

**Northern CA State Staff Meeting
January 12, 2013
Yuba City Moose Lodge**

On January 12, 2013 the meeting was called to order at 10AM by Harry Davis, No CA State Director. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Harry.

All State Staff introduced.

Welcome:

Steve and Ralphine Andrus – Region B Directors
Charles Horner- National Representative
Dave & Shelly Caudle- Mr. &Mrs. GWTA for N. CA
Skip & Sue Paquette - Region B Family of the Year
Doug Green – Our **NEW** national RED

Minutes from meeting of Sept 29, 2012 accepted: Motion by Jana Van Housen;
Seconded by Don Tolbert. Approved.

Harry our fearless leader is always reminding us that we are sticking to the agenda and the “state members” keep catching him in going off the agenda. He owed \$10.00 total this meeting.

Chapter CD’s and members in attendance:

- A- Manny and Lucille Bernstein CD, Jim Jackson ACD
- B- Tom Garske- CD
- E- Bill and Fran Jamison CD
- F– Kathy and Phil Honig-CD, Phil and Charlie Messer ACD, Dave, Shelly, Dillon, and Laney Caudle, Butch and Connie Ditmars, Jim Barber, Karen Padilla
- L - Lynn Hollenback CD and Jana Van Housen ACD
- O- Joyce and Les Long CD, Charles Horner
- P- Harry and Karen Davis CD, Rich McMillan ACD, George and Elouise Brice
- R- Doug Green CD
- S- Christy Sonneborn CD and Dennis Therien, Jack and Debby Jackson
- T- Skip and Teri Trautman CD, Skip and Sue Paquette ACD, Ed Davis, George Wabie, John and Irene Lopez, Jenny Gesoto, Mac and Adrienne McWharten, Lonna Applehoff, Bob and Mary Lantzy, Bruce Marshall, Al Mazon
- V- Christi & Steve Cue CD, Ralphine and Steve Andrus, Cathy, Matthew, and Makayla Cassevah
- X – Dennis & Jeannie Garton CD, Terry & Debbie Owen ACD
- Z – Don & Shelly Tolbert CD, Luis Reyes

Region B Directors Report - Steve & Ralphine Andrus

Touring News going green; no longer going to print.

Region B was a BIG part of helping to pay for taking the deduction down from \$15,000.00. Bruce Keenon went to the printer and asked them if they would take \$5,000.00 and be done with it and not the \$11,000.00 that was owed. The printer accepted that.

Touring News – Region B articles needed for April, June and Oct. This is our Region's time to shine so send in a favorite ride article or something that you think would be a good story. Stories are due by 12th of month before printing.

Glenda (Jim) Boggess is our new Touring News lady, contact @ touring.news@gwtaco.com. There will be a cover contest. If your bike is picked you will get your next year's membership renewal PAID. Send a high resolution picture to Touring News editor and use COVER PICTURE CONTEST in the subject line.

Gold Rush- THEME- Riding High in BIG SKY (bringing back the 60's). They went to OPS meeting in Dec and Big Sky is absolutely beautiful! 7,500 foot altitude, roads are great. RV sites in the area are a ways from the event; Big Sky will open parking lot but NO hook ups. Dave Caudle said there is a state campground but major road work. Dennis Therien said his sister lives up there and she said there is an RV park.

Welcome dinner is for only 350 people. DANCE- 60's and a movie night planned. Each Region needs to take a 50/50 day, 2 hour time frames. Like Sunday/Monday. Tuesday at Gold Rush will be a motorcycle ride day.

GWTA Membership Lists - CD's LOOK at reports you get every month.

Member's Address Changes Send address changes to all three listed below.

Send to John Hunrath – webmaster@gwta.org

Touring News – touring.news@gwtaco.com

Suzanne at main office- gwtaoffice@gwta.org

New Facebook- [gwta.facebook.com/gwta.org](https://www.facebook.com/gwta.org)

Region B Improvement Program had the BEST 20 last year!!!!

Steve Andrus- Regarding alcohol at GWTA functions:

What you do in hotel room or after hours is no problem but at a ride and there's alcohol.....NO...Insurance purposes.

Note that the member is covered by GWTA insurance – if a spouse is not listed as a GWTA member, then that spouse is not covered at any event. Only listed members are covered by GWTA insurance.

NATIONAL TICKETS – get them in to the Region as soon as you have sold them. Chapter T is the leader in our region.

George Mabie of Chapter T asked how we can get other regions to buy National tickets. Harry replied there is nothing we can really do to get other regions to “buy”; we should just worry about taking care of our house and not worry about others.

GWTA National Board- Charles Horner said there is not much to report this time of year. Regions A, C, E, and J are seeking nominations. **Helping Hands** needs a replacement if you are interested.

National Webmaster- Bruce Keenon is researching website costs in order to save GWTA expense.

BREAK 11:18am- 11:40AM

State Treasurer- Dave Caudle
Checkbook Balance - \$7,973.28
TOTAL in checking- \$8,162.83

State RED

No longer have one

National RED

NEW- Doug Green of Chapter R Monterey CA. Doug got all the files and boxes from the past RED and noticed that after three years the certifications for patches drop off for rider safety. How many chapters have a RED? Not many CD’s raised their hands.

FAMILY OF THE YEAR-

Chapter F presents- Dave, Shelly, Dillon and Laney Caudle

Chapter T presents- Skip and Teri Trautman

Chapter V presents – Cathy, Matthew and Makayla Cassevah

Chapter Z presents – Luis Reyes

THE CAUDLES ARE THE NEW N. CALIF. STATE FAMILY OF THE YEAR!!!!

LUNCH: 12:10 -1:30PM

SPRING FLING

LOGO – one entry was submitted and we decided to go with it. The winning artist is Michelle Therien again! Another good job!

Note that the deadline to pre-register and be entered into a drawing for \$100 is April 15; as well as to pre-order Spring Fling shirts by April 15.

Dirty bingo prizes - bring items to the State Staff meeting in March.

This year a \$10.00 discount is offered for anyone bringing (riding, trailering, shipping) their bike or trike to Spring Fling.
Christy Sonneborn feels that is discrimination.

Bike show, light parade (or illumination ride), hoping for 100 people this year!

CHAPTER EVENTS as Announced by Each Chapter Director/ACD

Jan 13	27th Golden Throne Awards	Chapter O
March 16	Mid-Winter Gathering	Chapters F & V
April -	Poker Run	Chapter V
April 27	Fallen Rider Memorial Ride	Chapter O
April 27	John Reynolds Memorial Ride	Chapter E
May -	Ralph Bezanson Memorial Ride	Chapter F
May 10	Mother's Day Campout	Chapter F
May 18	Ronnie Lee King Memorial Run	Chapter X
May 19	Bob Reese Memorial Ride	Chapter L
June 7-9	Father's Day Campout	Chapter T
July 27	Scandia Golf and Karts	Chapter P
Aug 9-11	Campout by the Lake (Tahoe)	Chapter S
Oct 12	Christmas Charity Fun Run	Chapter L
Oct 19	Sock Hop	Chapter X
Nov -	Toy Run	Chapter B
Nov 3	Toy Run	Chapter V
Nov 11	Veterans Day Parade, Marysville	Chapter T
Jan 1, 2014	Polar Bear Ride	Chapter A

**OLD BUSINESS –
NONE**

NEW BUSINESS -

April 27 - Two GWTA rides – Chapter E involved with another organization and apologizes for planning on the same day. It will be different next year.

Chapter L has set up a scholarship fund on their website – see the Sponsorship page to assist their local schools.

Chapter X issued a challenge to everyone to get their act together! For the Sock Hop, that is.

Treasury -

Christy Sonneborn would like to know why the State account money has dropped about \$3,000.00 in the last few years. Harry replied we are trying to address that with raffles, etc.

Chapter T donated \$100.00 today to State for donuts at Spring Fling.

Terry Owen stated that maybe each chapter should pick up the cost of donuts or maybe we should PUT A CUP OUT for donations.

Chapter X will buy in March (or give \$100.00)

Depending on the month that we meet, donuts cost \$56.00- \$88.00 (7 dozen).

Harry said to wait and assess cost at next State Staff meeting.

Dave Caudle replied that our only fundraiser is Spring Fling. We need participants and members. Dave also announced that the treasury is an open book and anyone can look at accounting and/or reports.

Fall Fiesta – Members of Oregon State participated in the 2012 Fall Fiesta and were impressed with the Tortilla Toss activity. They may have the same event at their rally.

For **Spring Fling**, Don Tolbert reported the Chamber in Susanville would like to make an award for the bike show. Further research is needed as to who will purchase the award.

Lynn Hollenback asked – Because of the **Western theme**, How many **guns** can I pack in at one time for Spring Fling?? *** Bring fake guns. Dennis Garton said to leave guns in bike or trailer or **NO guns** please (Harry). Eloise Brice said if there are guns allowed she isn't coming. **NO GUNS** George asked about bow & arrows? Laughing....

Should we look for a new place to hold our State Staff meetings? We get the BEST deal in Yuba City still. Many like it here and want to keep coming here. Lunch is \$10.00 each and the room is free to our organization.

Raffles

50/50 \$171.00 each, to John Lopez, raffle winner and to State
100 National tickets raffle by Steve Cue; winner is Skip Paquette

Next meeting

March 23 Yuba City Moose Lodge

Motion to adjourn by John Lopez; seconded by Terry Owen. Approved.
Meeting adjourned by Harry Davis, State Director, at 2:23 pm.

Submitted by
Christi Cue
Secretary