



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

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B3 Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month (No gathering in July or December) at 9:00 am. Join us at 8:30 am for light refreshments and Coffee at the Village of Obetz Community Center, 1650 Obetz Avenue, Obetz, OH 43207

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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 of September:

- 2 - VJ Day, Japan Signed Formal Surrender, 1945
- 3 - Allied invasion of Italy begins, 1943
- 7 - Labor Day Holiday
- 10 - U S Naval Sea Cadet Corp Incorporated, 1962
- 11- Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance
- 13 - Grand Parent's Day
- 13 - Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown
- 14 - Star Spangled Banner written by Francis Scott Key, 1814
- 14 - Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Organized, 1914
- 17 - U S Constitution Approved, 1787
- 18 - U S Air Force Established, 1947
- 18 - POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 22 - Yom Kippur Begins at Sundown
- 23 - Autumn Begins
- 27 - Gold Star Family Remembrance Sunday
- 29 - VFW Day, VFW Established, 1899

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



Hi Everyone, Sept. 7th is upon us. We hope everyone has a happy Labor Day, Holiday. Several members are going to Wing Ding. Be safe in your travel to it. There will be no Gathering this month. Tom is planning on a ride for the members who cannot attend Wing Ding. I will be moving our belongings to Florida. On Sept 10th there will be a dinner ride to Ann and Tony's in West Jefferson. We are having an ice cream ride to OH YO in Grove City on Sept. 15th at 7:00 PM. The Chapter Get Together is Sept 17th at 7:00 PM at Obetz Community Center. The ride to West Virginia has been cancelled. Since we had to cancel the West Virginia ride, I have moved the Lava Rock Cafe Ride on Sept. 19th to Sept. 26. The Ohio District is having Buckeye Time Out in Plain City on Sept. 18th and 19th. We have several members who will be camping. It is a fun time to meet other members and sit by the small (not) fire. Sept. 12th is the Southeast Section Picnic and ride. On Aug. 15th, the Chapter had a ride to the Air and Space Museum leaving from our normal location. I made a decision to change the starting location. But I did not notify all the members. Because of this I caused some problems with members not going to the new location. This was not good for the Chapter. I learned why we should not make a change to the starting location. For this I take full blame. I am very sorry, I made the changes. I am sure this will not happen again.

Jim and Alice Bontrager

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



The August 15 ride was scheduled to travel to Wapakoneta, Ohio to tour the Armstrong Air and Space Museum departing from Frisch's at 9:00 AM. When I arrived at 8:45 AM Ed Richards, Rodney Freeman and Tom Eden were there. Tom was not riding, but had come to see us off. A short time later Bob and Evelyn DeLong arrived. We each asked who was supposed to lead the ride, but none of us had that honor. Looking at the sky and the dark clouds in the northwest we decided to change the ride to a State Park, Lake Hope Lodge, where Bob and Evelyn had eaten and said the food was very good. We waited until 9:10 to allow any others to show, but since none did we mounted up and headed down Route 33. We had a great ride with Bob leading and had a stretch stop in Nelsonville before heading on down Route 278 to Lake Hope SP. The lodge was impressive and very welcoming. We had a good meal which ended with all of us eating a fantastic serving of hot Three Berry Cobbler topped with Whipped Cream. (See photo below) We were all very satisfied. The return trip was a route up to Route 56 to Laurelville with a stop at the Fruit Store where Bob and Rodney bought apples. Upon leaving there we traveled up Thompson Ridge and took a right onto Route 374 back to Route 664 through Logan to Bremen and Thurston and Baltimore. We turned onto Basil Western Rd and then I took over the lead from Bob and got us over to Route 33 where we all parted ways and went home. All in all we had FUN with FRIENDS. Anyone can join us and enjoy the FUN and camaraderie, so come one, come all, to ride with your BEEEEEs!



Margaret Moore

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



Here we are in September already. Where has the summer gone? I know I have not done all the riding I had planned for this year, but I have managed to get in a number of day rides in addition to my rides with the chapter. In July I returned to Cherokee, N.C. for the N. C. District Rally with side trips along the Blue Ridge Parkway. I had planned on going to Wing Ding with my return trip taking me to the Gulf of Mexico, Florida to visit friends and my return trip along the Atlantic Coast with a stop at The Wall in Washington DC. However, we all know our plans are subject to change. So this year while chapter members are at Wing Ding I will be preparing an alternate ride on Saturday September 5<sup>th</sup> for those of us that remain at home. This ride will be planned slightly different from the normal "meet at 9:00 AM" at Frisch's. Instead we will meet at 2:00 PM at Frisch's for a leisurely ride to a 5:00 PM dinner destination. With an early evening return home. This, I hope, will allow some of the members that cannot make the early Saturday morning meeting time due to personal and family activities. If you are unable to attend Wing Ding, and would be interested in participating in this ride please let me know by phone or email.

Karen has an interesting article in her Motorist awareness to which I would like to add: School is back in session. Please watch out for children waiting at bus stops, walking to school or crossing the street both at the beginning of the day and at closing of the school day! Be alert also for those heading to or returning from extracurricular sports activities. They may look for cars, but they may not recognize a motorcycle  
Tom

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



***\$ The Magic Bank Account \$***

Imagine that you have won the following \*PRIZE\* in a contest:

Each morning your bank will deposit \$86,400 in your private account for your use.

However, this prize has rules:

**The set of rules:**

1. Everything that you didn't spend during each day would be taken away from you.
2. You may not simply transfer money into some other account.
3. You may only spend it.
4. Each morning upon awakening, the bank opens your account with another \$86,400 for that day.
5. The bank can end the game, without warning; at any time. It can say, "Game Over!" It can close the account and you will not receive a new one.

***What would you personally do?***

You would buy anything and everything you wanted right? Not only for yourself, but for all the people you love and care for.

Even for people you don't know, because you couldn't possibly spend it all on yourself, right?

You would try to spend every penny, and use it all, because you knew it would be replenished in the morning, right?

**ACTUALLY, This GAME is REAL ... Shocked? YES!**

Each of us is already a winner of this \*PRIZE\*. We just can't seem to see it.

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The PRIZE is \***TIME**\*

1. Each morning we awaken to receive 86,400 seconds, as a gift of life.
2. When we go to sleep at night, any remaining time is NOT credited to us.
3. What we haven't used up that day is forever lost.
4. Yesterday is forever gone.
5. Each morning the account is refilled, but the bank can dissolve your account at any time WITHOUT WARNING...



**SO**, what will **YOU** do with your 86,400 seconds?

Those seconds are worth so much more than the same amount in dollars.

Think about it and remember to enjoy every second of your life, because time races by so much quicker than you think.

So take care of yourself, be happy, love deeply and enjoy life!

Here's wishing you a wonderful and beautiful day.

***Start "spending!"***

From Wingin GWRRA e-newsletter January 2015 sent in by Tom Hendricks, TX-U  
Reprinted in the New Mexico District Newsletter July 2015

Gary and Karen Ballou

## **INDIVIDUAL OF THE YEAR 2015**



Gladys Carter



## **MEMBERSHIP ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OR WHY ARE WE HERE**

Every organization or business should have a mission statement as well as a statement of purpose, while being similar, they are different. A mission statement should answer the question 'what do we do and who do we do it for'. The statement of purpose contained in the Officer's Handbook includes pieces of the mission and sums it up very succinctly to answer the questions of 'what we do and for whom ' as well as why we do it.

GWRRA is an informal educational, social organization of proud, unique, and special people-Gold Wing and other motorcycle owners. It was formed for people to exchange ideas, share safety information relating to motorcycling and motorcyclists, educate the non-motorcycling public concerning motorcycling problems and participate in scheduled and non-scheduled rides. In addition, it supports the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) and assists all motorcyclists in achieving and /or improving public acceptance of motorcyclists. GWRRA is a family oriented organization, without political or religious affiliations or influence and supports civic, local, police, charity, and government organizations. GWRRA publishes and distributes Wing World and other media that will inform, educate, entertain and enlighten our Members and Officers.

Hard to believe that everything we do can be distilled into one paragraph from the Handbook. Putting that paragraph into action is where all the "FUN" happens.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:**

Ed Richards: Having health problems.

Donna Connolly: Having health problems, but is doing well. She is Suzan and Margaret's sister.

Bill and Karen Cole: Reno accident victims...They should now be back in Ohio for recuperation....

Gladys Carter: Has been under the weather.....

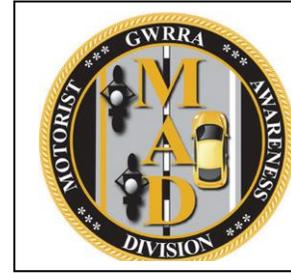
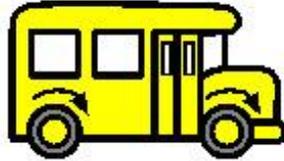
Should I have missed someone please let me know.....

**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 GWRRA!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Mary Bayes

## MOTORIST AWARENESS DIVISION



### HABIT FORMING

I have always been told that most people can form a habit by repeating a task regularly for at least three weeks. It may be driving a new route, exercising, even learning a new skill.

Well, twice a year we have to re-learn a new skill. This morning I drove through my first school zone speed limit of the year. Yes, Westerville Schools started today. Last June, when school let out, I quickly learned to ignore that reduced speed zone, since it wasn't a reduced speed zone any more. It didn't require any effort at all. Now I have to re-learn the previous skill of driving 20 mph during restricted hours.

Now, a school zone slower speed limit is a good thing and necessary to safeguard children, but just when school opens we are all still in summer time mode – bopping to music, enjoying the sun through the car sunroof or early you can leave work to go on a short bike ride. It takes a concentrated effort to see that flashing speed limit ahead of us, especially with the sun rising behind it.



Be aware of the different kinds of markings to designate school zones. I may be as simple as lines on the road. There may be signs overhead or on the side of the road. There may be flashing lights only or all of the above.

Don't rely on flashing lights alone. Recent court decisions handed down said that even if lights are not flashing, and it is during restricted hours while school is in session, the 20 mph speed limit applies. It is the drivers' responsibility to know when schools are in session so the limit can be obeyed. Tickets issued for speeding in a school zone, even though the lights are not working, are valid.

On your daily drives, know where the schools are located. Re-learn your slow speed habit in school zones. And try not to take three weeks to learn this safety habit.



**Have a Safe September.....and..... See You at Wing Ding**  
Karen Ballou



## Rider Ed for September 2015

Friends for Fun Safety & Knowledge. We see it a lot. We hear it a lot.

As a member of this organization, you have access to a variety of world-class, quality programs that are designed with one objective in mind: To help you have a better & safer motorcycle riding experience.

Wing Ding is the annual international convention/rally of our organization. I hope that most of you will be able to join us in Huntsville Alabama September 3-6 for this marquee event. There will be lots of vendors, lots of educational programs, and loads of activities. And most of the programs are FREE with your paid registration.

Want to test-ride a new bike/trike? It's there. Want to shop for new safety chrome for your precious ride? It's there. Want to learn or refresh a few riding skills with an Advanced Rider Course / Trike Course / Trailering Course? They're there. The rider courses have a modest fee but are a bargain that you could pay 10 times more to get from some other sources. Want to learn some ideas for "How to Have Fun at a GWRRA Event", or improve your public speaking skills, or improve your ability to remember names in large group settings? They're there.

If you are going, or even if you are not able to go this year, I encourage all of you to check out the [www.wing-ding.org](http://www.wing-ding.org) website. Look under the Heading for "Event Details". Pull down the menus for "Schedule of Events", "Seminars" and "Rider Education". Look at the terrific variety of things to do & see.

If you are going to be at Wing-Ding please be sure to let Jim Bontrager know what days you will be there & provide him your cellphone number, before you leave. The Chapter has volunteered to help at the reception/registration desks on Friday September 4. We would love to have you join us. I will also be at the Rider Education table for at least a few hours after opening ceremony on Thursday. Stop & say "Hi"  
Safe travels... Karen & I hope to see you there!

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 Road Captains – 17

Current in Level I – 14

Current in Level II - 0

Current in Level III - 7

Current in Level IV - 12

## August Attendance

- 1 - 9:00 a.m. Gathering,
- 1 - Ride to Chapter Y, in Mt. Vernon,
- 9 - Ride to Farmer's Daughter restaurant in Urbana, 10 members
- 11- Dinner ride to Dairy Shack, Circleville, 10 members 1 guest
- 13 - Ride to Chapter Q2 in Circleville, 11 members
- 15 - Ride to Air and Space Museum in Wapakoneta,
- 15 - Ride to Lake Hope Lodge, 5 members
- 20 - Get together, Obetz Community Center, 12 members
- 21 - 22 Michigan District Rally, 0
- 22 - Ride to Zane Gray Museum, 7 members and 1 guest
- 27 - Dinner ride to Pizza Cottage, Buckeye Lake 12 members
- 29 - Obetz Zucchini Festival, 9 members

### 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

Be sure to mark your October calendar for the Obetz Halloween Party. The activity is tentatively scheduled for Friday October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm.

Ride safe,  
Esther Ford





### Birthdays

6 Gladys Carter

12 Sandy Durbin

29 Mike Thompson

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.



### Anniversaries

None

### Up Coming Activities

#### **Greeter for September: no gathering**

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

### 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

5 - Alternate dinner ride for those not attending Wing Ding. Meet at Frisch's at 2:00 pm

7 - Labor Day Holiday

\*10 - Depart Frisch's at 6:00 pm for dinner ride to Ann & Tony's in West Jefferson

12 - South East Section Picnic, see flyer on page 14

15 - Ice Cream ride, Oh Yo in Grove City

17 - 7:00 pm get together, Obetz Community Center

18 - 19 Depart Frisch's on S Hamilton Road at 10:00 am for Buckeye Time Out, Pastime Park, Plain City, See flyer on page 15

\*\*26 - Depart Frisch's at 9:00 am for Lunch ride to Lava Rock Café, Coshocton,

26 - Indiana Fall Fest, Greensburg Fairgrounds

\* Note start point change from previous schedule

\*\* Note this is a date change from previous schedule

### October 2015

3 - Gathering, 9:00 am, Obetz Community Center, Greeters - Bill and Esther Ford

3 - Chapter Fun Day 1:00 pm at the home of Bob & Suzan Sestito, 5629 Carnes Road Carroll, Ohio

8 - Ladies Lunch, 12:00 location to be announced.

10 - Depart Frisch's at 9:00 am for ride to Malabar Farms

13 - Depart Frisch's at 6:00 pm for dinner ride to Logan's Restaurant on Route 256

15 - 7:00 pm get together, Obetz Community Center

17 - 1:00 pm Ride planning and scheduling, Obetz Community Center,

If you have ride suggestion, please attend this meeting or let chapter staff know so that the suggestion can be included.

- 23 - Obetz Community Halloween Party, Obetz, Community Center
- 24 - Depart Frisch's at 9:00 am for Fall Color Ride
- 25 - Region D Fun at Sea Cruise, Ft. Lauderdale FL.
- 28 - Depart Frisch's at 7:00 pm for ice cream ride to Tony's Coneys Route 62



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 H2 in Warrensville Heights, Ohio; and the Ohio District Traveling Plaque was at Chapter H2 in Warrensville Heights, Ohio.

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## Southeast Section Picnic



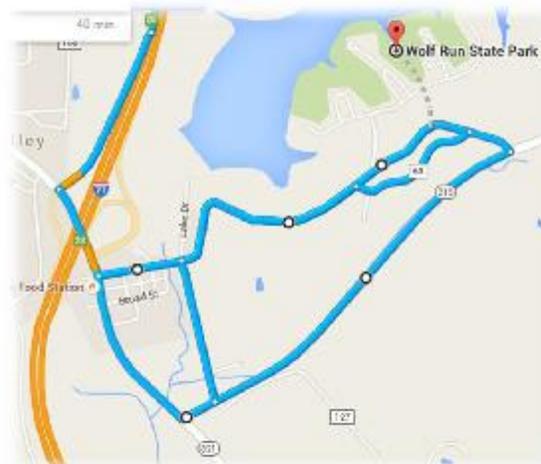
September 12, 2015

*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 McConnellsville 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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