



# Black Rose Wings



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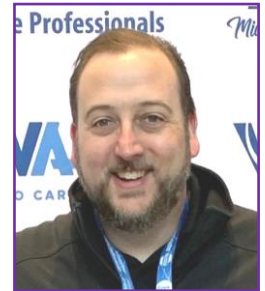
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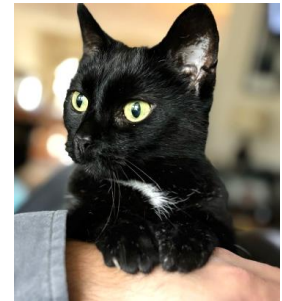
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## NEWS from the CHAPTER DIRECTOR



*From my family  
to yours,*

*Merry Christmas*



**GATHERING LOCATION: SECOND SUNDAY MONTHLY**

**NO DECEMBER MEETING.**

**Merry Christmas!**

300 E... RESTAUR... PA  
Dinner... Gathering 6:00 pm

# Ride Safely for Fellowship and Fun



**Let the sun shine on these birthdays and anniversaries - Dec. 1 to 31, 2024**

Dec 8 - Shirley Prince  
18 - Joanne Woodfill

Dec 15 - Bruce & Deb Etter

*Please let me know if there are any birthdays or anniversaries that need to be added to our Sunshine list. Kit <[Kit.biglerville@yahoo.com](mailto:Kit.biglerville@yahoo.com)>*



## 2024 RIDES AND EVENTS

At this time there is nothing planned. There will be a *ride planning meeting* in January but no date or time has been set yet. Keep a look out for an email of the date and time.

**12 Jan. 2025 - Chapter Meeting**

**Woody Woodfill, Ride Coordinator -- [Woody@BlackRoseWings.org](mailto:Woody@BlackRoseWings.org)**



## NOTES FROM THE EDITOR



**\*\*\* Jan. Newsletter Deadline: Friday, Jan. 3, 2025 \*\*\***

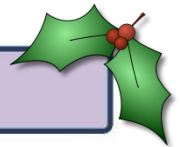
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## MEMBERS' CONTRIBUTIONS



Thank you to all who donated items to Hoffman homes youth for the Christmas season. These youth do not have much and are grateful for what they receive.

Belated thanks to Don and Sue for their wonderful November get together. We totally enjoyed the friendship, the food and the hayride. We know it was a lot of work to organize but it was a wonderful event.

**Jo Woodfill**

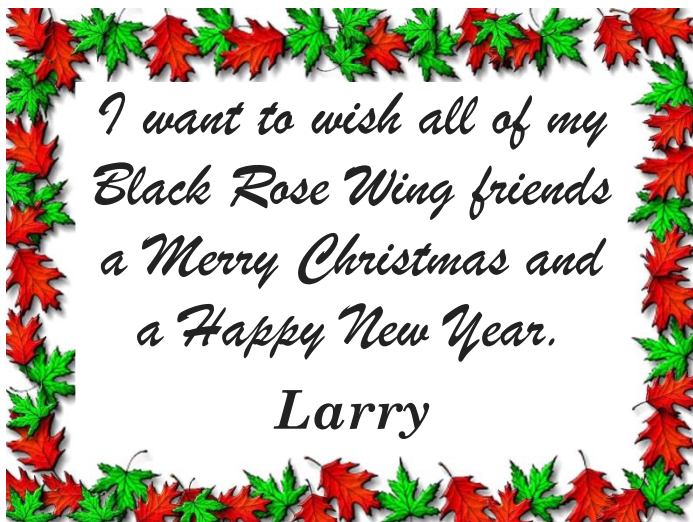


# Our Asst. Director Larry's Corner

Has anyone been out to ride? I had an errand to run when it was about 50 degrees, figured it would be a good chance to checkout my heated jacket and gloves. I never got them out last year, but everything checked out. If you have heated gear, take a chilly day, not freezing, and give them a ride. I'm hoping to use mine more in 2025. By the time you read this Thanksgiving will be over. I ask the kids if they would rather have dinner here or go out to eat. They picked eating out. Don't know if that's a reflection on my cooking or me always making them clean up.

I hope everyone had a great day. Next up will be Christmas and New Year's. It will be here before you know it. I've got most of my shopping done. I used to enjoy going to the mall and shop but there aren't many stores left there. So everything has been online. Now I just need to wrap it all and get the decorations up. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our Christmas party.

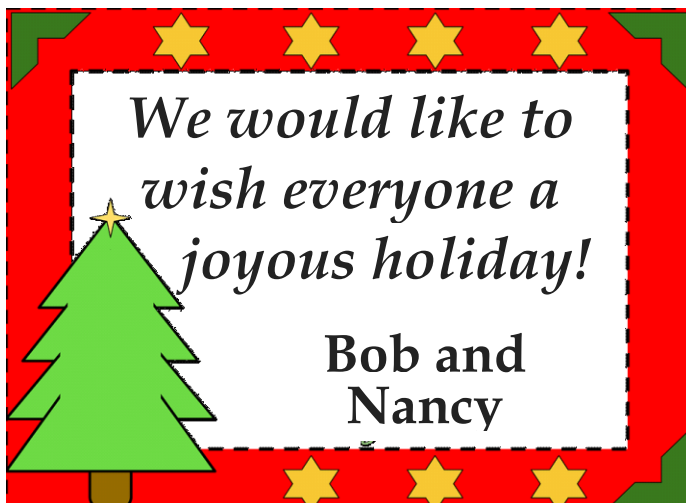
*Larry Staines*



*Mike & I would like to  
wish everyone a  
Happy Thanksgiving  
Enjoy your day with  
friends and family.*



**GOBBLE GOBBLE!!!!**



# Maintenance Notes From Aaron

This was a long one that I posted last year, but it has lots of good stuff in there, so read on. If you're still riding, be safe out there. *Merry Christmas.*

## Maintenance for the winter:

**Let's talk about everyone's favorite subject, gas.** We all get it, some of us have it, but what kind should you put in your Honda? Our machines handle 87 just fine, in fact that's the recommended octane, 86 and up. I was always taught to run premium, but it really isn't necessary or required in most of our bikes, 87 is more than enough to handle the job. Should you fill your tank before you store your wing for the winter? Yeah. I would also recommend using some fresh Stabil (opened bottles are only good for two years), right after you fill the tank up. I also like to use Chevron Techron every often to help keep carbon buildup at bay, so while you're out shopping for Stabil, grab yourself some Techron, you can also use it in your car.



**Engine oil, should you change it?** Claude mentioned changing your oil before the long winter rest and I agree 100%, if you're near an oil maintenance interval, change it out with the filter. Make sure you're using a good quality oil that is JASO certified, regular motor oil for your car will cause your wings clutch to meet an untimely end. I like Valvoline 10W40 4-Stroke motorcycle oil, but I prefer using the Honda 10W40 oil and of course I'm a factory guy, so I used the factory filter. Let's say like me, you didn't ride enough to change your oil, maybe you've got 2k miles left, is it worth changing it? Probably not. Although, I would advise before you store your beast for the



winter, take it for one final ride, for at least 30 minutes (or more), this will boil the moisture and bad stuff out of your oil. The engines crankcase ventilation system (PCV) will pull out the moisture and other vaporized contaminants and burn them up. The same is true for your car's engine, get it out for a good run once in a while and you will extend your oil life along with your engine, and short trips kill car and bike engines quickly. Carbureted engines were very dirty and fuel control was difficult, many times on a cold start you have fuel getting past the piston rings and directly into the oil, in these cases more frequent oil changes were needed. Luckily for most of us, our machines are fuel injected, which is cleaner and more efficient. I think of the money I wasted changing to oil on my brand X injected MC and it was really unnecessary, today oils are pretty high quality.

**Should you start your bike during the winter?** NO!!!! I hear a lot of people say they start their bike during the winter and let it run, this is not a good idea unless you're able to ride it (refer to the above paragraph). A short warm up cycle can build up the moisture previously mentioned and it will sit in the oil and other systems over the winter, so once you shut her down, let her be. Unless you're like Woody and you ride in the winter, then ride on. My brother taught me, 50 degrees is the cut off, he was right, except today it might be 60 degrees for me.

**Now for the shocking finale, batteries.** What should you do with them? I think most of us have battery maintainers that plug in, that is what I recommend. Hook the bike to the shore line over the winter and don't worry about it. I know a few people that take the batteries out and bring them in the house, that's too much work for me. A maintainer or float charger is an easy way to prolong your batteries life. Battery Tender is a name brand, but that's the brand I prefer, they're available at Wal-Mart and Amazon. Finally, something to consider for your next riding season, a NOCO GB40 jump pack. Small, portable and great quality, it's sure nice to have one for your bike or your car, I generally take one with me if I go on long trips. I trust my Yuasa OEM batteries, but you never know when you're will need to jump someone else's machine.



Well the bike is all maintained, but what about cleaning it? Should you clean them before you cover them for the winter? Absolutely, never put a bike under a cover dirty, if you do you could damage your finish. I generally wash mine twice a year with S100 Total Cycle Cleaner and the rest of the time I'll spray them down with Turtle Wax Ceramic 3 in1 detailer (Wal-Mart), you don't need to use water, just spray and wipe, unless you've been riding through mud, I heard some of you did over the summer..... Before you use the S100 or the 3 in 1 detailer, be sure to hose the bugs down with Hydrogen Peroxide, Wal-Mart has nifty little spray bottles made just for us. I have been using these products for quite some time, but I eventually spent some money and had my bikes ceramic coated. They look great, so for anyone thinking about it, I think it's worth it. If you're interested, Interstate Motorsports in Hanover does a great job.

**Aaron, Chapter Director**



*From our  
Black Rose Family  
to Yours!*

*Happy Holidays!*



*Wishing you and  
yours a wonderful  
holiday season.*

*Woody  
and Jo*

*Blast From The Past*



**Special Olympics Banquet  
December 2018**

*Ken Richardson, Photo Historian*



**GATHERING PLACE & TIME**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**  
**PERKINS RESTAURANT**



300 Eisenhower Drive, Hanover, PA  
*Dinner at 5:00pm (back room)*

**NO DECEMBER MEETING.**



**WINGS WR**

[www.blackRoseWings.org](http://www.blackRoseWings.org) (NOTE NEW LINK)

**COME JOIN US! ALL BIKERS WELCOME!**



# Congratulations 2024 Outstanding Stars!



**Arline Coffelt**  
Endless Mountain Riders

What a Special Group of Outstanding Star's we have in the Wing D Rider PA District! Let's start with a little history about this program that originated in 2023. With GWRRA ending, the Couple of the Year program was also ending. Outstanding Star's was created to not only honor a couple but also a single person as well. The program now gives a chance to honor a person or a couple for not only what they do in their Chapter, but also for their work in volunteering, church, veteran's group, care takers, etc. In 2023 we had three Star's. Well let's introduce the 2024 Star's!



**Mike Prince and Woody Woodfill**  
Black Rose Wings



**Stan & Carol Gipe**  
Mason Dixon Wings



**Ron & Sharon Hott**  
PA Warrior Riders

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## Congratulations 2024 Outstanding Stars!

### Black Rose Wings have two Star's!

**Mike Prince:** Mike goes above & beyond the call of for the Chapter. Their Chapter supports Hoffman Homes for Youth. At Easter every year they deliver stuffed bunnies to all the youth in care. Mike helps coordinate this every year! He handles the chapter finances, leads rides and what a sense of humor using this gift to light up a room! Always a person to brighten up the day! He opens up his home to the chapter anytime needed!

**Woody Woodfill,:** Woody has been instrumental in coordinating many events for Black Rose Wings! He as well works with the Hoffman Homes for Youth every year! Woody is an Animal Lover as anywhere you see a Dog or Cat he takes time to get to know them! If you don't know Woody I will say this he has a Hugh heart and is a Big Softy!

### PA Warrior Rider WR has two Star's!

**Sharon & Ron Hott** have been with the chapter while we were still GWRRA PA W. They are a caring, quite a couple willing to jump in and do anything for the chapter! Early on Eldon discussed with them to be Assistant Directors. Not long after their Daughter passed away. Of course GWRRA was there to step up showing their love and support. Ron is a Veteran and was doctoring himself at Presbyterian in Pittsburgh with back issues.

Through all this he maintained his presence in church as the preacher, done numerous church events, continued to attend chapter gatherings and participate at chapter events. The Hott's enjoy riding their new CanAm! His loving wife Sharon has stood steadfastly by his side through it all!

This quite the Couple! When you meet them in person they can share a whole lot more!

### Endless Mountains Riders has a Star!

Arline Coffelt lives near Owego, New York and has been riding motorcycles for 35 years! She is the oldest member with the chapter as she will be 90 next year! She & her husband Richard wanted to ride so they took a class at Bob's Cycle Shop in Sayre, Pa. She ended up buying a 250 cc motorcycle!

Later after Richard passed away Arline bought a Honda Shadow 500. In August of 2004 she graduated to a Honda Gold Wing Trike! She was encouraged to join GWRRA by Bob's Cycle Shop where se purchased the Gold Wing. Well she attended a few chapter breakfast meetings but struggles to fit in since most were all couples. The chapter did not back down alway making her Welcome! When the chapter needed a Director 2 years later thatb was it she made it all work!

She is a Veteran serving in the Navy joining before she graduated from high school. She got her college education from Broome Community

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## Congratulations 2024 Outstanding Stars!

College and graduate from Watson School of Engineering at Binghamton University. What a remarkable education!

Arline is a Fantastic Example as to living life to the fullest! Meet her once and she will share so much more!

### Mason Dixon Wings has two Star's!

**Stan & Carol Gipe** are active members of the chapter always willing to step up to do what is needed! Stan leads rides, plans week long trips doing an amazing job!

Together they are active in their church, Carol is the former organist & sings in the choir, Stan teaches adult Sunday School class.

They are the proud parents of two children with several grandchildren. They always welcome the chapter to their home! You have to be there to see Stan's homemade pizza oven, homemade ice cream and the delicious meets from his smoker!

Stan is a Jack of all Trades! He helps at the local funeral home, helps his daughter with her pharmaceutical (durg) store. He has hobbies of golfing, hunting and has even serenaded the chapter with his guitar.

Stan & Carol would love to share more with you! They say come visit Mason Dixon Wings to meet us!

Well this is quite the Group! We are so proud to have seven Star's for Wing D Rider PA District this year! I invite all Chapter's to go above & beyond for 2025! Let's raise the bar higher & higher! Check out the PA Wing D Rider Website for all the Chapter Events you can enjoy!

Ride Safe, Look for the Motorist NOT Looking for You!

Barry & Rhonda Blyler

PA Wing D Rider Outstanding Star's Coordinators

