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B3 Meets the 1st Saturday of each month (No gathering in September 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

B3 Couple of the Year:

Bill and Esther Ford

B3 Individual of the Year:

Ken Daft

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Some questions were asked about Jim and Alice's new address.
If you missed it in the November newsletter, here it is;
Jim and Alice Bontrager, 185 Golf View Drive, Auburndale, FL 33825

Items of interest in the month of February

- 2 – Ground Hog Day
- 4 – USO is incorporated, 1941
- 5 – USO Warrier and Family Center opens in Fort Belvoir, VA., 2013
- 10 – Ash Wednesday
- 12- President Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
- 14 – ValentinesDay
- 15 – Pesident's Day National Holiday and Susan B. Anthony Day
- 19 – Battle for control of Iwo Jima begins, 1945
- 22 – President George Washington's Birthday
- 23 – Operation Desert Storm ground war begins, 1991
- 23 – U S Flag is raised on Iwo Jima, 1945
- 27 – Operation Desert Storm Ground war ends after 100 hours of conflict, 1991
- 28 – Persian Gulf War Cease Fire Day, 1991
- 29 – Leap Day

Tom Eden
Chapter Director (pending)

I hope everyone has stayed healthy and warm during the January cold weather.

Cabin Fever, the first of our rally activities will occur on February 4 – 6 at Deer Creek State Park Lodge. Our own Gary and Karen Ballou will be competing for District Couple of the Year. I hope that many of you can join in the activity there. With Cabin Fever occurring on the first weekend of the month, our February gathering will be on the next weekend, February 13th.

At the February gathering we should begin to prepare for the April gathering when we will be hosting the State Officer's Meeting at our gathering location. We can expect approximately 150 chapter officers and state staff to be in attendance. Karen Ballou is lead volunteer on the lunch preparations will need to be made. The chapter members will need to support her efforts. This will probably involve members staying to help serve the lunch and do some cleanup.

Sue Gundy has undertaken the task to update the Chapter Directory. New pictures will be taken during the next several gatherings and phone numbers corrected. Please be sure to wear your chapter colors and vests, if you have one for the picture.

Tom Eden
Chapter Director



Margaret A. Moore
Assistant Chapter Director
Winter

Whoa, winter is here! I know because I got to stand out in it. January 12th I stood out in the short blizzard and snow showers that hit Grove City. It makes me wish I was on my trike somewhere else. But I am not, so I sit here at home in the warmth and dream about the fun rides our chapter has planned for the Bees. We have events planned throughout the year: winter, spring, summer, and fall so check your printed list or the Bee Web site for those events and come out and join the hive of Bees to have some fun. The Bee family, Hive, can only survive and grow, if every Bee participates in the fun so we can show how much fun we can have. When that happens maybe we can recruit more Bees to ride with us. Think about it Hive members.

Margaret Moore
Assistant Chapter Director



Assistant Chapter Director

Your photo here

COUPLE OF THE YEAR 2015

Bill and Esther Ford

We visited Chapter Y's gathering in January. It was a fun evening; however there were several people absent due to illness. We hope everyone is feeling better. We can catch up at Cabin fever. We were entrusted with a stuffed (?pelican?). Her name is Roxie; she is supposed to travel with us everywhere until we pass her to another Couple of the Year. This was totally unexpected; we had never heard of Roxie before. We have a Bee costume for a small dog, (thanks to Kay Peters). Sooo we outfitted Roxie with it. We are hoping to pass her off soon.



INDIVIDUAL OF THE YEAR 2015

Ken Daft

Individual: Strange! I have never really thought of myself as an individual, but rather a part of a greater whole. Yes, I know the importance of the designation in B3, GWRRA, yet this is a position I never thought about. With B3 I have the position. Thanks! Yet I am not an "individual" when it comes to being around many fine and "biker-worthy" friends. People are not "joiners". Why? We were made in the image of God (my pastor hat now on!) and if God is anyone, He is a Being of relationships. We were created for intimacy and with connection together. Without these, we would NEVER be satisfied because it's in the nature of each one of us to seek companionship with others. It's a part of our DNA! So there are really NO individuals. We're all glued to someone else in some measure and in some way. No wonder Facebook has been and continues to be so successful. Ask me to ride along with B3, and I want to do that. Take a ride by myself? Yes, we all do that from time to time. But it's nothing like riding "together."
So, come ride with US!



New Member profile



Robert and Pam Vogel of Pataskala bought their Honda VTX1800 from members Michael and Deb Plumb. Previous motorcycle owners, but just recently purchased this one in 2015. Drove truck for FED EX Custom Critical for 5+ years as team drivers cross country (hit every state except N Dakota/Hawaii/Alaska) no time to ride. We love to ride backwoods and country views: Taking the trip with Bob Sestito, Tim Connor and Mike Plumb and their wives to Pigeon Forge in August 2016. Looking forward to many more rides with the B3's. Since we both still work, working our rides into our time off is difficult, but worth every effort to live and ride the dream. Plans are to get a GOLDWING/trike in the future is our dream. Found the B3's through Bob Sestito and Mike Plumb, as we all work with the City Of Columbus.

We are both outside people and love nature. Our kids are all four legged and furry. We are from northern Ohio but currently calling central Ohio home.

MEMBERSHIP ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM



WHAT ELSE IS THERE

Why did you join GWRRA????? That is a question we all get asked from time to time. While many of the answers revolve around riding and the fellowship of Chapter life (which is the part I like the most), there are many who join for other reasons. Which spawns the question, are you getting the most out of your GWRRA membership???? How long has it been since you checked out the ever expanding list of benefits available as part of your membership in GWRRA???? There are many ways being a member of GWRRA can save you money -- and not just when travelling. Do you mention having taken GWRRA rider courses when you renew your bike insurance????

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Many companies will give you a Discount for keeping those current. And speaking of insurance how many of you are paying for roadside assistance as an addition to your bike insurance premium???? We get it for free as part of our GWRRA membership, so you can eliminate it from your bike insurance (if you have Rescue Plus you can remove roadside assistance coverage from your car insurance as well). There are discounts on life, health, and long term care insurance, cell phone plans, office supplies, and other non-travel related purchases. When traveling, do you have the GWRRA discount information on lodging, car rental, or even cruises???? Have you taken advantage of the GWRRA rip planning services???? Many of the benefits are described in the "Officer Handbook, however I recommend going to the "Benefits" page under the "Members" tab of the www.gwrra.org for the most current listing. The more money you can save by taking advantage of the discounts offered to GWRRA Members, the more money you will have available for participating in GWRRA events or purchasing that all important "SAFETY CHROME"

THE MOR YOU KNOW THE BETTER IT GETS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:

Bob DeLong- Health issues.....

Pat & Ed Richards- The passing of Pat's brother and Ed health issues.....

Remember the family of Frank Shoemaker, as he has passed.....

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

Mary Bayes Membership Enhancement Coordinator

MOTORIST AWARENESS DIVISION Karen Ballou



It's February - yea?

What can one say about February in Ohio? It is challenging, maybe...it is pretty, and sometimes...it is cold, most definitely...



I think you would say...YUCK! (but I love the snow, so pretty)..I heard that. I happen to love and need four seasons a year and this is just one of them. Only 25% of my life.... Seems a fair trade...
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But remember that February is close to April and in April the motorcycles emerge from hibernation to bring fun on the road back to our world.

In the meantime, we must move ourselves from place to place on four wheels (and window wipers and heaters) and dodge the speeders who are immortal and bulletproof, in the street was and work on those budding ideas for the next riding season.



Enjoy your February, drive very carefully and remember to join us at Cabin Fever, Feb 5-7 at Deer Creek State Park. And any motorcycles out in Ohio now, ARE CRAZY PEOPLE...Avoid them!!!



I am going to go get WARM now. !!!

RIDER EDUCATION Gary Ballou



Rider Ed for February 2016

As I sit shivering at my desk, it seems appropriate to remind us of one of the winter hazards we don't always think about. This "timely" article comes to us courtesy of Keith & Elaine Price Region B CPR/FA Trainers. It appeared in the February 2015 Region B newsletter.

Frostbite!

Hypothermia is not the only environmental danger that you can encounter this time of year. Frostbite, although not as immediately life-threatening as hypothermia, can cause severe injuries. Everybody has heard of people losing fingers, toes, and other body parts after being frostbitten, but frostbite can cause other long-term problems as well. Frostbite can lead to permanent circulatory problems in those body parts that were frozen. This can cause subsequent occurrences of frostbite to happen more quickly.

We have all heard of "dry heat." The claim is that 100 degrees in the desert does not feel so hot because it's so dry. **Do you know there is such a thing as "dry cold?"** My sister spent several winters in Northern Maine where the *daytime* temperature might be 30 (Continued on next page)

degrees *below* zero. She always said that, because of the low humidity, it did not really feel that cold. In such temperatures, severe frostbite can occur to exposed skin in only a few minutes!

Early symptoms of frostbite include a prickly, painful, “pins and needles” sensation in the affected body part. This leads to a loss of feeling and hard, pale, numb skin. Simply re-warming the affected area using something as simple as skin-to-skin contact with a warm hand can treat early minor frostbite. More serious cases require more serious treatment. Get the victim to a warm area and remove any wet clothing. Activate EMS, if possible. If there is any possibility that the area will re-freeze, do **not** warm the frozen area! Repeated freezing and thawing will cause more damage than leaving the body part frozen. If EMS is not available and the victim will not again be exposed to a frigid environment, re-warm the affected part yourself.

Place the frostbitten area in warm (**not hot**) water for 20-30 minutes. Remember, the frostbitten area is totally numb and the victim cannot feel the hot water, chemical hand warmers, or exposure to a heat source such as a fire that can be causing them burns. The water should be about body temperature – around 100**degree F**. Check the water temperature frequently. As the part thaws, the victim will likely experience severe pain and possibly swelling, blistering, and color changes to the skin. Do not disturb any blisters and place dry, sterile dressings between affected toes or fingers. Do not use any ointments on frostbitten areas. It will only have to be removed at the hospital. Do not let the victim use the frostbitten area after it is thawed and get the victim to a doctor or hospital as soon as possible. Really severe cases of frostbite cause destruction of tissue, and surgery such as skin grafts - and even amputation - may prove necessary.



As with all environmental injuries, the best treatment for frostbite is to **avoid** it. Take care of yourself and if you feel the beginnings of frostbite, get out of the cold and warm up.

Be careful and stay healthy!

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 January 2016

Current First Aid/CPR – 22
Current Road Captains – 17

Current in Level I – 14
Current in Level II - 0
Current in Level III - 5
Current in Level IV - 13

January Attendance

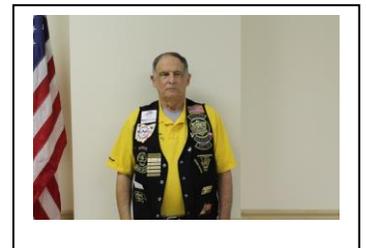
January 2016

- 1 – New Year’s Day Breakfast 23 members and 2 guests
- 2 – Chapter gathering, 19 members and 2 guests
- 13 - Dinner ride, Florentine Restaurant, cancelled
- 21 -Mid-Month get together, 12 members
- 23 -Lunch/Ice Cream ride, Culvers, 13 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. 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 20th of the month.



Special Activities Coordinator

The next event that we will be assisting Obetz Community with will be the Easter egg hunt. I have not received official word, but plan for that to be March 19. That is the week prior to Easter weekend that is when it was scheduled in the past. I will let you know when I hear the details.



Ladies lunch will be February 11, at 12:30 at Cracker Barrel in Pickerington. The address is 1860 Winderly Lane Pickerington, Ohio 43147. That is just off S. R. 256. Hope we have a good turn out!

Remember Valentines is coming up, surprise your loved ones. Ladies this is a good time to remember your secret sister.

See you at Cabin Fever,
Esther Ford



On January 7, 2016 CD (pending), Tom Eden presented a check for \$168.00 to Vicky Ottman of the Groveport Food Pantry. The money was donated in a special collection taken at the chapter's November Gathering.



Birthdays

- 1 Ben Bayes
- 7 Ken Daft
- 8 Sue Gundy
- 8 Michael Tussey
- 18 Jim Bontrager
- 19 Tom Eden
- 26 Bob Vogel



Anniversaries

- 15 John & Linda Frank

Give Connie Ratliff, 740-503-7870 or Tom Eden, 614-497-8621 a call if any get well or sympathy cards need to be sent.

[Up Coming Activities](#)

Greeter for February Bob and Pam Vogel

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

This is your chapter. The events scheduled are not just for the officers. One of the goals of GWRRA is FUN. It isn't as much fun without you there. The tentative schedule for 2016 has been planned, but there is space for more. There were **only 8** people at the ride planning meeting. There are some FUN and Exciting activities scheduled. Please be a part of your chapter. If you have ideas for rides/activities let Tom Eden know, as there is plenty of space to add activities and destinations.

February 2016

4 – 6 Cabin Fever, Deer Creek Park Lodge, theme is NASCAR

11 – 13 Indiana Winter Rendezvous, Columbus, Indiana.

11 - Ladies Lunch, Cracker Barrel, the address is 1860 Winderly Lane Pickerington

13 - 9:00 am, Chapter gathering, Obetz, Community Center

17 – 6:30 pm Dinner Ride, Frisch's Restaurant, South Hamilton Road, meet there

****25 - 7:00 pm Mid-Month get together, Obetz Community Center**

26 – 27 Michigan Wingless Weekend, Bay City Michigan, theme Mardi Gras

27 – Going to a movie, time, location and movie will be announced based on choices

**** note date change!**

March 2016

5 – 9:00 am, Chapter gathering, Obetz Community Center

Ride to Chapter Y Auction, 2:30 – 5:00, Mt. Vernon, Ohio following gathering

10 – Ladies lunch - location and time to be determined

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

19 – Provide support to Obetz staff at Community Easter Egg Hunt.

We will meet at the Obetz Athletic Center at 10:00 am, lunch to follow.

22 – 6:30 pm, Dinner Ride, Old Bag O' Nails, Route 256, meet there

26 – 3:00 – 5:00 pm, Attend Chapter O's Auction, Stacy's Buffet, 833 S. 30th Street, Heath, Ohio. Meet there.



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
A3	Marietta, Ohio gathers at Shoney's Restaurant, 44 Acme St., Marietta, Ohio. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. gathering follows. Chapter web site https://ohioa3.shutterfly.com	1 st Thursday	7:00 p.m.
B-3	Obetz, Ohio gathers at Obetz Comm. Center, 1650 Obetz Avenue, Obetz, Ohio. Light refreshments at 8:30 a.m., gathering follows. Chapter web site http://www.gwrraohb3.org	1st Saturday (except Sept. & Dec.)	9:00 a.m.
F-3	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 http://www.ohf3.com	3 rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
H-3	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.
O	Newark, Ohio, gathers at Stacy's Buffet, 833 S. 30 th St., Heath, Ohio. Dinner at 6 p.m., gathering follows. http://www.ohiogwrra.org/chap/O/latest.pdf	3 rd Thurs.	7:00 p.m.
Q-2	Circleville, Ohio, gathers at Huffman Homestead, 6906 Old Tarlton Place, Circleville, Ohio. Chapter web site https://sites.google.com/site/gwrraq2/home	2 nd Thursday	7:00 p.m.
X	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 IN-D2 Johnny Appleseed Wings, Fort Wayne, Indiana; and the Ohio District Traveling Plaque was at Chapter H2, North Shore Wings in Warrensville Heights, Ohio.

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Ohio GWRRA Rider Course Registration Form

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Please select a class from the following:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Wilmington, OH</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Nelsonville, OH</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	April 16— TRC	<input type="checkbox"/>	April 23— TRC
<input type="checkbox"/>	April 17— ARC	<input type="checkbox"/>	April 24— ARC
<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Galion, OH</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Kent, OH—SITE TBD</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	May 14— ARC	<input type="checkbox"/>	May 28— ARC
<input type="checkbox"/>	May 15— TRC	<input type="checkbox"/>	May 29— TRC
<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Buckeye Rally, OH</u>		
	June 15— TRC **		

** The Buckeye Rally TRC course comes with a complimentary pass to the Buckeye Rally.

ARC—GWRRA Advanced Riders Course—Class begins at 8:45 AM, ends Appx. 5:00PM, Includes Classroom
TRC - GWRRA Trike Riders Course—Class begins at 8:45 AM, ends Appx. 5:00PM, Includes Classroom

- All Ohio GWRRA Classes may be ridden 2-Up.
- Riders/Co-Riders must wear full protective Gear.
- Riders must have valid operator's license with motorcycle endorsement and proof of insurance for the motorcycle. THESE DOCUMENTS WILL BE ASKED FOR AT THE BEGINNING OF THE CLASS. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THEM YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CLASS.
- You will be notified of class details the Monday prior to class via email.
- Courses will take place rain or shine. NO refunds due to weather.
- Cost for all courses is \$35.00 per bike or trike. Make checks payable to "GWRRA of Ohio"
- Please return form No Later than 2 weeks prior to your chosen class. Early Registration assures your participation in the class of your choice.

Rider _____ GWRRA Membership # _____
 Co-Rider _____ GWRRA Membership # _____
 E-Mail _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Chapter _____ Phone _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
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Please do NOT send cash!
MAIL COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND FEES TO:
Robert G Williams, 4921 Sherman Wood Dr, Kent OH 44240
Questions? 330-802-2429, ohioeducator@ohiogwrra.org

Received _____ Check # _____

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****GWRRRA of Ohio reserves the right to change or modify schedule as necessary***



CABIN FEVER SCHEDULE 2016*

Thursday Evening, 7PM	District Meet and Greet: pop, water and snacks	Room 212
Friday Afternoon		Event Location
12:00-8:00PM	Early Bird Cabin Fever Registration (MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED)	Lobby
12:00-8:00PM	Event sign-up sheets located at MED table for the following: *Best Dressed Theme for Individual & Couple *Ugly Sweater Contest *Craft Project *Table Centerpiece Contest (entries placed in Ballroom Sat.by 5:15pm) *Euchre Tournament *Talent/No Talent Show (Music/media MUST be provided at sign up)	Lobby
12:00PM	Lunch on your own (Restaurant open 11A-2P)	Rafters Restaurant
12:00PM	Place Pictures on Remembrance Wall	Lobby
12:30PM	MEP-John W-How Can I Participate In GWRRRA	Parlor Room
12:30PM	LTP-Margaret Moore-staffing and appointing	Buckeye Room
1:45PM	RE-Dave Preston-Share the Road Think Motorecycle	Parlor Room
1:45PM	LTP-Howard Kern- Motivating Volunteers	Buckeye Room
4:00-8:00PM	Vendor Sales	Scarlet Oak Room
2:30-4:00	Euchre	
3:00	RE-Sheila Preston-Mature Rider	Parlor Room
3:00	LTP-Lloyd and Becky- Listening and Communicating	Buckeye Room
5:00-	Dinner on your own (Restaurant open 5-8PM)	Rafters Restaurant
7:00- PM	Identity Theft Seminar (Legal Shield- Todd Goodwin)	Parlor Room
8:00-10:00PM	Night Games (Have you had your eyes examined)	Rooms 231 & 232
8:15-10:15PM	Monty Carlo	Ballroom
10:15PM	Ice Cream Sundae's	Ballroom
Saturday		
7:00-11:00AM	Breakfast Buffet for \$12.95 per person (Buffet Includes Drink and Taxes) (Rafters Rest. open 7-11 am) Restaurant Foyer	
9:30	Registration Open (Closed for Opening/Reopen after Opening until noon)	Lobby
8:00 AM	Place Pictures on Remembrance Wall	Lobby
8:00-11:00AM	Event Sign-up Sheets Located at MEC Table *Best Dressed Theme for Individual & Couple *Ugly Sweater Contest *Craft Project *Table Centerpiece Contest (entries placed in Ballroom Sat.by 5:15pm) Doesn't Designate seating of Chapter *Euchre Tournament *Talent/No Talent Show (Music/media MUST be provided at sign up)	Lobby
8:30AM	OPENING CEREMONY *District Couple of the Year Selection Process *Chapter of the Year Winner announced *Educator of the Year Winner announced *Recruiter of the Year Winner announced *Registration open after Opening until noon Announce New Couple	Ballroom
10:00-5:00PM	Vendor Sales	Scarlet Oak Room
10:00	RE-Robert Williams and Becky Jones-Crash Scene	Parlor Room
10:00	MEP-Geggie COV Shop Talk	Buckeye Room
10:00-11:00AM	Chapter Games	
11:00-	Moose Trap Car	Mid-Mezzanine
10:30-12:00PM	Euchre Tournament	Fireside Mezzanine
11:00-1:30PM	Rider Education/Motorist Awareness Table	Lobby
11:00-1:30PM	Membership Enhancement Table	Lobby
11:00-1:30PM	Goodies Table	Lobby
12:00-12:30PM	Meet and greet your new Region D Team!!	Parlor Room
12:00-	Lunch on your own (Restaurant open 11A-2P)	Restaurant
1:15-1:45PM	Ugly Sweater	Ballroom
2:10-2:30PM	Line up for Grand Parade	Ballroom Hall
2:30-3:00PM	Grand Parade (Immediately following parade: Best Dress Couple	Ballroom
4:15PM	LTP-Kathleen	Parlor Room
3:00-4:00PM	Silent Auction	Lobby Hallway
4:00-5:00PM	Craft Solar Light	Room 231
5:15-6:00PM	Centerpiece Judging	Ballroom
6:15-8:30PM	Dinner (Must have Orange Arm Band) & Closing	Ballroom
8:45PM	Stage for Talent Show (See Randy Young for line up)	Ballroom Hallway
9:00PM	Talent Show	Ballroom
	*Live Auction immediately following Talent show - Auctioneer, Leon Rogers	Ballroom
	*Music/Slide Show- Immediately following Live Auction	Ballroom
Sunday Morning		
7:00-11:00AM	Breakfast Buffet \$12.95 per person (Buffet Includes Drink and Taxes) (Please note Rafters Rest. Open)	
7:00-11:00AM	Remove Pictures from Remembrance Wall	Lobby

Your entire District Team would like to thank you for joining us at Cabin Fever 2016. We wish you a very safe journey home!!