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Director's Notes

Where has the year gone, with only one more gathering before the "End of the Year" party???? They say time flies when you are having fun, so we must be having a great time with our GWRRA friends, because this year is about gone. We have a lot to get done with our "End of the Year" party, it is only 2 months away, Nov. 17. If you can help with the planning, please let me know. This will be our third year since we moved I-2 to Lavonia. Let's make it a great three year party.

We had 30 members at our August gathering. Twelve went to Amicalola Falls for our lunch ride. We had a great time with our ride in the north Georgia Mountains. We will be going to Pendleton , S.C., to the "Smokin Pig BBQ" for our next lunch ride, Sept. 22. I hope you can come and join us on this ride. Let's have a least 20 to go.

Oct.6, don't forget we will have a **Co-Rider and Co-Rider 2** class at the Line Fire Department starting at 3 P.M. The group will decide after the classes where we will go eat. Please plan to attend.

Nov.3, **CPR**/**First Aid** class. This class has been postponed due to a scheduling conflict for the District Educator. The class will be rescheduled for a later date to be announced. This class would have been an 8 hour class for those who have not had First Aid or CPR or have not kept up their certification. If you have not had this class in the last two years, then you need to take it when it becomes available. The cost is \$20 to hold your place. If you complete the class, thanks to Georgia Rider Ed., you will get you money back. Please make plans to attend this class. If you need further information on any of these classes, please give me a call.

Please ride safe!!! Frank





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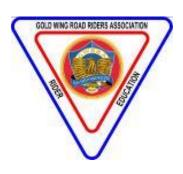
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TOPIC: "BE PREPARED"

For the record; yes, I was a Boy Scout and I've taken their motto to heart. Being prepared is particularly important to us as riders/co-riders. What do I mean by being prepared?

First, is your motorcycle prepared? Tires properly inflated and with sufficient tread? Brakes in good working order? How 'bout the lights? Brake lights? Turn signals? All these are critical to the safe operation of the motorcycle.

Next, how about you? Are you well rested? Do you have the right frame of mind or is something weighing on you? Are you taking any medications that might make you drowsy? Haven't been drinking, have you? Riding requires your FULL attention so anything that diminishes your ability to pay attention to the task limits your ability to safely operate your bike/trike.

Then there's your emergency skills. When is the last time that you PRACTICED emergency maneuvers? You know, things like swerving to avoid an obstacle in your path of travel. Emergency stopping, practiced that lately? In about 13% of motorcycle crashes, the rider made NO attempt to avoid the crash; no swerving, no braking, just rode right into the collision. Unfortunately, most riders NEVER practice emergency maneuvers.

Do you <u>consciously</u> practice your other riding skills? You know, things like your scanning for hazards, looking through turns, covering your controls as you approach congested areas, positioning yourself so you are as visible as possible, etc. While all these things (and more) should be "second nature" focusing on them while you're riding reinforces the action.

Yep The 'ol' Boy Scout motto, "Be Prepared." How prepared are you?



Jeanna Phillips, Motorist Awareness Coordinator



Dress Loud & Ride Proud

Motorcycle Awareness

Over two-thirds of car-motorcycle crashes are caused by drivers, not by motorcyclists. The driver either does not see the oncoming motorcyclist at all or does not see the motorcyclist in time to avoid a crash.

Tips for Drivers:

Why Didn't I See That Motorcycle?

Drivers tend to look for other cars, not motorcycles.

Because of its smaller profile, a motorcycle is harder to see and you may find it more difficult to estimate the motorcycle's speed.

The motorcyclist's riding pattern is different from your driving pattern. Different actions may be needed for the same driving or highway situation. For example, you may ignore a piece of road debris as a driver; however, that same piece of road debris may be deadly for a motorcyclist.

Traffic, weather, and road conditions require a motorcyclist to react differently than a driver, thus it is more difficult for you to judge and to predict cues that may require the motorcyclist to take an evasive action.

What Are Some Situations When Crashes Are Most Likely to Occur?

Car making a left turn: You are attempting a left turn in front of a motorcycle operator.

<u>Riding in your blind spot</u>: A motorcyclist is riding in your blind spot and you may not see the motorcycle. Additionally, you may fail to adequately check blind spots before changing lanes or making turn.

<u>Hazardous road conditions</u>: Potholes, wet leaves, railroad tracks and other road obstructions may dictate that a motorcyclist take an action that you may or may not.

<u>Obstructed line of sight</u>: Large vehicles, such as sport utility vehicles, delivery vans, and large trucks may block a motorcycle from your view and the motorcyclist may seem to suddenly appear.

How Can I Become More Aware of Motorcyclists?

<u>Respect the motorcyclist</u>: Remember the motorcycle is a vehicle with all of the privileges of any vehicle on the roadway. Give the motorcyclist a full lane of travel.

<u>Look out</u>: Look for the motorcyclist at intersections, when a motorcyclist may be making a left turn, and on the highway, when a motorcyclist may be changing lanes. Clearly signal your intentions.

<u>Anticipate a motorcyclist's maneuver</u>: Obstructions that you do not notice may be deadly for a motorcyclist. Predict evasive actions.

<u>Allow plenty of space</u>: Don't follow a motorcycle too closely. Allow enough room for the motorcyclist to take evasive actions.

(Taken from the NHTSA Site at) http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/PEOPLE/outreach/safesobr/18qp2/mcycle.htm



September Birthdays

Margaret Vaughn	9/9
Genie Deaton	9/12
Jeanna Phillips	9/14
Joel Deaton	9/19
Christian Gregory	9/25





September Anniversaries

CONCERNS

Julie Degler, Ga. District Rider Educator, bad knee requiring injections, and possible future surgery.

Bruce Gregory, is home now recovering from his recent bout with an existing illness.

Terry Swain's father of Greensboro, NC. Is in failing health. Please keep Terry & Tim in your thoughts, and prayers.

CONDOLENCES



Chapter I-2 Mascots





WELCOME!

Thank you all for joining us today, it's nice to see the familiar faces of our chapter family.

We would especially like to welcome our visitors, it's great to meet new people and have previous visitors return again.



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Up Coming Events



August 21-22	Over-night trip to Little I	River Canvon, and Clou	dland Canvon.
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August 25 Chapter I-2 Lunch Ride, Amicalola Falls State Park and Lodge, Dawsonville, GA

September 8 "RIDE FOR THE CHILDREN", ride starts at "STONE MOUNTAIN

HARLEY-DAVIDSON" & ends at "THE MASONIC CHILDREN'S HOME" in

Macon, GA.

September 13-15 Region "A" 2012 Convention, Eufaula, AL

September 15 Chapter I-2 Gathering at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12pm.

September 20-22 "Wings Over North Carolina" Formerly "Wings Over the Smokies", Cabarrus

Arena & Events Center in Concord, NC.

September 22 Chapter I-2 Lunch-Ride, "Smokin Pig BBQ", Highway 76, Pendleton, SC

October 6 Chapter I-2 "Co-Rider" & "Co-Rider-2" Rider Education Seminars, 3pm-5pm at

Line Fire Dept., Martin, Ga. These seminars are intended for Co-Riders, and **RIDERS**. After the seminars we'll decide on a location to have Dinner together.

October 20 Chapter I-2 Gathering at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12pm.

October 27 LAST DINNER RIDE of the year!

November 3 Chapter I-2 First-Aid, CPR Training **has been postponed** due to a scheduling

conflict. The class will be rescheduled for a later date to be announced.

November 10 GA. District Wind-Down, "Civitan Fairgrounds", Hwy 257, Dublin, GA

November 17 Chapter I-2 End of the Year Party!

CHAPTER CLASSIFIEDS

Bike & Non-Bike Items

- 1. "Milwaukee" Leather Expandable, Motorcycle Bag. Just like new, with lots of storage space. Paid \$120.00, will take \$50.00. Call Larry at (678) 316-6191.
- 2. PRICE REDUCED: Like new 2008 Palomino Gazelle Ultra Lite Camper for sale. Model # G-178QB (Queen Bed),19½Ft. Perfect for small family or couple. Kitchen includes sink, micro, stove and oven. Bathroom includes commode, sink and shower. Cool AC and warm heat. Stereo with surround sound. Outdoor grill. Outdoor handheld shower. Never been smoked in nor had pets. Bought new in 2009 and used 3 times. Stored under a carport. Selling due to husband's ill health and unable to use. Asking \$8500. Call Bob at (706) 599-6064 or Bobbie (706) 491-6508 or home (706) 282-0637
- 3. New "Kuryakyn" rider backrest for GoldWing 1800. \$125.00, Contact Joe Colvard (706)988-9048.
- 4. "Pace" Trailer 16' x 8' 6", Rivetless sides, 2 vents in roof, E-Track down both sides and down the middle (recessed in floor), 5500 lb. rated axles, tread-plate covering lower front panel, ramp rear door (heavy duty); \$6,900.00 Like New! Contact Joe Colvard (706)988-9048, pictures available upon request.
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- 6. For Sale: Pool Table, "Vitale Pro" 8 Pool Table. \$1800. Call Randy Simpson 706-546-5202 or Email Simpsonrm@Bellsouth.Net





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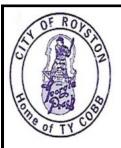
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2	Labor Day ♦ United States	4	5	6	7	> 8:00AM - 5:00PM THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY "RIDE FOR THE CHILDREN" (STONE > 11:00AM - 4:00PM GA Q's Dessert & Burger-Burn (Museum of Aviation, Warner Robins, Ga)
Margaret Vaughn's Birt 9:00AM - 1:00PM Ride to Remember 2012 (Cycle World of Athens, 4225 Atlanta Hwy, Bogart, Ga 30622)	10	11	Genie Deaton Birthday	13	Jeanna Phillips Birthday	11:00AM - 1:00PM Chapter I-2 Monthly Gathering ("Shoney's, Lavonia, GA)
16	17	18	Joel Deaton Birthday	Wings Over North Car ♦ (Wings Over North Car ♦ (Wings Over North Car ◆ (> 11:00AM - 2:00PM Chapter I-2 Lunch Ride (Smokin Pig BBQ, 6630 Highway 76, Pendleton, SC 29670)
23	24	Christian Gregory Birth	26	27	28	29
30	Ronnie & Karen Lewis'	2	3	4	5	Linda Palmer Birthday 3:00PM - 5:00PM Chapter I-2 "Co-Rider" & "Co- Rider-2" Rider Education Seminars ("Line Fire Dept", 545 Pleasant Hill Circle, Martin, Ga.)

October 2012



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7	Cynthia Callahan's Birt	Larry & Delores Crouse Melinda Brothers Birth	10	11	Arthur Seavey's Birthday	Phil & Linda Palmer An
Arthur & Lucy Seavey's	15	16	17	18	19	Larry Crouses' Birthday 11:00AM - 1:00PM Chapter I-2 Monthly Gathering ("Shoney's, Lavonia, GA)
21	22	23	24	25	26	◆4:30PM - 8:00PM LAST DINNER RIDE of the year! for Chapter I-2 (Location, and Time to be decided)
28	29	30	31	1	2	➤ 12:00AM - 12:30AM Chapter I-2 CPR/First-Aid Training has been canceled

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NEWSLETTER

September 2012

HAVING FUN WITH YOUR CHAPTER



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Here it is September and we are nearly three efourths of the way through 2012. My, how time flies when you're hav-

ing FUN! We have experienced an extremely hot and humid summer. I have noticed that several of you as well as Vicky and I have attended some of the events and activities in our four wheel vehicles because of these extreme conditions. Even though we had rather ride our motorcycles, the most important thing is that we are participating and having FUN! Participation is where the FUN and ENJOYMENT is within GWRRA! Are you an active participant in your Chapter? That is where the FUN starts, it's all about having a good time with your motorcycling friends, building lifelong friendships and memories with those special rides and events. If you want to get the most out of your GWRRA membership, become an active participant in your Chapter. Get involved in the games, rides, educational opportunities and other activities. Your support of the Chapter Team is very important. After all this is your Chapter, you should be

proud to be a member of your Chapter. Let your Chapter pride show and help make your Chapter be the best that it can be! Share your suggestion or ideas for rides, games or other activities that you think would be FUN for the Chapter members with the Chapter Team as well as the members. When possible volunteer to help out in areas where you are comfortable. Some members are comfortable leading rides where another may feel more comfortable planning a picnic outing or calling new and non-participating members and invite them to participate with your Chapter. I am sure that anything you can help with will be appreciated by all and beneficial to the Chapter.

Fall is just a few weeks away and hopefully it will bring cooler weather. There are several opportunities coming up to visit with our GWRRA Friends and family. Chapter Q Burger Burn on Sept. 8th, Region A Convention Sept. 13th -15th, Chapter A Fun Day Sept. 29th, Horizons Class Oct.6th, District Convention Miss. Oct.11th -13th, Chapter L Fun Day Oct. 20th, Chapter E2 Fun Day Oct. 27th. Wind Down Nov. 10th. Mark your calendars! Oh, don't forget about the Chapter gatherings that you can visit each month.

....See "Chapter FUN" on page 2

What is the Rider Education Program?

The GWRRA Rider Education Program (REP) is intended to make the motorcycle environment safer by reducing injuries and fatalities and increasing motorcyclist skills and awareness. The REP does not propose to have all the answers. However, our closeworking relationship with the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), as well as additional GWRRA programs and studies, has provided a wealth of information for use in establishing a comprehensive Rider Education Program. Through commitment, education and appreciation, we can reduce our accident rate significantly. Several benefits of a fully implemented GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level includes:

- Increased rider knowledge
- Increased rider safety skills
- Prevention of accidents
- Reduced injuries
- Reduced fatalities

- Improved general public image of motorcyclist
- Enhanced enjoyment of motorcycle riding.

The motorcycle community is already realizing many positive benefits from the REP. Though thefforts of Rider Education Officers and participation of the membership, we will reach our goal of establishing the safest motorcycle environment possible.





Julie & Roy Degler Ride Educator

Broaden your Horizons

Horizons is a great class for the general membership of GWRRA to learn more about teamwork, self-awareness, interpersonal communication, and building better Chapters. Members learn about how to have FUN in GWRRA in a challenging day and a half course filled with lots of sur-

prises. It is an interactive program—the more everyone participates, the more everyone learns.

Your next opportunity to participate in a Horizons class will be on October 6th and 7th in Warner Robins, Georgia. To register, go to the Leader-

ship Training page of the District website:

http://www.gwrraga.com/gagw/ Leadership_Training.html.

Alan & Denise



Alan & Denise Head Leadership Trainers

Chapter FUN

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I know what you're thinking "I can't participate in everything all the time" and neither can anyone else. We all have to pick and choose according to our work schedules, family commitments; budget, etc. So mark your calendar and pick

the things that you can attend and have FUN. If it is a ride or activity that is not on your Chapter's activity calendar, you may want to suggest it as a Chapter activity. Don't miss out on a chance to have FUN with your GWRRA friends; whether it's a dinner

ride, Chapter gathering, educational seminar or rally it doesn't matter. It's an opportunity to visit with our Friends for FUN, Safety and Knowledge.

Tommy & Vicky



SEPTEMBER 2012

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				Regio	n A Convention, Eufau	la , AL
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23	24	25 _{GA-R}	26	27 GA-H, L	28	29
30						GA-A Fun Day

See website for times and locations of Chapter Gatherings. Please call before you visit to confirm date, time and location.

Georgia Traveler's Plaque: Chapter GA-S captured the Traveler from GA-B2. It will be given away on Saturday, September 8th at GA-Q's Dessert Auction & Burger Burn in Warner Robins. Sign in will be from 11:00 AM—12:30 PM. The plaque will be given away at 1:30 PM.

Region A Wanderer: FL1-A captured the Wanderer's Plaque from GA-S. The current plaque will be retired at the Region A Convention. FL1-A will give away the new plaque at their Fall Festival, St. Anthony's Church, San Antonio, FL on October 6th. Details to follow.

Schedule of Events

- September 8, 2012—GA-Q's
 Dessert Auction & Burger
 Burn, Warner Robins.
- September 13-15, 2012— Region A Convention, Eufaula, AL
- September 29, 2012—GA-A Fun Day, Forsyth, GA
- October 6-7, 2012—Horizons Class, Warner Robins, GA
- October 11-13, 2012— Mississippi District Convention, Biloxi.
- October 20, 2012—GA-L Fun Day, Rome.
- November 10, 2012—Wind Down, Dublin, GA

Corner of Hollywood and Kudzu Vine

ews flash! Everyone is taking about the latest news from Tinsel Town East—otherwise know as Dillard, Georgia. By popular demand, the Gold Wing Road Riders will be making a return appearance in 2013 for their annual get together know as Wing Fling.

The word on the streets is that there will be a great gathering of FRIENDS FOR food and FUN at the Dillard House. The public's SAFETY is assured as these two AND three wheeled darlings of Hollywood fame, excel in the KNOWLEDGE needed to handle the steel mounts they ride.

Excitement continues to build as the registration

count rises. Our inside sources tell US that over 160 have already signed the guest list for next June's event. It will be the "go to" event of the year, so don't you be left out!





Traci and& Ken Thrasher Treasure/ Newsletter Editor

"One of the most important thing about the Region Rally is the selection for the next Region "A" couple of the year."



Dick and Peg Hopkins

2012 Georgia District Couple of the Year



A quick Reminder...

...For the Chapter Treasurer's—are you keeping up with your monthly reports? It is so much easier to spend just a few minutes a month making sure your records are up to date and your checking account is balanced, than to wait to the last minute.

Also, as an early reminder, your Chapter Charter fee need to be received no later than December 1st. Why wait

to the last minute? Plan on bringing the fee for your Chapter to Wind Down in November and you're all done!

Traci & Ken

Couple of the Year Selections are at hand.

It's just around the corner! The Region "A" rally is on September 13-15th, in Eufaula, Alabama. All rallies/conventions are designed to have fun: it just depends on you. The theme this year is Mardi Gras. One of the most important thing about the Region Rally is the selection for the next Region "A" couple of the year. Dick and Peg Hopkins are Georgia's 2012 District Couple. They have been very busy promoting GWRRA and Georgia, and we need to help cheer them on! If

you haven't registered for the rally it isn't too late. You can actually make it a day ride if you want. For some it may a long day ride, but after all, we bought our Gold Wings to ride, so why not ride to Eufaula?

Is your GWRRA number 162095? Call me for your prize before 9/10.

It will soon be time for Wind Down. It seems we just had our last one! This event is free for our members. It is the District Teams way of saying "thank you!" The menu

this year, back by popular demand, is Sloppy Joe on a Bun, with chips, sides and home made desserts. It will be held on November 10th in Dublin, Georgia at the Civitan Center. Similar to the Region rally, the high light of Wind Down is the selection of Georgia's next District Couple of the Year. We have some great couples that are honoring their chapter by submitting their resumes. Is your chapter one of them?

Sid & Donna

Our 2012 Couples of the Year!

International and Region A—Greg & Renee Dempsey

Georgia District—Dick & Peg Hopkins

GA-A—Larry & Pam Clemmer

GA-B2—Clarence & Sue Gregory

GA-D—Don & Colleen Taylor

GA-E2—Jim & Marye Glenn Pope

GA-F2—John & Alice Keely

GA-H—Jimmie & Betty Strickland

GA-12-Joel & Genie Deaton

GA-J-Steve & Susie Beach

GA-L—Jim & Melissa Hegwood

GA-P-Frank & Laura Line

GA-S—Glenn & Joyce Argo

GA-T—Jack & Carol Swanson

Among our sick

Roy Degler, GA-A/District Staff Rick Reese, GA-E John Wildes, GA-E JJ Etzle, GA-E2 Chuck Simpson, GA-H Steve Chambers, GA-L Dave Cole, GA-L Leslie Kleist, GA-L John Anagnost, GA-S Dee Lozano, GA-S Ron Larsen, GA-Q/E