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GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION
SOUTH CENTRAL REGION "H"
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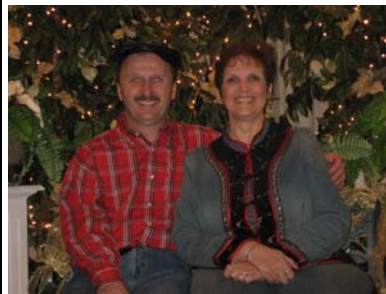
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Hello Fellow Cajun Wingers,

We hope everyone had a nice Mardi Gras!

February has a few calendar of events which you may want to take advantage of. By the time our meeting is going to be held we will have completed the Horizons Program with Brent & Roxie. If you didn't get a chance to take advantage of this leadership program, please consider it the next time it is offered. Why not go out and have a fun and learning experience.

Valentine's is just around the corner. We have made reservations at Chef Roy's in Rayne for 7:00 P.M. Each year we have a really good dinner and converse with great friends; let's all do it again.

The La. Dist. Staff would like to remind everyone about wingless weekend on Feb 22 & 23. The location has changed to the Alexandria Amory. Come out & have fun! There will be games, food, good friends, & door prizes at no cost to you. Every year games are played and the winning chapter takes home the trophy for the year. Please, help Chapter B take the trophy home.

For everyone celebrating a birthday and anniversary, we wish each of you a great day!

Remember to always; "CHERISH YESTERDAY, DREAM FOR TOMMORROW, RIDE SAFE & LIVE ANOTHER DAY."

Chapter Directors
Gerald & Noelie Lavergne

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

February 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9 HORIZON PROGRAM 8.00 A.M.
10 HORIZONS	11	12	13	14 Chef Roy's 7:00 P.M.	15	16.
17 Dewey's Ride to Burn's & Charlies	18	19 Jason's Deli Dinner Ride 6:00	20	21	22 Wingless Weekend	23 Wingless Weekend
24 Mel's Diner Hwy 90 8:30 a.m.	25	26	27	28	29	

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A Note From Your District Directors

As of this writing we are headed to Lafayette for the annual District Staff meeting. With 6 new Chapter Directors and Staffs, there will be many new faces this year. As in any organization, new leadership is important as it brings fresh ideas and growth. The District Staff always looks forward to getting together with the members and making plans for the coming year. We hope this will be a productive meeting for all who attend. While we are in Lafayette we will be making our final plans for the District Rally and hope those plans will

include things to make your stay in Lafayette fun. We hope this will be one of the biggest and best Rallies yet! Be sure and make your Hotel reservations as soon as possible as all rooms will soon be filled.

Can you believe it is already February? Seems like only yesterday we were putting away the Christmas decorations and soon it will be time to load up and head to Alexandria for Wingless Weekend. We really do hope everyone has made plans to be there and we feel sure you will be pleased with the new facility. This is such a good chance to develop long lasting friendships with members from other Chapters in the District and enjoy some good home cooking. Come and let the District Staff say thank you for your support throughout the year. February also brings the opportunity for you to take part in the Horizons Training session to be held on February 9 & 10 in Lafayette. Brent and Roxie have made preparations for you to enjoy a good time along with training. Hope to see you there.

We started 2008 by taking part in a Polar Bear ride on New Years Day with members of Chapter "D". It was a crisp and cold morning but it really was good to be out on the bike riding with good friends. Good riding weather is just around the corner and we look forward to seeing many of you out on the highways doing what we all love best and what brought us all together.....Riding a Honda Gold Wing!

Don't forget your Sweetheart on Valentines Day
Until next time

Ride Safe and Often,
Jere and Maurine
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NEXT YEAR 2008?

Asst. District Directors & Trainer

Brent & Roxie Comeaux

HELLO GOLDWINGERS!

Brent & I enjoyed seeing all of you during our annual Louisiana District's Staff meeting in Lafayette. Good Friends and plenty of smiles sure make for a good time.

REMINDER

Horizons program is upon us, February 9th & 10th in Lafayette at the Holiday Inn, 2008 District Rally site. Sign-up with your Chapter Director for a **FUN Time today!** You don't want to miss this excellent learning opportunity to benefit your own personal, professional and GWRRA life with good people skills. The course will be taught by our very own Louisiana Certified Instructors.

PROGRAM CONTENT

- Team Building & Personal Profiles
- Expectations – GWRRA & Self
- Communication Skills & Techniques
- Planning/ Conducting Meetings & Events
- The Officer/ Spouse Partnership
- Practical Demonstrations

RECOGNITION

Those completing the program are eligible for a certificate of completion and a Horizon Program Hanger bar.

Brent & I would love to see you all there.

Be Safe, Your Friends,

Brent & Roxie Comeaux

Louisiana Asst. District Directors & Trainers

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Dianne Doiron District Coordinator C. J. Doiron District Event Manager

Dianne and C. J. Doiron

Hi Everyone,

It is that busy time of year again, the District Staff is preparing for 2008 District Rally.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you participating in the events, and shopping until you drop.

Put your thinking caps on for costumes for the ball, we will again have a King and Queen, Best Chapter and Best Couple, of course you do not have to dress in costume to come and party at the Ball.

Get your Newsletter, Scrapbooks, Banners, Mardi Gras Umbrellas and Mascots ready for competition. Newsletters will be judged on any three (3) between April 2007 and March 2008. Banners will be displayed in the Atrium as we did last year.

Best Dress Competition will consist of Best Dressed Couple Parade, Best Dressed Chapter Parade, Best Dressed Couple Riding, and Best Dressed Chapter Riding. Shirt competition will be, Best Chapter Dress, Best Chapter Knit and Best Chapter Casual.

GWRRA Idol contest was such a big hit last year that Randy, Paula and Simon requested that they be invited back again this year. I think what they said is "GWRRA has more talent than the folks we have on our regular show. We had so much fun!"

Maybe, who knows, a talent scout will be in the audience!

Laissez Les Bons Temps Rouler!

Happy Valentines Day!

Dianne and C.J. Doiron

District Coordinator

District Event Manager

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By The Book

Dale & Susan Wingrove

THE ASSISTANT CHAPTER DIRECTOR (ACD)

The status and role of the Assistant Chapter Director is very important to the chapter. They must

receive final approval from the District Director. This gives the Assistant Chapter Director of-
ficial officer status. You and your District Director should do a lot of discussing about pro-
spective Assistant Chapter Directors. The choice should be made with the thought in mind
that the Assistant Chapter Director may be the next Chapter Director. Anyone accepting the
role of Assistant Chapter Director should be willing to step into the Chapter Director position
upon completion of the Chapter Director's tenure. Your Assistant Chapter Director should be
heavily depended upon, and considered almost as you would a "partner" in the operation of
the chapter. Your Assistant can do many things that you would normally do, including con-
ducting Meetings and if need be, staff meetings in your absence. The Chapter Director has fi-
nal approval on all decisions relating to the operation of the chapter, and if your chapter staff
is functioning as it should, then you will become more like an administrator to the chapter,
giving directions to coordinate a smoothly operating chapter where everyone feels a part. In
fact, your job, as Chapter Director should consist mostly of educating, informing, training co-
ordinating and directing the chapter through the Assistant Chapter Director's (yes, you can
have more than one Assistant Chapter Director in a large chapter) and chapter staff. The more
you make the Members feel an important part of the decision-making, the better operating,
more enthusiastic, fun-to-be-in chapter you will have. So, use your Assistant Chapter Director
as an extension of yourself. They should function in that capacity under your direction just as
you function under the District Director's direction. If they are to be the next Chapter Director
then you owe it to the Assistant Chapter Director and your chapter participants, to provide all
the training and experience possible.

The more you allow your Assistant to do for you, the more they are helping the chapter. Give
them all the responsibility they will take. You are going to put in many hours of hard work
over the months and years ahead building a good chapter. Some day you will place everything
you built into the hands of another Chapter Director. Shouldn't they be the best prepared
hands you could train?

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."

T-E-A-M: Together Everyone Accomplishes More

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Birthdays

Russ Meyer	Feb 3rd	Ron Barrilleaux	Feb 3rd
Daron Judice	Feb 9th	Helen Terro	Feb 10th
Angela Comeaux	Feb 15th	Cathy Comeaux	Feb 23rd

Anniversaries

Daron & Joan Judice Feb 6th

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Personal Page

We are now introducing the personal page. Here's where you'll find information on past rides, & current events when available. So, please feel free to contribute.

At this time we'd like to thank Pat and Brenda Meche for an outstanding job as Chapter Directors, for the last year and a half. We know it's a big task and hope we can do as well as they have. Thanks again Pat and Brenda from Gerald and Noelie and all of Chapter B.

On a sad note, we'd like to send out our sympathies to Pat and Brenda on the loss of what was to be their future son-in-law. Our Prayers are with you and your family.

We'd like to announce the new arrival of two possible future goldwingers.
Don and Donna Miguez welcomed a baby grand-daughter, Olivia Claire on January 25th.
Vernon and Linda Romero also welcomed a great grandson Chandler, on the same day.

We'd also like to congratulate four of our Chapter members on the upcoming nuptials of their children. Tom and Terry Bellington's son, Danny is marrying Chris and Mary Ellen Devillier's daughter, Ashley. We wish the happy couple all the best.

The month of January was sort of a hit and miss kind of riding month.
Due to weather conditions some rides had to be cancelled.

- January 5th, 10 bikes rode out to the Kinder Casino for a buffet lunch and stopped in Rayne for a DQ treat on the way home. We did get sprinkled on, but you can't keep a good chapter down.
- January 13th, the chapter met at Cracker Barrel for breakfast. Eleven members attended and then 3 bikes went for a ride to Livonia and had lunch at Not Your Mama's. The weather was great!
- January 19th, Cookin for the Cure, Gumbo cook off was held at Acadian Village. Not only was it a great cause to support, but Chapter B was represented by two separate teams. All we can say is "it's a good thing we were not judges." Mary Ann Burke represented one team; Doug Terro and Eugene Wyble represented the other. They did an outstanding job!! Way to go guys!!
- January 22nd, We met at The Golden Wok for our monthly evening Dinner Ride.
- January 26th, We had to postpone our Motorcycle Awareness Ride due to rain and cold weather.
- January 27th, We had a good turn out for breakfast at the Golden Corral, 10 members attended and we had a great time.

We hope everyone had a great January and made the best of times with these weather conditions.
The La. District is inviting everyone to Wingless Weekend, February 22nd and 23rd. It's being held at the Alexandria Amory. Flyers will be available at our February 12th meeting.

The La District Rally is being held March 27th, 28th, & 29th at the Holiday Inn North. Please don't forget to pre-register. There is a \$300.00 prize for the chapter with the most pre-registered chapter members.

This concludes our Personal Page for this month. In order to continue making this chapter what it is today, remember we need your input and participation for our personal page. All the former Chapter Directors have had certain goals in mind. These achievements could never have evolved without the participation and input from our chapter members. Thanks again, everyone.

Till next month guys,
Gerald and Noelie Lavergne

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The GWRRA Group Riding Hand Signal for February is "Need Food, Coffee Stop".

The signal is communicated by extending arm out to side, fingers closed, and thumb to mouth.

It is now time to renew levels II, III and IV of the Rider Education Levels Program. Please contact Gerald Faulk, Chapter Educator, for a renewal form. Renewal requirements and costs are as follows:

Level I - No renewal required.

Level II - Submit a completed Level II renewal form along with the required validating documents and renewal fee, \$5.00, for each participant to the Chapter Educator or other GWRRA Officer for validation.

Level III - Submit Level III renewal form along with required validating documents and renewal fee, \$4.00, for each participant to the Chapter Educator or other GWRRA Officer for validation.

Level IV - Submit a completed Level IV renewal form along with the required validating documents and renewal fee, \$10.00 for each participant.

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