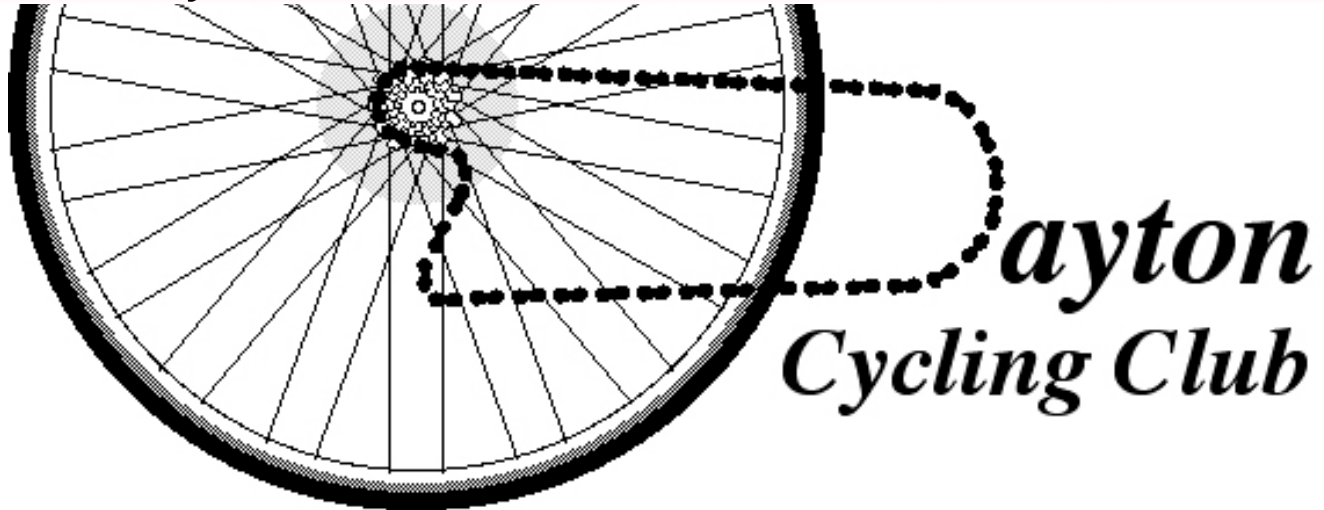


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DCC honors volunteers, riders

By Kay Wert Minardi, DCC newsletter editor
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At the Dayton Cycling Club Awards Banquet and Season Kickoff on Sunday, April 12, a number of DCC members received special recognition.

Sally Pinnell, who had suddenly passed away the day before, was honored with a moment of silence before the event began.

Harv Kiesel, longtime club webmaster, was given the Michele Rizzardi Volunteer of the Year Award. Mark Buchwalder, who leads the Wednesday night club rides out of PECO in Huber

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If you change your Internet service provider or are preparing to move, contact David Warner at (937) 416-1983 or David_Warner@glic.com. If you are moving, be sure to include your old and new addresses so we can update our membership roster.

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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. The next meetings will be May 6, June 3 and July 1 in the Community Room at the Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. All members are welcome to attend. If you wish to be added to the agenda of a meeting, contact President Ed Witte.

Upcoming S'n'L deadlines

For May	April 19 for editorial material April 20 for paid advertising
For June	May 10 for editorial material May 15 for paid advertising
For July	June 10 for editorial material June 15 for paid advertising

A bicycle ride is a flight from sadness.

— James E. Starrs
Author of *The Literary Cyclist:
Great Bicycling Scenes in Literature*

Dayton Cycling Club 2015 Calendar

• **May newsletter deadlines:** April 19 for editorial material, April 20 for paid advertising. Contact: Kay Wert Minardi, (937) 299-2454; spokenlink@minardi.org.

• **Founders Day Ride:** 8 a.m. Sunday, April 26, Vandalia Recreation Center, 1111 Stonequarry Road. Contact: Chuck Smith, (937) 890-6689; ohiobike@woh.rr.com.

• **May business meeting:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. Contact: Ed Witte, (937) 335-3096; edward_witte@yahoo.com.

• **Oakwood Bicycle Day:** 9:30 a.m. Saturday, May 9, Smith Elementary School. **Volunteers needed** to fit new helmets on kids and demonstrate bike safety during a short ride. Contact: Kay Wert Minardi, (937) 299-2454; spokenlink@minardi.org.

• **June newsletter deadlines:** May 10 for editorial material, May 15 for paid advertising. Contact: Kay Wert Minardi, (937) 299-2454; spokenlink@minardi.org.

• **41st Huffman Spring Classic:** Saturday-Sunday, May 16-17, Wax Park and Payne Rec Center, Moraine. Contact: Dwaine Wheeler, (937) 626-4455; kosh@woh.rr.com. **Volunteers needed.**

• **Covered Bridge Tour:** 7 a.m. Saturday, May 30, Brookville High School. Contact: Mark Buchwalder, (937) 479-6098; bikewalder@yahoo.com.

• **GOBA SAG registration deadline:** Monday, June 1, or when we reach 100 participants. Contact: Kay Wert Minardi, (937) 299-2454; spokenlink@minardi.org.

• **June business meeting:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. Contact: Ed Witte, (937) 335-3096; edward_witte@yahoo.com.

• **July newsletter deadlines:** June 10 for editorial material, June 15 for paid advertising. Contact: Kay Wert Minardi, (937) 299-2454; spokenlink@minardi.org.

• **July business meeting:** Wednesday July 1, Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. Contact: Ed Witte, (937) 335-3096; edward_witte@yahoo.com.

• **August newsletter deadlines:** July 10 for editorial material, July 15 for paid advertising.

Contact: Kay Wert Minardi, (937) 299-2454; spokenlink@minardi.org.

• **August business meeting:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. Contact: Ed Witte, (937) 335-3096; edward_witte@yahoo.com.

• **September newsletter deadlines:** Aug. 10 for editorial material, Aug. 15 for paid advertising. Contact: Kay Wert Minardi, (937) 299-2454; spokenlink@minardi.org.

• **39th Old World Tour:** Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 15-16, Springfield. Contact: John Bramhall, (937) 305-0410; bram_hall@ameritech.net.

• **44th Wright Wride:** Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 29-30, Eastwood MetroPark, Dayton. Contact: Dwaine Wheeler, (937) 626-4455; kosh@woh.rr.com. **Volunteers needed.**

• **September business meeting:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2 (**nominations due for 2016 Board of Directors**), Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. Contact: Ed Witte, (937) 335-3096; edward_witte@yahoo.com.

• **October/November/December newsletter deadlines:** Sept. 10 for editorial material, Sept. 15 for paid advertising.

• **October business meeting:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. • **Ballots for the election of the 2016 Board of Directors due:** Thursday, Oct. 15, in the DCC post office box or online.

• **Morrow Wine Ride:** Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 17-18, Young's Jersey Dairy, 6880 Springfield-Xenia Road, Yellow Springs. Contact: Betty Warwick, (937) 470-7598 or bettywarwick@aol.com; or Joan Rudy, (937) 475-1509 or rudyjsl2@core.com

• **November business meeting (2015 and '16 boards):** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4, Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive.

• **2016 budget proposals due:** Sunday, Nov. 21. Contact: Ken Mercurio, (805) 624-2062; dcdtreasurer9025@gmail.com

• **December business meeting and holiday potluck:** Wednesday Dec. 2, 935 Hathaway Road, Oakwood. The 2015 budget will be the main topic of discussion.

• **Jan./Feb./March newsletter deadlines:** Dec. 5 for editorial material, Dec. 10 for paid advertising.

Cadence

By Kay Wert Minardi, DCC newsletter editor
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What's going on with the newsletter?

I'm sure you're wondering why the *Spoke 'N' Link* has been on hiatus.

Since last summer our family has been through the illnesses and deaths of two people and the illnesses of four more. Mark's uncle passed away on July 7, and his father passed away on Nov. 17.

My mother recovered from her post-concussive syndrome, and Mark has mostly recuperated from surgery to remove his cancerous prostate. A brother-in-law is faring reasonably well in a long-running battle with cancer.

I have not been left untouched, and I'm not talking only about the stress of worrying and caring for loved ones.

In February after a biopsy, I found out that I have breast cancer. I am in the middle of a course of 33 radiation treatments. I am lucky in that I don't need chemotherapy. Still, radiation therapy is no picnic.

I'm trying to keep up with my activities around my daily treatments and the side effects they cause. So far, fatigue has been my biggest problem, but pain is catching up.

So, yes, I missed a whole issue of the *S'n'L*, and this one is late. I will do my best to keep up, but I can't promise a monthly, on-time newsletter.

We are planning to do GOBA this year. I don't know how much I will ride, but I will be there. I will be done with radiation and ready to spend some time with friends I haven't seen in a while. I am looking forward to it. I hope to see you there!

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Heights as well as the annual Covered Bridge Tour, received the Hugo B. Daba Ride Leader of the Year Award; and Anita Patten was named the Jo Glover Award winner.

Brandy Smith and Brian Bates were named female and male Rookie of the Year, respectively. The female Most Improved Rider was Gail Condra, and Alvin Tucker was named the male Most Improved Rider.

Last year the DCC racked up 188,443 touring miles, 43,344 bikeway miles and 37,832 commuting miles, for a grand total of 269,619 miles. That is farther than the average distance to the moon from earth (238,857 miles)!

Here are the individual high-mileage totals for the top riders in each category:

Category	Name	Miles
Touring, female	Eugenia Ducker	4,577
Touring, male	Dyke Thornburg	7,177
Bikeway, female	Brenda Butler	3,673
Bikeway, male	Bob Hartman	4,627
Commuting, female	Val Van Griethuysen	1,359
Commuting, male	Tom Holmes	4,860
Overall, female	Eugenia Ducker	5,443
Overall, male	Dyke Thornburg	7,177

The banquet program was dedicated to the memory of longtime DCC treasurer Michele Rizzardi and longtime member Bill Saylor, both of whom passed away in 2014.

Congratulations to all volunteers and riders on a great 2014, and best wishes for a safe and happy 2015!

Looking for a ride? See daytoncyclingclub.org for the latest list of club rides.

Meeting Minutes

By Donna Williams-Powell, DCC secretary
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Oct. 1, 2014

The Dayton Cycling Club Board of Directors met at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, at the Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. In attendance were board members Chuck Smith, Donna Powell, Ed Witte, Bud Bell, Kay Wert Minardi, Harv Kiesel and Kimberly Bott.

President Ed Witte called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Kay Wert Minardi, newsletter editor and acting treasurer, began by presenting an abbreviated treasurer's report. The club is still in need of a permanent treasurer. We have one interested member who is willing to run for election as a write-in candidate.

Wert Minardi also reported that the last *Spoke 'N' Link* of 2014 had been published. She planned to publish the January/February/March 2015 issue of the *S'n'L* before the end of December.

Chuck Smith, vice president and advocacy director, made a motion to honor past treasurer Michele Rizzardi by naming the DCC's annual Volunteer of the Year award after Michele and also to sponsor the cost of a memorial bench along one of the bikeways in Michele's honor. Powell seconded the motion, and the motion passed without opposition. Smith will check with Five Rivers MetroParks about sponsoring a bench.

Smith also reported on Five Rivers MetroParks' Midwest Outdoor Experience. He said volunteers were needed for the 3-8 p.m. Saturday shift. Powell

put forth a motion to offer a \$5 membership discount for new and renewal memberships paid during the MOX event. Bell seconded, and the motion was approved without opposition.

Smith then initiated a discussion of opportunities at Dayton Access TV to make bike-friendly public service videos and the level of sponsorship that would fit with the club's goals.

Secretary Donna Powell had nothing to report.

Huffman Spring Classic Co-Director Kimberly Bott had nothing to report.

Touring Director Bud Bell had nothing to report.

Harv Kiesel, webmaster, reported that he has had one training session with the incoming webmaster.

Since there was no further business, Smith moved to adjourn the meeting and Bell seconded the motion. There was no opposition, and the meeting ended at 8 p.m.

Nov. 5, 2014

The board met at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, at the Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. Directors Chuck Smith, Donna Powell, David Warner, Jim Morgan, Ken Mercurio and Kay Wert Minardi; and DCC members Harv Kiesel and Ken Mercurio attended.

In the absence of the president, Vice President and Advocacy Director Chuck Smith called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

Smith introduced the newly elected DCC

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webmaster, Jim Morgan. Outgoing Webmaster Harv Kiesel will turn over the DCC PayPal account and PayPal spreadsheet to the new treasurer. The board recognized and thanked Kiesel for his efforts in maintaining the website for many years.

Acting Treasurer Kay Wert Minardi said DCC member Toni Massa, who received three write-in votes for treasurer, declined election because she doesn't have time to be on the board. She instead will chair the financial audit committee. Smith introduced Ken Mercurio, who has volunteered to take on the treasurer position. Wert Minardi moved to formally appoint Mercurio as treasurer. Warner seconded the motion, and Mercurio was appointed with no opposition.

Smith thanked all who volunteered during the Midwest Outdoor Experience. The club promoted cycling and signed up several new members during this event.

Smith gave an update on House Bill 145, which would require motor vehicle drivers to pass cyclists by at least 3 feet. It also would allow road users to proceed through an intersection after stopping and yielding even when sensors don't detect them and advance the traffic signal to green. He asked all cyclists to support H.B. 145. If the bill doesn't pass this year, it must be reintroduced in 2015. Smith will add a post to our Facebook page with a link so members can register their support of H.B. 145.

Smith reported that two DCC members were interested in working with Dayton Access Television (DATV) to create cycling-related programs/videos. Smith moved to approve two individual memberships at a cost of \$50 each. Wert Minardi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Newsletter Editor Kay Wert Minardi said she was

planning to put out an extra edition of the *Spoke 'N' Link*, which will include a wrap-up of the Old World and Wright Wride tours.

Membership Director David Warner reported on his experience representing the DCC at the Premier Health employee health fair. He had many inquiries about education for beginning cyclists. A discussion followed about opportunities to develop beginner group rides, riding programs and workshops.

Cycle-Logik in Centerville has offered to sponsor a DCC day on a Saturday or Sunday in November or December to introduce its facilities to members. Warner will work on scheduling this event.

Dates for major 2015 DCC ride events were set and will be submitted for publication in the Ohio Bicycle Federation's *Ohio Bicycle Events Calendar*. The dates are as follows:

- Huffman Spring Classic: May 17
- Wright Wride: Aug. 23
- Covered Bridge Tour: to be determined
- Morrow Wine Ride: to be determined

In new business, Wert Minardi reminded the board that budget proposals must be submitted by the end of November so they can be voted on during the Dec. 3 meeting, which will include a holiday potluck.

Powell move to adjourn the meeting. Smith seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

December 3, 2014

The board met at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the Vandalia Justice Center, 245 James Bohanan Drive. New board members Ken Mercurio and Jim Morgan joined returning board members Bud Bell, Chris Brown, Donna Powell, Chuck Smith, David

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Warner, Kay Wert Minardi and Ed Witte; membership assistant Alan Bindemann; outgoing Social Director Kathi Witte; and DCC member Dwaine Wheeler.

President Ed Witte called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

Donna Powell, secretary, presented minutes from the November meeting. Wert Minardi moved to accept the minutes with a correction in the spelling of Toni Massa's name. Smith seconded the motion, and the November minutes were unanimously approved.

Acting Treasurer Kay Wert Minardi presented a draft budget for 2015. The budget was reviewed and adjustments were made in membership income and computer and mailing expenses. Smith moved to approve the 2015 budget, Powell seconded the motion and the budget was unanimously approved.

Dwaine Wheeler volunteered to direct the Wright Wride in 2015. Wert Minardi moved to appoint him Wright Wride director. Ed Witte seconded and the motion carried without opposition. Wheeler said he wants to revive the Wright Historical Tour and hold a two-day Wright Wride Weekend on Aug. 29-30.

Vice President Chuck Smith reminded the board of the Jan. 14 and Jan. 27 deadlines for submission of event listings and a display ad, respectively, to the Ohio Bicycle Federation's 2015 *Ohio Bicycle Events Calendar*. It was agreed that the ride directors should list all major DCC rides. Wert Minardi said Mark Buchwalder has set the Covered Bridge Tour for May 30.

Smith said House Bill 145 is still in the full House. The OBF Facebook page has a hyperlink that will link to your state representative if you want to register your support of this bill. Smith also shared that OBF representatives testified in favor of House Bill 637, a bill that would make texting and driving a

primary offense. If passed into law, this legislation would allow law-enforcement officers to pull over drivers (including bicycle drivers) for texting violations.

Webmaster Jim Morgan initiated a discussion about the most efficient means of sending reminders for membership renewals. A general discussion of moving to a once-a-year deadline for membership dues followed. The membership team feels that this would greatly decrease the effort required for collecting membership fees, issuing past-due reminders, etc. The Cincinnati Cycle Club manages its membership in this manner. Alan Bindemann, membership database administrator, will do some research and present options to the board to help it determine if this strategy would be an improvement over our current process.

Morgan then requested some direction from the board regarding classified ads posted to the DCC website. It was clarified that only members can post ads, and ads can remain on the website for only three months. Rides from non-members may be posted to the website under "other rides" as a courtesy at the webmaster's discretion, but should not be posted with official DCC rides. One week's notice is required.

Morgan reported that the DCC website had three viruses but it has since been scanned and cleaned. The website host will now routinely scan the website for issues such as this. Morgan said he will periodically create backup discs for the website and keep one copy and give another to Wert Minardi for safekeeping. He added that we are paid until 2021 with Go Daddy and until 2015 for our server domain.

Morgan pointed out that the club bylaws (Article

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VII — Duties Of Officers) do not define the duties of the webmaster. The board will need to work on adding this to the bylaws. Wert Minardi said she would work on this.

Chris Brown, bikeways director, reported that the bikeway to Austin Landing is due to be completed in the summer. Construction on Interstate 75 affecting the Great Miami River Bikeway in downtown Dayton is due to be completed in 2017. The pedestrian/bike bridge over I-675 near Wright State University is scheduled to be finished in May 2015.

Newsletter Editor Kay Wert Minardi said she was not able to publish the extra edition of the *Spoke 'N' Link* due to her husband's surgery and her father-in-law's death in November. Dec. 10 is the deadline for articles and advertisements to appear in the January/February/March edition of the newsletter.

David Warner, membership director, said there were 11 new individual members and four new member families. The DCC therefore had 72 families and 237 adults in the club, for a total membership of 399 people. Warner reported that he is working on various discounts for members. Also, he said Bindemann will copy both the treasurer and the appropriate director on financial transactions such as PayPal transactions for event registration.

Treasurer Ken Mercurio had nothing to report since he is still transitioning into this role.

Bud Bell, touring director, had nothing to report.

Since there was no further business, Smith moved to adjourn the meeting and Bell seconded his motion. There was no opposition, and the meeting ended at 9 p.m.

Check out DCC member Ken McCall's new blog "The Bike Life" on Dayton.com!

Ladies Day riders visit Young's Dairy



Photos provided by Joan Rudy

On Sept. 3, 2014, Eugenia Ducker led the annual DCC Ladies Day Ride. The ride is intended to encourage women to ride bikes and to recruit new women DCC members. About a dozen women rode from Old Town Reserve in Xenia to Young's Jersey Dairy for lunch. A great time was had by all. Thanks to Harv Kiesel and Don Weber for providing cycling SAG support!

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- DCC on the Internet**
- To view the Dayton Cycling Club Web site, go to: <http://daytoncyclingclub.org>.
 - To join the DCC e-mail list, send a blank e-mail to dcc-subscribe@topica.com. Once subscribed, post to the list by sending your e-mail to dcc@topica.com.
 - To add something to the DCC home page, contact DCC Webmaster Harv Kiesel at webmaster@daytoncyclingclub.org.
 - Finally, don't forget to visit the Dayton Cycling Club on Facebook.



Membership Message

By David Warner, DCC membership director
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Welcome to the newest Dayton Cycling Club members

The following new members have joined the Dayton Cycling Club since Oct. 1. Be sure to say hello when you see them at DCC rides and events:

Loribelle, John, Aiden, Keanu and Annalisa Harrington of Beavercreek

Angela Manuszak of Centerville

John T. Moore of Clayton

Kelly Cesare and Adam Messer of Dayton

Greg Doerflein of Englewood

Kathryn Fleming and Dale Mangen of Greenville

Tim Riggs of Hamilton

Jim Ellis; Bernie Gearon; Brett Holland; Jan and Susan Kinner; Theresa, Michael, Reid and Reilly Lawson; and Cheryl and Tim Zechar — all from Kettering

Ed Diehl of Miamisburg

John Matyas of Middletown

Lily Wheeler of Moraine

Lori Cohen of Oakwood

Dee Mara of Springboro

Meg and Brent Andersen of Springfield

Darryl Cloud of Sidney

Linda Salyer and Craig, Leslie, Hailey, Clayton and Rachel Vaughn, all of Tipp City

Joan Smoke of Troy

Linda Clemens and Doug Barker of Xenia

The DCC membership as of April 14 was 412. There were 231 adult members, 79 family memberships consisting of a total of 161 adults and 16 junior members, and four honorary members.

DCC member describes accident, recovery in book

Ken Mercurio's book *Head Over Wheels: A 'Lucky Stiff' Turns Tragedy into a Cycling Triumph* was published in October 2014 by Sunbury Press. Mercurio has been a Dayton Cycling Club member since he moved to Monroe in 2011. In November he joined the DCC Board of Directors as treasurer.

Head Over Wheels is Mercurio's inspirational account of his difficult recovery from a bicycle crash in 2007. In that accident he broke his neck so severely, doctors treating him said it was a miracle he survived. Almost his entire neck had to be fused.

Mercurio crashed when his fork suddenly snapped and fell into his front spokes while he was riding at 28

mph. Fellow cyclists stopped and helped save his life. His neurosurgeon later said he thought Mercurio might be able to ride again, "gently."

But Mercurio had already registered to ride the Blue Ridge Parkway nine months later. With no idea if he could ever ride again, he made that five-day, 500-mile tour with 45,000 feet of climbing his recovery goal. His is a tale of love and support from family and friends and of spiritual growth.

Head Over Wheels is available wherever books are sold online, as well as at BikeWise bike shop in Oxford. An electronic (Kindle, etc.) version is also available.

Dorothy Lane Market shoppers net DCC a little extra cash

By Kay Wert Minardi, DCC newsletter editor
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Based on Dayton Cycling Club members' participation in its 2014 Good Neighbor Program, Dorothy Lane Market recently donated \$27.65 to the DCC.

Four DCC households were registered in the program, with total spending of \$3,114.34. Only two households topped the \$1,000 spending threshold, so only \$2,996.93 counted toward our rebate.


In the Good Neighbor Program, shoppers who have a DLM Club card may choose among hundreds of local charities to receive a rebate based on the shoppers' spending \$1,000 or more.

DLM rebated a total of \$40,000 in 2014, and the

DCC's percentage of total spending represented 0.069 percent of the total for all charities.

If you shop at any of the Dorothy Lane Market locations and are interested in earning a bit of money for the DCC, stop by the DLM service desk and ask for a Good Neighbor Program application. If you participated in 2014, you need to re-apply for 2015. Be sure to check the box for the Dayton Cycling Club on the application.

DLM does not release to us (or anyone else) the names of those who participate in the Good Neighbor Program nor how much any family or individual spends.




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Treasurer's Report

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2015 Dayton Cycling Club Budget

Category	Income	Expenses	Balance
Membership dues	6,800	0	6,800
Patches/ID kits	30	-500	-470
Printing	0	-500	-500
Mailing	0	-250	-250
Computer supplies	0	-400	-400
Clothing (non-racing)	350	-350	0
Safety supplies	0	-50	-50
Advocacy	0	-200	-200
Touring	0	-200	-200
Covered Bridge Tour 5/30	50	0	50
Old World Tour 8/15-16	4,000	-4000	0
GOBA 6/20-27	5300	-2800	2500
Huffman Spring Classic 5/16-17	2700	-1800	900
Huffman T-shirts	250	-500	-250
Wright Wride 8/29-30	5000	-3000	2000
Wright Wride T-shirts	450	-880	-430
Social/picnic	0	0	0
Annual banquet	695	-875	-180
Awards	0	-2000	-2000
Newsletters	700	-2000	-1300
Administration & Miscellaneous			
Affiliations and dues	0	-400	-400
OBF calendars	0	-350	-350
Website	0	-450	-450
Insurance	0	-1300	-1300
Locker rental	0	-1000	-1000
Marketing/sponsorships	0	-3335	-3335
Misc. (DLM Good Neighbor Program)	15	0	15
Total	26,340	-27140	-800

Old World Tour features good riding, good eats, good friends

By John Bramhall, Old World Tour director
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 Photos by Frank Brooks and Vickie Test

The weather was virtually perfect for the 38th annual Old World Tour, which was held on the weekend of Aug. 16-17, 2014. Fifty-one riders and 12 non-riders enjoyed the overnight trek from Buck Creek State Park in Springfield to German Village in Columbus, with rest stops in London and Lilly Chapel. The route was 51 miles each direction for a total of 102 miles for the weekend. High temperatures ranged from the upper 70s to the low 80s, with sunny skies Saturday and partly cloudy skies Sunday but no rain.

On Saturday the riders had coffee and bagels at Buck Creek State Park before heading to their first stop in London, about 18 miles away, almost all on roads. An optional loop was added to the route between Buck Creek State Park and London that gave the riders who chose to ride it an additional 4 or 10 miles. The stop in London was at Cowling Park, where riders enjoyed fresh fruit, snacks and cold drinks.

Income	\$4,220.72
Expenses	\$4,066.50
Net income	\$154.22

The riders then proceeded through downtown London and picked up Ohio Bicycle Route 1



(Roberts Pass Trail). The bike path took them to Lilly Chapel, approximately 10 more miles, where they enjoyed the festivities at the annual Lilly Chapel Homecoming and Parade. Many of the riders filled up on the

delicious home-cooked food served at the homecoming. These delicacies included the ever-popular chicken and noodles, pulled pork sandwiches, corn on the cob and fresh-baked pies.

From Lilly Chapel the riders continued on the bike path for about 4 more miles before taking surface streets for the last 19 miles into German Village, just south of downtown Columbus. Once reaching German Village the riders checked in at the Comfort Inn and Suites, where they gathered their luggage and room keys.

While a few of the participants opted to relax in the hotel lobby or take a dip in the pool, most went to Plank's Bier Garten, just a few blocks from the hotel, for an after-ride social. At Plank's they enjoyed delicious appetizers and refreshing drinks, visited with their fellow riders and made plans for dinner.

After returning to the hotel and getting cleaned up, the riders

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headed out in smaller groups to enjoy dinner at the many fine restaurants within walking distance. Feeling the need to walk after feasting on their dinners, many strolled through German Village, taking in the historic houses and beautiful gardens and visiting some of the unique shops including the Book Loft, a 32-room independent bookstore filled from floor to ceiling with books, magazines, greeting cards and jigsaw puzzles.

After returning to the hotel, a few riders socialized in the lobby but many turned in for the night to rest up for the early departure Sunday.

Sunday morning, riders were treated to a continental breakfast at the hotel before beginning the return ride to Buck Creek State Park. The riders reversed the route from Saturday to head back to the rest stop at Lilly Chapel, where they again enjoyed ice-cold watermelon, fresh fruit, snacks and drinks.

After departing Lilly Chapel, many of the riders stopped at McDonald's in London for an early lunch and a last chance to socialize before returning to Buck Creek State Park. Once arriving at the park, they gathered up their



Riders enjoy postride libations at Plank's Bier Garten in German Village.

luggage, loaded their bikes and headed for home.

The Dayton Cycling Club received a total of \$4,220.72 in Old World Tour registration fees. Expenditures, which included the hotel accommodations, food and drinks, road-marking paint, cue sheet and map printing, gas for the SAG vehicles, and insurance, totaled \$4,066.50.

It is impossible to put on an event of this magnitude without the help of people who graciously volunteer their time and resources.

First I would like to acknowledge the work of our road-marking team, which spent the better part of Aug. 3 marking the roads between Buck Creek State Park and German Village. Thank you to Mary Lemaster, George Stum, Clarence Perry and

Jim Lemaster for their time and hard work. The most frequent compliment I heard all weekend about the tour was the exceptional quality of the road markings!

Next, thanks to Mary Lemaster and Kimberly Bott, along with Frank Brooks, Brenda Butler and Abby Elton, for providing outstanding SAG support during the tour. Checking riders in and out, keeping track of 51 riders on the move, hauling luggage and setting up and tearing down rest stops is no small task. However, this crew made it look easy!

Most importantly, thank you to all the riders and non-riders who participated in the 2014 Old World Tour. I hope to see all of you on the 39th Old World Tour on the weekend of Aug. 15-16. Until then, ride safely!

Commuter Chronicles

By Chuck Smith, DCC vice president and advocacy director
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Have fun while representing the DCC at Bike to Work Day

We have had more fun than you can imagine with our Dayton Cycling Club photo booth at past Bike to Work Days at RiverScape MetroPark in downtown Dayton.

Five Rivers MetroParks' annual Bike To Work Day Pancake Breakfast will be from 7 to 9 a.m. Friday, May 15, at RiverScape. Contact me at bikeohio@gmail.com if you can help us with the photo booth.

If you cannot help out, at least leave your car in the garage and ride your bike to RiverScape on your own or with a group for a free pancake breakfast before heading to work. There will be live music, cycling-related exhibitors and a team challenge. Be sure to register your miles as part of the DCC's team!

Here are details on other local Bike to Work Days, courtesy of the Five Rivers MetroParks website:

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base will hold its 20th annual Bike to Work Day from 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 13. The Miami Valley's oldest Bike to Work Day event includes breakfast, exhibitors and more. The event is for base personnel only.

Wright State University is hosting a Bike to Campus Breakfast from 7 to 9 a.m. Wednesday, May 13, at the student union. This event is for WSU students and employees only.

CCC tops DCC in 2014 cycle-commuting miles

Congratulations to the Cincinnati Cycle Club for



Even when it's cold, DCC volunteers find reason to smile at Bike to Work Day at RiverScape MetroPark in downtown Dayton.

logging 47,254 bicycle-commuting miles during 2014! This number includes all travel during which a bicycle replaced motorized transportation.

The Dayton Cycling Club tallied 37,832 bicycle-commuting miles during 2014, taking second in the annual competition between the two clubs for bicycle commuting supremacy in southwestern Ohio. Thus, the coveted Dayton Cycling Club/Cincinnati Cycle Club Commuter Challenge Cup (DC-8) was presented to the CCC during its Jan. 17 banquet.

The two clubs' combined 5,041 commuting miles meant 2 tons of carbon-based pollutants were not released into the air of southwestern Ohio during 2014. Together, the clubs have logged more than 2 million commuter miles since 1993, saving the air of southwestern Ohio 52 tons of pollutants!

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Keep your miles and tips coming

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

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



DCC commuting area coordinators

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

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 _____
 Year to date commuter miles _____
 Month _____
 Miles this month _____
 Lifetime commuter miles _____
 Years commuted _____

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-nexus.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.

GOBA 2015 to begin in Van Wert; DCC again offers SAG service

By Kay Wert Minardi; DCC newsletter editor and GOBA sag coordinator
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Columbus Outdoor Pursuits on Nov. 23 announced the route of the 27th annual Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure, which will be June 20-27, 2015.

GOBA participants will gather at the Van Wert County Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 20. On Father's Day, riders will cycle 52 miles to Bluffton. On Monday, riders will cover 57 miles to Defiance for a two-night stay. A 53-mile optional loop will be available Tuesday. GOBAville goes on the road again Wednesday with a 49-mile trek to Bowling Green for another two-night stay. Optional loops of 53 and 100 miles will be available to ride on Thursday. Friday's ride of 54 miles will prepare participants for the annual GOBA song contest in Ottawa. A 45-mile jaunt back to Van Wert will round out the week.

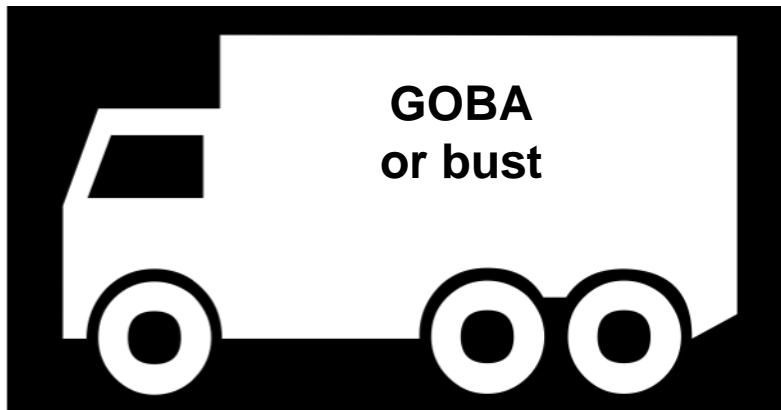
The Minardis are again organizing a SAG wagon to accompany Dayton Cycling Club members and friends on GOBA. Stan Gockel is unavailable to drive the truck this year. He and his wife are expecting their first grandchild's arrival (congratulations!) in mid-June, and so will remain home. Mark hopes to be able to drive the truck for the week, but work and school might interfere with those plans.

The DCC pays the GOBA registration fee of a full-time truck driver, so this is a nice way for a non-rider to accompany his or her spouse on a fun-filled week. If you are interested in driving the truck and providing help to 100 grateful bicyclists, contact

Mark Minardi at (937) 760-3993 as soon as possible.

The DCC sag service costs \$50 for Dayton Cycling Club members. The fee for non-members is \$70, and includes one year of membership in the DCC. This guarantees space on a 24-foot rental truck for several small bags of gear plus a lawn chair for each participant. In addition, each afternoon ice-cold

drinks and snacks will await riders in a tarp-shaded area near our group camping spot. We do not provide morning coffee or guarantee proximity to GOBAville, toilets or showers.



Participants must register with Columbus Outdoor Pursuits to ride GOBA (see <http://goba.com/wordpress/>).

The DCC SAG service can accommodate 100 people, and 36 are enrolled so far. We accept applications in the order received, and we don't hold places open. It is OK to register without knowing your GOBA number, but eventually we will need that number to prove to that all of us have registered with Columbus Outdoor Pursuits.

Fill out the application on Page 17 and mail it as directed with a check or money order, or pay online at <http://daytoncyclingclub.org/great-ohio-bicycle-adventure-goba/#pay-online>

For more information about the DCC's GOBA sag service, contact Kay Wert Minardi at spokenlink@minardi.org.

Ride Greene County's 'Happy Trails'

Greene County Parks & Trails invites bicyclists from near and far to the 12th Greene Trails Cycling Classic (GTCC), which showcases 62 miles of paved multi-use trails that are part of the nation's largest network of paved, off-street trails. The event will feature a Mid-WESTERN theme.

The GTCC will be July 16-19 at the Fairgrounds Recreation Center in Xenia. The four-day cycling event will feature a different trail each day.

Kick off the event with a Twilight Trail Tour with the GCP&T Trail Sentinels beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 15, at Fairgrounds Recreation Center and "moseying on over" to Jamestown on the Xenia-Jamestown Connector.

On Thursday, cyclists will travel the Creekside Trail from Xenia to Dayton (34 miles). The ride also will feature geocaching. Cyclists must have their own GPS units for this modern-day scavenger hunt.

A pancake breakfast will kick off Friday, which traditionally is the century day of the tour.

Greene County Parks & Trails Special Events Manager Robin Gregory said, "Cyclists may choose our traditional 100-mile century ride on the Little Miami Scenic Trail from Xenia to Miamiville and back. We are also offering a 62-mile metric century ride from Xenia to Morrow and back. As always, cyclists can turn around at any time if the mileage is too challenging. Awards will be given to those who complete either century ride."

Saturday's 50-mile ride will feature the northern Little Miami Scenic Trail, including Yellow Springs and Springfield. An off-trail loop to Clifton Mill — the oldest water-powered gristmill in Ohio — offers an additional 10 miles of riding.

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2015 DCC GOBA Sag Registration

My/Our name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

ZIP code _____

E-mail address: _____

Home telephone: _____

Cell telephone: _____

DCC member number _____

I am willing to assist with shopping one day. _____

I am willing to drive the truck for a day. _____
(Please include photocopy of valid driver's license.)

GOBA number(s) (from Columbus Outdoor Pursuits:

Number of DCC members ____ X \$50 = Total \$ _____

Number of non-members ____ X \$70 = Total \$ _____

Grand total \$ _____

Make check or money order payable to the
Dayton Cycling Club. Mail to DCC GOBA Sag,
935 Hathaway Road, Oakwood, OH 45419.

Deals on Wheels

Dayton Cycling Club members may place one free personal ad in "Deals on Wheels" per calendar year. Ads placed by non-members and members' second or more ads cost \$10 per month. Personal ads must be submitted in writing (by e-mail or snail mail), generally by the fifth of the month preceding publication. Ads are also placed on the DCC website.

Remember, the club ride schedule is at
daytoncyclingclub.org.

T-shirt's popularity adds to success of 2014 Wright Wride

By Marty Moseman, 2014 DCC Wright Wride director

The 2014 Wright Wride was a success, and everyone loved the T-shirts. Thanks to Kay Wert Minardi for her design idea. We had great weather and a good turnout for the ride. We heard many comments about how well the roads were marked and how well everything was set up at the food stops.

There were 182 riders, the majority of whom signed up the day of the ride.

This event would not have been such a huge success without our many smiling volunteers. Thanks to Bud Bell, Dan Knapke, Ted Wendeln, Barb and John Bramhall, Joan Rudy, Joan Caldwell, Sally Pinell, Carolyn Winters, Pat Hamilton, Alvin Tucker, Cindy Himes, Mike Leibold, Mark Minardi, Bob Young, Barbara Richards, Ed and Kathi Witte, Bob Harman, Frank Brooks, Wally Taylor, Hal Hunter, Jim Lemaster, Ken Holt, Andy Auman, Harv Kiesel. And I want to give kudos to those who supplied the baked goods: Jen Nunez, Don and Connie Weber, Scott and Brenda Butler, Paula Curtis, Barbara Richards, Doreen Berkhimer and Becky Gruber.

We greatly appreciate the SAG assistance from Kevin Sintz from Performance Bike in Beavercreek and Chris Worrell from Black Pug Bike Repair in Yellow Springs.

I apologize if I have forgotten any Wright Wride volunteers. I and the riders appreciate your time and efforts.

Truly, activities like this cannot and will not succeed without wonderful volunteers giving of their time and energy. I thank you all again for all you did to help me through this.

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Cyclists ride 42 miles of the Ohio-to-Erie Trail from Xenia to South Charleston on Sunday, July 19.

Registration includes camping, SAG support, rest stops, purchase pickup, a T-shirt, breakfast daily and all evening entertainment, including meals Thursday and Saturday night (if registered for those days).

The fee structure for the GTCC is:

	Adults	Children (age 5-12)
Four days	\$150	\$75
Three days	\$125	\$65
Two days	\$100	\$55
One day	\$ 80	\$50
Non-riders	\$50/day	\$50/day
Greene res.	\$ 25/day	\$10/day

Group rate: There is a discount of \$10 per person per day if five or more people from the same bicycle club mail their registration fees together.

For more information or to register, visit <http://gcparkstrails.com/event-CyclingClassic.html>.

Santa cycles Cincy streets



Photo provided by Chuck Smith

Frank Henson of Queen City Bike, a bicycle advocacy organization, can be seen pedaling the streets of Cincinnati throughout the holiday season in full Santa regalia.



Dayton Cycling Club Membership Application



New Member
 Renewal
 New Address

} DCC# _____

E-Mail

I would like to receive e-mail announcements from the DCC about the availability of the newsletter.
 Please do not send me e-mail.

Mailing Information

Street address (please enter name(s) below)

City State ZIP

Phone

E-mail address

Volunteer! Help support cycling and the DCC!

Club banquet
 Social events/picnics
 Huffman Spring Classic
 Newsletter
 Wright Wride
 Old World Tour
 Overnight tours
 Other (specify below)

Membership

Junior (up to age 18) \$10/yr. × ____ yrs = \$____
 Adult (age 18 & over) \$20/yr. × ____ yrs = \$____
 Family (includes spouse & dependent juniors) \$30/yr. × ____ yrs = \$____

Extras

DCC patch \$2 × ____ Quantity = \$____
 Medical Info kit (free to new members) \$2 × ____ Quantity = \$____

Total enclosed \$_____
 (Make check payable to Dayton Cycling Club)

Release

All applicants must sign the release below. Applicants under 18 must give date of birth and have a parent or guardian's signature.

I do, hereby, for myself, my family, my heirs, my executors or administrators, release and forever discharge any and all rights and claims, for, or to be, for which I or members of my family may have or which may hereafter accrue to me or my family against the Dayton Cycling Club and/or any other person connected with scheduled club activities, individually or collectively, for all responsibility for injury to Persons during these activities.

Names and Signatures

Adult 1 name	DOB (opt)	➔	Adult 1 Signature	Date
Adult 2 name	DOB (opt)	➔	Adult 2 Signature	Date
Junior 1 name	Date of Birth	➔	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
Junior 2 Name	Date of Birth	➔	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

Mail application and check to DCC Membership, c/o Alan Bindemann, 35 Fry Ct., Springboro, OH 45066-8690