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Hi Fellow K2 Wingers and Guest,

It was an honor for Pat and I to attend and take part of the funeral of one of our past K2 members (Robert Posik). We rode up to Kerrville weather was very cold and rainy but we made it in one piece then returned to San Antonio. We had nothing but problems on the way back. With three Flats in less than 45 minutes and our trailer had a blowout. What a day. Lucky for us we had our compressor and air plug kit and that's the way we win every time.

Our Christmas Party was very fun! The ones that missed it missed a good show, good food and I even saw Curtis kicking up his heels dancing around. Yes, I got awarded Wing Nut should have been there I guess there is a Santa Clause.

We also have new Treasures for 2017. Richard and Esther Flack agreed to take over this position. Good luck and let's make it a good year. We will have a lot of fundraisers. Let's not forget we have Couple of the Year 2017 Dale and Curtis Tondre and we also have an Individual of the Year Donna Wilson these people are well deserving of this title and are extremely helpful to the directors of this chapter and the chapter itself.

Our Chapter is still growing we have a new member Tammy and she's a rider. Let's all welcome her when you see her.

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CHAPTER DIRECTOR MESSAGE

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We will be taking the motorcycles to campout this year. Returning to Big Bend National Park and going to several Rally's. Shine your bikes up, check your tires and let's get ready "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge".

K2 Chapter Educator Donna will have a new schedule of courses soon. Some courses include Road Captain, CPR classes, group riding and more. Our classes will be held at the Shrimp Farm in the conference area. Please pay attention to the calendar on the K2 Website.

Donna also has a Polar Bear Ride prepared for us on Jan. 1st. YA'LL READY FOR A GREAT YEAR, COME RIDE WITH US. We will take off like always from the Corner Store. KSU 8am and head towards a spot. Come find out where we are going. SEE YOU SOON. BRING YOUR CAR IF YOU CAN'T RIDE ITS ALL ABOUT THE FUN AND GROUP RIDE.

See Ya Soon!

Michael Pineda aka "Shrimp Man"
K2 Chapter Director



FROM THE ACD

Howdy Country Wingers,

I've missed a lot of rides with the group. I've been busy with the SKP park and the Knights of Columbus Council and Assembly. That said I think I'll go back to the Wing Ding 2016.

One thing I enjoyed was the opportunity to test ride the latest bikes and trikes. Before I purchased my 2016 Goldwing, I thought to demo ride one at the dealer's demo ride. The choice was extensive from off road and road bike to a bike with auto trans and trikes. Of course, I chose the red wing and my son chose the F6B.

Eight bikes, of various sizes and types were led out on course thru the out skirts of Billings. We got some quick acceleration, medium speed and slow speed. There were very few curves, but did have 2 turning circles to make U-turns. I was very impressed with the Wing. I could plant my feet flat on the ground. The bike is not lower, but I think they redesigned the seat. The handling was lighter and seemed that the bike was lighter. After the about 5-mile demo ride, I was very pleased with the ride, different from my '08. After the ride, I asked if the bike was lighter, the dealer rep said that it is a bit heavier but better center of gravity since the fuel tank was lowered. I felt I was making a good choice to upgrade from '08 to the '16. My son was also very pleased, since he got my '08 airbag model.

Looking to the future, I decided to demo ride a trike. After some tips on wider track, don't lean, steer and don't put your foot down. I headed out with a different group. The ride was smooth, I leaned but remembered to turn the handle bars, came to a stop sign and tried to put my foot down, but the floor board stopped that. I guess when the knees can no longer hold up the bike, I'll take it in and have mine triked. So many trike choices.

Armando Vasquez
Assistant Chapter Director

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K2 COUNTRY WINGS

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Newsletter Editor/
Webmaster

Donna Wilson
Ride Coordinator/Educator
Individual of the Year 2017

Myra Pineda
Sunshine Girl

Curtis and Dale Tondre Couple
of The Year 2017

CHAPTER K2 MEMBERS

Keith Bennett

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Aurora Dietrich

Jesse and Gloria Dunn

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Dick and Esther Flack

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Mike Lehman

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Linda Martin

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Mike, Myra and Kaitlyn Pineda

Michael and Pat Pineda

Curtis and Dale Tondre

Armando Vasquez

Donna Wilson

MEC UPDATE

Looking for Someone to Ride with; **WE WANT YOU!**

Do you know someone who rides and is looking for a group to ride with? If you do, let them in on a secret ...GWRRRA Country Wings Chapter K2. "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge".

One of our main goals this year is recruitment. We are recruiting riders who want to ride with a group of people that have at least one main thing in common with them ... the joy of riding motorcycles.

Spread the word to your friends and their friends about Chapter K2. Not only do we hold training about safety, but we also focus on putting safe miles on our tires.

We have camaraderie, we welcome all bikes, Goldwing, Harley, BMW, Spyders, Yamaha, etc. Good food and Ice cream...need I say more.

Riding ...it's not the destination; it's how we get there. We take the Hill Country backroads, twisties, highways; we ride!

**Enhancing K2's Membership, One Member at a Time.
Mike Pineda, Jr. MEC**



MEC UPDATE

JOIN K2 NOW (click on application below to join)

• GWRRA Membership Application •

Member Name: _____ New Renew Member No: _____
Last First
Co-Rider Names: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City State Zip USA Canada Other: _____
Telephone: Home: () _____ Work: () _____ E-Mail: _____

Gold Book™ Directory Information (must check at least one):

A) Truck/Trailer B) Phone Calls Only C) Tent Space D) Lodging E) Tools F) Tour Guide Do Not list me in the Gold Book

GWRRA 21423 North 11 Avenue Phoenix AZ 85027 800-843-9460 (623) 581-2500 (623) 581-3844 Fax www.gwrri.org www.towbusters.com 	Member Type (Select One)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes! I want Rescue Plus for just \$35 per year. (Non-Members \$80)
	Individual Membership <input type="checkbox"/> 3 yrs \$120 USD <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs \$85 USD <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr \$45 USD Family Membership (2 or more people in household) <input type="checkbox"/> 3 yrs \$150 USD <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs \$105 USD <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr \$55 USD Associate Individual* <input type="checkbox"/> 3 yrs \$120 USD <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs \$85 USD <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr \$45 USD Associate Family* <input type="checkbox"/> 3 yrs \$150 USD <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs \$105 USD <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr \$55 USD Subscription Only (Wing World™ Magazine) <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr \$40 <small>*The Associate Membership is for those who wish to take advantage of GWRRA and its benefits and do not own a Gold Wing or Valkyrie.</small>	Rescue Plus offers enhanced benefits and covers all registered drivers in your household while driving or riding in any non-commercial vehicle or motorcycle. Rescue Plus also covers your motorcycle trailer. Certain limitations and exclusions apply to coverage. All individuals must be registered with GWRRA to receive a membership card and coverage. Members of GWRRA must have a Family Membership to cover multiple drivers. <input type="checkbox"/> Exclude me from email offers. <input type="checkbox"/> Exclude me from mailings.

New Members—Who referred you to us? Name: MICHAEL PINEDA Member # 392728

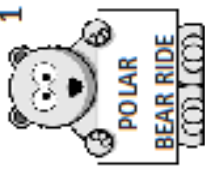
Payment Information

Make checks payable in US Funds to GWRRA. GWRRA dues are not deductible as a charitable contribution for federal tax purposes.

Credit Card Number/Expiration Date: _____ Cardholder's Signature: _____

**I PLEDGE TO
SPEND MORE
TIME
BEHIND
BARS**

JANUARY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2	3 Bill Millers in Castroville	4	5	6	7 OST Bandera, TX
8	9	10 DQ in Castroville	11	12	13 Car Show 6:30pm In Castroville	14 Mid Winter Roundup Wichita Falls, TX
15	16	17 K2 Gathering 6:15 P izza Hut in Castroville	18	19	20	21 COOPERS BBQ New Braunfels TX
22	23	JIM'S 1604 @ Potranco	25	26	27	28 NEAL'S CAFE Concan, TX
29	30	Sammy's in Castroville	31			

UPCOMING REGION H EVENTS

Jan. 14, 2017	
April 8, 2017	
April 27-29, 2017	<p style="text-align: center;">Region H – “Boogie Woogie Down to Marshall”-Marshall TX</p>
May 18-20, 2017	
Aug. 29-Sept. 12, 2017	<p style="text-align: center;">Wing Ding 39 – Grapevine, TX</p>

Always check our “Country Wings” K2 website for events calendar for any updates or changes. www.gwrrak2.com

JOIN US!

CHAPTER K2 MONTHLY
GATHERING



3rd Tuesday of month

PIZZA HUT Buffet Night
945 Hwy 90 E
Castroville, TX
6:15 PM “Greet & Eat”
6:45 PM “Gathering”

Chapter K2

Christmas Party



On December 17, 2016 GWRRA Chapter K2 enjoyed their first annual Christmas Party at the VFW Hall in La Coste, Texas. All members enjoyed a great meal while listening to DJ music played by our chapter member Ed Elizondo.

After dinner Mike Pineda had a short meeting updating us on the new appointed officers, the individual of the year and couple of the year that will take on their new position in January.

Towards the end of the meeting Mike, not remembering that his little granddaughter was in the room made the remark that Santa Clause was not real. His granddaughter quickly set him straight on this matter which was too cute for words.



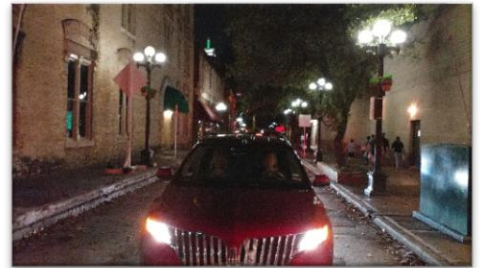
[Mike wasn't surprised when he was awarded the WING NUT].

We then participated in a 50/50 drawing and a special gift drawing followed by the White Elephant Gift Exchange. After all this we enjoyed singing Karaoke and enjoying the company of our fellow members and guest.

Curtis Tondre



K2 Dinner and ride through Downtown San Antonio



TIPS FROM DONNA

Howdy Country Wingers,

December has come and gone, like the wind. Rain seemed to be an issue for our proposed rides so everyone had more opportunity to prepare for Christmas. Hope everyone received everything on their wish list. We all had a wonderful Christmas gathering. Wonderful and yummy food, good food, great music, great friends.

The weather has wild twists and turns. Only in Texas can it go from 80 degrees to below freezing in no time. We will be scheduling some class time in January and February as the weather will more than likely be erratic. Safety for riders and co-riders is always a priority so check the website for ride cancellations should the weather be "iffy" for a ride. Winter time is a great time to do maintenance on your bike. Check tread wear, along with loose connections, wires, panels, and add those goodies you got for Christmas. Keeping up with the maintenance on your ride is very important during cold weather. Battery maintenance is also critical. Check for corrosion on the cables, ensure it is properly seated and tight. With that being said, let's ride!

We have plans for a polar bear ride New Year's Day so bundle up and get ready!!

Donna

Chapter K-2 Ride Coordinator
Chapter Educator



MAKE AHEAD TACO CASSEROLE

Ingredients

1 1/2 pounds ground beef
1 cup white onion chopped
1 package taco seasoning mix
1/2 cup of water
2 to 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
18 corn tortillas
1 1/2 cups pizza salsa
1 can Ro*Tel Original Diced Tomatoes & Green Chilies
1 can Rosarita Traditional Refried Beans
2 cups shredded cheese
Optional Garnish
Sour cream
sliced green onion



Directions

In a medium sized skillet, brown ground beef with white onion. Drain ground beef add taco seasoning mix and add 1/2 cup of water. Set aside seasoned beef.

Heat vegetable oil in a skillet over medium-low heat. Cut corn tortillas in half. Heat corn tortillas halves in hot oil and drain on a plate lined with paper towels.

Combine salsa and Ro*Tel tomatoes in a blender to make a sauce. Heat refried beans slightly in a microwave to make them spreadable.

Line a 13 x 9-inch baking pan with corn tortillas. Spread can of Rosarita Traditional Refried Beans over the corn tortillas. Place the ground beef over the refried beans. Pour sauce over the ground beef. Place another layer of corn tortillas over the ground beef. Cover tortillas with cheese.

At this point, you can wrap the casserole and freeze. Or you may want to bake the casserole and serve.

Bake the casserole at 350 degrees for about 20 to 25 minutes.

Serve the casserole with sour cream and sliced green onions if desired.

Please! We need your recipes for our K2 RECIPE SECTION. Put on your thinking caps and see what you can come up with. What are some of your favorite recipes? Perhaps you could share them with us! If so, submit them to www.gwrrachapterk2@gmail.com



MAY 18, to May 20, 2017

Gathering of the Tribes

The Theme for 2017 convention is
Indians in the Wild West
Get ready to have lots of FUN
Make your plans to attend

MPEC & Expo Center
1000 5th St
Wichita Falls Texas

HOST HOTELS

Baymont Inn
4510 Kell Blvd
Wichita Falls TX 76309
(940) 691-7500 (Pet Friendly)
\$83.00 Reservation Code "GWR"

Days Inn
4500 Kell Blvd.
Wichita Falls TX 76309
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\$83.00 Reservation Code "GWR"

Ice Cream

Casino

Float Bar

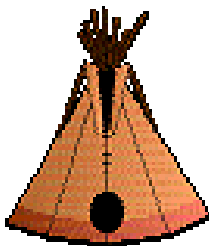
Trip

TePee

Competition

Lets Make
A Deal

Chapter Feud



**HAPPY NEW
YEAR**



WOW 2017 is here. We had some great rides and our 1st Annual Rally was out of this **WORLD!**

The 2018 “K2 Country Rally” is coming around the corner.

Thanks to all for your support and encouragement on restarting **Chapter K2**, NINE months ago in Castroville.

COWABUNGA, K2 Membership keeps going up. Could it be DQ, Sammy’s, Jims, Ihop, ... NAW, it’s the love to ride, have Fun, Safety and Knowledge.

Way to go K2!!

Pat Pineda
Newsletter Editor/Web Master



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

1/26 Keith Bennett

1/28 Dick Flack

12/27 Kaitlyn Pineda

12/27 Pat Pineda

**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

12/7 Ed and Rosie Elizondo

12/11 Curtis and Dale Tondre

12/29 Jesus and Elva Lozano

12/31 Dick and Esther Flack

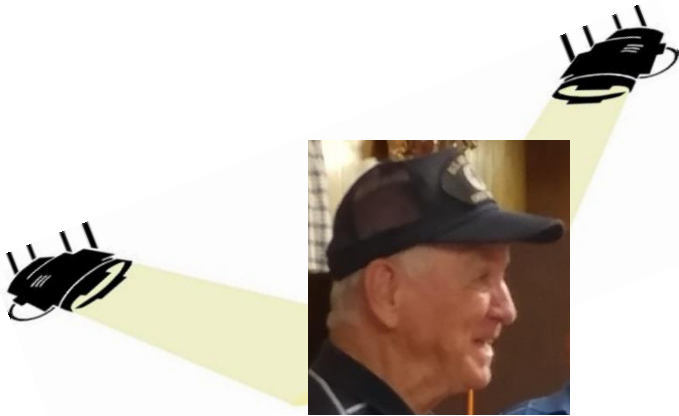
Our apologies if your birthday or anniversary was left out. Let Pat know of dates to have correction made.

**“COWABUNGA”.... I’M
OUT LOOKING FOR
WORD “pizza”.**

The first person to email the page number and location wins a prize

Pat: gwrrachapterk2@gmail

SPOTLIGHT



K2 SPOTLIGHT

Charles "Chuck" Williams

Been riding since 1960 (56 years). Started with Cushman Eagle Scooter. Finest motorcycle. New 1961 Benly 150, then Honda 305 Super Hawk. Too many bikes to name them all. But standouts were: Kawasaki 500cc Triple 3 Stroke, 1974 BMW R-905, 1990 Honda 1500 Goldwing. Rode dirt bikes several years during the 70's. Now have a 1800 Goldwing and a Honda ST1300 (for sale).

Have ridden mostly in southeast and southwest states. St. Louis, Missouri is furthest North I've been in the US. Rode street bikes (Honda 350) two years in Japan.

Took my wife to the Alabama State Fair on my Eagle. Never won anything before but this time. I won 2 HUGE Teddy Bears. Had to ride home with one bear on the tank in front of me and one stuffed between me and the wife. Must have been a sight riding through Montgomery, AL with 4 of us on that Cushman!



Upcoming
Wing Ding 39
August 29st - September 2rd, 2017



Registration Information:
[Print & Mail Application](#)
[Online Registration](#)
or Call 1-800-843-9460