



# Gold Wing Road Riders Association GREAT LAKES REGION Chapter C-2



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## From Our Chapter Directors

The meeting is Tuesday, the Chocolate Bake Off is next Saturday. We have several people registered to participate; several signed up to taste and many more who have verbally told us they are coming. I have been told by D2 that we are doing very well because they sell very few tickets ahead. We have sent out a press release that will appear in the Huntertown, Albion and Churubusco newspapers this week. The event is open to the public. I expect a lot more "tasters" than participants. That means we run the risk of running out of things for people to taste. You are all invited to also enter the bake off as contestants but if you choose not to do that you are requested to support the chapter by supplying 1 chocolate item, a dozen cookies, a cake, a pie or another dessert with chocolate in it to be available for tasting. We will have a chocolate fountain and will be buying fruit and pretzels for that. Jerry and I are donating some purchased cookies for the fountain. I will also be donating several items and am bringing my niece and a cousin to help since several of you have said you cannot be there to help us.

At D-2's Chili Cook off Dan Miller won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Judges Choice and Darlene Kittle won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Peoples Choice so C2 pretty much ran off with the top prizes at their cook off and as we were leaving we challenged them to come to ours and see if they could do the same! They did have a huge silent auction with a lot of Bike related things, a lot of gift certificates and many many other items that appeared to be very nice Used items donated by Chapter members. We are working on getting silent auction items and have come up with several very nice ones including Gift certificates, A plate of Chocolate from The Chocolate Thimble, a Candy making Class from Country Kitchen and several more. We would like to ask each family in C2 to come up with 2 door prizes. It can be things you get donated Or You can find some things that you are tired of and ready to put in a garage Sale and instead donate it to our silent auction. Believe me, someone will buy it. Please bring these items to the meeting if possible or call continued on page 6 1





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## ASSISTANT CD's

Greetings

I can't believe January is over and February is almost half over, when we get to our meeting. I attended Winter Rendezvous and had a relaxing and fun time. I know we had 11 members there and I hope they had a good time also. Our next event will be our Ultimate Chocolate Challenge on February 13th. I hope everyone will be bringing an item to be shared and judged. I know we will be having some sugar free items as well as the really good sugary fare. A birdie told me there would be some world-renowned marshmallows brought in for sale, as well as entered in the candy category. The next big event for Indiana Goldwingers will be Spring Wing Warm Up at Greensburgh. The facilities there are terrific for campers and campers like me...I'm roughing it if the motel doesn't have color TV. I hope to see everyone at our meeting and bring ideas for rides this summer please!

Thanks

Dan Miller ACD



Dear Friends and Chapter Members,

We received a Christmas card in the mail on February 6, 2010 so I thought that we should be saying Happy Holidays. (The card came from Florida from the Clossons).

But any way, Happy Valentines Day. We hope to see you all at the Chocolate party. I heard a rumor that Bob is getting dipped in liquid chocolate?

The Chili Cook Off was a good event. We had a good time but didn't buy anything.

See you Tuesday.

Dennis and Marty





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**February BIRTHDAYS**

4<sup>th</sup> Wyman Schenk  
10<sup>th</sup> Chris Thompson

21<sup>st</sup> Jim Knafel

**February ANNIVERSARIES**

14<sup>th</sup> Barry & Linda

**RIDER ED – VALUABLE INFORMATION**

**Rider Ed: LEVEL 1**

As we know, one of GWRRA's primary goals is to promote rider education. As members, we are provided opportunities to hone our riding skills and learn to better manage risk. The "icing on the cake" is that while we become better riders and co-riders, we have fun doing it. This is a "win win" situation. Ask yourself, what friends would not be in my life now if not for GWRRA? Many of us have become friends and will continue to meet new friends. Others consider GWRRA their extended family.

In order for GWRRA to survive and remain a conduit for our fun and safety, it depends on the Rider Education program. One way we can help the organization survive and help ourselves survive is to participate in the Levels Program. There are 4 Levels in the program. The only Level we will discuss now is 1. Level 1 is easily attainable. I know of no one in the chapter that is not already at Level 1. There is only the matter of completing a form. Level 1 represents the commitment of the Rider and Co-Rider to practice safe motorcycle operation whenever they operate their motorcycle. Who in our chapter is not already practicing this???

So, if all our members at a minimum would become Level 1, this would strengthen the organization and benefit us as a riders & co-riders.

- There is no mileage requirement to enter Level 1.
- The commitment to safe riding is tracked by the number of accident free miles since joining GWRRA.
- Accident free miles are accumulated in 5,000 mile increments and may be updated at yearly intervals.
- The updates are recorded by the Rider Educator. **Other than completing the initial form, there is no paper work needed from the rider and co-rider to become Level 1.**

If the rider and co-rider wish, they can display their Safe Miles on their vests. A Safe Miles rocker patch and Mileage pins are available for purchase.

**In a nut shell, in-order to be at level 1, all that is required, is your commitment to ride safely at all times.**

On the Levels form, only the rider/co-rider information is needed at the top and "X" marks the spot for Level 1 for each participant. I will have these forms at the next meeting.

		<i>Date of Application</i> 1 / 27 / 10	
Rider: <u>Barry Hill</u>	Membership#: <u>031863</u>	Region: <u>D - Great Lakes</u>	
Co-Rider: <u>Linda Hill</u>	Membership#: <u>031863-1</u>	District: <u>IN</u>	Chapter: <u>C2</u>
Address: <u>926 Braymer Trail</u>	City: <u>Ft Wayne</u>	State: <u>IN</u>	Zip: <u>46845</u>
Validation Officer Name: <u>          </u>	Title: <u>          </u>	Date: <u>1 / 27 / 10</u>	
<b>Participants are STRONGLY URGED to wear proper riding gear while riding!</b>			
<b>LEVEL I - SAFETY BY COMMITMENT - SAFE RIDER/CO-RIDER</b>			
<small>This program is a commitment to safe riding. Submit the completed form to your Chapter or District Educator. Patches are available at \$6.00 FOR EACH PARTICIPANT. With your purchase you will receive ONE SAFE MILES PATCH, either a RIDER or CO RIDER ROCKER and a Safe Miles pin if applicable.</small>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Please enroll Rider in Level I.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please enroll Co-Rider in Level I.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Rider Patch and Pin request	Rider: Safe Miles pin needed: <u>          </u>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Co-Rider Patch and Pin request	Co-Rider: Safe Miles pin needed: <u>          </u>		

Stay Safe,  
Bar

# February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Meeting at The Lucky Moose Dinner at 6 pm. Meeting 7pm.	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 Meet To Eat at Kahlia's on West State. Led by Warren & Linda Howard	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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## Events Coming Up

**Feb. 13, 2010, Chapter C 2 Ultimate Chocolate Challenge, Celebration Hall in Garrett. \$7.00 admission Help us make this a success. It is open to the public.**

**Feb. 12-14, 2010, Ohio Cabin Fever & Michigan Winter Rally**

**Feb. 26, 2010, Horizons in Anderson IN Cancelled!**

**Mar. 20, 2010, Spring District Officers Meeting, Anderson, IN**

**Mar. 21, 2010, District Bowling**

**May 27-29, 2010, Spring Wing Warm Up, Greensburg IN**

**April 24, 2010, Saturday- Region D Fun Shop, Fort Wayne Hotel & Convention Center 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. Since this is local for the first time in a long time we all need to plan to attend this educational event.**

**June 30-July3, 2010, Wing Ding in Des Moines, Iowa Let us know if you are planning to go. We need to make hotel reservations. Let's All Go!!**

**July 11, 2010, Ride For Kids, South Bend, IN**

**September 12, 2010, Ride For Kids Indianapolis, IN at the Indy 500 Track**

The GWRRA Indiana District January Newsletter can be found at the following site: [http://www.indianaonwings.org/newsletters/2010/jan\\_10.pdf](http://www.indianaonwings.org/newsletters/2010/jan_10.pdf)

JANUARY 2010 RENEWALS: Unknown. We have no Green Bar and Recruiter/Retention Officer as Steve Gebert has resigned.

We need a replacement. Please call Jerry at 637-5104 about this position. The rewards are huge!

If you won a skill game prize in January bring a \$10 value prize to the February meeting. Thank you!!!

### **January Meeting**

At the January meeting we nearly had more guests than members. Jerry Kittle has the DA award for messing up dinner rides and didn't find anyone to pass it on too. Lil has the Good Egg award for helping Joe get his father's grave marked as a Veteran and was not there to pass it on. I happen to know she is in Las Vegas and will not be there to pass it on at this meeting either. The Chapter attendance was 14 in January and we had 11 guests including Larry Eckerly the District Safety Director and Terry Malcolm District Membership Enhancement Coordinator. In addition there were 9 members of Chapter D2 including their new CD's Don & Gwen Lamley. The attendance prize was won by Joey Closson and he was not present. His impending nuptials were announced. Some of the skill game prizes were won by D2 members and they have given us replacements. C-2 members who won skill game prizes in November and did not bring them in January and those who won them in January should bring prizes to this meeting.



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Jerry or Darlene and we will meet you to pick up your silent auction items or your desert donations. This is going to be our big fundraiser of the year and we need your support. This is how you show that you want this Chapter to continue. Chapter G in New Haven is looking for a new CD. If they don't find one in the next 3 months they are closing.

We want to make this chapter what you want. We met with the staff this past Saturday to discuss rides this summer and we have set up a tentative ride schedule with weekend rides 3 weekends of each month. One each month or more is an overnight ride. It will be published in March. In the meantime if you have specific rides you want in the schedule now is when you need to get them to Darlene or Pat Chilcote to get them in the schedule. We are also working on the winter "Meet to Eat" schedule and the summer weekly dinner ride schedule that will begin in mid April. Let us know where you want to go!

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Barry has discussed the Levels program in the Safety article this month because we asked him to. The motto of GWRRA is PROMOTING FRIENDS, FUN SAFETY & KNOWLEDGE. The levels program promotes both Safety and Knowledge. It doesn't matter how long you have ridden, everyone can benefit from a renewed commitment to safety. We are asking the entire chapter to sign the Level One form and make the commitment to ride safely and if possible to take the Advanced Rider Course and First Aid Classes with us this Spring.

At Winter Rendezvous it was announced that Chapter D2 was the 2010 Chapter of the year based on performance during 2009 for various things including their newsletter, coordination and chapter participation at their Chili Cook Off and the fact that everyone in the Chapter had made the commitment to Level 1 in the safety program. If D2 can do it then we can to but we need the entire chapter behind us. We are counting on all of you.

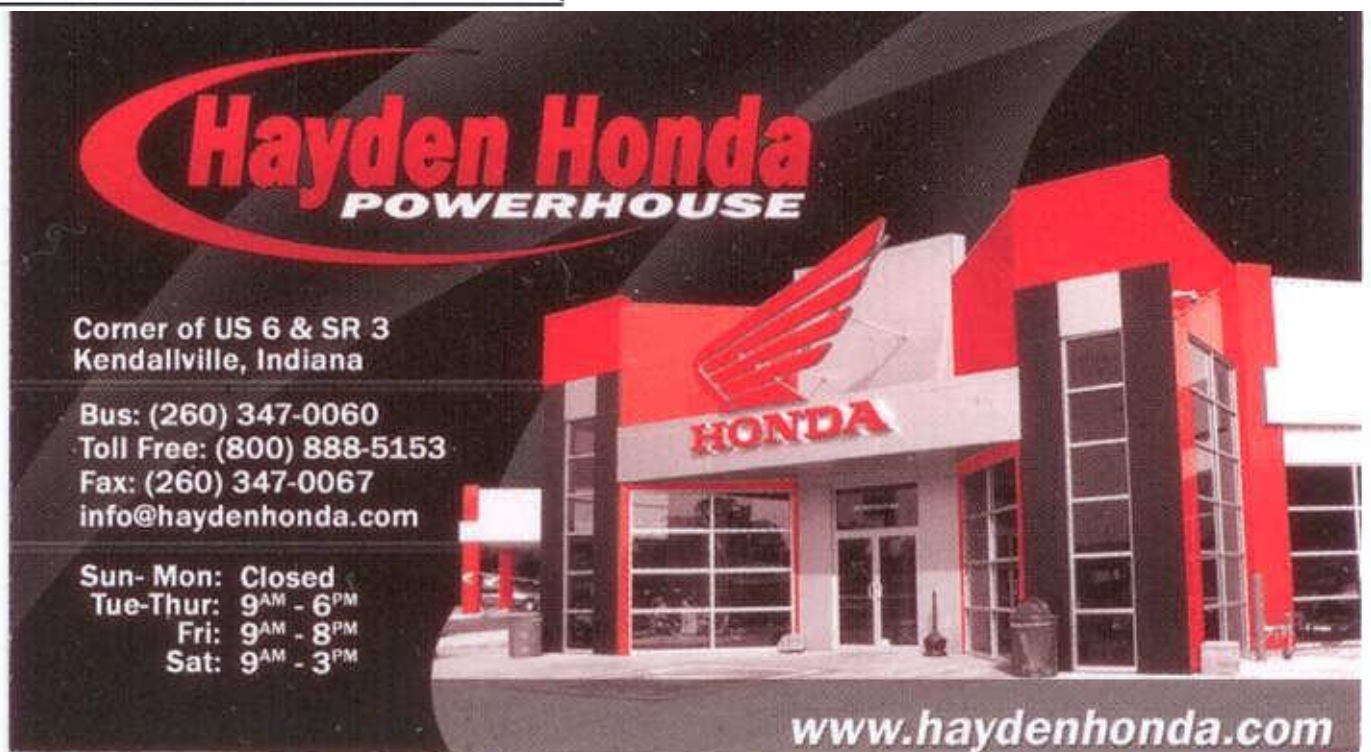
We have been informed that we as your Chapter Directors and Dan and Marty and Dennis have to take a new 12 hour GWRRA training course before August 30<sup>th</sup> and pass an exam or we will no longer be qualified to be your Chapter directors.

See you at the meeting!

Happy Safe Driving, Jerry & Darlene

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Visit Other Area Chapter Meetings			
D2 Fort Wayne	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	6 pm	Pizza Hut
F Warsaw	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues	6 pm	Richards Restaurant
G Fort Wayne	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat	6 pm	Trion Tavern
M2 Columbia City	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues	6:30 pm	Whitley Co. Hospital
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**January Meeting : Nearly as many guests as members!**



Darlene with Terry Malcolm & Larry Eckerley



Dick with his guest Dale Sarasizin & D2 members



Craig Dumford & Robert Gick



Dave & Char Williams D2 Safety Director



Dennis & Marty



Shari & Joe Closson with Craig & Robert

**This is what Winter Rendezvous 2010 was!!!!**



2010 Indiana Couple of the Year



This was talent???



And this was winning talent!



They won too!



Bob was a jailbird, again!!



C2's Table Arrangement



A Cool Float



Another Float



And Another



Dancing on the tables!



Huddled around the Tiki Bar.....



Dancing around the Palm trees! What a night!

### Jerry's Birthday Ride to Dickie's Wild Hare



Dennis & Marty



Tony & Jean Graber



Dick & Pat Chilcote



Dan & Ross Graber



Nick Graber



Linda & Warren Howard



Jenny Dumford & Kelly Gick



Robert Gick & part of Craig



Darlene



Terry (or is it Steve?)



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### The Chili Cook-Off



Silent Auction



A good crowd!



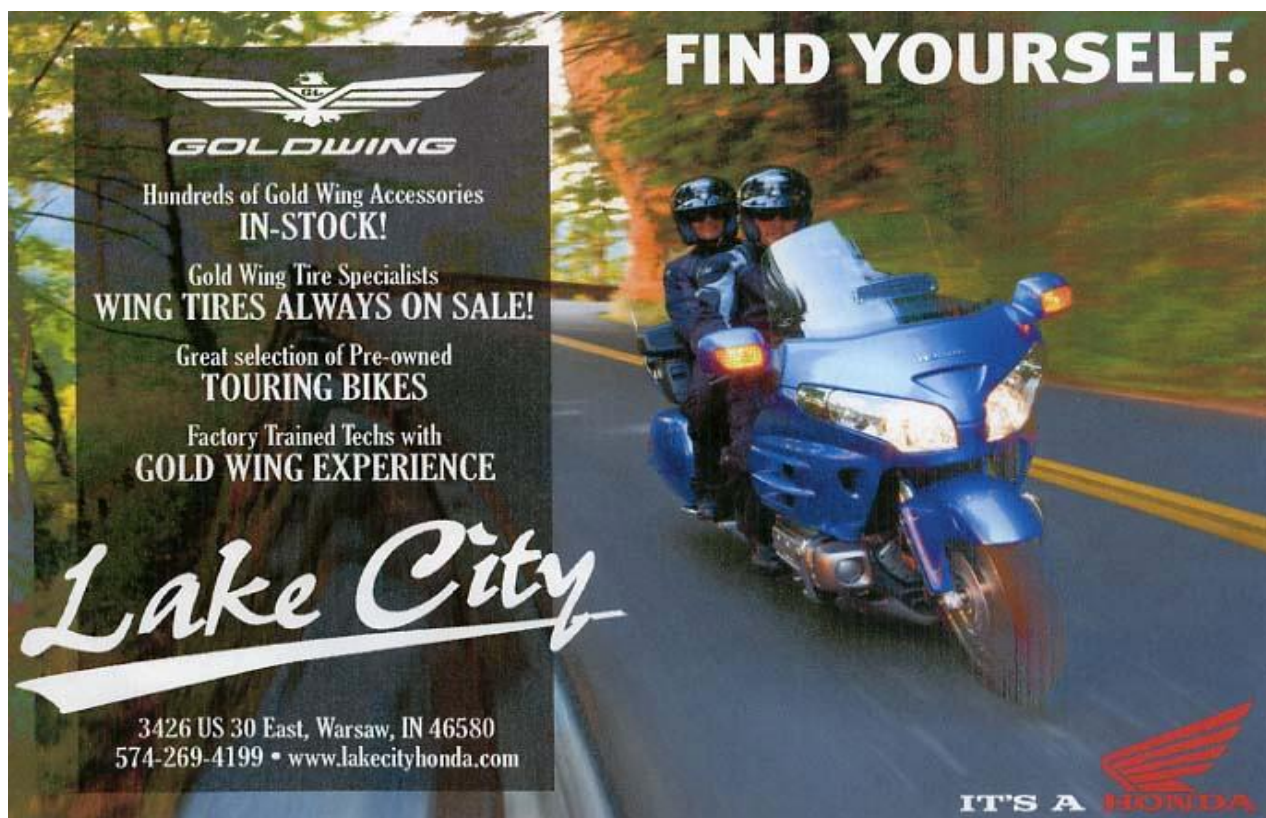
A row of Chili pots.

## Ultimate Chocolate Challenge Press Release

Gold Wing Road Riders Chapter C2 of north Fort Wayne is hosting their first annual Ultimate Chocolate Challenge on Saturday, February 13, 2010 at Celebration Hall in Garrett, IN. This will be a Bake Off open to the public from 12 to 3 pm with prizes for winning bakers and ribbons for all. Applications and rules for entering baked goods can be found at <http://www.gwrra-chapterc2.org/> under Chocolate Challenge. The hall is located at 1346 S. Randolph St., Garrett, and IN 46738.

The event will also be open to the public for chocolate tasting. For \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 10 you will get a barbecue or sloppy joe sandwich, chips and a drink. You will also get tickets to taste 5 chocolate items and there will be a chocolate fountain with fruit, cookies and pretzels for dipping in chocolate. Additional tickets for tasting may be purchased. The Sweet Adeline's Quartet will be singing for 2 hours in the afternoon. There will also be a corn hole tournament and a silent auction. This will be a great start for Valentine's fun for the whole family.

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