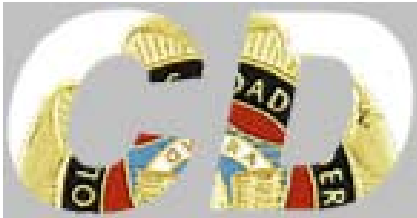




# The Winger



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"Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge"



by Greg and Dee Eames, CD



by Larry Helber, ACD

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Here we are, 2012. Another year over and a new one just beginning. It's time to reflect on the good and bad points of last year. To figure out what went well and what didn't and how to try to make this year better!!



Greg and Dee Eames, CD

The first point I want to touch on that I believe was a success is the Passport Program. Our chapter members kept Larry, Mickee, Dee and me very busy at various chapter functions this year stamping and signing passports. We had a lot of participation at the chapter level for our own little contest and as of this publication we are tallying the stamps to see who our prize winners are. As a reminder, there will be prizes awarded for the top 3 in amount of total stamps in the book and a 4th place will be decided by giving one ticket for each page with at least with 1 stamp and then a ticket will be drawn at the Post-Holiday party on Jan. 28th to determine the winner. The top 3 prize winners are not eligible for the last chance drawing. Remember also to keep bringing your passports to events and functions this year as the national contest continues until Wing Ding in Fort Wayne this year.

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Wow! Where did this month go! Last thing I remember the family was leaving to spend Thanksgiving at Grandma's house and the next thing I know Christmas has come and gone. As some of you may know I have a few personal and medical issues I am facing that has kept me distracted this month. I had several ideas planned for articles this month but I barely had time to turn on the computer. Forget about a block of quiet time to get my first drafts into digital form. I expect next month should be much more forgiving with my time. I learned to enjoy these evening spent composing the articles for the newsletters and look forward to getting back on schedule next month.



Larry Helber, ACD

Bob Bacon began the monthly staff meetings for hosting the Ride In this year. It should be a fun time for both attendees and Hosts. Many hands will make light work for us all so if you are willing to donate some time please let us know. We will have many jobs to fill and may be asking for your help. The main events will be Saturday May 19, with a gathering on Friday evening and breakfast Sunday morning. We should have riders from all over the area attending. Keep your fingers crossed for good weather since it will still be during an unpredictable time of the year.

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## December Ride Schedule

- Jan. 3rd Rookie's Neighborhood Sports, 2351 Buffalo Rd, Gates 6:30 PM
- Jan. 7th Breakfast At Panorama, 730 Elm Grove Rd, Gates, 8:00 AM
- Jan. 10th Coal Tower, 9 Shoen Place, 6:30 PM
- Jan. 13th Game Night @ Fedeli's, 105 Camille Drive, Gates' 7:00 PM
- Jan. 17th Six Pocket's 716 East Ridge Rd, Irondequoit, 6:30 PM
- Jan. 19th Gathering At Panorama, 730 Elm Grove Rd, Gates, Dinner At 6:00 PM, Meeting at 7:00 PM
- Jan. 22nd Coffee Klatch @ Thayers, 67 Morning Glory Lane, (Greece) Rochester, 10:00 AM
- Jan. 24th Hose 22 Firehouse Grill, 56 Stutson St, Charlotte, 6:30 PM
- Jan. 27th Game Night @ Eames', 446 Pittsford Henrietta TL Rd, Pittsford, 7:00 PM
- Jan. 28th After-Holiday Party, Brook House [920 Elm Ridge Center Drive], 6:30 PM Cocktails, 7:00 PM Dinner.
- Jan. 31st Flaherty's, 60 West Main, Honeoye Falls, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 4th Breakfast At Panorama, 730 Elm Grove Rd, Gates, 8:00 AM
- Feb. 7th Flaherty's 3 Flags, 1200 Bay Rd, Webster, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 10th Game Night @ Fedeli's, 105 Camille Drive, Greece, 7:00 PM

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## January

# BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

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|--------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Frank Genovese</b>    | <b>8th</b>  |
| <b>Pat Sullivan</b>      | <b>13th</b> |
| <b>Susie Allen</b>       | <b>16th</b> |
| <b>Ron Weber</b>         | <b>16th</b> |
| <b>Bonnie Rowles</b>     | <b>17th</b> |
| <b>Mike Desmond</b>      | <b>20th</b> |
| <b>Paul Thayer</b>       | <b>23th</b> |
| <b>Al Skiles</b>         | <b>28th</b> |
| <b>Karen Hockenberry</b> | <b>31st</b> |
| <b>Mike O'Leary</b>      | <b>31st</b> |



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|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| <b>Randy &amp; Kathy Clinton</b> | <b>23rd</b> | <b>36 Years</b> |
| <b>Mike &amp; Elaine O'Leary</b> | <b>31st</b> | <b>25 Years</b> |

## SAVE THE DATE

2012 RIDE SCHEDULE MEETING.

10:00 AM, FEB 19, 2012

AT THE EAMES ESTATE.

Please contact ride coordinator by  
January 30, 2012 if you are unable to  
attend but have suggestions for rides  
that could be added to the preliminary  
ride schedule prior to the meeting.

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Our riding season started out a little slow last year with the cold wet spring weather dragging on longer than usual but when the weather finally got warm and dry enough to ride we had a great summer and the temperatures lasted well into the fall. We had a great number of well planned and executed rides this summer both weeknights and weekends. I would like to take this time to thank each and every one of the people that spent the time planning and leading a ride whether it was just from BKW to dinner or a weekend ride for farther distances. I can't speak for everyone but I didn't go on a single trip this year that I don't believe was carefully and painstakingly done. Next year promises to be a good year for having plenty of opportunities for rides with the addition to our leadership team of Bob Lucey as our new Ride Coordinator. He has already been working for several months on putting together a jam-packed schedule for 2012. He kind of overwhelmed the members at the November gathering with all the plans he has but I can assure you that if there isn't enough chances to get together, ride and socialize this year, you can't blame it on Bob! Bob is looking for more ride leaders this year to lead some of the many rides

that he is planning. If you haven't already certified as a Road Captain and you would like to, contact Bob or me. I can assure you that it's very rewarding to look in your mirror and see a line of Goldwings following you. If you haven't planned and lead a ride, you are definitely missing out on a great experience. Don't forget that our annual summer ride planning meeting is coming up on Feb. 19th at 10AM at our house. Bob has already been hard at work on the rides but we will welcome more input on rides that you would like to do.

We had a lot of new members join us last year and our chapter is very strong. I would like to thank all of you for the welcoming way you treat new members and I am very happy that we have a lot of fun together. I believe we all know that the focal point of this organization is fun and I can see it in all of the interactions that we have together. New members see us having fun and they want to share in what we have. New members are what keep our organization fresh and what keeps us thriving and active.

We jumped into the Couple of the Year program last year and I would like to thank Charlie and Barb Fedeli for all the contributions they make to the chapter. As far as I'm concerned they were a shoe in for our Chapter Couple as they both contribute greatly to the chapter. Anytime I need a volunteer for something, there is Barb with her hand in the air and Charlie just smiles and nods his head. We are in the process of choosing this year's Chapter Couple and, believe me, they have some big shoes to fill! This year's couple will be announced at the gathering.

In the past we have only had one contributing sponsor for the chapter and that was Hollink Motorsports. Starting last Fall we started soliciting sponsorship to help build our Rider Education program which Jim Pearson has been doing a fantastic job of organizing. As of this writing we have 8 other commitments as sponsors. They are Learn 2 Ride, Bajorek Insurance, Canandaigua Motorsports, MidState Trikes, Read's Ice Cream, Ide Honda, Poor Cow Leather and Arkport Cycles. Please patronize these businesses as often as you can as they support our efforts to be safer riders.

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# Recipe of the Month

## Rolo Pretzel Bites



Larry Helber,

In fact, I have a hard time even calling it a “recipe”, when it only has three ingredients... **Rolo** (store bought chocolate/caramel candies), **pretzels** and **pecan halves**. Bottom line, if you just threw those three things in a bowl it would be pretty yummy!

For these tasty treats, all you have to do is lay the pretzels on a baking sheet (I used these cute square ones, but the mini twists would work too). Top each pretzel with an unwrapped Rolo candy.

Bake in the oven at 250°F for 4-5 minutes (no longer).

When you remove them from the oven, the Rolo will still be in the same shape as when it went in the oven. Place a pecan half on top of the Rolo and press down a bit.



Top each of the Rolo with one pecan half.

Place the entire baking sheet in the freezer for about 5-7 minutes to allow the Rolo to cool.

Remove from freezer and enjoy! Or place in a container to enjoy later. These will last several days-probably more, but they’ve never lasted that long in our house!

These are so delicious! A great sweet-salty combo.

Enjoy!

### From the Glasow’s...

#### Sunshine Club - Birthdays



Tim & Mary Ann Glasow

If you know of someone who is having surgery, ill, or passed away, please inform Tim or Mary Ann so that the proper acknowledgement can be made. Their phone number is 225-8916 and their e-mail is:

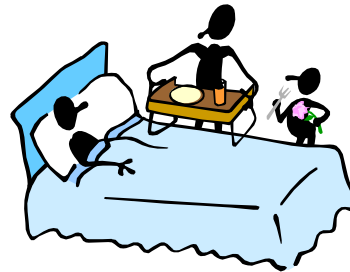
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## Sunshine Corner

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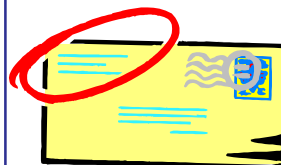


*Get Well Soon!*



Rose Kleisle,  
Marty Watkins  
and Larry Helber

### Please Mr. Postman...



Hospital stays can be brief and may involve several locations as one progresses to discharge. Recently, a card sent to a family member, was “returned to sender” 10 days after discharge. When you send a card via the Post Office, do not use your return address. Instead, use the patient’s home address. Whether the hospital policy is to return undeliverable mail to the sender or forward to the patient’s address, it will find its way to the intended recipient.

As always, if you know someone associated with Chapter W who is ill, having surgery, or has passed away, please notify Tim or Mary Ann so that the proper acknowledgement is sent.

# NY-W Rider Educator's Corner

## How to Cure Winter Doldrums

by Jim Pearson, Chapter Educator

As I am sure, everyone has been as busy as Linda and I have over the holidays. I hope that everyone had a great Christmas with family and friends. Our daughter was in town from Mass, and all we seemed to do is travel from one person's house to another seeing everyone she knows.



Jim Pearson  
Rider Educator

As I mentioned at the December meeting, Paul Wood has approached me with the concept of holding a District level Training session in March. This event will be open to anyone within the District but is focused on supporting our members living on the western side of New York. The training session

is scheduled for March 17<sup>th</sup> with classes beginning at 9 A.M. The event will be held at the Batavia First United Methodist Church, 8221 Lewiston Road, Batavia, NY 14020. We are planning on a Group lunch and Dinner afterwards.

We are looking at providing the Co-Rider, Crash Scene Response, and Team Riding Seminars. We have also have had a request to hold a MFA/CPR class. If you are interested in taking the class, please contact Paul Wood via email at [gwrranydd@gmail.com](mailto:gwrranydd@gmail.com) or call him directly at 585-343-8903.

We are looking into details at this time to support the MFA/CPR class. As well, Leadership Training Sessions are a possibility assuming we can firm up the logistics.

As we move into the New Year, we will be finalizing the details and once complete, we will be providing registration details to everyone. This will be a great way for everyone to have the opportunity to "Cure the Winter Doldrums" and get out of the house and either reinforce your current knowledge or learn something new. As always, we are committed to improving the skill levels of our membership and view this event as an excellent way to accomplish this goal, as well as having the chance to meet and form friendships with people from other New York District chapters.



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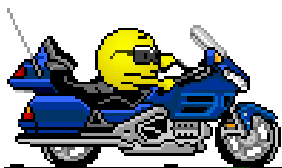
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### *CD, from page 3*

I first started working on my friend's bikes last year, but I think the membership was starting to get the idea that I really like doing what I can to help save money on general motorcycle maintenance and repair. Even though the summer months are tough to schedule work, I managed to get a lot done. I do, however, have a pretty open schedule this winter if anyone would like to take care of any projects. We will be having a Tech Day this year but as of this point a date has not been set.

Now that I have expounded on all that I realize that last year was a pretty great year with few exceptions so it will be a tough feat to do a lot better! I would like to thank all of my Leadership Team for all the work they put into keeping this chapter moving forward and also to all you members, without whom we wouldn't have a chapter.

Here's to a wonderful 2012!!



### *ACD, from page 1*

Please notice that we have several new sponsors in this newsletter. Greg and several of his helpers have been contacting the local businesses about sponsoring our Chapter activities. In return we are putting their ads in the newsletter and the updated website. Keep an eye out for more information in future newsletters. In the mean time think about visiting one of our sponsors next time you are out and let them know you are a member of GWRRA Chapter W.

I hate to close this article so soon but I am having some surgery done tomorrow and need to finish and get this to Al so he can do his job of putting all of these columns together. I hope you all had a great holiday season and look forward to seeing you at some of our many winter activities.

## Old Age Joke

Have you ever been guilty of looking at others your own age and thinking, surely I can't look that old.

Well . . . You'll love this one.

My name is Alice, and I was sitting in the waiting room for my first appointment with a new dentist.

I noticed his DD's diploma on the wall, which bore his full name. Suddenly, I remembered a tall, handsome, dark-haired boy with the same name had been in my high school class some 30-odd years ago.

Could he be the same guy that I had a secret crush on, way back then?

Upon seeing him, however, I quickly discarded any such thought.

This balding, gray-haired man with the deeply lined face was way too old to have been my classmate.

After he examined my teeth, I asked him if he had attended Morgan Park High School.

'Yes. Yes, I did. I'm a Mustang,' he gleamed with pride.

When did you graduate?' I asked.

He answered, 'in 1975. Why do you ask?'

You were in my class!', I exclaimed.

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*Age, from page 6*

He looked at me closely.

Then, that ugly, old, bald, wrinkled faced, fat, gray-haired, decrepit pot belly asked, 'what did you teach???

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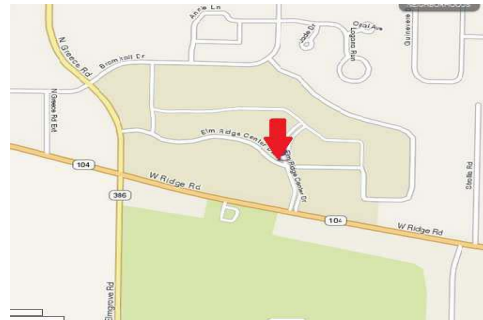


# GWRRA CHAPTER NY W AFTER HOLIDAY PARTY

January 28, 2012  
 Brook House Restaurant and Party House  
 920 Elmridge Center Dr.  
 (West Ridge Road near Elmgrove Road in Greece)  
 Cocktails 6:00pm Dinner 7:00pm

### Buffet Menu

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 Coffee or Tea  
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# New York District Team Meeting



The NY District Team meeting will be on Jan 21, 2012 at the North Syracuse Fire Hall, 109 Chestnut St, North Syracuse, NY. It will run from 9AM to 4PM (at the latest).

There will also be an Officers Certification Program course at the same location that weekend. It will begin after the District meeting, and finish up on the following day. ANY interested people are welcome to attend both functions.

Hey kid's, "What time is it?" **It's Coffee Klatch Time!!**

"If you aren't joining us for our winter activities, you're missing out on a lot of FUN!!"

**Check ride schedule for time and place!**



# Winter Game Night

Hi Friends,

**J**ust a reminder that game night this month will be held on Saturday 12/31 instead of Friday as it is New Year's Eve. We will be starting an hour early, at 6PM and will have a dish-to-pass meal first. Everyone is requested to bring a **SMALL** dish and ice cream for later. Bring one of your favorite games, play one of ours or just come to visit and watch the rest of us make fools of ourselves.

Remember, also, that this will be your last opportunity to get a stamp in your Passport this year. Even though the national contest continues until Wing Ding next year, ours ends at the stroke of midnight so we will start tallying

stamps and the winners will be announced at the Post-Holiday party in January. Also I will be tallying the # of pages that people have stamps on to distribute last chance drawing tickets so the last chance drawing can be held at the party. Remember, you get one ticket for each page that you have at least one stamp on to get in on the drawing for \$25. Please bring your Passports to an event (breakfast, dinner, game night, gathering, etc.) between now and January 28th for me to verify and award last chance drawing tickets. If you can't make an event between now and then, please call me (748-3953) to get your tickets reserved.

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## Breakfast at Panorama

Come join the breakfast fun at Panorama Restaurant the first Saturday of every month at 8:00 AM.  
Panorama Restaurant  
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## Open for Dinner

Panorama Restaurant is open for dinner Tuesdays thru Saturday.

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## The next Gathering will be January 19, 2012

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