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August has been a busy month for us with rides almost every weekend. Check out Tim McGuire's Ride Coordinator article on page 3 for details.

We had a great turnout for our picnic. We were at a different shelter, scouted out by Gary Wanke, that was much larger and had more parking than the previous one. There were excellent burgers and brats grilled to perfection, lots of sides provided by our members and ice cream and other goodies for dessert. My thanks to Gary Cueno and Gary Wanke for planning the picnic, grilling and doing all the work to set up everything. They did a great job.

In September we start winding down the riding season. We have a brunch ride on the 7th, a dinner ride on the 14th to the Village Squire in McHenry and we are moving our chapter meeting to the 29th from the 22nd.

Our Chili Social is October 19 at the home of Ed and Barb Harms. Check out the flier on page 6 and the food sign-up sheet on page 7. It looks like we need two more salad/sides and two more desserts.

Lastly, I have mentioned Illinois House bill 4431 in the past. It eliminates the requirement for seniors to take a driving or riding test when renewing their driver's licenses. It was sent to committee, but does have support. So please contact your state representative and senator to urge them to vote yes on the bill. You can find your representative at this web site: <https://ilsbe.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=b04c36e3978f4a5f91dc8b60bb9b84d3>. Speaking of driver's licenses, in the future your license will be renewed for eight years.

We hope to see you soon.



Ellary and Holly Kahan

G2 WEB PAGE

www.ilg2.com

G2 PHOTO ALBUM

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September Birthdays

5 - Joe Nolan
20 - Kathy Randall



Got something to say?

This is your newsletter. We accept articles from any member. Send your articles to the editor at ellaryk@gmail.com. MS Word or equivalent format preferred. Text should be in Times New Roman font, single spaced with a one-quarter inch first line indent on all paragraphs except the first. No space between paragraphs. Use .5 in. margins. Any photos should be cropped for publication. All submissions become the property of IL-G2 and may be edited.

Upcoming G2 Events

September

- 7 - Brunch ride, McGuire
- 14 - Dinner ride, Donato
- 29 - Chapter meeting

October

- 5 - Brunch ride
- 19 - Chili social, Harms
- 27 - Chapter meeting

November

- 9 - Dinner, Wanke
- 24 - Chapter meeting

December

- 7 - Holiday Party, Randall

EWMA Store

Order from mysticalmoment.biz
 Our shirt color is royal blue.
 Our EWMA logo color is 205 yellow with a white eagle.
 The right chest is "Chapter Illinois G2" in 205 yellow.
 To order name badges contact Tony Valicenti.

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Chapter Meetings are held at the Whistle Stop Cafe, 15 E. Grand Ave, Fox Lake, 9 AM breakfast, 9:30 meeting.

Ride Coordinator

The month of August was a good riding month for us again. We had several trips this month.

The first weekend Greg led a group on a ride called the Circle Lake Michigan Tour. The four day trip started with a shorter first day of about 220 miles followed by longer days of 350 miles. Some highlights of the trip included the iconic Michigan H-58 road which is one of the top 5 best motorcycle roads in the state. Other notable sites were the Pictured Rocks National Seashore, a stop at the Maritime Shipwreck Museum, the Tunnel of Trees and the infamous M-22 Store. I wrote a more detailed article on that trip for the Illinois District Newsletter so for this newsletter I'll just include the pictures.

Ellary led a dinner ride to the Prime Quarter the next weekend. I wasn't able to join them this time but I heard it was great fun.

On the 17th of August I led a trip on part of the Kettle Moraine Scenic Drive. We traveled three rustic roads and followed part of the Lake Oconomowoc shoreline and ended up at the Kiltie Drive In for lunch. People really enjoyed the trip!

In September I have a Brunch Ride the first weekend and then Steve will host a Dinner Ride at the Village Squire Restaurant in McHenry the second weekend.

In October we have a Brunch Ride the first weekend and the Chili Social the third weekend. Right now the second and fourth weekends are open. Let me know if you'd like to have another ride that month. Maybe we could do a fall color ride somewhere.

That's it for the next couple of months. For now enjoy the pictures.

Take good care and Ride Safe! Tim McGuire



July 28 Meeting Minutes

Chapter Director Ellary Kahan called the September monthly chapter meeting to order at Chain O' Lakes State Park Oak Point Shelter #2 at 11:50 pm. The meeting was attended by about 25 hungry people who appreciated the larger, shady site by the river. Thanks to Gary Cueno for reserving it early in January. We had charcoal broiled burgers, brats, and salmon, lots of fresh and cooked side dishes, ending with pie, cookies, brownies, and ice cream sundaes and floats. Nobody left hungry.

Ellary recapped the August activities and proposed that the September meeting be rescheduled from the 22nd to the 29th and notified the Whistle Stop of the change.

September will include a dinner ride to the Village Squire in McHenry. Ed and Barb will again host the Annual Chili Fest at their home on October 19th. Barb asked us to check the list in this newsletter and be sure to bring items that are not already committed, your own beverages and harmonicas.

Ellary reminded us of the upcoming EWMA Rendezvous in Green Bay at the end of August. Most of us will leave on Thursday, August 29, but since everyone has different schedules, Ellary proposed that we travel to and from Green Bay on our own, enjoy the events, visit the vendors, and meet for dinner on Friday. Tim reminded us that the EWMA website has the rally schedule which includes guided and self-guided routes, with downloadable .gpx files for your navigation unit. Glenn said that he and Andy enjoyed last year's rally and hopes that even more will attend this one. Ellary encouraged all of us to attend, as this is the only EWMA national event, and it's close by.

Everyone applauded Gary for organizing and cooking at this year's picnic. Ellary also introduced Kelly, who has a summer home in Old Lyme, Connecticut, and generously invited the Americade bunch nine to dine and lodge there last year.

The meeting was adjourned at around 12:30 pm and all of us enjoyed the food and the company..

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON
September 29,
2024.**



Respectfully

Submitted,

Tony Valicenti

Join us for a
Dinner Ride
Saturday, September 14
4:30 PM

to

The Village Squire
4512 West Elm Street
McHenry, Ill.
815.385.0900

R.S.V.P.

to

Steve Donato
wetsnow555@gmail.com

by

Wednesday, September 11

**Illinois G2
CHILI SOCIAL
Saturday, Oct. 19**

PLEASE JOIN US!

The festivities start at 5:30 PM

Ed and Barb Harms home

18 Whitby Court, Lincolnshire

Hot mulled cider, water and coffee will be provided

BYOB any other beverage you would enjoy

The food we need for this event includes:

3 Hors d'oeuvres

2 Chili

3 Salads/Sides

3 Dessert

Please call or text if you can bring one of these items

RSVP by October 13th

847-910-2031 or barbharms@comcast.net



Chapter Illinois g2
CHILI SOCIAL
Saturday, Oct. 19th
5:30 PM

FOOD SIGN-UP SHEET

Please put your name and what you are bringing

Hors d' oeuvre:

1. TBD – David Bierman & Merle Gleeson
2. TBD – Shelly Brostoff
3. Taco Dip & Chips – Glenn & Marcia Hanson
4. Shrimp – Tony Valencenti

Side dish/Salad:

1. Steve Donato – Green Salad
2. _____
3. _____

Bread & Butter:

1. Barb Harms

Dessert:

1. Mark Muhlenfeld - Cookies
2. _____
3. _____

Chili:

1. Blair Natenberg - Mild, no vegies
2. Ellary Kahan - Vegetarian
3. Barb Harms - Beef

Chili Fixings, Hot mulled cider, water, coffee and tea will be provided.

BYOB all other beverages

The Good Book Guide

Tess (nee Terry Tom) Gerritsen, is an American novelist and retired general physician of Chinese descent. She is known for her Rizzoli and Isles mystery novels.

As a child growing up in San Diego, California, she always dreamed of writing her own Nancy Drew novels. But her parents were concerned about the sustainability of a writing career so she chose a career in medicine. She received a BA in anthropology from Stanford and received her medical degree from the University of California, San Francisco. She worked as a physician in Honolulu. While on maternity leave she began writing. Her first novels were the romance thrillers she liked to read. She then wrote four best selling medical thrillers.

The Surgeon was her first crime thriller and another of Time magazine's 100 best mystery thrillers of all time. In it, she introduced Jane Rizzoli, a secondary character. She is the only female detective in her Boston precinct so is always conscious of having to prove herself to the rest of the men. They are pursuing a serial killer who preys on women and removes the uterus before slitting the throat of his victim.

From her web site: "He slips into homes at night and walks silently into bedrooms where women lie sleeping, about to awaken to a living nightmare. The precision of his methods suggests that he is a deranged man of medicine, prompting the Boston newspapers to dub him "The Surgeon."

"Led by Detectives Thomas Moore and Jane Rizzoli, the cops must consult the victim of a nearly identical crime: Two years ago, Dr. Catherine Cordell fought back and killed an attacker before he could complete his assault. Now this new killer is re-creating, with chilling accuracy, the details of Cordell's ordeal. With every new murder he seems to be taunting her, cutting ever closer, from her hospital to her home. And neither Moore nor Rizzoli can protect Cordell from a ruthless hunter who somehow understands—and savors—the secret fears of every woman he kills."

This was a novel I could not put down. People magazine says it is "a briskly paced, terrifically suspenseful work that steadily builds toward a tense and terrifying climax." I strongly agree. Gerritsen's medical knowledge enables her to include vivid medical detail that adds to the excitement. Don't miss it.

By the way, although this is considered the first book of the Rizzoli and Isles series, the character of Maura Isles is not introduced until the second novel.

Spoiler alert, you may not want to read this review until you have read *The Surgeon*.

In *The Apprentice*, second in the Rizzoli and Isles series, Tess Gerritsen introduces Maura Isles.

From her website: "The bestselling author of *The Surgeon* returns—and so does that chilling novel's diabolical villain. Though held behind bars, Warren Hoyt still haunts a helpless city, seeming to bequeath his evil legacy to a student all-too-diligent . . . and all-too-deadly.

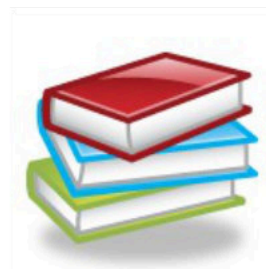
"It's a boiling summer in Boston. Adding to the city's woes is a series of shocking crimes that end in abduction and death.

"The pattern suggests one man: serial killer Warren

Hoyt, recently thrown behind bars. Police can only assume an acolyte is at large, a maniac basing his attacks on the twisted medical techniques of the madman he so admires.

"At least that's what detective Jane Rizzoli thinks. Forced again to confront the killer who scarred her—literally and figuratively—she is determined to finally end Hoyt's awful influence. Rizzoli isn't counting on becoming a target herself.

"Yet once Hoyt is suddenly free, he joins his mysterious blood brother in a vicious vendetta."



Tess Gerritsen wrote medical thrillers before she wrote crime thriller. So I decided to read *Harvest*, her first. Here's the synopsis from her web site:

"In a novel of harrowing suspense and brilliantly crafted plot twists, author Tess Gerritsen draws on her years of experience as a doctor to deliver an explosive thriller that makes her an indisputable star. *Harvest* vividly portrays a young woman doctor challenging a world where medical miracles and greed fuel a lethal conspiracy—and the bright lights of the O.R. conceal the ultimate corruption of genius. Unerringly authentic, with scalpel-sharp characterizations that rival Patricia Cornwell's *Harvest* is an astounding debut....

"Boston's Bayside Hospital is a long way from Dr. Abby DiMatteo's humble roots, and she's elated when their elite cardiac transplant team taps her as a potential recruit. But an anguished, life-and-death decision soon jeopardizes her entire career. She and chief resident Vivian Chao boldly direct a crash victim's harvested heart to a dying seventeen-year-old boy—instead of the wealthy forty-six-year-old woman to whom the hospital had cross-matched it. The repercussions cost Dr. Chao her job, and leave Abby shaken.

"Then a new heart suddenly appears, the woman's transplant is completed, and Abby makes a terrible discovery. The donor records have been falsified—the new heart has not come through the proper channels. Defying Bayside Hospital's demands for silence, Abby and Vivian plunge into an investigation that reveals a lethal unthinkable conspiracy. Every move Abby makes spawns a vicious backlash...and on a ship anchored in the waters of Boston Harbor, a final, grisly discovery lies waiting."

Steven King said that she is better than Robin Cook and Michael Crichton. I have read both and agree. This book was a nail biter from the first page. Gerritsen's medical knowledge enhances the medical detail, making the story and the characters believable. And she does a great job of making the whistle blower's frustrations felt by the reader. I strongly recommend this novel.

Ellary Kahan