



# WINGWORD

April 2016

## DIRECTOR COMMENTS

What a great monthly meeting we just had! Thanks to Phil and Nancy for getting us their church dining hall for our meet. It was a very nice place to gather in. After dinner Phil gave a short tour of St. Johns, the oldest church in Wichita. The workmanship was just fantastic and to think that all of the ornate woodwork was all done by hand, no power tools back then. To show our thanks Chapter A donated 50 dollars to the church, again thanks.

Need to thank John and Janet for bringing the potatoes, the small ones were to big for me to eat but of course I did and some desert also. Also want to thank our special guest, Zane and Bodie McCune. They were very helpful in setting up and Bodie gave our dinner prayer. Zane was also promoting her grandmothers lemon cake telling us that it is the best in the world.

Club day next month on the 16th at MidAmerica Power Sports on West street. Set up at 8 am and our monthly meeting at 9. Bring your bikes, trikes, and trailers out to show off. Star and Shaft Twisters will be there also.

MYSTERY RIDE, MYSTERY RIDE!!! The first one of the year and thanks to Tom and Renee for putting it together. It's planned for May 28th and it will be kick stands up at 10 am from the south meeting location, the Quik Trip at Meridan and MacAuther. It will be a great time.

Some updates on what is going on with the National office. The answering service is gone, she was only receiving 4 calls a week on average so now all calls will go directly to Bruce. If he doesn't answer and I goes to voice mail don't hang up, leave your name and number and a short reason why you called and he will get back to you within 24 hours.

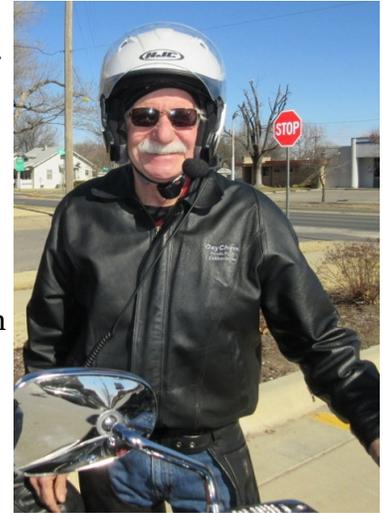
It was stated that renewal notices are going out every month but I am still hearing that they are not being received. Donna was not getting membership list each month either and it was discovered that they were being sent out on a old and non working program so now we are getting the list and I will let you know if your membership is coming due. We also learned that the reason it is taking so long to get new membership cards is they can't get them printed until there is 50 to be printed so as you can imagine with our membership numbers down it takes a while so hang on to your old cards until the new ones show up.

There is a new member recruiting program out there from Mike and Carol Brush. If you get a new member or an old former member to rejoin you get a coupon good for 10 dollars off of Gold Rush, any state or region rally you wish to go to. That's 30 dollars in coupons. Get 2 new members get 60 dollars off. That would be 20 off of each event you want to attend. The new member dose not get any coupons but they can earn them by getting some new blood themselves. Any questions get a hold of Donna or myself.

There is a nation wide 50/50 contest going on, I sent out a flyer about it so I won't go into detail here just that 1 dollar gets 1 ticket, 10 dollars gets 10 and so on and so on. There will be only 1 winner and the drawing will be at opening ceremony, you do not need to be there to win.

April 6th will be the first dinner ride so keep checking the newsletter and I will be getting out reminders each week as to where we are meeting and going, glad the riding season is upon us again. Also we will be doing the who rode to the most dinners again this year. You must come out to the starting location and ride to dinner to be counted.

Have a lot of news about Gold Rush this year but I have really filled up this space so will get to that in the near future, until then ride safe and ride often, Kelly



## meet at the starting locations to ride together April—Sept

### Wednesday Dinners

Mar 30

Shang Hai Restaurant  
3815 E Harry

Apr 6—SOUTH

La Hacienda 316-927-2900  
1138 Nelson Dr, Derby

Apr 13—EAST

Sugar Shanes 316-201-1099  
430 S State St, Augusta

Apr 20—EAST

True Lies 316-320-9255  
607 N Oil Hill Rd, El Dorado

Apr 27—WEST

Carriage Crossing 620-465-3612  
Yoder

May 4—EAST

Jerseys Grill & Bar 316-636-5600  
3233 N Toben, Wichita

May 11— WEST

Cowtown Burger & Brew  
352 N West St, Wichita 558-5600

May 18—EAST

No Mercy Barbeque 316-613-3666  
104 E 6th, Augusta

May 25—NORTH

Montana Mike's 316-283-7233  
1109 E 6th, Newton KS

### 2016 Chapter A Staff

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[www.GWTA.org](http://www.GWTA.org)

[www.GwtaRegionE.com](http://www.GwtaRegionE.com)

FACEBOOK page: GWTA Region E

### Chapter A Calendar:

April 16 Club Day @ MAP 333 N West Street  
come on your bike: setup 8am, show 9am-4pm  
ALSO the monthly meeting 9am at MAP dealership

May 21 Monthly Meeting, TBD

May 28 Mystery Ride @ 1st gear 10am from Quick Trip  
at S. Meridian & MacArthur

June 18 Monthly Meeting @ TBD

July 16 Monthly Meeting @ TBD

July 11-14 GoldRush at 105809 Huntington, IN

### 2016 Dinner Location Sign Up

Jan: McCune (due 11/25)

July: Frost (due 5/26)

Feb: Frost (due 12/25)

Aug: Felix (due 6/26)

March: Felix (due 1/25)

Sept: Webber (due 7/26)

April: Hensley (due 2/26)

Oct: OPEN (due 8/26)

May: Eubank (due 3/26)

Nov: McCarts (due 9/26)

June: Howard (due 4/26)

Dec: Sawyer (due 10/26)

# Keep on Truckin' with Kelly:

We keep are truckin' into 2016, as our Chapter Director, Kelly Felix , takes a moment to give us all some helpful advice on keeping safe while on the road.

- Its riding season again! OK so it has been for several weeks now be who would of guessed that we would of had such a mild winter.
- If you haven't already got your bikes and trikes out be sure to check everything out before hitting the streets.
- Make sure the tire air pressure's are at manufacture recommended levels, a low tire can cause you to lose control of your bike.
- If you didn't change your oil before putting your bike to bed for the winter now would be a great time to do this I believe it is a good practice to change the oil before storing for the winter because of acids that are in used oil.
- Clean off the windshield and the visor on your helmet and remember to take it easy the first few times out, your riding skills are a little rusty and watch for sand on the roads.

Ride safe and ride often, Kelly



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## Wednesday Dinner Ride—starting location points

In APRIL, we will start to ride our motorcycles to the Wednesday dinner locations. Depending on the location of the restaurant, we have identified the starting points below:

NORTH: 61st & I-135 at Cracker Barrel

SOUTH: S Meridian & MacArthur at Quik Trip

EAST: 127th & 21st Street at Quik Trip

WEST: 135th & Maple at Dillons (at gas pumps)

## GWTA Family of the Year Profile 2016

Our family consist of the two of us, Tom and Renee Sawyer, our two daughters that are married and have blessed our family with 6 grandchildren. As with many families today we are not all centralized in one state. Because of this we spend time traveling from Kansas to Texas, Minnesota and various other family locations yearly.

Our association with enjoying motorcycling began when Tom was a young teenager having acquired a 1948 Cushman Motor scooter. Over the years we have ridden many makes and models. We as a couple enjoyed several extended trips with friends as time has allowed. As we progressed toward retirement we purchased a RV Toy hauler and traveled for a few years taking our Harley Davidson Ultra Classic on many sightseeing trips. Today we own a 2013 Harley Davidson Anniversary Tri Glide that provides us our enjoyment.

We joined the Kansas Chapter A Region E in 2013 through encouragement of friends and have continued to ride and participate in their events as we can.

What we like about GWTA is the ability to reference upcoming activities, information about people and the places they have been in their travels, and the sharing of knowledge related to motorcycles. This group of people is friendly and knowledgeable about most related items and always provides the needed companionship and camaraderie.



Pictured is Tom & Renee Sawyer with their bike.

## **CHAPTER A BIKE ROAD TRIP GAME**

### **SPELL OUT AIR CAPITAL WINGS**

DATES 3/13/16 – 10/31/16

Starting point will be from your house for the distance ( with no side trips just straight shot to the city).

**YOU CAN TRAVEL ANYWHERE IN THE USA!**

#### **RULES**

Each letter must be a different city.

Picture of the bike must be in front of any public place with the name of the city on it.

At least some cities must have a Chapter A member or bike rider friend ( could be potential member) in the picture.

A group picture will count for everyone in the picture, so only one picture needs to be sent in.

**PLEASE SEND PICTURES TO EITHER DONNA OR JORJA  
WITH THE STATE NAME IF NOT IN KANSAS**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> PLACE**

The most letters completed the farthest away with Chapter A members or Bike riding friend.

If this does not work out

The most letters completed the farthest away.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> PLACE**

The most letters completed with Chapter A members or Bike riding friend.

If this does not work out

The most letters completed.

You can only receive one prize either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> .

**ENJOY THE GAME AND HAVE A SAFE AND FUN RIDE.**

Game coordinator, Donna

## **Bike Chill**

Thank you to all that came out to our booth during the Bike Chill Fri, Sat and Sun.

A special thank you to those that stayed at the booth during the weekend.



### Monthly Meeting – Saturday, March 19, 2016; 6:00 PM

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church - Thanks to Phil and Nancy Dietrich for hosting, the potato bake dinner. A club donation was presented to the Dietrichs which will be used for the church's community outreach.

The meeting was called to order at 6:43 PM by chapter director, Kelly Felix. Fourteen members were in attendance along with 2 guests.

There were no action items.

March birthdays included Donna Felix (2), Janet Eubank (21), Jorja Hensley (22), and Nancy Dietrich and Glenn Bindley (23). John and Anita McCune will celebrate their wedding anniversary on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

The wellness report included Lonnie Mendenhall who is feeling better and Stacy Melson who is undergoing more medical testing.

#### Information items included the following:

- The Chill held recently at the Pavilions was well attended but there was little interest in our booth.
- As of April 1<sup>st</sup>, a new membership drive will be launched with incentives including Gold Rush tickets or state/regional rally registration for recruiting a new member. Annual dues will be \$50.
- It was recommended that members keep current membership cards since the national office is only printing cards once there is a batch of 50. Additionally, the clerical help in the national office has been eliminated and all calls will go directly to Bruce who promises to respond within 24 hours.
- Our first DST dinner ride will be Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from the south location (Q.T. at MacArthur and Meridian).
- Club Day (including the April monthly meeting) will be held at M.A.P.S. on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 4PM.
- Tom's Mystery Ride is scheduled for Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> leaving from the south location at 10 AM.
- Gold Rush plans set for Indiana in July include (some tentative):
  - \* Lodging and food are available near the site.
  - \* A shooting range is nearby and may be available.
  - \* Plane rides and tethered hot air balloon rides may be available at a nearby airfield.
  - \* A bike and car show are planned
  - \* Rides to area museum and covered bridges.
  - \* There may be an outdoor play
  - \* Chapters have been asked to present a movie of their choice as a skit
  - \* An on-line 50-50 is currently underway with purchasers receiving their numbers via e-mail. The drawing is planned for the opening ceremonies

There were no announcements from the group.

Mystery Bag winner: Phil Dietrich

Newsletter Member Number winners: Phil and Nancy Dietrich @\$5.

50/50 Drawing winners: Tom and Renee Sawyer @\$17.50

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Eubank

# April 2016 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6 La Hacienda 1138 Nelson Dr Derby	7	8	9
Gail & Jorja				Stacy Melson Cathy Frost		
10	11	12	13 Sugar Shanes 430 S State St Augusta	14	15	16 Club Day at MAP & Mthly Meeting 9am -4pm
17	18	19	20 True Lies 607 N Oil Hill Rd El Dorado	21	22	23 Mona Morris
24	25	26	27 Carriage Crossing Yoder, KS	28	29	30

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