



# GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

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GWRRRA Region D - Michigan District

Chapter A-2

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### “The A2 Team”

#### Chapter Directors

“Big” Bob & Betsy Morgan  
734-216-5458

#### Asst. Chapter Directors

Open Position

#### Chapter Educators

Bill & Peggy Bower

#### Treasurer

Ron Minor

#### Membership Enhancement

Bill Keedle

#### Ride Coordinator

Open Position

#### Goodie Sales

Open Position

#### Brag Book

Robin Lillie

#### Sunshine Girl

Jennifer Morgan

#### Couple of the Year 2011

Jim & Carol Massengill

#### Newsletter Editor/ Web Mistress

Kathy Minor

#### 50/50 Ticket Sales

Bob Shafe & Barb Williams

#### Fun Run Coordinator

Open Position

#### Public Relations Coordinator

Open Position



## From our Chapter Directors

“Big” Bob & Betsy Morgan

Hi Gang,

Wing Ding was in Knoxville, TN this year and it was great. The weather was nice. Eight members were there from Chapter A-2. If you’ve never been to a Wing Ding, you missed out on a lot of great stuff. There is something to do every day you’re there. This made my 12th Wing Ding. Next year Wing Ding 34 will be a little closer to Michigan. It’s going to be in Fort Wayne, IN.

I’m writing this article after returning from the Michigan State Rally. It was another great time seeing family and friends. A-2 members won a lot of great prizes. Big Bob and Betsy won a 50/50 drawing on both Friday and Saturday night (what’s new, right?) and a couple of door prizes. Jerry & Kathy won a portable DVD player and a door prize. Bill & Peggy won a set of Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls. Bill & Ronda won a door prize. And, my granddaughter took 3rd place in the kids games. We have a lot of fun at the State Rally. If you haven’t been to one, come on out. You’ll be glad that you did. Nothing but fun and all kinds of things to do.

They held the big raffle drawing for the 2012 Gold Wing that was made possible by the sale of gold tickets by all the Michigan chapters. The Gold Wing was won by Brian Smith, son of Ron and Jan Smith, Rider Education Ambassadors. It was kind of neat to know someone (indirectly) that won. The winning ticket was sold by Chapter J.

At the Rally, Ben and Mary Gawrylowicz joined the Michigan Staff as MEC for the District.

The next rally is the Great Lakes Region D Monster Mash, September 15-17, at Branch County Fairgrounds in Coldwater, Mi. Several of our chapter members plan to go. Come on out and join us.

A-2’s Gathering for August has been changed to Saturday, August 27th, due to Chapter S-2’s Picnic Feast being held on Saturday, August 13th. August 19-20th is Chapter G’s Midnight Ride; August 28th is the Michigan Ride for Kids.

That takes us to September. Our September Gathering is on Saturday, September 10th. Chapter W’s Toy Run is on Sunday, September 11th; September 15-16-17th is Region D Monster Mash (rally) in Coldwater, MI; and September 25th is A-2’s chapter ride to Devil’s Lake and Harold’s Place.

Remember what GWRRRA is all about — FUN-SAFETY-KNOWLEDGE.

Have fun and ride safe

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## “The A2 Team”

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### Road Captains (alphabetically)

Bill & Peggy Bower  
Ken Burkhalter  
Bill & Ronda Keedle  
Corky & Robin Lillie  
Jim & Carol Massengill  
Jerry & Kathy Minor  
Ron Minor  
Big Bob Morgan  
Russ & “George” Peabody  
Bob Shafe  
Tim Towler  
Wayne Waters

### Region D Directors

Roger & Penny Hurley

### Michigan District Directors

Bill & Vicki Young

### Mi Assistant District Directors

Ron & Val Jones

### Michigan Advisory Team

Mike Stiger  
Bob Lorenz  
Audrey Holmes

### Couples of the Year

#### International:

Kirby & Sandy White  
(Region D)

#### Region D:

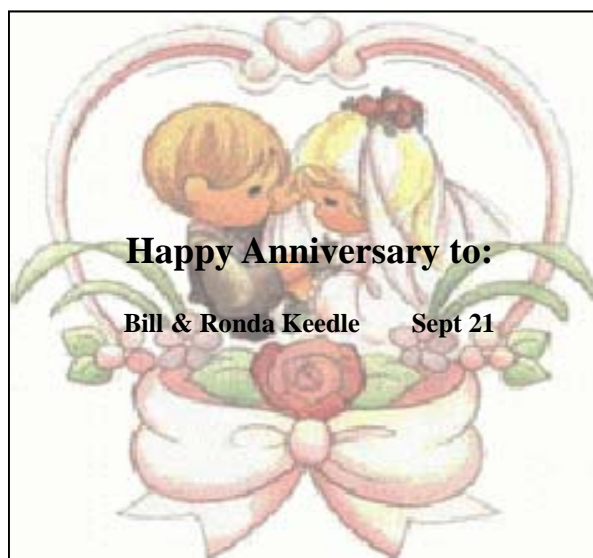
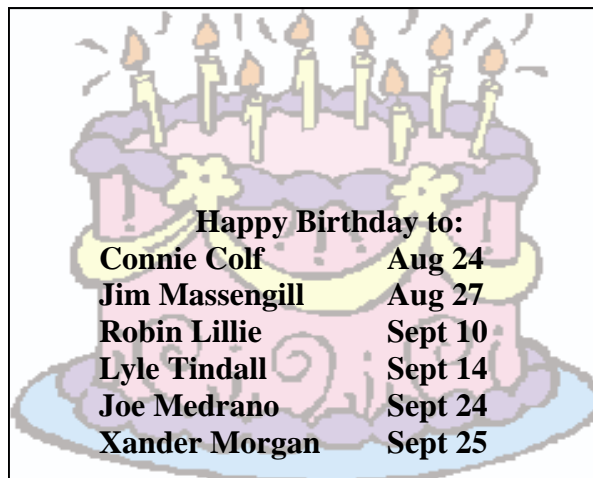
Kirby & Sandy White  
(Chapter S - Ohio)

#### Michigan District:

Ken & Patti Kintner  
(Chapter W)

#### Chapter A2:

Jim & Carol Massengill



## A2 Dinner Runs

How we choose Dinner Run Locations: At each week’s dinner run, A-2 Members and guests who attend select the restaurant for the next dinner run. Then, an email message is sent to the membership (around Monday of the following week) that announces the restaurant that was selected.

During the "Off" Season (approximately November through March) we meet at the designated restaurant every Thursday evening at 6:30 PM. All Bikers and Bikes are welcome. Dinner runs do not require membership. For more information, contact one of our staff

During the Riding Season (approximately April through October), we meet every Thursday evening at 6:00 PM. We leave at 6:30 PM and ride in formation to the designated restaurant. Unless otherwise noted all dinner runs begin in the parking lot behind *McDonald's* at 3811 (East side of) Carpenter Rd, Pittsfield Twp, 48197, 1/4 mile north of intersection of Carpenter & Ellsworth.

**\*\* Dinner Run for Thursday, August 18th, will be at the Red Apple Restaurant on Main Street in Belleville. Hope you’ll join us.\*\***





## From our Chapter Educators

Bill & Peggy Bower

Level I  
Safety by Commitment



Level II  
Safety by Education



Level III  
Safety by Preparedness



Level IV  
Safety by Enhanced  
Commitment and Preparedness



**Stop, look, listen and then proceed with caution.** We all heard this as kids and are suppose to do this each time we cross a street. But it seems that some of us may have forgotten the message somewhere down the line. If you ride a motorcycle in a group, then most of you have seen a person in the group following the bike in front of them into the crossing without looking both ways to make sure it is still clear. We have all seen too many close calls by this action and should know by now that we can't always count on the other vehicle operator to look out for us. If at a stop sign, it is still your responsibility to make sure the traffic is clear before entering the intersection, whether you are going straight across or making a turn. Michigan law says only two motorcycles at a time may leave together from a stop sign. However, we find that some other vehicle operators will waive the entire group thru and we should always waive a thank you to them. Courteous people are getting harder to find these days.

Another concern when group riding is traffic lights. Again, most people have forgotten what the traffic light colors stand for. Green means go. Yellow means pre-prepare to stop. Red means stop. The yellow light is the one that causes a lot of concern while group riding. Some people want to make it through the light even if it has changed to a bright pink, not red mind you, but a bright pink. Others from the old school will slow down and prepare to stop. Can you see a problem here? It is still your responsibility to obey the laws whether riding alone or in a group. When riding in a group it is always a good idea to inform the group that you will slow down and prepare to stop when the traffic light turns to amber.

For those people who have a Co-Rider, in my opinion, have a much easier job riding than those riding solo. For instance, if you are riding in a group then you have someone you can complain to about how the leader is doing (via intercom only, please) some people are sensitive. You have four eyes scanning your surroundings and every so often a good helmet slap to keep you mentally alert. Oh, did I forget to mention you also have that special someone to read the map directions, or in some cases, hold the map for you, about two inches off the end of your nose. I am just joking, I have grown accustom to my Co-Rider and really miss her when she is not on the back of the bike.

Till next time HAVE FUN RIDE SAFE.



# GWRRA MICHIGAN CHAPTER W



## MAPLE CITY WINGS

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

CHAPTER W - ADRIAN, MICHIGAN

# 27th Annual - TOY RUN

Sunday - September 11th 2011 RAIN or SHINE!



Sign in starts 10:30am  
Last bike out 12:30pm  
Last bike in by 3:00pm

Bring the TOYS and  
come on out for FUN,  
FOOD, PRIZES, 50/50  
Drawings & MORE!

**A New Toy or CASH  
Donation of  
\$10.00 per rider or  
\$15.00 w/co-rider**



MARINE CORPS RESERVE



*Dexter's Honda Yamaha  
3804 S. Main (M-52)  
Adrian, Michigan  
(ONE MILE SOUTH OF THE ADRIAN MALL)*



**This event is open to all motorcyclists so bring your friends!**

**For more information contact:**

Ken & Patti Kintner Chapter Directors  
(517) 902-9893  
ken@vplenawee.com

Craig & Tanya White Chapter Educators  
(517) 263-3510  
twowhitewings28@yahoo.com

**SATURDAY BREAKFAST BUFFET - \$5.99**  
9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

**NEW BREAKFAST SPECIALS - MON. - FRI. 7 A.M. - 11 A.M.** good thru 10/31/11

<b>\$2.99</b>	3 Egg Omelettes With 1 Item & Toast. <small>Excludes Steak &amp; Ground Beef.</small>	<b>\$1.99</b>	2 Eggs w/Bacon or Sausage, Hash Browns & Toast.	<b>\$1.99</b>	2 Eggs w/Bacon or Sausage & Pancakes.
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**EARLY BIRD SPECIALS**  
2 Dinners for \$11.99  
MONDAY - SATURDAY 5-5 PM

*Paula's Home Cookin'* 734-699-1230  
871 SUMPTER RD.

*Nicholson's*  
Enterprises Inc.



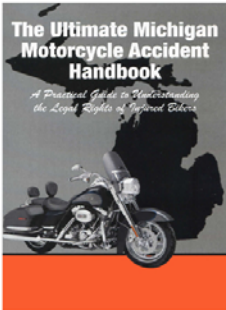
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Gold Wing Road Riders Association  
**Great Lakes – Region D Convention**  
 September 15-17, 2011  
 Branch County Fairgrounds in Coldwater, MI



# “Great Lakes Monster Mash”

Begins Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at Noon  
 Region D Couple of the Year Selection, Friday at 9AM  
 Opening Ceremonies, Friday at 10 AM  
 Closing Ceremonies Saturday at 7 PM followed by the Light Show

## SKELTON FUN!!!!

- \*Vendors
- \*Top Gun
- \*Masters Breakfast
- \*Amazing Team Challenge
- \*Region D Couple of the Year Selection
- \*Best Dressed Couple and Chapter Theme
- \*Compsite Judging (Monster Theme)
- \*Thursday Night Movie and Popcorn
- \*Friday Night (Possible Downtown Block Party)
- \*Saturday Night Light Parade and Light Show
- \*Bike Show
- \*Seminars



### Coldwater Area Motels

- Compton Inn (Hotel Motel) \$69.00 rate
- 1000 Orleans Blvd (517) 278-2017
- Hampton Inn
- 391 North Willowbrook Rd. (517) 278-9800
- Cadet Motor Inn
- 433 E. Chicago St. (517) 278 5817
- Holiday Inn Express
- 620 E. Chicago St (517) 278-0900
- Super 8
- 600 Orleans Blvd (517) 278-8833

**Stomp Away With The Zombie's!!**



# Gold Wing Road Riders Association

## **Region D Great Lakes Monster Mash**



September 15-17, 2011  
Branch County Fairgrounds, COLDWATER, MI

Rider \_\_\_\_\_ GWRRA# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp.Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co-Rider \_\_\_\_\_ GWRRA# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp.Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-Registration before Sept. 03, 2011

**GWRRA Member**                      Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 per person      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Note: Pre-Registration Chapter Directors, Life and Gold Members are half price.*

**Non-GWRRA Member**                      Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 per person      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Full Registration – Entitles patron to full participation in ALL activities and events in the Rally.  
 Region D Rally Pins will be given with the first 1,000 full registrations.  
 Registration after September 03, 2011  
 GWRRA Members \$25, Non-members \$30, Children 15 and under free  
 Day Passes on site: GWRRA Members \$18, Non-members \$20

**Masters Breakfast & Region D Merit Award Ceremony – On Site**  
 For Level IV Master Tour Riders, Co-Riders & Guests only. \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.00 per person      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Camping Fees (Thursday thru Saturday only, for additional days see note below)**  
 Tents and tent campers: \$10 for weekend                      Units \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 All RV's: \$12.00 per day                      Days \_\_\_\_\_ x \$12. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Note: Campers arriving prior to Thursday or staying after Sunday are responsible for contacting the Fairgrounds office to make arrangements.*

**Short Sleeve T-Shirts**  
 Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ X-Large \_\_\_\_\_      \$16 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 2X-Large \_\_\_\_\_ 3X-Large \_\_\_\_\_      \$18 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Polo Shirts**  
 Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ X-Large \_\_\_\_\_      \$19 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 2X-Large \_\_\_\_\_ 3X-Large \_\_\_\_\_      \$21 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Shirts available by Pre-Registration and on site.*

**TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**



Mail Registration & Check or Money Order out to: GWRRA Region D to:  
 Roger & Penny Hurley, 201 South View Lane, West Milton OH, 45383



I/We do agree to confirm and comply with the Ideals governing this rally, and I/we further agree to hold harmless G.W.R.R.A., co-sponsoring organizations or any property owner(s) for any loss or injury to self in which I/we may become involved by reason or participation in this Rally. I/we also agree to assume responsibility for any property which I/we for any property which I/we knowingly damage. I/we have read this entire form.

Rider's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co-Rider's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_