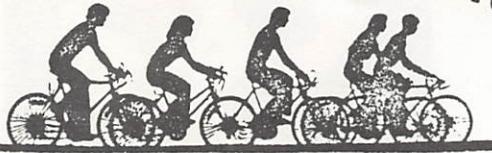


SEPTEMBER, 1987



# MONTHLY MEANDERS



## SEPTEMBER



September Meeting  
Wednesday, September 2 - 7:30 p.m.

WHEELING HIGH SCHOOL  
Hintz & Elmhurst Rd.  
Library - 1st floor north

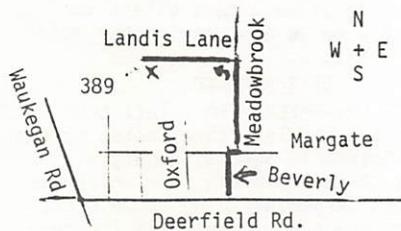
Last minute discussion on Harmon Hundred work schedules, discussion on A-B rides. For four months now Al Petty has had a drawing at the meeting for one or two lucky people. Maybe you'll be lucky this month.

All you Harmon Hundred cookie bakers can either bring your cookies to the meeting, or drop them off at Phyllis Harmon's sometime during the following week.

## Pizza Bash for Harmon Hundred Workers

In appreciation for all of the Wheeling Wheelmen volunteers who will work and/or bake cookies for our big invitational, President Al and Lynn Petty have invited all volunteers to their home any time between 6 and 10 p.m. after the Harmon Hundred.

Map below - or phone 948-7288.



## THE PREZ SEZ

When was the last time you visited ABC Cyclery or Bikes Plus in Arlington Heights or C C Cycle in Buffalo Grove? The owners of these three shops: Jim Andresen, Dick and M-E Spirek and Dave Schindler have annually supported our club's activities, especially our HARMON HUNDRED and Wheeling BIKE-A-Thon. They have spoken at our meetings and conducted clinics, too.

As the HARMON HUNDRED approaches, these shops again are going to assist us in making the ride more enjoyable for our cycling guests by selling items, providing repair services and technical advice.

What do these shops really want in return? Actually, what they thrive on is business---from all of us! All three shops offer Wheelmen members 10% discounts on most items. This is a fine gesture on their part to tell us they appreciate our organization. Isn't it only fair that we patronize these shops? Sure it is! When we need a tube, tire, bicycle, helmet, jersey or some other item in the cycling world, take time to make purchases at one of these shops. Say hello, tell them you're a Wheeling Wheelmen member and that you appreciate the services they render to our club.

The shops *really care* about hearing from you---in person! Everytime a club member comes into one of these shops, says hello and/or makes a purchase, the owner knows that our club members *do* appreciate what the shop does for us.

So, think about it. Support our local bicycle shops so they will be glad to continue their support of our club.

Al Petty, President

## It's A Small World...

At our August meeting I showed slides of my 58 years of bicycling - covering 1928 to the present. These covered L. A. W. National Rallies, GEAR's, TOSRV, Hilly Hundred, Great Western Rallies, tours, officers and individuals. In the coverage of our National L.A.W. Rally in Wheeling in 1974 I showed a slide of Eugene Sloane, author of The Complete Book of Bicycling and the subsequent Revised Complete Book of Bicycling.

I drove home from the meeting and the phone was ringing as I walked in the door....it was Eugene Sloane phoning from Vancouver, Washington! He wanted to tell me he had a book out: Complete Guide to All Terrain Bicycles and, in the spring, his completely rewritten Complete Book of Bicycling would be out. He wanted to know what was going on in bicycling and the League of American Wheelmen. I asked if his ears were burning for I had just shown his picture at the Wheeling Wheelmen meeting!

Phyllis Harmon

## Stop For Red Lights!

On the Hill and Dale ride the B group that was just behind the A group watched in amazement as every one of the A group went through the red light at Long Grove Road and Route 121!

This is not the type of riding we want in the Wheeling Wheelmen. We have worked hard to earn a reputation for safe bicycling. At the present time in Illinois (and all 49 other states) we have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists. To protect those rights it is imperative that we set a good example for other bicyclists.

Too many bicyclists feel they can ride as they please. We don't need this kind of riding in the Wheeling Wheelmen. There is a dangerous trend to restrict our rights to the road.

## Harmon Hundred

### T-Shirts

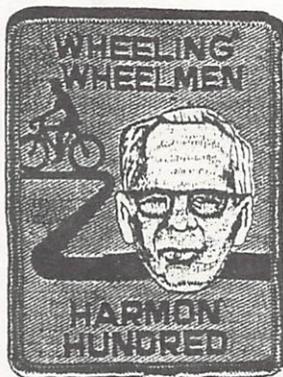
For the first time we have an attractive T-shirt for the Harmon Hundred participants. Wheeling Wheelmen workers and cookie makers can purchase the T-shirts at the September meeting or at the Harmon Hundred registration table Sept. 13.

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## Willard Harmon – A Remembrance by Richard Sorenson



Our club's annual century ride, the Harmon Hundred, takes place on September 13th. This premier invitational event always stirs fond memories in me of the gentle person for whom it was named: Willard Harmon.

Willard was a gentleman in every sense of the word - a gentleman cyclist! He always had a kind word and spoke only pleasantries as he pedaled along on his Schwinn Paramount. His pace was even and constant, always taking time to really enjoy the ride - as if savoring it - and chatting with those passing by. He loved the varied terrain of Northern Illinois as an ideal biking area. He was responsible for plotting many of the routes used by the Wheeling Wheelmen today. In fact, the route of the Harmon Hundred is largely part of Willard's original Wheeling Wheelmen Club century - called the Wheeling 100 in the early 1970's.

Ardie and I became acquainted with Willard and Phyllis about 1972, back when we were forming the Elk Grove Bicycling Club. They became our advisors and mentors, offering unending moral support and encouragement. They served as speakers at meetings and seemed to be at every ride.

Willard never professed to be an expert at bike repairs or trendy components - he enjoyed the essence of the ride! He was the master of the art of gentle persuasion, a gentle activist. Active in the L.A.W. (National Treasurer in 1973) and the Chicago Council, he and Phyllis brought the L.A.W. National Convention (then called the L.A.W. "Round-up") to Wheeling in 1974. The event attracted hundreds of cyclists from around the country to enjoy the bicycling pleasures of our beautiful area. These were exciting times - rides such as TOSRV, the Hilly Hundred, and the GEAR's were just getting established.

Willard was born in 1906 in Long Point, Illinois, where as a small boy he learned to ride a full-sized

bicycle by pedaling with his leg through the frame! Then his family moved to Eureka, times were difficult and, when his bike's handlebars broke, he rode without them until he scraped up enough money to get new handlebars. He rode everywhere on his bicycle and he was the only bicycle on the Eureka College campus! He moved to Chicago, then Palatine and in 1950 took up bicycling again.

Phyllis and Willard had known each other through Chicago Council for about 5 years but the Waukesha 64 ride in May of 1970 really set the wheels in motion and they were married in October of that year, just six months after Phyllis organized the Wheeling Wheelmen club.

For five years Willard and Phyllis rolled up the miles: GEAR's, Winter Rendezvous, National Rallies, TOSRVs, Hilly Hundreds, tours in the Pacific Northwest, Texas Piney Woods, Pennsylvania Dutch country, Lincoln Heritage Trail, Great Western Rally, not to mention all the club rides! Willard died on August 17, 1975. He was an active cyclist right up to the end - in fact, he completed his best half-century time shortly before his death.

The club renamed the Wheeling 100 to the Harmon Hundred in 1976 and commemorated the event with a special patch showing his likeness. We miss him and honor him for his contribution to the betterment of our favorite pastime.

His presence will be with us as we honor his memory on September 13.

## L.A.W. Racing History

When the new L.A.W. Administrator, John Cornelison was in town, we stopped over at Keith and Rosetta Kingbay's to talk over League history and activities.

Al Flath was a great bicycle racer. Keith said that the last time he saw him Al took a worn newspaper clipping from his wallet. It was of the 1897 Wheeling-Chicago 25-mile road race that began at the Union Hotel on Milwaukee Ave. and ended at Jackson Blvd. in Chicago. This was a popular annual event ever dirt roads - the best of its kind at that time. It was a handicap race with 648 riders. Handicaps were up to 15 minutes with each group starting 30 seconds apart. The winner finished in 1 hour 7 minutes.

The record for the Chicago-Elgin-Aurora Century Run was set by Al Flath in 1898.



by Howard Paul

While cycling recently, it occurred to me that in a figurative sense we all own two hats. One is that of a motorist, and as such we expect all bicyclists in our vicinity to ride in a predictable manner, that they will obey the rules of the road and that they will not occupy more road space than is necessary for their own safety.

We are annoyed when they suddenly cut into our path - forcing an evasive maneuver; when a group of cyclists is stopped and taking up a half lane or more; when we make a proper stop at a 4-way stop and wait while a long string of cyclists cross our path without a pause; when we top a hill or round a curve and find cyclists coming toward us in our lane; when we have a yellow line in our lane and are forced to pass completely in the other lane because cyclists are riding two or more abreast; and when at night we suddenly encounter a bone cyclist wearing dark clothes and having inadequate reflectors or lights.

If it were not for the fact that we are also part time bicyclists, as soon as we arrived home we'd write our legislators and demand that bicyclists be ruled off the roads. But we are bicyclists and put on our other hat (helmet), mount our bicycles and do all the things that endanger everyone's safety and irritate motorists.

Let's all make an earnest effort to cycle as we expect others to cycle when we are wearing our motorist's hat.

IT'S A NO-NO...

NEVER--NEVER make a left turn from the far left lane facing on-coming traffic! Several riders did this on the Volo Bog ride which was a most dangerous thing to do. Left turns are always made from the center lane. In all 50 states now, bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists. It has been a long, hard struggle to accomplish this, so please don't ignore your responsibilities.

If at any time, you are not sure what to do, just ask yourself, could I do it in a car? You would never make a left turn from the far left lane - so don't do it on your bicycle!

# Schedule

Ride Rating: "A" 14-16 mph; "B" 10-13 mph. "A-B" - two groups riding.

BE SURE TO USE THIS NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE RATHER THAN THE ANNUAL SCHEDULE FOR ANY CORRECTIONS AND/OR CHANGES

Sep.5 MEMBERS HARMON HUNDRED Wheeling

Sat. 6 a.m. 100 miles from Wheeling  
 B H.S. west parking lot (Hintz & Rt.83) Earn your special Harmon Hundred patch. National L.A.W. Century patch \$2. T-shirts \$7. Dick Ryan will lead at a "B" pace. ("A" riders can ride at their own pace) 381-1775.

Sep.12 MEMBERS QUARTER CENTURY

Sat. 9 a.m. 25 miles from Wheeling  
 AB H.S. west parking lot. WW Quarter Century patch \$1. L.A.W. patch \$2. Bill Bergeron - 303-0240.

Sep.13 HARMON HUNDRED/25/50/75

Sun Our big invitational. Work day for members. If you haven't yet signed up for duties, do so at Sept.2 meeting or phone Al Petty 948-7288.

Sep.19 ST CHARLES RIDE, Hoffman Est.

Sat. 8 a.m. 70 miles from Eisenhower  
 AB Jr. High, Jones & Hassel. Rich Wemstrom - 634-1168

Sep.20 CHAIN OF LAKES, Long Grove

Sun. 9 a.m. 62 miles from Kildeer  
 AB School. Lunch in state park or buy lunch. Al Dargiel 685-7708

Sep.26-27 WISCONSIN WEEKEND

Sat-Sun. Approx 60/miles per day.  
 AB From Chamber Park, Wolf Rd. north of Dundee. Starting time 8 a.m. (later than original July schedule because of late Sept. start). Overnight near Hales Corners, back by way of Antioch. \$30 per room - 2 to a room. Phone Phyllis Harmon 537-1268  
 → IMMEDIATELY for reservation and send \$15 per person. Co-leaders Kurt Schoenhoff-Phyllis Harmon

Oct.3 KILLER HILL, Long Grove

Sat. 9 a.m. 67 miles from Kildeer  
 A School - Dick Sorenson, 593-7945.

Oct.4 WHEELING BIKE-A-THON Wheeling

Sun. Our "good deed" event of the year to raise operating funds for the Wheeling Senior Pavilion. Work and/or ride any time between 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Booth Tarkington School (behind Carl Sandburg School) Scott and Anthony. \$10 Registration or Ride for Pledges. Many excellent door prizes donated by area business people. Workers needed at registration, to hand out tokens at 3 points. C C Cycle will provide repair service. Fun event for all ages - how many miles can you ride over the 10-mile course. Call Phyllis Harmon - 537-1268.



ATTENTION CHICAGOLAND BICYCLISTS

You are invited to the

## Great Lakes Regional Bicycle Conference

hosted by the

CHICAGOLAND BICYCLE FEDERATION

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8 TO SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

IN NAPERVILLE

held in conjunction with the national

RAILS-TO-TRAILS CONFERENCE

SPECIAL CHICAGO COMMUTER PACKAGE available Friday evening through Saturday only. \$50.00 includes banquet, entertainment, workshops and bike ride with fellow Illinois bicyclists plus copy of the conference proceedings.

Nationally known speakers, field trips, networking, workshops -

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Friday night banquet will be at the beautifully restored Paramount Arts Centre in downtown Aurora.

See fall foliage at its peak on field trips by bicycle on the scenic Fox River Trail. Stop at the Scarecrow Festival in St. Charles Saturday afternoon.

BE SURE YOUR CLUB IS REPRESENTED

Call your club president for details today

**Pre-Conference Seminars:**

Wednesday, October 7  
 Bicycle Facility Design  
 Legal Issues in Trail Development

**Costs:**

Full Registration:	\$85.
Meals Package (5 meals):	40.
Lodging at Sheraton: per room	68.
Commuter Package: (per above)	50.
Pre-Conference Seminar #1	55.
Pre-Conference Seminar #2	100.

Some Scholarships are available for volunteer bicycle advocates.

CONTACT: CBF Vice-President Dick Bulley, 1255 Cheshire Ave., Naperville, ILL 60540

355-7434 for registration forms, scholarship details and schedule.

**Workshops of Special Interest:**

STATE BICYCLE MAPS: Those who did it in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan will tell us how Illinois can do it.

SHARE THE ROAD WITH BICYCLES: Learn about a successful state-wide awareness campaign for motorists in North Carolina

BICYCLE SAFETY EDUCATION CONSORTIUM: The chairman of this national committee to establish a uniform program for Scouts, 4-H, Red Cross, etc. will report on finished product.

## Top Riders

MEN	MILES	WOMEN	MILES
Woyteca Morajko	1463	Jenny Grant	861
Jim Grant	1048	Pat Marshall	770
Roy Erikson	1023	Lilian Russell	679
Joe Tobias	1011	Jane Newell	678
Bill Lorenzen	925	Geri McPheron	618
Howard Paul	862	Sue McPheron	562
Henry Obartuch	862	Phyllis Harmon	523
Jack Russell	614	Elida Rech	364
Elliott Kanner	611	Joyce Lewis	352
Al Petty	517	Debbie Dick	320

Here is club mileage as compiled by Jim Grant up through Sat. Aug. 15. This mileage is only on Wheeling Wheelmen scheduled rides. It's great to see several new member's names on the list.

### Progressive Dinner

Photos by Phyllis Harmon



Henry Obartuch, Darcy and Cincy Cochrane sampling the tasty hors d'oeuvres on the first course of the progressive dinner.



Gracious hostess, Barbara Hansen, Administrator of Wheeling's Senior Pavilion, chats with Susan Sclove, operator of the Horizon Day Care Center, formerly Carl Sandburg School.



Twenty four riders in a wide variety of rain gear set out in a drizzle from Barbara and Jim Hansen's to splash to Sue and Paul Kent's in Mt. Prospect.



Sue Kent was waiting and watching for the damp riders and greeted Howard Paul, leader.



New members Merritt and Joyce Lewis enjoying the fruit salad course at the Kent's.

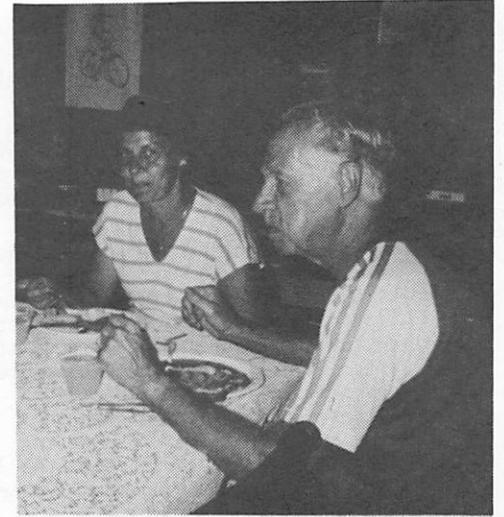
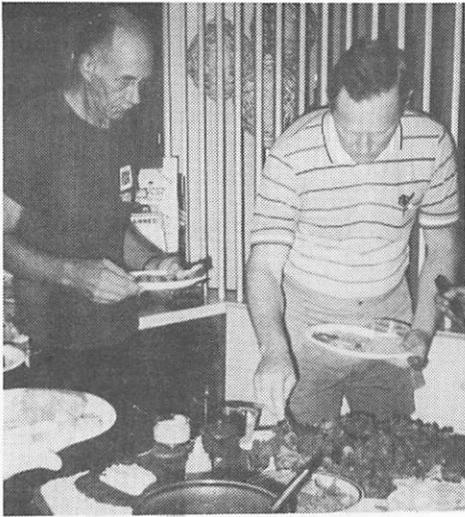
By the time the group left the Kent's and headed for Phyllis Harmon's in Wheeling in was really raining!



Soaked riders reached Phyllis Harmon's and were given bath towels to dry off and sit on. Phillip Hursthouse, chatted with Ralph Cochrane (left) while Don and Elida Derebey serve themselves.

It's amazing how bicyclists react to adverse conditions! The heavy rain and soggy clothing brought out the smiles and jokes!

PROGRESSIVE DINNER - CONTINUED

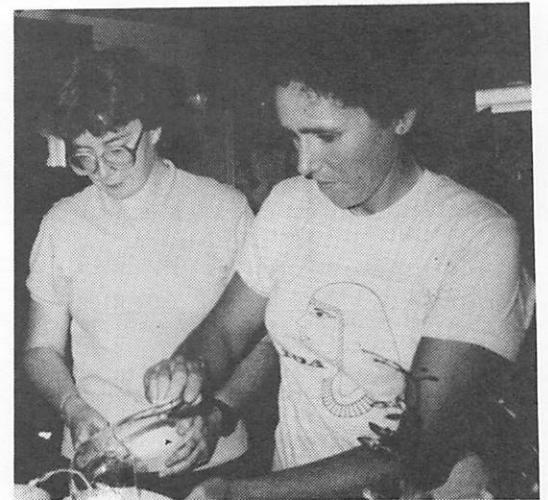


Above left: Roy Erikson and Merritt Lewis help themselves to the main course menu at Phyllis Harmon's. Above: Lilian Russell, Ron and Geri McPherson, still glamorous after 20 wet miles!

Still soggy, Joyce Lewis and Howard Paul enjoy their food. Riders dried out on the ride to Deerfield.



Left: Lilian Russell presented us with an all Polynesian dessert course! Orchids were flown in from Thailand and we all were intrigued by the large tropical fruit bowl of mango, cocoanut sport, cocoanut meat, lychee fruit, jack fruit and white beans. The jack fruit looked like bright yellow flowers and I especially enjoyed the white beans which looked like large jelly beans without the colored coating and were just as chewy. Then there were red and green rice cakes and lumpia (Polynesian) and petit fours from a local bakery. Mmmm!



Sue Kent, our salad course hostess, and Debbie Dick, new member this year who has made the women's top mileage list.



New members, Dave Skogley and Steve Manrose trying to identify the Polynesian fruit.



Members sampling the Polynesian cakes around a centerpiece of tropical fruit.

FOX RIVER VALLEY - The ride produced a number of heroes --

- Woytek Moranjko swept all 54.3 miles and nursed three depressed souls through four successive flats.
- The whole flock of "B" riders - 16 - patiently awaited recovery from each of these flats, and the 12 with sack lunches waited interminably for a becalmed four whose pancakes took forever.
- The land itself rose and fell as we rode south and west of the Fox River; it became a study in dapples light and shadow as we headed north on the Fox River Trail, through mile-after-mile it opened onto deep green and still vistas of wooded back waters, and it swooped down in a long and precipitous descent and then sent us clattering over the 200 yards of planked bridge as we neared the end of the Trail.

Also of particular note: Handsome Jeffrey Uhlemann, aged 18 months, travelled from Glen Ellen with his parents, Ten and Sherri (former club president and vice-president, to greet us at the start of the ride and, surely a club first, bedevilled by the 90° heat, the "B" group piled into the emergency room of Delnor Hospital in St. Charles.

Vicissitudes or no, a ride of world-class for, at least Illinois class) caliber and very deserving of repetition next year.

Joe Tobias

TEMPEL LIPIZZAN HORSE SHOW RIDE - The calendar said it was still spring but the 13 hearty riders knew differently as the temperature soared to a record breaking 99° on June 14. The 50-mile ride included the outdoor performance (shaded seating) of the Tempel Lipizzan Horse Show and a brief stop at the Gold Pyramid. Ride leader Pat Marshall broke a club rule (the thirsty group gave an unanimous affirmative vote!!!) by changing the route toward the end so we could all stop for a refreshing "cold one" at Jack and Lillian Russell's home in Deerfield.

SKOKIE VALLEY RIDE - 20 riders departed Wayside Woods in Morton Grove on a sunny, warm Sunday morning for a meandering trip down the side streets of several Near North Shore suburbs. For most of the ride we were criss-crossing the Skokie and north branch of the Chicago Rivers, going down some streets that no other Wheeling Wheelman ever traversed.

We stopped for lunch at the Highland Park McDonalds and rode out to Moraine Park to partake of our meals in a pleasant outdoor setting.

On the way back we passed Jim McMahon's (Chicago Bears) new home under construction in Northbrook - big! We also rode past the "Unoffi-

## Rides Re-ridden



cial Landmark of Morton Grove" - a hand-carved 7-foot redwood bear in front of a private home.

Because most of the ride was down shady side streets, we never really felt the effects of a hot May sun and increasingly stronger headwinds.

Al Dargiel

MCHENRY DAM RIDE - Quite a few left home in a slight drizzle for the annual ride to McHenry Dam. Nineteen Wheeling Wheelmen and several visitors participated and were rewarded with a dry, if cloudy, 21 mile ride. The return was still dry and comfortably cool. Everyone was glad they came.

Howard Paul

RACINE COUNTY RIDE - After the extreme heat on the Apple Cider Ride the day before, I was concerned about 50 miles in the same heat on this ride, but luckily it was 5° cooler in Wisconsin and there also was a slight breeze which helped tremendously. So the 10 of us who braved the weather had a great ride. We rode around Wind Lake and Tichigan was having its annual parade and firemen's picnic, so we lunched at their picnic before heading on for the delicious ice cream in Burlington.

Phyllis Harmon

CHOP SUEY RIDE: Peter Gianakakis led about 30 riders on a very hot day over the scenic ride with lunch in Barrington. He added some unique changes at the last moment and found a couple of new roads for us to enjoy.

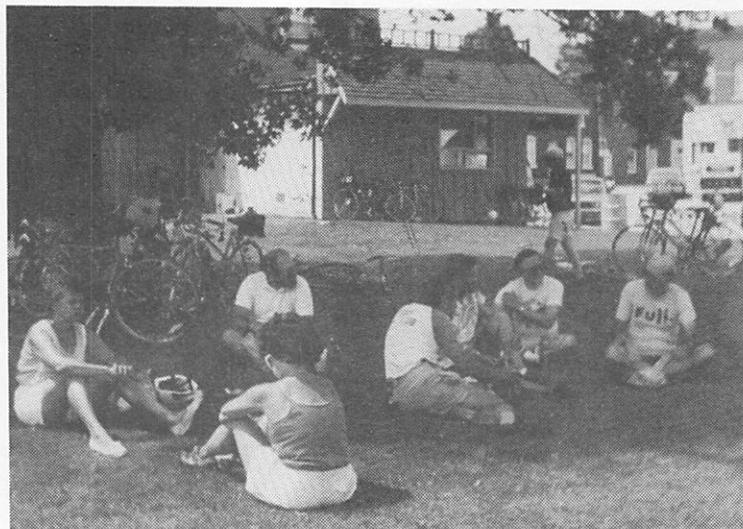
ZION RIDE - With heavy overcast skies and dire threats by the Weather Man of horrible rain to come, only 10 turned out for this annual ride to Illinois Beach State Park. The weather was great! We lunched on a delicious brunch at the lodge before heading back.

AURORA RIDE - The day after the heavy rain and floods, ten of us led by Jim Grant headed west from Hoffman Estates to St. Charles where we rode the beautiful Fox River Trail to Aurora. That it was rural roads until we connected with the Illinois Prairie Path - 15 miles of crushed limestone - wet and soggy from all the rain. We had ridden through two flooded streets where Joe Tobias saw a 6" carp swim across a sidewalk, and we walked about two blocks almost knee-deep in water with men fishing on the road! Lunch in Wheaton and we headed back, block-by-water north and east in Itasca with people in boats and water 6 ft. deep! We wended our way back along the east side of Busse Woods bike trail (the west was buried in water) and back to Hoffman Estates.

HOT HUNDRED - Aaron Tanzer led 30 riders, A and B groups, over the 1973 Harmon Hundred route and did an excellent job of leading! It was another hot, humid day - we seem to have had a super abundance of them this year!

HILL AND DALE - 75 and 100 miles - two A rides and 2 B rides, went smoothly and were well led. The B riders enjoyed the customary style of club rides with re-grouping and camaraderie.

LAKE GENEVA RIDE - Dick Ryan was unable to lead this annual ride from Moraine Hills State Park so Jim Grant led the A group and Pat Marshall led the B. Because of the earlier start, they avoided the heat of the afternoon, reached Lake Geneva for an early lunch and easy ride back.



Riders leisurely lunch on the lawn of the tiny restaurant in Union, midway point on the Huff and Puff ride.

Photo by Joyce Lewis on her first Wheeling Wheelmen ride.

## RIDES RE

**GRAYS LAKE RIDE** - Bob Meute led 30 riders from Libertyville on a beautiful May morning over an excellent route to Grays Lake. Scenery was excellent and riders were enthusiastic over the beautiful spring weather.

**JOE TOBIAS' WEDNESDAY NIGHT RIDE** - Joe may have started a great new Wheeling Wheelmen program. He had the ride start from his home and after the ride invited members in to his home for delicious refreshments and socializing.

**WANDERING TO WOODSTOCK** - Dick Ryan changed the start of the ride to Barrington High School and led ten riders on a great day for riding to the second starting point - Algonquin where four riders were waiting. Pat and Bill Marshall arrived later and caught up with the group with cue sheets left on a car window. The whole group stayed together as far as Algonquin when the A group rode off, but the B group kept passing them because the "As" consistently have flat tires!

**PIZZA RIDE** - About 24 riders turned out on this popular event through western suburbs ending with delicious pizza at Garibaldi's in Hoffman Est. Aaron Tanzer's a good leader.

**WAYNE-BARTLETT RIDE** - Chuck Moen and Lynn Leander led a large group of riders, including a number of area guests, over their beautiful route in the western suburbs with lunch on the shore of a beautiful lake.

**APPLE CIDER RIDE** - Kurt Schoenhoff led about 20 riders on a very hot and humid day through Kemper Insurance property, out to Barrington and back to Wauconda Apple Orchard for a snack before returning to his home in Hawthorn Woods for a picnic lunch.

**BELL ORCHARD RIDE** - About 25 riders on the 34-mile ride with lunch at Bell Orchard found the ride became a "bike and hike" because Indian Trail Road was completely closed by bulldozers permanently digging up the road for the new Jack Nicklaus golf course. Bikers had to carry their bikes through the area. This will cause changed routes in a number of our rides and be a nuisance to people who live along Indian Trail when they can only drive in from either end but not through.

**AUGUST MEETING** - Lots of discussion on Harmon Hundred, ride schedule, etc. During the meeting we had a very special guest - a tiny mouse who hopped back and forth across the floor. Al Petty tried to corral it in a paper bag to add to our door prize collection, but the mouse had other ideas and took off!



Carolyn Wells, of Milwaukee, and Elliott Kanner at Greenfield Village near Dearborn, Michigan. The lady with them, in clothing of the period, is holding an original Wright Brothers bicycle. Elliott was thrilled that they let him ride the bicycle.



Geraldine: Great frame - nice lugs.

## Meet Geraldine

Chuck Harris, of Gambier, Ohio, who makes all the custom-made rear view mirrors and exquisite hand made bicycle jewelry, custom made a unique bicycling companion.

When Alma, his wife, was unable to accompany him on a bicycle ride Chuck made his own bicyclist out of bicycle parts, dressed her in warm-up suit, helmet, socks and cycling shoes and taped her onto the rear of his tandem and set off on his ride.

He didn't know that "Geraldine's" knee was bumping her hand at each turn of the pedals...it wasn't long before her arm disconnected at the shoulder and he was riding with the arm dragging alongside.

Chuck took her off the bicycle, draped her over his shoulder and carried her to a lawn where he proceeded to take off her warm-up suit. By that time alarmed neighbors had called the police about a dead bicyclist. When all the commotion settled, everyone had a good laugh.

You can meet Geraldine personally at Chuck's exhibit booth at GEARS, L.A.W. Rallies and major invitation- al rides.

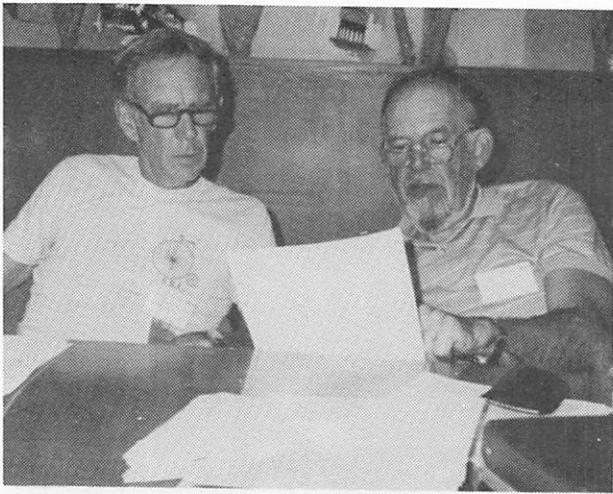
## Signed Up For Harmon Hundred Registration?

All of you who will work at the registration tables are invited to Phyllis Harmon's home at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8 - 356 Robert in Wheeling. - phone 537-1268.

All the pre-registered applications should be in by then. We can work out schedules, routine and how

to handle T-shirts, patches etc.

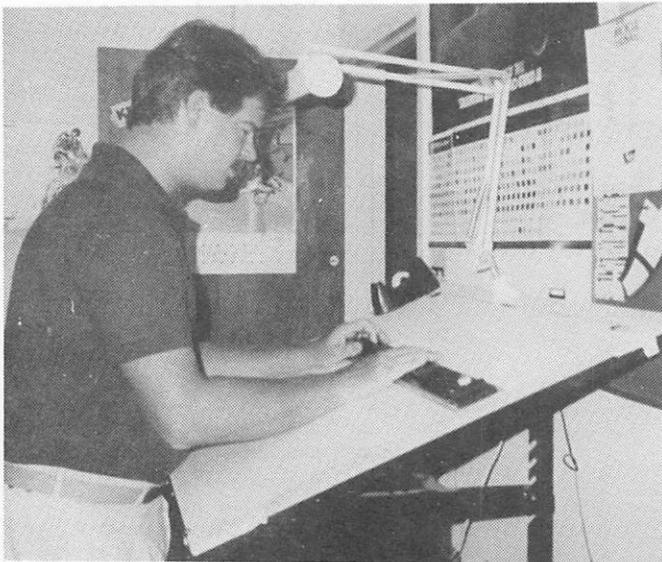
Here are names I have - did I miss anyone? Jenny Grant, Andy Dane, Chet Tobolski, Aaron Tanzer, Debbie Dick, Chuck Brenmark, Sue McPheron, Linda Fisher, Bob Illy, Phillip and Matthew Hursthouse. We could use about four more.



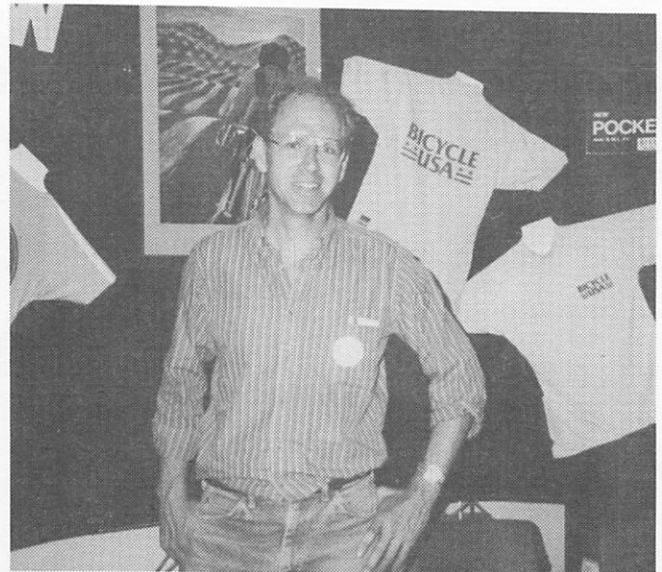
Elected by the L.A.W. Board at the National Rally in Lansing, Michigan: John Bates, Vice President, of Sarasota, Florida, and John Torosian, President, of Atkinson, New Hampshire.



At National L.A.W. Headquarters in Baltimore, Maryland: Charles Acquard, our new Government Affairs Director and Counsel. On his right is Administrator John Cornelisin, who spoke at our July meeting.



Art Director and Production Manager of the League's magazine, BICYCLE USA, is David Borucki.



Meet Dale Adams, BICYCLE USA Editor. Here he is manning the L.A.W. booth at GEAR L.I. Have you noticed the improvement in the magazine - and the bigger type?



Smiling Sam Mosca handles membership.

On the way to GEAR on Long Island, my grandson, Matthew Hursthouse and I stopped in Baltimore to donate three days to the League. We spent all that time cataloguing magazines, including all those that had belonged to Bikelibrary. Some magazines only lasted a few years but others like BIKCYLING, AMERICAN BICYCLIST AND MOTORCYCLIST AND, OF COURSE, THE L.A.W. Bulletin went from 1965 to the present.

This was a great opportunity, too, to meet the L.A.W. staff who now are people instead of names on a magazine page!