



Goldwing Road Riders Association

GEORGIA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

We want to wish all of our GWRRR friends a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We have enjoyed visiting with each chapter this year, and yes, we realize we didn't get to all of you. We will certainly do it in 2017—our first New Year's resolution!

We will be working with our wonderful District Team in setting our goals for the New Year, completing the plans for Chilly Willy and Officer's Conference, January 21st at Buckner's, and starting to work on the 2017 Wing Fling June 22-24. We hope you will include these events in your goals and plans. Also, please join me in welcoming Joe and Janel Piper to the District Team as the new 2017 Georgia District Couple of the Year.

Remember to add Chapter Fun Days and the Rallies in your schedule for 2017. These are fun and show that we care to support each other. We have appointed several new Chapter Directors in 2016 and they



Larry & Pamela Clemmer
Georgia District Directors

have new team members. We have new members in several of our chapters, and we ask that you please make them welcome and let them see how much fun we can have!

Again, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Larry and Pamela Clemmer
Georgia District Directors



CHILLY WILLY COMING UP!

On January 21 at 10 am we will be hosting Chilly Willy at Buckner's in Jackson, GA. Come join in the fun and have a nice lazy-Susan dinner at the restaurant. We will have a 50/25/25 drawing and some door prizes. The Chapter with the largest attendance will receive "Chilly Willy" the penguin for the 2017 year and a \$25 Dairy Queen gift card.

Following the dinner and activities, we will have the annual District Officer's Conference. Please come prepared with any ideas or questions you wish to present. All Georgia Chapter and District Officers are expected to attend.

Hope to see you there—we will make it fun!

Larry and Pamela Clemmer
Georgia District Directors



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

The Family of

Ruth Nolan - FL1-H

Jim Hodges and Family

of Chapter FL1G

The Family of Sue Harless,

Grandmother of Noah Cohen of

Chapter S

Garland Dennis - GA. District Staff

*If you have members that you would like to see
listed in this section, please email us.*



START PLANNING NOW FOR THE 2017 GEORGIA DISTRICT WING FLING

Larry and Pamela Clemmer, Georgia District Directors, proudly announce that the 2017 Georgia District Rally will be held in Dalton, Georgia on June 22 - 24, 2017.

Race to the district website and grab your registration form now for next year's event. We're planning to have a great time and invite you to come have FUN with us!



LOOKING FORWARD TO 2017!



Jim & Dee Allen
Georgia District Trainers



Another year is quickly coming to a close. As always, I look in the rearview mirror trying to figure where all the time went. And with winter making an appearance before fall is even officially over, it makes it feel like time is flying in faster.

Life's pace seems to get quicker and quicker with every passing day. Make a point during this holiday season to stop once-in-a-while and enjoy all that is happening around you. Enjoy your families and the Christmas events that are in the future month.

We are looking forward to the Region Officers Conference in December in Eufaula, Alabama as well as Chilly Willy on January 21, 2017 to begin the new year. There's nothing like getting a fresh start! And we hope you are just as excited about it as we are.

We are already beginning plans for 2017 classes. Stay tuned for a new schedule. It will be posted soon on the District web site. Have a safe and happy holiday season! All the best!

Jim and Dee Allen
Georgia District Trainers

NEW DISTRICT COUPLE OF THE YEAR ANNOUNCED

We are very pleased to announce the 2017 District Couple of the Year is Joe & Janel Piper from Chapter S in Winder, GA. Joe & Janel will be great ambassadors for the Georgia District, Region A & GWRRA.

Although they have not been members of GWRRA for a long time, they are very enthusiastic members. They plan to visit as many chapters as they can during their year as COY, so when they visit your chapter, please give them a big GWRRA welcome.

The Couple of the Year program is an important program. This is the way for Chapters to honor a couple who have made a difference in their chapter. There is always a couple who is energetic, who try to help wherever it is needed and who are outgoing and friendly. They are the ones who everyone in the chapter seems to be attracted to.

Your Couple of the Year should not be asked if they want to be the COY, because

they never think they have done enough to “earn” it. Just surprise them at your Christmas party, chapter gathering, or some other function where everyone can participate in the surprise. Present them with their medallions and maybe a bouquet. The chapter can pay for rockers and name tags for their vests.

A lot of people think that the chapter COY has to visit other chapters and districts. That is great if they want to, but it is not required. They do get in free to GA Chapter Fun Days, and they, just as all chapter participants, should be encouraged to attend them. We hope that every chapter will have a 2017 Couple of the Year.

Until next time,
Vance & Fern Oakes
Assistant District Directors West
Couple of the Year Coordinators



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*Asst. District Directors West/
Couple of the Year Coordinators*

JANEL & JOE PIPER - NEW DISTRICT COUPLE OF THE YEAR

We are Joe and Janel Piper, the new Georgia District Couple of the Year for 2017. This past year has been whirl wind as not only were we Chapter S Couple of the Year for 2016, but also new Chapter Directors. It has been an amazing journey since joining GWRRA just three short years ago.

When we signed up for our initial membership, never in our wildest dreams did we think that we would be gaining a family. We have more friends now than we did during our pre-GWRRA life! GWRRA is so much more than a good magazine!

So, who are we? We are a couple that simply enjoys riding a Gold Wing. We get lots of attention when we ride down the highway, because our 1994 1500 Wing is teal in color. We dubbed her the Bermuda Pearl along with her matching trailer affectionately known as Calypso; it makes folks take a second glance.

When we aren't riding, we have filled our retirement days with what ever strikes our fancy. Being grandparents to five grandsons and one granddaughter, all under the age of 8, we stay pretty busy following them on Facebook and skype. At times, we have our youngest grandson spending time with us. He is the only one who actually lives in Georgia. The other grandkids reside in Ohio and Pennsylvania. Joe enjoys tinkering in his garage, watching westerns on TV or working on antique mantel clocks. Janel enjoys creating quilts and can spend hours quilting in her sewing room.

We love being a part of the GWRRA family. You are never a stranger and our circle of friends just keeps growing and growing. We are honored to be the 2017 GA District Couple of the Year, and are looking forward to saying Hi to everyone when we come to visit!



Janel and Joe Piper
Chapter S Directors
GA District COY 2017



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 GA-T Eat 6:00PM Meet 7:00PM	2	3 GA-R Eat 8:30AM Meet 9:00AM GA-F-2 Eat at 12PM Meet at 1:00PM National Roof Over Your Head Day
4	5	6	7 Letter Writing Day	8	9	10 GA-D Eat 9:00AM Meet 10:00AM
11	12 National Ding-a-Ling Day	13	14	15	16	17 GA-I-2 11AM-1PM GA-C-2 5PM-7PM
18	19	20	21 Humbug Day	22	23	24
25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30 National Bicarbonate of Soda Day	31 Make Up Your Mind Day

Chapters frequently have changes in meeting locations and time. During the Christmas season, note that most gatherings may be cancelled due to Christmas parties. The regular gathering schedules of Georgia chapters and their regular gathering locations are posted on the District website (www.gwrra-ga.com). As always, call before you visit to confirm date, time and location.

HOT POTATO AND TRAVELER'S PLAQUE

Chapter B-2 currently has the Hot Potato and could bring it to you any day!

The 2016 Travelers Plaque was awarded to Chapter A. They accepted the 2017 Plaque and will announce their Plaque Attack soon! Be on the lookout for the information.