



**LA District Educators  
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**ARE YOU READY TO  
GET YOUR TRAINING ON?**

I have some good news to share. Mike and Becky Stevenson have completed training to be certified as GWRRA Rider Course Instructors. They still have some "work with, observed by" requirements to fulfill, but they are well on their way. That means we now have 5 Rider Course Instructors, 3 Medic First Aid Instructors, 7 University Instructors and 5 Rider Ed Seminar Presenters currently certified in the LA District. The District has purchased 4 new "feed back" manikins to be used in MFA training. We have identified 3 rider course training locations. This means we are in great shape to offer some first class training in the LA District.

We would like to offer equal training opportunities in North LA, Southwest LA and Southeast LA. If we can train locally, this would be a great convenience for our members. So, Chapter Directors, this is what we need from you: Identify training needs within your chapter. This can be two wheeler or trike courses, with or without trailers. What about co-rider courses, road captain courses as well as an array of informative University Classes (Riding in the Rain, Riding in the Heat, Helmet Myths, etc.)? When you identify the training you would like for your chapter, notify the appropriate District representative. For rider courses, that would be me, the District Educator. For Medic First Aid, Mike Stevenson. For seminars or University modules, Joan Partigianoni, our DUC. We will schedule the event, help select a venue, select and verify instructor credentials and complete a U10 form to be sent to Clara Boldt, the GWRRA Director of Training. The class will then be listed on the GWRRA Website, Facebook page and Group Works. This will make the training available to all GW members. Registration forms will be available on the LA District website. All registration forms and funds required will be sent to me or Mike Stevenson. The only charges will be \$30 for Medic First Aid Training and \$40 for a rider course.

Now for you members out there, here is how you can help. Evaluate your skills and training levels. Are you a member of the Levels program? If not, ask your Chapter Director about it. If you are a member, what is your current status? Go to [www.gwrra.org](http://www.gwrra.org), select programs at the top, then Rider Education, from the left margin of the page, My R. E. Information. Log in with your gwrra number as the user name and the digits of your address + MMY of your membership expiration date as the password. If you are not current, notify your Chapter Director and ask him or her to apply for a training date at a location nearby.

All this training is part of the GWRRA Levels Program. This program is not a fund raiser or just a way to put a pretty patch on your vest. Its purpose is to make our riding experiences safe for the single rider as well as for our group rides. Our vision is that all chapter participants reach level 2 status. Level 1 and 2 are for the benefit of all. Level 1 is simple commitment to riding safely. Level 2 has the rider and co-rider sharpening and perfecting their on-bike skills. Levels 3 and 4 are individual choices, although I would like anyone riding with me to know CPR/First Aid. **All The Gear All The Time** is definitely a personal choice, but I can testify that the more you ride and learn, the more you tend to agree with **ATGATT**.

We love riding our Gold Wings. We love riding with our friends and we want everyone to get home safely. Our best opportunity to make this happen is training. Please take advantage of this great program to make our world safer.