

Vancouver, WA Chapter WA-X

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION "PHOENIX FLIGHTS"

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Region I

Fall is here!! Time for some beautiful scenic colors rides!

CHAPTER DIRECTOR'S CORNER

This space is usually reserved for monthly words from Dee and Vanora, But I want to change things up this month and talk a little about **them**, and what they have meant to this chapter, and to all of GWRRA.....

This last month, those who were at the September meeting including Connie and myself, were very proud to witness our own Dee and Vanora being honored by GWRRA with the award of **Senior Chapter directors!**

This is a very big, prestigious honor, and it is not taken lightly by the GWRRA organization.

There are lots of criteria a person has to meet to be able to even be **considered** for such an honor, and I won't go into great detail right here, but the award means that the person(s) whom it's being bestowed upon have **achieved excellence** in every category of service to their members, as well as the entire organization of GWRRA!

The award was given by District Director Susie Hutchinson, with Chuck porter, Reggie Baumer, and Wally & Anna Wallingford also present. (district staffers)

I am aware that both Dee and Vanora get a little embarrassed when accolades are bestowed upon them, but this honor was **very well deserved!!**

This chapter of ours has, and continues to be, a fun chapter to belong to, with great people in it, and has been recognized by District, Regional, and National staff as a **model chapter**, and an inspiration to other chapters.....That doesn't just happen by accident! A chapter is only as good as its **leadership and members**.....

Please join me in a **virtual standing ovation** for the ones that have made this all possible....

Dee and Vanora, first of all, we salute you!!!!

Second of all, **members**, give yourselves a hand for helping this WA-X chapter to be one of the best in the organization!!!

Sincerely, Kelley and Connie Huse (assistant chapter directors of our wonderful WA-X)

Editor's corner.....

Hi, everyone!!

It has been a wonderful summer season, full of great rides and get-togethers with great friends!

This chapter is filled with wonderful people, and our family is growing bigger all the time!

Now is the time to start planning those "Fall Colors" rides, and I hope to be out there with all of you this season of beautiful, scenic color rides!

Just remember that the weather can suddenly turn very cold in fall, without much, if any warning, so be prepared for any and all types of conditions throughout your ride.....

And if you happen to take pictures of the changing colors or other beauty on the trip, feel free to e mail me those pics, and I will feature them in our newsletter...my e mail is wingrider10@msn.com

Thanks, and have a wonderful time!!

Your editor and assistant chapter director, Kelley Huse



WORDS OF SAFETY by Michael Miller, Rider educator

T-Motorsports is recalling their extra large helmets with a model number of HY803. These helmets fail at low temperature impacts and the straps are not strong enough to keep the helmet secured to your head.

T-Motorsports will be calling customer s that have registered their helmets in Sept. If you have one and didn't register it or if you have any questions. the phone number to T-Motorsports is (626) 388-9898.

This info is provided by the National Traffic Safety Admin website.

More Safety tips

by Michael Miller

Fall is here, and with it sometimes comes wet, slippery roads, and slippery conditions due to fallen leaves, tree needles, etc on the roads. Watch your speed going into these corners, and be careful when you throttle-up after the corner to avoid spin-outs.

RIDE REPORT for September, 2012

About 15 of us members as well as some District Staff members attended the chapter BBQ at Lisa Pearson's home after our September meeting...This get-together was the second annual for our group, and Lisa was very kind and gracious in once again letting us gather at her home for this.

Lisa's son, Chris, did a fantastic job at the BBQ grill, great hamburgers and hotdogs, and there were lots of wonderful, potluck dishes to feast on that all of us had brought!

A great time was had by all! The wonderfully funny stories from Wally, Anna, Chuck, and Reggie, and Pete and Lynda, kept everyone in stitches all afternoon!!

A wonderful time, and thanks again to Chris for such a great job at the grill!

Sept 14th, 15th, and 16th brought us Chapter P Oyster feed, and guess what, folks....IT DIDN'T RAIN!!!!

The gathering was their 18th annual, held at Wildwood RV park in Long Beach, WA, and was a great time!!

There was a lot of food, friends, and fun for all!

Momma Judy was up to her usual wonderful antics, and even a couple of our own were commandeered into the act!!! Our own Kathy Hempel, and Lisa Pearson competed in the limbo contest, and Kathy came in 2nd place!! Way to go, limbo-queen!!

And Lisa's son Chris was snagged by Momma Judy and put in a dress for a very funny frog-prince skit!! LOL

Gotta say, Chris, you're a very good sport!!

All-in-all, a great, fun time!! And IT DIDN'T RAIN!! LOL I guess dubbing it "RainFest" instead of Oyster Feed did the trick!!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

There still are a LOT of rides going on at this point in the riding season, and if you want to participate, it's as easy as going on the district website, (gwrra-wa.org) looking around at what's going on, downloading the registration forms of your choice, and going for it!

There will be a staff meeting this coming Saturday (Sept 29th) at the home of Pete and Lynda Goetz.... Staff, as well as any and all WA-X members welcome, directions and meeting time on following page....please notice that it is a pot-luck, Pete providing the meat.....

Our October chapter meeting will be on Saturday, Oct 6th, Hometown Buffet, at 8:30am

Everyone be thinking about the swap meet coming up in January.....That seems like far away, but the time goes by very fast! Time to get your parts, cycle gear and clothing together!!

GWRRA business meeting for September 2012:

**Pete and Lynda Goetz
230 Hawks View Road
Woodland, WA 98674
(360) 521-2898 Pete cell
(360) 521-28978 Lynda cell
(360) 225-3482 Home**

Directions (from Vancouver)

- 1. Go north on I-5 to Woodland, take exit 21**
- 2. At exit 21, take ramp right for WA-503 East toward Cougar/Woodland (Lewis River Road)**
- 3. Go east on Hwy WA-503/Lewis River Road approx 5 miles (You will pass Rosie's Restaurant on the left)**
- 4. After "Heritage Marker" sign, turn first left on Finn Hall Road.**
- 5. Go up Finn Hall for one-quarter mile to trash cans at fork in the road. (Intersection of Finn Hall Road on left, Hawks View Road on the right.)**
- 6. Turn right on Hawks View Road and continue to the top of Hawks View Road – our address has sign posted at the beginning of 300 foot driveway, all gravel.**

**Looking forward to seeing you on Saturday!
September 29, 2012 @ 4:00 PM**

Potluck: Pete will be barbequing hamburgers and hot dogs –just bring your favorite salad. We'll provide the meat & dessert!



Ramblings from your editor

BRAGGING RIGHTS

Our chapter is growing all the time, and we are attending lots of rides, rallies, and have done quite a bit this year in the giving back to the community , and I, for one, am very proud of us as a group!

The very Prestigious honor of Senior Chapter Director was bestowed upon our own **Dee Hall and Vanora Volk** this past month by District staff!!!! You can read all about it on page 1 of this month's newsletter

Also, our very own Chapter educator and ride coordinator Michael Miller and wife Vickie "just shoot 'em" Miller, are proud new owners of a 1993 GL1500 Trike that came with a matching Bushtech trailer, and a tent-trailer! Congrats, you two!!! Here's to many a happy mile on that trike!

Pete and Lynda Goetz have found us a place to hold our upcoming Swapmeet, and it's a new facility that the National Armory has built, **Easy to find, with lots of space, HEAT,** and we are getting the use of it **for free!!** I Love it when a plan comes together!!!! Way to go, you guys!!!

The calendar for October includes a lot of fun rides all around the GWRRA family, so be sure to visit your regional, District, and local chapter websites for info and flyers! Let's get out there and support our fellow chapters by riding one of their fundraisers, That's the way all of keep going.....Helping each other out!

*****Support your chapter stores***** Tee shirts, hats, bling, and lots more available.....See Deb Pattison at the October meeting for details

Happy riding, and we'll see you out there!!!

Kelley and Connie Huse

For directions and flyers to any of these events and a whole lot more, please go to GWRRA.org, and follow the link to the region/district/state map pages from the home site.

Chapter	Wk	Day	District Time 8:30AM	Chapter's	Gathering Information	Phone
				Town Seattle	Contact	
A	4th	Saturday			Sam & Doreen Grubbs	206-718-6814
B	1st	Sunday	8:30AM	Bremerton	Jim & June Dutton	360-551-2236
C	2nd	Saturday	8:00AM	Everett	Lee Ann Kelly	206-362-4903
D	2nd	Sunday	8:30AM	Aberdeen	Kerry & Greg Bash	360-249-4640
E	3rd	Saturday	8:00AM	Bellevue	John & Barb Smith	206-391-6343
H	2nd	Tuesday	6:30PM	Lynden	Randy & Debbie Reid	360-733-3123
I	3rd	Sunday	8:00AM	Olympia	Ray Abitz	360-790-2832
L	2nd	Saturday	9:00AM	Kennewick	Lloyd Finley	509-783-9789
M	1st	Saturday	12:00PM	Yakima	Pete and Jean Hernandez	509-453-6951
N	3rd	Sunday	8:30AM	Spokane	Dave and Terri Chromy	509-292-0314
O	4th	Saturday	8:00AM	Port Orchard	Ken Smith	360-876-6737
P	3rd	Saturday	1:00PM	Longview	Chuck Porter & Reggie	360-636-0519
Q	1st	Friday	7:00PM	Puyallup	Dean & Christie Kalles	253-845-7177
R	1st	Saturday	9:00AM	Walla-Walla	Jim Corn	509-525-1304
V	1st	Thursday	6:00PM	Auburn	Garry & Maxine Alexander	253-770-3866
X	1st	Saturday	8:30AM	Vancouver	Dee Hall & Vanora Volk	360-254-2343
Y	2nd	Friday	6:30PM	Enumclaw	Roy & Pearl McKenzie	253-862-0220
Z	2nd	Saturday	1:00PM	Centralia	Jesse & Eva Valentine	360-888-0546

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	Darren and Kathy Hempel		.com			