

Georgia Chapter "S"

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SOUTHERN WINGS

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Chapter Gathering: 1st Tuesday of the month, at El Centinela, Winder, Georgia. Our next Gathering, scheduled for January 5, 2021, eat at 6 PM, meet at 7 PM

CD's Corner

We have entered the last month of 2020. Many of us will be glad to ring in a new year. Looking back over the past 12 months I am thankful for many things.

I am thankful for the friends we have made over the years.

I am thankful for our members who are veterans.

I am thankful that Vance and Fern are alive and healing and able to tell their tale.

I am thankful to our chapter members for doing everything they do to keep our chapter alive.

I am thankful to Ken for always taking time out of his busy schedule to print out our newsletter.

I am thankful to Carlos for coming up with creative ideas for rides.

I am thankful for Cheri for filling some big shoes as our hospitality gal.

I am thankful to Traci for stepping up and being an awesome Treasurer.

I am thankful that Mike and Sandy are staying strong and have faith in tomorrow.

I am thankful for Renee and Rick who always puts a smile on my face.

I am thankful for Marshall for bringing Jean, Lee and Rich into our GW family.



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Rides & Events

November Chapter Gathering at El Centinela in Winder



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I am thankful for the friendship of Barb and Joe, even if they do win all the \$\$!

I am thankful that Karen and Doug continue to join us each month with their good humor and smiles.

I am thankful for Stu and Christine who always help out when needed.

I am thankful for Trish and Victor and their service to our country.

I am thankful for Joyce who is always ready to cheer and encourage other ladies to ride motorcycles.

I am thankful to Joe who puts up with my craziness and loves me anyway.

And last but not least, I am thankful to all our members past and present and hope to see you all real soon.

Enjoy the last month of the year! Merry Christmas!

Janel Piper
Chapter Director

FUN FACTS ABOUT CHRISTMAS

- Did you know that the first Christmas was celebrated on December 25, AD 336 in Rome?
- The first Christmas was celebrated in America in 1539 and a bunch of people gathered for the celebration devoid of any gifts or trees.
- The Christmas wreath was originally hung as a symbol of Jesus. The holly represents his crown of thorns and the red berries the blood he shed.
- The three traditional colors of most Christmas decorations are red, green and gold. Red symbolizes the blood of Christ, green symbolized life and rebirth, and gold represents light, royalty and wealth.
- Tinsel was invented in 1610 in Germany and was once made of real silver.
- The image of Santa Claus flying his sleigh began in 1819 and was created by Washington Irving, the same author who dreamt up the Headless Horseman.
- Clement Moore's poem introduced eight more reindeer for Santa's sleigh and their names were Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Duner and Blixem (for the German words for thunder and lightning). These later evolved into Donner and Blitzen.

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Look who I've
been playing
with!



"I Love to
Ride & Travel"



Goofy's Scorecard—2020

SJan: Ken—Leaving CB squelch too low!
Feb: Carlos—Setting off car alarm via keys in pocket
Mar: Barb—Because she WANTED Goofy!
Apr-May: Barb—Goofy in quarantined!
June: Carlos—Some "lame" reason or another
July: Janel—Sending June 2019 article for use in June 2020's newsletter.
August: Vance—Just lucky I guess
September: Doug—Goofy needed to visit with someone new
October: Joe C.—Buying his cave a ticket for the wrong day &
Joe P.—for confusing the gender of male boat tour guide.
November: Ken—For suggesting a "lame" nomination

Goofy's Adventures

Well folks, your 'ol pal Goofy here for my last report of the year. Ken and Traci didn't go on any motorcycle rides in November, which was a shame, because the weather was really great. But don't fret, I didn't have to stay hold up in house or, heaven forsake, in a trunk somewhere. They took me all over the place!

First, we traveled down to sunny Florida to visit with Traci's folks. I spent my time there relaxing and catching up on some reading. After that we scooted over to Orlando and spent some time at Universal Studio's and Universal Islands of Adventure! I had a blast visiting with my friends, the Simpson family and meeting all of the creations of Dr. Seuss. Best of all was visiting Hogsmeade, Hogwarts, and London via the Hogwarts Express and Diagon Alley! I got to taste some of Traci's butterbeer, but Ken hogged all of the Wizard Ale for himself. That place was magical, to say the least! (But not a magical as my Uncle Walt's place, of course.)

The very next weekend, we traveled up to Clarksville and Knoxville, Tennessee to visit with Ken & Traci's grandson Booker and his mother, Heather. There we saw all manner of life sized dinosaurs, then went to the zoo where we saw lions, tigers, bears (oh my!) and many other animals. The guinea pigs were my favorite.

My final adventure for the month was entertaining two fellow dogs, Daisy and Dobby, along with their humans, Chris and Chandler, who drove in from Charlotte to celebrate Thanksgiving with us. We had a 'barking' good time with loads of good eats.

Till next year, your pal

Goofy



December Birthdays

10 Norma Simpson
21 Renee Brown



December Anniversaries

6 Roger & Bonnie
Shaffer



Sick & Injured

Mike Burns
Jack Farabaugh
Fern Oakes
Vance Oakes



In Memory

Renee Brown's Father

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- The Montgomery Ward department store created Rudolph the Reindeer as a marketing gimmick to encourage children to buy their Christmas coloring books.
- Bicycle, the U.S. playing card company, manufactured cards to give all the POWs in Germany during World War II as Christmas presents. These cards, when soaked in water, revealed an escape route for POWs. The Nazis never knew.
- Alabama became the first US state to declare Christmas as a legal holiday in 1836 and the last was Oklahoma, in 1907.
- Hallmark introduced their first Christmas cards in 1915.
- If you gave all the gifts listed in the Twelve Days of Christmas, it would equal 364 gifts.
- The Statue of Liberty was gifted to the US by the French on Christmas day in 1886. It weighs 225 tons and thus you could consider it as the biggest Christmas gift in the world.
- Franklin Pierce was the first president to place a Christmas tree in the White House.
- 'Jingle Bells' – the popular Christmas song was composed by James Pierpont in Massachusetts. It was, however, written for thanksgiving and not Christmas.
- Coca-Cola was the first company that used Santa Claus during the winter season for promotion.
- Japanese spend their Christmas Eve eating in KFCs. This is a popular tradition in Japan so much that customers have to book their seats 2 months in advance.
- Kids did you know that in Hawaii, Santa is called Kanakaloka?



December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Christmas Party! 	2	3	4  NATIONAL COOKIE DAY	5 Salvation Army Toy Ride 
6 Roger & Bonnie Shaffer—Anniv.	7  PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY	8	9	10  Start of Hanukkah Norma Simpson—BD	11	12
13	14	15  Bill of Rights Day	16	17  National Maple Syrup Day	18 End of Hanukkah	19
20	21  Winter Solstice Renee Brown—BD	22	23	24	25  Merry Christmas	26
27	28	29	30	31  Bring on the NEW YEAR!	January 1 New Year's Day Ride 	

2020 Schedule of Events

- 12/1 GA-S Christmas Party, Winder
- 12/5 Salvation Army Toy Ride, Cycle World of Athens

2021 Schedule of Events

- 1/1 New Year's Day Ride, TBD
- 1/5 Chapter Gathering, Winder
- 6/29-7/3 Wing Ding, Springfield, MO



- 9/16-18 GA District Ride-In, Dillard



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**The District Traveler's
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latest information.**

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

December

Sam & Janice Harrison—16 years
Joyce Lytton—3 years



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