

# Chapter V Newsletter

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#### **District Couple of the Year:**

Dennis & Gayle Jisa

#### **District Individual of the Year:**

Gordon Rudolph

#### **Michigan Chapter of the Year:**

Chapter E

### **GWRRR Chapter V, Freeland, Michigan**

### **Bob Thill ~ Chapter Director**

Meetings held the 3rd  
Wednesday

of each month at 7 PM

Freeland Memorial Park  
Building

Freeland, MI

### **ROAD CAPTAINS**

Jon Badour

Kim & Sandy Bargeron

Bill Boehm

Kim Brookhouse

Dave Frazer

Rick & Joy Hebner

Jim Heiler

Dennis Lange

Mac & Mona McCaulley

Linda McLaren

Lenny & Connie Meisel

Al Pierson

Jim & Cindy Pozenel

Otto Schunemann

Bob Thill

Glenn & Sue Wegner

George & Dianne Williams



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and Knowledge*

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**GLENN (AKA GLENN SEEGER) & SUE, ACD'S**

**SOON TO BE CD'S**

First, I would like to say a big THANK YOU to, Bob Thill, for the last four years as Chapter Director. We appreciate all your time and effort for Chapter V. Enjoy your new venture in the coming months and we will see you in the Spring. Sue and I looking forward to being the new CD's starting in January. We will continue to make sure Chapter V, is still the "Chapter that has the most fun".

I'm sure everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and plenty to eat. I know we did. Hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner. Over the winter months we will have card parties, with the first being on December 8<sup>th</sup>, at Dennis and Cassie Lange's. This will be a Christmas card party, so make sure you bring a gift of \$10.00 marked for man or woman. The exchange of the gifts and people stealing your gift makes it a lot of fun. We will be scheduling "meet and eat" dinners starting in January and if you have a favorite place to eat, let us know.

Again, this year Chapter V is collecting food for the veteran's group, "I Support the 1%". We started collecting can goods at the November gathering and will do so at the December gathering, too. As in previous years we are having the Christmas Eve Breakfast on December 24<sup>th</sup>, at Kryziak's restaurant in Bay City. Hopefully we will have a large donation to make again this year.

Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Glenn and Sue



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# This Month with Chapter V

## Christmas Card Party

Saturday December 8th at 6:00 PM. Dennis and Cassie Lange's

Please bring a dish to pass along with a gift valued at \$10.00, marked M for a man and W for a woman.



## Chapter V Team Meeting

Mon. December 10th 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Krzysiak's restaurant in Bay City

## Chapter V Gathering

Wed, December 19th 6:00pm - 7:00 PM Dinner, and 7:00 – 8:30pm Meeting

Titabawassee Township Park Memorial Building 150 Park St. Freeland, Mi. (map)

Gathering starts at 7PM, at the Titabawassee Township Park Memorial Building, 150 Park St. Freeland, Mi.

## Christmas Eve Breakfast

December 24th 9 AM

Krzysiak's restaurant in Bay City

Remember to bring your canned goods for the 1%!

**Christmas!**

December 25th



## Bay Cycle Powersports

(989) 684-0754 M-F: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sat: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Sun: Gone Riding

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**Birthdays**

- 12/6 Bob Thill
- 12/8 Roy Hayward
- 12/10 Valerie Sweterlitch
- 12/21 Kathy Marshall
- 12/26 Sandy Bargeron
- 12/30 Glenn Wegner



**Anniversaries**

- 12/9 Dick and Ginger Arthur
- 12/10 Kim and Sandy Bargeron
- 12/19 Jim and Glenda Howey

December 2019



*Al & Nancy Pierson  
2019 Couple of the Year*



*Jon Badour  
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# Who Am I?

Send me **your** childhood photo and you may be the next "Who Am I" contestant!

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Last Month's: Glenn Wegner



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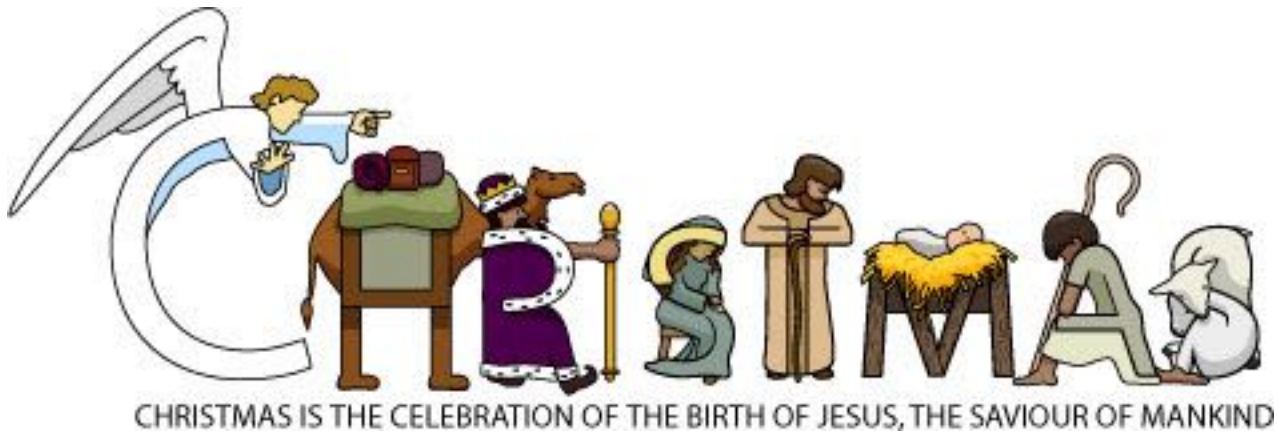


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### **Tiny Wooden Figures**

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Over in the corner, 'neath the Christmas tree's green,  
Are the tiny wooden figures, our Nativity scene.  
Each tells a story, each plays its part.  
Each holds a special place here in my heart.

Down from the attic, unwrapped with great care,  
It just isn't Christmas if they're not there.  
They're faded and dented, their paint chipped away,  
But the love they stand for is as fresh as today.

And as the years go by and our days grow few,  
Outside we grow older, inside we grow new,  
And the tiny wooden figures are a symbol of love,  
Of the grace and the peace of our God above...

Source: <https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/tiny-wooden-figures>

# Levels Program Information

Fall in Michigan = Farm Equipment and Falling Leaves,

Welcoming two new Level IV Tour Masters to the group, and hoping for more to follow him! Tyrone Scott missed his chance to receive it at Wing Ding 2018 during the Masters Luncheon as he already is a such a great mentor that he needed ride with some of his chapter members on their way home from Knoxville this year. We managed to get home from our various travels in time to present Tyrone with it at S2's bi-monthly breakfast social. (For those of you who don't know, Dennis is a long haul freight relocater with no set daily schedule and I have been going to and from Washington DC on a 60 day fellowship program for work.) And, Ken DeBoer will also be presented with his masters soon; he is having surgery so we presented it to Eadie Sharp, CD, at the Fall Officers Meeting.

Wing Ding was great, and quite warm. Rider Courses were a bit heated, and it took a day or two for some to recover. But we ride in the heat and the cold and rain and the ---, see, I refuse to mention that other four letter word yet. So practicing your skills under all kinds of conditions IS important. And knowing to rest and rehydrate during and afterward is also important.

During the Rider Education Forum at Wing Ding, there were numerous discussions. Some states, Florida for example, cannot find places large enough to host Rider Courses. Other states, including Michigan, have to pay for the use of a facility's parking lot and classroom. Chapter Educators are greatly missed and it has been found that many members are adjusting very slowly to the change of looking at their own information on the database. Less than half of the states have Ride Coordinators (District or Chapter) formally in place.

Below is an article we found interesting:

## "Agency seeks anti-lock brakes on all new US road motorcycles

Tom Krisher, September 11, 2018 (AP) -- A federal safety agency is recommending that all new motorcycles built for road use in the U.S. have anti-lock brakes and electronic stability control as standard equipment.

The National Transportation Safety Board voted 5-0 on Tuesday to make the recommendations to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which has authority to impose regulations.

NHTSA wouldn't answer specific questions about the recommendations but said in a statement that it takes a "data-driven, fact-based approach" to vehicle safety and will take action as warranted.

During a public hearing Tuesday, the NTSB said that while the technology is required on passenger cars, it has lagged for motorcycles and requiring it would save lives. The agency said 5,286 motorcyclists were killed on U.S. roads in 2016, the last year for which statistics are available.

"Riders need more time to react. They need motorcycles that perform better in a potential emergency," NTSB Chairman Robert Sumwalt said after the recommendations were approved. Sumwalt said the Insurance

Institute for Highway Safety determined that anti-lock brakes could reduce motorcycle fatalities by 31 percent. "That is a sizeable safety benefit that the U.S. is leaving on the table, leaving on the pavement, actually," he said.

Anti-lock brakes have been required in U.S. passenger cars since 2000, while electronic stability control has been required since the 2012 model year. Anti-lock brakes pump many times per second to stop wheels from locking up and skidding. Electronic stability control is more advanced, applying brakes and power to the wheels to keep a vehicle stable, especially when on a curve.

The board decided that electronic stability control should be studied and performance standards adopted before the technology is made standard on motorcycles.

Eric Emery, the NTSB's Safety Research Division chief, said anti-lock brakes would allow riders to use maximum braking force without fear of the wheels locking up and skidding, improving the chances of keeping control of bikes in an emergency. A locked wheel on a motorcycle "typically could result in a slide or some other loss of control that could lead to dangerous or even fatal consequences," he told the board.

Last year, anti-lock brakes were standard on 8.9 percent of U.S. motorcycles and were optional on 13.3 percent, he said.

Motorcyclists have the highest risk of death of all types of motor vehicles. They represent fewer than 1 percent of miles traveled by all vehicles but accounted for 14 percent of all traffic fatalities, according to the NTSB.

Anti-lock brakes were required in Europe starting in 2016 on motorcycles with engines larger than 125 cubic centimeters, the NTSB said. Other countries are discussing or requiring it, including Australia, Japan, China and Brazil, agency officials said."

Check out the attachment to this from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. The Pretend You Are Invisible fact sheet makes some excellent points about how car drivers see only what they expect to see. And if they've never ridden a motorcycle, touched a motorcycle, had a friend or family member who rode a motorcycle—guess what, they don't expect a motorcycle. Being seen in this constantly busy and changing world is becoming more and more important every year. Just think, there used to only be horses and a few stray animals on the road!!!!

Keep it upright,

Dennis and Felicia  
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