



WHITE RIVER WINGS CHAPTER M'S

February 2011



GREAT LAKES REGION D

INDIANA DISTRICT

FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE

Chapter M gathers every 3rd Saturday of the month
Gasthof Amish Restaurant in Montgomery, IN
Eat at 6:00 PM and Discussions at 7:00 PM

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RAMBLINGS FROM YOUR CHAPTER DIRECTOR

Here it is the middle of February already. Winter is nearly half over. The month of February only has 28 days (that makes it two days closer to Spring). We have had good attendance at our gatherings this past year and will do our best to make the gatherings fun and enjoyable in 2011. We had our 2nd Chili Dump on February 5th with 30 people attending (great attendance especially considering the weather). Once again the Chili was **GREAT** With all the different Chili being dumped together you never know what the results will be. I could tell a difference in the taste of the Chili this time, compared to our first Chili Dump. But I expect the taste will be a little different each time. A thanks goes out to everyone who helped make this a success. A special thanks to Norman, Debbie and Joan for helping with obtaining a place to hold the Chili Dump. It has been suggested that when we have the next Chili Dump that we have a taste testing contest. That sounds like a good idea, however I think Norman got a jump start on the tasting this year. I think that if we do have a judging, it will be difficult, because every sample that was tried I heard "This is the best Chili"! Maybe we will end up with a 30 way tie for the best Chili.

On January 21st through the 23rd 2011 Gary and Carol Meyerholtz, Howard and Kate Gingerich, Richard Watkins and I attended the Indiana Winter Rendezvous in Indianapolis. It was a great get-together for all the Chapters. The theme this year was Hillbilly Hoot-n-Nanny. There were a lot of Hillbilly's running around the Marriott in Indy. A couple even won recognition for being "The Best Dressed Hillbilly Couple". Everyone who attended had a great time. If you can, make plans to attend the Winter Rendezvous next year. We attended the following seminars: "What is a Chapter Director", "Stress Management", "Public Speaking", "Levels Up", "Crash Scene", Newsletter Part 1", Newsletter Part 2", and "How Can I Participate". Each seminar was very informative.

The theme for the Spring Wing Warm-up in Greensburg, Indiana is "Patriotic Party". The dates for this are May 19th through May 21st. Let's get a group together and show our support for the Indiana GWRRR by attending this event.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our next gathering. Remember, it is just a few "short" weeks before we can ride comfortably again.

Darrel & Gloria





...District Directors

Hello Indiana! Well we survived our first Winter Rendezvous, we hope you had as much fun as we did. Bootleg Stills, Chapter Feud, a Pig, I don't care who you are, all that combined is funny. From the comments we have gotten, it seems like it was a huge success. Next Years theme is "Come to the Movies" So get thinking about what you may want to do. We have a new Couple of the Year, Chapter L2's own Joe and Paula Swift. Awesome, 4 couples took the stage and everyone was great, thanks to all who participated. Chapter A2 out of Lebanon was chosen as Chapter of the Year, they and Chapter K did an outstanding job. When you see Steve and Sue Brown from E2 give them a pat on the back for being named Chapter Educators of the Year, well done. We have some new members on the Indiana Team that we want to highlight, Irv & Kate Swinehart has taken the role of District Treasurers. We wish Cheryl Meadows all the best and hope she is feeling better. Dates and event schedules will be updated at the March Spring Meeting in Anderson. Mark your calendars for the 5th and then 9 Pin No Tap Bowling on the 6th in Noblesville. We have a great year planned and it has gotten off to a great start. The Indiana Team is just going to keep on trucking or Biking and make it better and better. Of course, we cannot do any of this without the members giving us all their support, it is greatly appreciated. Spring Wing Warm Up is already being planned for our Patriotic Party, so make your plans to visit us in Greensburg May 19-21. NOTE: There is a Softball tournament at the same time, so get your hotel reservations made soon. See the District website for a flyer and registration. Something to ponder for all our members, GWRRA Recruited 10,000 new members three years ago, we are only retained 10%. Those 10% are all active in their chapters and are happy. Seems most of the others are not active in a chapter or have not been contacted. So if you know of someone, invite them over to a gathering and let them see what a great organization this is. Everything else will take care of itself after that if the chapter is thriving and most of all HAVING FUN. We look forward to all our new duties and hopefully will visit everyone this coming year. Get the covers off the bikes and start checking them out as there are only 4 more weeks until riding season.

Lee & Kay Tieche
Indiana District Directors

Messages from our Directors



BITS & PIECES FROM THE DISTRICT TEAM

We just finished with a very successful Winter Rendezvous. It was a week-end filled with lots of fun and laughter with everyone dressed in their finest Hillbilly clothes and meeting all their Hillbilly Cousins from all over Indiana and neighboring states and even met some NEW HILLBILLY COUSINS.

The District Team had lots of activities planned. There were Rider Ed seminars for the co-rider---what to do at a CRASH SCENE—information on the Rider Ed levels programs. Leadership Training had seminars for the Chapter Directors---chapter newsletters---public speaking and stress management. There were Craft seminars the ladies enjoyed like scrapbooking and jewelry making and a Fun seminar on line dancing. There was also a seminar that was well attended on favorite rides and favorite places to eat.

We want to thank the Chapter M members for supporting the District Team and attending Winter Rendezvous. A very FUN- FUN- WEEKEND.

John & Shirley Lee
Assistant District Directors

John & Shirley Lee A/DD

Indiana ADD's

Please send out to your chapters ASAP.

At the Indiana District GWRRA Annual Spring Meeting, March 5th, we will be going over The Passport Program, **Rider Ed**, Gone Mad, **Newsletters**, Area Reports, Schedules and more to come. Please plan to attend.

John & Shirley Lee A/DD
Fellow Officers and Interested Members,

Mark your calendars. It looks like they are going to cover some important things. Hopefully most of us can attend.

Darrel

Indiana District GWRRA Annual
 Spring Meeting March 5th,
 10:00am - 3:00pm 45 minute lunch
 break (Union Rules) Breakfast 8:30 to 10:00 am
 and Lunch will be provided by the Church
 Youth Group (nominal fees)



Main Street
 Church of God
 4211 Main St.
 Anderson IN



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Please Bring with you

- MOU's for Treasurers and MEC's if you have not sent them in
- Spring Wing Warm Up Registrations
- All Officers and any interested members

We will be covering Schedules, OCP, Officer Changes, Rider Ed, Spring Wing Warm Up, Passport, Gone Mad, ADD Reports and a couple of surprises

I put the Press Release in the News Letter again, because we received our Passport Book with our Wing World Magazine this month, and wanted everyone that received their Passport Book to review it. It sounds like a neat program.

In the middle of the Passport there is a GWRRA Travel Center Section that tells about the different travel benefits GWRRA offers.



PRESS RELEASE

RELEASED FROM: Phoenix, Arizona
 RELEASE DATE: January 6, 2011
 SUBJECT: GWRRA ANNOUNCES NEW PROGRAM

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES "PASSPORT PROGRAM"

Phoenix, AZ – Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) has announced a new program, called the "Passport Program." The Program is geared to encourage the Members of GWRRA to ride more - mainly to GWRRA Chapter gatherings, events, rallies, their Honda Dealers, vendors, etc. The Program will kick off officially in March, but is being announced now to encourage sponsorships of this Program.

Paul Hildebrand, Founder and COB of GWRRA, said, "This program will encourage more riding with our Members and also provide a vehicle for more camaraderie by having Members and providers getting together to sign/stamp their "Passports" and compare their travels!"

The Passport books have 64 pages, with 4 spaces on each page, for Members to get stamps/initials for each place they visit. GWRRA will be providing a special website for those Members who fill their Passports and send them into the GWRRA Home Office.

To capture those special travel moments, use this Passport when you go to GWRRA Events or Wing Ding. At each Event or Wing Ding (at any GWRRA booth), the Chapter Director, District Director or Region Director will apply a special stamp or initials (one per event) to recognize your attendance.

After completing the entire Passport, send it to the Home Office by December 31, 2011, for a chance to win a prize. The winners will be chosen randomly from all entrants.

Mr. Hildebrand goes on to state that "I am looking forward to seeing this Program bring *riding and camaraderie* back to the forefront of GWRRA!" GWRRA will support this Program through editorials in Wing World magazine; our FREE monthly e-Newsletter, Wingin' It; and electronic media through our websites.

Founded in 1977, the Gold Wing Road Riders Association is the largest single marque motorcycle organization in the world, with 72,000 Members in 52 countries. Our motto is "*Friends for FUN, Safety and Knowledge.*" The Home Office is at 21423 North 11th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85027, the phone number is 800-843-9460 or 623-581-2500 and the website is www.gwrro.org.

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Membership Enhancement:

Rider Education is an extremely important benefit offered because we care about you, your co-riders and family members. The District of Indiana Rider Education program is second to none and offers seminars, Rider Training Courses, First Aid and CPR classes.

Other benefits are, "Rescue," the Roadside Assistance Program. Coverage while on any motorcycle comes with your membership. There is additional coverage (Rescue Plus) available for you and your family while driving any non-commercial vehicle along with coverage for your motorcycle trailer. Other benefits include insurance coverage, motorcycle shipping, Credit Union membership, a credit card program, Premier Hotel program and much more. By joining the GWRRA you have joined an organization that will always offer you a lifetime experience of "Friends for Fun, Knowledge and Safety".



"EVERY MEMBER MATTERS"



Chapter O (Evansville) is having a CPR course and has invited our Chapter to participate if we wish. They have an instructor lined up, but if enough of us are interested they will get more instructors. The course will be offered on March 19, 2011, location to be determined (probably somewhere in Evansville). This is the same night as our meeting in March. The course should be over with in time to make it to the meeting. The only cost will be the cost of the cards. The instructors will not charge for their services, but a donation will probably be taken for their time and effort.

If you are interested in doing the CPR course, I will be taking names at our February 19th meeting (or you can email me). I will then be passing the names along to Dennis so he can make proper arrangements.

Darrel
Chapter IN-M Director

January 15th GWRRA IN-M Chapter Gathering
Held at the
Gasthof Restaurant in Montgomery, IN

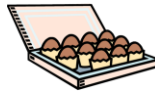
In attendance we had 43 Chapter M participates and 4 guest

We would like to welcome our guest: Sandy brought her husband Glen and her two grandsons,
 Dillon and Dakota Giesler
 and
 Doris Haas was the guest of Mike Creager

Discussion

Darrel gave a big thanks to Jerry and Mary and everyone that help with our Chapter M Christmas party to make it a very enjoyable evening. Thank you everyone!

Another big thanks to the Wueppers and the Knepps for having our Chapter over on New Year's Day for a delicious Fish Fry and great fellowship.



How Many Calories in a box of Chocolates

1st place winner of \$24.00 was Paula and Mike Ringwald, with the guess of 1,500 calories
 And

2nd place was the box of Chocolates. It went to Mike Creager, with the guess of 1,700 calories

Congratulations!!!!

**CHAPTER IN-M
 GWRRA
 Chili Dump**

**Mark Your Calendar for Saturday
 February 05, 2011**

GATHER AT 11:30 A.M.
 EAT AT 12:30 P.M. STAY A WHILE AND VISIT
 Alfordville United Methodist Church
 6600 S Church Street
 Loogootee, Indiana 47553
 (Church is located in Alfordville)

Each family needs to bring Drinks, CHILI, Snack or Dessert

(All the chili will be "DUMPED" into larger pot to mix together)



Another Great Chapter M
 Chili Dump

There were around
 30 participants
 Which enjoyed
 GREAT
 Chili
 and
 TRIFFIC
 Fellowship

Safety Education Report
Debbie Cole – Safety Educator



Age Does Matter

- Check motorcycles, trailers and helmets for safety.
- Helmets should not be over 7 years old (dropped or not)
- All DOT approved helmets must include date of manufacture on them
- A label on the chin strap or carefully peel back the cloth liner of helmet and look for label or date stamped on Styrofoam.
- Industry Recommendation for helmet should be replaced after 5 years or 7 years from date of manufacture (whichever occurs first)
- Glues, resins and other materials used in helmets can affect liner materials.
- Hair oils, body fluids and cosmetics, as well as normal “wear and tear” contribute to helmet degradation.
- Helmet will lose its protective qualities and leave you vulnerable in the event of an impact with pavement or other surface
- Check date on helmet before purchase. Even if it has never been worn, the foam naturally breaks down, becomes more brittle, and less absorbent between 5-7 years

Next Gathering will be
 February 19, 2011
 Meal at 6:00 pm
 And
 Discussion
 At
 7:00 pm

Gasthof Amish Restaurant
 Montgomery, IN

Sandy Eckert made up
 Directories for our
 Chapter; if any one is
 interested see Sandy.
 Cost: \$20 each (\$15 for
 expenses and \$5 for our
 chapter fund). Thank you,
 Sandy!

IN-M Membership Enhancement Coordinators

Gary & Carol Meyerholtz

For the 1st Time!

GWRRRA will host advertising on its FREE, monthly e-Newsletter, *Wingin' It*.

The e-Newsletter goes out to over 27,000 confirmed emails monthly. *Wingin' It* has become a very popular benefit for our Members.

GWRRRA's *Wingin' It* e-Newsletter is the **BEST** place to target market your Gold Wing products. Check out www.gwrra.org to see previous issues of our e-Newsletters.

Liberty Mutual Auto & Home Insurance: Your Member benefits include a special discounted rate on Auto Insurance (including your motorcycle) and Home Insurance from Liberty Mutual. We're proud to provide our Members with a great benefit from a Fortune 100 company that protects millions of people across America. Find out more about Liberty Mutual Home & Auto Insurance at

www.libertymutual.com/gwrra or call 1-800-524-9400 and mention client #117743



REMEMBER GWRRRA' 5 SIMPLE IDEALS:

1. Promote the "Positive Image" of motorcycling.
2. Promote "FRIENDS" among all motorcyclists.
3. Promote "FUN" which is the common thread that runs through the Association.
4. Promote "SAFETY" through Rider Education Programs for enjoyable riding.
5. Promote "KNOWLEDGE" through Training for Members and Officers



EVENTS

GWRRA WING DING 33 JULY 6-9, 2011 KNOXVILLE, TN

Call: 623-581-2500 1-800-843-9460

<http://www.wing-ding.org/>

Region D

<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>When</u>
Motorist Awareness Display at the Outdoor Sport, Lake, & Cabin Show	Allen County War Memorial Coliseum Fort Wayne, IN	March 18-20
<u>Region D Rally</u>	Clearwater, MI	September 16-18, 2011

District Sponsored Events

<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>When</u>
<u>IN District Annual Spring Meeting</u>	Main Street Church of Christ, Anderson, IN	March 5, 2011 10:00am – 3:00pm
<u>Indiana District Bowling</u>	Noblesville, IN	March 6, 2011
<u>Indiana Spring Wing Warm-up</u>	Decatur County Fairgrounds Greensburg, IN	May 19-21, 2011
<u>Ohio Buckeye Rally/Convention</u>	Wooster, OH	June 17-19, 2011
<u>Michigan Rally/Convention</u>	West Branch, MI	July 29-31, 2011
<u>Fall Fest</u>	Peru, IN	Oct. 1, 2011

Indiana Chapter Events

<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>When</u>
<u>Chapter IN-O2</u>		
Pound Auction	Christiana Creek Country Club Elkhart, IN	March 3, 2011
Fried Chicken Sale	Corner IN-19 & Bristol St. Elkhart, IN	March 5, 2011
<u>Chapter IN-K</u>		
Annual Mercy Ride	West Lafayette, IN At Purdue West Shopping Center	June 18, 2011 Registration at 9:00 am Escorted ride leaves at 10:30 am
<u>Chapter IN-R2</u>		
Ride for A.N.N.A. Ride for A.N.N.A.	Rensselaer, IN	June 25, 2011

New GWRRA Event Scheduled

TRIKES & BIKES RALLY

September 30-October 2, 2011

Bowling Green, KY

A new event has been announced by the former Trike Riders International (TRI) organization, which just merged with the GWRRA, and is called TRIKES & BIKES RALLY. This event has a rich history and has visited such great cities as Bardstown, Kentucky, and most recently, Branson, Missouri. This year it will be in Bowling Green, Kentucky, September 30-October 2, 2011.



As explained by the name, the event will expand to include all types of motorcycles, and trikes. The Trikes & Bikes Rally will be held at the Carroll Knicely Center, which has a beautiful convention center and many parking lots for a variety of trike and motorcycle rider education and skill courses. This venue will host both indoor and outdoor vendors, rides, food, entertainment, prizes, tours, as well as some local flavor like the Corvette Museum and the Corvette assembly plant.

Bowling Green has some of the best riding, nicest hotels and restaurants, and is close to Mammoth National Park and many sightseeing locations. Make sure you register for this event early, as we are giving free pins to the first 250 people who register.

We want to welcome all former TRI Members to this event and let you know that this event is due to the legacy that you created. We invite all trike owners, regardless of your affiliation, as well as all motorcyclists to the TRIKES & BIKES RALLY in Bowling Green, Kentucky!

Sign up online at www.gwrro.org/trikesandbikes or call us at 1-800-843-9460 or 623-581-2500 in Phoenix

Tentative Schedule of GWRRA Chapter IN-M rides and gatherings for 2011

Feb 19	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Mar 19	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Apr 16	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Apr 14-16	Spring Fling – Sevierville, TN (Fair Grounds)
May 19-21	Spring Wing Warm-up "Patriotic Party" Greensburg, IN
May 21	Chapter M Gathering Night (If Niehaus Open House is on this date, meeting to be held at Litchfield, otherwise at Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
May 14-16	Litchfield, IL - Niehaus Honda Open House
Jun 04	St. Meinard

Jun 18	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Jul 06-09	Wing Ding 33 - Knoxville, Tennessee
Jul 16	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Jul 23-24	Tee Pee Village - Mammoth Cave, Kentucky
Aug 06	Moonshine, Illinois - Moon Burgers
Aug 20	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Aug 27	Joey Lange Car Show/Meal
Sep 2-4	Sikeston, MO - Lamberts Restaurant
Sep 17	Mystery Ride - Destination to remain a mystery
Sep 17	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Oct 08	Ron Harker Memorial Ride - Donations for Cancer Research
Oct 15	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Oct 22	Nashville, IN
Nov 19	Chapter M Gathering Night (Gasthof Restaurant-Montgomery, IN)
Dec ??	Chapter M Gathering Night/Christmas Party (To be announced)

Unknown Date Dick Clark Restaurant Ride

Weather permitting - Rides prior to the Litchfield Ride in May

We will also have several impromptu rides (last minute rides, Unscheduled Rides)

Rides before and after some of the meetings

All Chapters are invited to join us at any of our meetings or on any of our rides



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He had several from Chapter M that had Surgery since the first of the year

They are:

Jeff Buse - Foot Surgery

Jerry Boehman – Eye Surgery

Gary Meyerholtz – Shoulder Surgery

David Holmes – Knee Surgery

And

Nancy Whitehead – Eye Surgery schedules for March

Please keep all of them in your prayer for a fast recovery.

SO THEY CAN HAVE FUN RIDING WITH THEIR CO-RIDERS!



January 2011 Trivia Answers

What movie star did most of his own motorcycle stunts in the movie The Great Escape?

- a. James Garner
- b. **Steve McQueen**
- c. James Coburn
- d. Lee Marvin

Jawa motorcycles are made in what country?

- a. **Czechoslovakia**
- b. France
- c. Spain
- d. Switzerland

February Trivia Questions

In 2003 what did Harley Davidson celebrate?

- a. Launch of new logo
- b. Willie G. Davidson's 65th Birthday
- c. 100th Anniversary of the company
- d. The first Dyna Wide Glide

What band released the biker anthem, Born to be Wild in 1968?

- a. Cream
- b. Credence Clearwater Revival
- c. Steppenwolf
- d. The Who



ATTENTION MOTORCYCLISTS

All makes and models

**“Mercy Ride”
Hosted by G.W.R.R.A.
Chapter “K”**

Ride Date: Saturday, June 18th, 2011

Originates in West Lafayette, IN

At Purdue West Shopping Center.

Registration begins at 9:00 AM.

Escorted ride leaves at 10:30 AM.

Tickets Earned for prizes by playing skill games.

Cost: \$15.00/rider - \$20.00/couples

Food Provided by Subway and Papa John’s

Silent Auction at end of Ride

**Mercy Flight is an organization of volunteer pilots/owners
providing free transportation for persons with limited income
needing medical attention or other compassionate needs.**

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