

Well it took two tries to get it, but we did get the job done. I am talking about the District Plaque. Five of us went to Elkhart O2 on Thursday September 5th in an attempt to get the plaque. Mark Nelson, Mike and Joyce Nelson and Jay Fansler met at the Marathon station at I69 and 20 in Angola. We rode to Middlebury, where we met with Duane Ewell and we all rode to the Perkins Restaurant in Elkhart. We had made plans at the last gathering to go to Elkhart. It would appear like we had a spy in our midst,(wink, wink). Howard Pletcher from D2 was at our gathering, and sure enough when we get there, Joyce and Arnie Danner from D2 were already there. We were told that there were 3 more on the way. and they arrived as advertised. We rode a few miles less than they drove, so D2 drove off into the sunset with the plaque in hand. Well the following Monday September 9th, six of us braved going to D2's gathering. Larry and Allison Patton, Mike and Joyce Nelson and Harriet and Jay went to get the plaque. While we were there Howard told us that D2 had planned to go to Elkhart before he came up to our gathering. It's his story, and he can tell it any way he wants, but this time we were successful. The plaque was in Mike's hands being brought back to Angola. And yes we believe it was coincidence that Howard was at our gathering as we planned to go to Elkhart. It was fun going to the other chapters, seeing new faces and all. Not everyone enjoys going to the rallies or other events, which is fine, but when you go to their Chapter gathering you see more of the membership. Also you hear some talk about the friendships made through GWRRA. An example was when we were asked about one of our members, someone who had gone to D2 for a while, I am referring to Jerry Clark, he hasn't been seen by anyone from D2 in a while and they were curious about him. They were glad he is fine. As in the infamous words of our leader participate, participate, participate, and you can have a much better experience.

