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ILLINOIS CHAPTER H-2 NEWS EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



Monthly Social: First Tuesday of the month—Pizza Ranch, 2590 N. Seminary St., Galesburg (Buffet 5:30-6:30 Social at 6:30 p.m.) Coffee: Third Tues. of the month at 5:30 p.m.—check calendar for location

December Director's Message



It was great seeing such a good turnout for our H2 Christmas Party this past Tuesday evening. The weather cooperated with no precipitation and only "chilly" temperatures. We were happy to provide the meals for everyone as the chapter's way of saying "thank you" for being a part of our activities this past year. After dinner and lots of conversations to catch up on our friends plans for the Christmas season, the evening activities began.

After some preliminary announcements, the answers for the "Fact or Fiction" game were given and winners rewarded. Then we played the Christmas Bingo game (played like Bingo but with Christmas symbols). Prizes were given to the winners after each game. I hope everyone enjoyed the game.

Thanks to our members:

Judy and Lee for bringing chocolate covered peanuts Gary and Bev for bringing the delicious cupcakes Larry and Nita for bringing chocolate covered mixed nuts

Thanks to our team: Ron and Ruby for publishing our newsletter, updating our website, and taking pictures and other tasks. Dan and Alvah for being treasurer and our sunshine person. Ken and Donna for being our ride coordinators. A special thank you to Butch for making our coffee reservations.

There will not be a coffee this month as December usually becomes really busy for everyone with the many holiday parties, school, church and family activities. We hope you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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Upcoming Events Include: Jan 2, H-2 Gathering, Pizza Ranch, 5:30 p.m. eat, Gathering 6:30 p.m. Jan 16, H-2 Coffee, Tres Café, 1135 Lincoln St, Galesburg, 5:30 p.m. Jan 26-27, Winter Warm Up, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Springfield, IL May 3-4, Illinois Eagle Wings Rally, Vandalia, IL (more info to follow) May 30-31, Missouri Eagle Wings Rally, Branson, MO

Until Next Time, Be Safe, Lanny & Carolyn, Chapter Directors



H-2 Hosts and Hostesses for 2024

January—Lanny & Carolyn Anderson February—Dan & Alvah Fryer March—Ron & Ruby Naslund April—Butch Thron May—Ken & Donna Larson June—Lee & Judy Bagley July—Need Volunteers August—Ken & Donna Larson September—Need Volunteers October—Ron & Ruby Naslund November—Need Volunteers December—Lanny & Carolyn Anderson

December Game Winners Ruby Naslund Ron Naslund

Bingo Winners

Ruby Naslund Donna Wesolowski Ron Naslund Lee Bagley Cheryl Swanson

Candy Winners Brenda Streicher Dennis English Lee Bagley

H-2 Christmas Party







Salesburg a Ranch















Merry Christmas

Winter Driving Tips

We turned the calendar to December and winter is on its way. Even though you are familiar with this information, it is good to review each year. Please remember to use extra caution when driving on the snow and ice that we will be experiencing in the coming months.

In winter we see the most driving problems (accidents and spin outs) when conditions include freezing rain and black ice. It does not matter that we are driving our four-wheeled vehicles. When the road surface is icy, traction is greatly reduced.

So, when there is ice on the road, the best thing to do is stay home. If you have to drive in icy conditions, go slowly and smoothly. No, check that. Go VERY slowly and VERY smoothly.

As we know from our motorcycle training when we lose traction, we lose braking and steering control of our vehicle. The same applies to a car. Even with four tires on the ground, it is easy to lose control of a vehicle on ice. To increase traction in icy conditions, look for surfaces with more texture. This can be the unpaved shoulder of the road where gravel can provide more resistance to sliding and skidding tires. Crusty snow gives more traction, too. This can sometimes be present in the center of the lane (the middle track) where tires seldom crush and pack it down. Almost any surface provides better traction than ice! If you have the choice to drive on ice or another surface, try to move your vehicle smoothly onto the other surface.

Keep in mind that accelerating, braking and steering inputs should all be made smoothly to maintain traction and control of your vehicle. Use a light touch on the accelerator. You will not be able to accelerate rapidly on ice anyway so just plan to keep speeds down. With the limited traction available on ice, stepping on the gas will just cause tires to spin. Give yourself plenty of time, slow down before entering curves, and maintain a steady speed through the turn.

Increase your following distance behind other cars to allow more time to stop. You will need it when ice on the ground limits your traction. The additional space will also give you a cushion if the vehicle in front of you loses control and goes into a spin. That space can give you room to maneuver and time to react so you can avoid a collision.

Consider using your emergency flashers for added conspicuity and to warn others of the problem. They might not be as aware of the conditions as you are. As always, it is important to scan aggressively all around you for hazards and other drivers who might lose control. Think constantly about your best escape route or your reaction to various situations that might arise. Keep alert to your safest options.

Learn how your vehicle handles on ice in an empty icy parking lot. It is important to see and feel how it reacts when you are traveling at low speed and step on the brake or turn the wheel. It will be different from driving on dry pavement. By learning how it behaves, you are better prepared to take the right action in a surprise situation on the road. Just like a motorcycle training class, you want to practice in a safe space. And remember, it's all about the traction.





December 2023

IL-H-2's Calendar of Events—2024 (Scheduled events are always subject to change Always check your H-2 newsletter or website for updates)

January

- 2 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 16 IL H-2 Coffee, Tres Café, 1135 Lincoln, St., Galesburg, 5:30 p.m.
- 26-27 IL District Winter Warm Up, Crowne Plaza Hotel & Convention Center, Springfield, IL

February

- 6 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 20 IL H-2 Coffee, Opie's Bar & Grill, 158 N. Broad St., Galesburg, 5:30 p.m.

March

- 5 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 19 IL H-2 Coffee, Big Catz BBQ, 221 E. Main St., Knoxville, 5:30 p.m.

April

- 2 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 16 IL H-2 Coffee, Genisio's, Woodhull, 5:30 p.m.

May

- 3-4 Illinois District Summer Rally, Vandalia, IL
- 7 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 21 IL H-2 Coffee, New Windsor Depot, New Windsor, 5:30 p.m.
- 30-31 Missouri Eagle Wings Rally, Branson, MO

June

- 1 Missouri Eagle Wings Rally, Branson, MO
- 4 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 18 IL H-2 Coffee, Opie's Bar & Grill, 158 N. Broad St., Galesburg, 5:30 p.m.



July

- 2 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 16 IL H-2 Coffee, Tres Café, 1135 Lincoln, St., Galesburg, 5:30 p.m.
- 26-27 Region E ride-in, Annamosa, IA

August

- 6 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 20 IL H-2 Coffee, Genisio's, Woodhull, 5:30 p.m.
- 29-31 Eagle Wings Rendezvous, KI Convention Center, Green Bay, WI

September

- 3 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 17 IL H-2 Coffee, 156 East, 156 E. Main St., Galesburg, 5:30 p.m.
- 20-21 Iowa District Rally, Dows Community Center, Dows, IA

October

- 1 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 15 PZ'S, 220 Grand Ave., Galesburg, 5:30 p.m.

November

- 5 IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 19 IL H-2 Coffee, New Windsor Depot, New Windsor, 5:30 p.m.

December

3 IL H-2 Christmas Party, Pizza Ranch, 5:30 p.m.

August 29, 2024 to August 31, 2024 Hyatt Regency Green Bay 333 Main St. Green Bay, WI

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 <u>IL H-2</u> <u>Christmas Par-</u> <u>ty, Pizza</u> <u>Ranch, 5:30</u> <u>p.m.</u>	6	7	8	9 Judy Bagley
10 Larry Gasaway	11	12	13 Ruby Naslund	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Ron Naslund	22	23
24 Christmas Evel	25 CHRISTMAS	26 Tom & Sharon Smith	27	28 Chet & Billie Stephens	29	30 Alvah Fryer
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facebook.

Join us on Facebook. A FB group has been created as an additional way for H-2 members and friends of H-2 to communicate. The name of the group is Illinois H-2 Highway Wingers, Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association. To order H-2 orange shirts or hats, contact Carolyn Anderson.

January 2024



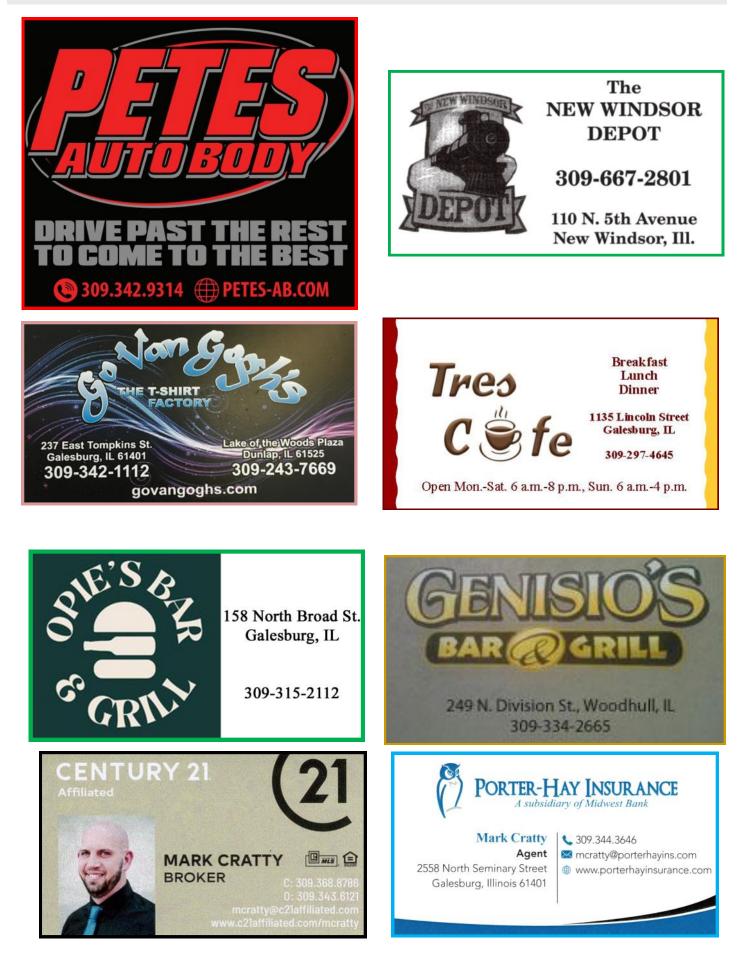
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Don't forget to bring your food pantry donations to the January gathering! This is a great service we can do for the community.	1 Happy New Year Lanny & Car- olyn Anderson	2 <u>IL H-2</u> <u>Social, Pizza</u> <u>Ranch, 6:30</u> p.m. (eat 5:30) Judy Grafton	3	4	5 David Pedersen	6
7	8 Gwen Millikan	9	10 Rosy Stinemates	11	12	13
14	15	16 <u>IL H-2</u> <u>Coffee, Tres</u> <u>Café, 1135</u> <u>Lincoln, St.,</u> <u>Galesburg,</u> <u>5:30 p.m.</u>	17 Karen English	18	19	20 Dave Thompson
21	22 Gary & Bev Reed	23	24	25	26 27 IL District Winter Warm Up, Crowne Plaza Hotel & Convention Center, Springfield, IL <i>Linda Pedersen</i>	
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Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association



COME JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF



JANUARY 26 - 27TH

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER

3000 S Dirksen Pkwy, Springfield, IL

Illinois District Room Rate \$99.00

Phone: 217-529-7777

Registration Fee (Includes Dinner)EWMA Member \$40.00Non Member \$45.00Day Pass Fee (No Dinner)EWMA Member \$15.00Non Member \$20.00

FRIDAY NIGHT COSTUME PARTY

Wear your favorite costume

CRAFT CLASS BEAN BAG BASEBALL RAFFLES

50/50

GAMES MOVIE NIGHT

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FULL REGISTRAT	ION INCLUDES SATURDAY DINNER
Registration for EWMA Members	x \$40.00 =
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Day Pass available at the Registration d Members \$15.00 Non-Members \$20.00 (A	esk Total \$
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FORM MUST BE	SIGNED BELOW BY ALL REGISTRANTS
Rider	Date
Co-Rider	Date

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