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# Region 'H' The Hospitality Region GWRRA

Jim & Reba Berry Region "H" Directors



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Bill & Sheila Tucker Editor/Publishers



Jack & Doris Schoeck
District Directors

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May every day of 2017 glow with good cheer and happiness for you and your family!

May you have many achievements and joy!

# SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM JIM & REBA BERRY, REGION 'H' DIRECTORS

Dear Region H members,

Reba and I, along with the Region H Team, are happy to announce the appointment of two new District Directors within Region H. Both of these couples are passionate about the task before them. They have great plans to grow their districts, coach their team members and make sure everything is surrounded by FUN! Both appointments are effective January 1, 2017.

#### **Oklahoma:**



John and Shawn Irons

Please welcome on board the new OK District Directors, John and Shawn Irons, OK Chapter X, Stillwater, OK. Currently the Irons serve as the Membership Enhancement Program Coordinators for the OK District. Previous officer positions include: Assistant CD-OK X, CD-OK X and OK District Trainer. John is a Certified University Trainer in Rider Education, Membership Enhancement and Leadership Training. John has served in Law Enforcement since 1974. Shawn is a homemaker. In addition to their GWRRA participation, John and Shawn are also active in civic activities, their church and the local community theater. John and Shawn step into this position upon the retirement of Johnie and Gina Fredman. Don't worry, they are not going away! Our thanks go out to the Fredmans for an outstanding job the last two years. Folks, please reach out to both of these outstanding GWRRA couples who are part of your family, and thank them for their service and to offer your support in the future.

#### Kansas:



**Bill and Sarah Watts** 

Your new KS District Directors are Bill and Sarah Watts of KS Chapter H in Hutchinson, Kansas. The Watts currently serve as Assistant District Directors for the KS District. Previous positions include: Chapter and KS District Membership Enhancement Program Coordinators. They are the current KS District Couple of the Year. Bill is retired from the Reno County Sherriff's Department and is currently employed with Siemans Wind Power. Sarah is a Critical Care Technician at H.C.A. Wesley Medical Center in Wichita. The Watts are also involved in other civic organizations as well as their local church. Bill and Sarah have stepped up to fill the position of District Directors upon the Retirement (for the second time) of Jack and Doris Schoeck. Jack and Doris have served for the last, almost 4 years. Four years of always smiling and always a story. Great Job Doris and Jack. Region H thanks you. Please give these couples a HUG, a great big thank you and your pledge of support.



## 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 friends across the State of Kansas! Hope that the New Year is full of many joys and blessings.

The month of December was busy with Chapter Christmas Parties and a couple of regular Chapter Meetings. We were able to attend most of these and we had a wonderful time. The Christmas Parties were a lot of fun with plenty of food, games, and gift exchanges. Of course we always have the gift exchange where you can steal the gift before it is frozen after the second steal. It makes the gift exchange a lot of fun and there is always a lot of laughter! Many people attended these events and so we got to see a lot of you across the State of Kansas.

The upcoming month will have the annual Mid-Winter Event during the weekend of January 20-22, 2017 at the Best Western Motel in Park City, Kansas. There are a lot of events planned to keep you as busy as you want to be. We will have our Couple of the Year Selection Process on Saturday morning; we will have games, dessert dances, seminars, and the opportunity to visit with many of your GWRRA friends. We will have our annual picture with the snowman and there will be a banquet on Saturday evening before the closing ceremonies.

Chapter Directors, remember to bring your Couple of the Year Baskets, the door prizes for participation, and desserts for the Dessert Dance. Any of you that want to participate in the Banners, Scrapbooks, and Mascot competition, please remember to bring those items also. We will be hanging the banners as we have in the past, where they will hang from the banister above the South Atrium at the motel. Also, remember that the Annual Business Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 22, 2017. This is where you will submit the annual Treasure report for your chapter and we are requesting that all Chapter Directors and Treasurer's be at that meeting on Sunday.

As many of you know, we will be stepping down as Kansas District Directors at the Mid-Winter Event. A new Director will be announced at our Closing Ceremonies and will be installed at that time. Jack and I would like to give a very heartfelt Thank You to all of our Staff, Chapter Directors, and all members across the state for allowing us to be your District Directors for the last three plus years. We have enjoyed our tenure and have had awesome support from all of you! We will still be around and will see a lot of you at meetings, parties, and events. We would like to thank you for your friendship, your help, and all the fun we have had with all of you during our time as District Directors. We have attended other National, Region, and State Rallies and have had awesome experiences during that time. We have seen a lot of our friends and we have made many new ones.

We will see you down the road and as always, Ride Often and Ride Safe! Submitted By,

Jack and Doris Schoeck, Kansas District Directors



### KANSAS DISTRICT TEAM



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#### Kansas District Team

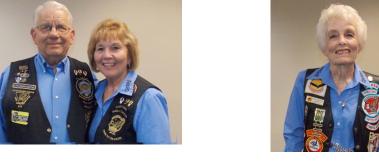
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**MEC** 



Mark & Linda Classen



**PATCH PRINCESS** 

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**VENDOR COORDINATOR Kathy Chesnut** 



**MOTOR AWARENESS** Steve & Terri Bockhaus





**FRANK PATTON AWARD 2016** Terry & Judy Mann KSH





Rider Coaches: Bill Tucker, Rick Stevens, Bob Brown MFA INSTRUCTORS: Bill Tucker, Marv Ayers, Jack & Doris Schoeck, Steve & Terri Bockhaus

## GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION KANSAS DISTRICT

Region 'H'



#### 2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 20-21: Mid-Winter Rendezvous

January 22: Annual Business Meeting

March 25: Trike Riding Course, Wichita KS

March 30-April 1: Louisiana District Rally, Lafayette

April 27-29: Region H Rally, Marshall TX

April: 23: ERC/BRC2 Riding Course, Wichita KS

May 13: TC & TTRC combined courses, Wichita KS

May 18-20: Texas District Rally, Wichita Falls TX

June 10: Spring Picnic Ride to Lucas Ks

June 22-24: KS District Rally, Hutchinson KS

September 10: KS State Fair Ride In

September 16: Fall Picnic Ride TBD

September 28-30: Oklahoma Rally, Muskogee OK

Oct 6-8 or 13-15: Kansas Campout Santa Fe Cove

#### CHAPTER MEETING TIMES IN ORDER OF OCCURANCE

KSQ-1ST THURSDAY (Ark City)
KSA 2ND THURSDAY (Wichita)
KSP 2ND FRIDAY (Derby)
KSC 3RD TUESDAY (Topeka)
KSB 3RD THURSDAY (DeSoto)
KSF 4TH TUESDAY (El Dorado)
KSH 4TH THURSDAY (Hutchinson)



## Kansas Chapter Couples 2016

**CHAPTER 'A'** 

**CHAPTER 'B'** 

**CHAPTER 'C'** 



Marty & Ruth Danner



Gary & Susan Drake

**CHAPTER 'P'** 

**CHAPTER 'F'** 



John & Karen Glaves

**CHAPTER 'H'** 



Marv & Toni Ayers



Rick & Carolyn Stevens

**CHAPTER 'Q'** 





Bill & Sheila Tucker





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#### The Team

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Bob Brown KSA CE Eric Wadman KSB CE Bill Hanson KSC CE Gene Shannon KSF CE Marvin Ayers KSH Sr. CE Rick Stevens KSP Sr. CE

#### MFA INSTRUCTORS

Marvin Ayers/Bill Tucker Jack & Doris Schoech Steve & Terri Bockhaus

#### RIDER COACHES

Bill Tucker Rick Stevens Bob Brown

#### SEMINAR PRESENTERS

Bill Tucker Rick Stevens Carolyn Stevens Marvin Ayers Jack Schoeck Doris Schoeck

#### **RANGE AIDES**

Carolyn Stevens Marvin Ayers Rick Kistler

#### MOTOR AWARENESS COORDINATOR

Steve & Terri Bockhaus

Hello 2017!

Sheila and I hope your 2017 has been a good one so far. By the time you read this we will have attended at least one chapter party in 2017 with a ride or a meal or both.

Your Rider Ed team has put together another very good training program for 2017 and the only thing that will make it the best ever is your attending the riding courses and seminars we provide for you.

We scheduled all four of the riding courses in the first few months of what is usually the beginning of riding season for most. March is our Trike Course, April is our Experience Riders Course (BRC2), and May we will have the two Trailering Courses (Trike & two wheelers), all to be held in Wichita.

There is a fee change. We have decided to return to a flat fee of \$25.00 for GWRRA Members and \$40.00 for Non-members. Non-members are welcome if we have open slots.

At Mid-Winter Rendezvous we are sponsoring a "Working Luncheon" for all the Chapter Educators and their wives, FREE. I expanded the time together to 1.5 hours so we can have a training session and discussion of concerns the CE's may have. Rider Ed is also providing two seminars, one Friday evening and one Saturday afternoon.

We will have a few Medic First Aid (MFA) Classes in 2017. The first one is being sponsored by KSA and I believe it is scheduled in January. This is a good time to remind the Kansas Chapter Directors that we will bring our MFA course of instruction to your chapter anytime you want to schedule one for your members.

In case you were not at one of the chapter meetings that I talked about MFA, it is a brand new course. Every MFA Instructor had to take upgrade training and pass a test on the 'NEW' program and I'm pleased to announce that all six of the Kansas Instructors ARE certified to present these life saving techniques, INCLUD-ING, how to use the AED (Automated External Defibrillator). We have three AED's for training and the real AED's are popping up in many businesses now.

Here I go, crawling on my soap box once again. I'm reminding everyone that this course of instruction (MFA) is <u>for everyone</u>, not just for those that participate in the Rider Education Level's Program. It could become very useful at a <u>GW function</u>, <u>at home</u>, <u>at a family picnic</u>, <u>at a school activity</u>, <u>anywhere</u> people are together to enjoy themselves.

Once again, Welcome to 2017. My team listed on the left portion of this article hope to see you at our Kansas Mid-Winter Rendezvous.

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR

Please ride to arrive alive and remember:

#### 'PRACTICE MAKES PERMANENT! YOU ARE WHAT YOU PRACTICE!

See vou Soon!

Bill & Sheila Tucker Sr. District Educators



## 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'

Joe & Debbie Gattenby, CD 316-644-3066 Second Thursday, 7:00p.m. Country Café

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#### Chapter 'B'

Joe & Pam Magnant CD 913-660-5176 3rd Thursday, 7:00pm JTs Grill

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#### Chapter 'C'

Don & Brenda Williams, CD 785-341-4211 3rd Tuesday, 7:00pm Perkins Restaurant

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#### Chapter "F"

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

#### Chapter 'H'

Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch CD 620-728-9320 4th Thursday 7:00pm Sirloin Stockade

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#### Hello everyone

As you read this 2016 has ended and 2017 has begun...and what a year 2016 was (but be truthful, are you glad it's over if only because all the campaign commercials have finally gone away)

I'm sorry to say that there are no pictures this month (you would think in the age where most everyone has a camera in their pocket I would remember to take a picture). Anyway...here are some very brief words about a few things that the people in Chapter A did in December.

The Bockhaus' had their yearly get together where all who want to, can ride in the Newton Christmas parade that is always held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in December. This year it happened to fall on December 1<sup>st</sup> and I understand the motorcycles are always a crowd favorite. I want to thank Steve for this brief account of what went on that evening

On Thursday December 1st, Steve & Terri held their annual chili feed just prior to the Newton Parade of Lights. It was figured that this was the 10th annual year for this event. The house was filled with riders and other friends. There was a large roaster full and a large crock pot full of chili. There was very little left over by the end of the day. No one counted the attendees, but the house was full. Later, nine riders went to participate in the parade. One trike and one 2 wheel rider rode as rear guards for the rest of the riders. The riders, most of which were members of the Kansas Twisters, entertained the crowd with riding large figure "8's" in the street. Then 2 of the team riders (Bob B and Steve P) thrilled the crowd with riding small circles in the street while following each other only inches apart. This caused much gasping of air and may cheers for the riders. The show had to be cut short as the crowd stood in the street for Santa Claus at the end. After the parade, everyone went back to the house for MORE chili

On December 3<sup>rd</sup> the Chapter had its annual Bowling party which I'm sorry to say I did not attend but Deb Gattenby gave me a little bit of info. There was a good turn out and although I don't know how everyone else did I understand Dave bowled 188 and Bob Brown bowled a 197...(show offs)

The Chapter's monthly meeting was held on December 8<sup>th</sup> and even though it was very cold we had a good turnout (although I do not believe anyone rode a bike this time). Bob Brown gave a good lesson (as he always does) but I'm sorry to say that I left my handout sitting on the table so I won't be able to give you a synopsis of what he had to say

.That's all I know about Chapter events, I do know that everyone had a great Christmas and that Santa was good to everyone.

So let me give you a brief run down on what to expect in January.

1<sup>st</sup> – the yearly snowball ride & soup/bean feed.

The brave ones meet for a ride of at least the number of miles to compare with the high of the day then we all meet to eat later in the date...of course by the time you read this the event will have taken place so I will try to say something about this in the next newsletter.

 $7^{th} - 1^{st}$  aide class.

12<sup>th</sup> – Chapter A's monthly meeting @ the Country Café on South Seneca. Meeting starts @ 7:00 but get there early and enjoy a meal and visiting with the other members.

16<sup>th</sup> – Mazur's anniversary

20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> – Kansas Mid-Winter Rendezvous @ the Best Western in Park City The theme is "Wingin' it with Frosty". There will be seminars, games, a banquet on Saturday evening and a whole lot of fun for all of you who attend.

29<sup>th</sup> – Chris Grooms birthday

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

Mary Mazur, Chapter A Newsletter editor

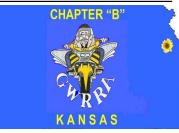


## Chapter B - DeSoto

Chapter Directors Joe & Pam Magnant 913-660-5176 Ass't Chapter Director Paula Aiken 785-842-8503 Chapter Educator Eric Wadman 913-219-6678 **Chapter Couple** 

**Chapter MEC** 

Chapter Editor Paula Aiken Chapter Treasurer Ed James 816-225-2679



Chapter B members enjoy riding year round, weather permitting. A few souls braved the cooler temperatures and rode on November 26 for the monthly breakfast ride, while others arrived on four wheels. Eric Wadman led the group to Pegah's in Lenexa. Even though everyone was still stuffed from their Thanksgiving meal, they enjoyed the good food and conversation.



Chapter B once again gathered for our annual Christmas party on December 11. Roger and Missy Shores graciously hosted the event at the Saddle and Sirloin Club in Kansas City, MO. Thirtyfour 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.









The monthly meeting was held on December 15. Eric Wadman relayed safety information to the group and from the number of incorrect answers regarding lyrics to various Christmas songs, it became obvious that not everyone sings along when the Christmas songs start playing on the radio. Cheri Korb, Dan Gray, and Ed James each answered four of the ten questions correctly.

Chapter B events for January:
January 1 - Polar Bear Ride
January 19 - Chapter Meeting
January 20-21 - Mid-Winter Rendezvous
January 28 - Breakfast Get-Together

Happy New Year, Paula Aiken

## Chapter C - Topeka

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This is the first newsletter for the year and will be real short because December was a very slow month for Chapter C. The weather didn't work out well at all for riding unless you like it real cool. Just so there is something about a motorcycle in this newsletter, Bill & Margaret Hanson got their bike back from Horizon trikes and it looks real good with a third wheel even though the pictures that I saw had a few snowflakes on it. With it being a red trike it fits right in with the Christmas Season.

Brenda, myself, John & Teresa Gull, and Gary & Susan Drake attended Chapter F's Christmas party on the 3rd in Cassoday. It was a very good party with many attending from other chapters. I probably missed somebody but I saw people from Chapters A, H, P, and Q and considering the distance from Chapter B that was a very good turnout. I'm guessing there were around 45 people there.

We held our Christmas party on the 4<sup>th</sup> in Lyndon and also had a good turnout with 36 people attending from Chapter C and various other chapters. It seems to be a standard with Chapter C Sandy Davis fixed the turkey, dressing and gravy. Margaret Hanson baked the ham and Susan Drake fixed the mashed potatoes (she gets drafted with that dish since she lives in Lyndon). The rest of the food was contributed by everyone and there wasn't much in the way of leftovers including the desserts, which seems to be the important part of

any meal. When I say there wasn't much left over, John Gull and I were the last through the line and there were several items that only had 2 servings left. That is very good since we don't need a lot of left over's this early in the month. Our gift exchange went extremely well with Teresa keeping everything moving right along. We also had some couples from the old Chapter S in attendance along with several Chapter F members and even Gary and Phyllis VanBuskirk from Chapter P.

This month we have no anniversaries only birthdays

- 3 Rick Thompson
- 6 Margaret Hanson
- 9 Terry Widner
- 18 Denise Benteman

Happy New Year and safe riding.

## Don & Brenda Williams ACD/Newsletter Editors



## Chapter F - El Dorado



Chapter Director Everett & Carol Chastain Glaves Asst Chapter Director Open **Chapter Educator Gene Shannon** 

Chapter Couple John & Karen

**Chapter Editor Doris Schoeck** 

**Chapter MEC Rick Kistler** 

Chapter Scrapbook Rick & Brenda Kistler



#### Greetings from Chapter F

We brought in the month of December by having our Annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 3, 2016. We had plenty of food, games, and a very fun present exchange, where we all got to steal gifts for the first couple of times if we wanted to. We had 46 people attend and we had members from six of the chapters across the state. A good time was had by all! Since we had the party, we had no regular chapter meeting for the month.







January brings our Mid-Winter event at the Best Western Motel in Park City, Kansas. We have several of our members helping with that event. Karen Glaves will be helping with the Bingo, and John Glaves will be helping with the popcorn machine. Others will be helping in other areas such as the Theme Table, and still others will be bringing desserts for the Dessert Dance.

We will have a Breakfast Ride (most likely in our 4 wheel vehicles) in January. It will be on Saturday, January 7, 2017 and we will meet at the Copper Kettle in Eureka, Kansas at 9:00 am for breakfast. Everett and Carol Chastain will be the hosts for this event.

Until next month, Stay warm and Ride Safe when you ride.

Submitted By, Doris Schoeck, Newsletter Editor

See more photographs of our Christmas party, next page.

#### The Beginning.











Table declarations

Where are the gifts?



Sign in Please





Bill found the desserts



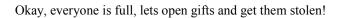
More declarations







Still eating and everyone joined in playing a game.









Brenda & Rick explaining the rules.

Carol Chastain showing how it works!

Gene Shannon looking to steal









Gene got his dream gift?













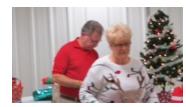












































Of course there was a lot of visiting. Everyone had a great time.















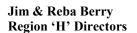




Carol Chastain, half of the Chapter Director Team toasting All that attended and all the GWRRA Family

Rick & Brenda Kistler The KSF Christmas Party Hosts!







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Ray & Sandi Garris GWRRA Directors

#### 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.

#### From your Chapter Directors



Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch dalet@cox.net 620 921 5941

It is a new year and we have changes in chapter H. Hopefully they will be good changes that will keep our chapter strong and growing. A major change is the new location for our monthly meetings. Beginning in February, we will be meeting at Delos V Smith Sr Center at 1<sup>st</sup> & Washington in Hutchinson, KS. This will be a brown bag meeting (bring your own eats) so if you do not like what you have, it is your fault. J Desserts will be furnished by volunteers from our chapter. There is much more room for us there and hopefully more members from ours and other chapters will be attending. This is a trial basis and we hope it will work out for all. The day and time of our meeting can be changed, depending on what works best for all. Let me know your thoughts as I am taking a survey on this. We will be having three meetings out of town. Two in McPherson and one in Salina. Knackie's in McPherson has a large back room we can use and they are very happy to host us. We still have some selections to make in Salina. We are also considering having a meeting in Western Kansas. Hopefully these changes will facilitate our northern and western members to get to our meetings.

We need to keep in contact with all our chapter members, from south to north to east to west. Please join me in inviting all members to our activities.

Other changes are our rides. We have made new events and adventures available and are looking forward to all who can to participate. We can still make changes to our itinerary if need be, however, we talked about new adventures at our planning meeting and came up with our new schedule for 2017.

The 2017 calendar is on our chapter page on the Kansas District website <u>www.gwrraks.com</u> and also copies are available for all. Keep up with all happenings in the Kansas District by clicking on the Events tab and then click on the calendar icon. You can even print the calendar month or scroll through the months and print each month.

Anyone who has suggestions for our meetings and rides, please contact me so we can accommodate you, if not this year, next year. As they say, my door, my phone, and my email is always open to you.

I am pleased to report that the current staff, except that of treasurer, of chapter H will remain. They are doing a great job and I know we all appreciate that. Mike Hildebrand has decided to step down, but Daryl Regier has accepted that position. I also am pleased that Don & Carma Gray have accepted the position of Assistant Chapter Director. Don & Carma have previous experience with GWRRA and will provide the chapter with new and enthusiastic assistance to the team.

I also have created the duty of Chapter Ride Coordinator which Daryl & Nita Regier have accepted. Daryl knows his way around a map and will be an asset putting our rides together. Be sure to step up and offer your ideas to Daryl and also when he asks for assistance either organizing a ride or keeping a ride fun and safe.

I also have created the duty of Chapter Event Planner which Jan Schroeder has accepted. Jan and Daryl will work together getting us where we want to be and making sure we have fun. This will be good for relieving others of time consuming work of making contacts and getting events planned and organized. Sharry Stauffer has agreed to be Jan's assistant. Again, ask them if they could use help with these duties. The more we all work together, the more fun we will have.

By this time next week, Terry & Judy Mann will be in Arizona enjoying the warmth and the good life motor homing. We thank them for organizing chapter H and for their service being chapter Directors for the last 5 years. Best wishes to them as they travel and we hope to see them sometime again when they return. I wonder if Terry has room for a few more GPS units in the motorhome?

Be sure to attend the Mid-Winter Rendezvous on Saturday, January 21 when our new chapter Couple of the Year and our new Individual of the Year will be announced. These are two very important positions in our organization and we all should welcome and support them. The Mid-Winter Rendezvous is a wonderful opportunity to visit with all our GWRRA family and join in the fun activities. Be sure to attend the Distracted Drivers seminar presented by our own Marv Ayers on Saturday afternoon.

#### From your Assistant Chapter Directors



Don & Carma Gray

Hi to all members of Chapter H. Being the new Assistant Chapter Director, here's hoping for growth and good times for 2017.

Since we are new at this I hope you will not hold it against us if we make a few errors. There may be some changes this coming year and not everyone will agree to them but sometimes change is a good thing.

Merry Christmas to all of our extended family.

Don & Carma

#### From your Chapter Educator



Marvin & Toni Ayers

#### Rider Ed. Bits

Where has the year gone? It seems like it was just riding season. We have gone from 2 or 3 wheels to 4 wheels with a nice warm heater. Even though it is not riding season don't stop thinking about riding. Check your gear, winterize your ride, plan your training for the upcoming year, and have a very Merry Christmas.

Mary & Toni

#### From your Chapter MEC



Kit & Donna Sand

#### Welcome one and all; from your Chapter H MEC

Hope this finds all well from Thanksgiving and the Cold weather that we are experiencing at this time. I want to Thank each and everyone of you for making my position very doable! If anyone has questions or concerns on our memberships, please ask and I will find an answer for you. Donna and I want to take this time to wish You, our Family, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. God has Blessed us all to be a special part of this Chapter H of the great big family of GWRRA. Hope to see you all at the Christmas party and meeting. Please make plans to join us at Mid-Winter also. Happy Holidays from us! Sincerely,

Kit and Donna Sand

#### From your Chapter COY



Marvin & Toni Ayers

December is a time for families. So, this is to our GWRRA Chapter H family, thank you for all the support this year. But we also want to remind the members to bring your "LET'S EAT" items, for the COY Basket, to our December meeting. Enjoy the holidays. Toni & Marv

#### From your Chapter Newsletter Editors



Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch

On November 20 there were ten of us who rode in the Reno County Toy Run. There was a total of 575 riders with over 1000 toys and 194 bicycles & tricycles donated. After the ride and dropping off the toys, we went to Wendy's for a warm up.





We want to welcome Ann Whithorn as the new chapter H newsletter editor. Ann has been doing a great job with the chapter scrapbook and we know she will do the same with our newsletter. I asked her if she would consider it and she said "yes". I have enjoyed being the newsletter editor the last five years but it is time for a new approach and new format for our newsletter. Be sure to help Ann by contributing articles and photos.

We always welcome GWRRA members from all over and also guests to our meetings, rides, and events. Check our chapter page on the Kansas District website for our schedule for 2017. Also, most of our schedule is on the District Calendar. Some rides and events are by impulse, those we notify by email. If members not affiliated with chapter H want to join in or have questions, call or email our chapter Director. The Kansas District website is: <a href="https://www.gwrraks.com">www.gwrraks.com</a>.

There were eight of us that went to the KS-F Christmas party Dec 3. There was waaay too much food but every bite of it was good. The gift exchange was fun as it always is. There were 47 there and a good time of food, games, and fun with friends was had by all.

Nine of us went to the Fort Larned Old Time Christmas on Dec 10. It was cold and breezy but fun. Randy and Julie joined the carolers and Dale volunteered to help with some KP duties. KP is not always a bad thing, just think of the kitchen privileges like being where all the food is.







There were 30 of us from chapter H and Bill & Sheila Tucker from chapter Q at the Prairie Rose Ranch dinner and show Dec 11. The food was really good, including 2nds and some 3rds. The show was fantastic with good of Christmas songs and a lot of humor. There were even some throwed biscuits. Orin Friesen from the old KFDI radio was our host.















We had 50 members from chapter H and other chapters at the Christmas party. Plenty of fantastic food and desserts, a good short meeting, and FUN gift exchange and games.



















Terry & Judy Mann were presented with two plaques for their 5 years of being directors of chapter H.

One from the Kansas District and one from chapter H.





It is great that we have a chapter where everyone chips in to make a good event great and fun. Thanks to all for bringing laughter, food and help setting up and tearing down. When we all work together, we really do show our GWRRA family pride and togetherness. We are looking forward to a fantastic 2017 with our GWRRA family.

It has been a pleasure serving as your chapter newsletter editor these last five years. I have learned a lot about what a newsletter should be and have had fun hiding the membership number. I believe that Ann will continue the tradition.

Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch KS-H newsletter editor

## Bugsy

I am spending time with Dale & Georgeanna in December. I guess no one wanted to adopt me for Christmas. I spent a lot of time watching TV Christmas movies on the Hallmark channel with Georgeanna and Gizmo. I had a fun time with my chapter friends at our Christmas party. I even put on my lights.



I found out that I am going to Florida and other southern states with Don & Jan Schroeder over Christmas. I am ready for some serious riding and warmer weather. Look for my report in the February newsletter.

I am looking forward to Mid-Winter so I can win the mascot contest and see all my GWRRA friends again.

### **Afterthoughts**

I had been banging around the roads of east Texas on my motorcycle and as I headed back into Dallas, found myself in very heavy, high-speed traffic on the freeways. Normally, this is not a problem, I commute in these conditions daily, but suddenly I was nearly run down by a cage that decided it needed my lane more than I did. This is not normally a big deal either, as it happens around here often, but usually I can accurately predict which drivers are not paying attention and avoid them before we are even close. This one I missed seeing until it was nearly too late, and as I took evasive action I nearly broadsided another car that I was not even aware was there!

Two bad decisions and insufficient situational awareness...all within seconds. Time to get off the freeway.

I hit the next exit, and as I was in an area I knew pretty well, headed through a few big residential neighborhoods as a new route home. As I turned onto the nearly empty streets I opened the visor on my full-face helmet to help get some air. I figured some slow riding through the quiet surface streets would give me time to relax, think, and regain that "edge" so frequently required when riding.

Little did I suspect...

As I passed an oncoming car, a brown furry missile shot out from under it and tumbled to a stop immediately in front of me. It was a squirrel, and must have been trying to run across the road when it encountered the car. I really was not going very fast, but there was no time to brake or avoid it - it was that close.

I hate to run over animals...and I really hate it on a motorcycle, but a squirrel should pose no danger to me. I barely had time to brace for the impact.

Animal lovers, never fear. Squirrels can take care of themselves!

Inches before impact, the squirrel flipped to his feet. He was standing on his hind legs and facing the oncoming Valkyrie with steadfast resolve in his little beady eyes. His mouth opened, and at the last possible second, he screamed and leapt! I am pretty sure the scream was squirrel for, "Banzai!" or maybe, "Die you gravy-sucking, heathen scum!" as the leap was spectacular and he flew over the windshield and impacted me squarely in the chest.

Instantly he set upon me. If I did not know better, I would have sworn he brought twenty of his little buddies along for the attack. Snarling, hissing, and tearing at my clothes, he was a frenzy of activity. As I was dressed only in a light t-shirt, summer riding gloves, and jeans this was a bit of a cause for concern. This furry little tornado was doing some damage!

Picture a large man on a huge black and chrome cruiser, dressed in jeans, a t-shirt, and leather gloves puttering maybe 25mph down a quiet residential street...and in the fight of his life with a squirrel. And losing.

I grabbed for him with my left hand and managed to snag his tail. With all my strength I flung the evil rodent off the left of the bike, almost running into the right curb as I recoiled from the throw.

That should have done it. The matter should have ended right there. It really should have. The squirrel could have sailed into one of the pristinely kept yards and gone on about his business, and I could have headed home. No one would have been the wiser. But this was no ordinary squirrel. This was not even an ordinary pissed-off squirrel.

This was an evil attack squirrel of death!

Somehow he caught my gloved finger with one of his little hands, and with the force of the throw swung around and with a resounding thump and an amazing impact he landed square on my back and resumed his rather anti-social and extremely distracting activities. He also managed to take my left glove with him!

The situation was not improved. Not improved at all. His attacks were continuing, and now I could not reach him.

I was startled to say the least. The combination of the force of the throw, only having one hand (the throttle hand) on the handlebars, and my jerking back unfortunately put a healthy twist through my right hand and into the throttle. A healthy twist on the throttle of a Valkyrie can only have one result. Torque. This is what the Valkyrie is made for, and she is very, very good at it.

The engine roared as the front wheel left the pavement. The squirrel screamed in anger. The Valkyrie screamed in ecstasy. I screamed in...well...I just plain screamed.

Now picture a large man on a huge black and chrome cruiser, dressed in jeans, a slightly squirrel torn t-shirt, and only one leather glove roaring at maybe 70mph and rapidly accelerating down a quiet residential street...on one wheel and with a demonic squirrel on his back. The man and the squirrel are both screaming bloody murder.

With the sudden acceleration, I was forced to put my other hand back on the handlebars and try to get control of the bike. This was leaving the mutant squirrel to his own devices, but I really did not want to crash into somebody's tree, house, or parked car. Also, I had not yet figured out how to release the throttle...my brain was just simply overloaded. I did manage to mash the back brake, but it had little affect against the massive power of the big cruiser.

About this time the squirrel decided that I was not paying sufficient attention to this very serious battle (maybe he is a Scottish attack squirrel of death), and he came around my neck and got IN my full-face helmet with me. As the faceplate closed partway and he began hissing in my face I am quite sure my screaming changed tone and intensity. It seemed to have little effect on the squirrel however. The rpm's on The Dragon maxed out (I was not concerned about shifting at the moment) and her front end started to drop.

Now picture the large man on the huge black and chrome cruiser, dressed in jeans, a very ragged torn t-shirt, and wearing one leather glove, roaring at probably 80mph, still on one wheel, with a large puffy squirrel's tail sticking out his mostly closed full-face helmet. By now the screams are probably getting a little hoarse.

Finally I got the upper hand...l managed to grab his tail again, pulled him out of my helmet, and slung him to the left as hard as I could. This time it worked...sort-of. Spectacularly sort-of, so to speak.

Picture the scene. You are a cop. You and your partner have pulled off on a quiet residential street and parked with your windows down to do some paperwork.

Suddenly a large man on a huge black and chrome cruiser, dressed in jeans, a torn t-shirt flapping in the breeze, and wearing one leather glove, moving at probably 80mph on one wheel, and screaming bloody murder roars by and with all his strength throws a live squirrel grenade directly into your police car.

I heard screams. They weren't mine...

I managed to get the big motorcycle under directional control and dropped the front wheel to the ground. I then used maximum braking and skidded to a stop in a cloud of tire smoke at the stop sign at a busy cross street.

I would have returned to fess up (and to get my glove back). I really would have. Really But for two things. First, the cops did not seem interested or the slightest bit concerned about me at the moment. One of them was on his back in the front yard of the house they had been parked in front of and was rapidly crabbing backwards away from the patrol car. The other was standing in the street and was training a riot shotgun on the police cruiser.

So the cops were not interested in me. They often insist to "let the professionals handle it" anyway. That was one thing. The other? Well, I swear I could see the squirrel, standing in the back window of the patrol car among shredded and flying pieces of foam and upholstery, and shaking his little fist at me. I think he was shooting me the finger...

I took a deep breath, turned on my turn-signal, made an easy right turn, and sedately left the neighborhood.

As for my easy and slow drive home? Screw it. Faced with a choice of 80mph cars and inattentive drivers, or the evil, demonic, attack squirrel of death...I'll take my chances with the freeway. Every time.

(This appears in Daniel Meyer's "Life Is a Road, Get On It and *Ride*" which is the second book in his Life Is A Road Series.)





### Upcoming Events

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

#### **JANURARY**

20 – 22 Mid-Winter

Meeting @ Sirloin StockadeMartinelli's Salina Dinner Ride

#### **FEBRUARY**

4 KS-H Birthday Party @ Delos V Smith Ctr

23 Meeting @ Delos V Smith Sr Ctr

### **Sunshine Events**

### Birthdays

#### December

- 23 Norm Frederick
- 30 Donna Sand

#### January

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

#### Appiversaries

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

22 Bob & Twila Good

#### **RALLYS & EVENTS**

Mark your Calendars!

#### 2017 Schedule of Events

January 20-21 KS Mid-Winter Rendezvous @ Best Western in Park City/North Wichita January 22 KS District Business Meeting following Mid-Winter Rendezvous

March 25 Trike Riding Course, Wichita, KS
March 30 – April 1 LA District Rally @ Lafayette, LA
April 27-29 Region H Rally @ Marshall, TX

April 29 ERC/BRC2 Riding Course @ Wichita, KS Range
May 13 TC & TTRC combined courses @ Wichita, KS Range

May 18-20 TX District Rally @ Wichita Falls, TX June 10 KS District Spring Ride to Lucas, KS

June 23-24 KS District Rally @ Atrium Hotel in Hutchinson, KS

July 14-15 AR District Rally @ Harrison, AR Aug 29-Sept 2 Wing Ding 39 @ Grapevine, TX

September 10 KS State Fair Goldwing Ride-in Day @ Hutchinson, KS September 16 KS District Fall Ride (location not yet determined)

September 27-29 OK District Rally @ Muskogee, OK

October 6-8 or 13-15 KS District Campout @ Santa Fe Cove in Council Grove, KS

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.

We draw one membership number which is placed somewhere in the newsletter.

If the member to whom the number belongs sees it

and <u>is present</u> at the next gathering after the number is published,

that member wins \$5.

(it pays to be a member and attend gatherings)
Did you find your membership number? Better read me again.

Hey, get in on a good thing. 50/50 is 10 for \$5.

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



## Chapter P - Wichita

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Rick & Carolyn Stevens 316-683-1138

Dennis & Kathy Chesnut 316-214-1995 Senior Chapter Educator Member Enhancement

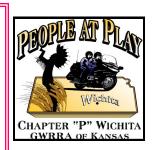
**Assistant Chapter Directors** 

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Treasurer Carolyn Stevens 316-683-1138







Meeting Night - 2nd Friday , 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?

Christmas and Santa Claus has come and gone, leaving us anxiously awaiting the prospects of the New Year. I hope Santa was good to your house, he did not spend much time at mine! Can't imagine what I might need though. Oh yea, a new gun, but he didn't bring it.

Always look forward to the Holidays, as it's a chance to catch up, sit back and just gain 20 lbs. Chapter P did a wonderful job of doing pretty much nothing, but with all that goes on this time of year, that's what we had planned.

For January again will be short notice activities, except for our January 13<sup>th</sup> meeting night. Our beloved Twisters will start working new routines this month, with walk through practices to check out some new breath-taking moves.

The only birthday this month will be my lovely wife Katherine's, and I'll plan something to celebrate her coming of full retirement age.

Again - Mark on your calendar for January 13th as that will be Chapter P's monthly get together. Derby Church of Christ, 225 N Derby St, in Derby.

Denny and Katherine Chesnut, Twister 8, Assistant Directors



## Chapter Q - Arkansas City



## Senior Chapter Directors Jack & Teresa Kistler 620-782-9636

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Jim & Carol Owens
620-441-8097

**Chapter Couple**Bill & Sheila Tucker





**Chapter MEC**Judy Eggleston

Chapter Treasurer Sheila Tucker 316-777-1052 Chapter Educator Open

Hi and welcome to the new year!

Your Chapter couple is writing the article this month. Teresa's dad is in the hospital and so is her son-in-law, both in serious condition. Prayers are needed for the Kistler's family.

Sheila and I did a bunch better in attending other chapter events in December. It was a privilege to represent KSQ at these meetings and Christmas parties and all through the 2016 year as your Chapter Couple. We travelled to KSQ meeting, KSA meeting and KSA bowling party, KSP meeting, KSF Christmas party, and KSH Prairie Rose Dinner and KSH Christmas party.



During the KSH party, Terry & Judy Mann were presented a plaque from DD Jack Schoeck (RT) and from their chapter ACD Tritsch) for their five years as Charter Chapter Directors.









KSF CHRISTMAS PARTY

KSH CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Mann's left Saturday for the warm state of Arizona. Best to them during their travels.

Because of the serious concerns for Teresa and Jack, I am postponing the Jack & Teresa Challenge game at our January meeting.

As we venture into 2017 GWRRA life it will be with new leaders at the helm! Bill & Sarah Watts will be sailing the Kansas District ship for 2017.

We need to give Jack & Doris our thanks for a job well done. Sheila & I served on their team and we know that they really did try to put the member's concerns first when planning events for the district sponsorship.

The 'Q' Crew wishes one and all a very HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Bill & Sheila,

#### BY THE BOOK

By: Jack Wagner Deputy Director Region H Trainer



"By the Book" articles are intended to help familiarize GWRRA Volunteer Leaders and Members with the policies, procedures, and information contained in the GWRRA Officer's Handbook (OHB). A copy of the Officer's Handbook can be found at the following Internet website: <a href="www.gwrra.org/oconnect/officerhandbook.html">www.gwrra.org/oconnect/officerhandbook.html</a>
Please feel free to reprint these articles in Region, District, or Chapter newsletters.

Those who know me will certainly agree with this month's article title as I do like being different from my bike to my other vehicles or some of the things I enjoy doing. But that's not what this month's article is about. Its about GWRRA being different from other motorcycle organizations, or clubs. One of my pet peeves is when people refer to their GWRRA Chapter as 'our club'. I know they do it out of affection and belonging, not understanding the organizational meaning of the term 'club. But GWRRA is not a club. The term 'club' refers to an organizational structure - one where officers are elected by popular vote; one where motions are made, debated and voted on; where the majority rules; where as many as 49% of club members are unhappy 100% of the time.

That is not the GWRRA way. Our officers are volunteers who are 'selected' based on qualifications and desire, not 'elected' by popular vote or campaigning for office. Decisions are made based on the desires of the Members with input from everyone. We don't have 'power struggles' or 'empire building', rather we base what we do on the wants and needs of **all** of the Members. The GWRRA chapter format is more flexible and less formal than a club format. It is part of something bigger, international in scope, with common purposes throughout, whereas clubs are more local

and their purpose or vision 'blurry' at best. In GWRRA Members are free to participate where, and as much, as they like. Club members on the other hand are often told where they can belong and frequently told they have to participate in 'x' number of events to remain as members.

Sometimes, less-informed chapter participants will try to lead the chapter into the 'club' format of operation. It's the responsibility of GWRRA Officers to work together and retain the non-political, non-club environment in the chapter. If this becomes a problem in your Chapter, there are other members of the Operations Team who will be able to assist you. For more information on the differences between a 'club' and GWRRA, check out page B-3 of the Officer Handbook at <a href="http://gwrra.org/oconnect/officerhandbook.html">http://gwrra.org/oconnect/officerhandbook.html</a>

Yes, GWRRA is different - and I like it!

The more you know, the better it gets!



# Kansas



Region 'H' GWRRA

Mid-Winter Rendezvous

January 20-22, 2017 Theme "Wingin' it With Frosty"

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

Here is a glimps of the Rendezvous 2017 activites. Some Old, Some New, All Fun



Banquet
Chapter Theme Table
COY Baskets
Medallion Hunt

Rider Education, Leadership Training, Membership Enhancement Seminars

Black Jack Play Off

Dessert Dances (Two) Yum! Yum!

Crafts (Free snowballs) Make it! Paint It! Take it!



Snacks (popcorn free)
District Couple Selection
Dressed Up Snowman Contest

(Make a snowman and dress him up)

Name The Snowman Contest

Games: Two Headliners- 'A Minute to Win It' and the 'Hungry Hippo'
Many more games available on the tables
Fifty-Fifty







## KANSAS

# MID-WINTER RENDEZVOUS January 20-21, 2017 XXVII

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Ask for "GWRRA Mid-Winter" rooms

Theme: "Winging With Frosty in Park City"

'Couple of the Year Selection' 'Musical Dessert Dance' 'Many Games' 'Rider Ed Seminars' '50/50 Drawings' 'Medallion Hunt' 'Banquet' 'Black Jack' 'Bingo' "Table Games'

REGISTRATION FORM					
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Address	City				
Your Chapter					
Registration Fee: \$25.00 per person Non-Members: \$30.00 per person		\$30.00 per person after January 6th \$35.00 per person after January 6th			
My Choice of entrée at Banquet	is: Chicken	Beef			
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Riders Signature	Date				
Co-Riders Signature	Date				
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The book chronicles her mishaps as she learns to ride her own motorcycle, and many of the funny (and sometimes scary) things that have happened on some of their trips. You don't have to be a biker to enjoy this book.

Terri and her husband Steve were involved in a serious motorcycle wreck in 2004. During their recovery, they were introduced to the Goldwing Road Riders Association (GWRRA), an organization that promotes safe motorcycling. Terri reports that she has always enjoyed riding on motorcycles, but never thought of owning one, let alone riding on a motorcycle drill team. She has always dreamed of having her original writing published. She hopes that through her love of writing and riding, that she has brought a glimpse of her passion of both to you, the reader. Terri and her husband live in Newton Ks..

TERRI BOCKHAUS

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