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**July 2021**

Happy July Chapter C!!

Wow, what a great turnout we had for our June gathering. It was so good to see and be able to socialize with everyone again.

By the time you read this newsletter, several of us will be on the Wild West Tour 2021! We left out July 5<sup>th</sup> headed to Colorado. We will be riding 13 or 14 states and seeing several national parks and unbelievable scenery. I have never been past Kansas, so this trip is high on my bucket list! I have called it my "Celebration of Life" ride because my cancer diagnosis is now stated as dormant/inactive. Great news for me and my family! GOD is good and has given me a second chance at life!!!!!!

As we plan for future events, remember the KY Blast in coming up in August and Wings Over the Smokies in September. The next Wing Ding will be held in Shreveport, Louisiana. We have not heard any numbers yet, but I bet they were good for Missouri.

We have had some really good rides lately to Our Best, Sonny's BBQ, breakfast at Jerry's and others. It has been great to ride together again!

Till we meet again, you are appreciated and are the best of what chapter C stands for. Dedre and John Conner will be heading up the July gathering. Don't give them too hard a time!! LOL!!!

Mike VanHoose

Director - Chapter C



Greetings Chapter C!

As I'm writing this, it is a beautiful day in the upper 70's and Mike, Roger and I enjoyed a lunch ride to Our Best restaurant in Smithfield, KY. Don't worry, you didn't miss it.....we decided it was a good enough ride to do over again!!!

The Wild West Tour begins Monday, July 5. Please keep these folks in your prayers for a safe, enjoyable two week trip. Those of us left behind will be grateful for those prayers too! The girls left behind will have some dinner rides while they're gone and will send email updates as they get news of the trip. John will plan some rides as well, so keep watch on your email. Our July 17 gathering will occur as usual, so come on out!!!

Speaking of gatherings, we had a great group in June!!! Twenty-five joined us at Rooster's on June 19!!! It was great to have such a showing now that the covid restrictions have been lifted.

Wing Ding 2020 will be in Shreveport, LA. I haven't heard from anyone who went to Springfield for Wing Ding 2021, but hopefully we'll have a report by our July gathering.

The next event to consider is the Kentucky Blast in Lawrenceburg, August 19-21. Since the 21<sup>st</sup> is our normal gathering day, we will be moving our gathering to 1:00 on Sunday, August 22. It will still be at Rooster's. We will eat at 1 and meet at 2.

The North Carolina Wings Over the Smokies will be held just before Labor Day weekend, September 2-4. I'm hoping we get to go to this one but traveling in early September is "iffy" for me because of work. It will probably be a last minute decision for us.

Looking forward to seeing you on July 17!

Dedre VanHoose

KY-C Director and Membership Enhancement Program Coordinator



## 2021 Kentucky Ride Challenge

It's time for some FUN!!! This year the District Staff is issuing a riding challenge to our members with the hope that you will get out and enjoy the beauty and wonder of our great state, and have FUN doing it! The challenge was issued at the annual operations meeting marking the beginning of the event. Members will have until The Blast in August to complete the puzzle. This will give everyone the entire riding season to make the trip, and it may take that long for some. Although it's true that it is only a crossword puzzle, this one will not be a daily endeavor. The resident county of all Kentucky chapters each contain destination points for the puzzle clues. Make it an individual or group ride, or even a chapter event, but don't forget your required "thumbs-up" photo. And most of all, HAVE FUN!!!!

For more information please see: <http://www.gwrraky.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Crossword.pdf>



## Chapter C Ride Coordinator

In June we held 3 chapter events. We had a small group ride to the Kentucky District Ride-In on June 5, in Big Bone Lick State Park. We had a bad weather forecast for the June 19 chapter meeting, so we did not have a ride after that. We did have a dinner ride on June 24 to the newly opened Sonny's BBQ in Frankfort. And we rode to Jerry's restaurant on June 26 for a breakfast gathering, followed by a ride to the Kentucky Air Museum at the Lexington airport.







July is starting off with Wing Ding, which will be over by the time you read this (ended on July 3<sup>rd</sup>). There was no organized trip to Wing Ding with Chapter C this year so if anyone attended, please write up your trip and submit to Roger for the August newsletter.

The Chapter C Western Ride Event is under way as I write this. Mike and about 10 other chapter members are on a great adventure out west. They are due back by around July 18<sup>th</sup> or so. Can't wait to see the photos and hear about the trip when they return.

We have our chapter meeting planned for July 17 at Roosters and since we can do visitation now, I am planning to visit Chapter A on July 10 for their monthly meeting. I invite all that would like to go to let me know and we will meet in the Kroger's parking lot in Versailles. We will go on 2 wheels or 4, depending on the weather.

Look for another dinner ride around July 22 or 29.

Ride Safe.

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For more information about the rides and future dates please see our events calendar at:

<http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/events/>.

If you want to see photos from our past events, check out the following page:

<http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/photos/>

District Newsletter:

If you are curious about what is happening in our Kentucky District, please check out the District Newsletters. They can be found at <http://www.gwrraky.com/newsletters-page/>.

# The Wild West Tour Begins

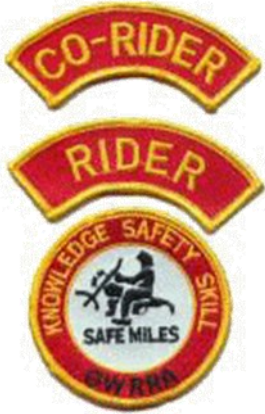
Dedre VanHoose captured these photos as the group begins their trip the morning of June 5th. Please keep these travelers in your prayers and watch for more pictures, videos and hopefully newsletter articles when they return.





## District Educator—Rick and Kim Artmayer

GWRRRA has been promoting motorcycle safety since it was established in 1977. The Rider Education program is designed to encourage and reward safe riding through training and practice. It is open to both the rider and the co-rider. Detailed in a 110-page manual, this program is structured into four levels and includes recognition for the number of safe miles each member travels. Additionally, the Rider Education program also recognizes the total number of miles a member has ridden on any motorcycle during his or her lifetime. This month I would like to write about the Safe Miles and the High Miles programs.



Safe Miles is a part of the Rider Education Levels Program. Safe Miles is defined as the number of accident-free miles driven on your motorcycle since joining the association. It is a means of tracking the number of safe, accident-free miles that have been ridden while in GWRRRA. Miles accumulated prior to becoming a member are not eligible under Safe Miles. If/when an accident occurs, the participant in the Safe Miles Program reverts to 0 Safe Miles. An accident is defined as any incident that results in reportable property damage or personal injury during the operation or use of a motorcycle. Reportable includes, but is not limited to, any law enforcement accident report or insurance claim that was filed because of the incident. Application for Safe Miles is accomplished by submitting the N.10 Form. The Safe Miles Pins are available in 5,000-mile increments through the completion of 95,000 miles. For each 100,000 safe miles increment, a rocker patch is available. The pin and the patch, either in full color or black and gold, are \$2.00 each.

The High Mileage Program is separate from and not a part of the Rider Education Levels Program, but it is administered by the District Educator. This program is provided for those who wish to display their total mileage ridden on all motorcycles. All Members may participate in this program, and do not need to be enrolled in the Levels Program. The mileage applied for includes all miles ridden on any brand of motorcycle, both prior to and after becoming a GWRRRA Member. Accidents do not affect these miles. The minimum required mileage is 50,000 miles. Initially, with the first 50,000 miles, the applicant will receive a High Mileage Pin and a 50,000 Mile Hanger Bar. Additional Mileage Bars are available thereafter in 50,000 - mile increments as additional miles are accumulated. The cost of participation in the High Mileage Program is \$5.00 for the first 50,000 miles (includes the head pin and first hanger bar) and \$2.00 for each additional 50,000-mile hanger bar. Applications for participation in the High Mileage Program are done using the N.7 Form. Updates to High Mileage uses the N.10 Form.

Traveling safely is something to be proud of, as it takes dedication and skill to stay accident-free. Why not display your skill on your vest for everyone to see? Your District Educator will gladly help you acquire your mileage pins and patches.

Richard Artmayer

KY District Educator



## 4 Month Trial Membership to GWRRA

If you know of someone who is interested in joining GWRRA, there is a program that allows them to get a 4 month trial membership for free. The membership includes:

- Rescue Motorcycle Towing of 35 miles
- 4 months subscription to Wing World magazine
- Opportunity to participate in a chapter

An application for the trial membership can be found at:

[http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/GB\\_TrialMembership-4months.pdf](http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/GB_TrialMembership-4months.pdf)

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### Attention Facebook Users:

Jim Springate has created a Facebook group for our chapter. It is another way to communicate with chapter members. If you use a Facebook application, search for "Bluegrass Goldwing Riders". You can also use the following link to get to the group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1036597176793894>

The Kentucky District also has a Facebook group. Search for "GWRRA OF KENTUCKY MEMBER'S PAGE" or use the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/328362664780>

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## Information from your Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Lets get 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 2nd Saturday of the month at Roosters, 10430 Shelbyville Road #7, Louisville. They eat @ 11:00am, meet @ 12:00pm.



**Chapter C** Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Roosters. This is at the intersection of Nicholasville Road and Man O War in front of Walmart. Eat @ 11:00am, meet @ 12:00pm.



**Chapter G** Meet on the 2nd Tuesday at American Legion Post 4, 8385 US Hwy 42, Florence. Eat @ 6:00pm, meet @ 7:00pm.



**Chapter H** Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at the UK Shelby County Extension Office, 1117 Frankfort Road, Shelbyville, KY 40065. Meet @ 7:00pm.



**Chapter K** Meet on the 3rd of the month at the Golden Corral, 1320 North Green Street, Henderson, KY. Eat @ 4:00pm, meet @ 5:00pm.



**Chapter S** Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Shoney's, 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701. Eat @ 4:00pm, meet @ 5:00pm.



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



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

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