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UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

Wednesday 22nd Ice Cream Ride
Leave Harvest Moon – 220 @ 6 pm

Fri.-Sat. 24th-25th All Chapters West
Erie, PA

Sunday 26th Monthly Gathering
Skyview Restaurant - Montoursville
Breakfast at 8 am / Meeting at 9 am
Grand Canyon Picnic Ride

AUGUST

Sunday 2nd Flight 93 Memorial
Leave Harvest Moon – 220 @ 9 am
Breakfast (optional) at 8 am

Tuesday Staff Meeting
Details TBA

Sunday 16th Buffalo Valley Pig Roast
Leave Lycoming Mall @ 11 am

Wednesday 19th Ice Cream Ride
Leave Harvest Moon – 220 @ 6 pm

Thurs-Sat 20th-22nd District Rally
Johnstown, PA

Sunday 30th Monthly Gathering
Skyview Restaurant - Montoursville
Breakfast at 8 am / Meeting at 9 am
Endless Mts. War Memorial – Sonestown
Lunch/Dinner at The Roadhouse

*For more information on any of the activities,
Call Al & Mary @ (570) 634-2321*

*All rides and activities are subject to
Change or cancellation.*

CD CORNER

Hi everyone,

We hope you're all enjoying your summer vacations and are staying dry!! That seems to be easier said than done this year. June was sort of a blowout month due to all of the rain. It sure messed up the some of the riding plans.

We still managed to get a few rides in. The Hughesville Parade got rained out, but we had 9 members go to the Chapter H Dice Run. Denny & Cindy and Mary & I went to Americade where the weather was much nicer than it was here. We had nothing more than a few sprinkles on our way home. The Ice cream ride was rained out on the 17th along with the Wind Mill Flea Market ride on the 20th. But 10 members enjoyed a nice picnic ride after the Monthly Gathering. We also had a very successful can run in June which added some change to the coffers.

July seems to be starting off to be a little better in the weather department. Wing Ding was the first week and I haven't heard if anybody went or not. Chapter R's Piglet Toss was on the 11th and we had 7 members go. We had 3 on bikes and 4 in a car. We looked around after we got there for the Jordan's, but it turned out that Dean wasn't feeling well and decided to forgo the drive up. We almost got the largest group, but "H" beat us out. Everyone had a good time as usual and we all did quite well on the door-prizes and 50/50 drawings.

We need to know if anybody is going to the District Rally as Chapter M has been assigned to take care of the ticket sales and door prizes on Saturday, August the 22th. We need 4-6 people to man the post from 8 am til 11 am. Please let us know ASAP if you are going and if you can help us out. We also need your RALLY RAFFLE TICKETS and money at the Monthly Gathering. So make a note to get it around; you DID sell all of your tickets didn't you??

There are a couple more rides scheduled for July. The Ice Cream ride is on the 22nd. All Chapters WEST is coming up in Erie, Pa on the 24th and 25th - hope some of you can make it. We also have another picnic ride to the Pa. Grand Canyon after the Monthly Gathering. So pack your picnic baskets and join us on the 26th.

Until then, stay dry and ride safe!!

Al & Mary



FROM THE DESK OF THE CHAPTER EDUCATOR

Okay....we have worked our way from our feet upwards. Now it is time to discuss the most important tool we bring to our motorcycles.....our heads! If we take care of our tools, our tools will take care of us. How we think, feel and react to situations all takes place in our heads. Now it is time for a brief anatomy lesson.

The skeleton gives us our human form and protects vital organs. The brain is protected by the skull or cranium. The skull is composed of a number of thick bones that fuse together to form a shell above the eyes and ears. The mandible (or jaw bone) is the only moveable bone on the skull. The cells in the brain are soft and easily injured. Once damaged, they cannot be regenerated or reproduced. Any injury to the head is potentially serious. If not properly treated, what may at first seem minor very quickly can become life threatening.

Since discussing how we can protect our heads by using helmets may become very lengthy, I have divided this subject into sections. This section will focus on motorcyclist facts that were obtained from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). In later articles, I will cover how a helmet works, different types of helmets available and how to make sure you have the right fit.

- Motorcycles make up less than 2% of all registered vehicles and only 0.4% of all vehicle miles traveled, but account for 7% of total fatalities. (NHTSA, 20000)
- In 2000, there were 66 deaths per 100,000 registered motorcycles, compared with 16 deaths per 100,000 registered cars. (Insurance Institute for Highway Safety 2000)
- In 2000, 38% of all motorcyclists involved in fatal crashes were speeding, approximately twice the rate for drivers of cars or light trucks. Alcohol involvement was approximately 50% higher for motorcyclists than for drivers of passenger vehicles. (NHTSA, 2000)
- Helmets reduce the risk of death by 29% and are 67% effective in preventing brain injuries. (NHTSA, 2000)
- In 2000, 45% of motorcycle drivers killed in crashes were not wearing helmets. Of the motorcycle passenger fatalities, 52% were not wearing helmets. (NHTSA, 2000)

I have listed only some of the many statistics that can be found searching the internet. Whether or not you choose to wear a helmet is a personal decision. Please know the laws in your area about helmets and be fully informed about the risks.

Take Care. Ride Safe.

Kim



CHAPTER H DICE RUN

On June 7, Glenn and I rode down to the mall to meet other Chapter members for the ride to Chapter H. We were there until 9:00 and then we left. It was a nice ride down.

We arrived at J & B Honda Shop and were just entering the store after registering and Henry and Callie showed up. Then a few minutes later in walks Sadie, Walter, Dale and Mary. It wasn't long after Roger pulled in. So there were 9 chapter members in all, along with Dean and Nancy who were there helping out Chapter H.

After a little chatter and looking around Glenn, Roger and I along with Jim Biggins' son left for the Dice ride. It was a really nice ride. We arrived back at the fairgrounds about 15 minutes before they were serving - Timed that just right. Everyone checked their tickets for door prizes and Sadie, Glenn and Roger all won door prizes. Way to go guys. We had a very good meal of chicken, coleslaw, beans, chips, cake and drinks. It was really nice. After eating and visiting a while, Chapter H started the awards. Chapter R won largest group and our own Roger Dauberman won High Roller. Way to go Roger.

After the awards we all left for home. It was a really nice day for a ride and spent with friends. I hope next time a few more can ride along.

Ride safe and Take Care
Karen



BEST WISHES

Chapter M sends best wishes to:

Dean Jordan – Dean has not been feeling too well lately. We all hope he feels much better soon.
Cards can be sent to:

772 Heilman Road
Montoursville, PA 17754
(570)435-3100

Harry and Annabelle Finck – Harry fell recently and broke his wrist in 2 places. Annabelle has to have a back operation, but will be held up due to Harry's break as it is his right arm and he's having trouble using only his left hand. We hope Harry heals quickly so Annabelle can have her surgery soon.
Cards can be sent to:

314 High Street
Milton, PA 17847
(570)742-3451

JUNE MONTHLY GATHERING

Sunday June 27th, Chapter "M" held their Monthly Gathering at Skyview with 23 members present. This included guests from Chapter "P" in Pittsburgh who were passing through the area. They were Dave and Sue Benedict and we thank them for stopping by to see us.

Al thanked the greeters for the day, Dale and Mary Delaney - nice job guys. We also discussed what we could do to show our appreciation to Bob Logue for all his help this year. It was reported that we had 535 lbs. of cans that earned us \$197. Not bad and I think everyone was really ready to get rid of them - I heard they were really piling up.

If anyone has any Rally tickets sold or unsold it is time to get them turned in to District. The Rally is in August and they must be turned in by the end of July.

Kim Barto had a pass out of hand signals and a little demonstration with the help of a few Chapter members. The one of course that everyone will remember is the signal for refreshment stop. Claude did it perfectly. On a more serious note hand signals are good to know. You do not always ride with people that have CB's.

We had 9 Chapter "M" members go to the Chapter "H" Dice Run. Chapter "R" won by 1 for largest Chapter.

50/50 winners were 1st - \$15.00 Dave and Sue Benedict, 2nd - \$10.00 Mary Winters and 3rd - \$8.00 Kim Barto.

The ride was headed for Canoe Lake.

Nancy Jordan

JUST FOR LAUGHS!!

**I don't feel old. I don't feel anything
until noon. Then it's time for my
nap.**

- Bob Hope

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**I never drink water because of the
disgusting things that fish do in it.**

- W. C. Fields

CHAPTER R PIGLET RUN

On Saturday, July 11th, we went to the mall to see if anyone was going to join us for the Chapter R Piglet Run. No one showed up by 8, so we headed up to the Sullivan County Roadhouse for breakfast, picking up Bud Hughes along the way.

After a good breakfast and a couple of cups of coffee, we were on our way to Towanda to "Toss the Pigs". I must say we had a "first" on this trip up Rt. 220 – I can't EVER remember going thru Dushore without stopping!!

We arrived at the Towanda Elks around 10 and shortly after, Walt & Sadie and Dale & Mary pulled in. We all registered and got our 50/50 tickets and then chatted for a bit. Jim Williams told us Dean wasn't feeling well and he and Nancy weren't going to be able to make it. (Hope you're feeling better Dean!!)

Since we were all riding one-up, we decided to tag along with Chapter H for the ride. Gerry & Bonnie did a great job leading us along the route with 1 trike, 4 bikes and 1 car in tow.

When we got back to Towanda, the food was ready for us and we all enjoyed a lot of friendly chatter while we ate. Then it was on to the awards! Chapter H took first place with 8 members! We were close – we had seven. Mary Delaney tied for first place in the Pig Toss, so she had to do a "toss off". The other person tossed the pigs and got a score of 1. We all thought Mary had it in the bag, but can you imagine – she tossed a big fat ZERO!! What are the chances of not being able to beat a one?? But Mary picked up a 2nd place pig plaque and she also made out pretty good with the door prizes and Chinese auction. Dale, Walt, Sadie and Bud also won door prizes. Then it was time for the 50/50 and the other Mary won first place.

Since they were calling for possible strong storms heading our way, we decided we should all just take the quickest way home. So we said our good-byes and headed on our way. And it sounds like everyone made it home without getting TOO wet!!



Mary



CANOE CREEK STATE PARK PICNIC RIDE



After the June Monthly Gathering, 10 Chapter members left the airport with Claude & Carol in the lead. Joining the ride were Roger Dauberman, Roger & Joanne, Bud & Cathy, Denny, Mary & Al. Claude had his trailer with a big cooler in it so everyone could keep their food and drinks cold. The plan was to go to the Canoe Creek State Park for a picnic. Well, sometimes the best made plans don't always pan out!!

We headed over the mountain and up through the valley and made a stop at the Oval Country Store so some of us could pick up a few picnic items. As we started over the next mountain, we started to see a couple of drops of liquid sunshine on our windshields. Claude called backed and asked if we all wanted to keep going – and we decided why not! Then as we started up through the next valley, the liquid sunshine got a little heavier and it looked like it was going to get serious. We were just outside of Centre Hall and Claude pulled over to put on the rain gear. We all decided that if we kept going we were going to ride right into the worst of the storm, so we made a U-EEEE and headed back towards the clearer skies to the east. (We told Claude this U-EEE didn't count, but it really did!!)

We rode out of the rain and then stopped at Harry John State Park for our picnic. While we ate our lunch, we solved all of the world's problems, straightened out the US government and joked around like we always do when this group is together. Even the rain can't keep us down!!

It had gotten fairly nice out again by the time we left the park, so we headed down towards Lewisburg. From there, Roger & the Hockenbrocks headed south and the rest of us headed north.

It was a great day with good friends. Thanks Claude and Carol for leading the ride and for hauling our food. Even though it wasn't what was planned, it was still a nice ride and a great time!

Mary

BOB'S STUFF – July

2009



GL1800'S

'08 LEFTOVER - RED METALLIC
NAV AND COMFORT PACKAGE

GL 1500'S

'93 SE - RED
NICE - LOW MILEAGE

GL 1200'S

NONE

GL 1100'S

'81 - BROWN - REAL NICE

**LARGE SELECTION OF '08 LEFT
OVERS ARE AVAILABLE AT
REDUCED PRICING AND SPECIAL
FINANCING. '09'S EXCEPT FOR THE
BRIGHT BLUE METALLIC ARE ALSO
AVAILABLE.**

**OH WAIT, STOP THE PRESSES!! THE
2010'S ARE ALSO AVAILABLE
ALREADY. THE NEW COLORS ARE
PEARL YELLOW, METALLIC RED,
METALLIC BLACK, AND METALLIC
TITANIUM.**

**WE STILL HAVE A NICE SELECTION OF
USED STREET BIKES FOR YOUR EVERYDAY
USE. THIS IS REAL UNUSUAL FOR THIS
TIME OF THE YEAR. COME IN AND TAKE A
COUPLE FOR A TEST RIDE.**

**REMEMBER TO TALK TO ART WITH HIS
VAST EXPERIENCE HE IS GIVING VERY
COMPETITIVE PRICING FOR ALL
ACCESSORIES AND TIRES.**

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ANNIVERSARIES



July	22 nd	George & Donna Oliva
August	26 th 28 th	Denny & Cindy Powers Harry & Annabelle Finck

BIRTHDAYS

July	1 st	Annabelle Finck
	2 nd	Don Stout
	7 th	Kim Barto
	20 th	Cathy Hughes
	25 th	Nancy Jordan

August	3 rd	Walter Sones Dean Jordan
	4 th	Al Bilby
	12 th	Dale Delaney Roger Hockenbrock
	20 th	Barb Neidig
	25 th	Roy Billman



The Find Your Number –
Win Cash game
in the Monthly Newsletter
has been discontinued!

Attend a
Monthly gathering
To find out what has
Taken its place!!

Executive Director:

National has a contest going. They want someone to give the Spirit of GWRRA a name.



This symbol was used years ago as a mascot in their recruiting program. \$50 will be paid to the Winning name submitted to <mailto:contest@gwrra.org> Make sure you include your name, member number & telephone number.

And since many of you will not be at Opening Ceremonies, I am going to let you know where Wing Ding 32 will be next year! Ready??....Wing Ding 32 will be held almost in the geographical center of the United States...**Des Moines, Iowa!**

GET WELL WISHES:

The District sends well wishes and prayers to these people for a speedy recovery.

Dick Hetrick is home from his knee replacement surgery and doing well. His mailing address is: 1387 Cliff Road - Summerville, PA 15864

PA DISTRICT RIDER EDUCATOR & MAD CO:

Hello to All

Sure hope everyone who has traveled to and from Wing Ding had a very safe trip. This is the time of the season when we take longer trips, and need more room for things. So, get out the trailer, remembering how it should be packed. Just because there's a lot of room really doesn't mean pack it full of heavy things. Also, remember to check the wiring, the tires, the wheel bearings, and of course, the hitch. Now, all set. Down the road, remember, the trailer is back there. When traveling near the center line the trailer is going to be very near, and sometimes over the center line, especially rounding curves. If you get the chance to attend a seminar, or see a tape on trailering, refresh your memory. Actually, any safety seminar is worth your time and body.

A few reminders for a very safe summer of riding. Be SAFE, Mae

FYI ATTENTION !!!

Pa Chapter L is moving to a new location starting with July's Gathering. Our new location is:

Blue Mountain Drive-In1439 Blue Mountain Dr....Danielsville, PA 18038(610) 767-6379

Doors Open at 8 a.m. Breakfast 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Gathering starts at 9:30 a.m.

Our Gathering is the second Sunday of the month (see our website for details/changes or contact us).

Bernie & Diane NewtonGWRRA PA-L.....Chapter Directors

From the Region Trainers: Patty & Don Hoffman

Leadership, Teamwork, Perspectives and the Power of Words

A leader in our organization cannot doubt, even for a single moment, the capacity of his/her member's to realize his/her vision. That is the only way to achieve success as a team.

As a leader, it is important to keep awakening possibilities in your members. An article that I read recently likened a leader's role to that of a conductor, who cannot make music on his own, but is able to bring out the best in his musicians to create wonderful music.

A successful leader always inspires his/her followers to be passionate and motivated, and these feelings are reflected in their shining eyes. A leader's success is not measured by his/her wealth, fame or power, but rather, the number of shining eyes he has around him.

Perspectives: It is important to always have the correct and positive perspective.

Benjamin Zander, the conductor of the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra, once quoted a story that he had heard of two shoe salesmen who went to Africa to research the potential market there. One was despondent and reported to headquarters that there was no hope for the business since nobody wore shoes. The other salesman interpreted the same situation as there being a totally new market to be explored and tapped into. It is no surprise that the latter had a greater chance at success.

Following from the above, to be a good leader, one needs to be able to see the positive aspects in every situation so as to motivate one's followers, channeling that optimism into success.

Power of Words: The words one say does make a difference.

A very good friend of mine, who is a Pharmacist in a large hospital in the state of Indiana, once vowed that she will never have any regrets over what she says to another person, even if it turns out to be the last thing that she will ever say to him or her. Her reasoning for this was because she said that no matter how busy, stressed out or just plain tired you are, you never know what the person that you are talking to is going through in their personal life. You may be having a bad day and the person you may be talking to may be having one that is even worse than the one you are having. So, she believes that if she watches what she says and the tone that she says it in, she won't be saying something that may really hurt the person that she is talking to. I believe that this is an important principle to follow not just as a leader, but also during one's interactions with the many people one comes across in daily life.

See the entire NE Region & District Newsletters at the following websites:

Northeast Region B..... <http://www.gwrranortheastregion.org>
Pennsylvania<http://www.gwrrapadist.org>

THE STONE AGE RETURNS TO BEDROCK DISTRICT RALLY - FRIDAY EVENTS

Morning – Stone Capades

Bedrock Bowl- Everyone knows “Twinkle Toes Flintstone” and his pal Barney loved to bowl. Your chapter will be allowed to have up to 10 members participate in this event. You will each bowl 5 frames. An average of the chapters scores will be used in the final tally. This makes it fair for those chapters that don’t have 10 people to bowl.

There will be a first and second place prize for this part of the event.

Then you will move on to the rest of the Capades.

These events will consist of:

- **The Boulder Toss** - where you will receive points for getting the “boulders” into the can.
- **The Dinosaur Crane**- in this event, you will receive points for working in the Stone Quarry, moving gravel on your dinosaur.
- **Dino Loves Fred**- watch out Fred, here comes Dino. If you remember the cartoons, you will remember how Dino always greeted Fred when he came home from work at night.

There will be a few more events added to the Stone Capades. We will keep you updated.

There will also be 1st and 2nd place awards for this part of the events.

Afternoon – Prehistoric Pet Parade and Show

This event requires your chapter to design and make your own chapter mascot. This prehistoric pet must not be any larger than 6 feet tall, no longer than 6 feet. The pet must be on wheels. It must have a name and be on a leash. We will be parading them from the Holiday Inn parking lot to the War Memorial. All chapter members are invited to join the parade. We are asking you to dress the part of the Flintstone days.

This will enable you to not only show off your pet to the rest of the GWRRA Members, but also to the general public as well. Once we reach the War Memorial, we will be putting them on display. At this point you will be required to “walk” an obstacle course with the pet and they will be judged. The obstacle course will be similar to that of a regular dog show.

1st and 2nd place for design

1st and 2nd place for show

Evening -- The Flintstone Flyer Attire

In this event, you will be able to show off your chapter spirit with your own bowling shirts. They can be made of any material, from T-shirts to regular bowling shirts. They will need your chapter designation. The shirt will need a design in keeping within the theme of the rally, but not using the rally logo itself.

Your chapter will be required to “model” the shirts at Friday night’s events. Come in costume, you will need to store your shirts and change into them when it is your turn. You can make your presentation fun, by adding a cadence, a few different steps... whatever you want, just make it fun!

There will also be 1st and 2nd place awards for this event.

As in the past, all events will be judged by outside, impartial judges. All decisions of the judges are final.

Saturday night, we will be awarding a grand prize to the chapter with the most points overall. Remember, you can participate in any or all of the events. The more you participate in, the more points you will be awarded.

We must know by July 15 if you plan on participating in the events.

Feel free to contact us with any questions



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