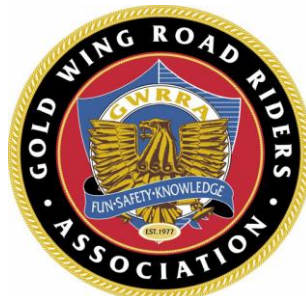


**GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION  
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**PLEASE VOLUNTEER**

**SUMMER IS IN FULL BLOOM AND RIDING SEASON IS HERE AND IT HAS BEEN A HOT ONE .WING DING IS OVER AND THEY HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT WE WILL BE IN KNOXVILLE, TENN. NEXT YEAR. SO YOU CAN START PLANNING FOR THE TRIP NOW .INFO IS ON THE NATIONAL SITE.**

**NOW NEWENGLAND RALLY IS AROUND THE CORNER AND THERE IS STILL TIME TO SIGN UP AND TO ENJOY THE FUN THAT IS PLANNED THERE ARE RIDES PLANNED AS WELL SOME FUN TIMES AT THE HOTEL PLANNED .THE REGISTRATION SHEET CAN BE FOUND AT THE DISTRICT SITE AT GWRRANH.ORG FOR THOSE WHO STILL NEED TO REGISTER.**

**THE DIRECTORS AND ASST.'S WENT AND VISITED CHAPTER A VT ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF JULY AND HAD A GOOD TIME WITH THEM WENT ON A RIDE TO A POINT THEN BROKE OFF AND HEADED BACK TO NEWHAMPSHIRE. THEY HAVE SOME EVENTS COMING UP WITH THERE CHAPTER PICNIC AND A TRIP TO MAINE .. I WILL HAVE COPIES OF THERE FLIERS TO HAND OUT AT THE MEETING ON SUNDAY.JULY 11<sup>TH</sup>.**

**I HAVE ASKED OUR CHAPTER ASSISTANTS TO TELL US ABOUT THERE SELF'S WHICH IS UP NEXT IN THIS NEWS LETTER.**

**BILL & JUANITA**

## CHAPTER ASST. MESSAGE

HI FROM BILL & DEE.. NH F'S NEW ASSISTANT CHAPTER DIRECTORS.

A LITTLE ABOUT US..

BILL WAS BORN IN ELGIN, IL, BUT LIVED MOST OF HIS LIFE IN THE NEW ENGLAND STATES. DID DO A FEW YEARS DURING HIGH SCHOOL IN MI AND IN...GRADUATED FROM VT TECH COLLEGE WITH AN AS DEGREE IN DAIRY FARM MGT. HAVE WORK THRO THE YEARS AS FARMER, GREENS KEEPER, SNOWMAKER AND LAST 14 YEARS AS A GROUNDSKEEPER IN NEWPORT, NH.

DEE WAS BORN N RAISED IN CHARLESTOWN, NH.. GRADUATING FROM FALL MT HIGH SCHOOL.. HAS WORK IN A NUMBER OF AREA RESTAURANTS AS DISH WASHER & PREP COOK. AS WELL AS A FEW AREA BUSINESSES.CURRENTLY A HOME MAKER.

WE'VE BEEN MARRIED 25 YRS (APRIL 2010) HAVE 4 KIDS...AND 4 GRANDKIDS.

BILL'S BEEN RIDING SINCE AGE OF 10, STARTING ON MINI-BIKES AND WORKING HIS WAY UP IN SIZE THRU THE YEARS.

DEE ALSO STARTED AT AN EARLY AGE AS HER FATHER SOLD/REPAIRED BIKES AND SNOWMOBILES.

WE'VE OWN N RIDDEN OUR GOLD WING FOR GOING ON 5 YRS NOW AND ARE LOVING EVER MINUTE OF IT.

WE LOOK FORWARDS TO THE COMRADERY THAT THIS GROUP CAN PROVIDE AND TO MANY HAPPY MILES TOGETHER. WE CURRENTLY LIVE IN CLAREMONT, NH

## DISTRICT DIRECTOR MESSAGE

Greetings!!! It's here, Wing Ding, and the All Districts New England Convention. We can't believe it, we have been writing and talking about these long awaited events for the past year, it hardly seems possible. Hopefully we will see many of you at one of these gatherings having lots of fun. If you are unable to attend the Districts Convention for all three days, please join us for a day, each day offers some educational seminars, games, vendors, and great opportunities to visit with our GWRRA friends.

On another note, it 'over. Yes, the Officer Certification Training is over, and we all survived, we were also very fortunate that none of us at the training saw the tornado that touched down in Gorham that day. We came away from the experience more knowledgeable about GWRRA, and hopefully this knowledge will enable us to better serve our members.

Wayne Ferland, our former NH District Director was our lead presenter in Gorham, along with Mack & Mable McMenemy, Wayne did a dynamic job presenting the information. There have been so many rumors regarding liability, financial responsibility, rider education requirements and about Officer yearly recertification, that we were all anxious to hear the information for ourselves.

We would like to announce the appointments of *Sharon and Moe Bailey*, new Chapter Directors for NH-E, and *Bill and Dee Bascom* new Assistant Chapter Directors for NH-F. Please be certain to support them in their new positions and offer them your Congratulations when you see them.

Unfortunately, our trips to Americade and Wing Ding had to be cancelled due to Dick's most recent surgeries, we are thinking of all of you that got to attend and hope you have a great time. I am already thinking of next year's Wing Ding celebration in Knoxville, Tennessee. Of course, Dick's most recent knee surgery must be because I mentioned that he might be able to dance at the New England Districts Rally. However, as it looks now Dick will be able to attend the Gorham Convention unfortunately he will not be riding or dancing.

The past few days have certainly provided everyone with some sunny weather for riding, we hope you are all have the opportunity to get out and ride and enjoy our beautiful New England weather. Summer is soooooo short!!!

We hope to see many of you at our Convention in Gorham, until next month.

Ride Safe, Ride Often

*Pat & Dick*

#### DISTRICT EDUCATORS

#### Fire Extinguisher Safety

There are four different classes of fire extinguisher each one fights a certain class of fire. Learning to identify these classes will help you select the right extinguisher for your purpose. Using the wrong type of fire extinguisher can cause a fire to spread and place you in greater danger.

Type A extinguishers fight ordinary combustibles such as burning wood, cloth, paper, rubber, upholstery and plastics.

Type B extinguishers fight flammable liquids, gases and greases such as oil, paints and gasoline.

Type C extinguishers fight energized electrical fires such as burning wires, fuse boxes, circuit breakers, machinery and appliances.

Type D extinguishers are used on fires caused by combustible metals such as magnesium, sodium, potassium and aluminum. This type of extinguisher must match the type of metal that is burning for safety and maximum effectiveness. The label on the unit should list matching types of metal.

There are also multipurpose fire extinguishers that can be used on type A, B, and C classes of fires. (I keep one in the trunk of my trike, next to my emergency kit.)

When you are going to mount a fire extinguisher in your home, place it within easy reach of most family members. Keep one on every level of your home, as well as in the garage and near the doors of furnace.

Acting fast can make the difference between a small fire and one that gets completely out of control. First be certain that everyone in the building has been alerted and evacuates the building. Fight the fire with an extinguisher only if the fire is small and you have a clear exit for escape. **Pull** the safety pin or lever at the top of the extinguisher. Hold the fire extinguisher vertically and **aim** the nozzle at the base of the fire. **Squeeze** the handle to release the agent, **sweeping** from side to side at the base of the fire and several inches past the edges of the flame, until completely extinguished. Remember the word **PASS**. **Pull** the pin. **Aim** low. **Squeeze** the handle slow and steady. **Sweeping** the nozzle side to side.

After each use, service rechargeable units and replace disposable models immediately. Fire extinguishers should be checked on a periodic basis. A good way to remember, is to do it when you check the batteries in your smoke alarm.

Maintain good inspection records on your rechargeable extinguishers. These records are helpful after a fire to prove to insurance companies that you checked and serviced your units regularly.

And always practice good housekeeping rules in your home, garage and work areas. Oily rags left in a pile, gas cans close to any heating unit and bad ventilation are all signs for possible disaster. Think smart about fire safety around your most valuable possessions. Now take your motorcycle out of the garage and go ride it!

Adapted from an article by D Huber of the Kentucky Safety Team.

*Lorraine & Earl Knight*  
*Region Directors*

Hello Everyone,

The weather outside in Lake George, NY during Americade Week was simply frightful. But the friends inside were just delightful. So let it rain, let it rain, let it rain. We don't care; it's all about having fun! We were there from Sunday to Sunday and it rained at some time in the day, everyday. But it didn't dampen our spirits because we were among friends and we made our own fun in true GWRRA style. We also learned that Ice Cream each day, keeps the depression away and really lifts our spirits. Now we have about nine days left before we head out to Wing Ding in Des Moines, Iowa. So it's crunch time for us; so much to do, and so little time. But some how we will manage to get it all done.

Our hearts go out to Dave and Rose DeGraff. It was such devastating news to hear that a deer hit them on their motorcycle, while on their way to work on Route 7 in New Milford. We understand that Dave is fine but Rose has a broken leg. She has 3 breaks and they had to put in a screw into the bad break. Since the surgery, Rose is doing well under the circumstances. Hopefully Rose is home now and on her way to recovery as quickly as possible. We wish to thank all our Chapter E family for banning together and helping Dave & Rose get through their ordeal. We wish we could have been there too, to show our concern and support, but it is just too many miles away. But we are their in our thoughts and spirit.

This is where the GWRRA family concept kicks in and proves to all of us that it works. It is the reason we all volunteer to do the things we do...this is our reward, our pay check... and the main benefit of our membership. Thanks so much for staying together and supporting each other.

FYI...We just want to let you know that we now have a new website and web address for the Vermont District. It is [www.gwrra-vt.org](http://www.gwrra-vt.org) you can go directly to the site or link to if from our region website <http://www.gwrra-northeastregion.org/node/36> Please notice we have added new information relating to the opening of a new chapter. We have confirmed a location, date, time and place for the 1<sup>st</sup> informational gathering of the new Vermont chapter K now being formed.

Now it's time to get down to business. Plans are revving up in preparation of the New England District's Rally/Convention. If you have not made your room reservations, we suggest you do so quickly, because believe it or not, our block of rooms is filling up. Once that is done, don't forget to pre-register too. Remember only pre-registrants will be included in the banquet at the closing ceremonies.

This year, Connecticut and Vermont are responsible for selling 50/50 tickets during the event. As usual, there will be three separate drawings, one each day for the three days; Thursday, Friday and Saturday. We will need two teams of two people as ticket sellers during the day and in the evening; one team for indoors and one team for outdoors. Needless to say, the more volunteers we have, the less time each team will have to work in one stretch of time. So, we would like to ask for your help.

Connecticut and Vermont are also responsible for supporting the Door Prize booth. It is our responsibility to tape the door prize tickets to the prizes. Then we need to list the numbers on a board. We will need one person to verify the winning ticket and award the winner the prize, then remove that number from the board. It's that simple. But we need someone to help.

Also, speaking of door prizes, once again, the Convention Team has asked each chapter if they could contribute 3 door prizes with a value of at least \$10 each. If you could get them to Linda Hahn before the event it would be most helpful. But if you can't, you can bring or send them to Gorham at the time of the event.

There are some new things going on and being added to the event this year...

First: We heard it through the grapevine. Now you heard it here. We are 99.44/100% sure, unless something suddenly comes up, that Mike & Lori Stiger, Directors of GWRRA are planning on attending the New England Districts Rally/Convention. They are expected to visit on Friday and perhaps Saturday too. We took a survey and as far as anyone can remember, the Directors of GWRRA have never attended a New England event. So, we are rather flattered and excited to have them visit.

Second: We will be setting up a Rider Education Booth. The booth will have a three fold purpose. 1. We will be selling raffle tickets for (2) \$500 Gift certificates from Wing Bling. The proceeds will go towards Rider Education Programs in New England.

2. We will be offering members the opportunity to update their Rider Education Levels Program on-site. They will be able to update and/or correct personal information to the Rider Education data base.
3. We will be offering members the opportunity to sign up for the Levels program if they have not yet committed to do so.

This project will require help so we are asking any rider educators who are attending the convention to please give a little of your time to make this work.

Third: The Gorham Fire Department, along with some of our rider educators will present a CRASH SCENE RESPONSE RE-ENACTMENT on Saturday. This is a MUST SEE for everyone. It will prove to be both entertaining and VERY EDUCATIONAL! We hope to see you there.

Fourth: Together as a Team, Connecticut, Vermont and Rhode Island are responsible for supporting the Welcome Booth. Besides answering various questions and welcoming our guests, for the first time ever, the Welcome booth will offer convention delegates the opportunity to check their GWRRA personal profile to be sure all their information such as, address, phone number email address and chapter affiliation is current. If corrections need to be made, members will be encouraged to contact the Home Office ASAP and make the changes.

Again, we need people to assist in these endeavors in order to make everything work. So, we have created and attached a sign up sheet. We ask that if you are planning on attending the Rally/Convention, please help us make it a success by volunteering some of your time. Whatever task and time you can give us would be greatly appreciated. You will receive a BONUS for your efforts. We guarantee you will HAVE FUN AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS! (That's the bonus).

Attached is a volunteer sign up sheet for all our responsibilities and the hours that we need coverage. Chapter Directors, could you please ask for volunteers. Please enter their name, district/chapter affiliation and what hours they would be available. Be sure to list their name under the booth name they wish to volunteer.. If they would like to work at more than one booth during the event, please repeat their name etc. under that booth. If you could return them to us by Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup> THE LATEST, it would be greatly appreciated. We will compile all the information and make one final roster.

Thanks so much. Ride Safe and we look forward to seeing you either in Wing Ding or at the New England Districts Rally/Convention

*Dave & Crystal Godin  
Asst. Regional Directors*

*Please see the July issue of the Beacon for Crystal and Dave's article.*

### Upcoming Events

July 22, -24, 2010	New England Districts Rally, Gorham, N.H
August 29, 2010	NH- K Mini Golf Tournament
September 12, 2010	NH-E Hobo Stew, Keene
September 26, 2010	NH District Picnic, Mount Washington Host NH-K
October 10, 2010	NH-G Fall Foliage Poker Run
November 6,7, 2010	NH-A Weekend extravaganza

\*\* Green indicates fund raiser

### CHAPTER EDUCATION BORROWED FROM EDUCATION WEBSITE

## *The Power of the Wave...*

One of the first words we learn as a baby is **HELLO**, which is one of the most powerful and rewarding words. It is definitely better than saying goodbye. Saying **HELLO** to someone when you first meet them immediately puts them at ease and you start a conversation on a most friendly word. What does saying **HELLO** have to do with riding motorcycles and riding them safely? Well, let's look at this just a little deeper.

First, let's agree that a **FRIENDLY WAVE** is the same thing as saying **HELLO**. It seems to me one of the first things we learn when we start riding with **GWRRA**, next to food and ice cream, is that the members are one of the most **FUN** loving, patriotic, hugging and **WAVING** group you will ever to know. When out riding, a friendly **WAVE** to other motorcycles is letting them know we both enjoy the same thing. When we extend a friendly **WAVE** to other road users, including pedestrians, it makes them notice us. That's exactly what we want, to **SEE** and be **SEEN**. It also lets the recipients of our **WAVE** know that we are a friendly group and enjoy people. A **WAVE** to a child is worth gold. They will notice, wave back and tell their parents so now the adults are aware of our presence. We have been **SEEN**.

Oh, nuts, that person didn't **WAVE** back so I'm not going to **WAVE** anymore. **NO... NO... NO...** keep **WAVING** as not only do you want the person to whom you **WAVED** to notice but also the tons of other observers out there as once again we want to be **SEEN**. Friendliness is so rare nowadays; it's disarming, so use the **WAVE** to let people know that we are **FRENIDS** out having **FUN**. Respect begets respect and a **WAVE** will help you start a lot of conversations on your outing. You never know, you may meet the same person you just waved to at your next stop.

The simple **WAVE** can be our first step on being noticed on the roadways. Join us and start **WAVING** even more than you do now. Not only will you see a lot of people smiling at you, the

**WAVE** will put you and your co-rider in a very happy frame of mind. Just try it, you may like it.

*...Use the Power... WAVE*

Joe and Judy Pirillo  
Iowa Senior District Educators

HOPE TO SEE ALL AT THE NEWENGLAND RALLY AND ALL HAVE A SAFE TRIP UP  
AND BACK ...