



OKLAHOMA Chapter "J"

Edmond, Guthrie, North Oklahoma City

April 2010

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

Region H "The Hospitality Region"

Arkansas - Kansas - Louisiana - **Oklahoma** - Texas

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From Your Chapter Directors

Mary, Jack and I joined friends from Chapters S and X to travel to Louisiana for their Mardi Gras Madness District Rally. We also picked up friends from Chapters B and P on the Indian Nations Turnpike bringing our total bikes to 11. Shortly after joining us, one bike had to be hauled to Paris TX from the Turnpike McDonalds to repair a flat front tire. We spent the night at Marshall TX and arrived in Lafayette the next day several hours before opening ceremonies. Louisiana knew Oklahoma was in the house as we had close to 80 goldwingers in attendance. They do things a little different in Louisiana - outside Thursday opening ceremonies including crawfish racing, Friday night Mardi Gras costumes, Saturday afternoon Deal or No Deal game, beautiful decorations, and more! And of course LOTS of Cajun food! We had lots of fun and enjoyed seeing old and new friends. This was the first year for Louisiana to have the COY Baskets and their eleven chapters went overboard. Four baskets came home to Oklahoma as did some of the 50/50 money. Several Oklahomans toured the Tabasco Plant at Avery Island on Saturday afternoon which was interesting. Charlie, our lady tour guide, told us we were the most fun group she had ever had! Imagine that! It was a fun rally and great weather to be riding in Louisiana!

See you at the next Chapter Gathering,

Larry and Mary

Happy Birthday

APR 10 Don Carroll
APR 11 Wes Mills
APR 24 Gayle Levings

MAY 3 Gary Miller
MAY 7 Bill McIntosh
MAY 13 Stephen Hintze
MAY 31 Mary Punneo

Happy Anniversary

APR 5 Wes and Jeanie Mills
APR 27 Don and Cynthia Carroll

When is a Gold Wing not a Gold Wing?

When it turns into a driveway!

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CHAPTER J GATHERING 3rd Thursday of each month

WHERE: Johnnie's Charcoal Broiler, 33 East 33rd St, Edmond

WHEN: Eat at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

On the Calendar www.gwrra-okj.com for possible changes

- APR 17
Saturday Chapter B 1st Anniversary - Noon
Evangelistic Center Church, Shawnee OK
7.8 miles south of I-40 on Hwy 177
Depart Edmond Wal-Mart (I-35 and 15th St) at 11 a.m.
- APR 23-24
Friday - Oklahoma District Camp Out **SPRING FLING 2010**
Saturday - Okmulgee State Park, Red Oak Campground
Saturday Noon - Fajita lunch will be hosted by District Staff
Please bring covered dish to share
Please let Bill and Carolyn know if you plan to join them for Saturday's ride 405-348-0754
Saturday - depart Edmond Wal-Mart (I-35 and 15th St) at 9:30 a.m.
- APR 29
Thursday Dinner Ride to Boulevard Cafeteria
525 NW 11th St OKC 405-239-6861
Depart Edmond Wal-Mart (I-35 and 15th St) at 6 p.m.
Please let Larry and Mary know if you plan to join them 405-823-4501
- MAY 6
Thursday Dinner Ride to Lakeside Fish Grill
9201 Lake Hefner Parkway 405-748-6113
Depart Edmond Wal-Mart (I-35 and 15th St) at 6 p.m.
Please let Larry and Mary know if you plan to join them 405-823-4501
- MAY 6-8
Thursday - Texas District Rally "Rally the Troops"
Saturday - Ft. Hood, Killeen TX
www.gwrra-tx.org
- MAY 9
Happy Mother's Day -
Moms are like buttons, they hold everything together.
- MAY 15
Saturday Deadline for Wing Ding 32 Pre-Registration -
Early Registration Saves \$\$\$\$\$
- MAY 16
Sunday 1st Annual "Chapters BS Event"
Picnic Ride to Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Sulphur OK
Depart Shawnee Honda at 9 a.m.
Returning home around 5 to 6 p.m.
Bring your own picnic lunch and drinks
Poker Run - GWRRRA Style, Games and Fun for everyone!
- May 20
Thursday Chapter J Gathering
Johnnie's Charcoal Broiler, 33 East 33rd St, Edmond
Eat at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- MAY 23
Sunday Oklahoma Ride for Kids® - First Annual
Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation
www.pbtfus.org

- MAY 27-29 Arkansas District Rally "Mountain Memories IV"
 Thursday- Rogers AR
 Saturday www.argwrra.org
- JUN 4-6 X Chapter X-Travaganza (Anniversary)
 Friday- Camp Out Friday and Saturday nights at New Mannford Ramp, Keystone Lake OK
 Saturday- Saturday events will start at 10 a.m. with games
 BBQ Brisket Dinner by Smokey Tom's on Saturday 2 p.m.
 Tents, Kwik Camp, Bunkhouse camping is free, no need to call for reservations.
 RV Campsites available with electric and water hookups for \$18
 All RVs must call Char Sadler for reservations at 918-223-5688
 Lakeside Motel, Mannford 918-865-4497 for non-campers
- JUN 12 Chapter N's 22nd Anniversary Fiesta !! From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
 Saturday Goodrich United Methodist Church, 200 West Hayes, Norman OK
 Grand Prize \$300 gift certificate to Trikes, Trailers and Accessories
 Quilt Raffle, 50/50 and Contingency Prizes

Co-Rider Course

Chapter S is hosting a co-rider course on Friday, April 16th at 6 p.m. at Steve and Linda McKelvey's home in Midwest City. Harry Dollarhide is teaching this course. This is a great course and will help both the co-rider and rider. They have limited this course to 15 participants and it is first come, first serve. Please contact Linda McKelvey, 405-769-7810 if you wish to take this course.

May is Motorcycle Safety Month

50,532,025 students have graduated from Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) Rider Courses since 1974. Each year 400,000 motorcyclists enroll in MSF courses.

Chapter J Watermelon Festival

We will be having our annual Chapter J Anniversary celebration at Mineral Wells Park in Guthrie.
 Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 14th Noon to 3 p.m.
 HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

Oklahoma Grand Tour 20 www.okhonda-suzuki.com

This Saturday, April 17th, is the Oklahoma Honda-Suzuki open house and Oklahoma Grand Tour awards ceremony. We'll open at 9am and close at 5pm. Wayne Cantrell hopes you'll come join the fun!

Also, the Oklahoma Grand Tour 20 tour packets will be available! The Oklahoma Grand tour is the original motorcycle tour of Oklahoma. This year's tour will take you to 13 different dams across the state. Entry fee is only \$10.

Safety doesn't happen by Accident

Oklahoma Ride for Kids®

Registration opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 9:45 a.m. at the Tulsa Health Department, 5051 S. 129th East Ave., Tulsa. The escorted ride starts at 10 a.m. sharp, rain or shine! The ride will loop back to the starting point. After a light lunch, participants will enjoy a Celebration of Life program that features interviews with young brain tumor survivors – the Ride for Kids® “Stars” of the day. Award presentations to top fundraisers will follow. The host hotel is the LaQuinta Inns & Suites, 12525 E. 52nd Street, Tulsa. RFK rate \$58/night. 918-254-1626

The minimum donation to ride is \$35, but the more money you raise, the more premiums you earn. For each \$300 you raise, your name will be entered into a drawing for a brand-new Honda motorcycle! For information 800-253-6530.

Friends Having FUN

MAR 18 Chapter J Gathering

Wow, with 59 in attendance it was one of the largest groups we have seen gathered for the Chapter J meeting. \$100 Prize in the 50/50! Plus Eyeball Awards! Thanks to everyone for coming. We had visitors from Chapters B, S, W and the X Chapter. Thank You, Thank You, Thank You, Thank You.

APR 1 Dinner Ride to Irma's Burger Shack

Couldn't have been March winds since it was now April, but we definitely had a nice (?) breeze for the ride to Irma's Burger Shack. Two locations for Irma's had a few of our riders confused, but we headed downtown to the one near St. Anthony Hospital. We were happy to have Steve, Mike, Colleen, Cliff and Barbara along for their first dinner ride. Bruce tested his new CB and did a great job of tail gunner. Evert, Mariann and grandsons Tanner and John joined us after some excitement in Edmond. The burgers were great and my smothered chicken was good. The buttermilk pie was shared and enjoyed. The food came out quickly and the service was excellent. Our drinks were replenished many times and we were even offered 'to go' cups. It was a fun evening and we had a chance to visit with our new dinner riders. We took the roads leading through the Capitol Buildings and the magnificent homes on our way back to Edmond. The Capitol Complex looks a lot different at night with less traffic. The wind had died down some so the ride was nice. I did a big yawn close to home and swallowed a bug! Just kidding, April Fools!

APR 8 El Primo's Dinner Ride (Carolyn Duvall)

It was a great evening for a ride and enjoying it were the Blairs, Duvalls, Mills and Bruce. Food was good and we all ate more than we needed, but what's new. We joked about the evening being a gathering of Rolling Creek neighbors and we were happy that the Mills had joined us.

Hallo-Wing IV -

October 8th and 9th
Oklahoma District Rally "Hallo-Wing IV"
Muskogee Civic Center, Muskogee OK
Thursday, Oct 7th Monster Mash Bash Dance and Costume Party
Must Pre-Register by September 18th for District Rally
Meal tickets for pre-registered only (\$5 regardless of age)
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Laughter is the Best Medicine ~ The Strongest Man

A local bar was so sure that its bartender was the strongest man around that they offered a standing \$1,000 bet. The bartender would squeeze a lemon until all the juice ran into a glass and hand the lemon to a patron. Anyone who could squeeze one more drop of juice out would win the money. Many people had tried over time (weightlifters, longshoremen, etc.) but nobody could do it.

One day a scrawny little man came in, wearing thick glasses and a polyester suit, and said in a tiny, squeaky voice, "I'd like to try the bet." After the laughter had died down, the bartender said okay, grabbed a lemon, and squeezed away. Then he handed the wrinkled remains of the rind to the little man. But the crowd's laughter turned to total silence as the man clenched his fist around the lemon and six drops fell into the glass.

As the crowd cheered, the bartender paid the \$1,000, and asked the little man, "What do you do for a living? Are you a lumberjack, a weightlifter, or what?"

The man replied, "I work for the IRS."

Laughter ~ Part Two

A traveling salesman stopped alongside a field on a country road to rest a few minutes. The man had just closed his eyes when a horse came to the fence and began to boast about his past. "Yes sir, I'm a fine horse. I've run in 25 races and won over \$5 million dollars. I keep my trophies in the barn."

The salesman computed the value of having a talking horse, found the horse's owner and offered a handsome sum for the animal. "Aw, you don't want that horse," said the farmer.

"Yes I do," said the salesman, "and I'll give you \$100,000 for the horse." Recognizing a good deal, the farmer said without hesitation, "He's yours." While he wrote out his check, the salesman asked, "By the way, why wouldn't I want your horse?" "Because," said the farmer, "he's a liar - he hasn't won a race in his life."

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