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It seems like it was just last week that the Christmas decorations were stowed away for the year...and already it's time for the February 5 issue of the Chapter A cAPERs! Oh well, I guess the old adage is true...Time flies when you're having fun !!! And FUN we had last Saturday. A banner turnout of 23 Apes...all dressed in their best Saturday RED... For those of you who couldn't make it...here were the classroom offerings; Packing light (with a focus on clothing), MC Street Survival techniques, Co-rider seminar, working with an Excel worksheet, a 2 hour road captains course, MC Tech talk (specifically about Goldwings), Understanding trailers and trailering, a class on MC tires, a class on tailgating, GPS information, Cornering dynamics and Traffic survival, How to pack up your bike, weight limit, Helmet myths, Trip planning, and the latest from the DOL. It was virtually impossible to be in all places at once (unfortunately) ..and the classes I attended ranged, in my opinion, from a grade of a C+ to a strong A for content, information, and entertainment value. **Overall...it was very well organized and well worth the \$15 (paid by the Chapter)** . Provided lunch turned out to be (what appeared to be) about 48 lin ft of Sub sandwiches with all the fixins...chips, excellent cookies and coffee, tea, punch and water and oh yeah...fruit...yes I said fruit. I want to thank you all that attended this day of information...it made Yvonne and I very proud to gaze over the **Sea of RED** in the audience at closing ceremonies. I am positive (although no mention was made) that we were...by far...the Chapter with the most participation...it was really great...(Mike Hudnell did e-mail me later Saturday night and remarked on our HUGE turnout)..thanks again.

Looking on to future **FREE KNOWLEDGE AND SAFETY BASED PROGRAMS**, one that is near and dear to EVERYONE..should be the upcoming **Road Captains Course on Feb 21st and Feb 23**...ok I will recap the course for you again;  
 \* **Feb 21** 6:30pm my house in Maple Valley 22615 SE 263rd Pl (google it). Part 1, Greg Beeck will provide information that could possibly **SAVE YOUR LIFE...AND THE LIFE OF THE PEOPLE WITH WHOM YOU RIDE !** Riding in a group is nothing to be taken

casually. It requires organization, leadership, attention to specific instructions (both by hand and audibly). Group riding requires precision movement and timing. If you are in a group of riders, every move you make directly effects the dynamics and safety of the entire group of motorcycles...as well as the traffic around you. Every Goldwing Chapter in GWRRA is teaching this same course to their riders...therefore, you will be able to attend a group riding function at the local **Chapter A in Sterling Heights Michigan** and your riding techniques will match theirs exactly. This course alone will be worth your yearly GWRRA dues. Figure about 1 1/2 hours. Coffee, tea, soft drinks and spring water bottled directly from a tap in Detroit along with cookies will be served.

**\*Feb 23rd** is Part 2...and it will be the "practical application" of the course...we will actually apply the information we learned on Thursday to riding situations and scenarios. Gear up for this one ! It will be held AFTER the February 23rd Monthly Gathering at RMC.

**PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE ATTENDING THIS COURSE, I may need to borrow the neighbors folding chairs.**

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb 6, Wed, Social Emerald Thai 22228 Pac Hwy So. Fed Way 6pm  
 Feb 9, Sat, Chapter L Bowling Night Moses Lake - got to WA-L website for info  
 Feb 13, Wed, Social McGraths Fish House 1911 S. 320th Fed Way 6pm  
 Feb 14, Thurs Valentines Day, "Buy Some Chrome for your Sweetie" day.  
 Feb 16, Second Run of the GWTA GreenFreeze out of Auburn Hinshaws Honda MC register 9am-10:30am  
 Feb 20, Wed, Red Robin at 227th and Marine View Drive, in DesMoines  
 Feb 21, Thurs ROAD CAPTAINS COURSE..PART 1 at my house 6:30 address above  
 Feb 23rd Sat Monthly Chapter A Gathering RMC, and Part 2 of ROAD CAPTAINS COURSE  
 Feb 30 Wed, Social at Costco at east end of hwy 18 6pm

The hours of daylight are increasing...the number of "fair riding" opportunities will be coming fast and furious in the next few weeks. We all are interested to know where you are riding during the week, or on the weekends...please drop me a line and inspire us with your explorations.

#### **In the Chapter Directors meeting last Saturday, an issue was discussed:**

1) Please mark your calendars (if you haven't already) to attend the GWRRA WASHINGTON DISTRICT RALLY held in LYNDEN WA. ON JULY 17 - 20. Pre-registration is \$25 per person (postmarked prior to May 31).

And speaking on the subject of the Lynden GWRRA 2008 State Rally....for those of you that are planning on sleeping....either in a tent, a tent-trailer or hotel...you had better consider booking reservations NOW...Lynden is a teeny tiny city and the accommodations are less than plentiful...I called around today and found the two hotels nearest the venue are already

booked...maybe Ferndale or Bellingham or Everson ???

Anyway....many of the WA chapters are busy making their "Chapter..*FAMILY REUNION*..commemorative t-shirts" Each WA Chapter is requested to design and produce a t-shirt design...just for their own chapter, to commemorate the 2008 District Rally..theme...*FAMILY REUNION*.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF THIS IS SOMETHING WE WISH TO DO AS A CHAPTER. NOTE... THE EXPENSE OF THE T-SHIRT, AND ASSOCIATED SCREEN PRINTING WILL BE AN THE INDIVIDUALS EXPENSE...NOT CHAPTER FUNDED. If there is ample response to this inquiry...we will need to assign "design APES" to come up with a fun, creative, colorful, design worthy of APEwear. Please let me know by return e-mail what your thoughts are on this activity.

In the "FYI" file...De and Mike Blangy were signed up for the Riders Ed. Some complications from De's mom occured and they are doing double -double time to take care of momma and logging many hours between Puyallup and Renton AT RUSH HOUR in the evenings. Sleep is at a premium at the Blangys..De and Mike...we all wish you and momma well.

As your former leader Tim B says..."I stand no profit from the endorsement of this company"...or something like that...I have been purchasing some gear from a website at [www.newenough.com](http://www.newenough.com) it is a company that gets fantastic buys on closeout and new gear. I purchased a couple of pair of gloves...one set was \$79 and I got them for \$17 (leather gauntlet style with 2 cinch straps) and the other pair were mesh with armour on the knuckles I think they were \$59 and I paid \$14. you can sign up to receive their bulletins for closeout gear...I also purchased my mesh riding pants and mesh jacket and a cool tank bag...have had no disappointments yet...good luck.

See the attached Chapter Q auction in April as well as the Washington District Rally flyer.

Have a safe week.

Roll On !

Jeff