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Region F



New Mexico
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"Happy New Year!" from your new Chapter F Staff. This is already looking like it's going to be a fun year. Lots is going On in the chapter and staff with Ted and Kathy moving up to New Mexico District Directors, Jimm and Pam moving up to Chapter F Directors, Keith and Teresa Morrison coming up from the Goodie Store to become your Assistant Chapter Directors, John and Linda Kinny taking over the Goodie Store, Jo Lindquist and her husband Bill coming on as your new newsletter editor, and Gene and Jeannie Wagner starting as the new chapter historians. That's the changes on staff. All the rest of the existing staff is still here and everyone together forms what we consider to be an extremely capable and fun staff.

In some of our preliminary meetings we have been working on what we consider to our goals and dreams for this chapter. We are working on added staff positions that we think will get more member participation with staff and we've been working on ways to get more and better information to you, and also from you. As an example, Keith has been hard at work on a new Chapter F Web site that will link from the New Mexico District site. Jo Lindquist has been working on this newsletter and starting the foundation for its evolution. JoeO and Nancy have been working on DVD's of this past year for Chapter F, and the list goes on.

Tell us what you think, tell us how we're doing, and tell us what you like and what you want to see.....we're listening!

Your Chapter F Staff

NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

When: January 3rd
Time: Eat 7:30 AM
Meeting 8:30 AM
Where: Golden Corral
Coors and Quail, (near
I-40)

Chapter F Web Site

<http://www.newmexicochapterf.org>

Watch it GROW!!

**Provide Feedback
to Keith Morrison**

**Chapter Million
Mile Goal
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**See Article later in
newsletter**



Chapter Directors – JIMM & PAM WHITE

From La Casa de Los Blancos

I was asked a few days ago what our vision for the chapter is for the next 3 years. This started me thinking about all the things I had been considering, all the conversations I've had with Pam, and conversations with your chapter staff which can be described in four words (read on).

Our conversations have been very far ranging, from Rider Education to the chapter newsletter and a new Chapter F website, to Couple of the Year, to getting more chapter members involved with the chapter staff with the addition of more staff positions, to adding more interesting and fun rides AND social events for you, the family of chapter F. These conversations have also looked for ways to get all this information to you in a more efficient timely manner. We have already gotten started on most of the things I just described, and you will start seeing the results soon.

Please don't get me wrong, this is in no way an indictment or criticism of any past Chapter Directors or their staffs. Rather, I think it is a continuation of a tradition that all previous CD's and their staffs have obviously lived by. Every outgoing Chapter Director and their staffs have left for the incoming Director and their new staffs a chapter that is better than the one they took on. Every CD and staff have left their unique imprint and influence on this chapter, and from our perspective as the newest incoming CD's we only see good, positive results from those imprints and influences. No, we're not complaining about anyone before us, we're just trying to find some adequate way to say thank you to all of them.

But let's get back to your chapter staff. We are very proud and awed to be surrounded with people who have such energy, drive, and imagination. The constant flood of ideas that comes from any conversation between two or more of these folks, whatever the reason for the conversation is simply staggering. And there is that same energy in the chapter as a whole.

As an example, Mike Van Horn e-mailed us the other day with an idea for archiving our chapter events on a yearly basis, then creating a CD close to the end of the year and making them available to the members. How do you get involved in this? Well, most all of you take pictures when you go someplace. Get copies of those photos to us thru the year and we'll make up the CD. If we have 20 different people taking pictures of the same event then we have 20 different perspectives of that event, and that could prove to be VERY interesting!

So, when you take all these things together, then you have what we think can be described in these four words:

Chapter of the Year...

Our vision for GWRRA New Mexico Chapter F is to become, at the highest level possible, Chapter of the Year. To do this we have to get all the rest right.

Think about all that is implied in those four words.....the best we can provide and all the fun that goes with it.

Jimm & Pam



ACDs – KEITH & TERESA MORRISON

From the West Side

First, Teresa and I want to say thanks! Thanks to Jimm and Pam White for having the faith in picking us as the incoming ACDs. Thanks to Ted and Kathy Bates for all the help and understanding during this last year. And thanks to each and everyone we have met at the meetings and on the rides. You all made it so much fun and made us feel like we had been with the Chapter and GWRRA for years. We will do our best to not let the Chapter down and continue having fun.

Wow, where did 2008 go? It seems like yesterday that I talked Teresa into taking our first out of town trip with the new Wing. I didn't do that good at picking the place or the weather...haha. It was February and we headed to Four Corners. Yup, you read that right. We left here at 7 AM and didn't get back till 7 PM. I'm sure it wouldn't have taken that long if it wasn't for all those stops to warm up. I didn't think Teresa was going to get back on the bike, but she's a real trooper and pressed on.

Before we knew it, it was time for Wing Ding. That was a real test for Teresa. In seven days of riding, we hit nineteen states and rode for 4,300 miles. We did 2,300 mile in the first three days. It was like the Four Corners, it was fun, but I'm sure we won't be doing that again.

With all the trips we took this year, we piled 20,000 safe miles on the Wing. I mentioned safe miles for a reason. I haven't seen Jimm's page yet, but I'm sure he

talked about getting back to the basics and rider education. I agree that it's the cornerstone of GWRRA. I've told him we are all behind him, but we are going to have fun doing it!

We are planning on having plenty of rides, trips, and gatherings this coming year. There is a lot of energy in this Chapter and there is so much we can do. During these winter months, we could be getting together socially even if we aren't riding. We could be getting together for a bowling night, going out to dinners, weekend lunches, helping the needy, getting involved with the local community, the possibilities are endless. We also know not everyone can make every event and that's O.K., as long as you have fun at the ones you do attend.

Are you seeing a pattern in my message? The best thing about being a part of this association is that we'll be safe, and have fun! If ya ain't havin' fun...you're doing something wrong...hahaha.

I'm sure most of you have stopped reading this already, so I'll stop talkin...till next time...

Thanks once again to all of you!!

Smile...it makes folks wonder what you're up to...:-)))

Keith & Teresa Morrison



NM DISTRICT NEWS TED & KATHY BATES

It's a new year and time for us to try out this new position. We are looking forward to the challenges and opportunities it presents. At the same time we are looking forward to meeting a lot of new people and making lots of new friends and riding partners. We firmly believe that the main purpose is to have fun and mostly ride, safely.

We put between 15 and 20,000 miles on our wing each year and ride in all kinds of weather, but we prefer warm and dry. The weekend of the 13th, we got a taste of what travelling across the state this time of year means. And don't trust the weather guessers. We left ABQ headed to El Paso for the combined Chapters T and TX-1A holiday party and all went well, except of course, the expected wind. We left ABQ at about 40 degrees and hit El Paso at about 65 degrees. So, all in all, not bad.

On Sunday we rode from El Paso to Alamogordo to attend the Chapter Y holiday meal. That day there were damaging winds in El Paso, but all we hit was some strong winds coming across Transmountain in El Paso. Other than that, it was a nice leisurely ride to Alamogordo.

At this point we would like to thank Chapters T, TX-1A and Y for their hospitality and making us feel very welcome. We had a great time.

The return trip from Alamogordo to ABQ was more stressful. It was raining when we left Alamogordo, which we had expected and were prepared for, as the weather guessers had forecast above freezing and a 50% chance of precipitation. When we hit Carrizozo, the temperature dropped from 48 to 36. It stayed that way on into Socorro where we stopped for gas. A guy at the store asked if we were going north or south. Said it was snowing hard south of Belen. Well, we took off and about halfway to Belen, we found out he was right. We got off the interstate and struggled thru the snow and 28-32 degree temperatures all the way home. When we crossed the river on Paseo, I could feel slippage, like ice. I was okay, just a little tense, but I think Kathy permanently damaged the passenger seat squeezing her legs together. None the less, she was a great co-rider. She didn't say a word, must have been too petrified!

That brings me to a key point I will be constantly preaching, and that is rider safety. My windshield was a solid sheet of ice, couldn't see a thing thru it. I guess you riders with Tulsa's would have had to stop and maybe wouldn't have made it home until things thawed out. Anyway, the point is, be aware of your

circumstances and be alert and most of all, be well trained.....

We will promote rider safety every chance we have and look forward to working with the chapters for input and their training needs.

What do we want to see happen in the NM District in 2009? Well, here are the main points:

- Communication from members all the way to District. We will be very exposed and available. We want members to be able to contact us directly if necessary. We will plan to attend a minimum of 4 Chapter meetings of each Chapter.
- We will promote Riders Ed at every opportunity and promote, "A fun ride is also a safe ride".
- We will promote the COY program and encourage that every Chapter participates.
- We will attempt to assist Chapters in getting new members to attend meetings and help in getting old members back. Plus, we want all bikers to be involved, regardless of the model. If your knees are in the breeze, you belong.....
- We will put out a bi monthly newsletter with tips and advice, what we feel will be helpful. (We plan to expand this to monthly as activities pick up and accelerate.)

We realize we are all volunteers; we just want to make it fun to be a volunteer.

Here is the direct District Staff as it exists right now:

Rider Educator: Rick & Lynda Howell
Asst Rider Ed: Lou & Debby Sarabia
Treasurer: Lisa Bachman
Web Master: Jerry & Becky Stillwagon

We have other positions to fill and some to create. We are considering: Asst District Director, Membership Coordinator, COY Coordinator, Events Coordinator (or committee), Goodie Store, etc. Information on these will be forthcoming. If you have any ideas, bring them to our attention and volunteer to help out.

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MEMBER ENHANCEMENT COORDINATORS

Joe & NancyO

JANUARY MEMBER MATTERS

January Birthdays



Pauline Baker Jan 8th
 Jean Kelley Jan 10th
 Larry Hardman Jan 14th
 Jo Lindquist Jan 19th
 Donna Hardman Jan 28th

January Anniversaries

Ross & Barbara Barnes Jan 1st
 Dave & Lynn Stewart Jan 11th
 Allen Van Riper Jan 12th
 Dave Drake Jan 21st
 Ted & Mary CdeBaca Jan 25th
 Bud & Cheryl Walter Jan 26th



GWRRA Member January Anniversaries

John Kinney	Jan 1, 1996	13 years	Ken & Dian Fourcher	Jan 22, 2002	7 years
Carl Maier	Jan 1, 1986	23 years	Barbara Barnes	Jan 23, 2002	7 years
Barbara Savage	Jan 1, 1981	28 years	Terry Briggs	Jan 24, 2005	4 years
Jack Sidler	Jan 8, 2008	1 year	Jimm & Pam White	Jan 25, 2006	3 years
Mike Van Horn	Jan 9, 2007	2 years	Dave Drake	Jan 26, 2008	1 year
Allen Van Riper	Jan 21, 2003	6 years			

NEW January Chapter F Members

unknown

GWRRA Membership Application

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CHAPTER F MEMBERSHIP

By Joe & Nancy O, Membership Enhancement Coordinators

There are probably quite a few of you who don't know what New Mexico chapter you are assigned to. While it is true that you are a member of all chapters GWRRA does assign you to a specific chapter for accountability purposes. This assignment is based on zip codes. This assignment may or may not affect you based on chapter activities, examples are recognition of birthdays, anniversaries, membership matters and so forth. GWRRA periodically provides each chapter membership coordinator printouts of assigned members; these printouts contain a wealth of membership information about you. If you are assigned to Chapter F and "think" you belong to Chapter W then just remember you, and all your membership data, is invisible to Chapter W, they do not know you exist (we do not receive other chapter printouts). However, GWRRA chapter assignment has no bearing on what chapter rocker you wear on your vest; wear whatever you like and participate in whatever chapter activities you like.

GWRRA-assigned Chapter F members are listed below. Some of you will no doubt be surprised at being assigned to Chapter F. There are obviously some errors in the GWRRA assignments as we have members in the East Mountains assigned to Chapter F who should really be in Chapter W. For the most part folks east of the Rio Grande are in W and west in F. To further complicate matters, it is possible to live in, say Tijeras, and be a member of Chapter F. This is done through a "chapter override" and is an action you must request through GWRRA. Those with overrides are so noted on the GWRRA printouts and Chapter F has several.

Because of the email communications function I (JoeO) perform, Dave Brown, the Chapter W Membership Coordinator, and I work closely together. Dave keeps me informed of new W members and W meeting visitors that need to be added to my contacts list.

Chapter F GWRRA-Assigned Membership

ACANFRIO, Louis
ADAMS, Noel
ADAMS, Robin
ARNOLD, Eddy
ARNOLD, Karen
BAKER, Neal
BAKER, Pauline
BARNES, Roscoe
BARNES, Barbara
BATES, Ted
BATES, Kathleen
BERNARD, Jeff
BERNARD, Jan
BERTRAM, Sam
BLACK, David
BLACK, Donna
BOYCE, Gary
BRANCH, Danny
BRAZELL, C. Dawn
BRAZELL JR, Turner
BREWER, Thomas
BRIGGS, Terry
BROADBENT, Thomas
BROWN, Steve
BROWN, Marcia
BUXA, Ernst
CAMERON, Wylly
CARNES, Arthur
CARNES, Ada
CDEBACA, Ted

CDEBACA, Mary
CHAPMAN, Don
CHERRY, John
CLARK, Bobby
CORNELIUS, George
CORNELIUS, Barbara
CRAWFORTH, L Deane
CRETOL, David.
DAVIS, James.
DE QUACK, Walter
DEAN, Clyde
DEAN, Joan
DEMARAIS, Robert
DEMARAIS, Loretta
DRAKE, David
EDWARDS, Steve
EDWARDS, Pam
EDWARDS, Calvin
EDWARDS, Jo-Ann
FOURCHER, Ken
FOURCHER, Dian
FREY, Richard
GREER, George
HAMMER, Rodney
HAMMER, Julie
HAMMETT, Frederick
HANES, Hal
HARDMAN, Glenn
HARDMAN, Donna
HARRELL, Gerald

HIGGINS, Monte
HIGGINS, Sadie
HIPPAUF, Pete
HOLDER, William
HOLDER, Carmen
HOLLY, Wayne
HOLLY, Penny
HOSKINSON, Gene
HUBBELL, Bill
HUBBELL, Dee
HUDSON, Robert
JARAMILLO, Rita
JARAMILLO, Barbara
JARAMILLO, Will
JENKINS, Everett
JENNINGS, James
JENNINGS, Diane
JENSEN, Bradley
JOHNSON, Tom
JOHNSON, Richard
JOHNSON, Lisa
JOHNSON, Steven
JOHNSON, Zachery
KANE, Albert
KANE, Carolina
KELLEY, Philp
KELLEY, Jean
KINNEY, John
KINNEY, Linda
LAMPHER, William

LAMPHIER, Nancy
 LARRABEE, Jim
 LAUSMAN, Barry
 LEE, Dennis
 LINDQUIST, William
 LINDQUIST, Jo
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 MORRISON, Teresa
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 ROBINETTE, Joan
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 VAN HORN, Mike
 VAN RIPER, Allen
 WAGNER, Gene
 WALTER, Norman (Bud)
 WALTER, Cheryle
 WEGER, Jerome
 WHITE, Blair (Jimm)
 WHITE, Pam
 WIESELER, Robert
 WILLIAMS, Linda
 WILLIAMS, Bob
 WINN, Robert
 WINN, Kathy
 WOOD, Avery.
 WOOD, Carolyn
 ZACK, Neil

Chapter F Members – Where WE Live

The Chapter F membership area encompasses a huge land area. Listed below are member cities and towns that make up Chapter F and the number of members in each. As mentioned above GWRRA assigns members to certain chapters based on one's zip code. Some members have requested a "chapter override" to be assigned to "F" even though they may be in "W's" territory. GWRRA chapter assignment is for accountability purposes only and has no impact on what chapter you "feel" you belong to and the chapter patch you wear on your vest.

Albuquerque	Bernalillo (4)	Jemez Springs (1)
87106 (6)	Corrales (4)	Las Vegas (4)
87109 (2)	Coyote (1)	Los Alamos (9)
87114 (14)	Edgewood (1)	Los Lunas (16)
87120 (27)	Espanola (1)	Rio Rancho (46)
87121 (4)	Gallup (3)	Santa Fe (11)
87123 (12)	Grants (4)	Tijeras (3)
Belen (1)	Jarales (1)	

CHAPTER F'S MILLION MILE GOAL

This past year Chapter F participating meeting members totaled TBD miles on our bikes. The chapter would like to see if we, as a whole (rider and co-rider), we can ride one million miles in a year. To do this we need the support of each and every chapter member that owns a bike. This gives members who cannot attend our meetings a chance to participate in a chapter activity and be recognized for doing so. We will track our total chapter mileage on a monthly basis. Each Chapter F member will be queried on the last day of the month by an email; all you have to do is reply with your current odometer reading and we will do the rest. Also, if your co-rider rode 100 miles with you, that would be 200 miles for your total towards the Million Mile goal. Participating individual's mileage will be published in this newsletter along with the chapter total. See the chapter membership listing on the page above to see if you should participate. Obviously, we are going to take your word that what you tell us is true, there will no one verifying your mileage nor will you be considered for the monthly Furthest F'ert Award (FFA) as that is done in person.

January 2009 CHAPTER F ACTIVITIES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Jimmy Strickland Ride New Year's Day	2	3 Chapter F Meeting
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Chapter W Meeting CPR /MEDIC Training - Accessory Pit 505-315- 6456	19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Chinese New Year	27	28	29	30	31 Chapter F Staff Meeting



CHAPTER HISTORIAN

Gene Wagner

IN THE BEGINNING

Hello fellow Chapter F riders: I am Gene Wagner and am the new Chapter F historian. I will be writing an article on the history of GWRRA, the Wing Dings, etc. The picture below is the first patch that GWRRA gave with the membership in 1977 and part of 1978. This picture on the patch was taken at the edge of the Grand Canyon. In 1978 they went to the helmet patch. At the bottom of the helmet, where GWRRA is now, was GL1000. The patch remained that way until 1979 when the GL1100 came out. In 1978 GWRRA came out with the helmet patch, they came out also with the helmet pin and bars for each year for each year and the star bars for recruiting members.





RIDER EDUCATION

THE LEARNING CORNER by JACK SIDLER

One who wears no helmet obviously has nothing worth protecting.

One of the problems with society today is that we are raising a generation that does not know what it means to take personal responsibility for their actions. They have a feeling of entitlement that it is someone else that is responsible for their safety and well-being. As motorcycle riders nothing could be further from the truth. The person that is ultimately responsible for their safety is the operator of the motorcycle (or car). The only thing that anyone else on or off the road owes you is not hitting you or placing you in a situation that is out of your control. Unfortunately, we all know that doesn't always happen. It is your responsibility to ensure that your motorcycle is in proper operating condition, that your safety gear is in good shape and is being used properly, that you are operating your vehicle in a safe and proper manner, and that you are not riding at a level above your skill and/or comfort zone.

Your Chapter Educator or Club Safety Officer is available to provide assistance and knowledge to help you but he is not ultimately responsible for whatever actions you choose to take (or not to take). He may point out a problem with your bike but it is your responsibility to either fix it or have a reputable mechanic fix it. A friend with more experience may be willing to assist you but it is your responsibility to act on whatever good advice you may receive. Of course, one problem is, there are a lot of "know it alls" out there who don't really dispense with good or proper advice, and it is your responsibility to know whether the person giving you advice is really correct. After all, it normally doesn't affect them if it is wrong; they are not likely to be the one in the box. Seek people or groups that have a proven and demonstrated track record of providing the best possible advice with the realization that no one and no situation will ever be the same. Don't rely on safety or maintenance advice from the guy next door whose only riding experience is every Saturday afternoon from the garage to the bar across town.

Buy your safety gear; wear your safety gear, at all times. You never know when you will actually need it but someday you will.

If the group you are riding in is going too fast (or too slow) for you, either talk to the group at a stop or on the CB or find another group to ride with. You can always try to drum up your own group with others who have a similar riding style as you.

It is your pride and your ego that will get you into trouble by making you feel like you have something to prove by not wearing that helmet or that you will be embarrassed if you can't ride like the others, or don't want to ride like the others. Just because the tailgunner says they have

the left lane, always make sure that you look to verify for yourself that it is clear to change lanes, you may not have heard him say 'after the red pickup truck.' That is one of the good things about organizations like GWRRA as well as any number of the venerable, long term motorcycle clubs available to us here in Albuquerque. They have people of all experience levels so it should be easy to find a group that fits your riding abilities and style. Yes, there is always a social aspect in any club, but a good club will provide a wealth of knowledge and riding opportunity for you to be able to participate within your comfort zone.

My favorite motorcycle magazines:

1. ***Roadrunner Motorcycle Touring and Travel***

This is my favorite magazine. It is an all-manufacturer bike/scooter magazine that focuses mainly on tour riding and traveling by motorcycle. It is mainly focused on US riding but it does have many interesting articles on riding around the world as well. They also do a few organized tours a year, mostly in Austria and Italy as this is where the magazine founder was from. They do some reviews of bikes and riding gear but not to as great an extent as other magazines.

2. ***Roadbike Magazine***

This is my second favorite magazine. Its founders decided that there are enough rags out there dedicated to Harleys and their concomitant lifestyles and they decided to only focus on metric bikes. Mostly Japanese and European brands but they do include Victory in their repertoire. They usually have more thorough bike reviews but they do also include some touring articles as well.

3. ***Rider Magazine***

This magazine has been around a long time and focuses more on technical reviews. I typically make it a point to read this magazine if I am in the market for something.

4. ***Wingworld***

GWRRA's magazine.

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New Mexico DOT's Traveler Information Map gives you information on road closures, weather conditions, accidents, alerts, warnings, and more. This is your first source of information when planning a trip across New Mexico, the Land of Enchantment. There are two sizes of the state-wide map of New Mexico and provides information on road closures, weather conditions, accidents, alerts, warnings, and more.

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There are technical difficulties with the Map for Broadband Connections. We are working to resolve these issues. In the mean time, please click on the other links to obtain traveler advisory information.

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\$\$ **INVESTMENT SEMINAR ANNOUNCEMENT** \$\$
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The seminar will be conducted by **Phil Kelley**, Biker Extraordinaire. **Phil** is the **Lead Strategist** and **Portfolio Manager** of the **Select One Mutual Fund Program**. He is also a retired Marine officer and a proud member of **Chapter F**.

Phil points out that we are involved in the worst bear market since the mid-70s, perhaps since the 1930s. People are indiscriminately shoveling their stocks out the window in panic. Furthermore, they will likely be too disheartened to get back into the market until well after the bottom. Thus, they may miss the buying opportunity of a lifetime. Here is what will be discussed in the seminar.

Foresight is more valuable than hindsight, which is useless except as a learning experience.

The market is a discounting device (6 to 9 months in advance of the economy, up and down).

Do-it-yourselfers may be doomed to failure because they will not exercise necessary discipline.

By-and-holders are also doomed to failure. Surely everyone understands that by now.

The best path is to seek the advice of a fee-based advisor who is on your side of the table.

The worst path is a commission-based advisor who is usually on the opposite side of the table.

If one cannot afford an advisor, then learn some investment selection and market timing tools.

If one cannot afford an advisor, there are reputable advisory services I will suggest to help out.

For \$50 per head or per couple, this 1 1/2 hour seminar will try to help investors get on the right side of the market cycle. Phil will not push the services of the program he manages. As he did at last year's seminar, Phil will again offer individual consulting advice for half his normal hourly rate. All proceeds from the seminar and the individual meetings will be donated to the Ride for Kids.

The following statements are intended to stimulate interest in the seminar.

The November performance report shows that thus far his Clients are down about one-third as much as the major stock indexes in the bear market.

In 2003, his Clients got back into the market within a few days of the turn and earned from 35% to 38% in the three growth models over the next year.

Phil's bio is shown on his website (<http://www.selectone.us>), along with several worthwhile free newsletters.

Who Was Jimmy Stricklin?

The following was submitted to JoeO by Tony Nelson, a Chapter F member and a long ago friend of Jimmy Stricklin. Tony has given his OK to reprint it to show what a great friend Jimmy was and what "family" is all about.

"Joe, somehow, this seems like a good day to reflect on my long time friend, Jimmy L. Stricklin. I understand that there are many today that do not or did not have the opportunity to meet our Jimmy. This is one of many great experiences which I shared with my beloved friend.

I purchased my 1500 Wing about May of 1996. My first memorial ride with Jimmy began on the first weekend, a few days after I brought my Navajo Red home. But that's another story that can wait. Instead, let me get back to the start of the Jimmy Stricklin Memorial New Years' Day Ride.

New Years' Day, 1997

The call came, as all rides being, early in the Day. Jimmy wanted, no; scratch that, **NEEDED** to ride. I wasn't prepared for a ride, of any sort that day, so I expressed my regrets and declined. Well, instead, Jimmy called upon, long-time friends, Art Carnes and I believe, Jim McMahon to ride with. Later, Jimmy related to me, that it was a good ride and that I should've accompanied them. Well, there was next year.

New Years' Day 1998

We had discussed this ride in advance, complete with gas stops, food, etc. It was to be a good day for an all day ride. This time, we had a good following; about 4 or 5 of us. I can't recall who the participants were, but it was a good ride. Julian Smith, Jimmy, and myself, kept our spirits up with a lot of jokes and teasing one another of past rides, no, by this time, we had come to accept our outings as 'adventures'. Mind you, plans were already being planned for the following New Years' Day. We would plan this upcoming ride with a total Chapter invite with 'F 'n' W' and plan to end-up at a hot meal serving place. We were laughing and joking about what to name this auspicious ride. So we came up with The Jimmy Stricklin New Years' Day Ride. We liked it, it sang well and Jimmy just couldn't stop laughing about it.

This particular year was filled with many rides. Jimmy, Julian, and I shared many adventures, explored much of this state and visited many times the good eating establishments these areas offered. Jimmy was a big man. He loved to share meals and especially enjoyed the many rides. Of course, no Jimmy adventure would be complete with the various 'Jimmy Stories'. He would come up with some good ones on the rides, over the radio, over meals and did I mention, over rides? His stories were very good. Some folks would question many of them; however, all were very entertaining.

New Years' Day 1999

We went all out for this ride. Good group, good route and good food. Of course, I am leaving out a lot of other details, mainly because my memories of these rides are very special to me. Jimmy Stricklin is held in fond, loving memory by my immediate family. My parents and all of the Nelson clan met 'Grandpa Jimmy'. He and his wife, Pierette, were very special for us. We miss them dearly.

This Ride had its start about 1997, New Years' Day. After his passing, which we always joked about, we added the "Memorial" word to the title, The Jimmy Stricklin Memorial New Years' Day Ride.

I'm sure those who knew Jimmy, would agree with me, when I say, he would light-up the room with his presence. His personality was one that one would not easily forget. I don't think there is anyone alive who had any dislike for this man. He had an opinion on everything, did he not Julian? Also, more often than not, a good story would always be in accompaniment.

I'm sure we all have our versions of the Jimmy experience; this was just a small portion of mine.

Julian has a good collection of past photos. Julian, please share these with the good folks.

Oh, I must make mention, that Jimmy's **NEED TO RIDE**, came about because of the Holidays. For the Stricklin Family, the Holidays began a few days prior to Thanksgiving each year. By New Years', he needed to get away, for awhile, from all the kids, grandkids, etc. The Germans have a saying, that after 3 days, fish and family begin to smell'. This, no doubt, was probably over heard by some Germans from the lips of Jimmy Stricklin. So began the RIDE.

Another note, Jimmy was retired. Therefore, he had personal cards printed with the usual name, address, etc. One card had small lettering at the bottom that read: "*Available for all parties, fishing, hunting trips, sleepovers, etc. By the way, I live with Pierette*". Another card's inscription, my favorite, would have the large print on the back, "I sit by the phone with my helmet, gloves, and boots on, ready for someone to call for a ride". This was our Jimmy.

I'm sure, many have their stories about Jimmy to share, so how about it? Can we get more adventure stories to recall and share?

Ride well, my friend.

-Tony