

# Gold Wing Road Riders Association

# Georgia District

NEWSLETTER

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# **Rodeo Roundup!**

Vicky and I must begin this month's newsletter article by saying Thank You to each and everyone that attended and participated at the Georgia District "Wing Fling" Rally! The entire District Team and the many volunteers helped make this event a success. If we tried to name everyone we might unintentionally miss someone, however please except our sincere thank you for volunteering. We could not have done it without your help. There were approximately 439 delegates in attendance. Thanks to vou the 2014 Georgia District Rally was once again a HUGE Success. We had 327 attend the Awesome Chuck Wagon Dinner provided by the Dillard House and the Dance & Costume Party on Thursday evening.

There were several that participated in the Rodeo Games & Chapter Challenge. Even though the big wooden horse shoes didn't hold up so good, we got through the Chapter Challenge and everyone seem to have a lot of FUN doing it. The Friday night Talent Show was outstanding! There were many acts—they were all good with the Ice Cream and Lighted Bike Show that followed, made for a wonderful evening of entertainment for all that attended.

Congratulations to: Bill and Betty Livingston, Frank and Melinda Brothers and Pat and Craig Whitehouse on receiving their Senior Chapter Director Certificate and Patches.

At closing ceremonies we announced a change in the District Team. Sherrel and Kay Davis have faithfully served the current District Team for the last three years as District Webmasters. They have decided to step down and enjoy their retirement traveling. We truly appreciate the great job that they have done and wish them the best in their travels. Well, when one steps down normally another takes their place and we are proud to announce that Garland and Charleen Dennis has accepted the position of Webmaster. Also Larry and Pam Clemmer have signed on with the District Team as Assistant District Directors. Please welcome Garland, Charleen, Larry and Pam as vour new District Team Members.

Now that the 2014 Georgia Wing Fling is in the history books, let's talk about 2015 Wing Fling. Wing Fling 2015 will be on June 18-20<sup>th</sup>; our Rally Theme is **Gold Wing** Dynasty *"It's* а Family Thang!" Focusing on Family, Friends and FUN! We hope that you will have fun with this theme and plan to join us next year. Unfortunately at the writing of this article we do not know where the 2015 Wing Fling will be held. We

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# **JULY 2014**

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13	<sup>14</sup> <sub>GA- 0</sub>	15	16	<sup>17</sup> GA-D2	18	19 GA-A, C2, I2, J
20	21	22 <sub>GA-R</sub>	23	24 <sub>GA-H, L</sub>	25	26 <sub>GA-B2, E2</sub> Traveler & Wanderer
27	28	29	30	31		Int. Leadership
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See website for time and location of Chapter Gatherings. Please call before you visit to confirm date, time and location.

*Georgia Traveler's Plaque*: **Chapter GA-T** captured the plaque! It will be given away on Saturday, July 26th at the Madison Chop House, 202 South Main Street, Madison, GA 30650. Sign in from 11:00 AM—12:30 PM. Winner announced at 1:00 PM. *Region A Wanderer*: The Wanderer is in the possession of **Chapter GA-T** as well! It will be given away on July 26th, too. Same place and times as the Traveler's Plaque.

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are working with some different locations and will let everyone know as soon as we can confirm a location.

Wing Ding is just a few days away; we will soon be headed for Madison, WI. Remember, Georgia is responsible for ticket sales on Friday, July 4th from 9 am until 5 pm and we could use your help during this time. We will need 8-10 people to cover the tables at all times and there are 4 time slots of two hours each. We actually have a great time selling tickets and your help will be greatly appreciated. So, if you will be attending Wing

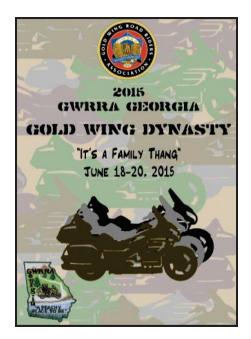
Ding, and can volunteer a couple of hours to help us sales tickets, please let us know so we can put you on the list. Email: georgiadd@gwrra-ga.com.

We hope to see you on the road soon,

Tommy & Vicky

### Schedule of Events

- July 2-5-Wing Ding, Madison, WI
- July 26—Intermediate Leadership Program, Fayetteville
- August 16-GA-D Fun Day, Buford
- August 29 & 31—Weekend at the Opry, Nashville, TN
- September 11-13—Region A Convention/Rally, Eufaula, AL
- September 28—Advanced Leadership Program, Fayetteville
- October 4–GA-Q Dessert Auction & BBQ, Warner Robins
- October 16-18-Mississippi Convention/Rally, Gulfport
- October 25–GA-A's Fun Day, Forsyth
- March 19-21—Florida Convention/Rally, Kissimmee
- April 30-May 2—South Carolina District Convention/ Rally, Florence
- May 14-16—Alabama District Convention/Rally, Eufaula
- June 18-20—Georgia District Convention/Rally—Gold Wing Dynasty



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Sid and Donna Coh e n Assistant District Director/ Couple of the Year Coordinator

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

### **REGION A & GEORGIA'S COUPLE OF THE YEAR**

The Georgia "rallyvention" is now behind us. If you didn't make it to Dillard, you missed a great time. Attendance was up again and everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves. One thing about the "rallyvention" - the more you participate, the better time you will have. The only drawback was we could not announce where the 2015 "rallyvention" will be held. The theme however was announced

and it will be "A Gold Wing Dynasty." The theme can be taken several ways so use your imagination. We will let everyone know the exactly location as soon as the location is secured.

We are now getting ready for the Region A "rallyvention" in Eufaula, Alabama on September 11th through 13th. The theme is Patriotic. We hope you are making plans to attend and support Georgia at the Region Couple of the Year selection on Friday September 12th. Your District Couple, Vance and Fern Oakes, are in the selection process and hope to bring it to Georgia. And when you see Vance around the district please congratulate him, he achieved his Master Tour Rider level.

Ride safe and often,

Sid & Donna

## NEXT UP—WING DING!

Wow, what a great rally. show was the best ever. There was a great re-It's nice to know we have folks so much talent in the rethroughout Region A. The gion. vendors were pleased with The next event - Wing the results from our mem-

Ding 36 – is in Madison, Wisconsin. For those who are going to be attending,

please remember to hydrate and stay hydrated. Dehydration can hit you before you realize it. So be safe and stay hydrated.

Ride Safe and have Fun.

Jim & Kay

Congratulations to our 2014 **Couples of the Year!** 

International -- Tommy & Gayle Wilson

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Region A-Buddy & Kim Summer Georgia District-Vance and

Fern Oates

GA-A-Don & Sharon Jenkins

GA-B2-Walter & Linda Wiggs GA-D-Mike & Nancy Lynbery

GA-H-Jeff & Maud Verner

GA-I2-Larry & Linda Watkins

GA-J-Mike & Peg Jones

GA-S-Glenn & Sherry Wisdom



Pamela Clemmer, GA Team/GA-A Sonny, brother of Peg Hopkins, GA Team/GA-A Joe Lindell, GA-A

Donald Taylor, GA-D Debra Roberts, GA-D Edith Roberts, mother of Bubba Roberts, GA-D Dawn Cail, GA-L

Among our sick

James Oliver, GA-L Grady Reiner, GA-S Terry Greer, GA-S Laura Sue Fleming