



Will Bike for Food

Nebraska United Methodist
Bike Ride for Hunger

Sixteenth Annual Circle Bicycle Tour of Nebraska June 25th – June 29th, 2011

June 25th — Bridgeport - *Optional Day 50 miles*
June 26th — Bridgeport - Hemingford *63 miles*
June 27th — Hemingford – Gering/Scotts 61 miles
June 28th — Gering/Scotts Loop *78 miles*
June 29th — Gering/Scotts - Bridgeport *55 miles*
Miles approximate

NUMB stands for Nebraska United Methodist Bike Ride for Hunger. This year NUMB will celebrate 16 years of feeding the hungry of the world. NUMB has contributed over \$463,000 to alleviate hunger all around the world since the first ride in 1996. NUMB benefits the hungry in Nebraska and around the world and is sponsored by the *Nebraska United Methodist Church Risk Taking Mission and Justice Team of the Common Table*.

NUMB is open to all interested cyclists. You do not have to be United Methodist to participate in NUMB. The ride will be limited to the first 135 riders. Riders will be coming from all across the nation, as well as Nebraska to be a part of this ride. Send your registration or register on line at www.numbride.org early to secure a spot on NUMB 2011. Riders 18 years old and under must be accompanied by an adult, parent or guardian. NUMB will be challenging and riders must be in excellent riding condition and using quality biking equipment. Helmets are required. Participants must pay \$50 for registration (*after May 1st - \$55*) and secure a minimum of \$100 pledged to United Methodist Hunger programs. Registrants will receive pledge sheets and information about United Methodist Hunger projects upon registering.

NUMB 2011 will be a 270+/- mile loop tour starting and ending in Bridgeport, Nebraska. The official start of NUMB 2011 is the Saturday evening Rider's Meeting, but for those arriving early to Bridgeport, there will be an optional pre-NUMB loop ride on Saturday morning of about 50 miles. NUMB 2011 will pedal through the historic Chimney Rock and Scottbluff Monument area of Nebraska traveled by the Wagon Trains on the Oregon and Mormon Trails in the 1800's. From Bridgeport we will ride north into the cattle country of Hemmingford. NUMB then travels back to the North Platte River valley for two nights in the Scottsbluff/Gering area. (That's right! You don't need to break camp and pack up your tent for one day!) We will ride west towards Wyoming and come back to Scottsbluff and Gering (*Gering home of Miss Amerca*) for our second night in this community. NUMB concludes with a return ride to Bridgeport.

Events Bike Ride Services

will be on the ride to offer you: a chance to reward those tired legs with a massage; have your luggage taken care of if you elect to stay in a motel, your tent put up or taken down, a chair rental, a towel rental, or your bicycle cleaned and detailed, we can help make your trip more relaxing and memorable and less stressful check it out at:

www.eventsbikerideservices.com
and contact: Glen Morey -
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(727) 868-6231.



Cyclists need to provide their own tents, multi-speed bike and gear needed for the trip. Helmets are mandatory. Following registration you will receive additional information including helpful hints on training and equipment. The route is SAG supported. Geoff Paterson of Omaha Bike Masters will be the NUMB Bike Tech. Designated camping sites are provided in each host community. Support vehicles will transport your tents and luggage. Riders may park their vehicles in Bridgeport on arrival and pick them up again when our tour concludes there.

The United Methodist Churches of *Hemingford, Gering and Scottsbluff and the Presbyterian Church of Bridgeport* will be our hosts and arrange for breakfast and evening meals for purchase and showers and camping spaces in their communities. Registration information will contain a listing of motels available in host towns. SAGs with water and snacks will be located every 10-12 miles. Riders will be responsible for purchasing lunch in towns we pass through on the route.



TOUR LEADERSHIP Rev. *Bill Ritter*, Senior Pastor of First UMC, Columbus, member of the National Bicycle Tour Directors Association and Tour Leader for the sixteenth year. Bill has led numerous cross Nebraska bike tours for the United Methodist Church since the 1980's and is a veteran of thirteen BRAN trips, has participated in RAGBRAI, MS150, BAK, SAGBRAW, Tour de Kota, Candisc, BAM, WOW and various other Bike Tours. Also serving you on NUMB are *Greg Bakewell*, Route Director, *Nina Clark*, Social Director, *Wayne and Kathy Minikus*, SAG Directors and *Regina Bergman*, Registrar/director's assistant.

Geoff Paterson, Bike Tech Bike Masters of Omaha, NE.

Dick Vandenberg, Nebraska Cycling and Fitness, Columbus, NE. bike parts and accessories

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Check out www.numbride.org for additional registration forms, pictures/video of previous NUMB's and additional information

Register online at: www.numbride.org

If you are not a rider but would like to participate, support personnel are needed, please contact us.