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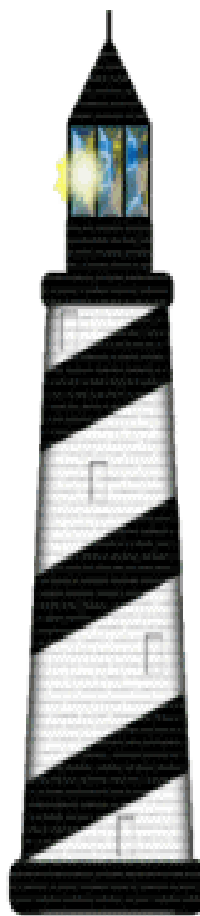
# Downeast Goldwings Chapter NC-D October 2019

## The Beacon Since - 1988

**GWRRA Motto:**

Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge  
Chapter NC-D Greenville, N.C.

We meet the first Thursday night of each month at:  
Golden Corral Steak House  
504 SW Greenville Blvd. Greenville, N.C. 27858  
Phone: 252-756-4412



*Fall is finally in the  
air*

*Great riding*



Gather at: 6:30 Meeting at 7:30 pm We always start our meeting with prayer. Door prizes are a part of our meeting, remember when you bring one make sure it's something that can be used by others

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C.D. Chat

You know the old phrase "going, going, gone, well that's what everyone will be saying about this year. Its going by fast. We haven't being riding as much as we wanted to because one month for sure was too hot, well for some of us. As we were younger we didn't think about the weather, hot or not we rode, but time has taken its toll on some of us, but we are still riding.

Wing Over Smokies has come and gone for another year. A great time was had by all. It was well decorated for the theme Honor our hero's. There were several entertainers, my pick was Steve with the meaning of the Pledge Allegiance to the flag by Red Skelton. His was on the serious side but there were some there that was funny, of course Dolly Parton wasn't bad, Tina Turner put on a show. I can't any one was better than the other. But Steve just had so much meaning. I can't believe the job he did on it. The video that Steve had put together about the people to honor. The music couldn't have been better. Some of the people if he hadn't had their names on them I wouldn't have known them. Door prizes were outstanding. Thanks to all the Chapters that supplied such nice ones. The hospitality room had lots of food and plenty to drink. Vendors were good but I couldn't find a thing to put on our bike. So my money went toward food and usual. Our hats off to all the District Team for all their hard work.

Next events coming up is our Christmas Party and the O'Berry Center. I know the center is looking forward to our yearly visit and the gifts, and of course the money helps them purchase needed items. We have made several trips there with donation from some friends outside of our Chapter.

Our Christmas party will be on December 6th at the same place as it's been for several years. You will find a form in this newsletter and I will need for you to have it filled out and turned in to Alice at our November meeting. Really need some ideas I know that we have some very talented people out there, so be willing to show it off. Always looking forward for things to make it fun. We e-mailed out a note asking for ideas about the food, only got one. Never know it might be dry beans and loaf bread.

The big question is What Will Next Year Bring

As always help someone when you can — Bobby

### Christmas Party

Date: December 6th 2019

Same place as last year—Spain Plumbing Building

Time: Eating at 6:30 pm

Cost: \$5.00 as in the past

We will not be exchanging gifts

We will have our food drive for the Ronald McDonald House as we have in the past (They really like indivual package goods, cookies, chips, pudding, cake mix and can frosting. Coffee, tea, sugar and all type of paper products and cleaning products.

Please sign and date this form, tape your money to the form

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_

\$5.00 per person Total money \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form you agree not to hold Spain Plumbing for any damage that may occur to you or any of your property

Please Return to Ronnie or Gerald at the meeting

Greetings from your ACD's, COY's

Busy, Busy, Busy! Life seems to be on the fast track. I think every other week we're in the mountains and we love it! A few weeks ago we took a bike ride to Colleen, Va. Near Charlottesville to get apples, pears and peaches. Any excuse will do!

On Monday October 7<sup>th</sup> we went to Paint Bank, Va. near West Va. with our retired preacher and his wife. We stayed at his old home place. It was a wonderful trip. The house is a big old 2 story farm house located way back in the mountains on a 570 acre farm with cattle, deer, and turkeys roaming the pasture and hillside. It was just picture perfect even though the leaves hadn't changed very much. We were there 3 days and hated to leave.

Today, October 11<sup>th</sup>, we're leaving for Asheville for a weekend of baseball with our daughter's family. We have two grandsons that play travel ball and this weekend the younger grandson is playing travel ball in Asheville. Then, On the 21<sup>st</sup> of October we are going to Pigeon Forge with our church.

Of course, we can't leave out the trip to Wings in Waynesville. That was another great few days in the hills. One morning Ronnie & I went on a ride by ourselves. We made a right turn out of the fairgrounds with no planned destination. Not very far down the road was a service station on the right and a side road on the left so we decided to take the side road and see where it went. We started ascending up the mountain through a residential area. After a few miles we came to a pull off area where a man with 2 large hound dogs was stopped. These dogs were very well trained and responded to his every command. He had them sitting in front of a large wooden statue of "Big Foot" so he could take their picture. We offered to take the picture and he accepted so below is the picture we took of him and his dogs.



He told us they were Lion Dogs and were used to hunt and tree mountain lions. He was driving an unusual looking all-terrain vehicle which is shown below. In our conversation with him, he said the road we were on was the Trans America Trail and runs from Oregon to West Va. How's that for picking a random road to ride!?



We continued up the mountain to where the pavement ended and the next 2 miles were gravel and then pavement again. The road finally dead ended where there were large fields with information about elk observations. There was a side road before the dead end that took you to another town 16 miles away and continued the trail. We had to return to the fairground to work the afternoon so we back tracked the way we had come. Except for the gravel road part, it was a great ride. We recommend that when you're riding sometime, just pick a side road and see where it leads you. Ride when you can, Gerald and Ronnie ACD's & COY's

#### November Birthday

Allison Harris	7
Tommy Upton	16

#### November Anniversary

Bobby & Alice Manning	10
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*I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.*

*Two roads diverged in a wood, and I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference.*

## The 10 don'ts of motorcycling – By: Motorcycle Life style

I realize you have heard and read all of this but once in awhile it's good to refresh the mind.

You've taken your motorcycle course, gotten your license, and have miles of experience in your mirrors. You've read all of the how-tos, the motorcycle safety tips and even the scooter safety tips but when it comes to motorcycles, do you know what NOT to do?

1. Don't neglect your motorcycle— Your tires can go bald, your brake pads can wear out, your fuel lines can clog, your engine can suffer damage. Any of the above can cause serious problems. Keep your motorcycle in good repair: riding boots are not comfortable for walking.
2. Don't ride beyond your limits— You must first know your limits. Most motorcycles can lean to 30-something degrees, ¼ mile in seconds, and brake far faster than the average car. Most motorcyclists will never reach the limits of their bikes. Know your limits, ride within them.
3. Don't neglect yourself—Part of the joy of riding is being out with the elements, but the elements will wear you down. Whether sun and or cold and wet, stay comfortable, hydrated, and fed. Most motorcycle problems are caused by the nut that connects the handlebars to the saddle.
4. Don't mix substances with riding—If you want to drink, drink. If you want to do drugs, do drugs. Use it, don't abuse it. Just motorcycling and substances don't mix well. There are old motorcyclists and there are drunk motorcyclists, but there are no drunk old motorcyclists.
5. Don't lose sight of what's important while riding, flyboy— You see that pretty girl (or boy)? She (or he) sees you riding by, on your freshly washed bike. As you ride by, staring in slow motion, she (or he) watches you rear end a truck. Everyone crashes. Some get back on. Some don't. Some can't.
6. Don't look down— Wondering if you're going to crash? Thinking you won't make the corner? Have a feeling you're going down? If you look down you'll get there quick. Look where you want to go.
7. Don't underestimate the importance of braking and positioning through corners—What's proper lane position? When should you be braking? Here's a visual:
8. Don't ride someone else's pace- Learn from the more experienced riders in the group, but don't feel obliged to keep up the pace, particularly through corners, rough roads, or bad weather. Ride your own ride.
9. Don't let your head grow faster than your skills— Riding a motorcycle can take you from zero to hero. The learning curve is sharp, and you'll have no shortage of people asking you for a ride. There isn't enough room in helmets for both sound judgement and a swollen ego. Never ride faster than your guardian angel can fly.
10. Don't be afraid to say thanks— Be it to the driver who lets you cut ahead, or whatever power you choose to believe in as you arrive safely at home at the end of a long ride. Being humble might just keep you alive. Being humble might just keep you alive.

Preacher Corner

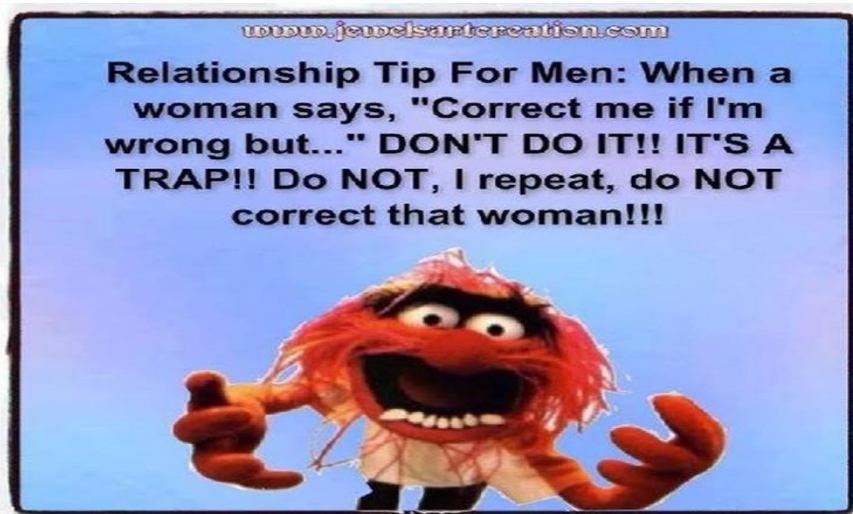
GOD SPEAKS

Matthew 5:7 (NIV 1974) "*Blessed are the MERCIFUL for they will be shown* \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ."

Lesson: On the other hand, \_\_\_\_\_ are the UNMERCIFUL for they will be shown NO mercy. (You supply the missing word/words here!)



Once you lick the frosting off a *cupcake* it becomes a muffin... and muffins are *healthy*. You're welcome 😊



Gene Donovan says this is true

### Hearing Test

Mike feared that his wife, Sarah, wasn't hearing as well as she used to and he thought she might need a hearing aid. Not quite sure how to approach her, he called the family doctor to discuss the problem. The doctor told him that there is a simple, informal test he can perform to give the doctor a better idea about her hearing loss. "Here's what I want you to do," said the doctor. "Stand about 40 feet away from her, and in a normal conversational speaking tone see if she hears you. If not, go to 30 feet away from her, then 20 feet, and so on until you get a response." That evening, the wife is in the kitchen cooking dinner, and he is in the den. So Mike says to himself, 'I'm about 40 feet away, let's see what happens.' Then in a normal tone he asks, "Honey, what's for dinner?" No response. So, he moves closer to the kitchen, about 30 feet from his wife and repeats, "Sarah, what's for dinner?" Still no response. Mike then moves into the dining room where he is about 20 feet from his wife and asks, "Honey, what's for dinner?" Again he gets no response. So, he walks up to the kitchen door, about 10 feet away. "Honey, what's for dinner?" Again, there is no response. So Mike walks right up behind her. "Sarah, what's for dinner?"

**For Pete Sakes, Mike, for the fifth time, CHICKEN!" Gene**

### **Most of our generation of 60+ were HOME SCHOoled in many ways . Preacher Cliff**

1. My mother taught me TO APPRECIATE A JOB WELL DONE. "If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning."
2. My mother taught me RELIGION. "You better pray that will come out of the carpet."
3. My father taught me about TIME TRAVEL. "If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"
4. My father taught me LOGIC. "Because I said so, that's why."
5. My mother taught me MORE LOGIC. "If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you're not going to the store with me."
6. My mother taught me FORESIGHT. "Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."
7. My father taught me IRONY. "Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about."
8. My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS. "Shut your mouth and eat your supper."
9. My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM. "Just you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"
10. My mother taught me about STAMINA. "You'll sit there until all that spinach is gone."
11. My mother taught me about WEATHER. "This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it."
12. My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY. "If I told you once, I've told you a million times, don't exaggerate!"
13. My father taught me the CIRCLE OF LIFE. "I brought you into this world, and I can take you out..."
14. My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION. "Stop acting like your father!"
15. My mother taught me about ENVY. "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."
16. My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION. "Just wait until we get home."
17. My mother taught me about RECEIVING. "You are going to get it from your father when you get home!"
18. My mother taught me MEDICAL SCIENCE. "If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to get stuck that way."
19. My mother taught me ESP. "Put your sweater on; don't you think I know when you are cold?"
20. My father taught me HUMOR. "When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."
21. My mother taught me HOW TO BECOME AN ADULT. "If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up."
22. My mother taught me GENETICS. "You're just like your father."
23. My mother taught me about my ROOTS. "Shut that door behind you. Do you think you were born in a barn?"
24. My mother taught me WISDOM. "When you get to be my age, you'll understand."
25. My father taught me about JUSTICE. "One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you!"





Miss Ada in 2008



Betty receiving a gift from a member



Glenn and Carlyon receiving the Couples Plaque



David and Barbara



I think these ladies are up to no good



It was good to see Charlie and Anita out visiting



# The Simpsons Characters

A	M	E	L	A	P	A	L	E	N	N	Y	N	O	NELSON
T	P	W	I	L	L	I	E	C	C	O	T	E	R	RALPH
T	I	U	D	T	L	L	O	M	L	A	O	L	B	OTTO
R	M	S	M	H	Y	R	T	C	M	A	H	S	K	PATTY
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S	Y	E	T	A	A	C	O	E	M	L	M	N	U	SIDESHOW BOB
K	R	H	I	T	I	B	O	T	H	E	E	T	S	LENNY
R	B	T	Y	T	T	T	Y	U	P	S	R	O	T	HOMER
B	A	I	S	Y	E	E	G	S	L	T	E	I	Y	KRUSTY
O	R	M	I	S	N	R	B	I	A	Y	A	T	R	WILLIE
I	T	S	L	R	A	D	E	U	R	H	R	E	T	NED
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Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please turn in to Ronnie

## Things Husbands Do to Annoy Their Wives

1. He doesn't ask for directions when lost
2. He walks away while she's talking to him
3. He answers "UH-huh" and Hmmm" to everything
4. He buys her gardening tools for Christmas
5. He walks on the floor while she is cleaning it
6. He's lived there for years, yet still opens the wrong cupboards
7. He doesn't put things back where he found them
8. He says, "What have you been doing all day while I've been at working

# November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7 Meeting	8	9
10 Bobby & Alice	11	12	13	14	15	16 Tommy Upton
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30