

THE CUE SHEET

The Newsletter Of The Elmhurst Bicycle Club Riding Strong Over 30 Years.

BIKE AND BARGE GERMANY

Article and photos by George Hermach

From June 28 – July 5, 2008 twenty EBC cyclists enjoyed a bike and barge trip from Koblenz on the Mosel River to Saarbrücken on the Saar River in Germany. Those happy members were Berry Bond and Jerry Ringier, Bill and Mary Sue Coates, Joanne Dybala, Gerry Fekete and Mike Rossiter, George and Sharon Hermach, Bill Michaux, Mary Moroney, Bob and Carol Nield, Cheri O'Riordan, Nancy Shack, Susan Sperl and Keith Garland, Al Stanke, and Ted and Mary Ann Sward.

We boarded the barge "Allure" in Koblenz on Saturday afternoon and were greeted by the captain: Ton, guide: Thomas, cook: Bas, mate: Akbar, and a large black dog also named Bas. After dinner on the barge, Thomas took us for a walk in Koblenz to the famous Deutsches Eck (German Corner) where the Mosel joins the Rhine.

Sunday was our first cycling day. But first the barge had to navigate a lock on the Mosel. This turned out to be a time-consuming affair as there were two large freight barges ahead of us. Our bikes were seven-speed unisex "comfort" bikes. They were quite heavy compared to the road bikes most of us ride at home, but proved to be adequate for the basically flat riding we were to do. The bike route along both rivers was clearly marked and the surfaces ranged from pavement to cobblestones to gravel, so the wider tires were appropriate. Some of the route was on small local roads and some on dedicated biking/walking paths. We started riding in Winningen and rode to Cochem, a distance of about 50

Km (31 miles). A highlight of the day was a walk up to and tour of Burg Eltz near Moselkern, one of the best preserved castles in Germany. Built in the thirteenth century, it is still in the same family. Dinner was on the deck of the barge.

On Monday the barge continued up river while we ate breakfast on board. Each day, we packed our lunches at breakfast. We started cycling at the little village of Bullay. We passed through many beautiful small villages along both rivers. At a stop in Zell (home of the Zeller Schwartze Katz wine), a

local man, Udo, came up to us and offered to take us on a tour of his village. He was quite interesting and took us up on a hill for a good view of the town and valley. The barge was docked for the night at the twin villages of Kues-Bernkastel. We walked around both and ate dinner on board our barge. After dinner, we walked to the Weingut Anton Zimmerman win-



ery in Kues and toured and sampled his wines. They were very good, but unfortunately small wineries such as this do not export to the States.

Tuesday was another very warm sunny day. It had been quite warm in our cabins since the "Allure" was not air-conditioned. After breakfast, we started cycling along the river and through numerous vineyards. Each day we managed to take at least one "rest stop" at a local beer garden. It should be noted that beer was generally cheaper than either soda pop or water. At Mehring, some of us got on the barge and rode to our next destination – the historic city of Trier. It was a nice change (CONTINUED ON PAGE 12)

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ELMHURST BICYCLE SAFETY MEETING

By Bob Hoel,

Advocacy Committee Chair

The Elmhurst Public Affairs and Safety Committee has moved up the timetable on discussing bike safety. It has been included on the agenda for their meeting next Monday evening, July 28 at 7 pm at city hall, downtown Elmhurst, 209 N. York. (For reference, this is one block south of Panera's.)

It is critical that we get large numbers of people at this meeting as a show of support for biking in Elmhurst. You do not need to be an Elmhurst resident to attend or to speak. The agenda is fairly short and we are the last item on it. I expect the meeting to be less than 90 minutes unless they really get into the biking issue. Remember: the objective is to convince the Committee that they should recommend to Council that an ad hoc Bike Task Force be formed for the primary purpose of developing a long term bike plan for the city. Attached are two key documents we have developed. The first is why the Council should have a Bike Task Force and the second is a draft of what such a task force should cover. (More on page 15)

Please let me know if you plan to attend but it is critical that we have as many people there as possible. The city, like all organizations, responds to a show of numbers. Feel free to invite like minded friends and fellow bikers.

ADVOCACY REPORT

By Bob Hoel,

Advocacy Committee Chair

June was pretty much of a throw-away month for me with the broken ribs and collapsed lung. Six weeks later things are on the mend and our advocacy effort is picking up momentum again. Here is a quick run down of what is cooking.

SALT CREEK GREENWAY TRAIL

As you may know, the Elmhurst Park District passed a resolution saying that the trail link would not pass through the residential streets from Rex to Hillside (west to east) and the Prairie Path to Madison (north to south). The resolution created a "Trail Connector Committee." I am one of the seven members along with another cyclist and 5 local residents. The first meeting was to set some ground rules and brain storm ideas for alternate routing that would be evaluated by the District's engineering consulting firm. Whatever is done, expect a 2 year delay on the establishment of this link. Until then we can use whatever route we wish to connect the two ends. The rest of the construction is proceeding as planned.

The majority of the Trail has been paved, striped and the landscaping is being finished as I write this. It is really looking good. A couple of Mallard ducks have taken up residence on the bridge closest to Thomas and Monterey, like a welcoming committee, they always seem to be there. By the time of the Club's Annual Picnic in York Woods we should have a completed trail under Roosevelt Road and on into the Woods. Do you suppose anyone will organize a Club ride that day from Elmhurst to York Woods on the new Trail? I also anticipate some type of Trail opening ceremony. Stay tuned because we will want to get as many bodies out for that as possible.

ELMHURST BIKE TASK FORCE

(SEE ARTICLE ON PAGE 15)

We are cued up to have this come before the City Council's Public Affairs and Safety Committee at their first meeting, August 11. This has taken longer than I had hoped but then anything worth having is worth waiting for. I have heard nothing but strong support for the bike community from the City Council and the Mayor. We will want to get as many members to this meeting as possible to show the City that there is strong interest in making Elmhurst a bike friendly community. I will send a note through the list server as we get closer to the date. You need not be an Elmhurst resident to attend but speaking will probably be re-



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stricted to residents.

ELMHURST PARK DISTRICT

We have been covering these meetings so that we are not blindsided by folks like the Fairview Few who have managed to impose their limited vision on the rest of the community. At recent meetings we have had Club members Rebecca Clancy and Jerome Hughes speak to the benefits of biking for the community. The Greenway Trail Connector report (mentioned above) is due back to the EPD at the September 22 Board Meeting. Again, a list server note will be sent as a reminder when we get closer.

ELMHURST GREEN FEST - AUGUST 9

This event will be held in Elmhurst's Wilder Park. The Green Fest is sponsored by the Cool Cities Coalition, a group of local and green organizations to raise awareness of what each of us can do to reduce our carbon footprint. Cycling is a natural for this. I can't think of any other activity that will be proposed where the only input is the expenditure of human energy and not the transmission of electricity over power lines or the manufacture of energy efficient light bulbs. The Club has two events going on at the Green Fest. First, from 8:30 am to 11:30 am we will lead bike rides every 20 - 30 minutes from the Spring Road gazebo that will head west on the Prairie Path to the Greenway Trail, then north to its northern terminus, currently at Thomas and Monterey. We will then retrace our route back to the gazebo and into the main Fest area in Wilder Park. We will need at least 6 volunteers to lead these rides which will be limited to no more than 15 riders each. Each ride will be about 4.5 miles long and will have a leader and a sweep. (We will "recycle" the leader/sweeps during the 3 hour ride period.) Standard Club protocol of (CONTINUED ON PAGE 15)

Directions to Ride Start Locations

STARTING POINT	DIRECTIONS
Bullfrog Lake – Palos Forest Preserve, Willow Springs, IL	From I-55, exit at LaGrange Road (Route 45) south. Turn right onto Archer Ave south bound about 3 miles. Past the cemetery, turn left east bound onto 95th Street. Take the next right onto Wolf Road and into Palos. Bullfrog is the first Grove on your right.
Community Bank of Elmhurst Elmhurst, IL	330 West Butterfield Road, at the intersection of Butterfield Road and Spring Road. The Community Bank is on the southwest corner. Meeting room is on the second floor. Please donÅft bring bikes into the meeting room.
Depot, Elmhurst, IL	Rides start from the public parking lot just east of York Road on Vallette Street. Vallette St. is 1/4 mile south of St. Charles Road, York Road is 1 mile west of I-290.
Depot, Villa Park, IL	The Villa Park Depot is located at the intersection of Villa Ave. & Park Ave. on the IPP. Approximately 2-3 blocks South of the Villa Ave. & St. Charles Road intersection in Villa Park.
Gazebo, Glen Ellyn, IL	On the Prairie Path between Park Ave and Main Street. By car, take Roosevelt Road (Route 38) or North Ave. (Route 64) to Main Street Glen Ellyn (about 11/4 miles west of I-355) and head into downtown Glen Ellyn. The Gazebo is in the middle of the train station parking lot on the south side of the UP tracks.
IMAX Theatre Woodridge, IL	Located on Rt. 53, one half mile north of Hobson Road, one half mile south of Maple Ave. Riders meet in the parking lot in front of the theatre.
McCollum Park, Downers Grove, IL	McCollum Park is located at the SE Corner of 67th and Main Streets in Downers Grove.
Panera Bread, Elmhurst, IL	Panera Bread is located on the west side of York Road, just south of North Avenue (Route 64),the same building with CVS Pharmacy. Use southwest parking lot.
Parking Lot at Maple and Park Lombard, IL	The start is located in the parking lot at the NE corner of Maple Street and Park Ave., just east of Lilacia Park and the Helen Plum Memorial Library in Lombard.
Soccer Field, St. Charles, IL	Parking lot one block west of Randall Road and one block south of North Avenue (Rt. 64) at the SW corner of Peck and Campton Hills Roads.
Sunset Knoll Park, Lombard, IL	On Finley, at Wilson, half a mile north of Roosevelt Road. Please park behind the recreation facility; address is 820 South Finley Road.
Volunteer Park, Wheaton, IL	Milepost zero on the Prairie Path Main Stem., at the intersection of Liberty and Carlton StreetsWheaton. 1/4 mile north of Roosevelt Road, 1/2 mile west of Main Street / Schmale Road.



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August 2008 Club Rides

Special Events and Non-recurring rides.

Date	Time	Distance	Start	Leader	Ride Name	Description
8/1	9:00 AM	42 miles 16- 18 mph	Sunset Knoll Park on Fin- ley Rd. half mile north of Roosevelt, Lombard	Isaac R. Sa- mayoa Tel. H 630-627-3852 C 630-808-4810	Lombard to Batavia	A mostly flat road ride with a break at Panera in Batavia.
8/2	9:00 AM	65 miles, 16-18 mph, 30&45 op- tions 12-16 mph	Waterford Precision Cycles, 816 Bakke Ave, Waterford, WI	Steve Josephs, 630-235-9841	Waterford Factory to Lake Geneva	Join Steve for a ride through the beautiful rolling countryside around Waterford. This will be a joint ride with the Wheeling Wheelman. In addition to the faster metric century, there will be shorter routes of 30 miles and 45 miles. Richard Schwinn will give tours of the factory between 8:00 and 8:30. This is a great opportunity to see how top quality bicycles are built. (volunteers needed to lead the 30 and 45 miles routes, please contact Steve. Cue sheets provided)
8/2	7:30 AM	36 miles, 12- 14 mph	Mather Park	Janet K 964- 5126	Plainfield to Yorkville	Take 126 past town to the 2nd stop light, Drauden. Turn left and continue through the traffic circle, turning left. Park is 1/4 mi on left. Sat
8/2	9:00 AM	Determined by riders that show	Depot Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Saturday Show and Go	The riders will determine the ride leader, distance and pace
8/3	8:30 AM	20 miles, 10- 12 mph	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Sunday Slow Ride Show & Go	The slow ride is a S&G for August.
8/3	12:30 PM	Determined by riders that show	Gazebo, Glen Ellyn	Determined by Riders	Sunday Show and Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace.
8/3	8:30 AM	32-38 miles, 17-19 mph	Panera Bread at York & North Ave	David Polkow 630-832-8131	Sunday Morn- ing Fast Ride	This 2 1/2 hour weekly ride will go in various directions with one brief rest stop included. Ride will have a few optional sprints.
8/3	7:30 AM	25-30 miles, 12-14 mph	Panera Bread	Gerry Fekete	Sunday without Petra	Petra's mid-pace ride continues in August with a rotation of ride leaders.
8/3	8:30 AM	30-40 miles, 15-17 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Sunday Morning Ride	This is a road ride exploring Cook and Du Page counties. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/4	6:30 PM	25-30 Miles, 13-15 MPH	Spring Creek Reservoir FP, Bloomingdale	Larry Gitchell (708) 421-0120 (C), (708) 409- 0105 (H)	Monday Night Ride	The Monday Night Ride continues at its July venue in Bloomingdale. Note that time has changed to 6:30. Spring Creek Reservoir Forest Preserve is 1-1/4 miles west of Interstate 355 on Route 20 (Lake Street) Routes include roads and paved trails.
8/5	6:00 PM	30-40 miles, 14-16 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Tuesday Night Ride	This is a road ride exploring Du Page and Cook counties. Good lights and bright clothing required. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/5	9:00 AM	35 miles at a moderate pace (14-16 mph aver- age)	Imax theater in Woodridge at the corner of Rt 53 and Hobson Road	Bill Schwartz Home (630- 9636250) cell (630-303-1160)	Imax Tuesdays	Imax Tuesdays

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8/6	9:00 AM	Determined by riders that show	McCollum Park, Down- ers Grove	Determined by Riders	Wednesday Show n Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace.
8/6	6:30 PM	Distance TBD 11-13 mph	Parking lot at Maple St. and Park Ave. Lombard	Determined by Riders	Wednesday Night Inter- mediate Pace Show n Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace. Lights are needed.
8/6	6:30 PM	15-20 miles, 18-20+ mph	Villa Park Depot - Villa & the P.P.	David Polkow 630-832-8131	Wednesday night fast ride	This non-stop ride will be a short fast road ride and will include some tempo riding and intervals. This is a joint ride with the Elmhurst Triathlon Club.
8/6	9:00 AM	52 miles-16-18 mph	Sunset Knoll Park on Fin- ley Rd. half mile north of Roosevelt, Lombard	Isaac R. Sa- mayoa Tel. H 630-627-3852 C 630-808-4810	Lombard to St. Charles	A flat to rolling beautiful scenic road ride with long stretches and a break at Smitty's in St. Charles.
8/6	6:30 PM	10-12 miles, 10-12 mph	Depot, Villa Park	Judy Mike- sell - 833-1036 day of ride 630.290.2675	Wednesday Night Slow Ride	We will ride for an hour on side street & paths and will stop if we find something of interest. Open to Ice Cream or dinner stop if group wants.
8/6	6:30 PM	16 miles, 14- 16 mph	Villa Park Depot - Villa & the P.P.	Judy Polkow 630-832-8131	Wednesday Night Interme- diate Ride	This is a moderate version of Dave's ride.
8/6	9:00 AM	27 miles, 12- 14mph	McCollum Park	Phil Keller, 630- 964-5795	Wednesday in the suburbs	A loop ride on streets and paved trails.
8/7	6:00 PM	30-40 miles, 13-15 mph pace (slower on trails)	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Thursday Night TRAIL Ride	This is a road and TRAIL ride exploring Du Page and Cook counties. Will include scouting new routes and trails. Mountain bike or hybrid recommended. Good lights and bright clothing required. Will be one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/7	9:00 AM	75 miles 16- 18 mph	Imax theater in Woodridge at the corner of Rt 53 and Hobson Road	Bill Schwartz Home (630- 9636250) cell (630-303-1160)	Yorkville Ride from Imax Theater	Yorkville Ride from Imax Theater
8/8	9:00 AM	42 miles 16- 18 mph	Sunset Knoll Park on Fin- ley Rd. half mile north of Roosevelt, Lombard	Isaac R. Sa- mayoa Tel. H 630-627-3852 C 630-808-4810	Lombard to Batavia	A mostly flat road ride with a break at Panera in Batavia.
8/9	8:00 AM	55 miles, 12- 14 mph	Mather Park, Plainfield	Diane Daudell 815-436-1843 - H	Saturday Morning along the Fox River Valley	Plainfield to Yorkville to Millbrook to Newark and back on long roads with low traffic. Joint ride with Joliet Bicycle Club. Take I-55 South, exit at Rt. 126, drive through town to Drauden Rd. (2nd traffic light out of town) turn Left to traffic circle, 3/4 way around right onto Renwick, on Left in 1/4 mile.
8/9	8:00 AM	55 miles, 15- 17 mph	Mather Park, Plainfield	Nick Browne 630-605-1575 - C	Saturday Morn- ing along the Fox River Val- ley 2	Plainfield to Yorkville to Millbrook to Newark and back on long country roads with low traffic. Joint ride with Joliet Bicycle Club.
8/9	9:00 AM	Determined by riders that show	Depot Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Saturday Show and Go	The riders will determine the ride leader, distance and pace
8/9	7:00 AM	38 miles, 16- 18 mph	Depot, Elmhurst	Jim Gross, (630)530-0554	Ride to Busse Forest Pre- serve	Ride to Busse Forest Preserve from Elmhurst Depot. At halfway point we'll have a bagel at Einsteins.
8/10	8:30 AM	20 miles, 10- 12 mph	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Sunday Slow Ride Show & Go	The slow ride is a S&G for August.

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8/10	12:30 PM	Determined by riders that show	Gazebo, Glen Ellyn	Determined by Riders	Sunday Show and Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace.
8/10	8:30 AM	32-38 miles, 17-19 mph	Panera Bread at York & North Ave	David Polkow 630-832-8131	Sunday Morn- ing Fast Ride	This 2 1/2 hour weekly ride will go in various directions with one brief rest stop included. Ride will have a few optional sprints.
8/10	7:30 AM	25-30 miles, 12-14 mph	Panera Bread	Petra Hofmann	Sunday WITH Petra	Petra's mid-pace ride continues in August.
8/10	7:00 AM	55 miles, 17- 19mph	Naperville Plaza at Washington St. & Gartner	Roger Pardon	Trader Joes	Ride to Oswego for coffee and return by 11:00 am. A great way to start your day.
8/10	8:30 AM	30-40 miles, 15-17 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Sunday Morning Ride	This is a road ride exploring Cook and Du Page counties. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/11	6:00 PM	25-30 Miles, 13-15 MPH	Depot, Elmhurst	Larry Gitchell	Back in The 'Hurst MNR	The Monday Night Ride returns to its traditional home in Elmhurst, where we'll continue to explore eastern DuPage and westerrn Cook counties. Routes will be on street or paved paths. Lights recommended.
8/12	6:00 PM	30-40 miles, 14-16 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Tuesday Night Ride	This is a road ride exploring Du Page and Cook counties. Good lights and bright clothing required. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
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8/13	7:30 AM	75 or 100 miles at 12- 14 mph	Fox Valley trailhead parking lot on Illinois St in Aurora	George Hermach 630-717-1660, cell 630-886- 1151 day of ride	Fox Valley Century	Ride the scenic bike trail along the Fox River from Aurora to Crystal Lake and re- turn for 75 miles. Then ride the trail south along the river to Oswego and/or on the Gillman Trail for a Century. Bring snacks; lunch stop at a local restaruant. Ride can- celled if rainy.
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8/14	7:15 PM		Commu- nity Bank, Elmhurst	Ray Dal Lago, 630-543-4655	Monthly Club Meeting	Board meeting precedes club meeting.
8/14	6:00 PM	30-40 miles, 13-15 mph pace (slower on trails)	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Thursday Night TRAIL Ride	This is a road and TRAIL ride exploring Du Page and Cook counties. Will include scouting new routes and trails. Mountain bike or hybrid recommended. Good lights and bright clothing required. Will be one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/14	9:00 AM	75 miles 16- 18 mph	Imax theater in Woodridge at the corner of Rt 53 and Hobson Road	Show and Go	Yorkville Ride from Imax Theater	Yorkville Ride from Imax Theater
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8/15	6:00 PM	12-15 miles, 10-12 mph	Villa Park Depot - Villa Ave & IPP	Judy Mike- sell - 833-1036 day of ride 630.290.2675	ETHNIC DIN- NER RIDE - Soul Food	Ethnic Dinner Ride - We will ride for an hour then enjoy dinner at a local independent ethnic restaurant. Will need lights for ride back to start. Bring \$ Non bikers join us at Priscilla's Ultimate Soul-food Cafeteria Hillside 6:45 - 7:00
8/16	7:30 AM	36 miles, 12- 14 mph	Mather Park	Janet K 964- 5126	Plainfield to Yorkville	Take 126 past town to the 2nd stop light, Drauden. Turn left and continue through the traffic circle, turning left. Park is 1/4 mi on left. Sat
8/16	9:00 AM	Determined by riders that show	Depot Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Saturday Show and Go	The riders will determine the ride leader, distance and pace
8/16	8:30 & 10 AM	10miles 7-10mph, 10miles 7-12mph	Palos Forest Preserve- 95th & Wolf RD, Last Parking Lot Wolf RD	Baltimore Ortega H:630-920-0056, W:312-630- 7030, C:630- 697-7031	MOUNTAIN BIKING 101&102 WITH BALTIMORE	Lap 1: Intro doubletrack (wide trail) ride for anyone interested in mountain biking. Previous mountain bike (MTB) knowledge & experience not required. Basic info and three basic MTB riding positions covered. Lap 2: advanced MTB beginner ride on doubletrack & singletrack. Short training class with demo before ride. Ride lap 1 or 2, or both. New members, guests, and all members are welcome. Self contained ride: bring helmet, eye protection, tire repair kit, full gloves, food & water to refuel your energy. No Cyclist Gets Left Behind. ENJOY NATURE! No traffic, stop signs, or traffic lights. Rain or wet trails cancel all rides. Doubletrack: crushed limestone, gravel, dirt. Singletrack: dirt. Mountain or hybrid bike required. Fun Ride!
8/16	1:00 PM	25 miles	Frisco	Bill Schwartz cell (630-303-1160)	Colorado Ride for early arrivals	Easy tune-up ride on relatively flat route to breckenridge to test your ability riding at 8,000 feet altitude.
8/16	9:00 AM	65 Miles, 18- 20 MPH	LeRoy Oaks Forest Preserve, St. Charles	Ray Dal Lago 630-543-4655	De Ride to DeKalb	Join Ray for his anual ride on low travelled roads through Kane and DeKalb counties. Bring two water bottles as the only rest stop is at the mid point in DeKalb. Afterward Ray will have cold, juicy treat for all riders.
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8/17	7:30 AM	25-30 miles, 12-14 mph	Panera Bread	Petra Hofmann	Sunday WITH Petra	Petra's mid-pace ride continues in August.
8/17	9:00 AM	30-50 miles	Frisco, Colo- rado	Bill Schwartz cell (630-303-1160)	Tune up mountain climb Ute Pass	First ride of the trip. Modest pace and distance to adjust to altitude. May try asmall pass if the group feels up to it.
8/17	8:30 AM	30-40 miles, 15-17 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Sunday Morning Ride	This is a road ride exploring Cook and Du Page counties. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/18	6:00 PM	25-30 Miles 13-15 MPH	Depot, Elmhurst	Larry Gitchell (708) 421-0120 (C), (708) 409- 0105 (H)	Monday Night Ride	Explore the roads and paved paths of east- ern DuPage and western Cook counties. Lights recommended.
8/18	9:00 AM	50-60 miles	Frisco, Colo- rado	Bill Schwartz cell (630-303-1160)	Day 2 of Colo- rado Trip	Ride to Vail and back over Vail Pass. Lunch stop in Vail at Jeane & Charlie Snyder's house.
8/19	6:00 PM	30-40 miles, 14-16 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Tuesday Night Ride	This is a road ride exploring Du Page and Cook counties. Good lights and bright clothing required. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/19	9:00 AM	Show and Go	Imax theater in Woodridge at the corner of Rt 53 and Hobson Road	Bill Schwartz Home (630- 9636250) cell (630-303-1160)	Imax Tuesdays	Imax Tuesdays
8/19	9:00 AM	40 miles	Dotsero, Colorado	Bill Schwartz cell (630-303-1160)	Day 3 of Colo- rado Trip	Relaxed scenic ride in Glenwood Can- yon. Easy slopes (<2%) with spectacular scenery.
8/20	9:00 AM	Determined by riders that show	McCollum Park, Down- ers Grove	Determined by Riders	Wednesday Show n Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace.
8/20	6:30 PM	Distance TBD 11-13 mph	Parking lot at Maple St. and Park Ave. Lombard	Determined by Riders	Wednesday Night Inter- mediate Pace Show n Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace. Lights are needed.
8/20	6:30 PM	15-20 miles, 18-20+ mph	Villa Park Depot - Villa & the P.P.	David Polkow 630-832-8131	Wednesday night fast ride	This non-stop ride will be a short fast road ride and will include some tempo riding and intervals. This is a joint ride with the Elmhurst Triathlon Club.
8/20	9:00 AM	52 miles-16-18 mph	Sunset Knoll Park on Fin- ley Rd. half mile north of Roosevelt, Lombard	Determined by Riders	Lombard to St. Charles SHOW AND GO	A flat to rolling beautiful scenic road ride with long stretches and a break at Smitty's in St. Charles.
8/20	6:30 PM	10-12 miles, 10-12 mph	Depot, Villa Park	Judy Mike- sell - 833-1036 day of ride 630.290.2675	Wednesday Night Slow Ride	We will ride for an hour on side street & paths and will stop if we find something of interest. Open to Ice Cream or dinner stop if group wants.
8/20	9:30 AM	53 MI 10-12 MPH	LeRoy Oakes FP ST. CHARLES, IL.	Ted Sward 708 354-5782	KILGORE'S KANE KOUNTY KAPERS	KIRGORE'S KANE KOUNTY KAPERS
8/20	9:00 AM	60 miles	Frisco, Colo- rado	Bill Schwartz cell (630-303-1160)	Day 4 of Colorado Trip	Easy ride to Keystone and then continuing on to top of Loveland Pass. This is a 19 mile, 6% grade climb to 11,990 feet.
8/20	6:30 PM	16 miles, 14- 16 mph	Villa Park Depot - Villa & the P.P.	Judy Polkow 630-832-8131	Wednesday Night Interme- diate Ride	This is a moderate version of Dave's ride.

Date	Time	Distance	Start	Leader	Ride Name	Description
8/21	6:00 PM	30-40 miles, 13-15 mph pace (slower on trails)	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Thursday Night TRAIL Ride	This is a road and TRAIL ride exploring Du Page and Cook counties. Will include scouting new routes and trails. Mountain bike or hybrid recommended. Good lights and bright clothing required. Will be one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/21	9:00 AM	75 miles 16- 18 mph	Imax theater in Woodridge at the corner of Rt 53 and Hobson Road	Show and Go	Yorkville Ride from Imax Theater	Yorkville Ride from Imax Theater
8/21	9:00 AM	45 miles	Leadville, Co	Bill Schwartz cell (630-303-1160)	Day 5 of Colorado Trip	Drive to Leadville Co and on to Twin Lakes. Climb Independence Pass (20 miels at 6% grade to 12,095 feet). Return to Twin Lakes and drive back to Leadville for lunch. Riders looking for a more relaxed ride will do the Leadville bicycle path (15 miles all over 10,000 feet) and or a loop ride around Turquoise Lake.
8/22	9:00 AM	42 miles 16- 18 mph	Sunset Knoll Park on Fin- ley Rd. half mile north of Roosevelt, Lombard	Determined by Riders	Lombard to Batavia SHOW AND GO	A mostly flat road ride with a break at Panera in Batavia.
8/22	9:00 AM	Determined by group	Frisco, Colo- rado	Bill Schwartz cell (630-303-1160)	Day 6 of Colorado Trip	Riders will chose ride for final day of the trip. Options include riding to/from Lead-ville over Freemont Pass (11,318 feet), riding to Breckenridge and on up Hoosier Pass (11,541 feet), riding up Montezuma road (an easier 1000 foot climb), drive to Glenwood Springs and climb McClurg Pass, or repeat and of the earlier rides.
8/23	9:00 AM	Determined by riders that show	Depot Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Saturday Show and Go	The riders will determine the ride leader, distance and pace
8/23	9:00 AM	35 miles, 10- 14 mph	Elmhurst Depot	Petra 630 290 5173	Mi Tiera - Little Village	Once again, riding into Chicago and the Little Village for lunch at Mi Tierra. Mi Amigo, Baltimore, will co-lead this ride to one of the most beautiful restaurants in all of Chicagoland. We'll likely not be back in Elmhurst until 2-2:30 PM. We'll leave the museum for another trip. Gracias.
8/24	8:30 AM	20 miles, 10- 12 mph	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Sunday Slow Ride Show & Go	The slow ride is a S&G for August.
8/24	12:30 PM	Determined by riders that show	Gazebo, Glen Ellyn	Determined by Riders	Sunday Show and Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace.
8/24	8:30 AM	32-38 miles, 17-19 mph	Panera Bread at York & North Ave	David Polkow 630-832-8131	Sunday Morn- ing Fast Ride	This 2 1/2 hour weekly ride will go in various directions with one brief rest stop included. Ride will have a few optional sprints.
8/24	7:30 AM	25-30 miles, 12-14 mph	Panera Bread	Petra Hofmann	Sunday WITH Petra	Petra's mid-pace ride continues in August.
8/24	8:30 AM	30-40 miles, 15-17 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Sunday Morning Ride	This is a road ride exploring Cook and Du Page counties. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/25	6:00 PM	25-30 Miles, 13-15 MPH	Depot, Elmhurst	Larry Gitchell (708) 421-0120 (C), (708) 409- 0105 (H)	Monday Night Ride	Explore the western suburbs in the evening. Streets and paved trails. Lights recommended.

Date	Time	Distance	Start	Leader	Ride Name	Description
8/26	6:00 PM	30-40 miles, 14-16 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Tuesday Night Ride	This is a road ride exploring Du Page and Cook counties. Good lights and bright clothing required. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/26	9:00 AM	35 miles at a moderate pace (14-16 mph aver- age)	Imax theater in Woodridge at the corner of Rt 53 and Hobson Road	Bill Schwartz Home (630- 9636250) cell (630-303-1160)	Imax Tuesdays	Imax Tuesdays
8/27	9:00 AM	Determined by riders that show	McCollum Park, Down- ers Grove	Determined by Riders	Wednesday Show n Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace.
8/27	6:30 PM	Distance TBD 11-13 mph	Parking lot at Maple St. and Park Ave. Lombard	Determined by Riders	Wednesday Night Inter- mediate Pace Show n Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace. Lights are needed.
8/27	6:30 PM	15-20 miles, 18-20+ mph	Villa Park Depot - Villa & the P.P.	David Polkow 630-832-8131	Wednesday night fast ride	This non-stop ride will be a short fast road ride and will include some tempo riding and intervals. This is a joint ride with the Elmhurst Triathlon Club.
8/27	9:00 AM	52 miles-16-18 mph	Sunset Knoll Park on Fin- ley Rd. half mile north of Roosevelt, Lombard	Determined by Riders	Lombard to St. Charles SHOW AND GO	A flat to rolling beautiful scenic road ride with long stretches and a break at Smitty's in St. Charles.
8/27	8:30 AM	28 miles, 10- 12 mph	McCollum Park- 67th and Main Downers Grove	Carol Nield 630- 964-2488	Ride to DuPage River Park	Ride to DuPage River Park Bring snacks for stop at Park.
8/27	6:30 PM	10-12 miles, 10-12 mph	Depot, Villa Park	Judy Mike- sell - 833-1036 day of ride 630.290.2675	Wednesday Night Slow Ride	We will ride for an hour on side street & paths and will stop if we find something of interest. Open to Ice Cream or dinner stop if group wants.
8/27	6:30 PM	16 miles, 14- 16 mph	Villa Park Depot - Villa & the P.P.	Judy Polkow 630-832-8131	Wednesday Night Interme- diate Ride	This is a moderate version of Dave's ride.
8/28	6:00 PM	30-40 miles, 13-15 mph pace (slower on trails)	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Thursday Night TRAIL Ride	This is a road and TRAIL ride exploring Du Page and Cook counties. Will include scouting new routes and trails. Mountain bike or hybrid recommended. Good lights and bright clothing required. Will be one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.
8/28	9:00 AM	75 miles 16- 18 mph	Imax theater in Woodridge at the corner of Rt 53 and Hobson Road	Bill Schwartz Home (630- 9636250) cell (630-303-1160)	Yorkville Ride from Imax Theater	Yorkville Ride from Imax Theater
8/29	7:00 PM	Monthly Collating Party	Mikesell's House, Villa Park	Judy Mikesell, 630-833-1036	Newsletter Collating Party	Join fellow members in preparing next month's newsletter for mailing. Takes about 45 minutes. Call Judy for directions.
8/29	9:00 AM	42 miles 16- 18 mph	Sunset Knoll Park on Fin- ley Rd. half mile north of Roosevelt, Lombard	Determined by Riders	Lombard to Batavia SHOW AND GO	A mostly flat road ride with a break at Panera in Batavia.
8/30	9:00 AM	~25 miles moderate	Pastorino Home 7551 Blazer Justice IL. 60458	708-903-8700	Pool Party- MTB ride	Come join George and Pussanee for a scenic ride through The Palos Forest Preserve on Saturday June 28th at 9am

Date	Time	Distance	Start	Leader	Ride Name	Description
8/30	7:30 AM	36 miles, 12- 14 mph	Mather Park	Janet K 964- 5126	Plainfield to Yorkville	Take 126 past town to the 2nd stop light, Drauden. Turn left and continue through the traffic circle, turning left. Park is 1/4 mi on left. Sat
8/30	9:00 AM	Determined by riders that show	Depot Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Saturday Show and Go	The riders will determine the ride leader, distance and pace
8/30	9:00 AM	35 miles, 10- 14 mph	Elmhurst Depot	Petra 630 290 5173	Omelets in Arlington	Ride to Arlington for brunch and pulled pork omelets. Probably back by 2 PM, unless we're too full to ride fast.
8/31	8:30 AM	20 miles, 10- 12 mph	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Determined by Riders	Sunday Slow Ride Show & Go	The slow ride is a S&G for August.
8/31	12:30 PM	Determined by riders that show	Gazebo, Glen Ellyn	Determined by Riders	Sunday Show and Go	The riders who show will decide ride leader, distance and pace.
8/31	8:30 AM	32-38 miles, 17-19 mph	Panera Bread at York & North Ave	David Polkow 630-832-8131	Sunday Morn- ing Fast Ride	This 2 1/2 hour weekly ride will go in various directions with one brief rest stop included. Ride will have a few optional sprints.
8/31	7:30 AM	25-30 miles, 12-14 mph	Panera Bread	Petra Hofmann	Sunday WITH Petra	Petra's mid-pace ride continues in August.
8/31	8:30 AM	30-40 miles, 15-17 mph pace	Pan- era Bread, Elmhurst	Jeff Wincentsen, 630-832-3338	Jeff's Sunday Morning Ride	This is a road ride exploring Cook and Du Page counties. Includes one short stop. Bring enough food/drink to refuel. Guest ride leaders welcome; give Jeff a call.





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RIDING IN THE NORTHWOODS

Plans are almost complete for the ride to and in the Northwoods of Wisconsin. Jerry Ringier will lead an eight day self-contained ride with a motel option to the vacation home of Mary Jo Bolan. The destination is Boulder Junction, Wisconsin, which is about twenty miles south of the Wisconsin, UP border, and about twenty miles north of Minocqua, Wisconsin. The ride will begin on September 3, 2008.

The second phase, five day rides in the Northwoods, will begin on Friday, September 12, 2008. In addition to biking, riders will have the use of a canoe and two kayaks. Even if the outside temperature is cool, the water will be warm. There are several lovely beaches in the area for swimming, walking along the shore, or just relaxing. There are also

walking trails and abundant wild life. The vegetation should be colorful.

On or about September 18, 2008, Dick Diebold will lead some of the hardy members of the group on the ride home.

There will be a get-together in early August to further discuss. Watch the list server for details.

Hopefully this ride can accommodate a variety of bikers. Riders who would find eight days of self-contained riding more than they wish to do can drive up and ride in the northwoods. Cue sheets will be available for all rides.

Ride up or drive up, but consider coming. For more information contact Jerry Ringier or Mary Jo Bolan.

RIDE LIKE AN EGYPTIAN (SEE PAGE 16)

Truly a recreational ride with a mission, "Ride Like An Egyptian" offers cyclists an early fall ride through west-central Kane County and east-central DeKalb County while supporting the historic Egyptian Theatre in DeKalb, IL.

The consists of four 25-mile loops beginning at the Egyp-



tian Theatre and ending in Filmore Park, Maple Park, IL. From the well-stocked Filmore rest stop, chose any (or all) of three 25-mile loops returning to the Egyptian Theatre for dinner.

An end-of-ride meal is included in the registration. The cost for non-riders is \$5.00.

Commemorative T-shirts, featuring the ride logo, will be available for pick up on the day of the ride. Preregistered riders have the option to purchase a T-shirt (\$8.00 by 9/13 or \$12.00 thereafter) for pick up on the day of ride. All others are first-come-first-served basis while supplies last.

Registration opens at 7:00 a.m. and closes at 10:00 a.m. at the Egyptian Theatre (135 N. Second St., DeKalb, IL., 60115). There is free on-street parking and several free parking lots within three blocks of the theatre. All routes close at 4:00 p.m. The end-of-ride meal starts at 11:00 a.m. and closes at 4:30 p.m. Secure bike parking is available during meal hours.

Mail-in registration forms are available at http://www.egyptiantheatre.org/RLAE.html Preregister by September 13, 2008 for \$20.00. After September 13, registration is \$25.00. Registration is free for children under 16 (\$5.00 after Sept. 13). Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult rider. The ride goes on rain or shine. No refunds.





BIKE AND BARGE GERMANY

to view the passing scenery from the barge. Some of us elected to continue cycling all the way to Trier. Trier dates from Roman times. After dinner, we walked to the Roman Bridge and to the Karl Marx House (his birthplace).

Wednesday morning was spent touring Trier. We rode our bikes to the Porta Nigra (Black Gate) and parked them in an underground bike garage. We visited the Dom (catherdral) and took a tour train around the historic area, then ate our lunches in the Palace Garden. After lunch, we continued along the Mosel a few miles to the junction with the Saar River, then proceeded up the Saar to the beautiful village of Saarburg. In Saarburg, we rode a chairlift to the top of a nearby hill for a beautiful view. Nine of us took our bikes (they were hung by the wheels on a special rack on the lift) and had a nice downhill coast back to Saarburg. In the evening and overnight we had several gusty thunderstorms.



There was still light rain on Thursday morning which continued most of the day. It was much cooler. We left pretty Saarburg and continued cycling up the Saar River, passing a heavily wooded natural area. In Mettlach, we visited the Villeroy and Boch ceramic center where we watched a short

film and saw lots of display dinnerware, bathroom fixtures, and art pieces. We ate our sandwiches in a gazebo overlooking the river. While eating, we saw the "Allure" pass. Just upriver from Mettlach, we met the barge at a lock. As it was still raining lightly, some of us got onboard, while some of us continued cycling for a total distance that day of 38 Km (24 miles). Those of us who continued cycling arrived in Merzig just as the "Allure" was docking for the night. The food on the barge was very good, especially given the constraints of the small galley. Each night's menu had a different theme,

Friday dawned cloudy, but it became sunny by mid-morning. This was our last day of cycling. Our first stop was in the



town of Saarlouis, where there was an open-air market in the main square. In the afternoon, some of us stopped at the Völklinger Hütte ironworks which closed in 1986 as technically obsolete. They had a very interesting audio tour in English. From there, the path to Saarbrücken became more citified. The "Allure" was docked right in the historic area. After dinner, we walked around the old part of the city.

After breakfast on board Saturday, we said our goodbyes and left the barge and went our separate ways. We all thought it was a wonderful trip. Each day we had something interesting to visit. Think of it as sightseeing at the pace of a bicycle. Those who primarily want speed or distance might be disappointed with this type of trip.

Many thanks to Al Stanke for organizing this adventure.



ADVOCACY REPORT (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3)

signed ride sheets and helmuts will be required. We have a couple of volunteer leaders already but I need at least 4 more. I have lined up temporary bike racks (courtesy of the Chicagoland Bicycle Federation) to be placed in Wilder Park and it looks like we will have a couple of the City's non-sworn officers available to make sure the bikes are secure. Bike parking will not be staffed by the Club.

The second area that the Club will participate in is the Exhibits. We will have a table in the area just north of the library which will need staffing from 9 am to 3 pm with an hour on each side for set up and tear down though I doubt it will take this much time. We will distribute various probike literature. More importantly, we will be able to recruit new members. Over the past several months I have heard comments from residents of many years that they were not aware of a bike club in Elmhurst. This will be a great opportunity to get our name in front of the community. (I will be surprised if this single event doesn't push our member-

ship over the 400 mark!) We will need at least 2 people for a morning shift of setup (8 am to noon) and another 2 people for the afternoon and teardown (noon to 4 pm). Again, I have a couple of volunteers so far but will need at least two more so that it is not a burden to anyone. Additional volunteers will mean shorter work shifts.

July has historically been when the Club's Metro Metric ride has been held. For that the Club would roll out 100+ members to drive 50 miles to work all day. This event is in our back yard with a total of 3 – 4 hour shifts. We can't get it much easier to show the community what the Elmhurst Bike Club is all about.

The website for the Fest is http://www.elmhurstgreenfest.org.

Thanks to all the committee members, especially Sharon Hermach, Steve Sinderson, Jerome Hughes, Rebecca Clancy and Ray Dal Lago who continue to give of their time and energy for the benefit of the rest of the Club.

BENEFITS:

ELMHURST BICYCLE TASK FORCE

Since bikes are entitled to be on the roadway, the committee would work to educate the public about the presence of bikes and their rights to the roadways through publications like the Elmhurst "Front Porch," the quarterly newsletter distributed to all residents. This awareness should reduce bike/auto accidents.

Encouraging biking would provide an active alternative that can address physical fitness for both adults and children, especially in view of the alarming incidence of obesity in younger children nationwide. Biking to school is not only healthy but will address pollution and auto congestion issues.

The committee would help improve bike safety and reduce bike/auto conflict.

Being bike friendly is a proven way to increase property values by making the community more "green."

Many people currently bike to the Elmhurst train station as demonstrated by the heavy use of the bike racks at the train station. This can help reduce the demand for parking and reduce downtown auto congestion.

It has been shown nationally that increased bike traffic on organized trails brings more commerce into a community. Such an increase in traffic on the Prairie Path will bring more commerce to the Spring Road shopping area.

The communities of Naperville, Hinsdale, Lisle, Schaumburg, Oak Park and Wheaton all have a bike task force in motion or in formation to enhance the values of their communities. Not having a task force would place Elmhurst at a disadvantage to our neighbors. Elmhurst has so many awards. Adding "bike-friendly" to the list would be a significant draw.

The Illinois Prairie Path is the oldest rail-to-trail conversion in the United States and Elmhurst is the first community riders encounter coming from the East. We have an opportunity to set the pace on trail development and usage for the communities to the West of Elmhurst.

Finally, the Elmhurst Bicycle Club has over 300 members, one of the larger organized groups in the city.



THE EGYPTIAN THEATRE: RESTORED 1929, EGYPTIAN ART

DECO MOVIE PALACE

Built in 1928-1929, the Egyptian Theatre was created during a time when the entire country was caught up in the mystery of the discovery of King 'Tut"'s Tomb. The entire country was infatuated with Egyptian clothing, parties, and young Hollywood was turning out mummy movies!

The architect, Elmer F. Behrns, had studied and loved Egyptology. But instead of throwing together hieroglyphics, falcon wings, and other Egyptian motifs, Mr. Behrns designed this theater with one central theme, that of Ramses II, one of the Egyptian pharoahs.

The Egyptian's facade is covered with light sage terra cotta and features a 20 foot tall stained glass window bearing the ancient sacred scarab, holding up the sun god Ra while standing on the earth.

On each side of the stained glass window are two huge pharaohs guarding over the entrance of the theater. The front of the theater is shaped like the gate of a great temple. The current marquee is the fourth marquee to adorn the theater and was commissioned during a recent restoration.

More at: http://www.egyptiantheatre.org/index.html

EBC MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Treasurers report: \$20,548.57
- Phil Keller has a few committee people to help with the club picnic being held on Sept 13th at York Woods.
- Steve proposed that the awards duties be segmented into a different board position. Board voted "Yes" for a Awards Coordinator.
- Steve suggested awarding club jerseys to those leading numerous rides. Also will speak with Laura Kuhlman who was handling club jerseys.
- More discussion concerning amending the club by-laws. A
 meeting will be set to explore the need to do this and look
 for volunteers. Revamping the website is also a future possibility. Thinking about creating a position for Fundraiser
 Chairman and a Special Events Chairman.
- The hotline message was changed and guides people to the club website for further ride info. The Elmhurst Green Fest will be held August 9th and EBC was asked to setup rides for that day. Bob Hoel will lead some rides starting at 8:30a.m for a five mile ride involving trails and streets. There will be a ride leader on each ride with a sweep. Maximum 15 to 20 riders per ride. Volunteers will be needed to lead rides and pass out literature. Bob Hoel

will coordinate.

CLUB MEETING

- Membership report by Mary Jo Bolan: Nearly 380 members. Doug Delaney and George Venettis are new members.
- Joann Dezur announced club picnic will be September 13th at York Woods from 12 to 4p.m. York Woods is located at I-88 and York Rd. Judy Mikesell will lead a slow ride to the picnic. Club members are encouraged to bring yard games. Some volunteers will be needed to help out. Ride Captain: August rides needed by July 13th. Waterford Wisconsin ride will take place on July 12th.
- Petra-Newsletter: Need some people interested in taking over newsletter duties for 2009. REI announced EBC is club of the month. Looking for people to talk about favorite routes or rides on July 17th. Come out to talk about your favorite ride. Powerpoint or speak.
- Still looking for publicity director to help promote the club
- Steve would like to create a separate position for Awards Chairman. Would like to have this in place by 2009.
- Senator Carol Pankow was not able to make it to meeting.
 Video on effective cycling was shown for the presentation.