

# Georgia Chapter "S"

Winder, GA

*The Motorcickle Capital of the World*

GWRRA REGION A

OCTOBER 2017



## GoldWing Road Riders Association



GWRRA



Region A



Georgia District



Chapter S

Chapter Gathering: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month, 7:00 PM, Golden Corral, Winder, Georgia  
Next Chapter Gathering: Tuesday November 7 2017

### CD's Corner

Fall is my favorite time of the year. Back in Pennsylvania, the evenings would be cooler, sometimes waking up to a frost on the ground, but temperatures warming so nicely each afternoon in the autumn sun. The mountains around us would change into beautiful colors of red, yellow and orange seemingly overnight. Orange fields of pumpkins, lively sounds of high school bands practicing in the distance, and the smell of crisp, fallen leaves fills my mind with wonderful memories. These are the sights and sounds that one can appreciate more fully on the back of a motorcycle.

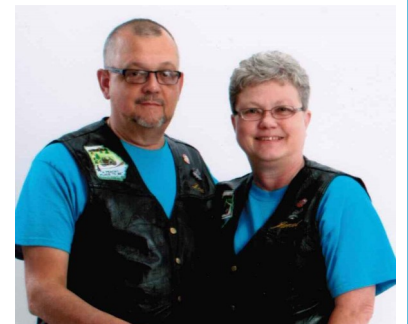
Where is your favorite place to ride in the fall afternoons? I guess that is one of the reasons I am getting excited about our fall ride in the mountains in October. I am looking forward to sitting on the rocking chairs looking at the foliage and enjoying the cooler evenings that only the mountains can provide. It still amazes Joe and me how much Georgia reminds us of Pennsylvania...oh, I don't mean the crazy traffic or congested cities. I mean, the wonderful rural areas with fields, orchards, and of course the mountains. They say you can never go home again, but, we have found a new home here in Georgia and really love to ride through its wondrous back roads.

Come and join the chapter as we ride this fall. I bet Glenn can find us a good place to have lunch!



**Glenn Wisdom**  
2017 Chapter S  
Individual of  
the Year

Ride safe!  
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Georgia District COY



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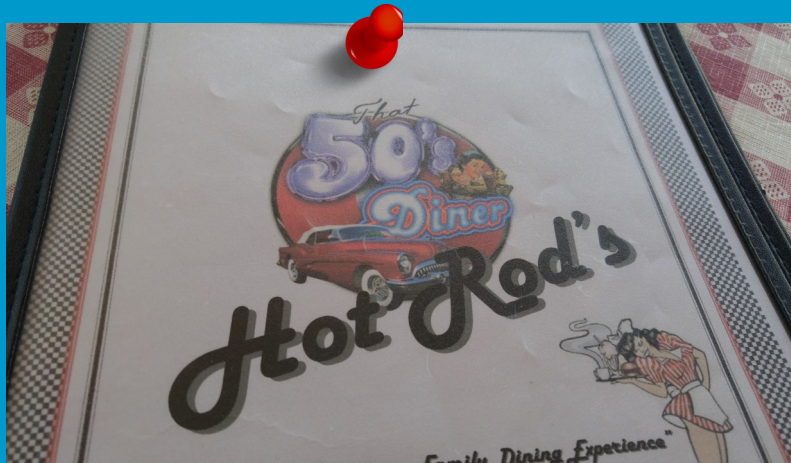
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# Rides & Events



Lunch Ride—Gumlog Barbque & Fish Lodge



Diner Ride  
Hot Rods Dinner

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Chapter R Picnic

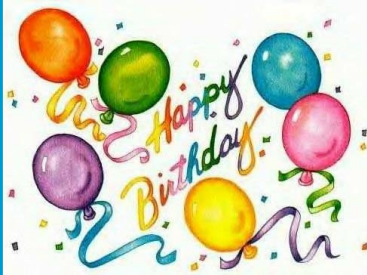


Chapter A's  
Fall Harvest  
Fun Day



## October Birthdays

- 5 Grady Riner
- 10 Donna Cohen
- 10 Eric Wolbach
- 13 Vance Oakes



- 21 Roger Shaffer
- 23 Carolyn Loggins

## October Anniversaries

- 13 Vance & Fern Oakes
- 15 Gary & Patty Reed



## Calendar of Events

Date	Event
10/3	Chapter Gathering—Golden Corral, Winder
10/10	Dinner Ride—Fatz, Winder
10/20-22	Fall Leaf Ride, Big Lynn Lodge, Western, NC
10/26-28	Region A Rally, Eufaula, AL
11/7	Chapter Gathering—Golden Corral, Winder

## Rider Education:

Marijuana is gaining acceptance as having legitimate medicinal applications and as a recreational drug in the United States, as evidenced by recent trends in state laws permitting its use. As of January 2016, 23 states and the District of Columbia allow marijuana for medical use, and four states (Alaska, Colorado, Oregon, and Washington) plus DC allow it for recreational use by adults 21 and over.

Although marijuana may be legal for medicinal or recreational use in one's state, it is still not legal, safe, or wise to operate a motor vehicle while impaired by marijuana, since it tends to distort perception of time, space, and speed. This is especially true for motorcycle riders, who must continually make detailed assessments of complex traffic situations and make split-second decisions requiring precise rider input to navigate safely and



maintain an adequate safety margin.

Jimmy and Winona Atkinson  
Rider Educators

## Membership Enhancement:

*This month we would like to share an excerpt published in the August 2017 Insight Focus GWRRA Newsletter for Officers, written by Larry and Penny Anthony*

Share the Ride No, that's not a typo. We don't mean "Share the Road," and we're not referring to Uber or ride sharing for commuters. We mean share your ride experiences! The proliferation of social media (Facebook, Instagram, etc.) makes it easier than ever to share your experiences with others. Many of us are taking advantage of this to post pictures of our motorcycling adventures, rallies, and other activities online. I spend a lot of time online looking at what other GWRRA Members are doing. After all, what better way to share the fun you are having than posting pictures for others to enjoy? Some of our Chapter Members have issues or just can't ride anymore, but they love to see what their buddies are up to. And can you think of a better PR tool than showing non-members some pics of the awesome scenery many of us routinely visit – and the fun we're having? Most of us have

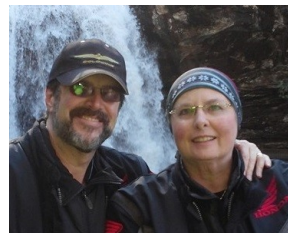
smartphones these days. In addition to what seems to be an antiquated purpose now – making "phone calls" – these are literally portable film studios that fit in the palm of your hand. You can take pictures, videos, and even share what you're doing while you're doing it, via livestreaming. There are numerous small apps (programs to us Boomers) that let you crop, edit and tweak your pictures to your heart's content, right on your phone. So why don't you? No one really cares whether you're an ace photographer – they just want to see what the group is up to. Remember to take lots of people pics – because that's what most of us want to see! Then post your images on Facebook or Instagram, right from the same phone. (Do it now – don't wait until you get home!)

Some general pointers and cautions: First, it's important to be aware that posting pictures while you're away lets everyone you allow to see it know that *you're away*. You can take care of this by limiting these posts to your close friends, then if you wish, change them to "public" when you're safely back home. If you want your

pictures to have the widest possible distribution, be sure your posts and pictures are marked as "public". Otherwise you're just preaching to the choir, but not prospective members.

Don't take pictures of people's backs! We're Wingers – get in front of us, and we'll pose. And make funny faces, rabbit ear fingers behind our buddies' heads, and every other photobomb we can think of! I will also share an important personal rule of mine: never, ever post an unflattering photo of a lady. And put some people in your shots! That's an awesome looking bike, but get the owner to stand next to it and pose for you – he'll love you for it, and it'll be a more interesting picture.

Ken & Traci  
Membership Enhancement Coordinator



# Goofy's Scorecard—2017

- Jan: Vance**—for putting the wrong MEC article in the newsletter
- Feb: Gary**—for going to the wrong meeting place for the New Year's Day Ride
- Mar: Gary**— kept him because he was in Florida
- Apr: Glenn**—for getting his truck stuck in the mud and having to get Rescue Plus
- May: Pat**—for picking up the wrong order at the restaurant—multiple times
- June: Traci**—for leaving her keys in the trunk lock
- July: Traci**—for leaving Goofy at home
- August: Glenn**—for following the route backwards
- September: Jimmy**—for not knowing which exit takes him home

Look who I've been playing with!!



"I Love to Ride"

## Goofy's Adventures

After all my travels and excitement with Glen last month, I mostly just laid around and chilled.

I was able to make it onto the bike but my arms and legs were too short for the controls. So I got on the back seat. My driver was nowhere in sight. Hopefully, next month will be more exciting.

Your good buddy Goofy



Just  
for  
Fun!

October

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 CANDY  
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APPLE  
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 APPLE  
 CLOVES  
 TRICK  
 FALL  
 CRISP







# October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 International Coffee Day 	2	3 Chapter Gathering 	4	5 Grady Riner BD	6	7 Chili Cook-Off, Madison 
8	9 Columbus Day 	10 Dinner Ride—Fatz, Winder  Donna Cohen—BD Eric Wolbach—BD	11	12 Mississippi Rally Masquerade on the MS-Coast 	13 Vance & Fern Dakes—Anniversary Vance Dakes—BD 	14 
15 Gary & Patty Reed—Anniversary	16	17	18	19	20 Fall Leaf Ride  	21 Roger Shaffer—BD 
22 National Nut Day 	23 Carolyn Loggins—BD 	24	25	26 Region A Rally 	27 	28 National Chocolate Day 
29 National Cat Day 	30	31 Halloween 				

### **2017 Schedule of Events**

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- 10/10 Dinner Ride, Fatz, Winder
- 10/20-22 Fall Leaf Ride, Little Switzerland, NC
- 10/26-28 Region A Rally, Eufaula, AL
- 11/5 Wind Down, Fayetteville
- 11/7 Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
- 11/16 Dinner Ride, Bone Island Grill, Athens
- 12/2 Salvation Army Toy Ride, Cycle World, Athens
- 12/5 No Chapter Gathering in December**
- 12/9 Christmas Party, Winder Woman's Club
- 1/1 New Year's Day Ride, Papa's Place, Dawsonville
- 8/2-4/18 Georgia District Rally, Toccoa
- 8/28-9/1 Wing Ding 40, Knoxville, TN



**Goldwing For Sale**

1981 Honda 1100 Interstate  
8,675.0 miles.  
Every thing is in working order.  
Radio is good has gauges added  
from Honda.  
He has title, tool kit and the soft  
bags.  
  
Asking \$2800.00  
770-307-7356

### **GWRRA Anniversaries**

- Doug & Karen Kregel—35 Years**
- Frank & Donna Chesonis—8 Years
- Marshal King—4 Years
- Ron Ahlstedt—3 Years
- Frank Couch—2 Years

### **District News**

Information about the location of the Georgia Traveler's Plaque and Hot Potato is not know at the time of publication.

Stay tuned to the District Website to find out where these may be!  
[www.gwrra-ga.com](http://www.gwrra-ga.com)

Here is a link to a medical information card you can print out and carry with you:

<http://www.medids.com/free-id.php#.VsnDEfHnWi4>



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### **Just a few quick notes:**

A quick reminder about door prizes. As a member, the chapter depends on you to donate door prizes the month of your birthday and the month of your anniversary. This helps to supplement the few door prizes that the chapter purchases. Your door prize contribution is very much appreciated.

If you have gone on any fun rides please send pictures and/or articles to Ken via email and we will include in our monthly Newsletter and/or our website.