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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year to one and all and we hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season.

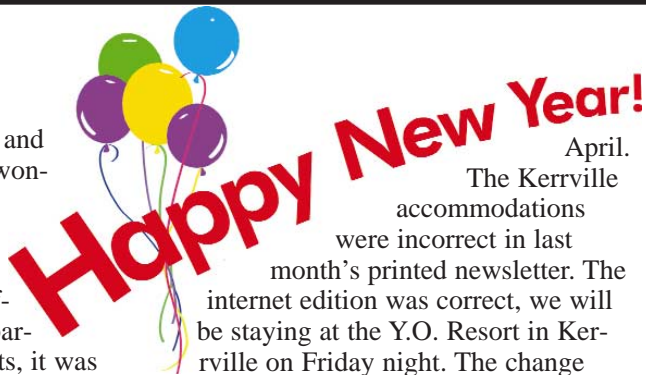
December was a very busy month for everyone. With participation in the different toy runs, Christmas parties and other Holiday events, it was hard to find time to ride when the weather was good. To everyone who participated in a toy run, don't you feel you did something to help out? These are one of the highlights of the year and I look forward each year to going to as many as I can possibly make.

The Christmas Light Ride on Sunday the 14th was a great success. We had an enjoyable dinner at Fuddrucker's in Bedford, then toured some of the highly decorated neighborhoods. We ended up at the **Ray's** home, where a GREAT BIG thanks goes to **Judy** for making some of the best desserts around (Oh, and to **Steve** for helping!)

We will be having our Polar Bear Ride on Thursday, 1/1/2004 (That feels weird to put down because it doesn't seem like it's been a year since the last one). As of this writing, they are best guessing rain on Thursday. If it rains, we will four wheel it for coffee and Krispy Kremes, then have an early lunch at our home.

Steve Wedgeworth is still working on the Experienced Rider Course for anyone who wants to take it. He currently has enough signed up to make a class and if he can get a few more, the class will be for our club only.

Steve has also made arrangements for a Hill Country Wildflower trip in



April. The Kerrville accommodations were incorrect in last month's printed newsletter. The internet edition was correct, we will be staying at the Y.O. Resort in Kerrville on Friday night. The change was necessary when it was discovered after printing that the Inn of the Hills was booked. The first agent contacted was unaware of a large group booking for that weekend. See the article on page 4 for complete details.

JJ Jean is arranging a trip to Big Bend in April. He has it arranged so there will be accommodations for those who wish to camp and for those who prefer motels. See his article on page 4 for details.

Super Dave Hurt will be leading the ride this coming Saturday, January 3rd and **JJ Jean** will be leading the ride on Saturday January 24th. **Steve Wedgeworth** will be taking the Saturday ride on February 7th. **JJ** said he is planning to go to Rockett for lunch, then elsewhere. If you have never been to the Rockett Cafe, you are in for a treat. **David** and **Steve** will take the group to locations of their choice. Their assistance with some of the Saturday rides is greatly appreciated. Anyone else who wants to plan or lead a ride is welcome and encouraged to do so.

For now, let us hope we have some good riding weather on the weekends. This is the start of our coldest season. A good general rule of thumb is if the temperature is going to stay in the 40's

or below, or if it is raining, we won't do organized rides. Rain and cold are something we **can** all travel in if we **must** get somewhere. Our group rides are for fun, and it ain't no fun to ride in the cold and damp. When in doubt about a ride, you are welcome to call me and find out if one is taking place.

Ride Safe!!!

Lt. Dan

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January 2004 Meeting

Thursday January 15, 7:00 pm
at **Spring Creek Barbeque**
315 Highway 114 West @ Main, Grapevine
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MEETING MINUTES

12-18-2003

by Rose Ann McDonald

The meeting was called to order by **Dan McDonald** with a report about two of our members who are recuperating from surgeries and doing well: **Sheila Wedgeworth** and **Ken Frazer**. He asked that members let him, **Rose Ann**, **Sheila**, or **Steve Wedgeworth** know of any member illness or death in the family.

There was a sheet passed around for volunteers to sign up for leading Saturday rides. He reported that due to the holiday season, there would be no dinner rides for the next 2 Thursdays. He reminded the club that Sonic Bike Night was the next night (Friday).

The Christmas Light Ride was a huge success with sweet rewards at the conclusion of the ride at the **Rays**. Thanks **Judy**, you're a real SWEET-heart.

Dan also reported that we had 10 bikes at the GWRRRA Toy Run and 7 bikes at the Santa Cops Toy Run in Mesquite, in spite of the cold and damp weather. There were good turnouts for the Ellis County and Johnson County Toy Runs as well. Everyone was reminded about the Dallas / Tarrant County MHMR Run coming up.

Upcoming rides were discussed beginning with the Annual Polar Bear Run. This will conclude with lunch at the **McDonalds** (not the Golden Arch variety). **Steve Wedgeworth** reminded the club of the Wildflower Ride planned for April 2-4. **Dan** will be leading the 1st group, which will be leaving Friday, April 2 for Kerrville, and **Steve** will lead the 2nd group,

which will leave on April 3rd for Fredricksburg. The two groups will meet up in Fredricksburg on Saturday.

Steve also discussed the ERC Course that he's arranging. If interested, please contact Steve.

Cadillac Dave Cothren reported that as of 12-18-03, the club has a balance of \$404.11.

There was the 50/50 drawing and the following were winners: **Don Perry**, **Steve Ray**, and **Dan McDonald**.

The meeting was adjourned.

BIKER GOURMET

by Dave Musgraves
tripacer@charter.net

I trust everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Can you believe its 2004 already?

Before I start, I want to say congratulations to **David & Lisa Hurt** on the new addition to their "family". No! No! No! Not a new grand baby! But kind of a baby, at least to them. They have a brand new Bunkhouse Camper to pull behind the Wing! They have seen the light and are hooked on camping. By the time you read this, its maiden voyage will be history.

When I agreed to do this article I told everyone that I was going to need some help with new places to eat. Well the **Wallace's** daughter turned them onto a doozy. Before I tell you where it is I want to tell you a little about the place. Don't stop reading until you read all of this because you're probably not going to believe me.

Ok, here it comes. This restaurant is inside a Conoco self-service gas station. (Yeah, re-read the previous sentence! You read correctly, and it's not a typo.) It seems that the man who owns this little place is a Master Chef who was once employed as the



Motorcycle Safety Foundation Courses

HRCA (\$39.95/year) reimburses up to \$75 of the cost of a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) course each year for HRCA members. Reimbursement forms can be picked up at DFW Honda.

Available courses by City

Arlington - Texas R.I.D.E.R (817) 246-4016 - Harold Patterson Sports Center - www.texasrider.com

Bedford - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-9807 - Super 8 Motel & Pennington Field

Burleson - A+ rider Course 1-800-410-4549 Burleson High School, 100 NW John Jones Rd - www.aplusrider.com

Carrollton - Rider Course Center (972) 317-6322 or 1-888-317-6322 - Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD Stadium

Fort Worth - Moto-Ed (817) 239-6686 - American Ironhorse Motorcycle Company, 4600 Blue Mound Rd. www.moto-ed.com

Garland - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-9807 - South Garland High School)

Irving - Brookhaven College (972) 860-4715 or Texas R.I.D.E.R. (817) 246-4016 - American Honda Training Center, 4529 Royal Lane, Irving - www.texasrider.com

Lancaster - A+ rider Course 1-800-410-4549 - Cedar Valley College, Lancaster, Tx. - www.aplusrider.com

McKinney - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-7807 - Spring Creek Mall, Highway 5 & Spring Creek in Plano.

head chef for the Macaroni Grille franchises. He trained the chefs for the Macaroni Grille restaurants. If you have never eaten at a Macaroni Grille I would suggest you give one

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try. The food is very good. Our Master Chef decided he wanted a little place of his own. For some reason, he bought a self-service gas station/store and put a restaurant inside. According to the **Wallaces** the food is excellent, the service is good, and the people are friendly. They even welcome bikers! The menu offers a wide variety of dishes including steak, pasta, shrimp, and the old reliable hamburger. Portions are ample sized and the price is reasonable. For dessert they have a bread pudding made with a cognac sauce that is said to be so good people order it just take it home to eat for breakfast.

And where is this place? Would you believe it's located at the corner of Midcities Boulevard and Whitley in Watauga? For those of you who do not know where that is, from Loop 820 go north on Highway 377 to Midcities Boulevard (the old Watauga Road) and turn right (east). Whitley is just a short distance from Highway 377.

The **Hurts** tried this place not to long ago and confirmed the **Wallaces** assessment. Give it try and see what you think.

Until next month, keep the shiny side up, and try to keep the belly weight down.

Some members of the club are really doing a good job of the belly weight down thing. Congratulations **JJ Jean** and **Lee Hickey!!!!** Ladies I AM NOT ignoring you. I am just trying to be politically correct and I am NOT about to mention any of your names. **I WANT TO LIVE!**

Dave Musgraves

A few photos from the Mesquite Santa Cops Toy Run (top three) and the North Texas GWRRA Toy Run. It's all for the kids!!



NEW MEMBERS

I would like to welcome our new members for the past month. **Sam Paschal & Paula Lawrence** from Corinth. We look forward to seeing you out on some of our activities.



Children's faces purposely obscured for security reasons.

THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS



- 3 Kelly Bowyer
- 7 Lee Hickey
- 9 Caron Jean
- 15 Chris Kyer
- 16 Marlene Butz
- 16 Rick Landers
- 17 Joe Griffith
- 18 Charles Caffey
- 19 Paula Lawrence
- 19 Dennis Setinsek
- 20 Don McConaghie
- 22 Carol Warren
- 24 Gwen Richardson
- 24 Terry Skodack
- 31 Rhonna Smith

UPCOMING EVENTS

Experienced Riders Course

Date TBA

Steve Wedgeworth

I have talked with Texas Rider in reference to setting up an Experienced Riders Course. If there is enough interest, they will do a class for the Club. They can accommodate up to 12 people in one class. This is a new course and it lasts approximately 6 hours. It promises to be pretty exciting. The cost is \$75 and HRCA will reimburse you, if you are a member of HRCA.

Anyone who is interested, please let me know. I know that I will be participating, so there will be only 11 more slots available. First come, first serve. After I find out what kind of response I get from the club members, I will get a date scheduled. I don't have any idea at this time, what kind of dates will be available. You can email me at swgoldwing@1scom.net

Sue Van Ness Hopper

February 6-8, 2004

Many of you know Sue or are familiar with her fabulous murals and

Upcoming Events - Continued

bike painting. She will be in the area, hosted by **Darryl & Adrian Kazen**, February 6,7, & 8, 2004. For more information or to schedule your bike ork with her, go to her web site at www.signsandwondersbysue.com

Spring Flower Ride

April 2-4, 2004

Steve Wedgeworth

The club will be doing a two night wildflower ride to Fredericksburg, TX on April 02, 2004. Due to the amount of people who visit the Hill Country during this time of year, I felt it was important to get a jump on reserving hotel rooms in the area.

One group will leave at 10:00am on Friday morning, spend Friday night in Kerrville, then ride some Hill Country Roads on Saturday morning. A second group will leave at 8:00 AM on Saturday and get into Fredricksburg early afternoon. The Kerrville group will meet the second group in Fredricksburg on Saturday afternoon.

There are 10 rooms blocked at the Y.O. Resort in Kerrville for Friday night under the name DFW Freedom Riders. The reservation number is **800-531-2800**. You will need to confirm your own reservation prior to March 1. The rate is \$89 for two queen beds. All rooms are alike.

I have 25 rooms (10 King/15 Double) reserved at the Holiday Inn Express in Fredricksburg for Saturday Night under DFW Freedom Riders. You will need to call the Holiday Inn at **830-990-4200**, make a reservation in your name and with

your credit card. The cost of the room is \$99 + tax. This is the group rate for this time of the year. Rooms that are not reserved by March 1 will be returned to the hotels.

You should have time to get in some shopping or additional riding if that is what you want to do. I have dinner reservations at Andy's Steak and Seafood Grill that night. On Sunday Morning, we will ride the Willow City Loop and then head for home. After you make your reservations, please let me know so I can keep a running tally on what we have left. You can email me at swgoldwing@lsc.com or call me at **817-741-1333**.

Big Bend Trip

April 12-16, 2004

by JJ Jean

I will be taking a group to Big Bend leaving Monday, April 12, 2004 and staying at the Fort Davis State Park. Campers will stay in the camping area, and the motelers will be staying at the Indian Lodge. We will leave Friday, April 16,2004 to go to Marble Falls for the GWTA State Rally. I will be taking care of the Big Bend trip only. Most of us will be camping in Marble Falls for the State Rally, and the ones that do not want to go to Marble Falls can go back home. If you plan on going to Big Bend, I need to know no later than December 20, 2003. This way I can get the Lodge and the camping reservations taken care of.

FOR SALE, WANTED OR TRADE

2003 Honda Shadow 750

equipped with windshield, driving lights, engine case guards, and a passenger backrest, only 64 miles. Asking \$8,500.00 negotiable

Robert Christopherson 817-514-9084 robertc26@charter.net 01/04

Shoei RF-700 large full face black helmet with J&M head set, asking \$250.00 **HJC M90** medium full face black helmet with J&M head set, asking \$200.00 **Robert Christopherson** 817-514-9084 robertc26@charter.net 01/04

2003 Goldwing ABS (GL1800A), Metallic Silver, 1300 miles, with Fog Lights, Lower Cowl Chrome, CD Changer, CB Radio, Luggage Net, Pocket Power Plug, Pocket Audio Plug, Trunk and Saddle Bag Mats, 2 Adult Helmets (Symax) and 1 Child Helmets with Headsets, 7 Year Honda Warranty (4 Year Extension). Asking \$19,000. Reluctantly selling for health reasons. **Stephen Davis** 817-354-8791 SKDavis@Technologist.com 11/03

Garmin Streetpilot GPS, mono-chrome, works great \$125 **Dan McDonald** 817-284-2251 or dfwfr@photo-graphic.com 11/03

To add or remove items for sale or trade, contact Dan McDonald by e-mail at newsletter@dfwfreedomriders.org, or by phone (817) 284-2251. Items will be removed after two months, unless renewed.

2003 RALLY SCHEDULE

Date	City	Event	For Information
Feb 27-Mar 7	Daytona Beach, FL	Daytona Bike Week	www.officialbikeweek.com/
May 20-23	Ruidoso, NM	AspenCash	www.motorcycleralley.com/
Jun 3-6	Austin, TX	Republic of Texas	www.rotrally.com
Jun 7-12	Lake George, NY	Americade	www.tourexpo.com/
Jun 12-19	Los Angeles, CA	Mother Road Rally	www.hhjm.com/rally
Jun 23-26	Knoxville, TN	Honda Hoot	www.hondahoot.com
Jul 4-8	Grapevine, TX	GWRRR Wing Ding	www.gwrra.org/wingding
Jul 19-22	Baraboo, WI	GWTA Gold Rush	www.gwta.org
Jul 29-31	Marysville, OH	Honda Homecoming	www.ohio.honda.com
Aug 9-15	Sturgis, SD	Strugis Bike Week	www.rally.sturgis.sd.us
Sep 3-6	Ignacio, CO	Four Corners	www.fourcornersrally.com
Sep 15-19	Ruidoso, NM	Golden Aspen	www.motorcycleralley.com/
Oct 21-24	Daytona Beach, FL	Biketoberfest	www.biketoberfest.org

BE THERE - DO THAT

SHORT LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 1 - Annual Polar Bear Ride

Feb 6-8 - Sue Van Ness Hopper

Apr 2-4 - Hill Country Trip

Apr 12-16 - Big Bend Trip

Thought for the Month

Ever notice that the people who are late are often much jollier than the people who have to wait for them?

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

Monthly Calendar of Events

Standing Rides

Thursday Dinner Run, except 3rd Thursdays.
Leaves from DFW Honda in Grapevine at 7:00pm

Saturday Ride - Saturday Morning. Leaves from Lamb's DFW Honda at 10:00 am from October through May, then from the Grapevine Chevron McDonald's at 8:00 am from June through September.

Full Moon Rides - Friday or Saturday closest to the Full Moon, April through October. Leaves from the Grapevine Chevron at 9:00pm.

The Saturday and Thursday rides are opportunities to get together and ride from a common starting point. An officer or group leader is normally present, but if one is not available, then form a group and enjoy the ride.

Rides scheduled to leave during times when DFW Honda is open will leave from there. The phone number is metro (817) 421-4663.

Unless otherwise noted, other rides leave from the Chevron/McDonalds on the corner of Highway 114 and Main Street in Grapevine.

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Sonic Bike Nights



CCFW & Southern Cruisers - 2nd Friday - 7:00-8:30 pm
Hurst Sonic - 1308 Precinct Line Road

Lambs DFW Freedom Riders - 3rd Friday - 7-9 pm
Grapevine Sonic, West of Main on Northwest Highway

GWRRRA U-2 - 4th Friday - 7-9 pm
Grapevine Sonic, West of Main on Northwest Highway

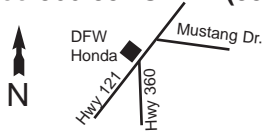
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 FREEDOM RIDER POLAR BEAR RUN	2	3 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE
4	5	6 7:00PM CMA FISHERMEN MEETING	7	8 7:00PM DINNER RUN	9 7:00PM - CCFW & SOUTHERN CRUI- SERS BIKE NIGHT - PRECINCT LINE ROAD IN HURST	10 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE
11	12	13	14	15 7:00PM DFWR MEETING	16 7:00PM - DFWR GRAPEVINE SONIC BIKE NITE	17 9:00AM GWRRRA U-2 MEETING 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE
18	19	20	21	22 7:00PM DINNER RUN	23 7:00PM - GWRRRA U2 GRAPEVINE SONIC BIKE NITE	24 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE
25	26	27	28 7:00PM GWTA CHAPTER B MEETING	29 7:00PM DINNER RUN	30	31 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE
1	2	3 7:00PM CMA FISHERMEN MEETING	4	5 7:00PM DINNER RUN	6	7 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE

Year Calendar - Go to www.dfwfreedomriders.org and click on the Newsletter link. There is a downloadable calendar in PDF form for the remainder of the year.



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Chapter #364

Rider's Club of America™

Motorcycle Association Monthly Meetings

Lamb's DFW Freedom Riders • 3rd Thursday - 7 pm
 Spring Creek BBQ - Hwy 114 & Main - Grapevine
CMA Fishermen • 1st Tuesday - 7 pm
 (not a dinner meeting) South Arlington Comm. Ctr.
GWRRA U-2 • 3rd Saturday - 9 am meeting
 (8:30 buffet) Golden Corral - Hwy 26 @ Loop 820
GWTA B - Last Wednesday - 8 pm (7 pm Dinner)
 Logan's Road House, 820 & Pipeline Rd.

<p>Parts & Accessory Special</p> <p>10% Off Any Parts & Accessory Purchase</p> <p>DFW Honda (817) 421-4663</p> <p><small>Coupon must be presented prior to purchase. Coupon expires end of January 2004.</small></p>	<p>Service Parts Special</p> <p>10% Off Any Service Related Parts <small>Does Not Apply to Labor</small></p> <p>DFW Honda (817) 421-4663</p> <p><small>Coupon must be presented prior to service. Coupon expires end of January 2004.</small></p>
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 JJ Jean - jjean99999@aol.com - (972) 255-4525

Gold Wing Touring Association (GWTA)
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Meeting Location

This month's meeting will be at Spring Creek BBQ in Grapevine at Highway 114 and Main St.