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September 2011

Monthly Meeting: First Tuesday of the month at Broadview Restaurant (Knox Room), America's Best Value Inn, 29 Public Square, Galesburg, IL (Eat at 6:30 p.m.; Meeting at 7:30 p.m.)
Coffee: Third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.—check calendar for location

September Director's Message



FUN. It is September 12. The sun is shining and I am blessed with memories of a great weekend. H2 was well represented at the Davis Rally in New Hamp-

ton, Iowa. Lodging for the Davis Rally is varied. Some people camp out at the park. Some people stay at motels in town, bed and breakfasts, or rooms in town. Butch Thron, Jack Shultz, Dwight and Jackie Mannon, Bob Streicher and Brenda, and Linda and I stayed at the Dairy Barn Bed and Breakfast about 7 miles outside of town.

If you would like a little more information about this barn, check out www.TheDairyBarn.com. To see some comments and pictures from years past, check out this link <http://thedairybarn.blogspot.com/search/label/motor%20cycles>.

Look at the group photo that is in this newsletter on page 11 to see smiles from H2 that were at the rally. Doesn't Ruby do a great job of getting information for these newsletters?!!

Northeast Iowa is just a fantastic place to ride motorcycles. For the most part, the roads are good, and the scenery is "out of Iowa." On our way back, we stopped and had lunch at a church festival in Guttenburg, Iowa. This was my first time, and this church puts on quite a festival and feast. From what I understand, it is always the Sunday after Labor Day. Dwight and Jackie, Bob and Brenda, Dan and Alvah, Butch, and Lanny and Carolyn all enjoyed the food.

Pikes Peak State Park was another stop on our itinerary. A birds eye view of Prairie Du Chien and the Wisconsin River joining the Mississippi is impressive. If you have never stopped there, make it a point, and you will probably find it worth your time.

Another group rode to Balltown for lunch. I think that included, Ron and Ruby, Gary Reed and his son Chris, and John and Cheryl. Gary says Chris enjoyed the ride, surprised that it was actually Iowa.

On a more serious note, we made the above mentioned ride back on 9/11/2011. Our group stopped for a few moments of silence at the veterans memorial in Lawler, Iowa. Here is but one part of that memorial:



We ride and we enjoy because of the sacrifices of so many. We are so blessed to be in this country. I thank my Lord Jesus for so many blessings. Knowing you is one of them.

David Pedersen, Chapter Director



OKTOBERFEST

Illinois Chapter H-2

“Highway Wingers”

Annual Auction & Potluck

Saturday, October 22, 2011

**Lake Storey Pavilion
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Eat at 6:00 p.m.

Please bring a dish to pass

Chapter H-2 will furnish the meat dish, table service, and drinks

Auction at 7:00 p.m.

There will be homemade and new items, crafts, and baked goods for sale.

If you'd like to donate something to the auction, you will receive an extra ticket for each item you donate for the pay-back cash drawings at the conclusion of the auction.

Raffle items, ½ card drawings, 50/50



(If needed, there are several motel accommodations available in Galesburg.)



Region E Directors
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Rider Education

By Lanny Anderson

Thinking Safety for September -2011

Here we are in September already—where has the summer riding season gone?? All in all it has been a good riding season with the good weather we have had. Carolyn and I would like to thank everyone who came to our potluck dinner. Hope everyone had a good time. The pickle spitting gave us a new champion for this year—our own David Pedersen with an expectorate of 18’-9”. Although this is not a record “spit,” it was long enough to claim the title this year. Tom Smith was second with 17’ 10”. Congratulations to both winners and all the other brave contestants. My advice to all is practice every chance you get (but not in public)—there will be another contest next year! We certainly appreciated all the help in setting up and cleaning up afterwards. Thank you!!!

As we get into the fall harvest season, there are a number of things we need to remember. There will be many more slow-moving vehicles on the roads—keep a sharp eye out for them. A motorcycle running at 55 mph will come up on a tractor, wagon, or combine very quickly since they are only running 15 to 20 mph. They may also be hard to see especially at dusk or after dark as they make their way home from the fields. At night, look for the slow-moving-vehicle emblem on the back of the equipment. It will be a triangle shaped emblem with reflective tape around the edges. If you see one of these signs reflecting from your headlight, **SLOW DOWN immediately!! Motorcycles and their riders don't** fair well when tangling with farm equipment.

Another hazard to look for is mud or dirt that has been tracked onto the road. Since we have been getting some rain, the field conditions could become sticky or muddy. The residue from the wheels will usually be in large chunks on the road until they are run over a few times. Regardless of the condition of the material, it is a traction problem for bikes.

Spilled grain from trucks can also be a problem for motorcycles. This spillage will usually happen at stop signs and sharp turns made by the truck or wagons. Shelled corn and soybeans on the road will act just like marbles and lift your tires away from the road with complete loss of control.

The last thing I will mention about the harvest season is to remember to watch for deer and other wild critters. The harvest season will be stirring the deer from their cover and cause them to be nervous. More than normal numbers will be crossing the roads. Also, soon it will be the mating season for the deer. They will be engaged in chasing each other for mating with nothing else on their minds —use extra caution when riding!

I am including the following information from a previous newsletter as a reminder for cell phone users:

If you have a cell phone, put in a phone number of a person to contact in case you have an accident. Enter the number **using the name “ICE” (In Case of Emergency). This is a simple way of helping emergency ambulance crews and police officers to quickly contact a person who can be informed of the incident. Do the following:**

- Type the acronym ICE followed by a contact name (for example, ICE – mom or ICE – David).
- Save their phone number.
- Tell your ICE contact that you have listed them (make sure they are agreeable to this).
- Make sure their number is easy to contact (easily reached most of the time).
- Make sure your ICE partner has a list of people to contact on your behalf.
- Make sure your ICE partner knows about any medical conditions that could affect your emergency treatment.

For more information visit the website at www.icecontact.com

Just for Fun:

They walk among us and vote—Scary! (Taken from various sources)

-I live in a semi rural area. We recently had a new neighbor call the local township administrative office to request the removal of the DEER CROSSING sign on our road. The reason: "Too many deer are being hit by cars out here! I don't think this is a good place for them to be crossing anymore." (*continued on page 4*)

(Thinking Safety continued)

-My daughter went to a local Taco Bell and ordered a taco. She asked the person behind the counter for "minimal lettuce." He said he was sorry, but they only had iceberg lettuce.

-I was at the airport, checking in at the gate when an airport employee asked, "Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?" To which I replied, "If it was without my knowledge, how would I know?" He smiled knowingly and nodded, "That's why we ask."

- The stoplight on the corner buzzes when it's safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an intellectually challenged co-worker of mine. She asked if I knew what the buzzer was for. I explained that it signals blind people when the light is red. Appalled, she responded, "What on earth are blind people doing driving?!"

- I was at a good-bye luncheon for an old and dear co-worker who was leaving the company due to "downsizing." Our manager commented cheerfully, "This is fun. We should do this more often." Not another word was spoken. We all just looked at each other with that deer-in-the-headlights stare.



**Until next time, Ride safe,
Lanny & Carolyn, Rider Ed**

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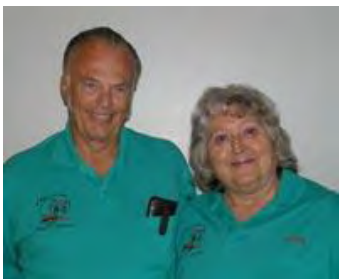
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Membership Enhancement Coordinators**Lee & Judy Bagley**

Remember OKTOBERFEST, Saturday night October 22, 2011. Bring a dish to pass and the meat dish (loose meat/maidrites), table service, ice tea, lemonade, and coffee will be furnished by H2. Also bring your new, homemade, or very gently used items for the auction.

This is a time for fellowship, fun and saying "we'll see you next year" to some of our friends from other chapters as the riding season is coming to a close.

Following is the list of host/hostess volunteers for the remaining months of this year.

October: Jerry and Robin Perrine

November: Lee and Judy Bagley

December: TBA (need volunteers)

Lee & Judy Bagley**Assistant Director's Message****Larry & Nita Gasaway**

Well fall is on the way with the end of riding season soon to follow. BUMMER!!!

We still have 2 MAD rides, coffee at Woodhull Plaza, Chapter E (Burlington, IA) Pumpkin Ride, & Oktoberfest to look forward too.

The Winter Warm-up is January 20th & 21st, 2012 in Decatur, IL. We are planning to attend this rally. It is a lot of fun. The District Staff puts in a lot of hard work to make these rallies fun and interesting for you.

We will miss the first MAD ride but will make the coffee and 2nd MAD ride. See you SOON. RIDE SAFE!!!

Larry & Nita Gasaway
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MAD About Motorcycles

By Bob Streicher



Don't forget that the deadline for the 2011 MAD Ride to State Parks and Historical Sites in Illinois is October 31. We will draw cards at our November meeting.

Herb Stinemates has planned two rides for the MAD Ride for those who want to ride as a group. The first one is September 18 and will go north. The second one will be September 24 and will go south. Both rides

will leave at 8:30 a.m. from the old Walmart parking lot on Henderson Street in Galesburg.



Ride safe,
Bob

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September 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18 <small>H2</small> MAD Ride (traveling north)	19	20 <small>IL-H2</small> Coffee, Home- stead, Woodhull, 6:30 p.m.	21	22	23	24 <small>H2 MAD</small> Ride (traveling south)
25	26 Chuck Walters	27	28	29 Diana Kelly Tony & Myrt McClure	30 It's always a good idea to check the calendar on the H-2 website for changes.	

Ride times from Herb & Rosy Stinemates, Ride Coordinators
 For those that want to ride as a group, bikes will be leaving from Galesburg at the HyVee/old Walmart parking lot on Henderson St.
 18—MAD Ride will leave Galesburg at 8:30 a.m.
 24—MAD Ride will leave Galesburg at 8:30 a.m.
 For questions or needs about rides, call Herb's cell (309-536-0243) or Rosy's cell (309-536-0269).

September 50/50 winners:

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October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Don't forget to bring your food pantry donations to the October meeting! This is a great service we can do for the community.</p>						1
2 <i>Herb Stinemates</i>	3	4 <u>IL-H2 Meeting, Broadview Restaurant, Galesburg, 6:30 p.m.</u> <i>John Swanson</i>	5	6	7	8
9 IA-E Pumpkin Run (Details on p. 10)	10 <i>Gary Reed</i> <i>Dennis English</i>	11	12 <i>Helen</i> <i>'Gramma' Boock</i>	13	14 <i>Johnnie's</i> Ride to Tennessee (14-21)	15
16	17	18	19 <u>IL-H2 Coffee, Italian Village, Monmouth, 6:30 p.m.</u> <i>Dan Fryer</i>	20	21	22 <u>IL-H2 Oktoberfest, Lake Storey Pavilion, Galesburg, IL (see page 2 for details)</u> <i>Chuck & Courtney Walters</i>
23	24 <i>Harold Sluyter</i> <i>Jack & Shirley Shultz</i>	25 <i>Carolyn Thompson</i> <i>Dwight & Jackie Mannon</i>	26 <i>Janet Bland</i>	27	28	29
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 9—IA-E Pumpkin Run, leave Galesburg at 8 a.m., leave Monmouth at 8:30 a.m.
For questions or needs about rides, call Herb's cell (309-536-0243) or Rosy's cell (309-536-0269).

IL-H2's Calendar of Events – 2011
(Scheduled events are always subject to change.)

November

- 1 IL-H2 Meeting, Broadview Restaurant, Galesburg, 6:30 p.m.
- 15 IL-H2 Coffee, Perkins, Galesburg, 6:30 p.m.

December

- 6 IL-H2 Christmas Party, Broadview Restaurant, Galesburg, 6:30 p.m.
- No coffee this month—have a Merry Christmas!**

Anderson Potluck Photos
More photos on the H-2 website: <http://www.ilh2.org/photos/index.html>



Champion Pickle Spitter, Dave Pedersen, 18' 9"





Chapter R Surprise Run Photos
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