



Goldwing Road Riders Association GEORGIA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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June 2017



IT'S RALLY TIME! Are You Registered?

Register by **June 8th** and be entered to win an "Over the Top" Southern Belle River Cruise!

On **Thursday** morning we have an **Escorted Mountain Ride**. In the afternoon we have a **New Motorist Awareness Program** class. There is **Bingo** at 2:00, and at 5:30 we have **Ice Cream** from Baabal's, a **Costume Contest** and a **Kentucky Derby Hat Contest**. Join us for fun!

On **Friday** you can go on a **self-guided Poker Run** between 10:00 and 2:00. We have **CPR/First Aid**, another **Escorted Mountain Ride**, an intro into **Disaster Prep** called **Are you Noah or his Neighbor?** We also have a leadership course called **Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone..** The **Couple of the Year Social** is at 1:00. This is for all past and present COYs. The **Red Spoon Ride** is 2:15 – 4:30 followed by the **Talent Show**. South Carolina is bringing their talent! Georgia get ready! **You have been challenged!** There will be an **escorted bike parade** following the Talent Show.

On **Saturday** we have another **Escorted Mountain Ride**, **Chapter Pride** and **Chapter Shirt** Contests. At 10:30 there is a class on **Prepping: Gear and Storage**, and at 11:30 a **Co-Rider** class. Judging for **car displays, mascots, scrap-books, banners, and photos** is at 9:00.. **Bike display** at 9:00 also. And, don't forget the **Pinewood Derby** at 12:45. **Bingo** at 3:00. The closing is at 4:30. On **Sunday** we will have the **Christian Motorcycle Association Service** at 8:30 at the LaQuinta Inn Conference Room.

Everyday we have registration, ticket sales, games, vendors, find the hot wheels and fun!





Wow! International Bronze Chapter of the Year Goes to
Georgia Chapter A!

Congratulations to Chapter A for a job well done!

Georgia Chapter T brought home certificates for 1st Place in the
Group Talent Show and for the largest chapter at the Alabama
Rally outside Alabama!

Congratulations Chapter T!



OUR SICK AND HURTING

Don Taylor—Chapter D

Jim Allen—Chapter A

Candice Watts-Chapter B2

Mel Ray—Chapter A

Jake Fredrick Family—Chapter Q

PRAYERS PLEASE



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Vance & Fern Oakes
Assistant District Directors,
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PRIDE

Chapter Pride, do you have it?

Does your Chapter show pride in being a part of GWRRA? Are the participants showing that they are proud of being a part of the chapter and of GWRRA? Most chapters wear their chapter shirts whenever they meet in public to let everyone know that they are a part of a group of people who are glad to be a part of something special. They enjoy being with the other chapter participants, and they want to show that to the rest of the world. If we wear Chapter or District or Region shirts at whatever level we serve, this lets people know about GWRRA and can lead to more Motorist Awareness moments, and possibly bring in more members. People like to see other people who are obviously having a good time and enjoy being together, it and can lead them to want to get in on the FUN if they are motorcyclists. Most members have chapter shirts, and those who don't will want to purchase one for themselves if they see everyone else in the chapter wearing theirs and showing pride in the organization. If your participants are not wearing chapter shirts to all of your functions, we encourage you to start suggesting that everyone do so. We should all be proud of being a part of GWRRA.

Vance and Fern

DON'T FORGET THE CHAPTER SHIRT AND CHAPTER PRIDE COMPETITION AT THE GEORGIA WING FLING JUNE 24, 2017!



2017

Chapter S Couple of the Year

Larry and Jean Bernius

Larry and Jean Bernius have been married for 56 years, we have 3 grown children and 4 grandchildren.

We have lived in Winder for 38 years. The railcar Industry brought us to Georgia from Illinois. Larry has had many different job opportunities in a supervision capacity and welding experience. Jean has worked in the clerical field such as bank teller, sales and office in the furniture business as well as motorcycle and mortgage companies. We both retired in 2010.

Our first motorcycle was a 1983 Goldwing and we have been a member of GWRRA and Chapter S since the chapter was originally formed in 1990. We have held positions of assistant and chapter directors. Jean is still currently chapter treasurer.

We are level 3 in the safety program. We have attended many different riding levels, co-rider, trailering and braking seminars. Jean took the MSF, Larry took ERC and they both took the ERC2-up course and the road captain course. We are both current in the First Aid and CPR course.

Over the past 27 years of riding we have attended many rallies, wing dings, chapter visitations, plaque attacks and captured the hot potato. We have been involved in several charity events, many others events too numerous to list.

We now have a 2005 1800 Gold Wing with a Champion Trike kit. We do not have a lot of miles on it but enjoy riding every chance we get. We have ridden places, met new people, dined places that we did not know existed.

We are very proud and honored to be recognized as 2017 COY for our great Chapter S, THE MOTOR-CICKLE CAPITAL OF THE WORLD.

Our caring and positive image for the people we meet along our paths helps to make GWRRA a compassionate family.

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**Norman and Wendy Morton Membership
Enhancement Coordinators**

Membership Enhancement is an important part of GWRRA. If you are going to Wing Ding 2017 in Grapevine, Texas, please stop by the MEC table and see if you can help with the recruiting and retention desk. It is a good way to earn credit for recruiting new members and getting to know other members.

Also, please stop by the MEC table at the Georgia Wing Fling to enter in the drawing for the new **Georgia GWRRA Quilt** hand made by Janel Piper, one-half of the Georgia District Couple. Please congratulate her on a job well done!

Norm and Wendy



QUILT HAS GEORGIA DISTRICT AND ALL OF THE 19 CHAPTERS REPRESENTED! BEAUTIFUL! TICKETS AT MEC TABLE.



**Frank & Melinda Brothers
District Rider Educators, First
Aid/CPR Coordinators**



**Call & sign up for first aid
renewal class at GA Rally! \$25**

It is rally time again in Dalton Georgia so make your plans to attend some Rider Education classes. On Friday, June 23rd at 9 am renew your **First Aid CPR**. Saturday June 24th co-riders keep your levels up by attending a **Co-rider Seminar**.

There will be a **meeting for all Chapter Ride Educators** Saturday, June 24th morning at 9 am. Please come by the Rider Education table to sign up for the classes and find out where the class will be located.

We will also have a **Riding Poker Run** on Friday and Saturday from 10 till 2 pm each day. Each hand is \$5.00 and the winners will be announced at closing; there will be a winners for each day. So come and ride, become knowledgeable in rider education courses, and **Have Fun** doing it! See you at the rally!

Frank & Melinda

RIDING POKER RUN EACH DAY!



WIN!

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Bob and Karla Greer

District Motorist Awareness Coordinators



WELCOME TO THE MOTORIST AWARENESS PROGRAM!

What do you say to a motorist who says, "You ride a motorcycle? Isn't riding dangerous? Or, "You aren't one of those crazy bikers, are you?" The Motorist Awareness Program answers these questions and more. You have heard it said that GWRRA is a family. Well, the Motorist Awareness Program wants its family of riders to be surrounded by a warm fuzzy circle of safety. The Motorist Awareness Program helps reduce motorcycle accidents by educating motorists to safely share the road with those riders. The Motorist Awareness Program saves lives by educating people who know little or nothing about motorcycles and motorcycling. Additionally, the Motorist Awareness program continually promotes a positive image of GWRRA and our favorite sport – motorcycling! When motorists have questions about motorcyclists and how to safely share the road with them, we are the GO-TO people! GWRRA annually recognizes and honors those persons who have gone above and beyond in their participation in the Motorist Awareness Program. These awards are announced and presented during the Masters Gathering at Wing Ding. Nominees for recognition are requested from each of the Districts and or Regions during the first quarter of each year. The National MAP team will review the nominations, (and include the District or Region MAP officer as appropriate) and choose candidates. The candidates will then be submitted to the Motorist Awareness Program Director no later than May 31 of each year.

All candidates submitted are considered for Motorist Awareness Program Merit Awards. Additional merit awards may be presented at the discretion of the Motorist Awareness Program Director. The Motorist Awareness Program Director and his team members will review all of the candidates and select one Motorist Awareness Program MVP of the Year. Selection is based on written nominations and any additional letters of recommendation or support submitted with the nomination. The selection of an outstanding Motorist Awareness Program MVP of the Year represents the recognition of an individual or couple who not only supports and promotes GWRRA and the Motorist Awareness Program, but who also is an outstanding liaison between riders and the non-motorcycling public – the core of the Motorist Awareness Program.

The following criteria should be considered in the evaluation of nominees:

1. Be a current member of GWRRA
2. Actively and enthusiastically promotes the mission of the Motorist Awareness Program.
3. Sets a positive example for all motorists and riders alike.

To be considered for these prestigious awards, nominations must be submitted with a written statement attesting to their activities and support, any unique qualities or accomplishments and other reasons for consideration. Written nomination material will be the only information considered during selection, therefore it must be as complete and descriptive as possible.

THE MOTORIST AWARENESS PROGRAM GOLD AWARD

The Motorist Awareness Program Gold Award is presented at GWRRA Region or District Conventions by the Region or District Motorist Awareness Program Officer or the Motorist Awareness Program Director. This award recognizes members who have contributed to the safety of motorcycle riders in at least five of the following ways:

1. Presentations to students of public or private schools or universities.
2. Presentations to members of community organizations, both civic and religious. (one event per organization counted per calendar year)
3. Presentation to Driving Schools.
4. Presentation to AAA or AARP driver classes.
5. Presentation or MAP exhibit at Company Safety Days.(one event per company per year)
6. Presentation or MAP exhibit at Community Safety Days.(one event per community per year)
7. Presentation or MAP exhibit at the National Night Out.
8. Presentation or MAP exhibit at a community festival or fair.

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9. Presentation or MAP exhibit at Motorcycle Awareness Month activities.
10. Presentation or MAP exhibit at local Malls.
11. MAP exhibit at highway rest stops.
12. Presentation or MAP exhibit at Community or Company Bike Nights. (one event per community or company per year)
13. Presentation to Boys and Girls clubs, and Boy and Girl Scouts.
14. Presentation or MAP exhibit at Bike or Car shows.

Region/District Motorist Awareness Officers will review the monthly Motorist Awareness Activity sheet and select candidates for the award. The list of Motorist Awareness Gold Award recipients will be submitted to the Motorist Awareness Program Director. Region/District Motorist Awareness Officers will be responsible for contacting the GWRRA office to order the award pins. The first Award pin awarded to each individual will be the Motorist Awareness Gold Award header pin. Pins awarded to that individual thereafter will be year date pins.

REGION and DISTRICT MOTORIST AWARENESS OFFICER

Your focus as the Region/ District Motorist Awareness Officer is to find ways to talk to motorists about motorcycles, motorcycle riders, and GWRRA. **You don't have to do this all by yourself!** Communication, creativity, and teamwork are your friends. You will help to schedule and staff Region, District, and Chapter Motorist Awareness Program events. Motorist Awareness events are incredibly rewarding and can be as simple as handing out literature, or as encompassing as a training module with PowerPoint, static display, and Drill Team exhibitions! The Region/District Motorist Awareness Officer should:

1. Be familiar with the Officer Handbook and Officer Connect.
2. Abide by the MOU and the Oath of Office.
3. Investigate the availability of materials, training, and personnel available to the MA program through GWRRA and other sources and organizations.
4. Be aware that you are part of the Region / District Team.
5. Submit a brief monthly report to the next level officer outlining MAP events and contacts. What did Motorist Awareness do in the Region/District this month?

6. Be mindful of potential presenters. Have a question? Communication is key in the MAP. Call us. We'll help.

MOTORIST AWARENESS PROGRAM DIRECTOR

The Motorist Awareness Program is the outreach program of our Association and is designed to save lives by educating the public. In addition, the Motorist Awareness Program continually promotes a positive image of GWRRA and motorcycling. The Motorist Awareness Program is led by the Director of Motorist Awareness.

The Motorist Awareness Program Director will:

- ☐ Abide by the MOU and the Oath of Office.
- ☐ Maintain current membership in GWRRA.
- ☐ Maintain current status of Level IV in the Rider Education Program.
- ☐ Preferably a graduate of ITCP training, but is not required to be.
- ☐ Is dedicated to the safe operation of motorcycles and exhibits a sincere desire to serve

GWRRA and the Membership.

- ☐ Demonstrates communication skills, both verbal and written, to provide effective

leadership to the Members and to effectively communicate with the public.

- ☐ Maintain an effective and positive relationship with the leadership and members of GWRRA.
- ☐ Attend Wing Ding annually.
- ☐ Upgrades and expands the Motorist Awareness Program as necessary.
- ☐ Maintain necessary records.
- ☐ Provide reports as necessary.

- ☐ Submit for approval to the President of GWRRA all requests made by MSF, SMSA, or

other organizations any requests for Motorist Awareness Program materials or contracts.

**ATTEND THE
MOTORIST AWARENESS PROGRAM
SEMINAR AT THE GEORGIA WING
FLING THURSDAY JUNE 22, 2017!
3:00 PM Ride Safe!**

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COMING SOON TO GA!

Register Now!

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770-210-8652, GA Directors



OTHER COMING GEORGIA EVENTS

Chapter R Picnic— September 23rd

Chapter A Fall Harvest - September 30th

**Poker Run Helping Hands. Fund Raiser
to help Don and Colleen Taylor of
Chapter D—June 3**

Region A

Region Rally October 26-28 and

Region Officer's Conference October 29

Lake Pointe Lodge, Eufaula, AL



Rally Time!!!! Come Join Us!!!!

FUN

**Region N Fall Finale,
Johnson City, TN**

Nov. 2-4, 2017



FUN

**Wings Over the Smokies!
September 21-23, 2017
Waynesville, NC**



FUN

**Alabama Rally—
Sitcom Madness!**



May 18-20, 2017, Mobile, AL

**Mississippi Rally
WEST SIDE PIER
Gulfport, AL**

October 12-14, 2017



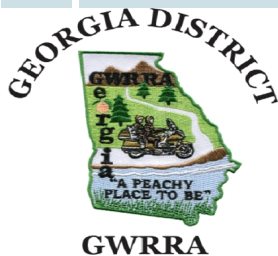
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RALLY

June 2017

Rally Season! Ride Safe! Have Fun!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Chapter R , Eat 8:30 am—Meet 10:00 am, IHOP, Canton, GA; Chapter F2 , eat 12:00 pm—meet 1:00 pm,, New Ming Wah, Augusta, GA
4	5	6 Chapter S , Eat 6:00 pm—meet 7:00 pm, Golden Corral, Winder, GA	7	8 Chapter M , Eat 6:00 pm, meet 7:00 pm, Harvey's Buffet, Moultrie, GA; Chapter K , Eat 6:30 pm—meet 7:30 pm, Denny's , Brunswick; Chapter T meet 6:00 pm—eat 7:00 pm, Hibachi Grill, Athens,, GA	9	10 Chapter B , Eat 8:30 am—Meet 9:30 am, Come & Get it, Marietta, GA.; Chapter D , Eat 10:00 am , Meet 11- am, Golden Corral, Cummings, GA ;
11	12 Chapter Q , Eat 6:00 pm—meet 7:00 pm, Hibachi Buffet, Warner Robins, GA	13	14	15 Chapter D2 , Eat 6:30 pm—Meet 7:30 pm, Western Sizzlin', Dalton, GA	16	17 Chapter I2 , Eat 11:00 am—meet 12:00 pm, Shoney's, Lavonia.; Chapter J , Eat 11:00 am—meet 12:00 pm, Daniel's, Hiawassee'; Chapter C -2 , Eat 5:00 pm—meet 6:00 pm, Perkins, S. Savannah; Chapter A , Eat 5:00 pm—Meet 6:00 pm, So Cooking, McDonough, GA.
18	19 Chapter O , Eat 6:30 pm—meet 7:30 pm, Golden Corral, Tifton, GA;	20	21	22 Chapter H , Eat 6:00 pm—Meet 7:00 pm, Ryan's, Albany, GA; Chapter L , East 6:00 pm—Meet 7:00 pm, Landmark, Rome, GA. 	23	24 Chapter B-2 , East 8:00 am—meet 9:00 am, Beaver Cr.Biscuit Co., Lithia Springs; Chapter E2 , Eat 3:00 pm—meet 4:00 pm, Western Sizzlin', Pooler, GA 
25	26	27	28	29	30	







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