



History of GWRRA 'Chapter I' - Manassas, Virginia

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"You have to know where you been, to know where you're going!"

In 1988, Chapter I was formed by **Randy Provost**, first Chapter Director (then called Area Representative). VA-I's Kickoff was in March 1988, but the Chapter actually was started in January (the reason Anniversary is in January). **Ed Mitchler**, is the only remaining active member from the original Chapter I members. 1988 **Chapter Couple Dick & Shirley Rummel**.

In 1989 - **Dick & Shirley Rummel** became Assistant Area Representatives and **Dick & Barbara Swanson** was named **1989 Chapter Couple**. **Dave Timbs** and **Lynn Peck** arranged for VA-I's initial participation in the annual Manassas City Christmas Parade.

From 1990 -93 - **Randy Provost** stepped down in 1990. **Dick & Shirley Rummel** became the Chapter Directors (Area Representatives), and **Joe & Linda Quinn** were Assistant Area Representatives. The **Chapter Couple** for 1990 was **Lynn & Lois Peck**; for 1991, **Joe & Linda Quinn** and for 1992, **Dave & Melissa Timbs** (who went on to become the **Virginia District Couple** and the **Region N Couple of the Year**).

In 1993 - **Dick & Shirley Rummel** stepped down. **Dave & Melissa Timbs** became the 3rd Chapter I Directors. **Carol & Mark Tilley** and **Jim & Ann Peterson** became the Assistant Chapter Directors and the **Chapter Couple** for 1993 was **Frank & Dale Steinart**.

In 1994 - **Dave & Melissa** were selected to become Assistant District Directors (going on to become District Directors and later the first Virginia Senior District Directors). **Dick Becker** became the 4th Chapter I Director. **Carol & Mark Tilly** stepped down as Assistants but **Jim & Ann Peterson** remained. **Stephanie & Magali Guguet** became the 1994 **Chapter Couple**. **Angie Bashford** was the Treasurer and **John Steele** was the Chapter Educator. VA-I initiated the **People's Choice Award** and it was presented to **Jim & Ann Peterson**.

In 1995, **Dick Becker** stepped down and **Jim & Ann Peterson** became the 5th Chapter I Directors. **Jim & Ann** were also the Chapter Couple for 1995. The **People's Choice Award** for 1995 was presented to **Leo & Wendi MacDonald**. **Angie Bashford** remained as **Treasurer**.

In 1996, **Jim & Ann Peterson** remained as Chapter Directors. **Terry & Angie Bashford** became Assistant Chapter Directors and **Linda Goodwin** became the **Chapter Treasurer**. **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** were selected to be the 1996 **Chapter Couple** and **John Steele** remained as **Chapter Educator**. Long Tour Coordinator, **Terry & Angie Bashford**, initiated the first annual **3-day Long Tour** and VA-I traveled to Ohio, to visit the Rock & Roll and the Football Halls of Fame. The annual **Veterans' Day Ride**, led by **Sam Goodwin**, went to Gettysburg, VA. The **People's Choice Award** for 1996 was presented to co-recipients: **Terry & Angie Bashford** and **Randy Provost**.

In 1997, **Jim & Ann Peterson** and **Terry & Angie Bashford**, stepped down and **Bruce & Anne Cox** became the 6th Chapter I Directors while **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** became Assistant Chapter Directors and Co-Newsletter Editors.

Sam, Linda & Amber Goodwin became the 1997 **Chapter Couple** (Trio).

Linda Goodwin also remained as **Chapter Treasurer** and **John Steele** as Chapter Educator.

Assistant Chapter Director, **George “Big Dog” Craddock**, initiated the VA-I “**Bull Run Plaque Raiders**” and original members, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray, Bruce & Gayle Babcock, Jim Peterson** and **Terry Bashford**, traveled 720 miles to Tennessee on a weekday, to capture the Region N Plaque, bringing it to Virginia for first time in its history.

VA-I’s annual **3-Day Long Tour** traveled to Niagara Falls, NY and across Canada.

VA-I’s annual **Veterans Day ride**, led by **Sam Goodwin**, toured Fort Myers, VA.

Bruce & Anne Cox and **George Craddock & Isabel Gray**, became co-recipients of the District’s “**Best Newsletter**” Award.

The 1997 **People’s Choice** Award was presented to **George Craddock & Isabel Gray**.

Chapter I changed their Mall Motorcycle Display to a **Mall Display and Bike Show**, attracting 55 Bikes to the first show.

George Craddock & Isabel Gray, Bruce & Gayle Babcock, Steve Mead, Ken Napier, Bruce & Anne Cox, along with VA-A’s **Tony Beale**; led by **Terry & Angie Bashford**, completed the Iron Butt Association requirement, of riding 1,000 miles in 24 hours, to become official **Iron Butt Association members**.

In 1998, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** became the 7th Chapter I Directors, when **Bruce & Anne Cox** stepped down to return to Pennsylvania.

Noel & Jennifer Curry was the Assistant Chapter Directors.

Linda Goodwin stepped down as Treasurer, replaced by **Gayle Babcock**.

Sam Goodwin became the Chapter Educator and initiated the first, reserved for Chapter members only, **ERC training day**, which is now an annual event.

Steve & Jo Ann Mead was selected as the 1998 Chapter Couple (going on to become **District, Region** and eventually **GWRRA International COY**).

VA-I initiated first large-scale **Anniversary Dinner** (100 attendees -Anthony’s in Yorktown).

People’s Choice Award for 1998 was presented to **Bruce & Gayle Babcock**.

VA-I’s annual **3-day Long Tour**, led by **Terry & Angie Bashford**, went to Maine for Lobster, stopping to tour Boston, MA. VA-I members supported **Steve & Jo Ann Mead** in their Lady Killer Ride for Breast Cancer. VA-I joined VA-A in a joint venture to run a Food Stall at the **Manassas Honda Open House**.

George Craddock initiated Chapter I’s own Web Site and became it’s first Web Master.

In November, **Steve, Jo Ann & Molly Mead, Gayle Babcock**, along with **Ken, Mary Ann and Megan Napier** completed a new Iron Butt trip record, 1552 Miles in less than 36 hours, to Tennessee & returned with the Region N Wanderer Plaque.

In 1999, **Noel & Jennifer Curry** stepped down as Assistants. **Ken & Mary Ann Napier** was selected as the 1999 **Chapter Couple**. VA-I continued its **large-scale Anniversary Dinners**, with 87 attendees at the Wall Street Buffet in Woodbridge. The **People’s Choice** Award was presented to **Ken & MaryAnn Napier**.

In April, Chapter Educator, **Sam Goodwin**, conducted the 2nd Chapter I-Only ERC Course.

VA-I’s annual **3-day Long Tour** traveled to Dayton, OH to visit the Air Force Museum.

In August, VA-I had 112 Riders participate in one of the **largest Poker Runs** ever.

In October, VA-I won the **Best Decorated Table** Award at Rally in the Valley.

VA-I’s annual Veteran’s Day ride, led by **Steve Mead**, visited Fort McHenry in Baltimore.

In 2000, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** were nominated by District and Region Directors and selected by National to become Senior Chapter Directors and continued their “**Bigger & Better**” philosophy.

Bruce & Gayle Babcock and **Ken & MaryAnn Napier** became the Assistant Chapter Directors.

Bob & Nancy Burgoyne was selected as the Year 2000 Chapter Couple.

Pat & Kathy Hasiak became the Chapter Treasurer.

June - **Jo Ann Mead** became **Chapter Educator** as **Sam Goodwin** stepped down.

Chapter I continued their large-scale **Anniversary Dinner** at Capitol Grill & Buffet in Woodbridge with 90 attendees.

Lou & Patti Card volunteered to be **Chapter Dinner Ride Coordinators** and initiated the first of several large-scale Chapter Dinners.

VA-I traveled to Charleston, SC to visit Fort Sumter on their annual **3-day Long Tour** with **Pat Hasiak** as POC.

Charity Coordinators, **Bill & Rose Bracco**, led Chapter I's **first Charity Poker Run** and raised the largest amount ever, \$1350, in one day for S.A.V.A.S.

Chapter I's **Annual Veterans Run**, with participants from several other Chapters, took its largest group ever, to visit Mount Vernon and later attended the Soldiers Show at Fort Belvoir.

Chapter Couple, **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne**, re-instituted the **first Chapter I Christmas Party** in several years; with over 70 attendees.

The largest chapter group ever, Forty-one (41) Chapter members attended **Rally in the Valley**.

In 2001, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** continued as Senior Chapter Directors with **Bruce & Gayle Babcock** and **Ken & MaryAnn Napier** as Assistants.

Jeff & Deb Sterling was selected as **Chapter Couple** for 2001.

Jim Sharkey became the Chapter Educator in **January**, as **Jo Ann Mead** stepped down.

VA-I continued its large-scale Anniversary Dinner at Capitol Grill & Buffet in Woodbridge, with over 95 attendees. The 2000 **People's Choice** Award was presented to **Pat & Kathy Hasiak**.

In **March**, **Pat & Kathy Hasiak** were selected by the Chapter Director to become the third set of Assistant Chapter Directors, with **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne** stepping up to Chapter Treasurer and Long Tour Coordinator.

Charlie & Amy Shaw became Assistant Chapter Educators.

Steve & Michele Eddington stepped up to become Assistant Long Tour Coordinators.

On **30 March**, the first Chapter Director of Chapter I, **Randy Provost**, died in a VA Hospital in New York. A district-wide funeral escort, initiated by **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** and consisting of Chapter I members and many friends from other Chapters; provided a 40-Bike Motorcycle Funeral Escort at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD on **14 April 2001**.

In late **April**, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** stepped down as Senior Chapter Directors to become Virginia District Recruiting & Retention Coordinators.

Ken & MaryAnn Napier stepped up to be the 8th Chapter Director for Chapter I.

In **May**, **Lou & Patti Card** became Chapter Recruiting & Retention Coordinators and also continued as Dinner Ride Coordinators.

In **August**, **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne** led the Annual **3-day Long Tour** to Rhinebeck, New York.

In **October**, due to illness in family, **Lou & Patti Card** had to step down as Dinner Ride and Recruiting Coordinators.

In **October**, Chapter I won First Place in the **District Recruiting Contest** at Rally in the Valley.

In **November**, VA-I's Annual Veterans Run went to Harpers Ferry, led by **Pat Hasiak** and **Steve Mead**.

In **December**, Chapter I participated in the Manassas City Christmas Parade for the 12th consecutive year with **Leo MacDonald** as POC.

Jeff & Deb Sterling were POCs for the 2nd annual Chapter Christmas Party, hosted by Treasurer, **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne**.

In 2002, **Ken & MaryAnn Napier** continued as Chapter Director, with **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne** as Treasurer.

Bruce & Gayle Babcock and **Pat & Kathy Hasiak** continued as Assistant Chapter Directors.

Jim Sharkey continued as Chapter Educator, with **Charlie Shaw** as Assistant.

The 2002 Chapter Couple were **Glenn and Cynthia Smith**.

Jeff & Deb Sterling stepped up as VA-I Recruiting & Retention Coordinators.

In **January**, the 14th Anniversary Dinner was held at Capitol Grill and Buffet in Woodbridge.

Selected as “**People’s Choice** for 2001, was hardworking **Brian Medvidick**.

In **February**, **Ken Napier**, initiated the first monthly “**Chapter Maintenance Day**”, at his home.

In **March**, VA-I conducted its annual “Mall Display and Bike Show” at Manassas Mall where Chapter R&R Coordinators, **Jeff & Deb Sterling**, with assistance from the District Recruiting & Retention Coordinators, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray**; set up the first large-scale Membership Recruiting Booth.

On **7 April**, Chapter Educator, **Jim Sharkey**, with **Sam Goodwin**, & **Ken Napier** (all qualified Virginia MSF Instructors, conducted the annual VA-I-only, ERC Course.

In **May**, **Amy Shaw** stepped up to become the Chapter Charity Coordinator and selected the B.A.R.N. as our Charity for 2002.

On **18 May**, 4 members of VA-I, **Sam & Linda Goodwin**, **Ken Taylor** and **Emily Butcher**, completed the 1,000 miles in 24 hours qualifying run, to become ‘Iron Butt Association members’.

On **19 May**, VA-I conducted its annual “**Ride with the Bulls**” Poker Run.

On **July 26-28**, **Steve & Michele Eddington**, led a dozen Chapter riders to Ohio, on the **3-Day Long Tour**, to visit the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and the Football Hall of Fame. While there, they visited & had dinner with OH-Q, making new friends for VA-I and leaving the Chapter mascot, Bulls I. Rider, to tour Ohio chapters.

In **July**, **Bruce & Gayle Babcock**, long-time Assistant Chapter Directors; stepped down to become Chapter Advisors. **Lou & Patti Card** stepped up as Assistant Chapter Directors.

In **August**, **Sam & Linda Goodwin**, 1997 Chapter Couple, coordinated one of the best Chapter Picnics ever, at Lake Anna.

On **27 August**, VA-I’s “**Bull Run Raiders**” members, **Bob Burgoyne**, **Ken Taylor**, **Lou Card**, **Chuck Karl**, and **Ken Drennan**, led by Assistant Chapter Director, **Pat Hasiak**, traveled over 300 miles deep into North Carolina, on a weekday evening, to capture the Region N Traveling Plaque.

On **8 September**, VA-I, led by **Amy & Charlie Shaw**, conducted its Charity Poker Run, with all proceeds going to the B.A.R.N. (\$1,000 raised).

In **October**, over 40 members of VA-I attended the District Rally in the Valley as the Chapter won 1st Place in the District Chapter Recruiting Contest for the 2nd time in a row. **Ken Napier** took 2nd Place in the District Individual Recruiting Contest, **Sam Goodwin** won a 2nd Place in the 1-Up event at the Field Events and later **Sam & Zach Iiams** won a 2nd Place in the 2-Up event. **Linda Goodwin** won a 2nd Place Trophy in the Bike Show and **Lou & Patti Card** won 1st Place in the Bike & Trailer category. **Jim Sharkey** was named the **District Rider Educator of the Year** and to cap the evening; **Dave & Melissa Timbs**, former Senior District Directors & former VA-I Chapter Directors, were named recipients of the very prestigious Vernon L. Needham “**Spirit of Virginia**” Award.

On **19 October**, 27 members responded to **Lou & Patti Card**’s call to Chapter Dinner at the Bavarian Chef.

Later in the month, on 27 October, the “**Bull Run Raiders**” struck again, as **Ken “Big Daddy” Napier, Pat “Marine-1” Hasiak, Lou “CardShark I” Card, Jim “CardSharkII” Sharkey, Bob & Nancy Burgoyne, Glenn Smith, Brian Medvidick, Bryant Teates; George “Big Dog” Craddock & Isabel “Princess” Gray**, traveled 200 miles to capture the “Virginia Traveling Plaque” from Chapter B in Virginia Beach.

In November, over 20 members plus a contingent from VA-Z, responded for the annual Veterans Run and were led by **Steve Mead** and **Pat Hasiak**, on a ride to the Antietam Battlefield.

On **16 November**, **Lou & Patti Card** came within one of breaking the Chapter Dinner Ride attendance record when 46 Chapter members responded to their call for dinner at the Woodbine Chinese Restaurant on Dumfries Road.

Jim Sharkey, Chapter Educator, accepted the position as Assistant District Educator for Virginia.

In December, due to inclement weather, only **Leo MacDonald & Ken & Cindy Taylor** were able to represent VA-I in the annual Christmas Parade.

On **7 December**, VA-I had its now annual Christmas Party, hosted by Chapter Couple, **Glenn & Cindy Smith** and Treasurer, **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne**.

On **21 December**, the entire Chapter was invited to **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne’s** house for a Birthday/pre-Xmas party bash.

On **22 December**, 35 members responded to a **Charlie & Amy Shaw and Ken Napier** idea for the Chapter Charity and participated in a Sing-along & gift-giving for kids at the B.A.R. N.

In 2003, **Ken & MaryAnn Napier** stepped down as Chapter Director. **Pat & Kathy Hasiak** stepped up to become Chapter I’s 9th Chapter Director, with **Lou & Patti Card** as Assistant Chapter Director,

Bob & Nancy Burgoyne remained as Treasurer and Long Tour Coordinator, with **Nancy** stepping up as Chapter Photographer.

Steve Mead became the Chapter Educator, replacing **Jim Sharkey**; who became the Chapter Ride Coordinator.

Jeff & Deb Sterling became Assistant Educators.

Glenn & Cindy Smith stepped up to Recruiting and Retention.,

Steve & Michele Eddington remained as Assistant Long Tour Coordinator.

JR Cornwell & Nancy Collins replaced **Charles & Amy Shaw** as Charity Coordinators.

Ken & Jackie Crawford, became Dinner Ride Coordinators.

George Craddock & Isabel Gray remained as Newsletter Editors and Webmaster.

Chuck & Dani Karl were selected as the 2003 Chapter Couple.

Jim & Ann Peterson, Bruce & Gayle Babcock and **Sam & Linda Goodwin** remained as Chapter Advisors.

On **1 January**, several Chapter members showed for the annual Polar Bear Run in Falls Church.

On **25 January**, VA-I celebrated its **15th** Anniversary at The City Tavern Restaurant, in old town Manassas with 80 attendees. **Jim Sharkey** received the Chapter’s “**People’s Choice**” Award.

On **22 January**, 19 members attended VA-F’s “Crazy Supper”.

In February, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray**, along with **Sam, Linda & Amber Goodwin** was awarded the Rider Educator “**Senior Master Tour Rider**” Level IV patch.

On **7-9 February**, VA-I took **Largest Chapter Award** for attendance at District “Wingless Weekend”, while also having its Newsletter selected by Region as the “**Best District Newsletter of the Month**”.

Ken & Jackie Crawford led 17 members to attend MD-B 13th Anniversary Dinner on 15 March.

On **19 March**, over 32 bikes participated in the Chapter’s annual **Manassas Mall Bike Show**.

On **April 19**, VA-I conducted its, now annual, **Experienced Rider Course**.

On **April 26**, VA-I had its annual “**Ride with the Bulls**” Poker Run.

On 25 May, VA-I had one of the largest contingents ever; participate in the annual “**Rolling Thunder**” event.

On 31 May to 6 June, **Lou Card & Jim Sharkey** led the first “**Card-Shark**” tour to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

On 22 June, Chapter Plaque Coordinator, **Ken Taylor**, led a contingent of VA-I members to Abingdon, VA., to capture the District Plaque from Chapter H.

In July, **Jim & Ann Peterson**, received their **Senior Master Tour Rider** Education Patch for maintaining their CPR, First Aid and other Level IV requirements for over 5 years.

On 13 July, the Chapter mascot, **Bulls I. Rider**, was returned to VA-I after months of being passed around the country and receiving a chest full of pins and patches from rallies & events.

On 26 July, an extremely large number of VA-I riders converged on the annual **Virginia All-Chapters Picnic** area, in support of Chapter Couple, **Chuck & Dani Karl**; and received the award for largest Chapter in attendance.

In August, **Dave & Melissa Timbs** became one of the first to be awarded the GWRRA **Grand Master Tour Rider** Education Patch in Virginia, for maintaining their Level-4 for over 10 years.

On 20 September, VA-I raised over \$1,100 dollars at their **Charity Poker Run** for the B.A.R.N.

In October, VA-I Chapter Couple, **Chuck & Dani Karl**, was selected as the **District Couple of the Year** for Virginia.

On 9 October, **Bruce & Gayle Babcock**, became the 2nd set of VA-I members in as many years to be selected for the presentation of the prestigious Vernon L. Needham “**Spirit of Virginia**” Award.

Glenn Smith and **Ken Napier** took 2nd and 3rd place in the District’s **Individual Recruiting** Contest while **Chapter I** captured 1st Place in **Chapter Recruiting** for the third straight year. Assistant Chapter Directors, **Lou & Patti Card**, were involved in a Car-Motorcycle accident while returning from the Rally in the Valley, which destroyed their motorcycle & trailer.

In November, **Jeff Sterling** stepped up to be the Chapter Educator, replacing Steve Mead, who stepped down.

On 8 November, the annual Veterans Day Tour was led by **Jim Sharkey**, with an exceptionally large contingent of riders to Gettysburg for a tour and informative briefings on the history of the Battle of Gettysburg by **Brian Majewski, Chuck Karl** and **Linda Goodwin**.

In December, one of VA-I long-time young riders, and long time supporter of VA-I events; **Amber Goodwin**, departed Chapter I to attend college in Missouri.

On 6 December, VA-I had its annual Christmas Party, planned by Chapter Couple, **Chuck & Dani Karl** and hosted by Treasurer, **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne**, at their Housing Association Recreation house.

In 2004, **Pat & Kathy Hasiak** continued as Chapter Director, with **Lou & Patti Card** as Assistant Chapter Director.

Bob & Nancy Burgoyne remained as Treasurer and also as Long Tour Coordinators.

Jeff & Deb Sterling remained Chapter Educator and **Chris & Lisa Belinski** stepped up as Assistant Educators.

Deb Sterling volunteered to be the Assistant Charity Coordinator.

Nancy Burgoyne remained as Chapter Photographer.

Glenn & Cindy Smith continued as Recruiting and Retention Coordinators.

Steve & Michele Eddington remained as Assistant Long Tour Coordinator.

JR Cornwell & Nancy Collins continued duties of Charity Coordinators.

Ken & Jackie Crawford, continued as Dinner Ride Coordinators and were also selected as **2004 Chapter Couple**.

George Craddock & Isabel Gray remained as Newsletter Editors and Webmaster.

Chuck & Dani Karl stepped up to become the Assistant Ride Coordinators.

In January, the Chapter's **16th Anniversary** was held at City Tavern in Old Town Manassas. **Chuck & Dani Karl** received the "**People's Choice**" Award for their efforts in 2003.

George Craddock & Isabel Gray was presented with the coveted "**Director's Choice**" Award for their long-term outstanding devotion to Chapter I.

In February, Assistant Chapter Directors, **Lou & Patti Card**, stepped down to move to Georgia

In February, at Wingless Weekend, **Chris Bilinski**, was presented with the GWRRA's "**President's Award**" Citation & medal, for his quick & continuous, life-saving actions during Lou & Patti Cards' motorcycle accident in October 2003.

In February, **Linda Goodwin**, won First Place in the District's "Beach Bum Attire" at Wingless Weekend 2004.

In February, **Hank & Jean Brandenburg** stepped up to be Chapter **Dinner Ride Coordinators**.

In March, **Jim Sharkey** stepped up to be the **Assistant Chapter Director**, relinquishing his position as **Assistant District Educator**. **Brian Majewski** stepped up as Chapter Photographer.

In March, **Debbie Sterling** stepped up as **Charity Coordinator**, replacing **JR Cornwell**.

On 17 April, VA-I conducted its annual **Poker Run** and attended the MHRC "Charity Dinner".

On 6 May, Assistant Chapter Director, **Jim Sharkey**, led 20 members of Chapter I to the **Region N Rally** in Cherokee, N.C.

In June, **Sam & Linda Goodwin** and **Jim Sharkey** conducted the annual Chapter I reserved ERC on 16th & 23rd. **Jim Sharkey** led a group to Tennessee on the 2nd annual CardShark tour.

In July, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray**, **Steve Mead & Patricia Parkes**, traveled to **Wing Ding XXVI** in Texas to represent Chapter I members at GWRRA's National Rally; **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne** and **Steve & Michelle Eddington** led a large contingent to **New York City** on the annual 3-day Tour. A large contingent of "**Bull Run Raiders**" captured the District plaque from VA-U on 11 July.

In August, Chapter I had its annual "Chapter Picnic" at **Paul & Becky Sheffield's** home on **21st**. The "**Bull Run Raiders**" captured the Region N Plaque from VA-W on **10 August**. Chapter Charity Coordinator, **Debbie Sterling**, led over 25 members on bikes and in trucks to deliver school supplies to Kimball Elementary in Kimball, WV on **28th**.

In September, Chapter **Charity Poker Run** raised over \$1,000. VA-I members decided to collect and provide Toys for Xmas for 400 kids at Kimball Elementary. VA-I's own, **Art Casoni** and **Susan Shaw** were married in an outdoor ceremony with VA-I members in attendance.

In October, 40 members of Chapter I attended the Virginia Rally in the Valley and saw former Senior Chapter Director, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** selected as the 2004 Vernon L. Needham "**Spirit of Virginia**" Award Winners, making it three in a row for Chapter I; Chapter I also won 1st Place in the **District Recruiting and Retention Contest** for the 4th year in a row.

In November, **Chuck & Dani Karl** were selected to be Assistant Chapter Directors. Chapter I was mentioned in the **GWRRA Wing World** for their School supplies contributions to Kimball Elementary. Ten members of the "**Bull Run Raiders**" traveled 300 miles down into Kentucky in an effort to capture the Region N Plaque.

On December 4, Chapter I participated in their 15th "**Manassas City Parade**"; VA-I had their 5th straight **Christmas Party**, hosted by Chapter Couple, **Ken & Jackie Crawford** and Treasurer, **Bob & Nancy Burgoyne**. On 17 December, Charity Coordinator, **Debbie Sterling**, led 25 members in vehicles and a large truck packed with Xmas gifts for 400 kids at Kimball Elementary in Kimball, WV. **Ken & Jackie Crawford** ended their successful tenure as 2004 Chapter COY.

Warren Schadle and **Dani Karl** volunteered to be Assistant Chapter Photographers.

In 2005: **Pat & Kathy Hasiak** remained as Senior Chapter Directors with **Jim Sharkey & Renee Starkweather** and **Chuck & Dani Karl** as Assistants.

Bob & Nancy Burgoyne stepped down as Chapter Treasurer and **Hank & Jean Brandenburg** stepped up. **Bill & Song Lacy** stepped as Assistant Chapter Photographer. **Jon Nichols &**

Cathy Cox stepped up as **Chapter Ride Coordinator**. **Bruce & Gayle Babcock** were selected as the Chapter Couple for 2005.

6 January - Several members of the "**Bull Run Raiders**" traveled to Virginia Beach and captured the **District plaque** from VA-B.

January 22 – Anniversary Dinner - Chapter I members of Virginia celebrated their 17th successful year as a chartered member of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association. **Ken & Jackie Crawford** was selected as "**People's Choice**" for 2005.

May -

3-6 June – **Annual Long Tour**, led by **Steve & Michele Eddington**, went to **Niagara Falls** on the Canadian side to meet and ride with Canadian GWRRA chapter, ON-G.

July -

August – Annual Chapter Picnic celebrated at **Paul & Becky Sheffield's** house. **Glenn & Cindy Smith**, Chapter Recruiting & Retention Coordinators, stepped down to move to Myrtle Beach, SC. **Dave & Melissa Timbs** stepped up to become the Chapter Recruiting & Retention Coordinators. Chapter Charity Coordinator, **Deb Sterling**, led a second contingent of chapter riders on 20th to deliver another truck load of school supplies (thanks to donations from all members) & a 2nd truck loaded with donated computers and monitors (thanks to efforts by **Gayle Babcock & Steve Eddington** and their respective companies) for the kids at **Kimball Elementary** in Kimball, WV.

In 2006, **Pat & Kathy Hasiak** stepped down as Chapter Director to become the Virginia Assistant District Director for northern chapters. **Jim Sharkey & Renee Starkweather** stepped up to become Chapter I's 10th Chapter Director, with **Chuck & Dani Karl Card** remaining as Assistant Chapter Director,

Hank & Jean Brandenburg remained as Treasurer and Dinner Ride Coordinator,

Jeff & Deb Sterling remained as Chapter Educator, with **Ken & Jackie Crawford** stepping up as Assistant Chapter Educator.

Jon Nicholl & Cathy Cox were selected as the 2006 **Chapter Couple**, while also remaining as Chapter Ride Coordinators.

Dave & Melissa Timbs remained as Recruiting and Retention Coordinator.

Bill & Song Lacy remained as Chapter Photographer.

Steve & Michele Eddington remained as Long Tour Coordinator.

Deb Starling remained as Charity Coordinator.

George Craddock & Isabel Gray remained as Newsletter Editors and Webmaster.

Chris Belinski stepped up as new Motorist Awareness Division Coordinator.

Jim & Ann Peterson, Bruce & Gayle Babcock and **Sam & Linda Goodwin** remained as Chapter Advisors.

January – "**Bull Run Raiders**" visited VA-U on 14 Jan. & captured **District Traveling Plaque**. **Chapter 18th Anniversary** held at City Tavern and over 70 members and guests from several other chapters attended. **Bruce & Gayle Babcock** were selected as "**People's Choice**" for 2005.

February – VA-I had 27 members at Wingless Weekend and captured the 'Largest Chapter in attendance' Award. **Melissa and Maggie Bilinski** won the Disney Walk event.

April – Over 25 members attended the 15 April Manassas Honda Riders Club annual Chili Dinner/Dance to benefit the Pediatric Brain Tumor Children's Foundation and **Michele Eddington, Dave Timbs & George Craddock** took 1st, 2nd & 3rd place in the Best Chili contest.

May - VA-I was the largest Virginia Chapter at **Region N Rally** 11-13 May. **Bruce & Gayle Babcock** were selected as 2006/2007 **Region N Couple of the Year** and will compete for International Couple at 2007 Wing Ding. \$800 raised at VA-I's **21 May Charity Poker Run**.

June –VA-I had over 40 members participate in its annual "Long Tour" to Air Show in Pennsylvania, June 2-4, led by **Steve & Michele Eddington**. Four VA-I members, **George**

Craddock & Isabel Gray and **Sydney & Monika Flood**, completed a 7,000 mile cross-country trip to California and return.

July – Several members attended **Wing Ding** in Nashville, TN.

September – VA-I conducted its **2nd Long Tour** of 2006, with a 15-17 Sep tour to Virginia Beach, VA with 19 riders. On 30 September, VA-I completed a very successful Poker Run.

October – VA-I had over 40 members at 3-5 October Rally in the Valley and won the **2nd** place award for most new members recruited into GWRRA, accepted by Chapter Recruiting Coordinator, **Dave Timbs**.

Former Chapter I Director, **Pat & Kathy Hasiak**, were appointed new **Virginia District Directors** at RITV.

Chapter I had 24 riders, including riders from VA-F and VA-A1, to participate in their annual “**Leaf Run**”, conducted by Ride Coordinator, **Jon Nichols & Cathy Cox**, to Seneca Rocks for picnic on 28 October.

November – **Jim Sharkey & Renee Starkweather**, stepped down as Chapter Directors, in order to step up as the new **District Educator**.

Chuck & Dani Karl became the 11th Chapter Director for Chapter I, on 1 November.

Bruce & Gayle Babcock, Region N COY, stepped up as **Assistant Chapter Directors**.

Former Chapter I Director, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** stepped down as District M.E.D. Coordinators, in order to step up as **Assistant District Director (North)** but remained as Chapter Newsletter Editors.

Hank & Jean Brandenburg, Chapter Treasurer & Dinner Ride Coordinator, stepped up as District Treasurer and District Newsletter Editor.

December – Sixteen Bikes and riders from VA-I and other chapters, coordinated by **Dave Timbs**, participated in the **Manassas City Christmas Parade** on 2 December.

Chapter I had its annual **2006 Christmas Party** at the Elks Lodge on 2 December with participation from **VA-F, VA-A, VA-U, VA-A1** and **MHRC**.

In 2007

January - **Chuck & Dani Karl** continued as Chapter Director. Many VA-I members attended **VA-F's Polar Bear Run** on 1 January. **Paul & Becky Sheffield** stepped up to be the **Chapter Treasurer** on 2 January. **Dave Timbs** received GWRRA 25-Heart Bar for Recruiting new members on 5 January. Chapter Anniversary Dinner held on 20 January.

February – **Greg & Evelyn Russell** stepped up to be the 2007 Chapter Couple. At Wingless Weekend, 9-11, Chapter I received permanent custody of the District 2006 Traveling Plaque; VA-I members were in group that won the District Peoples Games and **Isabel Gray** won the Escape Trailer Raffle.

May – VA-I conducted annual **Poker Run** on 19 May at Nokesville Park.

July – Several members of VA-I traveled to Montana to support **Bruce & Gayle Babcock** in their

Quest for International COY. VA-I is largest chapter attending the **District All-Chapters' Picnic** on 14 July.

August – Several members of VA-I attended the 50th Wedding Anniversary of **Bryan & Cecila Teates** on 4 August. Over 25 members attended the annual **Chapter Long Tour** on 3-5 August to Pennsylvania.

September – Charlie Shaw, longtime chapter member, passes away from heart attack.

October – **Chapter I** regains 1st place in the **District Recruiting Contest** for Chapters at RITV. **Dave Timbs**, chapter Recruiting Coordinator, captured **1st place** for Individuals. Chapter I COY, **Bryan & Evelyn Russell**, were selected to become District COY for 2008. **Jeff Sterling**, Chapter Educator, was named the **District Educator of the Year** at RITV. **Laura Goguet** won the Grand prize of the Escapade Trailer from California Sidecar at RITV. Thirty-six (36)

Bikes & fifty-one (51) Riders participated in the annual “**Fall Leaf Run**” to Seneca Rock, conducted on 28 October by Ride Coordinators, **Jon Nichols & Cathy Cox**.

November –

December - 91 members and friends attended the **VA-I Christmas party** on 1 Dec 08 at Elks Lodge with attendance from VA-A, VA-F, VA-R, VA-A1, MD-B, MHRC and District Staff. Thirteen (13) riders attended the **Manassas Christmas Parade**.

In 2008:

January – **Chuck & Dani Karl** continued as Chapter Directors, with **Bruce & Gayle Babcock** as Assistant Chapter Directors and **Jeff Sterling** as Educator with **Ken & Jackie Crawford** as their Assistants.. **Joe & Cindy Hayes** becomes the **2008 Chapter Couple**. **Paul & Becky Sheffield** continue as the **Chapter Treasurer**. VA-I starts a monthly “**Pick Up**” Ride every 3rd Sunday.

February – VA-I celebrates **20th Anniversary** on **2 Feb** at City Tavern Grill. **Steve & Michele Eddington** are named “**People’s Choice**” award winner, with **Dave & Melissa Timbs** named “**Director’s Choice**” award winners. **JAM** Award co-winners were **Leo McDonald** and **Emily Butcher**. VA-I members receive “Thank You” note from Charity, **Robert Day Care Center**, for help given in 2007. After 15 years, VA-I moved their Meeting location from **Old Country Buffet** (closing down) to **Golden Corral** on west side of Rte 234 and Rte 66.

March – **Chuck & Dani Karl** win Grand Prize at **MD-B** Anniversary Dinner on 15th.

April – **VA-I Poker Run** is successful at Luke Jackson Fire House on 12th. **Jerry Keys** conducted FA/CPR/AED training for Chapter. VA-I attended **MHRC Charity Dinner Dance**, where **Michele Eddington** took 2nd place in the Chili Contest, on 19th VA-I ERC was conducted on 27th.

May – 25 VA-I members attended Memorial celebration of Life for **Donna Thomas** on 18th.

Becky Sheffield won the Grand prize of a Hannigan Motorcycle Trailer at the **Region N Rally**

June – VA-I newsletter selected best in District.

July – Several VA-I members attended **Wing Ding** in Greenville, SC. **Steve Eddington** led VA-I members on annual Long Tour, to Ohio for the last Honda Homecoming ever on 22-24.

August – Several VA-I members assisted District Couple, **Bryan & Evelyn Russell** to a successful all-Chapters picnic on 2 August. VA-I has annual **Chapter Picnic** at **Joe & Cindy Hayes’** house on 27th.

September – Editors, **George Craddock & Isabel Gray** win **District Best Newsletter Award** for 2nd time of year for **VA-I**.

October – There were over 24 members at the Rally in the Valley where VA-I put on the Field Events, thanks to **Jeff Sterling** and also take home 3rd place in the Table Decorations, thanks to **Chuck & Dani Karl**; Over 20 members on 12 bikes attended the annual **Jon Nicholl’s Leaf Ride** on 19th.

November – The **Veterans Day Ride** on 16th went to the new **Marine Museum**.

December – **Dec 6th** saw both the **Manassas City Parade** with 12 members and the **VA-I Xmas Party** attended by 65 members of **VA-I** and several other chapters, go off as planned.