



## Goldwing Road Riders Association

# GEORGIA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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## WE DO THE WING FLING RALLY FOR YOU, THE MEMBERS!

We have 40 vendors so far and 5 more may come. We have games, talent show, costume contest, Rapunzel's tower, a nice meal, riding poker run, prizes, contests, and more! All for you!

We need volunteers to help with the Rally. Please volunteer for a two hour slot. Garland Dennis has worked very hard contacting our vendors and signing them up—please come support them. They all plan to come back next year (we asked them), but they won't if we don't support them.

Wing Fling is a lot of work for our team and the pay is zero. We do this for you so you can have fun! I know you will have fun because we have made sure we have lots and lots of fun things to do! All of the activities are indoors in air conditioning with a few exceptions of two vendors outside and some activities on the terrace.

We have a nice meal for those who pre-register and a chance to win a Southern Belle Dinner Cruise or a Riverboat Scenic Cruise on the Tennessee River. We have mountain rides, and rides to Chickamauga Battlefield National Park. Get out your National Park Passes. We have the Shake-em-Up ride to Sonic for half price shakes and a lighted bike show, and we have the



**Larry & Pamela Clemmer**  
Georgia District Directors

Red Spoon Ride to Dairy Queen, and Drill teams from three states.

Bring your mascots, your scrapbooks, photos and castles to be judged on Saturday. Bring your Chapter to the Chapter Pride contest. Oh yes, put your teams together for the Chapter Challenge and don't miss the costume contest and the talent show. As I said, lots to do and we are going to have FUN!

We do this for you, so come support us please!

**Larry and Pamela Clemmer**  
Georgia District Directors



Wing Ding 38 in Billings will be hosting a new Evening Entertainment Event – GWRRA's Got Talent! This night will be the grand finale of Talent Shows throughout the year among the Regions. Each Region will submit their 1st place winner and an optional runner-up from their perspective Region Rallies. The Event Management Team (EMT) will then organize the acts and produce the Finale of GWRRA's Got Talent. This will allow your Region to capture the Title of GWRRA's Got Talent! The structure of GWRRA's Got Talent will mimic the TV

Show - America's Got Talent.

**Prizes: 1st Place - \$500.00**  
and GWRRA's Got Talent Trophy  
**2nd Place - \$250.00 • 3rd Place - \$100.00**

The following criteria will be used to judge the Talent Show at our 2016 Wing Fling: Talent, Costumes, Creativity/Originality and Concurrence with Rally Theme. We know you have talent. Now get out there and show it! Contact Frank Teasley, Alabama District Director, at [teaswing@bham.rr.com](mailto:teaswing@bham.rr.com) for more information and to see how to participate.



**Jim & Kay Elrod**  
*Asst. District Directors North*

Hello Goldwingers, I hope you are enjoying the great weather we are having. Just think, the Georgia Rally is just around the corner. Larry & Pam have a lot of things planned for your enjoyment. I believe this will be one of the best Rallies ever. We have the North Georgia Mountains, with a whole bunch of hills and curves for your enjoyment. So come on out and be with us.

This is the Brothers Grimm, so dress up as your favorite person or creature. Come by and chat. *I love meeting new people and seeing friends I have not seen for a while. We will see you in Dalton.*

*Jim and Kay Elrod*  
 Asst. District Directors North



### **KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Betty Tarver** - Mississippi

**Dean Watts** - B-2

**Penny Anthony** - International MEC

**Jane Jones** - Mississippi

**The Family of Vicky Martin** - T

**COME HAVE  
 FUN  
 AT WING FLING  
 IN DALTON, GA**

### **Chapter B-2 Couple of the Year**



Mac & Deborah Strickland were married in 1982 and have one son. Deborah has worked for the Cobb County School System in food service for 24 years and is also a licensed cosmetologist. Mac served in the U.S. Air Force and also worked for Lockheed Martin. He has worked in the printing industry for 23 years and has taught printing.

Mac has been riding motorcycles since 1974 and on various bikes has over 275,000 miles under his belt. Deborah has her own bike but enjoys being a co-rider with Mac on the Goldwing. They have been riding together since 1980.

Mac & Deborah joined GWRRA in De-

cember 2013, riding with Chapter B-2 in Douglasville. Some of their favorite things to do are group riding, especially DQ rides. They have taken a lot of Leadership, Rider Ed, and Road Captain courses. They were 1st timers for "Alabama District Rally, Eufala Region Rally, Huntsville Wing Ding 37" and earned the Trifecta Pin.

Mac & Deborah were named Activity Coordinator for Chapter B-2 in mid 2015. They have visited 12 out of the 19 chapters in GA and are planning on getting to the other 7 chapters this year.

Mac & Deborah are Chapter B-2's 2016 Couple Of The Year.

### **The Hot Potato is "HOT, HOT, HOT."**

Chapter C-2 deliver the "Spud" to Chapter E-2.

Now I wonder where it will show up next?

Your chapter could be next!

### **The Traveler's Plaque is in the hands of Chapter T**

Chapter T captured the Traveler's Plaque at Chapter A's Plaque Attack on March 27. They will be offering it up at their Fun Day on April 16th.

Gather your folks and get to Athens to bring the plaque home!



## Are we having fun yet?

That's the question we hear a lot as a joke, but it's a valid question for Goldwingers. Are you having fun? How involved are you in your chapter and GWRRA? They say the more you put in, the more you get out, and for us, it's true. For many years we just went along with the chapter. We were having fun, but when we really got involved in the chapter by taking on a position, and now at the District level, we are busier than ever and having more fun doing it!

Have you volunteered to help your chapter by assuming some responsibility? Do you volunteer when your Chapter Director asks

for someone to step up and help with a task that needs to be done? Have you said yes when the CD asked you to take on whatever position needs filling, whether it's MEC, Motorist Awareness, newsletter editor or even Assistant Chapter Director?

If you're not having a lot of fun, why not try it. We think you will really enjoy yourself and have FUN!

**Vance & Fern Oakes**  
District COY Coordinators



**Vance & Fern Oakes**  
Asst. District Directors West/  
Couple of the Year Coordinators

## Keeping You Informed: Classes Offered for May and June

I just wanted to bring you up to speed on some new classes that have been added to the schedule. After quite a bit of work the Officer Certification Program has been revised and is all new. If you are an officer, want to become an officer in the future, or just a member who wishes to know how things work, we encourage you to come to this class or come again even if you have been before. IT'S NEW!

Below is the new schedule with two OCP classes. The registration process for class has changed. Now you can pre-register for class by e-mailing or calling Jim Allen.

### 5/15/2016 - Intermediate Leadership Skills Program

Paulding County Chamber of Commerce  
455 Jimmy Campbell Pkwy.  
Dallas, Georgia 30132  
Class begins at 9:00am

### 5/28/2016 - NEW OCP Class -

DeKalb County Police Department  
2842 H.F. Shepherd Drive  
Decatur, Georgia 30032  
Class begins at 9:00am

### 6/18/2016 - NEW OCP Class -

Piper Residence - Private Home -Please park on the road not in the driveway  
2857 Rosemont Drive NW  
Lawrenceville, Georgia 30044  
Class begins at 9:00am

### 8/14/2016 - Advance Leadership Skills Program

Paulding County Chamber of Commerce  
455 Jimmy Campbell Pkwy.  
Dallas, Georgia 30132  
Class begins at 9:00am

### 10/09/2016 - Life Skills Program

Paulding County Chamber of Commerce



**Jim & Dee Allen**  
Georgia District Trainers



455 Jimmy Campbell Pkwy.  
Dallas, Georgia 30132

Again the registration process has changed. Please pre-register for class by e-mailing Jim Allen at [galtptainers@gmail.com](mailto:galtptainers@gmail.com) or by calling him at 404-435-7527. We need to know who will be in attending class so we can get the appropriate certificates completed. Thanks for your help and please register and come to class, it will be informative and great fun.

**Jim and Dee Allen**  
Master Trainers  
Georgia District Trainers

## YOU'RE INVITED!



Make plans and register now for the Georgia Wing Fling/The Brother's Grimm in Dalton, GA on April 21-23.

We're planning for 3 days of all out fun at the all indoor rally. Vendors have been chosen to set up shop and sell their wares at the Dalton Convention Center. Come pick up a one-of-a-kind gift that special rider in your life, or better yet, bring a visitor to the show for a fun day of prizes and entertainment!

See the District Website for more information.

We're looking  
forward to a  
great time!



**Frank & Melinda Brothers**  
*Rider Educators/  
Medic First Aid*



Hi All

In just a few weeks it will be time to head to the Georgia Rally in Dalton Ga. We have a First Aid Renewal class on Friday morning. If you need to renew your First Aid CPR, this will be the time to do it. The class will run from 9 am till 1 pm Friday, April 22. Come by the Rider Education table to sign up for the Rider ED Classes. We will be selling tickets for a \$300 dollar cash prize.

The Poker Run this year will be different. It will be a riding run and will start at 9 am Friday with the last bike out at 2 pm. The cost of the ride is \$5.00 per hand and there will be a 25-15 -10 prize. The more that ride the more you may win. Remember that all the money that is taken in at the Rider Education table goes to support the Rider Ed program, with Medic First Aid- CPR as being the biggest expense. If you like taking the classes for free, then you will have to keep supporting the program. Without your support we cannot keep on giving the Medic class for free. The money you spend at the Rider Ed table is a small amount in comparison to what it will cost if you have to pay for the First Aid Classes.

Please be aware that the instructors **DO NOT GET PAID** to teach any class in GWRRA. The cost of the classes is for the supplies it takes to put on the class.

So come on to Dalton, and support Rider Education and have some FUN.

Hope to see you there.  
**Frank & Melinda Brothers**  
Rider Educators, Medic First Aid



## GWRRA RENEWAL



**Norman & Wendy Morton**  
*Membership Enhancement  
Coordinators*

I been asked many times about the procedure for GWRRA renewal. Will I receive my renewal notice by snail mail? Will I receive my renewal notice by e-mail?

We normally renew ahead of time, and our last renewal was for two years. Since we wanted to know exactly how the renewal procedure actually worked, we did not renew early.

I can now respond to these questions by telling you about our renewal process.

Our membership expires at the end of March and we received a notice by e-mail in February informing us that our membership was about to expire.

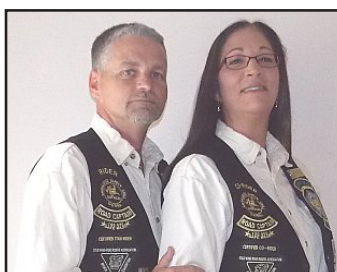
We received a GWRRA renewal notice by snail (U.S. postal service) mail, dated 3/3/16. The notice gives you four (4) options to complete the renewal. Online, phone call, fax the renewal form or mail the renewal form.

This is the renewal process that we just experienced, and I hope this answers your questions.

If you have experienced problems with the renewal process you can check your contact information by either calling the home office or contacting your chapter MEC. Your chapter MEC can check your information on the quarterly ARL.

I hope this clears up any questions about the GWRRA renewal process.

**Norm and Wendy Morton**  
Membership Enhancement Coordinators



**Rick & Madalena Buck**  
*Region A Membership  
Enhancement*



Please join us in congratulating Terry & Cindy Jones from Mississippi Chapter "L" on being selected the 2015 Region "A" Membership Enhancement Coordinator of the Year.

Terry & Cindy have proven themselves to be successful Membership Enhancement Coordinators within GWRRA. Their positive attitude has proved invaluable when assisting their home Chapter. Their positive attitude and can do spirit promotes GWRRA motto of "Friends for FUN, Safety & Knowledge".

When you see them please congratulate them but be forewarned because we have been told Cindy is a hugger which of course is not a bad thing.

**Rick & Madalena Buck**  
Region "A" MEC  
Rmbuck@tampabay.rr.com



## JUST ANNOUNCED!

### The Georgia Rally in Dalton will have a Mascot Contest for chapter mascots from outside Georgia!

Bring your mascot with you when you come to the Georgia Rally  
April 21-23. We're looking forward to seeing all of you there!

### ALSO ADDED FOR THE GEORGIA RALLY...

The Georgia District has decided to add a Chapter Pride Competition to our rally. Score sheets have been sent to your chapter to consider being a part of this event and show off their pride. Come be a part of the fun when other chapters enter this competition.



### LIST OF VENDORS FOR THE GEORGIA RALLY

We have gathered the best of the best to be a part of the Georgia District Rally this month. At last count, we have 40 Vendors who are looking forward to meeting you and showing you their products. Come prepared to walk the hallways and find items you need for your motorcycle or for yourself!

#### Confirmed Vendors:

American Trucking (No Zone)	B&T Concessions
Baabals Ice Cream	Bear Paw Rings
Bettina Beads	Bras for Trikes
Bushtec Trailers	Chattooga C. Wildlife/GA Carry
CMA	Custom Pinstriping
Dreamer's Fashions	Elite Cosmetics
Freedom Enterprises	Freedom's Choice (FRC)
Fun Fashions	GA Motorcycle Safety
Gemini Shades	Hartco Sheets
Joyful Visions/AMC Photography	Massage by Stacy
Motorcycle Flag Store	Mountain Man Art My Thirty
One	Larry's Place
Papa Pete's Treats	Prater's Mill Foundation
Quick Stitch	Red Rider Insurance
& V Distributors	Sandra Parker Quilts
Specialty Graphics - Wing Bling	Steelhorse Law
Streak Free Cleaners	Superior Performance-AMSOIL
The Key Man	Twisted Steel Jewelry
Verholst Service and Tires	Wind Wings
Wizards Detailing	Bike Sheath

### 2016 Georgia Wing Fling Sponsor **Bushtec** Performance Sport Trailers

**Call 888-321-2516**



**Please see Bushtec  
Display in vendor area for  
more information**

### 2016 GEORGIA WING FLING SPONSOR



**1355 PEACHTREE ST NE SUITE 150  
ATLANTA, GA 30309  
(888) 382-6878**

**PLEASE SEE BOOTH IN VENDOR AREA  
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

## Already Registered or Still Making Up Your Mind?

Check out these places to go and things to see  
while in Dalton, Georgia for Wing Fling 2016!

### Cloudland Canyon State Park

122 Cloudland Canyon Park Road  
Rising Fawn, GA 30738 (Walker County)  
706-657-4050

### Heritage Center Museum –

Mon.-Sat. 9:00-5:00, Final Tour 3:30  
\$6 to \$10. Group of 20, \$6  
Clisby Austin Antebellum House  
Western & Atlantic Railroad Tunnel  
215 Clisby Austin Road  
Tunnel Hill, GA 30755  
706-876-1571

### New Echota – Capital of Cherokee Nation

1825-1830 (State Park & Historic Site)  
1211 Chatsworth Highway  
Calhoun, GA

### 6th Cavalry Museum –

Tues.-Sat. 9:00-4:00, seniors \$2, others \$3  
6 Barnhardt Circle  
Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742  
706-861-2860

### Fort Mountain State Park

Hwy 54, Chatsworth, GA

### Chickamauga and Chattanooga

National Military Park –  
8:30-5:00  
3570 Lafayette Road,  
Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742  
706-866-9241 (Get you National Park Pass)

### Chief Vann House

82 Hwy. 225, N. Chatsworth, Ga 30705

*Local Flavor! From downtown cafes to independent pizzerias, Dalton has something  
for everyone – Guide available at Registration Desk*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

April 16  
Chapter T  
Fun Day

Apr. 21-23  
Georgia District Rally  
Dalton GA

Jul. 14-16  
South Carolina Rally  
Anderson, SC

Oct. 13-15  
Mississippi District Rally  
Gulfport MS




Aug. 31-Sept 3  
Wing Ding  
Billings, MT

**METRAPARK**  
*Billings, Montana*  
*August 31 - September 3rd, 2016*

**WING 38 DING**  
**BLAZIN**  
BILLINGS The MONTANA  
**BEARTOOTH**  
AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 3, 2016

*For more information, call (406) 245-4111 or 1-800-735-2635  
or email us at [WingDing38@VisitBillings.com](mailto:WingDing38@VisitBillings.com).*

# APRIL 2016

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1  APRIL FOOLS DAY	2 GA-R Eat 8:30AM Meet 10:00AM
3	4	5 GA-S Eat 6:00PM Meet 7:00PM	6	7 GA-T Eat 6:00PM Meet 7:00PM	8	9 GA-D Eat 10:00AM Meet 11:00AM
10	11 GA-Q Eat 6:00PM Meet 7:00PM	12	13	14 GA-M Eat 6:00PM Meet 7:00PM  GA-K Eat 6:30PM Meet 7:30PM	15	16 GA-I-2 11AM-1PM GA-J 11AM-1PM GA-A 5PM-7PM GA-C-2 5PM-7PM CHAPTER T FUN DAY
17	18 GA-O Eat 6:30PM Meet 7:30PM	19	20	21 <del>GA-T</del> <b>CANCELLED</b> Eat 6:30PM Meet 7:30PM GEORGIA DISTRICT RALLY 4/21 -23	22 	23 GA-P <del>GA-R</del> <b>CANCELLED</b> Eat 9:00AM Meet 4:00PM
24	25	26	27	28 GA-H Eat 6:00PM Meet 7:00PM  GA-L Eat 6:00PM Meet 7:00PM	29  ARBOR DAY	30

Chapters frequently have had changes in meeting locations and time. The District website ([www.gwrra-ga.com](http://www.gwrra-ga.com)) also posts times and locations of Chapter Gatherings. As always, call before you visit to confirm date, time and location.