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### Wing It With Mike and Dedre

Great news and good tidings Chapter C! We have the Traveling Plaque again and can expect visitors at our next chapter gathering. Dedre, Ben, myself, James Elam and his co-rider Anna did Chapter C proud as we fought hard for the right to bear the plaque again. Thanks to all that attended, and also to Don Renfro and Donna, Darrell and Alice Hampton for trying so hard to make it there. They were on a ride in Indiana all day and tried to make E-town for the gathering. We appreciate the effort folks!!!

Wing Ding, for those that didn't make it, was a great time. Madison turned out to be a beautiful city with a countryside just as inviting. Dedre and I planned this year to ride and not sit at the convention center all the time as we had in years past. That decision paid off very well. Along with Randy and Denise Coy, Wes Priddy, Alan and Shea Ernest, as well as many other participants up there, all took to the roads. The area was nice, clean and green. Beautiful lakes abound, nice people as well as some really good food. Thanks everyone for riding along with us, we had a great time! We found a place called Hubbard Avenue café in Middletown, about 10 minutes away. Luckily we beat Tennessee there. I think Goldwing pretty much took over the place. Great food, just ask Randy Coy!

We are looking forward to the rides Roger has set up for us, the Blast is upcoming, and several more conventions in the coming months. We hope to see ya'll at any and all of our outings. Ride safe, ride aware, and do your TCLOCS before each ride. It might just save your life!





# RIDER EDUCATION



During the All GOD's Children ride, we had an opportunity to watch a wonderful demonstration on the braking potential of motorcycles. The Lexington Motor Patrol displayed utilizing front only braking, rear only braking, and using both brake systems together. The officers would speed up to 35 mph, then apply their brakes to show maximum capabilities of the motorcycles they ride.

The demonstration was impressive and we urge everyone in our chapter to enjoy the riders education classes available to all members of the GWRRA. These will make you a safer, more educated, and better informed rider that you would ever imagine.

And talking about the importance of TCLOCS, our International Couple of the Year were leaving Wing Ding, did their TCLOCS and guess what; thanks to their practice they found a nail in their tire and were able to have it replaced before they hit the road. Proof that education and practice do keep you safer!!

We hope to be able to announce a new chapter educator soon that will take over the riders education of chapter C.

Be safe out there and ride with the utmost safety.

**Thank you Chapter C for all you do!!**

<u>Birthdays</u>		<u>Anniversaries</u>	
Jeff Sullivan	Aug. 11	Wayne Smorstad	Aug. 25
Teresa Hight	Aug. 12	Mike & Donna Toon	Aug. 25
Danny Samples	Aug. 14		
Mike Toon	Aug. 19		
If we have missed anyone, our apologies. Please let us know!			



Chapter C has a For Sale area now! You can send information on anything you wish to sale to Roger and he will place your information on the Chapter webpage.

We have for sale : 1 Tourmaster Blue and Black XL textile riding jacket men's.

1 Joe Rocket Blue and Black XL textile riding jacket with liners in women's.

1 Joe Rocket Black\Gray\Red heavy riding jacket XL men's.



# Membership Enhancement



## A few words from our chapter

### Couple of the Year– Randy and Denise

I'm sure that Mike and Dedre are going to say something about Wing Ding 36 in Madison, WI. But I do feel that I would be remiss in my duties if I didn't give some word of encouragement about the festivities.

Denise and I took the better part of a day and a half to reach Madison. We spent the first night in Joliet, IL. (It's home to a very large federal prison system, although we decided to NOT spend the night there.) It was my birthday and we celebrated at Steak and Shake. Our young waitress greeted us at the table by saying, "It that your beautiful motorcycle out there?" It was the perfect finish to the day as we watched the sunset and enjoyed the shakes. By the way, I tipped the girl handsomely.

Day two was a bit gray and cool, but no real rain to speak of. (It is my understanding that not all of our Chapter C members were so lucky. You'll have to get more info from Alan and Shea about their exciting night in Chicago!) We checked into our hotel and then headed to the rally for registration. After dinner, we donned our dancing shoes and enjoyed the music provided. It was fun and I don't care what anybody says, we looked good dancing!

The next day I boosted Denise into the "No Zone" truck (her first experience with the beast) and we learned a good bit about how the share the road with these trucks. We spent a significant amount of time in the Vendors area. Who knew that they made so much stuff that you simply can't live without? Actually, we didn't buy anything. (However, I fear that the major factor around that decision is that we didn't have any room in or on the bike to bring it home.)

We went to dinner that evening at a wonderful place in Madison that featured homemade pies. (I really didn't want to go, but Mike's the Chapter Director and I have to follow his lead. J) Being a Methodist preacher gives one the ability to discern the palatability of fried chicken. I have invested years fine tuning this craft. I'm not being coy, (well actually I am Coy), the good folks at Hubbard Ave Diner and Bakery can put a scald on a chicken and the Key Lime pie was the bomb. We laughed, we had good food, and then we went for a ride.

The Wisconsin countryside is simply beautiful. Farms and hamlets were spotlessly clean and well kept. We did not see one blighted property. As we headed back to Madison, we took our bikes on the Merrimac ferry that runs 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, crossing Lake Wisconsin. The best thing is it's free!

On Friday, Mike and Dedre, Denise and I rode the whole day. Again, the state is beautiful and we enjoyed ourselves immensely. We visited the largest Culver's the country! (It's against the law to NOT eat ice cream there. I was forced!)

Denise and I didn't stay for the closing ceremonies. We left Madison under cloudy and cool, but dry weather. The travel was so easy, we rode home in one day. (570 miles.)

We had a great time, ate good food, enjoyed our friends and laughed a lot.

## **KY-C MONTHLY GATHERING INFO**

**Don't forget our gathering place !!!!**

**The Bluegrass Wings gather the 4th Tuesday of every month at Roosters Restaurant at 124 Marketplace Drive, Lexington, KY. We eat at 6:00 and meet at 7:00. Let's get together and have some FUN!!**



## Ride Events

Web page [www.kybluegrasswings.org](http://www.kybluegrasswings.org)



We had a great time on the ride to the Swope's Cars of Yesteryear Museum. I think this was the third time we have had it on the schedule and we had to postpone it twice. It was definitely worth the wait and I always enjoy the ride on US-62. We saw some amazing cars. The oldest was a 1910 model that had a whopping 10 horsepower motor. We also had a great meal at the Back Home Restaurant in Elizabethtown.

We had a great turn out for our dinner ride to the Windy Corner Market. It was a very short ride to the restaurant where we managed to get enough tables for all of us and as usual, we enjoyed the meal. We discussed some stories about the recent Wing Ding. It was great to hear that the weather finally cooperated and they were able to get in some rides in the Madison area.

Our next ride is the Co-Rider's Choice Ride. Karen is still collecting ideas so if you have some ideas for the ride, please let her know.

The list of our upcoming rides and dinners is below. Please come out and join us.

July 26 – Co-Rider's Choice Ride

August 2 – Ride to [Jane's Saddlebag](#)

August 5 – Dinner Ride to [Gibby's in Frankfort](#)

August 23 – Ride to Cynthiana for the [Cynthiana Rod Run](#)

September 6 – Ride through the Daniel Boone National Forest

I will send out an email a few days prior to each ride or dinner to provide more details.

For more information about the rides and future dates please see our events calendar at <http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/events/>. The calendar also includes the various Chapter Meetings and the Region Events. If you have any questions or corrections, please let me know.

If you want to see some of the photos from our past events, check out the following page: <http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/photos/>

## REQUEST

**We would love to get as many of our chapter participants together as possible for a Chapter C picture. Would everyone please provide a weekend day and time when you could be available briefly for the picture. We will find the right place for a beautiful picture. Hey, we want your bikes in the picture also. We also want individual pictures with your bike too, as a form a "meet and greet" on Chapter C's web page.**



**ON-SITE CLASSES AVAILABLE**

*Thanks for stopping in!  
Check Out Some Of Our Great Events*

**Dogs & Discounts**

**Thursday Night Bike Night:**

Every Thursday 5pm-6pm with FREE food and parts discounts throughout the store.

**Off Road Ride / Demo Day:**

We will be holding an Off Road ride at Wildcat Off Road Park the first weekend of October. Arctic Cat will be bringing out a few ATV and Side X Sides to take for a spin. We will provide a FREE lunch also, so mark your calendar this will be an event you do not want to miss!

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## Information from your Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Lets got out and VISIT our fellow chapters. Here is a list of when and where they meet. It's FUN to make new Friends.



**Chapter A** Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Shoney's just off I-65 and Fern Valley Road in Louisville. They eat at 5:30 and meet at 6:30.



**Chapter C** Meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at Roosters. This is at the intersection of Nicholasville Road and Man O War in front of Walmart. Eat @ 6:00 PM and meet @ 7:00.



**Chapter G** Meet on the 2nd Tuesday at the Holiday Inn 7905 Freedom Way Florence, KY 41042 Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm



**Chapter H** Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at Stratton Community Center 215 Washington St. Shelbyville, KY 40065 Meet @ 6:30pm



**Chapter S** Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Golden Coral U.S. 31 W. Elizabethtown, KY Eat @ 4:00 PM, Meet @ 5:00



**Chapter T** Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Carriage House Ramada Inn Paintsville, KY Eat @ 6:00 PM, Meet @ 7:00



**Chapter W** Meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month at Frischs in London off Highway 192. Eat at 6, meet at 7.



**Chapter Y** Meet on the 1st Thursday at Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th St. Mayfield, KY 42066 Eat @ 6:00, Meet @ 7:00

**Look at the Chapter Gathering days as we will try and to visit them all at sometime.**

## The Kentucky Blast is coming to a town near you!

The Kentucky Blast is coming to the Frankfort Convention Center on August 14-16. This year's theme is Winging it at the Fair and will have a county fair feel. I can't wait to hear the chicken cluckers and hog callers of Chapter C! Maybe we'll make it a contest among Chapter C folks!

Classes will also be offered during the Blast on Friday and Saturday. Each day will have a co-riders class which is required for Level 2 and above. This is a great opportunity to take the course to advance to Level 2. We hope to have the class schedule at Tuesday's gathering so you can plan ahead.

A guided ride will be available Friday. Ride along and help the Lead show off our beautiful country side to our visitors.

Ray and Kathy Conrad, the District Vendor Coordinators, were busy at Wing Ding finding us some new vendors! The Blast was moved back one week to help get vendors after they were done at Sturgis. Neihaus will be here for sure, so start your wish list now!

### ALL ABOARD!

One of the many opportunities we took advantage of at the 2014 Wing Ding. We took a ferry ride aboard the Merrimack Ferry. This service operates 24\7 and it is free. The scenery was incredible and we all enjoyed the ride.

All aboard were Randy and Denise Coy, Wes Priddy, Allen and Shea Ernest, Michael and Dedre VanHoose.



# THE 2014 CONVENTION SCHEDULE

**SPRING FLING**  
TENNESSEE DISTRICT CONVENTION  
CAMP JORDAN ARENA, EAST RIDGE TENNESSEE  
April 24—26, 2014

**SUCCESS!**

**DOWN HOME RALLY**  
THE WEST VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION  
SUMMERSVILLE CONFERENCE CENTER  
SUMMERSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA  
June 12—14, 2014

THE GWRRA NATIONAL OFFICE PRESENTS  
**WING DING 36**  
ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER—MADISON WISCONSIN  
July 2—5, 2014

**THE BLAST**  
THE KENTUCKY DISTRICT CONVENTION  
FRANKFORT CONVENTION CENTER  
FRANKFORT KENTUCKY  
August 14—16, 2014

**WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES**  
THE NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT CONVENTION  
ACQUONI EXPO CENTER  
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA  
September 25—27, 2014

**RALLY IN THE VALLEY**  
THE VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION  
"Looney Tunes in the Valley"  
HOLIDAY INN—TANGLEWOOD—ROANOKE, VA  
October 9—11, 2014