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### Director's Notes

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### FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE

We had a busy April, on the 18<sup>th</sup> we went to chapter T's fun day we had 18 members to attend. Chapter T did a great job with their fun day, with lots of activities, and great food, the cake walk was a big hit. Along with the tacky tourist contest (See page 2) our very own Cal Krefft was the winner for being the tackiest dress tourist. If you did not make it to this venue you missed a great time.

On 25<sup>th</sup> of April we went to Chapter B's 30 Anniversary party at Red top Mountain State park. There were 13 of us that went over on Friday and stayed at the park for the weekend. We had a great time at the party, and at the cabins, with a great cook out on Saturday Night. We did have a little rain on Friday night but it was gone by Saturday morning. We took the scenic route back home on Sunday and stopped at Daniel's in Hiwassee for a great lunch. After lunch we headed home, what a great weekend with a very fun filled group. (See page 3).

#### Upcoming events

May 23<sup>rd</sup> we will have our motorist Awareness day at the Ga. Welcome Center. We will be starting at 8 am till 2 pm please plan to attend.

We will not have a meeting in June due the Ga. District Rally in Dillard, June 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> if you have not made your plans to be there then you need to get them made soon.

We will be back at Shoney's on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July for our regular meeting.

Ride Safe & Enjoy life,  
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## TOPIC: THE INVISIBLE MOTORCYCLIST

"I never saw him. He came out of nowhere!" That's probably the most common statements heard at a collision between an automobile and a motorcyclist. They're usually made by the operator of the auto because the motorcyclist is unconscious (or worse).

As riders we wonder, "How can *they* NOT see us? Are *they* just not looking?"

A lack of attention on the part of the driver does explain some of the car/bike collisions; the distracted driver, cell 'phones, unruly children, etc. All these can contribute **BUT** some responsibility belongs to the motorcyclist as well.

I know. I know. That's heresy. Let me explain.

- Motorcycles make up about 3% of the "normal" traffic flow.

People "see" what they expect to see; things like cars and trucks

Unless the rider does something to visually stand out, he can be easily overlooked.

- Motorcycles **ARE** much harder to see than cars/trucks because of their smaller size. A motorcycle can easily be "lost" in the background even with the headlight on.

Many motorcycles are colors that lend themselves to blending into the environment. Particularly dark colored machines (black is the color of pavement after all).

Many motorcyclist wear dark colored helmets (or no helmet at all, but we won't discuss those here) AND dark colored clothing. A number of studies in the US and abroad have shown that a light colored (white, silver, yellow) helmet is more noticeable (during daylight hours) than a dark colored (black, dark red, dark blue) helmet. Why? The driver sees this bright colored "orb" floating above the traffic (most riders heads are higher than the hoods/windshields of cars). It's DIFFERENT.

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Lastly (and sadly), most motorcyclists are not skilled in emergency maneuvers. Over 13% of the motorcyclists involved in fatal crashes made NO effort to avoid the collision. They didn't brake, they didn't swerve, they just rode right into the collision. That's because, after they've gotten their license, they don't practice those kinds of maneuvers regularly (or ever). Motorcycling is a SKILL. It takes practice.

So how can you NOT be the Invisible Motorcyclist?

- Position your bike so it can be seen and identified in the traffic stream.
- Wear bright colors
- Consider getting a brightly colored bike

PRACTICE your emergency maneuvers

Or you could take the advice I got once from a very experienced rider. He told me not to "ride like I was invisible." He told me to ride like they can see me and are actively planning to do something to take me out."



# Rider Education



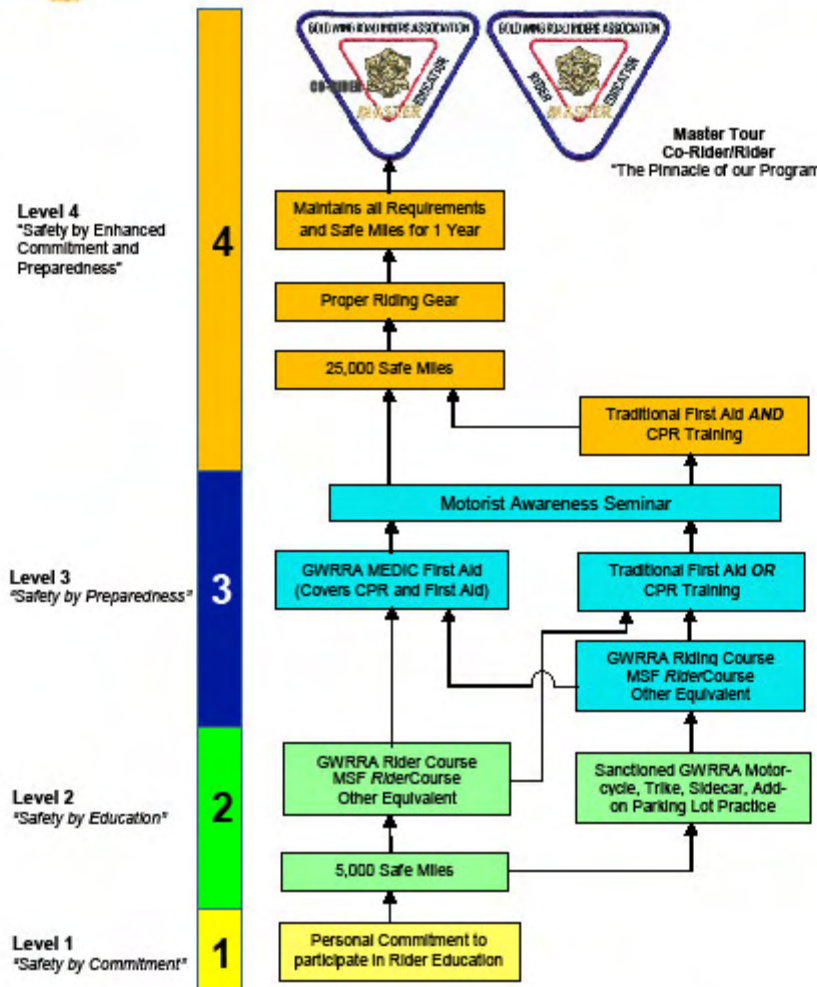
Seminars, and classes that are available at the Chapter Level.

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| 1. "Level Up" PPT Presentation                 | 9. "Dealing With Different Elements"     |
| 2. Co-Rider Seminar                            | 10. Riding in the Heat                   |
| 3. Co-Rider-Two Seminar                        | 11. Night Riding ...                     |
| 4. Riding With New and/or Inexperienced Riders | 12. Motorcycle Crash Scene Response      |
| 5. Motorcycling for Mature Riders              | 13. High Side Scenarios                  |
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| 7. Road Captain Course                         | 15. Trailering Seminar                   |
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|  | 17. "Think Motorcycles" ppt presentation |

View your Rider Ed Level accomplishments: [http://re2.gwrra.org/login\\_mem.php](http://re2.gwrra.org/login_mem.php)



## Gold Wing Road Riders Association Rider Education Levels Program "The Building Blocks of Rider Education"



(Chart Available in the Clip Art Section of the Rider Education Website)



# Jeanna Phillips Motorist Awareness Coordinator



May 13, 2015



May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month, designed to encourage all drivers and motorcyclist to “share the road” with each other. Motorcyclist fatalities increased in 2012 to 4,957, accounting for 15 percent of total fatalities for the year. This increase in motorcycle fatalities continues a tragic trend over the last 15 years, which only saw a one year decline in 2009. Crash-related motorcycle injuries also increased from 81,000 in 2011 to 93,000 in 2012. Safe riding practices and cooperation from all road users will help reduce the number of fatalities and injures on our nation’s highways.

Saturday, May 23, 2015                      Georgia Welcome Center I85                      Motorist Awareness Event

## Motorcycles Start Seeing ‘Em!

GWRRR Chapter I2 participants a big Thank You to those who will be taking time to help!!!

As people stop for information or restroom break    Ask    Have you seen a Motorcycle today?

If “yes” that’s GREAT    Then, look for another one please.

As a thank you to those who stop by our awareness event , small tokens of appreciations have been donated by local businesses.

.. Also we will have brochures and bumper stickers available. Kids are a wonderful resource when it comes to seeing motorcycles on the highways. There will be balloons for young people, a bottle of water, a smile, and a simple phrase Please watch out for Motorcycles    could help save a life this Memorial Day Weekend.

Let’s educate operators of vehicles to be more conscious of the presence of motorcyclists. Also remind motorcyclists that they may be overlooked and provide defensive strategies for overcoming this situation. Even share tips you have learned to see hidden motorcycles and/or vehicles .



# Dress Loud & Ride Proud

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## May Birthdays

- 2nd Joyce Argo
- 16th Paul Moricz
- 18th Sharon Krefft
- 24th Ronnie Lewis
- 26th Glen Argo
- 28th Tim Swain



*Congratulations  
Couple of the Year (COY) 2015*



**Congratulations to Jane & Paul Moricz for being selected as Chapter I-2's Couple of the Year 2015 (COY).**

## May Anniversaries



**None This Month!!**

## CONCERNS

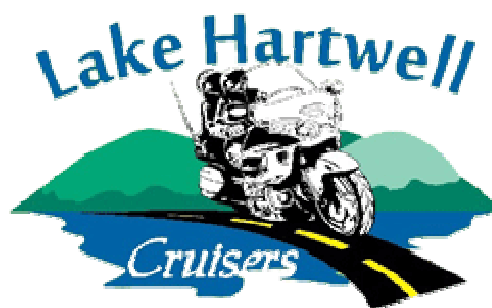
District Director, Tommy Martin had Hip replacement surgery on April 29th. On last report he said he was doing well and getting around with a little assistance of a walker. Good Luck Tommy, we'll keep you in our thoughts, and prayers.



Please keep our friends Glen and Joyce Argo in your thoughts, and prayers as they go through Glen's continuing recovery from Bladder cancer, and associated conditions. On last report Glen is making great strides in his recovery!

**Chapter I-2 Mascots**

**Bucky & Cupcake Blacksheep**







## Up Coming Events For 2015



- Jan 1 New Years Day Lunch Ride. "Cottage House Restaurant", 5702 Hwy 115 East, Cleveland, Georgia. Come on 2,3 or 4 wheels. We will leave Lavonia Exxon at 11:00 Am.
- Jan 24 Chapter I-2's Gathering for this month only will be the 4th Saturday vs. the 3rd Sat. at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12-1pm. This change was necessary due to the "Officers Conference" on the 17th.
- Jan 17 "Chilly Willy" is back in conjunction with the GWRRA Ga. Chapter's "Officers Conference". Being held again this year at "Buckner's Family Restaurant", Jackson, Ga.
- Feb 14 Chapter S "Sweetheart Fun Day". Midway Christian Church, 1406 Hog Mountain Road, Winder, GA.
- Feb 21 Chapter I-2 Gathering at "Shoney's". Eat at 11am, Meeting 12-1pm. I-2 Co-Rider, and Co-Rider Plus training Seminars will be held after our monthly gathering at Line Fire Dept.
- Feb 28 We'll deliver the District **Hot-Potato** to Chapter E-2, Pooler, Ga. We will need to leave Lavonia at 10:30 am.
- March 21 Chapter I-2 Gathering at "Shoney's". Eat at 11am, Meeting 12-1pm.
- March 24 We will be visiting Chapter R, "Sidelines Grille", 147 Reinhardt College Parkway, Canton, Ga Tuesday, March 24th. We'll leave Lavonia at 3:30 pm. Hope some of you can make plans to go and visit them.
- March 28 Chapter I-2 Lunch Ride to "Vanna Country BBQ". Meet at 10:30, leave at 11:00 am from Lavonia Exxon, or join us at "Vanna Country BBQ", Hwy 17S, Vanna, GA at 11:30am.
- April 18 We'll not have our regular Chapter I-2 Gathering at "Shoney's" this month. Instead we will visit Chapter T for their Fun-Day. Leave Lavonia Exxon at 9:00am.
- April 18 GA Chapter T's fun-day at Blacks Creek Baptist Church 3754 Blacks Creek Church Road Commerce, GA 10am until 1pm.
- April 25 Chapter I-2 Lunch or Dinner Ride, Location and Times to be decided.
- April 25 Visitation to GA Chapter B for their "Fun-Day" being held at Red Top Mountain State Park & Lodge, 50 Lodge Road Southeast, Cartersville, GA 30121. Some of us may go over there on Friday and spend the night let me know if you would like to make it a weekend trip.
- May 16 Chapter I-2 Gathering at "Shoney's". Eat at 11am, Meeting 12-1pm.
- May 23 Memorial Day "Motorist Awareness" campaign at the "Georgia / South Carolina I-85 "Welcome Center".

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- May 23 Chapter I-2 Dinner Ride, following the “Motorist Awareness” campaign, Location T.B.A.
- June 18-20 **2015 Georgia District Convention; “GoldWing Dynasty Wing Fling- It’s a Family Thang”.**  
**"River Vista Mountain Village"**, 20 River Vista Drive, Dillard GA 30537.
- June 27 Chapter I-2 Lunch or Dinner Ride, Location and Times to be decided.
- July 9-11 **"Wings Over The Smokies 32"**. The rally for 2015 will be held on July 9th-11th, 2015 in Cherokee, NC. It will be at the "Acquoni Expo Center", 1501 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC.
- July 10 Chapter Ride to **“Wings Over The Smokies”**. It will be at the "Acquoni Expo Center", 1501 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC. We will leave Lavonia Exxon At 8:30 am. Come ready to ride. .
- August 15 Chapter I-2 Gathering at “Shoney's”. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12-1pm.
- August 22 Chapter I-2 Lunch or Dinner Ride, Location and Times to be decided.
- Sept. 3-6 **Wing Ding 37** at the "VonBraun Center" Huntsville, Alabama.
- Sept. 19 Chapter I-2 Gathering at “Shoney's”. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12-1pm.
- Sept. 26 Chapter I-2 Lunch or Dinner Ride, Location and Times to be decided.
- October 17 Chapter I-2 Gathering at “Shoney's”. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12-1pm.
- October 24 Chapter I-2 Lunch or Dinner Ride, Location and Times to be decided.



<b>Florida District Convention, Kissimmee</b>	<b>March 19-21</b>
<b>Alabama District Convention, Eufaula</b>	<b>May 14-16</b>
<b>South Carolina District Convention, Anderson</b>	<b>July 16-18</b>
<b>Georgia District Convention, Dillard</b>	<b>June 18-20</b>
<b>Region "A" Convention, Eufaula, AL</b>	<b>October 28-31</b>

- **November 21 No Chapter I-2 Gathering at “Shoney's” for November and December.**
- Evening of November 21st Chapter I-2 "End of Year 2015 Celebration".



# Chapter Classifieds

## Bike & Non-Bike Items

Updated: May 13, 2015

1. Assorted Bits and pieces leftover from '02 1800 GoldWing (Illusion Blue), and '08 1800 GoldWing (Dark Red Metallic) TRIKE CONVERSIONS. These parts include, complete rear-end assemblies, brake-discs, rear-wheels, side-bags, etc. IF You need parts for repairs or just to have extra on-hand contact me. Ronnie at 706-340-7320 or EMAIL [ronniev@bellsouth.net](mailto:ronniev@bellsouth.net)



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# May 2015



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# June 2015



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May 2015



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## Having Fun With Visitation

This past month Georgia has been very blessed with rain and if the cliché “April showers bring May flowers” holds true, there should be an abundance of beautiful flowers for us to view and admire as we ride through Georgia in this month.

On April 18<sup>th</sup> Chapter T held their Tacky Tourist Fun Day, where 100+ members were in attendance—several of them on their motorcycles even with the threat of rain. There were even some “Tacky Tourist” in the



house. Chapter F2 had possession of the Georgia District Travelers Plaque and

generously offered to give it away at Chapter T’s event. Several Chapters signed in for the Plaque and the miles and points were close. Once the dust settled, Chapter J was the capturing Chapter and took the Georgia District Travelers Plaque home with them to Hiawassee.

On April 25<sup>th</sup> Chapter B held their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at Red

Top Mountain State Park. I didn’t get the official count but, based on my best guess, there were over 80 members in attendance.



The facility was excellent and they had a display of past years shirts that included ones from Georgia District and Region A Rallies, Ride For Kids, and other events. Chapter B had a lot of great door prizes and were drawing for them about every 30 -45 minutes. They provided a Bar-B-Q lunch that was very good.

During the celebration several members shared information about Chapter B’s history and how GWRRA was started in Georgia. Miss Bee, the Chapter Historian, gave her presentation on the Chapters history. It was very interesting to hear from some of the Charter Members of one of the first Chapters in our District.

It is great to see so many of the members out riding, visiting and participating in the many GWRRA activities. Chapter visitation seems

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## ON THE ROAD AGAIN

We hate to admit it, but our trip to the Florida Rally was our first time on the bike since going to Eufaula in November. It felt good to be on the road again! However, we probably should have practiced some before going on such a long trip.

We had seven bikes lined up at the QT in McDonough ready to roll for the 8-9 hour trip to Kissimmee, Florida on Wednesday, March 18th. Pam is not used to being a co-rider, so we had some adjusting to do. Her trike is still broken. Gary Rackley was on his VTX1800, some were on trikes and some were on 2-wheelers, so we had a variety of bikes and trikes.

We talked about safety and when and where we would stop for fuel and for food. All of us were looking forward to a good trip. It turned out to be just the right weather, a little cool early in the morning, but just right for most of the day.

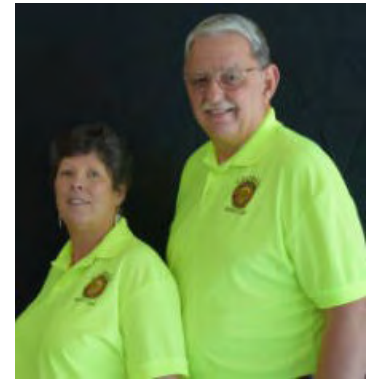
We stopped in Gainesville, **Florida for lunch at “Chop Sticks” near the University. If you haven’t eaten there, please try it.** It is well worth going a few miles out of your way. We stopped about every 125 miles to buy fuel based on **Gary’s fuel mileage, and we** stopped at the toll plaza on the Sunshine Parkway for Sun Passes. The only other problem we had was when we rolled into Orlando—traffic was horrible just a few miles from our destination! We spent over an hour of stop, go, stop, go. Of course we hit Orlando at 5:00 pm traffic time!

**After this year’s ride to the Florida Rally, we decided that we pushed it too far to go in one day. We were tired and that gets dangerous. Also, we should have ridden some before we went since it had been months since our last ride. The other thing we forgot was our Cool Vests. It got very hot in that traffic, and of course we didn’t think it would be that hot in**

Florida in March. It is hot! Plan your time to not hit traffic at 5:00 pm please.

We did bring our rain gear, and that is a good thing because we ran into rain just south of Tifton, Georgia coming home. Larry had to be at work on Monday, or we would have stopped in Tifton. Again, plan ahead in case you are so tired you need to get off the bike or if there is really bad weather.

It was a good trip despite all the little things for **which we didn’t plan.** What did we learn? Pack the Cool Vests and rain gear. Break up your trip if possible to be comfortable traveling. Remember you have a variety of bikes, so plan accordingly. Practice riding if it has been a long time since your last ride. Be patient with co-riders who are not used to being such. Check the traffic. Check on passes needed. **Overall, we had fun! Don’t forget to take the FUN with you! Take time to stop somewhere special**



**Pamela & Larry  
Clemmer  
Assistant  
District  
Directors**

***“After this year’s ride to the Florida Rally, we decided that we pushed it too far to go in one day. We were tired and that gets dangerous.”***

## ANOTHER BENEFIT WITH YOUR GWRRA MEMBERSHIP



### **LifeLine Screening: Preventative Health Screenings**





GWRRA Life Line Screening is designed for

early detection of potential health problems leading to stroke, aortic aneurysms, arterial disease and osteoporosis. GWRRA members have the opportunity to detect life-threatening conditions, at an

affordable cost of only \$135 at a location close to your home! See <http://www.lifelinescreening.com/gwrra> for additional information.



# MAY 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 GA-F2
3	4	5 GA-S	6	7 GA-T	8	9 GA-B, D
10 <i>Mother's Day</i>	11 GA-O	12	13	14 GA-K, M	15	16 GA-A, C2, I2, J
17	18 GA-O	19	20	Alabama Convention/Rally		23 GA-B2, E2
24	25 	26 GA-R	27	28 GA-H, L	29	
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Lots of Chapters have had changes in meeting locations and time. Please see the District website ([www.gwrra.com](http://www.gwrra.com)) for time and location of Chapter Gatherings. As always, call before you visit to confirm date, time and

**Georgia Traveler's Plaque: Chapter GA-J** captured the Georgia Traveler's Plaque from GA-F2! It will be given away on May 16th at Daniels Steak House in Hiawassee. See the District website for details.

**The Georgia Hot Potato**—Was last seen with at Georgia L in Rome. Who will have the "Tater" next? Will it be your chapter?



May is Motorcycle awareness Month—spread the word!

**W**e know that there is an lot of talented folks in the GWRRA and your Georgia District Team is sitting on the edge of their seats in anticipation of the display of that talent at this Year's Wing Fling Talent show.

With a theme of "Goldwing Dynasty" there is so many ideas to draw from—ducks to beards, families to camouflaje, Ming to Joan Collins. Heck, I hear that Ken is even trying to up his game. (Why was the duck put in the basketball game? To make a fowl shot. Ba-da-bum!)

With the wealth talent we have to draw from, our talent show will be the stuff of legends. We look forward to seeing what your Chapter is planning.

So register now and join in the fun!



**GOLDWING DYNASTY**  
DILLARD, GA



**Jim & Kay Elrod**  
**Assistant**  
**District Director**  
**Vendor**  
**Coordinator**

**GWRRA Motto—**  
**“Friends for Fun,**  
**Safety and**  
**Knowledge”**



### RIDING IN MAY

Well May is upon us and the weather is finally co-operating, so we are getting a chance ride. I know that I am sick of rain so here is wishing for a beautiful sun filled May.

The Rallies are in full swing. Alabama is in Lake Point, Eufaula Ala. This is always a great time with alot of friends and a good time. So get your wheels cleaned up, your riding

gear on, and meet us in Eufaula. Kay and I will be looking for you all. Ride safe and have fun.

*Jim & Kay*

### HAVING FUN WITH VISITATION

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to be the highest that it has been in several years. There have been some good turnouts for the Georgia District Travelers Plaque attacks and the Hot Potato is making its

way across the District, too. Motorcycling and GWRRA is the common bond that brings us together and then the friendships begin. So keep those wheels a rolling with our friends, making new friends and memories

along the way.

We look forward to seeing you soon,

*Tommy & Vicky*

### Congratulating Our 2015 Couples of the Year!

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| International —Jon & Barb Pons      | GA-B2—Dick & Gail Cross     | GA-L—Murry & Dawn Cail      |
| Region A—Dewey & Alice Cole         | GA-D—Joel & Jenny Reasons   | GA-S—Craig & Pat Whitehouse |
| GA-A—Gary & Juanita Rackley         | GA-F2—Randy & Georgia Moore | GA-T—Tommy & Vicky Martin   |
| GA-B—Paul Loeser & Geraldine Duenas | GA-I2—Paul & Jane Moricz    |                             |
|                                     | GA-J—Dave & Judy Hurd       |                             |

### Among our sick

- Pam Clemmer—District Team/GA-A
- Peggy Hopkins—District Team/GA-A
- Glenn Argo—GA-S
- Noah Cohen, grandson of Sid and Donna Cohen, District Team/GA-S&T
- Tommy Martin—District Team/GA-T

### In Memory

- Deborah Steinke, GA-B2
- Stanley Woolhiser, Father of Vicki Seritt, GA-L