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## CHAPTER DIRECTOR'S CORNER

### APRIL ALREADY?

I hope everyone had a happy Easter!

April has rolled around and I've not ridden once since the new year. I know weather has been a factor but my surgery also didn't help. I think the earliest I can ride will be towards the end of April. What a bummer!



This is the longest non-riding spell I've had in the past 5 years. I did give up riding for at least 20 years as my kids were growing up. I rode quite a bit in my twenties and had my share of avoidable accidents but boy, once I got on that bike again after 20 years, there was nothing stopping me and nothing quite like it in the world. I've been hooked ever since. There's a feeling that's hard to describe when riding your bike and the breeze blows on your face. How do we share that sense of excitement and thrill to non-riders? How do we encourage non-riders to try this new adventure and at the same time, increase our dwindling membership across GWRRA?

It's a tough question to answer and I know organizations across America are dealing with the same issues which is one, how do you retain members and two, how do you grow your organization with younger members for succession planning?

The first one is not too difficult to solve. You keep your chapter members engaged in activities and riding. You keep your gatherings fresh and provide the means for comradery. Comradery is the spirit of friendship and community in a group, like the comradery of soldiers at war who keep each other upbeat despite the difficulty of their circumstances. The second is a bit more challenging. Marie and Larry Crow have done a great job keeping our participants informed of upcoming events and have also

## GATHERING



### Candela's Pizzeria & Ristorante

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Midlothian, VA 23113

When : Dine at 6 PM Gather at 7 PM the 4th Wednesday of each month

(804) 379-0910

### Directors

Fritz Sassine & Iris Guillet

## KEY DATES

### Chapter Poker Run and Picnic

Saturday, May 12

### Rally in the Valley

JUNE 28 - 30, 2018

done a great job recruiting at Bike Night. Bike Night provides a good opportunity to talk to some of young and enthusiastic riders. Albeit, they're all about the ride and not sitting in an hour long gathering but I believe eventually we can win them over especially once they learn how much fun we can be. Bike Night starts

Wednesday, April 4th. Here's a link to their Facebook site:<https://www.facebook.com/rvabikenight/>

I encourage all our chapter participants to work on the second challenge. Bring friends and family to our chapter gatherings so they can partake in the fun and maybe one day, they'll be the future members and leaders of our chapter.

**Fritz Sassine**

CD

**RVA BIKE NIGHT**  
RICHMOND'S WEEKLY MOTORCYCLE GATHERING

## CUTTING THE CORD (PART 1 OF 2)

The new 2018 Gold Wing , 2018 Yamaha Star Venture, BMW and some HD models all sport Bluetooth wireless audio communication systems. There is no place to plug in your headset/mike cable from your helmet. Therefore if you want to communicate with your motorcycle audio system and your passenger, you will need to employ a Bluetooth headset/microphone system in your helmet(s). You can also Bluetooth existing 2001-2017 Gold Wings as well as older GL1500 Gold Wings by connecting the existing audio 5-pin DIN cable to a device that will transmit and receive audio to and from your helmet headset/mic. Wirelessly utilizing the Bluetooth technology.

Before you decide to make the switch, I will go over some reviews of current riders that use Bluetooth technology as well as recommendations in Part 2 of 2.

Basically Bluetooth is short range wireless connections. Current technology employs Bluetooth on you smart phone, wireless speaker systems, and even small digital watches. In addition Bluetooth does enhance your riding capabilities including helmet to helmet communications as far away as 1 mile (manufactures claim), streaming of your favorite music, answering and placing calls on your phone, GPS audio, etc., all without wires. This all sounds very cool however there are considerations that need addressed. The first is battery life. The headsets battery need charged after approximately 8 hours of use depending on headset model and mode of operation. The second is level of Bluetooth 4.0, 4.1 and 5.0 in the future. 4.1 has the longest range, fastest speed and lowest drain on battery. The best headsets allow helmet to helmet communication among multiple riders, group chat, and audio multitasking (bluetoothing to multiple devices at same time).

In a nut shell if you own a GL1800 prior to 2018 or a GL1500, you more than likely have a CB for communication to fellow Gold Wing riders. Therefore the only thing you gain by going Bluetooth is that you eliminate the helmet cord and can receive and make calls to your smart phone. You can also talk to other riders who don't have CB's but have Bluetooth headsets.

I have been in IT and Communications most of my adult life and always try and keep up with latest technology so I will be converting to Bluetooth myself in the near future. Part 2 of this article will appear in next month's newsletter and cover specifics (including false claims of manufactures) and comparisons of available headsets.

**Ted**



Rider Coordinator  
**Ted Nemes**





## COY & ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Allen and I are sure some of the brave ones will be riding sometime in March, while the rest of us are hoping there will be a thaw soon. If not, we may rent a salamander so that we can make our driveway and yard snow free. As we wrote this, Allen & I were heading down to the Florida Rally, hoping to beat the weather that was coming in for the weekend. Well, we made it, along with Denise Blake, and Tammy Piece.

No one in Virginia won the Bike or the \$10,000 dollars. But, we all won door prizes. What a great weekend of fun we all had together.



2018-2019 COY  
Assistant District Directors  
**Al and Debbie Dowell**



After the closing Ceremony, this is what happen in front of the District Directors

(Bill & Cheryl) door with love from their District Team.

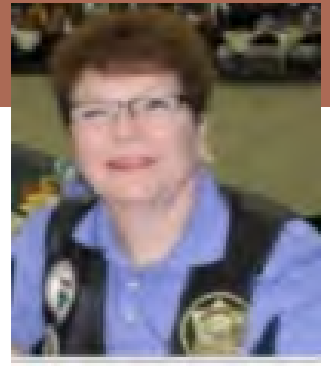
**Quacker Dynasty** 39th Annual Florida District Gathering of Wings

**Al & Debbie Dowell**

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## MARIE REPORTS THE NEWS (GOSSIP, RUMOR & HERESAY) AND SPECIAL EVENTS



Membership  
Enhancement  
Coordinator

Marie Crow

**DONATIONS TO THE HOMELESS HEARTS ARE WELCOME** We're still collecting toiletries all year long. We are collecting the individual soaps, shampoos, conditioners, lotions, etc. that you get from the hotels when traveling. We deliver these to the McGuire Veterans Hospital's Chaplains Program. Bring them to our gatherings or give to someone in Chapter D. Thanks to everyone for their support.

**"TWO WHEEL TUESDAY"** The Tuesday riders are making it through some cold weather riding but we have a few nicer days to ride. There are a lot of good rides planned so check your schedule and take the opportunity to ride with them. Dress warmly and hook up your heated gear if you have it. 2018 has been a good riding year so far. Some nice weather recently has made it a great opportunity to ride. If you want to be added to the Tuesday ride list, let them know.

**UNIVERSITY TRAINING & LEVELS SEMINARS COMING IN 2018.** We are planning some seminars for 2018 and we will let you know as soon as we nail down some dates. There is some training planned for Rally in the Valley so plan to come and enjoy the weekend with us. Let us know if you need the Advanced Rider Course to fulfill your Levels obligation. There will be a few of these courses planned for 2018 as well.

**CELEBRATING MOM PICNIC & POKER RUN IS SATURDAY, MAY 12** This our annual Chapter event and this year we are back at Dorey Park, Shelters 4, 5 & 6. Check out the flier for details on our Chapter D website or pick up a flier at a Chapter event. We will need some volunteers to help with games, cooking, planning and labor on the day of the picnic. Please consider volunteering to help.



### UPCOMING CHAPTER PROJECTS:

We're collecting DVD's to donate to the McGuire VA Hospital during our 4th of July celebration there every year. Consider going through your collection or picking up a few new or used DVD's for the Fisher House and the McGuire Veterans Medical Center and donate them.

**RVA BIKE NIGHT 2018 STARTS IN APRIL!** Join us at Mission BBQ at Broad and Glenside Drive every Wednesday (except our gathering night) from 5-8. We can't wait for some warm weather and a chance to get together with our Bike Night friends.

**RVA COFFEE & BIKES** is a new event that is every Sunday morning starting at 10 AM at the Coffee Shop at 5001 Huguenot Road (next to the Virginia Eye Institute). <https://www.facebook.com/rvabikesandcoffee/>

**CHECK OUT THE CHAPTER D WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE** [www.richmondwing.com](http://www.richmondwing.com) is our website where you can find all the information on events and planned rides or visit us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/GWRRRAVAD/>

**RALLY IN THE VALLEY 2018 IS JUNE 28-30** You don't want to miss this great weekend of *Fun, Safety & Knowledge* in Roanoke, VA Check out the flier for more information and to register ASAP. Also make your hotel reservations at the new rally site, Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Convention Center.

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IS FOR  
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## From Your Membership Enhancement Coordinator

### ABOUT THE CHAPTER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM (CHOY)

We're almost three months into a brand new year for rides and events for the Chapter of the Year Program for 2018. Our 2017 paperwork for the CHOY program has been turned in so keep your fingers crossed that we win this year. My thanks to everyone who sent me information on their rides, events and educational opportunities to be included. Keep up the good work for 2018. All of our activities, are listed on the calendar at <http://www.richmondwings.com/#!/calendar/zkl2p>.

The Chapter of the Year program was designed and created to stimulate the chapters to strive for excellence within their respective Districts. I'm looking forward to a fun filled year of activities, rides, motorist awareness events and rider education (University Training) for 2018. We planning some training soon and the District will offer some classes at Rally in the Valley as well. Let us know if there is anything you would like to see us do in 2018. We are here to assure that all Chapter participants have a good time.

#### **A few things to remember:**

- We need at least 3 people at each activity to be able to count it towards the CHOY program application.
- Please contact me when you plan or participate in an event and want it included in the CHOY events.
- If you attend a training seminar sponsored by GWRRA, please take a picture of the roster of attendees as we have to have proof of attendance. Take pictures of everyone having fun too!
- Most important of all, **HAVE FUN AND ENJOY YOURSELVES!** Remember, we all have a **"LICENSE TO HAVE FUN"**!

**Marie Crow**

**Membership Enhancement Coordinator**

### **MOTORIST AWARENESS PROGRAM**

This year we want to focus a little more time talking to the public and teaching about Motorist Awareness. We have Motorists Awareness brochures that we have available for our Bike Nights and Cruise In's. The purpose of the Motorist Awareness Division is to bring attention to the need to have drivers made more aware of the motorcyclists that share the roads with them. Motorists need to know that motorcycles are not like their car and it's harder for them to avoid traffic situations that might be handled a little easier while operating a 4 wheel vehicle.

**Our Motto is "Share the Road"**

**Our Mission is to "Facilitate a Reduction in Motorcycle Crashes with Other Motor Vehicles."**

### **WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS**

A big Chapter D welcome to David and Helen Smith who attended our February Gathering on Wednesday, February 28. We hope to see you soon!

# Explanation of the GWRRA Rider Education Levels Program Enhancement

The GWRRA is proud to present the Rider Education Program. We encourage you to think seriously about motorcycle safety and be a participant in the GWRRA Rider Education Program. You should also remember the old cliché, "an ounce of prevention IS worth a pound of cure." Always wear protective riding apparel!

## **Purpose**

The GWRRA Rider Education Program (REP) is intended to make the motorcycle environment safer by reducing injuries and fatalities and increasing motorcyclist skills and awareness. Our close-working relationship with the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), as well as additional GWRRA programs and studies, has provided a wealth of information for use in establishing a comprehensive Rider Education Program. Through Commitment, Education and Application, we can reduce our accident rate significantly. There are several benefits of a fully implemented GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level. This program has been beneficial to help with increased rider knowledge, increased rider safety skills, prevention of accidents, reduced injuries, reduced fatalities, improved general public image of motorcyclists and an enhanced enjoyment of motorcycle riding.

The motorcycle community is already realizing many positive benefits from the GWRRA Rider Education Program. Through the efforts of the Rider Education Officers and participation of the membership and others, we will reach our goal of establishing the safest motorcycle environment possible.

## **Level I: Safety by Commitment - The first big step to success**



Level I of the Rider Education Program is also referred to as Safe Miles. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or the Co-Rider to practice safe motorcycle operation whenever they operate their motorcycle.

Safety is a state of mind which can only be attained through total commitment. Every successful accomplishment begins with a commitment to reach the intended objective. This is true of the Rider Education Program and includes a promise to learn for the sake of Rider, Co-Rider, friends and family, and others on the road.

Though there is no mileage requirement to enter Level I, the commitment to safe riding is tracked by the number of accident free miles since joining GWRRA. Accident free miles are accumulated in 5,000 mile increments and may be updated at yearly intervals.

*Requirement: Verbal commitment to ride safely at all times. No cost to sign up. Patches available at \$6.00 per participant. Receive: "Safe Miles" patch, Rider (or Co-rider) Rocker, and mileage pin.*

## **Level II: Safety by Education**



Level II of the REP is also referred to as Tour Rider. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to be safer motorcycle riders by taking approved motorcycle riding courses at regular intervals.

GWRRA has chosen several educational training programs for the Riders and Co-Riders such as the MSF (Motorcycle Safety Foundation) programs, the United Sidecar Association course, the CSC (Canadian Safety Council) programs, and the GWRRA's Advanced Riding courses.

Completing these courses provides the foundation and skills for your quest to be a safe motorcycle rider. All recognized programs are taught by qualified and Nationally certified instructors. For the Co-Rider, we have provided an excellent seminar and "Two Up" programs to assist in their role in the safety aspect of motorcycle riding.

Motorcycle education goes "hand in hand" with commitment. The "on bike" education by MSF, USCA, CSC and



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GWRRA for the Rider and Co-Rider and the "off bike" education designed specifically for the Co-Rider, provide a very effective approach to motorcycle safety. This is when a REP participant truly begins to understand what the Level I commitment means and sees the value in the program.

**Requirement: Rider - a Certified Rider Course with 5,000 safe miles. Co-Rider - certified Co-rider Seminar or 2-up Rider Course. No cost to sign up. Patches available at \$5.00 per participant. Receive: "Red Triangle" patch for either Rider or Co-rider signifying Level II participant.**

### Level III: Safety by Preparedness



Level III of the REP is also referred to as Certified Tour Rider/Co-Rider. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to be prepared in the event of an accident to give aid and possibly save lives. This is done by being knowledgeable in First Aid or CPR and carrying a first aid kit on their motorcycle at all times.

It would be wonderful if we could achieve the coveted goal of zero accidents, however, we know realistically, accidents will happen. Because of this, it is important to be fully prepared to lend aid to unfortunate accident victims. It is important to always be prepared to save a life. Level III of the Rider Education Program was developed to deal with such circumstances by recognizing and encouraging proper First Aid or CPR training. CPR (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation), has been used to save many lives. Being trained to render CPR or First Aid is a tremendous asset to those the REP participant will come in contact with daily.

*Requirement: Current in Level II and have taken either First Aid or CPR training. No cost to sign up. Patches available at \$4.00 per participant. Receive: "Certified Tour Rider" or "Certified Co-Rider" patch.*

### Level IV: Safety By Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness



Level IV is the most prestigious of the REP levels and is referred to as Master Tour Rider/Co-Rider. It represents the highest commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to safe riding and preparedness. This commitment is shown by a demonstrated history of safe miles and current certification in both First Aid and CPR. These Master Tour Riders/Co-Riders are the finest example to everyone of the highest commitment to safe motorcycle operation and preparedness.

Level IV of the REP, the Master Tour Rider, was designed for those special caring individuals who desire to "be all they can be" with regards to motorcycle safety. The requirements are more stringent than Level III and require a greater commitment. These individuals are caring, trained and prepared with the experience to back them up. It is realized Level IV is not for everyone, but for those who desire to be of greater service to their fellow man, it is the correct prescription.

Why desire to be a Level IV Master Tour Rider? It's a worthy goal. Being prepared to save a life is a high calling indeed! These individuals are shining examples to the rest of the GWRRA membership. Others aspire to practice the same commitment as displayed by those who have attained Level IV. For that reason, because these individuals are ambassadors to the members at all levels, GWRRA provides a special gathering to celebrate the Master Tour Rider commitment each year at the District Rally, Region D Rally and Wing Ding.

Requirement: Current in Level III for one year and have taken both First Aid and CPR training. Have 25,000 Safe Miles and must be committed to riding with "Proper Riding Gear" at all times. Cost: \$35.00 for each participant (Black and Gold patch is available for another \$8.00) Receive: "Special Triangular" patch with dark blue border and your individual Master number embroidered on it.

**Note: all Level Program Patches are also available in "Black and Gold" at a charge of \$1.00 extra per level for levels I, II, and III.**



## Happy Birthday

John Taylor - April 11

## Happy Anniversaries

Larry & Marie Crow - April 5

Bill & Winnie McGill - April 5

Tony Cirillo & Linda Getzone - April 7

Fritz Sassine & Iris Guillet - April 11

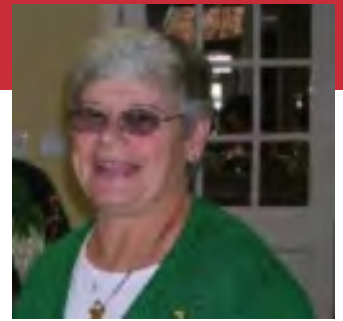
Winnie McGill - April 13

Marilou Hayle - April 24

JoAnn Burton - April 24

George Kirchmier - April 28

Belle Miller - April 28



Corresponding Secretary  
**Ginny Broughton**

## CHAPTER RIDE COORDINATOR URGENTLY NEEDED

### Job Description

"As we change our focus we need to have someone coordinate our rides. We want this position will be under Rider Education so this person has to believe and participate in our Rider Education program and be at least a level 2 and a Road Captain, which is why they are an Officer of Rider Education. Their role will not be the same as the previous role of the Chapter Educator as we want you to focus your energy on planning all variety of rides that suit your Chapter Participants. As you get ready for that ride you will conduct a very informative Rider Meeting and you will encourage safety, i.e. T-Clocs, group riding techniques; safety clothes and more. You accept the Riders that show and they need to be in compliance with State law. You will encourage, communicate and lead the way sharing GWRRA's benefits of safety as developed through our Rider Education Program. You will not be focused on paperwork but on the opportunities to ride and share. If you sign Members into the program, that is a bonus, but sharing your passion for the ride is your piece of the fun equation."



## DISTRICT NEWS

### And we're off!

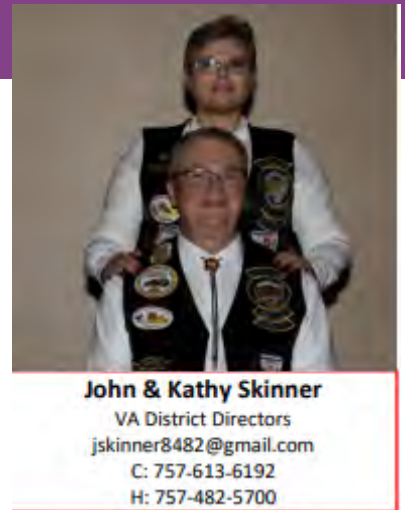
Off around the state that is. With the Chapter F Crazy Supper, the Virginia District's events got off to a very fun start. It's the first year we've been able to attend VA-F's event, and now we understand what everyone's been talking about for almost 30 years. Yup, next year will be the 30th annual Crazy Sup-per. Wow, just wow. Talk about heritage.

Of course next up is Chapter K's Chili cook-off on March 17th, followed closely by Chapter X's Spaghetti Dinner on April 7th. Hmm, Supper, Chili, Spaghetti ... we do like to eat, don't we.

Of course not all events are about food, lots of training going on at the chapter level which we love to see, and Zach Bon, your District University coordinator, is working on District training events as well.

Click the link below to read more:

[https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/65ea8e\\_0474cd73e24d4429ab321f392567624e.pdf](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/65ea8e_0474cd73e24d4429ab321f392567624e.pdf)



## NATIONAL NEWS

### A Philosophy and a Lesson in One

I had a couple of emails come my way after my article was featured in Wing World Magazine. There were questions about my front tire from the picture on the front cover. Some were curious and wanted to know where to buy one. Others were very quick to judgement. I had Members accusing me of running a car tire as my front tire on the trike and then telling me how I wasn't setting a good example. Ouch!

I share this because in my head, after some words that shall not be repeated, all I could think of was one of my favorite sayings, a philosophy, that has been front and center in my leadership in dealing with just about everything. Gary Keller said, "Stay into curiosity and out of judgement."

Click the link below to read more:

<http://gwrra.org/oconnect/newsletter.html>



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## PICTURES OF EVENTS

Wow! Check out all those wonderful Easter Bonnets at our March Social



Is that Tommy?



Chapter VA-O Celebrated Their 18th Year Anniversary.  
**Congratulations!**



Debbie Captured  
the COY Traveling  
Plaque



Debbie and Al  
making  
announcement  
about VA Rally at  
the Florida District  
Rally on March  
24,2018.



# VA CHAPTER LISTING

| Chapters | Area / Location                      | Chapter Director<br>* Senior CD *   | Phone Number & Email   | Monthly Gatherings & Web Site   |
|----------|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| VA-A     | <a href="#">Northern Virginia</a>    | <u>Mary O'Connor</u><br>(11/09)   | 703-378-3873<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:maryoc4429@aim.com">maryoc4429@aim.com</a>   | <b>2nd Wed.</b> - 7:30 pm - The Ponds Community Center, 9837 Burke Pond Lane, Burke, VA. 22015<br><a href="#">Chapter A WebSite</a>   |
| VA-B1    | <a href="#">Tappahannock</a>         | <u>Jim &amp; Beverly Evans</u><br>(01/18)   | 804-836-7704<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:jevansez@gmail.com">jevansez@gmail.com</a>   | <b>3rd Sun.</b> 2:pm - 3:pm - Bell's Italian Restaurant, 1673 Tappahannock Blvd., Tappahannock, VA.<br><a href="#">Chapter B1 WebSite</a>   |
| VA-C     | <a href="#">Hampton/Newport News</a> | <u>Dave &amp; Donna Huey</u><br>(01/18)   | 757-719-0668<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:DHUEY1800@cox.net">DHUEY1800@cox.net</a>   | <b>2nd Sun.</b> 4:pm - 5:pm Anglo's Steak House<br>755 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Newport News<br><a href="#">Chapter C Website</a>  |
| VA-D     | <a href="#">Richmond</a>             | <u>Fritz Sassine &amp; Iris Guillet</u><br>(01/18)                                      | 804-938-9183<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:fritz.sassine@gmail.com">fritz.sassine@gmail.com</a>   | <b>4th Wed.</b> 6:pm-7: pm - Candelas Pizzeria & Ristorante Italiano, 14235 Midlothian Tnke.<br><a href="#">Chapter D WebSite</a>   |
| VA-E     | <a href="#">Fredericksburg</a>       | <u>Gordon Combs</u><br>(01/18)  | 540-840-0394<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:gorcom@msn.com">gorcom@msn.com</a><br><a href="http://www.battlefieldwings.com">www.battlefieldwings.com</a> | <b>3rd Wed.</b> 7:pm-8:00 pm - Great American Buffet<br>1780 Carl D Silver Pkwy., Fredericksburg, VA<br><a href="#">Chapter E WebSite</a><br>* Central Park Shopping Center, exit 130 off I95 * |
| VA-F     | <a href="#">Winchester</a>           | <u>Stephanie Davis</u><br>(08/14)   | 540-664-6430<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:davis.stephanie80@yahoo.com">davis.stephanie80@yahoo.com</a>   | <b>4th Sun.</b> 8:am-9:am - Golden Corral,<br>120 Costello Dr., Winchester, VA.<br><a href="#">Chapter F WebSite</a>  |
| VA-H     | <a href="#">Abingdon</a>             | <u>Paul &amp; Dorothy Baker</u><br>(11/01)  | 276-628-6047<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:09nelie@comcast.net">09nelie@comcast.net</a>   | <b>2nd Tue.</b> 7:pm - Abingdon Moose Lodge<br>US19, Porterfield Hwy, Abingdon, VA.   |
| VA-I     | <a href="#">Manassas</a>             | <u>Mack &amp; Tracey McMillan</u><br>(03/17)  | 571-338-5418<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:Mack.McMillan52@gmail.com">Mack.McMillan52@gmail.com</a>   | <b>2nd Sun.</b> 9:am- 10:00am: Breakfast, 10am-11am:<br>Gathering Great American Buffet<br>8365 Sudley Rd, Manassas, VA 20109   |
| VA-J     | <a href="#">South Boston</a>         | *****   | *****  | South Boston  |
| VA-K     | <a href="#">Roanoke</a>              | <u>Bobbie Jo Harrison</u><br>(01/18)  | 540-890-2890<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:threewheelcruzin@verizon.net">threewheelcruzin@verizon.net</a>   | <b>2nd Mon.</b> 6:pm-7:pm - Great 611 Steak Co.,<br>3830 Franklin Rd., Roanoke, VA<br><a href="#">Chapter K Website</a>   |
| VA-L     | <a href="#">Chesapeake</a>           | <u>Zach &amp; Angie Bon</u><br>(01/16)  | 757-382-7643<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:zbon@cox.net">zbon@cox.net</a>   | <b>4th Tue.</b> 6:pm - 7:pm Pops Diner Co.,<br>1432 Greenbrier Parkway, Chesapeake, VA<br><a href="#">Chapter L Website</a>   |
| VA-O     | <a href="#">Williamsburg</a>         | <u>Ray &amp; Tammie Pierce</u><br>(04/14)   | 757-268-6286<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:gwnravachapterdirector@cox.net">gwnravachapterdirector@cox.net</a>   | <b>4th Sun.</b> 4:pm-5:pm Hibachi Grill & Sushi Buffet<br>12745 Jefferson Ave., Newport News, VA. 23602<br><a href="#">Chapter O Website</a>  |
| VA-R     | <a href="#">Harrisonburg</a>         | <u>Garv Hoover</u><br><a href="mailto:hoov@shentel.net">hoov@shentel.net</a><br>(01/18) | 540-742-1751<br>E-MAIL: Judy Russell<br><a href="mailto:hggertyl3@icloud.net">hggertyl3@icloud.net</a>   | <b>1st Sun.</b> 2:pm-3:pm - Golden Corral<br>exit 247A, Rt. 33 E., 2 miles off I-81,<br>2335 E. Market Rd., Harrisonburg, VA.<br><a href="#">Chapter R Website</a>                              |
| VA-V     | <a href="#">Bedford</a>              | <u>Jonathan Whitworth</u><br>(04/18)  | 540-425-0028<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:OtterRideVAV@gmail.com">OtterRideVAV@gmail.com</a>   | <b>3rd Sun.</b> 3:pm Bedford Church of God<br>212 E Main St, Bedford, VA <a href="#">Chapter V WebSite</a>  |
| VA-W     | <a href="#">Chester</a>              | <u>Linda Carlisle</u><br>(01/16)  | 804-652-9520<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:lindaedwing05@verizon.net">lindaedwing05@verizon.net</a>   | <b>2nd Tue.</b> 6:pm 7 pm Pietro Pizza - Italian<br>Restaurant, 2601 Osborne Rd, Chester, VA.<br><a href="#">Chapter W WebSite</a>  |
| VA-X     | <a href="#">Salem</a>                | <u>Larry Stanton</u><br>(01/15)   | 304-922-1401<br>e-Mail: <a href="mailto:Larry250222@gmail.com">Larry250222@gmail.com</a>   | <b>1st Sat.</b> 3:pm - Evangelical Methodist<br>Church, 1920 Lucas St, Salem, VA.<br><a href="#">Chapter X WebSite</a>  |





# “Celebrating Mom” Poker Run & Picnic Chapter-D “Richmond Wings”



**Saturday, May 12, 2018**

**9 AM - 2 PM**

**Dorey Park, Henrico, VA 23231**

**Shelters # 4, 5, 6**



**Chapter Couples Free  
2018**

***Auction on Home Made Desserts***

**Cost: \$12.00 per person pre-registered by May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Cost: \$15.00 per person after May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Kids 6-12 are \$6.00 - 5 & under are free**



**Lunch includes: Hot dogs, hamburgers, dessert, beverages**

**Lunch 12:30 PM**

**First bike out at 9:30AM – Last bike out at 10:00AM  
Poker Hand 1<sup>st</sup>. Place \$40.00    Poker Hand 2<sup>nd</sup>. Place \$20.00**

**Awards, Prizes, Games, 50/50 and Door Prizes**

**“Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge”**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ \$12 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Before May 1st.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ After May 1st.

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Group \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SIGN**

**Make check out to GWRRA-VAD and mail to: Linda Getzone, 8930 Cardiff Ct., N. Chesterfield, VA 23236**

***For more information contact: Fritz Sassine or Iris Guillet 804-938-9183  
[fritz.sassine@gmail.com](mailto:fritz.sassine@gmail.com)***

**Liability Release: I/WE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS, GWRRA, THE CO-SPONSORING ORGANIZATION (S) AND ANY PROPERTY OWNERS FOR ANY LOSS, INJURY TO SELF OR PROPERTY BY REASON OF PARTICIPATING IN THIS EVENT.**





June 28-30, 2018

## Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Conference Center

2801 Hershberger Road, Roanoke, VA 24017

Come join us for a weekend full of fun and friendship; gather with old friends and make new ones! Take a Rider Education seminar, play some games, and go for a ride in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Win prizes, go on a Poker Run, take in a bike show, and enjoy yourself!

**Rally in the Valley has moved!!** Come join us in sunny June this year at the Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Conference Center for the 30th annual Rally in the Valley!

And be sure to attend opening ceremonies **Thursday** evening followed by a pizza party at the Mill Mountain Star.

- Welcome Pizza Party on Thursday
- COY Reception Friday afternoon
- Door Prizes
- CPR / First Aid
- Bike Show
- ARC & Trike Courses
- Hospitality Room

- 2018-2019 Virginia District Couple of the Year Selection on Saturday
- Poker Run
- Grand 50/25-25
- Chapter Basket Raffle
- Ice Cream Social Friday night
- Friday evening Entertainment, and more!



*All dates and times are subject to change.*

### ARC/Trike Classes

We are offering **ARC & Trike** classes. The classroom portion will be **THURSDAY** at 2pm, the range portion will **FRIDAY** morning at 9am. The cost for either course is \$50 (Co-Riders are free). **For this advanced class, you will be using your own Motorcycle or Trike. Full riding gear, CUR-RENT Motorcycle license, proof of Insurance & Registration are required to take either class.**

### Master's Breakfast

You worked hard for your Level IV in Rider Education, so come join us at the Master's Breakfast on Saturday morning, June 30th. \$12 per person, and must be pre-registered.

### CPR/MFA Class

We will be offering a CPR/Medic First-Aid class at RITV on Friday, June 29, 2018. The course will begin **PROMPTLY** at 7:30am. The cost for the course is \$30 per person. Maximum of 12 for the class, and must be pre-registered.



**Host Hotel:** Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Conference Center  
2801 Hershberger Road  
Roanoke, VA 24017  
(540) 563-9300

Hotel rooms **BEFORE** May 28<sup>th</sup>: \$85 per room

Call hotel reservations at **800-325-3535** and ask for special "GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS" rate.

**Rooms after May 28<sup>th</sup> will be at regular hotel rates.**



Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co-Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are you a current or former COY? ☐ Arriving on: Thu ☐ Fri ☐ Sat ☐

**Pre-registration prices (Pre-Registration Deadline is June 8, 2018):**

GWRRA Member \$30 X \_\_\_\_\_ = 0  
 (GWRRA cards checked on site)  
 Non-Member \$35 X \_\_\_\_\_ = 0  
 Children 6 to 12 \$10 X \_\_\_\_\_ = 0  
 Children 5 & under are free.

\*No refunds after 6/8/18; all refunds incur a \$5 cancellation fee

**Please make checks payable to:**

**GWRRA Virginia District**

**Mail registration with payment to:**

**GWRRA Virginia District**

c/o John Skinner

424 Spurlane Cir

Chesapeake, VA 23322

Registration Fees \$ 0  
 T-Shirts \$ 0  
 Master's Breakfast \$  
 ARC/Trike Class \$  
 CPR/MFA Class \$  
 Grand 50/50 \$  
 Grand Prize Tickets \$  
**Total enclosed for PRE-registration \$ 0**

**RELEASE FORM (Must be signed by all registrants and returned)**

I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, The Virginia District, the Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Conf Ctr, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by reason of participating in this event.

Rider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ON-SITE REGISTRATION PRICES**

Full Weekend \_\_\_\_\_ Day Passes \_\_\_\_\_  
 GWRRA Member \$35 X \_\_\_\_\_ = 0 GWRRA Member \$20 X \_\_\_\_\_ = 0  
 Non-Member \$40 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Member \$25 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total: \$ 0 Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**2018 RALLY IN THE VALLEY SHIRTS:**

Choice of shirt style; all shirts will be white with 2018 Rally in the Valley logo.

**SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRT:**

S, M, L, XL -- \$13 / 2XL & XXXL -- \$15

(#) (size) (Amount)

(#) (size) (Amount)

**LONG SLEEVED T-SHIRT:**

S, M, L, XL -- \$15 / 2XL & XXXL -- \$17

(#) (size) (Amount)

(#) (size) (Amount)

**SHORT SLEEVE GOLF SHIRT:**

S, M, L, XL -- \$19 / 2XL & XXXL -- \$21

(#) (size) (Amount)

(#) (size) (Amount)

**There is no guarantee that shirts will be available on site; if they are, they will be offered at a slightly higher price. Pre-purchasing guarantees receipt and saves you money!**



**GRAND PRIZE TICKETS!**

**Top prize is \$1,000 in cash!**

**2nd & 3rd place cash prizes too!**

**Grand Prize Tickets—\$1 each**

# of tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$1 = \$ 0



**Pre-purchase your Saturday night Grand 50/25/25 tickets!**

25 tickets for \$10, or 60 tickets for \$20, or 100 tickets for \$30

Drawing held Saturday during closing ceremonies. **Must be present to win.**

25 tickets for \$10 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ OR 60 tickets for \$20 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ OR 100 tickets for \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_