

Georgia Chapter "S"

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SOUTHERN WINGS

MARCH 2018

GoldWing Road Riders Association







Georgia District

Chapter S

Chapter Gathering: 1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM, Golden Corral, Winder, Georgia Next Chapter Gathering: Tuesday April 4 2018

CD's Corner

March has arrived in full colors of spring. I love motorcycle riding this time of the year as it just fills the heart with the sweet fragrance of life. I know many of you have already taken advantage of the warm days and have already witnessed the trees budding overnight and daffodils sunning themselves along the roads. Being a co-rider gives me more opportunity to look about and appreciate the views Mother Nature offers.

Now is also the time to take stock of what your motorcycle may need, such as new tires, an oil change, or replacing some lights. The chapter has some awesome rides planned so you want to be ready for action. I know from the past how disappointing it is to get ready for a ride and the motorcycle battery decides to quit. Check your ride and do preventative maintenance before it leaves you wanting.

On Chapter news, it has been suggested that we have other activities instead of our annual Fun Day. Our turnout this past month was down from previous years and many felt it is time to do something different. I am still processing all the information and suggestions. With a limited budget, some long standing "freebees" may be discontinued. I am still working out details and what would be in the best interest of the Chapter. For now, the first item that will be discontinued will be door prizes. So starting in April, birth-(Continued on page 9)



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Rides & Events





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February's Chapter Gathering!

Rides & Events







Sweetheart Fun Day Preparations

Rides & Events

















Sweetheart Fun Day Festivities!

Rides & Events



Sweetheart Fun Day Chapter Challenge

Goofy's Scorecard-2018

Jan: Jimmy—For getting "lost" in a round-about. Feb: Janel—Forgetting which chapter she is CD of!

Goofy's Adventures

Oh, my goodness, did I ever have a great time in the Piper household! Joe and Janel are crazy folk! You all think Janel has moments of forgetfulness (like saying Chapter A instead of Chapter S), well, let me tell you, that is minor to the stuff I witnessed this month! She can walk into a room and forget what she wanted or start 3 sentences and never finish one of them. She claims that is all due to being super chilled down during her heart surgery, but, hehe, who knows. At least she didn't forget me at home. I got to ride the motorcycle several times and visited all kinds of places.

My first adventure was the Fun Day! I checked out the decorations, taste tested sweet donuts that Shirley and Gary brought, and visited with my new pal, Red Baron, from B2. I got to visit with the Red Baron again at the end of the month when we visited B2's Gathering. Red got to go home with a B2 member cause they did something about as goofy as Janel. Mr. Don from B2 tried to grab and steal me, but Janel was quick to get me back. I had a good day riding on the motorcycle, even when we drove through Atlanta.

Also, this month, I tried my hands at quilting. Janel was working on a baby quilt. I had to get down real close to see just how she does that. Man, is she quick. She showed me how to stitch in the ditch and how to move my hands to do free motion quilting. You, know, between the two of us, we finished that quilt in two evenings. It got sent off to New York City; how about that!

I also got to spend some time visiting with my friend Motasim. He also has a friend Goofy, so the three of us had lunch together and later played some board games. Motasim is a great hugger. He even rode me around in a pink doll stroller, sometimes tipping me over as I squealed with delight. He is so much fun.

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Look who I've been playing with!! He Ha

> "I Love to Ride"



March Birthdays

- 3 Barbara Greer
- 9 Sherry Wisdom
- 12 Sandy Burns
- 16 Pat Whitehouse



- 17 Patty Reed
- 26 Jack Farabaugh
- 29 Faith Hayes
- 30 Shirl Verhulst

March Anniversaries

None!

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Sick & Injured

Gloria Farabaugh Gary Verhulst



Don Taylor

In Memory

Calendar of Events

Date	Event
3/6	Chapter Gathering—Golden Corral, Winder
3/13	Dinner Ride—La Hacienda Mexican Restaurant, Braselton
3/17	St. Patrick's Day Ride, Shenanigan's Irish Restaurant, Dahlonega
3/22-24	Florida District Rally, Altamonte Springs, FL
4/4	Chapter Gathering—Golden Corral, Winder

CD Corner

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day and anniversary folks will no longer need to bring a gift. We will entertain ideas for fun things and places to go as a chapter, so, keep offering up ideas.

Just as a reminder, all rides are on our website and updated regularly. Also, if you haven't checked out our Facebook page, do so. Let me know if you need to be accepted to the page. Time to check out what is planned and make your hotel arrangements if needed and don't forget about the GA District Rally August 2-4th. The GA Baptist Conference Center will be a great place for the Rally this year. So make your reservations early.

Enjoy the ride!

Janel Piper Chapter Director District COY 2018

Membership Enhancement:

The Importance of Family

One thing I've come to love about our Gold Wing friends in the GWRRA is that y'all have become part of our extended family. Some times we have differences of opinion, and we fuss and squabble, but we truly care about each other's well being. We share in each other's celebrations and joys, as well as our pain and sorrows.

This has come to light recently with the hospitalization of Gloria Farabaugh and treatments for Gary Verhulst. We also are saddened at the recent loss of some of our GWRRA family. I think about Pam Beck and Don Taylor.

Traci and I spent quite a bit of time over the last few weeks with Don, Colleen, and their family before Don's passing from the effects of his Leukemia. We, along with other GWRRA family—Connie Woodman-



see, Charlie and Kathy Stevens—were able to help, in some small ways, lending our support to Colleen and family during this difficult time.

I can't express enough the sense of deep appreciation that Colleen expressed in seeing all of her GWRRA family show up at Don's memorial service. Seeing the overwhelming support of Chapters S, D, T, A, the District Staff and others, touched her deeply. Thank you all for what you were able to do during the difficult time for the Taylor's.

Goofy

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I tagged along to one of Joe's doctor appointments and sat quietly while the adults talked. I got treated to the yummy smells of Arby's afterwards. I love sitting on the back of the bike watching and waving to the other motorists.

So that is what I did this month with Janel. Now I am wondering what adventures await me for the month of March. Best part of being Goofy is spending time with Chapter S!

Your pal,





We know that family is one of the most important things in our lives; only our faith can come ahead of it. And the love that we share to our fellow GWRRA members show that we truly are one large extended family.

Blessings

Ken & Traci Membership Enhancement Coordinator.



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March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Funeral Service for Don Taylor
						Barbara Greer—BD
4	5	6 Chapter Gathering GWRRA SOUTHERN WINGS	7	8	9 Sherry Wisdom—BD	10
11 Daylight Savings Time	12 Sandy Burns—BD	13 Dinner Ride	14 PO DAY	15	16 Pat Whitehouse—8D	17 St. Patrick's Day Ride
18	19	Spring	21	22 Florida District Rally—	23 FLORIDA National Puppy Day	24 Quacker Dynasty
25 Palm Sunday	26	27	28	29	30 Cood Priday	31 PASSOVER
\$M"	Jack Farabaugh—BD			Faith Hayes—BD	Shirl Verhulst—BD	Passover (Starts)

2018 Schedule of Events

3/3	Funeral—Don Taylor, Lawrenceville
3/6	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
3/13	Dinner Ride, La Hacienda, Braselton
3/13	Away We Go Seminar (GA-B2), Dallas
3/17	St. Patrick's Day Ride, Shenanigan's, Dahlonega
3/17	Motorcycle Crash Scene Response Seminar
	(GA-A), McDonough
3/22-24	Florida District Rally, Altamonte Springs
4/3	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
4/7	Rider Education—Advanced Rider/Trike
	Rider Courses, Carnesville
4/12-14	Tennessee District Rally, Pigeon Forge
4/14	Family Fun Ride Volunteer Event
4/21	Lunch Ride, Whistlestop Café, Juliette
4/26	Dinner Ride, Bar H BBQ, Franklin Springs
5/1	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
5/3-5	South Carolina District Rally, Newberry
5/5	GA-R Cinco de Mayo Picnic, Acworth
5/12	GA-B2 Scavenger Hunt
5/15	Dinner Ride, TBD
5/17-19	Alabama District Rally, Mobile
5/26-28	Memorial Weekend Ride
6/5	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
6/9	Breakfast Ride, Yesterday's Café, Rutledge
6/19	Dinner Ride, Top Dog, Bethlehem
7/3	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
7/14	Breakfast Ride, Big Family, Athens
7/26	Dinner Ride, Little Italy, Winder
8/2-4	Georgia District Rally, Toccoa
8/14	Dinner Ride, Oyster Bay, Lawrenceville
	Wing Ding 40, Knoxville, TN
9/4	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
9/14	Dinner Ride, TBD
9/22	Chapter Ride, TBD
9/27-29	North Carolina District Rally, Waynesville
10/2	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
10/11-13	Mississippi Rally, Gulfport
10/16	Dinner Ride, Blazers, Statham
10/19-21	Fall Ride, TBD–OR
10/26-28	Fall Ride, TBD
11/6	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
11/10	Lunch Ride, TBD
11/29	Dinner Ride, TBD
12/1	Salvation Army Toy Ride, Athens
12/8	Christmas Party, Winder

District News

Chapter A captured the Georgia |Traveler's Plaque from Chapter B2, who picked it up from GA-S at our Fun Day! Check the District Website for updates on when A will be up for capture.

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

GWRRA Anniversaries

Grady & Rita Riner—31 years Larry & Jean Bernius—28 years Stu & Christine Posner—22 years **Fern Oakes—20 years** Duke Jack—16 years Steven Yates—14 years Ken & Kay Yuill—11 years Carlton Robinson—8 years Joe & Janel Piper—4 years Elizabeth Watson—2 years



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