

# MONTHEN MEANDERS



#### P.O. BOX 581-D WHEELING, ILLINOIS 60090

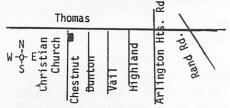
### New Year's Day



Sunday, January 1-11 a.m. Bike and/or hike, depending upon the weather. Good roads for biking and hiking in the area. Brunch. RSVP for a "nose count".

Hosts for the day are Hans and Diane Predel, 1435 N. Chestnut Ave., Arlington Heights. 255-4029

This has always been a popular event for the Wheeling Wheelmen. There'll be a brief meeting and much socializing. Start the New Year right!



#### JANUARY

MEETING WED. JAN, 11 - 7:30 P.M.

Wheeling High School Elmhurst Rd. (Rt. 83) and Hintz

PROGRAM: Important meeting for all members! Discussion on our whole ride program.

- How to develop and lead a ride; large group, sweeps, etc.
- Panel discussion with experienced ride leaders.
- 3. Mileage program.

#### 1 9 8 9 RIDE PLANNING SCHEDULE SAT. JAN. 21 - 1:00 P.M.

If you haven't already signed up with Aaron Tanzer for rides you want lead, or ride suggestions or routes you would like to include, come to Al Petty's,389 Landis Lane, Deerfield. Any questions or info, phone Aaron at 323-3204.

# **Dues are due**

Still a bargain: \$8 Individual and \$10 Family. Renewal form page 8.



by Keith Kingbay

Welcome into the New Year, may it be a happy one. Vitally important to a happy year is our health and the happiness of our family and friends. Nothing will keep *everyone* happy any more than our riding our bicycles safely.

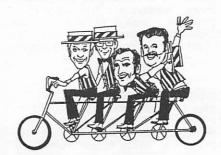
In the New Year we will all enecounter the new high-speed performance cars. Let's not irritate them; we can't keep them off the road. We can, however, do much to keep the cars in line and improve our riding conditions.

May I suggest that those of you who are not members of the League of American Wheelmen join this national organization of, by and for bicyclists which has as its primary purpose the safety and well being of cyclists. Approximately 35% of our members already belong, however it would seem to me that we each should shoulder a part of the burden of our protection.

The League enters almost all phases of our cycling life without most of us being aware of it and, along with my safety articles, during the year I shall try to let you know how all these wonderful things that we take for granted are all interwoven.

Now we must all keep our fingers crossed so that winter will pass quickly and we can put our skis away and return to the true life of the open road.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



# THE PREZ SEZ

The holiday season is here in full force and my wife, Diane, says that visions of bike accessories should be dancing in my head! In the midst of winter, each of us certainly misses being out on a club ride. Somehow, a wind trainer and a few X-country ski trips don't totally cut it.

But I am already thinking Spring and so are your Board members as we recently met to start planning 1989 club activities! The ride calendar is already filling out nicely. If you haven't got your request in yet to do that favorite ride, you had better call Aaron Tanzer quickly to get your choice of ride and date!

Lastly, a wealth of energetic volunteers makes any club successful. We have been fortunate to have many hard working volunteers to lead rides, work invitationals and assume club posts. There are many of you out there who feel as I do - you volunteer to help out in order to "pay back" the biking satisfaction you have gotten from the club. I urge you to attend the January 11 members meeting where we will

 Talk about bicycling (hurray!!!)
 Show you how easy it is to put together and lead a ride.

Beyond that I am still looking for a chairperson for the Harmon Hundred. Anybody with the slightest bit of organizational skill should be able to successfully manage the job. All the other critical Harmon posts have already been filled. We need a leader to oversee the process. While the basic Harmon Hundred framework is in place, there are some issues that need discussion, such as: possible change in the Harmon Hundred location, rerouting for more equal distance between sag stops and to avoid towns, food purchase controls, etc. We will discuss them at future meetings. Bring your thoughts and suggestions. Even a good thing can be improved with better ideas!

Hans Predel

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# The Twelve Gifts of Christmas - Bikophile Style by Dick Sorenson

Well - it's over for another year. How did you do? By now everybody is familiar with the "Twelve Days of Christmas" holiday carol. But even with plastic money, few people today can afford to buy their True Love even one gold ring, much less five; even bird lovers nowadays have to content themselves with canaries, rather than expensive turtle doves or partridges. The person who has some relation to the bikeophile (i.e. the lover of bicycling) is in the unenviable position of being the link between fantasy and reality through the medium of Christmas. I don't envy your precarious annual situa tion. Your Clausian task was certainly a difficult one.

Selecting a gift that will make the bikie glow instead of glower, required that you browse through various bike shops and scour the bike catalogs and recent biking magazines to check out the latest offerings.

The obvious choices of handy bike tools, a repair stand, an indoor resistance trainer, and clothing are always good ones. By the way, if you opt for clothing, keep in mind that the highly visible neon colors are "in" for that conscious bikie in 1989. Prepaid dues for the Wheeling Wheelmen or League of American Wheelmen are always nice presents. Anything with the name "Campagnolo" stamped on it was certain to produce a happy face on Christmas day. One of the best gifts, for that bareheaded friend or spouse, the one that says, "I really care about you", is the bicycle helmet (about \$40 to \$60).

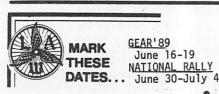
Here are a few specific suggestions for next year's Santa:

1.	Freewhee1	coq	cleaning	brush	about	\$3.5	0

- 2. Rear Rack Cover (it prevents that telltail balck stripe across your back on rainy days)
- Sloane's Handy Guide to Bicycle Repair (a pocket-sized, carry along manual)
- 4. Subscription to a bicycling magazine or dues for Bikecentennial or Bicycle Adventure Club
- 5. Music from the Tour de France soundtrack cassette tape
- 6. Bicycling Magazine's Complete Guide ro Bike Maintenance and Repair
- 7. Freewheel Injector, a neat way to lube the freewheel (grease not included)
- 8. The Cycling Experience, an Exciting 52minute video taking you from Big Sur to Mt. Whitney and Death Valley
- 9. Italian Regal Girardi lizard skin
- saddle (a bit exotic)
  Fat tire (mountain, off-the-road, or all-terrain) bike, to ride on even those snow-packed days.
- Follow the real Tour de France by bicycle in July, 1989, 12 days, "Breaking Away Bicycle Tours' (213-545-5118
- \$1,400.00 Tandem (for those into tegetherness) \$1,500 to \$3,500.

How's that for a variety of ideas? The bikeophile's desires can never be completely sated, but a Christmas gift or two is guaranteed to keep the fever at a controllable level.

I just hope Ardie reads this.



### Saratoga Springs, New York

Based in downtown Saratoga Springs and at Skidmore College June 16-19. 25 rides from 12 to 120 miles through farmlands, along Hudson River and into the Adirondack Mts. You'll have your pick of terrain. Also workshops, exhibitions, entertainment, special tours and more!

Many activities will take place on campus; other activities will be spread throughout the city. Due to the small size of Saratoga Springs, Participants will have convenient access to all events. Hosts: Mohawk-Hudson Wheelmen. Registration form: GEAR '89 Saratoga, PO Box 127, Albany NY 12260. Stamped self-addressed envl.



Bike the Eastern shore of Maryland between Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic! Salisbury State Univ. Hdq.

#### CYCLIST MAGAZINE — THE VIDEO

For those of you with cable TV, a half-hour video version of Cyclist Magazine is broadcast on the Tempo Channel, Sundays and Thursdays at 8 p.m. and Tuesdays at 10 p.m. Like its print counterpart, a new version of Cyclist is broadcast every month.

#### FOR SALE

FOR SALE: TREK 820 Mountain Bike ridden by little old school teacher six times. 19" frame. \$375.00 You save sales tax, accessories and new model price. Kitty Hayes 945-5018.

#### Rides Re-ridden

about \$4.00

about \$6.00

about \$11.00

about \$13.00

about \$25.00

about \$30.00

about \$140.00

\$300 to \$1000.

about \$10.00 to \$25.00

THE TURKEY RIDE 1988: With dark skies and a rainy weather report, eight riders started out from Devon and Milwaukee Avenue on the annual Turkey Ride, the last official club ride of 1988. Everyone was pleased when the temperature rose to 48° and the wind and rain both stopped. Along with ride leader Jerry Hug were Harold Richman, Elliot Kanner, Steve Manrose, Frank Prout, Howard Paul, Larry Kohn and Justin Hinsel. Another rider saw the precision touring line on the trail and tagged along for ten miles of the North Branch Trail. This year's ride proved to be more successful because the 10:30 a.m. starting time allowed the pack to stop in Glencoe at Harry's Restaurant and Deli for lunch. Homemade soups were a hit with everyone. The special return trip, which has only been ridden by a few Wheeling Wheelmen, took Sunset Ridge Road and a secret foot bridge into the town of Golf before rejoining the bike path at Lehigh and Dempster for a return to the starting point. Everyone was happy to get one more ride in before the holiday. Jerry Hug



Sat. Jan. 7 10:00 a.m. Deer Grove. Quentin north of Dundee Road, Palatine. Bob Illy - 453-4129.

Sat. Jan. 14, 10:00 a.m. Dan Wright Woods, corner of Everett and St. Mary's Roads, Lake Forest. Pat Marshall - 564-0346.

Sun. Jan. 22, 10:00 a.m. Ryerson Conservation Area parking lot. Riverwoods Road west of Portwine Road, Deerfield. Al and Lynn Petty - 948-7288.

Sat. Jan. 28, 10:00 a.m. Skokie Lagoon, Tower Road parking lot (east of Edens Expy.) Winnetka. Howard Paul.-:824-2941.

For all ski trips it is advisable to bring a bagged lunch or a snack with you.



This winter there will be Show 'N Go bike rides every Sunday, weather permitting, Meet at noon at the Mt. Prospect train station (Rt. 83 and Northwest Hwy.) For more information,

contact Woyteck Morajko - 392-0530.



This is a very popular week for a number of Wheeling Wheelmen. For a Registration Form write to The Dr. Paul Dudley White Bicycle Club, P.O. Box 1155, Homestead, FL 33030.

Enjoy a week of beautiful bicycling in sub-tropical Florida, complete with warm, sunny weather, palm trees and flowers in late winter!

Daily rides to Bayfront Park, picnic ride topped off with a delicious stop at Knauss Berry Farm, Black Point Ride, Monkey Jungle, Anhinga Trail, Railroad Museum/Metro Zoo, Alabama Jack's and, of course, there are Early Bird Rides each morning.

Evenings feature Ice Cream Social, Wine and Cheese Party, and Banquet at the Homestead Air Force Base.

Also you can earn your Sanctioned L.A.W. patches for 25, 62 or 100 miles to the Everglades. And March 11 is a fun day cruise on Discovery I, largest 1-day cruise ship afloat. \$55 Registration by Feb. 15 incl. T-shirt. Cruise addl. \$39.00. New Hdqtrs. Park Royal Inn. Motel list in brochure. Info: 305-661-7552 p.m.

ELK GROVE BICYCLE CLUB'S
FIRESIDE WINTER RIDE
SAT. JAN. 21, 5-10 P.M.

This is a fun event! Bring your exercycle, Wind Trainer or rollers and also hot dogs to roast over the fire! Chili supper.

Pedal as you watch a wide variety of bicycling films. \$3. to Jan. 18; \$5. at door. RSVP 437-8780.

LIONS PARK COMMUNITY CENTER 180 Rev. Morrison Drive Elk Grove Village.

Make your check payable to: Elk Grove Bicycle Club and mail to the club at Elk Grove Park District, 499 Biesterfield Rd., Elk Grove Village, IL 60007.

Proceeds from this event are used to provide signs for the Elk Grove Bicycle Route.

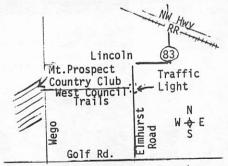
Information Days 437-8780 Evenings 593-7945

#### MT. PROSPECT BIKE CLUB STEVEN GAY SPEAKER FEB. 8

The Wheeling Wheelmen have been invited to hear Steven Gay speak of his participation in the Spenco 500, considered as one of the four toughest cycling events in the world.

Steven spoke to the Wheeling Wheelmen earlier this year about his experience in participating in the Race Across America - we all enjoyed his talk, so this, too, should be interesting.

The program is at 7:45 p.m. at the Mount Prospect Country Club



## Bicycle Maintenance Repair Class

District 214, in its Spring Education Brochure, is offering an 8-week class starting Feb. 13 on Mondays 7 to 10 p.m. Cost is \$40 for 24 hrs. of class time. Dist. 214 Continuing Education office number is 437-4600.

Instructor for this course is Frank Dypold who has been teaching the course for 15 years. "If you are interested in bicycle maintenance and repairs, this is the class for you!" Knowing how your bicycle works gives you confidence on the road.

#### Ride Notes .

By Aaron Tanzer

I am currently putting together the 1989 rides schedule. Due to our growth in recent years, our goal for this year is to schedule a minimum of three rides per weekend from St. Patrick's Day until the end of October. In order to accomplish this goal, we are seeing more leaders and more new rides (especially leisure class rides) for this coming year. There are many of you who will make fine ride leaders but are afraid of leading for fear of something going awry. Nevertheless, I would like to encourage you to volunteer to lead a few rides anyway. All of us on the Board will do everything we can to help new leaders feel comfortable with preparing for and running a bicycle ride.

To this end, part of the January II meeting will be devoted to a ride leaders' workshop. We will be talking about what is expected by the Wheeling Wheelmen of a ride leader and other ride leader's will give tips from experience on how to handle the ride. Some of the subjects we will be discussing will include how to handle a large turnout, scouting tips and advantages and disadvantages of leading from the front versus leading from the back. We think that veteran and rookie ride leaders alike will find this workshop informative.

For those interested in leading a trip, a handout listing rides the Wheeling Wheelmen currently has on file will be available at both the New Year's Day party and the January meeting. If you wish to lead a ride, please call me at 323-3204 (note that this is a new number). Also, we will be having our annual ride scheduling meeting on Saturday, January 21 at 1 p.m. at Al Petty's, 381 Landis Lane, Deerfield - phone 948-7288. Pizza and other refreshments will be served.

#### Belgium and Luxembourg Tour

Tom Crum, of Triton College, is leading a 2-week bicycle tour May 16-30 of Belgium and Luxembourg for \$1,599.00 plus tuition for HTH 210 (Health Analysis and Improvement) or HTH 213 (Lifestyle for Health and Fitness).

Cost includes air fare, luggage handling (1 suitcase-1 bike box), tour escort, lodging, continental breakfast and dinner, luggage transport, maps, cue sheets, etc.

First come-first served. \$200.00 downpayment, final balance March 6. Info: Tom Crum - 456-0300 Ext. 358 or 840 between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. or evenings at 941-8785.

Lilian Russell, Banquet Chairman

## Annual Banquet - Cotillion Banquet Hall

Photos by Phyllis Harmon

A record number of 97 people attended our Annual Banquet. The Cotillion Banquet Hall in Palatine was ideal for dining, our program and fashion show, as well as dancing later.

Many thanks to Lilian Russell for her excellent planning and serving as a gracious hostess.

Our members modeling the latest in sports attire was highlight of the evening.

Everyone had many chuckles during Al Petty's "Roast" - a complete surprise!



Outgoing President Al and Lynn Petty. We really took Al by surprise with a "Roast" - several of us had some rib tickling comments to make and even Lynn told of his 108 bicycle shirts!



League of American Wheelmen officers: Keith Kingbay, Illinois Director; Phyllis Harmon, Honorary Director, and John Cornelison, Executive Director.

Women with top 1988 club mileage: Gee Cunningham, 1400 miles; Debbie Dick, 1531 miles; Geri McPheron, 1656miles; Cathy Zoch (not pictured) 1793 miles, and top mileage to Jane Newell, 1921 miles. Congratulations to you all!

MOST IMPROVED RIDER CATEGORY Award went to Hans Predel, our new club president, and Cathy Zoch, who was unable to be present. New members this year, both made tremendous progress!



Left: Our new Treasurer, Andy Dane, will keep our financial records in order.

Many thanks to outgoing Treasurer, Betty Vargas for her many hours of work, especially during the Harmon Hundred!



Top Mileage Men: Highest, Jack Van Es, 2868 miles; Woyteck Morajko, 2649 miles; Kurt Schoenhoff, 2099 miles; Joe Tobias, 1955 miles and Roy Erikson, 1806 miles. Great riding, fellows!



Duane Regenfuss and Aaron Tanzer checking over rides for 1989 schedule.



John Nelison, Sue McPheron, Ron and Geri McPheron



#### **AWARDS**

Aaron Tanzer did a great job keeping track of mileage for the year and presenting trophies and awards.

The Most Innovative Ride awards were handed out to Andy Dang (Botanic Bicycle Blast and Barbeque with Beer and Brats picnic), Kurt Schoenhoff (Apple Cider Ride and organizing the Michigan tour) and Sue Mc McPheron (Love in the Snow, Valentine's X-country ski trip and Wayne-Bartlett Ride).



Carolyn Wells of Milwaukee and Elliott Kanner



Len and Bobbi Brenner



Mike Milton



Don and Elida Derebey



Mary and Fran Giuffre



Herb and Mary Jensen



Jim and Barbara Hansen



Fran Green Kelner and hubby, Doug.



Dale Youssi, Keith and Rosetta Kingbay, Alberta Youssi and Bill Lorenzen.



Kaete Schoenhoff, Cindy Cochrane, Debbie Wistar, Ralph Cochrane.



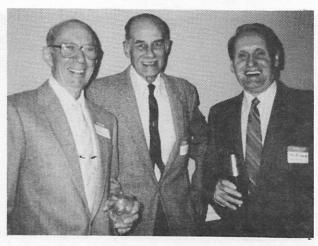
Left: Bob Illy, Lisa Gerhold, Mark Schorra and Hans Predel.

Lisa designed our very attractive new logo and design on our mugs given to ride leaders and sweeps.

Right: Dawn Weisman and Chuck Brenmark



Bill Marshall, Howard Paul, Pat Marshall and Lois Paul.



The Three Musketeers: Bill Lorenzen, Bill Erikson and Jack Van Es



Phillip and Brenda Hursthouse, mom Phyllis Harmon and grandson Matthew Hursthouse - 13th birthday!





Outgoing President Al Petty, Diane and Hans Predel, new President.



# Members Model At Banquet

Sportswear supplied by R R B Cycles, Winnetka

# Top Mileage For The Year

WOMEN	MILES	MEN	MILES	MEN	MILES	These are the
Jane Newell	1921	Jack Van Es	2868	Rich Wemstrom	746	final mileage
Catherine Zoch	1793	Woyteck Morajko	2649	Bob Flanagan	781	totals of every
Geri McPheron	1658	Kurt Schoenhoff	2099	Dennis Braun	721	one who rode
Debbie Dick	1531	Joe Tobias	1955	Merritt Lewis	721	over 400 miles
Gee Cunningham	1400	Roy Erikson	1806	Bill Bergeron	720	in our 1988
Phyllis Harmon	1214	Bill Lorenzen	1792	Roger Thauland	689	riding season.
Carol Passowic	1153	Dick Ryan	1540	Steve Manrose	660	riding season.
Cindy Cochrane	1082	Jim Grant	1518	Kim Stanley	638	These mileages
Fran Green-Kelne		Andy Dane	1468	Ralph Cochrane	635	are cumulative
Pat Marshall	774	Chuck Brenmark	1274	Richard Lentz	587	distances ridde
Joyce Lewis	705	Hans Predel	1219	Joel Jaffe	573	by club members
Lois Paul	. 683	Howard Paul	1200	Mike Milton	564	from St. Pat-
Kaete Schoenhoff	559	Ron McPheron	1184	Ed Addison	550	rick's Day
Bobbie Brenner	543	Keith Kingbay	1178	Jack Russell	543	through Oct. 16
Lilian Russell	543	Mike Skalka	1064	Bob Savio	538	Thank you for
Lucy Wathen	524	Mel Robinson	1022	Phil Badame	501	riding with us;
Ruth Ryan	514	Aaron Tanzer	987	Duane Regenfuss	455	hope you enjoy
Debbie Wistar	496	Al Petty	852	Don Davidson	432	riding with us
Lynn Petty	462	Anton Zoch	788	Al Berman	400	even more this
Peggy Heslinga	459	Elliott Kanner	750			year!
Jenny Grant	.422	Bob Illy	746			Aaron Tanzer

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION	AND RENEWAL FORM Date				
New Membership Renewal	Check if L.A.W. Member  If Family membership:				
Type of Membership:					
\$10.00 - Family membership (Husband, wife, and children under 21)  \$8.00 - Individual (16 years or older)  \$8.00 - Junior (Under 16 - Parents not members)	Husband's Name Wife's Name Children Age				
Please Print:					
Name:	Phone:				
Address:					
City:	State: Zip:				
Release Statement:					
In signing this release for myself (or the named applicant if under the age of 18) I acknowledge that I understand the intent hereof, and hereby agree to and absolve and hold harmless the Wheeling Wheelmen bicycle club and the League of American Wheelmen, and their officers and members, respectively, in any way whatsoever, singly and collectively from and against blame or liability for any	injury, misadventure, harm, loss, inconvenience, or damage suffered or sustained as a result of participation in Wheeling Wheelmen rides or in any activities associated therewith. I hereby consent to and permit emergency medical treatment in the event of injury or illness. I shall abide by traffic laws and regulations and practice courtesy and safety in cycling.				

Signature of spouse (if Family membership)

Signature

WHEELING WHEELMEN P. O. Box 581-D Wheeling, IL 60090 Mail with payment to:





Signature of parent or guardian (If applicant is under 18)