



# GOLD WING ROAD RIDER ASSOCIATION (GWRRA)



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## "Mason-Dixon Wings"

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**NEWSLETTER**

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### ACTIVITIES & ARTICLES

#### **The Progressive & 50/50 Raffle Winners Were!**

Linda Woods	Progressive payout
Barbi Aspinall	\$35.00 (1st 50/50)
Bruce Hill (Chpt B)	\$35.00 (2nd 50/50)
Jim Harper	\$35.00 (3rd 50/50)

#### **Happy Birthday!!!**

Will Berrell	01 Jul
Carlos Brannon	04 Jul
Mike Atkins	12 Jul
Alice Surette	17 Jul
Debbie Watson	21 Jul
Peter Surette	29 Jul

#### **Happy Anniversary!!!**

Dick and Kay Bond	24 Jul
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#### **Greetings from the Chapter's Director**

**Sue Miller**

I hope that you all had a wonderful Fourth of July weekend, as I did. In the month of June, we participated in several events. One of the highlights was our Progressive Ride, June 4th. It was a beautiful day for several rides. I want to thank the Kelleys, Malones and Macks for opening up their homes and doing a great job feeding us. Thanks to those guys, who gave us some directions on how to get from the Malone's to Wendy's house. Due to its success, we hope to have the Progressive Ride next year. Next was our ice cream social at the Coldstone Creamery. Many of our regulars were at Americade, but we still had about 8

people. Those that came had a good time and lots of good ice cream. Next was Chapter C Pig Roast fund raiser. We had 14 people attend and as usual the food was superb. Everyone had a great time.

UPDATE: Mike Atkins is doing well. I picked him and Lisa up and took them to our gathering last month (see photo provided under Chapter Family News in this newsletter). His face looks back to normal but his jaw is still wired. His hand will be in a cast for about 5 more weeks then he will be undergoing physical therapy. He and Lisa along with the Sorricks were planning on riding their bikes to Wing Ding. Even after the accident, Lisa and Mike plan on attending Wing Ding anyway and will ride down in their car. Considering how bad his injuries were, I am so glad he feels well enough to go. Mike still has a long road to recovery. But knowing him he will be back with us on a new bike next year. Good luck Mike.

Upcoming events: Ice Cream on the 13th at the Golden Ring Mall DQ on Rt 40 at 7:00PM. Remember it is very cold in there. If it's nice we can sit outside. We have eaten there before and I remember the food as well as their ice cream being good. There are the usual conventions in July, August and September. There are fliers on our Web site for all or most of them. Please check it out. By the way Chris Nagel will be retiring as Web Master at the end of the year. If anyone is interested in taking it over you might want to get with him to learn the ropes. Chris has been doing the Web site for at least 12 years, he deserves a rest. Remember we still need an ACD (Assistant Chapter Director). You will have till 2014 before you have to take over the Chapter from me. If we don't get someone for the job the chapter will fold. Please don't let that happen.

**Chapter Meeting - 4th Sunday at the Golden Corral, Aberdeen, MD Breakfast 8:00A.M./Meeting 9:00A.M.**

CHANGES IN DAYS AND DATES: The staff meeting will be moved to the Tuesday before the gatherings instead of Wednesdays. They will still be held at my house. There will NOT be a staff meeting in July as I will be in OC. In August we will be holding the staff meeting at the Malone's home in Havre De Grace, on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 PM. I will not be here for either of the gatherings, in July or August. The July gathering will be hosted by Cathy Kelley and the August gathering will be hosted by Rodney Malone. I want to thank both of them for filling in for me. It's really hard when you don't have an ACD to back you up.

We had to move September's gathering to the 3rd Sunday as a lot of us will be at Wings over the Smokies. I hope to put together a group to ride to Waldorf for Crabs and Chrome event at Motovations after the Sunday gathering. Keep that in mind. Wendy Mack will be having her pot luck swim party August 3rd. There will more details discussed at the Chapter gathering.

UPCOMING: On August 14th Chapter L's Ice Cream Sunday is. Keep the date open please. This is their fund raiser and it's always fun. Now the big one, it's the Chapter's 20th Anniversary this year. When I drove up to try to make some arrangements for a party at the Bayou, they were closed for vacation. What a story that trip was, due to a bad accident at exit 80, on I95 north all lanes were closed. We were detoured to Rt 40 with every other car, truck, bus etc. It must have taken me 2 hours to make that little trip. Then to get there and find them closed needless to say I was frustrated. I will be going up later to try to finalize times and dates. Hope to make the anniversary party on a Saturday, preferably October 29<sup>th</sup> (more details to come). If there are any Charter members out there who still read this news letter please let me know who you are. I know of Diane George, Neal and Carol, I think Wally, maybe Gene Woods. Please confirm this for me. A Charter Member is someone who was with us for start of the chapter or became a member within 3 months of its start. Thanks.

Well I think I covered everything. Have a safe month and I will see you all soon.

Sue Miller CD

**Greetings from the Chapter's "Rider Educator"**  
**Debbie and Dave Sorrick**

### **TOPIC: "BE PREPARED"**

Being prepared is particularly important to us as riders/co-riders. What does being prepared mean?

First, is your motorcycle prepared?

Tires properly inflated and with sufficient tread, Brakes in good working order, How about the lights; brake lights,

turn signals. etc... All of these are critical to the safe operation of the motorcycle.

Next, how about you?

Are you well rested? Do you have the right frame of mind or is something weighing on you? Are you taking any medications that might make you drowsy? Haven't been drinking, have you? Riding requires your FULL attention so anything that diminishes your ability to pay attention to the task, limits your ability to safely operate your bike/trike.

Then, there are your emergency skills.

When is the last time that you PRACTICED emergency maneuvers? You know things like swerving to avoid an obstacle in your path of travel. Emergency stopping, practiced that lately? In about 13% of motorcycle crashes, the rider made NO attempt to avoid the crash; no swerving, no braking, just rode right into the collision. Unfortunately, most riders NEVER practice emergency maneuvers.

Do you consciously practice your other riding skills? You know things like your scanning for hazards, looking through turns, covering your controls as you approach congested areas, positioning yourself so you are as visible as possible, etc. While all these things (and more) should be "second nature" focusing on them while you are riding reinforces the action.

The ol' Boy Scout motto, "Be Prepared."

How prepared are you?

*Provided by David Sorrick for the newsletter this month, David noted that he had read this in a rider ed, "gimmie 5". Original author not provided.*

**Greetings from the "Newsletter Editor"**  
**Rodney and Ruth Malone**

**Here is a note from Ray Hartman, your District Director**

Wow, here we are looking at July already! Where has the year gone....Lake George, NY is one place! Americade 2011 was a great time, as usual. Our group was 15 members from MDI, Chapter J had 3 and from the North Carolina Southern Cruisers (formerly of MDI) Tom & Shirley Daniel. It was wonderful spending the week with them and even better that it wasn't at all awkward after 6 years apart. They fell right back into the fold and even learned quickly how to handle Stan Greene, LOL. Ray & I visited the GWRRA booth a couple of times to say hi to Ed & Dottie and the New York District staff. We put about 1800 miles on the bikes, helped out the local economy and all got home safely. All in all, a great vacation!

Chapter C's pig feast fundraiser was well attended. Thanks to everyone for showing your support. Great food and friends...and even a dunking booth. Ray was asked to bring his bathing suit and Cheryl thought he was going to get baptized or something! Nope, just a victim in the tank along with George and Butch. Everyone had a good time trying to dunk them for charity.

MDI had a great ride on Father's Day to 3 of the covered bridges in Maryland. Our ride coordinators got us all the way up past Thurmont and back with only about 10 minutes on the beltway. It was a fantastic ride and Cheryl had no clue there were even covered bridges in Maryland! We had a picnic lunch at the last bridge and then all back roads home. Ice cream at Dairy Queen in Bowie was dinner! Maryland has so much to offer, get on your motorcycle and discover it.

We hope everyone going has a safe trip to Wing Ding in Tennessee! Enjoy the "Dragon" and all the other great roads down there. Do yourself a favor and check out Tour Master while you're there. We got their riding pants at Americade and they are wonderful! I have no clue why we didn't get them years ago!

If you aren't hitting Wing Ding, consider the New York/New Jersey District Rally the weekend of August 11-13<sup>th</sup> in Liverpool, NY. We are going and would love to have more from Maryland join us.

Some other very important items we need to address, The Maryland District 7<sup>th</sup> Rendezvous Sept. 9-11<sup>th</sup> in Hagerstown will be here before you know it. Let's not forget the 2<sup>nd</sup> Maryland District RV/Camping SIG Oct. 14-16<sup>th</sup> in Winchester WV. These events are for fun only, no work on any body's part. Come join us, this is what it is all about.

Remember to take your Passport to every GWRRA event. It will be worth it to a few busy members.

## CHAPTER FAMILY NEWS!

Mike Atkins was certainly looking surprisingly well at the June gathering. Given the recent spill he experienced we were fortunate to see him up and about so soon.



Mike, best wishes for a full and speedy recovery!

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Below, Ken Bixler is receiving his Level 4 Certificate, presented by the District Educator (Tim Grimes) and Chapter H Educators (Debbie and David Sorrick). Photo taken by Cathy Kelly during the June Gathering



## \*\*\* Gold & Wing Update \*\*\*

*Has anyone spotted the birds lately?*

**THIS MONTH'S SPOTLIGHT!!!**



**DO YOU KNOW WHO  
THIS MASKED MEMBER IS?**

Here are some answers given by this member *during a recent interview* > > >

What was your first motorcycle (year/make/model)?

1974 Kawasaki 400cc

Describe your first motor cycle ride (including when and where)? It was 1976 when my nephew and I took off for California.

Why did you decide to become a member of GWRRA/ MD CHPT H? To meet new people, ride and have fun.

What has been your most memorable bike ride?

Our 5084 miles one way trip, to Wassilla, Alaska.

What would you say is your ultimate stress buster?

Hanging out with Daisy Mae and Rusty.

What would you like more time for, to do what?

To do anything I feel like doing anytime any way I want.

What would you say your life motto is?

Age is just a number.

What would be your most favorite home cooked meal?

If I had a real home cooked meal, I would probably have a heart attack!!!!!!!

Answer is Spaghetti.

**NOW DO YOU KNOW WHO THIS IS?**

Email the editors and let us know who you believe it is ([housanml@comcast.net](mailto:housanml@comcast.net)).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

(see online calendar for most current events listing)

[http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=62cvnknm91c5jhb5h30bn2sfp0%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/New\\_York&pvttk=e5a4f78a1426af1589b9657977676304](http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=62cvnknm91c5jhb5h30bn2sfp0%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/New_York&pvttk=e5a4f78a1426af1589b9657977676304)

Please Visit Chapter H's Web Page for flyers with additional details @:

<http://www.gwrra-mdh.com/Home-Page.php>

**July:** For chapter visits, please note that **Chapter C** has announced they will not have a gathering in July.

**Jul 13: MD-H** Ice Cream Social, Golden Ring Mall DQ Rt 40, at 7:00PM

**Jul 13-16: TN** Wing Ding

**Jul 20: MD-H** **Red Chapter Staff Meeting for July**

**Jul 24: MD-H** Gathering

**Jul 28-30: Maine** New England District Rally (see flyer on the website)

**Aug 03: MD-H** Windy Mack's Pot Luck. More details will be provided at the July gathering.

**Aug 06: Alaska Cruise** (see flyer on website)

**Aug 10: MD-H** Ice Cream Social, Jarrettsville Creamery, 1747 W Jarrettsville Road. 7:00PM

**Aug 23: MD-H Staff Meeting**, will be at the Malone's home in Havre De Grace 7PM

**Aug 25-27: CO** District Rally (see flyer on website)

**Oct 13-15: MS** District Wings over Tupelo (see flyer on website)

**Oct 14-16: 2<sup>nd</sup> Maryland District Campout** (see flyer for details)

**Oct 28-30: AZ** District Wings of the Wild West (see flyer on website)

**Oct 29: MD-H** CHAPTER H's 20TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER! More details to come, Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> is the proposed date at this time.

**Nov 12: MD-J** Fundraiser Chili Cook off Registration NLT 31 October (see flyer on website)

## CHAPTER GATHERINGS

### **MD A - 1st Sun. Eat at 8 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M**

Golden Corral  
Arundel Mills Road, Arundel Mills Outlet Mall  
Satellite Area  
CD/Tom & Gail McCormick 410-787-2584

### **MD B - 3rd Mon. 7:30 P.M.**

Seat Pleasant Recreation Center  
5720 Addison Road Seat Pleasant, Md.  
CD/Charles Simms [cjsimms1956@aim.com](mailto:cjsimms1956@aim.com)

### **MD C - 2nd Sun. Eat at 8 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M.**

Golden Corral  
6701 Chesapeake Center Dr Glen Burnie, Md.  
CD/Butch & Debbie Harvey 410-519-5563

### **MD H - 4th Sun. Eat at 8 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M.**

Golden Corral (across from Wal Mart)  
Route 40 Aberdeen, Md  
CD/Sue Miller 410-668-1318

### **MD I - 1st Sun. Eat at 8 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M.**

Hooters  
3600 Crain Hwy, Waldorf, Md.  
CD/ Robert & Juliana A'Heam 301-997-1254

### **MD J - 3rd Sat. Eat at 9:00 A.M meet at 10:00 A.M.**

Bob Evans, 2402 Brandermill Blvd,  
Gambrills, MD 21054  
CD/AI & Jackie General 410-963-3414

### **MD K - 3rd Sat Eat at 4:00 P.M. meet at 5:00 P.M.**

New York J P Pizza (Finksburg Plaza)  
3000 Gamber Rd, Westminster, MD  
CD/ Richard & Dolores France

### **MD L - 2nd Sun. Eat at 8:30 AM Meet at 9 AM**

Denny's  
8493 Ocean Gateway. Easton, MD 21601  
CD/Milton "Spanky" Barth 410- 924-8371

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### **DE A - 4th Sat. Eat at 8:00 A.M. Meet at 9:00 A.M.**

Damon's Grill  
149 N. Dupont Hwy. New Castle, DE 19720  
CD/Dan & Terrie Chappell 302-836-0633

### **DE B - 1st Sun. Eat at 8:30 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M.**

Pizza King  
300 W. Stein Hwy. (Rt 20) Seaford, De.  
CD/ Ken & Lois Ingram 410-208-4803

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### **PA A - 1st Sun. Eat at 9:00 A.M. Meet at 9:45 A.M.**

Holiday Inn 943 South High St  
West Chester, PA.  
CD/Randolf Chessman 610-358-2624

### **PA B - 4th Sat. Eat at 9:00 A.M. meet at 10:00 A.M.**

Apple Tree Family Restaurant 100 South Centerville Road  
Lancaster, PA.  
CD/ Larry & Ruth Ann Greathouse 717-626-7435

### **PA C - 3rd Sat. Eat at 8:30 A.M. Meet at 9:30 A.M.**

Antrim Restaurant (use banquet door entrance)  
104 E. Baltimore St, Route 16 Greencastle, PA.,  
CD/Betty & Blain Wiswander 717-369-3570

### **PA V - 2nd Sun. Eat at 8:00 A.M. meet at 9:30 A.M.**

Cross Keys Motor Inn Banquet Center  
Corner of Routes 30 & 94 Hanover, PA.  
CD/ Dennis & Kathy Brillhart 717-266-4829



## CHAPTER "H"

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Home of GWRRA MD  
Chapter "H" Meetings  
Join us for Breakfast  
8am Fourth Sunday (Each Month)

*GOLDEN CORRAL*  
Rout 40  
Across from WalMart  
Aberdeen, MD



[Map to "Golden Corral" Aberdeen MD.](#)