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The goal is to inform members and friends of activities available to them that are sponsored by the Chapter and Districts in Region 'H'.

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Bill & Sarah Watts District Directors



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From The Kansas District GWRRA Family To

The Region 'H' Team

From our GWRRA Family to yours, we extend to you our deep and sincere appreciation for the many years of "FUN' and "EDUCATIONAL" activities the REGION 'H' TEAM provided us.

We thank every one for the many hours, days and years the team, past and present, gave of your time in providing the Rallies so we could meet as a family and participate. And you were always available to assist the District Officers if help and advice was needed.

From those of us that were honored to be appointed District Officers by the Region Team to serve the Kansas District, we thank you for the honor and opportunity to serve the GWRRA family.

> THANK YOU SO MUCH!

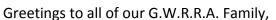
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A Message from your District Directors

Kansas Monthly Newsletter Region 'H'

Bill & Sarah Watts Grand Master Riders Bill #10040 Sarah #10039



Sarah and I hope each of you and your Families, had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday .We did and as we all know Christmas will be here before we know it.

We also hope that a lot of you have been able to get out and ride a little with some of these warmer than normal days that Mother Nature has given us for late November. As we wind down the month of November, we look back and remind ourselves that it was a FUN month as we had a Birthday/Anniversary or just a great get together for Kansas Chapter Q.

There was good food and Bingo with prizes and a lot of FUN and laughs. On November 18th we had a destination lunch gathering at the Prairie Nut Hut in Altoona, Kansas. More good food great company and more FUN and laughs and we had a total of 39 members make the trip and we are very happy to add we had Members from all of our Kansas Chapters attend. Trust me the wheels are turning on where the next destination lunch or dinner gathering is going to take place and please stay tuned for info on that.

Moving forward, we as a District have some important events coming up and they will be here before you know it. The first of which is Mid-Winter Rendezvous January 19-20 2018 in Park City, Kansas. We are encouraging all of you to get your registrations in as soon as possible and please don't forget to mark the question that asks if you would like Chicken or Beef for the Saturday evening meal. Please plan to come and have some FUN. We can't think of a better way to help shake some of the winter blues off and it always helps see friends and laugh.

I know by now most or all of you have heard about the Kansas Summit taking place on March $17^{\rm th}$

2018 in Hutchinson, Kansas this day is going to focused on Rider Ed and Information Seminars and Topics.Tjois will be a FUN and informative day so please mark your calendars for this day. And don't forget about our State Rally this year in Pittsburg, Kansas June 14th-16th 2018.

2018 is going to be a FUN Filled year with some new things happening and some great District Rides also and Rider Educations schedule is out and posted. Please look at it and if any of you are needing to or wanting to attend those classes we encourage you to sign up now. If you wait you may be late! And there is no better time than now to find those prospective new Members that are in search of others or an Organization that is focused on FRIENDS FUN SAFETY KNOWLEDGE and that would be G.W.R.R.A. , so let's all go get them and invite them to join the Family.

If by chance Sarah and I don't see each of you we wish each of you and yours a Very Merry Christmas and all of the best in the New Year to come!

Bill and Sarah Watts, Kansas District Directors,



KANSAS DISTRICT TEAM



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GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION KANSAS DISTRICT



Region 'H'



2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Chapter Christmas Parties See Next Page

2018 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 19-20:	Kansas Mid-Winter Rendezvous
March 17:	Kansas One Day Summit/Retreat
	(Includes Medic First Aid & Trike Classroom)
April 7:	Trike Course –R
April 12-14:	Louisiana Rally
April 22:	MSF BRC2
May 5:	Both Trailering Courses (TTRC-TC)
May 17-19:	Texas Rally, Brenham, TX
May 22:	Rain Day for above courses
May 31/June 2:	Missouri Rally, Branson MO
TBD	Arkansas Rally
June 8:	Dave & Dana Beranek Annual Cookout (KSA)
June 14-16:	Kansas Rally, Pittsburg Kansas
July 7:	Bubba's Annual Birthday Burger Bash (KSQ)
September 9:	Kansas State Fair Ride In
September 15-16:	Kansas District Ride to Pikes Peak and beyond
September 27-29:	Oklahoma Rally, Lawton OK
Aug 28/Sept 1:	Wing Ding Knoxville TN
October 5-6:	Kansas Campout, Santa Fe Trail, Council Grove
October 13:	Dale's Annual Weiner Cookout (KSH)

CHRISTNAS Chapter Christmas Parties

- KSA December 1, 6:00pm, Cheney Bowl
- KSF December 2, 12:00pm, 133 S. Washington Cassoday Senior Center. Gender Gift and covered dish
- KSP December 2. Having theirs with KSF
- KSC December 3, 5:00pm Lyndon Community Center. Gender Gift and covered dish
- KSQ December 7, 7:00pm during Chapter Gathering.

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- KSB December 10, Saddle & Sirloin Club, 6pm, K.C. MO.
- KSH December 17, 1:00pm Delos Smith Senior Center, Hutchin son. Gender Gift and covered dish

Kansas Couple of The Year 2017



Bill and Sheila Tucker

KS–Q

Kansas Chapter Couples 2017

CHAPTER 'A'



Tim & Cindy Howard

CHAPTER 'B'

Dave & Paula Aikens

CHAPTER 'C'



Al & Sandy Davis

CHAPTER 'F'



Jack & Doris Schoeck

CHAPTER 'H'



Mark & Linda Classen

CHAPTER 'Q'







Duane & Vicki Kalous

CHAPTER 'P'



Dennis & Kathy Chesnut

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RIDER EDUCATION BULLETIN BOARD





Asst District Educators Rick & Carolyn Stevens 316-213-4630 Senior Master IV #8249 Senior Master IV #8248



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The Team

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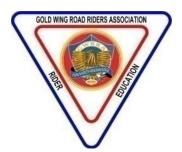
Bill Tucker Jack & Doris Schoeck Steve & Terri Bockhaus

RIDER COACHES Bill Tucker Rick Stevens Bob Brown

SEMINAR PRESENTERS

Bill Tucker Rick Stevens Carolyn Stevens Bob Brown Doris Schoeck

RANGE AIDES Carolyn Stevens Rick Kistler



Season's Greetings,

As we move into New Year, we, as educators should pause and take a look at what was accomplished in 2017 and how we can improve our educational training in 2018.

We first must deal with a MAJOR change in the Rider Education Program. Beginning in January 2018, the chapters will no longer have a Chapter Educator. During the restructuring process it was decided that the Chapter Educator position will be deleted and Chapter Ride Coordinator takes its place. Yes, the duties of Chapter Ride Coordinator will change drastically for the better.

What hasn't changed is my annual 'FREE' luncheon for the former CE's, now the new CRC's (Chapter Ride Coordinators) and their spouses at Mid-Winter Rendezvous. I'm hoping more 'Job Description' information will be available. If so will be presented at that meeting by my ADE and me.

One more bit of information. National has created a NEW position at the District level named "District Ride Coordinator". It IS an officer position. Our District Directors Bill & Sarah Watts and I have appointed Bob & Barb Brown to that position. Not only will he be coordinating District ride events, he is the contact at the District level for the Chapter Ride Coordinators.

Here are a few training opportunities for everyone. KSH is working on sponsoring a Medic First Aid Course (MFA) January 27. Contact Dale Tritsch if you would like to attend this course.

If you cannot make that MFA course, a second opportunity presents itself at the Kansas Summit, scheduled for March 17, 2018. We plan on starting MFA at 8am Saturday morning.

There are additional opportunities to participate in the educational seminars and modules. Rider Ed will be presenting four seminars and Leadership Training will present four modules. In addition to the four seminars and MFA, Rider Ed is having the Trike <u>classroom</u> portion of the Trike course in the afternoon. If you have never taken the classroom portion this is your opportunity to do so, and then enroll in our Trike Course (TRC-R), short version April 7, 2018.

Below is the rest of our 2018 scheduled Riding courses.

April 22: BRC2. This is a two wheel advanced MSF (Motorcycle Safety Foundation)

May 5: TC &TTRC. This is the Trailering course for two wheels and Trikes ENROLLMENT IS OPEN FOR ALL SESSIONS

Enroll at wtucker1@cox.net

HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE Bíll & Sheíla



Notes from Your District Trainer Mark Classen



Kansas GWRRA Members,

Happy Holidays! Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukah! I hope that I that I got everybody with my salutation. I really get excited about this season. Linda and I get really busy with our church and with our family. We just got back from our family in Tulsa and had a great time.

The holidays make me stop and consider what has happened during the last year. Where have we gone and where are we going. Have you grown in your personal life? With your family, have you taken the time to enjoy them and to make sure they are safe and provided for?

`GWRRA is a family that does just that. With their emphasis on friends, fun, safety and knowledge that is what they want you to do. Grow where you are! At the district level that is what we all are about. We want this coming year to be fun and safe and give you the opportunity for knowledge. Plan now for the Kansas Summit in March!

The seminars that we are setting up are awesome! We will be offering levels classes like Medic First Aid, the Trike classroom, Co-Rider, Team Riding and more. We also will be offering leadership and life classes like, Who's afraid of the Dark, Do you have a Minute, Cha, Cha, Cha Change and more. We the leadership and training team in Kansas are so looking forward to this coming year!

One last thing. If anyone else wants to become an ITCP Instructor, we can use you. In order to get another ITCP Instructor course scheduled close to Kansas, you will need to go on the University site and watch some introduction videos. You go to gwrra.org – Programs – GWRRA University – Go to the Interim University Website – ITCP Training – watch the ITCP videos.

Then go to the ITCP Inquiry form and fill that out. You will be registered for the next available certification seminar. Any questions please feel free to contact me.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Have a great holiday season.

Mark and Linda Classen Kansas Leadership Trainer, next month the new District University Coordinator (DUC) 2

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Kansas Chapters, Chapter Directors and Meeting Time & Place

You are welcome to attend any Chapter meeting and introduce yourself. You will be welcome

Call the Chapter Director if you need more information about a Chapter activity. If you are interested in organizing a Chapter in your area, please contact BILL & SARAH WATTS, District Directors at 620-728-8347

Chapter Meeting Information

<u>Chapter 'A'</u> Joe & Debbie Gattenby, CD 316-644-3066 Second Thursday, 7:00p.m. <u>Country Café</u> 2904 S Seneca, Wichita joegattenby@yahoo.com

<u>Chapter 'B'</u> Joe & Pam Magnant CD 913-660-5176 3rd Thursday, 7:00pm JTs Grill 33255 Lexington Ave, DeSoto Joe.magnant51@gmail.com

<u>Chapter 'C'</u> Don & Brenda Williams, CD 785-341-4211 3rd Tuesday, 7:00pm Perkins Restaurant 1720 SW Wanamaker Rd, Topeka Dwilliams44@cox.net

<u>Chapter "F'</u> Everett & Carol Chastain, CD 620-374-7917 4th Tuesday, 7:00pm Oil Hill Elementary School 2700 W 6th, El Dorado Brown Bag– Desserts provided ectrike@me.com <u>Chapter 'H'</u> Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch CD 620-921-5941 4th Thursday 7:00pm <u>Gambino'sPizza</u> 310 S Main, South Hutchinson dalet@cox.net

<u>Chapter 'P'</u> David McDonald CD 316-213-5712 2nd Friday, 7:00pm Derby Church of Christ 225 N Derby St, Derby Brown Bag– Desserts Provided DennyChesnut@FlightSafety.com

<u>Chapter 'Q'</u> Jack & Teresa, Sr CD 316-651-7423 1st Thursday, 7:00pm <u>Sirloin Stockade, Ark City</u> Actionjackson@wheatstate.com



December 2017



GWRRA REGION H

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Hello everyone.

Well it's December and that means that 2017 is almost over...boy did this year go by fast. So let's talk a little bit about what happened in November.

On the 4th Chapter Q had their chapter's birthday party (not sure how old) where we all enjoyed a bowl of the great chili that Sheila Tucker made then enjoyed several games of bingo. I think it's safe to say that everyone in attendance had a great time.

On the 9th was our Chapter meeting and we had a great group of people there where we talked about the rides we went on then Bob Brown gave us a great lesson about how to prepare our bikes for the winter...normally I try to talk a little bit about what he taught us but I left the lesson sitting on the table when I went home so I will try to do my best (after doing a little research on google)

1) Surface Prep

Wash your bike and dry it completely to get all the moisture off the surfaces (an electric leaf blower is a great way to get all the nooks and crannies really dry.) Add a coat of wax, which will act as a barrier against moisture and rust. Finally, spray exposed metal surface with WD-40 to displace all moisture (fun fact: the WD in "WD-40" stands for water displacement) and to give them a protective coating against corrosion.

2) Change Oil and Filter

Change your oil and filter. It's better for your lubrication system to have fresh oil sitting in it for several months than to have used, broken down oil in it, Using a winter weight oil like 5W30 can help it start up easier come spring time as well. keep moisture from building up on them and causing any rusting or binding. Any part of your motorcycle that needs to be lubed at any point should be lubed again before storage. Some parts to check are: chain drive, cables, controls, fork surfaces, and any other pivot points.

4) Prep Fuel System

Gas tanks have a tendency to rust when not in use, and untreated pump gas breaks down and becomes gummy over time. To prevent rusting and make sure your fuel is ready to run after a few months in storage, you'll want to fill your tank completely with fuel treated with a product like Sta-Bil Fuel Stabilizer.

5) Safeguard Battery

Batteries have a tendency to self-discharge when sitting over time, especially when they remain hooked up to the bike. The easiest way to combat this is to hook up a battery tender like the Battery Tender Super Smart Junior which uses smart technology to monitor the charge and keep the battery topped off without overcharging.

6) Protect Tires

If your tires are left to sit in the same position all winter long, they could develop flat spots. Keeping the tires off of the ground will prevent this, so if you have Motorcycle Stands, put the bike up on them for storage. If you don't have stands, try to get at least the rear tire off the ground, or you can rotate your tires by rolling your motorcycle slightly every few weeks. If you need to leave your tires down on concrete, put a piece of carpet or plywood under them to keep any moisture from seeping into them.

Keeping moving parts lubed during the winter will help

7) Check Coolant/Anti-freeze

If you'll be storing your bike somewhere that gets below freezing, make sure you have adequate levels of antifreeze in your coolant system. This is very important; if you run straight water in your coolant system and it freezes, you could come back to a cracked head in the spring!

8) Plug Out Pests

Mice and other rodents are notorious for hiding from the cold inside exhaust pipes and making homes out of air filters. If order to avoid any furry surprises when it's time to ride again, plug up your pipes with an exhaust plug like the BikeMaster Rubber Muffler Plug. You can also simply stuff your air intake and the ends of your exhaust with some plastic bags - but do use bright colored bags or tie something to them so you don't forget take them out when you fire up the bike!

9) Keep it Covered

With your motorcycle fully prepped for winter, invest in a proper motorcycle cover. A quality motorcycle cover will not only keep dust off the bike, but will keep the moisture out so it doesn't get trapped underneath it, and create corrosion or rust. If you're storing it outside, be sure to get a cover with tie downs to prevent it from blowing loose in wind. If you're storing it inside you're in much better shape, but you should still use a cover to prevent dust from building up on it.

10) Theft Protection

If you're storing your bike outside, bear in mind that being parked unattended for months at a time makes it an easy target for theft. In addition to protecting your bike from weather, using a cover will conceal it from view, and securing it with a heavy lock and chain can give you some peace of mind. If you'll be storing your bike anywhere it can be accessed by others, consider investing in some security measures.

On the 17th our Chapter had a get together at Taco Fajitas...if you ever wanted to see what happens to a very small restaurant when 20 (or more) Goldwingers show up to eat you should have been there this evening. Did some of us make a mistake by leaving early and missing out... maybe?

















The very next day on the 18th was another get together. This one was in Altoona Kansas @ the Prairie Nut Hut. This was another of those small restaurants where there were so many of us there that we ended up eating is shifts just so everyone who wanted to could sample just how tasty a Prairie Nut could be. (A couple of people even brought their own dipping sauce). I believe I saw someone from each of the chapters at this event.

The 23rd was Thanksgiving and I hope everyone enjoyed the day however they got to spend it.

The 24th the weather was beautiful and I hope that a lot of you were like Larry and I and took the advantage of the fact that it was 76 degrees. We got out and put 100 miles on our bikes... (Great way to avoid all the Black Friday shoppers).

Last but not least was on the 25th where Chapter P's get together for breakfast @ Sugar Shane's in Augusts. Not a whole lot of people there but for the few of is that did show up it was a great time to visit with each other

1st is our Chapter's Christmas party at the Cheney Bowl-

ing alley @ 6:00pm.

7th is the 11th annual Bockhaus Chili Feed along with the Newton Christmas Parade of Lights. Location is the Bockhaus residence, 625 N Broadway Newton, Ks 67114. Arrive any time after 5:00 p.m. They furnish the Chili, coffee & water. You bring anything else you would like to have with the chili. The parade starts at 6:30 p.m. Show lights or battery powered Christmas lights are required on all entries. GWRRA is considered one entry

9th is Dana Beranek's birthday

14th is our monthly chapter meeting @ the Country Café on South Seneca. Meeting starts @ 7:00 but come early for a meal and visits with the other members.

21st is Bob Vickers birthday

25th is Christmas

And it's Bob Brown's birthday

Don't forget that Kansas's Midwinter Rendezvous is January 19th & 20th at the Best Western in Park City. If you haven't already don't forget to get registered

That's all for now so until then...ride safe

Mary Mazur, Chapter A Newsletter editor



Please remember if you would like information about a ride or event you've done or going to do please send me some information and/or pictures and I will be glad to add it here. You may e-mail me @ <u>scary-</u> <u>mary1210@sbcglobal.net</u>

Here's what to expect for December...

Chapter B – DeSoto					
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Everybody loves a parade! November 11, Veterans Day, dawned cold in northeast Kansas. But that didn't stop Chapter B members from jumping on their bikes and heading to Ottawa to ride in the Veterans Day parade. Ten members enjoyed breakfast at the Old 56 Diner and then bundled back up to prepare to ride in the parade. We compared candy to see who would make the children along the parade route the happiest while the cold north winds blew and we waited our turn to join in the fun.

Even with the cold temperatures, the streets were lined with people as we rode through downtown with flags waving and people cheering. We were glad to honor and celebrate all the men and women who have served or are serving in the armed forces of the United States of America. Two Chapter B members chose to ride in the Veterans Day parade in Leavenworth. Since both parades that Chapter B usually participates in fell on the same day this year, a choice had to be made. We were happy to have members in both parades saluting our veterans.

Questions about Veterans Day and the military were part of the trivia fun at the November monthly Chapter B meeting. Armistice Day, as it was originally known, was first celebrated to honor those who had fought and died in World War I. In 1945, World War II veteran, Raymond Weeks thought all veterans should be honored and proposed the change. U.S. Representative Ed Rees from Emporia, Kansas later presented a bill in Congress and President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the bill into law in 1954, eight and one-half years after Weeks held the first Armistice Day celebration for all veterans. Congress amended the bill a week after it was signed and replaced "Armistice" with "Veterans" and Veterans Day has been celebrated since. Plans for the chapter Christmas party and couple of the year basket were also discussed.

Chapter B events for December:

December 10 – Christmas Party, Saddle & Sirloin Club

December 21 - Chapter Meeting

Merry Christmas, Paula Aiken



Chapter C - Topeka

Chapter Director Don & Brenda Williams 785-341-4211 Asst Chapter Director John & Teresa Gull 785-266-6735 **Treasurer** Sandy Davis 785-691-7000 Chapter Editor Don Williams 785-341-4211 **Chapter Couple** Al & Sandy Davis

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Chapter Educator Bill Hanson 620-342-4388 Chapter MEC Open

We started the month off with our annual planning meeting at the home of John & Teresa Gull with 12 people in attendance.

With Sandy Davis bringing the chili, Suzie Drake the cinnamon rolls and Ken Felch the cookies they got the important stuff taken care of leaving the easy stuff to the other members to bring, however the important dishes for the meeting kept up the tradition.

After being tossed out of the kitchen/dining room by the ladies (who claimed we were in the way!?) the men finally got ordered back so we could get our food or as I should say what was left of the food after it had been picked over by about half dozen women.

Upon finishing our lunch we got down to the secondary item for the get together and that was determining our schedule for the year. That wasn't quite as productive as normal partially because not all members could make it so we have a couple of dates for rides still open. Hopefully that will be corrected when we get together this month. After completing the calendar for the year we killed a little time and then got out of John & Teresa's hair.

For what seems to be the norm for us this year had our supper ride on the 7th with Bill & Marga-

ret Hanson "leading" us (with only one 180), in our cars to Guy & Mae's in Williamsburg for ribs. Upon arrival we linked up with Jamie & Gayle Conway who promptly informed us that the place was closed because Tuesday was Election Day so the place was closed because it also is a bar. Who would have thunked it but I guess things haven't changed. Anyway we decided that since Poncho's was only 10 miles away we would go there. Being the intelligent folks we are we decided calling first would be the prudent course of action. Good thing because they were closed too. The backup to our backup was Green Acres in Vassar since it was more or less on the route home for 8 of us. After a successful phone call we headed back toward Topeka for what turned out to be a good HOT meal. The specials that night were the Mexican buffet and chicken dinner. Brenda was the only one that had to be different and have something off the menu. Jamie & Gayle had the buffet and the rest of us had the chicken. Everybody said the food was good and other than Jamie & Gayle's the food was hot. It seemed like everything must have come from the heat source to the table at high speed. Did I say it was HOT?

On the 11th, 9 of us met up at Dillion's in North Topeka and being led by Rick Thompson we headed toward Leavenworth to ride in their annual Veterans Day Parade. Neither the forecast or actual weather looked very favorable, however that didn't stop us. We all just plugged in our heated gear and took off. That is we took off after jumping Rick's trike. NOTE: Gerbings pulls a lot of power when just sitting without the engine running. I'm not saying she ran the battery down because Rick said it is pretty old, but after sitting for about half an hour Rita was toasty warm and the bike wouldn't start. After getting Rick running it was very uneventful for the rest of the trip. As is typical for the parade in Leavenworth it started exactly on time and moved right along. There was a big crowd braving the cooler weather and to the relief of everybody riding we were ahead of the horses.

After the parade we rode to the Depot for lunch which ended up being different to say the least. Brenda was one of the last to walk in and the hostess asked if she was Brenda and if it was her birthday. She said yes to both and was told she was in for it. The first thing they did was bring in some apple spice cake that looked like donut holes with a candle in one. The wait staff sang happy birthday to her then left. After that I think just about every employee stopped by and wished her a happy birthday. The last two showed up at the door and told Brenda that they had been **told** to come in and wish her a happy birthday. Everybody got a kick out of that one since the two girls didn't act like they thought much of wishing anyone, not giving them a tip, a happy anything.

After ordering and waiting for our food we started looking around since we were in the back room separated from the rest of the world (that happens to Chapter C more often than not. Not sure who has the message tattooed on their forehead. Anyway I digress. Somebody pointed out that according to the signs on the door we were either in the Office or Men's toilet or maybe it was all the same just not sure. The food arrived and nobody complained about the quality. Rita did put her foot down after our waiter patiently explained that she would like their brussel sprouts and she said that might be true but she still wanted the mac & cheese.

After finishing lunch we headed back toward home, of course it started to mist and continued all the way back to our destinations with Brenda and I having the farthest to ride. John & Teresa and Rick and Rita were kind enough to offer to let us dry-out and warm up at either of their homes and John also offered that we take their car home from Topeka, but we decided to ride back. The Goldwing came thru like a champ and we arrived in Manhattan with just some dampness on our legs which was great considering we didn't have any rain gear on.

The chapter had 6 people venture to the Prairie Nut Hut in Altoona on the 18th for the District "get together" for any better term for it. There were somewhere in the neighborhood of 40 people crammed into a space that looks like it could comfortably hold ½ that, however judging from the noise and the food that was consumed it appears most if not everybody enjoyed themselves.

Their "signature" menu item is Rocky Mountain oysters and from what I saw there were many consumed by several people.

Brenda and I took a small order home with us and had them the next day. I had eaten them once before many years ago but forgot what they tasted like. They aren't bad in my opinion, however not my favorite item to eat. Now the frog legs that I had while there rank right up near the top of my food list. The day was planned to make it a ride to Altoona, however when we got out of bed Saturday morning the wind was howling. I'm guessing the gusts were in the 30 MPH or higher range and the temperature around 40 degrees so not my idea of great weather to be riding in. It was decided the six of us would drive so being the thrifty folks that we are, we linked up with John & Teresa in Topeka then picked up Bill & Margaret in Beto Junction and it worked out well as the parking lot was almost completely full when we got there.

We held our final meeting for the year on the 21st with 15 people in attendance. Bill started things off by attempting to explain what his position is evolving to at the first of the year. It's still a bit vague, but I guess National will figure itout eventually. From the perspective of the chapter Bill will continue as he is and we will roll with the flow since what we have in effect is working.

We finalized what is needed for the Christmas Party, however neglected to discuss the New Year's Day ride to Red Robin. Since I messed that up I'll put the word out again right here. We will meet at Red Robin in Topeka at noon on January 1st, 2018 riding if weather will permit and plan on having a noisy time with large servings. We normally end up with around 20 people so I'm hoping for more this year because the more the merrier.

All the available information for all the different Chapter Christmas parties was discussed along with the Bockhaus Chili Feed in Newton. In addition I relayed that Ron & Marjie Crawford (former chapter directors) would like to hold a BBQ for the chapter sometime in the coming year. Ron has been advised to check the calendar after the first of the year and pick a non-conflicting date. More information will be provided when available.

Mid-winter was briefly discussed and then we held the 50/50 drawing with Bill & Margaret winning the larger one and Brenda and I finally winning, I think this was our first one this year or maybe even for 2 years. I think somebody has been hiding our tickets in the past since our number normally isn't within 1000 of the winning one and we never have that many people there.

With the 50/50 over we packed it up and headed home until next year.

Birthday 27th Rita Thompson

Anniversary 7th Ken & Arlene Felch

Don & Brenda Williams CD/Newsletter Editors

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Chapter F - El Dorado

Chapter Director Everett & Carol Chastain

Chapter Editor Doris Schoeck Asst Chapter Director Open

> Chapter MEC Rick Kistler

Chapter Educator Jack Schoeck Chapter Couple Jack & Doris Schoeck

Chapter Scrapbook Rick & Brenda Kistler

GREETINGS from Chapter F!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!! Everyone from Chapter F wishes all of you across the State a very Merry Christmas. We hope you all may have blessed times with your families and friends, and be sure to remember the Reason for the Season!!

We held our monthly gathering on Tuesday, November 28,, 2017. We had 12 members and 9 visitors for our meeting. We thank everyone who visited and we were glad to see all of you!

Brenda Kistler had us play a game of Categories. We had 2 teams of 4 each and when a person could no longer give an answer they were automatically out. The last standing person was Jack Kistler who won the prize.

Everett announced that David McDonald and Teresa, from Chapter P would be getting married at Douglas Kansas Senior Center on December 10, 2017 and all the GWRRA family is invited. The wedding will take place at 2:00 pm.

Everett presented Jack and Doris Scheck with new Rockers for the back of their vests. The new Rockers read" Chapter Ride Coordinator, as the Chapter Educator position will be ending on December, 2017. Jack Schoeck, Chapter Educator, gave a talk on getting your bike ready for winter. He mentioned different items to check. Among them was to check the carburetor and to put Stable in the fuel tank. If you are going to put your bike away for the winter, be sure and fill the gas tank to prevent damage to the tank. Remember also to use a Battery Tender to keep the battery charged up through the winter. Check the tires and clean the bike before putting it away.

The 50/50 was won by Everett Chastain and Gene Shannon. Congratulations to them both!!

There will be no Supper Ride for December as we will have our Christmas Party on Saturday, December 2, 2017. We will eat at 12:00 noon. Chapter P will be hosts along with us this year and all of you are invited. The meat and drinks will be provided by the Chapters and everyone else is to bring a covered dish of food to share. This will be a FUN time and we are excited to share our FUN!! If you want you can bring a man's and woman's gifts to share in the gift exchange. A suggested amount to spend on each gift is \$10.00.

Until next time, remember to ride often and ride safe!

Submitted By, Doris Schoeck, Chapter Newsletter Editor





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The next Chapter gathering will be held on

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18, 2017

at GAMBINO'S PIZZA 310 S. Main Street South Hutchinson, Kansas

COME JOIN US!

6:00 PM for the feeding frenzy before we settle down to business at 7:00 PM!

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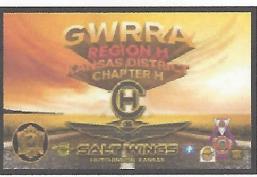
CHAPTER INDIVIDUAL OF THE YEAR Carolyn Colahan

> RIDE COORDINATORS Bill & Sarah Watts

KANSAS DISTRICT DIRECTORS Bill & Sarah Watts











What a great month October was and now we are looking forward to a great November and December. Many of our members joined in the various activities going on recently and 1 think we can all agree, we had a lot of fun!

We want to remind everyone to please bring items for the Mid-Winter COY basket to our Christmas Party in December. I know this is a busy time of year, so If you are unable to attend the Christmas Party, please bring items to our gathering Saturday. We also need about 10 items for participation gifts at Mid-Winter. If you haven't yet registered, DO IT! There's going to be a lot of fun and camaraderie and it helps us get through this chilly winter time. I'm even making it easy for you by attaching the registration to our newsletter! Fill 'er out and get 'er done!

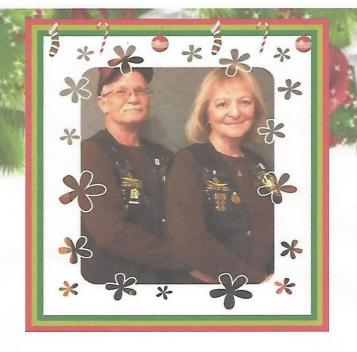
We also wish to extend our very heartfelt condolences to member, Mike Koehn, and his family who recently lost his mother. We're all here for you, Mike, if there is anything you need us to do, even if it's just to lend an ear or give out hugs.

We are going to The Prairie Nut Hut in Altoona this Saturday and will be back in time for the gathering at Gambino's. You're all welcome to join us and we hope you do!

Due to problems with the last update to my iPhone, I have lost most of my contacts. If you would please email your cell & home number to me at <u>dalet@cox.net</u>, I would sure appreciate it.

During the holiday season we wish everyone good health and happiness. Enjoy your time spent with family, both personal and GWRRA.

> Be Safe and Have Fun – it is very contagious. Dale & Georgeanna KS-H Chapter Directors



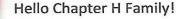
Hello to all of you Friendly, Fun, Fabulous Members!

Another month gone and only one left to go before we wrap up this year. It's getting a little too cool for us to do much riding so we have occupied our time with other activities like going to the American Legion in Great Bend to honor my brother Bob with a Quilt of Valor for services in the Army during Vietnam Era. There was a great turn out with family and friends showing up.

Along with eleven other friendly, fun, fabulous members, we also attended Chapter Q's chili/bingo at Mulvane and had a great time with their friendly, fun, fabulous members.

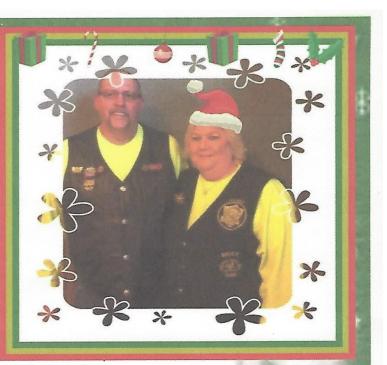
That's what it is all about folks. If you're friendly and having FUN the fabulous part just come naturally.

Your Assistant Chapter Directors, Don & Carma Gray



We would again like to offer our deepest condolences to Mike and Kalin Koehn on the passing of Mike's mother. You know your GWRRA family is here for you always.

You may have noticed we had new members at the last.meeting, the



O'briens. Don't be strangers (or at least don't be stranger than normal)! Introduce yourselves and let them know how glad we are to have them join our merry motorcycling group!

We recently made a trip to Pittsburg, Kansas to check out the venue for the District Rally scheduled for June 14-16, 2018. I am pleased to report it is a beautiful setting and we should all really enjoy the new location.

We are planning on making the lunch ride to Altoona, Kansas on November 18, and then hurrying back in time for our Chapter gathering that evening.

Now is the time of year when Toy Runs are being held and we hope to attend, at least, a couple of them. It is such a great feeling to come together with other riders in an effort to help make the holiday season just a little more special for children in need.

We look forward to spending time with all of you in the upcoming season, and if you are fortunate enough to get a chance to ride your ride (or crazy enough to brave the cold), please be safe and stay warm!

> Your Chapter MEC's, Donna and Kit Sand



Happy Thanksgiving Chapter H Family!

As we enter into this holiday season, Linda and I want to thank Chapter H for the wonderful opportunity you presented us with when you named us Couple of the Year. Thank you just doesn't seem enough to express how we feel about this special honor. We have traveled all over Kansas, even over several states, and have enjoyed every moment. It is in the spirit of the season that we are saying THANKS for the memories.

Linda was doing her grandma/great grandma thing for about a week in Tulsa this month, so I went to the KS-Q birthday party in Mulvane, alone. I ate too much but had a blast! I bought extra bingo cards but did not get one single Bingo. Not even close! I did have a great time though.

We also attended KS-P's Chapter gathering this month and really enjoyed the evening! David has a great group of members and it is always fun to enjoy their fellowship.

Please take time this Thanksgiving season to thank the people who you love, and make your life worth living. We have so much to be thankful for and it is too easy to take for granted all of our blessings! Thank you all for blessing us!

Mark and Linda Classen Chapter Couple of the Year (COY)



NOVEMBER

- 24 Chris & Regina Marcotte
- 26 Terry & Judy Mann

DECEMBER

- 23 Don & Carma Gray
- 28 Bruce & Pat Malecki
- 28 Don & Jan Schroeder
- 28 Chuck & Kathy Schmidt







- 18 Janice Scheurer
- 22 Noel Pollard
- 25 Bruce Malecki
- 30 Charlie Breitenbach

DECEMBER

- 2 Carma Gray
- 5 Randy Flickinger
- 5 Brad Thompson
- 7 Nita Regier
- 8 Jim Shaw
- 16 Jan Regehr
- 23 Norm Frederick
- 30 Donna Sand



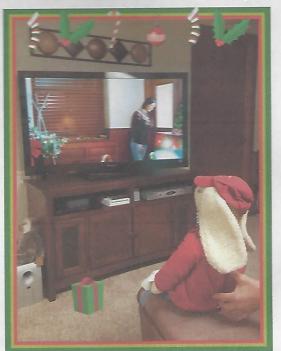




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Thank you to Chris and Regina Marcotte for entertaining me this month!

We enjoyed holiday movies on the Hallmark channel to get us in a festive mood and then I went to work with Regina at Eaglecrest, grabbed me a Dr. Pepper and joined a fun group of ladies for some cookies and storytelling!



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Meeting Night 2nd Friday every month. Brown Bag at 6:30pm Derby Church of Christ in Fellowship Hall, south end of building, 225 N. Derby St Derby Kansas

Chapter P Meeting Change

Effective January Chapter P meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month There will be no meeting in December due to Christmas parties the next meeting will be January 9 2018.

Christmas Party We will be having a combined Christmas party with Chapter F on December 2nd



Yes were doing it...... on December 10 2017 at 2:00 pm Douglass Senior Center 124 West 4th. Jean attire or come as you are all our GWRRA family are invited hope to see all of you there.

December Birthdays- None December Anniversaries- None

Everyone have a safe month!

Theresa Perkins Chapter P Newsletter Editor





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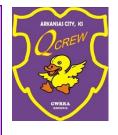
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Chapter Educator Duane Kalous

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Duane & Vicki Kalous



Ks. Q December 2017 Newsletter

Sheila Tucker

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We hope that all of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends. Hopefully some of you got an opportunity to ride over the holiday as well. We finally got out on the Sunday after and had a great ride.

Our Chili/Bingo Night was a great success Thanks to everyone that was able to attend. We had an attendance of 59 people and managed to feed everyone before we ran out of food. You know it's a good night when you get everyone one fed and there are no leftovers!

A special Thanks to Bill & Sheila Tucker and Duane & Vickie Kalous for preparing all the food, we couldn't have done it without them.

The following Saturday was the Cowley County Toy Run, it was a little damp, but the turn out was still really good. We had 6 members of Chapter "Q" that were able to attend. We continued our busy Saturday days the next week, with the District ride to the Prairie Nut Hut in Altoona. For those of you that couldn't attend this time you really need to mark you calendar the next time a ride is planned to Altoona. The food was great, along with the time spent with friends. The only problem was that we had to take the car instead of the motorcycle, but hopefully next time.



December Birthdays: Jack Kistler 7th (The Big 60!)



Anniversaries: Tom & Karen Sweet on the 23rd Bill & Sheila Tucker on the 27th

We want to wish all of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!! May your holidays be filled with the love of family and friends.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

JACK & TERESA KISTLER

Pictures at Chili Feed next page















































































Míd-Wínter Rendezvous January 19-20, 2018

Theme "Wing Out The Old"" Wing In The New"

AT 915 E 53rd St North Wichita, KS 1-866-503-5700

Here is a glimps of the Rendezvous 2018 activites. Some Old, Some New, All Fun Banquet-Medallion Hunt District Theme Table COY Baskets - District Couple Selection



Black Jack - Bingo - Farkle Dessert Dance Yum! Yum! Crafts - Free Popcorn Swap Meet - Fifty/Fifty



Games: Three Headliners- 'A Minute to Win It', 'Table Scravenger Hunt' and 'The Baseball Game' Many more games available on the tables



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'Couple of the Year Selection' 'Musical Dessert Dance' 'Crafts' 'Farkle' 'Baseball Game' '50/50 Drawings' 'Medallion Hunt' 'Puzzles' 'Banquet' 'Black Jack' 'Bingo' "Table Games' 'Free Popcorn' 'Swap Meet'

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'WING OUT THE OLD'





XXVIII JANUARY 19-20, 2018

TIME	FRIDAY 19th	LOCATION	CONTACT
5pm-8pm	Registration - Volunteers please contact Judy	So. Atrium	Judy Eggleston
6pm-9pm	Table Games Popcorn- Drinks- Visitation-Puzzles	So. Atrium	Kathy & Sheila
6pm-9pm	Couple of the Year Basket check in	So. Atrium	Rick & Brenda Kistler
6pm-9pm	Mascot, Scrapbook check in and hang banners	So. Atrium	Mark Classen
NOTE:	Tables for the Scrap Books, COY baskets & Mascots are		
	located against the west wall of the Atrium.		
6pm-9pm	Popcorn 'Free' by John	So. Atrium	John Glaves
7pm-8pm	Blackjack by Jack	So. Atrium	Jack Kistler
7pm-8pm	Bingo by Karen	Regency II	Karen Glaves
8pm-9pm	Table Scavenger Hunt (Prize for Winners)	So. Atrium	Sheila Tucker-Kathy Chesnut
	SATURDAY 20th		
7:00am-8:30am	Couple of the Year Meet/Greet/Eat with Judges	Regency IV	Rick & Brenda Kistler
8am-11am	Registration - Volunteers contact Judy Eggleston	So.Atrium	Judy Eggleston
9am-4pm 8:30am-9:00am`	Popcorn 'Free' by John Opening Ceremonies	So.Atrium So.Atrium	John Glaves Bill & Sarah Watts
9am- ?	Medallion Hunt- Clues every hour until found	30.Adram	Jeff Whithorn
9:00am - 10:00am	District Couple of the Year Selection - New Couple	So.Atrium	Rick & Brenda Kistler
5.00am - 10.00am	will be announced immediately after selection process.	50.74Hum	Nex & Dicha Notici
10:15am-11:45am	'A Minute To Win It' by Sheila & Kathy	So.Atrium	Sheila Tucker & Kathy Chesnut
10:15-11am	Picture with Snowman at southeast wall of Atrium	So.Atrium	Dave Beranek
10.15-11dill	Pictures used to seat you at banquet.	50.Athum	Bill & Sheila
11:45am-12:45pm 12pm-1pm	Chapter Ride Coordinators Luncheon & Discussion Session	Regency IV	Rider Ed Team
1pm-5:30pm	Games and other activities all afternoon	See Below	
1pm-3:30pm	Swap Meet south end of Atrium by David	So. Atrium	David McDonald
1pm-2pm	Crafts by Michelle Grooms & Debbie Gattenby	Regency IV	Michelle and Debbie
1pm-2pm	Black Jack by Jack	So. Atrium	Jack Kistler
1pm-2pm	Bingo by Karen	Regency II	Karen Glaves
1:45pm-1:55pm	Place Desserts on table on stage for 2pm dessert dance	So. Atrium	
2pm-3pm	Dessert' Dance' Only one Dance this year by Bill & Sheila	So. Atrium	Bill & Sheila Tucker
3pm-4pm	Chapter Directors & Treasurer's	Regency IV	Judy Eggleston
	Turn in required reports to Judy Eggleston		
3pm-4:15pm	The Baseball Game' by Sheila	So. Atrium	Sheila Tucker
4:30-5:30pm	Farkle by Phyllis	Regency II	Phyllis VanBuskirk
4:30pm	CLEAR SOUTH ATRIUM FOR BANQUET SET UP BY HOTEL STAFF		
6pm-	DINNER & CLOSING of a FUN DAY OF ACTIVITIES	So. Atrium	Bill & Sarah Watts
	(Seating by Pictures-Special seating for Chapter Couples) PLEASE do NOT move pictures -Thanks		
During closing	Play off in Black Jack - If needed by Jack	So. Atrium	Jack Kistler

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The District Team thanks all for attending and participating at Mid-Winter #28

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GWRRA of Kansas has a new author. Terri Bockhaus is pleased to announce the publication of her book titled, "It's all about the Journey". The journey referred to in the book describes her personal journey with GWRRA. She describes her mishaps as she progresses from being a corider to a rider, then joining the Kansas Twisters Motorcycle Drill team. The book tells of many of the funny (and sometimes scary) things that have happened on some of their trips, and embraces the GWRRA motto of "Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge". You may have read the article about her in the November 2016 issue of Wing World Magazine.

Terri and her husband Steve joined GWRRA in 2004, and have held several positions in the association, including: Senior Chapter Directors, MFA instructor/trainers, National Director of the Year recipient 2011, District COY 2014, Kansas Twisters Motorcycle Drill Team Captain, and MAC.

The book is available for purchase at Dan's Cycle in Hesston, Ks., Faith and Life Bookstore, in Newton, Ks., Beaumont Hotel and Café in Beaumont, Ks., and by contacting the author directly at <u>tmbock-</u> haus@cox.net.



As featured in Wing World Magazine by Terri Bockhaus tmbockhaus@cox.net "It's not only a book about motorcycles and places, but rather a spiritual journey." Rev. Nicholos Voeller

Her stories embody the Gold Wing Road Rides Association (GWRRA) principles of having thin while riding safe-and this is one lady who knows how to have fun and laugh at herself. Terri has successfully broken into a motorcycle rider world dominated by men and proved herself worthy. Even if you don't ride, you will enjoy this wonderful collection of entertaining stories. If you do ride, it's even better." Jock Wogner, Deputy Director, GWRRA



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