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## From your directors...

This month's meeting came with a surprise for the members in attendance. The chapter surprised everyone with brownies and ice cream. Everyone enjoyed the surprise. We also congratulated Thomas King who took Best in Show for a terrific airbrush-paint job done on an American eagle that was made by his grandfather. Great Job, Thomas!

For those of you who don't know, Adrienne is still recovering from some rather serious surgery she recently had. GET WELL QUICK Adrienne, we miss you on the rides.

Also for those of you who don't know, our son Sgt. Nicholas DeBarge was deployed to Iraq in June. Anyone wishing to get our son's APO address please feel free to give us a call.

There is still riding time remaining. Hopefully the rain will stop and we can enjoy the rest of the season.

Remember that this is your chapter and the chapter will only be as good as you want it to be. Rides are scheduled from members submissions, but it seems that only a key few ride with the chapter. Please come and ride with us—the more members we have on the ride, the more fun we have. Bring a friend; we also understand that life sometimes gets in the way of Sunday rides. Hope to see you on one of the few rides left this season.

Until next month, ride safe and we will see you on September 15 at B'Shara's for our next meeting.

**Mark & Marie DeBarge**  
*Chapter Directors*

## J A M . . . (Just A Member)

We would like to introduce a new segment to our newsletter—JAM.

- Have you been on a motorcycle ride lately?
- What did you think of it?
- Who did you meet?
- Would you suggest it to someone else?

All these things are important for us to continue to find places to visit and new people to meet. This segment is for your thoughts. Please send us a short story that we can format and forward to be included in the

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newsletter. If you do not want to sign your name that's ok too. We look forward to having your ideas on paper in the near future.

Send your message, story or idea to Claude at ([grampa1951@charter.net](mailto:grampa1951@charter.net))

## ...And now, for some monthly

## J A M

On July 27<sup>th</sup>, our ride schedule called for GWRRA MA-F poker run. We checked the weather and found that it was kind of iffy, but... not really **that** bad. So we left and had a great ride down. Got greeted by lots of GW members that have become great friends since the first day we met.

We went on the tour led by a Chapter F member and ended up making a U-Turn. Guess we all make them!!! Now it's an official GW ride. Had a few wet spots but stayed on the outside edge of the rain. Got back to the end point for more fun, friends and food. We left lots of happy smiling faces and wishes for safe rides home and promises to meet at the next function.

A ride home with me, "Mr. Sunshine?" Yup, you got it. Drove right into a car wash without the car. Safety first, get off the road 4 wheel drivers are crazy. We stopped with Mark, our chapter director, and friend and had more laughs than you can imagine. We were leaving puddles everywhere what a sight we made.

The rain never really let up as we headed home, but we had a great time making jokes and singing—not "Born to be Wild" but, "Singing in the Rain." Misery loves company and GWRRA members are the best company to be with.

Claude Pouliot

## Monthly Features

Attendance: 22 Members  
Guests:

New member:

Next Meeting: September 15, 2008  
B'Shara's, West Springfield, MA  
7:30 pm

Biker Bakers: September – Claire  
October – Al  
November – Bill L

*If interested in helping let us know—we can use the help. A small payment is paid for supplies, and about 30 members come to a meeting.*

## **Birthdays...**

### **August...**

3 David Hawley  
10 Chris Lamontagne  
10 Ken Walker  
16 Roger King

### **September...**

14 Ann Marie Gentile  
15 Barbara LaPalme  
15 Mary LaPalme  
30 Neil Newman

### **October...**

2 Eddie Colon  
7 Jack Gilroy  
8 Claude Pouliot  
9 Bill Clark

**Note from Faith:** If I'm missing any birthdays (or have the dates wrong), please let me know!

### **...and in other news...**

If anyone has anything **bike-related** they'd like to sell and would like it included in the newsletter, please send a note to Mark & Marie DeBarge ([gwchptd@comcast.net](mailto:gwchptd@comcast.net)).

### **...classifieds / articles for sale...**

#### **Sarge's Cycle Sales**

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