KANSAS DISTRICT NEWS

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'The Winger'

# Region 'H' "The Hospitality Region"

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Bill & Sarah Watts District Directors



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# A Message from your District Directors

Kansas Monthly Newsletter Region 'H'

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



Greetings, G.W.R.R.A. Family,

Sarah and I hope all is well with each of you and yours, just like the changes that are taking place within our Organization.

Summer is drawing near to the end and that means the temps will start to fall back and get cooler, and we all know that makes for some great riding weather and I know we are both ready for that.

We still have many things going on within the District as well as our Chapters and we encourage everyone to get out and participate in all the FUN.

Here are a few things that are on the schedule for FUN things to do!
 September 10<sup>th</sup>, Bike day at the Kansas State Fair,
 September 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>, Oklahoma District Rally Muskogee, Oklahoma,
 October 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, District Campout at Council Grove Lake,
 October 21<sup>st</sup>, District Fall Ride to Ponca City, Oklahoma, <u>(This ride has been changed from September 16<sup>th</sup> to October 21<sup>st</sup>.)</u>

As you all can see we still have a lot of Fun in store before Mother Nature opens up the North doors and leaves them open for many months to follow. We all have to transition from riding to driving to get out and have FUN with our G.W.R.R.A. Family.

Sarah and I would love to see all of you at these events we have coming up so make your plans saddle up and let's ride.

Ride Safe and Ride Often! Bill and Sarah Watts, Kansas District Directors,

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# GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION KANSAS DISTRICT



Region 'H'



# 2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

September 10:	KS State Fair Bike Day Ride In, Hutchinson KS
September 24:	Annual Tritsch Wiener Roast, Their Home
September 28-30:	Oklahoma Rally, Muskogee OK
October 6-8:	Kansas Campout Santa Fe Cove, Council Grove KS
October 19:	Show Your Bike & Recruit in Hutchinson KS
October 21:	District Fall Picnic Ride to Ponca City OK. Moved from September 16th date
October 28:	Chapter Directors Retreat with DD, Salina KS

# **2018 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

March 17:	Kansas Summit Retreat in Hutchinson KS
April 12-14:	Louisiana Rally
TBD	Arkansas Rally
June 14-16:	Kansas Rally
TBD	Texas Rally
September 27-29:	Oklahoma Rally
	Wing Ding

### CHAPTER MEETING TIMES IN ORDER OF OCCURANCE

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

# Kansas Couple of The Year 2017



**Bill and Sheila Tucker** 

KS–Q

# Kansas Chapter Couples 2017

# **CHAPTER 'A'**



Tim & Cindy Howard

CHAPTER 'B'

Dave & Paula Aikens

**CHAPTER 'C'** 



Al & Sandy Davis

# CHAPTER 'F'



Jack & Doris Schoeck

# **CHAPTER 'H'**



Mark & Linda Classen

# CHAPTER 'Q'







Duane & Vicki Kalous

# CHAPTER 'P'



Dennis & Kathy Chesnut



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Hello all,



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of them have arrived at the chapter level.



### The Team

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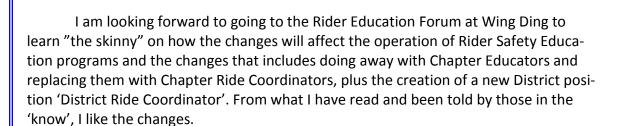
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RANGE AIDES Carolyn Stevens Rick Kistler



As everyone knows by now BIG changes are coming January 1, 2018 and some

Now to some Kansas Rider Education news. Bob Brown has accepted the NEW position of Kansas District Ride Coordinator. He will officially take office January 2018. Along with other duties he will oversee the Chapter Ride Coordinators and assist them in any way needed. Thank you Bob for volunteering for the position and CONGRATULA-TIONS.

I met with Mark Classen, District Leadership Training Director (LTD) and Bill & Sarah Watts District Directors (DD) August 26<sup>th</sup> to discuss a new activity. The Kansas Summit will take place in Hutchinson Kansas, March 17<sup>th</sup> 2018. More information concerning this event will be coming your way later.

I had the privilege of presenting a Level IV certificate with patch to Chris Marcotte, KSH during their August meeting in South Hutchinson. Congratulations Chris.

I received another Level IV letter just yesterday (8-26-17) so I will be travelling to DeSoto to attend KSB's September meeting and presenting Joe Magnant his Level IV. Congratulations to Joe as well. Hope to see you in September.

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

You're Rider Education Rider Coaches Bob Brown, Rick Stevens and yours truly are meeting September 20<sup>th</sup> to set our Rider Course dates for 2018. I will send the Chapter Educators and their Chapter Directors the dates September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Some have asked about the Trike Course that doesn't have the classroom portion. We will have the TRC-R in 2018. To participate, you need to have attended the TRC with the classroom session. If you have questions ask Bill Tucker, Bob Brown or Rick Stevens.

I'll close now with my same old saying! But think about the meaning. Practice bad things, get bad things in return.

### "PRACTICE MAKES PERMENANT! YOU ARE WHAT YOU PRACTICE!"

See you at Wing Ding!

Bill & Sheila Tucker Sr. District Educators



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# Kansas Chapters, Chapter Directors and Meeting Time & Place

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

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

# **Chapter Meeting Information**

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

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

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

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

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September 2017





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Hello everyone...

September is upon us, which of course means school is back in session so please be careful and watch out for those school zones & school buses. Don't need anyone getting a ticket.

So what did we all do in August? On the 10<sup>th</sup> was our chapter meeting which our trusted Asst director Chris handled with ease. Bob our Riders Ed person gave us a lesson all about staying awake & alert while on our bikes.

The National Safety Council recommends the following tips.

Get enough rest

If possible get a companion...don't ride alone

Try to avoid riding long distances at night

Use the audio on your radio to help keep you awake & alert

Use the cruise control sparingly

Watch ergonomic factors. Ride with your head & eyes up along with a good riding posture Wear sunglasses during the daytime hours to help fight glare & to help prevent eye fatigue Take frequent breaks

Avoid overeating. Have light meals & snacks. And don't drink alcohol

Pull over into a rest stop or stop for the night if you find yourself getting drowsy

GOLDEN RULE: Listen to your Co-Rider. They may know better that you what's going on. Co-

Rider...you watch for the warning signs. Let your rider know when you need a break. Then talk to your rider and let him/her know what you have noticed.

Remember that safe riding is important & demands your full attention.

That next weekend was the chapter's campout in Argonia KS (raise your hand if you knew there was a camp ground in Argonia). Larry and I went out Friday evening to hang out with the campers because we couldn't be there for the main event on the 12<sup>th</sup> and had a great time.

So here are a bunch of pictures of everyone having fun on Saturday and enjoying the wonderful weather that we've been having.



The next weekend on the 19<sup>th</sup> chapter P had a ride and Larry was the only member from chapter A to join them (but it got him out of church). They went to Hutchinson and had lunch at the airport following that some went to the Salt Mine.





So what's coming up in September...I'm glad you asked. Here's a little bit of what to expect.

Wing Ding starts on August 29<sup>th</sup> and runs through September 2<sup>nd</sup> and for those of you that are going down to Grapevine Texas for GWRRA's annual get together please look for our very own Bob Brown who will be giving class. And don't forget to come and watch the Kansas Twisters perform.

Sept 8<sup>th</sup> – Margo Roberts's birthday

Sept 10th is the ride to the Kansas State Fair. If you've never done this it is our chance to ride to the fair as a group and park on the fairgrounds where we get to show off our bikes to all the people passing by and maybe find someone to join GWRRA...

Sept 14<sup>th</sup> is our monthly chapter meeting @ the Country Café on South Seneca. Meeting starts @ 7:00 (or close to it) but come early for a meal and visits with the other members.



Sept 29<sup>th</sup> – Dave Hohlfield's birthday

Everyone mark your calendar for Oct 20<sup>th</sup> thru 22<sup>nd</sup>. This will be Chapter A's Fall Foliage ride that Ruth is in charge of planning. She didn't have all the details for me but said she would have more information at our monthly meeting. Her plan is for those who are interested in going on this ride to meet in Miami OK on Friday then from there ride the Talimena.

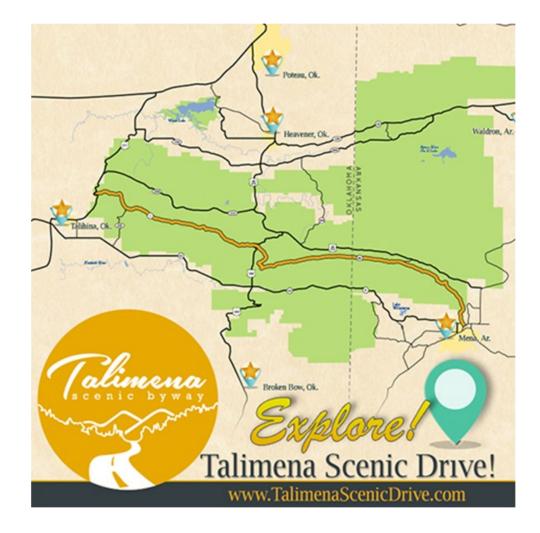
For those of you that don't know, The **Talimena Scenic Drive** is a <u>National Scenic By-</u> way in <u>southeastern Oklahoma</u> and extreme western <u>Arkansas</u> spanning a 54.0-mile (86.9 km) stretch of <u>Oklahoma State Highway 1</u> (SH-1) and <u>Arkansas Highway 88</u> (AR 88) from <u>Talihina, Oklahoma</u>, to <u>Mena, Arkansas</u>.

Designated a National Scenic Byway by the America's Byway Program in 2005, the road travels within the <u>Ouachita National Forest</u> along the highest peaks of the Winding Stair Mountains, part of the <u>Ouachita Mountain chain</u>, including the second tallest peak in Arkansas, Rich Mountain, 2,681 feet (817 m) in elevation. Many of the forests along these ridges, stunted and of little commercial value, were never logged and are <u>old growth</u>. The two-lane road features hiking trails beginning at various points along its stretch and 22 scenic vista pull-outs.

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There are at least 13% hill grades along the route. (I got this info from Wikipedia...I do love to "copy & paste)



Please make plans to join us for this ride in October

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

Mary Mazur, Chapter A Newsletter editor



REGION H

### September 2017

Chapter B – DeSoto					
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It's hard to believe that August in Kansas has come and gone and Chapter B members needed jackets during the month. August 26 found sixteen members gathered on twelve motorcycles for the monthly breakfast ride and the temperature was 61 degrees. Multiple layers were the dress of the morning as we set off for Atchison led by Biker Bob Savner. It was a beautiful morning for a ride. The air was crisp and the skies were blue. We journeyed mainly on back roads from Basehor to Paolucci's where many enjoyed the breakfast buffet and a few ordered from the menu. The conversations and friendships were just as good as the food and we all had a wonderful time.

Approximately forty Chapter B members and friends enjoyed an evening at the T-Bones ball park on August 23. Some went for dinner prior to the game and some enjoyed hotdogs at the game. The T-Bones started the first inning with a 4-0 lead and before the game was over, we were cheering them on in our jackets. It was a perfect night to sit at the ball field. Laughter and conversations could be heard from our section as many were enjoying the camaraderie rather than actually watching the game. Thanks to Eastern Kansas Tour Riders for once again including Chapter B in their evening at the ball game.

Several members journeyed to St. Joe to watch the solar eclipse. Many of us stayed home for viewing. Most of us saw more clouds than anything else. There were a few glimpses of the event, but rain showers and clouds were the more common sights. Maybe we'll have better luck in seven years, if we travel further afield.

Allen and Lee Ann Robertson led an impromptu ride on August 19 to Olathe. Lee Ann had found a fast food restaurant called Strip's with all homemade foods. According to their website, only the fries and tots come from the freezer. They even grind their own pork for the pork burgers. And, they have homemade soft serve ice cream and doughnuts for dessert. Fourteen, fifteen, or maybe sixteen people (They were having so much fun, they forgot to count.) had a blast eating, conversing, and laughing. It was a super Saturday afternoon.





Carla Ramirez submitted the following about the dinner ride on August 3. Thanks Carla.

The monthly dinner ride was hosted by Carla Ramirez and assisted by her husband Steve who also steered their Goldwing. When kickstands went up at 6:00 pm, departing from Casey's in DeSoto, there were 10 machines in our group, our illustrious leader, Joe Magnant, served as Tail Gunner for this exercise.

The group rode past the former Sunflower Army Ammunition Plant outside of DeSoto, through Eudora and past some alpacas on the way to

the dining destination for the evening. Fortunately the alpacas were not next to the road so as far as we know, no one was spat upon.

The ride took us past Aiken Estates south of Lawrence before the group turned, ignoring all the "Road Closed" signs, to go over the Clinton Lake Dam. From that vantage point looking left we saw people fishing in the lake (no boats on the lake), to the right was a view of the Eagle Bend Golf Course and of course, Mount Oread.

We arrived at El Potro restaurant just off K-10 bypass and US 59 Highway to others from KS-B who joined us (we had a total of 19) for the grand finale, EATING! The weather turned out to be perfect so we were able to eat on the new outdoor patio, under the "trees". The trees hung so low that even Missy Shores had to duck. It was a fun night that included all that was promised: good food, great dinner companions and a nice evening for a ride.

With all that went on in August, as well as the beautiful weather, we can hardly wait to see what September brings and get a report about Wing Ding 39.

Chapter B events for September: September 7 - Dinner Ride September 20 - MMR, Negro League Museum September 21 - Chapter Meeting September 30 - Breakfast Ride

Safe Travels, Paula Aiken



# Chapter C - Topeka

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I normally try to write newsletters in humorist light, however this month I'm starting out more serious. As many of you know we lost Al Davis in June. He was a long time member and friend of Chapter C and also served as our Rider Educator. Sandy asked if the following could be put in the newsletter so here it is verbatim:

My children and I would like to thank our GWRRA family for the thoughts, prayers, cards and donations in Al's name. I would like to thank everyone that rode their motorcycles to the service. I know it was hot but I really appreciated it. It was a great sight to see. Several people commented on the bikes, they thought that awesome. It is great to know that so many of you cared for Al and he is watching everyone ride and have a great time. Have fun and stay Safe.

# "Thank you, Sandy, Carole, and Jacob."

We had our supper ride on the 1<sup>st</sup> to the Trails Café in Holton with almost perfect riding weather led by Rick and Rita Thompson. It was a great ride starting with Rita being on the back of Rick's trike as she hadn't been able to ride for at least 5 months because of back surgery. We had 12 bikes to start with including two new bikes with Dave & Marcie Cottrell on their trike and Bob Yeagley on his bike, so ended up breaking into two groups for the trip to Holton. We had the usual in Topeka, with people in cars wanting to "join" the ride. It seemed like the only place they wanted to be was somewhere in the line of bikes even when there were three lanes to choose from. Once we got north of town things got better and we made good time to the restaurant. I'm not sure how Rick managed it but there was an area of the parking lot big enough to put all 12 bikes in one area and to also be joined by Dennis Kramer from Chapter F. The restaurant people didn't faint when all 24 of us walked in and managed to even seat us as one group. The amazing part of the evening is the waitress took all of our orders quickly and the food arrived in a very timely manner. She did manage to give a hamburger to Rod and Lara Williams that was actually for Galen Umsheid.

Surprisingly that was the only mistake she made and Galen got the replacement burger real quick since Rod and Lara had already cut his in half when the lady realized her mistake require his burger to be redone. After the food was consumed we resumed our noisy conversations for a while longer and then headed back home with most of the group returning to Topeka. To be different Dennis headed north toward his home with Bob, Brenda & I heading west to our homes.

We held our Chapter birthday party on the 19<sup>th</sup> at the home of John & Teresa, who don't get near enough credit for the effort they put forth each year hosting the party. We had 25 people in attendance representing five chapters and also the district. I want to thank those that took the time and expense to drive/ride to the party as it's a long way for those folks from out of the area. Other than it being very humid and hot it was a great day for the party. The Kansas wind managed to hold off until Bill Hanson and John started cooking the hot dogs and burgers and then it blew just enough to send all the smoke over the tables. We had plenty of food with emphasis on deserts. What better way is there, for a birthday party, than to have the majority of the covered dishes involving deserts?

We didn't do much outside but eat, talk, and tell stories under a canopy, with a fan blowing full force, except for the combat croquet event. With the humidity and heat the only person of the 25 that was comfortable was Arlene Felch, who stood out in the sun during the entire croquet game. Anybody that knows her is well aware that she would be happiest sitting in front of a roaring fire in July. She is the only person I know that wears a sweater year round. After filling our stomachs and solving most of the world's problems we started filtering out and John & Teresa finally got rid of everybody before 6:00 pm.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for September are:

19 Marcie Cottrell

5 Rod & Lara Williams

26 Rick & Rita Thompson

# Don & Brenda Williams CD/Newsletter editor





**Chapter Director Everett & Carol Chastain** 

**Chapter Editor Doris Schoeck** 

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> **Chapter MEC Rick Kistler**

**Chapter Educator** Jack Schoeck

**Chapter Couple** Jack & Doris Schoeck

**Chapter Scrapbook Rick & Brenda Kistler** 

Greetings from Chapter F!

What great riding weather we have been having. It has been practically perfect in terms of the temperature. Hope all of you are taking advantage of that and riding as much as you can.

In August, the Supper Ride was held on Friday, August 11, 2017, at the Town and Country Restaurant in Florence, Kansas. They have a Fried Catfish Special on Friday nights and it was a great meal! We had a total of 16 people present and we had visitors from Chapter A, H, P, and Q. A good time was had by all! Thanks to all who came and had a good time!

Wing Ding at the Gaylord Hotel in Grapevine, Texas will be next week and we hope to see a lot of you there. It should be an exciting time. There are a lot of changes coming into effect at the beginning of the New Year and hopefully we will find out new additional information about that at Wing World. There will be some rides that are planned and there will be a limited number of seminars to attend. The Couple of the Year Selection Process will be held on Tuesday, August 29, 2017. Please refer to your past Wing World Magazines for the time on that event. Our Region Couple from Texas from 2016 will be in the selection process this year. Please go if you can and support them.

There are a lot of changes coming our way beginning January 1, 2018 and they will be talked about at some time during Wing Ding. We have received e-mails but there should be some more information coming our way from National Headquarters. As usual there should be plenty to do while you are there. There are always vendors for anything you need for your motorcycle and it is a Wonderful time to catch up with the friends you haven't seen in a while.

The supper ride for September will be on Friday, September 8, 2017. We will be meeting at Mom's Café at Whitewater, Kansas. We are to be there at 6:30 pm to eat. Hope to see you there.

Everett announced that for the month of September, 2017 Birthdays are: September 6 – Steve Pena Anniversaries: September 17 - John and Karen Glaves

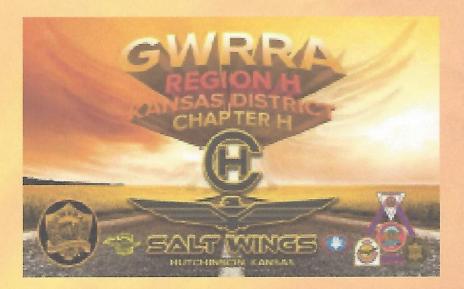
Until next time, Ride Safe and Ride Often! Submitted By, Doris Schoeck, Newsletter Editor

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# KS-H Newsletter SEPTEMBER 2017



On the 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM, we have our regular Chapter gathering.

Our next gathering will be held on

September 28, 2017 at

**GAMBINO'S PIZZA** 

310 S. Main St., South Hutchinson, Kansas

Come join us at 6:00 PM for a friendly feeding frenzy before we settle down to business!



FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE







Greetings from your Chapter Directors!

We've enjoyed some great rides recently and we're looking forward to a few more. Don't forget about the Kansas State Fair Gold Wing Ride-In day on September 10th. It is the perfect opportunity to meet with other Chapters and inform the public about GWRRA.

The annual wiener roast will be on September 24th at our home located at 2461 E. 43<sup>rd</sup> in Hutchinson. The festivities will begin at 4 PM and we look forward to seeing you there.

October 14-15 will be our ride to the Renaissance festival in Bonner Springs. Be sure you make your reservations at the hotel soon, as rooms do fill up fast. The number for the Econo Lodge in Lansing is (913) 727-2777. It is about 10 miles from the festival but the rooms are cheaper there. When you see her, give Sharry Stauffer a big THANK YOU for setting this up for us.

October 19 is the 3rd Thursday downtown event in Hutchinson. It is one more chance to show off our Gold Wings to the public and peak some interest in GWRRA. Bring plenty of candy to give out to the kids!

I know it seems early, but we need to start getting things rounded up for the COY basket for Mid-Winter. We also need to start thinking about what we want do for the Chapter Christmas party in December. You can contact Jan Schroeder or me with any and all ideas about planning for these events. Planning ahead is a good thing and ensures that we'll have everything done and ready for a fun time.

Our 2018 planning meeting is scheduled for October 29. Some of the other Chapters may be represented also since we are hoping to get our GWRRA family from everywhere involved. We may combine rides and events and even Chapter meetings once in a while. Everyone is more than welcome to attend.

There are a lot of changes being made and we want to keep the FUN in our Chapter, so if you have ideas for rides, events, places to eat, let me know. We know not everyone can join in each time but we want to be as accommodating as we can and make it enjoyable as much as possible.

Always check the website calendar for upcoming events. Also check the Special Notice page on the website as it is updated. Watch emails also for impromptu events and updates.

Keep having FUN Chapter H Dale & Georgeanna





Howdy and Hello my fine Chapter H members!

We may have had to cancel some rides last month due to the heat, but we're doing our best trying to make up for lost time!

On August 5<sup>th</sup> we rode to Hays by way of Larned and La Crosse (so we could pick up some Chapter members from western Kansas). It was great that they were able to join us on a ride that fine day! We toured Fort Hays and then took in the Steinberg Museum. How do you beat a day where you get to ride your motorcycle, get a history lesson and a little education?! You try to not let it end! We had dinner at Al's Chickenette in Hays and then took out east on Old Highway 40 to Grandmas in Wilson, Kansas for what else......ice cream, of course!

When we got to Lyons as we were headed home, we got a report of a thunder storm heading to Hutchinson. Now, I'm not afraid of a little rain, but my darling bride is made of sugar and spice and everything nice, so we twisted the throttle and tried to make it home before the rain.

We almost made it too. There were a couple of hydroplaning moments that had me clenching the saddle but we made it home safely and unscathed, although a whole lot wet.

I also want to shout out a couple of THANK YOUS! First, for all of the birthday wishes and the card from our darling Sunshine Lady, Carolyn. Secondly to Bill and Sarah for inviting us to the Fox Theater in Hutchinson for the presentation on human trafficking. It was very eye opening.

Don and Carma Gray Proudly serving as your Assistant Chapter Directors





#### Hello Chapter H Family!

Our last Chapter gathering in Salina at Gutierrez Restaurant was certainly well received with a large attendance and a great ride there. We're always glad to see such a great crowd getting together for a good time.

Wing Ding is fast approaching and even though Donna and I will not be able to make it to Grapevine for this year's event, we want to wish everyone who is going, safe travels. Stay alert on those busy highways and have a good time with your GWRRA family. We'll expect to hear some good stories and see some fun pictures.

Also, keep in mind that with the new changes coming to GWRRA, there are going to be new opportunities to introduce our great organization to motorcyclists of all kinds. They have no clue how much Fun we have and we need to show them what they're missing out on! Let me know if you need any recruiting materials to hand out, I will be glad to give you a hand!

Until we meet again dear friends, have fun and be safe!

Kit and Donna Sand Proudly serving as your Chapter H MEC





#### Our wonderful Chapter H friends!

The very first thing that I must do is apologize for missing last month's Chapter gathering. I knew it was going to be a great ride and meeting and we were really looking forward to it – but a three letter word got in my way. "JOB" requirements made me work that Saturday and we ended up working from 9 in the morning until midnight. My boss said it would not take that long but, unfortunately, it did. Linda was going to ride with someone but by the time I knew that I was not coming it was too late. Sorry again.

On to better news! We did visit Chapter P this month and were also able to attend Chapter F's dinner ride. What a wonderful group of friends we were be able to spend time with.

At the time of this writing, we are sitting in a hotel in Panama City Beach, Florida looking over the calm of the wonderful gulf waters. Linda will be walking the beach this morning, "her favorite thing to do – second only to spoiling our grandchildren!" We are here to visit our kids and pick-up our replacement trailer from the factory.

We do plan on seeing everyone this Thursday at our Chapter gathering and look forward to it. Until then, remember what our Senior Educator, Bill Tucker, says, "Practice makes Perfect",

Stay alert! Ride safe and have fun!

Mark and Linda Classen Chapter H Couple of the Year



### AUGUST

24	Meeting @ Gambino's Pizza in South Hutchinson		
29 - Sept 3	WING DING Grapevine, Texas		
And States in the local sector			
SEPTEMBER			
10	Kansas State Fair Goldwing Ride-In Day		
16	Kansas District Fall Ride Moved to Oct 21		
24	KS-H Wiener Roast 4pm at Dale & Georgeanna's		
28	Meeting @ Gambino's Pizza in South Hutchinson		
27 - 30	Oklahoma District Rally, Muskogee, Oklahoma		

# Sunshine Events



#### AUGUST

- 28 Lowell Martens
- 31 Linda Classen

#### SEPTEMBER

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





#### SEPTEMBER 4 Bud & Al

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Come join our merry group of motorcyclists and find out what we are all about!

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In case you didn't know our very own Jeff Whithorn is an amateur astronomer and he invited me along to view the solar eclipse. He provided me with safety solar glasses and explained what was happening. It was just awesome.....and pretty educational!





A few eye drops and a couple of carrots though and I was good as new!

Uh oh! I think I may have stared a little too long at the sun! But it was just so darn mesmerizing!





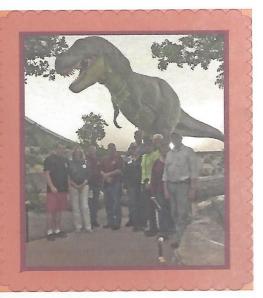




# AUGUST 5, 2017 TURNED OUT TO BE ANOTHER GREAT DAY FOR A RIDE AND SOME HISTORY. FIRST TO OLD FORT HAYS AND THEN TO THE STERNBERG MUSEUM







# Chapter P – Wichita

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**Chapter Couple** 

Dennis & Kathy Chesnut

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

# Meeting

Chapter P Moved our meeting to Sugar Shane's for the month of August for a little change of pace and to put a little fun in the meeting nights. We had 22 in attendance and the food was great.

Our meeting for September will be back at Derby Church of Christ and we will be having a presentation from the Wichita Road Department set up by Rick Stevens. All should plan on attending this should be real informative.

### RIDES-

On September 20th Chapter P had twenty on our ride to Airport Steakhouse 1100 Airport

road Hutchinson Kansas. The buffet was outstanding.











Then we were off to the salt mine in Hutchinson Kansas which we had 5 in attendance.



September Birthdays-None



September Anniversaries- None

Everyone have a safe month! Theresa Perkins News Letter Editor Chapter P





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Duane & Vicki Kalous

Chapter Treasurer Sheila Tucker Chapter Educator

Duane & Vicki Kalous

**Chapter Couple** 



Hello Q Crew and all that are reading this!

Our leaders are at the Grapevine TX Wing Ding site so I am filling in for them.

We had a good turn out for our August meeting in Arkansas City, at the former Sirloin stockade. The chapters representatives in attendance gave their announcements and Duane Kalous spoke to the attendees on a safety issue.

Jack did answer the question concerning the very popular KSQ Fall Foliage ride. He said that he was waiting to hear if KSA is going to have one. If not, he would get a ride set up.

We had our usual 50/50 but I do not have the names. Sorry of the winners.

I also do not have names of any Q member having a birthday or a Q couples having anniversaries. I there are any will announce them in the next Winger.

Carol & Jim Owens, Duane & Vicki Kalous and yours truly attended KSF monthly gathering August 22. Duane & Vicki attended KSF's Supper ride to Florence KS. They went to Town & Country Café for their famous fish fry.

I attended KSH meeting August 24th. As the District Educator I presented a Level IV to Chris Marcotte.

I think Jack would pass this statement on to you! Have an open mind and embrace the GWRRA changes that are occurring during the restructure process. I know he and Teresa do as does Sheila and I.

That's it until next time.

Bill & Sheila Tucker Chapter Treasurer Chapter Charter Members, KSQ



Games available at campground

Ride After Breakfast

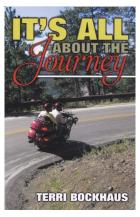
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GWRRA of Kansas has a new author. Terri Bockhaus is pleased to announce the publication of her book titled, "It's all about the Journey". The journey referred to in the book describes her personal journey with GWRRA. She describes her mishaps as she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

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

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



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

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











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