

ILLINOIS CHAPTER H-2 NEWS EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

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> Friends for Fun, Safety, and Riding





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Monthly Social: First Tuesday of the month—Side Trax Bar and Grill, 441 E. Main St., Galesburg (Eat 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

June Director's Message



The weather was mild during our gathering on Tuesday evening, but it took a quick stormy turn shortly after we left. I hope everyone made it home safely. We made it nearly home (about 3 or 4 miles from home) before the storm caught up to us. It started suddenly like someone had opened a large valve that poured down rain accompanied with very strong wind gusts. We made it home safely and into our garage.

A thank you to Ken and Donna for being our hosts for the evening. We welcomed Jeff Pacheco to our gathering. Jeff recently purchased a Goldwing trike and was looking for others to join in riding. He met Lee Bagley and Lee mentioned our chapter and meeting dates. We are looking forward to having Jeff join us on our rides.

Ruby mentioned she had posted ten new slide shows on our website (ilh2.org). I opened them this morning and viewed the new ones as well as many of the previous ones. It is interesting to look back at some of the older events. Thanks, Ruby, for keeping our website up to date with pictures, newsletters, information, and archives for the chapter. We appreciate all that you do for us.

This past month we had 12 members at our coffee at PZ's on May 20. Good food and lots of conversations. On May 16-17, four of us attended the IL District Summer Ride-In held at Tremont. Included was an evening ride to Havana for a dinner at Tony's (with large portions of good food) and ice cream on the trip back to the hotel. On Saturday the group rode to Monticello (about 80 miles) for a ride on an old train and visited their museum. Following the ride we had a very nice lunch near the train station and then a return ride to Tremont. We could not attend the evening meal as we had a commitment for a retirement event back in Kewanee.

On May 28, Carolyn and I joined Dan, Alvah, and Donna Wesolowski to travel to Branson for the MO EWMA Rally. It was misting rain and 52 de-

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grees when we left in the morning, but it gradually warmed up during the day. We finally took off the rain gear about an hour from Branson. We had a great time in Branson, ate way too much food, saw a great show (The Story of David), met many of our rally friends, did some shopping, and had a beautiful day to travel home. Upcoming Events Include:

June 14, Big River Riders, Machine Shed, 9 a.m. June 17, H-2 Coffee, Genisio's, Woodhull, 5:30 p.m. June 25, IL-H2/IA-O ride to I&M Canal Boat Ride, LaSalle July 1, H-2 Gathering, Side Trax, 6:30 p.m. (Eat 5:30)

With the warm and stormy weather season beginning, I am including an article on lightning. Some of you have seen this before, but it is good to review it for safety reasons. When we are on our bikes, we are very vulnerable in thunderstorms. Ride safe!

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

H-2 Hosts for 2025

July—Ken & Donna Larson
August—Ken & Donna Larson
September—Butch Thron
October—Ron & Ruby Naslund
November—Need Volunteers
December—Lanny & Carolyn Anderson

June

50/50 Winners

Jeff Pacheco Butch Thron Dennis English Carolyn Anderson

Game Winners

Gary Reed Dennis English Carolyn Anderson

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

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.

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& Steak House 2320 Grand Avenue Galesburg, IL 61401

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LIGHTNING

Lightning is the most underrated weather hazard. On average only floods kill more people. Lightning is most often seen in thunderstorms. In fact, lightning is what makes thunderstorms. Lightning makes every single thunderstorm a potential killer. Forecasting when and where lightning will strike is not yet possible and most likely never will be.

In the United States, lightning routinely kills more people each year than tornadoes or hurricanes. Only lightning can strike outside the storm itself and is the first thunderstorm hazard to arrive and the last to leave and knows no boundaries.

Since lightning is so unpredictable, no one can guarantee an individual or group absolute protection from lightning. However, knowing and following proven lightning safety guidelines can greatly reduce the risk of injury or death.

While no place is 100% safe from lightning, some places are much safer than others. Buildings that are NOT SAFE (even if they are "grounded") have exposed openings. Convertible vehicles offer no safety from lightning, even if the top is "up." Other vehicles which are NOT SAFE during lightning storms, are those which have open cabs, such as golf carts, tractors, construction equipment, and **MOTORYCLES!**

The safest location during a thunderstorm is inside a large, enclosed structure with plumbing and electrical wiring. If the lightning strikes the building, the plumbing and wiring will conduct the electricity better than a human body. If you are using any electrical appliances or plumbing fixtures (INCLUDING telephones and computers) and a storm is overhead, you are putting yourself at risk! If no buildings are available, then an enclosed metal vehicle such as an automobile, van or school bus makes a decent alternative. If you are inside a vehicle, put the windows up, and avoid contact with any conducting paths leading to the outside of the vehicle.

Lightning can strike as far as 10 miles from the area where it is raining, and many people are unaware of how far lightning can strike from its parent thunderstorm. If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance. Seek safe shelter immediately. Remember this lightning safety rule...**When thunder roars, go indoors** and stay there until 30 minutes after the last clap of thunder. Don't wait for the rain to <u>start</u> before seeking shelter, and don't <u>leave</u> the shelter just because the rain has ended

There is **NO SAFE PLACE outdoors** during a lightning storm. If stuck outdoors on a highway, you could find a highway overpass and park the bike and get as high as possible from the road, high enough to be out of any water, on the embankment between the highway and the bottom of the bridge. At the same time, do not touch the metal of the bridge. You are trying to get away from metal and water conductors.

Lightning can be as hot as **54,000*F**, a temperature that is five times the surface of the sun! Water and metal are excellent conductors of electricity. The current from a lightning flash will easily travel for long distances. These amounts can burn through any insulator (even the ceramic insulators on power lines!) Besides, the lightning bolt may just have traveled many miles through the atmosphere, which itself is a good insulator. **So...Don't ride in thunderstorms!!**

IL District Summer Ride-In



Monticello Train Ride



Getting Ready for IL District Ride

MO EWMA Rally



Lunch at Dana's Barbecue



Scavenger Hunt Winner



Door Prize Winner



Attending David at Sites and Sounds Theater

June 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8	9	10	11	12	13	FLAG DAY
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	1 6 Lee & Judy Bagley	IL H-2 Coffee, Genisio's, Wood- hull, 5:30 p.m.	18	19	20 Vinitia	21
22	23	24	25	Chapter Ride with IA-O to I&M Canal, LaSalle, IL	27	28
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July 2025

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Don't forget to bri pantry donations ering! This is a g can do for the co	to the July gath- reat service we	1 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)	2	3	4 Happy \$ 4th July*	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 IL H-2 Coffee, 156 East, 156 E. Main St., Gales- burg, 5:30 p.m. Dan & Alvah Fryer	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Region E	26 E Ride In
27	28 Nita Gasaway Dennis & Karen English	29	30	31 Chapter Ride with IA-O to Rt 66 Museum, Pontiac, IL		





IL-H-2's Calendar of Events—2025 (Scheduled events are always subject to change Always check your H-2 newsletter or website for updates)

August

5	IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m.
	(eat 5:30)
16	Picnic Ride with IA-O to Navoo, IL
19	IL H-2 Coffee, New Windsor Depot, New Windsor, 5:30
	p.m.
28-30	Eagle Wings Rendezvous, Convention Center, Fort Smith,
	AR

September

2	IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m.
	(eat 5:30)
16	IL H-2 Coffee, PZ's, 220 Grand Ave., Galesburg, 5:30 p.m.
19-20	Iowa District Rally, Jackson County Fairgrounds, Maquo-
	keta, IA

October

- 7 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 16 Chapter lunch with IA-O at Brietbach's, Balltown, IA
- 21 IL H-2 Coffee, Genisio's, Woodhull, 5:30 p.m.

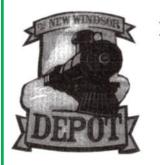
November

- 4 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30)
- 18 IL H-2 Coffee, 156 East, 156 E. Main St., Galesburg, 5:30 n m
- Chapter lunch with IA-O at Filling Station, Bishop Hill

December

- 2 IL H-2 Christmas Party, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 5:30 p.m.
- 13 IA-O Christmas Brunch, Golden Corral, Davenport, 11 a.m.





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309-667-2801

110 N. 5th Avenue New Windsor, Ill.



EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



Region E Ride-In July 25-26, 2025 Richland Center, Wisconsin

Host Hotel: Ramada by Wyndham

1450 Veterans Drive, Richland Center, WI 53581
608-647-8869 Ask for the Eagle Wings block at \$109 +tax
(\$96 on Hotel Engine, but check cancellation policy)
Buffet breakfast available

Campground Information: Alana Springs Campground

22628 Covered Bridge Drive, Richland Center, WI 53581 608-647-2600

We are working to secure a group area and group rate

Come ride the Driftless area of Wisconsin with us!
Curvy Roads Beautiful Scenery
Restaurants Local History
Rides leave daily from Vetesnik Power Sports!

Register by July 1st: \$10 per EWMA member / \$15 non-member After July 1st (incl. on-site): \$15 per member / \$20 non-member Payable to: EWMA Region E

Rider's Name:		EWMA #:	_ Cell Phone:	
Co-Rider's Name:		EWMA #:	Cell Phone:	
Address:City:		State:	E-Mail:	
Emergency Contact (Not	riding with you)/\	Phone:	-	
EWMA Chapter Affiliatio	n:			

Make checks payable to "EWMA Region E" and remit to: Sue Thompson, Region E Treasurer, 3500 Edgewood Road NE #217, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Eagle Wings Rendezvous 3rd Annual Rally



Our 2025 Eagle Wings Rendezvous will be located at Convention Center, in Fort Smith, AR

August 28th - 30th

3 Nights of FUN, FUN, FUN!!!!!
Thursday GRAND OPENING PARTY FUN,
Light Dinner

Friday Night Bike and Light Show Vote for your favorite and enjoy some ice cream!

Saturday Night is Dinner and Closing Ceremonies

An Up-to-Date Schedule & more info coming soon.

Daily 50/25/25
On Bike Games Commemorative item & Door Prizes
Guest Speakers & Presentations
Bike & Light Show
First Aid/CPR Class
Vendors, Including Motorcycle stuff, Bling & Chrome

GRAND PRIZE and MYSTERY CASH AND GRAND 50/25/15/10

Onsite Registration Fees increase by \$10



Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association 3rd Annual Rally



Eagle Wings Rendezvous Aug 28th — Aug 30th 2025

WE'RE GOING TO FORT SMITH, AR!

3 Nights of FUN, FUN, FUN!!!!! 3 Days of Rides, Presentations and FUN!

Thursday GRAND OPENING PARTY FUN Light Dinner and entertainment

Registration Fees (onsite \$10 more)

Saturday Night is Closing Ceremonies, Dinner and Entertainment

Friday Night Bike and Light Show Vote for your favorite and enjoy some ice cream!

Let's make this the biggest Rendezvous yet! We can't wait to see you there!

Total

Qty

Cost

EWMA Members	\$45		\$	received
Non Members	\$55		\$	
Day Passes-available for purchase on site				Make Checks payable to EWMA
Dinner Thursday Night (Max seating-360)	\$30		\$	Mail completed forms to:
Dinner Saturday Night (Max seating-360) Chicken Pork	\$45		\$	EWMA Patti ONeill 2125 Meander
First Aid/CPR	\$25		\$	Prescott AZ 86305 Email: ewmacfo@gmail.com
Pre-Registration Tickets	Cost	Qty	Total	Phone 408-639-0415
Grand Prize & Mystery Cash—Books of 5	\$10 X		\$	\$15.00 fee on all cancellations
Grand 50/25/15/10 — Books of 5	\$20 X	-	\$	No refunds after Aug 1st 2025
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City:			Sta	te:Zip:
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Rider Signature:		Co	-Rider Signatu	ure:

IOWA 2025 RALLY

Sept 19-20, 2025 Jackson County IA Fairgrounds

> 1212 East Quarry Street Maquoketa, IA 52060



Camping Available Right at Sight! Hotels Located in Maquoketa

AmericInn by Wyndham (563) 652-0222 Decker Hotel & Bar (563) 652-1875 Econo Lodge (563) 652-6888 Fun!
Rides
Games
Food
Fun!

2025 Iowa District Rally Registration	District/Chapter/			
Rider	Team Position			
EWMA # Exp/	Number attending Saturday evening banquet at \$15.00 each			
Email	I/We agree to conform to and comply with the ideals governing this rally, and I/We further agree to hold harmless EWMA, co-sponsoring organizations, or any			
Co/2 nd -Rider	property or owners for any loss or injury to self or in			
EWMA # Exp/	which I/We may become involved by reason of participation in this rally. I have read this entry form and agree to the above. Please sign.			
Phone #	RiderDate//			
Mailing Address:	Co/2 nd RiderDate//			
City,State,Zip	Mail this complete form, with meal payment check issued to EWMA lowa District, by September 12, 2025 to Roxanne Oder, PO Box 132, Belmond IA 50421			