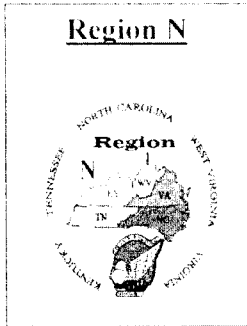




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Barnhills—1204 W. Poplar Av.—
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From the chapter directors

By: Pat & Jim Brewington

HELLO:

It was great to see so many come out for the first meeting of the year last month. WOW! What a way to start the new year off. We also had visitors from Bolivar that we are always glad to see.

I only received about 6 surveys from all of the membership, and I will share these with the staff, and we will work hard to make some changes in meetings, rides and etc. As I promised, we will give you at least 2 to 3 months notice of up coming events.

Each year our Chapter Charter is due on January 1st. The cost of this is \$50.00 a year. Ever since Sam Winters was the District Director, he started having the District pay the charter fee for each Chapter that participated in District activities such as: Cupid Capers, the District Picnic, and Spring Fling. W-2 has been very fortunate to have their Charter paid by the District each year. Going to the different District Activities is always a lot of fun. I can not begin to tell you how much we have had and all the great people we have met from all the different Chapters from around the state. So this coming year lets get

together and go to these District activities. W-2 always has a NASCAR race track set up at Cupid Capers, and this seems to be a big hit each year.

Spring Fling is another event to see our many friends from across the State. This year W-2 will be doing something different by helping with the Duck Races. So, I hope everyone will start thinking about some ways we can have a Duck in the different races. Mark your Calendar for Spring Fling. We'll get together, leave on Thursday, April 27, and have a good ride to the mountains and see some parts of the beautiful country while we are there. W-2 I am counting on you to come and have a good time. If you attend and do not have fun I want to be the first to know why! While at Spring Fling we will take one night and go for a Dinner ride as a Chapter event.

We are having some mild winter days, and if you get a chance to ride just be safe.

Until we see you again be safe!

Pat & Jim

HELP WANTED!!!

Come volunteer and join a GREAT staff and be a Chapter Technical Advisor. This is a very simple job. All you have to do is write an article each month about something concerning a motorcycle. It does not always have to be about a Goldwing, since we also have friends that ride other brands of bikes. If you do not have a computer, that is not a problem. We can get someone to do this also. If interested see a staff member.

HELP WANTED!!!!

Come volunteer and join a GREAT staff and be a Chapter Charity Organizer. This is a very simple job, all you have to do is organize something during the year for charity and collect any money that is available for St. Jude. If interested see a staff member.

Rider Education

By: Ruth Bolden

You may have read about California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's motorcycle accident written by Peter Prengaman with the Associated Press and reprinted in the Commercial Appeal on January 10, 2006. Schwarzenegger said "I never played by the rules." He received 15 stitches in his lip after he and his 12-year-old son, Patrick, were involved in the accident near their Los Angeles home. He and Patrick were treated for cuts and bruises at St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica and released. Both were wearing helmets. The governor was riding a Harley Davidson motorcycle with his son in a sidecar when another driver backed into the street and collided with the motorcycle at low speed. "I was very lucky, it could have been very different," said Schwarzenegger.

The article went on to state that "the governor's mishap offers a glimpse at a much larger safety trend – the number of people injured and killed in motorcycle accidents has gone up considerably in the past decade.

In 2004, as estimated 76,000 riders were injured and a confirmed 4,008 died in motorcycle crashes, compared with 57,000 injuries and 2320 deaths in 1994, according to the U. S. agency that regulates auto safety.

The increase is particularly dramatic among riders over age 40 – 1,847 died in 2004 compared with 541 in 1994, said the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration."

I think the above statistics should include a further study regarding the increase in motorcycle riders. There are more motorcycles on the road now than there were ten years ago. If the increase in the number of riders (as well as the fact that motorcycles now appeal to all age groups) was incorporated into the study, a totally different picture may immerge. What do you think?

RIDE SAFE, RIDE SMART.

Ruth Bolden

WORD SCRAMBLE

The first person that comes to me at the meeting with the correct word and a current GWRRA card will win a free meal.

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Have fun! Pat

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Dear W2 Members:

*We are very proud and humble to be the first recipients of the "Jimmy Rogers Memorial Award." Jimmy was a very giving and caring person, and a very good friend of ours. We thank you for the honor you have bestowed to us. There was no one that worked harder than Jimmy as ride coordinator. We appreciate this award knowing that there are those that have worked as hard or harder than us. Thank you.
Brenda & Mike Hopper*

RECIPE CORNER: Do you have a favorite recipe that you would like to share? If so you can e-mail Ed or just hand him a copy at each meeting.

Orange Balls (candy)

1 (6oz) can of orange juice concentrate thawed
1 box of finely crushed vanilla wafers
1 cup of chopped pecans
1 cup of flaked coconut
1 box of confectioners sugar

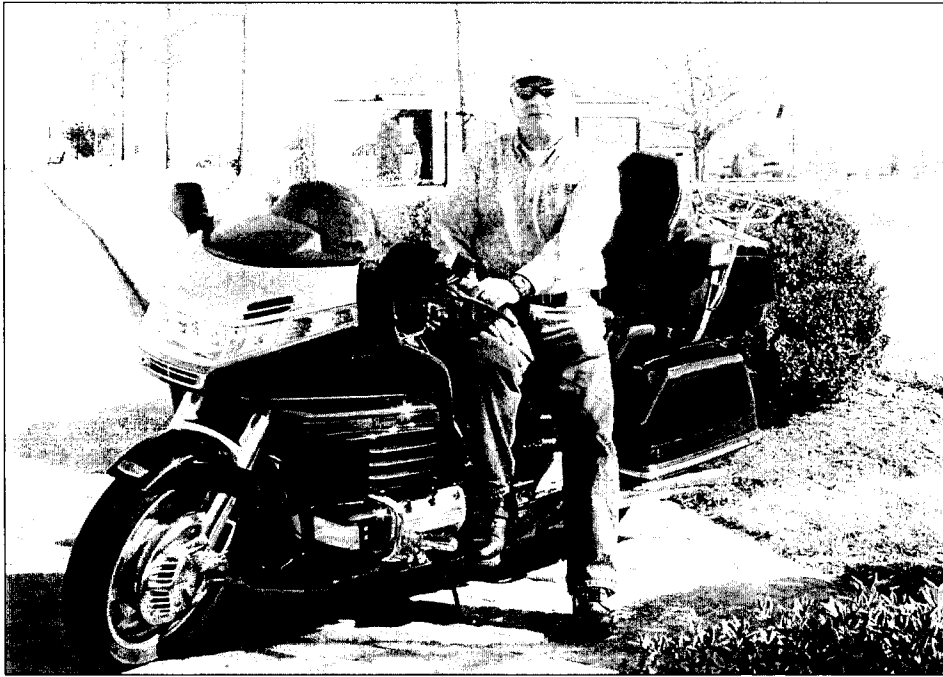
Combine orange juice, vanilla wafers, nuts and coconut with confectioners sugar in a bowl, mixing well. Shape into small balls and roll in confectioners sugar. Store in a tightly covered container in refrigerator.

W2ers:

Know anyone who might like to purchase an ad to go in our newsletter?
See me for a pricelist.
Ed

Remember

Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.



Jim Ragon received the "Bike of the Month Award."

Need to set your vacation for 2006? Here are

Dates for some upcoming Rallies:

Spring Fling - Pigeon Forge, TN - April 27-30

Missouri District Rally - Branson, MO - May 4-6

Region N Rally - Maggie Valley, NC - May 11-13

Honda Hoot - Knoxville, TN - June 20-24

Wing Ding - Nashville, TN - July 3-6

Honda Homecoming - Marysville, OH - July 27-29

Wings Over the Smokies - Fletcher, NC - Sept. 21-23

Mississippi District Rally - Biloxi, MS - October
12-15

February 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 W2 Meeting	3 Ed Davis & Rick Williams B-Day	4 N Meeting - Cupid Capers
5	6	7	8	9	10 Jim Brewington B-Day	11 I Meeting
12 T2 Meeting	13 Margaret Higdon B-Day	14 Valentine's Day	15	16 Dinner Ride - Pig N Whistle	17 Audrey Caldwell B-Day	18
19 D2 Meeting	20 President's Day	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

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