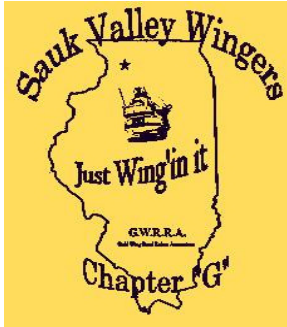




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Have you found Wingy Yet?



From the Directors Chair



Happy New Year to everyone!

Another year gone by and we are blessed to still be here. We look forward to whatever this year brings us. It appears New Year Resolutions always seem to be made so they can be broken.

Let's try something different.

To or future:

- In the new year, may your right hand always be stretched out in friendship, but never in want.
- May the future be pleasant, the past a bright dream, and may our friends remain faithful and dear.
- May the best day of your past be the worst day of your future.
- Here's to a bright New Year, and a fond farewell to the old; here's to the things that are yet to come, and to the memories that we hold.
- May the hinges of friendship never rust, nor the wings of love lose a feather.
- Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much.
- Youth is when you're allowed to stay up late on New Year's Eve. Middle age is when you're forced to.



SR Chapter Director, Mary Adams



CHAPTER G GATHERS

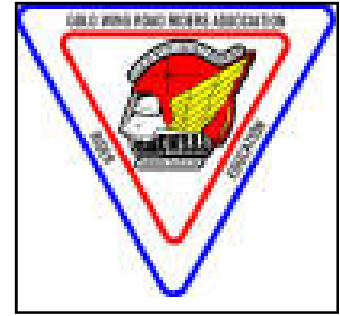
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Second Wednesday each month

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RIDER EDUCATION



**District Ride Educator
Steve & Jeanine Brungard**



**Levels Program
Are you evolved?**

Level I - Safety By Commitment

Level I of the REP is also referred to as Safe Miles. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or the Co-Rider to practice safe motorcycle operation whenever they operate their motorcycle.

Safety is a state of mind which can only be attained through total commitment. Every successful accomplishment begins with a commitment to reach the intended objective. This is true of the REP and includes a promise to learn for the sake of Rider, Co-Rider, friends and family, and others on the road.

Though there is no mileage requirement to enter Level I, the commitment to safe riding is tracked by the number of accident free miles since joining GWRRA. Accident free miles are accumulated in 5,000 mile increments and usually updated at yearly intervals.

Level II - Safety By Education

Level II of the REP is also referred to as Tour Rider. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to be safer motorcycle riders by taking approved motorcycle riding courses at regular intervals. Motorcycle education goes "hand in hand" with commitment. The "on bike" education by MSF, USCA, CSC and GWRRA for the Rider and Co-Rider and the "off bike" education designed specifically for the Co-Rider, provide a very effective approach to motorcycle safety. This is when a REP participant truly begins to understand what the Level I commitment means and sees the value in the program. For the Co-Rider, we have provided an excellent seminar and "Two Up" programs to assist in their role in the safety aspect of motorcycle riding.

Level III - Safety By Preparedness

Level III of the REP is also referred to as Certified Tour Rider/Co-Rider. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to be prepared in the event of an accident to give aid and possibly save lives. This is done by being knowledgeable in First Aid or CPR and carrying a first aid kit on their motorcycle at all times.

It would be wonderful if we could achieve the coveted goal of zero accidents, however, we know realistically, accidents will happen. Because of this, it is important to be fully prepared to lend aid to unfortunate accident victims. It is important to always be prepared to save a life. Level III of the Rider Education Program was developed to deal with such circumstances by recognizing and encouraging proper First Aid or CPR training. CPR (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation), has been used to save many lives. Being trained to render CPR or First Aid is a tremendous asset to those the REP participant will come in contact with daily.

Level IV - Safety By Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness

Level IV is the most prestigious of the REP levels and is referred to as Master Tour Rider/Co-Rider. It represents the highest commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to safe riding and preparedness. This commitment is shown by a demonstrated history of safe miles and current certification in both First Aid and CPR.. These Master Tour Riders/Co-Riders are the finest example to everyone of the highest commitment to safe motorcycle operation and preparedness.

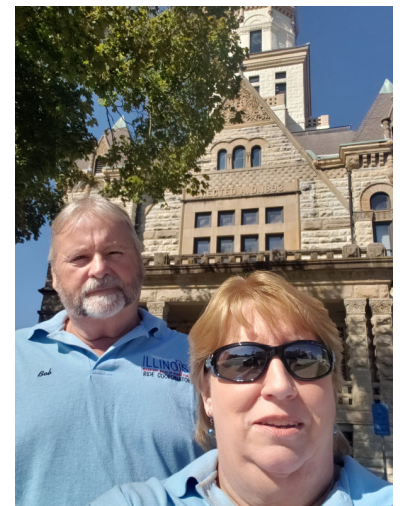
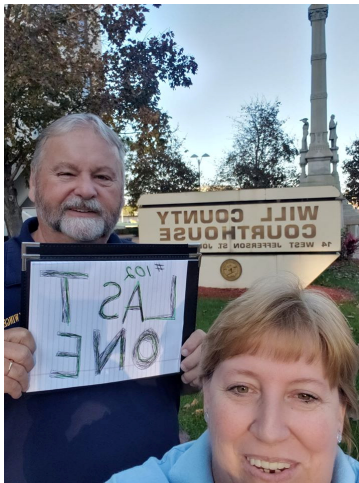
Level IV of the REP, the Master Tour Rider, was designed for those special caring individuals who desire to "be all they can be" with regards to motorcycle safety. The requirements are more stringent than Level III and require a greater commitment. These individuals are caring, trained and prepared with the experience to back them up. It is realized Level IV is not for everyone, but for those who desire to be of greater service to their fellow man, it is the correct prescription



Motorist Awareness
 Coordinators
 Randy & Dawn
 Fredin



We had a great time participating in the 2019 MAP Poker Run this year. We completed all 102 county seats on the bike! Can't wait to see what 2020 brings for us to do this year.



"Sauk Valley Wingers"



Chapter Ride Coordinator Bob Adams



Hello Everyone,

Well the weather has been kind of strange around here lately. 50 degrees on Christmas Day and they say there is no global warming here. LOL.

I did get the bike out for a short ride and it felt good!

Now she is back in the garage until April I believe.

We had our first Tri-Chapter Christmas Party. I thought it went over very well. Hopefully we are going to do it again next year.

January has several events coming up. The first is our annual New Years Party, only on New Years Day this year. We will be at Matt & Margie and we will be doing our Chili Cook-off.

On Saturday the 4th we have our MFA/CPR class with modules in the morning. We will going to Angelo's afterward for dinner.

On Wednesday the 8th is our January Social, we will be guessing the mileage for the year!

On Saturday the 11th is Iowa Chapter O Social and our Chapter Birthday Dinner at the Galena Steak House, Dixon. I know who has a birthday this month!!

Friday and Saturday is the Illinois District Winter Warm Up. This used to be an annual event for our Chapter. It would be great to see as many as possible still go. It is in Raymond, north of Litchfield at the Magnuson Hotel.

See you down the road!



Witticisms from the Assistant Chapter Director Matt Shore



What makes more as you take them?

My name can have any letter of the alphabet, but I always have 2 x's.

What am I ?

I take what you receive and surrender it all by waving my flag.

What am I?

“Kemo Sabe” means what in Navajo?

- | | |
|----------------|-------------------|
| 1. A Friend | 2. Sunshine happy |
| 3. Soggy shrub | 4. Man on Horse |



Membership Enhancement Coordinator Linda Davis



New Year's Eve Traditions in the USA

Like people all over the world, Americans carry out traditions on the last day of the year to let go of the past and latch on to the future. Fireworks, champagne and midnight smooching are among the festive ways New Years is celebrated in the U.S. Many people enjoy welcoming in the New Year with family and friends, while others prefer a public celebration amongst a crowd of boisterous revelers.

Times Square

Watching the colorful, crystal ball drop in Time Square never gets old for the TV viewers who turn on their TV sets every December 31. Since 1907, barring World War II years, New York City has hosted a massive party on Times Square. As many as 1 million people attend this party every year to enjoy musical performances, fireworks and party favors, although alcohol is forbidden. The culmination of the festivities is the midnight lowering of a ball from the Times Tower. The original 1907 ball was illuminated and made of wood and iron. The modern ball weighs 11,875 pounds and is covered in Waterford crystals that make it shine.

Midnight Count Down

Traditions frequently revolve around the stroke of midnight, which heralds the new year. At both public and private gatherings, people count down the last 10 seconds of the old year at 12 a.m. Many people toast to the new year with a glass of champagne while others grab a loved one or a friendly stranger and bestow upon him the first kiss of the year. Many towns and cities put on a show with fireworks and provide noisemakers, meant to scare off evil spirits. Some Americans band together and sing "Auld Lang Syne," an Irish song bidding farewell to the old year.

Symbolic Foods

Some Americans eat certain foods either at New Year's Eve parties or on New Year's Day to bring good luck. European-Americans often eat pork, not only because the pig's plumpness suggests plenty, but also because pigs dig with their snout in a forward motion. People like the idea of moving forward into the New Year. New Englanders often choose cabbage to go with their pork as a symbol of prosperity. Another dish for prosperity is Hoppin' John, a southern dish made of black-eyed peas. Not only do the "eyes" on the black-eyed peas resemble a circle for the completed year, but they also represent abundance, symbolizing the hope for a similar amount of money.

Other Traditions

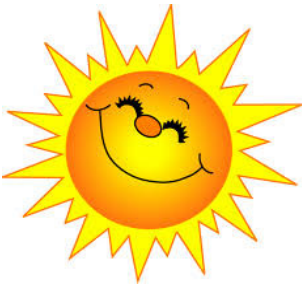
Several cities host "first night" festivities, alcohol-free, family-oriented celebrations often featuring live music. Other cities let the alcohol flow along with elaborate costumes, boas, top hats and sparkly masks. Many African-Americans observe "Watch Night" in their local churches as an observance of the Emancipation Proclamation's signing on January 1, 1863. Italian-Americans wear red underwear, said to bring them love, which must work judging from all the midnight kissing going on.

Please be safe and enjoy bringing in "2020" May the New Year bless you with health, wealth and happiness.



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*Birthdays
of the
Month*



- 6th Richard Glasgow
- 7th Mary Adams
- 7th Greg Townsend
- 15th Betty Kurtz
- 19th Gene Shields

6th
Dan & Linda
Davis

Christmas 50/50
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Socials
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Tuesday 7th

Chapter H2
Galesburg

Monday 13th

Chapter DK
N. Aurora

Saturday 11th

IA Chapter O
Davenport

Wednesday 15th

Chapter R
Peru

Thursday 16th

Chapter C2
Freeport

Tuesday 27th

Chapter L
Rockford

Sunday 26th

Chapter Z
Germantown Hills

**Ride-Events
Info/Hotline
UPDATE**

Please consult this number
before attending any Chap-
ter Ride/Event for possible
changes.

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Ride Schedule

January, 2020

Wednesday January 1st Happy New Year!!

Chili Cook Off at Matt & Margie's House
Bring Your Best Chili!!
Bring a Dish to Pass and Your Own Drink

Saturday January 4th Modulares/Seminars & MFA/CPR

Dixon KSB Hospital. 9:00 a.m.
Dinner afterward at Angelo's, Dixon.

Wednesday January 8th Chapter G Social

Pizza Ranch, Sterling
Eat @ 6 p.m. Social @ 7 p.m.
Door Prizes always welcome.

Saturday January 11th Chapter G Birthday Dinner

Galena Steak House
5:30 p.m. R.S.V.P. needed.

Friday & Saturday January 24th & 25th

Illinois District Winter Warm Up

Raymond, Illinois

**Magnuson Grand Hotel & Conference
Center**

February

Sunday February 2nd Tailgate Party, Adams Home 1 p.m.

Bring a dish to pass

Wednesday February 12th Chapter G Social

Pizza Ranch, Sterling
Eat @ 6 p.m. Social @ 7 p.m.
Door Prizes always welcome.

Friday February 14th Valentines Day Dinner

Sterling Candlelight Inn 6:00 p.m.
R.S.V.P Only

Saturday February 15th SweetHeart Weekend, Navoo**Friday & Saturday 21st & 22nd**

Indiana District Winter Rendezvous
Fourwinds Lakeside Inn
Bloomington, Indiana

Tuesday February 25th Fat TUESDAY Dinner

Applebee's, Sterling 6:00 p.m.

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 March 14th, 2020
 Polo Senior Center
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 Eat at 1 p.m.*

*\$10.00 Per Person
 All-You-Can-Eat
 Spaghetti & Ice Cream
 & WINGO*





Captain Mary invites everyone to celebrate our 40th Anniversary



-  Captains Dinner
-  COY/IOY Selection
-  Raffles
-  Chapter Skits
-  Games
-  Chapter Competitions
-  50/50



Winter Warm-Up

Jan 24 - 25th

Magnuson Grand Hotel

19067 W Frontage Rd

Raymond, IL

217-324-2100

GWRRRA Room Rate - \$ 69.50

Registration Members- \$20.00

Life Members - \$15.00

Special Purchase Anniversary Pin - \$3.50

Captains Dinner Buffet - Saturday - \$18.00



GWRRA Illinois District Winter Warm Up 2020

Rider _____ GWRRA# _____

Co-Rider _____ GWRRA# _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

District _____ Chapter _____ Position Held _____

Registration Fee (16 and over) _____ x \$20.00 = _____

Life Members Registration Fee _____ x \$15.00 = _____

Special Purchase Anniversary Pin _____ x \$3.50 = _____

Captains Dinner Buffet Saturday _____ x \$18.00 = _____

Day Pass available at the Registration desk - \$10.00 Total \$ _____

I/we agree to confirm to comply with the ideas governing the rally, and I/we agree to hold harmless GWRRA, co-sponsoring organizations, or property owner for any loss or injury I/we become involved in by reason or participation in the rally. I/we agree to assume the responsibility for any property that I/we knowingly damage. I have read and agree with all stipulations on this entry form.

Rider Signature _____

Co-Rider Signature _____

Make checks payable to: Illinois District

Mail Registrations to: Mary Adams

1600 Riverdale Rd Lot 107

Rock Falls, IL 61071



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