

Region E



GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

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MISSOURI CHAPTER "P"



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2009 Couple of the Year
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Join Chapter P

For those of you who know GWRRA, you know it's a place to have fun! For those of you who aren't familiar, there are chapters of GWRRA members throughout Missouri so that any motorcycle enthusiast has a place to come and ride, laugh and grow with friends.

A Word from our CD's

Our monthly meeting is this Thursday, August 20th, at 6:00 PM. Hope everyone will have time to join us in some fellowship.

Our trip to Jeff City and Central Dairy turned out to be a pretty nice day. We started out a little scattered but finally got together. I think everyone enjoyed the stop at Kline's restaurant. They dished out some pretty healthy portions and I don't think anybody had room for their foot tall pies. Our planned ride to Chapter L wound up being cancelled due to weather forecasts that looked pretty dismal but David & Jari were able to make the ride despite the rain.

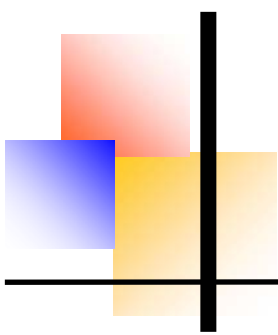
I was planning on heading down to Cape Girardeau for Chapter I's poker run this last Sunday, but woke up feeling under the weather. Robert & Wilma did make the trip. Left in the rain and came home in the rain, but the sun did make it out for the majority of the trip.

We need to finalize our fall ride plans at this meeting. Right now we have it scheduled for the 11th of September. We need to make sure this still fits with most schedules and that our final destination is Kentucky or Arkansas.

Upcoming events on the calendar include baseball August 22nd, at Springfield Mo. The Kansas District Rally is August 27-30. at Abilene, and the Region E Rally is September 4-6 at Moline, Ill.

Hope to see you at the meeting.

Theresa and Bill



Rider Education

WORDS TO SURVIVE BY

1. KNOW AND BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE INVISIBLE TO ALL OTHER DRIVERS.
2. When approaching any intersection, assume cars traveling in the opposite direction are going to turn left and run over you. Be prepared to take evasive action.
3. ALWAYS-ALWAYS have an escape route out of a situation to avoid the consequences of other peoples' mistakes. Keep looking for the gap that you can use when someone else screws up.
4. Adjust your speed to your reaction time. At the end of a tiring day it will be much longer than it was on the way to work at 8:00 AM, so ride with bigger safety margins.
5. Check BOTH directions when the light turns green. Maybe only one time in 10,000 will someone run the light? For a high mileage **rider** that could be more often than most.
6. Drivers that are using their car phones are not using their brains. Watch out for them.
7. Mirrors are important. If they don't show anything but your elbows, buy some that do. Always use your mirrors.
8. Use other people's mirrors, too. Look into the mirror of the car in front of you. That way you can see where they are looking and how attentive they are. If you can see them, chances are better that they can see you.
9. Trucks and vans often have a hard time checking their right side blind spot.
10. Slippery oil, antifreeze, and ATF look like water, particularly in low light. Try to avoid all wet spots, but if you can't, ride over them smoothly.
11. Check under (behind) parked cars. Those legs you see belong to a child who may run out in front of you.
12. Anticipate the moves of other vehicles. Drivers don't always use their turn signals in traffic, but you MAY be able to tell where they are going by watching their heads turn just before they change lanes.
13. Treat all metal surfaces - train rails, bridge gratings, manhole covers, with the utmost respect. They offer very little traction when dry, and almost none when wet. Ride over them as smoothly as possible.
14. Ride in a gear that will allow you to accelerate quickly if you need to get out of a tight spot.
15. Never lose your temper when riding.... If you do, STOP, take a breather, and then resume your ride.
16. Always be on the lookout for, and expect, the unexpected.
17. Avoid racing with other motorists.
18. IF YOU'RE NOT SURE, DON'T!

Courtesy of Chapter L, Cincinnati, Ohio
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Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge.



Dawsons went to Chap L Kickoff -Stockton



Bikes arrive at Chap I Poker Run



A little Hula for the occasion



Scotts enjoy the day

GWRRA offers much to enjoy

- Aug27-30, 2009 **Kansas District Rally** Abilene, KS Contact: Gary and Susan Drake
785-828-4801
- Sept. 4 – 6, 2009 **Region E Rally** 5th Season Hotel & Convention Center 6902 27th Street,
Moline, IL phone 309-762-8811 Contact: Dave and Gwen Carter 815-477-9893
- Sept. 19, 2009 **Chapter K Harvest Moon Ride** Contact: Ryan and Mary Tinkler 816-318-9829
- Sept. 20, 2009 **St. Louis Ride for Kids** Cottleville, MO Contact: Norm Riekema 636-278-4090
- Sept. 26, 2009 **Missouri District Annual Appreciation Picnic** Place: Rolla Lion's Club Park
in Rolla, MO Time: 11:00—3:00 (eat at 1:00) Contact Laverne & Shirley Schell
417-889-0321
- October 3, 2009 **Chapter B2 – Ol'e Time Apple Festival** Versailles, MO Contact: Glenn and
Carol White 573-378-7100
- October 4, 2009 **A to Z Poker Run** Contact Tom Stewart 636-461-1681
- October 8-10, 2009 **Oklahoma District Rally** Muskogee, OK Contact: Rick and Robin Greninger
918-272-9055
- October 13-18, 2009 **Chapter O Down the Natchez Trace** to Mississippi Dist. Rally Contact: Joe and
Joyce Long 636-661-5309
- October 17, 2009 **Chapter W Toy Run for Salvation Army** Contact: Norm and Sandy Sallee
573-886-7811
- November 1, 2009 **Chapter O Fall Color Ride** Contact: Joe and Joyce Long 636-661-5309

LOOK FOR US ON THE WEB

As many of you know, Chapter P is on the web. Our address is www.fidnet.com/~daved
Most of Chapter P's information will appear somewhere on the web-site. This site is in place for your convenience, and to let others, both members and non-members to know how much fun we have, what we're about, and what we have planned to do. Likewise, the Missouri District has a new web-site. In fact, they have established their own domain. The address for the Missouri District web-site is: www.mogwrra.org
Check both sites often to find out what is planned.

Web Sites

MO Chapter P
<http://www.fidnet.com/~daved>

GWRRA
<http://www.gwrra.org>

GWRRA Region E
<http://www.gwrra-region-e.com>

GWRRA Missouri District
<http://www.mogwrra.org>