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Chapter Gathering: The third Tuesday of each month

PIZZA HUT

945 Hwy 90 E, Castroville, TX 78009

Eat and Greet 6:15 PM

Gathering at 7:00 PM

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K2 "NINJA"

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Most rides depart from Corner Store I 598 Old US Hwy 90 E, Castroville, TX 78009

NOTE: Arrive for safety briefing 15 minutes before scheduled "KSU"

CHAPTER DIRECTOR NEWS

Hello Chapter and Friends,

December has gone by very fast. The Christmas party was fun and very exciting. We had great food and thanks to the members that came out and played all the wonderful games and the K2 Wingo. We had some exciting winners: Donna and Robert for winning the year-long participation event game we started last December 2016. Way to go! Goes to show you anybody can win. Just got to show up and have fun.





Tis the Season to be Thankful. There are so many things to be thankful for. Our lives, health & strength, family, friendships, and the list can go on and on based on your situation. On December 24th the Chapter went out on 2 wheels, 3 wheels and 4 wheels to deliver food, clothes and toys to a family. It was such a blessing knowing that our gifts made the children, age 4 and 7, mom, dad, and grandma happy.



I want to thank GWRRA TX-K2 members for the success of our Chapter. Your participation, engagement and volunteering that has gone above and beyond to take care of responsibilities in addition to assisting when and where needed to insure our Chapter functions and events are successful.

Our polar bear has been rescheduled from January 1st to **January 6th** due to unsafe inclement weather. Looking forward to a new good year with a lot of exciting places on the books. Hope you all can enjoy and take part.

Midwinter is January 13th installation of new officers, new couple of the year and individual of the year. Set a time in February for Education weekend. Catch up on classes that we need to attend. The first one, second one soon to come after will be in Killeen.

Our district rally will be coming up May 17-19, 2018 in Brenham, Texas. Book your rooms now. Time is getting short. (continued page 4)

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Reminder: Bike night is coming up again on Jan 9th. Look at Calendar for new location.

"Country Wings never go hungry, that's for sure"

Road Captains we will be calling on you to lead one ride per month. So, let us know where you want to go near or far. We are a TEAM. Donna and I can help you if needed. We will have another maintenance day this January. Look at calendar for date and time and location. We are looking for a chapter host if you are interested let us know.

Our sister Chapter U will get a new Director this year. He is a great friend of mine and I'm sure he will do a great job! Pat and I will be visiting their Gathering and welcoming them.



The Second Annual 3 Chapter Campout Garner State Park April 20-22, 2018

The lunch or picnic will be on Saturday around noon. We had a great time last year and I'm sure we will again. Let us know if you will be going so we can get camp sites in advance. Or if you prefer to get your own that's fine. You don't have to camp out. Just come out with FUN ON YOUR MIND. NO PARTY POOPERS OR WE WILL THROW YOU IN FRIO RIVER.

See Ya Soon! Michael Pineda **aka "Shrimp Man**

<u>"COUNTRY WINGS"</u>



Bike Night















TIPS FROM DONNA

Happy New Year!

My wish for all of you is that we continue 2018 having safe and fun rides and just enjoy being together, exploring new roads to travel.

Winter is officially here with colder temperatures. But it can still be fun riding when you are dressed warmly. What works for one doesn't work for another as far as winter gear goes. A factor in dressing for the cold is based on the dynamics of your ride. While some rides have large windshields, fairings that keep the wind at bay, and air wings to direct the flow of air around you, other rides do not. Therefore, experimenting with various layering and cold weather gear is the only way to find what works for you. Heated gear sounds like a great idea, but it is not always practical for all riders. Only you can decide.

I read a good article on riding in the cold that offers some really good tips. I hope you enjoy reading it as well:

https://rideapart.com/ articles/5-must-know-cold- weather-riding-tips

While we don't have to worry about riding in snow, ice on the roads and overpasses can be an issue. Be alert for any area that could potentially hold water of any amount, and could potentially ice over. Even wet leaves and debris can be slick so keep that in mind when dashing around curves.

Great news! We have some fantastic new rides on the calendar that I can't wait to ride! Thanks Gina and Jesse!! So, if you see or know of a place you would like to ride, let's add it to the calendar.

As always, ride safe and be seen!

Donna Wilson Ride Coordinator





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District Directors	<u>Jim & Alvalin Woodul</u> 楢	254-634-4658
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District Trainer	Open position	
Assistant Trainer	Jim Scholes 🛋	832-627-8423
Membership Enhancement Coordinator	Lyle & Sheri Altes ब	512-897-0860
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Activities Coordinator	Open Position	
Entertainment Coordinator	Open Position	



2017 LONESTAR Christmas Parade Bandera, Texas



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TUESDAY BIKE NIGHT

Show off your Motorcycle! Enfoy company with fellow riders!



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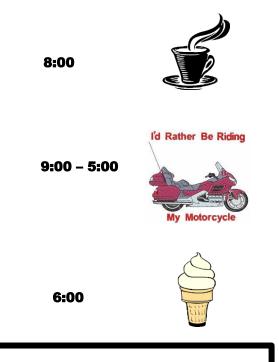
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EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF MONTH 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Dairy Queen -1202 US Highway 90 W, Castroville, TX 78009



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Motorcycle Humor.....

A friend of mine has two tickets for the 2018 Super Bowl -- box seats plus airfare, accommodations, etc., but he didn't realize when he bought them that this is going to be on the same day as his wedding - so he can't go.

If you're interested and want to go instead of him, it's at St Peter's Church, in New York City, at 5 p.m. Her name's Louise. She's 5'4", about 125 lbs., good cook, makes \$130,000 a year. She will be the one in the white dress. K2 Country Wingers, have you been on an interesting trip that you would like to share with the Chapter?

Do you have a joke or a recipe you would like to share?

> All submissions will be considered!

This is your newsletter so let others know what you have been doing!

Happy Birthday

1/26 Keith Bennett1/28 Richard Flack

Happy Anniversary



If your birthday or anniversary was this month and you aren't listed,

THE HISTORY OF MOTORCYCLES

When do you think the first motorcycle was built/created? According to an article it was 1868. That was 149 years ago! I was surprised by that. The following was copied from an article at the following:

URL: https://www.totalmotorcycle.com/future

Start of copy:

Motorcycles are descended from the "safety" bicycle, bicycles with front and rear wheels of the same size, with a pedal crank mechanism to drive the rear wheel. The first motorbike was built in 1868. It was not powered by a gasoline engine, but by a steam engine. Its builder was Sylvester Howard Roper. His steam-powered bike was demonstrated at fairs and circuses in the eastern US in 1867 and did not catch on, but it anticipated many modern motorbike features, including the twisting-handgrip throttle control. There is an existing example of a Roper machine, dated 1869. It's powered by a charcoal-fired two-cylinder engine, whose connecting rods directly drive a crank on the rear wheel. This machine predates the invention of the safety bicycle by many years, so its chassis is also based on the "bone-crusher" bike. "Bone-Crusher's" appeared around 1800, used iron-banded wagon wheels, and were called "bone-crushers," both for their jarring ride, and their tendency to toss their riders.



Sylvester Howard Roper 1869 Steam Cycle The first gasoline-driven motorcycle was built in 1885.



World's first gasoline-driven motorcycle, the 1885 Daimler Reitwagen

Let's Do It! It's such a treasure to see everyone who has made it to another year. In just a few months we will all be back out there on our toys, new and old. We can use this time to check out our bikes to make sure all is well. Those of us that are year-round riders usually have these things done on a regular. You might say what is he talking about? You Know. (T-CLOCS) Tires, Controls, Lights, Oil, Chassis, and Side Stand. Hopefully everyone had a Happy Holiday Season. Have fun, be safe, and see you on the road.

2017 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our K2 COUNTRY WINGS Christmas Party was awesome! Thank you to our members, Donna and John Camacho for hosting there home for the party. We had 20 in attendance. The decorations were beautiful. Thank you, Donna for coming up with these ideas. We had a great time with the White Elephant, Food, Karaoke and Pat's "WINGO" game. If you didn't make it to the Christmas Party, you missed a great time.

Happy New Year!











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JANUARY

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January 1		HAPPY NEW YEAR!
January 2 Tuesday	Bill Miller Bar-B-Q	BILL MILLER BBQ Castroville, TX 6:00-8:00PM
January 6 Saturday		POLAR BEAR RUN 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
January 9 Tuesday		BIKE NIGHT DAIRY QUEEN, Castroville, TX 6:00 – 8:00 PM
January 13 Saturday		MID WINTER ROUND UP Brenham, TX
January 20 Saturday	Ó	MENUDO BOWL Laredo, TX 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
January 23 Tuesday	Ψ٩	EL PORTAL RESTAURANT Castroville, TX
January 27 Saturday	6	RIDE TO CRYSTAL CITY 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
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February 2-4 Friday - Sunday		District Education Weekend at TAMUCT
February 6 Tuesday	Sammys RESTAURANT	SAMMY'S Castroville, TX
February 10 Saturday	Ó	Ride to Brackettville, TX
February 13		BIKE NIGHT
Tuesday		DAIRY QUEEN, Castroville, TX 6:00 – 8:00 PM
February 17 Saturday	Ó	Ride to Cuervo, TX and Gonzalez, TX KSU 8AM
February 20 Tuesday	Pizza PHUT	K2 Gathering at PIZZA HUT 6:15 PM - 8:00 PM
February 24 Saturday	Ó	RIDE TO MEDINA, TX KSU 8AM
February 27 Tuesday	Bill Miller Bar-B-Q	BILL MILLERS Castroville, TX



You're invited to 7 nights of WOW!

LIBERTY THE SEAS

Departs Galveston, Texas on October 21, 2018



Day	Ports of Call	Arrival	Departure
Sunday, October 21, 2018	Galveston, Texas		8:30 pm
Monday, October 22, 2018	Cruising		
Tuesday, October 23, 2018	Cruising		
Wednesday, October 24, 2018	Roatan, Honduras	8:00 am	5:00 pm
Thursday, October 25, 2018	Belize City, Belize	8:00 am	5:00 pm
Friday, October 26, 2018	Cozumel, Mexico	7:00 am	5:00 pm
Saturday, October 27, 2018	Cruising		
Sunday, October 28, 2018	Galveston, Texas	6:30 am	

Join your fellow Wingers from all over the county on this amazing cruise. Special events and perks for the group. **The following prices include ALL port taxes**, per person & based on double occupancy. <u>WWW.WINGERSNWAVES.COM</u> or call (386) 299-7535 today!

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PECAN PIE MUFFINS

Ingredients:

2 Cups Light Brown Sugar

1 Cup All Purpose flour

2 Cups chopped pecans

1 Cup butter – melted

4 Eggs beaten

>Combine dry ingredients. Mix in eggs

and butter. Pour into greased mini

muffin pan.

>BAKE 350 degrees for 20 minutes.

Motorcycle Humor..... <u>Wearing Your Jacket</u> <u>Backwards</u>

Two guys were roaring down the road on a motorcycle when the driver slowed up and pulled over.

His leather jacket had a broken zipper, and he told his friend, "I can't drive anymore with the air hitting me in the chest like that."

"Just put the jacket on backwards." His friend advised.

They continued down the road but around the next bend, they lost control and wiped out.

A nearby farmer came upon the accident and ran to call the police. They asked him, "Are they showing any signs of life?"

"Well," the farmer explained, "the driver was until I turned his head around the right way!

Member Enhancement Coordinator

HAPPY NEW YEAR "Country Wings"

Thank you to those members and guests who joined us at the Lonestar Christmas Parade in Bandera, TX. Our Chapter were the only one's riding motorcycles in the parade.

The BIKE NIGHTS have been moved to Dairy Queen (1202 US Hwy 90, Castroville, TX 78009) second Tuesday of the month.

We are looking for new members in our area. Bikes and trikes welcomed! Take a look at the Chapter Calendar for upcoming Events, Rides, Tuesday Dinners, Bike Night and more.

Remember the GWRRA motto of "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge". Thank you! Get up and let's have some fun!

Hope to see Y'all soon.

Mike Pineda, Jr. MEC GWRRA K2



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RALLY TIME



2018 Chapter O Bluebonnet Rally,

Fredericksburg, TX April 7-9, 2018



2018 District Rally,

Brenham, TX May 17-19, 2018



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Knoxville, TN Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 2018