



# The Greater Milwaukee Wings

## GWRRRA WI-"G" Region E



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### From the Chapter Director

I hope that everyone who attended Chapter G's Winter Festivus at Wisconsin Dells last month has recuperated by now. It was truly a relaxing weekend that afforded all of us a chance to escape the winter "blahs" and enjoy a fun-filled weekend of food, games, and each other's company in a relaxed atmosphere. Those of you who weren't able to make it truly missed out on a fun time. I hope that you will mark your calendars now for the first weekend in March of 2008 (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>) and join us for next year's Winter Festivus.

We have our annual *Spring Safety Fair* at Action Power Sports, 202 Travis Lane in Waukesha coming up on April 21<sup>st</sup>, beginning at 10:30am. New topics, new speakers, and the GWRRRA "Co-Rider Course" will be presented. This year's guest speaker will be Honda Representative Tim Lamers. Along with the safety instruction, there will be a 50/50 drawing, and I'm sure Joe Siegler, representing Action Power Sports, will have a few surprises to share with our members. Remember to bring your tire pressure gauges along to have them tested for accuracy by the Action Power Sports staff. Underinflated tires are one of the major causes of motorcycle accidents, as well as one of the leading contributors to premature tire wear.

In an effort to acknowledge May as Motorcycle Awareness month, Chapter G will be hosting a *MAD Brat Fry* at Sam's Club, 6705 S. 27<sup>th</sup> St. (Hwy 41) on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 10:00am. We will have several motorcycles on display and members will be available to assist the public with information regarding motorcycles, motorcyclists, and motorist awareness. We may be able to spread the word about GWRRRA and possibly recruit new members. Remember, an informed public is key to our survival!

Ginny and I are hoping to see most, if not all, of you at these two events. Show your support by participating in as many of our Chapter's events as possible. You only go around once in life, but if you do it right, once is enough!

Ride Safe!

Bob & Ginny Schattschneider  
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### Mark Your Calendars:

Chapter G Safety Fair; April 21<sup>st</sup>.  
Chapter G Social; April 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
Pound Auction; April 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
WI-Q & WI-K Fundraisers Ride; April 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>.  
MAD Brat Fry; May 5<sup>th</sup>.  
Schwartz Dinner Ride & Campfire; May 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Chapter G Social; May 20<sup>th</sup>.

# Calendar of Events

## Chapter G Monthly Social 4:30pm

February 25 \* March 25 \* April 22 \* May 20 \* June 24 \* July 29  
August 26 \* September 30 \* October 21 \* November 25 \* December 16

**Root River Center, 7220 W Rawson Ave**

If you would like to dine during the meeting, come early to place your food order.

Apr. 21: **Safety Fair- Action Power Sports**

**202 Travis Lane, Waukesha**

Join us for our annual safety fair. Details to follow.  
Contact Bob Schattschneider at 414-764-6077.

May 5 **10:00am: MAD Brat Fry**

**Sam's Club, 6705 S 27th St, Franklin**

Help raise awareness for motorcycles on the road  
- volunteer for the brat fry!  
Contact Bob Schattschneider at 414-764-6077.

Jun. 2: **Berres Coffee House & Restaurant**

**Johnson Creek**

More details to follow. Contact Art Kunstler at  
414-744-5499.

Jun. 2: **Volunteer Coordinator needed for**

**MACC Fund Trek 100**

Volunteer needed to assist with this bicycle ride.  
Contact Bob Schattschneider at 414-764-6077.

Jun. 23-24: **District Rally**

**Green Bay**

Information on the District Webpage:

<http://www.gwrra-wi.org>. Contact Mike Hultine at  
920-261-7101 for more information.

Jul. 1: **Fox & Hounds Reprive Lunch, 10am**

More details to follow. Contact John Hickman at  
(414) 964-1159 for more information.

Aug. 4-5: **Volunteer for MS 150 Bike Tour**

The Chapter usually patrols the course and  
assists the cyclists as needed. Volunteers can  
stay in the dorms at UW Whitewater for free;  
however the Chapter has rooms reserved at the  
AmeriHost Inn in Whitewater. Contact Bob  
Schattschneider at 414-764-6077.

Aug. 19: **Jelly Belly Tour**

More details to follow. Contact Art Kunstler at  
414-744-5499.

Oct. 20: **Chili Dump, 2pm**

More details to follow. Contact Art Kuenstler at (414)  
744-5499 for signup and more information.

Riding season is  
almost here...

*Are you excited yet?*



[Look Where We've Been...](#)**Bowling Party**

On Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, after the chapter's social, nine members of Chapter G participated in a bowling party at Root River Center. Many other members stood by to cheer them on whenever a strike was made or a split was converted. A great time was had by all, but needless to say, none of us will be quitting our daytime job to pursue a career on the Bowler's Tour circuit.

- Bob Schattschneider

**Longnecks Dinner Ride**

Saturday, March 24th found our group of 20 at Longnecks Pub for dinner and drinks. The food was delicious and many of the "girls" sampled the different martini's available, some of which were Appletini, Raspberry Truffle, Caramel Macciato, Raspberry Cosmo, Pineapple Up Side Down, Cin-a-Bon and even a Drunk Elephant. The restaurant was very accommodating in setting up tables and providing separate checks! Also, 2 of the "guys" brought their cycles and I bet a few more wish they would have. This is definitely a 'visit again' destination. Thanks to all who joined us.

- Art & Pat Kuenstler

**Winter Festivus**

On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup>, thirty-eight members of Chapter G celebrated the chapter's first Winter Festivus (formerly known as Winter Get-A-Way) at Wisconsin Dells. Honorary Chapter G member and Wisconsin Dells sweetheart, Christin Harding, ensured an active weekend by arranging tours for us at Pike's Peak Percherons and Salecker's Baraboo Bakerei.

Eric and Linda Sorge, owners of Pike's Peak Percherons, gave us a walking tour of the facilities and demonstrated the proper method for harnessing both a single horse and a team of horses to pull a variety of wagons. Eric treated the entire group to a winter hayride. Afterwards, Linda filled us with homemade cookies, coffee, and hot chocolate. Our hosts made us feel right at home by sharing the comforts of their home with us.

Master German Baker Kay Salecker, owner of Salecker's Baraboo Bakerei, and his trusty assistant, Master German Baker Andre Stehfest, gave our group a behind-the-scene tour of the bakery. They delighted our group by providing freshly baked cookies shaped and frosted in the image of motorcycles. A variety of pastries, coffee, and hot chocolate were also served by our hosts in a gesture of thanks for our volunteer work at the MS 150 Best Dam Bike Tour.

The evenings were spent celebrating in the shadow of our very own festivus pole by playing various games and an ongoing demonstration of gemütlichkeit in the finer nuances of the science of schafskopf. Fine food and beverages were enjoyed by all. Chapter G's Winter Festivus is one event that you do not want to miss!

- Bob Schattschneider

**Cork and Cleaver**

Chapter G members met at the Cork N Cleaver in Milwaukee for brunch on Sunday March 11. It was immediately after daylight savings took effect, so everyone was shy one hour of sleep. The sun was out in full force, making for a nice day. Brunch was very good and we plan to return again sometime.

- Greg Miller

[Look What's Coming Up...](#)**Pound Auction – April 22**

At the chapter meeting on April 22 we are going to have a "POUND" Auction. If you wish to participate, you will need to bring a "POUND" of whatever, wrapped to disguise whatever you bring. Be sure to use your imagination and creativity in purchasing and wrapping your item. There is no minimum or maximum in regards to cost... When you enter the meeting you will be given "funny money" to participate. If you forget your "POUND" and still wish to participate - you will be charged \$5.00 for the "funny money" and your \$5.00 donation will go to the Chapter treasury. Let's make this a new and fun activity! If you have questions please call the *Kuenstlers* @ 744-5499.

**2007 Chapter G Circle Tour**

As has been the case in past years, the 2007 Chapter G circle tour will have a theme. This year's theme is "The Colors of Wisconsin". Wisconsin has many towns with colors contained in their name. We have chosen a few and put them together to form a circle tour. Actually, this year a little twist has been added to the tour. It contains two "loops". There is a loop that contains towns which are west of Milwaukee and is called (surprise, surprise) the Western Loop. There is also an Eastern Loop which is made up of towns north of Milwaukee. (We'd get a little damp riding to towns east of Milwaukee.) Each loop was set up to be approximately 300 miles long, so it may be ridden comfortably in a single day. Riders have their choice of riding the Eastern Loop, the Western Loop, or both loops. Information regarding entry fees, rules, and the list of towns on the tour is located in the Chapter G web site. Information can also be obtained at our monthly socials, or by contacting *Rich or Sharon Winkler at [swinkler@wi.rr.com](mailto:swinkler@wi.rr.com)*.

[Sound Advice...](#)**Protecting Those Numb Fingers**

By James R. Davis

We have all ridden in the cold weather at one time or another and despite having heavy gloves, possibly including extra liners, those fingers get too cold and begin to numb. (By the way, I have found that silk liners offer better cold weather protection than heavier cloth liners.)

Here is a tip from Mr. Davis that he and his partner came up with a couple of years ago when they were out on the last leg (612 miles) of a week on the road and it was so cold that their fingers began to get numb. They pulled to the side of the road, got off the bikes, and dug into their first-aid kits. They pulled out a set of latex gloves and put them on over the liners, then put the regular gloves on over the latex gloves. It's amazing how effective that simple idea turned out to be.

