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We want to congratulate our new District Directors – Robert and Angela Williams. Robert and Angela will be replacing our very own “Big John” and Linda Frank. We are sure Robert and Angela will do a great job for our District and we want to give a BIG-THANK YOU to John and Linda for doing such a great job.

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- **Aug. 7** is our **Midnite Fun Run** at Granny's Restaurant at 940 E. Charles St. (SR61/209) in Galion. Granny's is staying open special for us so please help make it worth their time by planning on grabbing a bite to eat before the games start at 8 pm. (See Joe's Article) **WE NEED EVERYONE TO BRING THREE SMALL ITEMS TO BE USED AS DOOR PRIZES** so everyone goes home with something. Stan Walter has planned a 45 mile route that we think everyone will enjoy. The money raised goes to the Harmony House homeless shelter in Mansfield.
- **Aug. 8** is the North Central Region picnic in the New London Recreation Park in New London. Meat and tableware will be provided. Bring a covered dish, something to drink and your lawn chairs. We will leave Hale's on SR 13 at noon. The picnic starts at 1:30 pm

**CHAPTER B MEETING – 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY- LIEDERKRANTZ, MANSFIELD, OHIO**

- **Aug. 15** is our **Meeting** and **Teddy Bear Ride** to MedCentral Hospital. Lineup starts at noon at Boomers Powersports on SR 430 with the ride to leave for the hospital at 1 pm. We will be riding to Hoggy's in Delaware to eat after the Teddy Bear Ride.
- **Aug. 21 - \$5.00 picnic ride.** **Jerry Eldridge and Jim Culler** will be putting together a ride for us that we hear may take us to some exotic places! At the end of the ride we will stop at the grocery store to buy our items and then ride to Walton Lake where **Fred & Dodie Brickley** lives – to enjoy our picnic. There will be horseshoes and cornhole games to play. We will leave from in front of the Richland Mall at 11 am and should get to Walton Lake around 2pm
- **Aug. 28 - First ever Progressive Dinner.** **Cost of the tickets is \$7.50** and must be prepaid by **Aug. 15.** Tickets will be available at the Midnite Fun Run, at the meeting or from **Larry & Debbe, Joe & Jackie or Carol.** Just give us a call or email one of us.

#### SCHEDULE FOR THE PROGRESSIVE DINNER:

1. **Gail Miller** will be **servicing appetizers** in the Lucas Park from 2 -3 pm.
2. Then head over to **Robby & Lucy Kennedy's** house for a **salad** from 3-4 pm
3. Traveling on to **Joe & Jackie Woodmansee's** house in Crestline for **entrees** from 4-5:30 pm
4. **Desserts** (which we are sure will include some of Jim's famous homemade ice cream) will be served at **Jim and Carol Culler's** house from 6pm to 7:30 pm



The night will end with a drawing for something – what, we don't know yet; even though Joe suggested giving Carol away.

- **Sept. 4-6** is the **Labor Day** ride to **Frankenmuth, Michigan** with a stop at the Dam Site Café in Hell, Michigan on the way and Cabella's in Dundee, Michigan on the way home. We will leave from Bob Evans on State Rt. 4 in Bucyrus at 9:00 a.m.
- **Sept. 12** is our gathering. **Please note the date has been moved up a week due to the Region D rally.** We will be leaving McDonald's on Stewart Rd. at 12:15 pm to head to the Ashland County Fairgrounds for **Chapter V's Teddy Bear** ride which will start at 1:30 pm

**Don't forget Aug. 14 is the last day to preregister for the Region D rally** to be held in Coldwater, Michigan on **Sept. 16 – 18.** You can register online at [www.ohiogwrra.org](http://www.ohiogwrra.org) **Carol** (035500-01) still has some rooms left for **Wings over the Smokies Sept. 23 – 25.** Give her a call soon if you need one.



**Congratulations to Carol Culler, winner of the 2010 Region D logo contest and the 2011 Cabin Fever logo.**

**Oct. 9 & 10 – Leaf ride.- Wheelersburg, Ohio** - we will be riding through the Hocking Hills area and the Wayne National Forest to the Comfort Inn at Wheelersburg, Ohio for the night. The next day we will see the murals in Portsmouth and take a ride through the Shawnee State Park before heading home. We definitely will not be getting home as late as last year so I think you are safe in leaving your thermal underwear at home. There are plenty of curves through the forest areas for those of you who like curves. My mother almost had a heart attack a few times in the car and couldn't believe that anyone would want to ride those curves on a motorcycle. You all know I don't like curves but am doing this for all of you.

The room rates will be \$68.50. They wanted \$76.99 but when I told them to cancel the rooms because the rates were too high, they dropped to \$68.50.

## ASS'T CHAPTER DIRECTORS – JOE & JACKIE

Since there was no newsletter in July, we thought we would review some of the things the Chapter has had great participation in. How fast time flies. June was a busy month starting with:




- Chapter B's meeting being a week early due to the Buckeye Convention (Rally).
- We enjoyed an early morning ride to Charm for breakfast followed by an exciting ride through Amish country led by **Jerry Eldridge** on roads that I haven't been on.
- Buckeye Rally was great and lots of fun and **in my opinion** Chapter B had the best camp site and decorations. **Paul, Dixie, Rob, Bernice** and everyone else that had a hand in the decorations, a job well done.
- **Larry and Deb** came close to being rednecks if you know what I mean (you might be a redneck if you own a home, 1 camper, purchase another camper and still look at another camper and only have one hitch on your bike). Congrats **Larry and Deb** on your new camper.
- Due to excessive work hours we have not been able to join in on many dinner rides. It sounds like we missed some great food and company. We did ride to Sandusky for fish at Jolly Rodgers. Seven bikes and 12 people endured the hot sun, blue sky and great food along with a ride around Catawba and Marblehead then back across the bridge to Toft's for a "small" scoop of ice cream. We kept an eye on the sky because we knew storms were moving in. I think it was **Don Jones** who said we had better get going or we were gonna miss getting drenched. We timed it beautifully. We no sooner than got a little south of Sandusky before we were wet and it got worse as we continued home. **Don Jones** thanked us after the ride because he hadn't been wet for the last 8000 miles and he needed a shower (or did he say he didn't need to get wet). It was great having **Larry and Cheryl Moore** back in the pack on that trip as well.

July has been a fast paced month. While we have been busy with family we also have found time to participate in some chapter rides.

- Twelve members rode to Blackburn's in Medina on July 17 for fish fry and auction hosted by H2. The ride was hot and the food was great. Of course, we stopped in Wellington for ice cream. Then following the chapter meeting on Sunday, **18 bikes** rode to Sandusky to the Fish Warehouse for another great meal followed by a ride around Marblehead and back to Sandusky for ice cream at Tofts. It was great having our friends **Doug and Deb Friebe** join us on this ride. Due to their busy schedules we hadn't seen them much this summer.

This past weekend was the Shiloh Ox Roast which Chapter B worked Friday evening selling sandwiches, dessert and drinks. It was great having a large turnout working the lines. Saturday was the parade that really didn't get going. Chapter B was #81 in the parade lineup and I think the parade got to #55 before the rain started. We got wet sitting on our bikes except Ron Norris. He got off his bike, got his rain jacket and headed for cover. I remembered someone saying to me just last week that if you see Ron Norris get his gear on then you better do likewise because it is going to rain. Having remembered that, Jackie quickly got our jackets and we were somewhat protected. By the time we got home we were very wet and our shoes were filled with water. That seems to be the way it goes this year. Ride safe, ride hard and we will see you soon.

 We met with the owner of Granny's and discussed the arrangements for our "**Midnight Fun Run**". **Granny's** will close to the public at 7 p.m. and will open to Chapter B and guests at that time. You will be able to order from the menu from 7 p.m. until midnight. (or when we are done). If you drive your car, please pull to the rear of the restaurant for parking. This will leave the front area open for the motorcycles and games. **Please**

come and support Chapter B in the Annual Event to raise money for the Harmony House. Car or bike, everyone welcome. Let's really support our host restaurant that made additional arrangements for our fund raiser to occur. They really need for us to give them our business and to show them our appreciation.

**Dixie, you say it best- Who Rocks Ohio - Chapter B**

Ride safe and we will see you soon!

*Joe & Jackie*



**CHAPTER EDUCATORS - TED & JOYCE STRUTZ**

You've probably heard the saying Dress for the crash, not the ride. What about; Prevent the crash, prevent the injury? That doesn't mean you can skip the gear if you ride very defensively. It just means you should make allowances for dumb driving.

According to the NHTSA there were 2,332 fatal collisions involving motorcyclists in 2007. Forty percent of these involved other vehicles turning left in front of the motorcycle. Never assume that because you have the green light that you shouldn't be watchful. If you ride much in traffic you will notice quite a bit of dumb driving. Distracted drivers can come in all forms: a minivan full of hyper kids, talking on the phone, texting, the driver in front of you suddenly realizing he needs to turn into the gas station he is almost past. Other drivers aren't going to stay out of our way; you need to be fully aware of what is going on around you. Try to predict what other traffic might do and position yourself so that when dumb driving does happen, you simply aren't in the way.

What you need to try to do is control the situation as much as you control your motorcycle. As an example; a driver on your left suddenly changes lanes on top of you. Were you carelessly riding along in his blind spot? If so, you were contributing to the problem. If you are constantly being surprised by vehicles cutting you off, you aren't paying enough attention.

Being conspicuous can help. Brightly colored riding jackets will make you more visible. High-vis yellow/green will attract the most attention. Additionally, some studies have indicated that riders wearing white helmets were less often involved in crashes. Some riders use headlight modulators. Part of the problem lies in the fact we are smaller than other vehicles and therefore it is harder for other drivers to gauge speed and distance. The most visible would be a triangle formed by the headlight and amber marker lights. Rather than expecting others to get out of your way, learn to read traffic, predict what others are going to do, and position yourself where you won't get picked off. When you are on your bike, never increase your speed to make it through a changing yellow light.

Your best primary equipment for avoiding crashes isn't mounted on your bike, but between your ears. Aggressively search ahead, predict the possibilities, and position yourself accordingly.

Ride smart...Ride safe

## JUNE REPORT

Meeting Attendance	62	Level 1	26
Other Seminar Activity	47	Level II	13
Seminar by Newsletter	124	Level III	4
Seminar at Meeting	47	Level IV	4

## JULY REPORT (Due to computer failure – We did not have a Newsletter for July)

Meeting Attendance	62	Level I	26
Other Seminar Activity	0	Level II	13
Seminar by Newsletter	0	Level III	5
Seminar at Meeting	62	Level IV	3

## **NEWSLETTER EDITORS – JIM & CAROL**

**Hi Folks:**


June and July have gone by in a flash. Life” , however, we did get rained out. was time to leave and someone track, as usual, since we were already up their tents and supplies and most of got on the bikes and rode around the there .....AND, THEY LOVED AND APPRECIATED IT. They cheered us so much, that we made a second trip around the track. The feeling was just great ....for us and them.



We had a great turnout for the “Relay for We had six or seven bikes left when it suggested that we should ride around the there. A lot of the people were packing our group had left to make it home. We track for the remaining people that were

The Ox Roast turnout was great as ever. We certainly had another hot and humid night for the work, but, as usual, we had fun doing it. The parade on Saturday did not turn out so well, a downpour came before it was our time to pull out so we headed for cover (after we were drenched.) Carol (driving **Paul Schrock’s SilverWing**) and I started home after it quit raining. However we ran into the storm, and boy, it rained so hard we could hardly see ahead of us. It was a nasty ride home for all of us. (**Thanks, Paul, for letting me drive your SilverWing**).

We’re looking forward to the Labor Day Ride to Frankenmuth, Michigan. Larry and Debbe have planned the trip out, as great as ever. If you haven’t signed up, you’re going to miss another great trip.

 **IMPORTANT:** Starting with this Newsletter, we have hidden someone’s GWRRA Number in this Newsletter. Every month, a new number will be picked and displayed somewhere in the Newsletter. If you find your number, please show us at the following meeting and your breakfast will be on the Chapter. Good Luck!

*Good Luck*

*See you soon!!  
Jim and Carol*

**DINNER RIDE COORDINATOR – JERRY & RITA ELDRIDGE**

Wow, we have had great turnouts at our dinner rides and the other activities that have been planned. You have no idea how much this is appreciated. Our Chapter contains a great group of people and it shows when we are all together. We had 18 bikes go to the lakes and we had a great time.



**Dinner rides:**

**Wednesday, Aug. 11** – Peggy Sue’s, 32381 Rt. 36, New Castle

**Tuesday, Aug. 24** – Jake’s, 996 Coshocton Ave. (Rt. 36), Mt. Vernon



**Wednesday, Sept. 8** – Mrs. Yoder’s Kitchen, 8101 Rt. 241, Mt. Hope

*Jerry*

**Thursday, Sept. 23** – Bev & Jac’s. Rt. 4 No., Attica

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# AUGUST 2010 CALENDAR

## CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED.	THURS.	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4 Bd-Jerry Mcavoy  A: Don & Amy Jones	5	6 A: Mike & Judy Border	7 7 PM – Chapter B Midnite Fun Run- Granny's in Galion. Starting at 7pm to midnight, they will serve us dinner.  Bd-Kathy Smith  A: Don & Kathy Smith
8 North Central Region Picnic in New London Recreation Park. Leave Hale's on SR 13 at 1:30 pm	9	10	11	12	13	14 Bd-Ron Scheid
15 8:30 AM Chapter B Meeting and Teddy Bear Ride. Lineup at Boomers on SR 430 at 12 N	16	17	18 Bd-Cindy Long	19 Bd-Phyllis Barnette  Bd-Larry Steinhilber	20	21 ChapterB-\$5.00 Picnic- meet at Richland Mall at 11 am.  A: John & Julie Hochstetler
22	23 Bd-Ron Norris	24	25	26	27	28 Progressive Dinner-Cost \$7.50 ea.
29	30	31				

## SEPTEMBER 2010 CALENDAR - CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED.	THURS.	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4  <b>Ride to Frankenmuth, MI. Leave from Bob Evans on ST RT 4 in Bucyrus – 9AM</b>
5  <b>Ride to Frankenmuth Michigan</b>	6  <b>Group will be coming back from Frankenmuth, MI</b>	7  <b>Bd-Karen Zellner</b>	8	9  <b>A: Chet &amp; Karen Zellner</b>	10	11
12  <b>8:30 AM Chapter B Meeting &amp; Chapter V Teddy Bear ride- Leave from McDonalds on Stewart Rd at 12:15</b>	13	14	15	16  <b>REGION D RALLY- COLDWATER MICHIGAN</b>  <b>A: Clarence &amp; Shirleen Walter</b>	17  <b>REGION D RALLY- COLDWATER MICHIGAN</b>  <b>Bd-Lon Leapley</b>	18  <b>REGION D RALLY- COLDWATER MICHIGAN</b>  <b>Bd-Charlie Lantz</b>
19  <b>Bd-Lucy Kennedy</b>	20  <b>Bd-Pat Morley</b>  <b>A: Charlie &amp; Nancy Lantz</b>	21  <b>Bd-Jim Culler</b> <b>Bd- Tom McGinty</b>	22  <b>Bd-Bill Dailey</b>	23  <b>WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES</b>	24  <b>WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES</b>	25  <b>WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES</b>  <b>Bd-Noreen Zehner</b>
26  <b>WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES</b>  <b>Bd-Bill Zehner</b>	27	28	29	30		



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