

G-2 ROADRUNNERS

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GWRRA
TEXAS DISTRICT
CHAPTER G-2
GREENVILLE, TX

GWRRA MISSION

Dedicated to our Motto: Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge, GWRRA Members enjoy the freedom of belonging to a not for-profit, nonreligious and nonpolitical organization.

GWRRA VISION

Gold Wing Road Riders
Association (GWRRA),
founded in 1977, is
recognized as the world's
largest single-marquee
motorcycle association in
the world. GWRRA
provides safety,
technical, and
educational services to its
Members world-wide.

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Words from the Wiggins

Happy New Year!! Barbara and I are excited about things we will be involved in this year and the changes occurring with GWRRA. We are both new to GWRRA officer positions and have much to learn, but are looking forward to a challenging and rewarding year. Thankfully, David and Shirley Hale volunteered to be Assistant Chapter Directors. They are also filling in to help in a couple of spots that are not as well defined yet. George Augustus volunteered to continue as Chapter Treasurer. Last, but certainly not least, Vickie Pierce volunteered to be our new Newsletter Editor. We're still looking for someone to be the Ride Coordinator or Membership Enhancement Coordinator, so let us know if you might be interested.

The Christmas party at Judy and Tommie's was fantastic. Thank you to Judy, lone, Pat and everyone else that helped put that together. Everyone had a good time, and no one could possibly have left hungry. There are pictures posted on the G2 Chapter website at www.g2txroadrunner.org. The link to the photos is under the "Fun" tab.

The annual outing to Babe's was January 1st but unfortunately, Barbara and I couldn't make it due to family travel. We certainly hope to next year. As most of you know, GWRRA is undergoing a reorganization. There is no longer a "Region" and it appears that the District (state level) is going to report directly to the National organization. There are also some changes and combination of the Chapter Ride Coordinator / Educator position. We are attending the Texas Mid-Winter Roundup on Saturday, January 13th at Washington on the Brazos State Park between Brenham and Navasota. We're looking forward to learning more about the changes. More information about the Mid-Winter Conference is available on the Chapter website calendar. On Friday, the 12th, Barbara and I are planning to leave Valero in Greenville (4303) Joe Ramsey Blvd E, Greenville, TX 75401) at 10:30, stop at IHOP (111 I-45, Ennis, TX 75119) for an hour break, leave IHOP for Brenham at 1PM. That should put us in Brenham around 4:00-4:30. Let us know if you want to meet us either at Valero or IHOP to ride / caravan to the Mid-Winter Conference. The upcoming 2018 Texas District Convention Theme is "Winging Back in History". The convention will be held in Brenham, Texas at the Washington County Fair Grounds, May 17 - 19, 2018. Mark your calendars so you won't miss out on the fun.

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Chapter G2 Meeting: (6:00pm dinner, 7:00pm meeting starts) On the first Tuesday of the month, G2 meets to discuss Chapter, GWRRA and ride information at The Buffet Palace (3202 I-30, Greenville, TX 75402) This has been the main Chapter meeting, historically. On the Third Tuesday of the month, folks closer to the metroplex have an opportunity to gather together at Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie. (701 N Hwy 78, Wylie, TX 75098) - (972) 442-4653. This is for passing on information shared at the Greenville meeting and to enjoy the company of others we get to see less frequently.

RIDING IN THE COLD...AND ENJOYING IT!

Global Warming or not, when the thermometer reads 30°F and you're traveling at 55mph on your bike, it won't be long before you feel extremely cold. An investment in some good cold weather gear will go a long way in allowing you to get out on the highways during the winter months. There's nothing like going for a cruise on the bike on a bright, sunny, cool or cold day. Yes, the Gerbing heated clothing and gloves can be a bit expensive. For short rides you can do just as well wearing several light layers of clothing...and top it off with your rain suit, which does an excellent job of stopping the wind. There are some very good insulated gloves and socks that won't break your bank. A scarf wrapped around your neck helps greatly, also. Leather chaps are fine for stopping the wind, but they don't insulate from the cold unless they have a lining. In this case, a good ole' pair of long johns will do the trick. Wind Wings will help to deflect the air up front, but they don't do much for your co-rider. In this case you have to remember that when Momma ain't happy, ain't nobody happy! So, make sure you take care of your co-rider.

Whether you go the frugal route or decide to spend the money for the heated gear, take advantage of those bright, sunny days and get out and ride!

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Christmas Party

On December 9th, G-2 celebrated the season at Tommie and Judy's.

A delicious meal of turkey, dressing, ham and numerous side dishes and desserts were enjoyed by twenty attendees.

After the meal the celebration continued with special recognition of several people for their contribution to the chapter this year. Those recognized were:

Harry and Ione – Chapter Directors

George- Chapter Treasurer

RB and Pat -Chapter Newsletter

Tommie and Judy – Ride Coordinators

Vickie and QP - Chapter Scrapbook

Jim Wiggins and Barbara were introduced as the Chapter Directors for 2018. Jim then announced the rest of the chapter staff for 2018. They are:

Assistant Directors – David and Shirley Hale

Treasurer- George Augustas

Newsletter Editor - Vickie Pierce

Ride Coordinators – open position

Then it was time for our gift exchange. As usual, there were several gifts that were stolen more than once. This year it seems the men's gifts were stolen the most.

A special thanks to Tommy and Judy for opening their home to the chapter. And another special thanks to Judy, Ione, and Pat for the great job they did decorating and cooking the turkey, ham and dressing. Last, but certainly not least thanks to everyone who brought the side dishes and desserts.

Everyone enjoyed the evening of fun, food and fellowship.

Christmas Party



Texas Happenings

Taken from the Texas Country Reporter website

BONHAM: Jan. 6 Sam Rayburn's Birthday Open House Celebrate Mr. Sam's birthday with free tours of the Sam Rayburn House. Sam Rayburn House State Historic Site, 890 SH 56. visitsamrayburnhouse.com 903-583-5558

CLIFTON: Jan. 22-March 3 "Lonesome Dove" Exhibition This traveling exhibition will include images from the filming of "Lonesome Dove." Bosque Museum, 301 S. Avenue Q. bosquemuseum.org 254-675-3845

DALLAS: Through May 6 "Journey to Space" The exhibit features a full-size simulated International Space Station, robotics, water rockets, Neil Armstrong's helmet and gloves, plus a space-inspired play area for young cadets. Perot Museum, 2201 N. Field St. perotmuseum.org 214-428-5555

DENISON: Through Aug. 13 Temporary Exhibit: "The Birth of NASA" President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the legislation that created the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) on July 29, 1958. Spurred by the Soviet Union's launch in 1957 of the world's first artificial satellite, Sputnik I, NASA encouraged the peaceful development of space science. Eisenhower Birthplace, 609 S. Lamar Ave. visiteisenhowerbirthplace.com 903-465-8908

DENISON: Jan. 9-Apr. 1 Temporary Exhibit: "Supreme Commander Eisenhower in North Africa" The exhibit commemorates the 75th anniversary of the allied invasion of North Africa during World War II. This was General Eisenhower's first military action in his role of Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in Europe. From November 1942 through March 1943, American troops gained their first direct experience fighting Nazi Germany, learning lessons they would use in the Normandy invasion two years later. Eisenhower Birthplace, 609 S. Lamar Ave. visiteisenhowerbirthplace.com 903-465-8908

In The Kitchen

Taco Bake

Author: Brandie @ The Country Cook

Ingredients

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 packet taco seasoning water as called for on back of seasoning packet
- 3 8- inch large flour tortillas
- 1/2 cup salsa con queso
- 1 1/2-2 cups shredded Mexican cheese

Instructions

- 1. Brown and crumble ground beef.
- 2. Drain excess grease.
- 3. Add in taco seasoning and water (following directions on back of seasoning packet).
- 4. Once the taco meat is ready, turn off heat and add in 1/2 cup salsa con queso.
- 5. Give it a good stir until thoroughly combined.
- 6. Preheat oven to 350F degrees.
- 7. Spray an 8-inch round baking pan with nonstick cooking spray.
- 8. Layer the bottom of the pan with a flour tortilla.
- Now add about 1/3 of the ground beef taco filling on the the first layer.
- 10. Then add 1/3 of the shredded cheese.
- 11. Continue until you are done with all the layers: another tortilla, more taco mixture, more cheese.
- Bake at 350F degrees for about 15-20 minutes until cheese is melted and edges are slightly golden brown.
- 13. Allow to cool for a couple of minutes. Slice and serve.

Serve with sour cream and diced tomatoes on top if desired.

Do You Know Her?



Be the first person to guess who this is and win a \$5.00 gift card to Braums.

Send your guess to Vickie at vicpie11@yahoo.com

The mystery person, her husband and QP are not eligible to play.

The timestamp on the email will determine the winner.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Barbara Wiggins – January 6

George Augustas - January 24

Just for Grins

Two men have been sitting out on a lake all day long, ice fishing. One has been having no luck at all and the other has been pulling fish after fish out of his hole in the ice. The man having no luck finally leans over and asks the other what his secret is.

Mmmmmm mmm mmm mmm mmm mmm.

I'm sorry, what did you say?

Mmmmmm mmm mmm mmm mmm mmm.

I'm sorry, I still didn't understand you.

The successful man spits something into his hand.

You've got to keep your worms warm.

GWRRA G2 Calendar	<u>Dec</u> 2019	January 2018	Saturday	9		13	TX District Mid-Winter Roundup	20		27		3	
	Oct Nov		Friday	2		12	10:30an - 5:00pm Ride/Caravan to TX Mid Winter Roundup	19		76		2	
	Aug Sep		Thursday	4	exopm-sxopm Chapter "M" Monthl <u>y</u> Gathering Mansfiel <u>d</u>	11		18	exopm-sxopm Chapter "W2" Monthl <u>y</u> Gathering Waxahachie	25		1 Feb	exopm-sxopm Chapter "M" Monthly Gathering Mansfield
	<u>lut</u> <u>nut</u>		Wednesday			10		17		24		31	
	Apr May		Tuesday	2	coopm-scopm Chapter "G2" Monthly Gathering The Buffet Palace, Greenville.	9		16	Oinner at Napoli's in Wylie	23 2	600pm-800pm Chapter "R" Monthly Gathering Grapevine	30 3	
	<u>Feb</u> <u>Mar</u>		Monday	1 Jan	Join us for our annual New Year's Day lunch at Babe's in Garland	8		15		22		59	
	<u>2017</u> Jan		Sunday	31 Dec 1		3		14		21 2		28	