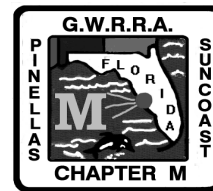




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Largo – Dinner @ 6:00 PM  
Meeting @ 7:30 PM

**KICK  
TIRES**  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Thursdays  
of each  
Month**  
Eat at 6:00  
Meet at  
7:30

### ALL RIDES LEAVE FROM

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## A thought from our Chapter Directors

Wing Ding is fast approaching and the Summer heat is in full swing. I can just imagine what it will be like in Greenville in July!! It cannot be any worse than here in Tampa I guess. We are really looking forward to attending our first Wing Ding after being in GWRRA for almost 8 years. I talked to Glenn Lintemuth and he and Karen are really hoping that we get a chance to come over and visit them during our trip.

The past Month has really been a lot of fun. The overnigher after the Orange Park rally was a good time as was the rally in Gainesville. The other Chapters are going to bar me from attending their rallies if my luck holds out like it has been. I did real well at the Orange Park rally and then again in Gainesville. I guess this is my year to be lucky!! We captured the District Wanderer while in Orange Park and are having a "Wanderer Luncheon" so the other Chapters can come after it. That will surely be a good time!!

Speaking of lucky... I don't know if it is luck or something more powerful but Memorial Day weekend we were supposed to go camping in Gainesville with our RV. The price of fuel being what it was and the fact that the RV needed to have new rear leaf springs, we decided to just go by bike, ( Yeah Lucy actually rode all the way up and back with me ), and go camping some other time. We had the new springs installed and I spent some time over the weekend cleaning the RV up and checking it all out. As I was standing in front of it, I noticed something looked funny with the left front tire. When I walked around the front I seen a huge split between the treads on the tire!! Upon closer inspection I found that the tread had separated from the steel belts and was bulging out sideways, ready to blow apart!!! Someone was definitely watching over us because that tire would have blown on the Interstate and who knows what would have happened!!!

And then again tonight, Wednesday, when I was coming home from a ride to Biff Burger and Quaker Steak & Lube and was traveling on I-275 through Tampa, I was in the right lane and traffic was slowing down to a snails pace so I changed to the center lane which was moving along at normal speed. As we passed the exit for Downtown, the left and center lanes came to a screeching halt!! I mean like now!! I had not practiced a panic stop with my new bike yet and the car ahead of me was suddenly stopped directly in my path and I only had about 3 car lengths before I became part of that car. I hit both brakes as hard as I could, watching between the car in front and the pickup truck closing in real fast from behind in my mirror. There was no way that truck was going to stop before wiping me out so I just tried

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to concentrate on not hitting the car ahead of me as there was no "escape route" in sight. Let me tell you, the brakes are phenomenal on the 1800!!! I was able to stop and then roll right up to the car that had come to a complete stop. I kind of cringed and braced myself as I checked my mirror for the inevitable sandwich that I was going to become part of. Here is where the luck comes in. Everything happened so fast,

I cannot tell you how or what went on behind me but the truck had disappeared from my mirror and ended up in the right lane coming to stop almost half way past the car ahead of me. His door was just ahead of the front of my bike!! The truck driver rolled down his window and asked me if I was alright and I told him yeah and "Thank You" for not running me over!! He gave me a thumbs up and waved. Then, as the traffic started moving again, I noticed the rear bumper of the truck was covered with bumper stickers and they were just like the ones we pass out!! "Watch out for Motorcycles", "We are Dying to be seen", and "Don't Be Blind to Motorcycles - Share The Road" were three that I was able to read and there were more. There was also a large "Harley Davidson" sticker in his rear window. I believe that if the driver of that truck had not been a biker and was riding my rear end like most people do through there, I would have been the meat in a sandwich and it would not have been good. It turns out that there was a sweeper truck cleaning the left shoulder of the road and a truck behind it with an arrow on it but no signs or anything back down the road. If you are familiar with the area I am talking about, the road drops off as you come through there and the trucks were not visible until you crested the high spot. The rest of the ride home felt kind of strange, like when you stand up fast and things feel funny for a minute. I think the blood in my body tried to exit through my chest and arms when I hit those brakes!! I know I slid forward quite a bit on the seat and would bet that I went from 40 mph to 0 in less than 2 car lengths and I do not even have ABS brakes.

Enough about that!! Please be sure and keep Doug Sweeney in your thoughts and prayers as he goes through this tough time. I know everything will turn out ok and he will be back on that bike in no time!! We are all pulling for you Doug!!

Keep an eye on the calendar for all of the exciting events we have planned in the near future. Bowling, picnics, pizza & game night, Celebration Station and a rally in Jacksonville Beach thrown in for good measure - It don't get any better than that!!!

**Until Next Month,**

**Rich & Lucy Schaad**  
**Chapter Directors**  
**FL1-M**



## COY CORNER



### **Cathy & Doug Sweeney Chapter M's Couple Of the Year**

Earlier this month we were informed that Doug was hospitalized with a possible stroke. Cathy has been keeping us updated on Doug's condition and said that he has recently been released from the hospital, but must undergo further tests. Hopefully, he is now on the road to recovery and will be back to his normal self in a short time.

Chapter FL1-M's members thoughts and prayers go out to Doug and his wife Cathy.

## **Special Days**

### **----- June -----**

#### **Birthdays**

Susan Murray 4, Don Allen 6, Joyce Hartley 7, John Davie 11, Evona Pawlik 15, Glen Lintemuth 21, Paul Bowser 22, Gordon Hanson 24, Gene Henry 24, Gary Miles 28

#### **Anniversaries**

Bobbie & Cliff Hardesty 10, Wavy & Paul Begin 19, Jean & JR Garrison 21, Julie & George Schneider 28

### **----- July -----**

#### **Birthdays**

Brenda Houston 7, Keylee Schaad 7, Sandi Smoak 15, Julie Schneider 29, Oly McDonough 30, Curtis Palmore 30

#### **Anniversaries**

Joyce & Fred Hartley 19, Dawn & Don Dillon 29, Lucy & Rich Schaad 31

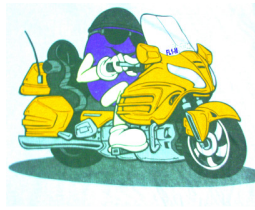


## A Note from our Ride Coordinators

Hi gang,

The hot summer weather is upon us. Our northern friends have bugged out to head for cooler temperatures. Rides over the next few months will be short morning or evening rides. If you do venture out in the heat please keep hydrated. Just because you can handle the heat that doesn't mean that your co-rider or fellow riders have the same tolerance. Take breaks often and keep an eye on each other. Check the calendar for upcoming rides and fun events.

**Don & Tina Allen**  
**Ride Coordinators**



### **2008 FLORIDA GWRRA EVENTS**

May 31-Jun 1	Horizons Seminar	Ocala
June 12-14	Georgia District Rally	Athens, GA
June 21	FL1-V It's Five O'Clock Somewhere	Jacksonville Beach
July 3-6	Wing Ding 30	Greenville, SC
Aug. 16	5 Chapter Poker Run	Tampa
Sept. 6	FL1-A Picnic/Auction	Tampa
Sept 11-13	Region "A" Rally	Dothan, AL
Oct. 16 – 18	Mississippi District Rally	Biloxi, MS
Oct. 25	FL2-E Chapter Picnic & Benefit	Clewiston
Oct. 31 – Nov.1	Panhandle Getaway	Panama City
Nov. 2	Ride For Kids,	Sarasota County Technical Institute.
Nov. 8	FL2-A 30th Anniversary. "Buzzard Run"	West Palm Beach
Nov. 8	Florida District Rider Ed Fair	St. Petersburg
Nov. 15	FL1-L2 Poker Run	Brooksville
Dec. 6	FL1-S Mingle Jingle	Zephyrhills

### **2009 FLORIDA GWRRA EVENTS**

Jan. 10-11	CD Conference	Kissimmee
Jan. 17	FL2-L Chapter Rally	Lakeland
Jan. 25	FL2-D 4 Chapter Breakfast	Melbourne
Feb . 08	South Florida Ride For Kids	
Mar. 12 – 14	Florida District Rally	Kissimmee
April 18	FL1-W Green Eggs & Ham Poker Run	Orlando
May 9	FL1-F2 Poker Run/Motorcycle Rally	St. Petersburg
Nov. 14	Florida District Rider Ed Fair	St. Petersburg

## June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Fun Bowl Twedts Lanes 12:30 PM	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Kick Tire Wing House 6369 Ulmerton Rd	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Troyer's Dutch Resturant RM 10:30 AM
<b>8</b> Celebration Station 24546 US 19 1 PM	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Kick Tire Country Boy's 1353 Main Street	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Cooling it at Weeki Wachee
<b>15</b> Father's Day	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> General Meeting Stacey's	<b>20</b> Newsletter Articles do	<b>21</b> FL1-V's Rally Jacksonville RM 7:15 AM
<b>22</b> Honey Do	<b>23</b> Council Meeting 7 PM Country Skillet	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Kick Tire Biff Burger 3939 49th Street	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Pizza & Games Park Royale 5:30 PM
<b>29</b> Honey Do	<b>30</b>					

## July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
			<b>Wing Ding Greenville, SC</b>			
<b>6</b> Wing Ding	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Kick Tire Country Skillet 2839 Roosevelt Blvd	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Bowling Fun Twedts Lanes 1 PM
<b>13</b> Sand Key triathlon Shop & Gulf	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> General Meeting Stacey's	<b>18</b> Newsletter Articles do	<b>19</b> O'Maddy's 5405 Shore Blvd & Bridges Ride
<b>20</b> Honey Do	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Kick Tire Mug's n' Jugs 1250 Missouri Blvd	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> All Day Picnic Reddy's Retreat Lake Tarpon
<b>27</b> Evening Ride 7:30 RM	<b>28</b> Council Meeting 7 PM	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			



To put ads in this newsletter, you must be a member of Chapter M or GWRRA. Space permitting – New ads will be allowed to have a short paragraph of about 2-5 lines describing the item for sale, plus up to 3 colored pictures. The editor may adjust wording, and size of pictures will be adjusted to fit space available. If you want to continue running the item for sale, you must let the editor know and it will be edited to 1 or 2 lines and no pictures. Ads may be e-mailed or given directly to the editor. Once the item sells, please let the editor know so it can be removed.



## Chapter M Wearable Art

<b>Chapter M Shirts</b>	<b>\$ 15</b>	
(Long Sleeved, short sleeved, golf, & tee's)		
10" GWRRA Patch, Black & Gold	\$ 12	
Flags - "M" & American	\$ 15	
Chapter "M" Patch	\$ 4	
Visitation Bars	\$ 2	
Visitation Bar Hangers	\$ 2	

## GOODY SALES

If you want a Chapter M shirts or patches, flags, decals, please call us ahead of time at 727-517-3552 \_ We will bring them to the kick-tire or General Meetings.

A limited number of Chapter helmet hangers are available. Please contact Pete Pawluk @ 727 517-3552 for details.

Pair of Rims & Tires off of Motor Trike – The rims are Unalug and will fit most trikes \$450.00 or Best Offer Contact Paul Bowser @727-549-9761

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All the pride that’s flowing out of me.**

**When our WINGS we do ride,  
Our M’s keep us warm inside.**

**I’m an “M”  
She’s an “M”  
He’s an “M”**

**Wouldn’t YOU like to be an “M” too?**

**Be an “M” !**

**Join CHAPTER “M” !**

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## Picture of the Month



Some of our chapter members posing on the beach at St. Augustine during the sunrise to sunset ride.



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