



# The Winger



**Gatherings are the 3rd Thursday of the month at  
Panorama Restaurant, 730 Elmgrove Rd, Gates  
6:00 P.M Dinner 7:00 PM Fun Starts  
Breakfast Meeting 1st Saturday, Same Place**

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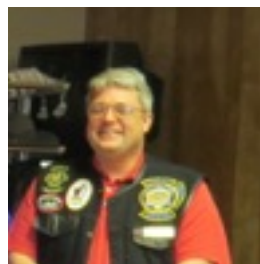
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### From our CD, Lyle

Most of you know that I took the trip out to Montana for Wing Ding. The week before was sheer terror with the chapter picnic and unexpected repairs to the house and to the

bike. I finally hit the road somewhere

between 9:00 and 9:30 am on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of August.

Three seven hundred miles days later I was in Billings, Montana. The Woods and I had been in communication and had made our reservations so that we would be in the same motel. That got messed up at the last minute but we managed to get it reworked so that we were still in the same motel.

Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> of September we went to the trade show to get fleeced. There were a lot of nice things at the trade show. I sure am glad that I usually only have the chance to go to one or two motorcycling trade shows a year. I would need to get another job otherwise.

Paul had been having problems with his bike overheating so we thought for a long shot we would check his air filter. Paul picked up the element at the trade show and we headed back to the motel. With the two of us working on the bike it only took about an hour and a half to change the element.

Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September the Woods and I set off to ride the Bear Tooth Pass and Chief Joseph Byway. The



### October Birthdays

Dave Hockenberry	01
Cindy Thayer	03
Mickey Ide-Eames	06
Patti Wood	07
Dewey Van Nort	13
Shelby Ide-Eames	16
Ron Hinz	21
Dan Strong	30



### October Anniversaries

Soultana & Pat Sullivan	14
Kathy & Dan Strong	21
Janice & Ron Hinz	21

**Remember our motto, “Fun, Safety, Knowledge”. Here is a bit of knowledge. For safe and fun rides wear All The Gear All The Time.**



trip took pretty much all day; which was great. Because I really miss going on rides with Paul and Suzette, and as you can tell by the story I will go to great lengths to do so. (2100 miles Rochester to Billings by the route taken)

Friday night I had dinner with the Woods and their friends from the Texas chapters at the local Cracker Barrel. We had a lot of people. The service was great. That poor restaurant was slammed with Gold Wingers. After dinner the talk turned to travel plans as the Woods and their traveling companions the Rymarz were starting for home on Saturday Morning.

So on Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September the Woods and the Rymarz started out on their way home and I headed for North Dakota to visit friends and family. I spent the rest of the holiday weekend in Bismarck with my cousin and headed up to my parents' place on Tuesday morning.

Spent the rest of the week at my parents' place visiting with my 98 year old grandfather and helping out where I could. They should have been in the middle of harvest, but it seemed the rain came to ND with me. It rained some every day until I left on Sunday. The trip home was uneventful and I was almost home in time to mow the lawn on Monday. I added another 4628 miles to the odometer on this trip. I'm still smiling about it as I write this.

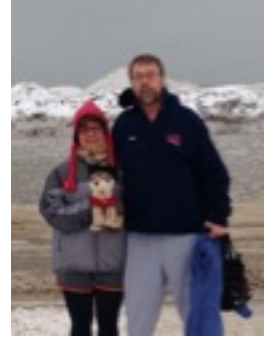
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## October Ride Schedule



Sat, Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, Breakfast at Panorama, 730 Elmgrove Rd, Gates, 8:00am

Tue, Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, Moe's Southwest Grill, 1100 Jefferson Rd, BKW 6:30 pm

Tue, Oct 11<sup>th</sup>, Cranberry Creek, 436 Route 104, Ontario, BKW 6:30pm

Tue, Oct 18<sup>th</sup>, Sticky Lips, 830 Jefferson Rd, BKW 6:30 pm

Thu, Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, Gathering at Panorama, 730 Elmgrove Rd, dnr 6pm, mtg 7pm

Sun, Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, Tillman's Village Inn, 14369 Ridge Rd W, Albion, meet there 11:00am

Tue, Oct 25<sup>th</sup>, Nutcracker, 2159 Empire Blvd, Webster, BKW 6:30 pm

### Dash 4 Cash

Another month has passed and we are still at 14 points. There isn't much time left to hit the goal. Here is how we earned our points.

District Meeting 2, Chapter MEC 1, COY (Mike & Ginny) 3, Submit ChOY Paperwork 2, Attend District Ride -In 2, Attend NY-T Event 2, Capture Traveling Plaque 2. We still have a way to go to get to 25. Note, there is no change from last month.



### Sunshine Corner

Nothing to report this month. If you have news for the Sunshine Corner get it to Tim and Mary Ann Glasow @ 585-225-8916 or [trglasow@frontiernet.net](mailto:trglasow@frontiernet.net)



**Rider Education from Lyle (we still need a volunteer for this position)**

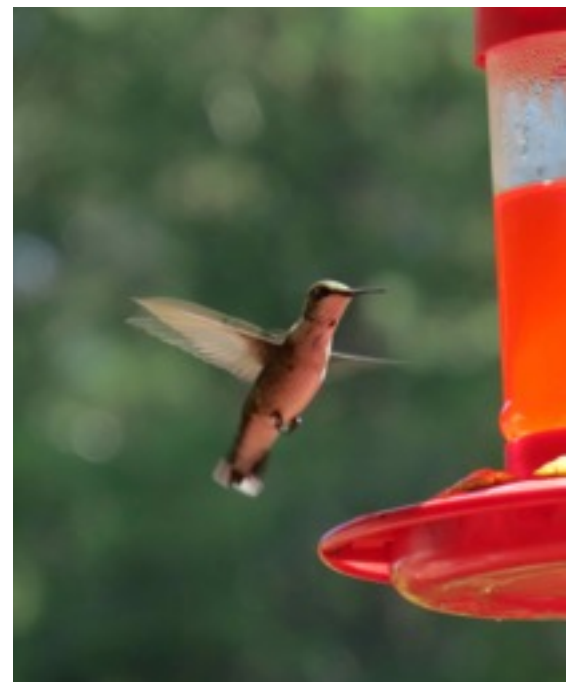
This month there should be a copy of the N-10 form for rider education somewhere in the newsletter. If you could please work on filling it out, we can work on getting safe mile updates for everyone. If you have any questions please call me or email me. Please no calls after 8:00pm during the week. I get up at 4:00am for work. Lyle Nudd 585-967-0876 or [lyle@nuddtowers.com](mailto:lyle@nuddtowers.com)

**Ramblings From Your Editor**

A few of us who couldn't make Wing Ding had a great time visiting Curtis at Frog Fest in Oakland, TN.



Here is the crew, including Goldie, that made it to Frog Fest 2016.



One of many frequent visitors to Curtis's horse farm.



**Featured Chapter W Member: Paul Thayer**

Paul was born in Syracuse, NY, January 1941, one of six children. He has four brothers (two older and two younger), and a younger sister. One can only imagine the competition and striving for recognition that Paul exhibited being a child between four brothers. Paul was reared in the home of educators. His Dad was in school management; district manager of Lafayette Central Schools and Onondaga Indian Reservation schools. Paul's Mother was a junior high school teacher.

During his school years, his family lived in the city and he walked 1 ½ miles to school. Imagine the stories he had to tell his child; "Walking 1 ½ mile in snow six feet deep, etc." He shoveled snow and cut grass to earn spending money. He had one special job as a youngster. As he walked to school, he passed a business that burned coal. They would have a bucket of burned coal that had to be moved to the curb for pick-up. Paul put it on the curb as he walked to school, and would return the bucket to the business on way home from school.

While in his last three years of high school, Paul studied Food Administration. The program was a work/study program, allowing him to work part time for the Hotel Syracuse. After graduation he was employed by them for three years. His kitchen duties included opening and cleaning clams, oysters and shrimp. Because of this experience, these items are not things he eats today! Among other kitchen duties, he was a grill cook. The kitchen workers were allowed to eat the leftover lunch special. Being a grill cook, Paul would get a steak, toss it on the grill and enjoy a great "leftover" steak!

In 1963, he left the food industry and went to work for General Motors in Syracuse. During his first five years, he worked production. It was his job to remove fresh painted white, GMC and Chevrolet hubcaps from an overhead conveyor belt, stick on a red spot and a proper emblem. He left the production line, and work for the next 30 years in maintenance, as an oiler. He would oil and grease the big molding machines. You could say he was a "slick guy". After working all day at GM, Paul went to his brother's car dealership and help where needed. He sold cars, fixed cars, transported cars to auction, etc. He usually did not get home until after 7:00 PM. He did other odd jobs, such as driving cars from Syracuse to Pennsylvania for various car dealers and worked part time for banks, repossessing cars, bikes, etc.

During these years, he had a bad habit that he could not seem to lick. He smoked 2 ½ packages of cigarettes a day. They cost 22 cents a pack. One day at work, he went to the vending machine and the cost had been raised to 35 cents a package. He quit – and never smoked again.

In his early adult life, Paul was married and has one son, Michael. He and his first wife were married nine years before divorcing. Paul remained in the family house (in the hamlet of Warners, outside Syracuse) and had custody of his son, raising him into adulthood. When his child was eleven years old, he married his present wife, Cindy. They celebrated their 24<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 8/8/16.

Their meeting and friendship took years to lead to marriage. Cindy worked in a bakery in Syracuse. Paul's brother had a car dealership and garage in the area and the Thayer brothers would come in the bakery frequently, so she knew them casually. One evening, Cindy's car broke down in the middle of a busy intersection, at 9:15 PM. Three guys in a pickup truck stopped to help and her car

was towed to her grandmother's house. The next day they called Paul's brother's garage to come get the car. Who shows up – Paul! This led to eight years of a group just hanging out together as friends. One day Paul phoned and asked Cindy to go out for dinner. She assumed he meant the whole group was going somewhere. Paul patiently explained that it was just the two of them going out, and finally Cindy realized she was being asked on a DATE! They dated for several years before marrying in 1992.

Cindy had her own apartment which she left and moved into Paul's house. She redecorated to reflect her personality. Adjusting to a new husband and an 11 year old stepson proved difficult at times, but time and patience overcame the major obstacles. Cindy had an Associate Degree and continued to earn her Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Social work.

A year after they married Paul retired from GM. Ever since, he has served as a "domestic engineer", keeping house, doing yard work, and assisting Cindy in her many endeavors. Since he was the only man in the community at home during the day, he became the neighborhood go-to man.

Paul moved his family from Syracuse to Columbus, OH in 1999. Cindy had taken a job with Veterans Administration (VA), working with homeless veterans. In 2005, they moved to Rochester, NY, where Cindy continues to work for the VA. She began working with Rochester's homeless veterans, then with returning veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan, before taking her current job of working with incarcerated veterans.

Paul had a love for motorized bikes from an early age. At age 16, he was ready to take his driver's test, using a friend's scooter. The friend called the day of the test and informed him that it would not be available. Paul owned a Cushman Scooter, and he used that to take his test. He got a motorcycle license even before he had a driver's license. This past April, when he renewed his motorcycle license, he noted that he has had it for 59 years.

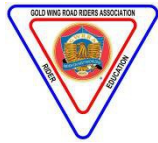
In 1966, he purchased a BSA Hornet, and later that same year a Triumph that he had repossessed for a bank. In the early 70s, he bought his first Honda; it was a new 175. He has owned three Gold Wings. In 1993 he purchased a new cranberry red Gold Wing, with a side car. In 1998, he was riding his white Gold Wing, when he hit a deer, after getting off Highway 690 in Syracuse. He still has some parts of that bike in a box in his garage. In 2003 he purchased the orange Gold Wing that he recently sold due to health problems.

Selling his last Gold Wing was a very emotional experience for him. When the buyer came to get it, Paul cried as it was loaded on a trailer and went off down the street. Ever biker reading this can identify with that loss.

For several years, Paul has had physical symptoms that slowly got worse. He described it to his doctor as "Feeling like I just got done running a marathon." Cindy and Paul noticed that his arms, hands, and legs would involuntarily twitch. Two years ago, he was formally diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease. The disease continues to cause more neurological damage to his body. They are at the point of making decisions about external support systems to maintain his health. Paul looks forward to attending the Gathering once a month to enjoy biking talk and biker friendship. Each Chapter W member should stand by for support and encouragement as needed.

Told to Nancy Motley

**N.10 REP Levels Data Update Form**



**GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**



**RIDER EDUCATION PROGRAM  
LEVELS DATA UPDATE FORM**

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Update (MM/DD/YY)    /    /

Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

Region: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Update the REP Database Records as Follows:**

(Check the appropriate field you want to change and enter the information)

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Update Rider Information</b> Rider: _____ Membership #: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Update Co-Rider Information</b> Co-Rider: _____ Membership #: _____
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**Change of Address (must be performed by the Member contacting Phoenix)**

**Change of Chapter/District/Region Designation**  
 Region: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Update Rider Level Starting Date</b> Date current level was achieved    /    /	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Update Co-Rider Level Starting Date</b> Date current level was achieved    /    /
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<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Update Rider Safe Miles</b> Safe Miles: _____ (5K mile increments) <input type="checkbox"/> Safe Miles Pin/Rocker(s) needed ( <b>\$2.00 USD per Pin/Rocker</b> )	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Update Co-Rider Safe Miles</b> Safe Miles: _____ (5K mile increments) <input type="checkbox"/> Safe Miles Pin/Rocker(s) needed ( <b>\$2.00 USD per Pin/Rocker</b> ) <span style="float:right;"><b>Total Pin/Rocker Cost \$</b></span>
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Other (list): \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail form to:**  
Your District Educator

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## Wing Ding 39

The location for Wing Ding 39 has been announced. It will be in Grapevine, Texas, August 27 - September 2, 2017 at the Gaylord Texan Resort. For more information go to [Wing-Ding.org](http://Wing-Ding.org).

Now is a good time to go to the listed website and check things out. Get your reservations in early.



These are pictures Lyle provided from his trip to Wing Ding. From his article it is clear he had a great ride and really enjoyed it.

I think a lot of us are like the squirrels mentioned in the sign. From what we see of drivers on the road when we are riding we often can tell one nut from another. So when riding be alert and keep an eye out for the nuts.



The scenery looks awesome in these shots. You will have to ask Lyle where they were taken.





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