



The "L" News

Cincinnati, Ohio



Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Region D - Great Lakes Region

Ohio Chapter L

Chapter Staff Listing

December – and it's Christmas Party time !



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Can you believe the holidays are here already? Nope, me neither – but here they are just the same. That means it is time for Chapter L's annual Christmas Party and dinner, held on our regular meeting night. This year that is December 19th beginning at 6:00 PM and with dinner served at 7:00 PM. Reservations are REQUIRED but you may pay the night of the event (\$12.50 each). We have a couple spots still open, so if you plan to attend, call Pat (385-4556) to make arrangements. Don't forget our \$5.00 food gift exchange – I'm hoping that Linda Elsen brings her famous fudge – maybe I will be lucky enough to get some this year. It is sure to be a fun evening and I hope to celebrate with you there.

GWRRA Officers

We finished our ride schedule meeting the end of last month and I think we have some fantastic rides and events planned for 2002. The new schedule will be available in January's newsletter. There is one change to what we announced in last month's newsletter. For our January 1st ride/dinner we will be going to Famous Dave's (the old Remington's) on Route 4. JoAnn Marston put this together for all of the chapters and she says that the food is great. So, join with your GWRRA friends and start the New Year off right – eating and enjoying everyone's company. We will be meeting at the restaurant at 1:30 PM.

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Also, our annual dinner at Valley Vineyards has been moved up to January 26th at 7:00 PM this year and Butch Boeing will be taking your reservations. Please give Butch a call (481-4882) if you plan to attend. He will have a sign-up sheet at January's meeting also.

Chapter L meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Lakeridge Conference Center, 7210 Pippin Road, Cincinnati, OH at 7:30 PM.

We had our Cabin Fever planning meeting and Chapter L will be participating in the parade and one-minute commercial segments. We had a good turnout for the meeting and everyone volunteered to do something. If you want to get involved, give me a call and we will find a spot for you. Cabin Fever is just a lot more fun if you take part in all the activities. It will be worth it to attend just to see so many of

Christmas Party: December 19, 2001

**** Reservations Required ****



Queen City Wing Riders

your friends make complete idiots of themselves. That is definitely worth the price of admission in itself.

We're trying something new this year on the ride schedule so mark your calendars. The first Sunday (beginning in February) we will meet at 5:00 PM to go to dinner somewhere (this is in replacement of our monthly brunch). Each month a different person will be in charge and we are going to try to select places that accept the Entertainment card – so we should be able to eat “two-for-one.” In the winter months we will probably just be 4-wheeling it but I am sure during the summer we will be riding a bit to get to our destination. It sounds like a great idea (another time Pat doesn't have to cook). More details will be available in January's newsletter.

Well, I don't know about you, but I sure don't have my Christmas shopping done. And, if I don't get out of here, Pat will put me to work doing something. I hope to see you all on the 19th. Please remember to bring your FreeStore donations also. Linda Elsen will be collecting one more time and then delivering to the FreeStore.



And in closing, thank you for being part of Chapter L during 2001. Your involvement and participation is what has made this past year so much fun. The dedicated support you show for this chapter is unbelievable and, in all seriousness, I want to tell you how much I personally appreciate it. I am looking forward to many more good times together during 2002. Have a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year!

Together we will have one “L” of a good time.

Tom Runck – Big Dog – Mr. Pinky



Murphy's motorcycle law:

- A motorcycle cannot fall over without a crowd.
- The odds of a motorcycle falling over are directly proportional to the size of the audience and the owner's ego.
- The fact that your keys are in your pants pocket will only become apparent after you have put on your gloves.
- Quick fixes are so named for how long they stay fixed.
- The only part you really need will also be the only one on permanent backorder.
- Nothing is harder to start than a used motorcycle being shown to a prospective buyer.
- You will never have a flat tire on the road unless you leave the flat repair kit at home.
- Universal Kit accessories are so named because they fit no bike in the universe.

- Motorcycles are to bugs as aircraft carriers once were to kamikaze pilots (except on E-2's bug runs).

Back Seat Driver...

Pat Runck – Mrs. CD



The holidays are here and that means Chapter L will be hosting our annual Christmas Party on December 19th (don't forget – no meeting in December). This party is by reservation only, so please let me know if you plan to attend so that we can have enough food for everyone. There is nothing worse than a hungry Goldwinger. As usual, we will be giving away lots of special items and I wanted to thank the people involved for helping to make all that happen. First, Jim Petroviak cut out our Chapter ornaments this year personally. When you see them – you will understand the time involved so please give Jim a big “pat on the back” for his awesome handiwork. Then came the decorating of the ornaments. **Lori Hicks** did the painting and then helped **Sandy Schmidt and Nancy Hesse** with the decorating. They look great and we thank you so much for your help. We will also have special items on each table that will be given away and **Pauline Petroviak** and **Lori Hicks** put these together for us. They are beautiful items that each winner will be glad to take home. There will be numerous members



who show up to help me set up for the dinner and I will recognize them in next month's newsletter. **Brenda Pennington** is planning another fun activity for us this year (remember how much fun we had with the sing-along last year!). And then there is YOU – the people who attend and make the night so much fun. I can't wait – it is one of my favorite things to do and I am looking forward to sharing the holidays with my Goldwinger friends. See you there!

We took the pull-tabs to Columbus and came in with 267 pounds – a little bit less than last year for the Chapter. Statewide the collections were up though, and we collected 8,926 lbs 9 oz – 574lbs 3 oz more than last year. With three check donations totaling \$200, the check given to Ronald McDonald House was \$3,052.48. It was decided that we would not be collecting pop tabs in 2002. The district staff is considering a different type of fund-raising activity but no announcements have been made yet.

The preliminary competition for the Couple of the Year was held at the Officer's meeting in Columbus and there were 5 couples competing. All five will be competing at Cabin Fever in February and the winning couple will be Ohio's 2002 District Couple. Good luck to all (including **Tom & Cookie Salamon** from E-2 who did an awesome job!).



Well, I have shopping to finish and things to get ready for the Christmas Party. Get your party “duds” together and I will see you on December 19th. Oh – don't forget – at the party we provide all coffee, tea, and soft drinks free but no alcoholic beverages. You are permitted to bring some in if you chose.



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all!
Pat Runck



Membership/Historian

Jim Pennington

Association Affairs – Thanks!!



There was an excellent turnout for our November meeting. Our gathering place at Lakeridge was not filled. We did have room left; yet we had a total of **74** members, guests and visitors. Included in those numbers, were **Larry Ivie, CD** of **A-2** and **Dave & Cathy King CD's** of **E-2**. We have also been

having the pleasure of having the **COYs** of **E-2, Tom & Cookie Salamon** with us. **Tom & Cookie, we understand that you did an excellent performance in your COY presentation at the District Meeting in Columbus! Keep up the good work! We really appreciate your support.**

We thank all of our regulars from **A-2, E-2, X-2** and even **our own Chapter "L"** members who continue to come out to each of our gatherings; you know who you are! Without **you** there would be no "L" here. We thank the following **first-timers** for coming out to be with us: **Grant, Jarett & Sam Weddle** as well as **Leslie Coles** who came with **Art Levine** and **Tim Klug** who came with **Ron Klug**.

Changes for 2001

After the first of this year I retired after 38 years in the Mapping, Environmental and Permitting department with Martin Marietta. My job after retirement was to ride my motorcycle and continue with MED duties (membership) with Ohio L.

Changes for 2002

The first of the year will bring changes in the Chapter Staff. We will be turning Membership chores over to **Rick & Bobbie Harless**. I definitely have mixed emotions with the passing of this position. During the nearly 17 years of Chapter L being in existence, many of us who have had an active part in the Chapter are stepping down. Anyone who has been active for a number of years will feel a kind of void. In order for me not to feel that void ... I have an service opportunity for you ... if you are not riding your motorcycle much and it is slowly deteriorating in your garage from non-use, I will volunteer to ride that motorcycle for you. (**Rich Hesse** told me recently that I am putting way too many miles on my new one) I would not charge you a dime for charging your battery and keeping your tires neatly rounded over the entire tread. I would even pay for the gas that your motorcycle uses. Keep me informed and get your reservation in early, my service begins April 1st!



Constant reminder of the Membership Rewards Program.

Here I go again for the last time. GWRRA means a lot to me so please help us and get in the program. Here is the rundown again, just in case you didn't read it last month and the month before. Each member who recruits three new memberships between July 1 of 2001 and July 31 of 2002 will receive a coupon for one year's membership in GWRRA. Read about the details of this in your Wing World magazine. It really pays to generate membership in our association. It is what keeps us alive and growing. We must have new members coming in continually. Life members may use the coupon for GWRRA Wearhouse merchandise or towards Wing Ding registration. **Set yourself a GOAL and recruit your 3 soon!**

Remember what I have said before ... if you ever see a Gold Wing rider at a gas station, store parking lot or elsewhere, check them out. Don't put it off, find out if they are a GWRRA member. If they are not, tell them the fun we have and recruit a new member for GWRRA on the spot. **See your new MED's, Rick & Bobbie, they should always have GWRRA applications at our gatherings.**

I cannot believe the great weather we have been having lately. Today, we rode over 175 miles in beautiful 70-degree weather. I really find it hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner. Talking about Christmas ... we hope that you have already made your reservation for our **Christmas Party**. For our newer members, this will happen instead of our usual gathering. Well, did you make a reservation in November? We hope that you had already decided to attend on **December 19, 2001**. It starts at **6:00**. Come early, kick some tires! See you at our party! Have a Happy Holiday season!



"Road Runner" - - - On the Internet -
Jim.P@fuse.net

Jim Pennington

New Senior CDs

On Saturday, November 17th at the District Officers meeting in Columbus, OH, we were honored to receive the appointment of Senior Chapter Directors for Chapter L. This is much more than just a new title for Tom and me. It represents an achievement for the whole chapter, made possible because of your enthusiastic support. In order to even be considered for this appointment, a chapter must be doing lots of things right. That can hardly be the reflection of only two people, but rather recognizes the attitude of a group of people who live the GWRRA motto of Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge.

In order to be considered for this role, according to the Officers Guidebook, a Chapter Director needs to be considered "above average" with two years tenure and exemplary performance as key criteria. But much more than that – the appointing officers look at the chapter as a whole. Your participation in District, Region and National rallies, the



chapter’s ride schedule, and attendance at Chapter meetings and functions is also a critical measurement of us as Chapter Directors. Let’s just say that over the past two years you have definitely made us look good. For that we are humbled and grateful.

We care about Chapter L and you, our extended family of friends and we are honored to have been given the opportunity to continue the tradition of great leadership that has always been part of this Chapter. Thank you so much.

Tom & Pat Runck



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Safety Tip of the Month

With the hustle and bustle of holiday shopping, drivers are not expecting to see motorcycles on the road. Make sure you are in the correct lane position to be seen and to be able to make corrective maneuvers, if necessary.

Ride Coordinator

Rich Hesse

The 2002 Ride Schedule is finalized and we thank you for your input in helping to make next year’s rides and events new and exciting. It will be available at next month’s meeting, in January’s newsletter and out on the website. A new ride coordinator will be taking over next year and I just wanted to say “thanks” for supporting me by participating in the chapter’s rides and events over the past two years. I hope you have



an enjoyable holiday and I will see you at the Christmas Party.

UPCOMING RIDES/EVENTS

➤ December 19th (Wednesday) “L” Christmas Party

Meet at: 6:00 PM at Lakeridge Conference Center for the annual Chapter L Christmas Party. A buffet dinner will be served at 7:00 PM and a \$5.00 food gift exchange will occur at 8:30 PM. We will take couples photos and Brenda Pennington is planning another fun social event for this year. The cost is \$12.50 per person and reservations are REQUIRED. Please call Pat Runck (385-4556) to be included.

➤ January 1st (Tuesday) New Year’s Day Dinner

Meet at: 1:30 PM at Famous Dave’s restaurant (Rt. 4 – the old Remingtons) for the annual New Year’s gathering of hungry Goldwingers. Call JoAnn Marston (513-563-6001) if you plan to attend.

➤ January 26th (Saturday) Valley Vineyards Dinner

Meet at: 7:00 PM at Valley Vineyards in Morrow, OH for a wine tasting and great steak dinner. Cost is \$40.00 per couple (\$20.00 single). Call Butch Boeing (513-481-4882) if you plan to attend or need directions.



Don’t forget about our ice cream rides every Wednesday evening, except our meeting night. We leave from the K-Mart parking lot on Colerain Avenue,

near Ronald Reagan Highway at 7:30 PM. Until then, ride safe and take care of each other.

Rich Hesse



The Brunch Bunch

On December 2nd a small group of hungry Goldwingers met at the Miamitown Park & Ride and rode to brunch. The “Brunch Bunchers” included: **Butch & Betty Royle and Big Napier**. 2001 marks the end of the brunch bunch gatherings. In 2002 we will be gathering on the first Sunday of each month at 5:00 PM to go to dinner. See you on February 3rd for the first gathering of the Dinner Riders. Departure location will be announced later.

FreeStore Donations

Chapter L is collecting non-perishable food items to help those less fortunate during the holiday season. Please try to bring a donation to December’s



Christmas Party – there will be a basket for this collection. All of us are blessed in ways that others may never know. Please try to be generous to help others. See you on the 19th and thanks for your support!

Linda Elsen



Parade People

We had a beautiful day on Saturday, December 1st for the parades. It was sunny, dry and a little cold. For the Delhi Parade, which started in the morning, we had six bikes piloted by: **Jim Pennington, Rick & Bobbie Harless, Carl Hauser, Butch Royse, Joe Schmidt, and Ken Jauch.** After the parade we went to

The Round Table in Cleves and enjoyed a great lunch. Joe needed to go home and the rest of us had some time to kill before the next parade in Cleves began. So, Butch Royse

led us on a beautiful 1½-hour ride and we ended up just in time back in Cleves for the parade. We picked up one more bike so we were back to six riders: **Jim Pennington, Rick &**

Bobbie Harless, Carl Hauser, Butch Royse, Jim Webster, and Ken Jauch. As the day went on the weather got even better; we changed from our heavy gear to medium weight and enjoyed great riding in December. We had hoped for a better turnout but we had a good time anyway.

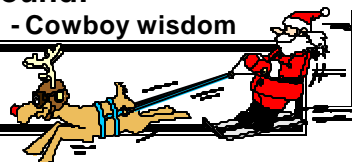


Ken Jauch

If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, just try orderin' somebody else's dog around!

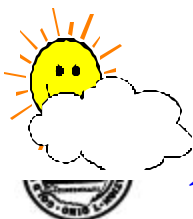
- Cowboy wisdom

Sunshine



Pauline Petroviak

Holiday Greetings! Our thoughts and prayers go out to **Mark Simmons** on the loss of his



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mother. **Joyce Jones** will have eye surgery on December 15th and we hope all goes well for you, Joyce. **Jim & Brenda Pennington** will become grandparents for the 3rd time around June 6, 2002. Our best to Jim & Brenda and first-time parents-to-be, Jim & Jennifer.

My holiday wish to all of you is: *Good health, love, happiness and safe riding!* Keep the sunshine in your hearts.

Pauline Petroviak

Birthdays-Anniversaries



Birthdays



Jan. 1	Martha Moffett
Jan. 4	Tril Childers
Jan. 4	Jim Webster
Jan. 5	Karen Taylor
Jan. 6	Nancy Hesse
Jan. 10	Tammy Williams
Jan. 10	Dennis Moffett
Jan. 12	Linda Simmons
Jan. 13	Ted Enzweiler
Jan. 16	Bud Hensler
Jan. 17	Jan David
Jan. 20	Jim Behanan
Jan. 20	Dave Murray
Jan. 21	Marilyn Suttler
Jan. 24	Joe Weitzel
Jan. 26	Ed Smith
Jan. 27	Jack Elsen
Jan. 30	Walt Williams



Anniversaries



Jan. 1	Joe & Beth Weitzel
Jan. 1	Jay & Rosalie Morris
Jan. 17	Phil & Lois Hollingsworth
Jan. 26	Ron & Marjorie King

Pins/Patches/Parades

Bob & Tril Childers

We won't have all of the pins, patches, shirts, flags, etc. at the Christmas Party, but we are available by phone (513-367-0144) if you want to order something for a Christmas gift. A new chapter hat makes a great stocking stuffer. See

you at the Christmas Party on the 19th and we hope your holidays are happy!

Bob & Tril Childers

Valley Vineyards

Butch Boeing



Hi, everybody! Mark your calendars for our annual Valley Vineyards Dinner Ride. This marks 12+ years we have been enjoying this event. The date is January 26, 2002 at 7:00 PM. Valley Vineyards is located just south of Lebanon, OH. This year the cost is \$40.00 per couple and includes a wine tasting, bottle of your favorite wine (alcohol-free available), and 2 steak dinners, cooked by the tri-state's, if not the world's, greatest chefs – YOU! Singles cost \$20.00 each. I will have a sign-up sheet at the January meeting or you can call me at 513-481-4882. Please leave a message if I don't answer.

Butch Boeing

“L” Logs On...

Website Browsing

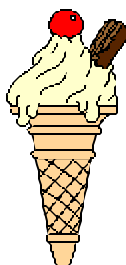
Sign-on to our national, region, district, and local websites for up-to-the-minute information about everything-GoldWing. If you find any really great sites during your browsing, let us know so that we can publish the addresses. *Get Connected!*

- **Gold Wing Road Riders – National**
<http://www.gwrra.org>
- **Great Lakes Region “D”**
<http://www.geocities.com/~regiond/>
- **Ohio District**
<http://geocities.com/ohdistrict/gwrra.htm>
- **Chapter “L”**
<http://www.QCWR.org>

Ice Cream Screamers

Dinner/Ice Cream/Dessert Rides

Our Wednesday night ice cream/dessert rides actually include dinner most times. It seems that the opportunity to get out of the house mid-week for ride, meal and dessert with friends is a



perfect combination for a Goldwinger. We have a good turnout every week!

ICE CREAM RIDES -- WERE YOU THERE?

NOVEMBER 14, 2001 Tom & Barb Burns, Cris Hauser, Robin Hauser, Jack Elsen & Pauline Boderone, Rich & Linda Elsen, Jeff & Becky Weddle, Butch & Betty Royse, Joe & Terrie Rosemeyer, Bob Childers.

NOVEMBER 28, 2001 Jack Elsen & Pauline Boderone, Rich & Linda Elsen, Tom & Barb Burns, Joe & Terrie Rosemeyer, Carl & Cris Hauser, Robin Hauser.

Chapter News

Things You Just Need to Know...

- Joyce Jones has reserved rooms at the University Plaza Hotel in Columbus, OH for Cabin Fever on February 8-10, 2002. They are being held under “Joyce Jones Group” and the rate is \$71.00 for a King room and \$78.00 for a Double room. Please call 1-877-677-5292 to take over a reservation in your name.
- This is the time of year for Christmas pageants and we have someone from Chapter L who played the baby Jesus when she was an infant. Any guesses who it might be? Ask Pauline Boderone about it!
- Don't forget to look elsewhere in the newsletter for directions to X2's new meeting place at the Otterbein Retirement Community. First meeting in the new location is Saturday, January 26th.
- At A2's Craft and Bake Sale last month, it seemed that everyone had a number 5 to use for bidding. That just happened to be Carl & Cris Hauser's number. It was a bidding conspiracy – they took home stuff they didn't even know they had purchased.
- Speaking of Carl & Cris – they are off to Hawaii to see their son get married. Congratulations!



- At the Officer's meeting in November, Dave King kept going up front and sitting in Roger Hurley's seat when he wasn't there. Dave said he already has all the red shirts he needs – all that was missing was a white tie. Don't worry, Dave,



we'll take care of YOU. Really, we think he just likes sitting next to Penny.

- Congratulations to Joe & Stormee Lupo who are the proud owners of a new 2002 GL1800 in black. Since Joe is retiring now, he'll have lots of time to ride. Congratulations!
- Don't forget that if you are involved in the Rider Education Levels Program, you need to renew your membership in January. If you have any questions, talk to Butch Roysse or our District Rider Ed officer, Dave Taylor.
- After the first of the year, the Southwest section will have one more lucky chapter – Chapter S2 out of Springfield, OH. Welcome – and remember - Southwest is the BEST!

Thank-You for Getting "Ripped-Off" at Chapter "L"!

Our rip-off fundraiser for St. Joseph home is finished for the year and we took \$677 to the home to purchase Christmas gifts for the residents. We thank you for your support throughout the year.

Jim & Pauline Petroviak

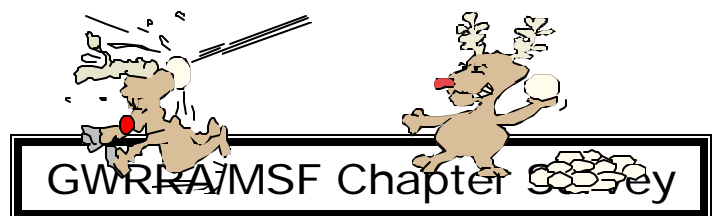
State News

Bits of the Buckeye...

- ❖ Cabin Fever, on February 8-10, 2002 in Columbus, OH will be here before you know it. This year's theme is "TV Sitcoms" and a registration form was included in the November newsletter. Make sure you are registered – you don't want to miss this year's Cabin Fever!
- ❖ Speaking of Cabin Fever, there will be two auctions on Saturday evening: 1. A dollar auction where the successful bidder puts a pie in the face of Tom Taggart; and 2. A pie auction where the top three bidders put a pie in the face of one of the male District Staff members of their choice. An ice cream social (\$3.00) will follow. You can't miss this opportunity!
- ❖ GWRRA of Ohio is planning a trip to Washington, DC on April 20-21, 2002. The trip will leave the Columbus, OH area about 12:00 AM on the 20th and return around 10:00 PM on the 21st. Deadline for registration is

April 1, 2002. Cost is \$130 per person, 4-persons in a room or \$155 per person, double occupancy. It is a guided tour of the Washington, DC area. Please contact Dave & Theresa Corner for registration or questions (740-756-7467 or dcorner@greenapple.com).

- ❖ Safety Sunday for 2002 is scheduled for February 24th in Dayton, OH and the Skills Day is scheduled for May 18th in Dayton, OH.
- ❖ Region D Rally will be held on September 12-15, 2002 in Tiffin, OH. The theme is "Back to the Future with Region D". Don't forget, preregistered Life Members get in for half price.
- ❖ Roger Hurley is trying to schedule a Horizon Program for the Southwest section. This is a very worthwhile one-day seminar. It is open to all members and the skills learned can be used in every day life. Please let Roger know if you would like to attend.
- ❖ The Ohio rally site for 2003 was selected and we will be heading to Xenia, Ohio. This is a completely renovated facility because of the destruction from tornadoes. It is possible we may be going to future Ohio rally sites for 3 years instead of 2.
- ❖ New Senior Chapter Directors were announced at the Officers meeting including: Jack & Cathy Lambert, Y2; John & Vicki Wilson, D3; Ken & Carol Shope, T; Cathy & Jim Crager, O2; and Tom & Pat Runck, L.
- ❖ Wing Ding 2002 will have some awesome activities – including an F-16 fly-by at opening ceremonies, a USO-style dance to honor veterans, fireworks, tours of the Brickyard Indy 500 and much more. Wing Ding will be held in Ft. Wayne, IN on July 2-5 and this is the first time Wing Ding has been in Region D. Get registered and GO – this is too close to miss.



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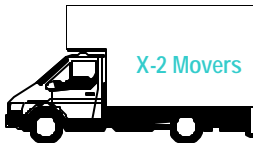
Seminars Given: 1

Attendance (each): 74

- Educated in CPR this month: 0
- Educated in First-Aid this month: 0
- MSF Courses taken this month: 0
- Parking Lot Practice: 0

X-2 is on the Move!

Chapter X-2 will move its monthly gathering place from the Lebanon Citizens Bank in Middletown to the Kings Activity Center in the Otterbein Retirement Community, located off Ohio St. Rt. 741, just north of Ohio St. Rt. 63. The first gathering at this new location will be on January 26, 2002.



Directions: From I-75 take the Ohio St. Rt. 63 exit in Monroe, OH and turn east toward Lebanon, OH. In about 2 miles, turn left at Ohio St. Rt. 741 and go north

for about ½ mile to the Otterbein Retirement Community. Turn left onto Circle Drive and go until you reach the Kings Activity Center on the left-hand side of Circle Road.

Treasurer

Lori Hicks

We had a great crowd considering it was the night before Thanksgiving. Everyone was very generous too – we had lots of door prizes. **Tom Burns** won the membership draw for \$5.00, so we start over in January.



Door prize donors were: **Fred & Lori Hicks, Jim & Pauline Petroviak, Keith Kennedy, Betty Royse, Tom & Pat Runck, Walt Bohanan, Jim & Brenda Pennington, Dave & Cathy King, Dan & Georgia Horgan, Ed Ely, But Hensler, Cris Hauser, Barb Burns, Donna Kuchera, Durrell & Pauline Monroe, Andy & Janet Andrea, Donna & Sam Peterson, Rick & Bobbie Harless, Jeff & Becky Weddle, and Tom & Cookie Salamon.**

Don't forget, we won't be collecting pull-tabs this year. It is still hard for me to throw a can away with the pull-tab attached. Thanks to everyone who helped by collected tabs this past year. Ronald McDonald House really appreciates our efforts. The name of each person who had brought in pull-tabs throughout the year was placed in a hat and **Ruth Barry's** name was drawn as the winner of a free registration for the Christmas Party. She really deserved it; the amount of tabs she brought in was INCREDIBLE!



It has been another great year for Chapter L and Fred & I wish you a great holiday and many more fun-filled years with Chapter L!

Lori Hicks

Rider Education

SAFETY IS FOR LIFE. Foul Weather Riding Gear. Let's start from the inside and work out. In dressing for cold weather, begin with long undies. Make sure you get a set that is long enough in the torso and legs so that they don't ride up when you bend over to grab the bars--that leads to the dreaded cold-draft-up-the-back syndrome. Next, include a long sleeve shirt and warm pants and of course, don't forget warm socks. It's very easy to forget about your feet until they freeze. Now we come to one of the best inventions in the world of motorcycling next to front brakes. That is, of course, the electric vest. For those of you who have never worn one, an electric vest is a lightly quilted vest that plugs into your bike's electrical system. The better models have a rheostat that controls the amount of heat produced by the vest as well as an on/off switch. They usually cost around \$100 and are worth every penny.



The next level of protection is a good jacket. A high quality, comfortable jacket is one of the most sought after accessories for any experienced motorcyclist. We put a lot of demands on our jackets, and the manufacturers have caught on to this fact by responding with a versatile product line that does more than just cover. Pick a jacket that is tough. If you go down something will have to be sacrificed to the pavement and it may as well be the jacket rather than your hide. Jackets must be comfortable. When trying one on, make sure you sit on your bike with it on before deciding whether it fits or not. Be careful that the jacket is long enough in the torso and the arms. A jacket that is too thin or bulky will flap and balloon in the wind, which will make you tired and reduce your body's ability to keep you warm. The better jackets have removable linings that can be removed in warmer weather. There are electrically heated jackets and liners available.



Insulated pants or chaps are a very good investment if you do any cool weather riding. They are usually made of leather and will protect you in a tip over as well as keep you warmer. There are a few of the electrically heated models available. These are usually made of cordura nylon and are coated to be water resistant.

Gloves are another of the absolute essential items every rider must have. Gloves can be split into basic categories, summer and winter. Summer gloves are the leather, un-insulated type to protect your hands from abrasion should you fall. Winter gloves must provide that protection as well as protect against cold and rain. Winter gloves should be insulated and waterproof. Don't buy gloves that are too bulky in the palm lest you lose the feel of the bike and its controls. Make sure that your gloves have long gauntlet type cuffs that will fit over your jacket sleeves to ensure no wind gets up your arms. Be sure there are no rough seams in the palm area. If you ride for a couple hours with a seam between your hand and the grip, you'll feel it.

Some other pieces of equipment that will help keep you warm: a scarf to seal around your neck. A full-face helmet is a lot warmer than the open face models. A ski suit is warm and fairly water resistant. You can always wear your rain suit. And rubber boots worn over your riding boots are a big help for your feet. Happy cool weather riding – and Merry Christmas too!

Butch Royse

Reindeerie



According to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, while both male and female reindeer grow antlers in the summer each year, male reindeer drop their antlers at the beginning of winter, usually late November to mid-December. Female reindeer, however, retain their antlers until after they give birth – usually in the spring. Therefore, according to every historical rendition depicting Santa's reindeer – every single one of them – from Rudolph to Blitzen, had to be a GIRL!

We should have known. Only women, while pregnant, would be able to drag a fat man in a red velvet suit all around the world in one night, and not get lost.



December Word Find

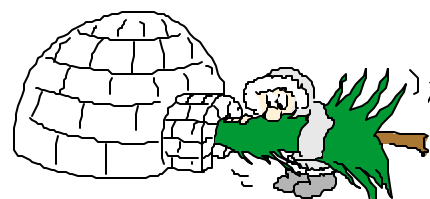
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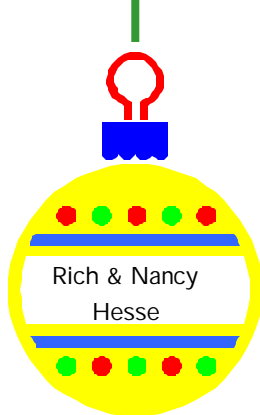
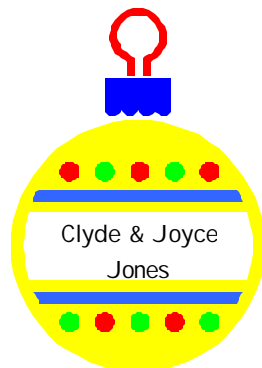
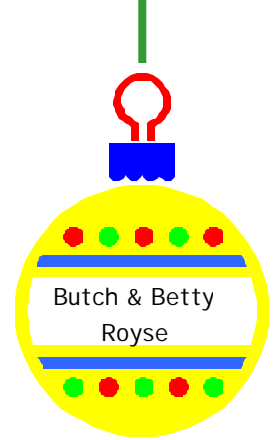
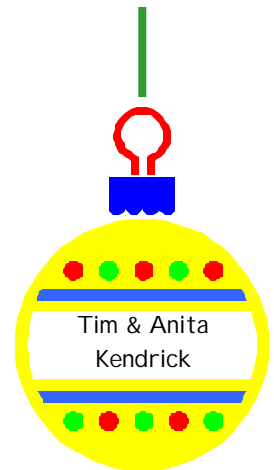
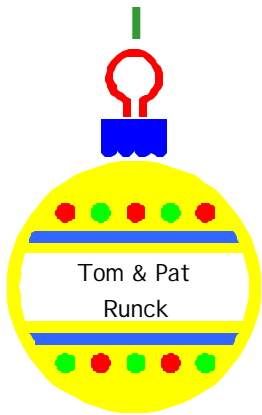


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Complete this word puzzle and bring it to the registration table for an extra door prize ticket at the January meeting!

Any married man should forget his mistakes; there's no use in two people remembering the same thing!





Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year to all of our GWRRA friends from the staff of Chapter L.





In ancient times, people observed that mistletoe appeared on a branch or twig where birds had left droppings. "Mistel" is the Anglo-Saxon word for "dung," and "tan" is the word for "twig". So, mistletoe

actually means "dung-on-a-twig". What a strange meaning for a plant that is supposed to bring love and happiness!

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Everybody needs a shoulder to cry on sometime in life, my dear. I only hope that you have enough love and friends that you will always have a shoulder to cry on when you need it.'



Then and there I knew the most important body part is not a selfish one. It is sympathetic to the pain of others. People will forget what you said..... People will forget what you did..... But people will NEVER forget how you made them feel. Love to All.....

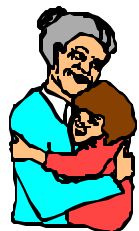
Here's My Shoulder

My mother used to ask me what I thought was the most important part of the body. Through the years I would take a guess at what I thought was the correct answer. When I was younger, I thought sound was very important to us as humans, so I said, 'My ears, Mommy'. She said, 'No. Many people are deaf. But you keep thinking about it and I will ask you again soon.' Several years passed before she asked me again. Since making my first attempt, I had contemplated the correct answer. So this time I told her, 'Mommy, sight is very important to everybody, so it must be our eyes'.



She looked at me and told me, 'You are learning fast, but the answer is not correct because there are many people who are blind'. Stumped again, I continued my quest for knowledge and over the years, Mother asked me a couple more times and always her answer was, 'No. But you are getting smarter every year, my child'.

Then, my grandpa died. Everybody was hurting. Everybody was crying. Even my father cried. I remember that especially because it was only the second time I saw him cry. My mom looked at me when it was our turn to say our final good-bye to Grandpa. She asked me, 'Do you know the most important body part yet, my dear?' I was shocked when she asked me this now. I always thought this was a game between the two of us. She saw the confusion on my face and told me, 'this question is very important. It shows that you have really lived in your life. For every body part you gave me in the past, I have told you was wrong and I have given you an example why. But today is the day you need to learn this important lesson.' She looked down at me as only a mother can. I saw her eyes well up with tears. She said, 'My



Community Champion

Larry Lay, a business partner for The Sports Page Café, and former CD of Chapter E-2, "made the papers." He is spearheading an effort to revitalize Old Ohio 74, which runs through Mt. Carmel. He is researching the availability of grants and is working to get other business owners in the area involved. If you have any ideas, want to help out or just give a word of encouragement, give Larry a call at 513-688-1009. Good Luck!



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DATE	EVENT	EVENT LEADER	PHONE	TIME	MTG PLACE/LEAVING FROM
Dec. 18	A-2 Meeting	Larry Ivie	513-398-5644	7:30 PM	K of C, 930 Hamilton-Cleves Road
Dec. 19	L Christmas Party	Pat Runck	513-385-4556	6:00 PM	Lakeridge Conference Center
Dec. 29	X-2 Meeting	Mike Runyan	513-398-8554	9:30 AM	Lebanon Citizens – Middletown, OH
Jan. 1	New Years Dinner	Pat Runck	513-385-4556	1:30 PM	Famous Dave's - Rt. 4
Jan. 3	E-2 Meeting	Dave King	513-742-0937	7:30 PM	New England Club, Rt. 125
Jan. 16	L Meeting	Tom Runck	513-385-4556	7:30 PM	Lakeridge Conference Center
Jan. 22	A-2 Meeting	Matt Paynter	513-727-1049	7:30 PM	K of C, 930 Hamilton-Cleves Road
Jan. 26	X-2 Meeting	Phil Yapple	513-988-0880	9:30 AM	Otterbein Ret. Comm – SR 741
Jan. 26	Ride Educ. Meeting	Tom Runck	513-385-4556	9:00 AM	Univ. Plaza Hotel – Columbus, OH
Jan. 26	Valley Vineyards	Butch Boeing	513-481-4882	7:00 PM	Route 22 in Morrow, OH



CHAPTER “L” MEETINGS
 3rd Wednesday of Each Month
Lakeridge Conference Center
 7210 Pippin Road -- Cincinnati, OH

7:30 PM – Get-together



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Chapter L's Christmas party is on December 19th at 6:00 PM! We hope to see you there!