

KBC PedalPress

The Newsletter of the Kalamazoo Bicycle Club for July, 2017

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THE NEXT KBC MONTHLY MEETING IS July 11, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Kalamazoo YMCA on Maple Street, 1st floor. All KBC members are welcome to attend.

Have you done a tour, race, club or family ride that you'd like to tell us about? Something unique or interesting? Send your story to editor@kalamazooobicycleclub.org Mr. Editor would be THRILLED to hear from you!

President's Letter

Be the Change!

Over the years KBC members have volunteered many hours promoting and improving bicycling in our community. Sometimes we forget all the work and effort it takes to make and manage change in any area of life. As president, people share many great ideas with me of how bicycling can be improved in the club and throughout our community. As much as I wish KBC (a volunteer run organization) could implement all the wonderful ideas, we are limited in our resources and just can't do it all.

I greatly appreciate those who discover a need or idea for change and are willing to take the necessary steps to see it to fruition. Through the years, KBC has greatly benefited from many members willing to step up and 'be the change':

- In 1971, 46 years ago, a group cycling enthusiasts recognized that southwestern Michigan offered a rare combination of good bicycling roads and great scenery and formed KBC to support and encourage other riders, promote bicycling and have fun.
- In 1992, KBC members stepped up to organize and sponsor its first FlowerFest Bike Tour (now KalTour) and the event continues today and is enjoyed by hundreds.
- In 2005, Zolton Cohen saw a need for bike safety education and organized a one-day session at the Kal-Haven trailhead. This was the start of Bike Camp which continues today and has grown into a multi-session event.
- In 2005, Jelania Haile and myself saw the need to organize a club ride just for women and started the Friday Morning Women's Ride to encourage women to ride.
- After the June 7th, 2016 cycling tragedy, Doug Kirk, Terry Butcher, Paul Selden and others saw the need for better laws protecting cyclists and advocated for the 5-foot passing ordinances in many local communities and lobbying statewide. Their efforts were instrumental in the passing of this ordinance.

- In response to the passing of the 5-foot passing law in many communities, Paul Wells has initiated efforts to get the word out by raising funds that will initially be used for yard signs reminding citizens of the law.
- A few months ago, David Jones saw the need for a more robust method to provide communications to KBC members and setup MailChimp to offer easy options for designing, sending and saving club emails.
- Most recently, Teri Olbrot and Pam Sotherland saw the need to better equip ride leaders and potential ride leaders. They coordinated a Rider Leader's Summit to better educate rider leaders and offer an open discussion on how KBC rides could be improved.

These are just a small number of instances where KBC members had an idea or saw a need and initiated efforts to see it come to pass. I'm sure we all appreciate the work members have done in the past and continue to do today. 'Many hands make the workload light' and I truly believe this.

I share all this to encourage members not only to share their ideas but also to help KBC put those ideas into action. KBC's Executive Committee is busy managing club operations and serving on committees, and KBC's Board Members keep busy managing their respective areas of leadership. KBC needs its members with innovative ideas to help us implement those ideas for positive change.

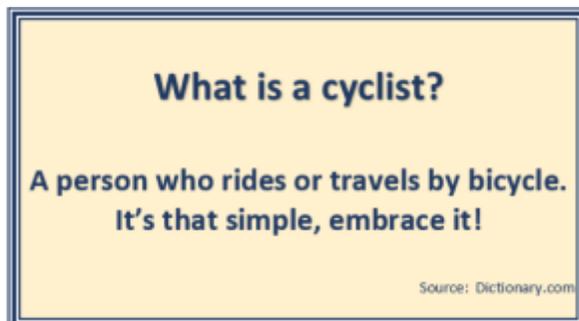
So, if you have an idea or see a need that fits within KBC's [mission](#) and [goals](#), I encourage you to attend one of our monthly meetings, share your idea(s) with KBC membership, and be ready to 'be the change'!

In closing, I would like to give a big THANK YOU to **Mike Krischer** and his team of volunteers for coordinating a wonderful KalTour 2017. It was a beautiful day for riding, great food was consumed, and a fun time was had by all!



Safe cycling!

-- Renee Mitchell ☺ President@kalamazooobicycleclub.org



BTR Park Bike Race – Saturday, July 8th

Lauded as one of Michigan's premier criterium races, the BTR Park Bike Race has attracted about 300 racers to ride the 1.1 mile circuit at the WMU Business Technology and Research Park, located near the intersection of Drake and Parkview. See <https://wmich.edu/btrrace> for more details, and show up on July 8th to race or watch.

The 2017 Ride to South Haven

The Ride to South Haven will be held on Saturday, July 29, 2017, starting at 8:00 A.M. from the southwest corner of the KVCC parking lot on O Avenue. And then what will we do? We will ride (bicycles). We see a large body of water (Lake Michigan). We will eat (subs). We will drink (Gatorade). We will breathe (oxygen). We will hear (voices in our heads if the temperature gets into the 90s.) We will do a lot of things. Or you could just spend the day sprawled out on your couch eating cheese doodles and watching the Home Shopping Channel. The choice is yours.

The ride will be approximately 102 miles with stops on the way to South Haven, at South Haven, and on the way back to KVCC. The RL's pace will be about 15 to 18 mph, but other groups of faster or slower riders are welcome.

And, remember, no one on the death bed ever said "Gee, I wish I had eaten more cheese doodles!"

-- **Rick Whaley**, Ride to South Haven Ride Leader

"Give Them Five" Campaign

GIVE THEM 5-KEEP THEM ALIVE



IT'S THE LAW

With a grant from the DALMAC Fund for Driver Education (see June 2017 PedalPress for a story about the grant) and support from KBC coffers, the "Give Them Five" campaign is ready to launch. Initiated and organized by **Paul Wells**, chair of the KBC Education Committee, the campaign is aimed at raising motorist and bicyclist awareness of recently approved five-foot passing ordinances in Kalamazoo, Portage, Kalamazoo Township, and Oshtemo Township. Yard signs that look like the image to the left will soon be available to anyone willing to put the sign in their yard. You can help get the word out by picking up your sign at upcoming KBC monthly meetings and then posting the sign where it can be seen and heeded.

KBC Monthly Meeting Notes for June 13, 2017

In Attendance:

Renee Mitchell, Mike Boersma, Valerie Litznerski, Timothy Stewart, Thom Brennan, Barb Hart, John Hart, Paul Wells, Pam Sotherland, Paul Sotherland, Paul Selden, Tyson Gilmore, Stacy Belinsky, David Riggs, Rick Whaley, John Olbrot, Jerry Dahl, Tomme Maile, Dale Abbott, Michael Krischer, Terry Butcher, and Kevin Oostema

Renee Mitchell, President: Welcome and Introductions. Reminded everyone to stay within the posted time frame for the meeting. There is a ride coming up on Sunday, July 9th, Pedaling for Pals, from Open Roads. Pam Sotherland assumed the position of awards chair; Paul Selden was thanked for his years of service. **Pam and Paul Sotherland** were recognized for appearing on the cover of the local magazine, *Spark*.

John Olbrot, Vice President: Welcomed interest in becoming a sanctioned ride leader. The Monday night no-drop “mentoring ride” has gained in popularity with newer cyclists who are looking for a friendly paced ride. We are looking for additional individuals to lead this ride so that the club can consistently support this ride. In future years, we might consider adding this to another night of the week.

Mike Boersma, Treasurer: PayPal: \$1,034.76. Checking Account: \$10,424.15. C.D.: \$6,167.37.

The \$3,000 Dalmac grant, for the “Give Them 5” campaign, is included in the PNC checking account, and it is a restricted fund.

Valerie Litznerski, Secretary: Asked for help managing the Kalamazoo Bicycle Club Facebook pages. About 50% of the members in the room utilize Facebook.

Paul Selden, Director of Road Safety: First bike-friendly business in town, Bronson, received a gold-level award. Details about how the company achieved their status is available online. MDOT, KATS and WMU are producing analysis on where accidents occur and what causes them. Kalamazoo has adopted a Vision Zero goal regarding accidents with non-motorized vehicles and pedestrians. Paul mentioned that 58% of crashes occur when the *bicyclist or motorist* failed to yield or disregarded traffic control (like a stop sign or stoplight). Paul requested that we are mindful of obeying traffic rules. Most of the accidents occur at intersections in urban areas. Paul is working hard to promote infrastructure and signage for bike routes. Sidewalks are the biggest location for crashes because there are more virtual intersections a car only looks to the direction of traffic, and drivers pull through sidewalks to a place where they can see traffic. Various statistics suggest that sidewalk accidents outnumber street accidents by a factor of 5 to 20.

Terry Butcher, Ride Leader Captain: Thank you for helping to set up the Ride Leader Summit at Gallagher’s. The ride to South Haven is set for July 29th.

David Jones, Database Manager: Spoke to the subject of gender diversity and wanted us to know that the membership is 57% male, 43% female. **Renee** thanked **David** for setting up the mail chimp account. Mail Chimp reaches a larger number of members than the yahoo group reaches.

Tyson Gilmore, Race Team Delegate: The team is having a difficult time recruiting participants and volunteers for the TNNT. The team requested to push the event back about 30 minutes to make this event more accessible to those that work a little later. The participants would line up at 6:45 pm and the riders will start the time trial at 7:00 pm in 30-second intervals. **Rick Waley** wanted to make sure that there were no riders in the dark. The request was approved by the membership in attendance.

Paul Wells, Education Committee: Bike Camp recap: The peak attendance was 50, this year, 25 registered. Of those, 15-22, showed up for the Saturday sessions. Paul stated that he’s very impressed by how bike camp works, and the campers gave positive feedback. Paul would like to see participation increase in the future. Paul also wanted to thank the volunteers that made it possible. Participants appreciated guidance in shifting, riding in groups, knowledgeable instruction. There is a pre- and post- camp survey to assess goals and progress towards goals. **Thom Brennan**, a participant, was thankful for the organization and level of support from the volunteers. As a past cyclist, getting back into cycling, he felt like he learned something new every week. The only thing he’d like to see is more advertising for the event because it is so beneficial for the participants. **Paul Selden** suggested that we reach out to various local organizations with bike friendly status to offer bike camp as an educational component for their “award checklist” that will help them reach and maintain bike friendly status.

Pam Sotherland, Ride Leader Summit: June 22nd, to help increase volunteerism for ride leaders, and to provide guidance and an open forum for discussion. Feel free to RSVP to **Teri Olbrot** if attending.

Mike Krischer, KalTour: road painting will happen on Thursday, starting at KVCC. If there are storms, the road painting will be rescheduled for Tuesday. Please let Mike know if you will be there so that he will know to reach out to you if in rains. Online pre-registration is less expensive until day-of registration. Please let Mike know if you can help at the event. There are opportunities to help while also riding during KalTour. Mike Boersma and Mike Krischer will drive SAG. Erbelli's will provide sandwiches. In the future, KalTour may change the start location. Feel free to reach out to Mike if you have suggestions about a different start location. Vicksburg has been proposed. The ride might be changed to Saturday and future rides might include paved trails. **Paul Selden** asked if **Silent Observer** has coordinated with **Mike**. We are at the same point with pre-registration as we have been with past events. **Terry Butcher** suggested putting together a survey after KalTour.

Paul Wells, Education Committee: There has been a recent shift in attitude, willingness, and support for bike riding recently, and the general public is more receptive to messages about safe driving/riding. The club received a \$3,000 grant from Dalmac. The education committee is looking for ways to raise more funds and deciding how to spend the funds. The first expenditure will be 100 yard signs that will be double-sided. Distribution could be difficult. **Scott Powers**, a club member, has offered a very competitive price for the signs. The artwork might be put on other items beyond yard signs. This graphic may be coordinated state-wide, included bumper stickers and window stickers. Billboards might be an option if the committee receives more funding. **Paul Selden** suggested reaching out to the city, as they may help to spread the message. **Paul Wells** is trying to find out what municipalities are doing for signage for the ordinances that were passed. **Portage** is working on signs. **Parchment** is considering an ordinance. **Plainwell** will be approached as they are considering adding a trail through town (the River to River trail). **Paul Wells** interviewed **Mike Jones** to gauge the attitude and knowledge of law enforcement and to make connections to promote safe riding and adherence to the law. **Paul Wells** demonstrated 5' with a flag, and Paul mentioned that standard lane width is 10-11'. **Paul Selden** mentioned that 5' is already a statewide official recommendation. **Paul Wells** asked that we email TristonCole@house.mi.gov to encourage him to move forward with the bill for 5' passing. Rick Jones SenrJones@Senate.Michigan.gov is also a good contact.

New Business: **Stacy Belinsky, member**, asked for the club to consider putting on a basic maintenance class and she also requested that the club considers using the **Kazoo Maker's Space** in Kalamazoo as a place for club members to use tools for bike maintenance. This is a space for people who don't have a garage.

-- Val Litznerski, Secretary@kalamazoobicycleclub.org

Kudos

Kudos to the Townships of Oshtemo and Kalamazoo for adopting five-foot bike passing ordinances. According to available information, Oshtemo Charter Township Ordinance No. 584 officially went into effect on May 4, 2017 while Kalamazoo Township's five foot passing law goes into effect on July 5, 2017. It is possible that these two townships are the very first townships in Michigan to enact such bike passing laws, continuing their example of ongoing leadership toward making our area, and the State of Michigan, a safer place to ride bicycles.

-- Paul Selden, DirectorRoadSafety@kalamazoobicycleclub.org

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I deeply appreciate KBC President Renee Mitchell's comments about my service as the most recent Awards Committee Chair. In turn I want to express my appreciation in writing to Kathy Kirk and Terry O'Connor for helping get KBC's Friend of Bicycling Award off the ground in late 2010. Kathy was KBC's first Chair of the Awards Committee (the design of the current award is due to her creativity). We owe Bob Alwardt thanks for

serving as the second AC chair until his untimely passing. It has been my pleasure since then to work with fellow committee members Terry O'Connor, who has been there from the FOB Award's inception, and more recently with Paul Sotherland as well. The committee's new chair, Pam Sotherland, is continuing the spirit of KBC volunteerism and truly deserves the club's welcome to her new role.

Sincerely, Paul Selden

Hello Doug,

With regard to your article about bus passing in the most recent KBC Pedal Press, I just wanted to share the following:

1. I really appreciate you sharing this perspective
2. As someone who rides in the urban core every day I want to attest that buses passing me extremely close are a regular occurrence. It has happened so many times that I've lost track. My friends and I have a running joke that bus drivers are trying to get us to leave our bikes at home and ride the bus because we all observe that the buses buzz us nearly every time they pass!

Matt Lechel

Alamo Township and Kalamazoo County Road Commission Repaired West AB Avenue!!



As noted by Doug Kirk, in last month's PedalPress, the Alamo Township Board voted to allocate funds to repair the nasty stretch of pavement on West AB Ave that has been a hazard (aka bicycle handling feature) on Wednesday Nite Rides for many years. That stretch of road is now a short, but beautifully smooth, ribbon of new pavement (see above). And, though the gleeful cheers cannot be heard in the photo below, KBC members on a recent Wednesday Nite Ride expressed thanks to the powers-that-be for a job well done.



KBC Ride Leader Summit

As noted in Renee's President's Letter, a KBC Ride Leader Summit took place at Gallagher's, where twenty KBC members met on June 22, 2017 for a lively discussion about leading KBC group rides. Brief presentations by **Renee Mitchell, John Olbrot, and Terry Butcher** engendered discussions on topics including riding etiquette, riding single-file or two-abreast, preferable group size, pace lines, and tactfully talking with an unsafe rider.

Renee encouraged ride leaders to (1) have all riders in a group introduce themselves and then review the route, including distance, speed, and known road hazards; (2) ask if riders are KBC members and have a [Release Waiver Form](#) (available under "Resources for Ride Leaders" on the "[Resources](#)" page of the KBC website) to sign if they haven't signed one this riding season; and (3) check helmets of new riders to make sure they're properly adjusted. Introductions and route reviewing help newcomers to KBC club rides feel less intimidated and more welcomed. John talked about the fun to be had sharing a bike ride with friends and then reviewed the KBC [Ride Leader Guide](#) and [Group Ride Guidelines](#) also available on the KBC "Resources" page. He stressed the importance of riders in a group communicating with each other about road hazards (including traffic and pedestrians) and intended slowing, stopping, turning, moving off the front after pulling, standing, or whether a group member has been dropped. Terry Butcher rounded out the presentations with helpful insights about (1) planning routes, including using Google Earth to inspect all roads on the intended route to make sure they are paved, unless a dirt-ride is being organized, and noting direction of prevailing winds so that, when possible, rides begin into the wind and finish with a tailwind, and (2) no-drop rides and roles of a ride leader and sweeper in sustaining group coherence.

Ensuing conversation covered the following topics (among others) :

- **Single File or Two Abreast?** Though Michigan law permits riding two abreast, many of the ride leaders present felt that riding single file makes the most sense on busy two lane roads such as 8th Street on the Monday Nite Ride. However, moving from riding two abreast to single file creates a longer group for motorists to pass and may not be necessary if traffic is light and visibility is good. Is there a customary or acceptable way to merge two lines of cyclists into one? Do the yellow-line riders merge in front of or behind the white-line riders? Would having a KBC "custom" for merging help create safer riding conditions on club rides?
- **Group Size:** Ride leaders at the Summit concurred that groups of no more than about a dozen seem ideal for ride safety. A group of that size is typically more cohesive and easier for cars to pass than a larger group. If a group exceeds that size, two smaller groups could be formed, and a member of the larger group, preferably an experienced group rider and sanctioned ride leader, could be approached about leading the second group.
- **Pacelines:** Riding in an organized rotating paceline, straight-line or echelon, is considered a more advanced skill and not to be expected on most club rides. Scott Baron teaches this skill occasionally on Mondays and Wednesdays, and KBC members who want to learn this skill should attend one of Scott's rides. That said, sharing the lead and benefitting from riding in the draft of those in front are features of group rides. Learning how to ride in a group, pulling and drafting effectively and smoothly, takes practice, patience, and encouragement. Club rides are ideal situations for developing group riding proficiency.
- **Hills:** Riding hills effectively in a group can be taxing for most cyclists. When ascending, resist the urge to surge; shift to easier gears when necessary so as to maintain momentum and cadence. If standing becomes necessary, be sure to communicate your intent to stand before standing. When descending, shift to higher gears and keep pedaling, especially if in the lead so those behind don't have to brake. Avoid creating gaps.
- **Tactfully noting lapses in riding etiquette:** Giving or getting advice about riding etiquette during a group ride, especially when much of one's blood is going to the legs and not to the brain (hah!), can be difficult. And, remembering that we all have good days and less-than-good days in the saddle can help us all remember to be as positive as possible when pointing out lapses in riding etiquette. All members of KBC group rides are encouraged to speak up in a friendly and tactful manner, during or after a ride, when concerned about riding safety. And, all members are encouraged to be open to receiving advice from others in a group. KBC strives to be friendly, welcoming, and encouraging to cyclists with a wide range of skills, and we are united in our desire to improve in our sport and be safe on the road.

Kalamazoo Strong/KBC Jerseys STILL Available to Order Online

Last chance!!! These awesome, one of a kind, jerseys will be available for only a short time so order yours before it's too late!

20% Of Your Purchase Price Goes to Kalamazoo Strong

Sales of these jerseys have garnered about \$1,500 for Kalamazoo Strong



Kalamazoo Strong inspired KBC jerseys are available to order direct from Voler, the jersey company that produced KBC's 2010 jerseys. The jersey design, shown at left, has the red Kalamazoo Strong bicycle chain heart at Kalamazoo's location on the jersey.

Cost is \$70 plus shipping (or order with a bike buddy and save shipping costs, orders over \$75 ship for free). 20% of the cost of each jersey will be donated to Kalamazoo Strong to benefit families of the June 7, 2016 cycling tragedy.

Jerseys are custom made and ship about 7 days after your order is placed and payment is verified. Here's a link to the online store where you can order the jersey:

<http://www.voler.com/browse/collections/details/li/KalamazooStrong/>

(Stand-in) Editor's Letter: Being the Change

Back in March, while making plans for his and Kathy's pedaling adventure from London to Rome, Doug asked me to consider standing in as PedalPress editor for the July edition. I said I would think about it, figuring I could, without too much difficulty, cobble together pieces submitted by the usual contributors – Renee, Val, David, and others – but I balked a bit at having to create the “Editor's Letter.” Doug tried to reassure me by saying “Writing the Letter is the best part of the job,” to which I replied “Yeah...right.”

As in many situations, timing is everything. Pam and I (and John Olbrot) were in Florida, riding the gorgeous roads in Jefferson County with Doug and Kathy, when Doug asked me about serving as editor. One of our evening conversations included musings on the possibility of including a short feature article on a KBC member every now and then in the PedalPress. I thought...huh, I wonder if I could seize the opportunity provided by Doug's absence to write something that Doug would never write – a feature about Doug's and Kathy's efforts to renovate old bikes and then give them to folks (mostly kids) in Jefferson County who need them.



One thing led to another and the following “Gifts from the Heart” feature, written by Betsy Barfield – Bike Rider (second from left in photo) and County Commissioner in [Jefferson County, Florida](#), is yours to read and, I hope, enjoy. For what it's worth, one of the nudges prompting me to include this feature was Renee's “Be the Change!” President's Letter. There are many approaches, some more effective than others, to encourage bicycle riding and help people derive enjoyment from it. One way of accomplishing this end is to make sure people have a bicycle to ride. Here's a story about being the change you want to catalyze.

Gifts from the Heart

By Betsy Barfield

I am privileged to say Doug and Kathy Kirk are great friends. Love these people.

I look forward to their two-month visit to Jefferson County (only County in the State of Florida with NO traffic signal!) every winter. I look forward to having these very sweet, loving, and fun people to ride with in the warmth of the day- yeah! Through their stay I know that I am going to meet really cool ‘naw-thu-ners,’ and we are going to eat some really good vegetarian meals together all the while talking smack.

Doug and Kathy are pillars of our cycling communities. They love to ride their bikes, have never met a stranger, and immerse themselves in the culture wherever they visit.

Doug is a giver. He is determined to make sure every kid in Jefferson County who wants/needs a bike and a helmet will get one. By the end of their stay, if he has not accomplished that task, he comes back to our beautiful County to give even more.

I am not going to expound on the great weather, well maintained roads, and considerate people here in JeffCo – we will save that for another time. Instead, I am going share with you Doug’s generous bike give away project to help those without bikes. Here’s how it all came about...

Year 1 – Did not get to ride with Doug and Kathy – we connected too late in their stay – my loss!

Year 2 – The conversation between Doug and myself went like this: “You know,” (now, imagine Doug’s body language here folks) “after I ride my bike, I am bored in the afternoons. I have an idea and I need your help.”

At this point I am thinking, CRAP that is all I need – one more item on the ole ‘to do list’....

“I want to fix up old bikes and give them away to kids in need” he says.

I said “Great!”

“Here is what I need. Old bikes, a place with electricity to fix them up, a little air compressor piggy thing,” (not sure of the technical term) “a trash can, and a table.”

I said –“ DONE! What else?” I am thinking the ol’ to-do list just got really short!

“That is it,” he says.

So, all year long, Mack (my husband) and I get to work on our ‘to do list’. The first two years we had a community all-call for junk bikes. The donations poured in. That source fizzled out within a couple years. Doug got smart; he approached [Bird Legs Bike Shop](#), just down the road in Tallahassee, about giving us all their trade-in bikes – WOW! He hit pay dirt – red hills clay dirt, that is.

When Doug and Kathy finally get here they unpack, stretch, eat, and then go for a bike ride. Afterwards, Doug heads over to his ‘bike shop’ to assess the condition of things and make an inventory of pieces and parts to fix up the bikes that are piled up in a heap on the floor.





For a month or so, Doug holes himself up in his ‘DK Bike-Fix-It-Shop’ greasing, switching parts, putting on new parts, straightening, pumping, turning wrenches, etc. Then, TADA! – A whole passel of bikes is ready to be given away.

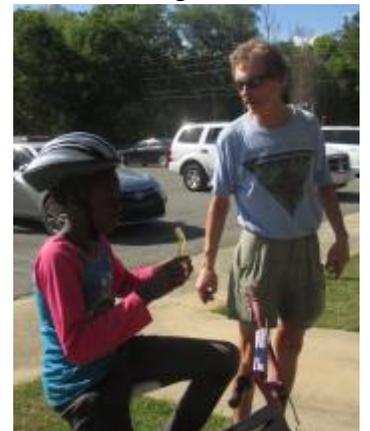


If that isn’t enough, each year Doug and Kathy reach out to our health department for helmets, City of Monticello to transport the bikes, police department for bike safety instructors, and volunteers to help fit kids and adults with bikes and helmets.

And here is the best part –kids that really need and really want bikes, get bikes. The smiles are huge, the excitement is overwhelming and their appreciation is heartwarming. These kids have ‘new’ bikes. OMG!!!!



It is a beautiful gift that Doug and Kathy give to our community. They never ask for nor accept a dime. They swoop in, get going on their give-away project, and make merry each year by giving away 20-40 bikes to our kids and a few adults. Imagine the ‘happy’ that makes for in our people. Sweet!



I am always sad to see them leave. As I cycle around town and I see those kids on Doug’s bikes with helmets askance, peddling just as fast as their legs will go, I smile and say a GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO DOUG AND KATHY for giving from the heart and making a difference here in Jefferson County. You are the best! Can’t hardly wait for next year....HURRY – the bikes are piling up and I am anxious to ride with you two.

Thank you Doug and Kathy – BB

-- Paul Sotherland Webmaster@kalamazoobicycleclub.org

Classified Ad

We have a Yakima car rooftop bike rack that will take three bikes. We are not using now and probably are not likely to again as our son is 30. If anyone would like it, please tell me how to get it to them. We are happy to donate it. Dan Farrell dfarrell@decision-research.com

JULY KBC STATISTICS

Active subscriptions: 333

Active Members (includes family members): 557

New members:

Tom Belliotti • Brian Bowman • Fumu Gakodi • Brent Hepp • Phyllis Hepp • Ken Hurley • Pamela Jones • Brad Kurzynowski • Andrew Kyser • Bobbie Martin • Doug Martin • Brandon Munson • Kate Munson • Namecy Nott

• Jenn Omo • Brad Parsons • Rita Reed • Michael Shong • Sarah Westfall •
Alex Zdrojewski • Carolyn Zinn •

July Expiring memberships:

Rick Bauer • Dennis Bronson • Greg Dehaan • Christopher Gottwald Family
• Gretchen HInga Family • Andy & Phyllis Lefebure • Kristopher Ouvry •
Matt Petersen • Rick Thomas • Daniel Victor • Carolyn Wyllie •

Renewed memberships:

Dave Hauschild • Ed Maring • Paul & Anne Pancella • Richard Voorman
Family • Kim Solvik • John Wunderlin • Paul & Pam Sotherland Family •
Lynn Hauptli • Frank Foley • Dwight Bodnar • Thomas Dewhirst • Ann
Weltevreden Penix • Angie Veneklase • Devin Bloom • Annie Swier • Rick
Rumsey • Kerie Crawford • Anthony Callaway • Bobbie Martin •

--David Jones, KBC Database Manager and S.W. Michigan LMB District Representative

YOUR LOCAL BIKE SHOPS:

They support us so please support them

Billy's Bike Shop - 63 East Battle Creek Street, Galesburg, (269) 665-5202. Sadly, Billy's no longer has a website

Custer Cyclery - 104 North Augusta, Augusta, (269) 731-3492, www.custercyclery.com

Gazelle Sports - 214 South Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, (269) 342-5996, www.Gazellesports.com
Check out Gazelle Sports' HUGE Summer Sale - July 12-16! Great savings on lots of stuff!

Kzoo Swift - 445 Forest St, Kalamazoo, (269) 929-8053, www.kzooswift.com

Pedal Downtown - 611 W Michigan Avenue, Kalamazoo, (269) 567-3325,
Pedal South - 185 Romence Road, Portage (269) 324-5555,
info@pedalbicycle.com and www.pedalbicycle.com

Trek Bicycle Store - Battle Creek 22 West Michigan, Battle Creek, 1-800-841-9494,
www.trekstorebattlecreek.com (Team Active has changed names but not owners).

Village Cyclery - US 131 in Schoolcraft, (269) 679-4242, www.villagecyclery.com

Zoo City Cycle - 4328 South Westnedge, Kalamazoo, (269) 552-3000, www.zoocitycycle.com