

## Gold Wing Road Riders Association "Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge"

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**Gary and Karen Ballou**

### **B3 Individual of the Year:**

**Gladys Carter**

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### Items in History in the month August:

- 1 – Air Force Day
- 4 – U S Coast Guard Established, 1790
- 5 - Congress approves “all necessary action” in Vietnam, 1964
- 7 – Purple Heart Medal Established By George Washinton, 1782
- 7 – Vietnam War Began, 1964
- U S Combat Troops Leave South Vietnam. 1972
- 14- Japan Surrendred Ending World War II, 1945
- 14 – National Navajo Code Talker's Day
- 16 – National Airborne Day
- 19 – National Aviaton Day
- 26 – Women's Equality Day

**Jim and Alice Bontrager**  
**Chapter Director**

Jim and Alice are vacationing in Florida at this time.  
Watch this space for an article next month.  
Jim and Alice Bontrager



**Margaret A. Moore**  
**Assistant Chapter Director**

Wings Over The Smokies

I traveled to Cherokee, NC along US 23 with Tom Eden on July 8th. It was drizzling when we departed, but it didn't last too long. We made some stops along the way for fuel and food, but we made good progress. We arrived at our motel in Cherokee after traveling through Maggie Valley along route 19. On Thursday we went to the venue and to say I spent a lot of money is an understatement. I then decided it was Dragon Slaying time! I rode to the Tail of the Dragon then proceeded north up Hwy 129. When I reached the end at the reservoir I turned around and started riding south back to NC. I made a stop at the Scenic Overlook to get a couple of photos when a rider stopped with an overloaded F6B. He asked what speed would be best for the route. After looking at his bikes load I suggested he ride at the posted speed - 30 mph. He left and when I caught up with him he had stopped to check his load. His decision to ride the Dragon was wrong in my opinion, but as we always say "rides your own ride". I look forward to more rides with this great group of friends.



Be safe and enjoy the ride.

Margaret Moore



**Tom Eden**  
**Assistant Chapter Director**

Wings over the Smokies 2015

I attended this year's North Carolina District Rally, in Cherokee, North Carolina on 8 – 12 July. I had attended this rally in September, 2014 and had a great time so I thought I would attend this year. I was joined by *Margaret Moore, Gary and Karen Ballou and Rodney Freeman*. This rally is usually held in late September, but this year was held early to avoid Wing Ding dates in September. It will be held 21 - 23 September 2016 in Cherokee. The rally was well attended by Gold Wingers from all over. There were quite a few vendors and if you wanted something it was there someplace. I believe that Margaret would get the prize for the most spent among the group. Unfortunately early July is a very warm and humid time of year in this geographic area. In order to find some relief from the heat I took a leisurely ride up and back on a portion of the Blue Ridge Parkway. Temperatures at the rally were in the upper 80's, however up along the parkway I found temperatures in the low 70's. I will not bore you with the pictures that I took along the way. . They had 4 drill teams at the rally; North Carolina, Tennessee, Florida and Georgia. I was able to watch three of them before the heat on the asphalt parking lot drove me indoors. All three teams performed some fantastic maneuvers. They gave away vendor provided prizes at the closing ceremony, windshields by Long Rider, accessories by Nivco. The grand prizes were a Hartco seat, a trailer by Bushtec and a 2015 anniversary Honda Gold Wing provided by Schrader Honda. Schrader Honda has committed to provide new Gold Wing again next year. I picked the wrong day for my ride home. I was in and out of showers, thunder and lightning and traffic jams. It is bad enough to have to ride in the rain; however it is very uncomfortable sitting on the bike in stopped traffic while it pours. The worst was a half hour of stop and crawl on I-75 on the way into Cincinnati and on I-71 exiting Cincinnati.



Tom Eden

**COUPLE OF THE YEAR 2015**  
**Gary and Karen Ballou**



***WINGS and WHEELS***

As July began, and the rain continued, Gary decided to make the long delayed replacement of our GPS. The wiring harness for the old Garmin 550 had been installed by the previous owners and was integrated into several other modules that run his Ham Radio equipment too. That, of course, requires removing the seat and then the side panels and then the dashboard and then the top cover...a very dirty job and I stay away. After two weeks of studying diagrams, (Continued on next page)

following wires, cutting out broken wires, following more wires, etc... He got the connections made and everything working for the new Garmin 665. I think there are more cable ties than wires, by the inch.

On July 8<sup>th</sup>, we looked at the weather and took a car to Wings Over the Smokies. Rain when we left, and rain while we were in Cherokee and rain coming home proved that it was a good idea to take the car. Plus, it does provide more room for shopping! The rally was nice, though Gary said he believed there were fewer attendees this year. I did my required shopping, Gary attended a seminar or two and I watched from our hotel window as the Top Gun entrants and Drill Teams practiced. They had 4 drill teams at the rally, from North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia. Unfortunately, we had to leave on Saturday morning, before they performed, but based on the practicing I saw, it would have been very impressive. I hope we can see them at Wing Ding in September.



While we were in Cherokee, we drove around on the Blue Ridge Parkway and had some wonderful beautiful vista (ooohs and aaahs) moments. I can see why these roads are popular with bikers. I wonder what it would be like to do the whole 470 miles of the Blue Ridge Parkway on a motorcycle. Maybe the next planned ride???

On our way home on Saturday, Gary began to hear a **bad** noise in the front passenger wheel. The more we drove the worse and louder the sound got. Yup, the wheel bearings were rapidly dying. We arrived in Johnson City, TN late afternoon. Where to find an auto mechanic on Saturday after 5 pm? How about Sunday? Not wanting to risk driving anywhere, we thought we were destined to spend a lost day in Johnson City on Center at the local mall and a very accommodating staff worked wonders and we were headed home by 3 pm. We arrived home at 9 pm, the way we left...in the rain. Oh well....



Gary is planning on attending the Region D rally later this month. We are also meeting our son and daughter-in-law in Pittsburgh to attend a Pirates baseball game. And then more baseball as we (B3 and friends) all go to a Columbus Clippers game on July 28<sup>th</sup>. That will be a special night.

Gary and Karen Ballou

## INDIVIDUAL OF THE YEAR 2015

### Gladys Carter



## MEMBERSHIP ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

### HOW CAN SOMEONE PARTICIPATE

We are all Chapter participants!!!! So what does that mean? There are lots of ways to participate in a Chapter. They range from just showing up and taking part in activities, to being coming involved as an officer or other team projects. There are lots of positions that can be created within a Chapter. In addition to Chapter Director, the other required officer roles each Chapter must have are Chapter Educator and Chapter Treasurer. While "required", every Chapter level officers are Assistant Chapter Director and Membership Enhancement Coordinator. If the Chapter is large enough there could be a multitude of other positions. Every Chapter should have a newsletter editor, but any Member is more than welcome to contribute articles for the newsletter. One suggestion is to create a phone tree coordinator-someone to take charge of developing a quick method of contacting Members by phone for sharing time sensitive information. There should be a ride and or activity coordinators, photographer, historian, web master-in fact if you can come up with a different position fill it with someone!!!! Don't just create a position for the sake of giving someone a title; make sure the position has some responsibility!! When Members are included in the operation of the Chapter, they will become much more supportive and less likely to become dissatisfied. You will find that the more involved Members get, the more **"fun"** they will have.

For more information on positions, their description and responsibility see the Officer Handbook starting on page D-4.

**THE MORE YOU KNOW, THE BETTER IT GETS!!!!**

Please remember the following:

Donna Connolly: Suzan Sestito and Margaret Moore's sister. She has had two strokes within a few days' time and other health problems.

Harry and Sandy Durbin: The passing of Harry's niece.

Bill and Karen Cole: They are from Blacklick...While on their way to the Reno Rendezvous they were hit from behind by a drunken driver; Bill has devastating injuries plus losing part of one leg, and was in the ICU Unit, He will be in the hospital for quite a long recovery.

Karen has broken bones and is now receiving rehab. Esther & Bill will keep us up to date on their recovery, as Esther is in contact with Karen. This couple is listed as Members of Chapter B3. So please send up extra prayers for their recovery.

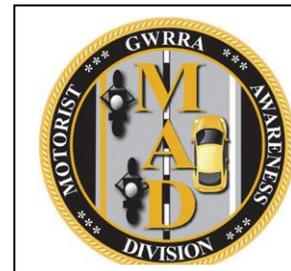
If I have missed someone, please let me know.

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS!!! RENEW AND STAY ACTIVE**  
**PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP CHECKING YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS AND LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU HAVE RENEWED.....**

**ALWAYS HAVE A MEMBERSHIP KIT IN EVERY BIKE AND VEHICLE THAT YOU DRIVE.....YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN AN OPPORTUNITY COMES TO MEET SOMEONE THAT WANTS TO BECOME A MEMBER OF GWRR!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

## **MOTORIST AWARENESS DIVISION**

**Karen Ballou**



### **TAKE TWO, THEY ARE SMALL**

There has been a lot of talk, whispering or thought on the subject of lane-splitting. So...

#### **What is Lane-Splitting?**

Simply, it is a vehicle passing between two other vehicles while traveling on a multi-lane road. This is usually done when traffic is stopped or traveling very slowly. This is traveling between cars, NOT passing onto the left or right shoulder to get around stopped traffic.

#### **Is Lane-Splitting legal?**

Technically, lane-splitting by motorcycles is only legal in the State of California.

#### **Who can do Lane-Splitting?**

Any wheeled vehicle that can legally be on the road. This could be any two-wheeled vehicle. Generally, this would not include any wheeled vehicle that could not safely pass between two cars. Sorry, my fellow trikers!!!!

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### Is Lane-Splitting safe?

The jury is still out on that. In 2014 a generalized study was conducted for the California Office of Traffic Safety. The study collected lots of data from nearly 8000 motorcycle accidents. One significant results was that those that lane-split (LSM) had greatly reduced incidents of being rear-ended by a car, while those that lane-split had significant increase in fender benders with bumpers of autos. In other words, LSM riders don't get hit as much by other vehicles, but are more likely to hit the back of another car.

### Is Lane-Splitting Legal in Ohio?

Lane-splitting in Ohio is not legal, however it is NOT illegal. What this means is that if a bike is lane-splitting, he is not automatically breaking the law. A citation from a police officer is given at his discretion and the violation would be unsafe operation or something of that nature. There is talk that a bill has been introduced or will be, to make lane-splitting illegal. We will wait and see on that.

As auto drivers and motorcycles riders, we need to be aware that it CAN and MAY happen in Ohio. We in Ohio are not trained by circumstance to watch for it, but when you are stopped or moving slowly on that highway, take an occasional look in BOTH mirrors to check on who may be splitting your lane.

DRIVE AWARE - - - - - DRIVE SAFELY - - - - - HAVE FUN!!!

Karen Ballou



### RIDER EDUCATION Gary and Karen Ballou

Rider Ed for August

In order to conserve space (and to keep your interest riveted <grin>) this article has been split & will appear in two parts, this is part two. We thank Mr. Tuttle for his service to our Country and to our motorcycling community. – And a “Thank You” to Jeff Goldblatt for bringing this article to my attention.

(The article begins on next page)

## Group Riding Etiquette

by [George Tuttle](#)

### PART two

6) (Continued) At times you may want to have increased spacing to avoid road hazards like rock chips while at the same time desire to keep the formation relatively tight. Two bikes riding close staggered in trail with other groups of two works well in this case.

Sometimes when on a two-lane road riding staggered and you find yourself on the left track it is a good idea to move over to the right momentarily when on-coming traffic passes. This is especially true for larger vehicles like 18-wheelers. This is to have a little more distance and time in case something falls off; he veers towards you, or throws a "grit blast" in his wake.



7) Establishing the spacing. Because there are so many variables that could dictate the optimum spacing, number two in the formation should normally set the spacing for the group. Nobody else is in a position to logically set or change the spacing in a fluid environment. As such, the number two rider should be experienced and have a solid understanding of group ride dynamics. In city traffic you may need to frequently make minor deviations to the group spacing to avoid running in the blind-spots of other vehicles.

Although you may be number five and can't see number two, you would only need to maintain the spacing that number four has on three. In other words, set your own spacing based on the spacing taken by the guy in front of you. Don't exceed your comfort level in order to maintain spacing.

8) Speed and lanes. It depends. The leader initially sets the pace but eventually the slowest rider should normally determine it. If everyone follows the guidelines above then speed will take care of itself. A modification to this might be on country rides where there is a pre-ride agreement that the faster riders will be in the front of the group and the slower riders in the rear, and that the faster group will wait at all turn-decision points until the second group catches up. A common misconception is that going slower is always safer. Not true. On our superslabs, going slower can get you killed.

With few exceptions, the leader must tailor aggressiveness and average speed to the lowest level of capability in the group. Capability is defined and limited by skill, experience, machine or a combination of all three. Speed preferences should be discussed and agreed upon before the ride begins.

On multilane roads the group should strive to be in the same lane as the leader. However, don't compromise safety to get there. If a car cuts into the formation, analyze the best course of action to get back in formation. You might just want to ride it out behind the car for a while if other options aren't obvious.

Normally on our superslabs the leader should be in what he considers to be the safest lane for conditions. Many times with modern bikes and competent riders this is the furthest left lane going just slightly faster than the general traffic flow. This limits, but doesn't negate your vulnerability from the rear by the hyper-speeders. Generally the right lane has the most hazards in the form of exiting and entering cars at sometimes drastically different speeds. A middle lane also has its hazards. In a middle lane, you are subject to "crazies" on both sides of you and it is difficult to "isolate" the threat.

In conclusion, these are just a few of my thoughts on riding in a group. I'm sure there are other ideas, techniques or guidelines that I missed. I hope that this will stimulate a discussion on the subject and would like to solicit your thoughts and comments for future publication. The more we learn and talk about group riding the better off (and safer) we will be while riding in a group. Thanks for your time. Ride safe!

### Group Riding Dynamics

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You ask:

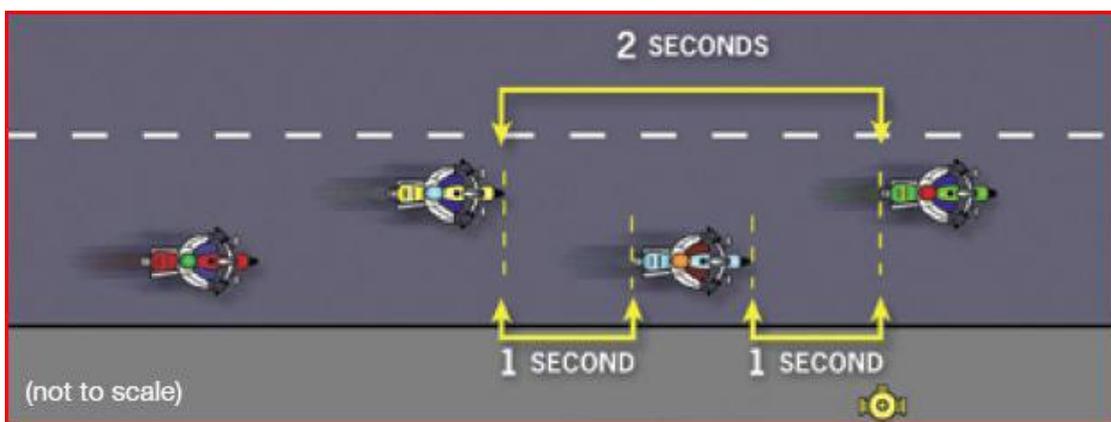
I often ride in groups of three to six motorcycles, and we're often on freeways. Sometimes, when changing lanes, the lead rider will keep the same position in the lane (Generally, in the left wheel track), and sometimes, a different lead rider will change positions depending on which lane he's in (left wheel track in the right lane, right wheel track in the left lane). My question is: Where should the lead rider be, and does it vary from lane-to-lane on a freeway? And should the rest of the riders re-stagger when and if the lead rider's position changes?" – Simon Morris, AMA No. 807523, Winter Park, FL

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation Responds:

The whole group's formation should be dynamic, yet follow a few basic guidelines.

If the road is straight and there are no unusual traffic or surface conditions, the staggered riding formation allows a proper space cushion between motorcycles so that each rider has enough time and space to maneuver and to react to hazards, while keeping the group compact. The leader should ride in the left third of the lane, while the next rider stays at least one second behind in the right third of the lane; the rest of the group follows the same pattern. If the group is using this pattern, the leader should remain in the left position, even after the group changes lanes, so the other riders aren't continually changing their positions in response.

However, if the leader feels that the center third of right third of the lane is the best position for the road and traffic conditions, then the leader can signal the group to adjust to a single-file formation, with a 2-second following distance throughout. A single-file formation should be used on a curvy road, under conditions of poor visibility or poor road surfaces, entering/leaving highways, or other situations where an increased space cushion or maneuvering room is needed



Gary Ballou

Have fun, but be safe. *“Dress for the Slide, Not for the Ride”*

**Wear your helmet every time you ride.**

### Chapter statistics for the month of July 2015

Current First Aid/CPR – 22

Current in Level I – 14

Current Road Captains – 17

Current in Level II - 0

Current in Level III - 7

Current in Level IV - 12

### **July Attendance**

8 - 11- Wings over the Smokies, Cherokee, N. Carolina, 5 members

11 - Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation Ride for Kids, 15 members

16 - Get together, 13 Members, 1 guest

21 - Ride to Chapter F3 in Lancaster, 6 members

Gypsy Joe's ice cream, 8 members

23 - 25 - Region D Rally/Convention, 13 members

25 - Ride to Hop A-long Cassidy Museum,

29 - Columbus Clippers game,

### **Guest Article, Bill and Esther Ford's trip to Reno**

We started our trip on June 13, Margaret, Jeff and Rodney traveled with us. We only encountered rain on day one and day three.

On the way to Reno we visited Salt Lake, Salt Lake City, and Bonneville Salt Flats. It all was very interesting.

At the Bonneville Flats we met three brothers from the three provinces of Canada on their ride to Reno. They had been to Yellowstone and the Tetons. It was great visiting with them.

Reno Rendezvous didn't have many vendors and no seminars or demo rides. They did have some very nice rides mapped out to do on your own. We took advantage of some of those. It was beautiful country with lots of history. Virginia City was full of history and fun, Lake Tahoe is beautiful. Genoa, claimed to be the oldest city in Nevada was a quaint little town.

Saturday Margaret, Jeff and Rodney went to other destinations; we enjoyed riding around the area until Monday. Riding around Donner Pass, having lunch in Truckee California at Jax on the Trax a restaurant Bill found on Diners Drive-ins and Dives, (Gary's influence I think). It was however very good.

Monday we departed for Jackson WY. We toured there then went up to Yellowstone. We were there several years ago and marveled at the changes. The wild life was very active LOTS of buffalo, we even saw two bulls fighting, (scary). From there we went on to Glacier National Park where we spent the next 5 days in record breaking high temperatures. We rode all around the park on the Road to the Sun, we went all the way to St. Mary's where we had a wonderful lunch at Johnson's, recommended to us by a couple of Goldwing riders (Continued on next page)

from Oregon. You really do meet the nicest people on a wing. We went up East Glacier all the way into Canada enjoyed lunch in Waterton. On our last day we went back to West Glacier and on the Road to the Sun for another look and a few souvenirs and some last pictures.

Our arrival home was delayed by a day; poor Bill got a bit of a flu bug and needed a day of rest. Over all it was a wonderful trip!!!

### NEWSLETTER EDITOR

**Tom Eden**

If you have an article that you would like to have included here, send it to the Newsletter Editor, Tom Eden, at [traveler1@columbus.rr.com](mailto:traveler1@columbus.rr.com). Articles could be about a ride you went on, an event you attended, or something you purchased for your bike that you think is really great, or anything you feel would be of interest to your fellow members. We sincerely welcome contributions from our members. For Sale ads, by GWRRA Members only, are also welcome for submission. Deadline for submissions is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.



### Special Activities Coordinator

Obetz Zucchini Festival will be August 27- 30, 2015. The parade will be at 11:30am, line up will start at 10:00am at Memorial Park. We should be blocking streets on the parade route again this year. Mark your calendars to meet there about 9:30 - 9:45. E-mails will be sent out with changes or updates. Thank you for participating!



Ride safe,  
Esther Ford



#### Birthdays

- 5 Mike Pallos
- 12 Harry Durbin
- 14 Patrick Pallos
- 21 Bob DeLong
- 22 Francis Pallos
- 24 Rodney Freeman
- 30 Jeff Goldblatt



#### Anniversaries

- 2 Tim & Connie Ratliff
- 2 Ben & Mary Bayes
- 6 Bob & Evelyn DeLong
- 7 Ken & Linda Daft
- 16 Mike & Frances Pallos
- 20 Paul & Jeri Reed

Give Connie Ratliff, 740-503-7870 or Jim Bontrager 614-282-2787 a call if any get well or sympathy cards need to be sent.

**Up Coming Activities**

**Greeter for August Wendell and Sue Gundy**

For complete ride schedule see the chapter web site <http://www.gwrraohb3.org>

**August 2015**

- 1 - 9:00 a.m. Gathering, Obetz Community Center, Ride to Chapter Y, in Mt. Vernon
- 7 - 9 - Tentative ride to Geneva on the lake
- 11- Depart Frisch's at 6:00 for Dinner ride to Dungins in Tarleton
- 13 - 12:30 Ladies Lunch, Location to be determined
- 13 - Depart Frisch's at 6:00 pm for ride to Chapter Q2 in Circleville
- 15 - Depart Frisch's at 9:00 am for ride to Air and Space Museum in Wapakoneta
- 20 - 7:00 pm get together, Obetz Community Center
- 21 - 22 Michigan District Rally, Osceola County Fairgrounds
- 22 - Depart Frisch's at 9:00 am for ride to Zane Gray Museum
- 27 - Depart Frisch's at 6:00 pm for dinner ride at Buckeye Lake Pizza Cottage
- 29 - Depart Frisch's at 9:00 am for Obetz Zucchini Festival

**September 2015**

The South East Section Picnic will be held Saturday Sept. 12, at the Wolf Run State Park. Take I-77 South off I-70 to exit 28 (Ball Valley) then south on 821 to the park. Bring your own brown bag lunch and beverage. Eat at noon. Ice cream ride after.

There will be no September gathering

- 2 - 6 Wing Ding, Huntsville, Alabama
- 7 - Labor Day Holiday
- 10 - Depart Meijer Parking lot on Stringtown Road, Grove City at 6:00 pm for dinner ride to Ann & Tony's in West Jefferson
- 15 - Ice Cream ride, Oh Yo in Grove City
- 17 - 7:00 pm get together, Obetz Community Center
- 18 - 20 Buckeye Time Out, Pastime Park, Plain City, See flyer
- 19 - Depart Frisch's at 9:00 am for ride with Lunch at Lava Rock Café, Coshocton,
- 24 - 26 Depart Frisch's for a Ben Bayes planned ride destination to be determined.

**Changes to the schedule previously announced:**

The timing or destination for the ride on August 7 – 9 ride may be changed. Watch your email for announcements.

There is no scheduled gathering for September.

The chapter fun day originally scheduled for Oct. 17 has been rescheduled to October 3 at the request of the Host.

The ride to Chapter Y originally scheduled for October 3 has been rescheduled for August 1.

The destination for the September 24 – 26 ride is being changed due to poor road conditions at the original destination.



Here is a link to the Ohio District web site where you will find a link to their latest newsletter.  
<http://www.ohiogwrra.org>

Here is a link to the Region D web site where you will find a link to their latest newsletter:  
<http://www.gwrra-regiond.org>

#### SOUTHEAST SECTION CHAPTER MEETING PLACES AND TIMES

Chapters	Location	When	Meeting Time
<b>A3</b>	Marietta, Ohio gathers at Shoney's Restaurant, 44 Acme St., Marietta, Ohio. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. gathering follows. Chapter web site <a href="https://ohioa3.shutterfly.com">https://ohioa3.shutterfly.com</a>	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	7:00 p.m.
<b>B-3</b>	Obetz, Ohio gathers at Obetz Comm. Center, 1650 Obetz Avenue, Obetz, Ohio. Light refreshments at 8:30 a.m., gathering follows. Chapter web site <a href="http://www.gwrraohb3.org">http://www.gwrraohb3.org</a>	1st Saturday (except Jul & Dec)	9:00 a.m.
<b>F-3</b>	Lancaster, Ohio, gathers at Deb's Corner Cafe. Located on the corner of Broad St. and 6th. Ave. in Lancaster, Ohio Dinner at 6:00 p.m., gathering follows. Chapter web site <a href="http://www.ohf3.com">http://www.ohf3.com</a>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
<b>H-3</b>	Proctorville, Ohio gathers at Giovanni's Pizza, 614 Park Ave. Ironton, OH Dinner at 6:00 p.m., gathering follows.	2nd Saturday	7:00 p.m.
<b>O</b>	Newark, Ohio, gathers at Stacy's Buffet, 833 S. 30 <sup>th</sup> St., Heath, Ohio. Dinner at 6 p.m., gathering follows. <a href="http://www.ohiogwrra.org/chap/O/latest.pdf">http://www.ohiogwrra.org/chap/O/latest.pdf</a>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs.	7:00 p.m.
<b>Q-2</b>	Circleville, Ohio, gathers at Huffman Homestead, 6906 Old Tarlton Place, Circleville, Ohio. Chapter web site <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/gwrraq2/home">https://sites.google.com/site/gwrraq2/home</a>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	7:00 p.m.
<b>X</b>	Hocking Hills, Ohio gathers at Davidson Hall, Hocking College in Nelsonville, Ohio.	Last Sunday	1:30 p.m.

At the time this newsletter was drafted, the Region D traveling Plaque was at Chapter M in Boardman, Ohio; and the Ohio District Traveling Plaque was at Chapter M in Boardman, Ohio.

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## Southeast Section Picnic



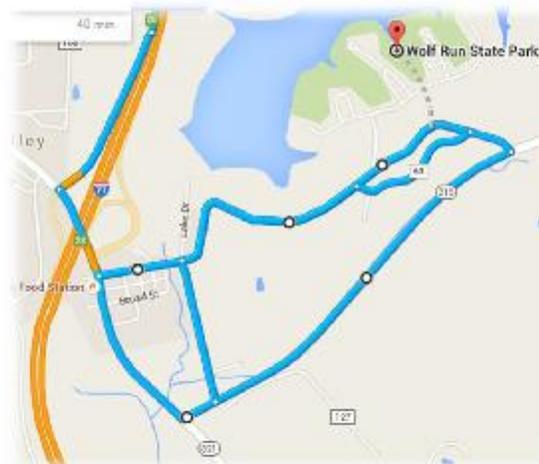
September 12, 2015

*Location - Wolf Run State Park*

*GPS Coordinates 39.7926 N, 81.5390 W*

*Follow I-77 S to OH-821, S Main St in Noble.*

*Take exit 28 from I-77*



Start your day with a nice ride to a lovely location, Wolf Run State Park. Lunch will be held noonish. Visit with friends and test your game skills. After lunch we will take a scenic ride into McConnelsville and enjoy some ice cream.



Buckeye  
Camping,  
Cookout



Time Out  
Games,



Friday-Sunday September 18-20, 2015

It's time once again for the annual Ohio GWRRA camping and kick back weekend!  
Friends for Fun, Food and more Fun



Pastime Park, Plain City  
370 N. Chillicothe Street, Plain City, OH 43064  
GPS: N 40° 06.869' W 83° 16.224'



**Cost to camp?**

\$25 per night; Senior (over 65) \$22

**Don't camp?**

Make it a day ride on Saturday to join in the fun at Pastime Park.

**Friday Night**

6:00 PM Euchre Tournament  
8:00 PM Campfire Lit (for telling stories and/or roasting marshmallows)

**Saturday**

Dawn Breakfast on your own  
10:00 AM Bingo  
11:00 AM Couple of the Year Get Together (past & present)  
12:00 PM **Again this Year!! CHILI DUMPI!** Bring chili to dump together (Two pots, 1 pot spicy, 1 not)  
Also bring a covered dish to share. The district will supply lemonade & iced tea.  
2:00 PM Corn Hole Tournament  
5:00 PM Campfire – Fire-side skits, tall tails, or journeys. Bring hot dogs & marshmallows to roast



**Sunday**

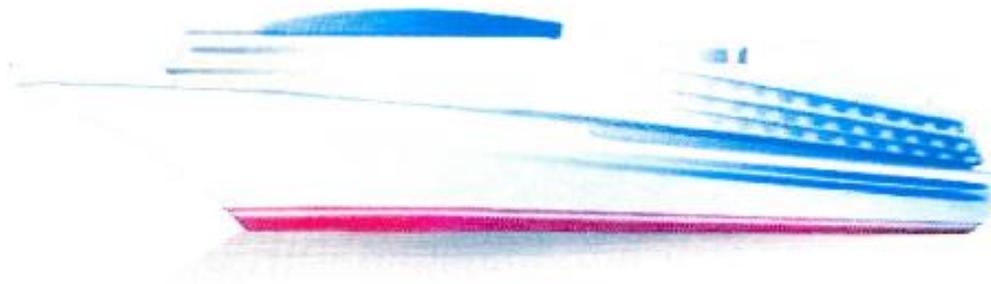
Depart for home with all your new found memories!! Be safe and ready for another road to adventure!!

How?

*Please take care of camping costs with Pastime Park upon your arrival. Thank you.*

Any questions please contact: Rudy and Linda Copeland  
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## Region D “Fun at Sea”



Please join the **Region D Team** as we host **5** days  
of **FUN** on a Western Caribbean Cruise in  
October 2015!

Date: **October 24, 2015 – October 29, 2015** ~ Ft. Lauderdale, Florida  
Ports of Call ~ **Grand Cayman Islands** & **Cozumel Mexico**

Inside Cabins	<b>449.00</b> + tax & port fees	double occupancy
Porthole view Cabins	<b>499.00</b> + tax & port fees	double occupancy
Balcony Cabins	<b>699.00</b> + tax & port fees	double occupancy
Mini Suites	<b>849.00</b> + tax & port fees	double occupancy

Group Name:	Gold Wing Road Riders	Call to book: Tami Walker 1-800-901-1172 x 41667
Group Number:	TPD	Monday-Friday 8am – 4:45 PST
Voyage Code:	E541	
Ship:	Emerald	Must pay <b>final balance</b> before <b>August 25, 2015</b>



Gary at start point of his "four corners" ride, Madawaska, Maine



Gary at second point of his "four corners" ride, Key West Florida.



Gary at third point of his “four corners” ride, San Ysidro, California.



Gary at final point of his “four corners” ride, Blaine Washington.  
Congratulations Gary!