



# On The Fly

**Eagle Wings  
Motorcycle  
Association**

From our Team to You, Welcome to the Family!

December 2023

## *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year*

**Tis the season for Toy Runs, Christmas Parades, activities, and the Wreaths Across America. Enjoy some of our member posts.**





**On The Fly**

**From our Founders...  
Anita & JR Alkire & Bruce & Barb Beeman**

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Oh my, it's Christmas time! Where did the year go? New Year's Eve and Day are right around the corner. But that means the New Year's Day ride is coming. And another year begins.

Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association has been in business one full year and a bit more and it's been amazing. We are a phoenix rising and we definitely did rise. That is thanks to all of you who had faith in us continuing our friendships, riding adventures and so much more that we had enjoyed. And now we make it new. It's ours to shape and with your input and support we will be awesome!

We had an awesome annual Rendezvous in Knoxville. Fabulous sponsors and vendors came out to support you and we thank them all so much. We look forward to our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Rendezvous in Green Bay, WI in August 2024. All information is on our website, [www.ewma-world.org/rendezvous](http://www.ewma-world.org/rendezvous). Come on out, we want to see you all there. Maybe we'll see you on the cruise in February. But take a look at our newest event, our annual ride in that will be in Loveland, CO, see Chris Toomer's article on the following pages. It's at the foot of Rocky Mountain National Park and the rides and spectacular. All this information can be found on our website.

We launched our new website in May. It is so robust and supports the members and the regions, districts, and chapters with free websites and so much more. You can even get your virtual membership card on the site and take a picture with your phone and you've always got it with you, pretty cool.

We've watched the growth around North American and in Italy and we are humbled. You are the glue that keeps us together, riding, socializing and learning. We are truly living the dream.

As we head quickly into the holiday season, we want to thank you all. For those who celebrated Hanukkah, many blessings. For those who celebrate Christmas, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and all the blessings of the seasons. For all of us, we will soon welcome 2024 and may it be full of blessings, an abundance of rides, fun social times and the togetherness and love of this Eagle Wings family. From Anita, JR, Bruce and Barb, we look forward to seeing you next year!



**On The Fly**

**Chris Toomer  
Vice President Operations**

New Members, current Members, and renewing Members alike, HOWDY and WELCOME from America's West! We hope to meet many of you in 2024 at Rendezvous in Green Bay, Wisconsin over Labor Day. Can't wait that long? **BREAKING NEWS ALERT!** EWMA International is packing their wagons and heading west to LOVELAND, COLORADO for their 2024 Ride-In on June 20 and 21!

As you are planning your routes to get here, please ensure you are headed for Loveland, CO the city and not Loveland Ski Area. While Loveland Ski Area is situated in an awesome spot right next to the 1.7 mile Eisenhower/Johnson Tunnel that traverses the Continental Divide at 11,112 feet (which you should have on your bucket list), you'll want to route to Loveland, CO, which is just south of Fort Collins.

Colorado offers some of the most accessible views and experiences in the Rocky Mountains from National Parks like Rocky Mountain National Park, 58 peaks over 14,000 feet in elevation (Wow!!!), the highest



paved road in North America (Mount Evans Road at 14,130 ft), numerous mountain and ski towns, nightlife, restaurants, museums, and so much more!

EWMA International has engaged the Colorado District for assistance with the Ride-In, especially around designing a host of rides both short and long. You want to see people skiing in June? You want to ride 24 passes in 24 hours? Is Million Dollar Highway on your bucket list? Maybe you're looking for some high altitude BBQ, or want to dine at The Buckhorn Exchange, Colorado's oldest restaurant established in 1893 in Denver. EWMA stands ready to welcome you all to Colorado and embrace the American West! Please join us! See page 2 for three great rides.



But there's more!!! At least four more Region C & D Districts are having rallies and ride-ins in 2024. Montana is planning their District Rally for late July. Washington, California/Nevada, and Oregon are all planning events for late May. Details are forthcoming for all these events, and subject to change (of course). Ride Smart and Ride Safe.



## EWMA Ride-in, Loveland, CO

Planning for the 2024 Ride-In West of the Mississippi in beautiful Loveland, CO is moving right along. Flyers will be on the website soon, but to appeal to your love of riding, here are three exciting rides, courtesy of Colorado Safety and Ride Coordinator, Vic Wheeler.

1. **Poudre Canyon Loop** (clockwise) (80 mi, 2:40 with one 25-min rest stop). From Masonville, northwest on Buckhorn Rd becoming Stove Prairie Road; East on Poudre Canyon Rd to US-287;

South 1.3 miles. Exit South 0.8 mi on US-287-B following signs to Laporte. Take 1st right turning South on County Rd 23 for 0.6 miles. Turn right (West) at "T" intersection on Rist Canyon Road for 0.2 miles to Bellvue Store. Turn left (South) on County Rd 23. Proceed South for 5.9 miles by Horsetooth Reservoir. As it appears you are leaving the reservoir (downhill), turn right (uphill), and follow County Rd 23 1.6 miles to "T" intersection. Turn right on County Rd 38 and follow it most of the way back to Masonville. Turn left on Glade Rd, turning left at 2 "T" intersections. 3rd "T" intersection is Hwy 34. Turn left (East) 4.7 miles. Just after bridge, turn right (South) on Cleveland Ave and head back to park.

2. **Rocky Mountain National Park Big Loop** (219 mi, 7 hours with four 25-min rest stops): South to Golden, Hwy 6 to Idaho Springs, Empire, over Berthoud Pass, Granby, over Rocky Mountain National Park from west side (Milner Pass, Fall River Pass, Iceburg Pass), Estes Park, Hwy 34 back to Loveland.

3. **Famous Peak-to-Peak Highway** (127 mi, 4 hrs with two 30-min rest stops): South to Boulder, up (West) Hwy 119 to Nederland, North on Peak-to-Peak Hwy (over Wind River Pass) to Estes Park, down Devil's Gulch back to Loveland.

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# Pictures of the Loveland, CO areas

## The Castle in the Sky

**The Dream is Built**

When constructed between 1939 and 1941, the Crest House was the highest structure in the world at 14,265' feet above sea level. Designed to symbolize the night sky, it was built in the shape of a star with large windows overlooking Denver in the high, rugged alpine that resembled the moon.

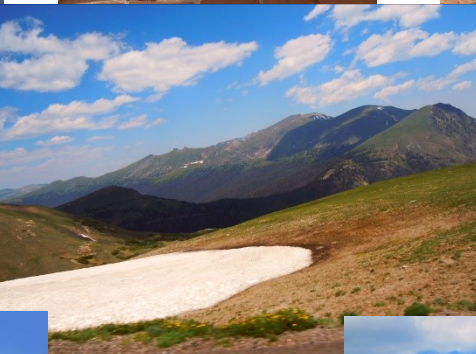
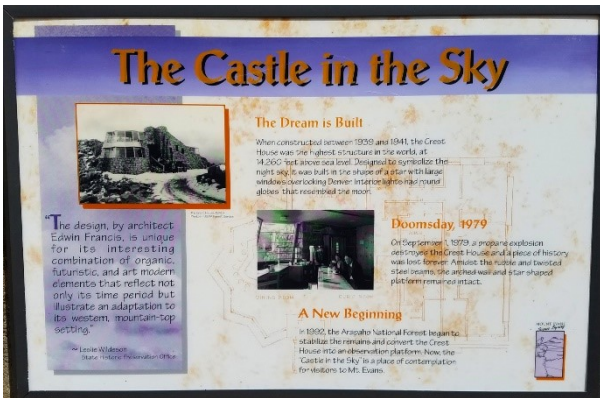
**Doomsday 1979**

On September 1, 1979, a propane explosion destroyed the Crest House and a piece of history was lost forever. Almost 40 years and two world wars later, the arched wall and star-shaped platform remain intact.

**A New Beginning**

In 1980, the Arapaho National Forest began to stabilize the remains and convert the Crest House into an observation platform. Now the "Castle in the Sky" is a place of contemplation for visitors to Mt. Evans.

© Leslie Alderson  
Brew House, Mountain House



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Reba and Jim Berry  
Director, Region B (AR, KS, LA, OK, TX)

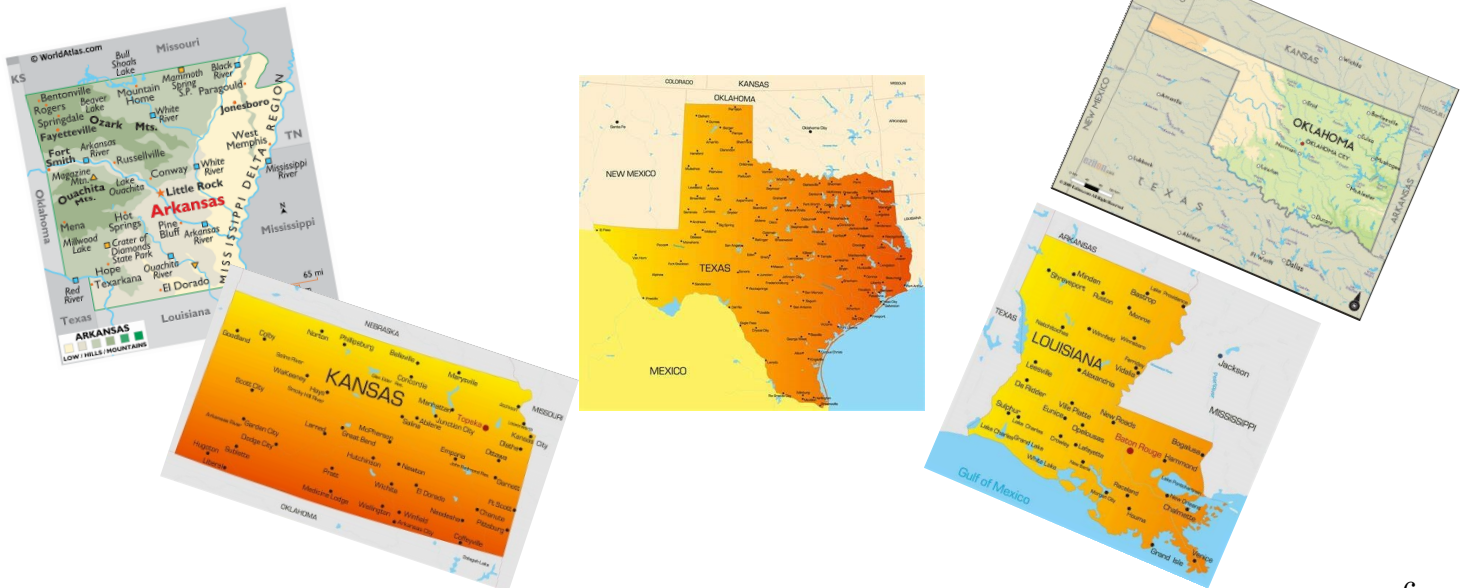
**Region B Ride-In**

The inaugural EWMA Region B ride-in is in the books and I would have to say it was very successful. We had 55 members and non-members in attendance. We had Hondas, Harleys, Spyders, BMWs, Jeeps, a Pickup Truck and a Sedan -- 38 in all. We met in the small town of Clarksville, AR and were hosted by the Quality Inn in Clarksville.

For those Region, District or Chapter Directors out there planning a ride-in of your own, here are some items to consider:

1. The gathering point does not need to be in a major tourist area, nor does the hotel need to be fancy, just nice and comfortable and reasonably priced. Clarksville was a great location in that it is located in the center of the Ozarks.
2. You don't have to rent a meeting room. We had our meetings in the parking lot of the hotel.
3. You don't have to have vendors set up. You can get local vendors to provide incentives for members to visit their locations. We got gift cards and freebies from Dairy Queen. We made a list of local restaurants, urgent care facilities and hospitals to put in registration packets.
4. Organize guided and self-guided rides in all directions around your central location. Organize bikes into groups no larger than 7 to 9.
5. Don't take too many people to the same place for lunch. We took 26 to the Keeter Center at the College of the Ozarks. It took one hour to get a table and one hour to complete the meal. This was not unexpected; we were prepared. It was excellent, by the way.
6. Things will not always work out as planned. As Gunny Highway says in "Heartbreak Ridge": Overcome, improvise, adapt! Case in point: there were no fall colors on our fall color ride; the leaves had gone from brown to the ground.

You live, you learn. We are looking into our second annual ride next October, possibly in North-east Texas. It will be a totally different environment, but I'll guarantee it will be great fun. Keep a lookout for us. We will be excited to host again.



Mike Melton

## Director of Technology and Communication

The year is coming to a close, and there are several highlights I would like to cover. By now, hopefully, most of you are actually reading this newsletter. I know with several of the folks I've spoken with, they had not. We actually passed out some printed copies of the On The Fly bulletins at a Chapter meeting, and the response was very positive. So, that could be a way for you to encourage your members to read these.

As we start into the new year, we are still looking for articles from the members. Please send your articles to [eaglewings.web@gmail.com](mailto:eaglewings.web@gmail.com). Send some pictures, because a picture is worth a thousand words. Don't worry if you don't feel you are a good writer, as long as you give us permission to "spruce" up your article if needed.

We are heavy into the renewal year also. It's hard to believe, it has been a year with EWMA, and we have grown so much. That said, we will continue to grow, and we value your inputs. Let us know how we are doing, or even things you wish we would do. They are all constructive info.

I've noticed some people have attempted to renew, but the payment did not go through. I will be calling each of you to see if we can remedy that. One word of caution for those getting ready to renew online, when you get to the payment page, the following items must be completed:

1. Type Credit card
2. Card number (you can put spaces between the numbers to help you)
3. Expiration Date
4. CSV code (three digit code on your card, probably on the back).
5. First and Last Name as it appears on the card.
6. Zip Code (note: MUST be billing zip code if you have more than one address).

If you have any difficulty, please reach out to me, either by email, or phone. (843-847-1444).

As we start into the new year, we are already planning changes to our website. You should check often, since, as soon as we get a new benefit, we try to get it posted. You do have to login to our website to see how to take advantage of the benefit. We list them for the public, but the details is only visible to the members.

Have you missed one of the earlier On The Fly's? They are all available on our website. Just select "Documents" and look for the On The Fly folder. Click on it, and all of the past issues are there.

Here's wishing you all, a very

**Merry Christmas,**

**Happy Hannukah, and a**

**Happy New Year.**

*Mike Melton*





# Eagle Wings Rendezvous

## Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association 2nd Annual Rally

**Aug 29th – Aug 31st 2024**  
**Hyatt Regency Green Bay, WI**



Take a Scavenger Hunt ride to Green Bay, WI and join your friends at the 2nd annual rally, Eagle Wings Rendezvous! We'll have vendors, FUN, presentations, FUN, guest speakers, FUN, games, FUN, on bike games, FUN, and awesome guided and self guided rides to explore beautiful WI! This is an event you don't want to miss!

**Plan for FUN!!!**  
**Daily 50/25/25**  
**On Bike Games**  
**Door Prizes**  
**Guest Speakers & Presentations**  
**Bike & Light Show**  
**First Aid/CPR Class**  
**Vendors, Including Motorcycle stuff, Bling & Chrome**

**GRAND PRIZE and MYSTERY CASH**  
**AND**  
**GRAND 50/25/15/10**

**3 Days & Nights of FUN, FUN, FUN!!!!**  
**Thursday GRAND OPENING PARTY FUN,**  
**Light Dinner and Entertainment**

**Friday Night Bike and Light Show Vote for**  
**your favorite and enjoy some ice cream!**

**Saturday Night is**  
**Dinner and Closing**

**\*For up to Date Schedule & more info,**  
**go to [www. EWMA-World.org/Rendezvous](http://www.EWMA-World.org/Rendezvous)**

Registration Fees (onsite \$10 more)	Cost	Qty	Total
EWMA Members	\$40	_____	\$_____
Non Members	\$50	_____	\$_____
Day Passes-available for purchase on site			
Light Dinner on Thursday Night	\$25	_____	\$_____
Dinner on Saturday Night	\$40	_____	\$_____
First Aid/CPR—Friday	\$25	_____	\$_____
<b>Tickets—addition to comped</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Grand Prize &amp; Mystery Cash—Books of 5</b>	\$10 X	_____	\$_____
<b>Grand 50/25/15/10— Books of 5</b>	\$20 X	_____	\$_____

**All pre-registrations must be received**  
**by August 3, 2024**  
Make Checks payable to EWMA

Mail completed forms to:  
**EWMA**  
**Patti ONeill**  
**2125 Meander**  
**Prescott AZ 86305**

For further information  
**Contact: Patti ONeill**  
**Email: [ewmacfo@gmail.com](mailto:ewmacfo@gmail.com)**  
**Phone 408-639-0415**

**\$15.00 fee on all cancellations**  
**No refunds after Aug 5th 2024**

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 Billing Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 All countries credit cards will be accepted at rally

**GRAND TOTAL IN US DOLLARS ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**See and purchase our Rally shirt on our website in our store.**  
**Pick them up at rally. Some may be available on-site.**

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Reg/District/Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

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

The undersigned, agree to comply with the ideals governing this event and to hold harmless the EWMA, co-sponsoring organizations and property owners for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/we may become involved, and I/we agree to assume responsibility for any property which I/we knowingly damage. **EWMA reserves the right to refuse entrance to anyone at any time.**

Rider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Rider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Or Register Online at <https://www.ewma-world.org/rendezvous>**



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### Did You Know!

You can change your email, phone number and address information anytime, just by logging into our website. If you need assistance with that, contact Mike Melton at [eaglewings.web@gmail.com](mailto:eaglewings.web@gmail.com)

### New Member Benefit

If you have not logged in lately, and looked at the Members Benefits page, you will be pleased to know, we have a new Member Benefit. Wyndham has come onboard and is giving us a 20% discount on lodging in their system. Log in to get the link and/or corporate ID number.

This makes the second hotel source for similar discounts. If you travel, you can look forward to the savings.

### Member Benefit Highlight

A reliable towing service is a must for drivers of all types of vehicles. Motorcycle Towing Services (MTS) has been a Las-Vegas based towing company since 1988. MTS is a family-owned business, which enables them to provide personalized customer service that's only found in a small business setting. MTS offers the latest technology and equipment for all motorcycle roadside assistance needs. Go to our website for more info.

EWMA Members will have access to the Premier Plan at discounted pricing if they login to get the info from our website.

### Some Members Photos



### Your Chance to Shine!!!

We are always looking for your action/ride pictures. Formats can be flexible (jpg, png, tif, etc, most we can work with). Hi Resolution preferred, but nothing will be turned away. We will take group ride images, and any image depicting a fun event. They should be emailed to Mike Melton at [eaglewings.web@gmail.com](mailto:eaglewings.web@gmail.com) for use on our website, On The Fly Bulletins, videos we put together. Or just post them to the photo album online and drop a line.

Thank you for making EWMA Great!

## 2024 EWMA EVENTS

### JANUARY

Jan 25-27	Illinois District Winter Warm Up	Springfield, IL
Jan 26-27	Ohio Cabin Fever—"Margaritaville"	Oregon, OH

### FEBRUARY

Feb 2-10	Ninth Annual Wingers-N-Waves	
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### MARCH

Mar 14-16	Florida District Friends for FUN Rally	Gainesville, FL
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### APRIL

Apr 18-20	Louisiana District Ride-In	Ruston, LA
Apr 25-27	Tennessee District Spring Fling	Johnson City, TN

### MAY

May 16-18	Arkansas District Rally	Harrison, AR
May 17-18	South Carolina District Rally Home Town USA	Newberry, SC

### JUNE

Jun 13-14	Georgia District / Region A Ride In	Dillard, GA
Jun 21-22	International Ride-In	Loveland, CO
Jun 27-29	Alabama District Rally	Sheffield-Muscle Shoals, AL

### JULY

Jul 11-13	Region F and West Virginia District Ride-In "Cue Country Roads"	Summersville, WV
Jul 12-13	MinnKota District Rally "Let's Meet in the Middle"	Marshal, MN
Jul 19-21	Region H Ride-In	Nakusp, British Columbia
Jul 26-27	Region E Ride-In	Anamosa, IA

### AUGUST

Aug 29-31	2024 EWMA Rendezvous	Green Bay, WI
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### OCTOBER

Oct 24-26	Mississippi District Rally "Born to be Wild"	Biloxi, MI
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Check our website [www.ewma-world.org](http://www.ewma-world.org) for additional events  
 If your event is not listed, please email Mike at [eaglewings.web@gmail.com](mailto:eaglewings.web@gmail.com)

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## **New from Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association & Element3 Health**

### **Get Your Eagle Wings Membership for FREE!**

We have partnered with Element3 Health, an organization that works with many U.S. health plans to promote social and wellness activities - like motorcycle riding. If eligible, Element3 Health will send you a check to cover your membership with Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association!



#### **Sign Up.**

Visit [e3hfun.com/EagleWings](https://e3hfun.com/EagleWings) to sign up and check your eligibility.



#### **Keep Riding.**

Keep riding and staying socially active. It's that simple!

*Only available for certain U.S. Medicare Advantage and Supplemental plans.*

### **Questions?**

- Call (833) 906-1700 or email [info@element3health.com](mailto:info@element3health.com)
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