

March 2023

TEXAS CAPITOL WINGS



From the Director's Chair

Jim & Dee Dee Evans, Chapter Directors

Hello all,

Our annual Gene Thomas Ride on February 11 started out at 40 degrees and sunny skies. Steve led five bikes, two with co-riders to the Catfish Parlour in Georgetown. Many other members met us at the restaurant for a total of 30 people. As always, great food and staff. The ride wouldn't be complete without Gayle who spoke to the group for a few minutes about her and Gene's history with Chapter O. Sheri, John, Kathy and Teresa won door prizes. Enrique won the 30% and Teri the 20%.



Our next Gathering will be at Margaritas on Hwy 29 at 11:30am. Ken will lead the ride there.

Our Bluebonnet rally is about six weeks away. This is going to be great!! Day rides and potluck dinners Thursday, Friday, and the Rally Saturday. Many of our members will arrive at Lady Bird Johnson Municipal RV Park on Wednesday with a few of us on Monday.

Silent Auction: If you have anything to donate to this fund raiser for our Chapter, we really need to have items by April 2nd. If you cannot deliver by then, please send a good photo and description to me and Tom Sprague so he can get it on the list.

Why donate?? Chapter money is only used toward the Chapter and its members, such as Rally expenses, flowers & cards, entry fees if needed to Parade or events we are participating in as a Chapter, office supplies and printing expenses for flyers and banners etc. If you have any new or slightly used items, please consider donating them to the Chapter.

Chapter member link is <https://form.jotform.com/230245786451155>

Non-Chapter member link is <https://form.jotform.com/230245312512138>

Tom - waysmeans@capitolwings.org Jim - director@capitolwings.org

The link to our Chapter website is: www.capitolwings.org and the District website is www.gwrra-tx.org

Heated Gear. The last couple of months have been a little cold for riding. I purchased a jacket liner, pants liner and gloves several years ago and started using them last year. What a big difference it makes. Dee Dee and I rode the Bandera area on Saturday February 18. I have the 12-volt system that operates off the battery of the bike. You can also get the gear that operates off small batteries you can recharge. John and Dawn Ambrose own the Heated 4 U company, have a website and a Facebook page and superfast shipping. I got a new pair of gloves at WingDing and really like them.

John and Wanda Osborn are making our new wicking" synthetic material chapter shirts with the new EWMA logo, chapter logo, in red, teal, black, blue and gray. \$35 each for men's or women's. Please email your request to josborn@aol.com

Jim McMillian has handmade some quilts to donate to our rally. One will be won in a raffle and the other will be put into a live auction. The third will go to the District Rally. Come see these amazing and beautiful quilts at the Bluebonnet Rally or check out page 2 for a "sneak-peek".

March Gathering

Saturday · March 18th · 11:30 a.m.

Margarita's Restaurant · 10280 W State Hwy 29 · Liberty Hill, TX

To ride — Meet at HEB Cedar Park

Hwy 183 & 1431 in Cedar Park TX

KSU: 10:30 am.

Check out www.goldwingaustin.org for ride details.

**EAGLE WINGS
TRAINING UPDATE
March 2023**

Training Available at Yellow Rose Rally

Greetings Capitol Wings Riders!

Last month we announced that we were preparing to re-open Rider Education and Academy Training in Texas.

Our District Staff has elected to kick off our first statewide training opportunity by offering some Rider Ed. Seminars and Academy modules at the Texas Yellow Rose Rally in Kerrville on April 28 - 30th. There will be 3-5 classes; some possibly offered more than once depending on interest. All Academy seminars/courses are offered **free of charge**, and you can register for them in person at the Training Table at the Rally.

Here is where I need your help – we need to decide on what classes to offer. I have listed below all of the modules currently under development. I am asking all Texas Riders to email me 1-2 classes that you would want to see offered at the Rally and based on responses, we will select the top 3-5 to make available to all participants. We need time to decide on offerings, recruit Instructors, and gather materials for each class so I need all responses sent to my email below by **Saturday, March 11**. A list of the classes chosen and when they will be offered will be published in the April newsletter and on the Texas Groupworks site.

Class Description

- Seminar ~ Co-Rider
- Seminar ~ Motorcycle Crash Scene Response
- Module ~ Riding in the Dark
- Module ~ Riding Readiness
- Module ~ Riding in the Heat
- Module ~ View from The Rear, Co-Rider's Perspective
- Module ~ Helmet: Facts or Fiction
- Module ~ Distracted Drivers
- Module ~ Riding w/New Inexperienced Riders
- Module ~ Riding in the Rain
- Seminar ~ Team Riding
- Module ~ Riding in the Cold
- Seminar ~ Riding Mountains, Hills, and Curves
- Seminar ~ Trailering
- Module ~ For the Mature Rider
- Module ~ Planning the Perfect Ride
- Module ~ Toxic People
- Module ~ Conflict Resolution
- Module ~ Communication
- Module ~ Managing Change

Class Description

- Module ~ Time Management
- Module ~ Newsletters
- Module ~ Giving Feedback
- Module ~ Chapter MEC Role
- Module ~ Membership Retention
- Module ~ Goal Setting
- Module ~ Delegation
- Module ~ Difficult Conversations
- Module ~ Women in Leadership Roles
- Module ~ Planning a Chapter Event
- Module ~ Train Your Brain
- Module ~ Chapter Finances
- Module ~ Coaching Your Team
- Module ~ Work & Life Balance
- Module ~ Membership Recruitment
- Module ~ Stress Management
- Module ~ Email Etiquette
- Module ~ Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone
- Module ~ Adding Fun to Socials

Finally, we are also planning to host a District Education Weekend next Fall and in addition to seminars/modules, we plan to begin offering Riding Classes and MFA/CPR classes at that time. More info on those classes will be coming out as soon as we receive it.

Do a thorough safety check on your bike and then get out there and RIDE!!

Randy and Kathy Reese
Texas District Trainers
512-744-3635
rmreese@sbcglobal.net



Upcoming Events Details:

www.goldwingaustin.org

- 3/18 March Gathering
(details on page 1)
- 4/13-15 Capitol Wings
Bluebonnet Rally
Fredericksburg TX
- 4/20-22 LA District Rally
Morgan City, LA
- 4/27-29 TX "Yellow Rose" Rally
Kerrville TX
- 5/18-20 Arkansas Rally
Harrison AR



I've Got a Question

Leland Baker asks:

Does anyone know someone or some shop that can repair the heated seat on a 2019? Controls works but it does not heat.

Leland Baker
Textleland1@gmail.com

COMING SOON TO A RALLY NEAR YOU

Quilts donated by Jim McMillian





EWMA - Capitol Wings (formerly Ch O) Bluebonnet Rally & Camp Out

**Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park
Fredericksburg Texas
April 13, 14, and 15, 2023**

Join us early April 13-14 for Hill Country riding

Whether you are staying in the area or coming in for the day, there will be led rides going thru the beautiful Texas Hill Country leaving from the camp grounds on both days.

Camping Information

Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park
Campground
(830) 987-4202

EWMA - Capitol Wings has spots 1-15 reserved. Tell the park you are with Capitol Wings and they will advise you on spot availability.

Make Reservations by 3/15/2023

**Bluebonnet Rally
Saturday, April 15th
Located in the park's
indoor Pioneer
Pavilion
Rain or Shine!**

**Evening
Potlucks**

**Group Ride
Thursday**
**Group Ride
Friday**
**Tour LBJ Ranch
Box Lunch**
(purchase via
Registration)

Hotel Information

There are many hotels in the Fredericksburg and surrounding area

**Registration: Saturday, April 15th
8AM-12PM**
• Breakfast Tacos for Sale • Catered Lunch • Fun Run • Off-Bike Games • Silent Auction •
• 50/30/20 • Participation Prizes • Cookies & Coffee • Vendors • Grand Prize •
Closing Ceremony Starts at: 2 PM



Click the link below for early discounted online registration

<https://form.iotform.com/230245312512138>



Silent Auction Items Needed

submitted by Dawn Sprague

Capitol Wings Group

Our Bluebonnet Rally is around the Corner -- April 15th. We really need items for the Silent Auction.

If "Pick Up" is required. Please call Tom Sprague at:
(512) 363 0904 - or -

Email Tom at:
tmsprague48@gmail.com

Thank You For Your Support

Motorcycle Mechanic

submitted by Juan Vargas

Jim Stommel / aka - JIM'z
806-290-8400
jimzathome@yahoo.com

He's been working on Goldwings (and non-GWs) for 20+ years.

He's currently a motorcycle mechanic at what used to be Georgetown Powersports. He was with The Flying Piston before that.

Excellent work from the small stuff to big jobs.



TEXAS



Yellow Rose Rally

April 27th - 29th, 2023

Kerrville, Texas

Y.O. Ranch Hotel and Conference Center

Kerrville, Texas

Special Rate \$119 a night

Reservations: (830) 257-4440

Rally Info Online



**Early Registration - \$25
or \$30 at the door**

**Vendors, Led and Self Guided Rides,
Games, Prizes, Raffles and
Training Opportunities.**

**ELVIS Impersonator, & Karaoke Contest for prizes
Friday Night!**



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The Ultimate Travel Club

Allure of the Seas September 3-10, 2023

You are invited to join us on an amazing group cruise departing from Galveston, TX!
The Allure of the Seas has won more awards than any other ship in the world.
It's the biggest, boldest ship to ever sail from the Lone Star State!



**We have an
extraordinary group rate!**

Balcony from \$720.52pp !!

GREAT GROUP RATES:

LIMITED SPACE The following group rate includes port tax and is based on double occupancy.

**This cruise is open to all
friends and family!**

Becky and Gary Wheatley will host this group cruise. Please reserve with us to ensure you are invited to our private parties, special events, group dinners and more!

Deposit - \$250pp refundable deposit.
Final payment - due by week of May 10, 2023
*the rates are subject to change until booked or sold out

ALLURE *of the* SEAS



Date	Port	Arrival Time	Departure Time
Day 1	Galveston, TX		4:00 PM
Day 2	At Sea		
Day 3	At Sea		
Day 4	Roatan, Honduras	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Day 5	Costa Maya, Mexico	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Day 6	Cozumel, Mexico	7:00 AM	5:30 PM
Day 7	At Sea		
Day 8	Galveston, TX	7:00 AM	

*itinerary subject to change

**LIMITED SPACE - For questions and reservations, please contact
Deanna Cisson • deanna@wingersnwaves.com • (386) 299-7535**

LOUISIANA DISTRICT RALLY

<https://larevelers.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-Rally-Flyer-Reg.pdf>



Grand Prize 2-\$500 Daily 50/25/25

MARDI GRAS

“Come One, Come Y’all”
April 20-21-22, 2023
April 19th - Come Early For Our SPECIAL Guided Tour To The Gulf of Mexico
Clarion Inn / Quality Inn
520 Roderick St
Morgan City, Louisiana 70380
985-385-2200 ask for Louisiana Rally Rate
Special Rate \$97 per Night
\$115/W Breakfast
Book Through The Host Hotel Only

MADNESS

RALLY

RIDES Visit A Gator Farm

RIDES Tour A Plantation Home

Escorted Lighted Bike Ride

After Rally Dinner

Mardi Gras Costume Ball with Costume Contest

Cookie Bar Contest Open to ALL

Cornhole Contest

Bingo

Laissez les Bon Temps Rouler!

For more Info:
Website larevelers.org - Email dd@larevelers.org - Facebook: Louisiana Revelers - Groupworks: LA District

ARKANSAS DISTRICT RALLY

https://www.diamondstateriders.org/2023_District_Rally.shtml



The FUN BEGINS ON A WING

ARKANSAS DISTRICT RIDE WITH PRIDE

And CONTINUES AT THE ARKANSAS DISTRICT RALLY

In Harrison, Arkansas - May 18-20, 2023

Come join us for a Great Time for our

FLASHBACK TO THE 1970s

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