

# GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION



## CHAPTER T-2 FREEDOM WINGS HUNTINGTON, INDIANA INDIANA DISTRICT REGION D

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*All Bikers Welcome!*



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### MEETING LOCATION FOR MEETINGS



*Pizza Hut  
101 Frontage Road*

*6:00 Dinner and 7:00 Meeting*

### Chapter Gatherings

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*February 7*

*March 7*



## Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge

*Cracker Barrel  
February 5  
Fort Wayne*

*Winter Rendezvous  
February 17-18  
Columbus, Indiana*



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#### Chapter Meetings

*First Tuesday each month. Dinner at 6 p.m.; meeting at 7 p.m.*

#### Breakfast Rides (meet at restaurant October through March)

*Breakfast rides are the first & third Saturdays of each month at 8:30 a.m.*

#### Dinner Rides (meet at restaurant October through March)

*Dinner rides are the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.*

*Questions? Contact your Chapter Director at 260-224-3914.*



## THOUGHTS FROM THE CHAPTER DIRECTORS



Greetings!

Another year is behind us. We welcomed 2017 with our traditional New Year's Day Ride to the Dairy Queen. Four bikes and eleven people braved the cold to go eat cold ice cream. However, we enjoyed the warmth of Goldwing friendships.

Hasn't the weather been weird for this time of year? As I am finishing this newsletter, we are enjoying temperatures in the low 60s and enjoyed a two-hour ride. A lot of other bikers had the same idea as we passed many of them out for one of the last rides before the weather makes it impossible to ride on two or three wheels.

I hope you have sent in your registration for Winter Rendezvous on February 17-18. It will be held at the Clarion Hotel in Columbus, Indiana, and the theme is Superheroes. A lot of activities are being planned that you won't want to miss. This year our Spring Officers Meeting will be held Sunday, February 19, following Winter Rendezvous while we are still at the hotel.

When you see Susan Jennings, thank her for the work she has done as our Chapter treasurer. She is stepping down, and Pam Davis-Bartrum is stepping up to fill the position. This is an important position, and I know Pam will also do a good job for us.

Let's make 2017 our best year yet as a Chapter. Invite your biker friends to join us for our meetings and activities. Share with them the benefits of being a member of GWRRA. Help us make Chapter T-2 a model for our motto: *Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge.*

Stay healthy and join us as often as you can. And, as always, remember to . . . Soar like an eagle on your Wing!

Sharon and Lee  
Senior Chapter Directors



### Winter Rendezvous

February 17-18

Clarion Hotel & Convention  
Center, Columbus, Indiana

Theme: Superheroes

District Couple of the Year Selected  
Seminars, Contests, Talent Show, Chap-  
ter Sales, Game Night, and much  
more

Plan now to attend

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**SAFETY CORNER**  
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## Accident Scene Management

*This is an excerpt from an article from the Road Guardians web page. They call it ASM (Accident Scene Management). GWWRA has several classes that would help in a situation like this. The First Aid course is one of them.*

I can tell you that I have personally used my skills in 5 separate incidents - 2 of them being serious accidents. Our pack of 17 motorcycles was cruising at just under the flow of congested traffic conditions on a busy northern California highway on a hot day. I was behind a rider who, it seemed, did not immediately react to a rapid deceleration and slowing of traffic to a crawl until too late. In a last ditch effort to avoid impacting the bike in front of her, she braked hard, performing a 150 ft. rear wheel skid. (There was no evidence that there was any use of front brake to stop the bike.) She still clipped the bike in front of her, flipping her bike, and both rider and bike slid across the road as if they were toys. The rider was thrown off the bike and rolled to a stop landing face down. Thankfully, the rider she rear ended was able to maintain control of the bike. Amazingly, nobody else was involved.

Our entire group sprang into action and fell into our roles as trained. Our lead instructor, who had the most medical knowledge, became in charge of rider care. We, her riding companions, would become 'scene management,' providing traffic control, support and relay of communications where necessary. Another of our group provided assessment and care to the rider. She had to be 'log rolled' over while keeping spinal immobilization, as taught, to get to her face and we held that position until help arrived.

We immediately turned our attention to setting up workable traffic control, staging people where they needed to be to guide traffic to a usable shoulder on this still very busy highway. Emergency 911 was called and location was given, as well as the status of the rider. We asked that a police car be backed, slightly, to allow more room for our shoulder 'roadway' to keep traffic moving and assure a viably clear route and timely response by medical first responders. We directed emergency police, ambulance and fire to where they needed to be to safely access the rider and not block traffic.

There were some challenges, we found out, as various people stopped to help - some declaring they were first responders and insisting on giving "first aid" but having no uniforms or credentials. Roxanne, being an RN and ASM instructor, wasn't going to relinquish her role of stabilizing the rider to them. However, she and Michele asked questions and then politely allowed them to assist, if and when necessary, until identifiable help arrived. This was important as these others wanted to move the rider which could have put her further at risk. Had our rider had a spinal injury, which was unknown at the time, this one detail and confidence in our team's ability to manage her, could have been a crucial factor later in this rider's recovery. When uniformed first responders did arrive, they helped the rider onto a gurney and transported her to the hospital.

Both police and fire/ambulance specifically thanked us for how well we managed the situation. Each time we have had to use our training has given us the confidence and the satisfaction of knowing that we know what to do to help our fellow riders.

Kimberley and Roxanne and Michele  
Santa Cruz

Zane & Wendy  
Chapter Educators

## Christmas Breakfast Buffet



Welcome Chapter T-2  
Have you been naughty or nice?



Candy Guess winner . . . Butch



Bless this food



O Christmas Tree . . .

## Biker Bucks Auction



Auctioneer Zane



Biker Bucks Items



Beautiful Wall  
Hanging



## Christmas \$\$Auction\$\$



Kevin and Sandy ready to  
decorate and eat



Pam and Neal satisfied with  
their purchases



Auctioneer Susan

# New Years Day Ride



The warmth of friends after a "chilly" ride



Chapter T-2 Prospect



Ever wonder if a snowman eats ice cream? Now you know!



Lining up for our first ride in 2017

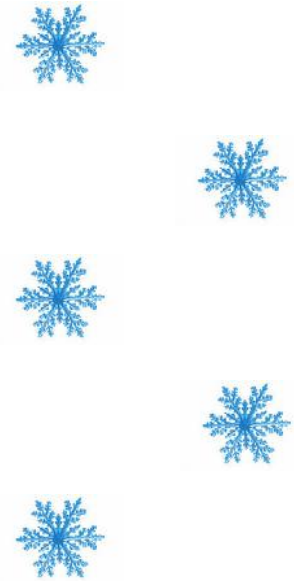
## Have You Ever Done This?

Three sisters ages 92, 94, and 96 live in a house together. One night the 96 year old draws a bath, puts her foot in and pauses. She yells down the stairs, "Was I getting in or out of the bath?" The 94 year old yells back, "I don't know, I'll come up and see." She starts up the stairs and pauses then she yells, "Was I going up the stairs or coming down?" The 92 year old was sitting at the kitchen table having tea and listening to her sisters. She shakes her head and says, "I sure hope I never get that forgetful." She knocks on wood for good measure. She then yells, "I'll come up and help both of you as soon as I see who's at the door."



## Shampoo Warning!

I don't know why I didn't figure this out sooner! I use shampoo in the shower. When I wash my hair, the shampoo goes down my body . . . And there is a label that clearly states, "FOR EXTRA BODY AND VOLUME." No wonder I am gaining weight! I threw out that dangerous shampoo and have decided I am going to use the Palmolive dish soap because that label reads, "THIS WILL DISSOLVE FAT THAT IS OTHERWISE DIFFICULT TO REMOVE!" Problem solved!



**WEB SITE ADDRESSES**

**GWRRRA National Site**  
www.gwrra.org

**Region D Site**  
www.gwrra-regiond.org

**Indiana District Site**  
www.indianaonwings.org

**Chapter T-2 Site**  
www.freedomwings.org

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To remove your name from our Chapter T-2 mailing list or to receive your newsletter electronically, e-mail Sharon at t2safetyfirst@yahoo.com or call 260-224-3914.

**CURRENT AWARD WINNERS**



**Good Spirit Award**  
Mike and Susan



**Goofy Award**  
Sharon Custer



**Bib Award**  
Retained by  
Mike Stetzel

**Ronald McDonald House**—Bring pop tabs and/or items from the Wish List for the Ronald McDonald House to our meetings. We will collect them on a monthly basis.

**Deadline**  
**January 30**



Sharon

**Membership Enhancement**





**FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY, AND KNOWLEDGE**

**Check your renewal dates** to be sure you stay current with your GWRRRA membership. It is a good idea to renew the month prior to your renewal date.

If you know someone who is not active in a chapter, please take the time to talk with them and invite them to join us at a meeting or on a ride. We are here to promote friendship, fun, safety, and knowledge. Each of you in Chapter T-2 can reach out to other riders. If you need a **membership packet**, call me at 260-224-3914 or email me at t2safetyfirst@yahoo.com. **I will have packets at each meeting.**

**CHAPTER T2 MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

Birthdays	Anniversaries:
 Jan. 19 Andrea Huff Jan. 21 Paul Brosher Jan. 26 Mike Stetzel	Jan. 21 *Bob/Earlene Bechtel 

\*Friends of the Chapter





*Share news about our Chapter with other riders and invite them to join. Don't forget that you can take T-2 home with you after you recruit a GWRRRA member.*

*"Please take me home!"*

*Please submit items for consideration in future newsletters to your newsletter editor. Include special events that should be noted.*

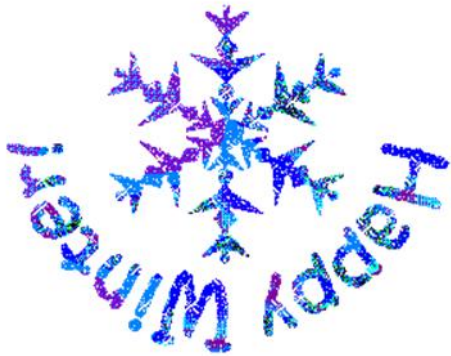
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## Chapter T-2 Freedom Wings Huntington, Indiana

<u>Sun</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tue</u>	<u>Wed</u>	<u>Thu</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>Sat</u>
1 New Years Day Ride to Dairy Queen	2 Buffet Day	3 6:00 Dinner 7:00 Gathering Pizza Hut	4 	5 Bird Day	6 Cuddle Up Day	7 8:30 Breakfast Ride Country Post Huntington
8 Birthstone Garnet Flower Carnation Snowdrop	9 <b>KEY:</b> Chapter Events Birthstone/Flower Holidays/Seasons Special Instructions National Days	10 Peculiar People Day	11 Step in a Puddle and Splash Your Friends Day	12	13 Blame Someone Else Day	14 Organize Your Home Day
15 Strawberry Ice Cream Day	16 Religious Freedom Day	17 6:30 Dinner Ride Los Amigos Kid Inventor's Day	18 Winnie the Pooh Day	19 Popcorn Day	20 Cheese Lovers Day	21 8:30 Breakfast Ride Fried Egg Restaurant Wabash
22 Answer Your Cat's Questions Day	23 Pie Day	24 Belly Laugh Day Peanut Butter Day	25 Opposite Day	26 Peanut Brittle Day	27 Chocolate Cake Day	28 Visit Your Local Quilt Shop Day
29 Puzzle Day	30 Croissant Day	31 Backward Day				

# Mission Statement

As volunteer leaders, we recognize that service to members is our first priority. Our mission is to provide an environment in which the ideals of GWRRA, "Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge," can flourish and grow.



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