



# Gateway Regional Retreads® Recap

Arkansas - Kansas - Louisiana - Mississippi - Missouri - Oklahoma

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Nov – Dec 2023

**REMINDER** – The membership application for 2024 is in this newsletter. Please fill out and **sign** a new application for 2023 and send in with your check. See Page 11 of this newsletter for the new 2023 application.

## Director's Notes-

Here we are November 2023, seems like this year has gone by so fast. As winter sets in, remember that with the cooled comes wind **chill factor**. Remember to layer up, to keep from losing your body heat. A good winter riding jacket is a must. If you need additional warming layers, consider synthetic fleece. It does a great job of retaining your body heat without trapping moisture. If you have a heated vest, that's even better.

Don't forget about your bike, it too has to adjust to the winter weather, check your antifreeze (Honda's/Harley Davidson some models). Make sure you have good rubber left on your tires, check your brake pads. And above all check yourself. When riding in the winter you tire easier in the cooled, your reaction time diminish which may put in a bad place. In other words don't let your 16 year old brain out maneuver your guardian angel.

Upcoming rallies for 2024 are as follows: April Fools in Coffeyville, Ks. April 5-6, 2024; South West Louisiana April 24-27, 2024 in Westlake, LA.; Four Corners Rally May 1-4, 2024; and the Mid-Atlantic Rally May 16-18, 2024. You can find flyers for all the rallies in the back of this Newsletter.

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# Happy Anniversary

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## Nov & Dec

CUBA	Jim & Mary Hollandsworth	Nov 23
KANS	Tony & Roberta Hoy	Nov 03
OKLA	Richard & Patricia Decker	Dec 17
SARK	Daryl & Doris Love	Dec 29
AR	John & Barbara Redwine	Dec 27
NARK	Steve & Sally Wagner	Dec 20

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# Nov Birthdays

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Go to our website to the Home Page and then Click on "Birthday" button on the What's New page to view the card.

<http://gatewayregionalretreads.com>

OTH	Tom Bowman	Nov 10
NARK	Dorothy Crafton	Nov 27
SWLA	Dennis Creech	Nov 05
KANS	Kim Despard	Nov 13
KANS	Shirley Jones	Nov 02
NARK	Garry Kingsland	Nov 09
SWLA	Rose Menou	Nov 13
NARK	Patricia Radtke	Nov 21
NARK	Karen Riggs	Nov 11

# Dec Birthdays

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NARK	Andrew Birk	Dec 13
NARK	Ray Coahran	Dec 22
NARK	Sharon Corwin	Dec 21
OKLA	Patricia Decker	Dec 30
NARK	Tommy Havner	Dec 09
SWLA	Dwight Minton	Dec 26
SWLA	John Mitchell	Dec 16
KANS	Vickie Montgomery	Dec 23
NARK	Ken Radtke	Dec 05
NARK	Don Shepard	Dec 19
OTH	Dennis Stanford	Dec 19
NARK	Sue Trammell	Dec 02

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# New Members

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Charles Travis – North Arkansas Retreads  
Scott Granger – SWLA Retreads





## Salina KS Area Retreads®

### **Salina Ks Area Retreads Meeting**

IHOP Diamond Drive  
Salina, KS

September and October

In September we had three members and one guest. We had a nice visit and talked about things that should be coming up in the spring when the weather gets nice to get out and ride.

In October we had three members and six guests. My son and some of his friends and family joined us for a very pleasant visit

We hope to make the International Rally next year. We have not yet seen a flyer for it. Dan has hurt his shoulder and will start PT on it at the end of the month  
I hope everyone has safe trips for the holidays and see you down the road.

***Dan and Shirley Jones***  
**Salina KS Area Reps**

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## North Arkansas Retreads®

### North Arkansas Retreads

#### Sept – Oct

We had a good turnout in both Sept & Oct meetings. We had 17 members at both and a Guest in October joined the club after attending the meeting.

We discussed trying to put on a Spring Fling 2024 and we decided to start planning at the November meeting so we would be able to put out flyers by the end of year. We are looking at the same location in Mt. View, AR as in prior Spring Flings. They have made many updates to the park and rooms and are interested in hosting another rally with our group.

The Russellville Rendezvous that we held Sept 21-23, 2023 was well attended. We had about 25 Retreads from multiple states attend. There is a video posted on our website ([gatewayregionalretreads.com](http://gatewayregionalretreads.com)) - on the Pictures/Videos page).

Just a reminder, the 2024 Membership Dues are coming up. There is a new application on Page 11 of this Newsletter.

**Hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas this year.**

**Omar & Dorothy Crafton**  
**Acting N. Ark State Reps**  
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# *Holidays the world celebrates in December.*

While December may be synonymous with the arrival of Christmas for many, it includes other major cultural and religious holidays around the world as well, such as celebrating Buddha's enlightenment; commemorating an apparition of the Virgin Mary; and honoring African-American heritage.

Here are several important celebrations that occur during December's holiday season:

**St. Nicholas Day (Dec. 5 or 6)** -- Also known as the Feast of Saint Nicholas, Christians honor the birthday of Saint Nicholas—the inspiration behind Santa Claus, given his proclivity towards gift-giving.

**Immaculate Conception Day (Dec. 8)** -- Catholics celebrate the day of Immaculate Conception to honor the Virgin Mary, who is believed to have been born without original sin. The day is often celebrated

**Bodhi Day (Dec. 8)** -- Also known as Rohatsu, this Buddhist tradition honors the day in which the Buddha—Siddhartha Gautama—is said to have achieved enlightenment. Many Buddhists celebrate it through meditation.

**Feast Day of Our Lady Guadalupe (Dec. 12)** -- Mexicans and Mexican-Americans often celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patron saint of Mexico who symbolizes patriotism and devotion. Millions of pilgrims typically visit the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in December to celebrate the festival, which marks one of several apparitions of the Virgin Mary that some Catholic believers say was witnessed by an Indigenous Mexican man in 1531. The Virgin Mary's face is abundant in Mexico—in homes, shops and shrines.

**Hanukkah (Dec. 18-26)** -- The eight-day Jewish holiday of Hanukkah begins Dec. 18. A central part of the Jewish Festival of Lights entails the lighting of a nine-branched menorah each night. (The ninth candle is used to light the others.) The ritual symbolizes how one day's worth of oil miraculously lasted for eight days during a battle between a small group of Jewish people and the powerful Greek-Syrian army in 165 B.C. Per Jewish tradition, they are said to have emerged victorious and reclaimed the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. Customary foods include latkes (potato pancakes), sufganiyot (jam-filled donuts) and brisket. Children often play with a dreidel (a spinning top with Hebrew letters).

**Christmas (Dec. 25)** -- Christians celebrate Christmas largely to commemorate the birth of Jesus. But the festival has also been adopted as a secular family holiday by people of all faiths. It's marked by an exchange of gifts as well as excitement for the arrival of Santa Claus.

**Boxing Day (Dec. 26)** -- A British tradition that occurs the day after Christmas and dates back to the 1800s when Queen Victoria ruled the throne. At the time, it was a day to ensure that upper class Britons gave servants and workers a day off, in addition to giving them a present. The holiday has since evolved into a more commercial occasion for gift-giving.

**Kwanzaa (Dec. 26-Jan. 1)** -- The week-long holiday of Kwanzaa honors African-American heritage; it's a cultural holiday as opposed to a religious one and storytelling traditions. The week-long holiday of Kwanzaa honors African-American heritage; it's a cultural holiday as opposed to a religious one.

**Zarathosht Diso (Dec. 26)** -- Founded by the Prophet Zoroaster more than 3,000 years ago, Zoroastrianism is one of the world's oldest monotheistic religions. Zoroastrians honor the death of their prophet on this day, typically by visiting a fire temple and offering prayers.

**New Year's Eve (Dec. 31)** -- The day every new year is met with anticipation around the world, as revelers party, set off fireworks, set resolutions and countdown to midnight to welcome in new beginnings.



# Coffeyville Retreads April Fools Rally

**DATE:** April 5th & April 6th, 2024  
**TIME:** Thursday Evening Early Bird  
 Friday & Sat – 8 A.M.  
**LOCATION:** Ron Stevenson Building  
 Walter Johnson Park  
**REGISTRATION:** \$20 Per Person  
 After March 17<sup>th</sup> registration will be \$25

### MOTEL & CAMPING INFO

#### Walter Johnson Park

Campground  
 620-252-6108

[www.coffeyville.com/139](http://www.coffeyville.com/139)

#### SureStay

605 Northeast St  
 620-251-3700

#### Holiday Inn Express & Suites

701 Northeast St  
 844-384-1695  
 620-808-3319

#### Sleep Inn & Suites

202 W 11<sup>th</sup> St  
 800-424-6423  
 620-688-6400

#### Rest-Full Inn

820 E 11<sup>th</sup> St  
 620-251-0002

For more information please contact:

Wayne Robison

EMAIL: [marionrob1956@gmail.com](mailto:marionrob1956@gmail.com)

PHONE: 620-820-3280

If no answer, please leave a message

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

#### MAIL REGISTRATION TO:

Coffeyville Retreads  
 C/O Wayne Robison  
 PO Box 113  
 Mound Valley, KS 67354



## SWLA RETREAD RALLY, 2024 April 24, 25, 26 & 27

Pre-Register \$25.00/Person **Before April 15, 2024**  
All individual prices increase by \$5.00 after April 15.

RIDER \_\_\_\_\_ /RIDER/PASSENGER \_\_\_\_\_  
Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Membership # \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Can your cell number be put on a group text? Yes No

Group text can be active so if you do not have unlimited text you want  
to circle NO.

Rally registration at \$25.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

After April 15 registration IS \$30.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Early sign in will be 3:30 Wednesday, April 24  
Rides will start Thursday, April 25

Check payable & mailed to "Louisiana Retreads"  
3882 North Highway 171  
Lake Charles, LA 70611

Feel free to text or call me and leave a message 337-515-2643. Sylvia Bailey

Accommodations:

Rally will be at

The Mulberry Hotel in Westlake, LA. This is a small private owned property. As of now there are 13 rooms on the ground floor, 2 are handicap, and 7 rooms on the second floor. Second floor rooms are suites. These rooms are a combination of double queens and single kings.

Downstairs rooms are \$99.00 + tax

Upstairs rooms are \$109.00 + tax

They will cut off the hold on rooms at the end of March. Work your best deal if you book in April. Get with me if you have any question and I feel sure they will give the same rate.

The Mulberry Hotel  
917 Mulberry Street  
Westlake, LA 70669  
337-214-1677

There is a LaQuinta by Wyndham  
1008 Sampson Street  
Westlake, LA 70669  
337-660-2525

RV sites will not be close. I am working to get a site in Westlake for RV sites. Follow Louisiana Retreads facebook page for updates.

You can call or text me at 337-515-2643 and let me know you will be needing a RV site and I will contact you as soon as I find something.

Anyone wanting to spend more time than the rally time let me know and I will attempt to make myself available to ride & eat before or after the rally.





Yá'át'ééh', we are privileged to welcome you to a sacred place for our people, the Dine. As Navajo we believe that our people journeyed through three worlds in various forms before emerging from the Mother Earth into this world, the Sparkling World.

Wednesday 5/1 Canyon De Chelly (pronounced Shay) Visitors to Canyon De Chelly National Monument "Experience" this powerful place with its rugged beauty, history and Navajo culture. Kkivas, ancient ruins and petroglyphs can be seen along the curving cliff walls. For the best adventure, Navajo guided jeep or horse tours will be available. Please visit [www.arizonacanyonjeeptours.com](http://www.arizonacanyonjeeptours.com) to make your own reservations.

Thursday 5/2 North Rim and South Rim rides – Overlooks give visitors unique views and spectacular sights, including Ledge Ruin, Mummy Cave and Massacre Cave. As the ride climbs higher above the canyon floor, see Tunnel, Tsegi and Junction Overlooks where Canyon De Chelly and Canyon Del Muerto meet.

Friday 5/3 rides around the area and the evening banquet with awards and prizes.

HOST HOTEL: Holiday Inn – Group Rate \$106 + 20.5% tax. Phone: 928-674-5000  
 Address: Bia Route 7, Chinle, AZ Mention Retreads Motorcycle Club for group rate

Seeing the second largest canyon in the country may leave you exhausted. At the end of your adventures, the Holiday Inn has Navajo and regional dishes at Garcia's Restaurant. Also, pick up authentic Navajo jewelry and pottery at the Trading Post.

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Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Passenger: \_\_\_\_\_

Rider Retread's Member # \_\_\_\_\_ Passenger Retread's Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people X \$50.00 ea. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

**Register by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

Mail to: Judy Aitken 5910 N. Calle Kino Tucson, AZ 95704  
 Phone: 520-293-2932 Email: [tizatrading@aol.com](mailto:tizatrading@aol.com)



## 2024 Mid Atlantic Retreads Rally

May 16th-18th 2024, - early registration Wednesday May 15th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Host Hotel – Bird-In-Hand Family Inn & Restaurant, Rt. 340, Bird In Hand, PA**

800-537-2535 [www.bird-in-hand.com](http://www.bird-in-hand.com)

MENTION "RETREADS MOTORCYCLE CLUB" SPECIAL ROOM RATES WILL BE HELD UNTIL **APRIL 1**

**ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS:**

Harvest Drive Family Inn 3368 Harvest Drive, Gordonville PA 717-768-7186  
Spruce Lane Lodge & Cottages 2439 Old Philadelphia Pike Lancaster PA 866-925-8676  
Country Acres Campground 20 Leven Rd Gordonville PA 866-675-4745  
More hotels and campgrounds listed on our website.

Hosted by Mid Atlantic Retreads <http://www.midatlanticretreads.com/> for more details

### Rally Package Includes

Wednesday evening Ice Cream Social  
Door Prizes - Trophies  
Hospitality Room with coffee, cookies, pretzels and ice cream  
Thursday evening entertainment  
Guided & Self Guided tours Thur - Sat  
Retreads Breakfast Buffet, Fri or Sat  
Friday Evening Banquet & awards  
**Saturday Evening BBQ**  
Rally Pins to first 150 signed in at rally

### Additional Activities

Thursday evening guided ride to Shady Maple Smorgasbord  
Mini Golf Tournament with trophies  
Charity Poker Run with trophies  
Outlet Malls Nearby  
Host Hotel permits all attendees to use pool and hot tub, even if staying somewhere else.

Valid membership card required for some trophies



Colors may vary due to shortages

Hanes 100% cotton shirts.  
V neck for ladies, pocket for men.

**Shirts must be ordered by April 8**

**Checks payable to Mid Atlantic Retreads.** - [dianeg@affordablecomfortinc.net](mailto:dianeg@affordablecomfortinc.net)  
Mail to: Greg & Diane Gill P.O. Box 573 Saylorsburg PA 18353 570-369-2467  
[dianeg@affordablecomfortinc.net](mailto:dianeg@affordablecomfortinc.net)

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_ Retread Card No(s) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ AMA Card No(s) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

RETREAD POSITION - **CIRCLE WHICH APPLIES** - PAST OR CURRENT - **CIRCLE WHICH APPLIES** - BOARD, DIRECTOR, STATE REP, ASSISTANT STATE REP. - WHICH STATE \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_ X \$88 Before April 14, \$98 after April 14 = \_\_\_\_\_  
**Without Banquet** number attending \_\_\_ X \$78 Before April 14, \$88 after April 14 = \_\_\_\_\_

SHADY MAPLE SMORGASBORD, NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ x \$24 = \_\_\_\_\_

Mens pocket T Shirts S \_\_\_ M \_\_\_ L \_\_\_ XL \_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_ 3XL \_\_\_ \$25 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Ladies V neck Shirts S \_\_\_ M \_\_\_ L \_\_\_ XL \_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_ 3XL \_\_\_ \$20 each = \_\_\_\_\_

**Shirts must be ordered by April 8.** Total amount enclosed (in U.S. funds please) = \_\_\_\_\_



**Application for Membership**  
 Retread® Motorcycle Club International, Inc.,  
 Gateway Regional Retreads®  
 AMA Charter 32338

**2024**

**New** \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** **Renewal** \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Wedding Anniversary \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**(Year is *NOT* required)**

American Motorcycle Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

**- PLEASE READ & SIGN. IF A COUPLE - BOTH MUST SIGN -**

I understand that the **Retreads®** cannot assume responsibility for any aspect of my safety and that if I participate in any event, I do so voluntarily on my own assessment of my ability, assuming all risk; and I release and hold harmless the **Retreads® Motorcycle Club** for any injury or loss to my person, property which might result there from. I understand that this means that I agree not to sue the **Retreads®** for any injury resulting to myself or my property at any such event.

Signature **X** \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse **X** \_\_\_\_\_

Current Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Current Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Member Donation: **\$25.00** per Couple for 1 yr. \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$20.00** for Single for 1 yr. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Donation Amount (to support your local chapter) **(Optional)** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chapter /Area \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check out to: GATEWAY REGIONAL RETREADS®**  
**Mail to: 36 Waterfront Circle**  
**Lakeview, AR 72642**

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE - FOR REGIONAL USE ONLY:**

New Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ Date Mailed \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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