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

NEXT MEETING: June 20, 2001

June means - it's Ohio Rally

time & dads get gifts!

Bites from the Big Dog...



First, I want to thank Pat and the rest of the -01s for doing such a great job at our May meeting. Carl looked great onthe-spot too, receiving his "hammer-head" hat for hitting himself in the head with a mallet at work. Nice going.

This month is the Ohio Rally (June 15-17) and also your opportunity to drown me in the dunking booth. All money raised while I am in there will go to Chapter L. Hey, I know you just want to throw something at me anyway, so the trip up to beautiful Wooster, Ohio should be worth it for that alone – much less all the fun of the Rally. Chapter L will also have a group of people camping this year, so we will have a place to congregate at the Rally site.

Not far behind the Ohio Rally is the grand-daddy of all rallies – *Wing Ding* – in Greenville, SC from July 3-6 at the Palmetto Expo Center. A group from Chapter L is going this year and I hope you are planning to join in the fun.

And if that wasn't good news enough – we just found out that GWRRA National has announced a new incentive to recruit new members into our organization. It is called the "Rewards Program" and you're going to love it. It is so simple – each member who recruits three "new memberships" will receive one year's membership renewal free! There is a little more to it than just that too – so Pat is including an article containing all the details. The program runs from July 1, 2001 to July 31, 2002. Get those membership applications out and go find some new friends TODAY!

Just in case you didn't get lost with the Jones's over Memorial Day, make sure you read the article about just how lost we really were this year. I mean Clyde is so lost he must forget which side of the bed to get out of each morning. I know my odometer had a lot more miles on it than it should have going to Nashville, TN



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and back. We did have a good time and the friends and food made it all worthwhile. You can bet that Clyde & Joyce will get lost again next year so keep the Memorial Day weekend open.

I am also pleased to announce that Chapter L has one more GL1800 in our group. The new pearl blue beauty belongs to **Tim & Anita Kendrick.** You will recognize Tim – he is the one wearing the now famous GL1800 grin. He enjoys the ride so much he just can't stop smiling. Congratulations!

If you attended the Tennessee Rally in Pigeon Forge in April,



I bet you saw the Sesame Street trailer that was parked at our hotel. Jim Pennington snapped this

snapped this picture and thought that it looked really fine behind my bike. NOT!!

The weather really

cooperated this year for the MS150 and I want to personally thank the Chapter L members who volunteered their time to help out with this very important event. Sounds like there were 750+ bicycle riders this year and they were very glad to see the Gold Wings at the dangerous intersections. **Butch Royse** was in charge of organizing our participation in this event and I want to thank him for doing such a great job. I hope that we are able to help the MS Society next year too. We have one "L" of a good time doing it (even though Pat and I weren't able to participate this year). Thanks, everyone.

I hope to see you at our next meeting on June 20th and don't forget to have your chapter pride showing by wearing your chapter shirt and vest. Remember – we may not have it all together, but together we have it all! Let's just have one "L" of a good time.

Tom Runck - Big Dog -Mr. Pinky





Did You Know:

The word "lethologica" describes the state of not remembering the word you want to say – just try remembering that!

- A can of SPAM is opened every 4 seconds.
- Ancient Egyptians shaved off their eyebrows to mourn the death of their cats.

- The strength of early lasers was measured in Gillettes, the number of blue razor blades a given beam could puncture.
- Compact discs read from the inside to the outside edge, reverse of how a record works.

Back Seat Driver...

Pat Runck - Mrs. CD

It's almost Ohio Rally time and that means fun is just around the corner. This year instead of just being able to put Tom in Jail & Bail you get to dunk him too. Count me first in line! Chapter L will also be entering our yellow duck in the duck races at the Rally. The winning duck brings home \$100 for its chapter. Don't forget the arcade games, vendors and great entertainment. Gold Wings are sure to light up Wooster when the light parade winds through the city. And best of all – it's our chance to meet up with new and long time friends from GWRRA. It is just a fun and relaxing weekend and I hope you are planning to attend.

June means it graduation time too and our Chapter Brat – Robin Hauser – celebrated her recent graduation from Northwest High School with a nice party at Elsen's farm. Lots of family and GWRRA friends wished her well. We celebrated a happy graduation too – our daughter Jennifer just graduated from Ohio State University as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. Yep – she's a Vet and now I have someone to take care of Tom – FOR FREE! We're two very proud parents.

We're continuing to collect pull tabs and you all are doing a fine job this year. We have a good stash already and I understand that some of the people who participated at the MS150 even managed to "find" some at the dorm kitchen at Hanover College. They belong to Chapter L now. (Thanks, Anita!)

Hey – did you hear what the colors of the 2002 Gold Wings are – black, metallic silver, Illusion red, Illusion blue and pearl ORANGE. Wow, I can't wait to see that up close and personal.

I hope to see you on Wednesday, June 20th. And remember, to handle yourself, use your head; to handle others, use your heart.

Pat Runck

Pride Matters!

Don't forget to wear your vest or chapter shirt to the next Chapter L meeting. Our pride is showing!



Membership/Historian

Jim & Brenda Pennington

Association Affairs - There was an excellent turnout for our May meeting. Our gathering place at Lakeridge was filled with tables and seating for a total of 73 members, guests and visitors. We had first timers, Bob & Betty Franz who purchased Rich & Nancy's 1994 SE ... also Jeff & Becky Weddle who ride an LTD of the 1985 fame and then we had guests Roland & Linda Muhlen from the west side of Cincinnati, who were invited by Ron Cawein & Karen Tomlin. Regular attendees, Dave and Cathy King CD's of E-2 and Teri Harris CD, of A-2 also visited us.

We thank all that came out to our -01 gathering that happens each May; you know who you are! I hope everyone enjoyed the evening with all of the -01's coordinating the gathering. As usual, the male species (are they -00's?) of the chapter leadership came out with disguises of funny shirts and paper bags and again made impressions on our first time attendees.

Thanks. Thanks for your participation in signing up for the e-mail listings. I will continue this during June. If you were, or are, not able to come to the May or June meetings to give us your e-mail address, send me an e-mail at Jim.P@fuse.net

New Members

Brenda handled the membership portion of the May gathering and reflected on recruiting new members. Nancy Hesse mentioned recruiting and those in the Chapter who have recruited new members to GWRRA. Now GWRRA is starting a new recognition program for finding new friends. See page 55 in the July 2001 Wing World magazine. It will explain about the enhanced recognition program with the focus being on recruiting with the Find a Friend Council, the Hall of Honor and the Hall of Fame. How about it, Chapter "L" ... get out there and recruit some new members. As I said last month, if you 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 the Gold Wing riders are GWRRA members. If they are not, tell them the fun we have and recruit a new member for GWRRA on the spot. I always have GWRRA applications at our gatherings. Pick up a few to carry with you on June 20th.

Don't forget our gathering on June 20th at Lakeridge - it starts at 7:30. Come early, kick some tires!

Our Skyline Ride was Rained Out - so.... Check for the revised date for our Skyline Ride on the

Ride Schedule.

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



Well, they did it – got married that is. Joe Rosemeyer and Terrie Mays tied the knot at a beautiful wedding ceremony on Saturday, June 9th at 11:30 AM at Montfort Heights Methodist Church. Joe's motorcycle was even in the center of the dance floor at the reception. Congratulations and best wishes!





Safety Tip of the Month

The lead and drag bikes are a team designated to lead a group of riders safely to their destination. These are not symbolic positions. They require maturity, experience, training, cooperation, good communications, and good judgment. And, occasionally, our thanks.

Ride Coordinator

Rich Hesse

Wow - I can't believe it is June already and 2001 is close to being halfway over. But it also means that our ride schedule is in full swing and there are lots of things to do on two-We are still meeting on



Wednesday nights in the parking lot near the old Print Craft in front of K-Mart on Colerain Avenue at 7:30 PM for our ice



Apple Dumpling Ride – Saturday, June 23rd 3:30 PM from the A-2 Cruise-In cream rides. For July, our 1st of the month brunch will be on July 8th. We have no particular destination in mind but rather decided that whomever shows up for the

ride will decide where they would like to go. Meeting place is the Miamitown Park & Ride at 10:15 AM. This could be a great way for someone who has never led a ride to try his or her hand at it.

Also, Jim Pennington's Skyline Ride, which had to be cancelled because of rain, has been rescheduled for July 21st. The meeting place is the Miamitown Park & Ride and the departure time is 10:00 AM. Let's hope for some dry weather this time. Below are some upcoming rides and events. Hope to see you there.

UPCOMING RIDES/EVENTS

> June 15-17th (Fri-Sun) Ohio Rally

Groups are leaving at different times on Thursday and Friday. Rally is in Wooster, OH at the fairgrounds. If you have any questions, call Tom Runck (385-4556) or Carl Hauser (851-0714).

> June 23rd (Saturday) A-2 Cruise-In

Meet at: Bob Evans restaurant on Colerain at 10:30 AM. Cruise-in registration is from 11:00-1:00. Cruise In is being held at the Buffalo Wings & Rings at the Fields Ertel Automall entrance. Tom Runck (385-4556) is ride leader. For questions on the Cruise In, call Larry Ivie (398-5644).

> June 23rd (Saturday) Apple Dumpling Ride

Meet at: A-2 Cruise-In, Buffalo Wings & Rings at the Fields Ertel Automall entrance. We will be leaving approximately 3:30 PM to ride to the Village Family Restaurant in Waynesville, OH. Call Cris Hauser (851-0714) for more information.

> June 24th (Sunday) Chapter L Tech Day

Meet at: Jack Elsen's Tri-State Custom Cycles (574-5097), 5951 Harrison Avenue in Dent from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Oil changes, new accessories installed or CB antenna tune up or other minor work. Stop by to have work done or to lend a hand. -01s will be grilling and drinks will be available at a small fee which will be donated to Chapter L.

> June 30th-July 6th Blue Ridge Ride & Wing Ding

Leaving at 8:00 AM. Call Carl Hauser for full details (851-0714). This will be a beautiful back roads ride to

Greenville, SC. From Greenville we will ride home via Oakridge, TN and then on to Cincinnati.

→ July 8th – (Sunday) Chapter Brunch

Meet at: 10:15 AM at the Miamitown Park & Ride. Group will decide where to go for brunch.

July 14-15th – Warthers Museum Ride

Meet at: 8:00 AM from the Bob Evans on Colerain Avenue. Traveling to Amish country on Saturday and stopping at the AMA Museum on Sunday. Ride leaders are Mike & Judy O'Rourke (662-8099). Call to sign-up, Mike is holding hotel rooms. There will also be a sign-up sheet at June's meeting.

→ July 14th – E-2 Cruise-In

Meet at: 11:30 AM at the Bob Evans on Colerain. We will ride to the Sports Page Café for the Cruise-In, which will be held from 12:00-3:00PM.

Don't forget our chapter meeting on June 20^h. Until then, ride safe and take care of each other.

Rich Hesse

The Brunch Bunch



May 6th **Butch & Betty Royse** and **Bud Hensler** met at the Miamitown Park & Ride and went to Belterra for brunch. A small group of "Brunch Bunchers" this month. See you on July 8th for another gathering of the Brunch Bunch, meeting at

the Miamitown Park & Ride at 10:15 AM.

Chapter ERC Course

On June 1-2, some of Chapter L's riders participated in an ERC or Experienced Riders Course, held at Diamond Oaks. The weather sure didn't cooperate but learning to ride and make emergency maneuvers in bad weather is probably a good thing. A couple of the riders learned the hard way what the crash bars on the Wing are for, but everyone came away better, more educated riders. The participants in this year's course included: Bob Franz, George Vandal, Carl Hauser, Tim Kendrick, Jack Elsen and Ed "Snappy" Snapp.

Thanks for your participation and for placing emphasis on safe riding.

Butch Royse



Help Needed!!



The annual St. Joseph 5K Run/Walk is fast approaching and again, we need your help as volunteers to help park cars. The date is August 25th and the time is from 7:00 AM to approximately 9:00 AM. The location is the St. in Sharonville Joseph Home

Wyscarver. If you can help, see Jim Petroviak at the meeting or call him at 662-0954. Thanks in advance for your continued support!

Iim Petroviak

Rewards Program

GWRRA has announced a new Find-A-Friend Rewards Program - a limited-time program that rewards YOU, as a GWRRA member. The program is designed to encourage recruiting just in time for GWRRA's Silver Anniversary year. For the period of July 1, 2001 through July 31, 2002, each member who recruits three (3) new "memberships" will receive one year's membership free. Memberships are not individual members. In other words, if you recruit one new family membership, regardless of the number of names on that family membership, you get credit in the Rewards Program for just one membership recruited. Additional



family members count, however, in Recognition Program the qualification to the Hall of Honor and Hall of Fame (see July 2001 Wing World for complete details of the Recognition Program). The Rewards

Program limits to three (3) the number of free years of membership that can be generated during this program, or a total of nine (9) recruits. On achievement of 3, 6, or 9 new membership recruitments during the promotion period, the Member will be sent a letter of congratulations with a tear-off coupon that must be sent in to redeem his or her free renewal. Coupons are non-transferable and have no cash These free years may be applied towards value. consecutive years necessary for life membership. Life members will receive equivalent value in GWRRA Wearhouse merchandise and/or may apply its value towards GWRRA's Member Services Wing Ding registration. department at Home Office maintains the number of recruits a Member has and status inquiries may be made at 1-800-843-9460 during working hours. Or, you may send an e-mail inquiry to customerservice@gwrra.org. A flyer outlining the complete details of the Rewards Program will be available at our meeting. Now you have one more reason to always have a GWRRA membership application with you - you get a new friend and GWRRA puts money in your pocket! It

Sunshine

Pauline Petroviak



Sunshine Greetings! Our thoughts and prayers go out to Fred Hicks and his family on the loss of his mother, Lillian. Lillian passed away on May 13th and she would have been 99 in August. Bud Hensler was in a motorcycle accident on

Monday, May 28th. He was riding in Indiana with his 14-year old grandson when a drunk driver ran into him. He has 3 broken ribs and cuts and bruises on his arms. Travis Harris, his grandson, has 3 breaks in his left leg and had surgery to repair the damage. Both are home recuperating so keep them in your prayers for a speedy recovery. On a



happier note, our congratulations to Robin Hauser, who graduated from School. Northwest High And congratulations also to Dr. Jennifer Wells, daughter of Tom & Pat Runck, who graduated from Ohio State University as a veterinarian.

Please keep me informed of all news so I can pass it on to the rest of the Chapter. We are concerned and interested in all our family members.

Until next time, keep the sunshine in your hearts.....

Pauline Petroviak

Birthdays-Anniversaries



Rirthdays



July 4	Betty Royse							
July 6	Bill Boshear							
July 11	Rich Elsen							
July 14	Elizabeth Estep							
July 16	Janet Bohanan							
July 16	Mary Hock							
July 18	Jimmy Jauch							
July 22	Don Adams							
July 26	Bige Napier							
July 27	Judy Harmon							
July 28	Cindy Jauch							
July 29	Chris Rowe							
July 30	Dick Pettit							
July 30	Keith Kennedy							
July 31	Yvonne Tieke							
July 31	Tom Salamon							



just doesn't get any better than that!



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July 3	Jim & Brenda Pennington	
July 4	Gary & Carolyn Gingerich	
July 6	Gene & Marilyn Matho	
July 7	Barry & Teresia Marksberry	
July 15	Ed & Diane Packard	
July 17	Fred & Nolan Baurichter	
July 19	Dave & Cathy King	
July 25	Art & Judy DeFossett	



Congratulations to Fred & Lori Hicks who recently moved into a new home!

Pins/Patches/Parades

Bob & Tril Childers

Stop by and see us at the next meeting to purchase your chapter shirt, new flag for your bike and pins and patches. We can order just about anything. Keep your chapter pride showing!

Remember – you can never have too many pins & patches!

Bob & Tril Childers

"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

Also, if you would like to submit an article to the newsletter, please feel free to fax it to 513-385-5026, or e-mail it to Prunck@aol.com. Digital pictures are gladly accepted too. We want to hear from YOU!

2001 Rallies

Here is some information on 2001 Rallies. They are great places to ride to and make new friends. Try to find a place for some of these rallies in your 2001 ride activities.

National And International Events

- □ JULY 3-6, 2001. Wing Ding XXIII in Greenville, South Carolina. For details and to preregister, contact GWRRA, 21423 North 11th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85027. (800) 843-9460. See application form in Wing World or at GWRRA website www.gwrra.org.
- □ AUGUST 31 SEPTEMBER 2, 2001. Second annual "OZARK MOTORCYCLE JUBILEE" in Springfield, Missouri. All Motorcycle Invitational Drill Team Championships and International Rally. Sanctioned by GWRRA and Regions D, E & M. Presented by Black Eagle Promotions. For information and to preregister, call (800) 843-9460 or on the web at www.motorcyclejubilee.com.

District Events

- □ JUNE 22-24, 2001. NEW MEXICO DISTRICT RALLY
 "Watermelon Rendezvous" at the Ramada Inn in
 Albuquerque, NM. Contact Lee Adams, 6321 Falling
 Star, El Paso, TX 79912, (915) 845-2363, e-mail:
 leeapeman@aol.com or Neil Zack, 314 Potrillo Dr., Los
 Alamos, NM 87544, (505) 672-3740, e-mail:
 neil1947@gateway.net. Vendors contact John Perez, 9
 Parkside Rd., S.E. Rio Rancho, NM 87124, (505) 8918789, e-mail: jp9rr@aol.com.
- JUNE 22-24, 2001. WYOMING DISTRICT Rally "Meet At The Frontier Crossroads" in Pine Bluffs, WY. Contact Rick Vandersloot. (307) 362-9206. Email: rvanders@wyoming.com.

Ice Cream Screamers

Dinner/Ice Cream/Dessert Rides

Our Wednesday night ice cream/dessert rides are back in full swing. The opportunity to get out of the house midweek for ride, sometimes a meal and dessert with friends is a perfect combination for a Goldwinger. We have a good turnout every week!



DESSERT/DINNER RIDES -- WERE YOU THERE?

MAY 23, 2001 Carl & Cris Hauser, Robin Hauser, Tim & Anita Kendrick, Jessica & Nathan Marcum, Tom & Pat

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Father's Day

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Runck, Tom & Barb Burns, Joe Rosemeyer & Terrie Mays, Ken Schlueter.

MAY 30, 2001 Jack Riehle, Tom & Barb Burns, Tom & Pat Runck, Tim & Anita Kendrick, Jessica Marcum, Rick & Bobbie Harless.

JUNE 6, 2001 Tom & Pat Runck, Tom & Barb Burns, Carl & Cris Hauser, Robin Hauser, Chase Elkins, Tim & Anita Kendrick, Nathan Marcum.



Chapter News

Things You Just Need to Know...

- Talk to Pauline Petroviak and Nancy Hesse about how you can cheer on the bicyclists at the MS150 and exercise at the same time. Who needs all those infomercial "enhancement" products anyhow?
- With the help of many Chapter L members, Rich & Linda Elsen have completed work on a new restroom and storage facility attached to the shelter. It's awesome.
- Speaking of Rich Elsen he was recently seen laying on a picnic table in the shelter and was treated to a "magic fingers" massage.
- Congratulations to Dave & Cathy King, who are no longer "pending" and are the full-fledged Chapter Directors of Chapter E-2. Hey Dave – got your bathing suit ready for the dunking booth this weekend?

Get "Ripped-Off" at Chapter "L"

Don't forget to stop by and see us at this month's meeting to purchase your 25 cent rip offs for St. Joseph Home. We will be selling them before and after the meeting and we will be glad to rip you off. It's fun, fast and easy and for a great cause. See you on the 20th.

Thank-you,

Jim & Pauline Petroviak

State News

Bits of the Buckeye...

- The Ohio District received a plaque at the Tennessee Rally for having the most in attendance outside of their region. It is the third straight year Ohio has won this award. Wow!
- Congratulations to Chapter X-2 who took home second place in the Tennessee talent (no-talent) show.
- Three of Ohio's ladies tricycle teams will be demonstrating their riding skills at the Ohio Rally; two will be attending Wing Ding.
- GWRRA's International Couple of the Year, Glenn & Lesia Tucker from Kentucky will be attending the Ohio Rally. They will be helping with the Region D Couple of the Year selection at the Ohio Rally on Saturday morning at 9:00 AM.
- For those attending Wing Ding, Ohio will be doing onsite registration on Thursday, July 5th. If you are available to help out in the booth for a while, please let Tom & Sandy Taggart know. They need our help – please volunteer.

GWRRA/MSF Chapter Survey

MAY 2001

Seminars Given: 1 Attendance (each): 73

- Educated in CPR this month: 1
- Educated in First-Aid this month: 1
- ➤ MSF Courses taken this month: 0
- Parking Lot Practice: 0

Rider Education

Butch Royse

SAFETY IS FOR LIFE. Forgotten Danger:

As if we didn't already have enough to think about, here's something that few of us ever give much serious consideration.



Motorcyclists get a lot of exposure to the sun. Even with liberal use of sun block lotions, we're at higher risk for a deadly form of skin cancer called melanoma. Remember that proper protective gear protects from the elements, too, but any exposed skin will be of greater concern. Also, melanoma can start anywhere, so this applies to all skin.

A yearly examination by a doctor is important, but here also are signs to look for to catch this disease in the early stages.

ABCD This rule can help tell a normal mole from one that could be melanoma.

Asymmetry: One half of the mole does not match the other. Border irregularity: the edges of the mole are ragged or

Color: The color over the mole is not the same. There may be differing shades of tan, brown, or black, and sometimes patches of red, blue, or white.

Diameter: The mole is wider than 6 millimeters (about 1/4

inch) although they are finding greater numbers of melanoma between 3 & 6 millimeters in recent years. The most important sign of melanoma is a change in size, shape, or color of a mole. Some melanomas do not fit the ABCD rule described above, so it is particularly important to be aware of



changes in skin lesions. feet on the pegs, and grip the gas tank with your knees. Lean with the motorcycle; don't try to sit straight up perpendicular to the road while the motorcycle is leaning over. Keep an even throttle through the turn, or even accelerate a little bit.

Butch Royse

Treasurer

Lori Hicks

Thanks to Joyce Jones for filling in for me at the May meeting. We had many door prizes donated by: Jim & Pauline Petrovika, Tom & Pat Runck, Tom & Cookie Salamon, Keith



Kennedy, Ron Cawein, Walt Bohanan, Dick Pettit, Jim Webster, Clyde & Joyce Jones, Anita Kendrick, Jim & Brenda Pennington, Rick & Bobbie Harless, Steve Albert, Ed Ely, Bud Hensler, and Teri Harris. Thanks everyone, Joyce Jones was the lucky winter of our great job. Membership Draw but returned the money to the chapter. What a gal!

Fred & I wish to thank the people who sent cards and remembered us due to the passing of his mother. We really appreciated it. Also, we have moved. Our new address is: 4941 N. Arbor Woods Court, Cincinnati, OH 45248. The telephone number is the same.

AMA Crossroads Rally

Come to Ashland, Ohio July 16-19, 2001 for the inaugural AMA Crossroads Rally. There will be more than 20 rides, both guided and self-guided. There will be rides through Amish country, AMA headquarters and museum, Air Force Museum, The Warther Museum, Poker runs, observation rides and more! Test your riding skills on a challenging, but fun, skills course. Attend seminars by "Biker Billy" on "Biker Billy cooks with fire"; Mike Seate, author of Two Wheels on Two Reels, will discuss biker movies, and screen several; Dunlop Tire Corp. and take the mystery out of your tires and more. Also, share breakfast and a barbecue with rally participants. More info at AMADirectlink.com, or to register online. There will also be flyers with more info. and registration forms at the June meeting.

Dick Pettit - AMA Field Rep

June Word Find

Find these names of Monthly Payments...

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We've Never Been More Lost!

To say that the **Jones Lost Weekend** ride over Memorial Day weekend was true to its name would be a serious understatement. In fact, most who went probably still feel lost. In his defense, Clyde didn't have the opportunity to pre-ride this year's route – but

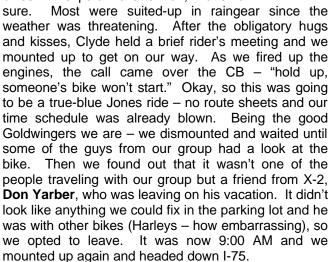


still. In case you didn't know, this was the Jones' 33rd consecutive year of leading a Lost Weekend Ride on motorcycles. Wow, there have been a lot of lost people over the years. Oh well – here is how lost we were

this year.

All 22 bikes converged on the I-75 South, Richwood, KY rest area on Saturday, May 26th for our 8:30 AM departure to our destination of Nashville, TN. Joyce had prepared "Survival Packets" for us in BIG office envelopes containing peanuts, gum, Tootsie Rolls, Werther's candy, Lifesavers Crème Savers, pamphlets about some of our destinations and a handout describing the trip. Six people even received whistles although **Fd Fly** was

received whistles, although **Ed Ely** was dubbed our official "whistle blower" which was supposed to summon us to our bikes. We paid no attention, that's for



Just like last year, we had clouds following us for a long time, but no rain. Joyce had obviously spent lots of time in the bathroom again and was wearing that famous ring that seemed to work wonders at taming threatening cumulus clouds.

The route was straight down the super-slab — I-75 South to I-71 South to I-265 to I-65 South. That part was simple enough. It was sure nice of the highway department to put all of those "no u-turn" signs in the median just to remind Clyde that even if he thought about it — he just couldn't do a u-turn on the highway. It also seemed that every idiot driver in a 4-wheeler was following us to Nashville. We have never had so many close calls with people cutting us off, diving in on us and just plain driving recklessly. A certain black BMW and white Chevy van come to mind. Luckily, no one had an accident.

Along the way, there was a sign offering "Used Cows 4-Sale". We were really sorry that Clyde saw the sign because every time we drove by a pasture with cows in it we heard — "...there's some more of them used cows..." We never did find out exactly what a used cow was anyway, but surely if you ask Clyde he would have some explanation that makes sense to him and nobody else. We made a brief stop at a rest area for a potty break and somehow **George Vandal** managed to miss the exit — he really has been following Clyde too long and must really like doing u-turns too. After regrouping, we were on our way.

We stopped at Shoney's for lunch. Once again we were off schedule since Joyce's chicken sandwich hit the floor on the way to the table. But the sun was shining and the ride was going great. We saddled up and headed for the last stretch to Nashville. All of a sudden black smoke puffed out of Clyde's bike and the whole group came to a screeching halt on the side of the expressway. Clyde's bike was dead. Talk about a time schedule that was out of control. Oh well, Dave Murray just happened to notice that Clyde's kill switch was in the "off" position. Now how in the world Clyde managed to do this going down the highway we will never know. But – no harm done, he restarted the bike and we were on our way again. Our route was simple - only a little farther to our hotel exit. How much trouble could you get into anyhow just following the AAA instructions to Nashville? Plenty. Remember this was a lost weekend - and so were we.

That's right – we thought we were supposed to take exit 95 off of I-65 to get to our hotel. Joyce



had even talked to the hotel staff just reconfirm. **George & Roberta Vandal** were leading group 2 and Joyce called back to them to confirm what our exit number should be (since they had a route sheet). Now, Roberta wasn't much help since she said that she couldn't tell if it was exit 95 or 98 since she wasn't wearing her glasses. Good grief – a navigator taking lessons from Clyde, too. This was supposed to be so

simple but no.....Clyde was leading this ride and we were lost. No exit 95, no hotel in sight and so the call went out to Carl Hauser and Tim Kendrick to fire up their GPS gizmos and save us from ending up in Birmingham, AL. Now you have to understand – these guys really know how to read a GPS - it's not on their bikes just for show. So, after a series of directions (as much as Clyde didn't want to listen) of "turn right, turn left," etc. and a nice ride on some back roads, we found our hotel. Clyde even managed to go IN the EXIT at the hotel. Upon check-in, we asked the desk clerk why we missed the exit. Well...seems that ol' exit 95 only works when you are traveling North on I-65 - not South. A small fact they neglected to tell us. In fact, there is no exit 95 heading South. Oh well, we weren't lost and that's all anyone cared about by this time. Everyone checked into their hotel rooms at the AmeriSuites in Hendersonville, TN and freshened up for our short ride to dinner. Clyde & Joyce however, made a u-turn IN the hotel when they where given a key to Murray's room instead of theirs. So, it was back to the hotel lobby for a new key and then into room 519, not 520. Unbelievable.

Dinner was at the Harbor Club, overlooking a lake. We sat out on the deck and the view was great. We all brought cans of Skyline Chili with us to give to one of the people at the restaurant. Seems that she was a Cincinnati native who lives down there now and can't get the beloved Skyline – so we filled her tray with enough chili to last the rest of the year. She was

thrilled. We enjoyed a great dinner with lots of laughing and rowdiness, Goldwinger-style. We then headed back to the hotel and some went to bed while others visited in the parking lot for a while. Joyce went upstairs to work on her ring for tomorrow.



And what a ring it was because Sunday morning was beautiful. Some of the bikes, however, were wet because the hotel sprinkler system managed to spray them and not the grass. So, there was lots of rubbing and polishing that morning. Our first trip was to take us to Belle Meade plantation for breakfast and a tour of Again, the route the mansion and out-buildings. seemed simple enough. A right then a left and back onto I-65 South. Now we were looking for I-265 which would take us to I-440. When we started seeing mileage signs for Alabama, we knew we were in trouble again - and this time on empty stomachs. Nothing is meaner than a Goldwinger with an empty stomach and no food in sight. So.....GPS to the rescue again and we made it to Belle Meade - or so we thought. Really, we were in a church parking lot - not the mansion – and **Tom Runck** turned white thinking he was going inside. Lucky for him we got back on the bikes, left turn out of the lot and more searching for our destination. Ahhhh – there it was – finally. Food was only a few paces away.

Breakfast was great with an egg and sausage casserole, potatoes, fruit and biscuits. This was also the time when we started a "pool" to see how many uturns Clyde would have during the trip. We had some first-time travelers who had never followed Clyde before. They couldn't believe that we could end up more lost than we had already been. The pool sheet being passed around and filled out sure gave them that uneasy feeling.

Belle Meade is beautiful and the tour was one of the most informative ever. Lots of specific details about the history of the house and how it survived through the Civil War, where a battle was fought on the front lawn. The house was built in 1853 and is restored to all its original grandeur. After the war, the family regained and surpassed its previous wealth by becoming a thoroughbred nursery and stud farm. Most Kentucky Derby winners can trace their lineage to Belle Meade stock. Clyde, of course, had to pick up something to remember this place by so he chose a "Belle Meade STUD" shirt - and promptly removed the shirt he was wearing to now become the Lost Weekend Stud. Clyde, that was way more skin than any of us wanted to see and for some reason Joyce was excited because stud horses "do their thing" at least 10 times a year. That was definitely information overload.

Our next stop was up the highway into downtown Nashville for a tour of the Ryman Auditorium – the long-time home of the Grand Ole Opry from 1943 to 1974. Of course, we had to do a u-turn through a bank parking lot first. Joyce had made prior arrangements for us to park right next to the Ryman but of course the parking lot attendant didn't like the spaces in which we chose to park. Just another minor detail – Joyce had

to set him straight and so she did. Ultimately, he decided we were parked just fine. (Joyce can do that to you, you know.) This was a self-guided tour and if country music is your thing – well you had to enjoy just being in the building. The acoustics are second only to the Mormon Tabernacle, surpassing even Carnegie Hall. Many of us had our pictures taken behind the mike with guitars in hand and **Dave Murray** even managed to get caught



by Lola having his picture taken with his shirt pulled



over his head – exposing his manly-physique. After a brief tour through the gift shop we were on our way to the famous Opryland Hotel.

Now this is one BIG place and of course Clyde just had to do a u-turn in order to find just the "right" parking place — in other words we drove through the valet parking first and then to the correct lot. Everyone did their own thing and visited the shops, enjoyed the scenery with waterfalls, greenery of every kind, and fountains and some grabbed a quick lunch. It was a great place to people-watch. At our specified time, we got back on the bikes. Clyde managed to drive over a plastic warning tape out of the parking lot but eventually we regrouped and headed (we thought) to our next stop at the General Jackson Showboat.

But no....it couldn't be that simple. We did get to ride down a nice twisty back road for a little while, but eventually (through the help of the old GPS again) we found our way to the parking lot for the boat (another u-turn, of course) - which ended up being right behind the Opryland Hotel. Good grief. The General Jackson paddle wheeler cruises up and down the Cumberland River and provides a nice prime rib dinner along with music and a show. Tim Watson and Black Creek Band provided entertainment and everyone seemed to really enjoy themselves. About 10:00 PM we headed for land and back to the bikes. It had rained a little earlier but as we headed home, a downpour managed to make sure the bikes were good and wet. Everyone made it back to the hotel safely and put the bikes away for the night. Somehow two of the bikes managed to park under the safety of the hotel's covered entrance (Vandal's and Andrea's). And, in the morning, one (Vandal's) was even more protected from the rain by a thick covering of tightly wrapped plastic wrap. The E-2 "wrapper" is still at-large.



After a quick breakfast in the hotel lobby, we mounted up and headed for our ride home over Tennessee and Kentucky back roads. The sun was shining again so we knew that Joyce did her ring thing. The local farmers

had been at work and the fields were freshly groomed. Clyde, of course, told us that visitors from space had been there and that these were really Tennessee crop circles. Yeah, right – we didn't fall for that one. We stopped for lunch in Elizabethtown at a Jerry's J-Boy restaurant and then headed for home.

We hit a nice open stretch of highway on the Bluegrass Parkway and **Dave & Cathy King** drove by each of the riders and snapped their picture while riding down the highway. We made a stop at the DQ in Owenton, KY for refreshments and then picked up I-71 to I-75. We stopped at the northbound rest area in Richwood and took a group picture and did the drawing for the uturn pool. The winners turned out to be **Tom & Cookie Salamon** for \$75.00 with a total of 7 u-turns. Way to go — see it pays not to have confidence in Clyde. Now we all know that there were way more than 7 u-turns during this ride, but we let it slide and just considered that **Dave Murray** can't count.

After our goodbye hugs and kisses everyone headed for home. The brave souls who were lost with Clyde and Joyce all weekend were: Andy & Janet Andrea, George Beattie, Ron Cawein & Karen Tomlin, Ed Ely, Ken & Nancy Fread, Gary & Carolyn Gingerich, Rick & Bobbie Harless, Carl & Cris Hauser, Larry Ivie & Teri Harris, Tim & Anita Kendrick, Dave & Cathy King, Larry & Denise Lay, Fred & Lori Manning, Pat & JoAnn Marston, Dave & Lola Murray, Butch & Betty Royse, Pat & Tom Runck, Tom & Cookie Salamon, Mike & Paula Scherzinger, Phil & Ellen Taub, and George & Roberta Vandal. This was definitely a memorable Memorial Day and we were definitely lost – a perfect Jones ride. Mark your calendars to get lost next year with Clyde & Joyce and all your Goldwing friends.



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Does your bike need some work? An oil change, a new accessory installed or a CB antenna tune-up?

Bring it to Chapter Ls Tech Day. Being held on Sunday, June 24th from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Your fellow chapter members will be there to help with expertise, tools or just an extra pair of hands.

Tech Day will be held at Jack Elsen's Tri-State Custom Cycles, 5951 Harrison Avenue in Dent. Call Jack at 574-5097 to order any items you want to install on Tech Day that you don't already have.

We won't have time to install any major accessories (such as a CB or CD player) that day but you can probably find enough help there to arrange it for another time and place.

The O1's will be grilling, and selling donated snacks & drinks for a small fee which will be returned to the chapter to help support operations.

Even if your bike doesn't need any work stop by and lend a hand or just to chat. Everyone is welcome!

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DATE	EVENT	EVENT LEADER	PHONE	TIME	MTG PLACE/LEAVING FROM		
Jun.15-17	Ohio Rally	Tom Runck	385-4556	Your Own			
June 20	L. Meeting	Tom Runck	385-4556	7:30 PM	Lakeridge Conference Center		
Jun. 23	A-2 Cruise-In	Tom Runck	385-4556	10:30 AM	Bob Evans on Colerain Avenue		
Jun. 23	Apple Dumpling	Cris Hauser	851-0714	3:30 PM	A-2 Cruise In-BW3-Fields Ertel		
Jun. 23	X-2 Meeting	Mike Runyan	398-8554	9:30 AM	Lebanon Citizens – Middletown, OH		
Jun. 24	Chapter L Tech Day	Carl Hauser	851-0714	10:00 AM	Elsen's – 5951 Harrison Ave, Dent		
Jun30-Jul 6	Blue Ridge Wing Ding	Carl Hauser	851-0714	8:00 AM	Call Carl for Details		
Jul. 3-6	Wing Ding	On Your Own					
Jul. 8	Chapter Brunch	Pat Runck	385-4556	10:15 AM	Miamitown Park & Ride		
Jul. 12	E-2 Meeting	Dave King	742-0937	7:30 PM	New England Club, Rt. 125		
Jul. 14-15	Warthers Mus. Ride	Mike O'Rourke	662-8099	8:00 AM	Bob Evans on Colerain Avenue		
Jul. 14	E-2 Cruise-In	Tom Runck	385-4556	11:30 AM	Bob Evans on Colerain Avenue		



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 next meeting is on June 20th. We hope to see you there!