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Our Chapter gatherings are held at 9:00 a.m. on the fourth Saturday of every month at Kelly's Scenic View Restaurant, on east Main Street in Everett, PA.

Our ride departure location is the Masonic Temple parking lot, on Main Street in Everett, PA.

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CHAPTER 'W' NEWSLETTER
OCTOBER 2019

Director's Corner

by Gary & Mable Washington



Since I last wrote we had a homegoing for one of our own; Dave Grimm. Thanks to all members for showing how much GWRRA~PA W cares for each other. I want to thank Mable for driving me around on the trike on nice days and putting up with me. We went shopping (I think she wanted to go) and out to dinner several times over the past three weeks. We had wonderful weather for the chapter's OFFICIAL last ride of the season. Enjoy the fall season, ride safe, be careful with all the falling leaves, and watch for frisky deer.

Mable and I along with Gennifer and Garnell went to my 50th college reunion in Wild and Wonderful West Virginia. Gennifer and Garnell were fascinated that people remembered me and my pranks, as well as the football experiences were not all lies. I think they thought I made most of it up..... I can truly say that my personal family, motorcycle family are some of the best memories of my life. Of course, the horse and bicycle BMX come in as a close second! The college life will always be a positive memory in my life. As we strolled back in time to Salem in West Virginia, it was where Mable and I started our married life; 72 Pennsylvania Avenue was the "house" number. I got to see several of my fellow football buddies as well as many whom were not. One of the classmates reminded me of the fun we had in music appreciation 101. I had forgotten how we gave the teacher such a hard time. The other story from the past that came up was living in Tiger Hall which was a previous funeral home turned into the football dorm. We had so much fun with that theme... The college was having homecoming and the community was having their annual apple butter festival. Some things leave us but having memories of the good days in our lives is something special to hold on to.

House update: NO ONE is at our house. Mable is working on the back room and have given away the dresser, taken up the bed and getting ready to paint the room. She is in the process of looking for the right "ladder" type shelving for her plants so she can bring them in for the winter. I'm almost sure she is not going to let folks stay there. Sung Bug and Patches are doing well, living the life that bugs bunny would approve of.

Enjoy Fall Foliage~Be Alert & Ride Safe,
Gary & Mable Washington, CD

**50 Year
Class
Reunion**



"I can only note that the past is beautiful because one never realizes an emotion at the time. It expands later, and thus we don't have complete emotions about the present, only about the past."
— Virginia Woolf

September, September
Her birthday falls in September
Under the dreary clouds
Days are bright with her sunshine smiles
Spreading love for miles and miles
Never hard to notice, so easy to remember

September, September
Her birthday falls in September
Brisk winds and orange leaves
Weddings, anniversaries and birthdays
Out amongst the trees
A special time of year
For a special some many hold dear
Not the kind to be forgotten
The kind you love to remember
From the desk of Linda!



Assistant Chapter Directors **Eldon & Kerri Mickel**

GWRRRA PA - W Family and Friends,

Riding season is winding down. We had a nice last ride to Road Kill Cafe last weekend with 16 members attending. Everyone seemed to have a good time with good food and fellowship. Most of the group split up after the meal and went their own ways. I continued to ride the rest of the day going to Emmetsburg, Md for the Red Helmet Ride. Honoring the nation's fire fighters killed in active duty. Gary Stockenus has left us know that due to the shorter days, October 15

Ice Cream ride will be at the Meadows on Mile Level at 6:30. We had planned on going to Hagerstown Md F for Roll for the Dough breakfast gathering last month but we had our dates screwed up and rescheduled for this month but have very few signed up. Anyone wishing to make the trip to Hagerstown this Saturday to visit our friends at Md F at Golden Corral let us know by Friday evening. Ron and Doris are opening up their home for a picnic on October 19 at 1:00. If you need directions please contact them.

Our Winter Holiday Party will be on December 14th at the American Legion in Bedford. Social Hour at 5:00 followed by Dinner at 6:00. Cost will be \$16.00 per person which includes two meats, Stuffed Pork Chops, Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, garden medley, Cole slaw, roll and butter. There will be a gift exchange/game; gifts should be valued around \$10.00. There will also be entertainment. A good time should be had by all. RSVP by Dec. 6. Don't forget the very next day, Dec. 15th is Eldon's Birthday.

Not too much going on in November. Enjoy the fall riding if you do go out. When you put your bike away for winter remember to prep it for Spring weather.

Kerri & Eldon Mickel
Asst. Directors

Monthly Funny:

A trucker's wife sees 3 parrots for sale. \$170, \$150 & \$10.
She asks why the last parrot is so cheap.
The pet store owner said it used to live in a whore house.
The woman laughs and buys it.
She gets home and the parrot says, "Wow! A new whore house!"
The woman laughs.
When her 2 daughters come home, the parrot says, "Dang!!! 2 new gals!"
They all laugh!
When her husband walks in the door, the parrots says, "Hi Joe! You found the new spot!"
And.....that's how the fight started.



We continue to keep **any and all** of our members who have a special need, in our thoughts and prayers.

Membership Enhancement : PEGGY GRIMM & Ed Steele



This is the month that ghost and goblins are out floating around. I wonder if they like to ride in the cold? That's about the size of it, as I would look like some creature decked out in a bizarre Halloween costume if I were to ride in the cold. But we all know I do not do cold. So, if you do happen to see a ghost or goblin on a bike, suffice it to know it won't be waiving at you, because it's not me. It seems like we just got the bikes out and ready to start the riding season. Yet, here we are getting ready to park the girls away and let them rest for the cold months.



While the temperatures were feasible, we still managed a few activities. On September 14th, six of us went to Morgantown, WV and visited Chapter I. The gathering was enjoyable and the food delicious. We also accumulated a point for roll for dough.



Our monthly ice cream ride on the 17th was led by Chris. He took us to Ritchey's Dairy in Martinsburg. We had a rather large turnout. If I counted correct, there were twenty of us anxiously wanting some ice cream. With this being the last ice cream ride that we could actually ride the bikes and get to places before they close for the season, I suspect everyone wanted to get out and enjoy. Thank you, Chris and Christie.



On September 18th, heaven gained another trike rider. Our member, Dave Grimm lost his long, hard fought battle with cancer. He is no longer suffering or struggling with pain, but he will surely be missed. Thank you to all of our members who were able to attend the final tribute to Dave, at his funeral. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Sara and her family.

I think it's official, fall has finally set in. My warm 80-degree days have fallen to the wayside. The calendar said September 23rd was the first day of fall, but summer sure tried to hang on. From the looks of it, we might have beautiful foliage at the peak of fall this year. I do love the changing of colors, but I do not favor the changing of temperatures.

September 28th, we had our monthly gathering. One of the discussions included the details of our final ride to The Road Kill Cafe in Artemas. Weren't we just discussing our first ride in May? Sign-up sheets were passed around for other activities. We also got our lottery tickets to sell. I sure hope someone from our chapter sells a big winning ticket. Good luck to everyone.



Our trikes have been throwing fits all summer. Hopefully, by the time you are reading this, we will have at least one of them at home. We would like to try to get in a ride or two before it gets too cold. The way temperatures are going, though, it's going to be iffy.

October 5th, we took our final ride to The Road Kill Cafe. Wouldn't you know it, it was freezing cold and a couple of us opted to ride in heated cars. I know someone who would call us weenies. Kudos to those seven who braved the temperatures and rode in on bikes. The breakfast was yummy. Technically, this was considered our last ride, but that doesn't mean we can't venture out if the weather permits. You notice a theme here yet? I can't let go of the hope of some warm riding weather. I am so not ready for this cold.



I'll end this newsletter with wishing everyone a Happy Halloween and hope you all get to see some pretty foliage. Stay warm and enjoy yourselves.

See you next month.

Peggy Grimm and Ed Steele
Chapter W MEC



CHAPTER W

ACTIVITY and MEETING SCHEDULE

Oct 05 - Last ride of the season – Road Kill -
Depart from Masonic Lodge - 9:00am

Oct 12 - Roll for the Dough to MD-F – Leave
Shell Station outside Everett at 7:00am

Oct 15 - Ice Cream Ride - The Meadows on
Mile Level, RT 30 Bedford at 6:30pm

Oct 19 - Picnic at Ron & Doris home – 1:00pm

Oct 26 - Monthly Gathering 9:00am at Kelly's
Scenic View Restaurant in Everett, PA

Nov 19 - Ice Cream Ride - The Meadows on
Mile Level, RT 30 Bedford at 6:30pm

Nov 23 - Monthly Gathering 9:00am at Kelly's
Scenic View Restaurant in Everett, PA

Dec 14 - Winter Holiday Party – American
Legion – Bedford – 5:00pm - See attached flyer

Dec 17 - Ice Cream Ride - The Meadows on
Mile Level, RT 30 Bedford at 6:30pm

Dec 28 - **NO GATHERING IN DECEMBER**



BIRTHDAYS:

October 12 - Pat Miller
October 15 - Nancy Grimm
October 18 - Gary Washington
October 24 - Paul Diehl
October 25 - Ron Strimel

ANNIVERSARIES:

October 13 - Ron & Doris Strimel

ROLL FOR THE DOUGH:

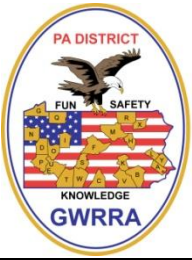
As of 10-10-2019 fifteen Chapters out of
18 have earned points. The top six are:

Chapter B - 19 Points
Chapter I - 10 Points
Chapter V - 10 Points
Chapter W - 10 Points
Chapter Q - 09 Points
Chapter H - 08 Points

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

“A failure is not always a mistake, it may
simply be the best one can do under the
circumstances. The real mistake is to stop
trying.” B.F. Skinner





District Director Notes: October, 2019

As we crisscross Pennsylvania, I am amazed at how dull the leaves are. And I can't believe how many trees are changing color and dropping leaves. Then I look at the calendar and think "Oh my, it is fall and where did summer go!" But as we all know; fall is a beautiful time of the year to ride.

As you go out and ride for your fall leaf rides, make safety a number one thought. The leaves you are looking at are very pretty on the trees but when they fall, they create hazards. They are slippery when wet and may cover the road surface which hide other hazards and conditions you would normally see. Please ride safe and enjoy the color.

I cannot believe there are only two (2) chapter events occurring before the end of the year; that is all that is listed on the Events Calendar for 2019. So, don't forget to have your events added to the Events Calendar on the PA District website. We would like to see the Events Calendar full.

The Events Calendar is where Chapters look to see what is happening in the District and how Chapters earn visitation points in our visitation program called "Roll for the Dough". Just as a reminder the Roll for the Dough program runs from January 1st – December 31st.

The first page of the PA District newsletter has the Events Calendar listed. Here are some highlights and dates you may want to add to your Chapter calendar for 2020.

March 14, 2020	Couple of the
Year FUN Day	Clearfield, PA
April 18, 2020	Officer
Conference	Clearfield, PA



May 14-16, 2020 PA District Rally
Altoona, PA

Many Chapters will begin to plan their 2020 calendars soon. If you have an annual event or know about an event you plan on listing on the Events Calendar, let us know in the next couple of weeks. We will pass the dates on so Chapters can plan on attending.

Did I just mention, the PA District Rally? It is May 14, 15 & 16, 2020 and the theme for the rally is Ride Back in Time. The registration form for the rally will be published soon. We have found a lot to hold the TRC and ARC courses one mile from the hotel. Vendors have been notifying us about their interest in coming. The District University Coordinators are looking for suggestions for class you would like to attend. Hotel reservations are being made so, if you have not made yours you might want to do that. And if your Chapter has a favorite talent act from a previous rally, we encourage you to perform that act again or you may choose to create a new act. Remember to bring your Chapter mascot; we love to see Chapter Pride!

Until next month ride safe and we hope to see you on the road or at a Gathering.

Remember to always ride safe!



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Assistant Dist Directors:

It's now officially FALL season. October is upon us and the trees will soon be starting to change their leaves into beautiful fall colors. It's such a pretty time of the year to take scenic routes to see all the fall foliage-. Be mindful of all the additional road hazards this time of the year brings such as leaves, school buses and wildlife.

With fall leaves approaching, we led a scenic ride for our Chapter W family through some back roads in Woodbury and Martinsburg area for ice cream. It was a very nice evening for a ride.

We attended Wing Ding in Nashville this year. It wasn't our first time to Nashville but it was our first time to attend a Wing Ding. We really enjoyed ourselves there. We attended several seminars, went to the International COY selection, took a line dancing class, checked out the vendors, Chris got his boots shoe shined, enjoyed the boat ride at the Gaylord and numerous other things. Next year's Wing Ding will be in Springfield, Missouri.

It's getting that time again for Chapters to be choosing that special couple to represent their chapter as Couple of the Year for 2020. If you have any questions concerning the couple of the year program, don't hesitate to contact us or John & Glenda Leib, District Couple of the Year Coordinators.

Remember to always ride safe & Have FUN!



Chris & Christie Hull
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District COY CoOrdinators:

The riding season for the last month or so has been great. Cooler temps with lower humidity really make riding a pleasure. Remember to watch for leaves on the road as well as the walnuts and other nuts that have fallen earlier this year which makes riding more challenging.

With the fall season upon us, it's also time to be thinking of honoring a Chapter Couple for 2020. We are here to assist you in any way needed. Is 2020 going to be the year that all the PA Chapters have a Couple? Let's make it happen!

Thank you to all the Chapter Couples of the Year for all that you continue to do for your Chapter! You have made your Chapter Proud. Thank you, Chris and Christie Hull, PA District Couple of the Year, for being the Ambassadors for the PA District.

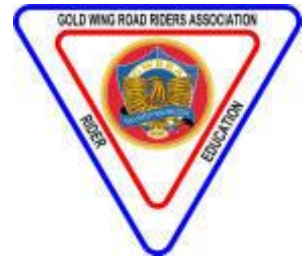


John & Glenda Leib
PA District Couple of the Year Coordinators
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PA DISTRICT EDUCATOR



Hi Everyone:

What's your favorite part about riding a motorcycle? Almost every rider will say the freedom that comes from getting out in the open air ranks high on their list—it's one of the essential parts of the riding experience that makes traveling the same road in a car and on a bike so much different.

But come wintertime that open air can serve up a big challenge for riders, too—keeping warm and dry. Wind and wet are both your enemies when it comes to staying warm.

Staying warm isn't just a matter of comfort. Cold riders risk hypothermia and riding when you're hypothermic can be as dangerous as riding drunk; lack of coordination, slurred speech, confusion, poor decision making and drowsiness are all symptoms.

So what to do about it? Luckily, most motorcycle clothing designed to provide abrasion protection is pretty good at providing wind protection as well.

Now what can your bike do to help?

Windshield:

Tucking in behind one not only makes it more comfortable to sit upright, but the better designs keep you sitting in a still-air pocket, both for comfort and warmth.

Body Design:

Again, the better touring designs keep the wind off your lower body and legs, helping keep you both warmer and drier.

Heated Grips:

Electrically heated grips let you wear gloves that are thin enough for good control feel without compromising warmth and comfort.

Active Heat:

Most Gold Wing models offer heating ducts that channel warm air over the rider's feet. Your car has a heater—why shouldn't your bike?

Electric Clothing:

You may have already purchased heated vests, jackets, gloves and chaps for your winter riding pleasure. In most cases your bike will have plenty of extra power available for these accessories.

In closing, the Gold Wing with its windshield, body design and heat-venting system are all state of the art, and there's plenty of extra power available for your heated clothing.

Remember, a warm rider is a Happy Rider. Also remember ATGATT.

“Ride Safe and Ride Proud.”

Chuck & Evelyn Stone,
PA District Educators



National News:

Submitted by
Jere & Sherry Goodman
Directors of GWRRA



To Zoom Or Not To Zoom – That Is The Question

Sherry and I get the feeling that in some cases there is a reluctance to take advantage of utilizing Zoom Video Conferencing. Yes, there are many ways to communicate with each other: email, text, phone, social media, etc. In our opinion, nothing is better than face-to-face where we build relationships and have an instant exchange of thoughts and viewpoints. Face-to-face just makes for better interaction.

So, why the reluctance? Many of our Members holding voluntary positions have at least a laptop with a built-in camera and microphone. Some who have desktops have an external camera/microphone and speakers. Most should have Internet access, although some may be too rural.

Since zoom.com is the application that can be downloaded for free, would not all volunteers want this? You get 40 free minutes to hold a call and when the call ends, you can log back on for additional time.

We find this tool to be invaluable and we participate in Zoom calls every month. That does not mean that as a Director you should hold them every month. Perhaps every other month or quarterly would work best for you. The point is, you should take advantage of this very powerful communication tool.

We bring this up because all too often we are hearing that communication is lacking, especially at the District Level. Some Chapter Directors feel that communication is lacking other than what they see in a District Newsletter or email.

If you need help setting up a Zoom account, we can get you that help.

We know that everyone has busy schedules and an entire Team may not be available for a particular call. That is fine. That will happen frequently. However, it is important to continue to build relationships with your Team as they will be on the calls at different times. Besides, information discussed can be forwarded to those who were not able to make the call.

Going forward, Sherry and I are asking that you continue holding these important calls and if you have not been holding them, please give it a try. We can assure you, they will be informative and fun. We will offer one suggestion: keep them under an hour!

Ride safe; be well. And, as always, remember that fun shall be the last word—so HAVE FUN!

Jere & Sherry Goodman
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2019 PA DISTRICT AND CHAPTER EVENTS

OCTOBER

05 - District - Motorcycling for the Mature Rider - Sandy Lake Masonic Hall - Sandy Lake, PA - 10:00 - PA-N Host

NOVEMBER

30 - Chapter C - Christmas Banquet - Antrim Brethren In Christ Church - Chambersburg, PA - 5:00pm

DECEMBER

14 - Chapter N - Christmas Party - Fredonia Presbyterian Church - Fredonia, PA - 5:00pm

14 - Chapter W - Winter Holiday Party - Bedford American Legion - Bedford, PA - 5:00pm

2019 National Events:

Jan 03-05, MD/DE District Rally, Winter
Thing – Ocean City, MD

NJ State Rally -

June 04-08, Americade – Lake George, NY

July 26-27 - New England Districts
Getaway Weekend, - Rutland, VT
(ME,VT,NH,MA,RI,CT)

Aug 8-11 - NY State Rally – Tioga Downs
Casino and Resort - Nichols, NY

Aug 27-31, Wing Ding 41 – Nashville, TN

2020 PA DISTRICT AND CHAPTER EVENTS

MAY

09 - Chapter B - Spring Fling - Lancaster Central Park - Pavilion #22 - Lancaster, PA - 9:00am

14-16 - PA District Rally - Altoona Grand Hotel - Altoona, PA - PA-S Host

JUNE

12-14 - All Chapters West - Treasure Lake KOA - Dubois, PA - PA-I Host

SEPTEMBER

11-13 - All Chapters East - Bodnarosa Motel & Campground - Berwick, PA - PA-X Host



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