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GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION



**JULY 2010**

## CHAPTER DIRECTORS

Well G2, we have been very busy lately and I hope everyone has been enjoying all of the rides/events. We had a G2 & L2 combined ride to Highlands, the company was great, we had a lot of laughs, good food at the deli and it was a beautiful day for a ride.



Stan, Jack, Nancy, Mark K., Charlotte, Bear, Donna, richard, Mona, Dina, Tom, Deanna, Dan, JoAnn T., Mark T., JoAnn B., Eddie, Johnny, Libby & Ed at Craggy Gardens.

What a great ride we had to Craggy Gardens, we packed lunches, rode the parkway and there were 11 bikes/trikes for a total of 20 members who road.

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Join us,  
please,  
on the  
**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday**  
of the month  
at  
**Fat Buddies  
Ribs & BBQ**  
located at  
**193  
Waynesville  
Plaza**  
(off Russ Ave.)  
in **Waynesville.**

~ ~ **Eat** ~ ~  
at **4:00 p.m.**

~ ~ **Meet** ~ ~  
at **5:00 p.m.**



### DINNER RIDE

We went to the  
Cody's Original  
Roadhouse in  
Franklin for our  
May dinner ride.





Bikes at Craggy Garden.

What a great crowd we had at our June gathering! We had a total of sixty-seven members in attendance and we did not even have a plaque. We had four district staff couples: Tom & Terri Pennoni, Assistant District Director-West, Dean & Terry Lanning, Assistant District Director-East, Andrew & Vickie Butcher, Assistant District Director-Central, Bernie & Dottie Motley, District Newsletter Editor and we are not really sure what they were up to, but as always we enjoyed their company! We also had all of the wonderful members from L2-Mooresville visit us again this year and we hope everyone had a great time.

We want to give a special thanks to Klunk for helping out and presenting the Rider Educator section during our June gathering. We really appreciate him filling in for Joe. Great job, Klunk!

Also, during our meeting we presented Mona Wallen with a web master patch. We had Margaret Johnson (L2-Mooresville) make the



patch just for Mona. Margaret came up with a great “web” design and we really appreciate her help.

Happy Fathers Day everyone! We appreciate all of you and we hope to see you at our next gathering on **August 7th** at Fat Buddies Ribs & BBQ in Waynesville. **Remember our July gathering has been cancelled.**

Until we ride again, ride safe, always wear your safety gear and enjoy the ride.

**-Tom & Dina Towey  
Chapter Directors, G-2**



## ASSISTANT CHAPTER DIRECTORS

Has it been hot! Do you know that summer doesn't begin until Monday? Since our last writing we have been back to Atlanta and New Orleans—believe it or not it was even warmer there. It was decided that we like riding here in the mountains the best. We have been riding every chance we get.



We enjoyed all of the visitors that attended our June meeting and hope that Terri is wearing the necklace we gave her proudly!

The rain stayed away and the sun came out for our ride to Craggy Gardens. It was a good ride with Tom leading and Stan tailgunning. Afterward, we enjoyed pizza with Mark & JoAnn and Ed & Deanna at Snappy's.



We leave for Des Moines on June 26<sup>th</sup>. It will be our first Wing Ding and can't wait to get there!

Enjoy your July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration!



We want to thank Dan and Johnny for taking the pictures at Craggy Gardens.

See you at our **next Chapter meeting on August 7th.**

**--Richard & Libby Arceneaux  
Assistant Chapter Directors, G-2**

Have a safe  
JULY 4th!



**RIDER EDUCATOR  
DEHYDRATION**

Have you noticed how hot it has been lately? If you haven't, you've been inside by a cool air conditioner. The weather is hot and the air is dry. This will suck the liquids right out of our bodies. In which, our bodies need much liquids to survive. As we ride our bikes in this heat, it drains our bodies of its most needed fluids. Always carry some kind of fluids with you at all times. Be careful of which fluids you carry. Best fluids are the kind that will replace the natural minerals that are taken out, we need. Water is a good fluid and also a vitamin drink or Gator aid. Now a drink I like to drink is called, G-2. For real, it is in the stores. It is like a gator aid. Drink responsibly and feel better at the end of your ride. Ride safe and enjoy your ride.


--Joe Jones  
Rider Educator, G-2

JUNE DRAWINGS



50/50: Dottie., A-2  
Klonk

VEST:  
Phyllis, L-2




**EVENTS CALENDAR**

**Thursday, June 17-20**

Smoky Mountain Ride In in Bryson City

**Friday, June 18 /G2 Ride**

Dinner Ride will be to the  fish fry at the Ride In in Bryson City. You must have made a reservation for this ride.



**Sunday, June 20**

Father's Day

**Wednesday, June 30-July 3**

WingDing 32/Des Moines. "Meet Me In The Middle."

**Saturday, July 3**

Chapter Meeting **cancelled** because of Wing Ding!



**Sunday, July 4**

Independence Day

**Friday, July 16 /G2 Ride**

Dinner Ride

**Tuesday, July 20 /G2 Ride**

Visitation Ride to Chapter L/Gastonia

**Saturday, July 24 /G2 Ride**

Visitation to Chapter X2/Mt. Airy

**Thursday, August 5-7**

The Blast/Kentucky District Rally, Somerset. "Oldies but Goodies"

**Saturday, August 7**

Chapter Meeting

**Friday, August 20 /G2 Ride**

Dinner Ride

**Sunday, August 29 /G2 Ride**

Pediatric Brain Tumor Ride for Kids

**Saturday, September 4**

Chapter Meeting

**Friday, September 17 /G2 Ride**

Dinner Ride

**Thursday, September 23-25**  
Wings Over the  
Smokies/North Carolina  
District Rally, Fletcher.



## DISTRICT NEWS

This is an excerpt from *Fireside Chats* by our Region N Directors, Frank and Kathy Albert that appears in our June 2010 District Newsletter.

**Saturday, October 2**  
Chapter Meeting

**Thursday, October 7-9**  
Rally in the Valley/Virginia District  
Rally, Salem.

**Friday, October 15 /G2 Ride**  
Dinner Ride

**Saturday, October 23 /G2 Ride**  
Visitation Ride to GA-J/Hiawasse

**Saturday, November 6**  
Chapter Meeting

**Saturday, November 13 /G2 Ride**  
Haywood County Toy Ride

**Friday, November 19 /G2 Ride**  
Dinner Ride

**Saturday, December 4 /G2 Ride**  
Gifts on Cycles. J. Iverson Riddle  
Center/Morganton  
*and*  
Maggie Valley Christmas Parade

**Monday, December 6 /G2 Ride**  
Waynesville Christmas Parade

**Friday, December 17 /G2 Ride**  
Dinner Ride

**Saturday, December 25**  
Merry Christmas

I wanted to spend a few lines and a few minutes of our time, to talk about an issue that has plagued the Association for a while now and that is renewal of members. We all know the specific reasons we joined GWRRA but sometimes the reasons for leaving are not as definable. Oh I know there are reasons that are non-negotiable; health, welfare and other more subtle reasons that cannot be avoided. But, when it comes time for you to renew your membership, what are the reasons you can think of to stay a member? Have you had fun? Have you learned something about riding your motorcycle safer? Have you spent time traveling places on your bike that your kids think you're nuts for doing so? Have you gained some confidence along the way? All of these and many more things are motivation for continuing to be a member of the Association. When you think of all that you've accomplished and participated-in while you've been a member, you should also recall maybe the most valuable benefit of being a member; the friends you've come to know and appreciate. Before you were a member of GWRRA, you probably knew none of them. Yet since becoming a member, you've joined ranks with many new local and long distant friends, family and members that help you make your membership more enjoyable and satisfying. GWRRA offers so many opportunities for you to enjoy your riding experience and to excel in safety and knowledge. It is like no other organization around! We all have reasons for joining initially but I don't think any of us knew about the numerous reasons that would find their way into our life, for staying a member.

So when renewal time rolls around, if none of those discouraging reasons exist, then think and spend some time evaluating everything else that is real that has manifested and occurred in your GWRRA life. I hope you'll want to continue to be a member and enjoy what the founders of this Association called, "...an emotional tie, which defies explanation but will be a very rewarding experience for you..."



## REMINDERS

Please remember to complete your registration forms for WOS. Remember you need to complete your registration form neatly, if possible attach a printed mailing label. Also, a full registration will make you eligible to win the Gold Wing bike.



We have a lot of events planned for the upcoming months, so make sure you mark your calendars keep you newsletter handy, or check out the events section on our website, so that you don't miss out on any events.

## NATIONAL NEWS

GWRRA is pleased to announce it will be participating in the "No Phone Zone" Program as seen on the popular Oprah program. One of GWRRA's Chapter Rider Educators from Chapter D-2 in Indiana, Dave Williams, suggested we try to get as many GWRRA Members, as well as non-members, to sign the "No Phone Zone" pledge.



1. The pledge merely states that you will not drive a vehicle while texting, or use a cell phone and that you will encourage others to not talk on a cell phone or text while driving. Or, you will use a handsfree device while driving. It also states that if you must use a cell phone while driving you will safely pull over to the side of the road.
2. This Program will be run under GWRRA's Rider Education Program, specifically the Motorist Awareness Division. Charles Mallett, MAD Director, will oversee the Program and coordinate it through all our Rider Educators, as well as all the other Divisions.
3. GWRRA's goal is to get 100,000 pledges signed. This Program has all ready begun and will continue at Wing Ding 32 in Des Moines, Iowa. Please contact Charles at [rideaware@yahoo.com](mailto:rideaware@yahoo.com) to sign up to help

get pledges at your events. The more events that have the pledges for our Members and guests to sign, the faster we can reach our goal and maybe be on Oprah representing GWRRA!

4. Thank you Dave and Charles and the folks who are going to support this lifesaving program!



## BIRTHDAYS

Peggy	7/6	Ed	7/23
Eddie	7/12	Jeanie	7/25
Janie	7/12	Joe	7/25
Kay	7/13	Bear	7/28
Bill K.	7/16		



## ANNIVERSARIES

7/26	<b>KAY &amp; KLONK</b>
7/2	<b>PEGGY &amp; RICHARD</b>
7/6	<b>JEANNIE &amp; GARY</b>

## GWRRA ANNIVERSARIES



Richard W.

## E-MAIL ADDRESS CHANGE

Mona, our Chapter Webmaster, has a new e-mail address. Please make the change. Her new address is: [moonshinemona@gmail.com](mailto:moonshinemona@gmail.com).

## STAYING SAFE

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation has five simple rules for motorcyclists, and five for drivers, too. If everyone followed them, the roads would be much safer.

### FIVE RULES FOR RIDERS:

1. Get Trained and Licensed -- Take an MSF Rider Course and get licensed by the Department of Motor Vehicles.
2. Wear Protective Gear -- Wear proper protective riding gear, most importantly a helmet made to Department of Transportation standards.
3. Ride Unimpaired -- Ride unimpaired, never drinking or using other drugs before getting on a motorcycle.
4. Ride Within Your Limits -- Stay within your personal limits, never riding faster or farther than your abilities can handle.
5. Be a Lifelong Learner -- Be lifelong learners, regularly returning for refresher riding courses.

### FIVE RULES FOR CAR/TRUCK DRIVERS:

1. Look Out for Motorcyclists -- Use your eyes and mirrors to see what's around your vehicle.
2. Don't Be Distracted -- Hang up and drive, put down the food, the pet, the personal grooming gear, the CD, and the reading material and save it for later.
3. Give Two-Wheelers Some Room -- Don't tailgate or get too close side-by-side.
4. Use Your Turn Signals -- Signal your intentions. It's also the law.
5. Keep it in the Car -- Don't throw trash and cigarettes out the window, and securely lash down cargo that can fall out onto the road and be a deadly hazard to motorcycles. This includes cargo in utility trailers.

This important information was taken from the May 2010 District Newsletter. A big thanks to Ted & Meredith MacMillan, our District Treasurers, for sharing this information.



**REMEMBER:  
OUR CHAPTER  
MEETING FOR  
JULY  
HAS BEEN  
CANCELLED.**

## PATRIOTIC STRAWBERRIES

- 24 large, ripe strawberries
- 2 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 cup powdered sugar
- 24 blueberries



In a medium mixing bowl, beat together the cream cheese, powdered sugar, and vanilla with an electric mixer until fluffy and well mixed. Set aside.

Cut the strawberries in half and hollow them out slightly. Using a pastry bag or a baggie with the corner cut off, pipe the cheese mixture into the strawberries. Place a blueberry in the center of the cheese mixture in each strawberry. Refrigerate until ready to serve



### DID YOU KNOW??

Although Thomas Jefferson is often called the "author" of the Declaration of Independence, he wasn't the only person who contributed important ideas. Jefferson was a member of a five-person committee appointed by the Continental Congress to write the Declaration. The committee included Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Robert Livingston, and Roger Sherman.