# Gold Wing Road Riders Association Region 'H' The Hospitality Region



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Jack & Doris Schoeck
Directors



Wish you a Great,
Prosperous, Blessful,
Healthy, Bright, Delightful,
Energetic and extremely

Wishing you a fabulous New Year with lots of achievements and joy

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May every day of the New Year glow with good cheer and happiness for you and your family!



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### A Message from your District Directors

Kansas Monthly Newsletter Region 'H'

Jack & Doris Schoeck

Grand Master Riders

Jack #1961 Doris #2389



Happy New Year to all our Gold Wing Friends!

Hope that you all had a wonderful, Blessed Christmas with your families and are ready for all the fun things we have planned for the 2016 New Year.

We were able to attend many of the gatherings and Christmas Parties in the month of December. What a great group of friends we have across the state and you are all special to us! We were glad to be a part of your fun and are looking forward to another fantastic year will all of you. We have many fun things planned for the upcoming year and we are excited to be sharing those with all of you.

Mid-Winter Rendezvous is coming up January 15-16, 2016 at the Best Western in North Wichita. We are excited about all the fun things the Kansas Team has planned for you. We hope to see a lot of you there. We will be having an Ugly Hat Contest and an Itty Bitty Bike Contest. These will be judged so put your ugliest hat on and get your itty bitty bike out and come join the fun! The more you participate the more fun you are going to have. We will have a Rider Education Seminar on Friday night and our usual time of bingo and games on Friday night and Saturday. We will be choosing a new Kansas District Couple of the Year on Saturday and of course that is always a fun thing to do. We will be having our annual business meeting on Sunday, January 17, 2016. The Chapter Directors and the Treasurer are required to be there to turn in their reports for the past year.

All of the Chapters have many events planned for the coming year and are anxious for the weather to be warmer so they can go on all their rides and weekend events. Be sure to check out the State Web-site and look at all the chapter events. By looking now you can plan what ones you would like to join in on and make your plans accordingly. We are sure that members in other chapters outside of your own will always welcome you to their events. We are sure you will have an amazing time in whatever activity to decide to join in on.

The State Team has picked dates for our East/ North and West/South Picnic Rides. We will be giving you more information on where we will be going for those rides as soon as we get everything squared away on the details. Our Rally will be April 22-23, 2016 in Hutchinson, Kansas. We are planning a lot of fun activities and fun time, so we are hoping to see a lot of your there. We will be able to give you the date for the Kansas Campout after the first of the year.

Until next time, stay warm and when you ride, Ride Safe!

Jack and Doris Schoeck, Kansas District Directors



### KANSAS DISTRICT TEAM



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### GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION KANSAS DISTRICT



### 2015 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS Kansas & Region



#### 2016 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 15-16: Mid-Winter Rendezvous, Wichita, KS

March 17-19: Region 'H' Rally, Marshall, TX

March 31-April 1&2: Louisiana Rally Lafayette

April 10: Experience Riders Course (BRC2), Wichita

April 22-23: Kansas Rally, Hutchinson, KS

May 7: Trike Course (TRC), Wichita

May 19-21: Texas Rally, Temple TX

May 26-28: Arkansas Rally, Harrison AR

June Campout Santa Fe Cove, Council Grove

June East/North Picnic Ride TBA

July 7-9: Reno Rendezvous, NV

Aug 31-Sept 3: Wing Ding, Billings MT

September 11: Ks State Fair Ride In

September 17: West/South Ride TBA

September 18: Trike Trailering course, Wichita, KS

September 25: Trailering (two wheels), Wichita, KS

September 29/Oct 1: Oklahoma Rally, Muskogee

November ??: Region 'H' Team Meeting, Location TBD



### Kansas Chapter Couples 2015

**YEAR** Chris & Michelle Grooms



CHAPTER A COUPLE OF THE CHAPTER B COUPLE OF THE **YEAR** Richard Bogie & Mary Rose Enderle



**CHAPTER C COUPLE OF THE YEAR** Gary & Susie Drake

**CHAPTER F COUPLE OF** THE YEAR Gene & Delores Shannon





### Kansas Chapter Couples 2015

**YEAR** Bill & Sarah Watts



CHAPTER H COUPLE OF THE CHAPTER P COUPLE OF THE **YEAR** Garry & Phyllis VanBuskirk



#### **CHAPTER Q COUPLE OF THE YEAR** Jim & Carol Owens





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Open

Congratulations to our newest Senior Master Rider/Co-Rider. Rick & Carolyn Stevens were presented their Senior Master Patches at KSP's Meeting/Christmas party.

In case you didn't write down the dates for our 2016 training courses, here they are again. I had to change them from the original notification.

April 10<sup>th</sup>: Experience Riders Course (MSF BRC2)

May 7<sup>th</sup>:Trike Course (GWRRA TRC) Sept 18<sup>th</sup>: Trike Trailering Cours Trike Trailering Course (GWRRA TTRC)

Sept 25<sup>th</sup>: Trailering Course (GWRRA TC)

We are working on a one day Motorcycle Safety Weekend this year. It could include Road Captain class, MFA/1st Aid class, Co- Rider Course and several seminars, including Leadership Training and Membership Enhancement if they would like to join us in sponsoring this activity. Stay tuned for more information.

Rider Ed is again hosting a 'FREE' luncheon for the Chapter Educators and their wives at Mid-Winter. There will also be some review type training for the CE's after filling our stomachs. I hope I can keep them awake. RSVP required.

"Baby its Cold Outside". Remember that song? It reminded me of those of you that 'RIDE' in this blistering cold weather. We know we need to dress warmly and in layers to help protect ourselves and allow us to adjust to the changing riding conditions as the day progresses.

But have you thought about what 'YOUR' riding temperature is and will be during the days ride? What about this layer thing?

I was looking at a wind chart and it appears to me that when you are going 30 mph, you can expect a 12 degree drop in temperature AND it decreases about 2 degrees for every 10 mph.

Hope to see you at one or more of the Bean and Cornbread feeds.

That is it for now. As always, ride smart and be alert to arrive alive.

"PRACTICE MAKES PERMANENT! YOU ARE WHAT YOU PRACTICE!

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

Your District Educator's Bill & Sheila

### 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 JACK & DORIS SCHOECK, District Directors at 620-341-0426.

#### Chapter Meeting Information

#### Chapter 'A'

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#### Chapter 'H'

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Hello every one and Happy New Years.

I would like to start by saying that everyone in Chapter A is grieved at the passing of our little friend Peanut and Carol & Everett we just want you to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

We started the month off by some of the members of the chapter joining Steve & Terri up in Newton for the annual Christmas Parade on December  $3^{rd}$ . They are kind of dark but here are a couple pictures of some of those that were there and you can see with their bikes looked like all lit up.

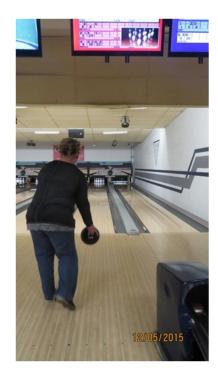




A couple days later was the Chapter's Christmas party where those that were there did some bowling. I have not been told how everyone did but there were quite a few people there so I'm sure they had fun no matter how they bowled.

















Next up...our monthly meeting and although the numbers were low it was a great meeting. We had a few special guests which included a couple of Marty & Ruth's grandkids Christina & Paige



Our Riders Ed teacher gave us a great lesson about how we need to keep our fingers warm if we are going to be riding during this cold weather. And how do you do that you ask when you've already got on the heaviest set of gloves you own...just add a pair of latex gloves  $1^{st}$  that should help keep your fingers warm.

We also learned at our meeting that 2 of our Chapter family members are moving out of Kansas. Dennis & Lynn Joynt are moving to Cheyanne WY...hope they know that even though they are no longer here that they will always be in our heart & minds. Good Luck in all of

your endeavors you two...you will be missed.

One last thing...please remember that the Chapter is collecting the samples of toiletries (shampoo, soap, etc.,) that we can all collect when we are staying in the motel/hotels while we are on vacation. These will be donated to one of the local homeless shelters. Remember when you don't have a home of your own that sometimes even the chance to wash your face or hair can make you feel so different.

Now here are just a few things coming up in January (some will have passed by the time you read this newsletter so I'm not going to give too much information on those)

1st Annual ride then bean/chili feed (Joe Gattenby is in charge)

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual game night @ Holfeld (I understand they play a mean game of Dominos)

 $14^{th}$  is Chapter A's monthly meeting @ the Country Café @ 2804 5 Seneca. Remember the meeting starts @ 7:00 but come early to eat and visit with the other members.

 $15^{th}$  &  $16^{th}$  is our annual Mid-Winter convention @ the Best Western in Park City. This is our chance to have fun with our GWRRA family even though most of us won't be riding our bike  $16^{th}$  Larry & Mary Mazur's Anniversary

29th Chris Groom's birthday

February 13<sup>th</sup> will be the Valentines dance. It will be in Udahl and they are holding a contest to see who can show up with the oldest Valentine card...yours, your moms or maybe someone older than that so look through your old files.

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

Mary Mazur, Chapter A Newsletter editor



Remember...if you go on a ride and would like to let others know how it wen please send me a brief description (and pictures if you got them) and I will add it to the newsletter

### Chapter B - DeSoto

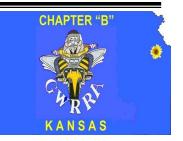
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Chapter B enjoyed gathering for our annual Christmas party on December 6. Once again, Roger and Missy Shores graciously hosted the event at the Saddle and Sirloin Club in Kansas City, MO. Thirty six members had a wonderful time visiting while eating all the great food provided by the group. Food donations collected went to the food pantry at The Central Church of the Nazarene in Lenexa along with cash donations to the Ride4Cops program.

The monthly meeting was held on December 17. Eric Wadman relayed safety information to the club and Reba Ohler proved she knew a lot about Poinsettias as she got eight out of ten questions correct in the monthly trivia contest. Francis Dalsing presented the club with a Chapter B banner which will make its debut at the midwinter rally.

**Ass't Chapter Director** 

Paula Aiken

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We also said a huge thank you to departing chapter directors, Allen and Lee Ann Robertson. They are stepping down after graciously leading the club for several years. Their hard work and dedication to Chapter B has provided the opportunity for growth and participation by the membership. Their support and leadership has been greatly appreciated by the members. We welcome Joe and Pam Magnant as our new chapter directors and know that they will continue the outstanding leadership and traditions of Chapter B.

Chapter B events for January:
January 1 - Polar Bear Ride
January 15-16 - Midwinter Rendezvous
January 21 - Chapter Meeting
January 30 - Breakfast Get-Together & Planning Meeting

Happy New Year, Paula Aiken

### Chapter C - Topeka

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As is normal, December was a very quiet month for Chapter C. Brenda, myself, John & Teresa Gull, and Gary & Susan Drake managed to make it to Chapter F's Christmas party on the 5<sup>th</sup> in Cassoday. Chapter F throws a good party. I'm guessing there were around 35 people there from various chapters with nobody getting into trouble even though Brenda and Terry Bockhaus had a "discussion" when both ended up with the same number in the gift exchange. They managed to settle the dispute without bloodshed. Only a few of the gifts were taken away from their original owners, however Terry seemed to spend a lot of time at the gift table but then she had 2 numbers. I didn't keep track of the number of trips but I'm pretty sure it was more than 4 times. She even lost her gueen of the kitchen apron, that she said she was going to wear with only her chaps when at home. Phyllis Van Buskirk took the apron so nobody will know what could have been.

The food in Cassoday was good and plenty of it. It appeared Doris Shannon was in charge of keeping things going since she told everybody when to eat and where to go to get the food complete with directions. She later managed to embarrass over 30 people in a matter of minutes. She required us to put Styrofoam plates on our heads and then draw pictures without looking at them. Most of the drawings looked like they were drawn by children who were just barely old enough to hold a pen and make marks. Then she actually graded them for accuracy. It was a blast anyway.

We held our Christmas party on the 6<sup>th</sup> in Lyndon and also had around 30 people attend from Chapter C and various other chapters. Sandy Davis had one of her turkeys make the ultimate sacrifice which included contributing to the dressing and gravy. Margaret Hanson baked the ham again this year, delicious as always. The rest of the food was contributed by everyone and there wasn't much in the way of leftovers including the deserts, which seems to be the important part of any meal. Our gift ex-

change went extremely well with Teresa keeping everything moving right along. We also had some couples from the old Chapter S in attendance. They are always a welcome addition to any get together. I think they just live too far from any chapter to make it to meetings and still get home at a reasonable hour. We know how that goes just living in Manhattan as it gets real dark about ½ the year and as we all know riding at night isn't near as much fun as riding during daylight hours.

I'm not sure exactly when it happened but Jamie Conway was contacted by a neighbor and asked if he could get some bikes to do a video for the Kansas travel website promoting motorcycle riding. Jamie & Gayle and Al & Sandy rode for them on one day and Brenda and I joined Jamie & Gayle on another day for the filming. Here is the link to the website with the video: <a href="http://www.travelks.com/things-to-do/sports-and-rec/motorcycling/">http://www.travelks.com/things-to-do/sports-and-rec/motorcycling/</a> GWRRA wasn't mentioned by name but it still shows Chapter C riders. I think they did a good job on the video and it was a lot of fun filming it. I wouldn't recommend riding as close as we were required to in some places. However we were riding much slower than it looks and on a very open stretch of road with no traffic and great visibility.

Well I see that I managed to screw up last month's birthdays. I had Rick Thompson having a birthday on the 27<sup>th</sup> of December when it was actually Rita's birthday. I apologize for getting them mixed up, as we all know Rita is much better looking than Rick. This month we have no anniversaries only birthdays

- 3 Rick Thompson
- 6 Margaret Hanson
- 9 Terry Widner

#### Don & Brenda Williams



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New Year Greetings from Chapter F!

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas with your families. Happy New Year to all of you!!

Chapter F had their Christmas Party on Saturday, December 5, 2015 and we had over 30 people there. There was a lot of good food and a great gift exchange! What a riot that gift exchange always is. It is a great way to have a ton of fun. We thank everyone for joining us for a wonderful, fun time!

We are looking forward to all the fun we will have at Mid-Winter and several of our people will be helping in different places. Remember to have your ugly hats and your itty bitty bike to participate in those two contests. They should be a lot of fun.

Along with other chapters in the state, Chapter F has many things planned for the next year and we are excited to be a part of all the fun that we are sure to have! Be sure and check out the state Web-Site to see what we have planned for the New Year.

Our next Chapter gathering will be on Tuesday, January 26, 2016. We will be eating at 6:00 pm with our meeting beginning at 7:00 pm. Bring a sack lunch and join us for some fun.

Until next time, stay warm and when you ride, Ride Safe.

Submitted By, Doris Schoeck, Chapter F Member







#### KS-H Newsletter

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Our regularly scheduled gathering is 7pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month. We go to the Sirloin Stockade on 17<sup>th</sup> street in Hutchinson, KS (just a little west of 17<sup>th</sup> & K-61 Hwy). We begin the feeding frenzy at 6pm.

#### Terry & Judy Mann



We've had a very slow month of December but still managed two Chapter Christmas's. On December 5th, we had a great time at F's Christmas in Cassoday, always wonderful food and fellowship. That evening we went to A's Christmas in Cheney, tried our hand at bowling, found out the gutter liked our bowling balls, again great time and fellowship.



On December 11th we had 26 attend the Prairie Rose in Benton, great food, entertainment and again fellowship had by all.

On December 13th we had a small group meet at Tritsch's to design and build our Mid Winter Chapter H table, also discussed the COY basket.

Hoping for a good turnout at our Chapter H Christmas dinner/party on December 17, always a great time had by all.

The next day we have 6-8 of us going to Branson for 5 days to view the Christmas lights and take in a few shows. That's it for this year. Hope everybody has a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Terry and Judy Mann Senior Directors of Chapter H.

#### Dale & Georgeanna



Another year has passed and chapter H has grown. We would like to celebrate all our members, both past and new, for making our chapter one of the best. We have FUN and participate. We are a great GWRRA family. Just as all families, we have our differences, but we all get along quite well. After all, we are a family. We have chosen to be with others who have the same interest in riding and doing many of the same things. Although we all cannot all be together for each event, we enjoy the ones to which we can go. We plan around doing things with our GWRRA family. We look forward to the next event or ride. We share our lives with each other. Although other commitments, health, and sometimes finances limit our involvement, we always try to be there with our family.

It is great that we can go to other chapter, district, and region events and still be considered family. It is also great that when others from another chapter or area come to visit us and participate in our events, we treat them as family also.

There are not many other groups, organizations, or clubs that can do that. We might feel at times that our family has ignored or abandoned us; however, we are all thinking of the others, even if we do not always show it. Let us make this our goal in the coming year: remember our GWRRA family members and strive to promote the FUN, Safety, and Knowledge with our Friends. Always remember that a warm greeting is more valuable than any other gift.

We have been honored to be your Assistant Chapter Directors and will continue to do all we are able to keep our family happy and together. We are here for you if you have any concerns or ideas to keep chapter H strong and growing.

Dale & Georgeanna KS-H ACD

> Marv & Toni Ayers Chapter Educators



Rider Ed. Bits

Where has the year gone? Oh well, no sense looking back. I am already looking forward to the upcoming riding season. We got kinda spoiled with the weather this last week but as I watch it rain and wait for the snow I snuggle in and dream of past rides. As we move into 2016 I am looking forward to helping my fellow Chapter members move up in the Levels program. So check the training classes that are going to be offered and plan accordingly. I want to do a Medic First Aid, CPR, and possibly a Motorist Awareness class in January or February. So start preparing your gear, your ride, and your mind. It takes all these elements to be a safe and prepared rider. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

#### Mark & Linda Classen Membership Enhancement



Merry Christmas to all our wonderful GWRRA members from Linda and me. During the month of December my mind thinks of more than just our wonderful friends, the beautiful country that we have seen during this year on our rides, or even the wonderful meals that we have shared. This is the time of year that we must stop long enough and look past the lights, presents and the glamour of the season, and understand the reason for the season.

Now we may not be all of the same faith, nationality or even, as a matter fact a person of faith, but this time of year brings us all to the realization that life is not just about us. This time of the year we think of how blessed we are and because of that, many share the blessing they have received with others that are less fortunate. We are not all in the same situations, having the same ideas, and all enjoy the same

things - that would make for a very boring existence, but this time of year brings us all together under the Joy of Christmas. GWRRA membership is much like that. We consider ourselves all family and friends, gathering together for fun, wanting everyone to be safe and, through all the learning, expand our knowledge. This is not just knowledge of traffic laws and how our motorcycles operate, but knowledge of knowing what makes your fellow GWRRA member happy and what would be fun for them. When new people come to our chapter meetings what are they looking for in their "present" from us, what do they see in each of us as we visit and meet with them?

We are a very busy chapter, even in the off months. We enjoyed a wonderful time at the Prairie Rose this last Friday night and are looking forward to our Christmas chapter meeting this Thursday night. Both of these organized outings from chapter H were organized for, yes, our enjoyment, but also for anyone else that needs that hug or friendship in this season. We had people from other chapters attend Prairie Rose and friends of members were there. I would want us to use our December Christmas meeting as an opportunity to invite friends that share our interests in this wonderful pastime of motorcycle riding, for an evening of fun, laughter and sharing as we celebrate this season. If you bring someone, there should be plenty of food, and as far as the gifts we are to bring, open your hearts in this season of giving and just bring along a couple extra gifts for your friends, so that they would not feel obligated. This could be one of our largest "Party recruitment" meetings of entire year!!

From Linda and me we wish you a very "Merry Christmas and have a VERY, VERY happy and safe riding New Year"

Mark and Linda Classen, MEC

Bill & Saarah Watats Chapter Couple



Greetings our Chapter H and entire GWRRA family. Well another year has come and is almost gone and we hope that all of your Christmas shopping is done and everything is wrapped up and ready to go. Sarah and I have not yet ventured out to do any of ours yet but something tells me that we will be doing just that this coming weekend. Yes I know some people like to chase the Black Friday deals, me I prefer to wait until the last minute and take my chances the retailers will cut the prices even more so it does not carry over into their inventory for the upcoming year. Sometimes it works in our favor and sometimes it does not, oh well.

Sarah and I have had a great year not only serving as your Chapter Couple this year and we would like to say also that it has been our honor to represent all of you and Chapter H in this capacity and we have also had a great year as a couple outside of our GWRRA. life as well. As most of all of you know I asked Sarah for her hand in Marriage earlier this year and she said yes and our first Grandson was also born this past October, not to mention the time we got to spend with each of you and the fun and laughs we got to share. These have all become great memories that we will be able to share for

years to come. As our time as your Chapter Couple comes to a close it is about to open a new chapter for our next Chapter Couple, although at the time of this article we do not know who that will be. It is our pledge to our new couple that we will be right here to help them along the way because we want them to have as much fun and enjoy it the same as we have. We want to wish each of you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a great New Year to come. The new riding season will be here before we know it and we here at Chapter H still have a lot more miles to ride and places to see and fun things to do, so let's all make 2016 another great year together.

Live Love Laugh and Ride Often!

Bill & Sarah Watts Chapter H Couple Of The Year

Dale & Georeanna Tritsch Newsletter Editors



A Toast for Friends, FUN, Safety, and Knowledge in the New Year



December was another great month for chapter H. Although the weather has been quite decent for this time of year, we can begin to feel winter coming on. The recent ice storm in Hutchinson kept some of us busy cleaning up downed trees and possibly getting a new supply of firewood. We are definitely looking forward to spring and more riding. Here in Kansas we almost have to relearn our riding skills each spring. We should attend as many seminars offered during the winter months so we can keep up our knowledge of good riding habits.

We had a very good turnout on our December 11 trip to the Prairie Rose Ranch in Benton, KS. We had plenty of good food and fun old time western Christmas entertainment. That should be a yearly event for us.









Our Mid Winter planning meeting went well. We have our theme table ready. We will meet around 2pm on Friday, Jan 15 to set up our table. We will also be entering our COY basket at that time. The theme for our COY basket is "Feel Fresh". Bring a bath and body item to the meeting/Christmas Party on Thursday so we can add it to our basket.

Be sure to make plans to attend the Mid Winter Rendezvous Jan 15 & 16. It will be at the Best Western North in Park City, KS. If you plan to stay at the motel, make your reservations now. Your District Team has worked hard to make this a FUN event. We would like to see chapter H represented by as many of our members as possible. (see the flyer and registration at the end of our newsletter)

We had a fantastic turnout at our chapter Christmas party again this year. As always, plenty of good food and FUN. Sedena Shaw did her Left / Right gift game again this year. As always that was a hoot. It was at Delos V Smith Senior Center at 1<sup>st</sup> and Washington in Hutchinson where we had plenty of room and they did not charge for the use of it.

















Mid Winter Rendezvous is fast approaching and we are planning of a lot of fun at that event. Remember that your Kansas Team would like to have volunteers for the registration table and some other activities. If you want to meet everyone attending, this would be a great way to do it. Let Bill & Sarah know if you would help out a couple of hours in some capacity.

We have much to look forward to in the coming year. Keep in mind that chapter H will be the host chapter for our Kansas District Rally in April. We have a planning meeting for our part in the rally. We will meet April 9th at the Firehouse Café, 1824 E 4<sup>th</sup> in Hutchinson at 8am. We will be helping in many areas; registration, security, decorating, and maybe some others.

We once again have many rides and events planned for 2016. Check your chapter event list and come to as many as possible for the FUN. If you have not yet taken the Road Captain Course, do so. It will inform you of how our rides are coordinated and give you instructions for being a ride leader if you so desire. We are hoping to have more back road rides – a more leisurely pace and different scenery.

Keep in touch with other members. eMail works good. We also have a Chapter H page on FaceBook for those of you that use FaceBook. (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/GwrraKsDistrictChapterH/?fref=ts">https://www.facebook.com/GwrraKsDistrictChapterH/?fref=ts</a>) or in the search area on FB just type in GWRRA KS-H. We can post what we are doing and even who is having a health issue or bought a new Goldwing, or has been on a ride. If you cannot post to our FB page, contact dale t so he can fix that issue.

### Bugsy

I went along to the Prairie Rose Ranch Dinner and show Dec 11.





It was a FUN night.

I had a fun time watching the gift exchange at the Christmas party.



### **Afterthoughts**

A discharged battery can freeze (and explode!!!) right at about 32F, but a fully charged battery won't freeze until it gets down to about -76F. And if the interior of your garage is at -76F, you've got other problems on your hands! Remove your battery or use a battery tender to keep your ride ready and safe.

### Upcoming Events

(see all our upcoming events on the KS-H webpage on the Kansas District website)

#### <u>Janurary</u>

9	Martinelli's in Salina
15 - 16	Mid Winter Rendezvous
15 - 16	Bugsy Hop to Mid Winter Rendezvous
23	Officer Cert. Program, St Andrew's Episcopal Church, 516 W. 3rd, Stillwater, OK
28	Meeting

### **Sunshine Events**

### Birthdays

Appiversaries

January

8 Julie Flickinger

- 10 Bob Good
- 11 Regina Marcotte
- 20 Sarah Taylor
- 23 Mark Goering
- 25 Dale Tritsch
- 26 Jan Schroeder
- 30 Judy Mann

22 Bob & Twila Good

### **RALLYS**

Mark your Calendars!

April 22 - 23 March 17 - 19

Kansas District Rally
Region H Rally in Marshall, TX, "Three Winged Circus"

Buy, Sell, or Trade

Contact <a href="mailto:dalet@cox.net">dalet@cox.net</a> with bike related items for sale, trade, or wanted - be sure to include photos and your contact info I would trade this cold winter for a warm spring as soon as possible.

Be sure to read the Kansas Winger on the Kansas District web site each month See what all our Kansas chapters are doing

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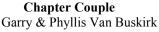
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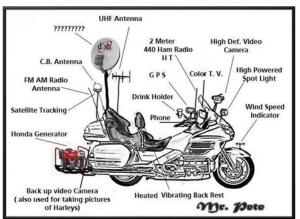


Meeting Night - Friday August 14, Brown Bag at 6:30PM
Derby Church of Christ 225 N. Derby St,
Derby Ks. 67037 in the fellowship hall at the south
end of the building



What's happening? Right now sitting at my computer hoping it snows 2 feet tonight. Probably though will only get an inch. Christmas is now done, I think everyone is happy, and waiting on the New Year. The McDonalds and the Chesnut's took a cruise into the western Caribbean the end of November for a few days, had a great time. Non stop food and jewelry stores, sunshine and warm weather. Observed some VERY interesting motorcycles. Don't think we will need any jewelry for a while, but we are ready to go some more.









Our December meeting was a good turnout with the chapter providing chicken for dinner. Remember February 12<sup>th</sup> is the annual Chapter P sweetheart dinner for \$10 dollars each and enjoy a wonderful dinner with good friends.





Looking ahead to beginning Twister practice for the next year, and scheduling some interesting places to go. This year will see us in Billings MT for the Wing Ding show, probably do a Drill Team demo, then ride through Yellowstone and mingle with nature.

Birthdays in January are the lovely Kathy Chesnut on the  $30^{TH}$ , with the Anniversary of our esteemed leaders David and Sherri McDonald on the  $17^{th}$ . As for December, we at the Twister 8 house hope you all had a good Thanksgiving, a wonderful Christmas, and a Happy New Year, and hope that New Year will be filled with all interesting things and places to ride.

Again - Mark on your calendar for February 12 as that will be Chapter P's annual Sweet Heart Dinner. The Chapter is pulling out all the cupid arrows it can find to put on a good dinner for all. Bring your \$10 dollars a plate and be amazed at what is being served. Please RSVP about the number coming.

Also remember the Chapter P monthly meeting on January  $8^{th}$ , at 7 PM (Brown Bag chow around 6:30). at the Derby Church of Christ, 225 N Derby St, in Derby.

Denny and Katherine Chesnut, Assistant Directors

### Chapter Q - Wellington



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Well here goes the first newsletter of 2016. We would like to wish all our GoldWing family a super year and hopefully a lot of good days of great riding.

The biggest thing with Chapter "Q" right now is our new meeting place. We got to break it in with our No Meeting Christmas Gathering, with a good attended group. What a place, it has everything you don't get to see at a regular restaurant. First off the name of the place it The Eatery, located at the corner of 9<sup>th</sup> and Millington in Winfield Ks. They feature all kinds of food, from their very own bakery, a serve yourself buffet and a cheeseburger special on Thursday evenings. Also with most of their meals you can plan on taking some food home with you because of the large portions that they serve. For those of you that like a good chicken fried steak, they have a Chicken Fry Dinner for 2 and it's even more than 2 people can eat most nights. There is also several rooms to this place, from a big fine dining area experience, a smaller area that features the old time ice cream shoppe setting to a room overlooking the street. They have another room that is like a sports bar, a large meeting room downstairs and then the room that we are going to try out. The entire place has beautiful paintings and fancy lighting, along with lots of antiques though out the huge building that once was a Montgomery Wards.

We would like to invite everyone to join us in bringing Chapter Q back to the strong chapter we once were. We have several good events to get us going in 2016 and hope that many of you can join us.

We want to give a word of Thanks to our 2015 Couple of the Year, Jim & Carol Owens. They have represented our chapter very well with getting out there to visit other chapters and attending many different events throughout the year, along with spreading cheer where ever they go. We have also selected a very deserving couple for next year that will be announced at Mid Winter. We are very excited to see Jim & Carol going for District Couple, please come out and support them on January 16<sup>th</sup> at Mid Winter in Park City.

January Birthdays: Barb Shaw 1st and Bobby Shepherd on the 28th. HAPPY NEW YEAR everyone and we hope to see all of you in this upcoming year.

Jack & Teresa Kistler KSQ Senior Chapter Directors

## Mid-Winter Rendezvous



Theme



'Winter Wing Wonderland'

January 15 & 16, 2016

Best Western North 915 E 53rd St North Wichita KS 316-832-9387

Black Jack
Dessert Dance
Ugly Hat Contest
Medallion Hunt

Bingo
Banquet
Games
Itty Bitty Bike Show



Couple of the Year Selection





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### MID-WINTER RENDEZVOUS JANUARY 15-16, 2016

Best Western North Wichita KS 915 E 53rd St North 1-866-503-5700 \$74.99 + tax 316-832-9387 Breakfast Included for up to 4
People in room
Pets \$10.00 per day
Rooms blocked until January 5th

Ask for 'Gold Wing Road Riders Association' rooms

'Couple of the Year Selection' 'Musical Dessert Dance' 'Games' 'Seminars' '50/50 Drawings' 'Itty Bitty Bike Show' 'Ugly Hat Contest' 'Medallion Hunt' 'Banquet' 'Live Entertainment' 'Black Jack' 'Bingo'

District Business Meeting Sunday the 17th

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM						
Rider:		GWRRA #	EMAIL			
Co-Rider:		GWRRA #	EMAIL			
Address:		City:	State:	Zip:		
Your Chapter	Your D	istrict	Your Region	-		
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Property owners	ld harmless GWRRA, for any loss or injury sume responsibility fo	to self or property by	reason of participa	ation in this event.		
Rider Signature:_		Co-Rider Signature:		Date		

Make Checks payable to: Kansas District GWRRA. Mail to: Judy Eggleston, 3307 Osage CRT Winfield. KS 67156

For additional information contact Jack & Doris Schoeck, 620-340-5388

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