



GOLDWING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

CHAPTER E NEWSLETTER

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WHERE TO MEET: Chapter E meets each Thursday evening at 5:45 PM in the parking lot of Millcreek Civic Center, State Road 32 Chesterfield, IN. Any visitors can call Lonny at 765-425-5213. **Starting November 1st go directly to the restaurant at 6 pm.**

THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH: Chapter E meets one time a month for an information sharing meeting. Members go directly to the location for this event. Members and friends meet about 6:00 PM for dinner and the Information Meeting starts at 7:00PM **Location MAPLE GROVE CHURCH OF GOD IN ANDERSON, IN**

Hello Chapter E.

Winter Rendezvous, the first of the two big events held by Indiana District each year, is now in the history books. There were reportedly a little over 200 members who attended this year and hopefully they had an enjoyable weekend. Chapter E is proud of the fact that nineteen of those attendees are part of our group. GWRRA events are planned solely for the enjoyment of the membership and it's always good to see E members take advantage of those opportunities.

Chapter E not only attended Winter Rendezvous but they became a very important part of it. We are proud of Kevin Ebert who continues to be such an advocate for riding safely and demonstrates that by teaching rider ed seminars like the one he taught at this event. We are proud of Karen who won first place in the talent show. It was nice to know our tables at the Saturday evening dinner would be reserved by table decorations provided by Dale Powell and Bud and Sandy Stitt. We had volunteers work at the Chapter Sales table and we appreciate the time that Lisa Sommers and Bud Stitt selling the wares. I personally enjoyed the opportunity to teach a craft class and lead the discussion about places to ride to in our surrounding states. There may very well have been others who were right there to help wherever needed to make the event a success and I'm sorry if I missed them while running around tending to other obligations. But a big Thank You is in order to everyone who helped in any way.

The Chapter Sales table was a big success for IN-E. Bud Stitt's cedar squirrel feeders and three sizes of jewelry boxes were well received. Susie Walker did not attend the event but provided adult bibs and towels to be sold. Lisa Sommers made another quilt to sell from event shirts some of us have had hanging in our closets. Lon Clayton put some heated clothing and a couple pieces of chrome on the table and donated the money to our chapter. These donations provided a chunk of change to be provided to the chapter treasury.

The next big District event will be Spring Wing Warm Up. It will be held this year at the Tipton County Fairgrounds May 11-14. This outdoor event takes on a completely different atmosphere than the indoor Winter Rendezvous. It hopefully will be an opportunity to ride and go places in addition to getting to spend time with Goldwing friends. Tipton is obviously close for our members and hopefully we will see many of you spending a lot of time at this event in May.

Our Thursday Evening Dinners have been at Lincoln Square, Mill Street Inn, and Montgomery Steakhouse since our last gathering. We thank Lon Clayton, Janene Southwick, and Jeff and Deb Powell for making the arrangements for these evenings.

We probably all know the official riding season is now just over three weeks away and chances are we are all excited to see it get here. In the meantime, we will still have Thursday Evening Dinners on 3/16, 3/23, and 3/30 which will be arranged by Bud & Sandy Stitt, Ralph & Lorelee Ward, and Joe & Lisa Smelser respectively. April 1st will then be the official signal it's time to ride.

Dan and Linda Murdock will have the honor of arranging the first ride of the season. That means, hopefully, we will be starting our rides again from Millcreek. We will plan to depart there at 6:00 for our Thursday Evening Dinner Rides and have an hour ride to get to the destination. It's funny how it's so easy to find a restaurant for the group to ride to but it's not easy to find smooth roads to get there on. We will all continue to do our best though in this impossible situation. Other Thursday ride planners for April will be Bill & Nancy Delullo on the 20th and Brian & Lisa Sommers on the 27th.

The Chapter E riding schedule will soon start taking shape. We currently plan to meet on Sunday evening, 3/12 to listen to ideas and plans members may have for 2017. We hopefully will have a tentative calendar ready a few days after that.

A couple of dates we might want to get on our calendars now include the following. D-2 in Fort Wayne will be having their Chili Cook-off on Saturday, 3/25 from noon to 3:00PM. This is a money maker for their chapter and some of us have gone up to support them in the past.

The Central Indiana Ride In is being planned for Saturday, August 5th. It will again be held at the fairgrounds in Alexandria and our goal is to make it even bigger and better than last year. We just need to make sure that the word gets out to all the other Goldwing chapters in Indiana.

Let's get ready to ride. Remember there is a time at the beginning of each season when it's about getting back in the groove of things. Time off the bike takes its toll on our driving skills. We hopefully will be back on the Wings on a regular basis before long.

Lonny,

Sr. Chapter Director



March Birthdays Ralph Ward 1st Bud Stitt 21st Kevin Ebert 25th



March Anniversaries Ralph & Loralee March 11

If anyone has something they would like to sell or give away, just let me know and I will put it in the newsletter.

HOW MANY WORDS CAN YOU MAKE OUT OF SHAMROCK