



# MOUNTAIN VALLEY RIDERS CHAPTER M



December 2006 Newsletter

Welcome to the Mountain Valley Riders! Gail and I would like to thank all of you who have decided to join our Chapter M. We hope to make this a great time of fun, friendship, and lots of riding. Of course we may have to wait for a little help from Mother Nature to get much of the riding done, but we can certainly enjoy the fun and friendship part right now and always. We will have potlucks to keep us together during the winter season and ride when we can. The rest of the time we will just drive to our fun. We want to wish everyone a very blessed and Merry Christmas. Remember the true meaning of Christmas, and don't let worries get you down. Family and friends and spending precious time together is what counts, not presents. (Although, the presents are nice, they aren't everything). We look forward to many great rides and new friends in the year to come.

If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to call Gail or Lillian at (541) 664-6473.



Our first new members to join Chapter M are Richard and Donna Morgan. The Morgans live in Central Point. Richard is a retired electrician, but is active working with children at Table Rock Fellowship. He is a caretaker at a Church Organizational Group at Howard Prairie. He has been riding for over 10 years now. He has a 2003 Gold Wing (red of course). He also has a 2000 VTX 1100 Honda Shadow Aero for sale. It is sharp with lots of chrome and low mileage. Call 840-1399 to check it out.



## DAVE & MARGIE BURKUS



On December 3rd Chapter M and Chapter A lost one of their most committed members; Dave Burkus. His son Larry told us he apparently had a massive heart attack. During our 2006 poker run, Dave (who lived in Yreka) drove his truck up here to Medford so he could help out by running errands for us. He ran after ice, took Joann back and forth from the Honda shop checkpoint, put road signs up on the poker run route, and helped with teardown and return of all the chairs and tables. What a great addition to our Chapter he was. He rode his orange 1800 Gold Wing to almost every Chapter meeting in Grants Pass and Medford. When there was a ride scheduled he was usually there. Margie would come in the pick-up truck and join us as well. I remember a Coast ride and a lunch stop for fish and chips. What fun it was!! We will all deeply miss our friend and fellow motorcycle rider--Dave Burkus. Our prayers go out to his wife, Margie, and the rest of his family. Lillian

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MOUNTAIN VALLEY RIDERS of SOUTHERN OREGON

November Meeting Minutes

Welcome everyone to our new Chapter M Mountain Valley Riders of Southern Oregon!

Lillian says we are a spin-off from Chapter A Rogue Valley Wings. Pat says we are here for fun and friendship, which is how it should be. Some of us went to the Chapter A meeting a few weeks ago where we were told we couldn't vote for money for our new Chapter M at that particular meeting. The Rogue Valley Wings will vote for this at their next business meeting and let us know if they will be giving us any of the money that we helped them earn when we were members. If they decide not to give us any money, the State will chip in and give us some for our Chapter.

We have some visitors here with us today:

Dan & Katherine Tillotson, Soul Wheelers

Dennis McCartney, Hog #1

Bud & GariAnn Bowling, Chapter A

Hans P. Raub, Chapter A

Chris Schroeder

Dennis would like to be the liaison between Chapter M and Hog #1. Dennis' club meets at 9:30 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at D&S Harley Davidson in Phoenix. Dennis also has a denim vest with RWV rockers and GWTA logo (size XXL) available for sale if anyone is interested.

Bud and GariAnn have not yet decided which Chapter they would like to commit to, but we are hoping to persuade them to be with us! Bud has been asked to be our Ride Co-ordinator, and Pat will fill in when needed.

We have our 1<sup>st</sup> new Chapter M member! Richard Morgan rides an '03 Candy Apple Red Goldwing 1800.

Ivan Sanders blue bike is for sale-- email him at: [sandershideaway@charter.net](mailto:sandershideaway@charter.net).

Lillian went over the GWTA brochure--this brochure tells people what we are about, when our meetings are, where we meet, etc. The time for our monthly meeting will change according to our summer or winter ride schedule.

In our newsletter we will have a copy of our bylaws, minutes, items for sale, etc.

We will have a business meeting once a month (right before our regular monthly meeting) to discuss our budget, vote on anything that is on the table from our last meeting, and other items that need to be attended to. This meeting is open only to Chapter M members. We will do this so we wont have to discuss financial matters in front of guests and visitors.

Pat has a few calendars and bumper stickers available to us if we want them, which refer to the Oregon helmet law. He also has helmet stickers available that say "Do not remove helmet". This is in case we are in an accident the people who are attending to us don't make the mistake of removing our helmet before professional help arrives.

We have asked Don Coons to come and speak at one of our meetings. He is the State Safety Director for GWTA. He is having a Level 1 Safety class at his house on Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>, so if you are interested go to Chapter A's website at: <http://gwta-oregon.org/A-calendar.htm> for more information, or call 541-582-1403 with any questions.

FYI: If you belong to GWTA let your insurance carrier know this, as it will most likely lower your premium!

If anyone is interested in taking the Team Oregon Motorcycle Safety Class, Chapter M will pay for half of it. We are dedicated to rider safety!

Bud asked how many of us carry emergency contact information on our bikes in case of an accident-- Most of us carry it in our wallets or locked in our trunk. He suggested you put it in your front left fairing in a plastic baggie, as this is the first place the police will look for it.

Anyone who has items for sale, stories, or anything else they would like to see in the newsletter, please give it to Sonja or Lillian for submission.

Richard has a lake-front trailer up at Howard Prairie available to our Chapter for use after January 1, 2007! It is part of the old YMCA and he says we can go up there for over-nighters or just for the day--thanks Richard!

Lillian would like to choose Hope Equestrian as our charity for the year. Marty Terrell is the fundraiser coordinator for them, and has told them all about us. We will have a charity ride for them, where one of the kids will ride on the back of one of our bikes and we will do a poker run type event. More details later...

Rose has asked if we are able nominate another charity to help instead of Hope Equestrian. Lillian said yes and we can bring it up at the next business meeting for a vote.

50/50 info--Jack, Dave, and Lillian all won a GWTA patch, and Dave won \$32.00 which he generously donated back to the Chapter--thank you Dave!

Minutes cont.

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Upcoming Events;  
Gold Rush--July 16th  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Oregon State Rally--Memorial Day Weekend  
May 26-28th

Christmas Party and optional ornament exchange-  
-Pat & Joann's house  
Dec 16th 5:00 pm  
Bring a salad or dessert

Our next business meeting will be Dec 23rd at Pat & Joann's house  
at 8:30 am, with our regular Chapter M meeting to follow at 10:00  
at Black Bear Diner

Sonja

Happy Birthday  
Jack!



Saturday, December 2nd took us to Showtime Bowling Alley in Grants Pass to celebrate Jack Woods' 70th birthday. Harriet was able to keep it a surprise until he walked in the door. Don, Judy, Rose & Nolan, Dick & Joyce and Lillian were all waiting with the rest of his family and friends. Harriet had 2 cakes, pizza, and lots of other snacks for us to enjoy. Afterwards you could enjoy bowling as well. We got to hear all about their wedding at the bowling alley and meet some of their family. Jack received a GPS and now he will be able to find his way around much easier. We all had a great time and wish him many more. Lillian



# Hawaiian Holiday

With The

Oregon State Gold Wing Touring Association

May 25th-28th, 2007

Benton County Fairgrounds  
Corvallis, Oregon

**Special Saturday Night Luau**

**Must Pre-register To Attend**

Special \$50 Cash Drawing for Pre-registered



**NW Drill Team - Bike Games - Show & Shine**

**Campsite & Costume Contest - Door Prizes**

**Dirty Bingo - Ice Cream Social**

A portion of the proceeds from this event shall be donated to the  
**Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis**

Contact State Directors  
Scott & Cindy Peabody  
(503) 715-1626 or

StateDirectors@gwta-oregon.org  
more info at

[www.gwta-oregon.org](http://www.gwta-oregon.org)



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB  
OF CORVALLIS**



Pre-Registration (per person) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 30.00

Includes Saturday Luau Dinner & Event Pin for First 100 Reg.

After May 10th, 2007...\$ 30.00 (No Luau)

Tent Camping (per site, per night) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 12.00

some power available on first come first served basis

RVers - Call (541) 766-6299 to reserve your space

# of Registrations \_\_\_\_\_ X \$30.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ \$

# \_\_\_\_\_ Nights Camping X \$12.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ \$

**Short Sleeve & Long Sleeve Rally T-Shirts**

# of Short Sleeve Shirts (sm - xl) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of Short Sleeve Shirts (2xl - 4xl) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$17.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of Long Sleeve Shirts (sm - xl) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$17.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of Long Sleeve Shirts (2xl - 4xl) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$19.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Short Sleeve Size - S - M - L - XL - 2XL - 3XL - 4XL circle sizes needed

Long Sleeve Size - S - M - L - XL - 2XL - 3XL - 4XL circle sizes needed

**Grand Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Other Rally shirts available from vendors at rally

NO Refunds after May 10th, 2007

I/We, the undersigned agree to and will comply with  
the rules covering this event.

I/We further agree to hold harmless GWTA, it's officers  
and representatives for loss or injury to myself or  
property incurred by reason of participation in this  
event.

Rider \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: GWTA

Mail to: Randi Kobernik, Treasurer  
19976 Heron Loop  
Bend, Oregon 97702



July 16-19, 2007

**GWTA's 20th Birthday Party will be held at:**  
Sheraton Sioux Falls & Sioux Falls Convention Center  
1211 West Avenue North · Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57104  
Room Rates ~~\$79~~ per night (Mention GWTA for the discounted rates)  
*The room block for the Sheraton is full.*



To celebrate our 20th year, we are offering a member pre-registration 2 for 1 special. A member registering by March 1, 2007 at \$40 for all four days of fun, can register a second member for free. That's \$20 per person if you split the cost, so register early and save.

Check Touring News and the GWTA Web site for details as they become available. Lots of fun is being planned.

**Other Lodging Options**

<b>Best Western Ramkota Hotel</b> - \$79 per night - 3200 West Maple Street - Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57107 - Phone: 605-336-0690 - Fax: 605-336-1687
<b>Sioux Fall Inn</b> - \$59 per night - 1300 West Russell Street - Sioux Falls, SD 57104 - Phone: 605-331-5800 Fax: 605-331-4074
<b>Holiday Inn City Centre</b> - \$69 per night - 100 W 8th Street - Sioux Falls, SD 57104 - Phone: 605-339-2000 - Fax: 605-339-3724 - Toll-Free: 800-465-4329
<b>Comfort Inn North</b> - \$58 per night - 5100 N. Cliff Ave. Sioux Falls, SD 57104 - Phone: 605-331-4400 - Fax: 605-331-7919
<b>Camping</b>
<b>KOA Sioux Falls</b> - 1-90 at Cliff Avenue (Exit 399) 1401 East Robar Drive - Sioux Falls, SD 57101 - Phone: 605-332-9987 - Fax: 605-339-4229

Circle appropriate codes after name: A=Adult, C=Under 16, R=Rider, P=Passenger. Use name wanted on ID

Name ( A C R P ) \_\_\_\_\_ Name ( A C R P ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name ( A C R P ) \_\_\_\_\_ Name ( A C R P ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal \_\_\_\_\_  
 GWTA Chapter/St./Pr. \_\_\_\_\_ Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Other Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Will you use:  Motel,  Campground,  Other

Member Pre-registration fee per person by 3/1/07	\$40	x	=	\$		
For each pre-registration above, add a second here for free	free	x	=	\$		
Member Registration per person after 3/1/07	\$45	x	=	\$		
Non-member Registration per person by 7/1/07	\$50	x	=	\$		
Registration per person after 7/1/07	\$55	x	=	\$		
Day pass per person Circle day(s): July 16, 17, 18, 19	\$20	x	=	\$		
Children under 16 free (not eligible for drawing)	free	x	=	\$		
WildWater West Waterpark (Dinner & Park Pass Tuesday afternoon)	\$20	x	=	\$		
American Assn. Allstar Baseball Game (Tuesday night)	\$5	x	=	\$		
Rally T-shirts each	\$12	x	=	\$		
Sunday Night Welcome Dinner (July 15, 2007)	\$12	x	=	\$		
No refunds after July 1, 2007				<b>Total</b>	\$	

Rally T-shirts Pre-order only	Small
	Med
Place quantity next to size shirt(s) you're ordering.	Lg
	XL
	2X
	3X
	4X

Visa/Mastercard/Amex # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks and money orders, US funds, payable to: GWTA

Mail completed form and payment to: GWTA  
 PO Box 42403  
 Indianapolis IN 46242-0403

Information:  
 1-800-960-GWTA (4982)  
 www.gwta.org



# December 2006



## Happy Holidays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Kelly Downs 
3	4	5 Moore's Anniversary 	6	7	8	9
10  Jack Woods Ted Beckett	11	12	13	14	15	16 Ornament Party & Potluck 5:00 @  Densmores
17	18	19 Larry Moore 	20	21	22	23 Meeting @ Black Bear Diner 10:00
24	25 	26	27  Herb Votaw Gary West	28	29	30
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