

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

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Couple of the Year – Bob and Hope Carneal

Your Next Gathering will be SEPTEMBER 28, 2011

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SEPTEMBER BACK TO SCHOOL

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1 Chris and Kathy Anniversary 	2	3
4	5	6 Back to School 	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Bill Robinson Chapter W Gathering 7 PM	14	15	16	17
18 Chapter U Gathering New Ashcake Rescue 3 PM	19	20	21	22 Lancaster Ride 	23 Lancasterr 	24 Lancaster Ride 
25	26	27 Lee Russell 	28 Chapter Gathering Candela's Italian Rest. 7 PM	29	30 Pack your duds for Rally in the Valley!	



RICH AND DEBBIE BONHAM, CHAPTER DIRECTORS NEWS

Friends,

What a last few weeks we had in the Richmond area. First it started when the earthquake hit and the ground shook pretty hard for about 45 seconds. I was sitting at my desk when I felt the desk shaking. I immediately thought, oh that's just a train passing by then I realized we don't have any train tracks near the house. Fortunately before most of us realized what was going on, it was over. Hopefully any of you reading this article didn't have any damage from this event.

Then just a few days later, here came Hurricane Irene. The weather forecasters did not really think it would be that bad in the Richmond area so most of us were aware it was coming but not really concerned. Well when she arrived, she came with a lot more wind for a lot longer than what was expected. As the power went out and the wind speeds increased, we began to hear trees falling in our neighborhood. Memories of Isabel returned quickly. Fortunately around 10:00 PM that night the winds decreased in frequency. There were still some strong gusts in our area but the constant blowing of the wind had ceased. We fortunately came out of it with no damage to our house or property. I am sure there are folks reading this that were not so lucky. We lost the power for 3 days but again, we were fortunate. Others had to wait much longer, closer to a week.

It is amazing to me how when unfortunate circumstances hit, how people react and reach out to help. One of our neighbors had a big pear tree that came down in the street. The next morning, complete strangers to him came by and cut the tree up and moved it out of the street for him. Seeing their actions, I said well there is no reason why I can't go down there and cut up the rest of the tree for him and take the debris to the dump for him. We had really never met before but now we are friends. He was amazed at the friendliness of people helping him in a time of need. The only thing that could hurt our friendship moving forward is he is a Cowboy fan but I was willing to ignore that for this day anyway.

Then I saw police officers having to stand at stop lights that were down. I don't know how many times I saw people handing them bottles of water out the windows as they passed by. Some even offering them food.

It can be very frustrating to be without power. But we had so many power companies in the area assisting us from all over. I saw trucks from GA, AL, KY and TN. Complete strangers were coming to the rescue to try and keep the inconvenience we were all suffering at a minimum. They were leaving their families on a holiday weekend and working very long hours.

My point of this whole article is why does it take an event like this for us to help one another? Maybe we should try it every day of our life. GWRRA members are always willing to offer a helping hand at least that has been my experience. I have seen people do some amazing things in this organization to help each other. It is amazing. So why not reach outside of our GWRRA family and lend a helping hand. You just never know when you help someone what you will get in return. A little simple gesture of friendship can make somebody feel like the most important person in the world. Nothing but good can come out of that experience.

Until next time, ride safe and ride often. Rich & Debbie Bonham

EVENTS SCHEULE

- **CHAPTER D'S MONTHLY MEETING SEPT 28**

- **OCTOBER 6-8 - RALLY IN THE VALLEY**
- **NOVEMBER 5 – GOLD WING CELEBRATION SOUTH BOSTON,**
- **CHRISTMAS PARTY DEC 4 - POCOHONTAS STATE PARK**
WITH CHAPTERS U, W AND D FLYER TO BE AVAILABLE SOON.

MARIE REPORTS THE NEWS (GOSSIP, RUMOR & HERESAY) AND SPECIAL EVENTS



DONATIONS TO THE HOMELESS HEARTS ARE WELCOME

We are always collecting the individual soaps, shampoos, conditioners, and lotions, etc. that you get from the hotels when traveling. Make sure you collect them for us and we will make sure that they get delivered to the YWCA Battered Women's Shelters. Bring them to our meetings or

give them to a Chapter D member when you see them. Thanks for all your help during the year.



2012 CALENDARS FOR LUCY CORR. If you start to receive 2012 calendars and just don't have a place for all of them, consider donating them to Lucy Corr for their residents. They give every resident a new calendar each year and also provide one to new residents when they move into the complex. Bring them to the Chapter D meetings or call a staff member.



EVERY WEDNESDAY IS BIKE NIGHT AT QUAKER STEAK AND LUBE

Get there early because the place fills up fast. Located at 8000 West Broad Street, east of Parham Road.



ICE CREAM RIDES ARE THE THURSDAY AFTER OUR REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING. We'll be traveling to a different ice cream shop every month. We meet at Candela's Italian Restaurant for the monthly Ice Cream Run!



TUESDAY RIDES...If the weather is good (or even mediocre) you can guarantee there is a ride planned for somewhere. Tommy Broughton and Ted Nelmes have planned some excellent rides this year and will continue to do so as long as we have people who want to ride. If you want to be added to the Tuesday ride list, let them

know.



RALLY IN THE VALLEY 2011 "Harvest Festival" Mark your calendar for October 6-8 at the Salem Civic Center. Register early. Check out the details in this newsletter.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE ALL CHAPTERS CHRISTMAS PARTY on Sunday, December 4 at Pocahontas State Park. Details to follow as soon as we have them. Just like last year it's an event hosted by all 3 local GWRRA chapters. Chapter D participants are responsible for desserts this year.

Bike Rallies for 2011 – Larry insists that we should ride to all of them in 2011!

Sept. 28-Oct 2 Bike Week – Myrtle Beach, SC
Oct. 6-9 Rally in the Valley – Salem, VA
Oct. 13-16 Biketoberfest – Daytona Beach, FL

**VA GWRRA HARVEST FESTIVAL
BASKET RAFFLE**



Chapter D will put together a “Virginia Fruits of the Vine” basket for the rally, so we will be looking for donations from you for the basket. The more the better as the Chapter will make money on the basket. See Debbie Dowell or Hope Carneal if you have something we can use. Thanks a lot! See information on Basket Raffle Below ↓

Enter a basket at Rally in the Valley to be raffled off and whatever amount your Chapter basket makes in the raffle, the District will reimburse you 50% of what your basket makes. For example, if your basket makes \$250.00, we will reimburse the chapter \$125.00. In many cases, the Chapter has the ability to make more than the value of the basket, especially if you get the items for your basket donated. Tickets for the basket will be purchased for \$1.00 a ticket.

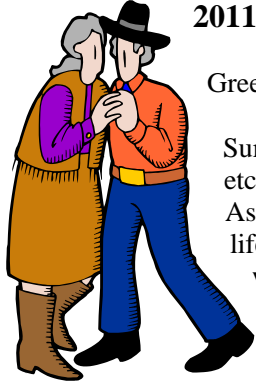
Theme baskets are great, and we offer the following as ideas:

Harvest Basket, VA Tech Basket, Washington Redskins Basket, Dallas Cowboy Basket, Gold Wing Items Basket, Kitchen Items Basket, Items from VA Basket, Fall Food Basket, etc.

This is totally voluntary, so talk it over amongst yourselves in the Chapter and let Mike and Angie know by July 30, 2011 if your chapter would like to be included in this raffle. All baskets should be delivered to the Civic Center if at all possible on Thursday, October 6, 2011. The baskets will be put away in the evening for safe keeping.



I wish to express my appreciation for your generosity in the support of the generous donations for the Chapter's Basket “Fruits on the Vine, the fund raiser for Rally in the Valley. Your assistance made it so easy to put this basket together, but even more for your Chapter to take part of this fund raiser. Times are difficult for everyone but knowing we have the support of our members like you certainly made it easy for me. Thanks for your kindness and generosity. Debbie Dowell



2011 COUPLE OF THE YEAR NEWS

Greetings from Bob and Hope

Summer is just about gone but the friends, adventures & sights we saw will be forever etched in our minds.

As many of you know we took a seven week trip this summer. It turned into a trip of a lifetime. The places we went, the people who enhanced our lives & the beautiful sights were all just breath taking.

We started our trip at Wing Ding, there we saw old friends and made lots of new ones. Helped with registration and Hope got a chance to follow Mr. Mike on his Wing Ding duties, let me tell you this he is on the move and hard to keep up with. Learned that there are a lot of great people that help with Wing Ding and they love doing it. After Wing Ding we headed to Natchez Trace, a beautiful ride. From there we went across Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. This route had a few days of very hot, humid weather but nice views. Our trip took us to the Grand Canyon, then onto Yosemite, these two places had the most awesome sights to see and you just had to take a deep breath and relax and take it all in. Not a bad way to spend a birthday (Hope's).

Then we were on to San Francisco and the busy area of sights and sounds, a couple of them being Pier39 & Bubba Gump's yummy seafood. Then there were the Golden Gate Bridge, Chinatown, trolley cars, & a trip to a winery. Also rode the famous crooked street, Lombard Street. What an experience!

From San Francisco we headed to the Washington State Convention Rally. If you are ever in this area look them up. Even with arriving at 9 PM. We were greeted by the District Director Bob. Our weekend was filled with GWRRA knowledge, fun and mostly we have lots of new friends now. Our experiences there were the ride to Mount St. Helens, bailing Bob out of jail, and the beautiful light show through town.

After the rally we headed with Chapter H, to the upper part of Washington State, a small town called Bellingham and stayed with our new friends Wayne & Laura. They showed us around the area and took us on a beautiful ride to see Mount Baker. Our trip was turning into a great journey and we were having a great time camping, sightseeing and meeting and making new friends. We'll have more news on our trip in the October newsletter.

We just returned from a wonderful weekend at the Simmons Farm for Fall Sprawl. If you missed it, you missed a great weekend of GWRRA fun with Chapter C. We love this event and camping out with our friends, laughing, and an overall fun filled weekend.

Extra, Extra read all about it!! Only 23 days as of Sept. 13th to the VA Rally in the Valley Convention on Oct. 6-8. Get those registrations in or give them to one of us at the next meeting when you see us.

Good times will be had by all that attend. There will be seminars, bike shows, Chapter basket raffle, quilt raffle, pumpkin carving contest, pumpkin bake-off, square dancing, the infamous hospitality room, 50/50, Couple of the Year selection just to name a few. We are hoping to see you there.

We invite you to visit a Chapter, enjoy a meeting, learn more about safety from that Chapter's Educator and take home the enjoyment of what GWRRA is all about. Fun, Safety and Knowledge is our motto and we encourage all to take advantage of it.

See everyone at the rally or an upcoming meeting. Ride Safe.

Bob & Hope Carneal, VA District Treasurers
and very proud to be VA-D'S Chapter Couple 2011

Well it looks like we have some more Celebrities that made it into the Wing World Magazine. Check out the write up about Bob and Hope on Page 14 of the Oct Wing World when you get it. Way to go Bob and Hope. Last month it was Mike Mitchell. Check out his article too. Nice going guys.



Some nice folks and friends enjoying Wing Ding

Bob and Hope on their trip out west at the Grand Canyon



Bill McGill on their trip out west.

**A familiar site of Buffalo crossing at Yellowstone
Slow down Bill. Is that Tommy on your tail?**



Old Faithful at Yellowstone as seen by Bill and Winnie McGill on their trip out west

Submission of pictures and articles are requested and encouraged. As a Chapter member, this is YOUR newsletter; articles may be submitted on a wide range of topics related to motorcycling and Chapter activities. All articles submitted to this newsletter will be edited at the discretion of the Newsletter Editor and Chapter Director based on available space. E-mail submissions to the newsletter editor at graneth1@verizon.net must be received no later than the 10th of the month to be entered in the current edition. Thanks for your support and articles.



FOR SALE How much is that little doggie in the window? John and Jo Taylor have 9 beautiful Golden Doodle Puppies that will be ready for sale after Halloween. These perfect little balls of fur would make an excellent Christmas present for a loved one. These "Designer" dogs are a mixture of Golden Retriever (best personality in the world) and Standard Poodle (smartest dogs in the world). They don't shed and have the most beautiful coats too. If you or someone you know are interested give John or Jo a call at 804-330-9456. Give them a call soon to reserve your puppy.

We have one of the little darlings and he's the best dog we've ever had, bar none. Ted



BILLY RUSSELL, CHAPTER RIDE EDUCATOR

HOW FAR IS IT TO "SOUTH OF THE BORDER?"

Ever watch those silly billboards as you ride up and down I95? Or get so wrapped up in listening to your favorite song that you miss your turn? ... Or maybe a red light? ... Or maybe even almost get creamed because you're thinking about what happened at the office?

Distracted Driving has become a major factor in highway safety. The US Department of Transportation says, "Distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice and we will not rest until we stop it" and has classified it into three categories -

- Visual — taking your eyes off the road
- Manual — taking your hands off the wheel
- Cognitive — taking your mind off what you're doing

They define it as, " ... any non-driving activity a person engages in that has the potential to distract him or her from the primary task of driving and increase the risk of crashing."

Distracting activities include:

- Using a cell phone
- Eating and drinking
- Talking to passengers
- Grooming
- Reading, including maps
- Using a PDA or navigation system
- Watching a video
- Changing the radio station, CD, or Mp3 player
- Driving Drowsy
- “Highway Hypnosis”

Now, I’m not suggesting that very many motorcycle riders are watching videos while on the road, but **WE’RE NOT THE ONLY ONES DRIVING**. We all have seen drivers – **AND RIDERS** – doing really stupid things while controlling a high-velocity lethal weapon (a motor vehicle).

I’m not suggesting that bikers are immune from Distracted Driving or that many of our members are **INTENTIONALLY** distracted while riding, but we are all guilty of allowing ourselves to become distracted by music, or billboards (“only 2417 miles to South of the Border”), or the cell phone (yep, some of us can now talk on the phone while riding), or becoming too involved in a CB conversation, or becoming upset when we see someone in a cage reading a map while driving ... 38455 or simply by a boring stretch of road, or drowsiness, ... or ...

Trust me ... I can tell you, from personal experience, that long stretches of Interstate highway can be **VERY** boring and can lead to drowsiness and even, you guessed it, falling asleep “at the handlebars”. I’ve done it. I’m not proud of it, but it has happened. Probably the scariest thing that has ever happened to me on a bike.

According to the USDOT again:

- 20 percent of injury crashes in 2009 involved reports of distracted driving. (NHTSA).
- Of those killed in distracted-driving-related crashes, 995 involved reports of a cell phone as a distraction (18% of fatalities in distraction-related crashes). (NHTSA)
- In 2009, 5,474 people were killed in U.S. roadways and an estimated additional 448,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes that were reported to have involved distracted driving. (FARS and GES)
- The age group with the greatest proportion of distracted drivers was the under-20 age group – 16 percent of all drivers younger than 20 involved in fatal crashes were reported to have been distracted while driving. (NHTSA)
- Drivers who use hand-held devices are four times as likely to get into crashes serious enough to injure themselves. (Source: Insurance Institute for Highway Safety)

So you say you’re definitely **NOT** between 16 and 20? Guess what ... that kid in the junker who is talking on his cell phone and moving from one lane to the other can make you just as dead as your own cell phone can. Distracted is both **THEM** and **US!!** The University of Utah has determined that using a cell phone while driving, whether it’s hand-held or hands-free, delays a driver’s reactions as much as having a blood alcohol concentration at the legal limit of .08 percent. Really **SCARY**, huh?

NEGLIGENTDRIVING.COM has pulled together these facts:

- Distracted driving is the number one killer of American teens. Alcohol-related accidents among teens have dropped. But teenage traffic fatalities have remained unchanged, because distracted driving is on the rise. (Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and State Farm Insurance Study and NHTSA Study)
- While over 90% of teen drivers say they don't drink and drive, nine out of 10 say they've seen passengers distracting the driver, or drivers using cell phones. (National Teen Driver Survey)
- Brain power used while driving decreases by 40% when a driver listens to conversation or music. (Center for Cognitive Brain Imaging at Carnegie Mellon University Study)
- More than 80% of drivers admit to blatantly hazardous behavior: changing clothes, steering with a foot, painting nails and shaving. (Nationwide Mutual Insurance Survey)
- Drivers on mobile phones are more impaired than drivers at .08 BAC. (University of Utah Study)
- An estimated million people each day chat on their mobile or send text messages while driving. (The Herald)
- 41 percent of drivers admitted they had "fallen asleep or nodded off" while driving at least once, 11 percent said they had done so within the past year, and four percent said they had fallen asleep behind the wheel in the previous month. (AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety Survey)
- Drowsy driving causes an estimated 1,550 deaths a year and 40,000 injuries. (CDC Report)

Are you scared yet? I am.

When I was growing up behind the wheel and the handlebars, the worst thing we had to be concerned about was Drunk Driving – AND the drunks who would try to run us off the road or throw beer bottles at us. These days, Drunk Driving is only ONE of the major issues for drivers/riders. Distracted Driving, whether THEY are distracted or WE are, is a huge problem on our highways ... and as we all know, if it's a problem for drivers, it's a DEADLY PROBLEM for bikers.

Do yourself a favor and DON'T DRIVE DISTRACTED. If you aren't in the right frame of mind to ride, DON'T. Mental state can be just as distracting as any of the other factors. I haven't gotten a traffic ticket since I was 16 years old – back in dinosaur days. The other day, while riding to work, I was nailed for doing 73 in a 55. Why? Because I had everything on my mind but what I should have – piloting that missile safely!!! It's going to cost me several hundred dollars and a trip to court, but I'm actually glad that Deputy stopped me. If she hadn't, I could well have become one of those statistics I keep talking about.

DON'T DRIVE DISTRACTED!

DON'T LET ANOTHER DISTRACTED DRIVER BECOME YOUR "CLOSEST" ENEMY!

DON'T BECOME A STATISTIC!

Keep sober, keep awake, and keep safe ... and

Keep the rubber side down!

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Our well wishes for those ill, injured or hospitalized. Let's please keep these fine folks in our hearts and prayers. If you hear about someone being ill, please pass this info on to Ethel or Rich so we can note this in the newsletter.

Belle continues to get better. But she will require one more surgery on September 20 so continue to keep her in your thoughts to recover soon. This hopefully will be the last surgery she will need for awhile.

Jackie Westendorf is undergoing chemo every week. Let's all keep her in our thoughts. Please let her know she has many friends that will help support her as she goes through this.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES TO CELEBRATE

Birthdays

Bill Robinson Sept 13
Lee Russell Sept 27

Anniversaries

Chris and Kathy Hooper Sept 1

If we don't have you listed in your month, please contact either Ethel Nelmes or Brenda Cook with the relevant dates. Thanks



THE COOK'S CORNER by Debbie Bonham

CHEESY SAUSAGE CUPS

	4 1/2 Cup	Chicken Broth
	1 Cup	Rice, uncooked
	1 lb	Sausage Bulk (sweet or hot)
	1 Pkg.	Fresh Italian Rolls (or crescent rolls)
2 (13 oz.)	Sausage Links	
1 Cup	Spaghetti Sauce	
1 sm	Onion, chopped fine	
1 sm.	Green Pepper, chopped fine	
2 TBSP.	Brown Sugar	
1 (12 oz.)Pkg	Shredded Cheddar Cheese	

Slice rolls in half lengthwise. Press down and shape into muffin pan.

Remove sausage casing; break up all sausage into skillet, and brown well.

Add onions and green peppers, sauté. Stir in brown sugar and spaghetti sauce;

Mix well. Spoon mixture into pressed-down rolls. Cover each with shredded cheese and press down.

Bake at 400 degrees for 10-12 minutes. Best served warm.

PEANUT BUTTER PIE

1/2 Cup	Peanut Butter
4 OZ.	Cream Cheese
3/4 Cup	Powdered Sugar
1/2 Cup	Milk
8 OZ.	Cool Whip

Beat peanut butter, cream cheese, powdered sugar, and milk until smooth.

Fold Cool Whip into above mixture.

Pour into a 9" Oreo cookie crust.

Freeze. When firm, cover with hot fudge sauce (cold) and shopped nuts (if desired).

Slice lengthwise



Look for your Membership # in this Newsletter. If you find it and bring your current membership card to the next dinner meeting, you will win ten 50/50 tickets for the drawing at the close of the next monthly meeting. Look for your number in this newsletter. It might be very profitable for you. A member recently won the 50/50 jackpot with his membership # tickets. It might happen to you!

The New 2012 Honda Gold Wings

Long known as the Queen of the Road, the new 2012 Honda GL 1800 Gold Wing was presented to the world at the International Motorcycle Show held in Greenville on Feb 25, 2011. They won't arrive in Europe until 2012 as it will be put on sale in the U.S. this year.

The Honda Gold Wing was first defined how much performance and comfort a motorcycle can deliver to two riders during a weekend ride or a cross-country adventure. Three and a half decades represents an eternity for most motorized products, as the Gold Wing enters its 36th year of production. It again establishes a new and higher standard for what the good life should truly be at the cutting edge of long distance motorcycle.

When initially released to the public in 1975, the first Gold Wing dazzled the motorcycling press and consumers alike. In short, the 999cc Gold Wing immediately carved out an uber-achiever niche all to itself, and to this day no other name offers such a complete and well balance blend of motorcycle touring qualities. Its travel-oriented creds include the latest generation of sophisticated electronic amenities, starting with an innovative GPS navigation system with user friendly programmability for sharing favorite ride routes with friends and other riders, which can be accessed online via computer.

The Gold Wing also now incorporates a built in MP3/iPOD® interface from a new SRS CS Auto™ technology surround sound system for a premium listening experience. In addition, packages for Navi, ABS and airbag do much to further the Gold Wing's reputation as the most celebrated touring machine in motorcycle history.

This article taken from <http://www.hellohelmet.com/2011/06/overview-honda-2012-gold-wing-gl-1800.html> If you are interested in grabbing you a new 2012 Goldwing, check out <http://www.hellohelmet.com/2011/06/overview-honda-2012-gold-wing-gl-1800.html> and see what dealers are in GWRRA's Honda dealer program. You just never know what deal you may be able to strike up.

**THE DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Presents
the
23rd Annual**

**Salem, Virginia
October 6 to 8, 2011**



**Hay Rides - Pumpkin Carving - Square Dancing
Country Cooking - Door Prizes - Bike Show
Hospitality Room - Seminars - 50/50**



Salem Civic Center, Salem, Virginia (Exit 141 off I-81)

Rally in the Valley is coming soon! Get packed, get that bike ready and we'll see you there for more activities and fun than ever. Mike is doing a great job this year preparing and planning for this yearly event.

Chapter D Tuesday Rides by Ted Nelmes

August 13 - Tommy's Ride. We rode to Charlie's Waterfront Restaurant in Farmville via great back roads. More twisty roads then hit gravel. Warning....Those GPS units can get you in trouble. No problem as we turned around and made it out of there just fine.

The waitress "from NJ" was fantastic and never got an order mixed up for "12 people". Then described all the specials and was able to describe how all the specials and desserts were made. She was great!

Several of us attended Chapter U's meeting on the 3rd Sunday. They had a sandwich lunch for all. Very nice of them. We're not sure what happened but a mascot disappeared during the meeting. More about that later.

Aug 23 Ted's Ride to Cocomo's in Deltaville as a request from Tom Westendorf. 9 bikes showed up at our north meeting place, great ride for some fresh seafood and "yes" once again, Tom got his crab cakes.

We traveled on shady twisty roads to Deltaville and enjoyed perfect sunny skies and a temp of low 80's. We decided to head back on a different route, through Gloucester and to West Point. After a pit stop in Gloucester, my coffee cup bounced out of my cup holder on Rt. 17, then someone heard on the news that an earthquake had just occurred in VA. Go figure..... Riding in West Point, we rode for some ice cream and then headed back home. Again a great safe ride.

Aug 30, Ride to Ernie's, South Boston, VA Tommy's Ride – About 8 bikes met in Powhatan and proceeded on back roads to Ernie's to the best darn lunch in VA. After lunch we stopped at Ed's Honda to look at the new 2012 Gold Wings. We met with Ed and discussed the upcoming Gold Wing Celebration. Ed was very happy to see us and wished us a safe ride back home.

Aug 31 – Ride to Quaker Steak and Lube. About 300 bikes there, all makes and models.

Sept 13 Ted's Ride to Orange and Rapidan, VA From our west meeting place 17 bikes rode about 10 different highways through Mineral to view the earthquake damage. Many chimneys were knocked loose and visual damage was done, foundations cracked and the one of the schools were closed until next year. We then continued to Unionville, then around Moormont Peach Orchard to Orange to the Busy Bee Restaurant. With 17 people and one cook, it took awhile to get served but was good home-style cooking. We then stopped by Waugh's HD dealership, talked with Mr. Waugh, then rode on through Rapidan. About half the bikes took Rte 522 back home. The rest of us continued on to Rt. 3 then looped through Chancellorsville Battlefield and back roads to Ashland area where we stopped for Ice Cream. We got back to Chester in time to attend the Chapter W monthly gathering.

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SEPTEMBER 2011 NEWSLETTER

**GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION
MOTTO: FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE**

**Your Next Gathering will be at Candela's on Midlothian on
SEPTEMBER 28, 2011**



QUOTE OF THE MONTH: A real friend is someone who walks in when the rest of the world walks out.

-- *Anonymous*