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KENTUCKY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

GWRRA KENTUCKY

Inside Kentucky



Last month, Steve and Jennie Knode of Chapter Y made a pilgrimage to the Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville, PA. This year marks 20 years since the terrorist attack that changed the lives of all Americans forever. Steve actually knew one of the 40 patriots on that flight who voted that day to sacrifice all to bring down that plane before it crashed into the Capital Building just 20 minutes away. May we never forget.

Steve said the trip would make a beautiful ride. Chapter "G" made this pilgrimage several years ago and all who traveled said it was a trip they would always remember.



Links of Interest

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District Directors Report



Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky District Directors Now that the 2021 Blast is an event in the past Leah and I can take a little time to relax and enjoy the remaining riding season, starting with Wings Over the Smokies in North Carolina. We are looking forward to being able to enjoy the rally and partake in some riding in that beautiful part of the country. We hope to see many of our Kentucky friends there as well.

Now back to the Blast. Leah and I are both humbled and grateful for all of you who showed up and participated in the rally. This particular rally was a 2-year process due to the COVID restrictions in place last year, and was a result of the talents of so many people. I don't want to risk forgetting to mention anyone who helped by trying to name everyone who contributed, so please each and every one of you who helped make this a successful rally, please accept both mine and Leah's thank you for a job well done! We have heard so many positive comments and are actively seeking feedback from the district staff, chapter directors, and anyone who would like to comment on both what went well, and what we can do to improve the rally next year. Thank you again to all who worked so hard to put this rally together, and to those who attended.

Unfortunately for me and Leah, we weren't able to participate in the guided rides. I heard nothing but positive comments on them and do want to extend a personal thank you to Jerry Williams for stepping up at the very last minute to lead these rides. Dan Bondurant and his lovely wife Rita, our District Ride Coordinators, both became very ill and notified us Wednesday evening as we were preparing to leave for Lawrenceburg, that they would not be able to attend. I called Jerry in what I would mildy call a "panic" and asked him to help. He didn't hesitate to assist and was able to lead two fantastic rides with very little pre-planning time. Thank you again Jerry for a superb job!

I also want to thank Dan and Rita Bondurant for thinking of the members planning to attend the rally, even though they were both very ill at the time. Dan not only notified me that they would not be able to attend, but as Chapter Director for Chapter Y, he wanted to ensure that Chapter Y still had a basket to be raffled off at the rally. He worked with Leah to make this happen and we can't thank Dan and Rita enough, and we wish them both a full and speedy recovery.

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District Directors Report—continued



Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky District Directors Speaking of Chapter Raffle Baskets, weren't they all amazing? Every chapter had one and they were all fantastic. Leah was lucky enough to win the one provided by Chapter C, which was full of games that will provide many hours of enjoyment with our grandkids, as we saw this past weekend while camping with them. Thank you to each chapter director for spearheading the effort to provide the baskets and to every chapter member throughout the district for helping to make them happen. Congratulations to everyone who won a basket. I'm sure that your only disappointment is that you didn't win them all!

On the subject of winning, I was very shocked and humbled to win the Kentucky Crossword Challenge. I thoroughly enjoyed traveling to all of the sites, and the scenery along the way and saddle time was more that reward enough. I said so many times and I will say it one more time that I am amazed at the creativity and talent of Donita Nardi in putting this challenge together. It was really something and I had so much fun doing it. Thank you again Donita for sharing your talent and putting this together.

I realize that I am getting very long winded this month and I better close this out before I end up taking up the whole newsletter. I would be remiss if I didn't direct you to the District Website at <u>www.gwrraky.com</u>, where Roger Early did a fantastic job of posting pictures and updating all the information both during and immediately following the Blast. Thank you Roger for everything, especially for those amazing pictures.

There is plenty of riding season left this year. Ride often and ride safe!





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Rick Artmayer

District Educator



District Educator Report

On any given day, each of us has a need or a want to accomplish any number of tasks. Some are simple, and some more complex. Some tasks can be completed only with our hands, while others require using certain objects to reach the intended goal. We call the objects we use to complete the task "tools".

By definition, a tool is a device or implement that is used to extend a person's ability to modify the features of the surrounding environment. If you are like me, when someone says "tool", you think of a hammer or screwdriver, or some other examples of a tangible object that you control and manipulate to affect the desired outcome. Perhaps your life experience has you thinking of power equipment like lawn mowers and weed eaters. Maybe you have used specialized tools in your career, like a transit level used by a surveyor to measure property.

Not all tools are solid objects. I work for a company that builds radio remote controls for industrial equipment. My job is to design the control layout and machine interface. I use tools for this, but they are all on the computer, and are otherwise known as application software. One of the tools I use allows me to accurately arrange all the required switches, buttons, and levers in a way that is safe, convenient, and comfortable to use. Another software tool allows me to calculate the price of the equipment by adding the cost of the components I used in the design.

Most of the tools I have ever used have come with an instruction manual, and all of them have required practice to use effectively and efficiently. I have even gone to school to learn to use many of the tools I have operated in my lifetime. These manuals and classes are necessary due to the complexity of the design of the tool.

Our motorcycles are tools. We use them to travel from one place to another faster than we could travel by walking. They allow us to carry additional equipment and supplies we could not otherwise include on our journey. They supply us with entertainment and information during the trip. And they are complex. The first-generation Honda GL1800 contains more than 20,000 different part numbers, more part numbers than the same year Honda Accord automobile. Every motorcycle comes with an owner's manual. These documents provide basic requirements for maintenance and operation. But additional classes are recommended to become proficient and effective in their operation.

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Rick Artmayer District Educator



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GWRRA has a long and varied list of tools you can use, many at no cost, to learn about and become more proficient in the operation of your motorcycle. Some even come with manuals you can reference in the future. And each includes an instructor to assist with absorbing the information they offer. Participation in the Levels Program yields yet another tool you can use. The Rider Education Data Base could be thought of as a "toolbox" to track your status and review the list of "tools" you have learned to use. Not currently participating? Contact your friendly District Educator to get enrolled and start filling your toolbox.

Thank You



Missing from this photo is Dan and Rita Bondurant –District Ride Coordinators

The Kentucky District Staff would like to sincerely thank all who attended and participated in the 2021 Kentucky Blast. We hope to see you again in 2022!

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District Membership Enhancement



Dave and Roxie

Wilkinson

District MEPC and 2019-2020 District Couple of the Year

> C O Y

We're taking this opportunity to thank Rick and Leah and the District team for the **<u>ABSOLUTELY GREAT</u>** planning and presentation of the 2021 Kentucky District Rally, **THE BLAST**!. Everything went on without a hitch!

The event space worked well and the program contained what we think is everything that a district rally should have in order to be complete and successful.

The Thursday evening concert on THE GREEN was given by a talented group of musicians and we ate dinner from food trucks as we listened to music until dark. There were some great scenic rides led on Friday and Saturday, a people's choice bike show, a police led bike parade through Lawrenceburg and two seminars were presented. There were receptions for all who have been an Individual or Couple of the Year, and for those who have attained the Masters Level.

There were some AWESOME games and game prizes, seven beautiful chapter baskets to raffle off and many, many door prizes to give away. AND the Vendors gave us plenty to purchase. We hope they will all come back to next year's Blast.

The closing ceremony was fun and fantastic and very well presented by our Kentucky District Directors!

Oh, by the way, we were so very pleased and privileged to contribute our meager share (\$\$'s) to the 50/50 drawings for all of those lucky winners!!

District Couple of the Year

"Digger", the Couple of the Year traveling mascot for 2019-2020-2021has made the rounds for Kentucky chapter visits during those months when he was safely able to do so. Those who held him during his travels kept a photo log book of his escapades and some helped to add to his wardrobe. He's looking like a very fine frog as he goes to his new "forever home" with Chapter H. Rick and Liz Broadway gave him his ride home, backpack and all.

There will be a new Couple of the Year mascot coming to the District at the OPS meeting (probably in January, 2022?). Will it be a fierce one or a tame one? Will it be a large or small animal or a bird or a reptile or a fish? Will it be clothed or naked? *You'll just have to wait and see* **and** you'll need to be ready for a visit from the chapter Couple of the Year who brings it for a visit to your chapter. You can look forward to having a lot of FUN and FRIENDSHIP with this in 2022!

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Ray and Kathy Conrad

Kentucky District Vendor Coordinators



John Keiter District Pins n' Patches

District Vendor Coordinators

Hello all. We hope everyone is doing well. Things are slowly getting back to normal, if we even know what normal will be anymore.

When summer got here so did the heat. We hope everyone that ventures out is taking extra steps to stay cool. We are looking forward to finally seeing everyone at the get-togethers again. As far as the plaque and visitation, we will post who is the winner, then we will start all over for the new year.

Maybe in the fall we will all be able to get together for another outing, Probably will still need to practice what we all know so well, social distance, and mask wearing, but at least we will be able to see each other again and enjoy some time together. I guess I will close for now. Be safe and take care.

District Pins and Patches

The Blast is in the past. If you attended, you know that I have all the pins and patches that you might need. I can also help with flags, hats, and all things GWRRA. Let me know if I can help. Get out and ride!

Newsletter of the Month

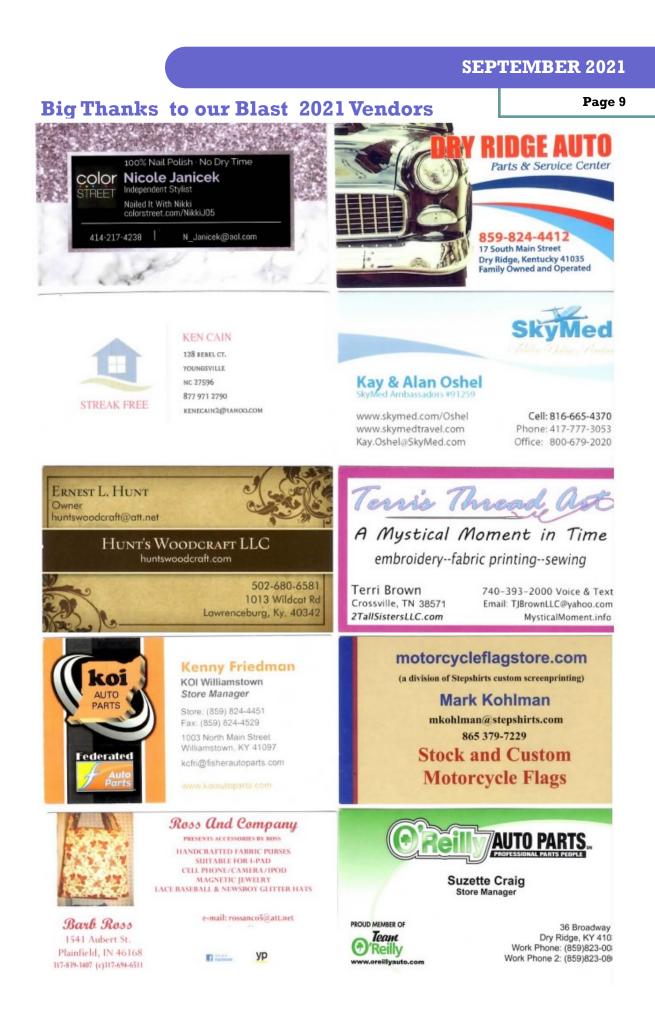
Congratulations to Roger Early of Chapter "G" for winning the August Newsletter of the Month award.

All of the newsletters are looking great . Keep up the god work!

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The Blast 2021







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Upcoming Rallies





For Sale

2006 Goldwing , serviced regularly with 55K miles. Runs great and is in very good condition. Asking \$8000 For more details contact Lee at : elftwo49@gmail.com



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Get on the Level

GWRRA Level System

Basically there are four levels:

- 1. Safety by Commitment
- 2. Safety by Education
- 3. Safety by Preparedness
- 4. Safety by Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness

Gold Wing Road Riders Association Rider Education Levels Program

"THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF RIDER EDUCATION"

Each level requires that you are a member of the GWR-RA and you have completed the previous level. The rider and co-rider requirements for each level are as follows:

Level 1: Safety By Commitment

Rider and Co-Rider requirements:

The expressed commitment of the Rider or Co-Rider to strive for and practice safe riding.

Level 2: Safety By Education

Rider requirements:

- Have 5,000 safe miles.
- Have a current motorcycle license.
- Have completed an approved on-bike Rider course within the past three years.

Co-Rider requirements:

- Have 5,000 safe miles.
- Have completed an approved Two-Up Rider course or GWRRA Co-Rider seminar within the past three years.

Level 3: Safety By Preparedness

Rider requirements:

- Completed a formal approved on-bike Rider Course within the past three years.
- Maintain current First Aid, CPR or MEDIC First Aid certifications.
- Carry a First Aid kit on the motorcycle.

Co-Rider requirements:

- Completed an approved Two-Up Rider course or GWRRA Co-Rider seminar within the past three years (a sanctioned PLP is not allowed to be used for this Level).
- Maintain current First Aid or CPR or MEDIC First Aid certifications.

Level 4: Safety By Commitment and Preparedness

Rider requirements:

- Have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles.
- Be current in both First Aid and CPR certifications.
- Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding.
 - Proper riding apparel, a.k.a.: proper riding "gear" will include, at a minimum, a DOT (FMVSS 218)/Snell (M2010) / ECE 22.05 approved helmet (approved standard applicable to the local area), eye protection, long sleeved jacket/ shirt (no "riding pull on/off sleeves"), long legged sturdy pants, full fingered gloves and over the ankle footwear. Some have coined the acronym ATGATT standing for All the Gear, All the Time.

Co-Rider requirements:

- Have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles.
- Be current in both First Aid and CPR certifications.
- Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding (see definition in the Rider section above).

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Our Kentucky Chapters

Visitation is officially open! It's finally time to go see our friends again. We all now know how precious this privilege is. Let's get out and enjoy it.

KY -	MEETING DAY	TIME	LOCATION	WEBSITE
A	2nd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Roosters 10430 Shelbyville Rd. #7 Louisville, KY 40223	
С	3rd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Roosters 124 Marketplace Dr. Lexington ,KY 40503	<u>www.kybluegrasswing</u> <u>s.org/</u>
G	2nd Tuesday	6:00 pm Eat 7:00 pm Meet	American Legion Post 4 8385 US Hwy 42 Florence, KY 41042	www.chapterg.org/
Н	lst Friday	6:30 pm So- cial Time 7:00 pm Meet **Dinner to Follow	UK Extension Shelby County Office 1117 Frankfort Rd, Shelbyville, KY 40065	<u>www.shelbyvillegoldw</u> <u>ings.com/</u>
К	3rd Sunday	1:00 pm Eat 2:00 Meet	Shoneys 2452 US 41 Henderson, KY 42420	
S	2nd Sunday	4:00 pm Eat 5:00 Meet	Shoney's 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701	
Т	3rd Saturday	6:00:00 PM Meet	Carriage House 624 James Trimble Blvd, Paintsville, KY 41240	www.facebook.com/ Gwrra-Chapter-KY-T- Big-Sandy-Wings- 128027183940433/
Y	lst Thursday	6:00 pm Eat CST 7:00 pm Meet CST	Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th Street Mayfield, KY 42066	<u>www.freewebs.com/</u> <u>yducks/</u>

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WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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Ride Safe

Be Safe

Visitation is on!

We can't wait to see you at the next gathering!

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