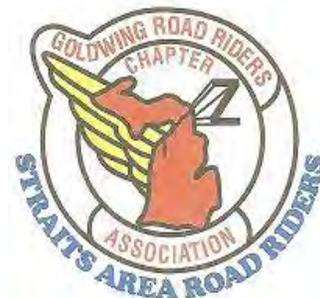


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Chapter Happenings – The riding season is coming to an end. A few of us will continue to meet for dinner throughout the next few months - maybe through the entire winter. Meet at the restaurants at 6:00.

For those of you who have a Mackinac Bridge card, it will not be taken after December 31. If you have an account, you can go online and get the sticker for the windshield. This will allow you to go through any line. Even if you are pulling a trailer, the sensor will count the number of axles and deduct from your account the appropriate amount. One account is used for all of your vehicles; each vehicle has its own MacPass sticker. If you are in a two-axle vehicle, the first time across \$4 is deducted from your account. If you return within 36 hours, there is no cost.

Whether you already have an account or not, go to <https://macpass.mackinacbridge.org>.

If you have an account click on Activate Web Access, Enter your account number (from your card – first 5 digits), enter your email, check your email for verification email and opportunity to set up your user name and password.

If you don't have an account, click on "Don't have a MacPass account? [Sign Up](#)" and follow the directions. If you have questions call (906) 643-7600.

We had a fun gathering last month. It is always nice to see our friends from the UP. It is an extra expense and effort for them to cross the bridge. It was nice that Marion won the 50/50 drawing. They can put that toward more trips. We will also meet for dinner a couple of times closer to them – either St. Ignace or Mackinaw City. It was also nice to Max Mathews at the picnic. It had been several years

The only birthday I know of is Tim's on November 25. Hope it's a good one. Have a great Thanksgiving.

2020 Upcoming Events – The Officer's meeting was rescheduled as a "Zoom" meeting, October 31, from 9am-noon. Mike tuned in. He learned we sold the third highest number of tickets this year on the district raffle. Our ticket sales were greatly appreciated.

2020 Dinner Schedule

Date	Place	Location	Phone
November 3	Bob's Place	Alanson	231-203-2176
November 10	Applebee's	Petoskey	231-347-0440
November 17	Villager Pub	Charlevoix	231-547-6925
November 24	Dixie Saloon	Mackinaw City	231-436-5449
December 1	JW Filmore	Petoskey	231-348-7500

Important Dates 2021

Feb 11-13 Ohio Cabin Fever – Salt Fork Lodge – “Game Shows” Cambridge, Ohio

Feb 19-20 Indiana Winter Rendezvous – **CANCELED**

March 5-6 Michigan Wingless Weekend in Chelsea, Michigan

March 13 Chapter J2 Blarney Bash

April 17 Chapter G Anniversary Party

April 22-25 Chapter J Mall Show

May 15 Spring Officer Meeting TBD

May 21-22 Indiana Spring Warm-up - Nashville, Indiana

June 4-6 Chapter Z Campout

June 11-13 Chapter V Biker Bash

June 17-19 Ohio Buckeye Rally – “Celebrate Your Freedom” - Wooster, Ohio

June 30 – July 3 Wing Ding – Springfield, Missouri!

July 23-25 North Section Campout in Curtis

August 1 Raffle Tickets DUE to ADDs!!!

August 7 District Team Rally Prep TBD

August 19-21 Michigan District Rally – St. Louis, MI

September 16-18 Chapter V – Vacation Station Campout in Ludington

September 25 Chapter Y Anniversary Party

October 9 Chapter V Anniversary Party

December 4 Chapter C Christmas Party

Rider Ed -

For those of you still riding, conditions are changing by the minute on many days. Natural elements from rain to sleet, from slippery leaves to tractor tires' dirt, to animals rushing to and fro storing up for winter are all a challenge at this time of year in Michigan. Take extra time driving as life is too short.

The Motorcycle Safety foundation has a video series called Ride Along with Dr. Ray, found at <https://www.msf-usa.org/>. There are twelve videos, ranging from five minutes to twenty-two minutes each, that show Dr. Ray Ochs and some riding experiences. We appreciate anything that encourages safety for all of us and think that these do show realistic situations that we find ourselves in while riding.

Information regarding Rider Education is available online. MFA protocols during the COVID 19 pandemic are found at <http://gwrra.org/regional/ridered/medic.html>. As stated in previous newsletter articles, GWRRA is now accepting MFA seminar requests and with adjustments to give our instructors time to disinfect and to keep them safe while teaching, Michigan is also doing so.

This paragraph and the next paragraph are repeated from last month's newsletter as a reminder to chapters who are preparing to schedule MFA classes. "students are to be seated six feet apart, unless members of the same household. Students are responsible for their own hand sanitizer and masks, per National Office. Michigan Rider Education has purchased hand sanitizers and disposable masks to help out with anyone who may not have them available the day of class. Gloves will also be available and are to be used during all skill practices to help ensure manikins are able to be easily disinfected between use by the instructor.

Rescue breathing will be simulated—students will place a CPR mask on a manikin, open the airway by using the head tilt and chin lift taught by the instructor and state out loud that they would be giving two breaths at one second each and watching for the chest to rise. Choking demonstration will be simulated—stating out loud and showing on yourself an assessment of the situation, correct body placement, correct hand placement, and motion of abdominal thrusts. AED and bandaging demonstrations will be done ONLY by the instructor. Classes will take longer than four hours due to social distancing and disinfecting. Classes will be smaller for the same reason." The revised MFA seminar request form has been placed online at the GWRRA MI website.

Thank you again to all the volunteers that help with Rider Education nationwide; together we can do anything. We each are doing the best we can, I teach rider courses, Felicia gives seminars; we know what it's like when we are doing all we can and still it is not enough. Every chapter has made different adjustments for the pandemic and its members; let's continue to be concerned about safety first, on the road and off.

Thank you,
Dennis and Felicia
MI-DE

CHAPTER SKILL ENHANCEMENT ADVISOR



Job Summary

The role of Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor (CSEA) is to proactively support Member/Participant by providing them with information they can consider on ways to become skilled, prepared and safer riders and co-riders.

Encouraged Responsibilities

- Serve as an example by being actively engaged in the Levels Program.
- Monthly, or as often as possible and weather permitting based on Members interest, put on an on-bike skills day with skill practice, bike games for riders and co-riders.
- Team with the Chapter Ride Coordinator to promote the importance of best riding practices at chapter gatherings, rides and events.
- Utilize the quarterly Chapter Levels Report provided by the District Educator to support the Members and assist them in achieving milestones and earning recognition.
- Communicate directly with the District Educator to advocate for classes and courses to serve any chapter participant with an interest in progressing in the levels program, becoming a more proficient rider and being better prepared to respond to emergency situations.

Qualifications and Skills

The Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor:

- is not an officer; and the position is not mandatory.
- has a basic knowledge of the GWRRA Rider Education Program
- is appointed by the Chapter Director
- is interviewed by the District Educator
- completes a Confidentiality Agreement
- is a current Level II Rider or Co-Rider
- receives guidance and support from the District Educator
- communicates with the District Educator directly, keeping the Chapter Director in the loop to assure the needs of the chapter participants are met. Remember, the Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor is an active participant on the Chapter staff and primary direction comes from the Chapter Director
- does not have access to the RE database and relies on the District Educator for the information.

Goal: To provide the membership with the basic support needed to participate meaningfully and successfully in the GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level.

Susan Huttman-Director RE Program

Approved by GWRRA

August 28, 2019

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