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B3 Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month except 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

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Items of interest in the month of October

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- 24 United Nations Day
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- 31 Halloween



**Rob & Amanda Stufflebeam**  
**Assistant Chapter Directors**

B3 Stuff - from the Stuff ;)



Hey all! Welcome to Fall. Sh'ya right - it's like, almost 90 out today so where's fall? Maybe it's what we used to call Indian summer? Nah - it hasn't even really gotten cool - yet. Next week is supposed to see temperatures start falling to where one might expect for late September and early October.

As I write this we have a Chapter Ride set for this coming weekend, heading towards Bainbridge. The weather forecast is calling for hot and humid, and you know it's never a good thing when the graphic on Weather Bug is a sun with a cactus on it. Everyone please take the heat and humidity into account when preparing for this ride.

B3 was very well represented at the Buckeye Timeout this past weekend. Chapter members cleaned up in Cornhole and S'more's contests, and a good time was had by all. GW camp outs & events like Cabin Fever just keep getting more & more fun. Many thanks to those that came out and enjoyed the fellowship, the fun and the campfire at Buckeye Timeout.

We have just a few more rides to go this season, including a Fall Colors run or two, so hope to see y'all come out. As always, ride safe, ride often, and enjoy the road. :)

Rob & Amanda Stufflebeam  
GWRRA Ohio B3  
Assistant Chapter Director



## **MEMBERSHIP ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM**

### **WOULD YOU PARTICIPATE WHERE THERE IS NO "FUN"?**

Have you ever gone to Region, District, or Chapter events and miss seeing old friends who were not in attendance? Where are they? What are they doing? We miss seeing each of them. We hear many explanations of why Members leave GWRRA. Some sold their motorcycles, some are getting too "OLD", some have other interests, some have poor health, and the list goes on and on. This is what Members say, but is it the real reason? Will a Member step up and say **I JUST DON'T PARTICIPATE OR RENEW BECAUSE THERE IS NO "FUN"**. Probably not, so we keep on fooling ourselves by not providing a "FUN" environment and we just keep on losing Members. Why don't "WE ALL" take a look at why **WE** joined GWRRA in the first place? We hear many reasons for this also. Isn't the real reason because we were introduced to and told of all the "FUN" They were having attending Chapter Gatherings, going on rides, and attending GWRRA events. We wanted others to join in on the "FUN", so we invited them to join us at one of our Gatherings.

If "FUN" is what makes most of us join GWRRA it only stands to reason that in order to Get Members to stay is to insure that they are having "FUN". At each of the GWRRA events we have attended the main focus was on having "FUN".

Would "YOU" attend or participate where there is no "FUN"? Not likely!!!!

Who is responsible for providing the "FUN"? Some will say the Chapter Director, some will say the Membership Enhancement Coordinator, some will say the Ride Coordinator, and "WE" say it is every Member. Do we talk to other Members at the Chapter Gatherings? Do we sit with the same group at every event and not include others. Do we make others feel welcome and part of the group as much as we want to be made to feel welcome???

Let's stop for a few minutes and take an inventory. Our participation and our contribution to the "FUN" is when we are enjoying and giving to other Members. There is probably room for improvement in each of us.

We joined GWRRA for the "FUN" and we will stay if we are having the "FUN". Always remember to

**SMILE...SMILE...ALWAYS GREET EACH AND EVERYONE THAT ATTENDS YOUR CHAPTER GATHERINGS!!!!!! "FUN IS THE GLUE THAT HOLDS IT ALL TOGETHER"!!!!!!**

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

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:**

Bill Ford: Now in recovery after his cancer procedure...Really doing great....

Evelyn DeLong: Keep her in your thoughts and prayers....Maybe facing surgery in the future...

Robert Vogel: Had his surgery and had some issues....Just keep him and his Father in your thoughts....

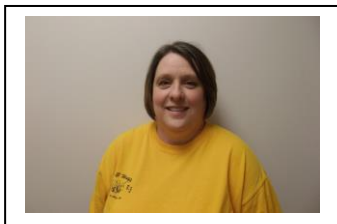
Ken Daft: Feeling better, but still can't wear a helmet....

Dale Hudson has been hospitalized at the Akron General Hospital in the Critical Vascular Intensive Care Ward for blood clots in his left leg and right hand. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Also keep the folks in Texas, Florida and other states that went through the wrath of two Hurricanes. And also the folks in the paths of the hurricanes that are following close behind those that have already made landfall.

Mary Bayes

Membership Enhancement Coordinator



**Dressing for the cold; not the fashion show.**

Colder weather makes us think of Football, Pumpkin Spice, and warm jackets. So with the cooler temperatures on the way, we need to start thinking about riding safely in the cold. As the temperature drops adding layers is important. It is best to have a layer of synthetic fiber closest to your skin. Cotton traps moisture against your skin and denim does not insulate you much. There is great gear for cold weather that has liners that can be removed if your ride starts out cool but warms up in the late day. A full face helmet is not only safe but warm also. A jacket that breaks the wind is essential. Thick socks and warm boots are a must. There is nothing more uncomfortable than cold feet. So just add some gauntlets and keep those fingers safe and warm and you can ride all day.

For all the co-riders out there: Just because it looks cute in the store it probably will not protect you from the cold on the back of a motorcycle. Those boots may look great but may not hold up to the temperatures once you are moving. Those cute lace top boot socks do not provide the protection against a broken ankle. You can find some cute gear and still be safe - just shop around. There are some great blogs written by women for women that will help you find some gear. Always dress for the slide not the ride is good advice for the passenger, whether you're male or female.

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Beware of hypothermia. It does not have to be below freezing to develop hypothermia. Be aware of chills, cold extremities, and foggy thinking. It is always best to stop for some hot cocoa or coffee than just try to stick it out. Cold is just as dangerous as heat.

Once you're dressed for the ride and not a football game there are a few other things to worry about. Remember that bridges and puddles can freeze and cause deadly icy patches on the road. Also as the cooler weather arrives the wildlife will begin to move around, so watch out for Bambi.

Amanda Stufflebeam  
Assistant Rider Educator B-3

DRESS FOR THE "SLIDE" NOT FOR THE "RIDE"

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

Chapter statistics for the month

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

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

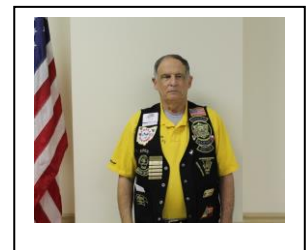
### Attendance at the September activities

1 -2 Wing Ding Gaylord, Texas  
12 6:30 dinner ride, 9 members  
15- 16 Buckeye Timeout, 13 members  
23 – Chapter Ride, 10 members  
26 – Dinner/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](mailto:traveler1@columbus.rr.com). Articles could be about a ride you went on, an event you attended, 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**  
**Esther Ford**



Thanks to everyone who came out to assist with traffic control for the Zucchini Festival Parade! We had a wonderful show of support for the Obetz community. Special thanks to Tom Eden for being the contact person for the police chief. They really appreciate our assistance.

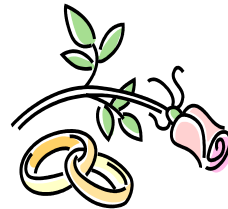
The next event that we can volunteer our service will be October 27th at 6:00pm. The Halloween Party is held at Dixon Quarry, 4400 Industrial Center Drive Obetz, Ohio. (Located behind Vance Outdoors) If you are running late you can still help out. We need many hands as we anticipate a big turnout. Hope to see you there, it is lots of fun.

Thanks so much,  
Esther Ford



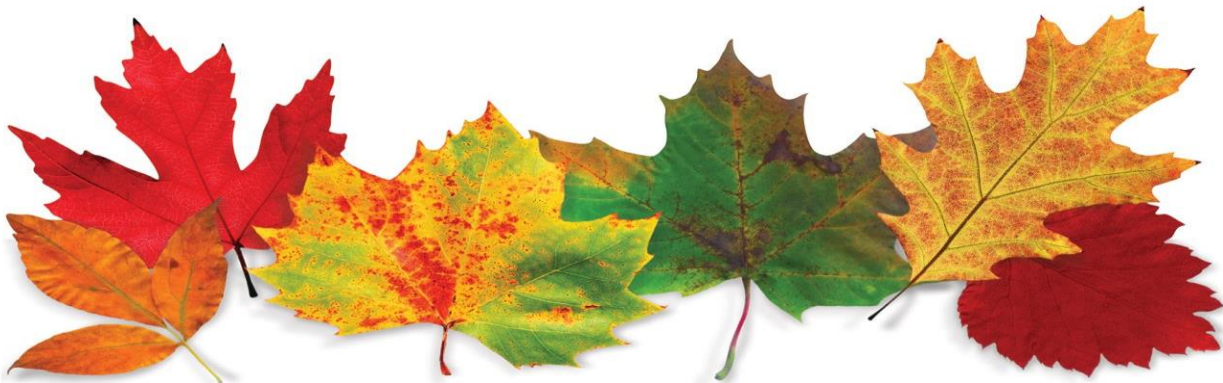
**October Birthdays**

- 11 Karen Ballou
- 15 Wendell Gundy
- 19 Connie Ratliff
- 26 John Frank



Anniversaries

*Give Connie Ratliff, 740-503-7870 or Rob Stufflebeam, 740-304-2518 a call if any get well or sympathy cards need to be sent.*



[Up Coming Activities](#)

**Greeter for October Tim and Connie Rattliff**

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

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 2017 has been planned, but there is space for more. There are some FUN and Exciting activities scheduled. Please be a part of your chapter. If you have ideas for rides/activities let a chapter team member know, as there is plenty of space to add activities and destinations.

**October 2017**

- 7 - 9:00 am, Chapter gathering, Obetz Community Center, Chapter Fun Day following at the home of Randy Young., 4369 Summit Road, Pataskala, Ohio.
- 12 – Ladies Lunch, 12:30, location to be determined, meet there.
- 14 – 9:00 am meet at Frisch's, Fall Color Ride.
- 17 – 6:30 pm, Dinner / Ice Cream ride, Clay's 8089 W. Main Street Hebron, Ohio, meet there
- 19 - 7:00 pm, Mid-Month get together, Obetz Community Center
- 21 – 9:00 am meet at Frisch's, Fall Color Ride.
- 25 – 6:30 pm, Ice Cream ride, Dairy Queen, 5034 N. Walnut Street, S. Bloomfield, Ohio, meet there
- 27 – 5:30 pm, Obetz Halloween Party, Meet there, Dixon Quarry, Industrial Center Drive off Alum Creek Drive. This is the light just south of Vance Outdoors.
- 28 10:00 am, 2018 Ride planning meeting, Obetz Community Center. All are welcome to attend and suggest rides for 2018.

**November 2017**

- 4 - 9:00 am, Chapter gathering, Obetz Community Center
- 9 – Ladies Lunch, 12:30, location to be determined, meet there.
- 10 – 6:00 set up for State Officer's meeting, Obetz Community Center
- 11 – 9:00 am, State Officer's meeting, Obetz Community Center
- 16 - 7:00 pm, Mid-Month get together, Obetz Community Center
- 18 – Bowling and Lunch, AMF Star Lanes, 2434 Old Stringtown Road, Lunch following at China Bell, Grove City
- 23 – Happy Halloween to all



You Did Whaaat?

Or ... how to qualify yourself for an Iron Butt certification in one easy (?) step

We have quite a variety of riding experiences in B3 but I haven't heard anyone yet tell me they are an Iron Butt rider.

Well here's your chance to one-up me: because I got this one checked off the bucket list on September 24-25, and I have two witnesses including "Robert G" the Ohio District Rider Educator, because he was with me.

We checked into a motel in scenic (?) Milan Ohio on Saturday afternoon September 23 and turned in early.. because the wakeup call came at 3am the next morning.

At 4am we fueled up, got our fuel receipts to document our official start time, and headed east on the Ohio Turnpike.. aiming to complete a 1000 mile+ "Lower Great Lakes" circuit in less than 24 hours.

1088 miles later (according to my Honda odometer), 1046 miles later (according to my Garmin GPS), and 21 hours 7 minutes later (according to my tired body & sore butt) we again fueled at the same station where we had started.

But the bucket list item has been checked off.



The weather was fantastic, if anything a little too hot. My onboard thermometer read as high as 95 degrees Fahrenheit, an anomaly for Canada in late September. Skies were clear all day & we enjoyed a fantastic sunrise going east through New York state and an even more fantastic lingering sunset coming west toward Sarnia Ontario.

Two border crossings were mostly routine, except for our dear mutual friend Robert G. Apparently he shares a name with a notorious fellow citizen and causes some excitement when he attempts to cross international borders. I will not say more here BUT MAKE SURE that if you see him later this year, ask him about it.

If any of you would care to add an ambitious ride to your calendar, check out the possibilities on <http://www.ironbutt.com> or for our specific ride at

<http://www.ironbutt.com/themerides/gl1000/> My certification will not appear for several months (it takes time) but my paperwork has been submitted & I'm looking forward to adding that patch to my distance riding collection.

Gary Ballou C.R.F. (Certified Riding Fool) according to my wife  
B3 Rider Educator



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>A-3</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</b>	Mansfield, Ohio gathers at Liederkrantz, 1001 Silver lane, Mansfield, Ohio. Breakfast is available. Chapter web site <a href="https://gwrraohiob.wordpress.com">https://gwrraohiob.wordpress.com</a>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	9:00 a.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.com">http://www.gwrraohb3.com</a>	1st Saturday (except Sept. & 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>O</b>	Newark, Ohio, gathers at Stacy's Buffet, 833 S. 30th St., Heath, Ohio. Dinner at 6 p.m., gathering follows. Chapter web site <a href="http://www.ohiogwrra.org/chap/O/latest.pdf">http://www.ohiogwrra.org/chap/O/latest.pdf</a>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	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.
<b>Y</b>	Mount Vernon, Ohio gathers at Alison's Finer Diner at 11587 Upper Gilchrist Road in Mount Vernon. Chapter web site <a href="http://www.colonialcitywings.com/">http://www.colonialcitywings.com/</a>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	9:00 a.m.

As of 7/13/2017 the Region D Traveling Plaque was at Ohio Chapter OH-M, in Boardman, Ohio, and the Ohio District Traveling Plaque was at Ohio Chapter OH-M, in Boardman, Ohio.

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