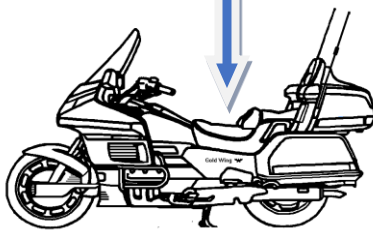


From the Director's Chair



March, 2020

The newsletter this month is authored by Assistant Chapter Directors Clarence and Lois Chapman.

Hello All

Lois and I are still Newbies to the GWRRA but we have already found friends within the group. Lois has stated; "I really like to be with these people". Can't argue with that. This is a great bunch of people to be associated with. But I think you all already know that. LOL

After about a season and a half with the group we were asked if we would consider being Assistant Directors. Lois and I discussed this at length and decided to accept the position. It's an honor to be asked. Thank you. Well I guess that's what you call jumping in with both feet!!!

For those of you who we haven't met or gotten to know here is a little about us.

Us:

- We are going to be celebrating our 30th Wedding anniversary in August and plan to celebrate by taking a trip to Yellowstone, Custer, Sturgis area. We will trailer the bike to where we will be staying and jump off from there.
- We have 3 children and 7 grandchildren.
- We live in Hastings in what is known by older locals as Cow Town.
- Our home was built by General LaDuc or his brother. (1870)
- We love to vacation at Lake Vermillion one or 2 times a year. Week-long stays.

Me:

- Love to be on the Bike or in the boat (fishing). Usually Walleye.
- I also play guitar. I play at church and some functions. Mostly country or Gospel.
- I work at Intek Plastics in Hastings. Been there for 30+ years already.
- About a year ago I retired from the Hastings Volunteer Police Reserve Unit after 19 years with Hastings and another 7 with St Paul Park.
- I have a great memory....It's just very short. Especially with names so please don't be offended if I forget yours.

Lois:

- Lois has, in the past, been a Cable TV Producer and Personality. She even won a Team Regional Emmy Award in 2009 and was nominated for another in 2010.
- After taking some time off to care for her grandparents and herself she took a job working at Once Upon a Child in Woodbury.
- Lois grew up in Farmington but graduated from Hastings.
- Lois loves to sew quilts, read, and spend time with the grandchildren...Oh ya and fish..esp Northerns.

As we learn the in's and outs of the GWRRA and Chapter N we hope that we can relieve some of the workload from Bruce and JoAnn. I think we have some very good leadership with these two and look forward to working with them, and the entire group.

Have a great week.

See you soon.

Clarence and Lois Chapman

Assistant Chapter Directors

March Events:

3/7/2020 – Monthly Breakfast Meeting – 10:00 a.m. - Cowboy Jack's, 2801 Southtown Drive, Bloomington, Mn. 55431 (952) 955-8137.

3/12/2020 – Dinner Social – 6:30 p.m. – Giuseppe's, 15090 Chippendale Avenue West, Rosemount, Minnesota - March Dinner Social - Giuseppe's

3/13/2020 – March Game Night – Byron and Shauna Patterson's, 1702 38th Street, Somerset, Wisconsin, 54025 – 5:30 Social Time/6:30 Potluck Dinner

3/21/2020 – District Fun Day – Dehn's Country Manor, Maple Grove, Minnesota

3/28/2020 – Second Monthly Breakfast – Pannekoeken Huis, 4995 Excelsior Boulevard, St. Louis Park, Minnesota 55416 (952) 920-2120. Second Breakfast Pannekoeken Huis

From the District Educator



Another month behind us means another month closer to riding season. At least we hope so. I don't know about you, but I'm tired of snow and cold. I WANNA RIDE!! As my sweatshirt says: *I'm suffering from PMS (Parked Motorcycle Syndrome)*. Bet you thought I was going to say something else, right?

For those of you that spend time in a warmer climate during our off-bike season, I hope you're able to meet up with friends from Chapters where-ever you may be wintering. I wanted to go to Arizona to visit with my Dad and other friends this winter, but something always seems to come up to keep me from going. It's too easy to blame work or my dislike of flying, but it's not that. I just don't like to be gone from home in the winter. You can leave when it's nice and come home to bitter cold. Of course, the exact opposite could be true, too!

Tina Storrs has announced her decision to step down as District MFA Coordinator and spend her time enjoying life, both home and Chapter. I want to thank Tina for her many years of dedication to this position and wish her well. That announcement means that we are beginning our search to find a new District MFA Coordinator. If you, or someone you know, has any interest in this position, please reach out to Bob & Renae Hicks or me.

SAVE THE DATE!! March 21st will be a District Fun Day! Due to a limited response to the Horizon Program, it was decided to cancel that and try something else that you, the Member, may wish to participate in. We'll have some different classes to share with you and other fun things to do. Stay tuned for more!!

Everyone knows it's March and that means St. Patrick's Day! That also means green beer and crazy people all around. Please, be careful out there!!

Till next time, stay warm!!



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