

The Iron Clad Wings



Gold Wing Road Riders Association
 GWRR's Motto is...
 Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

**Chartered
 15 April, 1995**

BRONZE Level Chapter for 2017



We're More Than Gold Wings...



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Ride & Grow with VA-L

We meet the 4th Tuesday of each month (except December) at The Golden Corral, 101 Volvo Pkwy, Chesapeake, VA 23320. Our meet, greet and eat—begins at 6pm, our gathering begins at 7pm. We invite you to come out and have fun with us

2022 Road Warrior Awards



- January:
- February:
- March:
- April:
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- June:
- July:
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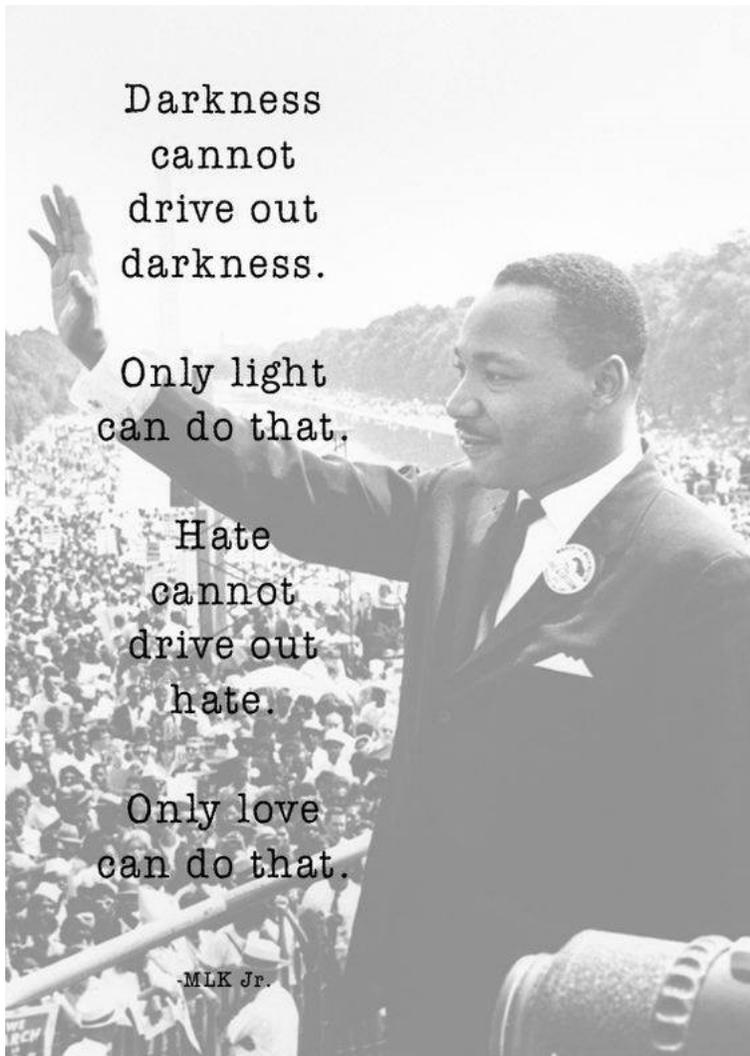
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Honoring DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

Monday, January 17



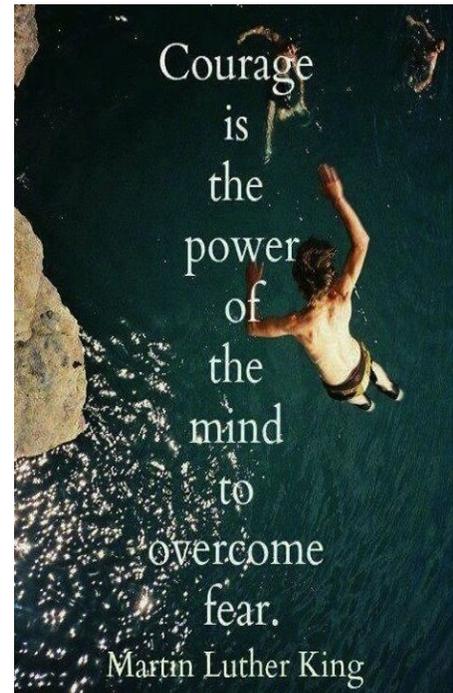
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Only light
can do that.

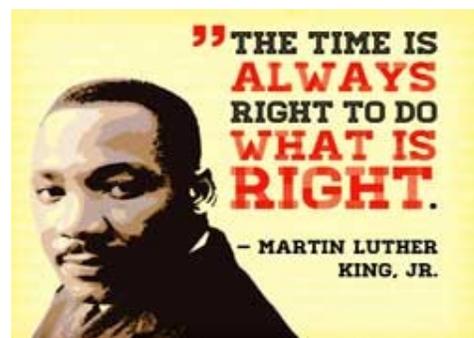
Hate
cannot
drive out
hate.

Only love
can do that.

-MLK Jr.



Martin Luther King



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FIND YOUR MEMBERSHIP NUMBER



Disclaimer: The numbers on this picker wheel do not count as finding your number!

We will continue this game for 2022. Karen Bottoni, your Newsletter Editor will hide three random Chapter L Membership numbers somewhere in the newsletter. She will spin the wheel three times and a membership number will appear. If you locate your membership number, please notify Karen, kbottoni@gmail.com, tell her what page and where you found it. Then attend the next Chapter gathering and get your reward.

Where will you find your membership number?

Look in the margins, Read the Articles, read the special event inserts, along the margins, along the headers, footers, anywhere and everywhere in the Newsletter is fair game. It's not going to be too hard, but it will not be too easy either.

Only two special Rules:

1. Chapter-L Team Members are ineligible to participate.
2. All other members eligible and must attend the Gathering during the month of the newsletter to receive your reward. Must get with the MEC by 7pm start of the meeting.

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Chapter Directors



Happy New Year. I hope everyone had an enjoyable and Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Hopefully, we didn't put on too much weight from eating all that great food and desserts.

First, I would like to congratulate Joe and Trish Daniel on their selection as the Chapter Couple for 2022. This is an honor to be selected and it is well deserved on their part. They have been great ambassadors for the Chapter and the Organization, and I know they will continue to do so in the future. We welcome Joe and Trish to the Chapter team along with Paula and Bob Dignan as the Chapter Greeters. I also want to welcome and recognize two new members to Chapter L. They are Steve Kapsha and Ed Patejak. These two gentlemen have been members for a long time and have joined us from the former Chapter O. Welcome guys and we hope we can make you feel as welcome as you felt in your former Chapter.

The Chapter Team will be meeting at our house on January 9th to make up the Ride and Event Calendar for the year. If any Member is interested in coming over as well to make suggestions, you are more than welcome. Any input is greatly appreciated. Please let me know if you will be joining us.

There will also be a District Ops Meeting on the 14th and 15th in Charlottesville, Va. This will be held at the Comfort Inn 2097 Inn Drive. Anyone that is interested in becoming an Officer or a Team Member is encouraged to attend. The 14th is a casual get together and the actual meeting is conducted on the 15th. If you care to attend, please let Lorrie know in advance for food planning purposes.

For those that missed the Chapter Christmas Party, you missed a great time. The new way of having the party with not having to cook was well received. All that did attend enjoyed the food and the facility. The Christmas spirit and giving were in abundance. The restaurant even asked us to come back next year.

In closing, I want to thank the Chapter Team for all their efforts in the past year. I also want to thank the Chapter Members for your continued support of the Chapter and the present Team. Without you, the Members, there would be no Chapter, Thank You! Till we meet again be safe, ride safe and keep the shiny side up.

Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas

Chapter Directors, Va-L

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Joe & Trish Daniel

Chapter Couple of the Year

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Chapter Couple



“Newbies No More”

Well, there sure is something to that old saying, “What a difference a year makes.” To recap, after a 34-year hiatus from riding, a battle with cancer, being married for 20-some years, rearing two children, the Mrs. (or Boss as I lovingly refer) happened to catch me looking at motorcycles on Craigs List one day after work. Needless to say, she thought I was crazy. But, after some discussion, she convinced me to consider it. Since it had been a long time for me and the fact Trish had never been on a bike (except the pedal kind), we embarked on the purchase of a vintage 1988 Honda Goldwing to see if we would like it. It was a little shaky riding home that July evening, but that short ride got my excitement brewing again. Well, after looking at the Wing and following behind me for a couple of months, Trish finally mustered the courage to get on the back and let me, let her try co-riding out. I certainly didn’t know what her reaction would be, but she fell in love with it, and it has been non-stop ever since.

It was August 2020 that we attended our first Chapter gathering and determined we wanted to be members. So, we signed up for the 4-month trial membership, went to our first VA rally and officially joined in December. From there, we have seen first-hand the benefit of being a part of such a great organization and group of people. Last year we ventured down to Pigeon Forge, TN for their rally (our longest trip on the wing at that time). We then made the journey to Wing Ding 42 trailering the bike to MO and then riding in Missouri and Arkansas visiting the scenic “Grand Canyon of Arkansas”. We followed that up with the NC rally in the Smokies and rode the “Rattler” (there was an article about this stretch of road in a prior Wing World magazine). Of course, Trish became famous by getting her picture taken and subsequently published in Wing World while at Wing Ding (Not sure how much she paid for that). We then finished up the year attending our own VA rally which was great fun where we were able to experience our alter-egos, the Von Schindle family.

We have met so many great people and heard some really amazing stories and all the while, had just a load of fun doing so. What we have learned is that GWRRA is about the people more than the bike. Everyone we have met has been so endearing, helpful, informative, and caring. We learned if you ever need help, turn to a member. We always felt welcome, and this just confirmed that we are a group of folks bound by the spirit of freedom, adventure and fun that motorcycle riding provides. We are a family and GWRRA really helps us to experience that feeling. While we didn’t understand how and were shocked to learn we were selected to be Couple of the Year, we are truly honored. More than that, we are honored to be associated with such a great group of people starting with our own Chapter-L.

Joe & Trish Daniel

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Dennis & Phyliss Easton

Membership Enhancement Coordinators

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Membership Enhancement

ICE CREAM TRAIL Challenge



Rules:

Visit as many Ice Cream places as you can, In state or out of state.

Listed on next page are Ice Cream places in each of the VA Chapter Cities, as well as 13 local Hampton Roads. There is space to input up to 10 of those you found on your own.

Take a picture of the Ice Cream place Sign as a selfie. Post to VA-L Facebook with your name, place, City and VA-L Members with you.

Fill out the Ice Cream Run sheet with date you dined there.

Points will be awarded as follows:

1 point per location in Chesapeake, Virginia Beach, Portsmouth, Suffolk, or Norfolk

2 points per location outside of those listed above, some indicated by other Chapter locations.

3 points for out of state locations.

15 points gets the coveted Ice Cream pin awarded during the Chapter VA-L Christmas Party in 2022. Turn in all forms in no later than the November 2022 VA-L Chapter Gathering.

Dennis and Phyliss Easton

GWRRA VA-L

Chapter Membership Enhancement Coordinators

Chapter Couple of The Year 2019

VA District Couple of the Year 2019-2020

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ICE CREAM RUN Challenge

A	Burke
C	Newport News
D	Midlothian
E	Fredericksburg
F	Winchester
H	Abington
I	Manassas
K	Roanoke
R	Harrisonburg
V	Bedford
X	Salem

Name	Address	City	Date Attended	Initials	Rating 1-5 5 is Best

Suggested Ice Cream Places

CHESAPEAKE	Carvel	1101 Battlefield Blvd S			
CHESAPEAKE	Cold Stone	836 Eden Way N			
CHESAPEAKE	Amazing Glazed	321 Johnstown Rd			
CHESAPEAKE	Dairy Queen	200 Battlefield Blvd S			
	Bergey's				
CHESAPEAKE	Breadbasket	2207 Mount Pleasant Rd			
CHESAPEAKE	Surf Dogs	1464 Mount Pleasant Rd			
		237 Hanbury Rd E			
CHESAPEAKE	Skinny Dip	Hanbury Village			
CHESAPEAKE	Sweet Frog	109 Volvo Pkwy			
CHESAPEAKE	Baskin-Robbins	1100 Cedar Rd			
CHESAPEAKE	Dippin' Dots	1401 Greenbrier Pkwy			
NORFOLK	Doumars	1919 Monticello Avenue			
VIRGINIA BCH	Bruster's	5317 Indian River Rd			
PORTSMOUTH	Uncle Rick's	2829 Airline Blvd.			
SUFFOLK	Cone Slings	15141 Carrollton Blvd.			

Out of Area Places

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Ride Coordinator

Happy New Year. I hope everyone had enjoyable holidays and stayed safe. Lorrie and I traveled to St Louis to spend Christmas with the Holiday with her son. What a great time we had.

The Ride Calendar has been updated for the most part. We will be having a Ride and Events Planning meeting with the Chapter team and anyone else that would like to attend. This will happen on the 9th of January at 1:00 pm and will be held at our house. Any suggestions are welcome, and we look forward to planning fun and enjoyable rides for the year. Listed below are what we currently have on the schedule.

9 January Ride Calendar and Events planning meeting. 1:00 pm at Dan & Lorrie's

14-15 January District Ops Meeting Charlottesville, Va

21 January Chapter Dinner Tucano's Brazilian Buffet Newport News 6:30 pm

25 January Chapter Gathering at Golden Corral 101 Volvo Pkwy Chesapeake

29 January TBD

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Chapter Skills Enhancement Advisor

Happy New Year Chapter L. Despite some minor set-backs in 2021, it was a much better year than when all the Covid stuff first started. All we can do is just focus on what's in front of us and take things day by day in all this craziness. Taking care of yourself and your loved ones is number one priority. That really shouldn't even be up for debate. I am optimistic that 2022 will bring better days. I want to thank you all for allowing me to be the Chapter Skills Enhancement Advisor this past year. It was a good year for us and I've learned a lot as the CSEA. I've learned that I'm only one person in the grand scheme of things and it takes more than one person to promote education and safety.

For those who couldn't make it to the Chapter Christmas Party, I would like to share again some Rider Education statistics for our Chapter in 2021. We accomplished much but still have more work to do. Again, congratulations to all who signed up for the Levels program and to those who moved up in their levels. Here we go...

Levels Program:

- Three members received their Level I
- Three members received their Level II
- Four members received their Level III
- Two members received their Level IV (2 more expected soon)
- One member received their Grand Master
- Three members retired from the Levels program

MFA CPR:

- 11 members certified through GWRRA or ARC

TRC-R:

- Four members attended

ARC-R:

- One member attended

Road Captain's Course:

- Three members were certified

1st Annual Motorcycle Rodeo and Safety Awareness Event:

- Successfully conducted a Shiny Side Up Riding Skills Challenge

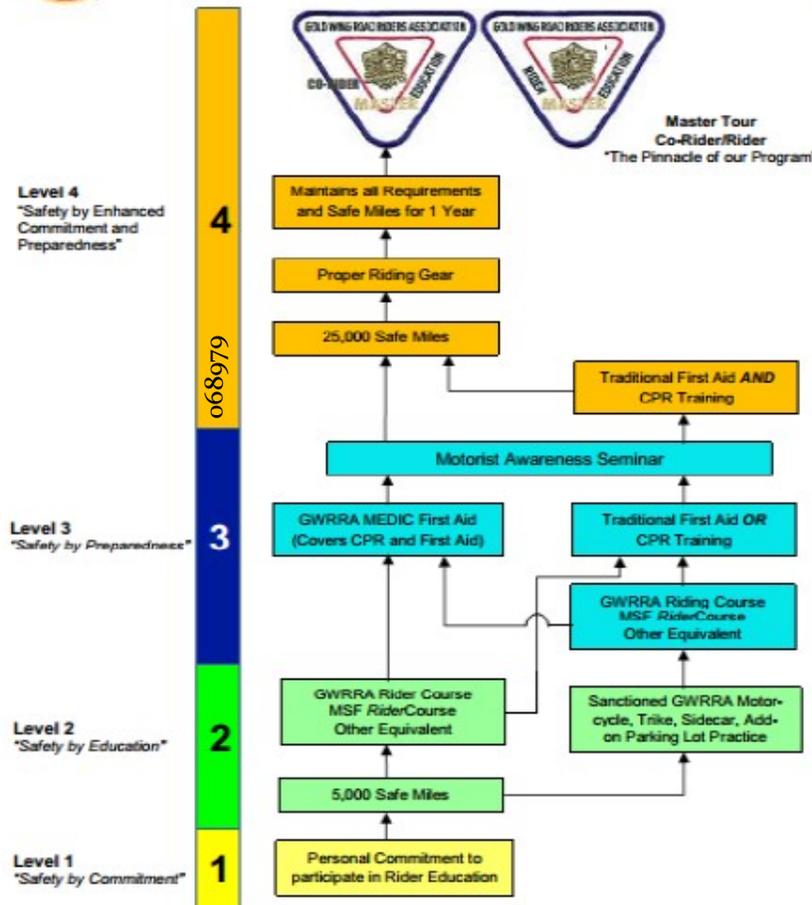
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The Rider Education Levels Program is a voluntary program that provides training that can assist you in becoming a safer rider and the capabilities of you on your bike. If you aren't enrolled in the Levels Program, we encourage you to talk with members who are enrolled of the benefits



Gold Wing Road Riders Association Rider Education Levels Program "The Building Blocks of Rider Education"



"Safety is for Life" "Practice Makes Permanent"

Karen Bottoni
CSEA

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District

What's New in 2022?



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What can be said about the last two years that hasn't been said? What will 2022 be like?

We can all speak to how challenging the last two years have been, people lost, opportunities placed on hold, lives disrupted and on and on. For some, it would be easier to dwell on the "what ifs" and the "what we losts." We can hope, fingers crossed, we can pray loudly and often that this year will be better, or we can choose to be actively engaged in making it better. That's my choice, to see what I can do to make it better and is the choice of the other leaders in Chapters, District and Team GWRRA. We are asking you, the Members, to join us.

Until a huge bonfire is created, fueled by hand sanitizer and face masks, we will play the hand that is dealt. Rather than make resolutions, let's make a wants list.

1. Engage all our Members, active and not-so-active.
2. Bring in fresh faces, new Members.
3. Ride, ride, and more rides.
4. Renew the joy of gathering together.

Has it been a while since you attended a gathering? There are new restaurants to try and fresh faces to meet. Check the location list as a few Chapters have moved.

The Ride Coordinators are looking for suggestions for rides. Same old rides are a thing of the past. You know you have a place on your bucket list you'd like to ride to or one that merits a return visit, bringing your Chapter with you.

Rallies and Chapter events are back! Poker Runs, Fall Sprawls and Crazy Suppers, to name a few. Wingless Weekend promises to be a blast. All the information is in the newsletter.

Doesn't matter what you ride. Doesn't matter if you still ride. Only matters that we enjoy each other's company. Be part of the plan to make 2022 spectacular!

The District Team wishes you a happy and healthy 2022.

Virginia District Directors

Lorrie Thomas & Dan Clark

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National

Speak Up And Make A Difference!



Often when we participate in groups – be it benevolent associations, work meetings, or GWRRA functions – we find ourselves thinking of a good idea, then say to ourselves, “Naaah – they’d never go for that.” So we keep it to ourselves, and don’t share it. We all do this to some extent; it’s human nature. We tell ourselves – they’ll think it’s dumb. I would make myself look foolish. I’m new here and no one would pay attention to my ideas. Surely someone else has already brought this up? It’s corny, expensive, immature, unrealistic, or against some rule.

The fact of the matter is that in every case, you SHOULD speak up! Organizations of every stripe, especially GWRRA, are *eager* for your input and ideas. Part of teamwork is sharing your ideas – no one individual, however talented and creative, can have *all* the ideas. Your Chapter Team needs your input – and that of all Chapter participants – so that they can plan activities YOU are interested in. Yes, you’re free to just sit back and take it all in – and many do – but this ain’t like watching football on TV. GWRRA membership is not a spectator sport! You’ll get a lot more out of your Chapter, and your membership in GWRRA, if you’re vocal about your likes, dislikes, and ideas you have for everybody to have FUN!

About a year ago, a participant in a nearby Chapter left closing ceremonies at a District Rally clearly dissatisfied. She was heard to say, “Why can’t *our* Chapter win something?”. Other Chapters had walked away with honors for Best Chapter Shirt, Most in Attendance at the Rally, Chapter of the Year, Chapter Challenge, you name it.

Other Members in her Chapter heard her as well. We don’t know what discussions may have taken place, but over the year they became much more active. We started seeing many more of them at functions both inside and outside of the District. And we have seen them having more FUN!

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Our Mission Statement: RIDE & GROW

Respect all motorcycle riders and motorists

Inspire members to participate in the Levels Program.

Dedicated towards providing a family atmosphere so everyone has fun.

Educate our members about new innovations regarding riding, safety, and about GWRRA.

&

Give back to the community, resulting in a positive image of motorcyclists.

Relax, and enjoy the ride!

Offer assistance and encourage participation by all members.

Work with members by assisting them in achieving their goals.

So, what are we really saying...

We don't discriminate; all types of motorcycles are welcome. If your friends are looking for a group to ride with, that believes in and practices safety, we are that group. Respect drivers by being courteous with our lights and riding style.

We want all our members to participate in the Rider Education (Levels) program. The Levels Program allows members to advance from Level 1 (Committed to Safety) to Level 4 (Safety By Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness), also known as Master Tour Rider. As our members gain experience and miles, we inspire them to advance to the next level.

We are a family association; we are dedicated to providing a fun and friendly atmosphere to members and visitors of all ages. We strive to make every event fun.

Chapter L is dedicated to educating our members and visitors about motorcycling. We do this by having training provided by certified trainers that have graduated from Gold Wing University. We educate members about riding alone, with a co-rider, and in a group. We educate on riding as a team, pulling trailers, crash scene response, leadership, fun events, advances in motorcycling, and much more. Our trainers are evaluated by senior trainers to ensure they remain up-to-date regarding motorcycling.

Not all motorcyclists are the same; we strive to present a positive image to the public. We inform the public about what our association stands for; Friends, Fun, Safety, & Knowledge. We are a part of the community and want the community to be a part of us.

Have fun and enjoy riding with Chapter L. We want all of our riders to relax and enjoy the ride while being among friends that share your passion... riding.

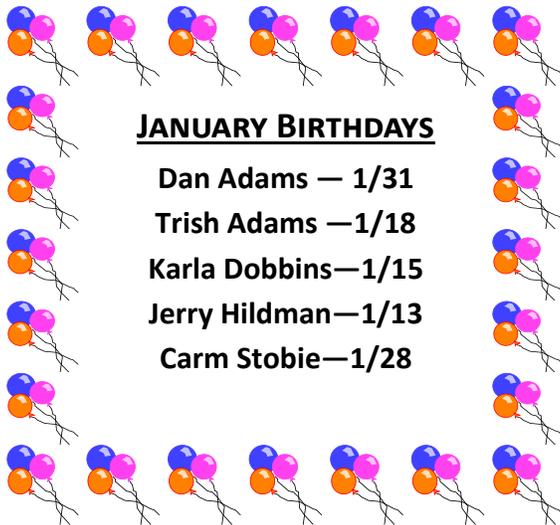
It takes everyone to make the Chapter successful. But what is the definition of **successful**? Successful means the Chapter is fun. Successful means the Chapter rides a multitude of routes with varying distances. Successful means people want the Chapter to thrive. Successful means people ask "what can I do to help..." Successful means our membership thrives. In other words, we cannot be successful without you. Participation from all members results in the Chapter being successful.

Have you achieved your goals you've set? Regardless whether your goals involve motorcycling or are professional, chances are, there is someone in the Chapter that wants to assist you in achieving your goals. Our goal is to assist you in achieving your goal.

Our Motto: RIDE and GROW with VA-L

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Birthdays, Anniversaries, & Other Information



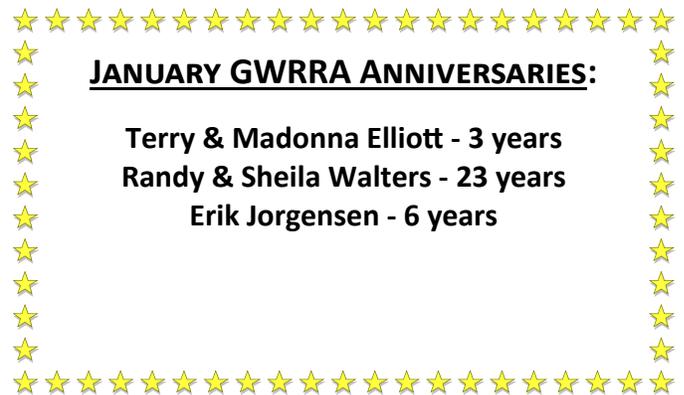
JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- Dan Adams — 1/31
- Trish Adams — 1/18
- Karla Dobbins — 1/15
- Jerry Hildman — 1/13
- Carm Stobie — 1/28



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES:

NONE



JANUARY GWRRA ANNIVERSARIES:

- Terry & Madonna Elliott - 3 years
- Randy & Sheila Walters - 23 years
- Erik Jorgensen - 6 years

Quote of the Month

Rivers
never go reverse.
So try to live like a river. Forget your past and focus on your future. Always be positive!

Helpful information for members

To get Chapter, District, and National patches for your vest, contact our Chapter Treasurer, Will Conrad.

For things you might typically pick up at a Rally, but don't want to wait until the next one comes around:

- **Chapter Shirts/Rider Ed patches:** See the Chapter Directors; Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas
- **Name Tags:** www.ThEngraver.com (take note of spelling—only 1 'e' at beginning)
- **Vests & sewing patches:**
 - Perfect Fit Alterations, 357 Johnstown Rd, Chesapeake. They also do vest embroidery
 - The Leather Arts Store at 415 N. Military Highway, Suite 13. Ask for the owner, Dennis
- **Embroidery & Name Tags:** Nancy Harbison Uniforms & Tailoring at 479 South Lynnhaven Road, Virginia Beach (463-3241)

These are by no means the only place to get your desired items, just the ones that seem to be used the most by local chapters.

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Gathering & Ride Calendar



Date	Chapter/Type	Event
Jan 9	L	Annual Planning Meeting. For Chapter Team and any Chapter members may attend. Meet at 1pm, 5308 High St W, Portsmouth (Dan & Lorrie's house)
Jan 14-15	VA	Annual Operations (OPS) meeting, Comfort Inn, Monticello, VA
Jan 17	Holiday	Martin Luther King's Jr. Day
Jan 21	L	Chapter Dinner Tucano's Brazilian Buffet, 6:30 pm, 11820 Fountain Way Newport News, VA
Feb 18-20	VA	Wingless Weekend in Williamsburg, Doubletree by Hilton
Feb 21	Holiday	President's Day
Feb 26	F	Crazy Hippie Supper, Winchester Fairgrounds, 155 Fairground Road, Clear Brook, VA
Mar 13		Daylight Savings Time Begins

Check out our website to see the latest updates to our calendar <https://gwrraval.org/>

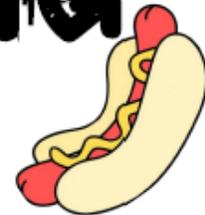
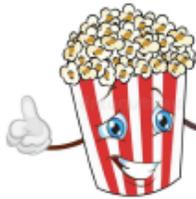
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Maryland/Delaware District



WINTERTHING



PAJAMA

Games, Movies & Dogs



PARTY



University & MFA classes

January 13-15

Hyatt Place

Dewey Beach, DE

GWRRA Members—\$70

Non-Members—\$80

**Registration Forms at
<http://gwrra-md-de.org/>**

Reservations: 302 864-9100

Code: Gold Wing Group

King/Queen Rooms

Single/Double Occ \$89.00

Triple Occupancy \$104.00

Quad Occupancy \$119.00

Pets - \$10/night

Extra Adult - \$15/person/night

For Condos—Call

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Officer's Conference (OPS)

January 14-15, 2022

Comfort Inn – Monticello

2097 Inn Drive, Charlottesville, VA 22911

434-977-3300 or <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations>

Friday, January 14 at 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Social and Dinner

Saturday, January 15 at 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Conference and Break-Out Sessions

All Members are invited to attend, specifically Chapter and District Team Members, those who may be interested in taking a leadership position and/or those who would like to participate in the planning of the Virginia District's year.

Room rates: \$82.00, per night. Make your own reservations.

*Full, hot breakfast included for all guests with room reservation.

Cancellation policy for rooms, 24-hour prior without penalty

Guests call and identify themselves with the **GWRRA – VA District Room Block**

The District is covering the cost of the Friday night dinner and *Saturday breakfast, if breakfast is not available at hotel, Saturday lunch, so RSVPs are necessary. Please respond by December 20, 2021.

Name _____ Chapter ____ Position _____

Name _____ Chapter ____ Position _____

Yes, I/we are attending the Friday night Social and Saturday Conference

Yes, I/we are attending the Saturday Conference, only.

Send RSVP to:

Lorrie M. Thomas, District Director, lorriemthomas@aol.com or to

5308 High Street West, Portsmouth, VA 23703 954-599-5178

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Gold Wing Road Riders Association—Virginia

Games
Scavenger Hunt
Self-Guided Field Trips
Ice Cream Social



S'mores
Campfire Songs
WINGO
Camp Variety Show

Join us at **Camp WINGLESS**
\$50 per GWRRA Camper
February 18-19, 2022

Doubletree by Hilton Williamsburg
50 Kingsmill Road
800-222-8733
Room Rates: \$79 (dbl occupancy)



Camp Registration **INCLUDES** Saturday night farewell dinner and variety show!

Have an act or talent you'd like to share?
Silly or Serious...Group or Individual
Just get up there and have fun with it!
Submit your Variety Show act to vadistrictmec@gmail.com or call/text us at 757-870-7282.

Mention "Wingless Weekend" when making room reservations.
Rooms blocked until February 4.

Mail registration with check payable to: **Preferred Easy Pay Option**
GWRRA Virginia District **OR** **Secure Online Credit Card**
Roman Paryz <https://gwrrava.square.site>
331 Paine St.
Newport News, VA 23608

PRINT	Rider	Co-Rider
Name		
Mobile #		
GWRRA #		
Chapter		
Position		
Address		
Email		
Arriving F, S		
COY		
First WW		

Registration Prices	Member	Non-Member	Child 6 - 12
Regular	\$50	\$60	\$15

RELEASE FORM (Must be signed by all registrants and returned)

(We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, The Virginia District, the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Williamsburg and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by reason of participating in this event.)

Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Co-Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge

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Join Us at Camp WINGLESS
\$50 per GWRRA Camper

February 18-19, 2022

Doubletree by Hilton Williamsburg
50 Kingsmill Road
800-222-8733
Room Rates: \$79 (dbl occupancy)



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Farewell Variety Show

Name of Act: _____

Time Length of Act: _____

Is the act (circle one): Individual Group

Nature of act (circle one): Silly Serious

Category (check one):

Skit

Song

Dance

Stand Up Comedy

Juggling

Magic

Other (please specify below)

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Chapter F Presents:

CRAZY HIPPIE SUPPER

February 26, 2022

Comfort Inn has once again opened their doors for our
Guests to come and stay

Comfort Inn – 1601 Martinsburg Pike, Winchester, VA 22603

Phone: 540-667-8894

\$70.00 per night for 2 including breakfast

Book your reservation by 02-20-2022

Stay Friday & Saturday Night - February 25th & 26th

Event is at the Winchester Fairgrounds

155 Fairground Road Clear Brook, VA 22624

Doors open @ 3:00 pm Saturday, February 26th

Dinner @ 4:30 PM

\$10.00 early RSVP, \$12.00 at the door

**Stay Saturday Night and join us for our Sunday morning
meeting 9:00 am at Stephens City Diner**

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CHAPTER F CRAZY HIPPIE SUPPER

REGISTRATION FORM

I/WE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS GWRRA OR CO-SPONSORING ORGANIZATION OR PROPERTY OWNER FOR ANY LOSS OR INJURY TO SELF OR PROPERTY IN WHICH I/WE MAY BECOME INVOLVED BY OUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT.

I/WE AGREE TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PROPERTY WHICH I/WE KNOWINGLY DAMAGE. I HAVE READ AND AGREE WITH THE ABOVE.

(ALL MEMBERS IN YOUR PARTY MUST SIGN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT)

I _____ From Chapter _____ plan to attend the Crazy Supper

I _____ From Chapter _____ Plan to attend the crazy Supper

Enclosed is \$ _____ for our reservation

Please mail this NON-REFUNDABLE registration form to

DAVE SHIRLEY

PO Box 24

Stephenson, VA 22656

Please call Stephanie at 540-664-6430 if you have any questions.

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Grand Prize
2-\$500
Daily
50/25/25

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Visit A
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April 7-8-9, 2022
Come Early 4/6 Stay Late 4/10
For Our SPECIAL Guided Tours

Ramada by Wyndham
1400 West Tunnel Blvd
Houma, Louisiana 70360
985-879-4871 ask for GWRRA Rate
Special Rate of \$80 a night
If Booked Through The Host Hotel Only

Mardi Gras Costume Ball with Costume Contest

Day Ride To New Orleans

Cajun Dinner Night

RIDES

Ride The Tail Of The Gator

COY Selection

Laissez les Bon Temps Rouler!

Cookie Bar Contest Open to ALL

Cooking With Pam J

Bingo

RIDES

For more Info:
Website gwrra-la.org - Email dd@gwrra-la.org - Facebook: GWRRA Louisiana - Groupworks: LA District

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Louisiana District Mardi Gras Madness Rally

April 7th, 8th & 9th

Come Early April 6th
For Our SPECIAL Guided Tour

gwrra-la.org and click on the Rally tab

Early Registration ENDS 3/15/2022

PLEASE PRINT

Rider's Name _____ GWRRR# _____
 Co-Rider's Name _____ GWRRR# _____
 District / Chapter _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____ - _____
 Rider Email _____
 Co-Rider Email _____

QTY	DESCRIPTION	Price	Total
	GWRRA Member Early Registration \$30, \$35 on site	\$30	
	GWRRA One Day Pass	\$20	
	GWRRA Life Member	\$20	
	Non-Member Early Registration \$35 \$40 On Site	\$35	
	Sat 50/25/25 Tickets/Stretch (10 Double Tickets) Must Be Present To Win SATURDAY ONLY	\$10	
	Grand Prize Tickets/Stretch (10 Double Tickets) Must Be Present To Win	\$10/ea	
	Cajun Dinner Night: Choose Option Below See Page 2 for Menu Option 1 _____ Option 2 _____ Option 3 _____	\$25/ea	
	SATURDAY AFTER CLOSING Must Be Paid By March 15th		
	Level IV Breakfast Must Be Paid By March 15th Level IV # _____ Level IV # _____	\$15	
	Apr 6th Escorted Tour to New Orleans. Per Vehicle Paid in Advance	\$5	

Refunds subject to 10% Service Charge & NO REFUNDS after Mar 15, 2022	TOTAL	
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I/we agree to hold harmless the GWRRA, co-sponsoring organization, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property to which I/we may become involved by reason of participation in this Rally.

Rider Signature _____ Date _____

Co-Rider Signature _____ Date _____

Make Checks or Money Orders Payable to: Louisiana District
 Mail to: Fritz & Johnette Beter, LA D/D, 3257 E Lafourche Ct Kenner, La 70065

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LOUISIANA DISTRICT RALLY LINEUP 2022

Come Early

Wednesday April 6 Visit New Orleans (9:00 - 4:00)

Ride from the Mississippi River to Lake Pontchartrain.

Ride down historical St Charles Ave, have lunch at a famous New Orleans PoBoy restaurant. Visit a NOLA cemetery and eat Beignets.

If inclement weather, Sunday will be the backup day.

Rally April 7th, 8th & 9th

Thursday

Guided rides to either an area gator farm or a plantation

Free lunch provided by the local Honda Dealer

Opening ceremonies

Lighted Bike Parade to down town Morgan City (at dusk)

Friday

Guided rides to either an area gator farm or a plantation

Seminars

Couples Reunion

Cooking with Pam demonstration

Cookie Bar Competition open to all. Bring your best cookie bar

Couples selection

Friday night Mardi Gras Madness Ball Across the parking lot at the Petroleum Club

Saturday

Guided rides to either an area gator farm or a plantation

Level Four Breakfast **PRE PAID BY MARCH 15th**

Louisiana Chapter Feud

Closing ceremonies

Cajun Dinner after Closing. (\$25.00 a person tax & gratuity included) **PRE PAID BY MARCH 15th**

Choose one meal per person

Option 1: 1/2 Fried Fish PoBoy with a cup of Seafood Gumbo

Option 2: Shrimp Stew over White Rice, Smothered Green Beans with Bacon and Potatoes, and Potato Salad

Option 3: Baked Chicken or Fish served with Steamed Broccoli and a Side Salad (Gluten and Dairy Free)

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HOST HOTEL

Ramsey Hotel and Convention Center
 3230 Parkway, Pigeon Forge TN 37863
 For Reservations Call
 865-428-2700 or myramseyhotel.com
 Rate is \$150 / night for two Queen, or one King bed
 includes Full Buffet Breakfast for all Guests.
 Be sure to mention GWRRA or Spring Fling to get the
 special rate. Special rate and hold on rooms expire on
 March 28, 2022.



39th Annual

Tennessee District Spring Fling

April 28-30, 2022, Pigeon Forge, TN

The Ramsey Hotel & Convention Center

- 208 Interior corridor updated guest rooms with plenty of common areas.
- All extra clean guest rooms feature new pillow top mattresses, all white duvets, linens and bath towels, large LCD 42" TVs with cable, one gigabyte of fast glass fiber Wi-Fi, Keurig coffee makers, mini-fridge, microwaves, hair dryers and Bath & Body Works bath amenities.
- Huge indoor 24-hour waterfall pool, hot tub, fire pit patio with nightly giant movie screen with free hot fresh popcorn
- Free wireless, high speed internet throughout hotel
- 24-hour complimentary fitness and business centers
- Free 24-hour coffees, teas, and hot chocolate
- 24-hour guest laundry
- City of Pigeon Forge Fun Time Trolley Route with onsite pickup
- Complimentary hot breakfast buffet with eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, fried potatoes, grits, oatmeal, yogurt, bagels, English muffins, assorted muffins, cereals, fruits, milks, juices, hot chocolate, tea, and coffee
- Boutique 4-star hotel with 3-star prices
- Only 10 minutes to major attractions like Dollywood, Dolly Parton's Stampede, The Island in Pigeon Forge, The Old Mill Historic District, LeConte Center, and the Ripken Experience.

Tennessee Spring Fling 2022 Pigeon Forge TN



TV Shows Of The 70's

Registration, Please Print Clearly

Rider _____ State _____ Chapter _____
 GWRRA # _____ Exp. Date _____ Age _____
 Position _____ Is this your first TN District Rally? Y N
 Circle all that apply: Male Female 1UP 2UP Bike Trike Sidecar Other

Co-Rider _____ State _____ Chapter _____
 GWRRA # _____ Exp. Date _____ Age _____
 Position _____ Is this your first TN District Rally? Y N
 Circle all that apply: Male Female 1UP 2UP Bike Trike Sidecar Other

Street _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____
 Distance to Rally (one way) _____

**Liability Release
All Registrants Must Sign**

We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, the co-sponsoring organization, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by any reason by participating in this rally.

Signature _____ Date _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

*Must be pre-registered for Master's Breakfast; tickets will not be sold on-site.
 ** 1 Grand Prize ticket included with Pre-Registration.
 Day pass will be available on site for \$15.00 Per Day.
 Note: All refunds are subject to \$15 handling fee. No refunds after April 15, 2022, without the District Director's approval.

➡ **Early Bird Deadline March 2, 2022** ⬅️
 Early Bird prize is \$100.00 by DRAWING
 First Grand Prize is \$1,000.00 second Grand Prize is \$500.00
 All Pre-registration forms must be received by April 1, 2022.
 All full registrations will increase by \$5.00 after April 1, 2022

GWRRA Members	\$30 x _____ = \$ _____
Life Members	\$25 x _____ = \$ _____
Non-Members	\$35 x _____ = \$ _____
13-15 Year Old	\$10 x _____ = \$ _____
12 Years Old and under	FREE with a paying Adult
Master's Breakfast*	\$15 x _____ = \$ _____
Grand Prize Tickets** \$1 ea or 6 for \$5.00 x _____ = \$ _____	
	Registration total \$ _____

Shirt Orders

Short Sleeve Tee	S, M, L, XL - \$16 / 2XL & up - \$19
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Long Sleeve Tee	S, M, L, XL - \$20 / 2XL & up - \$23
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Short Sleeve Golf	S, M, L, XL - \$27 / 2XL & up - \$29
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
	Shirt Total \$ _____

Grand Total \$ _____

Please make payment to TN GWRRA
 Mail Entire Page with Check or Money Order (no cash) to:

Bob Mack
 1470 River Road
 Kingston, TN 37763

Please register early to help with planning

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TOURING TRAILS—WINTER RIDING

By Karen Bottoni, VA-L Member

The winter season is upon us and that itch to get out and ride is really getting to be self absorbing. There are some great riding times to be had out there riding along in the cool brisk air feeling all that horsepower develop in the winter coolness.

But with the season comes some different riding challenges and obstacles that we have to keep in mind. A few of these mental challenges and physical obstacles we will need to consider are the age old battle of the right wrist. After riding infrequently for the past few months we have to remember our skills have gone the same way as the foliage. They have become dormant or nonexistent. The only muscle memory is the endorphin rush of the right wrist as it yanks the throttle WFO. If we can temper that addictive nature to more rational behavior we will have time to let the skills catch up to our velocity.

Another mental challenge we encounter during the winter months is our shortsightedness, and I'm not talking about that which comes with the passing of years. The shortsightedness we are addressing is our inability to look down the road far enough to be able to react to all the obstacles we just know are out there, waiting to throw us to the ground during our winter ride. Fallen leaves, that miscellaneous bit of trash we see on the side of the road ready to blow into our lane, or that lazy eyed driver in the big steel cage who is just not expecting to see a motorcycle out this time of year. These are but a few of our favorite things.

Some of the worst offenders are those big white strips on the road at intersections. In the summer they had pretty good traction on them and were dry as can be. Now they have been wet long enough to take on that light whitish-green hue that indicates alien life forms have found a home and created the great mucus effect of being slipperier than snot. My personal favorite is that little white fog line along the right side of the highway. I just love to rocket along at mach speed in the summer time as close as possible, challenging myself to be consistent and smooth in my big sweeping right hander. In the winter wet they become real sphincter checkers as that front tire slides and dances with little concern for my newly formed seat contours. Beware of the white—brings on a whole new meaning in the winter.

Lastly remember that white foamy looking stuff on the wet rainy road that reminds us of soap scum is really oil that has emulsified in the rain. Beware there is more lurking on the roadway that hasn't been mixed up yet and really reduces that traction coefficient.

So don't forget that at this time of year conditions can be challenging and temperatures can be pretty cool. Remember to dress extra warm. If you aren't sweating by the time you get on the bike for your ride you haven't dressed warm enough. Something simple to remember the ole wind chill equation 40 degrees at 40 mph is really cold. I know there are a number of obvious items I haven't mentioned but don't let winter months keep you from taking that short 30 minute ride to your favorite coffee stop to meet friends and catch up on all those stories.

Enjoy the winter riding and watch out for that right wrist twist.

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SNAPSHOTS

A look at what Chapter-L's Been Up To

NC-E2 Christmas Parade Elizabeth City, NC December 7, 2021



Paul Bricker's Wing & Trailer decked out



Martha Phelan's Wing looking festive



Dan & Lorrie's Gnomie trailer



Terry & Madonna's festive Trike

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A look at what Chapter-L's Been Up To

**Karla Dobbins Visit
Sheila's Place
December 7 , 2021**



L to R: Phyliss Easton, Karla Dobbins, Paula Dignan, Gnome Napper, Lorrie Thomas



Paula, Bob, Karen, and Lorrie presenting footie socks and plastic bags donation to Sheila's Place



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**Chapter Christmas Party
Black Pelican
December 18, 2021**



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Chapter Christmas Party Black Pelican December 18, 2021



Dennis & Phyliss receive "You Make A Difference" award



Debbie receives "You Make A Difference" award



Conrad receives "You Make A Difference" award



Bob & Paula receive "You Make A Difference" award

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Joe & Trish receive "You Make A Difference" award



Terry & Madonna receives
"Hot Dog Challenge Winner's Award"



Joe & Trish Daniel selected Chapter-L Couple of the Year

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A look at what Chapter-L's Been Up To

**New Years Day Ride
Coinjock Marina, NC
January 1, 2022**



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Did You Know?

www.did-you-knows.com

Did you know a hummingbird's heart beats at over a 1,000 times a minute

Did you know dragonflies have 6 legs but can't walk

Did you know a crocodile can't move its tongue

Did you know that the first MTV video played was 'Video killed the radio star' by the Buggles

Did you know in 1878 the first telephone book made contained only 50 names

Did you know pop corn was invented by the Aztec Indians

Did you know an average person will spend 25 years asleep

Did you know hippopotamuses have killed more people in Africa than any other animal

Did you know an elephants ears are used to regulate body temperature

Did you know the Arctic Ocean is the smallest in the world

Did you know the most common mental illnesses are anxiety and depression

Did you know the word laser stands for 'Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation'

Did you know crocodiles never outgrow their enclosure

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Word Search

Theme: Winter



BLIZZARD
BOOTS
CARROT
CHRISTMAS
COLD
COSY
CURLING
DECEMBER
FEBRUARY
FIREPLACE
FREEZING
FROSTY
GLOVES
HEATER
HOCKEY
ICICLES
ICY ROADS

JACKET
JANUARY
MITTENS
OVERCAST
PARKA
SANDING
SCARVES
SHIVERING
SHOVEL
SIDEWALK
SKATING
SKIING
SLEDDING
SLEIGH
SLIPPERY
SNOWDRIFTS
SNOWFLAKE

SNOWMAN
SNOWMOBILE
SNOWFLOW
SNOWSTORM
SNOWSUIT
THERMALWEAR
THERMOMETER
TOBOGGAN
TOP HAT
TOQUE
WARM SOCKS
WARMTH
WEATHER
WHITEOUT
WINDY
WONDERLAND

You can find the words in the grid by looking Diagonal, Forward, Backward, Up, and Down.
Circle them with a pencil or use a marker to highlight the letters. But most of all HAVE FUN!!!

Answers: http://www.whenwordsearch.com/word_search/winter/32781/word_search_hints.jsp

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Chapter-L Funnies



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Virginia Chapters



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VA-C	Newport News IHOP 15447 Warwick Blvd	John & Lynn Floyd lynn.floyd1960@gmail.com	757-838-0607	2nd Sunday 4pm Eat / 5pm Meet
VA-D	Richmond Candelas Ristorante 14235 Midlothian Turnpike	Fritz Sassine & Iris Guillet fritz.sassine@gmail.com	804-938-9183	4th Wednesday 6pm Eat / 7pm Meet
VA-E	Fredericksburg Castiglia's Italian Rest. 10705 Courthouse Rd	Claude Revely knightwing263507@gmail.com	540-702-7913	3rd Wednesday 5:30pm Eat 6:30pm Meet
VA-F	Winchester Stephens City Diner 5460 Main St Stephens City	Stephanie Provost davis.stephanie80@yahoo.com	540-664-6430	4th Sunday 8:30am Meet
VA-H	Abingdon Moose Lodge 15605 Porterfield Hwy	Paul & Dorothy Baker _09nellie@comcast.net	276-628-6047	2nd Tuesday 6pm Eat / 7pm Meet
VA-I	Manassas Great American Buffet 8365 Sudley Rd	David & Robin Hotaling davidgoldwine02@gmail.com Rah889195@yahoo.com	646-406-1200	2nd Sunday 11am Meet / Eat After
VA-K	Roanoke Great Steak Co. 3830 Franklin Rd	Jim Daily & Susan Stuppiello dailylent@yahoo.com susanstuppiello@gmail.com	540-230-0511	2nd Monday 6pm Eat / 7pm Meet
VA-L	Chesapeake Golden Corral 101 Volvo Pkwy	Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas wingernut93@aol.com lorriemthomas@aol.com	753-343-1783 D 954-599-5178 L	4th Tuesday 6pm Eat / 7pm Meet
VA-R	Harrisonburg	Gary Hoover hoov@shentel.net	540-742-1751	1st Sunday Location TBD
VA-V	Bedford Bedford Church of God 212 E. Main St	Jonathan Whitworth otteridevav@gmail.com	540-425-0028	3rd Sunday 2pm Meet
VA-X	Salem Riverside Evangelical Methodist Church 1920 Lucas St	Larry Stanton larry25022@gmail.com	304-922-1401	1st Saturday 3pm Meet



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The Golden Corral Buffet & Grill
101 Volvo Parkway, Chesapeake,
VA 23320
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www.goldencorral.com
Please come and join us!



Other local gatherings

- **Chapter C-Hampton/Newport News:** 2nd Sunday each month, 5pm. Angelo's Steak House at 755 J Clyde Morris Blvd in Newport News
- **Chapter NC-E2-Elizabeth City, NC:** 3rd Thursday each month, 7pm. The Villa at 846 Halstead Ave in Elizabeth City, NC

