

# GWRRA Chapter "E" WA

Friends for fun, safety and knowledge

## Message from our Chapter Directors:

My heartfelt greetings to you my fellow "Eagles" of Chapter E. As of this writing, I'm starting to feel like my old self again. For those of you that didn't know, the last week of March and the beginning of April have not been overly kind to me. Almost immediately after Easter dinner last month, my gallbladder decided that it had given me enough years of service and so it wanted out. By the end of March, surgery at Swedish Hospital on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March had relieved me of this largely unneeded organ. For those of you that did hear of my misfortune, I thank you for your kind thoughts and words of encouragement. With Sheila's help, I am healing nicely and should be back on track very shortly.

When things like this happen to us, and they usually occur at the most inconvenient times, most of us resignedly make our way through it and recover. For me, I try and find a lesson in it somewhere; even if the lesson is as simple as not taking anything for granted, most especially your health. I have always tried to keep myself fit and healthy...mindful of diet and exercise. Despite this, however, I still got sick and, to be sure, sometimes our family traits, genetics, etc., just bring about certain things...completely outside of our control. For the things that are in our control, things like watching what you eat, keeping your heart and lung capacity operating as good as you know how, keeping your riding skills sharp and watching your neighbor carefully on the roadways, are vitally important. So, from this personal event, my message to you is this, take nothing for granted and overlook nothing, particularly yourself. That exercise program you've been mulling over, the diet that still eludes you...whatever it is, if it concerns you, do it or start it now. Our joy and camaraderie that we share as Gold Wingers only goes so far as we are able to enjoy it. Your health surely is as important as the oil or service record of your bike.

Speaking of bikes, we have been patient and we are due. It seems like the cold wet weather just won't let us go from its cold, damp dreary grip. However, I have it on good authority, i.e., the ground hog I told you about earlier, that riding weather is pretty much here. To prove the point, Chapter E launched its first and successful Parking Lot Practice (PLP) session on April 5, 2008. We had 10 bikes show up and it was great. Ron Peck did a great job for us and I believe we have officially institutionalized a last-ing Chapter program. If you didn't make this one, make the next one...it will be well worth your time.

Thank you for being a part of Chapter E and so now get ready, get set...the 2008 riding season is here at last.

*"Ride Often — Ride Safe"*

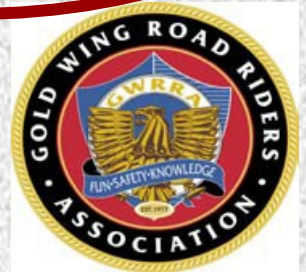
*Dave and Sheila*



Gold Wing Road Riders Association:  
Big Sky, Region I & WA District



April 2008



Our next meeting is:

Saturday, April 19, 2008

Denny's

at

Canyon Park

22833 Bothell Everett Highway

Breakfast

Meeting Hours:

Breakfast at 8:00

Meeting at 8:30





# GWRRA / NEWS PAGE



## New Membership Enhancement Division (M.E.D.) Directors

We are Ed and Linda Johnson, and we are excited to accept the position of Membership Enhancement Division Directors and work with the National Staff and all Members of GWRRA. We reside in Bristol, Virginia, home of the Bristol Motor Speedway. Bristol is located on the border between Virginia and Tennessee. We also have a farm in North Carolina that we use as our quiet Get-Away!

We were married in August, 2000, during the Kentucky District Rally on the banks of the Ohio River. Ed has been a member of GWRRA since 1985 and served as Chapter Director, Assistant District Director and District Director of Virginia in 1992-1993. Since we became a team, we have served as Chapter Directors, Newsletter Editors, Special Project Coordinator and Treasurer of our home Chapter, VAH. Prior to accepting this position, we served as National Membership Enhancement Coordinators and as Region N Membership Enhancement Coordinators. We are Life Members of GWRRA, and both are Level 4 in Rider Education, Certified LTD Seminar Presenters and Certified Bike Show Judges. We currently ride a 2000 Gold Wing SE (Red/Red) and have toured 46 states and one Atlantic Province (New Brunswick).

Ed retired from the Virginia State Police in 2003 as a First Sergeant with 34 years of service. Linda retired from the Washington County School System in 2005 after 27 years in the Business and Finance Department. We have three children, seven grandchildren, and that does not include the granddogs and grandcats! Other than GWRRA, we are active in our church, and our hobbies are collecting Hull Pottery and repairing all types of clocks (especially Grandfather Clocks).

Ed and I are excited to be serving the Members in the position of Membership Enhancement Division Directors. We have made many friends in GWRRA over the years and look forward to making many more. GWRRA is a great organization, and we hope the work we do for the Members will make it even greater.

If we can be of service to enhance your membership or your GWRRA experience, please feel free to contact us either by phone or email. Our mailing address is: 20141 Inverness Way, Bristol, VA 24202.

Ed and Linda Johnson, Gold Wing Road Riders Association: Membership Enhancement Division Directors

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**Q.** *I have new Members that joined in December, will they be listed in the Gold Book?*

**A.** No. The Gold Book proofing is finalized and sent to the printers November 2. We send out many notices to make sure Members update their records so the correct information is listed in the Gold Book. Unfortunately we have to have a deadline to keep the process moving. Also Members without a phone number or a code marked in their records will not be listed. The Gold Book is a Service Directory, not a Membership listing.

**Note:** *this may be the reason some of you have had difficulty in being listed in the Gold Book; Ed & Linda may be*

**April 1, 2008**

**Q.** *When an expired Member of GWRRA wants to rejoin, will they automatically be given their old membership number?*

**A.** They will be given their previous membership number as long as we can locate them within our system. Sometimes when an expired Member renews, they have changed their name and/or address, which makes them difficult to locate. For example, Robert Smith was a Member in 1999 and wants to rejoin. He forgot that he originally filled out the application using his formal name. Since he normally goes by his middle name, Jim, he now fills out his application as Jim Smith. We would search for Jim Smith, not realizing Robert Smith and Jim Smith are the same person. If he moved since he was a Member, we would not be able to match him by name or address. However, if he could provide us with his old membership number, we will be able to reissue it to him

## GWRRA / NEWS CONTINUED

**Q:** *Rescue vs. Rescue Plus, what is the difference?*

**A:** **Rescue** is a free benefit provided with your membership in GWRRA. It covers your motorcycle or any motorcycle you are driving or riding on, with 35 miles of coverage. **Rescue Plus** is an upgraded benefit for \$25 per year available to GWRRA Members. It covers any motor vehicle you are driving or riding in with coverage of up to 50 miles. One of the benefits of Rescue Plus is you can be towed to a destination of your choice, not just a dealer.

**Q:** *What do my Chapter Charter fees cover?*

**A:** Charter fees cover the charter patches for all charter Members, listing your Chapter in Wing World and most of all it covers the two-million dollar liability insurance policy that covers Officers and volunteers when performing a GWRRA sanctioned event.

### ***Repeat Printing***

### **NEW PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS IN EFFECT**



Travelers in and out of the U.S should take note that on January 23, 2007, the first phase of the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI) went into effect. This phase of the U.S. initiative requires that all travelers entering the United States by air from within the western hemisphere must carry a valid passport. Travelers may also use their NEXUS Air membership as a valid document when flying to the U.S. from Vancouver International Airport.

This phase of the WHTI does not affect travel into the U.S. by land or sea. Birth certificates and drivers' licenses can still be used at the borders.

The second phase of the WHTI will go into effect on **June 1, 2009**. This phase will include travel to the U.S. by all modes, including air, land, and sea. If certain criteria are met by the U.S. Secretaries of State and Homeland Security, this second phase could go into effect sooner.

For more information, log on to [www.dhs.gov](http://www.dhs.gov) or [www.cbsa.gc.ca](http://www.cbsa.gc.ca).



# GWRRA WASHINGTON DISTRICT RALLY



## IT'S A FAMILY REUNION

Come greet old friends and make new ones

July 17-20, 2008

Northwest Washington Fair & Events Center, 1775 Front Street, Lynden, WA



Rider \_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Rider \_\_\_\_\_  
GWRRA ID# Rider \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Rider ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### REGISTRATION FEES: (Complete one)

Postmarked on/or before May 31, 2008

Life Member \$20.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

GWRRA Member \$25.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NON- Members \$30.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total:** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Postmarked AFTER June 1, 2008

Life Member \$25.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

GWRRA Member \$30.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NON- Members \$35.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total:** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### CAMPING (per unit)

**All camping** \$15.00 per night (tent, trailer, RV)

\$15.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ Nights = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Check** I/We agree to conform and comply with all rules and

### PRE-REG 50/50 TICKETS

\$1.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Need not be present to win)

### GRAND PRIZE TICKETS

\$1.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**(Must be present to win)**

### SATURDAY:

**Breakfast:** All you can eat pancake breakfast

\$6.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

COY/IOY/Master Tour Rider Recognition

### SATURDAY:

**Dinner:** Family Reunion BBQ

This is a potluck with District providing the main course. Bring your favorite potluck dish.

**Number attending** \_\_\_\_\_

### Make Check Payable To/Mail To:

**GWRRA WA DISTRICT,**

**67 Middle Satsop Road, Montesano, WA 98563**

I/We agree to conform and comply with all rules and regulations governing this event and/or its location and properties. We also agree to hold harmless GWRRA, its affiliates, vendors, and/or the properties involved within the scope of this event, of any accident or injury to me/us by reason of my/our involvement in this event.

### **Signature:**

Rider \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Mike & Peggy Hudnell**

**Washington District Directors**

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# Eagle Story *(Contributed by Sandy McMahon)*



## ***Freedom and Jeff***

Freedom and I have been together 10 years this summer. She came in as a baby in 1998 with two broken wings. Her left wing doesn't open all the way even after surgery, it was broken in 4 places. She's my baby.

When Freedom came in she could not stand. Both wings were broken, her left wing in 4 places. She was emaciated and covered in lice. We made the decision to give her a chance at life, so I took her to the vets office. From then on, I was always around her. We had her in a huge dog carrier with the top off, and it was loaded up with shredded newspaper for her to lay in. I used to sit and talk to her, urging her to live, to fight; and she would lay there looking at me with those big brown eyes. We also had to tube feed her for weeks.

This went on for 4-6 weeks, and by then she still couldn't stand. It got to the point where the decision was made to euthanize her if she couldn't stand in a week. You know you don't want to cross that line between torture and rehab, and it looked like death was winning. She was going to be put down that Friday, and I was supposed to come in on that Thursday afternoon. I didn't want to go to the center that Thursday, because I couldn't bear the thought of her being euthanized; but I went anyway, and when I walked in everyone was grinning from ear to ear. I went immediately back to her dowl cage; and there she was, standing on her own, a big beautiful eagle. She was ready to live. I was just about in tears by then. That was a very good day.

We knew she could never fly, so the director asked me to glove train her. I got her used to the glove, and then to jesses, and we started doing education programs for schools in western Washington. We wound up in the newspapers, radio (believe it or not) and some TV. Miracle Pets even did a show about us.

In the spring of 2000, I was diagnosed with non-hodgkins lymphoma. I had stage 3, which is not good (one major organ plus everywhere), so I wound up doing 8 months of chemo. Lost the hair - the whole bit. I missed a lot of work. When I felt good enough, I would go to Sarvey and take Freedom out for walks. Freedom would also come to me in my dreams and help me fight the cancer. This happened time and time again.

Fast forward to November 2000, the day after Thanksgiving, I went in for my last checkup. I was told that if the cancer was not all gone after 8 rounds of chemo, then my last option was a stem cell transplant. Anyway, they did the tests; and I had to come back Monday for the results. I went in Monday, and I was told that all the cancer was gone.

So the first thing I did was get up to Sarvey and take the big girl out for a walk. It was misty and cold. I went to her flight and jessed her up, and we went out front to the top of the hill. I hadn't said a word to Freedom, but somehow she knew. She looked at me and wrapped both her wings around me to where I could feel them pressing in on my back (I was engulfed in eagle wings), and she touched my nose with her beak and stared into my eyes, and we just stood there like that for I don't know how long. That was a magic moment. We have been soul mates ever since she came in. This is a very special bird.

On a side note: I have had people who were sick come up to us when we are out, and Freedom has some kind of hold on them. I once had a guy who was terminal come up to us and I let him hold her. His knees just about buckled and he swore he could feel her power coarse through his body. I have so many stories like that.

I never forget the honor I have of being so close to such a magnificent spirit as Freedoms.

Hope you enjoy this.



## ***Jeff***

Jeff Guidry and Freedom are at Sarvey Wildlife Center: <http://www.sarveywildlife.org/>

**E-Mail Jeff:** [jeff@sarveywildlife.org](mailto:jeff@sarveywildlife.org) or [eaglewalker@comcast.net](mailto:eaglewalker@comcast.net)



# Rider Education

## **Be Seen, Be Safe . . . it is up to you.**

How many times have you thought to yourself, "That person in the car did not see me and nearly hit me!" You may have even directed some choice words toward the "offending" person. While I am all for righteous indignation, you may want ask yourself a question, "Did I do enough to make myself seen by the motorist?" I have this idea that we as motorcyclists have our own responsibility to be seen. After all, the laws of physics say that motorcyclists usually come out on the losing side when we tangle with cars and trucks.

What I hope this article will provide are some techniques that may help you be seen ***and*** recognized by others sharing the road and to encourage you, as a rider, to be ***responsible for being seen rather than expecting motorists to see you.***

There are many thoughts and theories about why motorists do not see motorcyclists. Some I have seen are:

Motorcycles are not as big as the vehicles around us, so they do not register in the motorists mind;  
Motorcycles move differently so motorist do not see us because they are not used to the way we travel;  
Sometimes motorcyclists ride in motorists' blind spots.

In the next few paragraphs, I will offer you some tips and techniques to help you become more visible to others on the road.

## **Wear Bright Colors**

While it is cool to be dressed all in dark colors when you ride, you are reducing the chances that motorists will see you. Wearing dark colors can make you disappear into the shadows, trees and other non-threatening bits of landscape out in the background of motorists' vision. In addition, even multicolored clothes can break up your contour and may act as camouflage to motorists, which makes it harder for them to see you.

So what should you wear? The best are bright yellows and whites; you may even want to consider neon greens and yellows. Karla Edwards uses them to great effect. Wearing bright colored helmets are another way to be seen; white is best. I know they do not reflect the biker image, but why follow the herd? Be a rugged individualist.



## **Make your Bike Brighter**

The easiest way to do that is to turn your high beams on during the day. They make you much more visible to those in your threat zone (the 10 o'clock to the 2 o'clock positions). There are some theories that suggest the motorist sees you as a larger vehicle and will give you more room.

# **Rider Education**

## **Continued**



**Be Seen, Be Safe . . . it is up to you.**



### **What about Night Visibility?**

So far, I have discussed coping tactics for day riding, but few of these are helpful at night. In this section, I will suggest some ideas that may help at night. Use your driving lights and if you do not have them, consider installing PIAA type lights. You also may want to consider putting running lights and a pulsating brake light on the rear of your bike. They can be attention getters. If you want proof of that, ride behind Bob Spencer for a while and see for yourself. For the least expensive, yet highly effective way to be seen at night is to invest in reflective stick-on reflector panels for your bike and riding gear.



### **Riding Techniques:**

This may sound simple, but avoid riding in motorists' blind spots. It is an easy thing to do. If you cannot see the driver in his mirrors, he cannot see you. Another straightforward way to become more visible is to position yourself in the lane where you are likely to be in the view of as many motorists as possible. Since there is no "right" answer about where to ride in a lane, we will discuss that during our next chapter meeting. Lastly, avoid jackrabbit starts and stops giving motorists time to recognize you as a motorcycle.

As I review this article, there are no big "aha" ideas. It simply comes down to you as the rider making good decisions about how you want to "look" to motorists. Be assertive about your right to the road and think about ways to make yourself more visible to others; it is as simple as that. If you think about these tips each time you ride, you will have a safer and more enjoyable experience.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Art Friedman and Cruiser Magazine, where I got much of the information for this article.

**Ride safe and ride well.**

**Bob Reagle, Chapter E Educator**



# Rider Education



## Chapter E Library

- ◆ Book: Street Strategies by David L. Hough
- ◆ VHS: Co-Rider from GWRRA (2002)
- ◆ VHS: Part 1: Helmet Effectiveness (Hurt Report)
- ◆ VHS: GWRRA & Safeco present Touring & Braking / Trailering (1996) Foundation)
- ◆ VHS: Basic Maintenance of the 1500 Goldwing with Andy MacDonald October 2001
- ◆ VHS: Advanced Maintenance for the 1500 Goldwing with Andrew MacDonald
- ◆ Report: Impaired Motorcycle Riding: What Motorcyclists Think About Alcohol and Motorcycling, February 2001
- ◆ Book: Proficient Motorcycling by David L. Hough
- ◆ VHS: Gary Sanford's Slow Speed Cycling Seminar
- ◆ Part 2: Co-Rider from GWRRA (Pre-2002)
- ◆ VHS: Buying Motorcycle Helmets (Snell Memorial Foundation)
- ◆ Report: Fatal Single Vehicle Motorcycle Crashes, February 2001
- ◆ Report: Drowsy Driving and Automobile Crashes



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### **Note from the Editor, *Sheila Chavez***

As you see in this newsletter we have a few more articles that I would like to continue. If you as Chapter E members want to add articles or to the news letter please me an send email. This is for all us to communicate and share with each other. If we have missed any announcements please let me know.

## **NOTEWORTHY ARTICLES**

### **Riding Drag Is Anything But For your most skilled/most experienced/best equipped**

**By: James R. Davis**

While a tour group is highly dependant upon the skills and judgment of the lead bike's rider, in many ways they are more dependant on the drag bike for successfully arriving at their destination.

Let's first discuss the drag bike's obvious role during group lane changing maneuvers. Almost always, a lane change is initiated by the lead bike, but there are times when the drag bike should do so. For example, if the group is traveling on a freeway and the drag bike observes that an 18-wheeler is harassing the group (tailgating or honking its horn), the proper response of the drag bike is to increase the distance between himself and the next bike in front of him and to radio ahead to the lead bike recommending an immediate lane change to the right, and why.

If the lead bike requests a lane change, the drag bike must first determine that it is safe to do so. If it is not, he must tell the lead why he is unwilling or cannot do so at this time. That is, the drag bike determines if and when a lane change that is requested by the lead bike is to happen. (Note that if the group moves into a slower moving lane from front to back, much like a normal car passing maneuver, the lead bike does not request a lane change at all - he announces it - and the drag bike's responsibility is to announce when the maneuver is completed.)

[Important! The proper response from the drag bike to a request to obtain a new lane for the group should ALWAYS be: "Stand By". To say something like "OK" can be confused by some to mean the lane has been obtained and it is time to move over. It is NOT safe to change lanes until the drag bike subsequently says "The lane has been secured - following the red car", or something to that effect. If the drag bike denies the request for a lane change he has already told the lead bike (and all listeners) to 'stand by' and so merely then updates that advisory with why the request is denied.]

Assuming it is safe to change lanes, the drag bike moves into the requested lane and signals the lead bike that it has been obtained. He must also advise as to the traffic situation as it relates to the lane change.

Additional responsibilities of the drag bike: checking that all bikes have raised their side stands when the group begins its ride; assisting any member that is forced to leave the group for mechanical, medical, or personal reasons (lost confidence, for example); observing the riding performance of all of the other bikes to determine if there might be a particular rider who is mismatched in terms of riding skills compared to the group; watching for any unsafe driving habits of individual riders or the group at large; 'closing the door' in situations where a lane is about to be lost; and to watch and report any lighting, tire or luggage problems with any of the bikes in the group.

Being at the back of the group, the drag bike is in the ideal position to perform these responsibilities and having these responsibilities requires that the drag bike is best prepared to honor them. The drag bike should have a comprehensive first aid kit, fire extinguisher, the ability to turn on blinking warning lights, and reliable communications capability. The drag bike rider should be currently trained in first aid and CPR as well as having attended an MSF Experienced Rider Course (ERC).

If a member has failed to raise his kickstand, a quick radio broadcast by the drag bike gets that problem fixed before the group moves at all.

When the group makes a stop, the drag bike sees all the stop lights and will report any that are failing. He does

the same if he sees failing turn indicators (or those that are left on). Luggage that has slipped, trunk or bags that are left open or have their latches spring open, will be observed and reported by an alert drag bike. (These are things that each member of the group should watch for in behalf of all the bikes ahead of them.)

If a bike must leave the group for any reason, it's the drag bike that must determine if assistance is required and to provide it, if necessary. If a member of the group must stop at the side of the road, the drag bike will stop with him, radioing the situation to the lead bike (so that a new drag bike can be designated and the group can find a safe place to leave the road.) If a major problem exists the drag bike radios ahead and asks the lead bike to furnish whatever additional assistance is required. For example, BEFORE starting CPR, a quick medical alert must be broadcast so that the lead bike can arrange for trained assistance. By the way, all else being equal, this is why one should choose a drag bike that has a co-rider - to allow constant radio support while first aid attention is being rendered.

During the ride the drag may well see that one of the group's members slows down dramatically when entering curves. This is a sure sign that that rider is being pushed beyond his individual riding skills. The drag bike should take it upon himself to do two things in this case:

- He should request the lead bike to slow down

He should be sure that the individual having the control (or confidence) problems is moved towards the back of the group, preferably to the last position in the group that rides in the 'slot' (right half of the lane). This change of group position is often best done when the group makes its next stop, but sometimes it must be done immediately.

If the drag bike observes that a rider does not appear to have control of his bike adequate to continue the ride as a member of the group, then he MUST so advise the lead bike and request that the group make an immediate stop to resolve the problem. In almost all cases the resolution will involve INSISTING that the impaired bike leave the group and be escorted to a safe destination. It is typical that the drag bike will act as the escort.

In severe cases, typically those involving drugs, alcohol, or medical problems, the impaired driver must not be allowed to drive their bikes at all, if they can be stopped, and one of the co-riders might be asked to drive it to a safe place for overnight storage, for example. In this case the impaired driver should NOT be allowed to assume co-rider status!! Some other form of transportation needs to be arranged.

If either the lead or the drag bike insists that an individual not be allowed to ride with the group, the group MUST NOT allow that individual to continue to ride with them. If the individual in question refuses to leave, then the group should simply stop and not proceed while he continues to remain.

The lead and drag bikes are a team designated by the group to conduct them safely to their destination. These are not symbolic positions. They require maturity, experience, training, cooperation, good communications, and good judgment. And, occasionally, your thanks.



## FACTOIDS & FUNNIES



"A Compendium of Facts & Information That Will Astound and Amaze You"  
(or at least some miscellaneous stuff that might fun to know or get you to laugh)

☺ An old fellow came into the hospital truly on death's door due to an infected gallbladder. The surgeon who removed the gallbladder was adamant that his patients be up and walking in the hall the day after surgery, to help prevent blood clots forming in the leg veins. The nurses walked the patient in the hall as ordered, and after the third day the nurse told how he complained bitterly each time they did. The surgeon told them to keep walking him. After a week, the patient was ready to go. His family came to pick him up and thanked the surgeon profusely for what he had done for their father. The surgeon was pleased and appreciated the thanks, but told them that it was really a simple operation and we had been lucky to get him in time. "But doctor, you don't understand," they said, "Dad hasn't walked in over a year!"

☺ Doctor, Doctor, You've got to help me - I just can't stop my hands shaking!"

"Do you drink a lot?"

"Not really - I spill most of it!"

☺ A SHORT HISTORY OF MEDICINE: "Doctor, I have an ear ache."

2000 B.C. - "Here, eat this root."

1000 B.C. - "That root is heathen, say this prayer."

1850 A.D. - "That prayer is superstition, drink this potion."

1940 A.D. - "That potion is snake oil, swallow this pill."

1985 A.D. - "That pill is ineffective, take this antibiotic."

2000 A.D. - "That antibiotic is artificial. Here, eat this root!"

☺ A young woman went to her doctor complaining of pain.

"Where are you hurting?" asked the doctor.

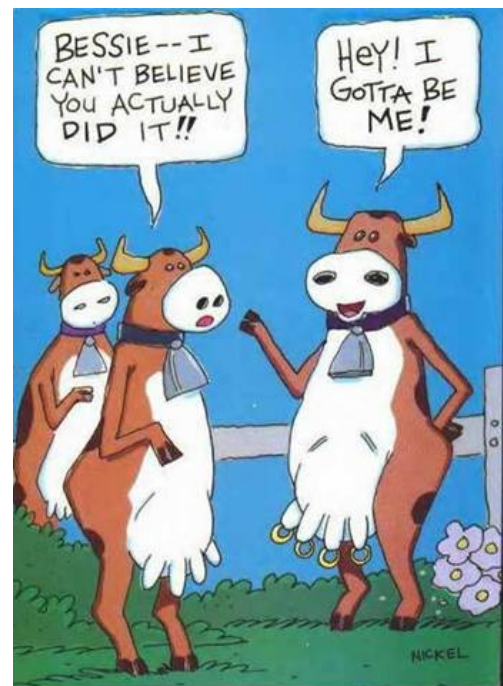
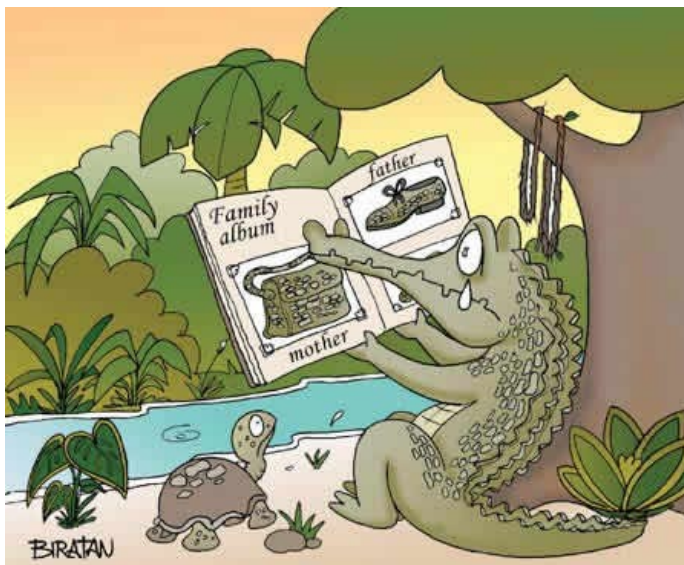
"You have to help me, I hurt all over", said the woman.

"What do you mean, all over?" asked the doctor, "be a little more specific."

The woman touched her right knee with her index finger and yelled, "Ow, that hurts." Then she touched her left cheek and again yelled, "Ouch! That hurts, too." Then she touched her right earlobe, "Ow, even THAT hurts", she cried.

The doctor checked her thoughtfully for a moment and told her his diagnosis, "You have a broken finger."

☺ Patient to the eye doctor: "Whenever I drink coffee, I have this sharp, excruciating pain." "Try to remember to remove the spoon from the cup before drinking."





# Chapter E Ride/Activities Calendar

## April

- 4 Chapter Q- Auction- Puyallup
- 5 Chapter E- PLP Parking Lot Practice
- 12 Chapter C- Spring Fun Run
- 19 Chapter E- Meeting/Road Captains Course
- 24 Dinner Social- Olive Garden Kirkland

## May

- 8 Chapter E- Ice Cream Social
- 10 Chapter F- One Crazy Tour Ride
- 15 Chapter E- Ice Cream Social
- 17 Chapter E- Meeting /Keyport Museum Ride
- 22 Chapter E- Ice Cream Social

## May

- 29 Chapter E- Ice Cream Social
- 31 Chapter E- Mt. St. Helens Ride

## IMPROMPTU RIDE IDEAS

- ♦ Light House Tour
- ♦ Wacky Tour
- ♦ Three Mt. Pass Loop
- ♦ "Apple" Tour by WA-V
- ♦ Hood Canal Loop
- ♦ Mount Baker
- ♦ Lake Chelan Loop



## GWRRA Washington District Chapter Gathering Sites

Day	Time	Chapter	Location
4th Saturday	9:00AM	A-Seattle	RMC- Full Throttle Café, 3701 E. Valley RD, Renton WA
1st Sunday	9:00 AM	B-Bremerton	Bremerton Eagles, 205 6th St., Bremerton, WA
2nd Saturday	8:00 AM	C-Everett	Petosa's Restaurant, 2121 Broadway, Everett, WA
2nd Sunday	8:30 AM	D-Aberdeen	1605 Simpson Ave, Aberdeen, WA
4th Sunday	8:30 AM	F-Tacoma	Eagles#3563, 22316 Mountain Hwy E, Spanaway, WA
3rd Saturday	8:30 AM	G-Gig Harbor	Cottesmore Café, 2909 14th Ave NW, Gig Harbor, WA
2nd Tuesday	6:30 PM	H-Lynden	Fairway Restaurant, 1726 Front St, Lynden, WA
3rd Sunday	8:30 AM	I-Olympia	JJ's North's Grand Buffet, 2915 Harrison Ave NW Ste 255, Olympia, WA
3rd Saturday	8:30 AM	K-White Salmon	The Charburger, 4100 W Cliff Dr, Hood River, WA
2nd Saturday	8:00 AM	L-Kennewick	Cousin's Restaurant, 4605 N 68, Pasco, WA
1st Saturday	8:00 AM	M-Yakima	The Branding Iron Restaurant, 61311 Hwy 97, Toppenish, WA
3rd Sunday	8:30 AM	N-Spokane	Golden Corral Restaurant, 7117 N Division, Spokane, WA
4th Saturday	8:00 AM	O-Port Orchard	Airport Diner, 8803 State Hwy 3 SW, Bremerton National Airport
3rd Saturday	8:00 AM	P-Longview	Monticello Hotel, 1405 17th Ave, Longview, WA
1st Friday	7:00 PM	Q-Puyallup	Hangar Inn, 16919 A Meridian E, Puyallup, WA
1st Saturday	8:00 AM	R-Walla Walla	Fountain Restaurant, 190 S Main St, Milton Freewater, OR
3rd Thursday	6:30 PM	S-Ephrata	Golden Corral Restaurant, 930 N Stratford Rd, Moses Lake, WA
1st Saturday	8:30 AM	V-Auburn	Old Country Buffet, 1816 S. 320th St. Federal Way, WA.
1st Saturday	8:30 AM	X-Vancouver	Billygan's Roadhouse, 13200 NE Hwy 99, Vancouver, WA
2nd Friday	6:30 PM	Y-Enumclaw	Krain Corner Restaurant, 28818 264th SE, Enumclaw, WA
2nd Saturday	5:30 PM	Z-Centralia	Denny's Restaurant, I-5 Exit 82, Harrison Ave, Centralia, WA

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<http://www.goldwing-world.com/GL1800.htm>

<http://www.gl1800riders.com/>

<http://www.tulsaenterprises.com/1800.html>

<http://www.ridelikeapro.com/>



<http://www.hondadirectlineusa.com/stores/index.asp?str=4>

[http://www.motorbiketoday.com/reviews/Articles/hon\\_goldwing\\_04.htm](http://www.motorbiketoday.com/reviews/Articles/hon_goldwing_04.htm)

## What's on the Calendar for April

- ♦ **April 5, 2008: Parking Lot Practice, more information to follow.**
- ♦ **April 6, 2008 Pre-Riding Season BBQ at Crazy Larry's** (See attached letter to CD's from Mary Ann Bailey from WA-F concerning a very worthwhile project involving someone that many of you may know.) If you would like to donate to this "good Samaritan" cause, please contact Mary Ann.
- ♦ **April 12, 2008: Chapter C– Spring Fun Run**
- ♦ **April 19, 2008: Chapter E Breakfast and Meeting. Canyon Park Denny's, Bothell, WA.** Breakfast gathering at 0800; meeting at 0830. After meeting activity will be a Road Captain Course and motorcycle safety check at Everett Powersports in Everett. If you have not taken a Road Captain's Course or if you need a refresher, plan on attending.
- ♦ **April 24, 2008: Chapter E Dinner Social– Olive Garden (Kirkland)**
- ♦ **State Rally in July.** More information will certainly follow, but I wanted to give you some information on room accommodations: Here is the Hotel information for the District Rally in Lynden. Thursday 7/17 – Saturday 7/20. Homestead Farms Resort. 115 E Homestead Blvd. Lynden, WA 98264. Our rooms are blocked out in the "Farm House Hotel". We have the following rooms blocked out. (7), Kings - \$103.20 to \$119.20; (14), Double queens - \$103.20 to 119.20; (8), Deluxe queens - \$119.20 to \$135.20. There are also 6 one bedroom condo's available several block from the hotel at \$159.20. All prices are for one or two people. Reservations: 360-354-1196 – Select option 6 - You need to mention Group Code: GWRRA08.

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# C O- R i d e r ' s & L a d y R i d e r ' s C o r n e r

**Test For Old Kids.** See answers on next page, page 18, but don't cheat!

1. After the Lone Ranger saved the day and rode off into the sunset, the grateful citizens would ask, Who was that masked man? Invariably, someone would answer, I don't know, but he left this behind. What did he leave behind?
2. When the Beatles first came to the U.S. in early 1964, we all watched them on The \_\_\_\_\_ Show.
3. In the lyrics to .Good Vibrations. by the Beach Boys, what is their girlfriend giving them?  
A. Palpitations B. Cool Sensations C. Excitations
4. Get your kicks, \_\_\_\_\_..
5. The story you are about to see is true. The names have been changed \_\_\_\_\_..
6. In the group known as .The Village People., which one of the following was not one of their characters?  
A. Biker B. Fire Fighter C. Cowboy
7. .In the jungle, the mighty jungle, \_\_\_\_\_..
8. .N\_E\_S\_T\_L\_E\_S, Nestle.s makes the very best..\_\_\_\_\_..
9. What takes a licking and keeps on ticking?
10. Jan & Dean sing .The Little Ol. Lady From Pasadena. who is the terror of what street?  
A. Santa Monica Boulevard B. Colorado Boulevard C. Cabrillo Boulevard
11. Red Skelton.s hobo character was named \_\_\_\_\_ and Red always ended his television show by saying, .Good Night, and \_\_\_\_\_..
12. Some Americans who protested the Vietnam War did so by burning their \_\_\_\_\_.
13. In the song by the Everly Brothers, .Wake Up Little Susie., what time is it when they ask their date to wake up? A. Midnight B. 1:00 am C. 4:00 am
14. The cute little car with the engine in the back and the trunk in the front was called the VW. What other names did it go by? \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
15. The song, .Born To Be Wild. was a 1968 hit for Steppenwolf. In the lyrics, how do they take the world? A. At full speed B. In a love embrace C. They have a take it or leave it attitude.
16. In 1971, singer Don MacLean sang a song about, .the day the music died.. This was a tribute to \_\_\_\_\_.
17. In .Leave It To Beaver. Lumpy Rutherford.s real name is? \_\_\_\_\_
18. One of the big fads of the late 50.s and 60.s was a large plastic ring that we twirled around our waist. It was called the \_\_\_\_\_.
19. On .The Andy Griffith Show. who is the founder of, and trombonist for the Mayberry town band?  
A. Howard Sprague B. Floyd Lawson C. Otis Campbell
20. Which of the following acts was the first to perform at Woodstock in 1969?

## Co-Rider's and Lady Rider's Corner, continued

Answers to Test for Old Kids (Page 17)

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. The Lone Ranger left behind a silver bullet.                  | 12. Draft cards (bras were also burned) |
| 2. The Ed Sullivan Show  | 13. 4:00                                |
| 3. Excitations   | 14. Beetle or Bug                       |
| 4. On Route 66   | 15. In a love embrace                   |
| 5. To protect the innocent                                       | 16. Buddy Holly                         |
| 6. Fire Fighter  | 17. Clarence                            |
| 7. The Lion Sleeps Tonight                                       | 18. Hoola-hoop                          |
| 8. Chocolate   | 19. Floyd Lawson                        |
| 9. The Timex watch   | 20. Richie Havens                       |
| 10. Colorado Boulevard   |   |
| 11. Freddy, The Freeloader, and .Good Night, and may God Bless.. |   |

## Care's & Concern's Corner

By Patty Spencer



♥ Sue Howe is recovering nicely and getting stronger everyday.





♥ Dave Chavez is recovering from his gallbladder surgery and is on the road to mending.



# Gold Wing Road Riders Association

April 2008

## Washington Chapter E– Calendar of Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1  Happy Birthday <u>Rick DeWitt</u>	2  Happy Birthday <u>Mark Caldwell</u>  Happy	3	4	5  <b>Chapter E- PLP Parking Lot Practice</b>
6	7	8	9	10  Happy Birthday <u>Sandy McMahon</u>	11	12
13 Happy Birthday <u>Rick Gustin</u> 	14 Happy Anniversary <u>Rick &amp; Sue Gustin</u> 	15	16	17	18	19 <b>Chapter E Meeting/ Road Cap- tains Course</b>  Happy Birthday <u>Bob Watson</u>
20	21 Happy Birthday <u>Christy Pelican</u> 	22 Happy Birthday <u>Ernie Sigvarto</u> 	23 Happy Birthday <u>Russell Greaby</u> 	24 <b>Chapter E– Dinner Social- Olive Garden (Kirkland)</b>	25	26
27	28	29 Happy Birthday <u>Dave Chavez</u> 	30  Happy Anniversary <u>Dick &amp; Ginny Styrker</u>			



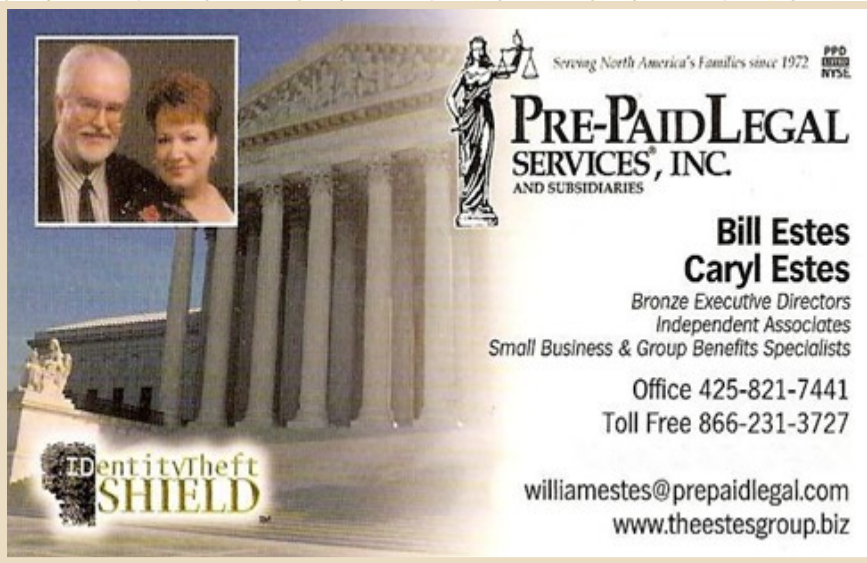
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4 Happy Birthday <u>Bill Estes</u>	5	6	7	8 Ice Cream Social	9 Happy Birthday <u>Mike Carlson</u>	10 Happy Birthday <u>Penny Rosenow</u> Chapter F-One Crazy Ride
11	12	13	14 Happy Anniversary <u>Jim &amp; Jean Kuper</u>	15 Ice Cream Social Happy Anniversary <u>Karen &amp; Neal Agachinsky</u>	16	17 Happy Birthday <u>Karen Agachinsky</u>
18	19	20	21	22 Ice Cream Social	23	24 Happy Birthday <u>Mark Slavin</u>
25	26	27	28	29 Ice Cream Social Happy Anniversary <u>Sue &amp; Ernie Sigvarto</u>	30	31 Happy Birthday <u>Carolyn Wartchow</u>





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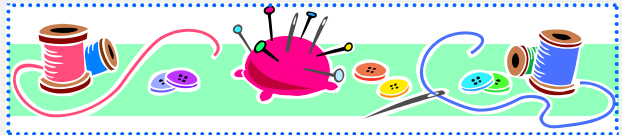
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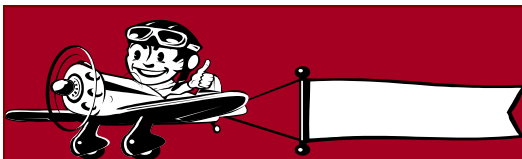
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