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Usually, I find the whole "last day of the year...first day of a new year" thing rather depressing. Something about burning off another year of my life, 1 year closer to having to replace my roof, and our Goldwing depreciating one more notch...but not this year ! Today I woke up and headed down to RMC to the annual Bill Holt New Years ride and found 25 eager Apes, anxious to begin the 2008 riding year. What a great start to the new year.

Please allow me, your new Chapter A Director some "newbie" latitude for a couple of issues of our weekly news installments.

1st, ...in the subject line...., a brief explanation of our new weekly communication name "**CAPERS**": I couldn't use "Tims Tuesday" as the name of our weekly communication, however **Tuesday** will remain the day of communication..Tuesday just fits nicely with timely reporting and notices of upcoming events. As for the name "**C APERS**", I really wanted to give the weekly communication a moniker that represented the **Chapter A, Apes**, and what we are all about as a group. Something that, (for many) represents our primary source of recreation . For others of us, we use our Wings as a diversion from either a tough day (or week) on the job...or perhaps even a source of lighthearted amusement. Also, a name that featured our Chapter mascot...the **APE**. I input all of the data, struck the "enter" key and the name and definition that appeared was....."**capers**" "**a lighthearted recreational activity for diversion or amusement**". So there it is !

2nd,....I received the official "Chapter A e-mail list" from Tim in the changeover. I believe the majority of you will receive these writings...but I am also afraid that a few individuals may NOT be getting my e-mails (mostly because they have a spamblocker of some sort that will not recognize the new "sender" address). Namely Todd McLain, Greg Beeck, Sam Grubbs, Dave Otten, Mike Brieze, and Harold Hawkins. I will attempt to contact each of these people to rectify the situation, however, if there is anyone out there that is in contact with these individuals, please pass along the info with my e-mail

address and ask them to contact me with their preferred e-mail information.

Now, new business.

As I had mentioned, the year is off to a great start and there is a plethora of upcoming events from which to choose to participate. I am forwarding the District newsletter that highlights many of the upcoming events including:

January 26, Chapter I "Casino Night" at Camp Murray...your chance to become a **bazillionaire** and spend it on chrome for your Wing.

February 2 District Rider Education in Buckley..this is a GREAT day of fun, food, laughter, education and hobnobbing with your fellow Goldwingers..it is well attended by Chapter A...and February 2 has traditionally been a very cold and rainy day to stay inside anyway. Please plan to attend this with your Co-rider...as it is a fun day, packed with information. **Everyone please contact me soon for sign ups.**

March 14-16th is Chapter E annual "Surf Watch"...this year there is rumor about a "Moped fun run" go to www.gwrra-wae.org/ for details or go to the GWRRA-WA website and click on Chapter E for details. Fun in the sand and surf..auctions, food, laughter, APES.

Although it is a GWTA event, the annual Green Freeze is also coming up. This event is one entry, three separate rides, one in January, one in Feb, and one in March. The one in March, however conflicts with Surf Watch. The Green Freeze events are Jan 19, Feb 16, and March 15, starting at Hinshaws Honda in Auburn at 9am. Details at www.gwta.com

More on the upcoming event calendar in future **CAPERS** editions.

WEEKLY SOCIALS SUBMITTED BY THE URBANS...THANK YOU BOTH

January 2 IKEA

January 9 Zoopa at 393 Strander, across the street from Southcenter Mall, due east of Target

January 16 Full Throttle at RMC

January 23 Asian Garden Buffet 406 Washington in Kent, directly across from KMart in the north end of the Safeway parking lot

January 30 IKEA

Rain or shine 6pm.....remember...if you are not at the socials, I cannot guarantee you that you won't be talked about !

Yvonne and I look forward to working with you in 2008. I am aware that Tim is leaving a large set of boots to fill, but with your help, suggestions, input and PARTICIPATION, we will make this a fun, safe and action packed riding year.

Be sure to mark the January Chapter A meeting on your schedule. I will be making some announcements.

Roll On !

Jeff and Yvonne Harvey

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