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**Ride safe and ride often**





# A Message from your District Directors

Kansas Monthly Newsletter  
Region 'H'

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## GREETINGS from your State Team!

What a great month September has turned out to be! There were many activities and they all proved to provide much entertainment.

The month started with Wing Ding in Billings, Montana. There were many people who attended from Kansas. For many, it was a first time to attend Wing Ding and for others it was another trip for a fun time! There was a great Talent Show on Thursday night that Kansas participated in. We did our skit of Lip Sync to our State Song of "Home on the Range". We did not get any prizes for what we did but we all had a really good time participating! The first place winner was a 15 year old boy who sang and played the guitar. He was really good and deserved the \$500.00 1<sup>st</sup> place prize.

The trade show at Wing Ding was as usual offering a lot of different items to be bought. Many people walked by us with bags and we assume the trade show was successful for the vendors. There were rides to be taken, food to be eaten and many seminars to attend. One of the seminars was new this year and was strictly for any of the District Directors that were there. It was an informative and interesting seminar led by the President of GWRRA, Anita Alkire. Joining her was Ray Garris. It was a very good chance for many of us District Directors to meet Anita and to learn what they are doing for GWRRA across the country. There was also the Drill Team Show on Saturday morning. As many of you know there was an accident while the Kansas Twisters were performing their show and Rick Stevens ended up with broken ribs and a bruised lung. Thankfully, he is at home recuperating.

On Sunday, September 11, 2016, we had our Annual State Fair Sunday at Hutchinson, Kansas. We had 24 bikes and 43 people who participated in the day. There

were many booths to look at and food to eat, along with many people to talk to. These people looked at our bikes and asked questions about our organization. It was a great day spent with good friends!

On Saturday, September 17, 2016, there were 18 bikes and 28 people who participated in our Picnic Ride. We went to the Cider Mill in Louisburg, Kansas and got a tour of their facility and also got a glass of cider and a doughnut which was included in the cost of admission. It was a great day with wonderful weather and a lot of fun. It was a fun and interesting afternoon. Some of the group went to Guy and Maes at Williamsburg for a BBQ dinner. All in all it was a great day to ride and enjoy places and friends from GWRRA.

There are several things coming up in the next few weeks. By the time this newsletter comes out the Oklahoma Rally will be over. We will report on that next month.

It has been a wonderful month of riding with friends and with going places that have had wonderful scenery and weather. For those that missed Wing Ding this year, that trip was full of some of the most beautiful scenery in the world. We truly enjoyed our trip and got to see a lot of different things while traveling.

We look forward to our next big event which will be Mid-Winter Rendezvous, which will be held at the Park City Best Western Motel in Park City. The date is January 20-22, 2017. More information will be given out as we have it. We are in the process of getting everything planned for that event.

Until next time, Ride Often and Ride Safe!  
Jack and Doris Schoeck, Kansas District Directors



# KANSAS DISTRICT TEAM



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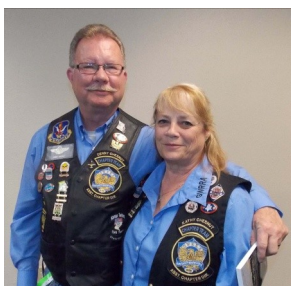
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# GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION KANSAS DISTRICT



## 2016 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

September 11:	Ks State Fair Ride In
September 17:	South Ride TBA
September 24/25:	Combined TC & TTRC courses
September 29/Oct 1:	Oklahoma Rally, Muskogee
October 8:	AR District Picnic at Burns Park, Little Rock
November 12:	Region 'H' Team Meeting, Location TBD

## 2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 20-21:	Mid-Winter Rendezvous
March 25:	Trike Riding Course, Wichita KS
March 30-April 1:	Louisiana District Rally, Lafayette
April 27-29:	Region H Rally, Marshall TX
April: 29	ERC/BRC2 Riding Course, Wichita KS
May 13:	TC & TTRC combined courses, Wichita KS
May 18-20:	Texas District Rally, Wichita Falls TX
June 22-24:	KS District Rally, Hutchinson KS



# Kansas Couple of The Year 2016



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## Kansas Chapter Couples 2016

CHAPTER 'A' COUPLE OF THE  
YEAR



**Marty & Ruth Dannar**

CHAPTER 'B' COUPLE OF THE  
YEAR

CHAPTER 'C' COUPLE OF THE  
YEAR



**Gary & Susan Drake**

CHAPTER 'F' COUPLE OF  
THE YEAR



**John & Karen Glaves**

# Kansas Chapter Couples 2016

## CHAPTER 'H' COUPLE OF THE YEAR



**Marv & Toni Ayers**

## CHAPTER 'P' COUPLE OF THE YEAR

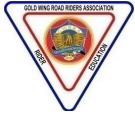


**Rick & Carolyn Stevens**

## CHAPTER 'Q' COUPLE OF THE YEAR



**Bill & Sheila Tucker**



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Steve & Terri Bockhaus

Well, it is raining, so am spending some time writing my monthly article for the Winger. Just what Mulvane needs, more rain. Not a lot to pass on as we had to cancel our last 2016 riding course because of insufficient enrollment.

Looking at the schedule from several chapters, there are some super opportunities to go on some rides. Hopefully that will happen.

My trike needed a new front tire so after reading an article in Wing World about the Avon tire made for trikes I decided to purchase one. It is AV71 130/70R-18. I had it mounted by Action Jackson Auto Service in Udall. The owners, Jack & Teresa Kistler are GWRRA members so why not send business their way.

Haven't made a long trip on it yet. Was going to ride to Oklahoma Rally, but that fell to the way side. Really disappointing.

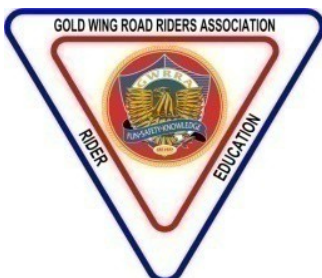
CONGRATULATIONS TO Don & Jan Schroeder and Jeff & Ann Whithorn for receiving their appointment to Level IV. The four of them are from KSH, Hutchinson Chapter.

### BE THE COMMANDER

This is the title of my safety discussion with you. What I am referring to is that we, as riders, need to know how to 'control the situation' we face every time we throw a leg over the saddle of our favorite ride. Another words, we must be proactive about recognizing and controlling a situation when it is about to happen.

How do we learn to "Control the situation"? One option is to enroll in a riding course particularly at the early time of riding season. For us Kansans, that is around March. Of course some never stop riding if weather permitting. Take the course every year then, option two, practice what you learned. I tell my students and anyone that will listen to me that: 'Practice Makes Permanent! You are what you Practice!' Think about it. If you practice bad habits that is exactly what you will do in an emergency situation. If you developed good habits (techniques) they just might save your life or prevent an accident all together. Getting with a Rider Coach will help. GWRRA has excellent riding courses as does the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. Find one and enroll. You will be glad you did. Back to being a Commander.

Let's talk about what probably is the most common situation you have faced or will face while riding. The dreaded left turner. For discussion, you notice (because you were scanning) that the oncoming vehicle is slowing and in the left turn lane. How do you prepare for him possibly turning in front of you? Cover your controls (Brakes & clutch)? How about slowing down? Speeding up? If you slow down and he/she sees you they might hurry up and make the turn before you are in peril. Speeding up might get you past the car making the turn. Be careful on that speeding up idea. In Kansas the traffic laws do not allow you to speed up (be above the speed limit) just to pass or clear an intersection. Ticket Time! Do not exceed the speed limit to get around the person going the speed limit. Besides, there may be a second threat in the area such as a pedestrian running across in front of you or a bicyclist crossing over etc.. Covering the controls is certainly a must. You reduce your reaction time to 'react' by squeezing (not grabbing) the front brake and applying the rear brake. Always use both brakes! The rider with his feet on the highway pegs in town is asking to become a statistic.





Have you ever asked yourself or co-rider "why didn't that jerk see us?" We talk a lot about this in the classes I teach. Here are some of the reasons the students give. 1) the car driver is not looking for motorcycles, only cars. 2) The car driver looked pass us looking at the vehicles behind us. 3) Don't see us because we are smaller than a car. 4) Maybe we cannot be seen because of the background behind us. The time of day may be a factor with the glare of the sun. 5) Maybe the position we ride in has something to do with it? 6) Drivers view was blocked by larger vehicle.

And let us not forget the distractions they have within the car now days. Cell Phones (talking and texting), video players, putting on make up men shaving, combing hair, eating and drinking. The list goes on and on. Quick experience. I was driving to Derby KS from Mulvane taking my dog "Tucker" to play time Inn when I observed the car in front of me (four lanes) was speeding up, slowing down, speeding up, weaving etc... When got where I could see what she was doing it was apparent. She had her cell phone taped on the steering wheel and her fingers were going ninety to nothing. So folks sometimes no matter what we do to make ourselves more visible to car drivers, it may not matter. That's the sad part.

Most everything mentioned above applies to many situations with cars pulling out in front of you. From driveways, side streets etc.. Be ready

Running out of space so might continue this next month. We will probably talk about how we can be more visible. I'm sure you know what to do but do you do it? Hope so. I might even share some stuff I witness during my 34 year career in law enforcement.

Enjoy what is left of a riding season. A lot of fall foliage rides are in the works! And Remember!

**"PRACTICE MAKES PERMANENT! YOU ARE WHAT YOU PRACTICE!"**

#### **TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES IN 2017**

January 20 & 21 at Mid-Winter Rendezvous Two Seminars

March 25 Trike Riding Course in Wichita

April 29 BRC2 Riding Course in Wichita

May 13 Trailering Courses in Wichita

June 22-24 at the Kansas Rally Rider Ed Seminars

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# Kansas Chapters, Chapter Directors and Meeting Time & Place

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

Call the Chapter Director if you need more information about a Chapter activity. If you are interested in organizing a Chapter in your area, please contact JACK & DORIS SCHOECK, District Directors at 620-341-0426.

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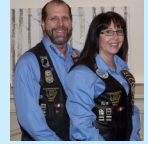
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Hello everyone...

It is officially fall now so of course that means it got hot again, and it rained some more but it's Kansas so what else do you expect.

So let's talk a little bit about what went on in September.

1<sup>st</sup> up for a few of us was Wing Ding in Billings Montana which I believe most of us trailered in our bikes but Bob & Barb Brown chose to make it a real vacation and took the bikes along with their daughter Tayler to Colorado, Wyoming & Montana with Bob taking time out of his heavy schedule to change the Final Drive on his bike. Thank to Dennis Joynt for the use of his bike "Casper" for a few days until Bob got his bike fixed

(Here are a couple pictures I stole off of Face Book...thanks Taylor)



In the meantime the trip that Larry and I took to Wing Ding was pretty uneventful, although we did meet a few friends along the way and stopped at Carhenge while we were in Nebraska.

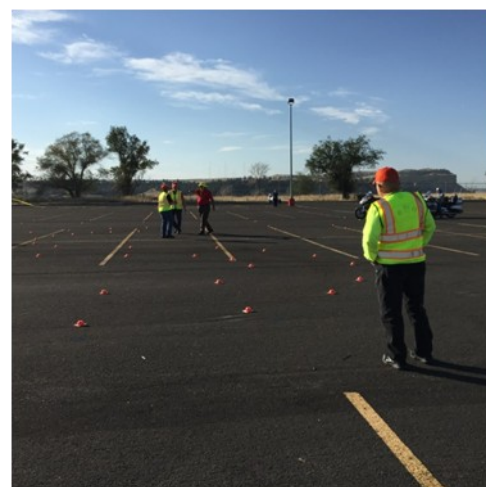






Carhenge for those who don't know is a replica of Stonehenge made with cars and is found just north of Alliance Nebraska

One of the things the members of the Twisters did while they were at Wing Ding was to judge the Amazing Team Challenge



It made for a very long morning that started out cold but soon warmed up and the group did a good job (although I did joke that with the vests & hats they were given they looked like the prison trustees that pick up trash at the State Fair) The main reason we went to Wing Ding was because the Twisters got to perform, so here are some pictures (Thanks to Taylor Brown for these...which again I downloaded from Facebook) Steve & Terri Bockhaus helped the novice team which consisted of them plus 6 other riders which had never done this type of riding. This included a couple of riders from Israel



Here are some action shots of the Twisters as they performed.



So Wing Ding is over and we're all home and next up is the annual State Fair ride. If you are not one of the many of us that take this opportunity where we meet at the Hutchinson airport to ride together to the fair where we get to park on the fairgrounds so people can check out our bikes and maybe decide that GWRRA is a group they would like to join. (There's a few of us where this was where we 1<sup>st</sup> learned about GWRRA). Here are pictures that I took of some of the people there and of the bikes.







I tried to get pictures of the ones that could not resist the need for sleep  
(Although one did wake up on me while I was taking his picture L)



(And no...wearing sunglasses did not help hide anyone J) So ends another State Fair.



So what's up for October...

September 29<sup>th</sup> thru October 1<sup>st</sup> is the Oklahoma Rally so that will be another ride to look forward to as the Twisters will be performing again, so if you go come watch us.

9<sup>th</sup> Tim Howard's birthday

13<sup>th</sup> is our monthly meeting come to the Country Café @ 2804 S Seneca and enjoy the company. The meeting starts @ 7:00 but come early to eat and visit with the other members.

13<sup>th</sup> Bob Davis & Jerold Shook's both have a birthday on this date (I've never figured out if these two are twins J)

22<sup>nd</sup> according to the calendar I have this is supposed to be Chapter A's Halloween party so I'm sure we will get more information as to if this is the correct date as well as further instructions on what the plan is.

31<sup>st</sup> is the official day for Halloween so be kind to those trick-or-treaters (or hide in the basement like I do every year)

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

Mary Mazur, Chapter A Newsletter editor



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Fall has officially begun and maybe by the time October gets here the temperatures may reflect that, but September has remained very warm in northeast Kansas. Chapter B members are getting back into their fall routines with school starting and vacations winding down. Gary and Reba Ohler are finding a new routine as Reba retired earlier this summer and Gary's last day at work was the end of August. To celebrate, they invited the group to their house for dinner.

The September dinner ride found us meeting in DeSoto on a cloudy September 8 and heading toward Tonganoxie. A few brief showers were had on the journey to Gary and Reba's home but it didn't deter the group as they sped along the backroads. Twenty Chapter B members and friends enjoyed a wonderful meal of brisket, pork, raccoon, potato salad, baked beans, corn on the cob, and peach cobbler provided by Gary and Reba. We ate, talked, and reveled in the cool evening with friends. What a fun time! Happy retirement Reba and Gary!

Nine Chapter B members made the trip to Wing Ding in Billings, Montana. Many of them used the trip to visit the many sights in the area including the Badlands, Custer State Park, Mount Rushmore, Devil's Tower, Yellowstone National Park, Glacier National Park, Rocky Mountain National Park, and others.



They saw antelope, elk, eagles, bison, and other small animals. New helmets, a trailer, and miscellaneous other items made a return trip to Kansas.

Francis and Joyce Dalsing even found the quilt square that Lee Ann Robertson drew and the Chapter donated to the quilt that was raffled off at the event.



Some traveled on Bear Tooth Pass while others missed that chance when the road was closed due to snow. The Going to the Sun Road was also explored where the temperatures were cold, but the riding worth it. Steve and Brenda Milam enjoyed Wing Ding and an extended vacation as they were gone twenty two days and traveled 4,650 miles exploring the country and visiting family in Colorado. Everyone returned home safely and had a great time.



September 24 was the monthly breakfast ride and we traveled to a "new to us" restaurant in Basehor, KS. Perky's Café opened just last year, but has already left its mark on the community. The prices were very reasonable and the wait-staff extremely nice. Eleven members, led by Dave Aiken, made the short twenty minute ride along County Road 2 to the outskirts of Basehor to enjoy good food, fun, and fellowship.

Chapter B events for October:

October 2 - Cassoday Ride

October 6 - Dinner Ride

October 20 - Chapter Meeting

October 29 - Breakfast Ride

October 29 - Halloween Party

Safe travels,  
Paula Aiken



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We ended August with our Chapter Birthday party, which was held at John & Teresa Gull's home. We had 28 in attendance to include Everett & Carol Chastain from Chapter F and Gary & Phyllis Vanbuskirk from Chapter P. We had the usual combat croquet this year and I believe it was only played by the ladies as the men were playing some other game that involved trying to put a square bag filled with sand into a round hole. Because I'm a wimp I didn't spend much time out in the heat and humidity to see who won either game. It did appear that there was no hair pulling or scratching in the croquet game and since all of the men in the chapter are well mannered and sportsmen there was nothing but encouragement in their games.

The food was excellent and plenty of it. Actually quantity of food was just about perfect because there wasn't much left over. I'm not sure if that's because we all ate too much or just got lucky with what was brought. I'll stick with lucky as it's well known that all Goldwingers are in fantastic physical condition at all times. Dairy Queen is the best health food available to anybody.

After ending August on a positive note September was a very busy month for Chapter C and probably everybody else with all the events going on. We started the month off by going to Wing Ding with John and Teresa Gull. We rode it in two days covering about 500 miles each day and unlike last year for us it was totally an uneventful ride. We didn't go the shortest route having planned on making a short detour into North Dakota just to say we've been there, however while spending the night in Murdo, SD at the Country Inn (highly recommended by yours truly because it's inexpensive \$68, easily found and very clean, quiet and comfortable). I decided since it would be almost a hundred miles farther to go to North Dakota than via Rapid City we just went straight to Billings, which turned out to not be a bad decision as it was 100 degrees according to my trike when we rolled into Billings. We did make one stop at Wall Drug for an hour or so. If we are ever in that area again I think we will plan on spending about half a day or so in Wall, SD as we didn't really see much but it is an interesting town. I know some of the others from the District stopped at the rally prior to going to Wing Ding this year.

After getting to Billings for Wing Ding it was pretty much a normal rally. Too much money spent, too much walking, and getting to meet both old and new friends.

The venue was excellent and very easy to get around. One big plus I saw was no GWRRA members had to sit at the door and check armbands. That was done by some crowd control company and freed everybody up to do what they came to Wing Ding to do.

Again we elected to not stay for closing ceremonies and headed home on Saturday. Brenda and I wanted to re-ride Beartooth Pass and also see Old Faithful. Teresa wasn't comfortable with the idea of going over the pass again so after a short discussion we decided to split up and go home our different ways. The weather couldn't make up its mind when we were getting ready to leave. When it took our stuff out to the trike it was raining fairly hard so I grabbed the rain gear and we put it on before we went back out. Mother Nature was in a fickle mood and it had almost quit raining when we went back outside. After the four of us ate breakfast at McDonald's we said our good byes and left (it had totally quit raining by then). As said earlier it was 100 degrees when we arrived. When we departed it was in the high 40s so it was on with the heated gear. The ride over Beartooth and down thru Yellowstone was well worth it again except for the cattle and buffalo that liked the road also. As I posted on Facebook it was not a warm fuzzy when on a trike or bike with those critters wondering down the road. A couple got close enough that I could have reached out and touched them but I didn't get to my age being dumb enough to give that a try. Last month Rick & Rita Thompson got stopped by Elk on a ride with Sam & Ronda Boling. I have no opinion as to which animal is more dangerous but I'll go with both will ruin your day quick.



After we got away from the critters we stopped to get some lunch and see Old Faithful do its thing. We had lunch in the Old Faithful Inn and the food was excellent. They had some wild game chili made from bison and elk that was about the best restaurant chili I've ever eaten.

After the eruption we fueled up and head home. I think it took us over two hours to get out of the 45 mph speed zone which killed the rest of the day. The ride back to Manhattan was uneventful again (I really like those no dodging other drivers, critters or mechanical problems) all the way home other than the WELCOME -TO- KANSAS- WIND. It was a quartering crosswind, which ate up the fuel from the Colorado line all the way to the Ogden exit on I-70.

Our supper ride was a little shy of people, but we managed to get 5 for the ride to Kelly's in Bashor. We got lucky as the burgers were ½ price and being thrifty people we all had a burger of some sort. They appeared to be handmade and were very tasty. We had a real good discussion about some of our rides this summer with Al & Sandy recapping their ride to the side car rally in Colorado. Jamie Conway talked a little about the upcoming ride to Marion/Hillsboro for the craft fair. After we finished supper it ended up being a ride in the dark back to our respective homes. I have a feeling that some of the folks that live farther from Topeka decided not to ride because of the time of year and extra distance from the Kansas City area. That is just a thought as I know some people, including me, don't really care to ride in the dark, if at all possible.

We held our extended ride on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> to Marion & Hillsboro for their craft event. Jamie Conway set up the ride and let the majority of riders to the Saddlerock Café in Council Grove for breakfast. Bill & Margaret Hanson and Brenda & I joined them there. After an enjoyable breakfast with great food and good service we stopped to fuel and were joined by Sandy Davis just prior to heading for Marion via the scenic route. We had 9 bikes and 15 people when we all got linked up. The weather couldn't have been much better for a ride. The sun was out with no wind and the temperature stayed very comfortable. Both Marion and Hillsboro had a lot to offer in the way of arts, crafts, and food. We even saw what appeared to be the line-up for a motorized scooter type wheelchair drag race but it turned out to just be two senior citizens sitting in the middle of the street having a conversation. We were letting the ladies shop while the guys found some shade to sit in and enjoy watching the crowd. There is a lot to be said about not tagging along with the wife while they are at a place like that-- next thing you know your hands will be full of stuff. We had planned on departing for home at 3:30; however there was an announcement made over the PA system that they would be closing up at 4:00 so a joint decision was rapidly made and we departed at 3:00 to beat the mass departure. When we got back to the parking lot it was decided that it was picture time and as you can see a wide angle lens would have been helpful. It appears that Chapter C might need to change its name to the trike chapter as seen here there is only one two wheeled machine and I have it on fairly good authority it will be gaining a wheel this winter. I don't know if it's old age or for medical reasons but it sure seems like a lot of us are going to three wheels myself included and for me it makes riding a lot more enjoyable for the most part.





After the photo op it was off to Hillsboro for the next stop. Our “fearless” leader who is always afraid of getting lost (how you get lost on a motorcycle is beyond me, maybe temporarily misoriented but never lost) managed to bypass 3 signs going into Hillsboro 2 pointing to the business district and the third pointing to the craft show. It was later explained by another person sticking up for him that he wanted to demonstrate a slow U turn in formation resulting in a change of ride leader and he quickly agreed to the suggestion.

The ride back home apparently wasn't all that uneventful. Rick Thompson had to make a quick stop in Emporia because he got stung by something. He never figured out what but getting stung isn't fun. Also Earl & Lennie Barnes didn't ride to Hillsboro with us. Instead they went shopping for antiques, but did manage to link back up with the main group when they got on the turnpike. Now that is good timing in my book. Brenda and I missed the fun because we split off on US 77 for Manhattan.

We held our monthly meeting at Perkins with 21 in attendance. We had two couples visiting from Chapter H Dale & Georgeanna Trisch and Don & Carma Gray.

Things started off as usual with Bill Hanson giving a short presentation on safety highlighting that the corn and milo harvest is in full swing and with all the moisture we've have lately in addition to the increase of farm equipment and grain trucks on the roads they are also putting a lot of mud and debris on the road surface, which can lead to unexpected slippery conditions. In addition he mentioned that it won't be long be for Bambi starts to get excited and the possibility of deer crashes will escalate so everybody should be extra aware from now until after the rut is finished.

Bill also said he received an e-mail from Bill Tucker saying the trike course had been cancelled due to lack of registrations and wouldn't be rescheduled this year.

There was a technical problem with the newsletter on the Chapter website and the pictures included wouldn't post, however they did make it in the District newsletter and can be seen on the district website. A solution has been identified and shouldn't happen again in the future.

Bill & Margaret Hanson will be leading the October supper ride to Marilyn's in Osage City on the 4<sup>th</sup> leaving from the Kwik Shop at 45<sup>th</sup> and SW Topeka Blvd with a helmet time of 6:00 pm. The extended ride will be on the 8<sup>th</sup> led by Brenda & I to the Beaumont Hotel with a helmet time of 9:00 am from the same location. That ride will be going via US 75 initially if anybody desires to meet us along the route either drop an e-mail to me or call so we will be looking for you.

Randy Benteman and Rick Thompson briefed an upcoming ride hosted by the GL1800 rider.com forum to Northwest Arkansas October 6-7-8-9 in Harrison. They will be staying at the Quality Inn Harrison phone 870-741-7676 for reservations and tell them you are with the Honda motorcycle group and they will give you the special rate. If you plan on attending the ride contact Rick at [Thompson\\_1234@msn.com](mailto:Thompson_1234@msn.com) or 785-231-0835 for location and time to meet up with the group. There are no fees, vendors or anything like that. Just good roads to ride, great places to eat and some time to just sit around and enjoy yourself. Also in October Region H is having a Fall Foliage Ride October 21-23 in the Hot Springs area one day and Marble Falls are the second day with other events planned. A flyer for the event is on the Region H website.

It was decided to hold our annual planning meeting in November as is normal for the chapter. It will be on the 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. At the Gull's home 4020 SE 34<sup>th</sup> Terrace, Topeka. Sandy Davis will bring chili and it's requested other attendee's bring a covered dish. We hope to finalize the events calendar at that time avoiding conflicts with any known events at District, Region or the Home Office if possible.

With nothing further to do we held the 50/50 drawing with Lennie Barnes wining the large one and Lara Williams the small one.

Birthdays for October

3 Gary Drake  
10 Earl Barnes  
27 Deb McCullough

***Don & Brenda Williams***  
***CD/Newsletter Editors***





# Chapter F - El Dorado



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**Chapter Scrapbook**  
Rick & Brenda Kistler



GREETINGS from Chapter F!

We hope you have been riding in the weather this month. It has been a wonderful riding month with a lot of activities going on.

At the first of the month, several of us went to Wing Ding in Billings, Montana. It was a beautiful trip with a lot of gorgeous scenery. We went nearly 3,000 miles and had a great time while doing it.

On September 11, 2016, there were also several of us who attended the State Fair Day at Hutchinson, Kansas. It was a great day spent with GWRRA friends and many people stopped to look at our bikes and ask questions about our organization.

On September 17, several of us went on the Picnic Ride to Louisburg, Kansas to the Cider Mill. It was a great day and the tour of the Cider Mill was interesting and fun.

On Saturday, September 24, 2016, we had an autumn cookout at Rick and Brenda Kistler's house in Towanda, Kansas. In between the rain storms, we had a great time! We had hamburgers, brats, and hot dogs off the grill, which was accompanied by the covered dishes brought by everyone who attended. There was a lot of good food and fellowship! We had 23 people and had representation from 6 of our 7 Kansas Chapters. It was a great time spent with GWRRA Friends. Thanks go out to Rick and Brenda for being our hosts.

We will be having our September gathering on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 so the supper ride for October will be announced later and information will be sent out to people after that time.

Until next time, Ride Safe and we will see you down the road!

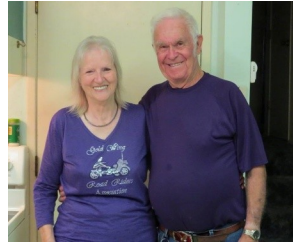
Submitted By,

Doris Schoeck, Chapter Member

KSF COOKOUT PICTURES PROVIDED BY CAROL CHASTAIN



Hosts: Rick & Brenda Kistler



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Sheila Tucker



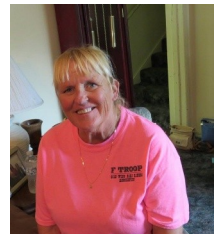
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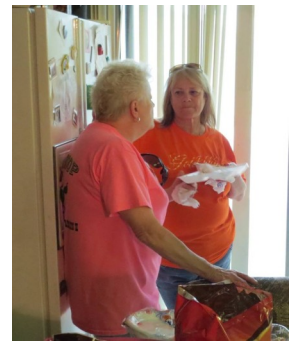
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Jolly Jack Schoeck & John Gull



Doris S. & Kathy C.



Everett Barb Taylor Brown



Carol Barb Taylor



Delores Shannon



Don & Brenda Williams



Jack S. Byron Johnson, Don Williams, Deloris Shannon, Teresa Colhour



Teresa Gull Everett C. John Gull



Chapter 'C' :Leaving Party in the Rain



Other Photographs





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Glen Koch

### Chapter MAC

Jeff Whithorn



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We begin the feeding frenzy at 6pm.



We had a good turnout for Wing Ding in Billings, MT. with 27 from Chapter H in attendance. Many have already registered for the 2017 Wing Ding in Grapevine, TX. Hope with the closer distant we'll have another good turnout.

Shortly after getting back from Wing Ding we had our annual Gold wing showing at the Kansas State Fair, had about 30 bikes showing lots of that safety chrome. Great turnout that ended at Pizza Ranch after our parade thru the fairgrounds.

On Saturday Sept 17 there was a good turnout for a District ride to Louisburg.

Hope to have a good turnout for this month's meeting on Thursday Sept. 22.

We are looking forward to a bike/trike training class coming up Saturday/Sunday Sept. 24/25.

Ride safe.

Terry and Judy Mann Chapter H Senior Directors

BOO! Halloween is coming. That is the time of year we think about scary things. We should, however, be thinking about scary things all year. For instance, things that can jump out at us while we are riding. Or the ghost syndrome, that is when you can't be seen by others. You have heard it, "I didn't see him".

Another scary thing is realizing that your member ship dues are about due. Is it time to renew? Don't let that jump out at you. Check it out and be ready.

Another scary thing is that riding season will soon be over until Spring. So ride while you can and then be thinking about getting your ride in top condition for the next riding season.

Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch, Asst CD's







Rider Ed. Bits

“DRESS FOR THE SLIDE NOT FOR THE RIDE”

I have made that statement many times at our meetings and I am sure I will make it many more times in the future. Gear up is not just a catch phrase. It something we as motorcycle riders should do every time we throw a leg over. I am just going for gas so I don't need to gear up. Statistics show a high percentage of accidents occur within 10 miles of home. Ride safe and ride smart.

Marv & Toni



It has been another busy month for Chapter H, some got to go to Wing Ding and have an experience of a life time. We had some experiences that were beautiful and some not so enjoyable. As some of you know we had a Kansas Twister rider have a mishap during performance, came out banged up but came out for the most part healthy. We had Chapter members step up to help out to get all equipment back to Kansas in good form, Mike and Kalin Koehn along with Don and Carma Gray gave up their rides in the Pickups to ride back from Billings MT in rain and wind to allow room for rider's equipment to come back in a trailer. I am so proud to be a part of this great big Family we call GWRRA.

September 11 was the showing at the Kansas State Fair. We had some interest shown in the Organization and members handed out a few applications. September 17 We attended the district ride set up by our own Bill and Sarah Watts, a beautiful day for an Interesting ride which allowed us to learn about apple cider processes and also how wine is developed with a very good meal and of course a stop for ice cream on way home. ( a wonderful spot for scenery to enjoy our picnic). Thank you to the District Team.

Some of us will be attending the Oklahoma ride September 29. I am hoping that the weather holds out for another beautiful trip with beautiful Family. If anybody has ideas for chapter events that they would like to see or do, please let our officers know your wishes so we can help make this YOUR Chapter, and you can enjoy the Family that Donna and I have come to appreciate and Love and respect. Hope all is well with all our members and remember, this is your chapter and without you we cannot have a family.

Thank You,  
Kit and Donna



COY

It's been a Wing Ding of a month. Many chapter H friends enjoyed Montana and all its beauty for several days. All the chapter H riders made the journey safely and were able to help some other GWRRA members when they needed support. Gratefully all returned to Kansas safely.

A number of us gathered at the Kansas State Fair to display our motorcycles, talk with other fair visitors, and participate in the late afternoon parade. We were eye catching role models of safety! It's almost fall, a great time to ride.

Toni & Marv



Received these statistics from Ann Whithorn:

The person that came the farthest rode 3300 miles and was also the oldest Rider at 89 years old. That was the guy from Florida with the dog named Sadie.

The farthest International Rider rode 1500 miles.

The oldest female Rider was 82 and the youngest was 25.

There were 305 motorcycles in the parade + 64 in the light show.

Ann





Don & Jan Schroeder received their Level IV certificates at the August meeting.

We again had a lot of combined miles. Part of that was due to Wing Ding. Part of that was the ride to the KS District Picnic. Some was by two wheels, some by 3 wheels, and some by 4 wheels. We all like to ride, however, it is not always how you go, but that you go.

We had visitations to other chapter meetings. It is always fun to go to another chapter's event and see what and how they do things. It is a great learning experience and we get to keep in touch with our GWRRA friends.

Dale & Georgeanna went to KS-B on Thursday and had a fun time as always. They are going to KS-C on Tuesday and again will have a fun time.

A reminder of the upcoming ride to OK and AR on Thurs, Oct 29 thru Sunday, Nov 2. Mark Classen has put this ride together and should have the info on leave time and events planned.



### **GWRRA Chapter H**

**September 29 - October 2**

**Thursday—Ride to Fin & Feather**

**Friday—Ride the Talimena Scenic Byway**

**Saturday—Oklahoma GWRRA Rally Sunday— Return Home**

Please Call and make your own reservations at (918) 487-5148

Let them know it is GWRRA Group from Kansas

There is a place called the Red Rooster in Harper. It has good reviews. I called and they are only open until 2pm on Saturdays. They can accommodate around 50.

We leave at 10am and be there around 11am. Then a leisurely ride back.

This will replace the ride we had previously scheduled to Guy & Mae's on Oct 15.

#### Reminder

We are going again to the Prairie Rose Ranch for dinner and a show on Dec 11. We will leave Hutchinson at noon, the dinner starts at 1:30pm. The cost is \$31.50 per person if we have 20 or more. Otherwise it is \$35 per person for less than 20. Currently there are reservations for 30 from chapter H. Please let dale t know if you are going since the final paperwork needs to be in right away to keep our reservation. The \$admission cost will be payable when we arrive. We all had a fantastic meal and a lot of fun last year.

# Bugsy

I hope I can save enough to renew my membership. I checked and it is good until February. Maybe, just maybe, if anyone is interested in contributing to the chapter H funds I can get my renewal and also acquire some new gear and be able to keep the gear I have maintained. I am not sure of my membership number, I thought it was 167682-1, but maybe not. I will have Mark Classen look it up for me.

## Afterthoughts

Be seen, not heard.

## Upcoming Events

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

#### October

9	Dale T wiener roast
15	Ride to Red Rooster in Harper, KS
27	Meeting
29	Rugsy Hop to Big D's BBQ in Gypsum, KS

#### November

5	Yoder Thanksgiving at Journey Mennonite Church
6	Bugsy Hop
12	Hoof & Horn in Sedgwick, KS
17	Meeting at Delos V Smith Sr Ctr
20	Hutchinson Toy Run

## Sunshine Events

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## Birthdays

### September

12 Carolyn Goering  
 13 Rhonda Guerrero  
 14 Paul Schultz  
 16 Ron Regehr  
 18 Georgeanna Tritsch  
 27 Leon Deges  
 28 Toni Ayers

### October

3 Carolyn Colahan  
 6 Chris Scheurer  
 15 Daryl Regier  
 17 Twila Good  
 21 Ellen Deges  
 24 Ken Hazen  
 27 Joyce Martens  
 29 Sedena Shaw

## Anniversaries

4 Bud & Alice Mounts  
 19 Ron & Jan Regehr

11 Kit & Donna Sand  
 16 Daryl & Nita Regier  
 26 Charles & Debra Miller

## RALLYS

Mark your Calendars!

### September 29/Oct 1: Oklahoma Rally, Muskogee

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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 is present 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.

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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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## Chapter Couple



Rick & Carolyn Stevens



**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? Chapter P members have been out and about with other Chapters, with a good turnout for the State fair ride, and almost all of the active members made it to Wing Ding in Billings.

It is a nice area with lots of scenery, but certainly is a long way to go. The trip was not without incident, several of the Twisters had minor setbacks, but all in all a good time. Twisters demonstration was only partially completed as one of our members got into some loose gravel and went down, breaking some ribs. He is healing nicely but will be out of action the rest of this year.

We are looking forward a good fall season, and various rides will be posted for the Chapter as we go through the season.

Birthdays for October are Dave Brentlinger on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Garry VanBuskirk on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Again - Mark on your calendar for October 14th 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 – Wellington



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## Chapter Educator

Open

## Chapter Couple

Bill & Sheila Tucker



The very thought of Fall brings back so many memories; we could write a complete newsletter about it. For us it is the best riding season of all. The temps usually agree with the abundant beauty of nature that starts changing for all of us to see, making way for the winter that is yet to come.

For some the bike stays in the garage because of those jobs that didn't get done or the yard work that needs done. As for others, health problems still exist and the hope of a better riding season in the spring will be their next dream. Then there's those of us that our fall gets shortened by the weekend events like grandkids football, soccer, volleyball, softball and everything else that wasn't planned into our riding time. Of course then when the weekends fill up, the thought of going for a short ride after work doesn't seem to work because of the time change and our evenings are not there anymore. Whatever comes your way try to enjoy some great riding this fall, it could be the best memories you can have.

Another thing that comes this time of year is the memories of all the fall group rides and the various members that have come and gone. Along with the warm thoughts of those that are still here that have made riding and GWRRA a solid place in all our lives.

Since joining in 1999 we have seen Chapter Q go from the largest chapter to one that struggles to hold membership, but we are not alone. We all do our best to maintain our own chapter identity and we love all of our members that try to hold it together and keep coming to meetings and events. We have seen our fair share of members come and go some because of sickness, others who have left us to ride the golden streets of heaven. Then you have those that jump in and out like a hobby, which they say the average hobby last about 4 years. We have witnessed several going from 2 wheels to 3 and some that still want to belong and just come on 4 wheels. Then there are those who just forget (of course that's from getting older) that anything is going on or can't remember where

they wrote stuff down.

We know that many of you are like us, if you took every shirt, magazine, awards, pins or anything related to GWRRA or motorcycles and put it all in one room the rest of the house would seem very empty. Or if you never had the chance to meet your GWRRA extended family, your friend list would seem very small.

So take this time to remember all of the good memories we have shared and embrace every encounter that we still have to share and know that this is and always will be a VERY GOOD THING!

We hope that all of you that attended Wing Ding 38 had as good a time as we did. Our trip to and from Wing Ding was a little damp (Rain, Hail & Wind) but while we were there it was great. We're sure most of you know Wing Ding 39 will be in Grapevine, Texas at the Gaylord, we hope to see lot's of you there.

Our next meeting will be Thursday October 6<sup>th</sup>, we will once again be in Ark City at the Sirloin Stockade. The Eatery has closed, at least for the time being, so we will be meeting here for the next few months. Hope to see you there!

## October Birthdays:

Sheila Tucker 12<sup>th</sup>  
Rodger Webb 12<sup>th</sup>  
Gayle Webb 15<sup>th</sup>

## Anniversary:

Dick & Barb Shaw 25<sup>th</sup>.

Until the next time,  
Ride Safe,  
Jack & Teresa Kistler

The Kansas Twisters Drill Team  
Steve Bockhaus, Team Captain

The Riders

Steve Bockhaus	Terri Bockhaus
Steve Pena	Rick Stevens
Rick Kistler	Dennis Chesnut
Larry Mazur	Bob Brown



Caller Marv Ayers  
Announcer Mary Mazur  
Security Kathy Chesnut

Kansas Twisters Motorcycle Drill Team  
GWRRA Champion Show Team - 2016



The Twisters had quite the time at Wing Ding in Billings. We were involved in many duties. We were in charge of the Formation Team (separate article about this to follow), and were the judges for the Amazing Team Challenge. The Team may have been overworked as the judges due to it going over time, but they received many compliments as to how they handled the judging.



By now most of you have heard about the incident of one bike going down during the Team's performance. We are not sure exactly what happened, but Rick Stevens had a brake lockup and he went off of the low side of the bike. The bike then up righted itself and hit the back of Steve B's bike. It is a good thing this happened, because the bike was headed straight for the audience. The bike then went down and stayed down. Rick received an ambulance ride( be it unwanted) to the hospital. There it was determined that he had 4 broken ribs and a bruised lung. His bike was in better shape than him. Back at the range, it was explained to the audience that we often ride "on the edge" and this is the risk we assume.

Boy! What a show we put on! A True accident scene. One that we do not wish to repeat.



We were awarded the first place Show Team plaque. Now this was not given to us just because. Here are the items that were taken into account.



1. We were the only Team to send in our registrations as per instructions.
2. We volunteered for other duties.
3. We were the best dressed Team.
4. We interacted with the audience well.
5. We interacted with the other Teams well.
6. We were the only Team to turn in our "T-Clocs" and liability releases complete the first time.
7. After the Drill Team director and the other Team Captains got together, they stated that after viewing our practice routine, we put on a VERY GOOD show.

Be very proud of this Team as they work very hard to represent the Riders of Kansas.

Stay tuned for a report of our performance at the Oklahoma District Rally.

Steve - Twisted "One" Bockhaus

## 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: [www.gwrro.org/oconnect/officerhandbook.html](http://www.gwrro.org/oconnect/officerhandbook.html)

Please feel free to reprint these articles in Region, District, or Chapter newsletters.

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### Statement of Purpose or Why Are We Here?

Every organization or business should have a mission statement as well as a statement of purpose. While being similar, they are different. A mission statement should answer the question 'what do we do and who do we do it for?'. The statement of purpose answers the question 'why do we do what we do?'. The statement of purpose contained in the Officer Handbook includes pieces of the mission and sums it up very succinctly to answer the questions of 'what do we do and for whom' as well as 'why we do it'.

“GWRRA is an informal educational, social organization of proud, unique and special people – Gold Wing Owners. It was formed for people to exchange ideas, share safety information relating to motorcycling and motorcyclists, educate the non-motorcycling public concerning motorcycling problems and participate in impromptu rides. In addition, it supports the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) and assists all motorcyclists in achieving and/or improving public acceptance of motorcyclists. GWRRA is a family-oriented organization, without political or religious affiliations or influence and supports civic, local, police, charity, and government organizations. GWRRA publishes and distributes *Wing World* and other media that will inform, educate, entertain and enlighten our Members and Officers”.

Hard to believe that everything we do can be distilled into one paragraph from the Officer Handbook. Putting that paragraph into actions is where all of the FUN happens.

The more you know, the better it gets!

Jack Wagner  
GWRRA Deputy Director  
Region H Trainer





# Kansas



## Mid-Winter Rendezvous January 20 & 21 2017

Best Western North, Wichita Kansas

**AT**

915 E 53rd St North

Wichita, Ks 1-866-503-5700

### Banquet



### Couple of the Year selection



### Theme Table Contest



### Dessert Dance



### Black Jack

### Medallion Hunt

### Bingo



Many  
Games



## Snacks





# KANSAS

## MID-WINTER RENDEZVOUS

### January 20-21, 2017

### XXVII

Best Western North Wichita KS  
 915 E 53<sup>rd</sup> St North  
 1-866-503-5700  
 316-832-9387

\$74.99 + tax

Breakfast included for up to 4 People  
 Pets \$10.00 per day (1/2 fee to KS  
 Humane Society)  
 Rooms blocked until December 30th

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

Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ GWRRA # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider \_\_\_\_\_ GWRRA \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Your Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Your District \_\_\_\_\_ Your Region \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: \$25.00 per person \$30.00 per person after January 6th  
 Non-Members: \$30.00 per person \$35.00 per person after January 6th

My Choice of entrée at Banquet is: Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_\_\_

I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, Kansas District, any Co-sponsoring organizations, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or personal property when participating in this event. I/We agree to assume responsibility for any property that I/We damage.

Riders Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Riders Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **Kansas District GWRRA**. Mail to: Judy Eggleston, 3307 Osage Crt, Winfield KS 67156

For additional information contact Jack or Doris Schoeck, KS District Directors at 620-340-5388 or 620-341-4426. You may E-mail them at: [kspowerstroke01@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kspowerstroke01@sbcglobal.net)



## Ready for Some Fall Riding?

We are sure ready for some great fall riding in Arkansas. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Foliage Ride-in at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Here is what's on tap:

Friday evening we will have a social have our to greet everyone at the Baymont. The manager has graciously opened up the meeting and breakfast rooms for us to have a time to get together and say hello to everyone. We will also have our 50/50 drawing there as well as a door prize or two. We would also like to meet with the Road Captains who lead groups into Hot Springs for this ride. **If you are an experienced Road Captain and will be bringing a group in, please contact us so that we can get you the route GPX file for the ride along with other details.**

Saturday morning at 7:30am we will have a riders meeting in the parking lot and assemble the groups for the briefing about the ride and assign any one not with a group to a group to keep the ride organized. Everyone is asked to show up with gas tanks topped off and other tanks drained so that we can have a prompt, orderly departure. There are plenty of stations for gas along the planned route so gas should not be a problem.

Lunch at the Cliff House Inn has been waived due to the size of the response. There are many places for a quick bite to eat along the way and no one would probably want a heavy lunch considering we are having a feast at Scooter's in Marble Falls that evening.

We will stagger the groups leaving the Baymont in order to have room at the gas stations along the way and not create obstacles for other riders on the highways.

Saturday evening the Hub and Scooters have opened up their game room and meeting room for us to have our door prizes and 50/50 drawings. We will also have our social time there if we are unable to have the Bon fire.

At last count, the Baymont Inn in Hot Springs only had 12 rooms left in the whole hotel Friday night. We have contacted and setup a special rate at the Clarion Resort about 2 miles away. See the updated flyer for details. Also, the Hub was very close to being booked for Saturday so we are using the Quality Inn in Harrison as the overflow. It is a fairly short ride into Harrison from the Hub.

We are excited about this event and hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact us.

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### **Steve & Billie Fleming**

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## Region H

### Fall Foliage Ride

October 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>

Come join us for a good time in Arkansas!

Ride the Ouachita and Ozark Mountains with sweeping curves, twisties, the “Jasper Disaster” and “The Twisted Lady”

*Update!*

### **Lunch will be on your own!**

Due to the size of the response, The Cliff House will not be seating us as a group.

It will be an optional stop for the individual groups riding if they choose to wait.

They often have a waiting list to get in this time of year and can not handle the large group at the same time.

Also, Parking is limited and the overflow parking lot is gravel.

There will be a stop at the Maplewood Cemetery in Harrison for

A photo op. End the day at the Hub Motorcycle Resort with dinner at Scooter’s offering mouth-watering steaks and a **limited number** of Prime Rib dinners which require a reservation. Ask for the Prime Rib when you make your reservation.

There will be a bonfire weather permitting.

More information at 832 630-2293 or 832 630-2038

***Make your reservations today! Rooms are filling up!***

Friday 10/21 Hot Springs, AR

Baymont Inn 501-520-5522

5321 Central Avenue

Saturday, 10/22 Marble Falls, AR

The Hub 800-597-9963

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### ***Overflow Hotels***

The Clarion Resort

(A short ride across the Lake)

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Hot Springs—501-525-1391

Quality Inn

(A short ride into Harrison)

1210 US 62/65

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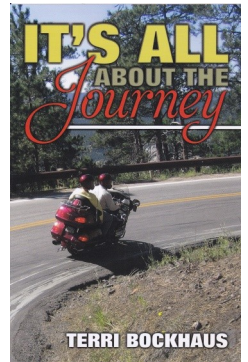
## THEY WILL APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT

Faith and Life Bookstore in Newton Kansas is pleased to introduce new local author, Terri Bockhaus. Her debuted book is titled, "It's all about the Journey." The book is a collection of short stories detailing her journey from riding on the back of her husband motorcycle to being one of a handful of female riders nationwide to perform on a motorcycle drill team.

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..

The book is available for purchase at Dan's Cycle in Hesston Ks or by contacting Terry directly at [tmbockhaus@cox.net](mailto:tmbockhaus@cox.net).



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