

KBC PedalPress

The Newsletter of the Kalamazoo Bicycle Club for May, 2017

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**THE NEXT KBC MONTHLY MEETING IS MAY 9th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.
at Gallagher's Eatery, 4210 Stadium Drive. 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@kalamazoobicycleclub.org
Mr. Editor would be THRILLED to hear from you!

Join Us May 9th at 7:00pm for a special KBC Monthly Meeting

KBC welcomes John Lindenmayer, Executive Director of
The League of Michigan Bicyclists



Location: Gallagher's Eatery, 4210 Stadium Drive, Kalamazoo

Time: 6:30pm Social, 7:00pm Meeting

Happy National Bike Month!

If you haven't heard by now, May is National Bike Month, where communities across the country celebrate everything about bicycles. It's an exciting time as we have the opportunity to participate in a variety of events locally and statewide that focus on something we are all passionate about. David Warwick, organizer of Kalamazoo Area Bike Week events, has an article below outlining some great local bicycling related events. Be sure to check it out.

The League of Michigan Bicyclists sponsors a [bicycle advocacy day](#) at our state's capital where road cyclists and trail users of all abilities 'speak with one voice to help make Michigan bicycling better.' (See story below—Ed.) KBC will be holding a special May Membership meeting (details follow) and our annual bicycle training and education program, Bike Camp, starts in May. It will be a busy but exciting month so be sure to participate in a festivity or two!

KBC Welcomes LMB

We'd like extend a special invitation to all KBC members to join us at a special May Membership Meeting on Tuesday, May 9th where we are honored to welcome John Lindenmayer, Executive Director of the League of Michigan Bicyclists (LMB). The meeting will be held at Gallagher's Eatery on Stadium Drive in Kalamazoo. Social time with drinks and food available for purchase will start at 6:30pm and the meeting will start at 7:00pm. Join us and hear John share on a variety of topics including:

1. What is LMB and how do Michigan bicyclists benefit from being LMB members?
2. Status of statewide legislative efforts benefiting bicyclists.
3. Status of bicycle advocacy and education statewide.
4. State of bicycling clubs in Michigan.
5. Tips on how Bike Clubs can disseminate information to non-cyclists.
6. Share his biggest challenge(s) in advocating all things bicycling.

It's sure to be an informational packed meeting and a great time hanging with cycling friends. Please plan to arrive early so we can promptly start the meeting portion at 7:00pm. Look forward to seeing you at Gallagher's!

Other Ramblings

If you're new to KBC or have been a long time member and would like to become more involved with KBC activities and connect with other cyclists, we can always use new friends to help us fulfill our [mission](#). We are a volunteer run organization where those with a passion for bicycling come together to learn, discover, ride, socialize, and work to make our community and state safer for bicyclists. Spring and summer months offer many bicycling related events that need volunteers including KBC's Bike Camp and KalTour along with other community events such as WMU's BTR Race, MBAA Blind Sports Camp, and Portage YMCA Kids Triathlon. KBC members find it very rewarding volunteering at these events and enjoy sharing their love for bicycling with others. To learn more about volunteer opportunities with KBC, check out the [Volunteers](#) website page or email volunteers@kalamazoobicycleclub.org.

In closing, enjoy National Bike Month and I look forward to seeing you at some of the wonderful planned events. Safe cycling!

--Renee Mitchell KBC President ☺

Sixth Annual Kalamazoo Area Bike Week

www.kalamazoobikeweek.com.

The sixth annual Kalamazoo Area Bike Week (KABW) begins on Saturday, May 13, 2017 and ends the following Saturday, May 20, 2017. KABW is an opportunity for the entire community to celebrate and enjoy cycling in many ways. Once again, the KABW Saturday kick-off events are the **Trailblazer Ride** and the **Mayor's City to City Ride**. There are some cool new events this year:

- Saturday, May 6: Safe Kids and Bronson Healthcare are holding **Bicycle Helmet Blitz** where children and adults can purchase low cost helmets. This event is the week before KABW, but worthy of your attention.
- Saturday, May 13: Safe Kids and Bronson Healthcare are also holding a **Bicycle Safety Adventure** for kids at Haverhill Park in Portage. The first 100 participants get a free helmet.
- Monday, May 15: Join Pedal Bicycles and Texas Corners Brewery for **Bikes, Bison and Beer Ride** (in that order). If that doesn't get your attention...
- Some of your favorite events are back:
- Tuesday, May 16: **Kalamazoo Bicycle Film Festival** on Tuesday at Bells
- Wednesday, May 17: **Local Bicycling Developments: 2017 & Beyond** at KRESA and **Ride of Silence** at Millennium Park in Portage
- Thursday, May 18: **Pedal Bicycles Ride to Plainwell** and back
- Friday, May 19: **Pedal and Stretch -Yoga for Cyclists** at Down Dog Yoga
- Saturday, May 20: **Bells to Bells Ride** and **Open Road's Bike-a-Palooza**

A word about the **Ride of Silence** – this solemn, silent ride is always very powerful and this year will be especially so. Please join us in honoring the victims of the June 7, 2016 bicycle tragedy. I hope to see you at one of these great events. More information on these events and a complete list of Kalamazoo Area Bike Week 2017 events can be found at www.kalamazoobikeweek.com.

--David Warwick, KABW Chair

“Finish the Ride” Memorial Ride Set for June 7th

The Chain Gang would like to invite all cyclists, and the greater Kalamazoo community, to join us Wednesday, June 7, 2017, as we Finish the Ride. The ride will take place on the first anniversary of the ride nine of our friends began last year and couldn't finish. June 7 is the anniversary of the tragic accident that killed five and injured four cyclists during our weekly Chain Gang ride.

We would like cyclists to join us on bicycle, and the greater Kalamazoo community to show support along the routes. Once again, we will Finish the Ride to honor and remember our friends and family, as well as to raise funds for a memorial near the crash site. We will have two routes available for cyclists to ride, a 28.5 mile route and a 12 mile route.

Both routes will offer police escort and roads closed to motor vehicles. The rides will depart from the Kalamazoo County Health Services parking lot located at 3299 Gull Rd, Kalamazoo, MI 49048. The 28.5 mile route will depart at 6pm, and the 12 mile route will depart five minutes later, around 6:05pm. Both routes will return to the same location.

Please plan to arrive no later than 5:30pm, as parking could take some time and some area leaders would like to say a few words prior to departure. Helmets are required and road bicycles are recommended, especially for the longer route. We are asking for a minimum recommended donation of \$20 to participate in the ride. All donations

will go through Kalamazoo Strong and will be used toward building a physical memorial near the crash site; any remaining funds will be used toward promoting cycling safety and advocacy.

A link to pre-register can be found on our website, <http://www.thechaingang.club>, or you can donate and register at the start venue before the ride. We would love the support of the non-cycling community of the greater Kalamazoo area as well. Please help us honor our friends and family lost or injured in the accident by standing along the route waving and cheering as we ride by. Maps of the two routes can be found on our website at www.thechaingang.club. Be sure to arrive to your spot along the route early, as roads will be closing along the routes.

Bicycle Advocacy Day is May 24 in Lansing

The League of Michigan Bicyclists' annual Advocacy Day is Wednesday, May 24 at the State Capitol. The day will start with a bike ride to the Capitol from Municipal Park in Lansing. Once at the Capitol there will be a quick overview of the issues before breaking out into small groups to meet with Legislators. This year the Legislative priorities are:

- Gaining support from lawmakers for SB 0123 and HB 4185, which will establish a state-wide standard of five-feet for safely passing a bicyclists on the roadway.
- Gaining Support for SB 0124 and HB 4198, which will require a minimum of one hour of instruction specifically pertaining to vulnerable roadway users, including bicyclists, as part of driver's education training.
- Calling for further updates to driver's education curriculum to include more awareness of other roadway users, especially bicycles.
- Setting classifications for electric bicycles, or E-bikes, in order to clarify usage of trails and roadways.
- Seeking sponsors for reintroduction of HB 5717 of 2016, which would clarify the definition of an obstructed license plate to ensure a bicycle rack or hitch mounted device is not grounds for a traffic stop.

Please don't feel that you can't participate due to a lack of experience. Advocacy Day is a great way to meet bicyclists from across Michigan and is a chance to meet those people in 'real life' that you might have interacted with by email and social media. I have gone for six years and have always found it energizing and a positive, fun experience. Information about registering can be found on the League of Michigan Bicyclist website, www.lmb.org.

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

KBC Monthly Meeting Notes for April, 2017

In Attendance:

Barb Hart, Chris Dahl, John Hart, John Idema, John Olbrot, Karen Christensen, Matt Lechel, Melody Daacon, Michael Krischer, Mike Boersma, Mike Mock, Pam Sotherland, Paul Selden, Paul Sotherland, Rick Whaley, Robin Sides, Ryan Heidenfeld, Shawn Kloha, Terry O'Connor, Tory Cane, Valerie Litznerski

President, Renee Mitchell called the meeting to order and reported: There will be a Finish the Ride Memorial Ride and fundraising event for the crash victims. (See related story above—Ed.) There will also be get-together at Bell's after the event. There is a fundraiser the night before at Arcardia Ales. On Sunday, June 18th, there will be a ride on the KRVT trail to Markin Glen. Recently there was another local car/bicycle crash. Several of the club members know the cyclist who was injured. Renee commented the drivers in the past three highly publicized

crashes were under the influence of drugs or alcohol. **Paul Selden** added that there is a drive from LMB to reduce distracted driving. **Marc Irwin** noted that the penalty for leaving an accident is much less severe than the penalty for driving under the influence.

John Olbrot, Vice President: Encourages everyone interested to sign up as ride leaders. We will contact those interested to look for ride leaders for club rides. The club has had a difficult time finding a ride-leader for some of the more casual-paced rides. We are open to different styles of regular rides on a regular basis.

Mike Boersma, Treasurer Report:

Checking Account: \$4,307.40. CD: \$6,166.40. PayPal: \$2,104.90

Paul Selden, Director of Road Safety: The City of Kalamazoo will put bike lane markings on Burdick from Cork Street to Crosstown Parkway. There is a Mayor's City-to-City ride on May 13 and a Ride of Silence, on May 17th. **(These are part of Bike Week. See story above—Ed.)**

Ride Leaders: **Renee** spoke about the importance of leading by example. **John** mentioned that there is more information on the website for ride leaders, and several people renewed or signed up to be a ride leader. **Terry O'Connor** mentioned that the coverage that is offered through the club's insurance offers coverage in excess of what is not covered by medical insurance. **Tory** asked if there is a first-aid class that anyone would recommend. **Renee** mentioned Red Cross, but there is not a specific class that the club has recommended in the past. Terry also mentioned that you should call 911 in the event of an accident.

Michael Krischer, KalTour Czar: Brochures for this year's event are available for distribution. The start location may change in future years, but will stay in Kalamazoo for this year. He wonders how this might affect attendance, but a different location might have better route opportunities. Please contact Mike if you are able to volunteer. **Marc** has been sending out press releases to the media and online cycling forums. Anyone can share a public event on Facebook. Mike mentioned that he has been posting to the Chain Link which is a Chicago area cycling club. **Terry O'Connor** mentioned first aid kits as giveaways. **Paul Selden** spoke in favor of Vicksburg as a future start location because the government and community want to host the event. Paul mentioned that he is not in favor of the family ride starting from the **Bronson Athletic Club** because of the reduced visibility of hills, narrow busy roads, and the crossing of a busy road to get to the lunch location. **Paul** said that other locations were considered, mostly to the south. **John Olbrot** voiced concern that Vicksburg is a little farther away, and Schoolcraft might be a little more convenient. **Melody Daacon** asked if the family ride needs to be on the road, or if the trail would be an option for the family ride. **Mike** asked her to email him with suggestions.

Renee Mitchell, Bike Camp: Has been presented by the club for about 12 years now. **(See article below—Ed.)** There is a ride-only for the Saturday of Memorial day weekend. There are volunteer sign-up sheets, and those that are interested in helping are encouraged to contact **Paul Wells**. **John Olbrot** asked that those leading the rides offer mentorship to the participants. They are adding an on-site I. C. E. volunteer for emergencies. **Terry O'Connor** asked that if people have extra cycling apparel, please donate for the participants.

Old Business:

Should KBC partner with Silent Observer? The discussion was tabled at the March meeting. The executive community met on Tuesday, and came to the conclusion that this did not fit with the KBC's constitution. **Paul Selden** said this was a properly presented motion, and members should be able to vote on this. Paul feels we should partner with Silent Observer to support the cause and also to have an educational component, and added Silent Observer is open to many different avenues to partner with KBC. Paul stated that it is not the amount or the number of years that the club commits to, but the gesture that is an important reflection of the spirit of the club. Paul revised his resolution to simply ask the club to vote as to whether or not they will support any help for Silent Observer. Mike mentioned that the club is spending more than it is earning and needs to reverse this trend in the future. The budget for this year includes a deficit. Mike reiterated that the club does not have the resources to support everything that the club would like to support. He also said the club does not want to see criminals escape

justice, and the steps that are made to partner with Silent Observer need to be non-financial. LMB has been approached with a similar program. **John Hart** mentioned that we should ask LMB about the outcome. John added that we are limited in our volunteer efforts because we don't want to stretch ourselves too thin. John stated this is not something that the club can pursue at this time. **Doug Kirk** stated the club offering an award would not prevent accidents. He also hopes that people should be willing to do the right thing without a cash award. Negligence is the number one cause of car-bike accidents and is not a felony, which is what Silent Observer exists to fight. **Melody Daacon** commented that this does not serve the greater cycling community and does not encourage a diverse group of riders. **Terry O'Connor** asked to table this until May. **Robin Sides** said she feels very torn about this, she wants to see the club support this, but understands the limitations. Tri Kats and Team Clark Logic have not committed. Team Taylor offered to help raise funds by allowing Silent Observer to have a tent at an event. Private donors have offered to step forward. Paul is not going to ask for another vote.

New Business:

Valerie Litznerski discussed efforts to increase funding for the club, and also efforts to increase visibility on social media. **Ryan Heidenfeld** suggested that we should post more often.

Mike Mock reported there is a ride in Three Rivers, on the first Sunday in June, for \$20, breakfast is included. There is a 30-mile route and a 60-mile route. His wife makes most of the food for breakfast from scratch. Details were posted on Facebook.

Mike Boersma mentioned that there is a grant application with DALMAC that might require matching funds from the club.

Ryan Heidenfeld mentioned the National 24 Hour Challenge on June 17th and encouraged those that are interested to sign up.

Tory Cane mentioned that longtime KBC member **Jamie Clark**, owner of TCL, thanks the club for its ongoing support, and there is an effort to increase volunteerism within the Team.

–Val Litznerski, Secretary@kalamazoobicycleclub.org

Bike Camp Starts May 10th

Now is the time! Get signed up for Bike Camp today. Don't delay. If you know someone who isn't comfortable riding on the road, tell them to enroll in Bike Camp for 2017, a multi-session information and training program for beginning cyclists or those wishing to hone their skills.

KBC has successfully trained new cyclists for many years with this program. The instructors are seasoned, experienced cyclists who are passionate about bringing interested folks into this great sport. Attendees complete the program knowing how to safely, comfortably, and efficiently ride their bike. Topics covered include a review of laws applying to bicycles, safe biking skills, bike fit adjustments to improve comfort and efficiency, fitness goals, nutrition, and bike maintenance. Families, adults new to road cycling, and those renewing their interest in the sport can all benefit from Bike Camp.

We can always use additional volunteers to assist with rides, to answer camper questions, and help with bike fitting. To volunteer, send a note to Paul Wells, educationchair@kalamazoobicycleclub.org.

Bike Camp Dates

Session 1: Wednesday May 10th at 6:30 PM. This is an orientation and informational session, without your bike, held at the Greater Kalamazoo Association of Realtors (GKSR) Auditorium located at 5830 Venture Park Drive, Kalamazoo.

Sessions 2, 3, 4, and 5: Saturdays, May 13, 20, 27, and June 3. These are educational and riding sessions held at the Portage YMCA, 2900 West Centre Ave in Portage. We will be getting into the details of safe riding and keeping your bike operating properly, so bring your bike and all your riding gear (helmet, mirror, bike clothing, protective eyewear, and bike gloves).

On Sunday, June 25th , Bike Camp concludes with participation in KBC's KalTour, the Kalamazoo Scenic Bicycle Tour, which starts at Bronson Athletic Club on 9th St, just south of I-94.

Cost: includes one-year KBC membership

\$50.00 for individuals signed up on or before May 1

\$60.00 for individuals signed up after May 1

\$60.00 for families signed up on or before May 1

\$70.00 for families signed up after May 1

For additional information and to register, go to <http://www.kalamazoobicycleclub.org/club/bikeCamp.php>.

If you would like to volunteer to help at Bike Camp, or have questions, please email us at:

bikecamp@kalamazoobicycleclub.org

--Paul Wells, educationchair@kalamazoobicycleclub.org

KalTour 2017

KalTour 2017 will stay on the west side of Kalamazoo County (with brief excursions into eastern Van Buren County for the longer routes). However, next year we will probably switch to a starting location in Vicksburg.

There are several advantages to starting in Vicksburg: The roads at the start of the ride will be free from multi-lane roads and traffic from freeway entrances. Routes with fewer hills will be easier for more inexperienced riders. The locations of several county parks on the east side of the county open a new set of possibilities for sag and lunch stops. The western tier of Kalamazoo County townships contain some of the most scenic roads in the county and the rolling forested landscapes which characterize the area generally provide more interesting scenery than open-country croplands.

There are also some trade-offs from making this move: Being further from the freeway system means that drive-times to the starting location will be longer for many riders.

Whether to offer rider premiums is another issue that has emerged. Water bottles have been the traditional offering. We spent about \$1 per bottle for KBC logo water bottles several years ago that were small and difficult to use while riding. We have also offered carabiner (clip) key chains; another possibility is a small first aid kit. What would you like to see happen to KalTour in the future? Please feel free to express your opinions in emails or postings.

Also, don't forget to register for KalTour 2017 using the new KBC web page. Online registration is open through June 22 at \$30 for individuals and \$55 for families with a \$5 discount for KBC members. Day-of-ride registration will cost \$5 more and there is no KBC discount.

--Mike Krischer, KalTour Director

Oshtemo Township passes 5-Foot Ordinance

On April 25th, the Oshtemo Township Board enacted a 5-foot bicycle-passing ordinance. The ordinance is substantially identical to the ordinances enacted by Kalamazoo and Portage last year. We believe this is the first township in the state to pass such an ordinance and are hopeful other townships and local governments will follow suit.

--Doug Kirk, PedalPress Editor

Kalamazoo Strong/KBC Jerseys STILL Available to Order Online

Last chance!!! These awesome, one of a kind, jerseys will only be available until the end of June so order yours before it's too late!

20% Of Your Purchase Price Goes to Kalamazoo Strong

Sales of these jerseys sold through April 30, have netted an additional \$1,493.36 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 design is the club's most recent jersey design with the red Kalamazoo Strong bicycle chain heart replacing the star where Kalamazoo is located 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/>

Editor's Letter: Waitin' on the Future

Road Captain Terry Butcher posted the following to Facebook after the April 24, 2017 Monday Night Ride, right after referencing our 5-foot passing law:

“...Tonight while riding on Texas Drive to the club ride another member passed me in a car within a foot to 18 inches of the fog line on which I was riding...several cars were traveling the other direction...sadly the individual disregarded the safety of others to save themselves a second or two...Fortunately the motorist behind didn't follow their bad example and waited until it was safe to pass...”

I know Terry. I've ridden many hundreds of miles with Terry. He rides thousands of miles every year. Cars pass him thousands of times every year. He wouldn't bother to post something like this if that car wasn't way too close.

Terry's post made me mad, then it made me sad. Then it made me mad again. What in the heck can a driver AND RIDER be thinking to drive like this? What thought process led a fellow bicycling enthusiast to drive his or her car that close to another cyclist instead of waiting a bit? Or was he or she too distracted to actually think about and respond to what was happening on the other side of the windshield?

I get that way too many drivers objectify bicyclists, and that somewhere in the dark recesses of their subconscious feel cyclists aren't quite as far up the evolutionary ladder as people who drive cars. KBC and other bike clubs are constantly working to change this perception with 5-foot laws, bike lanes, and education. But when someone who is a bicyclist and enough of an enthusiast to come to a club ride drives like that, well, I can't help but wonder what's the use?

Who or what's to blame for this anyway? Start with the obvious culprits—angry, inattentive, distracted and drugged drivers. Add in more and more traffic, cellphones, and various other vehicular electronics. An awful lot of drivers just aren't paying very much attention to their driving—that is, taking pride in doing a skillful job of piloting a 2-ton machine down the road. A few years ago I'd get upset when I saw a driver just talking on his phone. At least that didn't take their eyes off the road. Nowadays they're texting, tweeting, surfing or studying the computer screen built into their dashboard.

Readers who know me know I'm a gearhead. I don't just love to ride my bike, I've been riding—and fixing and restoring—motorcycles and cars for 50 years. I enjoy shifting gears and seeing how smoothly I can operate the clutch, the steering and the brakes just as much as I get a kick out of mashing the throttle on an entrance ramp or cruising along in a well-oiled pack of riders. You might expect I don't much like being a passenger, and you'd be right. You might expect I'm prone to yell or honk at lousy drivers, especially ones holding electronic communication devices in their hands. And you'd be right about that too.

Sadly, I've come to realize that no matter how skilled a bicyclist, motorcyclist or driver I am, no matter how defensively I ride—or drive—the odds are increasing that some otherwise reasonable, intelligent, and possibly caring human being will smash into me because he or she simply didn't pay proper attention to operating a dangerous machine.

So as much as I like to operate motor vehicles, as much as I hate the thought of giving up control, I've also come to realize that self-driving cars can't get here fast enough. Can't get here fast enough to save Chain Gang members from drugged fools, and not fast enough to protect Terry Butcher from bicyclists—bicyclists, for God's sake!—who don't pay attention to their driving.

No wonder gravel road riding is growing so fast!

--Doug Kirk Editor@kalamazoobicycleclub.org

Classified Ad



Kirk Custom Single Speed/Fixed Gear Bike

Very low mileage 56 cm powdercoated 7005 aluminum frame, with nearly new Winwood carbon fork, FSA carbon handlebar, SRAM brakehoods. Bike also has 1980's Campy Record 170 mm crank, bottom bracket, hubs and seatpost. Mavic rims, DT spokes, Continental tires. Just add your saddle and pedals!

I built this bike for wife Kathy, but our single-speed years are behind us. I'd hate to part it out on Ebay. It needs someone who will appreciate how light, fun and responsive a single-speed can be.

\$600.00. Email me if interested.

Doug Kirk dgkirk52@gmail.com

MAY KBC STATISTICS

Active subscriptions: 382

Active Members: 636 (Includes family members)

New members:

Adam Alexander • Jeff Baas • Stacy Baas • Shelley Beazley • Russell Bertch • Thomas Brennan • Kimberly Carney • Joy Doorlag • Ann LaPoint • Travis LaPoint • Shane Muller • Claire Patrick • Dan Patrick • Isaac Patrick • Alex Robinson • Jon Steinhauser • Tammy Steinhauser • Darci Stevens • Ken Thackery • Valerie Vuk • Christine Wine • Eric Wine • Zoey Wine • Diane Yore • Tom Yore

May Expiring memberships:

Dotty & Russ Barr • Sheri Carpenter • John Clark • Derek Dalzell • Matthew Deighton • Ellen Draheim • Danny Fielding Family • Erin Fouts • Gustavo Garza • Susan Hill • Marc Irwin • Phillip Kline • Robert Miller • Timothy Mitchell • Kymberly Mulhern • Samual Peters • Gabriel Rice • Barbara Roan • Jeff Robertson • Alexander & Amanda Schau • Paula Solomon • Alina Springer • Dave & Michelle Timmer • Jerry Traxler • Tracy Williams Family • Tracy Wilson • David & Margaret Wochaski • Nancy Wyman

Renewed memberships:

Paul Bushnell • Andrea & Donald Fore • Eric Zahrai • Jeffrey Williams • Scott Soule • Ted & Stephanie Robinson • Cheryl & Don Butler • Christopher Dhulster • Barbara Williams • Kathy Roschek • Thomas Brennan • Joy Doorlag

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.

May 5-7 visit us for the Toad & Co. Mother's Day Event... 20% off Toad & Co. apparel!

Pop in May 10-14 to save 20% on dresses and skorts!

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.