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Chapter Directors Chuck & Reggie

Chapter Director's Corner

Hi All,

I want to start this, by letting everyone know, that Jerry Thompson from Chapter-P has had a heart-attack on the 7th of September, he was sent to Portland Or, were he had a triple By-pass on 9th of September, come thru with flying colors, the last I heard on September 10th he had been up and walking .If you know Jerry like I do he won't be down long. I hope he takes it slow because, we want him around for a long time.

September is the month to remember the fallen Heroes of 9/11. I want to take this time to personally thank all of the little Heroes in our lives, everyday most of them don't even know that they are a Hero, These are the people around us, that need to be recognize for there noble deeds and or quality to help, listen and be there for one another to help us get thru a good day, bad day, or whatever comes our way.

If you didn't know Ninelles brother had heart surgery and it didn't go will, so she flew to California to take care of him, we wish him a speedy recovery. So that she can return home soon.

I would like to say thank you to all of you that made it to the Region Rally. I don't

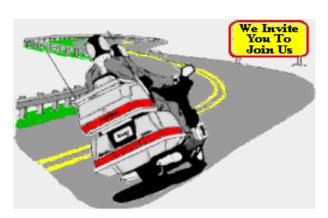
know for sure but I think we had one of the largest chapters there. The weather wasn't the greatest but we survived cold nights, and a lot of windddddddd.

OYSTER FEED IS ALMOST HERE, Things seem to be on track. WE WILL NEED ALL OF YOU THERE, TO HELP OUT PLEASE, WITH ALL OF US HELPING IT WILL BE FUN FOR ALL. SEE YOU THERE.

YOUR C.D.s Chuck & Reggie

Contest Time - Wing World

One of our chapter members is in a picture in the October 2010 issue of Wing World. The challenge is to find the member. You must tell us which page and who the member is. The prize is a free lunch at Sizzler at the next gathering when we have a winner. Email your answer to chapterp@comcast.net. This contest is open to Chapter P members and family only. First winning answer is by the timestamp on the email when it was received.











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Assistant Chapter Directors Rick & Marilyn Cade

As the summer is now unofficially over I sit here looking back and wondering where all the riding time went. The only answer I have to that question is that I just let it slip away I guess I have no one or nothing to blame for it than me.

I can put a bit of the blame on two of the grandkids, when we took them to Disneyland for a few days. Even if that doesn't take up much of the riding time, it does take up much of the riding money. But anyways, we had a pretty good time.

I am now looking forward to the Oyster Feed. Last year, my first at Oyster Feed, was a good one. Lots of time to mingle and also time to be able to go back to the motel and take a nap. Naps and the beach just seem to go together. The only thing I missed at the Oyster Feed last year was eating some Oysters. Yes, I did see them there but just never got around to cooking some of them myself, and it is hard to beg a few cooked ones from someone who has been standing by the fire cooking theirs.

I have no idea at this point what the activities are for this years gathering, but I can only imagine that they will be a little off center.

Have a great rest of what is officially summer and I hope to see you all soon.

Rick

Chapter WA-P Information

The Panda's Gathering Place: The Sizzler

936 Ocean Beach Highway Longview, WA 98632 1:00PM for Lunch 2:00PM for Sharing

Next Gathering: October 16th

September Events:

WA-P Oyster Feed* Sep. 17 - 19

October Events:

District Leadership Conf.* Oct. 9
WA-V Mall Show* Oct. 22 - 24
WA-Q Halloween Dance Oct. 23

November Events:

WA-V Veterans Day Parade Nov. 6

December Events:

WA-D Festival of Lights Dec. 11

Note: The rallies listed for WA-P (*) are the ones that the chapter is hoping to make. Most of the rallies have already got someone registered to go. All rides leave from Highlander/Splits parking lot. Watch for emails from our Chapter Directors, or getting a phone call from the phone tree person, or contact Chuck or Reggie at 360-636-0519 for the times we are leaving.

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Rider Education

Braking

According the Hurt Study http://www.motorcyclesafetyinfo.com/hurt_st udy.html, in the single vehicle accidents, motorcycle rider errors were present as the accident precipitating factor in about twothirds of the cases, with the typical error being a slide out and fall due to over braking or running wide on a curve due to excess speed or under-cornering. Braking is probably the most important action that a rider can perform. Braking allows us to quickly slow down and come to a stop before hitting an obstacle.

Most riders do not fully understand the distance that is required to bring the bike to a full stop. Braking distance increases with speed, and unfortunately the increase is not linear. If a bike that is doing 30 MPH can stop in 33 feet doesn't means that if the same bike is doing 60 MPH would be able to stop in 66 feet, it actually will take 134 feet! The increase in braking distance is the square of the speed increase.*

Any reduction in the speed you are traveling will decrease enormously your braking distance. Motovike.com provides us with the following chart. Refer to it for a clear idea of braking distances, but be aware that this chart doesn't include your perception/reaction time (which will increase your braking distance considerably).

Speed Braking Distance Speed Breaking Distance:

90 MPH 300 Feet 40 MPH 59 Feet 80 MPH 238 Feet 30 MPH 33 Feet 70 MPH 182 Feet 60 MPH 134 Feet 10 MPH 4 Feet 50 MPH 93 Feet

Proper usage of the front and back brakes can be the difference between life and death in a close situation. In a normal situation, braking is pretty straightforward. Unless you are on a slippery surface, use both brakes to stop or slow your motorcycle. Be aware that the front brake provides 70 to 100 percent of the stopping power of a motorcycle. With that in mind, you

want to practice using more front break than rear. An ideal situation is to have a balance between the front and rear brakes, with about 70% of the emphasis on the front.

Let's go over an ideal breaking situation:

- 1. You apply both brakes (the front and the back) gradually and with almost equal force for the first phase of your braking.
- 2. The weight will transfer forwards as the front suspension compresses, and your arms bend, the front tire now bites into the pavement.
- 3. There's now more weight on the front.
- 4. You now let off most or all of the rear brake and increase pressure on the front, which now has most or all of the grip. This middle phase of braking can be 100% 0%..If it is less than 85% Front, you probably aren't braking near your bike's limits.
- 5. The bike slows and the forces you are exerting through the brakes and tires diminish (the energy in the bike is proportional to the square of your speed).
- 6. The front begins to rise back up on its suspension.









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7. You taper off on the front brake - to prevent a slow speed lock up - and increase the rear brake pressure once more. (braking technique. courtesy of Hoddy Hodson http://www.msgroup.org/TIP030.html) A number of things happen when you start to apply the front brake. First, the shocks will compress as the bike transfers weight to the front. This puts weight and extra traction on the front wheel. At this point, you are doing normal braking. If you continue to squeeze the brake lever, the front brake will get more and more weight on it.

Eventually, most of the bike's weight will be on the front wheel. At this point, you are fairly close to threshold braking. If you continue to squeeze, the front wheel will start to complain.

If you feel this, you are at maximum braking. What you are experiencing is caused by the tire locking for fractions of a second then rotating again, and the movement is the tire sliding just a fraction of an inch or so, then regaining its grip, then sliding again. If it didn't regain its grip, it'd go into full lock and bad things would happen. Just as when driving a car, braking on a slippery surface should be done with a lot more care. Start braking in time because it will take the same amount of weight a lot more time to stop on a surface with less friction than it would on a dry surface with high friction.

*"Motorcycle Training, Braking Distance", http://www.motorvike.com/BrakingDistance.htm Braking Techniques courtesy of MotorcycleSafetyInfo.com



Newsletter Editor Reggie Baumer

Hello, Team Members

There has been a lot of things going on, You all know it is one week to oyster feed, so I'm a little CRAZY at this time, But we will have fun, no matter how crazy I get. I'm looking forward to seeing you all, it will be great.

We want to keep our prayers and good thought for Jerry and Judy, and Ninelle Brunelle keep her in your prayers, she had to fly to California to see her bother in the hospital, he's not doing very well. Scott & Cindy, we are sorry for your loss in your family, if there is anything we can do just let us know.

So you see team, we need oyster feed to have some fun. So I hope to see all of Chapter P there, we will need your help.

Thanks Reggie











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New People and Old Friends

We are happy to announce that we have several new members that have joined our Chapter. We have Monroe and Jackie Miller moving here so Monroe can work for Longview Fibre. They presently live half way between New Orleans and Baton Rouge off of I-10. They have a 2008 Goldwing which is their second Wing. They love riding the back roads where they currently live at. I am sure they will come to love the back roads we have up here in the Pacific Northwest. This will be a very tough move since all their family is back in Louisiana so lets make them feel right at home here in the Longview area. Here's a picture of Monroe and Jackie that we received from them.



Our next new person is one that already has a lot of friends in Chapter P. Many of us know her from her hard work in GWTA. Lois Olson who is well known by many of our members has joined GWRRA and chose Chapter P. Dee and I took a ride with her several years back and had a really enjoyable afternoon of fun. We are really happy to have Lois as a new member. Right now Lois is living up at

Port Hadlock taking care of her parents, so we may not get to see a lot of her. What little bit I do know about Lois, I am sure if she can make it down here she will be here. So keep an eye out for Lois.

Finally a returning member by the name of Richard Davey of Kelso. Richard has been a member of GWRRA before and has now renewed his membership. We look forward to seeing Richard at our next gathering.

I don't know how many of you had the pleasure of meeting Dan and Darlene Brakebill from Arkansas last year at our Oyster Feed. Dan and Darlene are members of Arkansas Chapter P. You'll have to ask Dan to tell you the story of how he found out about the Oyster Feed. It is a really a great story. Dan and Darlene showed up and ended up helping us out with the Oyster Feed last year. They are coming out for the End of the World Rod Run and staying on for Oyster Feed this year. This is a fun couple who really enjoyed Oyster Feed and are looking forward to being here again. I know that those of us who got to meet them look forward to seeing them again. Here is a picture or two of the new ramp system he built to load his trike up on his truck.











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Gerbing's "Tis The Season" Fall Open House.

It's going to be held on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 2nd</u>, <u>2010</u>, at our World HQ, 1145 85th Ave. <u>SE</u>, Tumwater, WA.

Gerbing's Open House have earned quite a reputation. Hundreds and hundreds of riders, exceptional food, lots of prizes, and fun for everyone. This year's Fall Open House will be no exception.

Of course, we'll have plenty of new gear on hand if anyone needs anything. And lots of closeouts at great savings. Plus, if it rains, all sale items are an extra 10% Off. But most of you already have Gerbing's gear, so this is more about putting on an event that says, "Thank You." So come on down and let us treat you right.

Every hour we'll have a drawing for Gerbings Heated Products. And at 2PM, we'll have a Grand Prize drawing for a complete Heated Liner, Heated Gloves and Dual Controller. In total, we're giving away thousands of dollars in prizes.

We'll have fun contests, with great prizes for the winners:

Sexiest bald head. Longest pony tail (men's and ladies') Biggest beer belly (men only) And more.

There'll be a live DJ playing right here. And as we always do, the parking lot will be roped off for motorcycles only. That won't last long, though, as we typically have bikes wrapped around our 30,000 sq. ft. building, down both sides of the street, and even down in the parking lot at the helicopter school.

The food, of course, will break all the rules. Coffee, big muffins, Danish and more will start at 9AM. At lunch we'll be serving sloppy sandwiches full of BBQ pulled pork (with plenty of napkins, we promise), all complemented by beans, cookies, chips, brownies and plenty of drinks. And all the while we'll be giving away prizes, having contests, laughing with friends, telling tall tales, and saying Thank You for helping Gerbing's have another great year.

This is your Chapter's personal invitation to come join us. Come by yourself, with a few friends, or make it a group ride and bring the whole Chapter. We're looking forward to having you here to help make it another incredible Gerbing's event.

It's the Gerbing's "Tis The Season" Fall Open House, Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 2010, from 9AM to 3PM.











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Washington District Rally by Brad Kane

This was the first time Dee and I have been able to attend the Washington District Rally. We must say we had a great time. The unfortunate thing for us was the fact our bike had an issue the night before we were suppose to leave. So we drove the car up to the rally following Sam, Chuck and Reggie on bikes. Jerry and Judy Thompson followed all of us in their truck towing their toyhauler. The weather on the trip up was just beautiful. I don't think we could have asked for a nicer day.

The Jefferson County fairgrounds was a great place to hold the rally. The one draw back was electricity. The Washington District staff was scrambling to get power to all the people that really needed it. It was a really great rally. There was lots to do the two and half days we were there. I think pictures will tell the story better than I can. For those of you who can make it next year this is really worth the time and expense to go to. Pictures by Jerry Thompson and myself. You can view all the photos taken by Jerry and I at our WEB site: http://www.qwrrawa-p.org. Enjoy the pictures.

















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Our Store
Judy Thompson

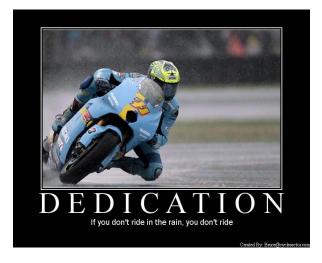
Item	Cost
GWRRA Earrings	\$7.50
GWRRA Patch (Large)	\$12.00
GWRRA Patch (Small)	\$9.00
Neck Scarf (Bear Paws)	\$10.00
Net Headband	\$10.00
Saddlebag Liners	\$19.99

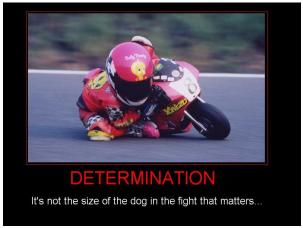


No Birthdays this Month



No Anniversaries this month















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Washington District Staff

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District Directors	Bob & Patty Spencer
Assistant District Directors	John & Barb Smith
Assistant District Directors	Gray & Diana Domas
Educators	Eric Carlson
Leadership Trainers	Mike & Lynn Briggs
Treasurers	Chuck & Deb Buell
Membership Coordinators	Carmen & Dan Weakland
Stores	Lynn Briggs
WEB Master	John & Barb Smith
Couple of the Year	Open
IOY/COY	Dan & Carmen Weakland
Vendor Coordinators	Peggy & Mike Hudnell
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Individual of the Year	Open	
Vendor Coordinators	Open	

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Washington District Chapter's Gathering Information

Wk	Day	Time	Town	Chapter	Contact	Phone
4th	Saturday	8:30AM	Kent	Α	Sam & Doreen Grubbs	206-718-6814
1st	Sunday	8:30AM	Bremerton	В	Jim & June Dutton	360-551-2236
2nd	Saturday	8:00AM	Everett	С	Bud & Sandy Wells	425-788-1734
2nd	Sunday	8:30AM	Aberdeen	D	Erv & Phyllis Granahan	360-249-3463
3rd	Saturday	8:00AM	Redmond	E	John & Barb Smith	206-391-6343
2nd	Tuesday	6:30PM	Lynden	Н	Chet & Kathy Renskers	360-332-4765
3rd	Sunday	8:00AM	Olympia	I	Mike & Peggy Hudnell	360-426-0213
2nd	Saturday	9:00AM	Kennewick	L	Alex Piper	509-546-0846
1st	Saturday	8:00AM	Toppenish	M	Ron Hafsos	509-697-4415
3rd	Saturday	8:30AM	Spokane	N	Dale & Shirley Dufner	509-924-3698
4th	Saturday	8:00AM	Port Orchard	0	Ken Smith	360-876-6737
3rd	Saturday	1:00PM	Longview	Р	Chuck Porter & Reggie	360-636-0519
1st	Friday	7:00PM	Puyallup	Q	Dean & Christie Kalles	253-845-7177
1st	Saturday	9:00AM	Milton-Freewater	R	Jim Corn	509-525-1304
1st	Thursday	6:00PM	Auburn	V	Garry & Maxine Alexander	253-770-3866
1st	Saturday	8:30AM	Vancouver	Х	Dee Hall & Vanora Volk	360-254-2343
2nd	Friday	6:30PM	Enumclaw	Υ	Roy & Pearl McKenzie	253-862-0220
2nd	Saturday	5:30PM	Centralia	Z	Jesse & Eva Valentine	360-888-0546

Call the contact and make sure the chapter is holding their gathering before heading out. Check the Washington district WEB site as well for the latest gathering information.

Notes: WA-P will not have a gathering in September due to our Oyster Feed.

WA-D will not have a gathering in September due to Ride for Kids.

WA-B October gathering will be at the Bremerton Lanes not the Eagles.

Oregon District Chapter's Gathering Information

Wk	Day	Time	Town	Chapter	Contact	Phone
3rd	Saturday	8:00AM	Salem	G	Barb Choate	503-932-0206
1st	Saturday	9:00AM	Hermiston	Н	Mark & Sheri Bridge	541-449-1451
2nd	Saturday	8:00AM	Portland	I	Rick & Kathy Mashek	503-650-6172
4th	Saturday	8:00AM	Albany	J	Del & Sandy Schaeffer	541-967-7953

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Washington District 2010 Calendar of Events

September:

17-19 WA-P Oyster Feed at Long Beach

October:

9 District Leadership Conference23 WA-Q Halloween Dance in Puyallup22-24 WA-V South Hill Mall Show

November:

6 WA-L Veterans' Day Parade

December:

11 WA-D Festival of Lights in Montesano

Washington District 2011 Calendar of Events

January:

22 WA-I Casino Night

Oregon District 2010 Calendar of Events

September:

24 - 25 OR-J End of Season Campout

October:

4 OR-G Chili Cook Off 29 OR-J Halloween Party

November:

20 OR-J Gathering moved due to Thanksgiving

December:

4 -Shriner's Toy Run TriMet Center Street 4 OR-I Secret Sister Reveal Party 11 OR-I Christmas Party 11 OR-J Christmas Party 12 OR-G Christmas Party

Please make sure you check the respective WEB sites to be sure that the rally information is correct.



Get Out and Ride