

# GWRRA GEORGIA CHAPTER H



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### 2017 is Here

Myself, Betty and your entire Chapter staff would like to wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. We hope that you had a wonderful holiday season and that your Christmas brought you lots of safety chrome and lights for your motorcycles. Rich and Marilyn once again opened their beautiful home for us to have the Chapter Christmas party. Twenty members came to enjoy the fun, food and friendship. They even got to leave with some pretty nice gifts. We had a wonderful time and John Andrews made playing Dirty Dirty Santa very interesting and luckily no one got hurt even though no one left with the gift they initially picked from the tree. I think no one wanted to fight over gifts that were stolen due to being so full of the wonderful food that was brought. As a Chapter we donated money to the Leesburg United Methodist Food Bank and we also gave money to a family in need to ensure they had a nice Christmas. If you were able to make it we hope you had fun and if you weren't able come, we hope you can make it next year. During the holiday season, we had a new couple join our Chapter. We would like to welcome Tom and Belinda Bailey. They have been on several rides, attended a monthly gathering and came to the Christmas party and are very active riders. We look forward to their participation and hope they ride with

us often. Some of us have taken advantage of the great weather we have had by dusting off the wings and getting out on the road. Jeff and I rode to the Chapter M gathering on the 12<sup>th</sup> of January where Chris Morton gave a seminar about mature riders. On the 14<sup>th</sup> Rich and Marilyn Morgan, John and Sheila Andrews, Everett and Carolyn Bailey, Betty and I and AJ Wilson rode to Michelle's in Georgetown for some great home cookin and peanut butter ice cream then took a long scenic ride home. It was a perfect day for riding and the friendship and food were absolutely wonderful. On the 16<sup>th</sup> I rode to Tifton for their first gathering of the year and as always, had a great time with some long time friends. The Georgia GWRRA Officer's Meeting was held in Jackson at Buckner's where the best fried chicken in Georgia is served along with some of the best cheesy potatoes, vegetables and peach cobbler I have ever eaten. We will discuss the information passed at our monthly gathering on the 26<sup>th</sup> at BJ Buffet and Catering at 2401 Dawson Road. We will eat at 6:00 and begin the fun at 7:00. We hope to see you there.

Betty and Bill



No, Leave the Money on the Table.

Strange title for a Riders Ed article. But follow along and see where I am going with this.

Generally, when you tangle with a big truck on a motorcycle you don't come out on the winning end. So defensive riding is best.

There are several things to think about when you encounter the giants of the road. First, your bike is narrow a truck is long and wide. That means the closer you are behind a truck the less likely the driver in the truck can see you in his mirrors. So stay back. Remember if you can't see the mirrors on the truck, the driver can't see you.

If you are not comfortable riding a reasonable distance behind. Then pass the truck when it is safe to do so. Accelerate to a reasonable speed and get on by. A majority of trucks run retreads on their rear tractor and the trailer tires. These have a tendency to come unglued after a number of miles. Yep, that is where the road gators come from. Not cool if you just happen to be riding beside the tires when one lets go. So keep moving forward until you are well in front of the rig before you move back to the right. The mirrors on the truck prevent the driver from seeing you if you are beside and just to the front. Keep on moving. To clear this hazard.

There is a local lawyer that says "Trucks have Big Money, One Call that's all". So ride safe so you don't have to make the call and leave the money on the table.

Ride Safe!!

Rich Morgan



### Happy Birthday to:

Jan 3rd—Sheila Andrews

Jan 4th—Frank Barron

Jan 10th—Charles Mccue

Jan 16th—Joann Cannon

Jan 18th—Sam Bailey

Jan 31st—Rob Plowden

Feb 24th—Gary Sapp



### Rides and Events

- Feb 9th— Moultrie Meeting - Depart Moree's Store at 5:30 PM
- Feb 20th— Tifton Meeting - Depart Shell on Clark Ave at 6 PM
- Feb 23rd—Chapter H monthly meeting

*2 Second Stagger saves lives*



### Happy Anniversary to:

Feb 27th—Bill & Betty Livingston

**Motorist Awareness  
is our Responsibility**

## Lets Rally

June 22-24 2017

Ga District Rally

Dalton, GA

Aug 29-Sep 2 2017

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Grapevine, Tx

Oct 26-28 2017

Region A Rally