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**GOLDWING ROADRIDERS ASSOC.**

## Chapter Directors Highlights

HAPPY... HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY ....

What a busy month we have had.

June 9, ride to Lake Placid with 13 bikes in attendance. I didn't get to make that one but understand it was another good ride.

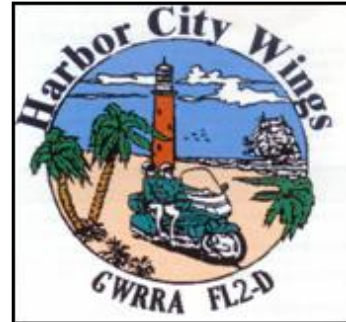
June 17, Fathers Day. A quick spur of the moment ride to "Steve's diner" in Daytona for breakfast. Ten bikes on that one. Home in time for all to celebrate Father's Day with family.

June 19, 12 of us made it to Chowders for a really good dinner. Missed a lot of you.

June 20, decided to go to Coco for their Chapter meeting. Jim, Leanne, Andy and I met at Wachovia Bank. Sky turned dark... decide to make go of it anyway... **BIG MISTAKE!** Jim and Leanne, (having no faith), put on their rain gear before leaving. Not us..... and guess what? Not even a half mile down the road the heavens opened up and it was down hill from there. Needless to say we did not make it to the Coco meeting. But understand Ray and Diane along with Larry Hicks (in a car), did make it. Oh well, at least we tried. Next time maybe I'll heed Jim and Leanne weather forecast.

Thanks to all who participated this month.

Welcome, Welcome, Welcome to all our new members. We are so glad to have you join us and hope to see you on our rides. Speaking of new members, I sincerely hope that all the "old" members (when you come to a meeting or kicktire and see the newbie's), will take the time to go over and acknowledge them, and make them feel welcome. There is nothing worse than being in a group and feeling left out.



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A GREAT BIG WELCOME BACK TO OUR NEWS EDITOR, Richard and Linda Mitts. We missed you .Hope your trip was a good one.

TRAVELERS... TRAVELERS... TRAVELERS..

**Ray and Rachael Moyer**... Las Vega and Arizona for ten days, on the first of July.

**Jim and Leanne**.. Off to Tennessee to visit relatives and ride the Tail of the Dragon.

**Mike and Charlotte**...Off to Tennessee to camp, ride thru the Smoky Mountains, and ride the Tail of the Dragon.

**Mike and Pat Duquette**... Off to North Carolina to ride the Tail of the Dragon and do a few other things.

**Carl Vetzell**.. Off to Magee Valley to see Gail, (HI GAIL)and more then likely ride the Tail of the Dragon.

Whew... do we have the travelers. Hope you all have a safe ride and a great time.

JEALOUS... JEALOUS.. JEALOUS.

Hope our Chapter family is all back together next month. Not too much more to say.  
RIDE GOLDWING PROUD.

BUT ABOVE ALL RIDE SAFE. LYNN

**Jake and Joann Jacobs who were 2006 Florida and Region A couple of the year have just been selected as GWRRA International Couple of the Year at Wing Ding**



**1500 Cadillac Trike?**



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#### 2007 FLORIDA GWRRA EVENTS

- Jul. 4-7 Wing Ding, Billings
- Aug. 31-Sep. 2 GWRRA 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party, Nashville
- Sept. 8 FL1-A Picnic/Auction, Tampa
- Sept. 13-15 Region "A" Rally, Perry
- Oct. 11-13 Mississippi District Rally, Biloxi
- Oct. 13 FL2-N Rally/Fund Raiser, Cocoa
- Oct. 26-27 Annual Bandit Getaway, Panama City
- Nov. 3 FLI-X Four Chapter Spaghetti Social, Orange Park
- Nov. 10 FLI-L2 Rally/Poker Run, Brooksville
- Nov. 17 Florida District Rider Ed Fair, St. Petersburg

#### 2008 EVENTS

- Jan. 19 FL2-L Pirate Fest, Lakeland
- Jan. 27 FL2-N Five Chapter Breakfast, Cocoa
- Apr. 19 FL2-G 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Fort Myers
- May 23-24 FL1-Y Rally/Poker Run, Gainesville

## AND NOW A WORD FROM CAPTAIN SAFETY

“GEE I COULD’VE HAD A V/8” I’M SURE YOU ALL HAVE SEEN THE COMMERCIAL WHERE THE GUY HITS HIS FOREHEAD AFTER DOING SOMETHING STUPID AND SAY’S GEE I COULD’VE HAD A V/8.

I HAVE BEEN HEARING AND READING LATELY ABOUT A LOT OF STATISTICS ABOUT THE INCREASE OF MOTORCYCLIST, BICYCLES, BOATERS, FOUR WHEELERS, ATV’S AND ALL VEHICLES IN GENERAL.

THE MEDIA TALKS LIKE THIS IS THE ONLY CAUSE FOR THE INCREASE IN DEATH’S WHILE OPERATING ANY OF THESE VEHICLES. IT’S TRUE THAT MORE ACCIDENTS HAPPEN BECAUSE OF MORE DRIVERS ON THE ROAD BUT THAT ALONE IS NOT THE ONLY REASON FOR THE NUMBER OF DEATHS THAT HAS INCREASED OVER THE YEARS.

MOTORCYCLE DEATHS HAVE GONE TO AN ALL TIME HIGH, BOATERS DEATHS HAVE OVER A 100% INCREASE THIS YEAR OVER LAST YEAR. FOUR WHEELERS ARE EXPERIENCING DEATHS ALSO, THEIR EXCUSE IS THEY RIDE OFF ROAD AND NOT IN TRAFFIC.

IT SEEMS THAT EVERYONE HAS A STORY TO TELL ABOUT SAFETY GEAR LIKE THE HELMET IS TO HOT OR TO TIGHT. BOATERS SAY THE LIFE VEST [GET IT **LIFE** VEST] IS TO BULKY OR IT DOESN’T FIT RIGHT. BICYCLIST SAY I’M NOT GOING THAT FAST SO I DON’T NEED A HELMET. ATV ‘ERS SAY I ONLY GO OFF ROAD. CAR AND TRUCK DRIVERS SAY THE SEAT BELT IS TO TIGHT OR I CAN’T REACH MY CELL PHONE OR BIG MAC, OR REACH IN THE BACK SEAT TO GET SOMETHING. SO YES, WE ALL



HAVE A STORY TO TELL BUT, THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN IT’S TOO LATE. BUT IF I WERE PEOPLE LIKE THIS I WOULD LIKE TO BE ALIVE TO CHANGE THE STORY I HAVE TO TELL.

NOW, BACK TO THE COMMERCIAL I WAS REFERRING TO, THE BIG DIFFERENCE IS YOU CAN’T HIT YOURSELF ON THE FOREHEAD AND SAY GEE I COULD’VE WORN A HELMET OR SEAT BELT OR LIFE VEST.

**NO MATTER WHAT YOUR STORY IS PLEASE CHANGE IT NOW BEFORE IT’S TOO LATE.**

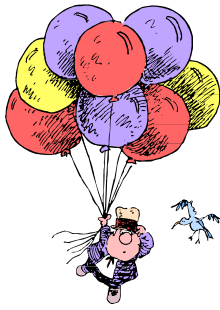
MIKE AND PAT DUQUETTE  
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Wait till Mike and Mo get a hold of this guy!  
This is at Tail of the Dragon in NC, taken by the guys at Killboy.com

## Birthday's

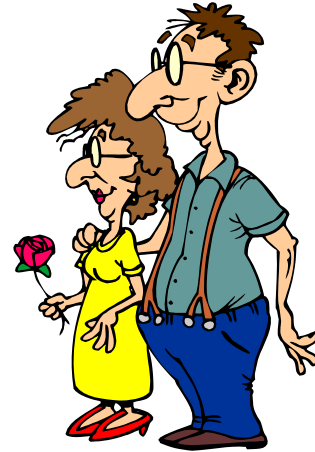
## Anniversaries



		7/2	Larry Hicks
		7/7	Richard Wilson
		7/8	Jim Milucky
6/4	Barb Tosti	7/11	Mary Jo Dane
6/8	Joanne Davies	7/16	John Bernat
6/28	Diane Mercier	7/22	Don Tosti
6/29	Cecilia Hicks	7-25	Mike Mercer
6/30	Richard Mitts	7-25	Bill Harris

6/3	Reid & Laurie Morris
6/11	Richard & Brenda Wilson
6/11	Bob & Jean Andelsen
6/15	Richard & Linda Mitts
6/20	John & Dorinda Campell
6/24	Don & Rennee Morlan
	(None for July)

**\*\* Special Notice! Ray and Rachael Moyer renewed their Wedding Vows in May. Pictures went to internet never-never land.....sorry**



You can tell it's going to be a rotten day when....you wake up and your braces are locked together.

You can tell it's going to be a rotten day when...your blind date turns out to be your ex-wife.

You can tell it's going to be a rotten day when...you put both contact lenses in the same eye.

You can tell it's going to be a rotten day when...your husband says, "Good morning, Carol" and your name is Linda.

I watch a lot of baseball on radio. - Gerald Ford

Money is better than poverty, if only for financial reasons. - Woody Allen

If you don't want to work you have to earn enough money so that you won't have to work. - Ogden Nash

Please accept my resignation. I don't want to belong to any club that will accept me as a member. - Groucho Marx

You can't have everything. Where would you put it? - Steven Wright





Tax season has ended and the endless summer riding trips have begun. As you know Leanne and I have been anxiously waiting to put some miles on the new 1800's. Our maiden trip taken the last week of April had Destin as the destination. I thought some of the group might be amused that we made the trip without the aid of GPS, compass or u-turns!

Just like in the old days, we used a map to plan our route and then stopped often to review where we were and what our next set of turns might be. It was a terrific trip [no rain, accidents or construction]. Oh – no interstates [except for a 5 mile stretch on 95 coming home].

We started out on old faithful [192] through Kissimmee to US 27 on route through Perry. The general idea was to wander towards US 98 and follow 98 along the coast to Destin. If you haven't taken this ride, I recommend the coast road, especially along the gulf through the Apalachicola area.

Destin is only for eating, shopping and lying on the beach so don't plan on lots of other activities while you're there. After four days of non-stop eating [and five pounds] I was ready to head home.

Rural Florida is full of interesting flat spots like Bruce, Elba and Blountstown. They are seen best at speeds under 55. We rode Florida 20

[parallels I-10 towards Tallahassee] and scooted down 379 through the Apalachicola National Forest back to 98 on and to Perry. There was a wonderful southern home-style buffet in Branford – an oasis planted on the roadside.

This time we traveled straight through to Ocala and more or less to US 1. Taking two days going and returning allowed us a more relaxed ride and although we didn't stop for sight seeing, we certainly enjoyed the scenery. The temperatures made for ideal riding [translates to over 60 and below 90].

The bikes – averaged 40+ handled flawlessly. For seat lovers...our prior stock 1500 seats and 'ol Corbin were better and we will be making adjustments as time and budget allow.

Safe and Happy riding wishes to all,

Jim and Leanne



**Could this be Jim and his “Bud” in a few years?**

KICK TIRE & BREAKFAST RIDE



CHAPTER PHOTOS



Environmentalist - running on natural gas?



CHOWDERS, HARBOR CITY DINER

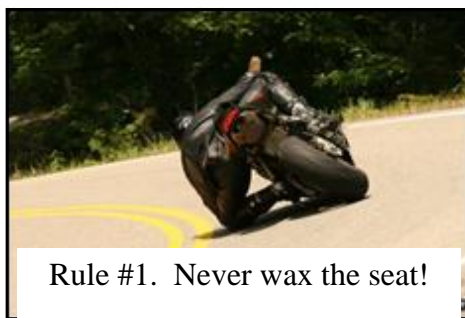


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# JULY 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Business Mtg 7PM—Barnhill's	4 Wing Ding— Billings, MT	5 Wing Ding— Billings, MT	6 Wing Ding— Billings, MT	7 Wing Ding— Billings, MT
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Picnic Ride— ??? Springs
15	16	17 Kick Tire 7PM—Hooters	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 Kick Tire 7PM—RJ Gators				

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# AUGUST 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7 Business Mtg 7PM—Barnhill's	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Kick Tire 7PM-Chinese	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	