



# GOLD WING TOURING ASSOCIATION

November, 2011  
FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

## Breakfast Social

Country Buffet @ Twin Peaks Mall  
8:00 am Breakfast / 9:00 am Meeting  
Date: December 3, 2011  
Host & Hostess: Cal and Rose Kimball  
50/50: Grant Nelson

## Chapter 'A' Planning Meeting

December planning meeting at Perkin's  
(after Hump Day dinner)  
December 7th, 6 pm

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## Front Range Gold Members and Friends

Christmas 2011 -- Birth of a New Tradition



As the holidays approach, the giant Asian factories are kicking into high gear to provide Americans with monstrous piles of cheaply produced goods -- merchandise that has been produced at the expense of American labor. This year will be different. This year Americans will give the gift of genuine concern for other Americans. There is no longer an excuse that, at gift giving time, nothing can be found that is produced by American hands. Yes there is! It's time to think outside the box, people. Who says a gift needs to fit in a shirt box, wrapped in Chinese produced wrapping paper?

Everyone -- yes EVERYONE gets their hair cut. How about gift certificates from your local American hair salon or barber?

Gym membership? It's appropriate for all ages who are thinking about some health improvement.

Who wouldn't appreciate getting their car detailed? Small, American owned detail shops and car washes would love to sell you a gift certificate or a book of gift certificates.

Are you one of those extravagant givers who think nothing of plunking down the Benjamins on a Chinese made flat-screen? Perhaps that grateful gift receiver would like his driveway sealed, or lawn mowed for the summer, or driveway plowed all winter, or games at the local golf course.

There are a bazillion owner-run restaurants -- all offering gift certificates. And, if your intended isn't the fancy eatery sort, what about a half dozen breakfasts at the local breakfast joint.

Remember, folks, this isn't about big National chains -- this is about supporting your home town Americans with their financial lives on the line to keep their doors open.

How many people couldn't use an oil change for their car, truck or motorcycle, done at a shop run by the American working guy?

Thinking about a heartfelt gift for mom? Mom would LOVE the services of a local cleaning lady for a day.

My computer could use a tune-up, and I KNOW I can find some young guy who is struggling to get his repair business up and running.

OK, you were looking for something more personal. Local crafts people spin their own wool and knit them into scarves. They make jewelry, and pottery and beautiful wooden boxes.

Plan your holiday outings at local, owner operated restaurants and leave your server a nice tip. And, how about going out to see a play or ballet at your hometown theatre.

Musicians need love too, so find a venue showcasing local bands.

Honestly, people, do you REALLY need to buy another ten thousand Chinese lights for the house? When you buy a five dollar string of light, about fifty cents stays in the community. If you have those kinds of bucks to burn, leave the mailman, trash guy or babysitter a nice BIG tip.

You see, Christmas is no longer about draining American pockets so that China can build another glittering city. Christmas is now about caring about US, encouraging American small businesses to keep plugging away to follow their dreams. And, when we care about other Americans, we care about our communities, and the benefits come back to us in ways we couldn't imagine. THIS is the new American Christmas tradition.

Kathleen Barker



## Meet Your Members

Hi there,

We are Bill and Fran Stirling. Bill was born in Alabama and I was born in New Mexico. We met in Spain, in 1980. We were married in 1985. We did 20 years in the Navy before we retired. We have 3 children (2 daughters and 1 son ) and 4 grandchildren (3 girls and 1 boy ) Our oldest daughter lives right next door, which is totally awesome, because we have our oldest granddaughter (she is 12) next door too. Our youngest lives in Cheyenne. Close, but still too far for my liking.

We had our 1st ride on a Gold Wing in 1985 when we passed through Alabama on a visit with Bills father. I had never been on a motorcycle and the biggest thing Bill had ridden was a moped in Spain. It turned out to be a 600 mile round trip to the Smokies. What an adventure! He only set the crash bar on my foot twice before I learned to keep my foot up when we had to get gas.

We decided on that trip we wanted a Gold Wing. But I also wanted another baby.....hence the 3rd child. So It was 25 years before we fulfilled our dream of a Gold Wing. We got our 1st one in '04. It is a 1981 1100. I thought I was in hog heaven till I sat on an '09. So last October we bought our '09. And we already have over 14,000 miles on it.

Bill met Ron at the gas station and they started talking about bikes. Ron mentioned the Group and since we had been wanting to ride with others we decided to check it out. We went to two dinners and 1 ice cream social and we were hooked.

What an awesome group of people!! We are very happy to be a part of it. We look forward to every time we get together.

Thanks for being here.

Safe riding,

Bill and Fran



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**Holiday Party  
January 14, 2012**

Location: Mugg & Pye, 141 5th Ave, Frederick

Time: 6 PM - 10 PM

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Food: Spaghetti, meatball, chicken cacciatore, salad, coffee and tea  
Flier and Registration Form in the next newsletter.

**CHAPTER 'A' STORE**

Our new logo, (Front Range Gold & GWTA) is sewn on our new ordered shirts.

Anyone wanting to retro fit your existing hats and shirts, the GWTA logo patch is available for \$5.00.

We have a volunteer to sew them on for you.

We have a limited number of the cotton twill hats with FRG logo but without the GWTA lettering.

They are available at \$10 each.

Our new hats with the new logo will be wool blend and available for \$15.

Please contact me to place your orders.

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GWTA logo \$5.00

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M, L, XL, 2X, or 3X

New vendor now offers a short sleeve Henley shirt  
**NEW** L/S Sweat Shirt \$26.00  
S, M, L, XL, 2X, or 3X

POLO S/S \$24.00

## LANE POSITIONING

Some questions have arisen about lane positioning when riding. Keep in mind that there is not a hard and fast answer. There are as many solutions as there are roads, traffic and weather conditions. Just for this article let me clarify that our point of reference is a two wheeler riding alone. If you are riding a three wheeler that every thing stated here would have to be modified some. Or if you are riding with a group the rules are a little more stringent.

On most modern highways a lane is 12 feet wide. It could be less if the highway dates back or is an old city street that is, has not, or can not be widened. Each lane should be divided into thirds; the left tire track, the right tire track and the center that a car or truck would normally operate. You could be dealing with multiple lanes going the same direction or a two lane road with the traffic on your left going the opposite direction. There are advantages and disadvantages to each third of a lane. The best positioning for you in a lane is where you are the safest. Now how is that for a cop out?

Being as you are traveling along a highway the conditions are constantly changing so you are subject to constantly alter your position in order to maintain the safest position. You need to constantly ask yourself questions and then alter your position in order to get the right answer. Remember that you cannot always get the best answer to all of your questions and sometimes compromises have to be made to get as close to the desired outcome as possible.

The simple solution here is to build yourself a space cushion, with ample room to the front and rear and adequate room on each side. When building this space cushion keep in mind that most bikes will out perform most autos. This is where I usually get into trouble as some one out there has an automobile that they think will out perform a motorcycle. Just remember that I said MOST.

Things to consider when positioning yourself is: (1) Am I maximizing my position for my best traction? (2) Am I positioning myself for my maximum visibility, so that I can see what is going on around me? (3) Am I positioning myself for their maximum visibility, so that other driver(s) can see me? (4) Am I in the best position to make my next maneuver? (5) Am I protecting my lane?

You see there are a lot of things to consider here and they keep changing constantly. Here are a few of the items that can affect your decisions.

When deciding to use the center of the lane. This is where the oil is deposited on the road. Under normal circumstances this is not a big deal as long as the road is not wet. If the road is wet it should be a consideration, but not necessarily a no-no. Where I would take this seriously is at an intersection. When cars come to a stop this is where they deposit the most oil and it could be fresh. It is also at this location that some vehicles decide to deposit some anti-freeze, now anti-freeze on top of oil, whoopee!

Right side of lane could be the best position to be in if you are on a two lane road and an 18 wheeler is coming at you. They are often pushing a wall of air in front of them that could hit you with quite a blast. So by moving to the right you can minimize this force of air. Also if there is a vehicle on the right side trying to gain access to the highway, it may be to your benefit to position yourself to the right so that the driver has better line of sight to you.

The left side of the lane is generally, and I say generally, the most desirable position to be in for most situations. This is usually the best position to be in to allow oncoming traffic to see you, as well as for the driver in front to see you in his/her mirror. It is also the best place to be if you are considering a pass.

In considering all of these options, make sure that you aren't hiding from your enemies. Make sure that the traffic out there sees you. This is the environment that you want to be as conspicuous as possible. Make sure that you are not following too closely to the car in front of you. This can hide you from oncoming traffic and a vehicle can pull out to pass as soon as it clears the vehicle in front of you. Here is an interesting scenario: Imagine yourself traveling along a two lane road following a brown Buick. You are in the left portion of the lane to maximize that drivers visibility of you. A Winnebago RV is approaching from the opposite direction. You keep yourself positioned to the left and far enough behind the Buick so as to be visible to the RV and as it gets nearer you start moving to the right to avoid the wind blast it is obviously pushing. You move over at a pace that keeps yourself visible to the RV.

Don't forget the obstacles as part of the decision making process. And a big one is the tar snakes. This is where our highway maintenance crews go out and say what can we do to trap a motorcyclist today. They find a crack in the pavement that has been caused by water damage and put tar in it to prevent additional water damage. This crack is usually about a half an inch wide, but they make the strip about two inches wide. These are affectionately called tar snakes. We want to avoid these especially if it is hot. It can be challenging and sometimes fun playing the game of not driving on a tar snake. It can make the miles fly by.

So you see this could go on forever. You could build scenarios endlessly and the solutions would be different in each case. The main thing is that you need to evaluate constantly and reposition as you see fit. The key to this is, awareness, evaluation and corrective action. Identify the obstacles and put as much space between it and your bike as possible. Remember that, at times, there will be multiple obstacles, if you can't separate them, then you may have to compromise and determine what is the most safe avenue and pursue that. Identify the enemy and out smart it. Keep in mind that the machine you are riding is portable and omni-directional, and will go where you tell it. Put it in the best possible position to help insure your safety.

Ride safe and enjoy!

Chuck

## Boulder Dinner Theatre

**February 15th, 2012 (Wednesday Evening)**

### Phantom

Come and enjoy on February 15th, 2012, Boulder Dinner Theatre's 'Phantom'. This is a Wednesday evening Show - - Seating starts at 5:30pm. The show begins at 7:00pm and will be out around 9:45 pm.

This mesmerizing Phantom is traditional musical theatre in the finest sense. The Tony award winning authors of Nine have transformed Gaston Leroux' original novel into a sensation that enraptures audiences and critics with beautiful songs and an expertly crafted book. It is constructed around characters more richly developed than in any other version, including the original novel!

The cost is \$40.00 each (includes the show, dinner, unlimited soft drink or coffee or tea, and tip). Checks made payable to 'Boulder's Dinner Theatre' need to be to me by January 2nd, 2012.

Thank you. Eva Wodehouse, [eva.wodehouse@gmail.com](mailto:eva.wodehouse@gmail.com)

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 (Discount rates not available online)

After 7/1/12 you will be required to register at Gold Rush.

You must show your current membership card to retain your member registration rates at Gold Rush. Expired cards will not be accepted. DAY PASSES are \$25.

Circle appropriate codes after name: A=Adult, C=Under 16, R=Rider, P=Passenger. Use name wanted on ID

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 GWTA Chapter/St./Pr. \_\_\_\_\_ Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Other Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Will you use: Motel  Campground  Other

GWTA MEMBER Registration before 2/1/12	\$25	x		=	\$
Non Member Registration before 2/1/12	\$35	x		=	\$
Children uner 16 free (not eligible for drawing)	free				
Welcome Dinner: Sunday, July 22	\$15	x		=	\$
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**Refund requests must be received in writing before July 1, 2012 and they will only be given to those who paid \$50 or more per person for their registration. (If you paid \$25 or \$35 these prices are not refundable and not transferable.) No refunds will be issued without written notice. Confirmation postcards will be mailed for all registrations received at the Office. If you have not received a confirmation postcard contact the office before the next cut off date! Please Note: Confirmation emails from online orders are not sent from the office and do not confirm that your registration was received and processed.**

**Anyone who registers after 6/1/12 will not be eligible for the grand prize drawing.**

**1-800-960-GWTA (4982)**

**[www.gwta.org](http://www.gwta.org)**

# December, 2011

## GWTA, Region E, Front Range Gold, Chapter 'A'

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Deli Cioso Dinner Gang 6 PM	3 Breakfast Social Country Buffet 8 AM
4 North Shamrock Brunch Bunch 9 AM  Ruth Chatten	5  Dec Schneider	6	7 Hump Day Relief and Planning meeting 6 PM at Perkin's  Sharon Gustafson	8	9 Deli Cioso Dinner Gang 6 PM	10  Chuck & Donna Lanterman
11 North Shamrock Brunch Bunch 9 AM	12	13	14 Hump Day Relief 6 PM Texas Roadhouse	15 Food Sort 6-8 pm  Marie Loftus	16 Deli Cioso Dinner Gang 6 PM  Peggy Williams	17  Alice Root
18 North Shamrock Brunch Bunch 9 AM	19	20  Ann Materasso	21 Hump Day Relief 6 PM 7 West Pizzeria & Pub	22	23 Deli Cioso Dinner Gang 6 PM	24
25 North Shamrock Brunch Bunch 9 AM 	26	27	28 Hump Day Relief 6 PM Freddie's Steakburgers	29 Ice Cream Social, Good Times South, 7 PM  Barry & Arleen	30 Deli Cioso Dinner Gang 6 PM	31

## GWTA EVENTS

Following is a list of National, Region 'E', State and other events that would like our support

### Membership

GWTA Box 42403  
317-243-6822 or 800-960-4982  
membership@gwtaco.com

### Touring News

2415 Director's Row, Suite K  
Indianapolis, IN 46241  
Touring.news@gwtaco.com

### Chapter T, CO

Trail Ridge Riders  
Chapter Directors:  
Don & Joyce White  
Windsor, CO 80550  
970 834-0706  
Meet 3rd Saturday, Loveland Perkins

#### *Editor's Note*

*Recipes, jokes, games, articles etc. are welcome. This is YOUR newsletter. Any and all input is wanted and welcome. You may send via snail mail or better yet, send via e-mail for better copy. Thanks, Editor*



## Wake Up!

And smell the coffee...

...And

**Eggs Benedict, Waffles, Pancakes,  
French Toast, Bacon, Sausage, Ham,  
Corned Beef Hash, Scrambled Eggs,  
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## FOR SALE

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## FOR SALE

**For a 1500 Gold Wing:** Service book (\$40), left hand glove box (\$20), cup holder (\$12), filter wrench (\$10), flag poles and flags (\$45), half cover (\$30), full cover (\$80), new XXL helmet (\$190), tunnel filler (\$10), tank pouch (\$10), back rest (\$125), cooler cover (\$150)

**Dennis Schneider 303 667 7705**

11/11

### November News

Welcome to new members, Duane and Sunny Schulte. Glad you could join us for the 'long ride' as members of GWTA and Front Range Gold! We are looking for Family of the year nominations and for a Region E Webmaster.

### November 50/50

Bob Courtney - \$25  
Cal Kimball - \$15  
Glenda Bogness - \$10

### January 1, 2012 Kick-off Polar Ride

Hope for a snowless, clear pavement fun ride for ourselves and friends who would like to join us.

The proposed route will be approximately 75 miles. Lunch will be in Fort Collins at a surprise restaurant.

We will leave from the North Shamrock at 10:30.

Any Questions? Contact Jim Bogness  
**303-772-3755**

## FRG AND SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE

All December events are also on the calendar

### November 24- Happy Thanksgiving

December 7 - 6 pm Planning meeting at Perkins after dinner

### December 25 - Merry Christmas

December 29 - 7 pm Ice Cream Social, Good Times South

January 14 - Annual Holiday Party. Hold that date!

### Ongoing Events

#### Sunday Brunch Bunch - 9 am

North Main Shamrock,  
1850 Main St.

#### Wed. Hump Day Relief - 6 pm

A different location is picked each week. Watch for the e-mails. If no new location is picked, then Nicolo's remains the default location, 1631 Pace St. (17th & Pace). If you are not on the e-mail list, you may call Ron or Sharon at 303 772-2654 for weekly information.

#### Friday Dinner Gang - 6 PM

Deli Cioso  
1217 South Main

#### Ice Cream Social - 7 pm

Last Thursday of each month.

### Motorcycle Magazines for the Military

If anyone has motorcycle magazines they no longer need there is a person collecting these and sending care packages to soldiers. You can bring them to the next monthly meeting and I'll deliver them to her. Thank you. Kathleen Barker

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**December 3, 2011**

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9:00 am Meeting

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Don't forget your food  
share donations

&  
Soup labels

Chapter A  
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