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- Chapter G2 meets the First Tuesday of every month at Buffet Palace, 3202 IH-30, Greenville. There is a second meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at Napoli's Pizza, 701 Hwy 78, Wylie. Eat at 6:00 PM, meet at 7:00 PM.
- Unless otherwise noted, Chapter G2 Group Rides will depart from the Valero at 4303 Joe Ramsey Blvd, Greenville, Texas.

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G2 ROADRUNNERS

"Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge" Visit the Chapter G2 Web Page at <u>http://www.g2txroadrunner.org</u>

WORDS FROM THE WIGGINS Jim and Barbara Wiggins, Chapter Directors

S ixteen people made it to the Buffet Palace last month. Included were Don and Karen from Chapter R and Texas District Directors Dan and Donna Rymarz. Nine were able to attend the gathering at Napoli's this month.

We're gathering in Greenville at the Buffet Palace on June 7th at 6PM, having an Ice Cream Social at Braum's in Greenville on June 14th at 7pm and Napoli's on June 21st.at 6PM. Drop by and have some good food and conversations.

I wrote about the Texas District Yellow Rose Rally in last month's edition but neglected to put a link to photos / closing ceremonies. It's on the District website here: <u>Microsoft</u> <u>PowerPoint - 2022 Closing Cermonies.pptx (gwrra-tx.org)</u> Older District events are also posted here: <u>Texas Photos (gwrra-tx.org)</u>

Hope you've been able to get a ride or two since it's been nice weather. Barb and I were able to ride with our son and his wife last weekend which we always enjoy. We did have to change plans for lunch on Sunday though. I didn't realize that most restaurants would be closed due the holiday weekend. After to stopping at a few familiar ones that were not open, we found a Tex-Mex restaurant "El Manna" in Emory that was open. We were pleased with the food and service so If you're in the area, give it a try.

Barbara and I plan to ride to Wing Ding 43 in Shreveport from the Greenville area on Tuesday, June 28th with our son and daughter-in-law. We don't have exact times or routes yet but if you're interested in joining us, please contact us and maybe we can work something out.

Wing Ding 43 is June 28 – July 2, 2022 at the Shreveport Convention Center, 400 Caddo St. Shreveport, LA 71101. You can register for the event packages at the following site <u>Wing</u> <u>Ding 43 – The Worlds Largest</u> <u>Touring Motorcyclist Rally (wingding.org)</u>

See <u>Texas 2020 Rally (gwrra-</u><u>tx.org)</u> for more information about upcoming rallies.

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GWRRA TEXAS DISTRICT CHAPTER G2 GREENVILLE, TX

GWRRA MISSION

Dedicated to our Motto: Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge, GWRRA Members enjoy the freedom of belonging to a notfor-profit, non-religious, and non-political organization.

GWRRA VISION

Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA), found in 1977, is recognized at the world's largest single -marque motorcycle association in the world. GWR-RA provides safety, technical, and education services to its Members world -wide.

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https://app.groupworks.com/#/ groups/4534

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. Dinner at 6:00pm, meeting starts at 7:00.

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 information shared at the Greenville meeting and to enjoy the company of others we get to see less frequently. Gathering starts at 6:00 pm.

Local Area Chapter Gatherings

Chapter	Location	Meeting Time	Meeting Location	Meeting Day
Chapter E	Tyler	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Spring Creek Barbecue 5810 S. Broadway Ave., Tyler	3rd Tuesday
Chapter G2	Greenville	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Buffet Palace 3202 IH-30, Greenville	1st Tuesday
Chapter G2	Wylie	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Napoli's Italian Restaurant 701 Hwy 78, Wylie, Texas	3rd Tuesday
Chapter M	Arlington/	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Spring Creek Barbecue 1724 Hwy 287 at Debbie Lane, Mansfield	1st Thursday
Chapter P	Granbury	6:30 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Spring Creek Barbecue 317 Hwy 377 E (at Overstreet), Granbury	2nd Thursday
Chapter R	D-FW	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Spring Creek Barbecue 571 E. Round Grove Rd, Lewisville	4th Thursday

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Rider Education Corner

Leo Smith, Jr.

WORKING HARD RIDIN' SAFE

What a fun and busy month we've had despite all the hard work! The District Yellow Rose Rally was the first rally we've been involved in at the District level. Like everything else, practice makes perfect (or so they say). We are thrilled and proud to see so much interest returning to participation in The Levels Program. Since the Yellow Rose Rally until this writing twenty-eight members either signed up for The Levels Program or applied to advance their status by at least one Level, some by two or three Levels. A total of 47 Levels were increased. In addition two members were able to apply for Level IV which have been sent up to National Headquarters, already approved and just awaiting a Master number be assigned. Congratulations to all! Along those lines there were 12 ARC participants, 10 TRC participants, 23 FA/CPR participants and 16 Co-Rider Seminar participants. There were also several University classes offered; haven't got the number of participants in those classes but heard many positive comments about the content and interactive arrangement.

Compliments also go out to those members who took the time to visit the Share the Road truck display. All this training increases our knowledge and skills to help us be safer on the road.

A great big hug or hand shake and thank-you to all the RE instructors – Sam Belinoski, LeRoy Douglas (previously a Texan, but now an Arkanite), Lydia Bourg, Chet Roby, Lynn and Cindy Harris as well as all the University Instructors. We couldn't have done it without you! Although we did not have the time to ride or do any sight seeing around Kerrville it was a pretty picture for us to see everyone working together to help get members up-to-date and current in their Levels.

Speaking of getting current, if you missed out on some of the needed training we hope you will be able to catch them at Wing Ding 43 or another upcoming District Rally. The grace period deadline is fast approaching – June 30, 2022! THAT'S IT – THERE AIN'T NO MORE (extensions). If you think you are eligible to advance in a Level – meaning if your requirements expired or will expire on or after January 1, 2020 you are granted a grace period that has been extended until June 30, 2022. The time you have been non-current in your Level will not count against you, but once the deadline hits, that does not apply anymore. If you our your chapter needs any training to get or keep current, please contact me immediately so we have time to arrange training.

Ride Safe, Ride Smart! Leo Smith Jr GWRRA TX District Educator

Ride Coordinator

It's Rally Time

For most of us down South, Spring has sprung. No more cold weather, and the riding season is in full swing. What better way to enjoy your friends, past and present, than to attend a rally.

It gives us a chance to ride roads that we either haven't been on in a while, or an opportunity to ride some new ones.

And don't only think of something close by. Venture out and add a new state or two to your riding list. Plan those routes, find those backroads, and don't forget to book those hotels. You don't want to end your long day of riding having to search for a room until the dark hours of the day.

Bootup that GPS, or pull out those maps, and get to planning. The rallies are calling you! Sam Belinoski

Texas District Director News

Dan Rymarz, Texas District Director

Hope you're having a wonderful spring !

This is our favorite time of year. It is the beginning of rally season! At the end of last month, April, Texas held its first district rally in several years. The pandemic had kept us at home and isolated the last couple of years, but it appears to be over for the most part. Texas, along with several of our friends from other states, got together in Kerrville at the YO Ranch [Resort] for the "Yellow Rose Rally." Most would agree that this was a great success. Our training classes were full, we had a fair amount of vendors, and folks took to the roads, enjoyed the good weather and had some great rides in the Hill Country. All who attended enjoyed fun, friendship, and plenty of discussions about safety. The revenue we raised will go to support training and educational opportunities throughout the next [year].

A couple of weeks after our rally, 19 other Texas GWRRA members traveled up to Harrison AR to enjoy their 2022 district rally. We came decked out in our finest Texas apparel and showed them that we Texans travel and support our friends in the other districts. They held a great rally with plenty of training opportunities, games, and friends to spend time with. The weather was a little bit more challenging as storms rolled through. Arkansas roads must be some of the best for riding your motorcycle on! We will be back next year, and in force!

At the end of June, we are planning to attend another great Rally event. Wing Ding is being held just across the border in Shreveport Louisiana. Most of you who are planning to attend have already registered. We will be reaching out to those Texans who have also registered to help us with the bike show, which is something we traditionally do every year at Wing Ding. They've also given us a list of time slots for registration, and for being door greeters, for those interested in helping out. We hope to see you there. One thing of note, when we are in Texas, we love to see chapter colors. It is a great sense of pride when a wave of colors shows up for a gathering or ride. When we leave Texas to remote events, it would be a good thing for us to all show our Texas pride, to break out our Texas flag attire, and represent the Texas as a whole. If possible, find Texas themed shirts or hats, and proudly proclaim Texas is in the house! Texas District staff will be decorating several tables at Wing Ding with vases of yellow roses, bluebonnets, and Texas flags. Come join us!

As a word of caution, as we move from spring to summer, remember, that it is not only important to be visible, but to stay hydrated. The Texas heat can suck the energy out of you, and dehydration can affect your ability to concentrate and ride your motorcycle safely. Have a strategy to make sure you are stopping frequently enough to keep yourself healthy in the summer heat. While I enjoy more than my share my coffee, drinks with caffeine will exacerbate dehydration. Water or Gatorade–like drinks are the best to keep your electrolytes up and the temperatures down. There is nothing wrong with visiting DQ for ice cream and some air conditioning. It's what us Gold Wingers are famous for!

Keep riding frequently and safely, and we hope to see you out on the roads, and in the rallies!

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GWRRA UNIVERSITY UPDATE May 2022



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Randy and Kathy Reese Texas District University Coordinators

Dealing with Stress

This month's article comes from our monthly Insight newsletter and is written by University Director Lorrie Thomas.

"With all this stress, social isolation and disruption, it's no wonder if you've been feeling the effects, even being more forgetful or absent-minded," said Jacqueline Stenson, NBS News contributor, a health and fitness journalist who has written for The Los Angeles Times, Reuters, Health, Self and Shape, among others. "If we're under a lot of stress, sometimes it can very negatively impact retrieval of information," said Daniel Schacter, a professor of psychology and director of the Schacter Memory Lab at Harvard University.

Forgetting why I entered a room or not knowing where I left the motorcycle keys is bad enough, but have we lost the ability to retrieve information that can affect riding safely?

The past two years with COVID and the stress of variants still lingering, we probably have experienced that loss and should consider seriously how we can attempt to undo the damage. Being aware that we may not have all the information readily available, it is time to renew and refresh in the classroom, on the range, and while practicing in parking lots.

Rider and co-rider, Chapters and other groups that ride together will all benefit. Being as sharp as we can be while riding is more than the inconvenient long search for the keys, it can mean that we have a better chance to all return safely home.

Check in with your District Educators or University Coordinators to plan a training event. You may still forget why you entered the classroom, but once you do, you'll be better for it.

Assistant Director's Report

t sure was good to see so many of you at this year's Yellow Rose District Rally. We believe that everyone had a good time. And we hope you got to have the time to see some of the local sites and also get some riding in as well. We also got several of you your much needed ARC, TRC and Medic First Aid courses. We know there are others of you still needing those courses. Please in contact with Leo and Margaret Smith, our District Educators; they are continuing looking for places where they can hold more training classes and hope to have more info soon.

We also want to congratulate our new Texas District Couple of the year Jim and DeeDee Evans. We believe they will be a great couple for the District and will represent all of Texas proudly. Speaking of Couples Of The Year, we had a reunion get together for all Couple Of The Year, past and present, which included couples from other districts, several past couples, and a great group of current couples. We had a great discussion about the program and got some ideas for the program in the future, and hope we answered any questions our new couples had. Like I said, we have a great group of couples this year, and we hope if you see them at a future Rally or Chapter functions, you will stop to get to know them and let them know how proud we are of them as they represent our Chapters and the District.

We hope some of you noticed that some of the staff, us included, were wearing different clothing than normal; it was all Texas themed— Western hats, Texas Flag shirt, even Texas Belt buckles and suspenders. There is a reason for what we wore, as you know this year's Wing Ding is in our neighboring state in Shreveport La. Since we believe that so many of you will be going to Wing Ding this year since it is so close to us, we want to encourage you to wear Texas, it can be clothes like we will be wearing or something as simple as a Texas ball cap or scarf anything that shows we are from Texas and proud of it. In addition to our clothing at the evening events, we are setting up tables where we can all gather and be Texas proud and loud. Our tables will be Texas themed— we are still working on those details and info will follow, but let's get together and have fun with this. Hope to see you all there!

Many of you might not know, but the Texas District has a Facebook page where we post pictures of different events and visits, and we will be posting rallies and other events and information. So please follow us on the below link.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/736753967150486

GWRRA Texas District | Facebook

Lyle & Sheri Altes Texas Assistant District Directors GWRRA

SHIRT AND HAT SALE

The Chapter has some hats and shirts available. Designs vary a little since they were ordered at different times, but most are a variant of the front and back shown in the picture. The back is the large logo while the front has the G2 designator on the left breast. Let me know if you're interested and I'll bring to a gathering or arrange some other so you can see them or take more detailed pictures.

Jim Wiggins- contact info in the staff section.

Item	Size	Qty	Price
Blue Long Sleeve Tee	М	2	\$15.00
	L	7	\$15.00
	XL	2	\$15.00
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Blue Short Sleeve Tee	М	1	\$15.00
	L	out	\$15.00
	2X	1	\$15.00
Blue Polo Shirt	М	1	\$30.00
Embroidered hats		1	\$15.00
Yellow Short Sleeve Tee	М	1	\$12.00
Yellow Windbreaker	М	1	\$12.00



Coming Events

Date	Chapter	Event	Location	Contact/E-Mail	Phone
June 28–July 2	\star	Wing Ding 43	Shreveport Convention Center Shreveport, LA	<u>http://gwrra.org</u> <u>https://wing-ding.org/</u>	800-843-9460
September 9, 10	*KS*		1	Kathy and Denny Chestnut culkath@gmail.com	N.A.
October 28–29	*OK*	Oklahoma District Rally	Ponca City, Oklahoma	John and Shawn Irons Ironsline3414@gmail.com	405-747-4618

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Fun Facts:

Michael Jordan was cut from the varsity basketball team as a high school sophomore. (Trivia Today) Let me guess... he was too tall?

It's illegal in Switzerland to own a single guinea pig. (Trivia Today)

Make sure your guinea pigs are married in Switzerland.

The medical term for ice cream headaches is sphenopalatine ganglioneuralgia. (Trivia Today)

"Not tonight, dear. I have sphenopalatine ganglioneuralgia."

Cenosillicaphobia is the fear of an empty (beer) glass. (Trivia Today)

So go ahead and fill 'er up.

J.P. Morgan once offered \$100,000 to anyone who could figure out why his face was so red. No one solved the mystery. (TT) *I would have asked him why he was always peeking into the ladies' room.* .

JUNE 2022

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FRIDAY **SATURDAY**

 Monthly (Adopt a (Shelter) Corn, Cucumber, Dairy Month National Seafood National Soul Foo Accordion Appre 	and Okra Month Month od Month		I National Olive Day Flip A Coin Day	2 I Love My Dentist Day Rocky Road Ice Cream Day	Gun Violence Awareness Day Repeat Day Repeat Day	4 Doo-Dah Day Hug Your Cat (but not too hard)
5 Whit Sunday (Pentecost) World Environ- ment Day	6 D-Day Anniversary YMCA Day (It's fun to stay at the YMCA)	» First Quarter 7 Chapter G2 Gathering Buffet Palace Greenville	8 Best Friends Day Upsy-Daisy Day	9 Donald Duck Day Strawberry- Rhubarb Pie Day	<i>10</i> Happy Anniversary! Quinton and Vickie Pierce	II Belmont Stakes Queen Elizabeth Birthday (celebrated)
12 Trinity Sunday Write To Your Father Day Superman Day	13 Sewing Machine Day Kitchen Klutzes of America Day	© Full Moon 14 Happy Birthday! Ross Flanagan Flag Day Strawberry Short- cake Day	Law Enforcement Prayer Day Kiss a Wookie Smile Power Day	16 Corpus Christi No Orange Clothes Day Sea Turtles Day	17 National Strudel Day Ugly Dog Day	18 Picnic Day Surfing Day Cherry Tart Day
Juneteenth (Texas Emancipation Day) Father's Day	C Last Quarter 20 Ride Your Motor- cycle To Work Day American Eagle Day	21 Summer Begins Chapter G2 Gathering Napoli's Pizza Wylie, Texas	22 National Onion Rings Day HVAC Tech Day Rainforest Day	23 Coast Guard Auxiliary B'day Pink Flamingo Day	24 Food Truck Day Take Your Dog To Work Day	25 Day Of The Seafarer Great American Picnic Day
26 Descendants Day Forgiveness Day	Helen Keller Day Bingo Day	• New Moon 28 Paul Bunyan Day Ceviche Day Wing Ding 4	29 Camera Day Waffle Iron Day	30 National Hand- shake Day	a (28 June–02	2 July)

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3 Dog Days Begin Eat Beans Day Stay Out of The Sun Day	4 Independence Day Earth at Aphelion (farthest from Sun)	5 Chapter G2 Gathering Buffet Palace Greenville 06:00PM Eat 07:00PM Meet		7 Strawberry Sundae Day	8 National Motorcycle Day Be A Kid Again	9 Sugar Cookie Day Grange Day
10 Nikola Tesla Day Barn Day	11 Slurpee Day (7-Eleven) World Population Day	12 Cow Appreciation Day (Chick-Fil-A) Simplicity Day	© Full Moon 13 Gruntled Workers Day Beans and Franks	I4 Macaroni and Cheese Day Nude Day	15 Be A Dork Day Love Horses Day	16 Corn Fritters Day Hot Dog Night
Disneyland opened (1955) Peach Ice Cream Day	Perfect Family Day Listening Day	19 Chapter G2 Gathering Napoli's Pizza Wylie, Texas 06:00PM	C Last Quarter 20 Nap Day Hot Dog Day Ugly Truck Day	21 Lowest Recorded Temperature (-128.6°F in Antarctica)	22 Spoonerism Day Summer Leisure Day	23 Mosquito Day Drowning Prevention Day
24 Parents Day 31 Cotton Candy Day	Carousel Day Feast of Saint James	26 Disabilities Day Armed Forces Unification Day	27 Chicken Finger Day Barbie Blender Day	• New Moon 28 Chili Day Hamburger Day World Conserva- tion Day	Chicken Wing Day Army Chaplain Day	30 Day of Friendship Cheesecake Day



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