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GWRRR - Georgia

October 2009



It's All About the FUN!

Region A Rally

In Dothan, Alabama, Dee and I participated in the Region Couple of the Year selection process. We did our absolute best to represent all of you (and Georgia) and we were so proud to do so. Our preparation was simple. We did the same things that we have always done since joining GWRRR several years ago. We actively participated in multiple aspects of our association; rallies, gatherings, Rider Education, Leadership Training, and much more. For us, the main thing that we have accomplished with our participation is to have so much fun. Thank you for this wonderful memory. Please know that we were so very proud and honored to represent Georgia in this selection process.

Though we were unsuccessful in our bid to become the 2009/2010 Region Couple of the Year, we again had fun. With complete honesty, we can both say that we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and relished the experience of representing you. We are firm believers and supporters of the Couple of the Year Program. To all current and future Couples of the Year, we can offer only one word of advice; just have fun!

Rider Education Fun Day

Tommy Martin, and others, are working hard to provide a beneficial, educational, and fun Rider Education event on October 3rd. The event, to be held in Rome, GA, will include two-wheel PLPs, three-wheel PLPs, group riding & co-rider seminars, and MFA First Aid and CPR training! Please do your part to help make this event a success. For more information, please visit our District website at www.gwrra-ga.com or give Tommy a call.

Treasurer's Notes

Greetings to all Chapter Treasurers. I must have all Charter Fees paid to National by 1 December each year; so I need your help by ensuring I have your fees by 16 November. You may send them at anytime to me or Carlos Lozano. Please, if anyone has any questions or problems, feel free to email or call. If you have any comments or suggestions on improvements, send them to me. Just a few reminders: 1) The annual Financial reports are due no later than 30 Jan each year. This all allows me time to do my reports required by Region. My email is andrewsj@mchsi.com or phone 229-889-8738; mailing address 3201 Pinyon Dr, Albany GA. 31721. 2) All Chapters need New Signature cards with the District Director change. A complete Financial package includes a Cover Sheet, Financial report signed by both Chapter Director and Treasurer, Inventory sheet(s), and the December Bank statement. Any questions, please call or email.

GOOD THINGS TO KNOW

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 3 - Rider Education Fun Day:

Trike PLPs, Two-Wheel PLPs, Seminars, MFA CPR and First Aid Training. Morning and afternoon sessions. For more information, check out the District website at www.gwr-ra-ga.com or contact Tommy Martin at 912-823-2743.

October 10 - GA-E2 2nd Annual Fun Day:

At the "PONDEROSA", 14120 Mud Road, Brooklet, GA; 11:30am to 2:30pm. For more information, contact Roy Bridges at 912-823-2743.

October 15, 16, 17 - Mississippi District Rally:

Tupelo, MS. Download a rally flyer from the District Website at www.gwr-ra-ga.com

October 17 - GA-L Fun Day: Proceeds go to Breast Cancer Research. Dykes Creek Baptist Church Activities Center, 46 Dykes Creek Church Road, Rome, GA; 10am to 2pm. For more information, contact David Newby at 706-295-1714.

October 24 - GA-A Halloween Fun Day:

10am to 3pm, High Falls State Park, Jackson, GA. Awards and closing ceremonies begin at 2pm. For more information, contact Bob McCroskey at 770-954-1924.

November 14 - Wind Down: 10am to 3pm; District Couple of the Year Selection, free meal, fun and games. Tuckston United Methodist Church, 4175 Lexington Road, Athens, GA. For more information, contact Carlos or Dee Lozano at 770-932-4007, or any District staff member.

November 21 - GA-H2 Santa Toy Run:

11am; meet at Po-Jo's Truck Stop (just North of I-16 on Hwy 301S). Contact Curtis Gay at 912-582-9035 for more information.

January 16, 2010 - Chilly Willy (and officer's meeting): Get ready to kick off 2010. Time, location, menu, and other details will be announced soon.

2009 Chapter Couples of the Year

GA-A	Roy & Julie Degler	GA-J	Ron & Beverly McDonald
GA-A2	Gene & Pat Whiddon	GA-L	Marvin & Vicki Seritt
GA-B2	Bill & Shirley Morris	GA-Q	Maynard & Chrys Watson
GA-C2	Charles & Joyce Shedd	GA-S	Bob Hayes & Faith Gann
GA-D	Phillip & Terri Kozlowski	GA-T	Alan & Jeanna Phillips
GA-E	Billy & Robin Peoples	GA-V	Buck & Dianne Harden
GA-E2	Robert & Trish Payne	GA-W	Paul & Carey Hancock
GA-H	Rich & Marilyn Morgan	GA-Z	Paul & Lorraine Burt

GA Traveler's Plaque

Chapter GA-S will offer the Traveler's Plaque on Sunday, October 4, 2009 at Midway Christian Church, 1406 Hog Mountain Rd., Bogart, GA (just south of Hwy 316); 12:30 - 2:00pm.

Region A Wanderer

MS-L will offer the Region A Wanderer on Sunday, October 4, 2009 at 2:00pm at Cold Stone Creamery, 6111 Hwy 98 West, Hattiesburg, MS, 39402.

Meeting Changes

- GA-X - Their October meeting will be in Knoxville, TN during their 4th Annual Train Ride.
- If you have a change in your meeting time or location, please notify Carlos & Dee Lozano by e-mail at georgiadd@cmlozano.com; or by telephone at 770.932.4007.

Heartfelt Sympathy To:

- Debra McGaha and family on the passing of Roger
- Traynor family on the passing of Mike



From your District Leadership Trainers

Dave & Sharon Aikens

This is an excerpt from the August LTD Newsletter. Chapter Directors will be hearing more about this from their respective District Trainers.

At Wing Ding, we met with all of the Region Directors, Association staff and also the LTD Staff. In both meetings, we announced a challenge for the coming year. We call it the "Training Challenge for Officers." In the next 12 months, we want to make a concerted effort to give our officer corps the tools and knowledge to make their responsibilities easier, help them be more effective leaders, and provide training and support so they are successful in achieving their individual goals. If the officer corps is well equipped with the knowledge they need and we are supporting our CDs and chapter staffs, the FUN will come, not only for the members they serve, but for themselves as well. The District Directors (DDs), Region Directors (RDs) and their respective staff will reap the benefits too. Knowledgeable Chapter Directors will have fewer phone calls to DDs about how to do this or what to do about that, and on up the chain it will go.

Here is the Training Challenge for Officers. We believe it is an attainable goal for every Trainer.

[District Trainers _ Chapter Directors _ Chapter Leadership Skills](#)

All District Leadership Trainers are to work with their respective Chapter Directors in their Districts on the Chapter Leadership Skills seminars. The challenge: every Chapter Director completes the Chapter Leadership Skills Program series by Wing Ding 32. For those Districts with a large numbers of chapters, we offer to assist you with a plan that utilizes Senior & Master Instructors to deliver this seminar series.

[Region Trainers _ District Directors _ Chapter Leadership Skills + Intermediate Leadership Skills](#)

All Region Leadership Trainers are to work with their respective District Directors in their Regions in two areas. The challenge: every DD is to complete the Chapter Leadership Skills and Intermediate Leadership Skills Program by Wing Ding 32. Master Instructors will also be utilized to deliver this training.

[Leadership Training Division Staff _ Region Directors _ Chapter Leadership Skills + Intermediate Leadership Skills + Advanced Leadership Skills](#)

The LTD Directors and Assistants will work with the Region Directors on the completion of Chapter Leadership Skills, Intermediate Leadership Skills and Advanced Leadership Skills Programs by Wing Ding 32.

From your Assistant District Directors / Couple of the Year Coordinators

Dave & Betty Andrade

YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE MISSING

The open highway rushes by and I settle back for a five-hour ride back home. Betty and I enjoyed a weekend at Region A's Rally in Dothan, Alabama. We reflected on the rally and how it differed, yet was the same as last year when Betty and I attended the event as Georgia's District Couple of the Year.

This year there was a sense of excitement to reconnect with those who were strangers and are now good friends. As Couple of the Year, a brotherhood is developed between you and the other District Couples, plus all of the others whom we greet with a "HI! Good to see you again".

I digress back to the resemblance to last year. The four District Couples were ushered back and forth to make their presentations, but this is where the similarity ends. This year we sat in the front row and heard what each couple had to say. The similarity to each couple and their answers made us wonder how we had fared. It is difficult to sit in the audience and decide in our own minds who would best represent our Region, as so much is dependent on the resume and its content; such as your levels participation, leadership training, and recruitment, as well as the interview process. It would have been difficult to have been a judge, as all of the couples were very good and represented their Districts well. No matter who was selected, everyone participating in this process is a winner and deserves to always be referred to as a District Couple of the Year.

Our consensus was that the moment we were honored as our Chapter Couple of the Year, our life changed and we haven't looked back since. We have made a decisive commitment to promote the Couple of the Year Program, starting at the Chapter level, and show what the program consists of... that it is an Honor, not a Job. When your Chapter HONORS you, go for it. Enjoy the year as if you are royalty, because you are.

From your Assistant District Directors / Event Coordinators

John & Linda Zimmer

Gearing up for FUN!

To All Chapters

Last month Linda & I wrote about some new things that will be at the Georgia District Rally. Well, Chapters, get ready because we will also bring some old stuff back into the mix too.

Does anyone remember Hiawasse Down's? If so, break out your entry, dust it off, and get them ready to travel starting January 1, 2010. Those who aren't

familiar with Hiawasse Down's, don't fret; more information will be available at Wind Down... and will also be posted on our District website soon.

For our "Street Party", on Thursday night, we have a few things up our sleeves; a hula hoop contest, a limbo bar contest, and a slow stroll. Don't get caught sitting on the sidelines. Start making plans for your Chapter to get involved... and laugh.

That's all for now folks. But, stayed tuned for more... and gear up for **FUN!**

From your Assistant District Directors / Vendor Coordinators

Alan & Denise Head

Hey everyone,

We are steadily working on vendors for the 2010 Georgia Rally, and talking with new ones every week.

But I wanted to pass along something that I saw at a Chapter Gathering this weekend.

Most of you hear all the "Drum Beats" of the great benefits of being a GWRRA member; Tow Busters, The Gold Book, Wing World Magazine, Friends, Riders Education etc....

There are several things that Denise and I have found as FUN, Yep FUN going to the different chapter meetings and just watching. We like the Noodle head, Wing Nut, Skunk, Air-head, Blonde Moment Awards, and etc. Listening to the stories to see who is worse, seeing who gets the Hat Award, or whatever the Chapter has decided to call it. We have really had a blast going to the different Chapters and just enjoying the fellow-

ship; THE FUN. I guess that is what I feel a chapter gathering is: FUN!

But also on top of that, I saw something this weekend that just drove the "Nail Home". One of the Chapters we visited had a member that has been in the hospital and been very ill. He is now home, but is unable to attend a Chapter gathering at this time, due to a number of factors. But, his friends in the Chapter knew that he still needed fellowship. So, folks got together, put up a large flat screen TV and camera in their Chapter meeting place. They set up a similar arrangement at their ill member's home. It was truly heart-warming as I watched the extra large smiles on his and his wife's faces, as they attended the entire meeting via internet video.

Only way to put it is FRIENDS and FUN

It's all about being there.



From your District Rider Educators

Tommy & Vicky Martin



Vicky and I attended the Region "A" Rally in Dothan, AL and we had a great time. We attended the Region "A" COY selection. Carlos & Dee Lozano did an outstanding job representing the Georgia District in the Region "A" Couple of the Year selection. Of course we DON'T agree with the judge's decision, since they selected that couple from Alabama (Steve & Tammy Hollingsworth) over Carlos & Dee. However, there were four couples in the selection and they all were very qualified for the job and we do wish the best for Steve & Tammy as Region "A" Couple of the Year.

Psssst... We still think Carlos & Dee should have been selected!!

We also attended a couple of the seminars and as usual, we picked up some good new information and refreshed some that we had forgotten.

I'm not sure if we should let anyone know that we attended the talent show or not. It's a stretch calling some of these skits talent. They may even be against the law; I'm not sure. SShhh... don't tell anyone but, we plan to attend again next year, because we sure did have a lot of FUN & LAUGHS at other folks expense, hee hee hee. We'll be looking to see you there.