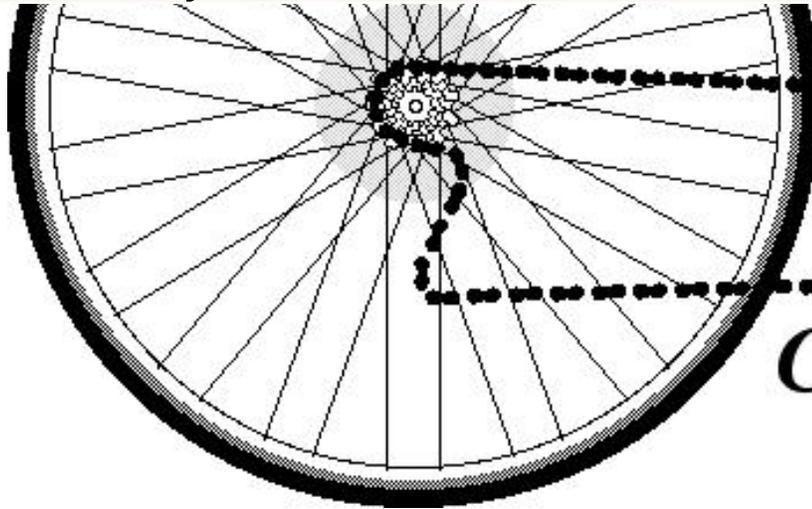


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## Dayton Cycling Club

[daytoncyclingclub.org](http://daytoncyclingclub.org)

### Ballot inside!

All adult members (age 18 and up) are eligible to vote for the 2014 Dayton Cycling Club Board of Directors. Votes are due by Oct. 15, whether you vote by mail or online.

To vote online, go to [http://www.daytoncyclingclub.org/2014Election\\_BallotOnline.htm](http://www.daytoncyclingclub.org/2014Election_BallotOnline.htm).

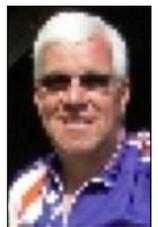
Several positions have no candidates. Please consider helping your club by writing in your name and serving on the board of directors.

### Volunteers assure success of the Wright Wride

By Bud Bell, DCC Wright Wride director  
(937) 474-1240; [budbellonline@woh.rr.com](mailto:budbellonline@woh.rr.com)

Summer is becoming a distant memory, and we can now reflect on this year's rides. I personally want to recall and thank all the people who volunteered to make the 2013 Wright Wride possible. Without volunteers, we would have no events.

Thanks to Joan Caldwell, Mary Lemaster, Beverly Owens, Sally Pinnell and Joan Rudy for making the



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# Spoke 'N' Link

Dayton Cycling Club

The Dayton Cycling Club, a not-for-profit educational and recreational organization for bicyclists in the Miami Valley, publishes and distributes the digital *Spoke 'N' Link* eight times a year. The opinions expressed herein are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the official position of the DCC. The editor reserves the right to edit or refuse any material.

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The bicycle will accomplish more for women's sensible dress than all the reform movements that have ever been waged.

— Demerarest's Family Magazine 1895

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## DCC Business Meetings

The DCC Board of Directors generally meets at 6:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in the Community Room at the Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive.

The next meetings will be Oct. 2 and Nov. 6. All members are welcome. If you wish to be added to the agenda of a meeting, contact President Ed Witte.

## Upcoming S'n'L deadlines

**For January/February/March**  
**For April**

Dec. 5 for editorial material  
Dec. 10 for paid advertising  
March 5 for editorial material  
March 10 for paid advertising

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registration orderly and quickly, despite my being tardy with the registration equipment. I apologize for delaying their start time.

I feel lucky to have had the opportunity to work with Ann Anzalone, Barrie Bentley, Bill Dayton, Pat Carter and Wally Taylor at the food stop at the National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center. I also appreciate Dr. Floyd Thomas for helping and for his photos, of which I have posted several on our website.

The lunch crew was headed by Kay and Mark Minardi, who always give 120 percent at Dayton Cycling Club events. Clara Minardi worked alongside mom and dad, shuttling hot food from the grill to the table. Pam and Chuck Kulhanek and Kathi and Ed Witte also worked tirelessly all day to keep food and drinks available for the masses.

Trudie Simon and Dale Williamson took care of sag duties. I'm happy to report that we had only one incident, and it resulted in a rider suffering only minor scrapes and bruises.

Randy Cloud and Roger Rizzardi provided cold fruit, yogurt and other snacks at Twin Towers Park for returning riders. They worked together slicing up watermelons and cutting up grape clusters. Randy said he had a wonderful time and enjoyed meeting the returning riders.

Roland Harvey and Dyke Thornburg helped mark the route. Despite a few detours and last-minute changes, riders said the route was well marked.

I want to thank all the volunteers who make those great Wright Wride cookies we all look forward to. This year Patti Barrett, Doreen Berkhimer, Traci Brown, Mary and Mark Buchwalder and Roger Rizzardi provided the baked goods.



Floyd Thomas  
Ann Anzalone, Wally Taylor and Barrie Bentley (left to right) bag snacks at the Wright Wride food stop at the National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center in Wilberforce.

### Wright Wride Financial Report (As of Sept. 4, 2013)

Income	\$5,989.00
Expenditures	\$1,914.54
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$4,074.46</b>

Marty Williams became part of the short-lived company "3 Men and 3 Trucks," helping to move equipment and supplies to and from the ride. Thanks, Marty!

We greatly appreciate Ray Lindemann Physical Therapy for sponsoring the 2013 Wright Wride. Thank you, Ray!

Thanks to Dannon for providing delicious yogurt and yogurt drinks and to Andy Auman for picking up the dairy products. I think the yogurt products have become a special treat that our riders look forward to.

Finally, thanks to Kevin Sintz and Performance Bicycle for the mechanical support of the Wright Wride. Kevin is very supportive and willing to help riders in any way he can at DCC invitational events.

I do hope I have credited everyone and that I spelled your names correctly. I hate it when words are misspelled!

# Meeting Minutes

By Donna Williams-Powell, DCC secretary  
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## July 8, 2013

The Dayton Cycling Club Board of Directors met at 6:30 p.m. Monday, July 8, at the Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. In attendance were board members Harv Kiesel, Donna Powell, Michele Rizzardi, Kay Wert Minardi, Ed Witte and Kathi Witte; and DCC member Betty Warwick.

President Ed Witte called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Donna Powell, secretary, presented minutes from the April business meeting for review. Kiesel moved to approve the minutes as written, Wert Minardi seconded the motion and the April minutes were unanimously approved. Next, minutes from the June business meeting were reviewed. The June minutes were amended to reflect that the \$500 Bike to Work Day contribution should be deducted from the club's advertisement and marketing fund. Kiesel moved to accept the June minutes as amended. Wert Minardi seconded the motion, and the amended minutes were approved without opposition.

Treasurer Michele Rizzardi presented the financials for June, noting that there was nothing remarkable in this month's report. She reported she had paid the club's sales taxes for the first six months of the year. Sales tax must be paid in January and July of each year. Rizzardi said she still needs to get the final figures for GOBA, and she needs a club member to audit the club's financial records since she will not serve as treasurer next year. She would like an audit

to be done before she turns the job over to the next treasurer. Powell moved to accept the financial report as submitted, Wert Minardi seconded the motion and the June financial report was accepted without opposition.

President Witte reported that the club had received a check for \$5,000 from the estate of DCC member Jim Perry, and the check has been deposited into the DCC savings account.

Harv Kiesel, webmaster, reported that there is a small amount of miscellaneous funds in the club's PayPal account that will be transferred to the DCC checking account. He said he is still working on website and online payment improvements.

Newsletter Editor Kay Wert Minardi reminded Wright Wride volunteers that they must complete an event registration and liability form. She added that items for publication in the August newsletter are due as soon as possible.

Kathi Witte, social director, shared that any ride awards that have not yet been picked up will be available at the Wright Wride.

A discussion of the awards ensued. Witte pointed out that each year, the club has a large number of award plaques that are never claimed. Production of the awards and engraving them are expensive, and mailing them is another costly proposition. The plaques are bulky, and the bars require special packaging materials so they don't bend in transit. Kathi Witte suggested that beginning next year; the

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award plaques will be made only for riders who request them. This will result in significant time and cost savings but still provide awards for members who would like them.

In the meantime, in light of the financial windfall from the Perry estate, it was decided that this year's unclaimed awards should be mailed. Betty Warwick volunteered to package and mail the awards, and her offer was gratefully accepted.

In new business, Kiesel moved to grant Kevin Sintz from Performance Bicycles a free one-year membership in appreciation for the many hours of support he has provided for our invitational rides. Wert Minardi seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Kiesel moved to adjourn the meeting, Powell seconded the motion, there was no opposition and the meeting ended at 7:39 p.m.

**Aug. 7, 2013**

The Dayton Cycling Club Board of Directors met at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, at the Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. In attendance were board members Ed Witte, Donna Powell, Michael Bott, Kimberly Bott, Chuck Smith, Chris Brown, Bud Bell and Kathi Witte.

President Ed Witte called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. He began the meeting by reminding board members of the upcoming election. He solicited recommendations of club members who may be willing to serve on the DCC board. This year, two crucial positions will need to be filled since the current webmaster and treasurer have announced they will not run for another term.

Chuck Smith, vice president and advocacy

director, gave an update on the progress of House Bill 145. The bill is still before the Ohio House Transportation Committee, which was in summer recess. Smith urged all DCC members to communicate their support of this bill. Go to <http://www.change.org/petitions/ohio-legislature-enact-state-wide-three-foot-passing-law-for-bicycles> for full details and for the electronic petition.

He reported that the next U.S. Air Force Blue Streak Time Trials would be held on Aug. 14, Sept. 11 and Oct. 2 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Send an e-mail to Smith at if you plan to ride so he can get your name on the gate list for Base Security.

Smith said he would like to represent the Dayton Cycling Club with Bike Miami Valley but will need someone to attend in his place for the next two meetings. Powell moved to support Smith representing the DCC, Bell seconded the motion and the board unanimously approved Smith as the DCC representative to Bike Miami Valley.

Finally, Smith said he will teach the League of American Bicyclists' "Traffic Skills 101" class from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 7 and 14 at the University of Dayton. He also will hold a bike safety rally for kids at 4 p.m. Aug. 17 at the Moraine Walmart.

Secretary Donna Powell and Chris Brown, bikeways director, had nothing new to report.

Wright Wride Director Bud Bell reported that he had received 39 registrations for the Aug. 25 Wright Wride. He added that Clifton Lodge has a new grill that will be used for the lunch stop. Dr. Floyd Thomas is once again smoothing the way for us to set up a food stop in front of the National Afro-American

# DCC Calendar

• **October business meeting:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2, Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. Contact: Ed Witte, (937) 335-3096; ejw1948@hotmail.com.

• **Wine Ride:** 8:30 a.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 19-20, Young's Jersey Dairy, 6880 Springfield-Xenia Road, Yellow Springs. Contacts: Betty Warwick, (937) 667-4125 or bettywarwick@aol.com; and Joan Rudy, rudyjls2@core.com or (937) 475-1509.

• **Ballots for the election of the 2015 Board of Directors due:** Tuesday, Oct. 15.

• **November business meeting** (2013 and '14 boards): 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. Contact: Ed Witte, (937) 335-3096; ejw1948@hotmail.com.

• **2014 budget proposals due:** Saturday, Nov. 30. Contact: Michele Rizzardi, (937) 890-0928; quiltingbear@att.net.

• **December business meeting:** date and location to be determined. The 2014 budget will be the main topic of discussion. Contact: Ed Witte, (937) 335-3096; ejw1948@hotmail.com.

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**Wishing Bud Bell  
a speedy recovery  
from his  
motorcycle  
accident!**

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Museum and Cultural Center at Wilberforce. Bell has enough volunteers signed up, and Performance Bicycles committed to provide mechanical assistance.

Michele Rizzardi, treasurer, presented the financials for July. Rizzardi will prepare a list of tasks the incoming treasurer will need to perform at the end of year and beginning of next year. Smith moved to accept the financial report as submitted, Bell seconded the motion and the June financial report was accepted without opposition.

Huffman Spring Classic Co-Directors Michael and Kimberly Bott and Kathi Witte, social director, had nothing new to report.

In old business, Bell on behalf of Newsletter Editor Kay Wert Minardi moved to provide two free registrations for the 2014 Wright Wride and two free registrations for the 2014 Huffman Spring Classic. Both are to be given as door prizes at the Midwest Tandem Rally. Kathi Witte seconded the motion, and the motion was approved without opposition.

Also, the board continued its discussion of the efforts to recruit members willing to run in the upcoming election and serve on the board.

Smith moved to adjourn the meeting and Bell seconded the motion. There was no opposition, and the meeting ended at 7:39 p.m.

# Bikeways and Beyond

By Chris Brown, DCC bikeways director  
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## South suburbs bike trail opens

The bikeway along the old Dayton, Lebanon & Cincinnati Railroad tracks officially opened during a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Aug. 13.

The path, officially called the Dayton-Kettering Connector, follows the rail bed from near the University of Dayton entrance on Irving Avenue to Shroyer Road behind Carmel's Southwest Grill, then past Jane Newcom Park and onto Wiltshire Boulevard. From there, Bike Route signs lead cyclists to Hempstead Station Road in Kettering and onto the southern portion of the Iron Horse Trail, which ends at Interstate 675 in Centerville.

Going north, the path runs along UD's S-2 parking lot before ending at Trinity Avenue. At this time there are no signs to lead cyclists from Trinity to Caldwell Avenue and the bike lanes along Brown Street. A few street crossings do not have any street signs. My understanding is that signage should be coming soon. In the meantime, there are plenty of UD students available to offer directions.

The grade of the trail has been re-engineered in places, to avoid the erosion caused by a storm sewer outlet that runs alongside. In the late 1970s the stream undercut the ground beneath the tracks, leaving a 20-foot section with the two rails suspended 5 feet in the air. The surface under the bridge/tunnel at Patterson Road has been raised to allow rainwater to run out, and the stream has been relined with large boulders. A second ditch has been formed and lined on the east



Chris Brown

*The railbed of the former Dayton, Lebanon & Cincinnati Railroad was raised under Patterson Road when the Dayton-Kettering Connector bike trail was built.*

side of the trail.

While scenic, the foliage along the trail has been growing wild for at least 40 years, with large vines entwining many of the trees. An Oakwood police officer once told me a number of rare flowers could be found in the area. It is a very quiet, serene path and will improve as landscaping continues. Trashcans and benches are located at the Irving and Shroyer entrances. Streetlights line the section north of Irving Avenue that leads to UD's S-2 parking lot.

The trail poses a few problems for cyclists that

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were pointed out to Dayton city officials during the ribbon cutting by my friend, DCC member Dickie Wilson:

- The bike stairs at Patterson Road, installed at the request of the city of Oakwood, provide a tire groove only on the “downstairs” side of the steps. When pushing bikes up the steps, cyclists must be on the right side of their bicycles. In addition, the groove is so deep bicycle chain rings scrape along the steps. At the top, the groove butts up against a vertical section of the sidewalk, meaning cyclists must lift their bikes 2 to 3 inches to reach the sidewalk. The steps seem to be more suited to pedestrians than to cyclists. This location also would be a good place for a trashcan.

- At Shroyer Road, an almost zigzag island has been installed to help cyclists cross the busy street. Although similar in concept to the islands found at Burkhardt and Airway Roads on the Creekside Trail, the zigzag design is strange and will take some getting used to. Cyclists cross half of Shroyer into the island, jog right a bit, wait for traffic to clear from the other direction, then jog left to exit the island and continue across the road. (Editor's note: The design does not accommodate tandem bikes.) An island is a good idea, since Shroyer changes from four lanes in Oakwood to two in Dayton almost right at this crossing. However, the zigzag design requires extra caution.

- At both Irving Avenue and Shroyer Road the path curves on each side in order for the crossing to be perpendicular to the road. The original railroad tracks crossed both streets diagonally. While unwieldy and certainly not optimal, the turns and right-angle crossings should ensure that cyclists stop completely rather than continue out into traffic as so



Chris Brown  
*Riders going up the bike stairs at Patterson Road must lift their bikes 2 to 3 inches to gain access to the sidewalk above.*

many do along the Creekside Trail and other street crossings. There is a traffic light a few hundred feet to the north on Irving and visibility up Irving's hill is good, so crossing the street safely is not difficult.

Overall, the new path is a blessing and a wonderful addition to the Miami Valley's bike trail network. Rather than the steep grades found going up Far Hills, Irving, Schantz and Wayne avenues and Shafor and Thruston Boulevards, the 1.3-mile bike trail averages a grade of 2 percent to 3 percent. This allows cyclists from the south suburbs to return home after a long day on the trails without having to call up that last bit of sustained energy to crawl out of the downtown area.

Walkers and joggers are using the trail in force, but not so much as to impede bikes. I have even seen kids on skateboards, sedately sailing along at a not-too-fast speed in both directions.

If you head out on this trail, take care crossing streets and riding the marked bike route in Kettering. But mostly, enjoy this beautiful and relaxing area.

# Commuter Chronicles

By Chuck Smith, DCC vice president and advocacy director  
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## UD focuses on transportation cycling

I had the privilege in early September to assist in a program that encourages transportation cycling among University of Dayton students. I gave the League of American Bicyclists' Traffic Skills 101 class to four UD staff members who are the nucleus of this wonderful program.

The program began in August, when 300 entering students signed an agreement stating that they would not bring a car to campus for their first two years at UD in return for an opportunity to win a bicycle. In a lottery, 100 students were selected to receive bicycles.

Bicycles are available to all UD students to borrow for use in the area at any time they wish. They need only contact Emily Wilk, assistant director for outdoor education, at (937) 229-2732 to borrow a bicycle.

Emily and her staff will be conducting bicycle tours from UD to other interesting Dayton locations such as the Second Street Market and RiverScape MetroPark. I instructed them in how to lead these group rides as part of the League course. Emily's dream is to expose as many UD students as possible to healthy activities such as cycling.

### Find a commuting partner with Pedal Pals

To enjoy the benefits of group bicycle commuting, register for Pedal Pals by contacting Matt Lindsay of the Miami Regional Planning Commission at mlindsay@mvrpc.org. Pedal Pals matches bike

### DCC Area Commuting Coordinators

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**North of Vandalia** — Chuck Smith, ohiobike@woh.rr.com

**Springfield/Urbana Area** — Dan Hepp, dhepp@juno.com; Marilyn Corbin, marilyncorbin@woh.rr.com

**Greene County** — Dan Carrigan, dcarrigan.lci@gmail.com

commuters going to the same place at the same time so they can ride together.

### Send in your miles and commuting tips

Send your monthly miles by the second of each month to Dennis.L.Pohl@lexisnexis.com. Remember to include errands, appointments, trips to school, and other trips during which you substituted a bicycle for a motor vehicle. Round all figures to the nearest whole number. Thanks to Dennis Pohl for compiling our commuting miles!

Share your commuting tips with other readers of this column by sending e-mail to chuck@ohiobike.org.

### Commuter Mileage Report

Include all miles you otherwise would have traveled in a motor vehicle (errands, doctor appointments and school as well as work).

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 DCC number \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commuting area \_\_\_\_\_  
 Round-trip commute \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send this completed form to Dennis Pohl, 14100 Lower Gratis Road, Farmersville, Ohio 45325; or send e-mail to Dennis.L.Pohl@lexis-nexis.com. All information is generally due by the second of the month.

### Bikeway Mileage Report

**Bikeway miles are those ridden on a non-listed ride, at least half of which is on a bikeway.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 DCC # \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Month \_\_\_\_\_ Miles \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year to date bikeway miles \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send this completed form to Chris Brown, 529 Acorn Drive, Dayton, OH 45419-3907, or send e-mail to chrisbcritter520@hotmail.com. Bikeway miles are generally due by the fifth of the month.

### Thanks to DCC members for help at tandem rally

By Sally Pinnell, DCC member and Midwest Tandem Rally volunteer coordinator

The Greater Ohio Area Tandem Society (GOATS) hosted the Midwest Tandem Rally in Greene County over the four days of Labor Day weekend.

The rally was a huge success. More than 350 tandem teams represented more than 30 states and three countries. There was even a team from Brazil!

Pam and Chuck Kulhanek and Maryann and Jack Bernstein — all Dayton Cycling Club members — were the chief organizers of the rally. They did an excellent job in making sure everything ran smoothly.

Volunteers are very important to the success of an event such as this. Thanks to the following DCC members who volunteered at the rally: Bud Bell, Kim and Michael Bott, Joan and Vince Caldwell, Terry and Frank Cooley, Eugenia and John Ducker, Harv Kiesel, Kay, Mark and Clara Minardi, Brad Miter, Bob Pinnell, Joan Rudy, Bill Staley, Vickie and Lee Test, Valerie Van Griethuysen, Kathi and Ed Witte, and Bob Young.

### Work to live; live to bike; bike to work!

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- DCC on the Internet •
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  - Finally, don't forget to visit the Dayton Cycling •
  - Club on Facebook. •
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## Join us on the Wine Ride

**Who:** DCC members only

**What:** An overnight bike ride from Young's Jersey Dairy to Lebanon, with dinner at Valley Vineyards in Morrow

**When:** 8:30 a.m. October 19-20, 2013

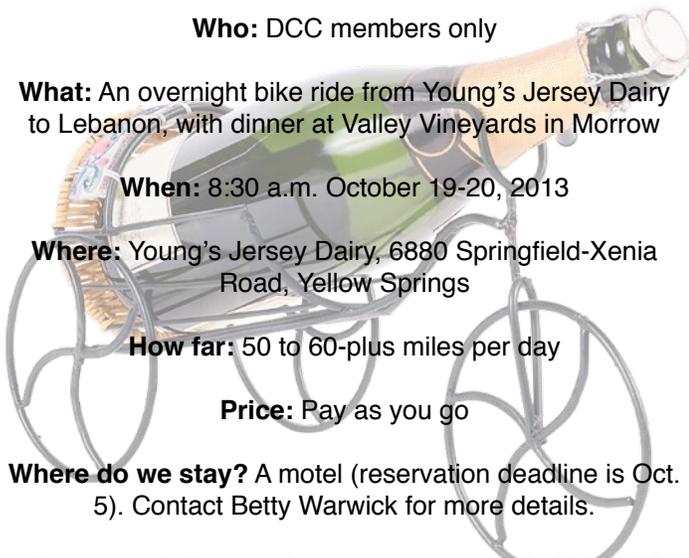
**Where:** Young's Jersey Dairy, 6880 Springfield-Xenia Road, Yellow Springs

**How far:** 50 to 60-plus miles per day

**Price:** Pay as you go

**Where do we stay?** A motel (reservation deadline is Oct. 5). Contact Betty Warwick for more details.

**Questions?** Contact Betty Warwick at (937) 667-4125 or [bettywarwick@aol.com](mailto:bettywarwick@aol.com); or Joan Rudy at (937) 475-1509 or [rudyjls2@core.com](mailto:rudyjls2@core.com)



## DCC spirit wear makes a great gift

DCC spirit wear supplies are very low, so order early for holiday giving.

A few 50th-anniversary jerseys remain. They are available in all sizes except XL. Jerseys cost \$55 plus \$2.75 for postage. Shorts, at \$45 plus \$2.75 for postage, are in extremely short supply. Call for sizes.



To order club clothing, contact Beverly Owens at (937) 832-8365 or [bowens@woh.rr.com](mailto:bowens@woh.rr.com).

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# Dayton Cycling Club Ballot

## For the election of the 2014 board of directors

DCC elections are held in accordance with Article III of the DCC Bylaws, which states:

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

*The nomination of the elected officials shall be made at the September meeting. Nominations also will be accepted from the floor at this meeting. The Nominating Committee's ballot, with write-in space, will be provided to all adult members by October 1 by posting on the club website. Paper ballots, if used, are to be marked and received not later than October 15 in a sealed envelope with the voter's name, signature and Club number on the envelope. Online ballots, if used, are to be submitted no later than October 15. Online ballots must have all personal information filled out to be valid. No voter may submit more than one ballot, regardless of voting method used.*

*The Nominating Committee shall function as the Board of Elections to verify membership and to certify the results of the election. Any voting discrepancies shall be presented to the Board of Directors for resolution.*

### How to Make Sure Your Vote Counts

Place an X in front of the names of the persons you wish to vote for. Write-in votes are allowed as long as you have the permission of the individual to enter his or her name.

Photocopies of the ballot are permissible when there are two or more adult voting members (members over the age of 18) in a family.

Ballots must be received (not merely postmarked) by Oct. 15. Include only one ballot per

envelope. On the upper left corner of the envelope, include (1) your printed name; (2) your signature; and (3) your club membership number. Identifying information is used only to confirm that those who submit ballots are eligible to vote.

Do not put any other club mail in your envelope. Mail ballot to: DCC Ballot Box, P.O. Box 94, Wright Brothers Branch, Dayton, OH 45409-0094.

President  
 Ed Witte  
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Vice President  
 Chuck Smith  
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Secretary  
 Donna Williams-Powell  
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Treasurer  
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Touring Captain  
 Bud Bell  
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Huffman Spring Classic Director(s)  
 Kimberly and Michael Bott  
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Wright Wride Director  
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Membership Director  
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Social Director  
 Kathi Witte  
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Newsletter Editor  
 Kay Wert Minardi  
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Bikeways Director  
 Chris Brown  
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Webmaster  
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Advocacy Director  
 Chuck Smith  
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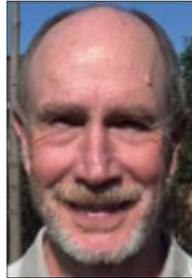
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# Meet the Candidates

For the election of the 2014 board of directors

## For president: Ed Witte

Fellow riders, this has been a year of positive changes for the club. We have reduced membership dues and have eliminated the mailing of paper Spoke 'N' Link newsletters. I am willing to continue as your president as we face the challenges of the coming year.



Ed Witte

## For vice president: Chuck Smith

I seek re-election to the DCC vice presidency and advocacy directorship. I have been a DCC member for 23 years and served on the board for many of those years. As the second largest cycling club in Ohio, we need to become the "go to" organization when community leaders wish to make improvements for cycling. I represent the DCC in Dayton Safe Kids, on the city of Dayton Bike/Walk Committee, and in Bike Miami Valley. If elected, I plan to expand our sphere of influence in the community during the coming year. I welcome ideas from our membership on improving cycling in our community.



Chuck Smith

## For Secretary: Donna Williams-Powell

I am once again running for secretary. Serving on the board of the Dayton Cycling Club is an excellent way to connect with and contribute to the local cycling community. I invite all cyclists and anyone interested in cycling to participate in the many rides and activities provided by the DCC. Thanks for your support!



Donna Powell

## For treasurer: No candidate

## For touring captain: Bud Bell

I have appreciated the privilege of serving as touring captain for the past three years. I would like the opportunity to continue to serve and support the club.



Bud Bell

## For Huffman Spring Classic co-directors: Kimberly and Michael Bott

Thanks to the fantastic support we received this year, we would like the opportunity to continue the tradition of the Huffman Spring Classic bicycle tour next year.



## For Wright Wride director: No candidate

## For social director: Kathi Witte

We have moved the awards banquet to April and have been able to subsidize your banquet so more members can attend and enjoy the fellowship. I am willing to serve as your social director for 2014. I will need assistance in planning other special events for 2014 and look forward to working with members on these events.



Michael Bott

## For newsletter editor: Kay Wert Minardi

I have been a DCC member since 1982 and a member of the board since November 1992. In 2013 I completed the transition of the Spoke 'N' Link to an all-electronic newsletter. I would appreciate your support in 2014. As always, I welcome more member contributions to the newsletter.



Kathi Witte

## For bikeways director: Chris Brown

I have been the bikeways director for the DCC since 2004. I enjoy promoting and riding the extensive network of recreation trails we have in the area and look forward to continuing to report on maintenance, new trail openings and interesting anecdotes sent in by the DCC membership.



K. Wert Minardi

## For webmaster: No candidate

## For advocacy director: Chuck Smith

See statement above.



Chris Brown

**Turn page for official ballot.**