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Wish you and yours the best ever safe and healthy Thanksgiving



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HAPPY THANKSGIVING to our GWRRA Family! Hope that all of you have a wonderful and joyous time with your families.

October was a busy month for the State Staff. We have been to several Chapter Meetings and have enjoyed seeing a lot of you! Jack and I did not get to as many of the Chapter Meetings as we would have liked, but Jack's part time job somehow became a little bit more than part time which prevented us from going some of the places we would have liked. Hopefully, next month will not be like that.

October was a great riding month and several of our chapters went on Fall Foliage Rides through Kansas, Missouri, and Arkansas. There are plenty of pictures attesting to this and from the sounds of it, they all had a wonderful time riding to see the changing colors of the season.

There is still some good riding weather ahead in the next month so hope that all of you will get that done before it turns cold for the winter. Remember to get your bikes and trikes ready for the upcoming winter months. It appears that several of the chapters are getting ready for the upcoming holidays.

Dale Tritsch has been doing some additions to the Website so be sure and check it out. He is doing a great job of keeping it up so if you have upcoming events for your chapter, is sure to get them to him to put on this site.

Several of the State Staff will be attending the upcoming Region H Staff Meeting in Marshall, Texas on Saturday, November 15, 2014. We will report any new information we have when we return from that meeting.

Our own State Staff will have a State Staff Meeting on Saturday, November 22, 2014 to work on our upcoming Mid-Winter Event and any other matters that need to be taken care of. We will be busy the next couple of months working on our Mid-Winter Rendezvous and will keep everyone updated as we progress.

Until next time, ride often and stay safe. Jack and Doris Schoeck, Kansas District Directors

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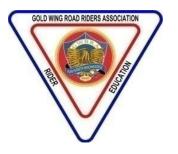
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#### HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO YOU AND YOURS

Yep, it is article time once again. Not much to write about concerning training activities.

Kansas Chapter 'H' sponsored a Medic First Aid class in October with eleven attending.

I was hoping to include a Motor Awareness Seminar along with the MFA class but it didn't work out.

Plan 'B'. I have asked Chapter 'Q' to sponsor a combined class before the end of the year. They have agreed to do so. Anyone that either needs or just wants to refresh their life saving skills and get the Motor Awareness completed may do so by attending the instruction. We will try to get a date and location out very soon. The Motor Awareness Seminar is free.

As I said in another article, my training team will be getting together at Mid-Winter Rendezvous (January 16-17, 2015) to set the dates for our riding course schedule for 2015. As usual, we will have four classes, one each, of the following: Trike Riding (TRC), Trike/Trailering (TTRC), BRC2 (two wheelers) and BRC2 Trailering (TC). Please keep in mind that if there is a demand for more than one of the above courses we will do our best to meet that demand.

Sheila & I were able to go on the KSQ fall foliage ride and were very surprised that we didn't see more deer. Every TV station I watched in Kansas, Missouri and Arkansas was giving warning about the heavy population of deer in their area. I guess we were lucky, OR was it because it rained every day of the ride. The DEER were smarter than

us, and stayed out of the weather????? Then we had thick fog going up Mt. Nebo and Mt Magazine. It was still a very fun time with that crazy group. The Pizza party in Eureka Springs motel was a hoot! Because of a few reports concerning motorcycle accidents, two issues have raised their wicked heads again. Failure to properly negotiate a curve and getting rear ended.

First, the 'curve' issue. Before talking about going through the curve properly, I want to remind you to do the following when you enter that curve, then we will talk about the cornering traction management. SLOW- Yep, we need to remember to slow BEFORE we enter the curve. It's called entering speed and needs to be slow enough that you can comfortably go through the curve and accelerate with no problem. LOOK- Why Not look where you hope to go? Makes sense to turn your head in the direction of the curve and if it has multiple curves make adjustments. PRESS- You have heard that a million times (if you taken course from a MSF instructor). Press or push the handle bar in the direction you want the bike to turn. No press/push, no turn. Last, ROLL- As you are coming around the curve(s) begin your roll on the throttle to assist in controlling (stabilizing) the bike. Because of limited article space, I haven't gone into deep detail of those four actions you must take to accomplish your goal of getting through the curves safely and have fun doing it. Take a MSF or GWRRA riding course and perfect these important skills.

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#### Rider Ed Continued

Okay, to the 'cornering traction' portion. <u>I am</u>
copying an article from the Motorcycle Consumer News,
June 2014, written by Ken Condon in his article Proficient Motorcycling "Traction Management". If you have not read the entire article, take time to do so.

"Traction 101- Simply put, traction is friction between the tire contact patch and the road surface.... Several factors determine how much traction is available, including road condition, the tires' ability to grip the road and the amount of "load" or pressure pressing the tires onto the road surface. "

I have skipped paragraphs 'Traction and Surface Quality', 'Load management', 'Traction Expenditure', 'Braking Traction' which get's me to the 'Cornering Traction' which goes along with my theme of getting through those fun but sometimes dangerous curves.

Quote "When you use handlebar pressure to countersteer into a corner, you create side forces that use traction. The greater the speed and the greater the lean angle, the more traction is consumed.

Rolling on the throttle while cornering balances available traction between both tires and helps keep the suspension in its "sweet spot" to maintain tire contact with the road.

Another technique for managing traction is corners is to use cornering lines that follow the straightest path through a curve-for instance, the "outside-inside-outside" cornering line favored by racer-and thus require less lean angle at the same pace compared to the cornering line that simply follow the center of the lane. Additionally, it is important to adopt a riding posture that allows your arms to be relaxed, to allow the front suspension and tire to move fluidly over bumps. I'll discuss more about managing traction in an upcoming article.

Traction changes quickly from one section of the pavement to the next, and it's up to you to recognize these changes and maintain a healthy amount of traction reserve in your account." Unquote.

Well students of mine, does any of that sound fa-

miliar? I hope so. In 2015 when you enroll in our riding courses, you will hear it again and again, along with many other suggestions on reducing 'risk' while doing what we all love- Riding our favorite ride with our spouse or friend as passengers.

Briefly, about the 'rear end' collision. There were a couple of photographs on some facebook pages showing such incidents. There are a couple of things (and more) we need to remind ourselves to do to possible escape that driver that is texting, talking on phone, putting on makeup, shaving, reading etc.. Who knows what they are doing! One thing for sure they didn't see the biker because of distractions or maybe just don't see the motorcycle, because they looked beyond the bike and was looking at the car you are stopped behind.

Please do these things and think outside the box to possibly avoid that collision. 1) When pulling up behind a vehicle, leave sufficient space between the car in front and you so you can go right or left to get out of the way. If you are in the inside lane, you increased your risk factor of getting out of there safely. When stopped ALWAYS shift to first gear, keep your eyes on your mirrors cover your controls and be ready to react. There is much more we can discuss on being prepared at a stop, but not in this article. Those of you know that have taken a riders course from me (Bill Tucker), Jim Lamb and Rick Stevens (MSF & GWRRA Instructors), we discuss these and other options to reduce our risk.

Until next time, remember-

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

Do yourself and your loved one a favor. Take a Riders course!

(If you keep on doing what you are doing, you will keep getting what you are getting!)

Bill Tucker, DE, MSF Rider Coach



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Hello everyone...

This won't take long...It's the end of October and I'm listening to the Royals playing in the World Series while I type the November newsletter (kind of hard to type with your fingers crossed) and I'm trying to remember what all went on during the month.

Our monthly meeting was at Bishops on the 9<sup>th</sup> and although there wasn't a very big crowd we had a good time as always. Larry talked to us about the recent recall notice that Honda sent out so you might want to check to see if your bike needs checked. Then he talked a little bit about riding your bike as compared to driving your car. How maybe some things that you do while traveling in a car you shouldn't do while on your bike...and maybe there are some things you do on your bike that you should but don't always do in your car. Marty gave a little talk about how even if you are riding with a group that you shouldn't try to "keep up" with the others if they are riding is a way that you are not comfortable with...be it riding to fast or not fast enough. That it's okay to "ride your own ride".

The very next day those of us that were joining Chapter Q on their fall foliage ride to Ft Smith Arkansas and points beyond left for what turned out to be a very wet weekend. I'm not going to go into a lot of details since this was Chapter Q's ride I'll let them talk about all that went on I'll just give you a few details. The attendees were, Bob & Barb Brown, Hal & Sharon Williams, Steve & Terry Bockhaus, Larry Mazur and I. Steve led us through so nice country on Friday avoiding toll roads & interstates but he could not avoid the rain so for about the last  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours on Friday we got wet. Saturday started out damp and foggy and the destination was 1st the top of Mt Nebo for most of us with a few skipping that part of the trip and they rode on in to Eureka Springs to await the rest of the riders arrival later in the day. After Mt Nebo they went to the top of Mt Magazine followed by lunch in Paris...try as we could Sharon and I could not find the Eifel Tower anywhere (wait...we were in Arkansas not Paris). After that it was on to the "Pig Trail" which took us into Eureka Springs. The next time you see Hal ask him how much he enjoyed riding on a Gold Wing for the 1st time...(and a trike too). He and Sharon came in their car so I had no problem letting Hal ride my bike on Saturday while I stayed nice & dry in the car with Sharon. Sunday dawned bright & beautiful with no rain in sight. Jack Kistler led a group of us home and on the way he took us to a fish hatchery and let me just say the road that he took us on, there was this one hill that was kind of steep and as you got to the top and kind of popped off your seat...let me just say it was breath taking even now as I remember the feeling. Thanks Jack & thanks Chapter Q for a great weekend (sorry I have no pictures because although I had a camera...I had no SD card)

#### KSA Continued

The monthly dinner ride was on the 16<sup>th</sup> and I believe they went to the Benton Airport but I did not go so here is the very brief description of the ride that Rod sent me. " Met at the Qtrip 63<sup>rd</sup> and 135, rode to Stearman Field, Benton, had a nice turnout and great weather, perhaps another ride to this location later as it seems to be a favorite". Hope all that attended this ride enjoyed it.

The chapter Halloween party was held @ the Gillett's on the 25<sup>th</sup> and was a big hit. Lots of people showed up (a few even came in costume) to enjoy Ann's stews and all the goodies that others brought. There were a lot of visiting and telling of stories and some took time out to watch the Royals game that was on (it was an embarrassing game for the Royals...they lost 11-4)

That's all I can think of for now so here are a few things to look forward to in November

- 1st Dennis Joynt's Birthday
- $2^{nd}$  Day Light Savings Time ends so be sure to reset your clocks back an hour or you will be early for everything you do on this day
- $2^{nd}$  Planning meeting @ Rod & Ann's @ 4:00pm (of course by the time the newsletter goes on line it will probably be too late so I hope all chapter member s came and helped to plan next year's calendar)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Larry Mazur's Birthday
- $8^{\text{th}}$  @ 10:30 the Kansas Twisters will be performing at the parade in El Dorado Kansas...please come out and support the Twisters
- 11th Mary Mazur's Birthday
- $11^{\text{th}}$  Veterans Day...when you get a chance remember to thank our service men & women for the great job they do. Do this any day but specially this day that has been set aside for them
- 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter A's monthly meeting @ Bishop on West Kellogg. Meeting starts @ 7:00 but come early and enjoy a meal and visiting with the other chapter members.
- 20th Dinner ride...more details to follow
- 26th Rod & Ann Gillett's anniversary
- $27^{\text{th}}$  Thanksgiving...don't forget to give thanks for all your blessings this year.
- 28 Steve & Terri Bockhaus's anniversary

Coming soon to a city near you...

January 16 & 17 - Kansas Mid-Winter Rendezvous in Park City, KS.

April 16-18 Region H Rally in Marshall TX.

September 3-6 Wingding in Huntsville Alabama

September 18-19 Kansas State Rally in Park City, KS

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

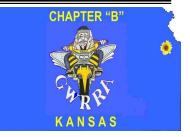
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It has been a great month for riding here in northeast Kansas. Chapter B finished September with our monthly breakfast ride led by John and Donna Stevenson in our very own pace car. It was a nice ride along the back roads to Leavenworth and the Pullman Place Family Restaurant. Twenty two members enjoyed breakfast together.

October 2 started out rather rainy, but by evening it was a clear sky for our dinner ride. Joe Magnant led us to BB's Lawnside BBQ & Blues in Kansas City, Missouri. A live band began playing shortly after we were served. The food was good, the music loud, and the company of the eighteen members present was great.

It was time for the fall color ride on October 4, but unfortunately Mother Nature wasn't yet ready to dress in her beautiful reds, oranges, and yellows. That didn't stop Steve and Brenda Milam who led the group of twenty along the country roads to Weston, Missouri. The first stop was the Weston State Park for a look over the Missouri River and a few lone trees that were almost ready to show off some color.



Then it was on to Atchison and the International Forest of Friendship. The arboretum is a living memorial to the world history of aviation and aerospace and features tree species from all fifty states and over thirty five countries. There are trees from George Washington's Estate at Mount Vernon, Amelia Earhart's grandfather's farm, and a tree grown from a seed that was taken to the moon on Apollo 14. Over 1400 men and women have been honored for their contributions to all facets of aviation and aerospace.



From there the journey continued to Ozawkie where lunch was enjoyed at the Hog Holler Saloon. A leisurely trip back with a stop for ice cream completed a fabulous day of friendship and fun.

Mick Schurer, Mike Brown and Allen Robertson left on October 9 for the Barber Vintage Motorcycle Festival in Birmingham, Alabama. The museum, vintage motorcycle races, and wandering through the festival more than made up for the less than wonderful weather they encountered on their journey. It's a great place for every motorcycle enthusiast to visit.

Cows, cows, and more cows were the theme for the ride led by Mary Rose Enderle and Bogie Bogenrife. The group set off early on October 18 to visit the Foremost Dairy Center, a research and teaching facility, near Columbia, Missouri. This agricultural experiment station, begun through a donation of money from J.C. Penney, is owned by the University of Missouri and provides hands-on learning as well as research. There are currently over 425 Holstein and Guernsey cattle at



the dairy. Students and faculty care for the animals and conduct experiments and research projects to determine how to better maximize milk output and efficiency. Chapter B members learned many facts about the facility and enjoyed looking at the baby calves. Some even tried milking a cow by hand.



#### KSB Continued

Following the interesting and informative tour, members ventured on to Fayette, Missouri for lunch at Emmet's Kitchen and Tap. And, you can't learn about milk without partaking of some, this time in the form of ice cream at Shafer's Crazy Cone in Higginsville. What a wonderful fall day for a ride with friends.

October 25 was a busy day for Chapter B. Ed and Janice James led the group to breakfast. Twenty two members braved the fog and cool morning temperatures to venture along beautiful tree lined roads to Shawnee and Eggtc. The food was great and company even better.

That evening it was time for the annual Halloween party. The temperature had really warmed up and the bonfire wasn't necessary to keep warm. Almost forty Chapter B members and friends roasted hot dogs and marshmallows over the fire and enjoyed the other tasty foods. The ride on the hay wagon was the highlight once again though no wildlife was seen except for the cows and calves in the pasture. It was a fun time for all.

Chapter B events for November: November 1 – Dairy Ride November 8 – Ottawa Veterans' Parade November 11 – Leavenworth Veterans' Parade

November 20 - Chapter Meeting

Safe travels, Paula Aiken







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We started October off with a supper ride to 5 Guys Burgers and Fries in Lawrence with Al Davis leading. Since 45<sup>th</sup> street has been closed someplace along the route for what seems like 2 years we headed south on Topeka Blvd for parts unknown. We had 4 bikes and 6 riders. All of us, but probably Al, thought we would go south to US 56 then thru Overbrook working our way into Lawrence from the south. That was not to be since we turned off on some road that most of us had never been on. Bill Hanson even commented that he thought it was a gravel road. In the end we got safely to 5 Guys for their normal good burgers and peanuts. While on our excursion we learned a very valuable lesson when riding near sunset at this time of the year. With the sun so low on the horizon everybody needs to stay alert for a quick shot of the sun directly in your eyes. We rounded one turn onto a very short straight and it was virtually impossible to see the bike in front of you. I completely lost the bike I was following to include the brake lights which I knew were on because Bill was slowing before the sun hit my eyes. Sandy said she completely lost sight of my trike also. Fortunately this was of a very short duration. The whole point is be extra alert this time of year for things like the sun, deer, wet leaves on the road, and also debris from farm implements since farmers are getting in the last of their crops for the year.

We held our monthly meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> with 16 people in attendance. Bill started us off with a

discussion about riding a bike in another vehicle's blind spot. This was triggered when he read an article in AMA magazine that said to make eye contact with the driver of the vehicle in their mirror. This sounds good on paper but as Bill pointed out after trying an experiment with his car. The mirrors on cars and small pickups are extremely small and it's very hard to even see the driver in their mirror. It was mentioned the article probably was referring to large trucks with big mirrors which brought up the "spot" mirrors on trucks making it easier for the truck driver to see a motorcycle. I mentioned that in my experience as a truck driver that I would LOOK in the large mirror and glance into the spot mirrors when driving and not check them as often as the larger mirror.

I imagine this to be normal since the larger mirror is easier to see things in. The bottom line when approaching and/or passing from the rear is to pay attention to where your bike is in relation to the other vehicle and stay in the blind spot for a minimum of time. Once the decision to pass is made and it's safe, get around the vehicle quickly.

Chapter shirts have been ordered, however there was a mix-up on the color and the shirts have to be exchanged. Once the shirts are available an email will be sent to those that have an order in with the final price. The shirts were on sale, but I forgot the amount of discount.

#### KSC Continued

Ron Crawford read an e-mail from Dale Tritsch from Chapter H. Dale is planning a ride to Yellowstone either this summer or possibly next year depending on the availability of lodging among other things. He is hoping to get at least 12 bikes and is thinking it will be approximately a 9-11 day ride. The time of year he is looking at is July of either 2015 or 2016. He is aware that it will be hot in Kansas but much cooler in South Dakota and Wyoming. Anybody interested in the ride should contact Dale ASAP at dalet@cox.net.

Jack Schoeck caught the chapter up with what is happening within the District. He gave the chapter a big thank you for helping at the District Rally and made a point to thank John & Teresa Gull and Bill & Margaret Hanson for coming in on Sunday and helping with the clean-up. He also stated the Mid-Winter will be at the Best Western in Park City on January 16-17 and that the District Rally will be held there also September 18-19<sup>th</sup>. Doris pointed out that if anybody planned to spend the night to get their reservations early in order to attempt to fill up a specific area of the motel for security purposes. Also for those not spending the night, but planning on eating at closing. need to register with Judy Eggleston in order for the District to be able to order the proper amount of food in advance. Bill & Margaret will be leading the supper ride on Nov 4<sup>th</sup> with the destination to be announced later, which for Chapter C normally means at the Kwik Shop so show up anyway. Al & Sandy will be leading the ride to Paradise on the 8<sup>th</sup>. Meeting places and times are:

Depart "Davis Corner" at 7:00 am corner of W 6<sup>th</sup> Street and N 1600 Rd Lawrence.

Dillion's store US 24 and NE Rochester RD,
Topeka, ETA 7:30

US 24 to US 75 to I 70 arriving Sapp Brothers

Truck stop I 70 & US 77, Junction City at approximately 8:45

K-18 to Paradise (this can be subject to change if running late then I 70 west then north to Paradise)

For those that haven't been to the Paradise Bazaar and Dinner it is the only fund raiser for the church in town (population 42) and has been going on since 1950. For those concerned about possibly promoting a religious event don't worry because in the four years Brenda & I have been going the church has never been mentioned by anybody. It's just a fun place to go with really nice people that even have set up motorcycle only parking because the dinner is on a hill with chip seal and they reserve us the only place that is relatively flat in the area.

The chapter will have a get together at John & Teresa's to finalize the calendar of events for next year. We need different ride leaders for the rides. If somebody isn't comfortable riding at the front of the pack still "lead" a ride. Somebody will always be willing to get us there. All we need is a location, route and meeting time. For those that haven't led a ride the actual planning is simple. Determine the location and give them a call to make sure it will be open and can handle the group, plan the route and determine the start time of the ride. That's pretty much it other than on the day of the ride when you know the final number of people give the location a call and tell them how many and about what time we will get there.

Ron also said the toys for tots ride would be the 30<sup>th</sup>. With that the meeting broke up and we headed home.

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Happy Thanksgiving from Chapter F!

Chapter F is still being conducted by District Staff until we can find a Chapter Director.

Hope everyone has enjoyed the nice weather we have had recently. There have been many opportunities to get out and explore the countryside.

Chapter F members have joined in some of the other chapters Fall Foliage rides and have enjoyed seeing the changing of the seasons with all of the pretty leaves and nice curvy, hilly roads to ride.

We had our supper ride to Rock, Kansas and ate at the Rock Hard Café. Chapter Q members joined us for the meal and a good time was had by all. There were approximately 17 people who came.

Our chapter members will soon be checking their motorcycles to see what needs to be done for any winter riding or just simply doing maintenance to store them for the winter weather we will be having. This is always a good thing to do to keep on top of things for year round maintenance and knowledge of your bike or trike, whichever you have.

We have no birthdays or anniversaries for the month of October, but we are only a few weeks away from the beginning of our Christmas parties and dinners. Be sure and check the Newsletter and the Website for the dates and times for these events.

Until next time, enjoy the rest of the riding season and we will see you down the road.

**District Staff** 

Hello All.

Here are a few notes from Tuesday night 'F' gathering.

Brenda & Rick Kistler facilitated the gathering. Excellent turnout. Brenda had a really neat game for all to participate. I sucked at it but it was fun.

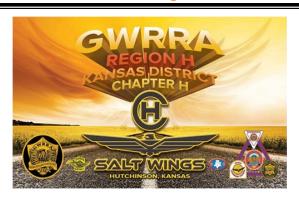
The chapter Christmas party is December 6 at Noon in Cassody at the Community Center. Please bring a boy and/or girl gift for the White Elephant drawing. The chapter is providing the meat so you are asked to bring a side dish full of yummies! Sorry don't recall what they said about desserts. But I bet they have it covered!

They are planning a chapter planning meeting soon to decide on a COY Basket Theme and schedule their monthly activities.

That's it for now.

Bill Tucker, KS Newsletter Editor







## KS-H Newsletter October 2014

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From your Chapter Directors



Terry & Judy Mann

October has been a great month to ride, with cooler weather. We've added 10 new members and had some great rides. On Oct. 4th we attempted to go to a craft fair sale at the Red Barn near Hesston, the first four members who arrived warned us there was no parking available due to a huge crowd. We ended up riding to Cheney and a great ice cream shop. We then headed to Pretty Boy Floyd's in Ellsworth for dinner and some outstanding food in their 1930's underground restaurant.

On Friday October 10 we drove to Two Brothers Bar BQ in Wichita and then the Waltzing Waters show after dark. Next we went on down the river to the Mid America All-Indian Center, the night was cool and damp so the ring of fire felt good when it was lit at the Keeper of the Plains.

The Arkansas fall ride Oct. 17-19 was enjoyed by 8 bikes and 16 members, the weather and ride was outstanding. Our first stop was at our good friends Dale and Janis Mooney from Chapter F who retired to Holiday Island near Eureka Springs, AR. After a short visit we went on to Harrison, AR where we spent Friday and Saturday night. Saturday morning we headed to the Cliff House Inn near Jasper, AR for an outstanding breakfast and some great views of the 'Grand Canyon' of the Ozarks, then on to Mountain View for an outstanding ride and lots of folk music playing in the town square. We took a different route thru the twisties returning to Harrison for the night.

Our return trip on Sunday took us thru some more twisties north out of Branson. We plan on a return trip next year with possibly adding a day. Thanks to Bill Watts and Sarah Taylor for their outstanding planning and ride leading.

The next two monthly meetings have been moved up one week due to the holidays. The December meeting will be at Penwell Gable funeral home community room.

Thanks Terry and Judy Mann directors of Chapter H.

From your Assistant Chapter Directors



Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch

If you haven't been reading the Kansas Winger on the Kansas GWRRA website, you are missing out on a lot of information and good ideas of what other chapters are doing (click on the newsletter button on the left side of the page). There are newsletters from each chapter with humor and activities. We can all benefit from learning what other chapters are doing and "meet" new people through them.

We should all value the chapter newsletter editors who make the happenings in the local chapters known. They do a good job, but only if the members let them know of what is happening.

Bill Tucker is the editor for our Kansas Winger and puts it all together for us; we all should let him know what a good job he is doing and how much he is appreciated.

http://gwks.homestead.com/newsletter.html This is our online connection. We should use it.

Also make it a habit to check the calendar accessible from the District Events tab on the left. This way you can keep informed of what is scheduled for all events in the Kansas District. <a href="http://www.gwrraks.com/events.html">http://www.gwrraks.com/events.html</a> Chapter Directors are encouraged to notify the webmaster of upcoming events in a timely manner so it can be placed on the calendar for all to see. That way others will be able to choose whether or not they want to join in on the event.

Send your photos and descriptions or short article of what you have been doing to Ann Whithorn <u>izzy2freck-les@hotmail.com</u> so she can add it to the chapter scrapbook. Also send it to Dale Tritsch <u>dalet@cox.net</u> so it can be added to our newsletter. Even a short ride for ice cream or pleasure would be appreciated.

From your Chapter Educator



Marvin Ayers

#### From your Chapter MEC



Bill Watts

Greetings my Chapter H family. It's hard to believe that another month has flown by but it has, the days are getting shorter and the temps are getting cooler, but there is still some time left to get out and ride and fall makes for some great afternoon and early evening riding as we get to see the changes in the seasons taking place before our eyes. So I encourage each of you to get out, breath in some early fall air and soak up mother nature at her best and enjoy the ride. And for those of you that could not be with us this past weekend on our ride down to Arkansas, we missed you. It was a beautiful trip down there and back. The weather could not have been better and the roads we traveled and the sights we saw and heard were fun and I guess I could also say priceless. We logged 1030 miles round trip and I know Sarah and I both are ready to do it again and we will.

As many of you may have noticed, we are seeing new faces around the old dinner table and at our chapter events. That is a testament to each and every one of you for talking to and telling others about not only GWRRA but Chapter H too. We are on a pretty good growth pace when you think about the size of our local population and that we are right smack in the middle of rural America, the numbers are impressive. We all here at Chapter H are kind of setting the bar for other chapters of comparable sizes to look at and follow; but it's not just only based on how many members we sign up, its also based on our member participation and we have no lack of that here at Chapter H. Folks you have no idea how many times when we are attending a ride or event that someone will come up to me and say you can count on Chapter H to bring along several of their members and I usually just smile and say "yep, it's a family thing"!

Keep up the great work because it's not just your chapter officers that make it run like a well-oiled machine, its each and every one of us that help to make these chapters what they are and you all are the best. Have Fun and Ride Safe

Bill Watts MEC

From your Chapter COY



Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch

We were busy working on scheduling for personal and GWRRA events this month. We did not get to attend any other chapter activities as we had hoped. We are still hoping to get in at least one more chapter meeting at one of the Kansas chapters. Time does get by quickly. We have seen many other chapter couples on our adventures this year and hope to meet and see many more in coming months.

#### From your Chapter Newsletter Editors



Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch

Pretty Boy Floyd's













#### **Keeper of the Plains**























Arkansas Ride



























#### **Arkansas Ride** Friday





Dale & Janis Home Holliday Island AR

DQ Joplin



Coultin's in Harrison AR

Arkansas Ride Saturday Cliff House











Donna & Denny



Sarah & Bill Mountain View



Terry 7 Judy



KSH



Nita & Daryl



Judy & Terry at Ice Cream Parlor



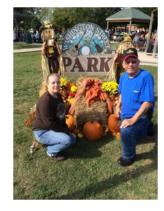
Mike & Reba



Ken & Nancy



Mark & Linda



Ronda & Dale



Music

#### **Arkansas Ride** Sunday

#### Maplewood Cemetery Harrison, AR















Dale & Rhonda

Steve & Jackie





\* Steve & Jackie from AR took our group picture

#### **Medic First Aid Class**

#### Bill Watts volunteers and AnnWhithorm saves him!













### Upcoming Events

### Birthdays

Charlie Breitenbach 11 - 30 Bruce Malecki 11 - 25 Alice Mounts 11 - 14 Janice Scheurer 11 - 18

#### Anniversaries

Marvin & Toni Ayers 11-09 Terry & Judy Mann 11 -26

#### Next Meeting

Due to the holidays falling on our regular scheduled meeting dates, we will have the November meeting on the  $20^{th}$  at Sirloin Stockade.

Our December meeting will be on the  $18^{th}$  at Penwell Gable on E  $30^{th}$  (just east of main and  $30^{th}$ ) It will also be our COY appreciation dinner.

## Chapter P – Wichita

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Meeting Night - Friday, November 14Th - Brown Bag at 6:30pm Meeting 7:00pm

Derby Church of Christ 225 N. Derby St,

Derby Ks. 67037 in the fellowship hall at the south

end of the building

#### Rides last month:

The Chapter P Fall ride was held on October 17, 18, 19 2014. We rode the back roads through Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri and arrived in Eagle Rock, Missouri on Friday. On Saturday we rode through the Ozark Mountains to War Eagle Mill for the annual War Eagle fall craft fair then back through Rodgers Arkansas for a picnic at Dale and Janice Mooneys house. On Sunday October 19<sup>th</sup> we returned to Kansas the weather was perfect and the colors unbelievable. Chapter P meeting Chapter H at the Mooneys house in Holliday Island Arkansas.



Chapter 'P' Meeting at Mooneys Holliday Island AR



Office at Eagle Rock MO



Chapter 'P' at the Office for Breakfast in Eagle Rock MO. Parking at War Eagle Mill

#### KSP Continued

#### Planning Meeting

The chapter P planning meeting will be held on November 7<sup>nd</sup> at the Chesnuts house starting at 6:30 Pizza will be provided. Please bring dessert item. Contact Denny at <u>denny.chesnut@flightsafety.com</u> or 316214-1995 to RSVP.

#### Rides

Dinner rides and dessert for the meeting this month will be planned by Rick and Carolyn Stevens.

#### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS -



11/13 Janet Gonsalves 11/17 James Lamb 11/24 Carolyn Stevens 11/26 Joe Gonsalves

#### NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES-11/8 Josh and Linda Vickers



Everyone have a safe month!

David & Sherri McDonald Directors Chapter P

## Chapter Q - Wellington



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Wow!! Sure hope everyone got to enjoy some great riding weather in October. I do believe that was some of the best we've had for quite sometime.

Of course there was that one weekend that it was a little damp. As I recall that was our Fall Foliage ride, but I must say we had some real troopers on that trip. When we all got to Fort Smith, Arkansas on Friday night there was only 4 people that didn't get wet going down, I guess they must have keep their car windows up. Yes that's right we had 2 four wheelers along this year to go along with the 11 bikes. On Saturday morning everyone was up and ready to go even with the forecast of light rain. So off we go, it was a little damp, but it's still better than working! Kudos to those that braved Mt. Nebo, wet pavement and fog couldn't keep this bunch from trying it. Way to go Steve & Terri, Bob & Barb, Hal, Bill & Sheila and last but not least our fearless leader Jack. We did have a few that said they had been there done that and stayed at the bottom and waited on the rest of us to return. From there we made our way to Mt. Magazine, didn't see much at the top, the fog seemed to follow us, but it was still not a bad ride. Our final stretch for the day was the Pig Trail, of course by now the rain has also caught up to us, that's ok it's still better than working! When we got up on Sunday morning we still didn't have sun but we didn't have rain either. It was a good day, nice roads, awesome lunch and great friends. Thanks to all of you who joined us this year, we're looking forward to the next one.

The following weekend we had a breakfast ride to Golden Corral on East Kellogg in Wichita. We had a nice turnout. They have a nice party room for the rowdy crowd so they seated all of us in it.

Our final event for the month was the Arkalalah Light Parade in Ark City. This year we had 7 bikes and the Klondike truck. Jim Culver added some lights to the truck this year just for the parade, it looked pretty good.

This month we hope some of you can join us for our breakfast ride on Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> to Auntie C's in Park City. After breakfast we plan to make our way back to Winfield for the Cowley County Toy Run.

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!!

November Anniversaries:

Gary & Becky Mangus 2<sup>nd</sup>
Bobby & Andrea Shepherd 26<sup>th</sup>

Until the next time, Ride Safe, Jack and Teresa Kistler Sr. Chapter Directors

Check out some photographs taken on our trip.













## Kansas Chapter Couples 2014

CHAPTER A COUPLE OF THE YEAR Robert & Barb Brown



CHAPTER F COUPLE OF THE YEAR Rick & Brenda Kistler



CHAPTER B COUPLE OF THE YEAR

Steve & Brenda Milam



CHAPTER H COUPLE OF THE YEAR Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch



## Kansas Chapter Couples 2014

## CHAPTER P COUPLE OF THE YEAR Dennis & Kathy Chesnut



CHAPTER Q COUPLE OF THE YEAR Steve & Sue Boone



## The Kansas Twisters

**Drill Jeam**Steve Bockhaus, Jeam Captain



I must start this letter with a BIG THANK YOU!! To Doris Schoeck. She won a prize of some gas cards at the Oklahoma District Convention/Rally. She then donated them to the team to help us with our travels while we represent the riders of Kansas. You may not realize that the team gets no financial support from GWRRA. All of our expenses are out of the members pockets. So any donations are very appreciated. Anyone interested in sponsoring us??

There has not been much activity in the last 30 days. There were a few members at the Oklahoma Rally and they were asked to put on an impromptu show. Four riders agreed to do it. A remark that was heard from a spectator was—"if 4 riders can be this impressive, I can't wait to see the full team perform." So good or bad, this show did help spread the word that we are here to stay.

By the time you read this, we will have put on our final show for the season. We will ride in El Dorado at their Celebration of Freedom event. We will perform in front of the court house before the parade. This is our second year to do this and we appreciate this opportunity.

The following is a bio from Mary Mazur (our announcer) and Larry "Stooge Dude" Mazur –

Larry and Mary met @ the Sedgwick County Kansas courthouse in 1981 and have been married to each other since January 1988. They have 1 daughter Mary McKenna Kenney who is married...but sadly no grandchildren yet. They also have 3 dogs 1 cat and 1 mother living with them

Right now Larry works for Sedgwick County Kansas in their Police Department which is in charge of Security at the Courthouses and other county property. He has been in that position for almost 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  years. Larry retired as a deputy from the Sedgwick County Sheriff dept in June of 2007 after 28  $\frac{1}{2}$  yrs and one of the 1<sup>st</sup> things he did was to purchase himself a shiny new blue Gold Wing. After 7 months of goofing off and riding his new bike (bugging Mary @ work) he decided to go back to work. (Plus the snow and cold was making it hard to ride his bike.) His 1<sup>st</sup> job was working at Wesley Hospital in Wichita as a Security officer before finally getting hired back on by Sedgwick County. His present duties with that department have him assigned to the Juvenile Courthouse.

Mary has worked for the State of Kansas for 33 yrs, She started worked in the clerk's office for 6 years before moving to work in the Criminal Assignment court. (As she put it... I got to tell attorneys where to go and how to get there) in December of 1998 she became the Administrative Aide to Judge Clark Owens and remained in that position until his retirement in January of 2013. She now is the Administrative Aide to Judge David L Dahl.

Larry has ridden several bikes in his many years of riding. But I guess his heart belongs to Honda. His very 1<sup>st</sup> bike was a Honda CB200T and he now rides an 07 GL1800 Gold Wing which he says is the biggest bike he has ever owned or ridden with 53,000 miles so far (and counting). Not sure if he was given a chance if he would ever consider riding anything else

Mary hasn't had near as many bikes as Larry has. She started out riding behind Larry on whatever bike he happened to own at the time but then Larry suggested in 2007 that she take a class to learn to ride her own bike she decided to give it a try. She started out on a Honda Silver Wing but soon trading it in on a Suzuki C50 with the Lehman trike conversion called "The Tramp" which she loved and rode for many years & many miles...but she has always dreamed of trading in on a Gold Wing trike which she finally did in October of 2013. She is now the proud owner/operator of a red 2004 1800 trike...

Larry and Mary have been members of GWRRA's Kansas Chapter A since they  $1^{st}$  joined GWRRA in July 2007. Right now Larry is the Riders Ed instructor for Chapter A and Mary is the Newsletter editor for Chapter A. She

also has been the Membership Enhancement Coordinator for both Chapter A and the Kansas District. They have also been the Asst Chapter Directors for Chapter A, They were the Chapter A Couple of the year in 2011 and the Kansas District Couple of the Year in 2012. They are both Founding members of the Kansas Twisters...the Drill team for the State of Kansas. He is one of the riders and she is the teams announcer.

Until later, have a very Happy Thanksgiving and remember--- Riders Education Saves Lives, Not Loud Pipes Steve Bockhaus – Twisted "One" Captain- Kansas Twisters Motorcycle Drill Team



## GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION KANSAS DISTRICT

## 2014 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS Kansas and Region

November 15, 2014: Region Staff Meeting, Marshall, TX

November 22, 2014 District Staff Meeting, Mulvane KS

### 2015 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS Kansas & Region

January 16-17: Kansas Mid Winter Rendezvous, Park City, KS

March 26-28: Louisiana District Convention, Lafayette

April 16-18: Region 'H' Convention, Marshall, TX

April 4/30-5/2: Texas District Convention,

May 22-24: Arkansas District Convention

June 17-20: Reno Rendezvous, NV

June 19-20: Pending Kansas Camp Out, Council Grove

September 3-6: Wing Ding, Huntsville Alabama

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