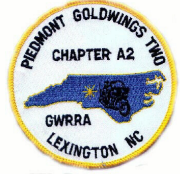


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Next Chapter Meeting
December 4th , 2007



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From Your Chapter Directors

A Great Ride With A Great Machine!!!



Three years ago, we stepped up as Chapter Directors, and our lives changed. Because we're a motorcycle group, we'll use that metaphor to describe what happened. We had already been active in the chapter, but with our new duties we became the "handlebars" of the motorcycle. As the "handlebars" of the motorcycle, we steered, and occasionally counter-steered the chapter where it was going. But we certainly couldn't get anywhere without you, our members. As the "engine" of the wonderful machine, you are the real power that makes everything move smoothly through the curves and down the road. Each one of you worked hard to make our plans into reality over the past three years. As with any beginning rider, we wobbled a bit and made mistakes. But you helped to keep us focused and headed in the right direction. Over the past three years you have taken us on a trip, beginning with chapter meetings, down the road on weekend outings to interesting places near and far, and you kept us filled with the "fuel" of enthusiasm and spirit.

Oh,...we had some maintenance along the way – keeping the Phone Tree going, the newsletter written, Rider Education classes presented, financial matters handled, and chapter shirts ordered. The Chapter staff deserves special thanks for their work to keep everything running smoothly. Reports are turned in on time, financial reports submitted accurately, sympathy cards thoughtfully sent, and special events planned to the last detail. You're a well-tuned machine!

We've learned a lot – we've had loads of fun – and we found out what a great opportunity we had been given to serve as Chapter Directors. We are honored to have served. We look forward to continuing our close relationship with the Chapter as we now become part of the "drive train"; and we stand with everyone else in the Chapter, ready to help in any way we can to assist Randy as he takes over the "handlebars" of A-2 and embarks on a new journey.

Robin & Steve Deane



Chapter A2 meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at Capt'n Stevens Seafood Restaurant on
We Eat at 6:30 Meet at 7:30
4577 N. NC Hwy 150 & Friendship Church Road Lexington, NC 27295



CHAPTER A2 WILL CANCEL their JANUARY MEETING



From Your Assistant Chapter Director



As I tried to decide what to write about this month I looked over some of the old newsletters from the last few years. I have most of the ones from the days when I was the editor, least the ones I was able to recover from my PC crash that I had a couple of years ago. I still have an old paper copy from November, 2001 where Carolyn and I along with Frank and Pat Godbee were welcomed as the newest members of A2.



The chapter has grown a lot since then. Not just in numbers of members but in character as well. Next year the chapter will change again. Steve and Robin will step down as Chapter Directors and I will step up as your Chapter Director. Steve and Robin helped shape the character of the chapter during their time as leaders. I hope I can shape the chapter in a positive way like they did.

Other changes will be a new ACD – Assistant Chapter Director. Peggy Grotberg will be my most able assistant. I know she will keep me in line and out of trouble!

Also, we will have a new CE – Chapter Educator. Gerry Grotberg will be our educator again. Gerry, along with Peggy served as CE's in the past and did an excellent job. Gerry is a motorcycle instructor so we are very fortunate to have that expertise in the educator position.

I have enjoyed being your Assistant Chapter Director the last three years. I know I've joked about wearing so many hats but it really hasn't been that bad. Steve and Robin were easy on me and made it fun.

I hope everyone has a great holiday season. We have the "Gifts on Cycles" along with the A2 Christmas party coming up. I hope you get to spend lots of time with family and friends, and if you get a chance to contribute to a charity be sure to remember those less fortunate.

Merry Christmas Folks!

Randy D.



We're Not As Young As We Used To Be

A few years ago, several of us talked about doing the Iron Butt ride – 1000 miles in 24 hours. I thought it would be a piece of cake. After all, I ride the most comfortable bike made, right? But now things are different. Oh, the bike hasn't changed. I still own the same one I did when I joined the chapter. My butt is not made of iron any more!

As we get older we have to realize we are not as capable of doing some of the things like we used to. This goes double for motorcycle riding. Our response times get slower, we get fatigued a little quicker and we have to recognize these things. A tired motorcycle rider is a dangerous motorcycle rider - not only to himself but to others around him.

A few years ago I would ride in almost any weather. Now I find it's getting to cold to ride. I hope Santa brings me some heated gloves.



When you get cold while riding, take frequent breaks to warm up. It's just as important now as in the summer when you take breaks to hydrate yourself. When you're cold you are distracted by thinking about how cold you are instead of what you are actually doing.

This is my last article as the Chapter Educator. I have enjoyed the job and hope I have been able to inform and educate you along the way.



Ride Safe!
Randy D



TIM'S TECH TIP

You better watch out, you better not cry, you better not pout, I'm telling you why!!! Santa Claus is coming is coming to town!!!! It's time again to make your list to submit to Santa, **if** you have been "Good Little Wingers" this year! Here are some ideas that Ruby & I have come up with that could be found under the Christmas tree.

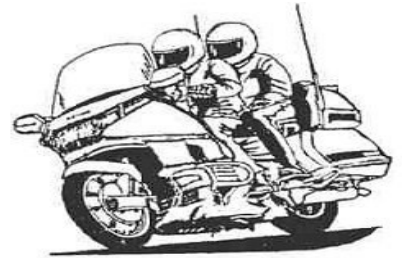
Bass Pro Shops has Frogg Toggs on sale for \$25 a set. They also have flannel lined Jeans for \$20. along with Under Armour Cold Gear!!!

Other ideas for your riding partner are: Safety Clothing, Heated Clothing, Riding Boots, Neck Warmers, Cordless Headsets, Bike Covers, and at the top of the list, a **"New GL1800"**. The list could go on forever! This is a good time to start preparing to install the "Safety Chrome" and other "Stuff" on your list. Next month we will touch on" Winterizing "our bikes.

From our home to yours.....Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Tim Pennington



RIDE CALENDAR



Dec 1 st Saturday Morning	Gifts on Cycles at Butner	Leave LSB 8:30 AM
Dec 2 nd Sunday	McCaddenville for the Christmas Lights	Leave LSB 3:00
Dec 8 th Saturday	Christmas Party at the Classic Restaurant 	6:00 PM, \$15.00 gift Meet at Classic in Denton Bring a Stuffed Animal For the Lexington Hospital
Dec 21 st Friday Night	Dinner Ride Cancelled	(too close to Christmas).
Dec. 25 th	Christmas Day	MERRY CHRISTMAS
Jan. 1 st	Polar Bear Ride To Lake Norman	Meet at Cracker Barrel in Clemmons at 8:00, leave after Breakfast.
Jan 1 st	A2 Meeting is Canceled for January	
Jan 19 th	Ride Planning Meeting	Venezia's in Advance 1:30

COME JOIN US FOR GIFTS ON CYCLES



North Carolina District
Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Saturday, December 1, 2007

A2 Leaves LSB 8:30 AM

Central - Murdoch Center-Butner, N.C.

Schedule of Events

9:00 AM - Donuts & Coffee

9:30 - 10:30 AM Registration, Gift drop off

10:45 AM Parade Line up

11:00 AM Parade Begins

11:45 AM Lunch

After lunch: Remarks, Entertainment and Drawings



MURDOCH CENTER CHRISTMAS WISH LIST 2007

Sunglasses Men's and women's / Sox / Pantyhose / Flannel gowns Men's and women's jogging suits and sweatshirts / Sweaters/ Jewelry - Bracelets, clip-on or pierced earrings, necklaces, and watches / Ball caps Umbrellas / Photo albums / Knit gloves and hats /Jewelry boxes / Plastic ponchos / Fanny packs

Pocketbooks - soft, clutch type or small handbags / Billfolds / Key Rings /Audio cassettes of all types (easy listening) / Video cassettes (PG or PG-13 rated) / Talking books / Matchbox-type cars/Beach towels/Straw hats, cowboy hats, cloth hats / Belts/ Lap blankets / Large throw pillows / Picture frames (all sizes) Bed throws (cotton) / Back packs / Tote bags / Small music boxes
Small musical instruments (harmonica, hand bells, tambourine, maracas)

TOILETRIES

Dove Soap (unscented) / Shampoo and Conditioner / Body Lotion or Hand Lotion / Body Powder
Fluoride Toothpaste / Toothbrushes / Men's Cologne, Aftershave / Lady's cologne, toilet water
Stick or Roll-on deodorant / Nail Polish, remover, cotton balls / Lipstick, liquid make-up / Blush

Eye Shadow / Mascara / Hair Mousse, aerosol hair spray, pump style hair spray, styling gel
Bath and Shower Gel / Foaming Bath liquid / Bath Crystals / Bubble Bath / Soap-Free Body Wash
Fingernail Brushes / Emery Boards / Make-up / grooming bags / Travel kits / Blow Dryers / Curling Irons
Lighted Make-up mirrors / Head Bands (covered) / Barrettes (metal) / Clip-on Hair Bows /Combs and
Brushes (all hair types) / Ponytail rubber bands

TOYS AND GAMES

Stuffed animals (safety standards quality with non-choking ornamentation / See-N-Says / Plastic Cars, Trucks, Airplanes / Baby Dolls / Books (infant and toddler levels) / Velcro Dart Games / Basketballs, Soccer Balls / Koosh Balls, Nerf Balls / Footballs /Balls of All Sizes (especially the kind found in bins in grocery stores / Wooden Puzzles (simple) / Large Wooden Building Blocks / Stacking Rings / Playing Cards (UNO, Go Fish, Old Maid, etc.) / Posters (athletes, animals, Movie/TV stars, cars, men or women) / Lite Brite Picture Books / Musical Toys, noise maker

ELECTRIC or BATTERY OPERATED ITEMS

Walkman-type radios / Cassette players with batteries / Batteries (all sizes) / Boom Box (small)
Battery operated cars (wireless) / Pillow type back massagers / Tape Recorders / Hand held Video Games
Lava Lamps / Small Bedside Lamps

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Crayons, Color Books / Colored Pencils, Washable Markers (all sizes) / Construction Paper / Drawing Tablets / Paint and Glitter /Silk Flowers /Elmer's Glue //Paint Brushes for artwork /Sponges for sponge art
Art Stamps, Ink Pads /Acrylic Paint for T-shirt painting
Solid Color T-Shirts, Sweatshirts (adult sizes) / Craft Sticks / Poster and Crepe Paper

FOODS

Candy, soft type only / Crackers / Salty Snacks / Cookies /Sugarless Chewing & bubble gum, Snacks
Canned Drinks (caffeine free) / Microwave Popcorn

UNIT GIFTS

Popcorn Poppers / Coffee Makers / Boom Boxes / Televisions / Ice Cream Freezers / VCR's /CD Players
Classical Videos / Computers



MERRY CHRISTMAS



December Canceled Chapter Meetings

NC-A, Greensboro	NC -C, Charlotte,	NC-E2, Elizabeth City,	NC -F2, Garner,
NC-I, Asheville,	NC-J, Boone,	NC-K2, Fayetteville,	NC- M2, Hendersonville,
NC- N, Burlington,	NC-O2, Hickory,	NC -P, Asheboro,	NC -P2, Forest City,
NC-Q, Wilmington,	NC-Q2, Dunn	NC-R, Thomasville,	NC -S, Lenoir,
NC -S2, Sanford,	NC-T2, Albemarle,	NC-U2, Laurinburg,	NC-W2, Jefferson,
NC-Y, Morganton			



JANUARY CANCELED CHAPTER MEETINGS

NC A-2 Will Cancel their January Meeting

JANUARY MEETING CHANGES :

NC-F, Jacksonville will change their January meeting date to January 1st to coincide with their January 1st New Years Resolution Ride, for more information Contact the Chapter Directors Wayne & Elva Grant crystalcoastwings@ec.rr.com.



NOTES FROM YOUR COUPLE OF THE YEAR



Hi everyone, sorry we haven't been visiting other Chapters this month. We have been house bound due to knee surgery. We do look forward to start visiting again soon. We hope that everyone in A2 will be buying stuffed animals for us to collect at our Christmas Party on the 8th of December. The stuffed toys will be given to Lexington Memorial Hospital for them to give to a child or the child of a patient. We appreciate your help in giving back to our community.

100 REASONS \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ TO GET OFF YOUR CAN!!!!

\$100 CAN BE YOURS, all you have to do is bring a non-perishable food item to our meetings, starting in February. For every item you bring to the monthly meeting you will be given a ticket toward a \$100.00 drawing in December 2008. The more you bring the more chances you have to win. Let other Chapters know of our drive, the more we have the more we can give. We plan to give this food to the Pastors Pantry in Lexington, which is an organization to assist the elderly. Many elderly people don't have enough to eat, usually because of limited income. Any food we can give them, could mean the difference between having a good meal today or going to bed hungry tonight. So let's remember to BRING THAT FOOD.



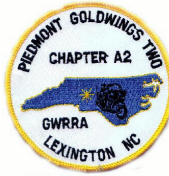
On the road again (soon)
Sonny and Betty
A2 Couple of the Year

The **Chapter G Posse** Captured the Central Traveler Plaque at T2's meeting and will be having it up for grabs at their December 6 chapter meeting.

This will be **Thursday, 12/6 at the Pioneer Restaurant in Archdale, 311.**
Eat at 6:30 and will meet at 7:30. Come join the fun!!

Brian and Donna Vertefeulle Chapter Directors High Point - G

100 Reasons to "GET OFF YOUR CAN"



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2008

NC Chapter A-2
Canned Food Drive



Starting in February of 2008, Chapter NC -A2 will be having a Canned Food Drive to support the families in need in our area .We are asking members to bring a can of food or any other staple item to our Chapter meeting each month and you will be given a ticket toward a drawing for \$100 to be held at our December of 2008 meeting.

You do not have to be present to win, so our visiting members will be able to have a chance for the \$100 also.

The food will be given to the Pastors Pantry each month This is an organization for the elderly, in Lexington. There are also other organizations that would benefit from our generosity if we collect more food than they need.

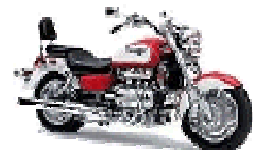
Get OFF your Can and Come see us.

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Eat @ 6:30 Meet @ 7:30




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December Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

Dottie Motley Dec. 5th
Ruby Pennington Dec. 11th
Al Watkins Dec 15th
AC Pennington Dec. 19th
Betty Dye Dec. 23rd
Barry Swing Dec. 26th

Wedding Anniversaries

Gary & Debbie Everhart Dec. 18th

GWRRA Anniversaries

Barry Swing -2005





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As your new District Trainer it is important to introduce the Leadership Training Program.

The LTD curriculum reflects training that focuses on leadership skills while understanding that knowledge is an enabler of those skills. Though some of the training deals specifically with skills needed in a GWRR leadership position, other training deals with Life Skills and Member Orientation topics that will enhance the member's life both within and outside of GWRR.

-In general, our training is designed to reach visual, verbal, and kinetic learners; our goal is "something for everyone".

It is the intent of the LTD to deliver training in a professional manner and to make certain that training is a fun learning experience for all participants.

You can further read more about the program at <http://www.gwrra.org/regional/Training/curriculum.htm>

At this time we plan on introducing the first steps in Chapter Leadership: Leadership and Management Skills

The first classes will be held in Dobson, NC on December 8 and 15, 2007.

KNOWLEDGE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

2007 CLASS SCHEDULE

SURRY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

630 South Main Street

Dobson, NC 27017

December 8th, 2007 Leadership and Management Skills

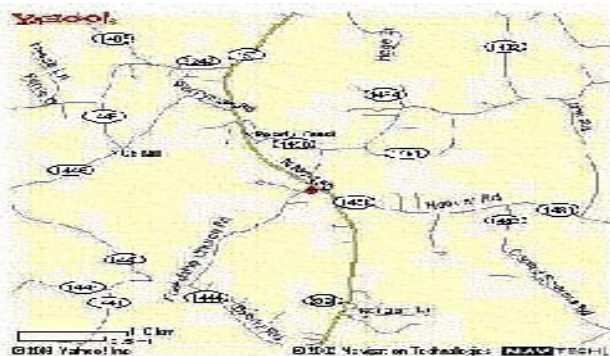
- Chapter Structure & Organization 9:00 – 10:50 AM
- Chapter Finances 11:00 – 11:50 AM
- Lunch Break 12:00 – 1:00 PM
- Newsletters 1:00 -1:50 PM

December 15, 2007 Leadership Managements and Skills

- Delegation 9:00 -9:50 AM
- Staffing 10:00 -10:50 AM
- You're an Officer, Now What 11:00 -11:50 AM
- Lunch Break 12:00 – 1:00 PM
- Officer Appointment Procedures 1:00 – 1:50 PM
- Interviewing Techniques 2:00 – 2:50 PM

Something for everyone so Plan to attend





Directions: US 52 to exit 100. Go west on Hickory Tree Road to first stoplight. Turn left on Highway 150. Cap'n Stevens is 7.5 miles on the right.

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Chapter Meetings: 1st Tuesday of Every Month

Cap'n Steven's Seafood
 Hwy 150 & Friendship Church Rd
 Eating at 6:30 – Meeting at 7:30

NEXT MEETING :
 December 4th, 2007

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