



# LA GAZETTE DES CAJUN

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION  
SOUTH CENTRAL REGION "H"  
CHAPTER "B" - LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

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Hello Cajun Wingers,

Well, Christmas and New Years are over so, "What now?", you might ask. Unfortunately, not much for a couple of months. Probably a lot of cold, wet weather and stay-at-home days if past years are any indicator of the future. Maybe we should take this time to

give our bikes a good going over to get them ready for spring. The anticipation might help to make the down days a little more tolerable.

There are, of course, a couple of things on the horizon. Wingless Weekend is at the end of February (23rd & 24th) and the Louisiana District Rally will be held in Lafayette on April 12th thru the 14th. Until then, we probably won't schedule many rides but we will notify everyone by Calling Post if the weather cooperates and we're able to squeeze in a ride. If you have any ideas for a good ride, please don't be bashful. Let us know and we'll try to get it scheduled. We need all the help and ideas we can get and always welcome everyone's participation.

So, now that it's 2007, have you made any resolutions? Mine is the same every year. Try to make the most of each day and be the best that you can be. Easy to say but so hard to do, especially in today's fast paced, hectic, and often frustrating world. So I try to remember, you only get out of life what you put into it and the only things you get to keep are the things you give away. Don't use your resources to get things, use them to make memories. Don't take life and love for granted and never forget your motto:

**LIVE WELL - LAUGH OFTEN - LOVE MUCH**

Pat & Brenda Meche

### CHAPTER B MONTHLY MEETING

Chapter B meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at DeanO's Pizza, 305 Bertrand Dr., Lafayette, LA. Come early to enjoy dinner and socialize with old and new friends. Guests and visitors are welcome.

Visit our new and updated website at [WWW.GWRR-LA-B.ORG](http://WWW.GWRR-LA-B.ORG)

# January 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Happy New Year	<b>2</b> Monthly Gathering DeanO's Pizza 7:00 PM	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Rides Depending Upon Weather Will Inform Via Calling Post
<b>7</b> Rides Depending Upon Weather Will Inform Via Calling Post	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Rides Depending Upon Weather Will Inform Via Calling Post
<b>14</b> Rides Depending Upon Weather Will Inform Via Calling Post	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Rides Depending Upon Weather Will Inform Via Calling Post
<b>21</b> Rides Depending Upon Weather Will Inform Via Calling Post	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Monthly Night Out Evening Dinner Ride Location TBA 6:30 PM	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Rides Depending Upon Weather Will Inform Via Calling Post
<b>28</b> Rides Depending Upon Weather Will Inform Via Calling Post	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

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## A Note From Your District Directors.....

2007 is upon us and Maurine & I, along with your District Staff, would like to thank all of you for helping make 2006 such a success. You, the members, are what make GWRRA the wonderful organization it is. We feel we are making progress with the goals that have been set for Louisiana. We are working hard to encourage all of our active members to become a part of the Rider Education Program at a minimum of Level I. We also are pleased that the "Give Me Five" Training Program is being used at the Chapter level to help educate all of our members on the workings of our GWRRA Operations. We hope this effort is a help to new members as well as those of us that have been in the organization for some time. It never hurts to review and recall the Guidelines of the Organization. Other training opportunities are being planned and we hope many of you will take advantage of these events.

We also are looking forward to an outstanding year in 2007. We are excited about our new Rally location and would urge all of you to register and help make this Rally the best ever. We are planning a few new things that we hope will be a welcome addition to the usual events. Please come and participate.

As the year begins, we are making plans for our District Staff Meeting on January 20. This is a time for all our Chapter Directors and their Staff's to come together to discuss what is new in the organization and where we are headed in 2007.

Please set aside February 24 to attend Wingless Weekend. Again the District Staff would like to say thank you to the members by providing a fun filled day at the Cotile Recreation Area near Boyce, LA. We will begin the weekend with a meal of Red Beans & Rice on Friday night. We invite all who can to come, eat supper & visit by the fireplace. Saturday will be our usual fun time of visiting, games and Gumbo lunch.

We look forward to a great weekend and hope to see you there!

Our wish for each of you is a Happy, Safe, Healthy & Prosperous New Year

Until next time-----  
Ride Safe and Often,

Jere and Maurine  
Senior Master Tour Riders  
1763 - 1764

# LA GAZETTE DES CAJUN



**Merry Christmas, Goldwingers,**

Roxie & I, wish you all the best and may the spirit of the Holiday Season brighten your home and your heart. God Bless us all.

The Holiday season, however hectic, provides us with pristine Goldwing riding weather for stress relief. We love to ride in the cool, crisp, air of the holidays decorated in Christmas fashion. Enjoy the season.

A “Horizons Program” weekend is planned for all of you, Feb 3&4 in Lafayette. It is a fun filled weekend to imbed the idea in officers that

attitude is everything. The program is 16 classroom hours over 2 training days for best results.

## PROGRAM CONTENTS:

- Team Building & Personal Profiles
- Expectations- Yours, Theirs, Ours
- Communication skills & techniques
- Leadership
- Planning & Conducting Chapter Meetings & Gatherings
- The Officer “Couple”

This is a fun weekend with friends from around the state. All members are welcome, if you are an officer or want to be. Please ask your Chapter Director for info.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Ride Safe

Brent & Roxie Comeaux  
LA Asst. District Directors & Trainers

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Hi Everyone,

Does your chapter have a newsletter or scrapbook? I am including guidelines for these two this month for our District Rally. It does not necessarily have to be the Chapter Director or editor to enter the Chapter's Newsletter or Scrapbook; if you are attending one of the rallies and would like to enter the chapter competitions check with your CD, let them know that you are interested in entering the chapter competitions for your

chapter. We are looking forward to every chapter participating in all of the events at the District Rally in April.

## NEWSLETTER COMPETITION

- **Must be submitted for judging only by Chapters having fully registered participants.**
- **Enter ANY Three (3) newsletter from April 2005 thru April 2006.**
  - Judging will be based on having the following in your newsletter:
  - GWRRA or Gold Wing Road Riders Association
  - GWRRA Helmet Logo
  - Region, District and Chapter Designations
  - Staff Members
  - Meeting Time and Place
  - District News
  - Region or District or Chapter Educator Article
  - Member Articles
  - Over All Content

## **SCRAPBOOK COMPETITION**

- Must be submitted for judging only by fully registered participants.
- Judging will be based on having the following in your Scrapbook:
  - GWRRA or Gold Wing Road Riders Association
- **GWRRA Helmet Logo**
  - Region, District and Chapter Designation
  - Presentation
  - Title or Description of Various Events
  - Over All Content
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Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

Ride Safe,  
Dianne Doiron  
District Coordinator

C.J. Doiron  
District Events Coordinator

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Hello Region H

With the first of the year upon us it is time to look into the obligations of our Chapters & Districts to the beloved Internal Revenue Service. In recent years Districts and Chapters have received the Form 990 from the IRS and the below text from the OGB (Page D-10) and further information on Unrelated Business Income may be seen on pages D10 & D 11 of the OGB. If you receive the Form 990, just follow the Directions below.

## GWRRA/Finances/IRS

Regions, districts, and chapters have no exempt status of their own. They are recognized by the IRS as subordinates of GWRRA. As a subordinate, they are required to follow certain guidelines. Being exempt does not mean they do not have to file a return nor does it necessarily mean they will not be required to pay taxes. It does mean they must follow the guidelines put forth by the Federal Code for 501(c)4 non-profit organizations.

Subordinates with annual gross receipts more than **\$25,000** are required to **file Form 990**, "Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax". If Form 990 is mailed to YOU by the IRS, you must fill it out and return it regardless of the amount of your gross receipts. If gross receipts are less than \$25,000, the label supplied should be attached to the form, the box indicating annual gross receipts are \$25,000 or less should be checked, and the form should be signed and returned. Form 990 is an informational form and, as such, does not require payment of taxes. The IRS uses the information on the form and information submitted with it, to determine if taxes must be paid.

As a subordinate to an exempt association, a region, district, or chapter is required to acquire a Federal EIN number. This number is used for banking and identification purposes. Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, is submitted to acquire the EIN number. All checking accounts must be non-interest bearing. Checking accounts should have at least three signatures on the Bank Card – the Director, the Treasurer, and the Director's appointing officer. Two of the signatures is required on each check. Each subordinate must acquire their own EIN number but all subordinates should use GWRRA's Group Exemption Number (GEN) on all forms submitted to the IRS. The GWRRA GEN is 7196. Subordinates must also file an IRS Return if their annual Unrelated Business Income (UBI) is greater than **\$1,000.00**. UBI is Gross Unrelated Business Receipts minus only expenses directly related to the UBI. Information on UBI can be obtained from IRS Publication 598, "**Tax on Unrelated Business Income of Exempt Organizations**". Two points to keep in mind; 1) GWRRA is unique in that not only are all officers and staff volunteers (unpaid) but also most all functions are put on entirely by members who volunteer to do so (unpaid). The income posted in the first four columns of the GWRRA Annual Financial Report are GWRRA Business Related Income. They are not UBI.

**"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." T-E-A-M: Together Everyone Accomplishes More**

Dale and Susan Wingrove  
Region H Trainers

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**January 14th**

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**January 15th**

**Buzz Webb**

**January 18th**

**Kay Colby**

**January 28th**

## Anniversaries

**Randy & Etta Tarver**

**January 6th**

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