

Fellow Retreads:

Hope everyone had a joyous and happy holiday season with family and friends and here is hoping for a happy and prosperous New Year for 2012.

First, we would like to thank Ken and Janice Keene for hosting this year's Holiday party. There was plenty to eat, plenty of friends and plenty of fun with the Chinese gift exchange.

December was not only for parties, we also had two great rides. The first weekend in December, we rode to Fort Christmas for the annual cracker event. We stopped at Golden Corral in Palm Bay and met up with some of the Goldwing group and had breakfast. Then we rode from there to Ft. Christmas. The weather was great and there were lots of vendors and food at Fort Christmas.

After we finished at Fort Christmas, about 10 of us rode to St. Augustine for the night. After we checked into our motel, we rode to downtown and went on the night bus to view the Christmas lights. The lights were beautiful and we had a grand time. After the ride, we had dinner at a seafood place that Bob and I tried once before when we went to St. Augustine and the food was still good. As we all waddled out of the restaurant, we went back to our motel. The next morning after breakfast, some of us went back downtown for a little shopping. For those that missed the trip, you missed a fantastic time. We all had a blast and it was nice spending time with friends. It was discussed that more trips (1 day or 2 days) will be forthcoming soon. Hope everyone can join us.

I don't think too many of us got to go to the Chili ride at Fort Christmas the following weekend because we were having flooding rains in our area. Hopefully we will be able to attend the upcoming events.

This is the time to renew your Retreads membership. Attached is a membership form for renewal. Please take the time to renew your membership. One of the perks of membership is to receive information about the upcoming events listed below.

FOR SALE:

1996 Honda Goldwing SE

Custom diamond seat with backrest with show chrome windshield; passenger armrests; passenger transformer floor boards; firecreek temperature and volt meter; trunk rack. 136,000 miles. Price \$7,500.00. Call Erik Turner at (321) 727-8631

Upcoming events:

Sunday, February 19: Citrus County Hobo Stew, Floral Park, Inverness, FL

Saturday, February 25: Nature Coast Retreads State Ride-In, Whispering Springs State Park, Inverness, FL

Saturday, March 17: Bike Week Fellowship Luncheon, Duff's Cafeteria, Daytona Beach, FL

September 9 – 13: Retreads International Rally, IP Biloxi Casino Resort & Spa, Biloxi, MS

Happy New Year and ride safe.

Bob and Karen McGhee