



# Monthly Meanders

Newsletter of the Wheeling Wheelmen Bicycle Club

November 2001

## THE RIDE CHAIR

Nov-Dec

**A**nother riding season is behind us. Long and short rides were on the schedule for weekends and holidays throughout the entire riding season. More rides required more volunteer ride hosts. I am really pleased with the great response from the membership in hosting the core rides on our 2001 ride schedule. In addition, many people have stepped forward to host weekday rides to give those members who can ride during the week an opportunity to have organized rides. I specially want to mention Frank Illy for hosting the "Honey-Do Ride" on Saturday mornings along with the Wednesday evening "Hill and Dale Ride". These regularly scheduled rides contributed greatly to our program. Al and Cindy Schneider have hosted their usual quota of long core rides as well as hosting the Elgin Wednesday Evening rides. The "Rides of a Different Flavor" covered 22 unique trail rides covering 1040 miles with 2 more rides on the schedule. All these rides resulted in a grand total to date (Oct 4) of 101,604 miles biked by 149 club members.

Club response to the weekend excursion rides on the other hand has not been overwhelming. A real effort was made to advertise these in the newsletter and other means available to reach the membership. While weather and timing were factors the question is opened to whether these should be attempted next year. Those who worked so hard to line these up seem to want to try again. I would like to hear any comments from the members.

We shift to the semi-dormant winter season in

November through mid-March 16 when we launch the 2002 season with the St Pat's pre-ride. For the intervening months, rides will start Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 10:00 from the Deerfield Bakery. Of course any ride will be put on the ride line that a member wishes to announce to the membership. Give me a call if you are so moved. We hope to see many of you continuing to ride during winter days that are above freezing when the roads are free of ice and snow. Dress warmly, but not too warm, protect the extremities and you will find the short, bracing bike ride a cure for cabin fever.

Art Cunningham

## 'Tis the season HOLIDAY PARTY

Sunday - December 9 3-8 pm

Hosted by Pat & Frank Illy

846 Beacon Drive  
Schaumburg, IL.

Call Pat at 847/359-9085 (days) or 847/923-5910 (evenings) for directions and to see what you can bring

Please RSVP by December 3



## Club Officials

### Elected Officers

#### President

Baby New Year (800)-Prezent

#### V.P./Ride Chair

Art Cunningham (847)963-8746

#### Treasurer

Al Berman (847)4541-9248

#### Secretary

Kris Woodcock (847)520-6932

#### Membership

Betsy Burtelow & (847)541-1325

Jim Boyer

#### Safety

Barry Cohen (847)459-7640

### Appointed Officers

#### Newsletter

Emily Qualich (847)821-1009

#### E-mail:

E\_fuentes@msn.com

#### Harmon

Rich & Mary Kay Drapeau (847)808-1476

### Chairmen

#### Banquet

Pam Zaverdas (847)359-5970

#### Harmon Data Base

Jennie Pfeifer (847)342-8823

#### LAB

Phyllis Harmon (847)537-1268

#### Mileage Statistician

Art Cunningham (847)963-8746

#### Newsletter Mailings

Jennie Pfeifer (847)342-8823

#### Picnic

Al & Cindy Schneider (847)696-2356

#### Refreshments

Frank & Pat Illy (847)923-5910

#### St. Pat's Ride

Jim Edmiston (815)899-1503

#### Web Page

Bill Bergeron (847)382-4704

### Newsletter Policy

The deadline for articles is the 10th of the preceding month. You can mail or e-mail articles to:

Ella Shields

7516 W. Devon Ave.

Chicago, IL. 60631

Or

Email: Shieldsbike@aol.com

(Please include your name and phone Number in case I have a question)

## NEXT Club Meeting January 3, 2002

## Moving?

Don't miss an issue of Monthly Meanders!! Call Betsy or Jim with all name, address and phone number changes at (847)541-1325.



## Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be held on 7:00 PM ,Feb 14 at the home of .TBA. All board members are requested to attend.

## MEANDER STATS—2001

### Men:

1. Art Cunningham 5696
2. Bob Walkowicz 5618
3. Kilian Emanuel 3892
4. Kurt Schoenhoff 3748
5. Joe Irons 3736
6. Bob Savio 3601
7. Bob Pletch 2316
8. Verne Aebli 2264
9. Bob Dominski 2258
10. Louis Greene 2235

### Women:

1. Velda Knorr 3046
2. Cindy Schneider 2977
3. Ella Shields 1600
4. Cindy Trent 1590
5. Pam Burke 1587
6. Virginia Savio 1512
7. Mary Kay Drapeau 1389
8. Kris Woodcock 1366
9. Betsy Burtelow 1265
10. -Reinhilde Geis 1071

## Welcome New Members



Cynthia Erikson  
Schaumburg, IL

K. Richard Berlet  
Lincolnshire, IL

## WEEKDAY RIDES

### TUESDAY / THURSDAY DEERFIELD BAKERY RIDES

Rides with 25 / 45 mile routes leave the Deerfield Bakery promptly at **1:00 pm** These rides are normally show and go with cue sheets provided if requested. The Deerfield Bakery is on Buffalo Grove Road & Old Checker Rd. just north of Lake Cook Rd.; parking at the rear of the Grove Memorial Chapel. Phone Bob Savio at 438-8066 or Art Cunningham at 963-8746 for more information.

### Lost Members

If anyone knows Ronald Bender or Agnes Angrand please have them call Betsy or Jim at 847-541-1325. Their membership forms were lost in the mail and we would like to get their membership information to them since they paid their dues.

Thanks, Betsy

### From the Editor:

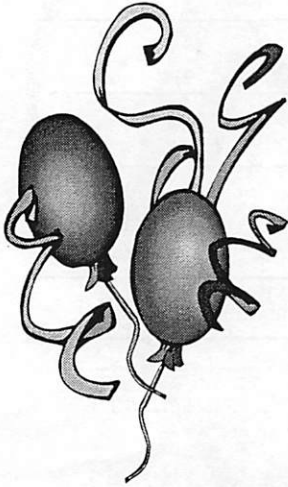
*I'd like to thank everyone for their contributions to the Newsletter. This will be my last newsletter. Ella Shields has kindly offered to take over these duties with the Dec/Jan Newsletter.*

*It is time for me to concentrate on my newest arrival—a baby due Nov 28th!!*

*Thanks again...and keep riding*

*Emily*

# **YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL WHEELING WHEELMEN BANQUET**



Sunday  
November 11, 2001  
1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Café Clemenza\*  
1736 W. Algonquin Road  
Hoffman Estates, IL.



\$20.00 per person

(Family style: pasta, chicken vesuvio, sausage, peppers, potatoes, tossed salad, bread and dessert. Pop, coffee, and tea included with dinner. Cash bar)

**R.S.V.P by November 2, 2001**

Questions?  
Call Ella at 773/594-1755

\*(Located in the Forest View Plaza shopping mall on the corner of Huntington and Algonquin road. Look for the Mobil Station on the corner)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Wheeling Wheelmen

Mail responses to:

Ella Shields

7516 W. Devon Ave.

Chicago, IL. 60631



**WHEELING WHEELMEN 2001-02 BALLOT**

- PRESIDENT:** RICH DRAPEAU  OR \_\_\_\_\_
- V. P. /RIDE CHAIR:** ART CUNNINGHAM  OR \_\_\_\_\_
- TREASURER:** AL BERMAN  OR \_\_\_\_\_
- MEMBERSHIP** JIM BOYER &  OR \_\_\_\_\_  
BETSY BURTELOW
- SECRETARY:** KRIS WOODCOCK  OR \_\_\_\_\_
- SAFETY:** BARRY COHEN  OR \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark accordingly:  Individual  Family

**BALLOT MUST BE RETURNED BY NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2001**

Balloting Committee; Ella Shields, Pam Burke and Mike Ortmanns

Mail Ballot to: Mike Ortmanns, 7516 W. Devon Ave., Chicago, IL. 60631

**🚲 VOTE FOR THE BEST NEW RIDE OF 2001 🚲**  
(VOTE FOR ONE RIDE)

- Lake County Ride 35 mi.  Covered Bridges 43 mi.  Green Lake Meander 75mi.
- Bastille Day Ride 60/80 mi.  Memorial Day Meander 37mi.
- New Harmon Routes 50/75/100 mi.
- Columbia County Meander 65/92 mi.  Devils Lake Dive 88 mi.

**🏆 MOST IMPROVED RIDER 🏆**

MALE: \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE: \_\_\_\_\_

**👤 BEST DRESSED 👤**

MALE \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE: \_\_\_\_\_

### WE GET MAIL

Dear Cyclists/Advocates

We are very sorry for the "form letter" approach, but we're trying to contact a lot of bike advocates and cyclists fairly quickly. Our apologies. I and some other cycling advocates (John Andersen of Bicycling Life, Ken Kifer, Riley Geary) have been doing research in cycling issues for a couple of years; we became frustrated with the quality of most "cycling surveys" used in the literature, and decided we wanted to try to make a better one. "Better" in our opinion meant that it would be written more from a cyclist point of view than from the point of view of a noncyclist studying cyclists :-)

We're trying to encourage cyclists -- as wide a variety as possible -- to participate in our survey :

<http://www.bicyclinglife.com/survey.htm> or

<http://www.ucolick.org/cgi-bin/Survey/start.cgi>

Our goal is to get a better understanding of the real variety of today's cyclists: how we ride, where we ride, why we ride, and how cycling is part of our lives. The results of this survey are available to anyone who completes the survey.

Those who would like to obtain a copy of the results in tabular form for research purposes should contact me; there will be no charge, except of course to take the survey :-)

Sorry again for the spam-like quality of this approach. I assure you that there is no commercial or marketing agenda here, nor will any respondent's anonymity be compromised.

If you could somehow publicize this URL, or even pass it on to friends, it would be very helpful to our research effort. Thanking you very much in advance

> "De Clarke" <de@ucolick.org>

### Wanted

"Beater Bike" in fairly good condition, for my son to use at school. I am not sure what size frame he needs but is 5' 10".

Call Pat 847/923-5910 or 847/359-9085

### Upcoming Rides:

**December 1**—Gurnee; 3rd Annual Reindeer Ride  
Mike's Bikes of Gurnee—9 mi (one for each reindeer); \$15 + a toy; Mike's Bikes: 847-662-8482  
or  
Staff@mikesbikesgurnee.com; Mikesbikesgurnee.com

### Wheeling Wheelmen Membership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

New Member?  Renewal?  L.A.B. Member?  Family dues: \$20 Individual dues: \$15

**Membership Pledge:** I hereby agree to operate my bicycle in a manner that is safe to me and those around me, to observe all the rules of the road, and conduct myself in a manner that will be complimentary to the sport. I release and waive all claims for negligence against the WHEELING WHEELMEN, its officers and members for all damages incurred at or associated with any WHEELING WHEELMEN activity for myself, my heirs and executors.

Applicant's Signature (parent's signature if a minor)

Spouse's Signature

Mail this application with payment to Wheeling Wheelmen, P.O. Box 7304, Buffalo Grove, IL 60089-7304





Wheeling Wheelmen  
 P.O. Box 7304  
 Buffalo Grove, IL  
 60089-7304

Next Club Meeting will  
 be January 3, 2002  
 at  
 Wheeling High School  
 Rt 83 and Hintz Rd

We support:  
 \*The League of American  
 Bicyclists  
 \*The Chicagoland Bicycle  
 Federation

Bob Savio  
 Virginia Savio  
 20862 Buffalo Run  
 Kildeer, IL 60047

**In This Issue...**

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**Club Discounts!**

The following local bike shops offer a 10% discount on parts and accessories to all Wheeling Wheelmen with a valid membership card shown at time of purchase.

**AMLINGS CYCLE & FITNESS**

8140 N Milwaukee Ave., Niles  
 (847)692-4240

**ARLINGTON BICYCLE COMPANY**

45 S Dunton, Arlington Hts. (847)253-7700

**BICYCLE CONNECTION OF SCHAUMBURG**

1226 N Roselle Rd., Schaumburg, (847)882-7728

**BIKE PROS**

1313 N. Rand Rd, Arlington Hts., (847)398-1650

**BUFFALO GROVE CYCLING AND FITNESS**

960 S Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove

(847)541-4661

**FS CYCLES**

20556 N. Milwaukee Ave., Deerfield

(847)537-2453

**GEORGE GARNER CYCLERY**

111 Waukegan Rd., Northbrook, IL 60047

**LIBERTYVILLE CYCLERY**

800 N. Milwaukee Ave, Libertyville, IL

**MIKES BIKES**

155 N Northwest Hwy, Palatine, (847)358-0948

**SPOKES**

223 Rice Square at Danada, Wheaton

(630)690-2050

1807 S. Washington, Naperville

(630)961-8222

**The Cyclery**

575 Ela Road, Lake Zurich

**VILLAGE CYCLESPORT**

63 Park & Shop, Elk Grove Village

(847)439-3340

215 W Golf Rd., Schaumburg

(847)781-9960

**JOIN THE LEAGUE!**

The League of American Bicyclists promotes cycling through safety and represents us in the decision making process in Washington D.C. A yearly membership is \$30 for individuals, \$35 for families and should be sent to:

League of American Bicyclists  
 1612 K Street, NW, Suite #401  
 Washington, DC 20006

Tel: (202)822-1333  
 Fax: (202)822-1334

E-mail: BikeLeague@aol.com  
 Web Site: www.bikeleague.org

In Addition to government relations, they also organize many great cycling rides and rallies around the country. For information on these events call (800)288-BIKE.

Check out our Website!



Web-page:  
<http://www.wheelmen.com>

E-mail:  
[wheeling@wheelmen.com](mailto:wheeling@wheelmen.com)

Club Hotline  
 (847)520-5010



Ride and Club Information