



GWRRA MA Chapter "F"

- NEW BEDFORD - FALL RIVER - TAUNTON AREA -

All chapter "F's" get-togethers are NON-SMOKING Thank You!

Get-togethers are held on the [2nd Wednesday](#) of each month at American Legion Hall on RT 79 - Berkley, MA at 7:00 PM

*******Note: The next gathering is the Potluck Christmas Party on Dec 4th*******

The Meeting:

This month's gathering began at 7:05 PM with 27 members present. Doc called for an extended moment of silence in honor of both our troops who are serving overseas and for our recently departed friend and member, Bob Souza. Rhonda Porawski suggested a ride to the cemetery in order to pay our respects due to the fact that the service and burial were private. On another note, if you haven't sent in your mileage to Ernie for the saddle sores mileage totals, please do so as soon as possible. Doc mentioned the Robin has opted to undergo the surgery, which will be for about 10-12 hours long. Best wishes to her for a quick and complete recovery. The first Sunday morning breakfast at the Country Buffet was slated for November 13th. About 28 members were present for this gathering. The Christmas party will be held on December 4th. This will be on a Saturday night beginning at 6 PM at the American Legion Hall in Berkley. This is also a Potluck supper so keep watch for emails listing what people are bringing so there isn't too much of one thing. This year there will also be a Yankee Gift Swap. The cost limit is \$20. There is no need to bring a "guy or girl" gift. Anything will do. You are also under no obligation to participate. Only those who bring a gift will participate. Bunny presented Doc with a picture album containing pictures taken at the benefit held in Doc & Robins honor. Doc passed this around in order for all to see. Wonderful Job, Bunny. Dave Odess presented the chapter with a plaque honoring our contribution to the Ride for Kids held last August. Chapter F was the top contributor for this event this year. The gathering ended at 8:30 PM with Bob Pacheco winning the 50/50.

Director's Comments:

From the "Director's Chair"...

Once again we had to acknowledge the tragic loss of one our brother members, Robert "Bob" Souza. It still does not seem quite real. Bob was another one of the finest gentleman Robin and I have had the privilege of knowing. I never saw Bob without a smile, a joke or a laugh. On behalf of all of you and GWRRA I have expressed our deepest condolences to Bob's girlfriend Jackie McCombe and told her that she will forever be part of our "family." It's my hope that Jackie will join us from time to time and stay in touch. May Bob be at peace and continue to ride on Heaven's Highways until we meet again...

Congratulations to Judy & Bob Burns as they have recently been named as permanent District Directors to Massachusetts and Connecticut in addition to Rhode Island. Sorry Judy, no more "temporary" in front of your title... ☺

My thanks to everyone that attended the last two "gatherings" and generously donated canned goods, non-perishable items and money to the American Legion in their efforts to assist those less fortunate in

enjoying this Thanksgiving. Your kindness during these difficult times for everyone never ceases to amaze me... ☺

As Dave mentioned previously, Robin has decided to go forward with the surgery. It was indeed a very difficult decision but ultimately it's her best option to beat the cancer. We've met with surgeons and are now awaiting a date for surgery. As always, our love and thanks to all of you for your continued love and support. Words cannot explain how grateful we are to have all of you in our lives... ☺

Lastly, on behalf of Robin, I and the rest of the Alvarez and Tower families, we wish you all a healthy, safe and blessed **Happy Thanksgiving** to each of you and your families!!!! Eat plenty of turkey, watch football, and enjoy your naps! Hope to see all of you at the Christmas party on December 4th... ☺

Doc... ☺

Chapter F- Rider Educator: Allan Nunes

Allan's tips for this month are to be very careful of deer especially at dawn and dusk. Also to watch out for pine needles and leaves in the roadway.

Chapter Store:

Our MA Chapter F patches and decals are available for purchase. The cost of the patches is \$2.50 and the decals are \$1.00. The Chapter appreciates your continued support by purchasing these items. The large black and gold GWRRA logo patch is \$12.00, and the smaller version is \$6.00. The large Chapter and State rockers are \$6.00 each, and the smaller State and Chapter rocker versions are \$4.00 each. GWRRA patches and rockers as well as the MA Chapter F patches and rockers can be sewn on at most Tailor/Cleaner shops in the phone book. Memorial patches are still available, and can be purchased for \$4.00 each. The Chapter F-MA pins are also available and cost \$5.00 each. Year bars are \$5.00. See our Chapter sales rep Mike Bartnowski for all of your GWRRA and Chapter F needs! "Abra Cadabra Embroidery & Screen Printing" is doing the shirts and such and Bunny Kirchdorfer is handling the orders. **See our web site for a complete pricing list of all items.**

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S-XL \$14.95 2XL \$16.95

More can be seen from our web page at http://www.gwrramachapterf.org/chap_f_merchandise.html

Birthdays - Member Birthdays next month: **December:** Sandy Sisk, Rhonda Stiles, Bella Woodall, Jane Balonis, Bob Pacheco, Rich Coffill, Dave Gomes, Leon Overlock, Christine Sylvia, Theresa Torrey and Kathy Overlock.

Best Wishes and Many More!

Note from Editor: Please let me know if I miss you on your birthday month so you can be recognized.

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Ride List - Chapter F- MA for 2009

Rides Start @Dunkin Donuts 128 Myricks St. in Berkley, Exit 10 E. from Rt. 140

Full Tank of Gas, Empty Bladder. Bring us a smile for a Happy Day!

There will be some changes here. Unless noted all rides start at 9:00 AM (Bold) confirmed Read Newsletter
If people want to ride on an Open Date. They can arrange amongst themselves. Some of us can ride on holidays.

Dinner Rides – These rides are over for this year.

Ice Cream or Coffee Rides 2010 -- These rides are over for this year.

Sunday Breakfast gatherings will be on the first Sunday after the gathering as of November.

Saturday Nites - Plymouth, MA- Park in front of Isaac's Restaurant along the harbor.

All Bikes Lights Nite – Every Weekend Thru the Summer – Gather and Swap Lies 6PM -9:30PM??

Waterside @ Isaacs Restaurant. Come at will. Usually weather permitting. May thru October. Coffee Ride 9:30PM

Notes:

1: Wednesday will be our designated evening ride night for Coffee/Ice Cream. Temperature determines which we go for. 2nd Wednesday Chapter meets. Ride after?

2: The THIRD Thursday evening rides for a dinner will be once a month. Destination names have not been determined for all places. Al Nunes – Safety Educator will select these. He does these rides. Rain Date the following week.

3: Wednesday night Rides will start at 6:30 PM.

4: October rides that are non-reciprocal start at 10AM. Unless predetermined times. November Sunday rides locally start at 11AM dependent on temps for the season.

More Updates to follow at a later date. Please direct all inquiries to me first (Ride Coordinator) for any revisions.

The list is not final. Read the Newsletter or Chapter Website monthly for updates and links to where we are going on the calendar.

5: The Ride Coordinator reserves all rights to move rides in this list should the need be called upon.

Hello Members:

All you're Newsletters at this time are sent out in a MS Document format. If you are having any trouble opening this information in the MS Word format you may visit the Chapter F-Ma website to read it at:

www.gwrramachapterf.org If you think you would like to participate in the Newsletter, come on and feed us articles for the coming letters. If you are not getting or you are having trouble with a newsletter, tell us. We really don't know. Check the pictures from the past years while you are there.

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Directions to the next Get-Together:

Our Smoke Free Gatherings will start at 7:00PM on the Second non-holiday Wednesday of the month. If there is a holiday, we move it forward or back a week and let everyone know beforehand.

The next meeting is Saturday, December 4 @ 6 PM @ the American Legion Hall - RT 79 in Berkley, MA.

From Rt. 195 East or West. Take RT 24 North in Fall River to Padelford St. Berkely Off ramp 7miles. Take right turn East on Padelford St. to Rt. 79. Go about 2 miles. At the Rt.79 stop sign, take a right turn near the White church. American Legion Hall is on the right side a short distance from the corner.

Coming in from Rt 24 N. or S: Take Rt 140 E. Run past the Silver City Galleria toward New Bedford and get off at Rt 79 South and go about ½ mile past the blinking Yellow light and then the White church. American Legion Hall is on the right side of the street a short distance from Rt. 140.

From New Bedford: Take Rt 140 North to Rt. 79 South and same as above.

Bring a friend.

>>>> ALL MAKE BIKES WELCOME HERE <<<<

MA - F needs U! Talk to us!

We could also use the services of: Road Captains, Activities Coordinator, Welcome and Recording Secretary.
For Sale: Goldstar 600 watt microwave. Perfectly clean with original box and instructions. First \$20 See Dave Chenard 508-673-9479 or dach162@aol.com

Please see our chapter web site for a list of items for sale.....

Let the News Editor know when you have sold your property. We do not want to advertise SOLD items. This is a member free perk. An after Sale minimal donation would always be welcome though. (Ed).

Humor or the Month

Jennifer's wedding day was fast approaching. Nothing could dampen her excitement -- not even her parent's nasty divorce. Her mother had even found the PERFECT dress to wear -- she knew she would be the best-dressed mother-of-the-bride ever!

A week later, Jennifer was horrified to learn that her father's new young wife had bought the exact same dress as her mother! Jennifer asked the new wife to exchange it, but she refused.

"Absolutely not!" the young woman replied. "I look like a million bucks in this dress, and I'm wearing it!"

Jennifer told this to her mother, who graciously said, "Never mind sweetheart. I'll get another dress. After all, it's your special day."

A few days later, mother and daughter went shopping, and did indeed find another lovely dress for her mother. When they stopped for lunch, Jennifer asked her mother, "Aren't you going to return the other dress? You really don't have another occasion where you could wear it."

"Of course I do," her mother replied, smiling. "I'll be wearing it to the rehearsal dinner."

Happy Trails!!



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November 28th Putnam Ct. Christmas Parade

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