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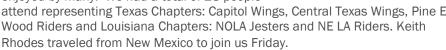


#### From the Director's Chair

Jim & Dee Dee Evans, Chapter Directors

Hello All,

The Lufkin Ride-In held October 11 thru 14 was enjoyed by many. We had a total of 28 people



Jim McMillian and Hugo Vasquez cooked hamburgers and hot dogs for the Welcome Dinner Wednesday night. The guys received a grill spatula as a thank you gift. Hugo's daughter





Yasmin came down from Chicago to be with him during the ride-in. It was her first time on a bike and she loved it!

Thursday morning, Gene Harris led our ride to the Pickett House. We were joined by 8 people from the LA gator riders for lunch. Some of us enjoyed a guided tour of the Heritage Village Museum located next to the Pickett House.

























Ralph & Kacoo's, Lufkin

Friday morning Steven Thomas led our ride to Hemphill where we toured the Patricia Huffman Smith NASA Museum. Veronica Thomas has been at the museum from it's founding and provided us with the history of the Space Shuttle Columbia, the crew, and the tragedy. We also learned of the intense recovery operation the residents of Hemphill were involved in. It was a truly remarkable response of a community coming together in support of a tragic event. Some of the people in our group remember that day.





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Celebrating Al's Birthday



Saturday morning Gene led us to Huntsville where we visited the Texas Prison Museum. We got to see "Old Sparky" and many of the items used over the years in the different prisons. The story of Bonnie and Clyde and the nickel-plated Colt 45 pistol that was removed from the death car was on display. Many spectacular items made by the prisoners were for sale in the museum. As we left the museum, the eclipse was almost over. Karen Koffman had several pairs of glasses she loaned out so we could see the eclipse.







Each day at lunch, riders were given the opportunity to participate in 25/25/25/25 a drawing held for a small and large door prize.











Our November gathering will be on the 18<sup>th</sup> at the Springhill Restaurant in Pflugerville, 2505 W Pecan St, Pflugerville, TX 78660 at 11:30am. Steven will create the ride there.

Our Christmas Party is December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Richard Seay's. More information is available in this newsletter, on Group Works and in the calendar.





#### Upcoming Events

www.goldwingaustin.org

11/18 Capitol Wings Meeting Springhill Restaurant Pflugerville, TX

12/2 Capitol Wings Christmas Party

12/3 Tri-County Toy Run (see page 5)

1/1 Capitol Wings Polar Bear Ride



#### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Robert Huard 11/2 Tom Sprague 11/19 Lyle Altes 11/20

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

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#### OKLAHOMA WINGED RIDERS RALLY

submitted by Dee Dee Evans

We attended the Oklahoma Wind Riders Return to the 50 & 60's Rally October 26<sup>th</sup>-28th in Ponca City, Oklahoma. Jim and Vicki Cook and the Diamond X group did a great job hosting the rally. The rides and family fellowship were absolutely wonderful. They had attendees from several different states including Texas, New Mexico, Arkansas and Illinois. We had all-day guided rides on Thursday and Friday. Thursday's ride was to the big city of Pawhuska to visit Ree Drummond's Pioneer Woman's Mercantile. The store also had a bakery that had excellent pastries and coffee as well as a restaurant where we all had a wonderful lunch that included homemade biscuits and apple butter. We didn't have any sightings of Ree, but I'm sure she was back making our lunches herself!

Friday's weather was a pretty chilly 49 with a wind chill in the 30's. Thankfully we had the forethought to take our heated gear because we definitely needed it! We visited a veteran's museum in Enid, OK on Friday. If ever you are in Enid, you need to make sure to find the mall and visit the museum. They had so many very nice exhibits and the lady that is in charge of the museum is super nice and extremely knowledgeable about all the exhibits they have.

There were members in attendance from both the Wing'd Riders and the EW-MA MC Organizations. It was fantastic to have the 'family' all together in one place. We are looking forward to seeing our Oklahoma family at next year's rallies and ride-ins in Texas, Louisiana, and Arkansas.













### **November Gathering**

Saturday · November 18th · 11:30 a.m.
Springhill Restaurant · 2505 W. Pecan · Pflugerville, TX

Meet at the restaurant @ 11:30 or if you want to join the ride:

Meet Up: Speedy Stop - 5725 E Parmer Ln - Manor, TX.

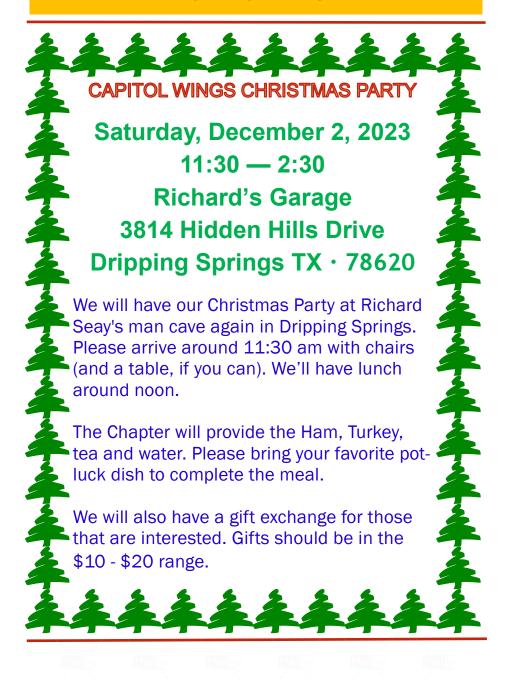
Meet Time: 10:15 AM and KSU: 10:30 AM







Check out www.goldwingaustin.org for ride details.





# 31st Annual Tri-County Toy Run of Central Texas

**December 3, 2023** 

The starting point will be Frank Mayborn Convention Center 3303 N 3rd St, Temple, TX 76501

The ending point will be Putters and Gutters 2341 US-281, Lampasas, TX 76550

