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From The District Directors



Hello Everyone!

Happy Spring!

We have really had our share of snow especially the big snow we had on February 14 - 17, there were lots of cancellations including the Horizons Program, which was scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, February 15 & 16, which will be rescheduled. Just think spring is coming 21 March 2003!

Wingless Weekend, Williamsburg, Virginia - February 7-9, 2003

The Maryland District had 16 members to attend Virginia's Rally "Wingless Weekend" in Williamsburg, Virginia; we all really had a nice time. Hampton & Sharon Conway performed in a skit titled Brother James and the Church Lady during the Friday Night entertainment. If you have never seen Hamp & Sharon perform in a skit you really missed a nice performance they were great, maybe they will do a repeat for the District!

The District received a plaque for the Largest Visiting District. Congratulations again to Fred Haynes for receiving the 3rd place plaque in the Poker Walk. Again special thanks to all for attending Wingless Weekend.

District Staff Meeting & Officers Training - Saturday, April 5, 2003

Please Note - The location of the meeting is still in question at this time. The District is trying to find a location that will accommodate our numbers comfortably, is as central as possible to everyone's commute, has suitable meeting facilities, can provide lunch without a commute, and is reasonable in cost. We will let you know the location as soon as we have one.

As requested by Fred & Judy, by March 15, 2003, please forward any items you may have for inclusion in the agenda so that they can get the agenda back out to everyone by March 16 so that everyone will have time to prepare for the meeting.

Delaware District & Northeast Region B "Carousel of Dreams" Rally - August 21 - 24, 2003

The Delaware & NE Region B Rally will be held at the Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, Delaware, August 21 - 24, 2003. It is not too early to make your hotel reservations. Please plan to attend the Rally and show your support for Richard and June Reynolds as they participate in the Region Couple Selection Process.

Winterthing 2004 - January 15 - 18, 2004

The Maryland District will host the 2004 Winterthing Rally at the Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel, 10100 Costal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland; telephone number 1-800-638-2100.

Neal & Carol Reynolds, District Rally Coordinators, have already started preparation for the Rally. In 2004 the District will have a theme for Winterthing. Neal & Carol will announce the theme at the April 5 District Staff Meeting & Officers Training.

Wing Ding XXV, Madison, Wisconsin - July 1 - 4, 2003

In the March edition of the Wing World Magazine there are several more hotels that have sold out of rooms for Wing Ding. Hopefully you have reserved your room and plan to attend Wing Ding to show your support for Hampton &

Sharon Conway as they participate in the International Couple of the Year (ICOY) Selection Process. The ICOY Selection Process is normally held one day before Wing Ding (Monday, June 30, 2003), and Wing Ding XXV will be held July 1 - July 4, 2003.

The NE Region, including Region F, and Region I, has assignments at Wing Ding for the Grand Parade and Light Parade. We need volunteers. Please provide Fred & Judy Haynes, Assistant District Directors, the names of Wing Ding attendees who can give about 2 hours of their time to these fun events.

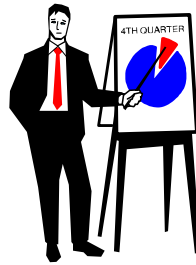
Wing Ding XXVII

Wing Ding 2005 will return to Fort Wayne, Indiana during the Fourth of July week, we will provide more information as it becomes available.

Always Remember to Ride Safe!

Charles & Shirley Dorsey

From The Assistant District Directors



Hi Y'all:

Well, Fred made it through the Polar Bear Plunge with nothing more than goose bumps! Although he was no fashion statement, Fred did make the local newspaper. We attribute this editorial notoriety to Fred's red-sequined bathing suit that caught the camera's eye.

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The actual plunge was anti-climactic, considering the 40-minute wait to go, standing in a bathing suit and tennis shoes, in 33-degree air temp, and 12 knot, watching ice flows drifting by off shore. Fred accepted this challenge from a fellow MDA member,

Vince Glorioso, who has been participating in the Polar Bear Plunge for many years. **Mike Haslup of MDH** met Vince and Fred at the plunge and joined them in their brisk, but short swim. Like Vince, Mike has been participating in this event for many years. Congratulations to all for showing the Maryland GWRRA colors at the Maryland Polar Bear Plunge!



Last words from Fred (after the plunge) were, "Been there; done that; got the sweatshirt; no need to do it gain." So, Fred laid down the challenge to all MDA members to supply a partner for Vince at next year's Polar Bear Plunge. Who from MDA will accept Fred's challenge? All in all, the charity event raised approximately \$250,000 that day for Maryland Special Olympics.

How about all the other Maryland chapters? Is any one interested in expanding the participation in this apparently new

Maryland GWRRA event? **Lilly Doughty**, DE District Director, also represented GWRRA in the Delaware Polar Bear Plunge. Is this trend spreading throughout GWRRA and the Eastern Region?

We attended Wingless Weekend in Williamsburg, VA last month, with Charles and Shirley Dorsey, Tom and Gail McCormick, Hamp and Sharon Conway from the District Support Staff and several MDB chapter members rounding out the visiting team. Super event; those GWRRA friends from Virginia really know how to throw a party. We had a terrific time and met lots of new GWRRA family. We also advertised Winterthing 2004. Fred won "Third Place" in the Wingless Poker Walk, and the Maryland District took the "Largest District Outside of Virginia" award.

With all that in our rear view mirrors, it is time to start focusing on getting ready for the 2003-riding season. Everyone registered for Americade? Everyone registered for Winterthing? Got your hotel reservations made? Got your routes planned out? Now is the time to do it, because June and July will be here quickly.

It is also time to focus on your Wing. There is still time to get it into Wild Willie's or any other maintenance facility for a good once-over. As most of us know, winter is the best time to get maintenance done on a motorcycle. The shops are not over-crowded as they will be in April/May. If you desire to do your own once-over, think about what and when you will need to do it. Collect all the necessary items and be ready to roll up your sleeves. Remember, our Wings will be carrying one or two of the most important pieces of cargo, us! Our Wings will be doing so over many miles:

- At varying speeds,
- On varying road surfaces,
- At varying times of day,
- In varying temperature and weather conditions, and
- In remote locations.

Although they make very nice reading in Wing World, constantly reminding us of how valuable our GWRRA families are and how important that TOW Buster

program is, we don't want to be the ones writing the letters to the editor.

For those on a fixed schedule, sprinting the interstates does cover miles and get you there and back quicker. If you have to do it, please be careful. However, something that we have been doing over the last few years is to plan an extra day or two of "travel" time into the trip, even at the expense of arriving or departing the event a day early. This allows us to get off the super-slab and enjoy the back road scenery. It brings back many memories of the 1950s and 1960s type traveling enjoyed by our parents before interstates. The opportunities to eat at quaint family restaurants instead of the usual chain fast food restaurants, and to stay at some really nice, clean, locally owned and managed motels, is a very enjoyable and welcomed "slow-down" from the hustle-bustle of our 21st Century everyday lives. Isn't the point of the trip to enjoy motorcycle TOURING?

On February 2, 2003, the ground hog predicted 6 more weeks of winter. Considering the last few weeks, his prediction was accurate. So, enjoy the remainder of the winter of 2003 by completing all those necessary things associated with motorcycle touring, but detract from actually placing yourselves in the seat and feeling the breeze drift across your face, smelling the aroma of fresh cut grass, hearing the birds sing and smelling the fresh scent of pine or the salt of the ocean during a rest stop. Dream on, there are only a few more weeks to go!!!

See y'all real soon!

Fred and Judy Haynes

From The District Trainers



Goose Rantings...

Leadership has sometimes been described as taking people to a place that they would not normally go to on their own. Once a sound strategic planning process has determined what that place should be it is the leader's prime and fundamental responsibility to assure that the full resources of the organization are effectively brought to bear to achieve that destination.

An effective planning process will systematically examine its assumptions about the future and its current and required competencies. It will then bring the management team to consensus on a future course and direction. The output should be a vision: a realistic, credible and attractive future. An effective planning process will also be participative in nature. A team of people will provide input from different functional and personality perspectives and their participation will create the buy-in necessary for successful implementation. But at the end of the day it is the organization's leader who has to be the chief steward of the vision. It is he or she who has to be obsessed with the desired outcome.

Communication

Believing in the vision, regardless of how passionately is not enough. A leader must be able to communicate the vision frequently and effectively.

They need to be capable of articulating it in different ways to different constituencies. Great communication is the ability to take something complicated and making it simple. A comparison between ex-Presidents Jimmy

Carter and Ronald Reagan is appropriate. Many believe that Carter was one of the most intelligent and best-informed Presidents. Yet he is not thought to have been an effective leader because he was not skillful in communicating his vision. Reagan, on the other hand, while generally uninvolved in the details was considered to be a most inspiring leader due to his mastery at conveying vision in a way people could understand.

A leader can never assume that the vision is fully understood by all. They need to be almost "missionary" in style as they continually and consistently "preach the gospel" of the future. Doing

so will allow them to change the perception of people as to what is important for them and the organization.

Commitment

A leader's persistent repetition and consistency is what ultimately creates a fully aligned culture. Calvin Coolidge expressed the importance of persistence:

"Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with great talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent."

Leaders need to be unshaken in their belief that what they are doing is the right thing to do. This requires a certain degree of mental toughness. Being "tough" is many times misinterpreted. Dwight D. Eisenhower said: "You do not lead by hitting people over the head - that's assault not leadership."

Being tough is standing true to your beliefs regardless of challenges and setbacks or when others doubt you or your ability to succeed. This type of "toughness" is called commitment and good leaders must have it. True "toughness" is going over the hill without knowing what is on the other side. It is about staying the course through adversity. Whatever course you decide on there is always someone to tell you that you are wrong. There will always be difficulties that come up that will tempt you to doubt yourself and believe the critics are right. It takes tremendous courage to map out a course and direction and see it through.

Commitment through words alone is not enough. People in any organization are "professional boss watchers". They will ultimately mimic the behaviors of Leaders in those organizations. As they observe you as the leader, they will be acutely aware of:

How you make and honor your commitments

What you say in formal and especially informal settings

What you express interest in and ask questions about

Where you go and with whom you spend time

How and when you act/ who you consult with

How you organize your staff and physical surroundings

Along with passion and enthusiasm the leader must show commitment by their actions. Commitment is visibly shown by your calendar. For example, creating a total quality culture might be a critical part of your vision. If so, then you should be an active participant in some of the quality team meetings.

You should be seen improving your own education on quality by attending classes. A good "gut check" to see how you are showing commitment is to review your calendar and see if the time you spend is consistent with the most critical elements of your vision.

Management

"What people say, what people do and what people say they do are entirely different things." -Margaret Mead

A leader must be on top of things. A leader must be an expert in the details of how the vision is being implemented. This does not mean that they should micro manage. It means knowing enough to ask great and specific questions of people. It involves the skill to do this in a way that lets people know you are on top of things and you take an interest in what they are doing but you are not infringing on their responsibilities or implying that you feel they are incapable.

Being an expert in the details also means knowing enough to hone your intuitive sense so that when you have to play "King Solomon" in deciding on a final choice among many alternatives, you can do it effectively. The leader must hold people accountable yet give them the appropriate authority. Being knowledgeable is critical in effectively doing this. Leadership is a transaction between leaders and followers. Both have to effectively coexist. Leaders must pay attention as well as capture it.

While leadership is about the motivation and inspiration of people, a leader still has to invoke many of the same skills that make for an effective manager. Among these are a strong sense of focus

and personal discipline and skills in delegation and creating a high degree of accountability. While the leader can and should immerse themselves in the path toward their organization's future, it is obvious that success cannot come without the well-orchestrated efforts of the entire organization. This coordinated effort is at the very heart of management's mission and the leader needs to hold people accountable for its effective implementation.

Deploying Yourself

A strong leader will be acutely aware of their own skills inventory and will display a visible commitment to self-development. The effective leader will:

Recognize their strengths and compensate for their weaknesses. Nurture additional skills through formal self-improvement. Understand the fit between their strengths and weaknesses and the organization's needs. The effective leader will become a role model in fostering learning organization by encouraging and rewarding professional development. Their primary focus will be on people rather than systems or structure.

Leadership Learned

One of the greatest myths in management is that leaders are born and not made. While specific characteristics of some leaders such as charisma might be considered part of a person's personality, most of the capacities and competencies of leadership can in fact be learned. The following summarizes some of the most critical skills and attributes that you can learn:

- Developing professional expertise
- Sharpening your communications skills
- Cultivating enthusiasm
- Keeping an open mind
- Paying attention to accomplishment
- Being accessible
- Being respectful of your staff

The above article by Barry Wolfson, VP of the Center of Simplified Strategic Planning, Inc. reminds me very much of GWRRA. The vision statement of GWRRA is "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge". It is the leaders responsibility at every level of GWRRA to make

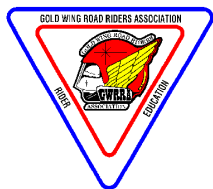
this vision statement a reality for the members. The tools are there - Rider Education, Leadership Training and the membership itself. An effective leader will use these tools to accomplish the goals of the organization. Each of the numerous leaders within GWRRA from Chapter Directors and their staff to District and Regional leaders should evaluate their roles in support of meeting the needs and wishes of the members looking to the future.

That's all folks!!!



Bob (Goose) & Dorothy Richards

From The District Educators



We have several new Chapter Educators that I wish to introduce. Rich and June Reynolds-Chapter B, Dan and Bridget Kenny-Chapter I, and Clarke Sewell-Chapter L. Please welcome them and say thank you for stepping up.

Thank you to Dan Kenny who generously made and kindly donated hundreds of stainless steel kickstand plates to be given away at Winterthing. There were some left and I will give them away at chapter visits over the next month or two. If you didn't get one, please ask.

Our District has pledged to clarify the measurement criteria for the all the competitive plaques available to the chapters. For the Rider Educators we give an Education Award for the Year. Some misunderstandings have risen

over the years as to how this plaque was awarded. The award is available to all Rider Educators and we wish to make it available for all to win.

Defining the measurements and providing everyone the criteria will remove the misunderstandings often equated with such awards. With an understanding of how the plaque may be obtained, having knowledge of the points available to all, and how they are appointed will eliminate the misunderstandings of the past. We wish to make it a fair competition for all Chapter Rider Educators.

Award Criteria:

- Monthly Rider Education Report -----
10 points possible per month
Every Chapter Educator signed a M.O.U. stating that they would provide a monthly report of the education provided to their members. I am sending a revised form and instructions for its use to all educators with this newsletter. It is very simple to use.

- Monthly Training Activity -----
--- see discussion below
The revised form adds the length of training provided (i.e. 10 minute talk at gathering) and the number of people the talk was presented to (number of chapter members and number of visitors).

Each monthly report will give the length of time for training and number of members present, which will be used to determine the average monthly training hours. If your chapter has 20 members, on the monthly report you give a 10 minute talk to 10 members, the average time is 10 attendees divided by 20 chapter members times 10 minutes = 5 points average training for the month to the membership. If during the month, 5 members went to CPR training for 2 hours, the average monthly training for this would be 5 attendees divided by 20 chapter members times 120 minutes = 30 points. Total for that month would be 30 plus the 5 from the talk plus the 10 for reporting = 45 points for this month.

Let's take an example of a chapter that

only has 4 members and compare it to the 20 members chapter. If they had 4 members at the gathering for a 10 minute talk, 4 divided by 4 times 10 = 10. And, 2 members went to CPR for 2 hours, 2 divided by 4 times 120 = 60. Total for that month would be 60 plus the 10 for the talk, the educator would get 70 points for the month.

The number of points obtained is based on the number of members attending out of the accountable membership, types of training given, and how much training – it doesn't depend on size of chapter.

- Monthly Newsletter Article -----
-- 10 points per month
For each month a chapter educator does an article for their chapter newsletter. A copy of this article must be attached to the monthly report.

- GWRRA Rider Education Program Chapter Participation ---
Points awarded via formula

Of course each chapter has a different number of members. In order to make the number of REP participants in each chapter an equitable measurement, we need to do an averaging in the chapter. We also want to take into account those members who advance in the program. What I have come up with is two measurements. The first is the number of participants in the program divided by the chapter membership number times 100. Then for each participant who advances you get additional points based on the formula -number who advanced divided by the number of members participating in REP times 100.

Lets take X and Z again and see how this works. In X we have 10 members who participate in REP. They are all at level I so chapter X gets 10 members participating divided by 20 members in the chapter times 100 = 50 points. Then this month they also had 3 move up to Level II so they get 3 members advancing divided by 10 participants in REP giving them an additional 30 points. Chapter X's total for the month is 80 points. In Chapter Z, we have 3 members in REP so they get: 3 members participating divided by 4

members in the chapter times 100 = 75 points. None of them advanced this month so Chapter Z gets only 75 points.

Again, the size of the chapter doesn't have anything to do with the amount of points a chapter can obtain. What does count? Getting members involved in training, presenting them with more training and reporting it monthly. I hope everyone sees this as a benefit over what may have happened in the past. I see it as a benefit to our members. The Chapter educator who works at getting their members to participate will get the best scores, regardless of the size of the chapter. Thus the award will go to the educator who gets more of his members trained. Each month in the Rider Education Newsletter,

I will post the points total for each chapter. At the end of the year (November), the Educator with the most chapter points will have the plaque. As you can see, it only takes a little effort to really have great results. Good Luck!

If you have any suggestions for improving this measurement system or award method, please let me know. We plan to use this system for your reports for February. I previously sent a form to be used for the report, if you didn't receive one please let me know. If your chapter opts out of participating for the award that is all right, but just remember it is still the responsibility of the Chapter Director to ensure his Chapter Educator files a report each month. I will be sending out a little reminder for those who haven't submitted by the end of each month, to remind you that I need them by the 3rd for the previous month.

So far we have these reports for February: A, B, C & F. Keep up the good work everyone!

John & Bonnie McClun

From The District Ambassadors



Hi everyone, its March and we all know that means to start riding again! Yea, right, all we need to do is get rid of two feet of snow first! But, not to worry, it won't be as long as it has been and we will all be riding full time again. While we are waiting we would like to send out Birthday wishes to the following; Carol Sweet on 3 March, John McClun and Charles Dorsey on 5 March, James Bradford on 21 March, Bonnie McClun on 23 March and Tim Miller on 31 March. Sorry to say we have no Anniversaries to celebrate in March, but that will change next year, right Cheryl and Ray??!! Also, please remember June Reynolds with your cards, calls and prayers as she recovers from knee surgery. June can be reached at the following; 3129 Gershwin Lane, Silver Spring, MD 20904, 301-890-8943 and at jimpreynolds@aol.com.

Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge,

Pete & De Hooper

From The District COY Coordinators



We had great time this month meeting some of the 2003 / 2004 Chapter COY's. One question that keeps coming up is what determines the year of appointment for the Chapter COY. Some Chapters already have a 2004 COY designated while other Chapters are just not selecting their 2003 COY. Another question out there is WHEN does the new COY start. Each Chapter seems to be doing it differently, some start in January, others in June. And some assign the year based

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on the year the couple serves as Chapter COY, other chapter assign the year based on the next Winter Thing and District COY selection. Since we are new to this program, we have forwarded a request to the Region and National COY Directors asking for their guidance and will share their responses to all staff one we have it. Our main priority at this is to continue to visit the Chapters, meet the couples that have been selected and to congratulate them. If we haven't been to your Chapter yet, we hope to visit you real soon. In the mean time, honor your COY's. After all, they are one of the priorities that membership in this organization is all about – **FRIENDS!**

We are working on a "Something for Everyone" Basket raffle to raise funds for some of the COY program activities planned for this year. A portion the raffle proceeds will also be donated to the Ride for Kids Program on behalf of the District. The basket's value as of now is over \$750.00, with more contributions coming (we hope). So far, it contains chrome accessories for GL1500, a 14K gold neck chain from Kay Jewelers, Honda spray polish and cleaner, \$100 Paste Wax, \$50.00 gift certificate from Crofton Power Sports, two (His and Hers) Johnny Rocket Bullet Jackets, and more! The basket will be at the District Staff meeting for a sneak preview and raffle tickets will be distributed on a volunteer basis to Chapter Directors to sell to chapter members, friends and family. The winning ticket will be drawn on July 15, 2003.

Mike & Becky Decker

From The 2003 District COY



Which Insurance is Best For You?

As spring approaches, I always look forward to getting my motorcycle insurance policy statement and seeing how much my premium has decreased (*NOT!!*). It rates right up there with seeing the Dentist or having a prostate exam. But as we all know, insurance is required to license a motor vehicle in the State of Maryland. Let us start by looking at what coverage is required by law –

1. **Liability insurance** pays damages that are caused by you and suffered by the other party for personal injury, death, or property damage. You must carry a minimum of \$20,000 for bodily injury per person, \$40,000 for bodily injury for two or more people, and \$15,000 for property damage. The policy will pay up to the limits listed in your policy. Coverage above the minimum is available from your insurance company or agent.
2. **Uninsured motorist coverage** pays damages, after any applicable deductible, which are caused by an uninsured motorist and suffered by you. It provides protection when an uninsured driver, who is at fault, injures you or another covered individual. You must carry a minimum of \$20,000 for bodily injury per person, \$40,000 for bodily injury or two or more people, and \$15,000 for property damage.
3. **Personal Injury Protection (PIP) coverage** provides benefits for medical, hospital and disability up to \$2,500 for all reasonable expenses arising out of an accident. Note: Full PIP provides benefits for you, any member of your family, and any non-family occupant of your vehicle. You may also choose limited PIP, which excludes benefits for you and members of your family age 16 and over. This alternative costs less and should be considered if you already have medical and hospitalization insurance.

Policy **options** include comprehensive and collision coverage, if there is no lien on the vehicle. **Comprehensive insurance** provides protection against vehicle theft or physical damage not caused by a collision. **Collision insurance** means physical damage to your covered vehicle caused by an impact with another vehicle or object. This coverage pays the lesser of the cost of repair or actual cash value (*replacement cost less depreciation*) of your vehicle. Remember deductible amounts apply first. **Other than Collision** coverage handles damages arising from falling objects, fire, theft, hail, glass breakage, contact with animals, etc. This coverage usually has a lower deductible than Collision coverage.

Another **option** is **Medical Payments Coverage**, which pays for reasonable and necessary medical and funeral expenses due to a vehicle auto accident. Individuals covered under this coverage include

- You or any family member occupying any auto, or as a pedestrian when struck by a motor vehicle
- Any other person while occupying your covered vehicle or any vehicle (private passenger auto or trailer) driven by you or a family member

Underinsured motorist coverage is an **option** similar to uninsured motorist coverage, except it applies when the other party has lower coverage limits than you do and damages exceed the other party's limits.

The Insurance Information Institute advises there are many factors that play a role in determining what your insurance costs will be, such as being a graduate of a rider-training course, your age, your driving record, where you live and the type of motorcycle you own. They make the following suggestions to keep the costs down:

- Many companies offer discounts from 10 to 15 percent on motorcycle insurance for graduates of training courses, such as the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) rider course.

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Riders under the age of 25, usually considered a higher risk, may see some savings by taking this course. It's also a good idea for cyclists who have already had accidents.

- Maintaining a good driving record with no violations will also help reduce your premiums.
- In many northern states, riders may save money by buying a "lay-up" policy. With a lay-up policy, all coverage except comprehensive is suspended during winter months.
- Find out what discounts your insurance representative offers. Multibike discounts for those insuring more than one bike; organization discounts, if you're a member of a motorcycle association; and mature rider discounts for experienced riders, are just a few possibilities. Discounts can range anywhere from 10% to 20%, depending on the company and your state. Availability and qualifications for discounts vary from company to company and state to state.
- Keep in mind that the type, style (such as a sports bike vs. a cruiser), age of the motorcycle, number of miles you drive a year and where you store your bike may also affect how much you pay for your premium.

Choose the agent or company that's right for you. If you already have car insurance, contact your insurer. Otherwise, ask friends, relatives, and co-workers where they bought their car or motorcycle insurance. Your local cycle shop may also have a company they refer customers to. Also check local motorcycle magazines or newspapers for insurance

professionals advertising motorcycle insurance.

Let me suggest the following thoughts prior to making a change –

- Before buying a motorcycle, ask about the cost of insurance.
- Maintain a clean driving record.
- Shop around. Get at least 3 estimates before committing.
- Keep your coverage current. Check with your agent at least once a year to make sure that your policy provides adequate coverage.
- Pay your premium even if you disagree with your insurance company, and then pursue your disagreement. Failure to make premium payments may cause cancellation of your policy.
- Pay your premium in full and pay before the due date to avoid the risk of cancellation. **THERE IS NO GRACE PERIOD.** Keep payment receipts or cancelled checks in a safe place.
- Ride as if your life depended on it.

Richard & June Reynolds

NEWS FROM NATIONAL

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES THE WINNER OF THE GREAT GIVEAWAY



Phoenix, AZ - Mike Wright, President of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association, announced the winner of the organization's "GWRRA 2003 Honda Gold Wing GL 1800 Great Giveaway" on February 1, 2003.

As a Member of GWRRA, Laurel Richmond, of Earp, California, was automatically entered into the drawing when he recruited Ivan and Linda Good of Elkhart, Indiana, as new Members of GWRRA in May of 2002. Mr. Richmond was one of 20,427 entries into the drawing, each hoping to be the winner of the Honda GL1800 Gold Wing with a retail value of \$17,699.

The GWRRA President, along with local GWRRA celebrities and Members, will formally acknowledge and celebrate Richmond's win of the high-powered, sleek machine at a Press Conference to be held at Parker Yamaha, 800 California Avenue, Parker, Arizona 85344. The Press Conference will take place at 1:00 p.m. on February 22, 2003.

Win a New Silver Wing!!!

The sweepstakes was very popular in 2002 and we are thrilled to offer it again in 2003! This year the award is a 2004 Silver Wing! The Silver Wing is a 600cc package of excitement that offers high powered two up riding. This is a new offering by Honda and we are very excited to support debut in the market place! The Silver Wing will be a fun addition to someone's stable and will be a great diversion or a super bike for the better half, or others in the family!

All new Members will be automatically entered into the drawing and all Members who recruit a

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new Membership will also be entered into the drawing at the rate of one entry per Membership recruited.

No purchases necessary to enter or win. For a copy of the Official GWRRA Silver Wing Giveaway Rules send a self addressed stamped envelope to 21243 N. 11 Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85027.

International Membership

The "Internet Membership" is a special membership designed for international Members, and will be open to those residing outside the U.S. and Canada.

From The Region Director



Our prayers and thoughts are with one of our friends and fellow staff member. Allan Waer, the other half of our Region Recruiter Team, has recently undergone two surgeries. Allan was recently diagnosed with cancer. He is home recuperating from this major event. It looks like he will be receiving radiation treatments for 4-6 weeks. However, as always, Allan has a positive attitude and is looking forward to the upcoming riding season. We are sure both Allan and Suzie would love to hear from you or receive cards from their extended family and GWRRA friends.

Recruitment and Retention

In our last Region Newsletter we reported that the Northeast Region finished the year 2002 at 4.96%. We met our collective "basic" goal of 5%. Congratulations!

For 2003, we agreed to strive for 7% since we did so well in 2002. However, this will require a continued effort on everyone's part. The report that was issued at the end of January indicated a slow down. Region B kicked the year off at 0.19% again a goal of 0.58%. This might be due to the winter and holiday season. Let's get our momentum back on track. We would like to see all Officers, Members, and Chapters involved in a major Recruitment and Retention effort for the remainder of 2003.

It is of major importance to bring new members into our organization but let us not forget the importance of retaining the current members as well as our new members. In order to do this they need the attention from our members and Chapters to keep them having fun and socializing with the family of friends.

And, again, let us not forget the members that already exist but do not have a chapter near by. At the 2003 Region Staff Meeting we identified several areas in our Region that need to fulfill these new chapter requirements for our members.

Combined Northeast Region / Delaware Rally

Arrangements are in progress and the organizational wheels are turning. Don't forget to mark your calendars for the Combined Rally 2003 in Harrington, DE, August 21-24. A flyer is attached and please do not hesitate in getting your room reservations made. Motels are filling up fast.

Also, if anyone would like to see special seminars and/or training at this years combined rally please do not hesitate contacting one of the Region Trainers/Educators, or Diane George, Rally Coordinator.

Wing Ding XXV – 2003

You have access to registration forms either in your Wing World Magazine or on line. Don't miss out on another great Wing Ding being held again in Madison, Wisconsin, July 1-4, 2003.

Also, the Northeast Region, along with the teamwork of Regions F & I, is responsible for the Grand Parade and Light Parade. We will need volunteers to assist in these two fun events. If you are planning to attend Wing Ding please give your Region a couple hours of your time to help out with one or both parades. We will need names and counts once we get closer to the event. Thanks, and we look forward to seeing you in Madison.

Wing Ding 2005

You may have heard already but just in case you haven't... it's back to Fort Wayne, Indiana for 2005. This is great news. We understand that the folks in Fort Wayne jumped with joy when they heard GWRRA Wing Ding would be returning to their great city.

"Bag of Cash"

The tickets should be available soon. The drawing will be held at the November 15th Region Staff Meeting. We look forward to everyone's continued support and being able to give back 25% to the Chapters. There has been some confusion in the past over the 25% give back of monies to the Chapters. However, for clarification purposes, this program was designed for 25 cents on every dollar sold to be given back to the Chapters and Members for their efforts and support.

Jere Goodman will be coordinating the ticket sales this year. As soon as we receive the printed tickets we will get them distributed to each District Director for distribution to their Chapters.

"SIG" for Older Wings

[Special Interest Group] Over the last couple years we have continued to receive communications that the older gold wings are not being accepted. We certainly hope this is not the case in the Northeast Region.

There are still many older Gold Wings on the road and they should continue to be recognized. Younger

folks are riding many of these wings. The reasons may be numerous but a couple reasons could be the cost of owning a new wing, or new people want to find out how great the Gold Wing is before they invest in a newer model. Anyway, keep the older Gold Wings in your thoughts and promote and invite these people into our organization. Get them involved.

"Motorcycle Sounds"

Attention Officers.... I'm sure by now, after several issues, that the District Directors have visited Motorcycle Sounds. There are many interesting and educational items on these newsletters. Please see that all officers, particularly on the Chapter levels, get this information.

New Additions / Changes Coming.... You won't want to miss the next issue of Wing World. There will be an editorial by Mike Wright outlining and describing some new and important changes/additions to this fine organization.

One of the changes will affect the name of the Home Office. Since GWRRA is now recognized and organized worldwide the home office will become "GWRRA International Headquarters".

As you know, in 2002, there was a give-a-way of a new Gold Wing for Recruiting. I won't give out the name but the program will continue for 2003.

The roadside assistance program will and has been upgraded and improved. You will receive more on this in Mike's editorial.

And, lastly, due to the growing interest in Trikes, there will be a Trike Riders International organization. This trike organization will be open to all brands and the executive director will be Pete Woodruff.

Please be prepared to receive more details on these changes and additions later this month.

Arlene Santor on the mend....

Marty Santor recently let us know that Arlene's back surgery was successful. As you know, Arlene has

been battling with back pain for some time now. Occasionally, the pain has kept her from enjoying some of the events.

Arlene says that it certainly is nice to be pain free. As you know Marty and Arlene were District Directors of Vermont. They are now taking a rest and enjoying the retirement. We do hope to see them staying involved in GWRRA.

We reported in last month's newsletter that Fran and Dawn Wood have stepped up to be the District Directors for Vermont in 2003.

Wayne & Kay Hartshorn

Northeast Region Directors



Rider Education

This month's contribution is noticeably larger than normal and it is no mistake. The snow is starting to melt away and cabin fever is making many restless enough to venture out for the first ride of the year. We simply didn't want to miss this opportunity to help folks plan for the upcoming year for Rider Education before we all get heavily into the 2003 riding season.

Communicate – Communicate – Communicate...

Is the message getting all the way to the Chapter Directors and Educators? Whether it is National, Regional, or Education news, we need to be a conduit of information to the Chapter participant – not an impassible filter.

At the same time, originators of a message should not assume that their information is making it all the way to the Member – check to make sure!

How do I do that? –

Here are a few ideas. (Can you think of any more?!) Forward the appropriate information directly to the Chapter or participants. Make sure that each person knows how to access the National, Regional, or Rider Education newsletter if they have a computer (or a friend with one).

You can also include a bulleted list of topics from the newsletter or message so they can ask for more information.

Paraphrase an article and include it in your District or Chapter newsletter.

Add a discussion of the article in your agenda to discuss at a Chapter or District function.

Educator of the Year Nominations Due March 20th

This will be the last reminder before the time runs out. We were one of the few Regions that had *Chapter* Educators represented last year and it was great.

Please send us a write up that explains why they deserve your praise. We will be selecting the best of these for submission for GWRRA Educator of the Year and Merit awards.

Last month we received no submissions – surely there is someone deserving of your praise!

We have sent out helpful information on what the criteria are for selection plus a sample of a winning submission form last year to all Districts.

District Directors – show your support for your District Educators by Nominating them. **Chapter Directors or District Educators** – nominate a deserving Chapter Educator. Remember our lesson on positive feedback at the opening of the Region Staff meeting last November? – It is time to show actions speak louder than words. Let your Educators know you care!

Northeast Region / DE District Rally Rider Ed Training

Interested in advancing your skills or moving up in the Rider Education Program? We can take you all the way to Level III as a Rider or a Co-Rider at the Rally if you need any of the following. So far we are planning on Co-Rider and Road Captain

seminars, plus Medic First Aid CPR, and a Trike or Trailering riding course.

First Aid Kits

After giving [NY District Educator] Dick Norton a first aid kit and giving another one away at the District [Staff] meeting, there was quite an interest shown for the kit I put together. So here it is once again.

If you are carrying a first aid kit on your Gold Wing, congratulations. If you are not, please take this time to reconsider. Next, ask yourself if the over the counter kit you buy will do the job in a motorcycle accident with injuries.

I do not believe the store kits contain what is needed to properly handle fractures, dislocations, severe bleeding, or other major injuries to a fellow rider or co-rider.

I am presenting this [based] on the 25 years experience as an EMT and this is what I carry on my Gold Wing. Any of the items may be purchased in drug stores, major retail stores (Kmart/ Walmart), or EMS supply.

First and most important in today's medical field of practice is a good set of medical gloves (2 to 3 pair). Always glove up before starting any medical treatment.

A CPR pocket mask is next, providing you protection while performing CPR (level 3/4 REP).

Trauma shears to enable you to cut away clothing, giving you a good visual of the injury site.

Cold packs will help reduce swelling and discomfort of many injuries. Please note that direct application of the cold pack IS NOT RECOMMENDED and should be wrapped in a wash cloth or triangular bandage.

Trauma dressing may be needed for a major bleed. 4x4 dressings, when stacked together may help, but feminine pads work extremely well for trauma dressings and bleeding control due to their good absorption.

Kling is a good means of securing your pressure dressings or other gauze pads.

Triangular bandages (2 to 3). Several rolls of medical tape, hypo allergenic, is recommended.

I also carry a bee sting stick and a tube of glucose for diabetic emergency (drug store over the counter products).

A small bottle of sterile water to cool a burn or flush an eye.

Throw in a bottle of antiseptic hand-wash & washcloth for yourself after treatment.

Last but not least is the usual assortment of Band-Aids, 3x3 pads, 4x4 pads.

The nylon bag I put this all in can be found in K-Mart in the fishing dept. It is a 4-compartment nylon bag, one large compartment in the center top and three smaller compartments, one on each side and on the front.

I hope this article will be of help to those of you interested in carrying a first aid kit suited for the type of riding we do and the type of accident we may have on our bikes or we may come across on a ride.

As a PS, I will be teaching FA/CPR at the [NY] District Rally and I am available for classes other times (call/e-mail) and I am also a seminar instructor for Road Captain / Co-Rider.

WE ride for fun, safety and knowledge!

*Thanks to Allen Dickens, Assistant NY District Educator
EMT- FA/CPR/AED Instructor*

Safety Officer or Rider Educator?

Note that GWRRA does not recognize the term safety officer. If you know of anyone using this term, please help them realize that we call them Rider Educators and it is a position that must be applied for and appointed. At the Chapter level we also refer to the Rider Educator as the Chapter Educator. District Educator is short for District Rider Educator, etc.

I am an Operations Officer. What resources are available to me to learn about and support the Rider Education Program?

As an operations officer, you are responsible for the District or Chapter (as applicable) you are tasked with "Directing". Rider Education is one of those responsibilities. Many understand that this is such an

important life saving task that they need to delegate that responsibility to a staff member - a Rider Educator who can focus all their energy on the subject.

That delegation is not a hand off. You still need to help guide your appointed staff member. If you know little about Rider Ed, how can you effectively monitor the job your Educator is doing for you? The proactive leader can access information available in written form by checking out the Rider Educator Handbook available on the GWRRA website under the Rider Ed Link. There is a handbook available for download or you can look at the file handbook2000[1].doc or handbook2000.pdf and Handbook-Changes.pdf file on the CD-ROM provided to the District Educators at the meeting and the District Directors after the November Region Staff meeting.

You are not alone though. An entire Division of GWRRA exists to support Rider Education. We are here to help YOU!

District Educators – what can they do for the District Membership?

The answer is more simple than you might think. There is already a list responsibilities for this position:

- **Supervise** the administration of the Rider Education Program in the District by monitoring the Chapter Educator's activities. **(Communication is a must to accomplish this!)**
- **Promote** and participate in activities that will expand the Rider Education Program such as seminars, safety meetings, etc.
- **Teach** Chapter Educators all aspects of the Rider Education Program so they can implement it at the Chapter level.
- **Work closely with the Chapter Directors** to enlist their support and co-operation at the Chapter level.
- Provide a **newsletter** to convey information to the Region Educator and the Chapter Educators within their District. **Include relevant articles from the Region and National news. Communicate with Chapter Educators!!!!!!!**

- Provide a **Rider Education booth at home District Rally** for the purpose of promoting the Rider Education Program.
- Attend Wing Ding and home Region Rally when possible, and assist with the Rider Education Program activities there.
- **Assist** Chapter Directors, when asked, in selecting their Chapter Educators.
- Make an **activity report monthly** for distribution to the Region Educator.
- One of the **primary responsibilities** of the District Educator is **to train and assist** the Chapter Educators in their District.
- Every Educator has the responsibility to **read and learn** the program and the process.

To put it in the most basic terms – the District Educator is a communicator that supports the Chapter Educator.

Rider Education participation in the District is reliant on support from Chapter and District Operations and how well the District and Chapter Educators function as a team.

It can be said that the measure of a Chapter Director is how many people show from that Chapter at a monthly meeting, a poker run or rally. We can measure the success of the Educator by a similar means – the enrollment in the Rider Ed Program.

New Seminar - The Art of Braking

This is one of a few a recently developed seminars for the Rider Ed Program that will make its debut at Wing Ding. Don't miss it!

Anyone going to Wing Ding 2003 with us? - Rider Ed Booth

We are looking for volunteers to help us at the Rider Education booth at Wing Ding again this year. Last year went way to fast. It seemed like the day flew by. We were all so busy helping Members we had to be reminded to stop and eat! If you have a Chapter or District Educator, or any GWRRA officer that would like to learn how to fill out Rider Ed Levels applications, now is the time to have them get in touch with us. We would again like to ask for enough people for two hour shifts.

The more the merrier. Contact us if you desire more information. We need to know soon so we can commit the Region's resources for the Rally.

Master Instructor - GWRRA Riding Course Preparation Course

Three applicants were selected for an instructor preparation course at Wing Ding this year. If all goes as planned and with a lot of hard work, we look forward to having yours truly as another Master Instructor in the Northeast Region in July.

Hints on organizing an ERC

Many States are in the middle of a transition from the old to the new MSF ERC suite of courses. The trend of private provider companies is to conduct the Basic Rider Course (BRC) instead of an ERC on a given weekend, since it generates more profit. In addition. Their range had to be repainted to use the new BRC, and it is more difficult to see the old markings on the pavement for the "old" ERC.

Registration for an ERC is typically not a pretty sight, and many are cancelled due to poor turnout. Although rare, those that offer the ERC may additionally limit the students to first timers. The renewals are turned away or placed on a waiting list. It is simply not worth the hassle for many site administrators to advertise and schedule instructors for an ERC.

Our Chapter participants are still in need of a riding course every 24 months to keep current in the Rider Education program at Level II and up. They are increasingly looking to the Educator for help. You can't order an MSF provider to conduct a course.

Not all of the Chapter participants have a trailer or ride a trike, so those GWRRA courses are not going to help them. There are even some Members who think that it is some kind of right owed to them from GWRRA to make the training available! We know that is not true, but we need to do something to keep people interested in the Rider Education Program.

So what can you do as an Educator? First, recommend that they take advantage of the very low

cost ERC courses conducted at rallies like Wing Ding every year. In the Northeast Region, another low cost alternative is at Americade. If these two possibilities are unavailable, coordinate at a Chapter or District Level with an MSF site administrator to set a date when an ERC course could be held that would not interfere with the BRC schedule. Once you have a date, advertise and invite all the GWRRA people you know how to reach to sign up.

Many would rather have an all GWRRA class. If all the registrants are GWRRA, you won't have to bother thinking about the "others" in the class. It just takes a little coordination by you as an Educator along with possible support from an Operations Officer.

If you are lucky enough to have MSF Instructors in your area who are also GWRRA Members, you might be able to negotiate a reduced rate for the Members through volunteer instruction.

What else can you think of?

Sign up NOW! It may soon be too late to get into MSF training for 2003!

Some waiting lists are already into the end of the riding season. Encourage the Membership to look at their 2004 renewal needs now so they are not left out come next January.

CPR/FA Training upsurge

We are happy to report that there have been a number of CPR and First Aid courses conducted using the Medic First Aid course in the Northeast Region lately. We know of two conducts in NY, one in PA, in addition to a conformed scheduled course in NY and one in NJ, and potentially another in NY in the near future. We are also scheduling one for the Northeast Region/Delaware District Rally later in the year.

Please take advantage of the numerous volunteers who arranged their own time and transportation plus paid their own money to learn how to teach the Medic First Aid CPR and First Aid program for GWRRA. This makes affordable quality instruction available to the Membership in our Region and beyond.

Who do I contact to get a CPR or First Aid course in my area?

DAVE JOHNSON
KIM BARRETT
814-938-7633

PUNXSATAUNY, PA

ED RIKER
VERONICA RIKER
603-826-3436

CHARLESTOWN, NH

WELDON KELLY
KATHLEEN DeGROFF
315-699-5199

CLAY, NY

LEO DAVIS
LINDA DAVIS
315-365-2546
SAVANNAH, NY

TONY VAN SCHAICK
315-342-7438

OSWEGO, NY

PETER WALL
732-367-7015

HOWELL, NJ

CATHIE KETENHEIM
WAYNE KETENHEIM
814-539-0918

JOHNSTOWN, PA

CAROL WILEY
518-479-3613

RENSSELER, NY

DAVE DeGRAFF
ROSE DeGRAFF
860-354-9728
SHERMAN, CT

CHARLSE BIELANSKY
VICKY BIELANSKY
304-737-8992

RIDGELEY, WV

KAREN FLICK
315-336-8786

ROME, NY

MARGARET CHANDLER
856-435-1628

CLEMENTON, NJ

ALLEN DICKENS
814-225-2580

ELDRED, PA

BOB McCLELLAND
814 -436- 7753

GRAND VALLEY, PA

JOHN CARBONE
201-424-1149

JERSEY CITY, NJ

ERIC PHELPS
DONNA PHELPS
607-687-2647

OWEGO, NY

JIM SPRAGUE
SANDRA SPRAGUE
607-692-4995

WHITNEY POINT, NY

Northeast Region CPR/FA coordinator sought.

Please let us know if you or someone you know are interested in handling activities associated with MFA instruction for the Region. Contact us if you would like more information on what this entails.

Report Card – Rider Ed participation percentage by District as of January 2003.

We have heard by now that the Northeast Region is at 20% overall against a national average of **30%** enrollment in the Rider Education Program, so how are we doing at the District Level?

1. MD & DC – **32%** (358/1122)
2. RI – 27% (51/186)
3. NH – 23% (106/453)
4. NY – 23% (435/1905)
5. NJ – 20% (219/1078)
6. PA – 16% (506/3145)
7. VT – 15% (28/182)
8. MA – 15% (106/725)
9. CT – 14% (60/436)
10. DE – 9% (12/134)

11. ME – 9% (30/342)

What actions are in place or being planned to change your District's position on the list or percentage by the end of 2003?

So how does my District get to 30+%?

Refer back to the article on **District Educators** – what can they do for the District Membership?

How can the Region help my District get there?

In a word – **tools!** Where ever we can we will be there to put on or assist with Rider Ed Training for your Rallies this year.

We are working hard to increase the number of available and certified Seminar presenters, Riding Instructors and quality material to conduct worthwhile training in support of the GWRRA motto – **Friends for Fun, SAFETY, and knowledge!**

We have worked with the Pins and Patches company to effectively halve the time it has been taking to get your pins and patches to you if we don't already have enough in stock to fill your District orders.

More Districts are building their own supply of pins and patches to meet the demand. The Region supports that inventory providing a slightly lower cost source and saving on shipping charges when possible.

2003 Northeast Region Rider Education Goals

- **More Instructors for Riding Courses** (2 or more)

We have a few volunteers for available Instructor Preparation courses later in the year. We will also potentially be adding an additional Master Instructor to help train even more in 2003.

- **More Seminar Instructors**

See new seminar instructors below.

- **Consistent 100% reporting from Districts**

January and February are both at 100% This is no small accomplishment since 73% (8 of 11) Districts changed hands in the last 12 months!

- **Better Chapter Reporting** (one Chapter a month / District improvement where applicable)

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We had an increase of 39% in January compared to December 2002. Eight Districts had an increase by one or more Chapters reporting in January. Lets keep up the great work!

- **More CPR/FA – retain qualified people**

20 out of our 26 remaining qualified MFA instructors in the Northeast Region have taught one class in two years to stay certified to teach effective, high quality, low cost CPR/First Aid to our Members.

- **Rider Ed Table at all Rallies**

So far 100% of the District Rallies have had a Rider Ed table getting the word out to the Membership.

Seeing RED - LTD and Rider Education

We need to remind the Membership that all things training are NOT JUST Rider Education. There is another Division that conducts training. It is the Leadership Training Division (LTD). They like to think that they take care of the *Knowledge* portion of the GWRRA motto, whereas we in the Rider Education Division (RED) are accountable for the *Safety* component and the Member Enhancement Division (MED) takes care of the *Fun* part.

Actually we all do a little of each. Sometimes the lines are blurred when Rider Educators become LTD qualified Instructors as well. That is the case in at least two regions that we are aware of – recently including ours.

New Seminar Instructors

We would like welcome the following new seminar instructors to the Northeast Region:

Ed & Dottie Bahrenburg - Chenango Bridge, NY
wingin-it@stny.rr.com
(607) 648-4351

Howard Fingerhut – Mendham, NJ
h.fingerhut@verizon.net
(973) 543-0539

Rick Waite – Ilion, NY
rocket69@twcny.rr.com
(315) 894-4058

These can be added to the listing given in the file contained on the District Directors' and District Educators' CD-ROM from the Region Staff meeting.

That makes 16 active in the Region and we conducted a course at MD District's Winterthing to help certify more. We look forward to seeing the remainder of those prospective Rider Ed Seminar Instructors' applications in the near future.

Please make sure that Rider Education Seminar Instructors you have slated to present at your functions and rallies later this year are currently certified and using the most recent materials. If there are any questions, please contact us.

A certified Seminar Instructor will be issued a GWRRA Rider Education Seminar Instructor card with a number beginning with "SI-" followed by 3 numbers. A certified Rider Education Riding course instructor will have a card number starting with "RC-". Master Instructors cards begin with "MI-" and master Instructor trainers begin with "MIT-".

The former system of instructor numbering started with "B" and "C". These people are no longer certified to teach as of 1/1/03. If you identify any of these previously qualified people left that want to convert to the new certification system, please have them contact us for information. In this way we can better control the consistency and quality of the presentation of materials.

New Jersey District supports the REP!

According to the District Director and verified in the latest newsletter from NJ, the District has agreed to pay for all of the Initial and renewal applications for Rider Ed in the District until the next staff meeting – where continuance will be re-evaluated.

Wow! That's what we call support. There is hope that we will see the 4th or even more Chapters joining the ranks of 100% active participants enrolled in the Rider Education Program in the Northeast Region. Go Joisey!

Sneaking out for that **first ride** of the season.

Please encourage everyone to take the time to properly check their motorcycle and riding gear before taking that first trip out after the snow melts. Take it easy at first, especially if you have altered your bike with new goodies received last Christmas while it sat in the garage.

Ideas needed for development of the new Rider Ed Seminar about Dealing with the Elements.

We are looking for additional riding tips for battling the elements. We are not naïve enough to think we have been through every situation and learned everything you have in addressing specific situations, so we are asking for your help.

Do you have a secret weapon or technique that you use to combat a certain element? Have you heard of one that a friend uses? Are you willing to share with the Membership of GWRRA? Let us know even if you think it has already been covered – sometimes your specific twist is one we have not considered.

Ride with Less Risk & B+,

*Tony & Michelle Van Schaick
Northeast Region Educators*

Leadership Training

Ending Procrastination- Part II

Last month we viewed procrastination as the opposite of perseverance. This month our objective is to persevere. "It involves using two very powerful principles that foster productivity and perseverance instead of passivity and procrastination. The first principle is: *break it down*."

No matter what you're trying to accomplish, whether it's writing a book, climbing a mountain, or painting a picture or a house, the key to achievement is your ability to break down the task into manageable pieces and knock them off one at one time.

Focus on accomplishing what's right in front of you at this moment. Ignore what's off in the distance someplace. Substitute real-time positive thinking for negative future visualization. That's the first

all-important technique for bringing an end to procrastination.

Suppose I were to ask you if you could write a four hundred-page novel. If you're like most people, that would sound like an impossible task. But suppose I ask you a different question. Suppose I ask if you can write a page and a quarter a day for one year. Do you think you could do it?

Now the task is starting to seem more manageable. We're breaking down the four-hundred-page book into bite-size pieces. Even so, I suspect many people would still find the prospect intimidating. Do you know why?

Writing a page and a quarter may not seem so bad, but you're being asked to look ahead one whole year. When people start to do look that far ahead, many of them automatically go into a negative mode. So let me formulate the idea of writing a book in yet another way."

"Let me break it down even more. Suppose I was to ask you: can you fill up a page and a quarter with words-not for a year, not for a month, not even for a week, but just today? Don't look any further ahead than that. I believe most people would confidently declare that they could accomplish that.

Of course, these would be the same people who feel totally incapable of writing a whole book.

If I said the same thing to those people tomorrow - if I told them, I don't want you to look back, and I don't want you to look ahead, I just want you to fill up a page and a quarter this very day – do you think they could do it?

One day at a time. We've all heard that phrase. That's what we're doing here. We're breaking down the time required for a major task into one-day segments, and we're doing the work involved in writing a four hundred-page book into page-and-a-quarter increments.

Keep this up for one year, and you'll write the book. Discipline yourself to look neither forward nor backward, and you can accomplish things you never thought you could possibly do. And it all begins with those three words: break it down." We'll discuss the second principle

next month. Let's see if you persevere in the meanwhile.

From Material developed by Jim Rohn

*Bruce and Julia Malson,
Northeast Region Trainers
International Couple of the Year
2002-2003*



COY CORNER 2003

Another change in the Northeast Gold Wing COY family!

Congratulations to Rich & June Reynolds the 2003 District COY from Maryland. Rich & June are members of MD Chapter "B", and there will be no mistake about that. Just look for their "BEE" hats, and you will find them.

We were fortunate enough to be part of the selections at Winterthing this year. We always try to attend this rally, as it is one rally where you actually get to sit and talk with people! We were invited to be judges at the selections on Friday, January 17th, and was it fun. Three couples participated in the selections, and as usual, they were all very good. Only one couple can be chosen to represent their District, and Rich & June will make wonderful ambassadors for Maryland. We hope to see them at future rallies. If you see them, don't forget to say HI!

Two other District COYs were in attendance at the COY selections in Maryland: Dave & Michele Perry, NY District COY for 2003 and Mike & Cathy Priole, NJ District COY for 2003. We do hope that these couples got to meet each other while there. That is part of the fun, meeting all the other COYs in attendance at rallies! We can't possibly forget our "bestest" friends, Bob & Marcy Gabriele. Bob & Marcy are the District COY Coordinators as well as one of

the Assistant District Directors for PA. We met them back in 1998 when we were District COY for NJ. We also got to visit with Lloyd and Alica Morrison in the vending area. They were MD District COY back in 1998 as well. Sounds like OLD HOME WEEK, doesn't it. Yet this is just one more example of the lasting friendships that you can develop over the years as being a Couple of the Year.

We would like to welcome Rich & Lois Brown of NY to the COY family as well. They recently accepted the NY District COY Coordinators position. We met Rich & Lois back in 1998, too. They were selected as District COY that year at the NY rally, and we met them again during the Region COY Selections in Lancaster, PA, that same year. They are wonderful people that know what COY is all about, so please join us in welcoming them to their new position.

Another change that you might want to make note of in your email address book . . . we have a new email address: dreams45@comcast.net.

So far, we are working on the change over and hope that we have been able to contact all that need our new address. If not, please make sure to make note of this change in YOUR address book. Thanks!

Don't forget, if you need us for assistance with anything, please write or call. We will be happy to assist you with whatever we can. Keep those hugs and smiles for us!

*Region "B"
COY Coordinators
Ed & Peg Chandler*

The Wearin' of the Gold

Come March 17, Irish or not, everyone who dons the green of the Emerald Isle is showing their pride. This pride is short-lived for many who wear green on St. Patrick's Day for most are indeed not Irish at all. It seems that the pride of the Irish is legendary and on this one day each year, we can all choose to feel the "Pride o' the Irish". On this day, the Irish brogue is lovingly mocked, the corned beef and cabbage served,

green beverages abound, leprechauns strut their stuff and the "**wearin' of the green**" is the outward sign of the pride of the pseudo-Irish and Irish alike.

The famous St. Patrick's Day Parade in Boston is probably one of the best-known celebrations on that day. All over America and beyond, people want to be Irish if only for that one day.

You do not have to be Irish to spot the pride of a true Irishman. The true Irishman does not stop being Irish on March 18. The true Irishman may not speak with the brogue of his motherland or wear the green of the Emerald Isle. They take pride in surviving the Potato Famine and the immigration of their ancestors to other shores. They tell stories of their ancestors, dance the steps of the Irish jig, and the Irish tenors sing the songs that bring tears to your eyes.

GWRRR chapter gatherings, rallies, and other events give us a chance to show our pride. The vest with the **Great Winged One** on the back and chapter, district, or region declaration and colors is only one of the ways we outwardly express our inward pride. Our pride permeates every aspect of our lives. We gladly share stories of how we "found ourselves" through GWRRR. We come together at ice cream runs and dinner rides to bond like most families do over Sunday dinner at Grandma's house.

We can recognize those among us whose pride spills out all over everyone they meet and leave other chapters wishing they could wear another's chapter colors or mascot symbols. They do not stop being a member of the GWRRR family at the end of a rally or gathering. You have seen them at every rally. They may wear the big "wing nut" or bumble bee hats, tow cannon behind their motorcycle, transform the pristine look of their motorcycle into a canvas depicting the source of their pride, or wear vests loaded with enough patches and pins to sink a battle ship.

On the other hand, not everyone expresses his or her GWRRR pride in the same manner. Many GWRRR participants will seldom, if ever, wear their chapter's colors or

any vestments at all. Yet, these same members may be some of the most committed members in any given chapter. GWRRA pride is not measured by the outward **“wearin’ of the gold”**. When you look at the Super Bowl fans you will see some that are so filled with the love of their team that they don’t care how silly they look. They are there to support their team and show their pride. The rest of the fans may be less demonstrative but no less filled with pride nor love their team any less. They just show it in a different way.

However, the **“wearin’ of the gold”** allows others to see our pride. It provides the impetus for us to tell others of our organization. It sets us apart from the pseudo-motorcyclists who ride simply for the thrill without consideration for their safety or anyone else’s. As GWRRA members, we are proud to be associated with others bound by a common interest. We are proud that as riders and co-riders we have chosen to further our knowledge of defensive riding techniques, motorcycle safety, emergency first aid, leadership training, and rider education.

Our pride is that of participants who belong to an association that allows its members to participate based upon their own level of commitment. We are proud of the 4,000+ volunteers who tirelessly provide the leadership to nearly 80,000 members. We pride ourselves in knowing how to have wholesome fun-filled events that we can share with our entire family. In addition, we are so proud to live on a continent with millions of miles of roads without boundaries that allow us to spread our wings and soar from the Arctic Circle to the Rio Grande. The **“wearin’ of the gold”** bonds us together as like-minded friends and family of the greatest motorcycling association on earth.

*Northeast Region COY 2003
Hampton & Sharon Conway*



Membership Recruiting and Retention

The entire Northeast Region’s hopes and prayers go out to Allan who is in a battle with cancer and Suzie who has just recently returned home from the hospital herself. We will be contacting them to see how Allan’s 2/21 surgery went.

Lets go out and pick up some new members and make a special effort to retain current members in 2003 on behalf of this wonderful couple!

Membership Recruiting

What a ride in 2002! Did you participate in the drawing for a new Gold Wing? If you did, you had at least a one in 20,427 chance to be the winner of the Honda GL1800 Gold Wing with a retail value of \$17,699.

Membership Retention

By now we have all heard about the back door that keeps getting left open. What are each of us doing about making sure we don’t lose Members through it? If the answer is nothing, don’t expect change. Just like practicing a skill – if you do nothing long enough, you get real good at it!

Find out what needs your Chapter participants have and do what you can to make each person feel needed and satisfied. We know it is the thought that often counts, so let each person know you are thinking of them and appreciate their contribution.

If you are overloaded as a Chapter or District officer, you are doing it wrong. Get some help by delegating. There are plenty of people out there looking for a way to contribute.

One of the saddest stories is when Chapter participants leave because they don’t feel needed in a Chapter where the Director feels like he or she has to do it all themselves.

Each District needs to get out and see how their Chapters are doing and offer assistance. Don’t make the Chapter Directors learn something the hard way when you have the easy answer at your fingertips! If you need tools or have questions, contact your appointing officer. If they don’t have the answer, they know where to get it. The officer support staff is here to help you meet the needs of the Membership. Please use it!

If you take nothing else from this newsletter, decide on an action plan for retention, and implement it.

Leadership Training – the new Horizons Program

Having taken the opportunity to participate in this worthwhile 2 day training program recently, we can strongly recommend that EVERY GWRRA officer and Member interested in having FUN attend Module 4, Effective Meetings and Gatherings. If all Chapter Gatherings looked like the ones we did for that program, both recruiting and retention would take care of themselves. Really, it was that good! Don’t take our word for it. Ask Rasta-man Bruce Malson.

Editor for
*Allan L. Sr. & Suzanne Waer
Northeast Region Recruiters*



5 Heart Bar Earners

Ron Hoover of Tyrone, PA; George Tallman from Delanson, NY; and finally William McIlrath hailing from Bethel, CT have recently earned recognition in the Find-A-Friend recruiting program by convincing at least 5 new Members to join in the fun we have in GWRRA. These people are doing us all the favor of finding new friends for us to meet in the future. More members increases our clout when we try to retain or in-

crease membership benefits. Everybody wins! We all work together for a common goal. This makes an additional 15 more new Members to share with as Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge.

Public Affairs

May - [Motorcycle Awareness Month](#) is rapidly approaching. This is a big chance to let the public know about your favorite motorcycle association and what you do for the community. Many of us support charitable organizations or perform some other community service. Spend some time reminding yourself what you have done in the past to support your community on behalf of GWRRA. Let the public know about it.

If you haven't come up with a big list of things already done or in progress, you might consider road side cleanups as a great way to help your community and often get GWRRA's and your Chapter's name up on a sign along that stretch of roadway.

Sometimes we assist at local telethons as volunteers. Many support large national fundraising organizations like the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation's Ride for Kids, or the March of Dimes' Bikers for Babies.

Keep in mind that charity begins at home. Take care of the GWRRA membership first, and recognize that your support of fund raisers is optional.

We understand that this can be a sensitive subject, so please caution Chapters about holding fundraising events to support a Charity. While it is undoubtedly for a good cause consider this:

The Membership may not have the resources or time to attend every function for every nearby Chapter. Make sure that the flyer or other advertisement tells potential participants that the proceeds will be going to a particular organization instead of the Chapter if that is the case. Many are willing to support a Chapter, but not the particular charity they are contributing to.

Don't find yourself in this situation: A Chapter decides to support a particular charity. Over time

this turns into holding a fundraiser one or more times a week at nearby car shows or other activities, plus an annual Chapter event to raise additional money for their chosen charity.

Some Chapter participants (often the leader as an officer) soon lose sight of the reason they are a Chapter and become a only a fundraising body. No organized riding occurs because they don't have time. Other Chapters stop coming to their events because they are no longer supporting the Chapter's membership, or have other Chapter events that do support GWRRA Members.

Soon the Chapter needs funds to support itself, and its participants grow increasingly weary of always doing only one thing. The main communications line – the Chapter Newsletter becomes too costly to produce and have available without supporters advertising. All the funds raised are funneled away from the participants and they can't seem to bring themselves to work even harder to support both the Chapter and the charity. The 50/50 winners feel peer pressured into donating their winnings to the Chapter's chosen charity so the participation in that drops considerably as well.

Others have already left the Chapter in search of another where riding, having fun, and learning to be safe are the priority - or left GWRRA altogether. The teamwork and friendships that were developed to support the Chapter initially, that became a charity support mechanism, starts to break down as fingers are pointed to assign blame to those responsible for the Chapter falling apart. Soon there are people leaving GWRRA since it no longer meets their needs. Where is the Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge?

It was not GWRRA or its policies that were the problem here, yet it gets the blame since it was all done in the name of a Chapter of this Association. Do we know as District Directors or Chapter Directors if we have this type of problem locally?

Please plan to get out and communicate with each other on a District and Chapter basis to see if there are any warning signs that might alert you in time to save this type of dying Chapter. Consider what image this presents to the public

about GWRRA.

As with anything else in life, a proper balance needs to be reached. Does GWRRA want Chapters to support charities? Wrong question! – Do the Chapter participants want to support a charity? This is great so long as it is done within the guidelines of the Officers Guidebook and it is done in addition to the needs of the Chapter - when it can be supported.

Project a genuinely happy healthy Chapter of participants who are friends having fun, while learning to ride safer. Simply riding responsibly together and supporting the Rider Education Program puts many CPR and First Aid providers in the community.

If we can support more, that is great too. We sometimes fail to see that we are all ambassadors to motorcycling and GWRRA at all times on our Gold Wings, Valkyries, Trikes, and other motorcycles. Your attitude is infectious – is yours worth catching?!

Ride with Less Risk & B+,

*Tony & Michelle Van Schaick
NE Region Public Affairs*

NE Region & District Web Pages

Northeast Region B at

<http://regionb.tripod.com>

Maryland at

<http://gwrramd.tripod.com>

Massachusetts at

<http://www.geocities.com/jolydo2001>

Delaware at <http://www.homestead.com/gwrrade/index.html>

New Jersey at <http://www.gwrranj.org>

Pennsylvania at

<http://home.earthlink.net/~mikeammerman/>

Connecticut at

<http://members.home.net/dfarrel4>

New York at

<http://www.tier.net/gwrra/district/nydistrict.htm>

Rhode Island at

<http://www.gwrra-ri.org>

Vermont at

http://gwrra_district_vt.tripod.com/gwrragoldwingroadridersassociation/index.html

If yours isn't listed, drop a line at

avansch1@twcny.rr.com and we will ensure it gets recognition!

Northeast Region and Neighboring Region/District Events

Remember the District Events in our Region count towards the Visit-A-District program for visitation bars.

2003 Events:

- Feb. 28 – Mar. 8, Region A, FL District and Chapter FL1-H, 12th Annual Gold Wing Getaway, New Smyrna Beach Airport in New Smyrna Beach, Florida.
- Mar. 1, MO District's "Spring Fling", Osage Beach, MO
- Mar 8, NJ Spring Winger Warm-Up, Manville, NJ
- Mar 15, Region D Fun Shop, Ft. Wayne, IN
- Mar. 20-22, LA District Rally "Wings Over the Bayou--Mardi Gras Madness", Lafayette, LA
- Mar. 21-22, WV District's Winter Event, TBA
- Mar 27-29, FL District Rally, Tampa, FL
- Apr 3-5, AL District Rally, Eufaula, AL
- Apr 25-26, TN District's Spring Fling, Pigeon Forge, TN
- Apr 25-27, KS District Campout, TBA
- Apr 25-26 – NV District Rally, Beatty, NV
- Apr 26, DE Charlie Raysor Memorial Hobo Stew, Lums Pond State Park, Bear, DE
- Apr 27, RI Kickoff Breakfast, East Greenwich, RI
- Apr 27, NZ District Annual Muster, Taupo
- May 1-3, SC District "Wings Over the Palmetto", Greenville, SC
- May 1-3, MO District Western Rally, Branson, MO
- May 3, NZ District Roundup Tour TBA
- May 8-11, Region N Vacation / Rally, Cherokee, NC
- May 15-17, TX District Rally, Kerrville, TX
- May 16-18, IN District Spring Wing Warmup, Bloomington, IN
- May 16-19, Region K Spring Rendezvous, Welland, ON
- May 17, WI District Dustoff Rally, Lake Delton, WI
- May 24, NY District Ride-in, Olean, NY
- May 23-25, Region F/NM District Rally, Albuquerque, NM
- June 6-7, OK District Rally, Oklahoma City, OK
- June 7, GWRRA Americade Breakfast, Lake George, NY
- June 6-8, Alaska (AK-P) Midnight Sun Rally, Soldotna, AK
- June 12-15, OR District Rally, Rickreall, OR
- June 12-14, WI District Rally, Fond du Lac, WI
- June 12-14, GA District Rally, Hiwassee, GA
- June 13-14, UT District Rally, Vernal, UT
- June 13-15, OH District Rally, Xenia, OH
- June 13-15, NJ District Beach Party, North Wildwood, NJ
- June 18-21, Region J International CanAm Rally, Osoyoos, British Columbia
- June 19-21, AR District Rally, Eureka Springs, AR
- June 20-22, WY District Rally, Wheatland, WY

- July 1-4, Wing Ding XXV, Madison, WI
- July 11-12, NY-Y Carousel Ride, Binghamton, NY
- July 16, 12th Annual Ride to Work Day (www.ridetowork.org)
- July 18-19, MN/SD/ND District Rally, Tri-State Prairie Jamboree, Moorhead, MN
- July 24-26, New England Districts Rally, Portsmouth, RI
- July 24-27, WA District Rally, Leavenworth, WA
- July TBA, MT District Rally, TBA
- Aug. 1-3, MI District Rally, Midland, MI
- Aug. 1-3, Region L Rally, St. John, AB
- Aug. 1-4, BC/AB District Rally "Wings in the Land of Peaches and Beaches", Lake Country, BC
- Aug. 7-9, NY District Rally, Cortland, NY
- Aug 7-9, WV District Rally "Waller in the Holler", Flatwoods, WV
- Aug 8-11, Hines Wing Group reunion, Lake Ozark Camdenton, MO
- Aug. 14-16 IA District Rally, Clear Lake, IA
- Aug. 15-16, Region I Rally, Welches (Mt.Hood), OR
- Aug. 21-24, DE District /Northeast Region Rally, Harrington, DE
- Aug 22-24, KY District's Blue Grass Blast, Paducah, KY
- Aug. 29-31, Anpac® Motorcycle Jubilee, IDTF World Motorcycle Drill Team Championships, Ozark Empire Fairgrounds in Springfield, MO
- Aug. 29-31, CA District Rally, Visalia, CA
- Aug. 29-Sept 1, Idaho District Rally, McCall, ID

- Sept 4-7, PA District Rally, Gettysburg, PA
- Sept 4-7, Region A Rally, Helen, GA
- Sept 4-6, CO District Rally, Salida, Co. at the Chaffee County Fairgrounds
- Sept. 13, NY District Ride Out, Webster, NY
- Sept 11-13, Region D Rally, Tiffin, OH
- Sept 18-21, NC District Rally "Wings Over the Smokies", Fletcher, NC
- Sept 26-28, KS District Rally, Winfield, KS Fairgoriunds
- Sept TBA, Idaho District Rally, TBA

- Oct. 2-4, Region H Rally, TBA
- Oct.4, IN District Fall Fest, Putnamville IN
- Oct. 9-12, VA District's Rally in the Valley, Salem, VA
- Oct. 10-12, AZ District Rally, TBA
- Oct. 16-18, MS District Rally, Biloxi, MS

2004 Events:

- Jan, MD District's Winterthing, Ocean City, MD

2005 Events:

- July, Wing Ding, Fort Wayne, In

LET US KNOW WHERE YOUR EVENT FITS
IN FOR 2003-4

From the Newsletter Editor:

*I would appreciate having all your
articles by the 20th of each month for*

*the next month's issue. Any problems
or questions please email me at
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