

Vancouver, WA Chapter WA-X

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION "PHOENIX FLIGHTS"

DECEMBER , 2012 CHRISTMAS EDITION



Region I

Winter is just around the corner...Is your ride ready for it?

CHAPTER DIRECTOR 'S CORNER

Another year is almost in our Bike's rear view mirrors, and it's time to reflect upon the year that was.....

2012 saw a lot of things....Some good, some bad ,(such as superstorm Sandy), but one thing that has remained great and constant is our group of people we affectionately refer to as the Vancouver, WA Chapter X of the GWRRA.

We have a lot of fun together throughout the year, and get some important business done in our community at the same, as well. I am extremely proud of us as a group, and as individuals! We strive to help our community, while promoting Motorcycle awareness, safety, and knowledge.....Hmmmmm.... Seems like I've heard of this somewhere before.....Like maybe in the creed of the very organization we so proudly belong to!

You members have, and continue to be, the very embodiment of the GWRRA spirit and creed....Friends for Fun, Safety, and knowledge!

We want to wish you and yours Very Happy Holidays, and if you're gonna do that winter riding thing, please be careful and safe!

We will see you at the December meeting, which will be held at the regular time, regular place on December 1st.

Thank you all for another great year!!

Dee and Vanora



SWAP MEET TIME'S ALMOST HERE!!!!



Santa not only sends you Merry Christmas wishes, but also wants to remind you that if you get some new parts for your ride, you might want to gather up the old parts for our 3rd annual Swap Meet, coordinated by none other than our own Lisa Pearson and her committees!

It will be held on January 19th, 2013, at the Armed Forces Reserve center of Vancouver, at 8am to 4pm. Fliers and registration forms are available by contacting Dee Hall, or Lisa Pearson. Vendors can contact swap meet headquarters by e mailing Lisa at motoswapmeet@gmail.com

Get your parts, unwanted bikes, etc. together, tell your friends, and have them spread the word to others! This is going to be a great time, with a great new venue, well lit, heated, and tables provided by the venue! There also will be food, as usual, and a silent auction, so Get your Quality items ready to put on the Auction table!!

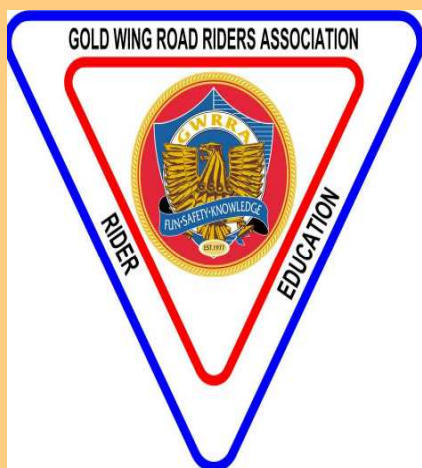
We will be taking donations for the local VA hospital in Vancouver.....A wonderful, worth-while thing to do...Helping the Veterans administration folks help out some of our well-deserving vets, who are and/or have served our great country, keeping us safe and free!

What a wonderful way to say thank-You for your service to our country!

We hope to see you there!



**Merry Christmas,
and Happy , safe
Holidays to all!!!!**



WORDS OF SAFETY by Michael Miller, Rider educator

Beware of winter's slippery roads! Not only for yourself, but for the other traffic, as well! Cars will have increased stopping distances during wet, slippery times...And make sure you :Ride TO Be Seen"!!

The total stopping distance for a vehicle consists of Perception distance (when they first see you and react), plus reaction distance, then their speed factor is next, followed by the condition their brakes are in....Worn-out brake shoes won't stop as fast.....Make sure you see them first, and Make sure they SEE YOU!

**HAVE A HAPPY,
SAFE HOLIDAY
SEASON!**

More Safety tips

by Michael Miller

If you are not a cold-weather rider, make sure to winterize your ride.....And the winter down-time is the perfect time to get those maintenance items that you've been meaning to get to taken care of....need new Tires? Brakes? Want to add some cool safety chrome or other accessories? Do you have a way of properly maintain your battery? (such as a battery tender).....that way, come next season, a thorough T-clocks check, and you're safely back on the road!



Ramblings from your editor



HAPPENINGS



**Our Swapmeet is coming along nicely, and a special thanks for that goes out to Lisa and her committees! All of us can get involved with making it another success....take flyers out to local bike shops, restaurants, stores, etc will help get the word out!

**Our December meeting will be held on Saturday, December 1st, 2012, at the HomeTown Buffet, Orchards, at 8:30am

**Chapter P will be having their annual Black Friday Event at Three Rivers Mall, December 2nd.....This is a great opportunity to help out an ailing mall, and to score some killer Black Friday deals for yourself!! It's a private event, and tickets are still available at \$5.00 each....A steal of a deal, and Chapter P gets to put all the proceeds from ticket sales in their coffers, so it's a win-win-win situation, folks!! The mall wins, chapter P wins, and you win!!! And there's a fantastic cash grand prize give away at the end of the evening!! Our own Lisa Pearson walked away with it last year!

**Festival of Lights - Chapter D

When Saturday, Dec 8, 2012

Where Beacon Elementary School 1717 Beacon Ave., Montesano WA ([map](#))

Description This years theme is Dr. Seuss's "A Monteville Christmas". A great time!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

****Chapter x meeting, Saturday, December 1st, 2012**

****Chapter P black Friday event, December 2nd, Three Rivers mall, Longview/Kelso**

****Chapter D festival of Lights, Saturday, December 8th, Beacon Elementary school, Montesano, WA**

****Polar bear Run January 1st, 2013, starts at CYCLE GEAR, SE 89th and Stark Street
Portland, Oregon 97216
503-257-7047**

****Chapter X 3rd annual Motorcycle Swap Meet, January 19th, 2013, 8am to 4pm, Armed services reserve Center, Vancouver, WA**

For more information on these and other events, go to www.gwrra-wa.org or visit our chapter x website at www.gwrra-wax.org



For other fun events/rides, stay tuned to your monthly newsletter, as well as visit your local , district, and regional GWRRA websites for info, fliers, etc..... There are a LOT of events coming up around the Holidays.....Lots of toy runs, etc.....

For directions and fliers to any of these events and a whole lot more, please go to GWRRA.org, and follow the link to the region/district/state map pages from the home site.



Chapter	Wk	Day	District Time	Chapter's Town Seattle	Gathering Information Contact	Phone
A	4th	Saturday	8:30AM		Sam & Doreen Grubbs	206-718-6814
B	1st	Sunday	8:30AM	Bremerton	Jim & June Dutton	360-551-2236
C	2nd	Saturday	8:00AM	Everett	Lee Ann Kelly	206-362-4903
D	2nd	Sunday	8:30AM	Aberdeen	Kerry & Greg Bash	360-249-4640
E	3rd	Saturday	8:00AM	Bellevue	John & Barb Smith	206-391-6343
H	2nd	Tuesday	6:30PM	Lynden	Randy & Debbie Reid	360-733-3123
I	3rd	Sunday	8:00AM	Olympia	Ray Abitz	360-790-2832
L	2nd	Saturday	9:00AM	Kennewick	Lloyd Finley	509-783-9789
M	1st	Saturday	12:00PM	Yakima	Pete and Jean Hernandez	509-453-6951
N	3rd	Sunday	8:30AM	Spokane	Dave and Terri Chromy	509-292-0314
O	4th	Saturday	8:00AM	Port Orchard	Ken Smith	360-876-6737
P	3rd	Saturday	1:00PM	Longview	Chuck Porter & Reggie	360-636-0519
Q	1st	Friday	7:00PM	Puyallup	Dean & Christie Kalles	253-845-7177
R	1st	Saturday	9:00AM	Walla-Walla	Jim Corn	509-525-1304
V	1st	Thursday	6:00PM	Auburn	Garry & Maxine Alexander	253-770-3866
X	1st	Saturday	8:30AM	Vancouver	Dee Hall & Vanora Volk	360-254-2343
Y	2nd	Friday	6:30PM	Enumclaw	Roy & Pearl McKenzie	253-862-0220
Z	2nd	Saturday	1:00PM	Centralia	Jesse & Eva Valentine	360-888-0546

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