





G2 Roadrunner NEWS

GWRRA Region H "South Central Texas District Chapter G2 Greenville, TX April 2015***Established October 2001



Chapter Director's Corner:

And here we go into April!

The riding season is upon us and we have already had several riding opportunities. March saw us with ride to "The Shed" in Edom where we met up with a bunch of folks from Chapter W2 in Waxahachie. Jim and Barb had a "Welcome Home" ride for our Vietnam Vets. We had a ride to Coppell to watch the motorcycle cops perform highly skilled maneuvers that few us would be

daring enough to attempt. Lastly we had the Louisiana District Convention in Lafayette LA. This was not even a full month as we even had a couple rides called due to weather.

Regarding GWRRA Rallies; I know there are several of you that do not know what the Rallies really are, and whether they are right for you. I had struggled with that myself, but ultimately I did realize something that is true for everyone. They are what you want them to be. You can participate in any, all, or none of the preplanned events.

For the March Louisiana Rally I chose to set up a couple of rides through the southern Louisiana countryside and see what sites we could see. We visited the Tabasco factory, and found some roads with twisting scenic routes that followed tributaries to the Mississippi river. We visited the vendors who are varied in the items they carry. Some have items for the motorcycles some have booths with Jewelry, clothes, hats, and assorted novelties. They even had vendors that service your Bike. I happen to have a failing rear shock on my bike. At the Louisiana rally there was a Motorcycle service business run out of a semi-truck that for a great price and with staff with a great deal of experience (500 suspensions a year) replaced the whole suspension with a high performance Traxxion setup. They installed this after 5:00pm after we completed the days riding and had it for me for the next morning! Some folks liked to find a spot and sit around and talk, play board or card games, or do puzzles, Some like to stay up and have drinks and snacks and stay up deep into the night. But once again, it is all up to what YOU want to do.

April will be filled with lots to do as there are three weekend rallies that are in Fredericksburg (Blue Bonnet Rally), Marshall (Our GWRRA Region Rally), and Temple Texas (Our Texas Rally). I plan on finding riding opportunities every chance I get, as THAT is what I like to do.

Dan Rymarz – G2 Chapter Director



From our Chapter Educator:

Legislative update

- -Lane-splitting does have a few rules to the law (20 mph or lower before permitted, <5mph above traffic speed, controlled access roads (interstate highways)). Would not be legal in-town under one version, but permitted in another.
- -Registration fees increasing \$3.00 but dollars will be deposited into fund that will directly benefit rider education and training.
- -Dead red light bill should pass this session.

NHTSA

- -Texas motorcyclist fatalities 2014: 421
- -Texas continues to lead in motorcyclist fatalities, roughly 10% each year.
- -Texas fatalities helmet non-use, roughly 60% each year. 2012 was 58%.
- -Texas single-vehicle motorcycle crashes, averaging 42% each year. 2012 was 44%
- -NHTSA has Fatal Analysis Reporting System; Google NHTSA 811502 to see Rider Training Standards
- -Search NHTSA website for results of Puerto Rico's program on reduction of BAC on riding a motorcycle while intoxicated.

Over the past month we have had some really nice days and some really bad day. Make sure when you are going on a ride you dress for the ride and maybe carry a little extra incase the weather reports are not quite accurate. A good example was this last weekend(4 and 5 April). Saturday turned out to be a beautiful day but Sunday was another story. It did rain as promised but it did not reach the high temp they stated. On the range it was only 49 degrees. My students were not properly dressed for the weather and they were not comfortable. All for this month. Ride Safe.

Harry Whipple – G2 Chapter Educator

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ROAD TRIP!

Have you ever thought about touring at least one landmark in all 50 states? Michigan State University Doctoral student, Randal Olson, plotted a route using algorithms and other methods to come up with a route. It would be fun in a car, but it would be much more fun on a motorcycle. Under normal driving, or riding conditions it would take 2 to 3 months to complete the tour. There are probably many folks who can claim to have ridden to all 50 states, including Washington D.C., but how many could say they did it in one continuous trip? The map below doesn't have all of the route numbers listed, but a little comparative map work could make it happen. Oh, and be sure to carry some spare gasoline cans with you if you plan to try it on a bike. Just sayin'.



And here are the stops. Start with any of them and have some fun.

- 1. Grand Canyon, AZ
- 2. Bryce Canyon National Park, UT
- 3. Craters of the Moon, ID
- 4. Yellowstone National Park, WY
- 5. Pikes Peak, CO
- 6. Carlsbad Caverns National Park, NM
- 7. The Alamo, TX
- 8. The Platt Historic District, OK
- 9. Toltec Mounds, AR
- 10. Elvis Presley's Graceland, TN
- 11. Vicksburg National Military Park, MS
- 12. French Quarter, New Orleans, LA
- 13. USS Alabama, AL
- 14. Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, FL
- 15. Okefenokee Swamp Park, GA
- 16. Fort Sumter National Monument, SC
- 17. Lost World Caverns, WV
- 18. Wright Brothers National Memorial Visitor

Center, NC

- 19. Mount Vernon, VA
- 20. White House, Washington, DC
- 21. Colonial Annapolis Historic District, MD
- 22. New Castle Historic District, Delaware
- 23. Cape May Historic District, NJ
- 24. Liberty Bell, PA
- 25. Statue of Liberty, NY
- 26. The Mark Twain House & Museum, CT
- 27. The Breakers, RI
- 28. USS Constitution, MA
- 29. Acadia National Park, ME

- 1. Mount Washington Hotel, NH
- 2. Shelburne Farms, VT
- 3. Fox Theater, Detroit, MI
- 4. Spring Grove Cemetery, OH
- 5. Mammoth Cave National Park, KY
- 6. West Baden Springs Hotel, IN
- 7. Abraham Lincoln's Home, IL
- 8. Gateway Arch, MO
- 9. C. W. Parker Carousel Museum, KS
- 10. Terrace Hill Governor's Mansion, IA
- 11. Taliesin, WI
- 12. Fort Snelling, MN
- 13. Ashfall Fossil Bed, NE
- 14. Mount Rushmore, SD
- 15. Fort Union Trading Post, ND
- 16. Glacier National Park, MT
- 17. Hanford Site, WA
- 18. Columbia River Highway, OR
- 19. San Francisco Cable Cars, CA
- 20. San Andreas Fault, CA
- 21. Hoover Dam, NV

G2 Chapter Garage Sale Fundraiser

G2's garage sale fund raising event will be held on Saturday, April 25th beginning as close to 7:30 am as possible at Tommie and Judy's, 4813 FM 982 Princeton. Bring your stuff, your camper, your trailer, your posters with pictures on them on Friday to allow easy set up on Saturday morning. Everything needs to be priced before you bring it over. **Please comply.** We have a place to hang clothes.

All items are considered a donation and all proceeds go to the chapter.

No individual sales for personal profit will be allowed.

We will shut it down between 4:30 and 5pm.

Here is the info regarding the garage sale:

Friday April 24th - From 9am - 5pm Bring garage sale items, tables and signs to catch motorists' eyes to our house. We'll put them in our garage overnight. The idea is to keep work to a minimum on Saturday morning.

Saturday April 25th - Please try to be here as close to 6:30am as possible to help set up, organize and get signs out. Need as many bodies here as possible. Will start sale as soon after 7 as we can get it set up.

After we're set up I'll have coffee cake, choice of ham, bacon, sausage, and or cheese mini-omelets, biscuits, coffee and juice for you.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE BIKE SHOW - Limited to G2 bikes only due to space

We'll provide customers with a ballot and ask them to choose their favorite bike. Top two winners will receive a prize.

Please type a little history of you and your bike on a sheet of paper and attach a picture of you on your bike. We'll place it on your windshield so voters will have a little history. Example: Hi, my name is "Tink". I am a 2007 cobalt blue GL 1800 Honda Gold Wing with ????? miles on my odometer. My owner is Judy Elliott. We have ridden in all but six of the contiguous 48 states and been to Canada twice. My owner has ridden about 350,000 miles since 2001.

Sure hope you can come join us for a ride sometime!

TRAILERS and CAMPERS

Bring them on Friday if you want, but they'll be left outside overnight. We'll set them up on Saturday.

Bring pictures of your camping/trailering adventures on foam boards.

RECRUITING BOOTH

Bring posters with pictures of your adventures and group adventures. We have some handout Wing Worlds, GWRRA application forms, bumper stickers etc. and vests.

BAKE SALE

Bring your goodies pre-priced and packaged. Don't forget spoons if applicable.

SOFT DRINK AND WATER SALES

We'll sell soft drinks and water

This is a group event, and we can't do it without your help and participation. Let's make this the best one yet !!

IS IT COMPLETE OR FINISHED??

No dictionary has ever been able to satisfactorily define the difference between "complete" and "finished." However, during a recent linguistic conference, held in London, England, and attended by some of the best linguists in the world, Samsundar Balgobin, a Guyanese linguist, was the presenter when he was asked to make that very distinction.

The question put to him by a colleague in the erudite audience was this: "Some say there is no difference between 'complete' and 'finished.' Please explain the difference in a way that is easy to understand."

Mr. Balgobin's response: "When you marry the right woman, you are 'complete.' If you marry the wrong woman, you are 'finished.' And, if the right one catches you with the wrong one, you are 'completely finished.'

His answer received a five minute standing ovation.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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Paul & Clara Mehne 04-12

R.B. & Pat Wilson 04-19



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				M - Mansfield Chapter Meeting		
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Chapter "O"'s Bluebonnet Rally Fredricksburg, TX				Region H Convention Marshall, TX	Region H Convention Marshall, TX	Region H Convention Marshall, TX
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
				Chapter Dinner San Miguel's McKinney, TX		Chapter Bowling Evening at Allen Bowl
26	27	28	29	30		
		R - Grapevine Chapter meeting		Texas District Convention Temple, TX		

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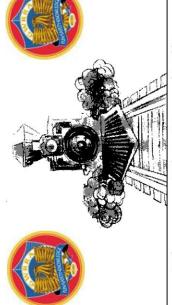
Why do we have a railroad theme for a motorcycle rally? Well, if it weren't for railroads most of east Texas would not have grown the way it did. Before there was oil there was timber. Early in the history of Texas logging crews drug logs to the rivers to be moved by boats south to Houston. Once the railroads started to grow loggers had a more reliable means of transporting their product to the mills and consumers. By 1879 over 2400 miles of railroad had been constructed in Texas and all but 100 miles was east of a line extending from Denison through Ft. Worth and continuing on to Austin.

Beginning with the first chartered railroad in 1836 railroads grew and spread throughout Texas until over 300 different railroad companies were chartered by the state. By 1992 this number had been reduced to less than 40 companies through mergers, acquisitions and deregulation. Today seven fewer railroad companies remain but their legacy can still be seen in the old depots in small towns throughout east Texas.

Bring your overalls, your railroad engineer caps, and join us for lots of GWRRA fun and Region H Hospitality.



Tentative schedules and other up to the minute information will be posted on the Region website - www.gwrra-h.org



Discover The Hospitality Region

Catch the "H" Train to Marshall Region H Rally April 16, 17, 18, 2015

Marshall Texas Civic Center Complex 2501 East End Blvd S.

Mini-Grand Prize \$250

2 Grand Prizes \$500 each

Full Registration Includes:	ion Includes:
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On/Off Bike Games	Dress Competitions
Light Show	Hobo Hop Street Dance
Seminars	Participation Prizes
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The Theme for 2015 convention is Egyptian Chapter Feud Get ready to have lots of FUN

GRAND PRIZE \$500

On Bike Games Make your reservations early

Centrally located Frank W. Mayborn **Convention Center** 3303 N 3rd St, Temple TX 76501



Chapter Competition **BINGO**

HOST HOTELS

NEW Holiday Inn Express

2609 South 39th Street Temple, TX 76504 Rate = \$89 / nightReservation Code: GW1 254-773-5500

OR

Hilton Garden Inn

1749 Scott Blvd Temple, TX 76504 (254) 773-0200 Rate = \$89 / night Reservation Code: GWRR 254-773-0200











2ND ANNUAL TEXAS TRIBUTE TO FALLEN SOLDIERS MEMORIAL TORCH MOTORCYCLE RIDE



"A MISSION TO HONOR OUR FALLEN"

May 15th, 16th & 17th, 2015

Tribute to Fallen Soldiers Northwest is excited to announce our 2nd Annual (Texas) Tribute to Fallen Soldiers Motorcycle Ride scheduled for May 15, 16, & 17, 2015 in the Dallas Metro area.

This heartwarming tribute ride event is open to all riders who would like to join us in honoring and paying tribute to our fallen soldiers from the State of Texas.

Tribute to Fallen Soldiers will be honoring at least (16) fallen soldiers and their Gold Star families from the Dallas metro area. Our escorted ride procession will make "Fallen Soldier Home Visits" to each of these families at which time each will be presented with a 'Memorial Plaque of Distinguished Service' in memory of their fallen hero.

All participating riders are asked to gather both Saturday & Sunday (May 16 & 17) at VFW Post #8785 in Mesquite, TX. (509 W. Main Street) beginning at 6:30 A.M.

A FREE breakfast will be provided from 6:30 – 8:30 A.M. The ride will depart at approximately 9:15 A.M.

** There is NO ride fee to participate.**

For more information, go to: TributetoFallenSoldiers.com or email to: Warren@TributetoFallenSoldiers.com





\$500 GRAND PRIZE

Arkansas District Convention May 21 – 23 2015 North Arkansas College South Campus in Harrison, AR



Registration Form

Early Bird Registration Using Paypal Ends April 10, 2015

Full Registration	How Many	Amount Due	Early Bird	Pre-registration	On-Site
GWRRA Member			\$20.00	\$25.00	\$30.00
Life Member			\$10.00	\$15.00	\$20.00
Non-Member			\$25.00	\$30.00	\$35.00
13 – 17 year old			\$2.50	\$5.00	\$10.00
50/50 Tickets 6 for \$5	5.00 **			\$5.00	
50/50 Tickets 10 for 9	\$20.00 **			\$20.00	
**Saturday night dra	wing must be I	resent to win [*]	**		
Grand Prize Tickets \$	1.00 each			\$1.00	
	TOTALS				

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	How Many	Amount Due		
Level IV Rider (current)	#		Free	
Level IV Co-Rider (current)	#		Free	
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Level IV Co-Rider (not current)	#		\$5.00	
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I/we agree to hold harmless t	he GWRRA, any co-sponsoring organ	izations, any pro	perty owners, for	
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Make Checks Payable to: Arkansas District

Mail Checks to: Connie Brandon

PO Box 1340 Coldspring, TX 77331

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