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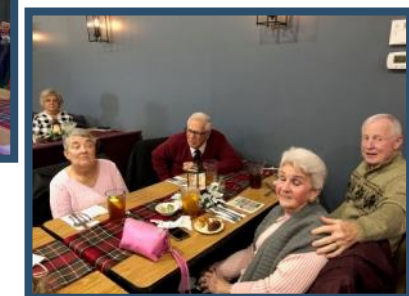
"FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY, AND KNOWLEDGE"

Chapter G had a lot of events leading into the new year. First up was a Brunch & Show at LaComedia. The show was White Christmas and everyone enjoyed the show, food, and company.



Chapter G Events

Next up was our Christmas Party at Kellie's Homestead Restaurant in Dry Ridge, KY. We had a great turnout for this event and the buffet food was good. Of course, when you are at Kellie's you have to shop the store, meat counter or the candy counter.



Chapter G Events

Our evening started with Door Prizes. Congrats to all the winners!



Chapter G Events

Next came the Dirty Santa gift Exchange. This was a fun time. There is always one poor person who's gift gets stolen several times, this year it was Gary Heil. Others gifts were stolen also, but I think everyone enjoyed this event. A special thanks to Donita Nardi for being the host of this part of the event.



Chapter G Events

The highlight of the evening —ELVIS WAS IN THE HOUSE!. This group put on a great show. Elvis handed out scarves to women in the audience. Our own Joyce Quire was thrown his sunglasses and even got a selfie!



Chapter G Events

We would like to introduce you to our 2023 Couple of the Year and Individual of the Year, who were named at the Christmas party.

Our 2023 Couple of the Year are Kim & Randy Pommier. They were really surprised. This was a tough one to pull off as they are part of the selection. So, of course we had to tell a small white lie.



Our 2023 Individual of the year is Jeff Hinkle. He was at a loss for words, as this came out of left field for him.



Chapter G Events

Our December gathering was well attended for the Bad Santa Bingo. There was lots of yummy desserts and so many white elephant gifts. One gift, the rooster bag, was the hit of the night and got stolen each time it could. After Bad Santa Bingo, each person had to pick their favorite gift from their pile and then Donita read a Christmas story with left, right words that made you exchange your gift to the left or the right.

Once again thanks Donita for being the host of this fun event!



Chapter G Events



Someone wore
alligator boots Do
you know who?

In the Spotlight

Chapter G has been around for years, and our spotlight member this month has been there for most of them. Asa Rouse found Chapter G back in 1992. Between him and his lovely wife Libby, they have likely logged more years as coordinators than any other in the history of the G. Asa served as the Chapter Educator from 1993 until 2005 and Motorist Awareness Coordinator from 2007 – 2014. Libby was our Treasurer from 2001 to 2014, and together they were Couple of the Year in 2001. That's A LOT of years of volunteerism and they were much appreciated.



As most of you know, Asa was a lawyer by trade, and a very good one at that. His practice is still running today, based out of the office on Main Street in Walton, where his son Mills still practices law. As a young boy he was influenced by his Uncle Asa who was a New York Attorney. Walter Vest of the Vest Law Firm was also his neighbor for awhile as he grew up. He attended Walton School until the 8th grade and always got superior grades. His Father thought that he was not being challenged enough and so he transferred Asa to Dixie Heights High School. His Dad had a cousin who lived in Walton but worked at Dixie, and so he had a way to get to school each day. He remembers his first days at Dixie, 14 years old, feeling intimidated by the size of the school and all the unfamiliar faces. In one of his first classes, the boys were being unruly, and the teacher was unable to quiet them down, when in walked this “ugly little man with an angry demeanor” and right away, everybody was quiet. Being slightly terrified, he asked the boy next to him who that was, and the boy told him that was Doc. Asa now remembers Doc as his high school mentor and soon discover that he was actually a really great guy. When he started at Dixie, he remembers thinking to himself, “what am I doing here?”, but he knew that his father wouldn't have sent him there if he thought he would fail. By graduation he didn't want to leave, but he had taken everything he could take, so he headed off to UK. Asa owes his successes in life to his inability to face failure. He claims that it was a powerful motivator, but at times it really wore him out.

Fast forward to Labor Day weekend 1955. He and Libby were at their home on Williamstown Lake when his law partner Bill Mathes showed up with a friend on motorcycles. Mathes cajoled him into taking a short (50' ride) on his bike. It was love at first ride and by Wednesday of that week Asa owned 4 motorcycles. Having his own practice allowed him the time to enjoy his hobby, and best of all his lovely Libby enjoyed riding too. They rode everywhere! Once they even flew to Hawaii and rented a Harley to tour the island.

What he loves most about Chapter G is riding with friends. He was especially fond of all the trips to “John Wayne Country” with the Howdy Boys and friends. He loves the Honda motorcycles because they are quiet and totally reliable. Asa may be in his 90's and has recently moved to an assisted living facility, but he still can't wait until the sun comes out so he can ride again.

In the Spotlight

ONE LAST RIDE FOR ASA ROUSE

Peggy and I were fortunate to accompany Asa on what maybe the last rides of a long-distinguished riding career and we loved every moment of it. We took a ride on the ferry and also visited Rabbit Hash.

Charlie Thornton

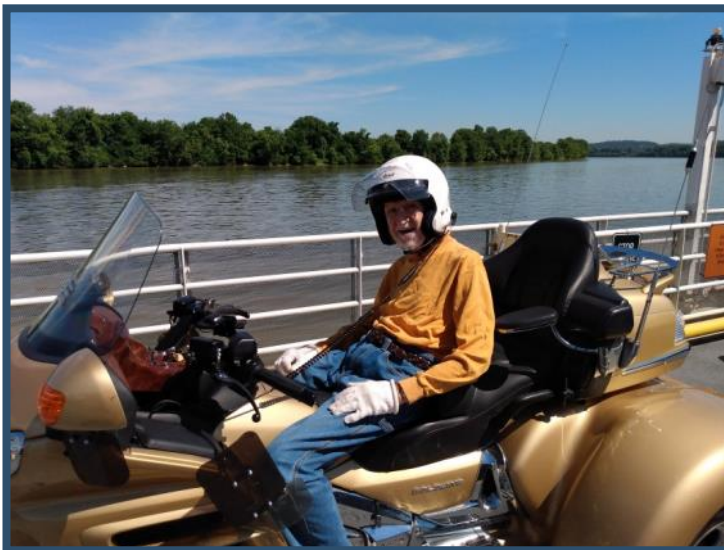


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CHAPTER DIRECTORS

Hello Chapter G and welcome to 2023. It has been a difficult start for this year, but if we all work together, we can hopefully make it into a good one. We have lots of ideas for an active year and will be putting a schedule together as soon as possible. The leadership team is facing a few challenges right now, but if you remain patient, we will work them out. I love a challenge, and Chapter G is a wonderful group of people to be associated with.

At this time, I do not have a complete coordinator group secured, and will make those announcements to the group as soon as they become available. I would like to extend a big thanks to the coordinators how have decided to hang with me. I have vowed to make it a fun year.

Lots of things are happening behind the scenes with the closing of GWRRA as of December 31st. Rest assured; we are working hard to make the change to Wing'D Rider as smooth as possible for our Chapter. Luanne has been a Godsend with all the financial paperwork, and we should soon have everything in line. Hopefully we can soon be back to the good times when the membership could just come and enjoy the fun. That is

my goal.

I would like to extend my warmest gratitude to Chuck and Judy for everything they have done for Chapter G; for all the fun they have given us, and for being so gracious as to volunteer their time. Judy has agreed to continue to assist us in any way that she can, and I am so happy to have her on the Team. We all know she has a strong will, but please support her as much as possible in the coming months.

Many of you did not have the honor of knowing Deward Brake, but he was a most interesting man. He served Chapter G as the videographer and used to put together slideshows and videos for us to watch at Chapter Gatherings and special events. Deward served in the Army during the Vietnam War. You may remember the Spotlight article about him in the newsletter a few months back. Please keep his wife Suzanne in your thoughts and prayers. She has been through a lot caring for Deward through his illnesses and will also need our support in the coming months.

We have a few things on the books for 2023 already. I hope you will all make an effort to join us at The Cracker Barrel, in Dry Ridge, on January 1st at 9am. We also have a game night set

up in February, a Tech Day in the Spring, and a date for our annual picnic. I am still working on a campground for the Wing'D Rally in Litchfield. It is the off-season, and they are not easy to get in contact with, but I continue to try and will get info for everyone who is interested as soon as I have it.

I am privileged to serve you for the next two years. Chapter G has a special place in my heart, and you all mean so much to me. I want to make this time we have together as fun as I possibly can so, gear up, wear your smiles, and join in the fun. This is how we roll!

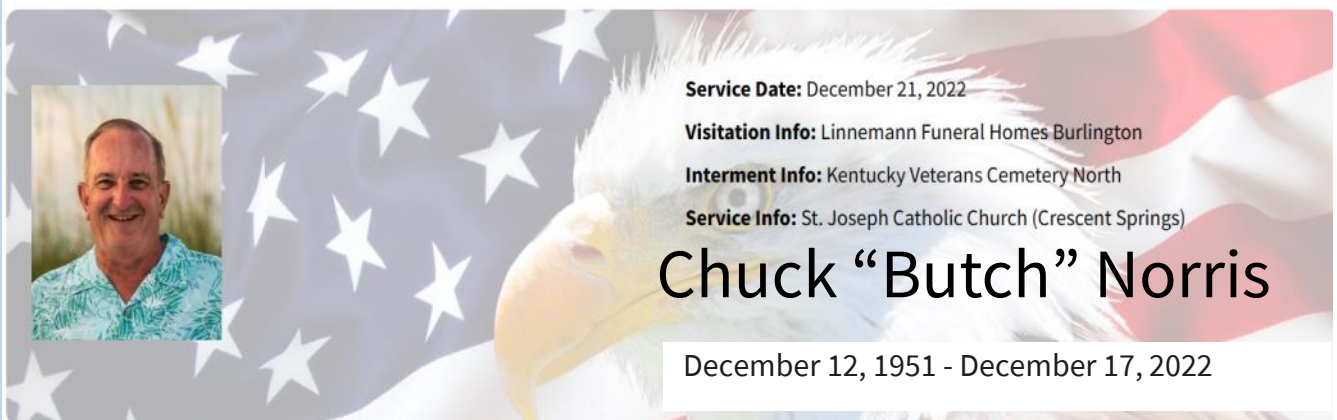


*Donita Nardi
Chapter Director*

The Chapter G family lost 3 of its members in 2022. We would like to remember them and their family in our prayers. They will truly be missed.



Please keep Suzanne in your thoughts and prayers. Whether you knew Deward or not, his obituary is fascinating. Please check it out at [Obituary](#).



Continue to keep Judy and her family in your prayers. For those who have not read his obituary, please check it out here: [Obituary](#).



Continue to keep Chris and her family in your prayers. I've added a link to his obituary here: [Obituary](#).

TREASURER'S

Hi Chapter G,

Congratulations to our winners from the December Get Together!! Tom Reilly won the \$10 "In Attendance Draw" this month. Bob Thomann won 1st place of \$38, Debbie Meenach won 2nd place of \$22 and Judy Norris won 3rd place of \$15.

Thank you to all who participated at the December Gathering.

We want to thank Dean for doing a great job selling tickets at our December Gathering!! If it wasn't for Dean and Kim Hedger selling our tickets and our wonderful members and guests purchasing our 50/30/20 tickets, we wouldn't have the opportunity to do the fun events that we do each year.



*Jerry & Luanne Williams
KY District/
Chapter G Treasurers*

RIDERS EDUCATION

Welcome to the New Year, and welcome to the new Kentucky State of the Wing'D Riders everyone! I am excited to be part of something so brand new and so open to possibilities.

Now I have a short story to share: The CEO of a large company was walking to lunch with two of her secretaries. When the CEO tripped on a bottle, a genie appeared and asked if each person would like to make a wish. The first secretary excitedly exclaimed "I wish I was on a beach on a tropical island." Immediately her wish was granted. The other secretary proclaimed, "I wish I was on a tour of France." Immediately his wish too, was granted. Being that it was her turn to make a wish, the CEO exclaimed, "I want both of them back right after lunch!"

So, what can we learn from that story. I think that there are several things of note. First, we need to always be vigilant and look where we are going. Things happen. There may be an obstacle appear in our path at any moment. Second, it does not matter what station we hold in life, misfortune occurs. The choices we make next can be very defining moments and affect others around us. Education and practice help us make better choices. Third, sometimes misfortune brings unexpected opportunity. And finally, sometimes it is good to be last.



*Rick Artmayer
KY State Educator*

SPECIAL EVENTS

What will 2023 bring to Chapter G? My guess is fun, food and good times! Where else can you go and always, and I mean ALWAYS have a good time?

As the 2023 calendar develops, plan to attend the events, rides and dinners that sound the most fun to you or work with your calendar. We realize not everyone can attend all things all the time. That is the beauty of our organization, you make it work for you.

Dates to keep in mind for the upcoming year.

February 25th - KY Ops Meeting

March 7th - Chapter G Birthday.

June 2-4 - KY Ride in - Paintsville, KY

June 28 - July 1 - Wing'D Rally,

August 17-19 - KY Blast, Danville, KY

September 15-17 - Chapter G Family Camp Out

September 16 - Chapter G Family Picnic

December 2 - Chapter G Christmas Party

I am already marking my calendar and I'm sure yours is starting to fill up too!

The G is special because of you. The event is just the reason to get together.

Happy New Year!



*Leah Cridlin
Special Events*

SOCIAL SECRETARY

Chapter G would like to wish a very Happy Birthday and a Happy Anniversary to our members who are celebrating in the month of January.

If you have a birthday or anniversary in January that I have missed, please contact me so I can update my roster.



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| 1/2 | Gary Heil |
| 1/4 | Pam Haines |
| 1/17 | Raven Heil |
| 1/18 | Mary Rogers |
| 1/19 | Karen Keiter |
| 1/20 | Charlene Boon |



1/5/68 Paul & Jackie Hartke



*Rena Hobbs
Social Secretary*

The year 2022 has ended and we look forward to a year with plenty of miles and smiles. For those participating in the mileage contest, please record your odometer reading and send it to me. If you participated in the contest last year, I have your beginning reading. If I do not have your beginning odometer reading you can furnish it along with the ending reading. If you ride multiple motorcycles furnish the ending reading and beginning reading, if necessary, for each and advise for which bike it belongs. To participate in the SWAG (Scientific Wild A** Guess) Award, include your and your co-rider (s) guess as to how many combined miles all the participants in the Mileage Contest rode during the year. The deadline to submit data is 11:59 P.M., Sunday, January 8, 2023. You may email the information to me at awards@chapterg.org or give it to me at a meeting.

Names: _____

Ending Mileage: _____

SWAG guess – Rider: _____

SWAG guess – Co-Rider: _____

Best wishes for a Happy and prosperous New Year!

Gary, Darlene, Michele and Raven



*Gary, Darlene,
Michelle & Raven Heil
Awards Coordinator*



January 1st will be our annual New Year's Day Breakfast at Cracker Barrel in Dry Ridge at 9am. We will raise a toast to our dear friend Chuck and bring in 2023 with friends.

Mark your calendar for February 11th for soup and game night at the Heil's Clubhouse. Other details will follow.

Please be patient as we try to put everything back together.



January 2023

- **1st—Happy New Year Breakfast**— Cracker Barrel, 1131 Fashion Ridge Rd., Dry Ridge. Eat at 9am. Make sure you join us for our annual New Year's Day Breakfast.
- **3rd — Chapter Get-together Gathering**— American Legion Post 4, US 42, Florence, KY. Eat at 6pm. Meeting at 7pm .
- **14th—Dinner Ride** — TBD.

February 2023

- **7th — Chapter Get-together Gathering**— American Legion Post 4, US 42, Florence, KY. Eat at 6pm. Meeting at 7pm .

March 2023

- **7th — Chapter Get-together Gathering**— American Legion Post 4, US 42, Florence, KY. Eat at 6pm. Meeting at 7pm .



Wing'd Rider Rally pre-registration. Details are available on their website www.wingdrider.com. Be sure to register by 12/31/2022 to receive the pre-registration discount. Should be a fun time!

Please be sure to visit the website for current ride schedule — www.chapterg.org/ride-schedule



TRAVELING
PLAQUE

The Traveling Plaque promotes visitation between chapters. Each chapter has a chance to capture the plaque by attending the chapter meeting of the chapter who currently holds the plaque. Points are given at each meeting that your chapter attends. At the end of the year, at the KY Blast, the chapter with the most points, is awarded the plaque.

Check on [KY District site](#) for updated information on meetings.

CHAPTER MEETING SCHEDULE

Chapter A—Louisville

Meets the 2nd Saturday
Roosters, 10430 Shelbyville Road #7
Louisville, KY 40065
Eat at 11:00 am—Meet at 12:00pm

Chapter C—Lexington

Meets the 3rd Saturday
Roosters, 2640 Richmond Rd.
Lexington, KY 40509
Eat at 11:00am—Meet at 12:00pm

Chapter G — Northern KY

Meets 1st Tuesday
American Legion Post 4
8385 US Hwy 42
Florence, KY 41042
Social time 6:30pm—Meet at 7:00pm

Chapter K—Henderson

Meets 3rd Sunday
Golden Corral
1320 N Green St.
Henderson, KY 42420
Eat at 12:00pm—Meet 1:00PM (CT)

Chapter S — Elizabethtown

Meets 1st Sunday
Shoney's
1046 Executive Dr.
Elizabethtown, KY 42701
Eat at 4:00pm—Meet at 5:00pm

Chapter T — Paintsville


Meets 3rd Saturday
Giovanni's Pizza
261 Court St.,
Paintsville, KY
Eat at 5:00pm—Meet at 6:00pm

Chapter Y—Mayfield

Meets 1st Thursday
Majestic Family Restaurant
700 S 6th St
Mayfield, KY 42066
Eat at 6:00pm—Meet 7:00 (CT)

**Congratulations to those who are celebrating their January
Chapter G Anniversaries**


HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS



**Darlene Heil
1/4/2005**



**Raven Heil
1/4/2005**



**Peter Heiss
1/30/2011**



**Steve Jones
1/24/2018**



**Gail Jones
1/24/2018**

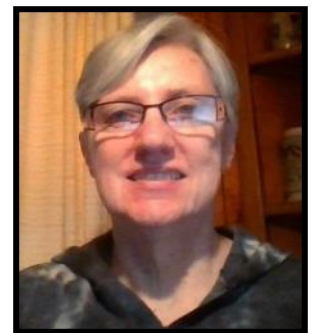
If you have item (s) for sale, that you would like to include in the newsletter, please send me a picture, price and info.

We continue to acknowledge a “G” member each month in the newsletter in the Spotlight. This acknowledgement can be about a recent accomplishment, graduation, course completed, etc. Please send the information and be sure to include pictures. Any article and pictures need to be sent by the 20th of the month.

This newsletter is published to keep our members informed about Chapter G. If there is anything you wish to see in the newsletter, that is currently not appearing, please let me know and we will take it into consideration.

Get your recipes ready! Starting January 2023, we will publish a few recipes each month. January, February and March please share your favorite soup or casserole dish. The weather is cold and a hot bowl of soup or a new casserole would really hit the spot.

It's not too early to sign up to be a sponsor for the newsletter. The cost is \$10 for a month. These funds will be used to help pay for the website hosting. 2023 sponsor article topic will be—Share your Recommendations. Share a podcast you recently listened to, a good book, movie, tv or streaming series. Let's see what everyone is binging on.



Mary Eicher
Newsletter Editor

UPCOMING UNIVERSITY CLASSES

TBD

UPCOMING KY DISTRICT EVENTS

February 24th—25th, — District OPS Meeting - The 2023 District OPS meeting will be held February 24th—25th, 2023. Friday, February 24th, will be an evening at Turfway Park for a night of horse racing and gaming. Saturday morning will be all business, providing all the information you need to lead and participate in a successful 2023 chapter. Saturday night we bring back the FUN with a delicious Italian meal and mystery that you won't soon forget.

June 2nd—3rd—Ride-in 2023— Will be hosted by Chapter at Jenny Wiley State Park. Make your reservations today! Call for

lodge reservation 606-889-2790 Group Code: GWRRA 6249. Limited number of rooms available. There is a block of rooms and cabins set aside. The rate is \$122.45 (taxes included). Call 606-889-1790 to make your reservations or [Click Here](#). Be sure to mention GWRRA or group code 6249 to reserve the room.

August 17th—19th—The Blast 2023— It's Roundup Time— We will return to the Showroom in Danville. Line Dancing, Vittles and a real good time. The host hotel is the Hampton Inn, 100 Montgomery Way, Danville, KY 40422. The rate is \$119.00 + Tax-

es. Breakfast in included. Doubles and King rooms are available. [Click Here](#) to make your reservations or you may call 859-236-6200. Please mention Kentucky Blast to receive the block rate. The block will close on July 17, 2023.

October Spook-tacular—October 12th—14th— For all the information please see the District's [December 2022](#) newsletter pg. 9.

BY JOYCE D. QUIRE

CRANBERRY APPLE CASSEROLE

3 C peeled, chopped Golden Delicious apples
2 C fresh cranberries
2 T all-purpose flour
1 C sugar or sugar substitute
3 (1 1/2oz) pkgs. Instant oatmeal (cinnamon and spice)
3/4 C chopped pecans
1/2 C all-purpose flour
1/2 C firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 C melted butter
Pecan halves and a few cranberries

Preheat the oven to 350°. In a bowl, combine apples, cranberries and flour. Toss to coat. Add sugar and mix well. Place in a greased 2-quart casserole dish. Using same bowl, combine oatmeal, chopped pecans, 1/2 C flour, brown sugar and butter. Mix well until crumbly. Spread over fruit mixture. Garnish with pecan halves and cranberries if desired. Bake 45 minutes. SERVES 6-8.

The Best! Some folks use it as a dessert.

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Northern Kentucky Chapter G

Wing'D Riders

NEXT GET-TOGETHER: Tuesday 1/3/23 —American Legion, Post 4, 8355 US-42, Florence, KY 41042. Gathering 6-8pm.

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