



August 2026 Newsletter

Chapter P Gathering

June 13, 2026

9:00 am

Lizard's Thicket

4616 Augusta Rd. (US 1)

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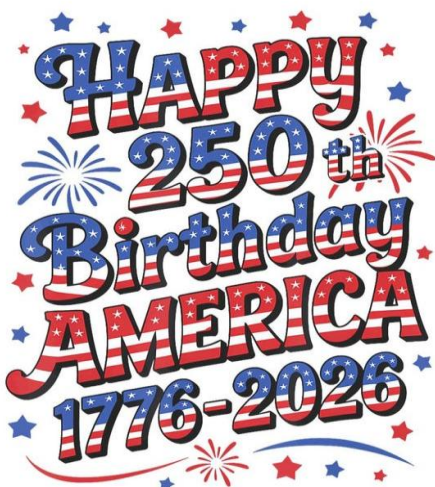
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that Rides...

Ride safe, ride again
- your safety is our priority

CHAPTER DIRECTORS

John and Cindy Wood



Our country celebrated it's 250th anniversary of our nation on July 4th with parades, picnics, and family events. We'll continue to celebrate throughout the remainder of 2026 with rallies and events commemorating this significant time. The Chapter Gathering was next up on our calendar of events with breakfast at the Lizard's Thicket. We had a good group along with several visitors present. Our District Director provided information on upcoming events, i.e. Rendezvous, and the District Picnic. Some other upcoming items around the corner were spoken about for the remainder of July, i.e. Ride to the Museum of Aviation in Warner Robins, GA, the Chapter Dinner and Retiree Ride. Our monthly winners were Bob Baum taking the Quarter Jar & Natanna Wright and Rick Ventresco winning the 50-25-25. Congrats! Thanks to everyone who came out.



We had five members head toward south Georgia to visit the Museum of Aviation. The ride there and home was very nice, with good roads and weather, not to mention we had a wonderful time. The Chapter enjoyed a nice dinner at the Ocean View Restaurant (I forgot to take pics). The next event was our Retiree Ride to Musgrove Mill near Clinton, SC. The weather was overcast but we continued with the ride. Upon arrival we found out the park facilities were closed for upgrades, but Jay, a volunteer told us about the battle and provided details. We also headed over to the Blackstock Battlefield. We'll need to return when upgrades are completed. The group enjoyed lunch at Wendy's and took part in the \$1 Frosty special. Let's look at what is coming in August. We'll begin with a busy day on the first with the Flight of the Dove bicycles escort in Clinton. This ride raises money for Hospice of Clinton, SC, we've been helping out for several years. The Chapter will also be attending the final Blowfish baseball game of the season where we'll enjoy the game, all you can eat, and fireworks culminating the evening. It'll be fun for all we hope to see you there. Our Gathering is August 8th where in addition to our normal business, we'll be raffling off the photo painted and framed by Rose & Jim Wood, tickets \$1 each as a Chapter fundraiser. We're also asking folks to donate items listed on the flyer in memory of Jeveayah Harris.

We'll get with Sister Care to drop off donations
Thank you to Joyce Bouknight for volunteering to serve as Membership Development Coordinator. I'd like to say Thanks You to Kay Rickey for all she's done as our Chapter Newsletter Editor. Remember, the EWMA Rendezvous is the September 3-6.
Until Next Time.....
John & Cindy



ASSISTANT DIRECTORS and WEBMASTER
Bob and Donna Baum



July was a pretty busy month for us. Home projects, the A/C went out, the chlorine generator on the pool decided it was done and Donna had to make an emergency trip to Ohio. I may have to sell a kidney to get through this. On the upside, in Donna’s absence, I took the opportunity to take a little ride up to York to visit a couple of Tour

of Honor sites. I don’t generally ride by myself and I must say, it was quite a different experience. Don’t get me wrong, I thoroughly enjoy riding with Donna. I can’t count the miles we’ve spent on the bike together. She’s the best riding partner I could have ever imagined. But leaving the house around dawn and enjoying the solitude of the road was something to savor. I stopped for gas in Lexington and never shut the bike off again until I filled up at the same station on the way home. It was only about a four-hour ride, but benefit to my mental stability was immeasurable.

I do want to take this opportunity to remind everyone that is riding, or doing anything, in this heat to hydrate. Drink plenty of water BEFORE planned outdoor activities. If you’re planning a ride, start hydrating the night before. I know, you’ll make a few bathroom trips in the middle of the night, but you’ll be thankful the next day. Lastly, if you have any suggestions for dinners or rides, please let us know. We’re always looking for someplace new to check out.

Until next time, Fins Up!/).....
Bob and Donna





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Rich Kitko



The F1 Light

If you own a 2001 – 2005 Honda Goldwing you may have heard about of already experienced the problem of the ECM, the main computer, giving the F1 code on the dash and the motorcycle running badly. Almost everyone that has owned this year bike has had or knows someone that has had the problem. The fix was to replace the

ECM which wasn't cheap but new and used ECM are harder to come by now days and still very expensive. Several members on the GL1800Riders Forums set out to find the problem and came up with the solution. The problem is with the knock sensor modules inside the ECM. The fix is to open up the ECM and replace and resolder new knock sensor modules. Enter Fred Harmon. You may have heard of him, he produced a very good series of videos on repairing Goldwing motorcycles. He has a short video on the internet where he explains the process. He has built a very elaborate test bench for the ECM modules. He then does surgery on them to replace the knock sensor modules.

I recently replaced an ECM for a friend and went through the process of getting a repaired unit. Once the ECM is removed from the motorcycle you ship it to Fred and he will send you a repaired unit. The cost is now \$450, a little more than his video, but still cheaper than a new one or even a used one from ebay. I sent the unit off and about a week later the repaired one showed up. He also emails instructions needed to install.

If you are having this problem, you can email Fred at fred@angelridevideos.com and he will give instructions on what to do.

Now you can keep the old Wing and ride it forever!



Richard Kitko

Safety/Ride Coordinator



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DATES TO REMEMBER

August 1-Flight of the Dove/7am/Clinton, SC
August 1st - Blowfish Baseball/6pm
August 8th-Chapter Gathering/Lizard's Thicket
August 13th-Chapter Dinner//Flight Deck Restaurant
August 20th-Retiree Ride



September 3-6-EWMA Rendezvous
September 7-Labor Day
September 12-Chapter Gathering
September 24-26-North Carolina Rally/Sylva, NC

Keep an eye on your email for info on events & rides.

DINNER RIDE

**Chapter Dinner-August 13th-Flight Deck Restaurant
109 Old Chapin Road, Lexington, SC-6:00 pm**



**Joanne Hoover 14
Joe Galloway 20
Frank Wilson Jr 21
Geri Galloway 21
Jim Wood 28**

**Bob & Donna Baum 20
Rick & Linda Ventresco 31**



*Let's Ride
into August*