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October 2023

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

October Director's Message



The summer weather continues to hang around with temperatures in the 90's for our social. However, the predictions are for more fall-like weather coming this weekend. A nice turn out for our social with 12 members and guests attending. Two members, Ron and Dennis, rode their trikes to the meeting.

It was reported that one of our members, Judy Bagley, was in the Galesburg hospital waiting to be transferred to Peoria as soon as a bed is available. She was grocery shopping with Lee when she apparently passed out, falling to the floor, and sustaining several injuries. When she is transferred to Peoria she will be scheduled for heart surgery. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

Carolyn and Alvah gave a short recap of the Iowa EWMA Rally held in Atlantic, IA, this past weekend. Lots of good riding in the area through very scenic landscapes. There was a ride each morning for those wanting a longer ride and a shorter (about 120 miles) self-guided scavenger ride for others. We chose the scavenger ride which was fun finding interesting sites and historical events in the area. A few I remember were: the site of the first train robbery by Jesse James; the full-sized Danish windmill (built in 1848 see below*); the bust of Hans Christen Andersen; the divide of the Missouri/ Mississippi rivers (1440 ft elevation); town known as "A Whale of a Town"; Albert the Bull, world's largest Bull at 28' tall, width between horns 15', weighing 45 tons; and many other interesting sites!! A great trip to the event for us riding more than 700 miles.

The rally was held in the Cass County Community Center in Atlantic, IA. There were many table games, a bike show, raffle items, loads of snack items, and a very nice dinner on Saturday night with lots of friends to share stories and travel tales.

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Upcoming Events Include:

- Oct 17, H2 Coffee, PZ's 220 Grand Ave, Galesburg, 5:30 p.m.
- Nov 7, H2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (Eat at 5:30 p.m.)
- Nov 21, Coffee, New Windsor Depot, 5:30 p.m.
- Jan 26-27, Winter Warm Up, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Springfield, IL

*A local farmer of Danish descent, after having visited the Danish area in 1975, had an idea to bring a working Danish Wind Mill to his home town. He proposed the idea to the town counsel and the fund raising began. The community raised \$100,000 to finance the purchase, dismantling it in Denmark, shipping to Elk Horn, re-assembling, and get it in working condition. It was completed in a year. www.danishwindmill.com for more information

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

To order H-2 orange shirts or hats, contact Carolyn Anderson.

H-2 Hosts and Hostesses for 2023


November—Dan & Alvah Fryer
December—Lanny & Carolyn Anderson

October 50/50 Winners
Butch Thron
Dennis English
Alvah Fryer
Donna Wesolowski

Game Winners
Ken Larson
Butch Thron
Ruby Naslund

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I (Lanny) was reading the University of Illinois Alumni magazine and found an interesting article about “Inattentional Blindness” research done at the University by Dan Simmons, a psychology professor. He and his team devised a series of four videos, each video showing two three-person basketball “teams”, each team walking around near an elevator bank and passing a ball among themselves. Subjects in the study were asked to view one of the videos and count the passes of one of the teams. They were so intent on counting the passes that one-half of them didn’t see a woman carrying an open umbrella who moved across the scene in two of the videos. In another video, nearly one-half didn’t see a man dressed in a gorilla suit cross through the scene.

What is this and what does it mean to us? We tend to see things that are **common** more than things that are **rare**. To a motorist, the common is an automobile or truck, **not** a motorcycle.

Driving reveals some of the more dangerous aspects of the inattentional blindness.

Talking or texting on a cell phone while at the wheel, for example, leaves the driver less capable of seeing hazards and more prone to “make worse decisions.” Even more striking, literally is the frequency of collisions is which motorists report they did not see an oncoming motorcycle until it was too late.

“Motorcycles are like gorillas,” the researcher says. “What we **expect** to see and what we **actually** see are two different things.” Because motorcycles are far less common than automobiles, “it doesn’t make sense,” in Simons’ view, “for the brain to continually look for motorcycles.” And thus, when an actual motorcycle comes along, the brain may not see it.

This may in part explain why most motorists involved in a motorcycle collision state, “**I didn’t see the motorcycle.**” Likewise, when we are riding our motorcycles, if we are looking for road signs, or listening to our co-rider for directions, we are less likely to see on-coming traffic or pedestrians crossing in front of us when we are turning or making other maneuvers on our bikes.

So, what does all this mean to us as riders? It means that we don’t all see the same thing(s) in the same riding situation. We all need to be as attentive to riding as we can, listen to each other on the CB as one of us spots a potential problem. Be aware of the surroundings as we ride—ride safe and arrive alive.

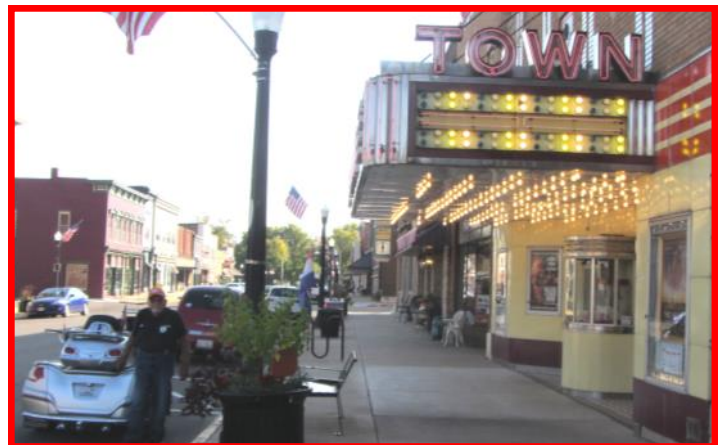
*University of Illinois Alumni Association, Article by Mary Timmons

There’s still time to participate

**2023 Illinois Fun Run
April 1st-October 31st
Visit theaters and opera houses
throughout Illinois
See the IL District Website for
rules and locations**

<http://www.ewma-ildistrict.org/fun-run.html>

Drawing of cards will be on November 7th.



H-2 at Iowa District Rally





October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8	9	10 <i>Gary Reed</i> <i>Dennis English</i>	11	12	13	14
15	16 <i>Ken Larson</i>	17 <u>IL H-2</u> Coffee, PZ'S, 220 Grand Ave., Gales- burg, 5:30 p.m.	18	19 <i>Dan Fryer</i>	20	21
22	23	24	25 <i>Carolyn Thompson</i>	26	27	28
29	30	31 				

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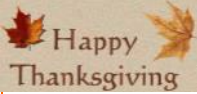
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November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>Ken & Donna Larson</i>	2	3	4
5 	6	7 <u>IL H-2 Social, Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)</u>	8	9	10	11 
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 <i>Billie Stephens</i>	21 <u>IL H-2 Coffee, New Windsor Depot, New Windsor, 5:30 p.m.</u>	22	23 	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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



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Day Pass available at the Registration desk **Total \$** _____

Members \$15.00 Non-Members \$20.00 (No Dinner)

We agree to conform and comply with the rules governing this event and further agree to hold harmless EWMA, co-sponsoring organizations, or any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/we may become involved by reason of participation in this event. I/we agree to assume all responsibilities for any property I/we damage. I/we have read and agree with all stipulations on this entry form.

FORM MUST BE SIGNED BELOW BY ALL REGISTRANTS

Rider _____ Date _____

Co-Rider _____ Date _____



Make checks payable to: Illinois District

Mail Registrations to:

Steve Gottschalk

P.O. Box 83, Cambria, IL 62915



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Or contact any: IL District Team Member

FRIDAY
Jan 26th



SATURDAY
Jan 27th

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