

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

KENTUCKY DISTRICT CORNER



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FROM THE DISTRICT DIRECTOR
Rick and Elizabeth Broadway



HAPPY NEW YEAR! A new start for GWRRA in 2018. Liz and I want to wish everyone a happy new year and best wishes in the new year.

I have been talking with Anita Alkire and getting some info on the new direction for GWRRA. I just have a small amount of information currently. As I receive more I'm putting it together to share at the OPPS meeting on January 27th. After talking with Anita, I am feeling better about the change. We have a lot of work and fun ahead of us. Hang in there because I think we are headed in the right direction.

Please plan to have as many of your chapter members at the OPPS meeting as possible. The more that attend the better. Remember one thing the information is subject to change at any time. GWRRA is making big changes and there is going to be some bumps in the road along the way. Have an open mind and a willingness to jump in and help when asked. Stay positive as the GWRRA family grows and brings new and old ways to have fun.

ASST. DISTRICT DIRECTORS
Leah and Rick Cridlin



Happy New Year Kentucky! Rick and I are looking forward to all the fun possibilities this year brings with riding. We have already started planning all our trips, vacation time and weekend getaway.

January is the time for renewal for most people. The Christmas decorations have come down, your house seems new clean, fresh and re-organized. Does your chapter need a fresh start or new ideas? Do you need a boost in energy and participation? We all do, you are not alone. Make plans to attend our Operations meeting on January 27th in Shelbyville. The meeting will begin at 9am and will be full of information to plan your chapter events for 2018.

Do you have all the District Rally's on your calendar? Let me provide a few dates for you.

April 12-14 Spring Fling, Pigeon Forge, TN

June 28-30 Rally in the Valley, Roanoke, VA

July 19-21 Mountain Memories, Elkins, WV

September 27-29, Wings over Smokies, Waynesville, NC

Don't forget Wing Ding in Knoxville, TN August 28 - September 1, 2018. The hotels are filling up, get your reservations quickly if you are considering going. You can always cancel if your plans should change. It will be a few years before Wing Ding is this close again, so let's represent KY strong!

Till the next time we see you...

Leah & Rick Cridlin

Assistant District Directors KY

Leah Cridlin

THE DISTRICT TRAINER'S CORNER
Jeannie and Buddy McKenzie



Happy New Year!

WOW!!! We've only just begun 2018 and already there are a lot of things taking place! Here is a quick overview of some of those items, events, and happenings going on or being planned.

First... We have previously written about NEW Training Modules that were going to be introduced. We also stated that as some of the current seminars are being upgraded to the new training format and the old versions were going to be retired. The University Trainers who are not University Instructors will still have access to the Seminar Library in which they were certified. However, over time, some of the old faithful seminars that they have been presenting will be going away.

Seminars within those libraries ARE still available to be presented. When a seminar no longer appears in the library that will be the first clue that it is no longer available to be presented. Some trainers have downloaded old seminars onto a thumb drive and that is permissible. **HOWEVER**, it will be VERY IMPORTANT to ensure that the downloaded seminar is still permitted to be presented AND if it is, that it is current and accurate. We absolutely do not want to be presenting erroneous information to the members!

NEXT.... It has occurred to me that sometimes members and/or Chapter Officers would like to have some form of training offered for their members. In talking with members from throughout the District, I have discovered that one of the most frequent concerns expressed was that the member did not know what is available or how to request training. Most members may be aware that training opportunities cover a wide range of subjects. For instance, there are several classroom training opportunities available; On-Bike Training such as the Advanced Rider Course (ARC), Trike Rider Course (TRC); Life-Saving Courses (CPR/First Aid) are available; and Motorist Awareness training.

To make it easier to request training for Chapters and members, a GWRRA University Training Request Form has been created. The GWRRA University Training Form is located on the District Website. Here is a link that you can use to access the

form: <https://form.jotform.co/KYTrainer/gwrra-university-training-request-f>. You can also go to www.gwrraky.com and access the training form under the University Training tab.

It is easy to fill out. When the request is submitted that request will be forwarded to the District University Coordinator, a list of all the available trainings have been included on the Website. It absolutely makes no difference what kind of training is being requested (Classroom, On-Bike, Life-Saving, or Motorist Awareness) that request **WILL** be acted upon. As information about training opportunities and District events are received, the Events Calendar on the District Website will be updated with the information. It is our hope that having a one-stop shopping experience for training opportunities will benefit our members by presenting them options when they are looking for a specific type of training.

Please feel free to share your ideas with me, Asst. District University Coordinator John Main, District Educator Bill Mucha, or the District Director Rick Broadway. We are here to assist you, the members with whatever you need.

Jeannie & Buddy McKenzie
District University Coordinators

DISTRICT RIDE EDUCATORS
Bill and Susan Mucha



Hello all, it is the start of a new year and as we all know some changes have been made in GWRRRA.

First, I would like to thank all the Chapter Educators in Kentucky for the great work that has been done over the past years. I hope you will help your chapter with any needs that may arise in the future. I personally hope you can help all members of your chapter in using MYRE information page. All of you will be missed.

Second, I would like to welcome the new Ride Coordinators to the District and Chapter Teams, and am willing to help with any needs that may arise, so don't hesitate to contact me.

Last, I know Kentucky will have fun in the coming years.

Happy New year

Bill Mucha

DE Kentucky



COUPLE OF THE YEAR COORDINATORS

Allen & Lisa Merritt



Hope Santa came to you and your families houses and everybody got what they asked for.

We are looking forward to this year's District Ops meeting and the information that is available.

We're looking forward to getting to know each chapter's couple. WE hope to get more information on The Couple Year Program and pass it on.

More info to come about all the changes coming, it will be passed out at Ops.

Ky. Dist. Coordinators

Allen & Lisa Merritt

FROM THE MEPC
Jerry & Luanne Williams



HAPPY NEW YEAR!! We hope that you and your family enjoyed the holidays!! It was a great time for us – we spent time with both family and friends. With the riding season on hold – it allows us time to do other things around town and in our home, so enjoy your time off the bike. Unless, of course, you are riding where it is warm!!

This bitter cold weather has made us realize how important our wonderful spring/summer/fall is to get out into the warm weather and ride and see our beautiful country. Hang in there and before you know it “The Kentucky Ride In” will be here.

We have a great organization!! So please pass the word around to anyone that you know rides whether it is a Goldwing or another bike – “Riding Is All That Matters!”

If anytime you have questions or comments, please never hesitate to contact us.

Jerry & Luanne Williams
KY DISTRICT MEPC

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VENDOR COORDINATOR
Ray and Kathy Conrad



Hello all

Well when old man winter hit he hit hard, this makes us look forward to warmer weather, Ray and I are looking forward to the Opps meeting, we know there will be a great deal of good information, and suggestions for the new year, we hope to see a great turn to support Rick and Liz. It is not an easy task trying to plan events throughout the year, so please support all you can, we hope to do a lot more visiting this year, hope to see you all at different gatherings. Well I guess I will close for now, ride safe and stay warm.

Ray and Kathy Conrad
Vendor Coordinators

DISTRICT COUPLE OF THE YEAR
Steve and Jennie Knode



Happy New Year! As part of my column I write for Chapter Y's Newsletter I have a section called This Is US. Here we have guest writers from our Chapter who will tell us interesting things about themselves that few people know. I didn't have a "victim" for our January Newsletter, so Jennie suggested I contact the Claus's and see if they'd contribute to the Newsletter. I thought the District might enjoy learning some little known "facts" about the couple.

THIS IS US (from the TV show)

Ho, Ho, Ho! Happy New Year District KY! Steve asked Mrs. Claus and me to be your guest This Is Us writer. So, we reluctantly agreed...You know, it's hard to sit and talk about yourselves, especially when he asked us to tell about things we're not used to telling the elves or reindeer. But he was so persuasive. He told us about how he learned so much about an interesting life that a Chapter member had but he learned it at her funeral. You know, he's right. Each one of us has led an interesting life and others might be surprised, if not astounded, to hear some of the details about what makes us...us.

So here goes.

Sometime between Adam and Eve and the Beach Boys we came to be. We started our lives together as Santa and Mrs. Claus in Australia. We so enjoyed Christmas on those warm, sandy beaches where we'd cook prawns on the barbee. But eating too many of those prawns and all the Christmas cookies and candy put a few, well several, pounds on us. And as the pounds increased our tolerance for the heat decreased. So, we moved to the coldest place on earth...the North Pole. We still enjoy Christmas in Australia, though. Did you know instead of a plate of cookies and milk Down Under they leave me a beer with those cookies! True story.

We started on this gift distribution thing in an innocent enough way. We had some local elves that we decided to give Christmas presents to, so we made some toys and since it was cold and snowy, we hitched up a reindeer to our sleigh and took that family of elves their presents. Well, you know how word spreads...first thing we knew we were taking presents all over the North Pole. Then word spread to the point that we needed 8 reindeer to get the load hauled in time. Before we knew it, the only way to bring presents to children worldwide was for the reindeer to fly. Guess how I did that. Did you know that when reindeer eat pinto beans they bloat up like a puffer fish, and with gas being lighter than air it was just a matter of teaching them a few strokes with their hooves and away they flew like the down of a thistle?

That's enough, Santa. It's Mrs. Claus's turn. A little-known fact, well unknown, is that in my younger years I was quite the looker. In fact, I was Miss Australia! Then this skinny, good looking guy with the biggest laugh I'd ever heard, invited me to his prawn cookout one Christmas and, well, you've heard about the extra pounds we put on from doing that.

So, what do I do when Santa leaves to deliver all those toys? I grab a margarita and hit the hot tub! Hey, I deserve it. I work my tail off every year fixing the old man's outfit and getting all that soot off it and elf laundry...you can't imagine. But I wouldn't have it any other way.

I hope you've learned a little bit about us that you didn't know before. I mean, this is what this column is all about. Learning something interesting about each other. I hope the next time Steve asks for someone to be the quest of This Is Us that you'll volunteer to tell us some interesting things about yourselves.

It didn't hurt one bit!



NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Danny Drane



Good day everyone and welcome to 2018! How many are still typing or writing 2017? Ok, as we begin this year I am encouraged and excited to be serving as editor for the newsletter for my chapter and my district. From my experience in the past I will say this as a sort of plan of attack, I publish by the 10th for the district and the 7th for the chapter. As you know I send out reminders from the 1st of the month. Articles should be sent to me either on word format or WordPad. If you have neither an email with

your article in the body works. Having as an attachment is better as the flow of saving your document is easier. Each article is edited, and spell checked, grammar checked and changed to Calibri 14 pt.

I would like to take this beginning of the year and as you may be doing at home, to some organizing. IF you are on the team and your name is on the front of this newsletter PLEASE check for correctness and emails. The database I got had some no longer used emails etc. and I have cleaned that up but want to go forward knowing it is correct.

Also going forward if you get this newsletter at an email you don't use and wish to change it, please send me a note to danny@dannydrane.com . Tell me the old email, the new email and the name you wish to be addressed as.

Special Section

Medic First Aid Corner

Winter is the time to renew your certifications, or to get certified. Please check your Medic First Aid cards, your certification expires every 2 years. If you would like to schedule a training session for your chapter, please contact me ASAP the calendar for facilitating classes is filling up quickly.

There will be a certification class on February 24th, 9:30am - 4:30pm at the Boone County Library, Florence Branch. There will also be a re-certification class on March 3rd, 9:30am - 1:30pm. Seats are limited for each class. Contact me via email: ImJustLeah@aol.com or by cell phone 859-866-3173.

If you are interested in becoming a Medic First Aid Instructor, there will be a instructor certification offered in 2018. I'm still coordinating the date, but if you are interested please let me know.

Leah Cridln

KY District MFA Coordinator

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KY CHAPTER GATHERINGS

Chapter A Meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month at Roosters 5338 Bardstown Rd. Louisville, KY. Eat @ 11:00 AM and meet at Noon.

Chapter C Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Roosters. 124 Marketplace Dr. Lexington, KY. 40503. Eat @ 11:00 am, Meet @ 12:00 noon.

Chapter G Meet on the 2nd Tuesday at the Golden Corral, 4770 Houston Road, Florence, KY 41042. Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm

Chapter H Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at UK Extension Shelby County Office 1117 Frankfort Road Shelbyville, KY. 40065. 6:30 pm Social Time, Meet @ 7:00 pm.

Chapter S Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Shoney's, 1046 Executive Drive, Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701. Eat @ 4:00 pm, Meet @ 5:00 pm.

Chapter T Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Carriage House Ramada Inn Paintsville, KY. Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm.

Chapter Y Meet on the 1st Thursday at Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th St. Mayfield, KY. 42066 Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm.

CONVENTION/RALLY SCHEDULE