



April 1996

# ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELMEN

*greater peoria's bicycle club*



SERVING UP BIKE SAFETY TO 8,000 PEOPLE. IVW to be featured at Kid's Nowadays Festival. On April 27, the IVW will co-host bicycle safety activities at an annual children's festival held at the Peoria Civic Center. This is a great opportunity for the IVW to: 1. Help some kids become better cyclists. 2. Promote a positive public image for cyclists and the IVW in the Peoria area, and 3. Educate parents about the importance of preventative medicine (bike safety skills) as opposed to simply mandating helmet use.

*IVW festival activities include:*

- Bike rodeo: As kids test ride new bikes, we'll be guiding them through a bicycle skills test course. These mini-lessons will target the leading causes of children's bicycle accidents.
- Helmet fit: The IVW will help fit/adjust some new helmets being raffled off.
- Communication: We'll be showing bike safety videos and passing out literature which will help both cyclists and motorists share the road safely.

Tipped helmets to IVW member Charlie Klees for "riding point" on the IVW's involvement in this event. Some additional IVW volunteers will guarantee we have a fun and successful day. Mark your calendar for April 27 and give Charlie a call at 694-3674.

RETURN OF THE FABULOUS WRENCH TWIRLERS. Bikes For Kids II. These twirlers won't have pon-poms, but they'll be bringing plenty of smiles just the same. On May 18, the IVW will team up with our favorite local bike shops, Bergner's department store, and the Salvation Army to repair donated bicycles for local needy children. The event will be held in Bergner's Sheridan Village parking lot. We're working on a few extras this year—such as a tent-top to shade the bike mechanics, a remote broadcast by a local radio station, brass marching band, cameo

**T**here was an article in a recent Washington Reporter about utility work that has begun in preparation for a major improvement to South Main between Melvin Street and Guth Road. That's good news for cyclists and motorists alike! It's the only south entrance to the city and many of you know what kind of shape it's in at present. Improvements are planned to be completed by the end of the year. This is definitely good news!

—Ron Anderson

appearance by Greg Lemond, nude inline skate competition... (a couple of these are somewhat conjectural). IVW bike mechanics are needed and welcome. The date is still flexible—watch next month's newsletter for details or give me a call.

SPIN UP TO THE RALLY FOR FUN CLOSE TO HOME. This year's National Bicycling Rally presented by the League of American Bicyclists will be held in nearby Dayton, Ohio (July 3-7). An LAB rally features lots of great food, pre-marked routes, and friendly cyclists. Because we enjoyed them so much, Jennifer and I are repeat rally customers, going on our third. I'd like to encourage all IVW members to take advantage of this year's unique opportunity. For a registration form, call 1-800-288-BIKE. Or e-mail bikeevent@aol.com.

GOIN' TO A RIDE? CALL RUSS GOIN. Out-of-town rides are a great place to advertise the IVW's invitational events (No Baloney, Tandem Rally, Interplanetary, and Diane's Ride). We plan to have a stack of IVW flyers on the registration tables at all central Illinois biking events. IVW Vice President Russ Goin will organize this. If you're planning to attend some out-of-town events this season, give Russ a call at 693-1686 and take some flyers along.

WANT TO RIDE THROUGH EAST PEORIA?—IDOT WANTS TO KNOW. As part of its new policy to consider bicycle accommodations on all new state highway projects, the Illinois Department of Transportation has asked for IVW input on a major East Peoria roadway project. As stated in the letter we received from the local IDOT office, Illinois Route 8 (Washington St) is targeted for upgrade between Rosedale Road (East Peoria) and US 24 (Washington). Plans include widening to four traffic lanes, one center turn lane, and sidewalks. IDOT wants to know if bicycle accommodations are needed on this road. I'm preparing a response—give me a call for more details at 685-3921.

PEKIN BIKE MAP PROGRESS. By the time you read this, I should have a finished version of the IVW's bike plan/map for the city of Pekin. I'm assembling the ideas of five IVW members for Pekin's most bicycle friendly routes and future projects which will expand the system. We're working this into Pekin's new comprehensive plan.

—Eric Hutchison



### NEW MEMBERS

Joe, Pamela, Laura,	
Marilyn & Renee Alli	Peoria
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Carl & Janice De Boer	Peoria
Marshall Elson	Peoria
Chuck Gullette	Washington
Jim, Stephanie & Sue Hooker*	Chillicothe
Eric & Jennifer Hutchison*	Peoria
Don Jacobs	Washington
Roger & Sandra Jensen	East Peoria
Gary G. Mort	Morton
Gus, Nancy & Robert Neumann	East Peoria
George Parsons	Peoria
James & Janell Raney	Washington
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Cynthia Tanner*	Peoria
Dennis, Jacob & Peggy Tresenriter	Groveland
William J. Wright*	Peoria

\*Indicates advocate-level membership

# Illinois Valley Wheelm'n

Greater Peoria's bicycle club

Affiliated with the League of American Bicyclists and  
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Submissions, including stories, news, images  
and/or humor, are welcomed.

# Riding, riding, riding...

**THURSDAY EVENINGS STARTING APRIL 11.** Thursday Show & Slow, 6 p.m. What are your bike riding goals for 1996? Planetary Ride? PACRACC? MS 150? Diane's Ride? Well, we have just the ride for you, and we've got all your excuses not to ride covered (including "I don't know where the start is"). The ride will leave from the parking lot at Russell's Cycle in Washington. ("But I'm not sure how far the ride is going.") During April we'll keep the mileage under 20 miles.

When the days get longer and the weather get better, we'll gradually increase the distance. ("Isn't it hilly over there?") This is my first year pulling a kid in a trailer so altitude isn't going to be a concern. ("But I'll get dropped and my bleached bones won't turn up till next spring.") The routes will be easy, the pace will be moderate, there will be maps if you want them, and as pungent as cyclists are, the canine unit shouldn't have any problems locating your remains! So, bring your bike, your goals, and some cash so you can eat afterwards. Any questions? Call Jim Raney, 444-7658, or Rob Alexander, 444-3297.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14.** Road Riding 101. Lincoln Grade School, Washington, 1 p.m. Ride leader: Rob Alexander, 444-3297.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 21.** Mossville Grade School to Track Inn, Chillicothe. 8 a.m. 20 miles. Ride leader: Gary Hartzler, 674-3061.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27.** Banner Grade School, Dunlap. 30 miles or so. Ride leader: Dave Schaufelberger, 579-2311.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28.** Fondulac Park District Building, E. Peoria. 40 miles. 8:30 a.m. Ride leader: Steve Grube, 699-6956.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 8.** Roanoke Spring Trio. 11/24/62 miles. We have a ride for everyone. 11 miles: Bring the whole family on this one. 24 miles: Short and flat. Metric Century: Enjoy 62 miles of our scenic countryside! Registration: \$5 each/\$12 family. For more information, send S.A.S.E. to: Roanoke Spring Trio, c/o Larry Voyles, Rt. 1 Box 99, Benson, IL 61516. Or call (309) 394-2585.

**FRIDAY—SUNDAY, JULY 12—14.** Elroy-Sparta Trail Ride. When club members pedaled this way ten years ago, everyone had a blast. Well, it's that time of the decade again. Bill Semmens is your cordial host for a road trip and trail ride through west-central Wisconsin. The plan: Drive up Friday, ride Saturday and Sunday, and drive back on Sunday. Call Bill for more details at 693-9388.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY.** Thrills, Skills & Speed II. Huck's at Willow Knolls and Allen roads in Peoria. Recommended for experienced riders only. 5:30 p.m. (5:00 p.m., April 3 only). Ride leader: Steve Shaffer, 685-4726.

**EVERY SATURDAY.** Washington Show 'n Go. Leaves from Washington Square. Please park away from square. Show 'n Go rides are recommended for experienced riders only. 8:30 a.m. No leader.

## Rules of the Ride

- 1) Ride no more than two abreast—single file in traffic and at intersections.
- 2) Pass only on the left—and announce your intentions.
- 3) Create space in large groups to help motorists pass safely.
- 4) Maintain a safe distance from the rider ahead of you.
- 5) Check all intersections for traffic. Avoid "group think."
- 6) If you stop, please pull off the road

*The IVW strongly recommends that you wear a helmet.*

For more information on the IVW ride program, or to volunteer to lead a ride, call Tom Parr at 274-4290 (7 a.m.—3:30 p.m.), 274-6101 (7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.)

# NO BALONEY '96

Saturday, June 1, 1996

Road routes: 26, 52 & 68 miles • Off-road trail routes: 1 to 3 hours **NEW!**

- WHERE:** Jubilee College State Historic Site and Park
- TIME:** Register from 6:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. (Please, no 68-mile riders after 9 a.m.)
- FOOD:** Well, of course—it's No Baloney! Each food stop team provides quantity and quality. Watch out for some friendly competition as each food stop attempts to outdo the other. And remember, your ride fee includes a hot pasta lunch and homemade ice cream, served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- FEE:** \$12 before May 24; \$15 thereafter. Kids under 16 accompanied by an adult, \$8 before May 24; \$11 thereafter. (To receive special children's rate, all entries must be sent together.)
- T-SHIRT:** Looking for the unique? You'll want a genuine No Baloney short sleeve t-shirt—each one is just \$10. Order yours before May 24 to guarantee availability.
- POST-RIDE MASSAGE:** Phil and Mary Kohl return to provide their own brand of relaxing rubdowns. Only \$10 for 15 minutes, payable day of ride.

## No Baloney has it all!

- Well-marked, color-coded routes.
- Quality, computer-generated maps.
- Friendly, professional sag service
- Food, food, glorious food! And . . .
- Gravity (drat!)



**OFF-ROAD ROUTES.** New for '96—Midwest off-road cycling for all levels of experience. Check out trails perfect for any mountain biker. You'll enjoy abundant hills, creeks, woods and wildlife. Adjoining Jubilee State Park also offers 20 miles of paved roads for those who want to travel in comfort.

**ROAD ROUTES.** It's Midwest road cycling at its best! Experience the bicycle-friendly atmosphere of central Illinois back-roads and unique small towns. Ride 26, 52 or 68 miles—choose the distance that's right for you.



### Questions?

Call Tom Romanowski @ (309) 692-0842 or  
Roger John @ (309) 243-9191.  
E-mail: [gwdudley@bykerider.win.net](mailto:gwdudley@bykerider.win.net)

**FINE PRINT:** Sorry, no refunds on registration fees. A limited number of t-shirts available day of ride, limited to stock on hand. *Late fees will be collected* for walk-ins or registrations postmarked after May 24.

**Not a rider?** Explore these local attractions: Rock Island Trail • Forest Park Nature Center and hiking trails • Wildlife Prairie Park • Lakeview Museum • antique malls • Par-A-Dice Riverboat Casino • Much, much more! Contact the Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau at (309) 676-0303.



One name per registration form

## NO BALONEY REGISTRATION FORM

*Sign up today!* One name per form. Photocopied forms are fine. Please print clearly.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Ph. ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
Club affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

*The IVW strongly recommends that you wear a helmet.*

**DISCLAIMER:** In signing this form for myself or as a parent or guardian of a participant, I hold harmless and agree to absolve the Illinois Valley Wheelm'n, and all others associated with this event singly and collectively of all blame for any injury, misadventure, harm, loss or inconvenience and from all liability for injury to property or persons suffered during this event. This is binding upon my heirs, executors and administrators.

Signature of participant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*If participant is under 18, signature of parent or guardian*

Sorry, NO refunds of registration fees. Mail this form with check payable to:

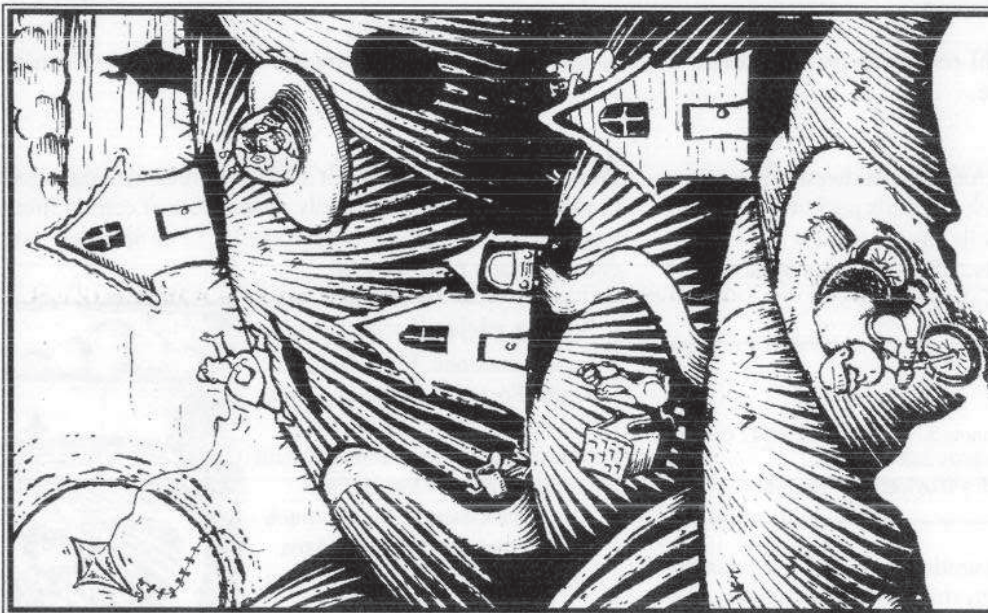
ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELM'N, c/o Tom Romanowski, 6215 N. English Oak, Peoria, IL 61615

	After 5/24		
ENTRY FEE	\$12	\$15	\$ _____
UNDER 16*	8	11	_____
T-SHIRT (circle size)			
S M L XL	\$10	--	_____

Make total check payable to  
ILLINOIS VALLEY WHEELM'N for: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Accompanied by adult. All forms must be mailed in the same envelope. One name per form.

Illinois Valley Wheelm'n  
22nd Annual Pedal-In



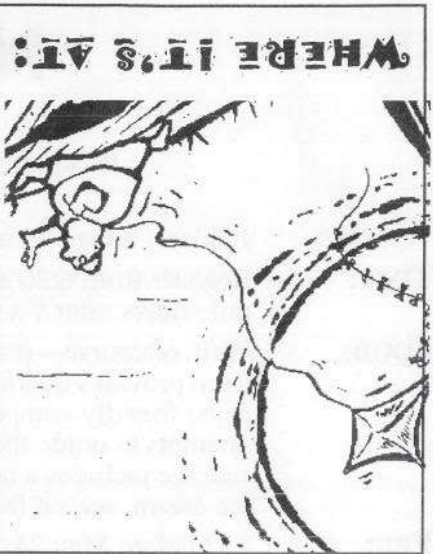
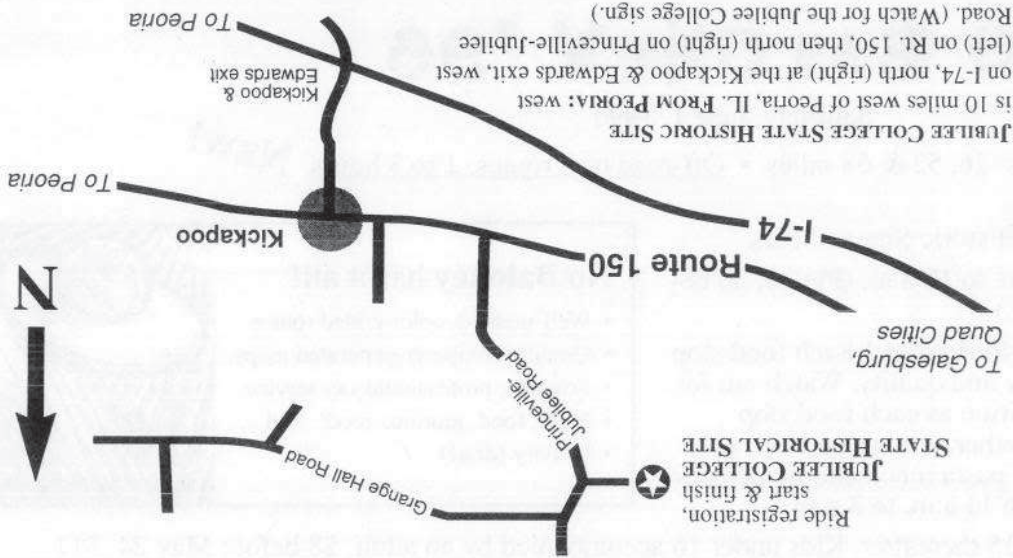
Road bike? Mountain bike? Bring it to the...

**NO BALONEY**

[ROAD & MOUNTAIN BIKE]

**RIDE**

Saturday, June 1, 1996

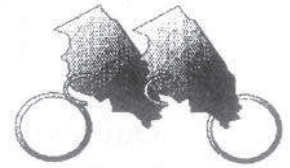
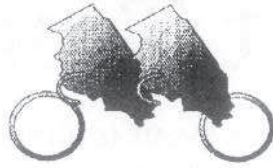
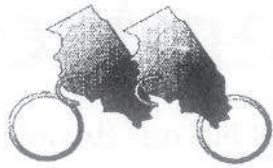
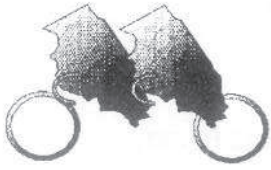


**Illinois Valley Wheelm'n**  
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**NO BALONEY (TOUR DE PRAIRIE)**—  
Listed in *The Best Bike Rides in the Midwest*,  
by rider/writer Phil Van Valkenberg.

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# Prairie State Tandem Rally

*in conjunction with the Illinois Valley Wheelm'n spring invitational:*

## *No Baloney Ride*

*Like a tandem compared to a single, the Prairie State Tandem Rally is kinda the same thing as the IVW's No Baloney Ride—just longer (and yes, a lot of fun).*

### **FRIDAY, MAY 31.**

- 4–8 p.m. Registration in Holiday Inn Brandywine lobby.
- 6 p.m. Frozen yogurt ride.

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 1**

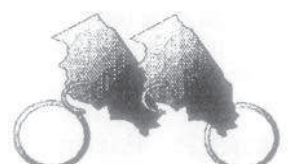
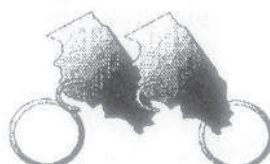
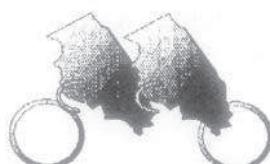
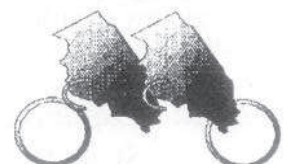
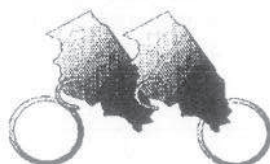
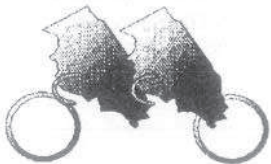
- 6:30 a.m. No Baloney starts at Jubilee College.
- 8 a.m. Tandem mass start from Holiday Inn, joins No Baloney in progress.
- 6 p.m. Social hour, cash bar
- 7 p.m. Italian-style banquet, ride-related program and DOOR PRIZES.

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 2**

- 8 a.m. Mass start breakfast ride to Wildlife Prairie Park  
*(pre payment required)*

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** Contact the Holiday Inn Brandywine before May 1 for a special PSTR room rate—just \$57 per night. That pool feels mighty good after a long ride. Call 309-686-8000. Holiday Inn, 4400 N. Brandywine, Peoria, IL 61614.

*—registration form and contact information on reverse of this page—*



# Get Tandemized!

Our great tandem event is almost here! Fill out the registration form, sign the release and send (a photocopy of) this page with your check to:  
**Eileen and George Dudley, 5809 Old Orchard Dr., Peoria, IL 61614.**

*For more information, call 309-692-7076*

	<u>Each</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Send This</u>
Every adult team* pays this (includes No Baloney)	\$39 (team)		--	_____
Riders (16 years+) of half bikes pay	\$22	x	_____	_____
Triples, quads, quints...	call for price		--	_____
<i>Italian Buffet Banquet Sat.</i>				
Includes lasagna, pasta primavera, 3 salads, garlic bread, veggies and more	\$16.50	x	_____	_____
Special children's menu	\$9	x	_____	_____
<i>Sunday Brunch</i>				
Includes park admission, giant buffet, beverages, dessert and visit to the animals.	\$13	x	_____	_____
Children's rate	\$8.50	x	_____	_____
Late registration after May 10	\$5	x	_____	_____
				<b>TOTAL:</b> _____

\*Adult & child team pay just \$34

## ***The Release Form, like the wearing of helmets, is not optional***

In consideration of the acceptance for participation in the 1996 Prairie State Tandem Rally (PSTR) and No Baloney Ride (NBR) and in consideration of my signing this agreement, we each intend to be legally bound for himself (or herself), his (or her) heirs, executors, administrators and personal representatives, do voluntarily hereby release any and all liability arising from illness or injuries that either or both of us may suffer as a result of our participation in PSTR '96 and NBR. Each of us attests and verifies that each of us is, and both of us are, capable, experienced, accomplished, fit and able tandem bicycle riders and that each of us is and both of us are prepared for participation in PSTR '96 and NBR and fully understand in advance the nature of PSTR '96 and NBR. Further, we each and both understand and acknowledge that we should wear protective headgear while participating in PSTR '96 and NBR rides and will obey all Illinois traffic laws. We each and both understand and agree that any sponsor or host may use for publicity or promotional purposes our names, photographs, videotapes, motion pictures and recordings of our participation in PSTR '96 and NBR without obligation or liability to either or both of us. We also understand that any registration fees either or both of us pay are not necessarily refundable. We each and both have read the foregoing and certify agreement by our signatures below:

**Signed:** Captain \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Stoker \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Additional riders \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Individuals under 18 years of age must obtain signatures of parent or guardian: By signing this release, I as a parent or guardian of minor participant(s), hereby give permission for my child or ward to enter PSTR '96 and NBR and further agree individually and on behalf of the minor to the terms of this release. (Children under 16 must be accompanied by parent or guardian.)

**Signed:** Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Bill speaks out on the busing issue...favorably.

**THE BUS TRIP!** If you missed it, you missed a great time. Even though we saw some of the same dealers and products as last year, it was still a great day to get out of the house and do something different. Kudos to Charlie and Franny who took a great deal of time and effort to organize this trip. It has got to be nerve wracking. Kinda like trying to get all 40 of your kids ready for church at the same time.

Charlie made sure there were plenty of pastries and juice for the trip up. Everything went well until someone reached for a donut and Charlie saw him. I thought the guy was going to pull back an arm without a hand. You definitely don't want to get in Charlie's way when it comes to food. And movies! Two oldies but goodies. Both about bicycling.

What a way to go. Let Al the driver worry about the traffic, sit back, watch movies and eat. Speaking of Al, much thanks to him. I've driven in Los Angeles traffic, but I still hate to drive in Chicago. He has to have strong nerves to maneuver that bus like an eight-passenger van through downtown traffic.

**NEXT ITEM.** For those of you who aren't involved in some way in the operation of the club, pay attention. We, your board, still need your help. Your input is invaluable. I attended a meeting at the Pekin Public Library put on by no other than our very own Eric.

This was the second meeting to gather input for turning Pekin into a bicycle-friendly community, like has been done with Peoria. Fact gathering! Fact finding! It has to be done before any plans can be made for now or in the future. Of all members living in

Pekin, there were four of us there—and that included Eric. Bob Blackwell from the Pekin Park District was there to explain what the district has in store for bicycling. This was a fact-gathering meeting to plan for the mapping of Pekin. Eric spearheaded this effort and is willing to do the follow-up, but he needs your ideas as to how you want routes in Pekin laid out.

I realize other commitments are made and must be kept. But if our club is going to thrive, indeed, if bicycling itself is going to thrive, we need input from everyone. Even if you can't stay for the hour or so, or cannot attend at all, make a phone call to one of us and pass on your ideas. Remember, when you are gone, people will not remember you for what you have, but for what you have given. Let's all imagine looking back 20 or 30 years from now, see bicycle-friendly streets and roads, and say "I was a part of planning that!"

**LAST ITEM:** We are looking at getting our club logo digitized at a local embroidery shop. The club will pay the fee for the digitizing. Anyone who wants can stop by and select whatever they want embroidered and only pay for the item itself. Anything from dress shirts, to jackets, to hats and gear bags can be labeled with the club logo for a very reasonable cost. This creates a very dressy look for those who would like something more than the standard t-shirt. If there is enough interest, we will have this done. Give me a call before April 15 if you are interested.

Enough for now. Next month: knee surgery!

—Bill Clark



## Illinois Valley Wheelm'n Membership Application

(please print)

Name #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Name #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Name #3 \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Name #4 \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Name #5 \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (        ) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Name #1) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*(parent or guardian needed if registrant is under 18)*

Are you renewing, or is this a new membership? (check one)

Renewing     New

If new, how did you find out about the club? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of the League of American Bicyclists? (check one)

Yes     No

**Basic membership:**

Individual (\$10)    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Household (\$12)    \_\_\_\_\_

**Voluntary advocacy contribution:**

(\$5, 10, 15, other) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DISCLAIMER:** In signing this form, I understand and agree to absolve the officers and members of the Illinois Valley Wheelm'n bicycle club of all blame for any injury, misadventure, harm, loss or inconvenience suffered as a result of taking part in any activity sponsored or advertised by said organization

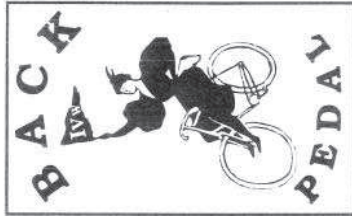
Make check to: **Illinois Valley Wheelm'n**, 6518 N. Sheridan Rd., Peoria, IL 61614



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6518 North Sheridan Road  
Peoria, IL 61614

Members of the Illinois Valley Wheelm'n will meet at 6 p.m., April 17, for the club's next monthly meeting at El Sombrerito, 1112 West Pioneer Parkway. Various ride leaders will be there to give short presentations on their rides. This meeting gives members—whether new, active or inactive—a chance to hear and choose which upcoming ride they want to attend. Let's have a big turnout. Hope to see you there. —*Charlie and Franny Kices.*

APRIL 1975. Club jackets will be printed soon and already the price has been lowered: \$2 for the first jacket, \$3 for extras, per family. And members are asked to complete three sponsored club rides before making a purchase. President John Wineke is the League of American Wheelmen area director for central Illinois. Dorothy Belke plans to lead a 10-mile ride from Glen Oak Park Pavilion to Bradley Park and back. Lou Luthans is scheduled to lead a 20-mile ride from Pekin Farmers Insurance to Tremont and back.



while on her regular bicycle commute, Diane is hit by a truck and dies hours later at St. Francis Hospital. A manhunt for the driver, John Genovese, ends three days after the accident when he surrenders to police surrounding his tavern on Harmon Highway. The damaged right front fender of his van is found in an apartment above the tavern. When brought to court, the driver is acquitted of the two charges brought against him: failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and later, leaving the scene of an accident.

APRIL 1981. President Ron Matuska reports that the ride schedule for 1981 is nearly complete. The arrival of a new club, the McLean County Wheelers is noted. The annual Spring Break-Out ride is scheduled to leave from the Peoria County Courthouse. Riders will eat breakfast in Bartonville, Illinois. Cycle offers the Raleigh Competition GS with 531 double-butted tubing and sewup tires for \$449.95. Jay Manthey is selling raffle tickets, trying to raise prize money for the upcoming Morton and Glen Oak Park races.

After the acquittal, defense attorney Harry Williams is quoted by the Journal Star as saying, "We prayed a lot and we feel the grace of God was with us."

APRIL 1991. David Brannyn and Sheryl Hansen are welcomed to the club. Riders on the April 7 Spring Breakout Ride are scheduled to leave from Washington Square and head to the Metamora American Legion for its famed pancake and sausage breakfast. A trip to the Fox River Trail is scheduled for June 22. The Illinois Department of Transportation signs a \$4-million, 5-year lease for two and a half floors of Ray Becker's new 20-story "downtown marvel."

APRIL 1986. The Ride of the Month leaves from Lake Camelot Clubhouse on April 6, led by Diane Matuska. The next day,

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