



Mississippi District Newsletter

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BEGINNING A NEW YEAR

We hope that every one had a great Christmas and Happy New Year! Speaking of the new year, we have a lot of new things planned for the new year and we will be kicking off the ideas and hospitality at the Officers Meeting held on January 21st and 22nd in Jackson at the MS Association of Realtors Building. The CD meeting to turn in all paperwork will begin at 10:00 a.m. with the “official” start of the officers meeting for everyone beginning at 1:00 p.m. Hope that you have made plans to attend, anyone is welcomed! Don’t forget to bring goodies and drinks to share with everyone. The MS District will host a spaghetti supper on Saturday that promises to be a great time for fun and fellowship. We need each chapter to bring a loaf of bread or a loaf of garlic bread to round out the meal. Everything else will be provided.

We will be discussing future dates for chapter fun days also, so if you haven’t decided on a date, get with Joyce to see what dates are still available. MS District’s new “Billy Bob” will be revealed and some lucky chapter will have bragging rights to keep the 2011 Billy Bob bear to use as their very own!

Lemuel and Jane will announce the new CHAPTER OF THE YEAR at our officers meeting as well as introducing a new challenge to the chapters participating in the Chapter of the Year Program for 2012.

We are working the details for our District Rally/Convention in October and would like to know what you guys want to see. Bring your ideas to share, they are always welcomed!

Remember to join the fun at the 26th Annual Chapter 'B' Chili Cook-off to be held on January 29, 2012 at Paul B. Johnson State Park, serving begins at 11:00. This is always the start of many great fun days and it never disappoints! Don't forget to bring your fixings, Yum, Yum Chili!!!!

There are some new faces joining our Chapter teams and we would like to welcome you good folks aboard! The position is what you make of it! The number one rule is HAVE FUN!!!! If you need anything or have questions do not hesitate to call one of your District Team members for help. We are here for you.

Please ride safe and remember ATGATT!!!!
Can't wait to see everyone!



Bobby and Lori

MOTORIST AWARENESS PROGRAM

We are sad to announce that due to health issues, Woody and Debbie Jones have decided to retire as your District Motorist Awareness Coordinators. We would like to thank them both for a job well done and wish them luck in the future. They are still going to be around, so if you see them, please thank them for all that they have done to make our Motorist Awareness Program a success. We love you both, and you will be missed.

At this time, this position has not been filled. However, we will be looking for that "special couple" in hopes to have it filled soon. Until then, please refer to Bobby on any MAP questions or reporting!

GWRRA MOTORIST AWARENESS PROGRAM (MAP)
(A part of the GWRRA Safety Program)

MOTTO:

SHARE THE ROAD.

MISSION STATEMENT:

**To facilitate a reduction in motorcycle crashes
with other motor vehicles.**



GWRRA MOTORIST AWARENESS PROGRAM (MAP)



HELLO 2012!!! Hope you all had a very Merry Christmas. Hope you all had Greens, Black eyed peas, and Pork for Wealth, Health, and Luck in the new year.

We are looking forward to another great year as your Mississippi Assistant District Directors/Vendor Coordinator/Goody Shop/ and Event Coordinators. We had a GREAT first year and we are looking forward to being "Back at the Beach" in Biloxi at the IP Spa and Resort October 11-13.

Assistant District Directors – Join us in welcoming to the District Team: Larry and Nancy Wade – Treasurer (MS-F), Joey and Beverly Johnson – Mississippi District Couple of the Year 2012 (MS-Q), Chuck Mooney and Dorothy Taylor – Webmaster and Newsletter Editor (MS-L). We are excited to get to work with these fine folks.

Vendor Coordinators - have not contacted any vendors as of this writing – We need to see the facility to get a feel as to where we will be placing them.

Event Coordinators - have gotten a pretty good response from the Chapters as to when they will be having their Fun Day events. Some have not responded but we feel they will at the Officer's meeting in Flowood this coming weekend. We will have a listing of the events along with Region and District events, both inside and outside our region to hand out to the Chapter Directors.

Goody Shop - business has been a little slow. We have ordered Officer blue/gold patches/rockers for the new officers coming on board. Hopefully, we will have them to hand out to the Chapter Directors. If there is ever anything we can help you with in ordering whatever you may have in mind, please let us know. We will do our best to accommodate your needs.

We look forward to a GREAT TIME this weekend. Please come with an open and willing heart. We love you all and remember we are just one big happy extended family.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!! Ride Safe and always Keep the Shiny side UP!!!



Mississippi Senior District
Educator
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HELLO MS GWRRA MEMBERS,

I hope everyone had a great holiday and all their wishes came true. We are starting off with a new year and a lot of new things happening. The online data base is turning into a great tool for the educators, it has lots of information on members that are in the levels program and they are still working on all the information you will be able pull up. We have some new people stepping up to the Educator position and some educators that are stepping up to higher positions. I would like to thank all the people who are taking these positions. We have an updated MEDIC FIRST AID program, so, if your chapter needs CPR/FA contact your educator, they will contact me or my assistant, Ruth Ann Rosamond, to schedule these classes. The same thing applies to the riding courses.

We had a great year in 2011 and here's hoping for a better year in 2012, it is all up to you as members to make it great!!





Mississippi Assistant
Riders Educators

Ruth Ann & Lomax

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Wishing each one a F U N filled and a S A F E New
Year! See you down the road.

Ruth Ann

MS Assist. District Educator





Leadership Training
*Bobby & Coleen
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Hello Everyone,

Bobby and I would like to thank everyone who participated this year in our Leadership Training classes. We trained over 120 people in all areas including OCP. You have made our first year a fun and memorable experience. We are in the process of getting the 2012 dates set and would love to shoot for 150 trained next year! Please continue to look for venues (free) where we can hold seminars in North and South Mississippi. We would love to head that way if we could get more people trained. Also, we will be having the IDCP the first Saturday in February. Chapters in the Northern and Southern sections of the state, please find members in your chapters who you think would be good trainers and send me names. We have got to have more trainers located in other parts of the state beside Jackson. This would open training to everyone. You don't have to approach them. If you will just email me the names, I'll contact them and try to stress the importance of them becoming trainers. It's not difficult; just teach two classes in two years. How simple is that?

Please continue to look, in the newsletters, for the training dates for the entire year. If there is a class that you just cannot make, email me and maybe we can meet at a different time to complete the seminar.

Again, thank you all for a wonderful year and let's make 2012 bigger and better!

Bobby and Coleen





Membership
Enhancement and
Chapter of the Year
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**2011 CHAPTER OF THE YEAR PACKETS
DUE: THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2012**

Many of you have heard by now that my Father passed away on December 22. We would like to express our gratitude for all of your prayers and condolences. You will never know how much it meant to us having our extended family with us during this most difficult time. Thank you again for your love and support.

We look forward to seeing all of the Chapter Member Membership Coordinators and the 2012 Chapter Couples of the Year at the Officers Meeting on January 21st. and 22nd. There will be a breakout session for all Chapter MEC's and Couple's of the Year, please make plans to attend.

Also, let's not forget - Chapter B kicks the New Year off with their annual Chili Cook-off on Sunday, January 29 at Paul B Johnson State Park. Rain or shine, let's get out there and support them.

Hope everyone had a Safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! *Remember the GWRRA motto: Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge*

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Joey & Beverly Johnson
District Couple of the Year
2011 - 2012

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Hi Everybody,

Wow! This year is really coming to an end quickly. That means we have to get out there and have as much fun as we can while there's a little of 2011 left. If we can all manage to be good maybe Santa will leave us lots of goodies we can use on our journey through 2012.

The winter holidays always seem to bring family, food and good friends together just a little closer than any other time of the year. As you all plan your holiday parties and gatherings we want to remind you that it's time for all Chapters to select their 2012 Couple of the Year. In most chapters there's more than just one outstanding couple. This is a very important decision so we want to encourage everyone to sit back and enjoy thinking about all the good times you've had this year, the places you've been and how much your chapter has grown, not only in numbers, but in cherished memories and lifelong friendships. Think about what you have been through in the last year, not only your chapter as a whole, but individuals as well. Who is it that suddenly becomes the outstanding couple that has been strong through it all, the one who has set the example for others and has been there for everyone and all the while managed to have more fun than most of us can even imagine? ...Got it now? Good.

These announcements are usually made in December so don't keep us waiting. We are expecting a Couple of the Year from each chapter and we are all very excited to see who you have selected to hold this very distinguished honor for 2012. We are so excited, we can hardly wait!

Get the camera ready so you can capture the moment for the newsletters. Some of those pics can really tickle your funny bone! Ride safe and have fun!

We'll see y'all soon,
Beverly & Joey





CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2012

JANUARY

21-22 District Officers Meeting, MS Realtors Bld., Jackson
29 MS' B's CHILI COOK-OFF @ Paul B. Johnson State Park

FEBRUARY

4 Leadership training, Instructor Development and Certification Program, Realtors Bld., Jackson
18-19 Officers Certification Program (OCP)*, Realtors Bld., Jackson

MARCH

3-4 Horizon program Leadership Training*, Realtors Bld., Jackson
22-24 Florida District Convention, "PIRATE THEME" Kissimmee

APRIL

12-14 Louisiana District Convention - Lafayette
19-21 Alabama District Convention "DIAMONDS AND PEARLS" - Mobile
26-28 South Carolina Convention "LET FREEDOM RING" - North Charleston
26-28 Tennessee District Convention - Pigeon Forge

MAY

?? State Wide Motorist Awareness Day- Welcome centers through out MS

JUNE

9 Life Skills Leadership Training*- Realtors Bld., Jackson
14-16 Georgia District Convention "RUMBLE IN THE JUNGLE" – Dillard

JULY

4-7 Wing Ding - Ft. Wayne, IN
21 Chapter Leadership Skills Leadership Training*- Realtors Bld., Jackson

SEPTEMBER

13-15 Southeast Region 'A' Convention "MARTI GRAS" - Eufaula
20-22 North Carolina District Rally – Fletcher

OCTOBER

6- Membership Orientation Leadership Training*- Realtors Bld., Jackson

11-13 Mississippi District Convention

At the IP Casino Resort & Spa in Biloxi

Theme: “Back to the Beach”

27-29 Oklahoma District Convention – McAlester

NOVEMBER

10 Advanced Leadership Skills Leadership Training*- Realtor Bld., Jackson

- **All Leadership Training classes begin at 8:00 a.m.**

NEWS FROM NATIONALS

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION
ANNOUNCES REVAMPED RECRUITMENT PROGRAM,
“FIND-A-FRIEND” with a twist,
NEVER PAY DUES AGAIN!

Phoenix, AZ (December 1, 2011)—Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) announces a change to their longstanding Find-A-Friend Program. This Recruitment Program, for the Members of the Association, has always been a popular program, but now, GWRRA has added a new twist. Members who recruit just five (5) new memberships (households) into GWRRA will receive a gift certificate worth \$55! Essentially they NEVER HAVE TO PAY DUES AGAIN! The program will begin January 1, 2012 and run through December 31, 2012. It will be open to all Members of GWRRA. This program is just part of GWRRA’s way to help celebrate their 35th anniversary (1977-2012).

To explain the Find-A-Friend Program and the NEVER PAY DUES AGAIN twist, go to the GWRRA website at: www.gwrra.org and read the details of the new program as explained by Manny Moreno, GWRRA Marketing Mgr.



A Little District Humor

King Arthur and the Witch

Young King Arthur was ambushed and imprisoned by **the monarch of a neighboring** kingdom. The monarch could have killed him but was moved by Arthur's youth and ideals. So, the monarch offered him his freedom, as long as he could answer a very difficult question. Arthur would have a year to figure out the answer and, if after a year, he still had no answer, he would be put to death.

The question?... What do women really want? Such a question would perplex even the most knowledgeable man, and to young Arthur, it seemed an impossible query. But, since it was better than death, he accepted the monarch's proposition to have an answer by year's end.

He returned to his kingdom and began to poll everyone: the princess, the priests, the wise men and even the court jester. He spoke with everyone, but no one could give him a satisfactory answer. Many people advised him to consult the old witch, for only she would have the answer.

But the price would be high; as the witch was famous throughout the kingdom for the exorbitant prices she charged.

The last day of the year arrived and Arthur had no choice but to talk to the witch. She agreed to answer the question, but he would have to agree to her price first.

The old witch wanted to marry Sir Lancelot, the most noble of the Knights of the Round Table and Arthur's closest friend!

Young Arthur was horrified. She was hunchbacked and hideous, had only one tooth, smelled like sewage, made obscene noises, etc... He had never encountered such a repugnant creature in all his life.

He refused to force his friend to marry her and endure such a terrible burden; but Lancelot, learning of the proposal, spoke with Arthur.

He said nothing was too big of a sacrifice compared to Arthur's life and the preservation of the Round Table.

Hence, a wedding was proclaimed and the witch answered Arthur's question thus:

“What a woman really wants, she answered....”is to be in charge of her own life.”

Everyone in the kingdom instantly knew that the witch had uttered a great truth and that Arthur's life would be spared.

And so it was, the neighboring monarch granted Arthur his freedom and Lancelot and the witch had a wonderful wedding.

The honeymoon hour approached and Lancelot, steeling himself for a horrific experience, entered the bedroom. But, what a sight awaited him. The most beautiful woman he had ever seen lay before him on the bed. The astounded Lancelot asked what had happened

The beauty replied that since he had been so kind to her when she appeared as a witch, she would henceforth, be her horrible deformed self only half the time and the beautiful maiden the other half.

Which would he prefer? Beautiful during the day...or night?

Lancelot pondered the predicament. During the day, a beautiful woman to show off to his friends, but at night, in the privacy of his castle, an old witch? Or, would he prefer having a hideous witch during the day, but by night, a beautiful woman for him to enjoy wondrous intimate moments?

What would **YOU** do?

What Lancelot chose is below. BUT,.....make YOUR choice before you scroll down below. OKAY?

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Noble Lancelot said that he would allow HER to make the choice herself.

Upon hearing this, she announced that she would be beautiful all the time because he had respected her enough to let her be in charge of her own life.

Now,....what is the moral to this story? ** * Scroll down

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The moral is....

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If you don't let a woman have her own way...

Things are going to get ugly!!!

GRAND PRIZE \$2000.00

Drawing will be held at closing ceremonies on Sat. You **MUST** be present to win and a **FULLY** registered participant. Day passes will be sold for \$15.00 each day. (Day pass holders are **NOT** eligible for special prizes or Grand Prize.)

WELCOME "BACK TO THE BEACH" BILOXI MS
IP CASINO, RESORT, SPA—Host Hotel— 1-888-WIN AT IP
Room Rates for first 100 guest. WED OCT. 10, 2012 \$69.00
THURS OCT. 11, 2012 \$69.00
FRI OCT. 12, 2012 \$149.00
SAT OCT. 13, 2012 \$149.00
Average of 4 nights stay \$109.00

MUST MENTION
GOLDWING RALLY FOR
DISCOUNTS LISTED

Hilton Garden Inn, Gulfport (228)863-4996 \$109.00 per night
Magnolia Bay Hotel & Suites, Gulfport (228)822-9600 \$102.33
Four Points by Sheraton, Biloxi (228)546-3112 \$134.00 per night
VISIT WWW.GULFCOAST.ORG for hotel/camp ground listings

Registration, Vendors, Game Prizes, Indoor Games,
Seminars, Couple of the Year Selection, Ticket
Sales, Bike Show, Best Dressed and Chapter Pride
Costume Competitions, Talent Show, Lighted Bike
Parade, Block Party, Poker Hand, ARC, ERC, Trike
Course, Medic First Aid,

Amazing Team Riding Challenge,
Hospitality Room, Beach Tug-of-War

Schedule subject to change



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GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION



REGION 'A'

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT CONVENTION 2012 "BACK TO THE BEACH"

OCTOBER 11-13, 2012

IP CASINO, RESORT & SPA BILOXI, MS



REGISTRATION FORM

(Please Print Clearly)

Will you be attending Thursday night Social? Circle Y N

Will this be your first MS District Convention? Circle Y N

Rider Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ DOB _____

Email address: _____ Circle M F

Phone: _____ State/Chapter _____ Miles to rally _____

Circle: Rider, 2up, Solo, Wing, Tricke, Sidecar, Other _____

GWRRA # Rider _____ GWRRA # Co-rider _____

Co-rider Name: _____ DOB _____

Circle M F **** Children under 15 FREE with registered adult****

Mail to: Bobby & Lori Bryant
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Pre Registration now till Oct. 1st

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CHECK, CASH, CREDIT CARD,
MONEY ORDER accepted for
Rally Registration

All refunds subject to \$5.00 Service Fee
NO REFUNDS AFTER OCT. 1st

GWRRA Members \$25 (on site \$30) _____ @\$25= _____
 Non Members \$30 (on site \$35) _____ @\$30= _____
 Grand Prize Tickets: \$2 each _____ @\$2 = _____
 50/25/25 Tickets: 6 for \$5, 14 for \$10 _____ X = _____
 Medic First Aid Recertification \$20 _____ @\$20 = _____
 Advanced Riders Course \$20 _____ @\$20 = _____
 Experienced Riders Course \$20 _____ @\$20 = _____
 Trike Course \$35 _____ @\$35 = _____

Convention Shirts (Polo)

S() M() L() XL() Shirts _____ @ \$25= _____
 2XL() 3XL() 4XL() Shirts _____ @ \$35= _____

Convention Shirts (Long Sleeve Tee)

S() M() L() XL() Shirts _____ @ \$18= _____
 2XL() 3XL() 4XL() Shirts _____ @ \$20= _____

Convention Shirts (Tee)

S() M() L() XL() Shirts _____ @ \$16= _____
 2XL() 3XL() 4XL() Shirts _____ @ \$18= _____

Payable to MS GWRRA Grand Total _____

WAIVER: I/ We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, Co-Sponsoring Organizations & any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/We may become involved in by reason of My/Our Participation in this function/Convention. Witness My/Our signature (s) this date on the line (s) below.

Signed Rider: _____ Date: _____

Signed Co-Rider: _____ Date: _____

**CONVENTION
PINS FOR THE
FIRST 500 FULLY
REGISTERED
GUEST**

