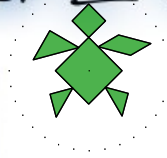


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Chapter Z Newsletter



**We call ourselves the Zany Zebras of Chapter Z. Our meetings are on the second Saturday of each month at the Moose Lodge of Bloomington IN, supper at 5:30 pm and meeting at 7 pm. We enjoy rides and fun activities, including Indiana Winter Rendezvous, Spring Wing Warm-Up and Wing Ding. Come join the fun!**

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

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries



### Birthdays

Nathan Cross 4/1

Pat McKee 4/11

Jim Roach 4/29



### Anniversaries



### Sick call

Chris Jacobs

Robert Jennings

## Chapter Directors



Hello Fellow Zebra's,

Spring is finally here, that means riding weather, we are so excited.

The Dinner Ride to Johnson's BBQ was a success 18 members went, sorry we had to miss it. Thanks Debe and Jack for organizing it.

Dates to remember: 4/8/17 Chapter Gathering, 4/9/17 Ride to Dawg House Pizza Monrovia Indiana 160 W. Main St. more details to come.

It's also that time of the Year again, where we ask for \$10 donation per member. This will ensure we continue to have nice door prices and so on. (Any questions call us.)

Next big event is Spring Wing Warm Up in Tipton on May 11 to 13<sup>th</sup>. If you haven't gone in a while or have never been. Don't miss it. Fun, Rides, Games, Food and good Friend.

Pat & Gerda McKee

IN-Z AD's

IN-SW ADD's

# Ride Educator's

## TOPIC: THE INVISIBLE MOTORCYCLIST

"I never saw him. He came out of nowhere!" That's probably the most common statements heard at a collision between an automobile and a motorcyclist. They're usually made by the operator of the auto because the motorcyclist is unconscious (or worse).

As riders we wonder, "How can *they* NOT see us? Are *they* just not looking?"

A lack of attention on the part of the driver does explain some of the car/bike collisions; the distracted driver, cell 'phones, unruly children, etc. All these can contribute **BUT** some responsibility belongs to the motorcyclist as well.

I know. I know. That's heresy. Let me explain.

- Motorcycles make up about 3% of the "normal" traffic flow.
- People "see" what they expect to see; things like cars and trucks

Unless the rider does something to visually stand out, he can be easily overlooked.

- Motorcycles **ARE** much harder to see than cars/trucks because of their smaller size. A motorcycle can easily be "lost" in the background even with the headlight on.
- Many motorcycles are colors that lend themselves to blending into the environment. Particularly dark colored machines (black is the color of pavement after all).

Many motorcyclist wear dark colored helmets (or no helmet at all, but we won't discuss those here) AND dark colored clothing. A number of studies in the US and abroad have shown that a light colored (white, silver, yellow) helmet is more noticeable (during daylight hours) than a dark colored (black, dark red, dark blue) helmet. Why? The driver sees this bright colored "orb" floating above the traffic (most riders heads are higher than the hoods/windshields of cars). It's DIFFERENT.

Lastly (and sadly), most motorcyclists are not skilled in emergency maneuvers. Over 13% of the motorcyclists involved in fatal crashes made NO effort to avoid the collision. They didn't brake, they didn't swerve, they just rode right into the collision. That's because, after they've gotten their license, they don't practice those kinds of maneuvers regularly (or ever). Motorcycling is a SKILL. It takes practice.

So how can you NOT be the Invisible Motorcyclist?

- Position your bike so it can be seen and identified in the traffic stream.
- Wear bright colors
- Consider getting a brightly colored bike
- PRACTICE your emergency maneuvers

- Or you could take the advice I got once from a very experienced rider. He told me not to "ride like I was invisible." He told me to ride like they can see me and are actively planning to do something to take me out."

Chuck and Chris Jacobs

Indiana District Ride Educators

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Region D Memorial Weekend Southern IN

Camp Out and Ride

When: Friday, 5/26/2017 thru Monday, 5/29/2017

Where: O'Bannon Woods State Park

7234 Old Forest Rd SW

Corydon, IN 47112

How to make reservations:

Call: 866-511-5573

Ask for Customer Service. (DO NOT TALK TO ANYONE BUT CUSTOMER SERVICE)

Give Customer Service the name: Carol Meyerholtz and phone number 812-631-3203

Group with GWRRA Cost; estimated \$33-\$34 per night.

We have most of Section B blocked. You can check campsites online at O'Bannon Woods State Park. If you have trouble or questions please call Carol at 812-631-3203

Thank you,

Gary & Carol Meyerholtz

Region D Membership Enhancement Coordinators 2014-2015

Region D Couple of the Year 2013-2014

IN District Couple of the Year 2012-2015

IN-M Couple of the Year

IN-M Membership Enhancement Coordinators

# Couple of the Year 2017



Hello spring! Gold Wing Bikes are waiting for you.  
They are all shiny and raring to go.

I am happy about having a new couple to join Chapter Z.  
Thanks to Gerda and Pat. They met them at their hotel  
at "Winter Rendezvous" Hope to introduce them at Aprils  
meeting. Debbie Williams invited John and I to meet her  
for Dinner. What surprise that was. When we got to the  
restaurant was a group sitting there. Debbie & Jack, Crystal  
and Dan, Anita and Richard, Gerda and Pat. I have lost four  
member of my family sense August 2016. They had a very  
beautiful wind chime. I am so lucky to have great family with  
Chapter Z. I will bring it to Aprils meeting for all to see.

Rose McFarland

Chapter Z MEC

## Meeting Notes from Gathering

Hi, Can you hear me? Hello!! Pat's back!!

Pledge

Birthdays: February birthdays that got left off last month, Crystal, Peggy Bush, Carol England, Pete Knerr

No March birthdays to announce because Gerda forgot the list!!

Wednesday dinner ride. Anyone can put one together or have a suggestion of a good place to go just let us or the ride committee know.

Wally ride on the 25th in Bloomington at Hibachi Grill.

April 29th Breakfast buffet at the Moose and hopefully a ride afterwards. Details forthcoming.

March 23rd Debe has put together a dinner ride(drive) to Johnson's BBQ in Bargersville at 5:00

May 11-13 is Spring Wing in Tipton. The theme is "Fun in the Sun" RV parking is \$25

We are still collecting bottle caps, bring them to the meeting Crystal is keeping them all together until we can figure out exactly how we want to use the.

A thank you card was passed around from the Allender family. Tickets were drawn, winners were, Cheryl won a Red Robin gift card, Chris won an Applebee's gift card and Debe won a Red Lobster gift card which she traded with Cheryl!!

Chuck gave his safety discussion about correct tire pressure, tire pressure monitors . Also a reminder about the training class dates.

Also if there are anywhere from 6-12 people interested in a first aid class, Mike will come down to put this on.

Candy jar was won by Sue Brown her guess was 89 and there were 91 pieces. She won \$11 and donated it back to the club, Thank You Sue.

# Southwest/East Gathering

9/23/2017

At Boggs Park

State Road 231 North

Loogootee Indiana

Time: 11 AM to 6 PM

We will eat at Noon, bring side dish. Meat will be Hot dogs and Hamburger.

Please, bring a bag of dog/cat food with you, will be given to local Shelter.



We hope to see many of you. Remember you don't have to belong to a Southwest/East Chapter to attend.

Pat and Gerda McKee

IN-Z CD's

IN-SW ADD's

Kenny and Jessie Hunter

IN-SE ADD's

# Chapter Z Event Calendar 2017

(Subject to change)

1. 3/11/17 Chapter Gathering
2. 3/25 or 3/26 Wally Ride/Drive Mr. Hibachi Buffet Bloomington 4400 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St.
3. 4/1/17 Advanced Rider Course Bloomington
4. 4/8/17 Chapter Gathering
5. 4/9/17 Ride to Dawg House Pizza Monrovia Indiana 160 W. Main St.
6. 4/15/17 Trike Rider Course Bloomington
7. 4/22/17 Trike w/Trailer Course Bloomington
8. 4/22/17 Trailering Course Bloomington
9. 4/22/17 Trike Course Fort Wayne
10. 5/6/17 Advance Rider Course Fort Wayne
11. 5/6/17 ARC/TRC Range only Evansville
12. No Gathering due to SWWU
13. 5/11 to 5/13/17 SWWU Tipton
14. 5/20/17 Ride to Glory Days Restaurant Clay City Indiana 802 Main St
- 15.. Region D Memorial Weekend Southern IN Camp Out and Ride When: Friday, 5/26/2017 thru Monday, 5/29/2017 Where: O Bannon Woods State Park ( see newsletter for details)
16. 6/9 to 6/11/17 Chapter Camping/Gathering and Ride to Madison. Clifty Falls State Park
17. 6/10/17 Ride to Madison
18. 6/24/17) Ride to Overlook Restaurant
19. 7/8/17 Chapter Gathering
20. 7/15/17 overnight Ride to Air Force Museum in Dayton Ohio 1100 Spaatz Street Wright-Patterson AFB OH 45433 (will leave at 7 AM on Saturday-home Sunday)
21. 7/22/17 Ride to Clarksville 415 E Riverside Dr “The Widow’s Walk Ice cream”

22. 8/5/17 Indiana Ride-in Alexandria Indiana
23. 8/10/17 to 8/12/17 Regions D/Michigan Rally in Evert Michigan
24. 8/12/17 Chapter Gathering
25. 8/26/17 Kersting's Cycle Center & Museum 8774 West 700 N. Winamac, IN
26. 8/29/17 to 9/2/17 Wing Ding Grapevine Texas
27. 9/9/17 Chapter Gathering
28. 9/23/17 Southwest/east Gathering (Camping 9/22/17 to 9/24/17) Boggs Park Lagootee, IN
29. 9/30/17 Perillo's Pizzeria, 5 South Broadway Street, North Salem Indiana CASH ONLY
30. 10/14/17 Chapter Gathering
31. 10/21/17 Ride to Nashville Indiana
32. 10/29/17 Mystery Ride
33. 11/11/17 Chapter Gathering
- 12/9/17 Chapter Christmas Party











