Jim & Dee Dee Evans

Hello all,

We started off the new year with a great ride to the Dead Fish Grill in Belton on January 1st for our Polar Bear Ride. We paired up with the Central Texas Wings Group out of Killeen again this year. The weather was chilly but not cold which made us 'riders' very happy! Gene Harris of Central Texas Wings led our ride this year. He had a meet-up in Kileen for his group and they rode over to Florence to the Buddies convenience store to pick up our Capitol Wings Riders. We then took back roads over to the restaurant in Belton. There were several folks from both chapters that met us at the restaurant for lunch and catching up. It was a great way to kick off the New Year!

Next month we will have our annual Gene Thomas Ride with the gathering at the Catfish Parlor in Georgetown on February 15th. Details of the ride and meet-up times will be posted in GroupSpot. Looking forward to seeing everyone in February.

















#### From the Assistant Directors

Hugo & Yessenia Vasquez

On the morning of Saturday January 18<sup>th</sup> Steven led a ride out of Round Rock to Hutto. Mike and I met Steven at Goody's Market (formerly Woody's Market). Seems the new owner found it easy to simply change the first letter of the station and run with it. Just the three of us made the ride. We know our friends were preparing for what I hope was a nice Cruise out of Galveston. I can't wait to hear some stories.

Steven led the ride and Mike had our six. I believe the route Steven took led us through Weir, Granger, and Taylor ending in Hutto. I need to start recording the routes of these rides so I can enjoy them again.

The meeting was at Rio Grande Tex Mex Hutto, TX. A few of our members were there waiting for us. Thanks to Gene, Lyle, Sheri, and the Spragues for making the trip. Having to name the names since I, the rookie, forgot to take a photo. So, the AI photo I have included will have to do this time around. You can have some fun guessing who is who.

Hoping for warmer weather and clear skies. See you soon!

God Bless! Hugo



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

<u>February 15</u>: Capitol Wings Gene Thomas Memorial Ride Go to GroupSpot for details

<u>March 13-15, 2025</u> – Florida District Rally – "Roaring 20's Ride" – Gainesville FL https://www.ewma-florida.org/rally.html

<u>April 10-13, 2025</u> – EWMA TEXAS DISTRICT – Yellow Rose Ride-In – Kerrville TX flyer included below or get more info at <u>www.ewma-tx.org</u>

<u>April 24-26, 2025</u> – Louisiana District Rally – Ruston, LA flyer is available on Group Spot

<u>May 15-17, 2025</u> – Arkansas District Rally – "Remembering M\*A\*S\*H 4077" - Harrison AR 2025 Arkansas District Rally - Events - Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

<u>May 29-31, 2025</u> – Missouri District Rally – "Eagle Wings in the Ozarks" – Branson, MO <a href="https://www.ewma-world.org/content.aspx?page">https://www.ewma-world.org/content.aspx?page</a> id=4002&club id=719997&item id=2395118



2/1 – Jim E 2/4 – Harry B 2/21 – Rosie G



2/14 - Mike & Robin D

# **Cruising on Harmony of the Seas**

Tom Sprague



What a great time 12 couples had cruising on this ship. I have to admit I did not miss the snow that arrived in Texas on Monday night. When Monday rolled around we were half way to Cozumel Mexico. It was not our first stop but it gives you a reference as to where we were when the snow was falling. On Sunday the cold front arrived and everyone was boarding the ship. I did not see anyone going to the pool deck with a bathing suit. Personally, I stayed on the beautiful main deck (promenade deck) on floor 5, it was an indoor wonderland.

Everyone enjoyed 7 days of fun but not always sun. Yes, we had a number of days that were overcast. Our first stop, after two days at sea, was in Roatan Honduras, and it was pouring rain. Some folks had an outing planned and it was raining so hard the outing was canceled.

Personally, I enjoyed staying on the ship and relaxing. There was always a lot you could do on the ship.

Our next port was Costa Maya. There was a little rain in the morning but later it was clear and the sun started to shine. Again, I remained on the ship and relaxed. After all, that is what vacations are for. Late in the day, I did take a walk on the pier for about an hour. Mainly lots of places that wanted to sell you something (I was not in a buying mood).

Then on to Cozumel. By this time the skies were only partly cloudy and the temperature was in the 80's. Perfect weather for staying on the ship and enjoying the hot tubs and swimming pools. I do not think we saw temperatures below the 70's until we got back to Houston, and on Sunday morning when we docked in Galveston it was 59 degrees.

I have to admit this ship does not hold a candle to the cruises I took on the submarine. On the sub the food was good but still not as good as the ships grub and besides that you could choose the time you wanted to eat. Food was available 24 hours a day. Then there were two ice cream machines up on the pool deck that I frequently decided I needed to walk by. I am guessing I put on an extra 10 pounds. I told everyone at the Saturday night dinner (our last dinner on board) I would probably not eat for a week. If you are looking to do a little R&R this is the way to be pampered.

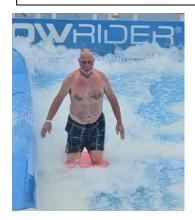




Tom & Dawn on dress up night.



If you want to climb a wall, consult with Jim Evans.







Jim M, Jim E & Tom on Flow Rider



What happens when you eat a red cupcake.



Cupcakes in the form of the flag as tribute to people serving in the military.



Jim & Dee Dee



Jim & Teresa



Al & Claire



John & Wanda



What happens in Mexico, stays in Mexico.
Unless it's captured on film.



## **FOR SALE**

Our friend Dexter Poullard has a few items he'd like to sell. See the details and Dexter's contact info below.

BUSHTEC CARGO TRAILER TAG ALONG	TAG ALONG	Heel-Toe Shifter	10 inch Table Saw
Cabaret Red	Small storage unit that attaches to exiting hitch	Matt Black	Precision Rip Fence
Chrome 8-spoke wheels	Made from OEM saddlebags from trike conversion	New – never used	36 inch rip capabilty
Chrome wheel	Cabaret Red with custom	Fits a Goldwing or	Recently refurbished with
trim	pinstriping	F6B 2001-2017	new alignment, paint, power cord and drive belt
Chrome Tongue	Working OEM lights		Mounted on custom made mobile stand with 4 inch dust collection port
Chrome Hitch w/ Lock	Perfect Condition – No Dents, Dings or Scratches		New and unused zero clearance table inserts
Custom Pinstriping			
Ice chest w/cover mounted on			
tongue			
Front Bra rock Protector			
Fully Lined Interior			
Hand Pump for air ride system			
Mounted Spare Tire			
Snap-in Suit Bag			
Two Full Covers - Rain & Dust			
Owner Manual and Receipts			
Perfect Condition - No Dents,			
Dings or Scratches			
\$1800 or OBO	\$250 Firm	\$75 Firm	\$400 Firm
Contact Dexter Poullard 512-470-8715			



## **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS**

We are asking all members to add CWAMEMBERS@CAPITOLWINGS.ORG to their address book so that emails from us won't go to the Junk Folder. You should have already received an email from this address. If you haven't, check your Junk Mail.

## **Website Links:**

Capitol Wings: Capitol Wings Austin TX

Texas District: **EWMA-TX** 

EWMA National: <u>Home - Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association (ewma-world.org)</u>