gave Marty Dannar a certificate thanking him for all the time and energy that he put in as the last Chapter Educator for Chapter A



At this meeting we found out about how many miles our Chapter rode last year and found out who rode their bikes the most and who rode their bike the (remember we are not in a competition this is just fun information)

KS-A Continued

Chapter A rode a total of 148,110 miles for the year 2012 which was 473 miles more than what we did in 2011. This averages out to 9,208 miles for the men and 5,681 miles for the "lady riders". This isn't too bad when you consider the fact that only 18 people turned in their mileage for the year...imagine how many miles we would have if everyone that rode last year turned in their information. Dennis Joynt of course got "overall" high with 34,406 Joe Gattenby got the certificate for High mileage for the guys with 18,620



Debbie Gattenby got the certificate for High mileage for the Ladies with 9,500

Dave Hohfeld got the certificate for low mileage for the guys (I don't remember the number of miles he rode just know it was less than Joe's)



And I got the certificate for low mileage for the females with only 4,255



Now...here are some events coming up during the month of April

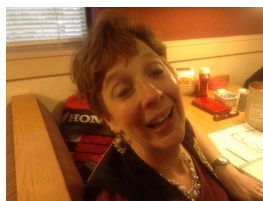
- April 4th thru 6th is the Region H Convention in Marshall Texas
- April 7th is the 1st Sunday ride to Cassodey. If you go you might look for Chapter F they normally have a booth set up...
- April 11th our monthly meeting at Home Town Buffett... meeting starts @ 7:00 come early and enjoy eating & visiting with the other members
- April 14th Trike trailering class. The classroom will be @ the Pinwell/Babel Funeral Home on 30th street in Hutchinson with the riding course being at the Sports Arena
- April 16th Bob & Barb Brown Anniversary
- April 18th Dinner Ride - Bob Davis is in charge of this ride... more information to come
- April 18th thru 20th Louisiana's Convention
- April 19th Marty Dannar's birthday
- April 22nd Ron Posgai's Birthday
- April 25th Rod Gillett's Birthday
- April 27th Day Ride - Rod & Ann Gillett are in charge of this ride so stay tuned for more information
- April 28th BRC/ERC course contact Bill Tucker for more information
- April 30th Linda Shook's birthday

Finally I have 2 last things...

1st last thing...here's Flunky Monkeys tip for the month



2nd last thing (and I think I'm going to get shot for this one) Terri was hamming up for my camera so I I'm going to let you all fill in a caption...

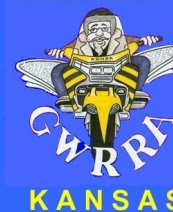


That's all for now so until next month...Safe Riding everyone Mary Mazur

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CHAPTER "B"



Chapter B has been spending a lot of time watching it snow in northeast Kansas. It seems to be taking its toil on our patience as well as our riding plans. After cancelling our February meeting due to large amounts of snow falling from the sky, we were able to meet the following week. Thirty members ventured out on a cold night to enjoy a good time with friends. Gary Drake, Kansas District Motorist Awareness Director, presented our Rider Education program. He gave us some interesting facts about motorcycle accidents. Safety training is so very important for everyone and many of Chapter B's members have been taking advantage of the various programs.

Two members of Chapter B ventured out into the elements to participate in the 40 to Phoenix ride again this year. Ed James and Mick Schurer rode approximately 5400 miles on their journey of almost two weeks. Ed had a route planned as they set out for Wilmington, NC, but road construction and a forecast of snow sent them headed to Atlanta, GA. Unfortunately they arrived in Atlanta during rush hour and the traffic and rain made for slow going. They arrived in Wilmington without further mishap and while there, Mick enjoyed seeing the USS North Carolina.

They set off toward Phoenix choosing to avoid the interstate as much as possible. The back roads provided interesting sights and scenery, much more than the interstate. Extra stops along the way for visits with relatives added to the enjoyment. Arkansas brought more rain and wind along with colder weather. A good meal was provided in El Reno by an Oklahoma Chapter.

Ed and Mick decided to ride the interstate to Moriarty, NM. It was a beautiful day. The group was

escorted into town by the sheriff and, at the city limits, the police took over. Another wonderful dinner was waiting for them. More back roads called to them and the guys headed once again away from the interstate to ride into Phoenix. The smaller towns, the old buildings and especially the old deserted gas stations had stories to tell, if only their voices could be heard. The journey was a great one of meeting new people, making new friends and experiencing the enjoyment of the open road.

Chapter B events for April:

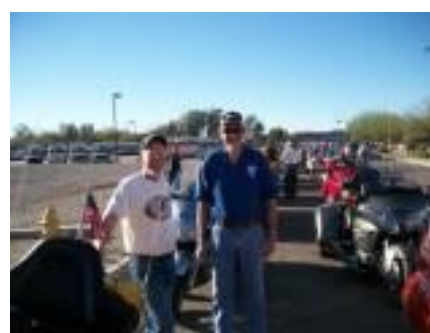
April 4 - Dinner Ride

April 12-14 - Moonshine Lunch Run


April 18 - Chapter Meeting

April 27 - Breakfast Ride

Safe travels,
Paula Aiken



Chapter C - Topeka

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It appears that winter decided to grace us with its presence in early February requiring our bikes to be stuck in the garage/shed for a little while. Our Chapter supper “ride” was to Green Acres in Pomona. We had five couples, all in cars since the temperature at suppertime was in the mid to high 30’s and only going to go down from there. That didn’t stop us from enjoying ourselves and doing some initial ride planning for Region H, Louisiana District, and 40 to Phoenix just as a beginning point for the year.

As I am typing this part of the newsletter we are visiting friends in Phoenix after joining the 40 to Phoenix in Shawnee, OK and riding to National Headquarters. Dale Tritsch from Chapter H also joined the ride there. The two men (that really ride a lot) from Chapter B joined the ride in Wilmington, NC. They will have to forgive me for forgetting their names since I am terrible with names. The ride was well worth the time. We got to make many new friends along the way and also managed to meet some others we had met before. Chapter OK B was kind enough to feed us lunch at the Honda dealer ship in Shawnee, OK.

Chapter NE N fed us supper in El Reno.



Supper El Reno, OK provided by OK-N

NM F & W hosted the evening festivities in Moriarty, NM. Brenda managed to hold up Chapter C’s reputation by winning \$200 from 50/50 in Moriarty.



Line-up for parade into Moriarty, NM



Lunch at Shawnee, OK provided by OK-B

KS-C Continued

After the short trip from Shawnee to El Reno with three bikes that didn't have co-riders on them Brenda and I linked up with six other bikes for the ride into Phoenix.



Most of our group between Moriarty and Phoenix. One other bike is behind us.

That group had a mixture of bikes with and without co-riders adding to the social aspect of the ride. Of the seven bikes in the group we had 11 people representing five states (Kansas, West Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, Maryland, and Mississippi). With Brenda and I both being native West Virginians it was old home week. The West Virginia riders knew Brenda's brother and his wife, (they let us ride with them anyway) who live nearby and are the ones that got us involved in GWRRA.

The tour of National headquarters wasn't anything really special other than a place to pick up the pin showing you have been there. Having said what sounds very negative what can you do to "spice" up business offices?

Teresa Gull was kind enough to provide the following for me to insert into the newsletter since Brenda and I were caught by some snow in Vail, CO and got to spend an extra day on the road and missed our meeting:

On Thursday, March 14, some of the retirees took an impromptu ride to Ottawa and enjoyed wonderful food and companionship at Poncho's. Bill and Margaret Hanson led the ride. The temperature was good and not much wind. Gary Drake had indicated he was going to ride with everyone but was busy doing yard work. How can you put yard work in front of a motorcycle ride? Looks like some of us die hard riders will have to give him some training. We can also send him to the same class, "Priorities 101", that we are checking into for Margaret. John and Teresa Gull braved the cold on the following Saturday and rode their new green trike in the Topeka St. Patrick's Day parade. How appropriate! They sent John's son, Jamie, a picture and after he saw Teresa's green wig, he said Topeka will never be the same. Even though it was very cold, they had a great time.

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KS-C Continued



John & Teresa Gull in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Topeka

At our monthly meeting, Bill Hanson started off with a safety discussion regarding landing the bike in unusual circumstances. Earl and Lenny are hoping to upgrade from their beautiful 1500 to an 1800 in the near future. The state picnic ride to Fort Scott was discussed. Plans are being made now and we will all get notified as soon as they are finalized. John and Teresa and Bill and Margaret took home the 50/50 pots.

BIRTHDAYS

7 Susan Drake

13 Don McCullough

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It's right around the corner, I can feel it.

Spring has almost sprung. Yesterday's high was 80° and as I was out and about so were a lot of motorcycles, so now is the time to be aware and pay attention to those that share the highways with us. Be especially careful when you ride this time of year because motorists are not used to seeing motorcycles so drive very defensively.

February 23rd and 24th was The Chill at the Coliseum and a few members of the GWRRA showed up to enjoy the biggest motorcycle and car show in the Wichita area. Although the bikes in show were primarily Harleys. There were a few Hondas around.

February 26 was Chapter F's monthly meeting at the Pizza Hut in El Dorado and Russell Harold was given his certificate to become our rider educator by Bill Tucker.



DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO YOU----Drive Defensively



February 28 was Chapter H's meeting in Hutchinson. They had an excellent attendance, I completely forgot to take pictures. They put on an excellent, excellent meeting.

March 2 was Chapter F's breakfast ride to the Carriage Crossing in Yoder and the reservations were for 15 people and 26 people showed up so we had to wait for a while before they could seat us all. The food was good and the service was excellent and the rolls make that cinnamon rolls were huge and only a buck and a half a piece, many of us took some home with them, myself included.

March 7 was Chapter Q's meeting in Ark City and all who attended had a good time. The food was good and the, friendship, was even better. March 8 Chapter P had their meeting in Derby there were few in number but high in the expectations of spring and the riding season.

KS-F Continued

March 9 was the motorist awareness seminar in El Dorado at the Best Western motel. I believe there was 29 in attendance and Bill Tucker did an excellent job of presenting this class many who attended needed this class to achieve levels three and four in the levels program. I would recommend the class to anyone and everyone who wants an insight on how motorist think and how to react to the unexpected.



March 10 was the beginning of daylight savings time and I know for a fact that it sure messed up a lot of people that loss of one hours sleep well! The old body. Can really feel it. So for now it's back to work in the dark, but that will change quickly

Chapter P had its supper run on March 15th to Uncle Henry's steakhouse in Augusta. Once again we were few in number but high in spirits and good conversation. After supper a few went back to Dale and Janis's house for more conversation and good times.

At this point I believe that everyone that is going to Marshall, Texas for the Region Rally is in preparation for that departure and looking forward to the fun and, the ride.

I know the region staff works hard to put on a good show and to entertain us, when we show up and Marshall and the town of Marshall goes way, way out of their way to do everything they can to make our visit enjoyable.

There will be a group of around seven bikes and trikes and one truck leaving for Marshall the morning of March 4 at 7 AM from the Douglas Park on US Highway 77 S., so if you plan to go to Marshall and you want to ride with a group. By all means join us.

That's it for this time. We'll report on Marshall next time

Ride safe and ride often



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Chapter H now has a page on Facebook. You can search for GWRRA and it should appear in the list or go to <https://www.facebook.com/GwrraKsDistrictChapterH>

We will try to keep up with ongoing events and pictures from our members. Hopefully it will get some use.

On February 24 we had our Med 1st Aid class. It was fun and informative. Now we will have several members qualified to keep us “stayin’ alive”. Thanks to Marvin Ayers for teaching and Steve & Terri Bockhaus for assisting in the much needed learning experience.



It was reported that our chapter received \$69 from our COY basket at MidWinter. Not too bad for first timers.

On Saturday, March 2, we met at The Carriage Crossing in Yoder, KS with F Troop for their breakfast ride. Twenty five plus members of various chapters were there.



On March 2, some of the Lady Riders went to the Garden Show in Wichita. From what I heard they had a good time.



Some of us went to the Motor Awareness Training in El Dorado on March 9. It was interesting.

KS-H Continued



On Saturday, March 16, our group went to Hoof & Horn in Sedgwick, KS.

Dale Tritsch went on the 40 To Phoenix ride. He rode down to El Reno, OK to meet the group there. It was 34 degrees when starting out but soon warmed to 45 in Oklahoma. There was a good feed and fun meeting Monday evening in El Reno with prizes being given to the riders. We had chicken fried steak, taters & gravy, green beans, pork & beans, coleslaw, and dessert – all homemade.



Tuesday morning the group left at 7am heading for Moriarity, NM. It was a bit warmer, 45 degrees, leaving. We arrived in Moriarity at 50 degrees. We had a fun evening there with a catered dinner. There also were prizes and pins from Moriarity.



Wednesday morning we left again at 7am with 45 degrees. Dale rode with two others, Dave Dean from Fayetteville, TN and Troy Wheeler from Garner, NC. We stayed together the rest of the ride. After riding into Arizona, it warmed up to 60 degrees. After riding down through the mountains from Flagstaff, it warmed to 85 very fast.



Thursday morning we rode parade style over to the GWRRA Home Office and went on a tour and looked at the articles set up by vendors. The tour was interesting and we received some goodies in our goodie bags. I received my 40 To Phoenix patch and rocker, got a hat and a t-shirt; also a white GWRRA polo shirt. I also received my Home Office pin.

KS-H Continued

Brian & Russell organized the 40 to Phoenix ride and the stops along the way. They did a great job.



We lined up for a parade to the home office.



Renee gave the tour of the home office.



The founder's picture and baby pictures were on a wall.

Here is the 2012 Goldwing to be given away at WingDing.



I met the chapter directors, Dennis & Debbie Ammonds, of AZ-A. This is the first GWRRA chapter. Notice their chapter banner.



They had a chapter cookout and many prizes to be drawn for.

I am glad I went on the 40 To Phoenix ride. I met a lot of new friends and had a lot of fun. The scenery was fantastic. I couldn't stop to take pictures of the scenery because I would take another 4 hours to get to each destination.



Most days we were riding about 7 hours. I did see Don & Brenda Williams from KS-C. I enjoyed my short time with chapter AZ-A but knew I had to get back. I rode 10 hours the first day and 11 hours the next day. I returned home Sunday evening in time to go to coffee.
Dale Tritsch ACD/Newsletter

Our sympathy to the family of Jim Shaw, who's mother died recently.

The Eyes - the Gun Sight of the Brain

A simple rule:

What you allow your eyes to focus on . . . You hit!!

Have you ever tried to throw a tennis ball right past someone's head? You look at them . . . you throw . . . and you hit them!! (Ouch!!) It is the same with tennis. You look at the top of the net . . . you serve . . . you hit the net!! (Damn!!)

KS-H Continued

Translate this to motorcycling. You look at the pothole . . . you go right through it. You look at the stone in the road . . . you go over it. You look at a car's wing (side) mirror as you lane split . . . and sideswipe it as you go past.

Keep your eyes up and look ahead. Look where you want to go. Look at the gap, not the cars defining the gap. If you make a bad decision and turn in front of an oncoming car . . . do not look at the car!!!! Look at your escape route and gun the motor towards it. Note the pothole, and then look up and past it and your bike will follow safely. Note the road surface and then look through the corner.

This important habit is also vital to safe cornering skills. (article in Wing World)

Birthdays:

none for April

Anniversaries:

none for April

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Dale's 40 to Phoenix Notes

40 To Phoenix

The trip was Fantastic. Lots of riding and scenery. Met new friends from GWRRA (Goldwing Road Riders Association).

Left on Monday, March 11, 34 degrees. Went to El Reno, OK and stayed the night. Met up with the group there. It was 55 degrees there that afternoon and we had a good feed and welcome party from the local chapter.

Left El Reno Tuesday at 36 degrees. Rode to Moriarity, NM. Started with a group, but they were too slow - 60 and 65 on the 70mph interstate. That seemed dangerous because cars were cutting in and out of our group. Rode by myself to Moriarity. Again had a good feed and received welcome gifts from the local chapter. A group picture was taken of the bikes. I got my 40 To Phoenix T-shirt and hat there.

Left Moriarity at 43 degrees and started with another group to Phoenix. Again, they were riding slow and in a line (team riding) which was also dangerous I thought. I left that group and met 2 other guys at a

gas stop (Dave from Fayetteville, TN & Troy from Garner, NC). I rode the rest of the way with them. We traveled interstate speed +. We got into Flagstaff around 2pm and then rode south to Phoenix. Going down the mountains was fun. Really good scenery. It kept getting warmer and we kept taking a layer of clothing off. When we got into Phoenix it was 90 degrees. Everyone was in Phoenix by 8pm. We walked across the street to Denny's for supper.

The next morning we lined up for a parade to the GWRRA home office. There we saw vendors and took a tour of the home office. That afternoon I went back to the hotel for a short nap. Then to the Phoenix airport for supper and a welcome from members of the home office.

I met up with Don & Brenda Williams from KS-C, and Ed James and Mick Schurer from KS-B while there. I received my 2013 rocker for my 40 To Phoenix patch and a pin stating I was at the home office (the only way to receive that pin).

On Friday I rode to Tucson. I rested (slept) the day there and the next morning went to a cookout with Chapter A of AZ. They were the first chapter in GWRRA. They call themselves the Pioneer Chapter. That was very interesting. I left early, about 10:30, to ride home via Moriarity overnite. Arrived in NM about 8pm. The next morning I left at 7am and got home about 6pm on Sunday, March 17. It kept getting colder and I was glad to be back. I made it in time to go to coffee!

I have a set of Freeze Out cold weather gear that really did the job. Much cheaper than Gerbing heated (electric).

I have placed some info and pictures on facebook on my wall and also on the GWRRA chapter H page on facebook.

I will go again next year if possible.

I am looking forward to riding to Marshall, TX April 3 for the Region H convention.

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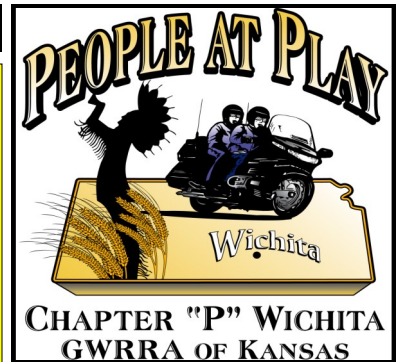
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Meeting Night - Friday, April 12th - Brown Bag at
6:30pm Meeting 7:00pm

Derby Church of Christ 225 N.

Derby St,

Derby Ks. 67037 in the fellow-

ship hall at the south

end of the building.

Chapter P dinner ride to Uncle Henry's Steak-
house in Augusta, Kansas



CLASS

Chapter P-Wichita held a Medic First Aid Class
at timers and re-certifications on Satur-
arch 16th from 1:00PM - 5:00PM we had 11



KS-P Continued

**RIDES**

Dinner rides this month: Denny and Kathy Chesnut
Check the web site for details.

April BIRTHDAYS -

Wally Shutt April 2

Denny Chesnut April 16

April ANNIVERSARIES -

Dave and Gloria Brentlinger April 11

Denny and Kathy Chesnut April 14

Everyone have a safe month!

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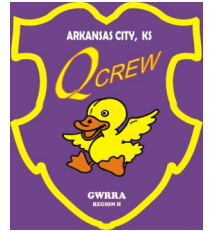
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Kansas "Q" April Newsletter

Not much to write about this month, the snow we got was nice to have, but didn't make for any good riding time. Granted there has been a few nice days but very few.

We want to remind everyone of our **Maintenance Day, Saturday, April 13th** at **Action Jackson Automotive** in Udall. We have decided to start around 9:00am; however for you early birds, Jack will be at the shop before that. Hope to see lots of you that day.

April Birthdays: Karen Sweet - 9th
Andrea Shepherd - 21
Carol Owens - 23

No Anniversaries

Until the next time,
Ride Safe,
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David purchased his first motorcycle in 1982 when he was just 19. It was a Honda CX500. At that time he looked at and dreamed of someday owning a Goldwing motorcycle. David and Sherri met some years later in the summer of 1986 and married in 1987. They have lived near or in Douglass Kansas for most of the last 26 years. Since then they have owned a number of motorcycles most of them small Yamahas and Hondas. In 2009 they purchased a GL 1500 and started riding together with Chapter P Wichita. They have attended a number of GWRRA events including many state and region conventions. Sherri held the position as chapter treasurer and they are currently the directors for Chapter P Wichita. Sherri recently left her job with Christ Lutheran Church to spend more time with David and to be available to travel and enjoy many of the GWRRA activities. David is a senior manager for D-J Engineering. Just last year Sherri found David his dream motorcycle on craigslist, a 1981 GL 1100. They have rode it to many GWRRA functions.

Kansas Chapter Couples 2013

CHAPTER A COUPLE OF THE YEAR

Steve and Terri Bockhaus



Steve and Terri Bockhaus have been members of GWRRA and Chapter A since 2004. They live in Newton and have four children and four grandchildren. (Pretty fast work since they have only been married 15 years!) Steve is a real estate broker and Terri is a Certified Physical Therapist Assistant.

Steve's first bike was a 200 cc Yamaha. He rode a 500 cc Silverwing when he and Terri were dating. It seemed like a big bike at the time, but then she reports they were both much smaller then. He bought a brand new candy black cherry 1800 in 2005. Terri has always liked motorcycles, but says she never thought she would ever be riding her own. Her first bike was a 2000 Kawasaki, which looked like an old Triumph. She then bought a 900 cc Vulcan before graduating to an 1800 Goldwing bike in 2008. It is illusion red. They report that Terri rode the dragon two days after purchasing her bike (not trike). Together, they have totaled more than 250 thousand safe miles on their two wings.

Steve and Terri have served as Region H Medic First Aid Coordinators, and have recently stepped down from serving Chapter A as directors for the past 5 years. They are the current District MFA Coordinators. They are very excited to serve as Chapter A Couple of the year for 2013.

CHAPTER B COUPLE OF THE YEAR

Roger and Melissa Shores



“THE NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK”

Melissa and I have only been riding for about 5 years. We bought a new Gold Wing in March of 2009. In January 2013 we traded that bike in on a 2013 Gold Wing. Our 2009 had 146,000 miles on it!! These were wonderful trouble free miles. I am sure you all know all the wonderful places you can visit while putting than many miles on a motorcycle. We always enjoy riding with our GWRRA Chapter B and participating in all the activities and meeting new friends. Since we have joined GWRRA we have never missed a Wing Ding. We love the Grand Parade and the Light Show. Of course, we can't walk through all the vendors without adding a few things to the bike. We have never missed a 40 to Phoenix ride and encourage everyone to visit the GWRRA National Headquarters in Phoenix.

You may be wondering where you might find us next. We are now enjoying National Parks. We are visiting 50 National Parks in 25 States in one year. We are about half way through and will finish on the way to Wing Ding this July. We are excited about being our Chapters Couple of the year and look forward to meeting you.

Missy and Roger Shores
Leawood, KS

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CHAPTER F COUPLE OF THE YEAR

Dale and Janis Mooney



Dale was born in Charleston, SC and raised in San Antonio, Texas. Janis was born in Argonia, Kansas and moved to Wichita in 1983.

They met in 1984 and their first date was the Wichita Toy Run. They Married in 1985 and have enjoyed 27 years together and looking forward to another 27 years.

Dale and two others started the Boeing Motorcycle Club together. The club paid for their wedding and supplied the Preacher. They got married on a Motorcycle at the Boeing Park on Oliver.

Dale's first ride was a 90cc Honda in 1962 and he also has had a Triumph, BSA

Yamaha, Kawasaki and one homemade VW trike. They now have a 2006 Goldwing with a 2010 Hannigan conversion with matching pony trailer.

They have 3 dogs, 2 cats and 1 bird. Janis works at Walmart on East Kellogg as a cashier. She loves to read. She also crochets and knits.

They joined GWRRA in 2010 and it has been none stop, Fun-Safety and Education ever sense. They recommend the GWRRA to everyone who has the time to have FUN on motorcycle with friends who are family.

CHAPTER H COUPLE OF THE YEAR

Daryl and Nita Reiger



Daryl and Nita Reiger met in geometry class in Oct 1971. They have three children, one son and two daughters and six grandchildren.

Nita works as a RN at the nursing home at the Moundridge Manor and Daryl is the IT director at the nursing home in Pleasant View

They purchased their first Goldwing, a GL1100, in 1998 and have been riding ever since. They now own a 1994 GL1500, after selling the GL1100 to their son.

They have enjoyed numerous trips to Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma. They have also have gone to several Wings Dings.

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CHAPTER P COUPLE OF THE YEAR

James and Carol Lamb



Jim and Carol have been members since 2005 and have had lots of great adventures and made many new friends. They hope to do more after they retire, since Jim's job with the FAA and Carol's as a scrub nurse with Oral Maxillofacial Assoc. keep getting in the way of having fun.

Jim rides a 2006 Goldwing and Carol has a 2003 Goldwing trike named Ducky. Since the kids are grown with careers of their own they now care for three barn cats, two dogs, two house cats and Carol's favorite, three llamas. Their names are: Benllama, Tonyllama and Fernando Llamas.

Sometimes it takes a lot of scheduling to get everyone cared for so we can leave for a few days. They have held positions as chapter educator, assistant district Educator and District Educator. We now look forward to Chapter Couple which will bring many new experiences.

CHAPTER Q COUPLE OF THE YEAR

Jim and Carol Owens



Jim is retired Air Force of 24 Years. Carol is retired from dry cleaning. Carol learned to ride on the island of Okinawa in 1972. They married Feb 14, 1976. They started riding two 1981 Silver wings and still have them. They have one daughter, two grandchildren, two great granddaughters and two great grandsons. They have traveled all over the western US and are now ready to see the eastern side. We bought our trike after Carol fell and broke both wrists. They really enjoy their trike. We hope to help make GWRRA a better organization and have some fun. We have already met some good friends and want to meet more.

Chapter Couple of the Year Articles

Hi, we are Daryl and Nita Regier, COY for Chapter H, Hutchinson. Although our chapter is relatively new we have done a lot in the last year. We've taken many dinner rides, bug runs, dinner rides, and toured the Sealy Mansion in Abilene and dinner rides. Last month our chapter educator conducted his first Medic First aid class, thanks to Marv Ayers.

Many met with Chapter F in Yoder for breakfast on Saturday morning then the some of the Lady Riders spent the afternoon at the Garden Show in Wichita, thanks to chapter A ladies. Our husbands, from Hutchinson, Moundridge, Newton and Wichita, then met us for supper in Wichita at Ciao's. We are planning a supper ride to Hoof and Horn in Sedgwick this weekend.

As for us personally, we had an addition to our family this week. Our daughter had a baby boy. Grandma and Grandpa had a week of little ones in the house again, found out

we're not so young anymore.

Greetings from Chapter A Couple of the Year

Not much going on this month. I guess if I had to injure my shoulder, this was the time to do it. I was afraid it was a torn rotator cuff, but it ended up being bicep tendonitis. Still painful, but easier treated. I should be able to ride to Marshall Texas in a few weeks. We are looking forward to the rally/convention, and hope to see you there.

Terri and Steve Bockhaus



Lady Riders

Where can adults go where playing in the dirt, squirting each other with the water hose and trying out the playground equipment is all encouraged? The lawn and garden show, of course!!! The lady riders did all of this and more. (though I'm not sure all the other attendees had as much fun as we did!)

Ann Gillett noticed some attendees carrying loaves of yummy looking fresh baked bread. She set out to find some for herself. She must have walked past that booth a half dozen times without finding the bread. Now Ann isn't usually directionally challenged, except when the booth across the aisle is giving away free sample of wine!!! It should be noted that every time we lost Georgeann, she could be found at the wine booth!!! I think we finally just sat a chair there for her!! I believe Nita was enjoying all the samples of dip mixes.

We started our day of festivities at the Carriage Crossing in Yoder, with Chapter F. We sang happy birthday to Lois Harrold,, and celebrated by helping her eat a cinnamon roll. (I've seen birthday cakes smaller than those cinnamon rolls!)

Everyone was concerned that we would be unable to have an official Lady Riders event, since it was rumored that a certain unnamed person from Chapter A was unable to attend. But have no fear, Bill from Chapter H was there to fill in. Watch out, ----, you just may lose your position!



Lady Riders Continued



After leaving the garden show, we went to Rod and Ann's to wait on the guys to meet up with us. The ladies agreed to go eat at Twin Peaks for the guys' viewing pleasure. However, we made the guys sneak a quick peek and leave when we discovered we would have to look at it for an hour and a half before we were seated. We went down the road to Ciaos, and enjoyed a hearty pasta supper.

We don't currently have any other events scheduled for the ladies, so if you have any suggestions of things you would enjoy doing, please contact me at tmbockhaus@gmail.com. Or 316-772-6606. Until next time, if you meet someone without a smile, give him one of yours. (riding season is coming up, so I'm guessing you won't be encountering too many of these people!)

Terri Bockhaus

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*Sign up: Wednesday-Friday, 9 a.m-6 p.m.,
GWRRA Information Booth*

Awards: Saturday, July 6, 10 a.m

- **OLDEST RIDER (MALE)**
- **OLDEST RIDER (FEMALE)**
- **YOUNGEST RIDER (MALE)**
- **YOUNGEST RIDER (FEMALE)**

CO-RIDER

- Oldest Co-Rider
- Youngest Co-Rider

SIDECAR PASSENGER

- Oldest Sidecar Passenger
- Youngest Sidecar Passenger

LONG DISTANCE RIDER

- Long Distance Rider (Male)
- Long Distance Rider (Female)
- Long Distance Two-up
(Rider & Co-Rider)

INTERNATIONAL LONG DISTANCE

- International Long Distance (Individual)
- International Long Distance (Couple)

LARGEST DISTRICT IN ATTENDANCE

- Largest District in Attendance, by Percentage, (determined by preregistration data)
- Largest District in Attendance, by Numbers, (determined by preregistration data)

ELIGIBILITY:

To be eligible for any Statistical Award each person must currently be an Individual Member, Family Member, Individual Associate Member, or Family Associate Member of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association. To be eligible, each Member must have traveled to the event by motorcycle (not necessarily a Gold Wing or Valkyrie).

To be considered for a Statistical Award, you must sign up at the GWRRA Information Booth in the Expo Center lower level. This can be done from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday through Saturday. Awards will be presented at 10 a.m. on Sunday, July 5, at the GWRRA Information Booth in the Expo Center lower level.

DEFINITIONS:

A **"Rider"** is the person controlling a two-wheeled motorcycle, trike conversion, or motorcycle with a sidecar.

A **"Co-Rider"** is the person sitting behind the "Rider" of a two-wheeled motorcycle, trike conversion, or motorcycle with a sidecar.

A **"Sidecar Passenger"** is a person riding in a sidecar that is attached to a motorcycle.

"Long Distance Rider" will be calculated using the most direct possible route from the rider's home to the Wing Ding site in Tulsa, Oklahoma. This will be checked using a computer program.

"International Long Distance" is for people who have traveled to the event, with or without a motorcycle, from another country. This will be calculated using the most direct possible route from the rider's home to the Wing Ding site in Tulsa, Oklahoma.