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Join us the **First Tuesday** each month at **Shoney's Restaurant** 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN 37716, Exit 122 off I-75 (Rt. 61 Museum exit) Just north of Knoxville, Ph. 865-494-7295 Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM *Hope to see Y'all there!!!*





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From Your Senior Chapter B Directors, **Tom & Kathy Peck**



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Here we are and Its February once again, not much activity out there on the motorcycles these days. Just checked the calendar and it looks like 48 days until Spring. Lots of time to get ready for the riding season. But who is counting. Me for one. Can't wait for those days when it so hot you hate to even go out for a ride, I'll take it. We will soon be getting together to do our planning for the upcoming riding season. Each year we always try to get together and do some brain storming so we can come up with a good ride schedule everyone is happy with. Keep you eye on our chapter web site www.tn-b.org when the ride schedule will soon be updated and published.

I would like to thank all our Chapter B members who came out to help make our annual Chili Cook Off another success. Our busy bee's worked hard behind the scenes gathering door prizes and auction items. Although the crowd was a bit down this year everyone still seemed to have a good time. I would also like to thank all our GWRRA members from Chapter C in the Tri State area, Chapter M from Lenoir City and Chapter F from Morristown plus others who came out to support our annual event. After expenses were covered our Chapter raised approximately \$1700. The Chapter B membership will decide how we will divide things up between St Jude and the Pediatric brain Tumor Foundation. We will continue to collect donations to add to the final amount for 2017.

We look forward to coming up with new ideas that might make our annual fund raising event even better for 2018, let us know if you have any suggestions.



Assistant Chapter B Director







A STORY TO LIGHTEN UP YOUR DAY

A young mother was concerned about Timmy, her kindergarten son, walking on his own to school. The problem was Timmy didn't want his mother to walk with him. The problem was she wanted to give him the feeling that he had some independence but yet know that he was safe.

So she had an idea of how to handle the situation. She asked a neighbor if she would please follow her son to school in the mornings, staying at a distance, so he probably wouldn't notice her. Her neighbor said that since she was up early with her toddler anyway, it would be a good way for them to get some exercise as well, so she agreed.

The next school day, the neighbor and her little girl set out following behind Timmy as he walked to school with another neighbor girl he knew. She did this for the whole week. As the two children walked and chatted, kicking stones and twigs, Timmy's little friend noticed the same lady was following them as she seemed to do every day all week.

Finally she said to Timmy, 'Have you noticed that lady following us to school all week? Do you know her?' Timmy nonchalantly replied, 'Yeah, I know who she is.' The little girl said, 'Well, who is she?' 'That's just Shirley Goodnest,' Timmy replied, 'and her daughter Marcy.' 'Shirley Goodnest? Who is Shirley Goodnest and why is she following us'?

"Well," Timmy explained, "every night my Mom makes me say the 23rd Psalm with my prayers, because she worries about me so much. And in the Psalm, it says, 'Shirley Goodnest and Marcy shall follow me all the days of my life', so I guess I'll just have to get used to it!" *Vickie*



Orange Supreme Cake mix.

Bake according to directions on cake box.

Remove cake from oven.

Use skewer stick or fork to poke holes in hot cake.

Mix

1/2 cup butter

³/₄ powdered sugar (confectioners' sugar)

³/₄ cup Tang orange juice

Boil mixture for 2 minutes, pour mixture over cake.

Cool and serve.

From Amy





1 <u>onion</u>, chopped 1 <u>bell pepper</u>, chopped

1 (14 ounce) can stewed tomatoes

4 (8 ounce) cans tomato sauce

- 1 (14 ounce) can ranch style beans 1 (14 ounce) can pinto beans
- 1 (14 ounce) can kidney beans
- 1 (10 ounce) can <u>Rotel diced tomatoes</u>
- 1 (1 1/4 ounce) package McCormick mild chili seasoning 2 lbs. ground chuck



Just in time for Super Bowl

DIRECTIONS:

Brown Ground Chuck. Add all canned items, including juice, into large pot.

Cook until onion and pepper are tender.

Serve.



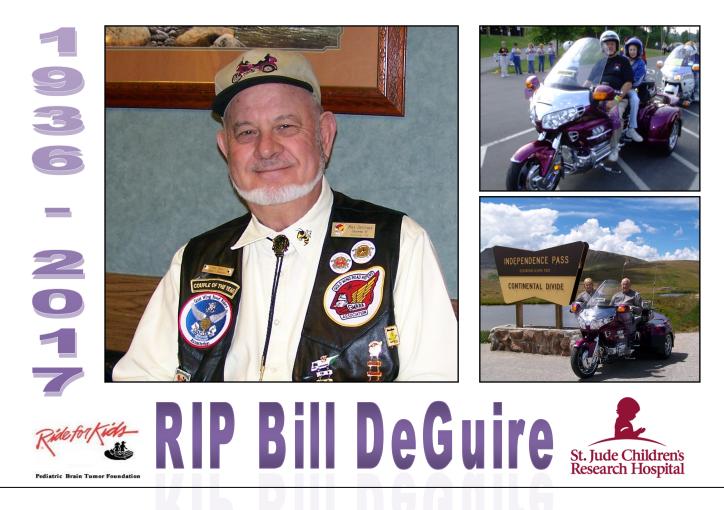
My family and I wish to express our gratitude for the great turnout at Bill's visitation, funeral, and burial last weekend. He would have been so pleased with the tribute and honor bestowed on him by our GWRRA chapter family and the Patriot Guard. Riding your motorcycles on such a cold day was truly a sacrifice of love and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Your prayers, visits, and support meant so much to both Bill and me in the past several months as we fought so diligently to get him standing, walking, and back to the active man he was before September 1st. Your love gave me strength and he never gave up.

The flags were beautiful -- aren't they always? Thanks to Vicki and Larry for introducing me to Patriot Guard. They honor policemen, firemen, first responders, in addition to Veterans. Of those, Bill served in the U,S. Navy, and in his community as a policeman and fireman for several years when we were first married.

He will be celebrating his birthday February 2 in Heaven. I can only imagine how that will be. I was blessed with a wonderful husband and father of our children. My focus will be on the good times...almost 55 years of marriage and chock full of great memories! Thank you all, my dear friends, for just being "you".

Merrilee



Chapter B lost a long time member and dear friend and fellow motorcycle enthusiast, Jan 23rd. Bill DeGuire will be missed not only by his immediate family but his extended Goldwing Road Rider family. Bill enjoyed much of his leisure activity on his Goldwing Trike. He had several Goldwings in the past and shortly after getting his 2004 Magenta GL1800 he decided to convert it to a trike.

His Hannigan Trike was his pride and joy as he and his lovely wife Merrilee enjoyed their wing and the open air, and we were blessed to have many fun trips together with them throughout the country. Most recently on a trip to Colorado we spent 2 weeks riding some of the greatest mountain roads in America.

Game nights had a whole new meaning for Bill as this was one of his favorite things to do. Bill introduced the wonderful game of marbles throughout the south east. The special edition of this game was passed down from his Missouri family and imported to Tennessee where playing the game caught on fire becoming very popular. Building the game board from a sheet of plywood and sharing with friends was another fun time I was able to share with Bill. An afternoon playing cards was always in order for Bill, he loved to trade wits with his opponents and always made a good partner as we played the girls in a hot game of hand and foot.

Each year Chapter B has a Chili Cook-off to raise money for the children of St Jude and the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. Bill always went all out securing cash donations, auction items and door prizes used in the fund raising effort. Bill & Merrilee got involved back in the Honda Hoot days and continued each year since. During the Ride for Kids Bill would always ride one of the children who had survived a brain tumor. Bill's extreme effort will truly be missed by all during these fund raising activities in and around the East Tennessee area. Rest in peace Bill DeGuire.

Chapter Educator Section



It's true, most motorcyclists are more observant and aware of what's going on around them while riding. But, have you ever found yourself staring at something that caught your attention and then found that it was something that was completely unimportant?

These types of meaningless fixations are usually what get riders into trouble. Scanning the area ahead expands our awareness of the big picture, but staring tends to minimize our situational awareness.

Car drivers are often distracted by emergency vehicles with flashing lights at the side of the road causing fixation or staring, which often leads to secondary, or "rubbernecker" type crashes, often involving the stopped emergency vehicle.

Motorcyclists can be dangerously

distracted by attempting to use a GPS unit while continuing to ride instead of pulling over. Even something as simple as a stubborn zipper on your jacket can cause a lack of attention on a particularly curvy road.

One of the worst fixations is something weighing heavy on your mind. Whether it be something from work or from your personal life, find a way to clear your mind and concentrate on your riding or park the bike.

Whatever the case may be, make a conscious attempt to become aware of when you are becoming distracted. Pull over into a rest stop if necessary and take a break.

Until next time, ride safer.

Jerry



or Sale



2008 GL1800, Level III, comfort/audio pkg. with ABS and GPS, Pearl White, CB, Fog Lights, lots of chrome, Tulsa windshield, highway pegs, back rest, passenger arm rest etc. too many extras to list. Must see to appreciate. Bike has good rubber and brakes, recently installed a new differential and drive shaft from parts removed from a new trike conversion. Goldwing is one owner and well maintained. Bike in excellent condition, Reduced selling price due to the amount of smiles, lots of life left on this beautiful rig. This bike will make someone a very good and dependable ride. Contact: Tom or Kathy Peck tomkatpeck@msn.com for more info or pictures, call 423-907-9712 \$10,000 and you can put it in your garage.

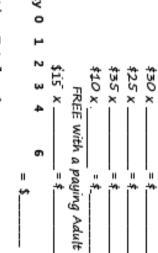
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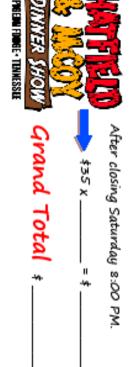
District Directors (865) 661-9121 for more information.

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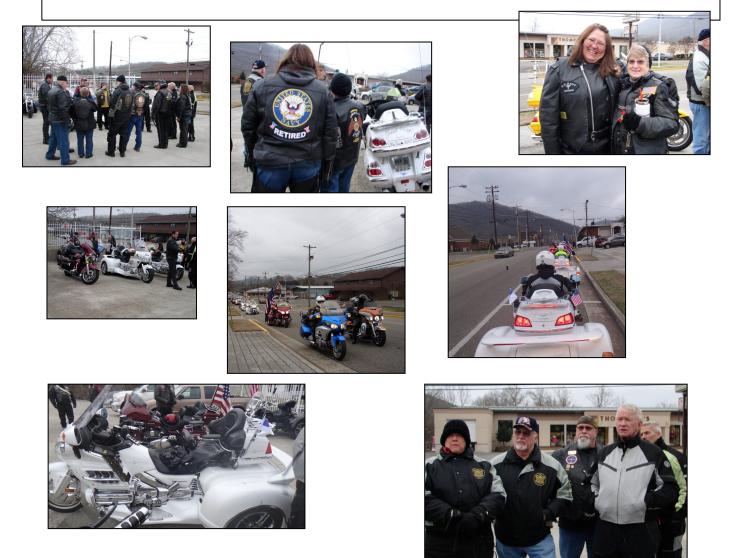






The Patriot Guard Riders is an organization based in the United States whose members attend the funerals of members of the U.S. military, firefighters, and police at the invitation of a decedent's family.

Saturday morning was cold and flurries were in the air. Merrilee asked that, all who could, would ride the motorcycles in the funeral procession to show our respects to Bill Deguire. He was a Navy Veteran and the Patriot Guard Riders came out in force. Tom & Kathy, Scott, Ken, Roy, Marvin and Vickie joined the riders as we escorted Bill to his final resting place just up the Valley from Lafollette. Many thanks to all those who made this a very special day for Merrilee and all of Bill's family and friends. Extra thanks to Vickie and Larry, who are dedicated Patriot Guard Riders, for setting up the escort and also the flag line the previous evening at the church for Bill's visitation





Date of RFK's is Saturday October 7th, 2017, UT has a by-week...so no game....time not set yet....mark them calendar's.... This is the old Knoxville Ride for Kids changed to "Deals Gap Ride for Kids 2017"Deals Gap Resort has graciously taken over the East TN RFK...going to be big....more info to follow as it gets firmed up...

2017 Deals Gap Ride for Kids Deals Gap Motorcycle Resort 17548 Tapoco Rd Robbinsville, NC, 28771

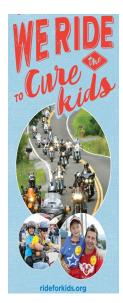




Supporting the PEDIATRIC BRAIN TUMOR FOUNDATION

\$35: Deals Gap/Ride for Kids T-shirt (shipped within 4-6 weeks) Deals Gap Ride for Kids Sticker (limited to the first 500 \$35 donors) Deals Gap / Ride for Kids Commemorative Poker Chip (limited to the first 500 \$35 donor

The Deals Gap Ride for Kids will be unlike any event you've ever attended. "The Dragon's" 318 turns in eleven miles present a challenge for the most seasoned riders. Instead of organizing an escorted ride, we decided to let everyone enjoy the day at their own pace.









Rescue Towing and Emergency Roadside Assistance

As a paid Member of GWRRA, you receive FREE 24hour/7-days-a-week towing up to 35 miles per disablement and roadside assistance for your motorcycle or any motorcycle you are riding, including as a passenger. If you have a Family membership, your registered household family members are covered too. Here are just a few of your benefits as a GWRRA Member Protect yourself out on the road.

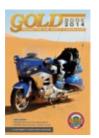


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Dates set for 2017 Spring Fling: April 20-22

See Kathy if you are CONSIDERING staying with the Chapter in a rental cabin during Spring Fling. (Fun time with the Chapter B family whether you attend the rally or not.)



Chapter Visitation



Chapter **B** meets the **1st Tuesday** each month at **Shoney's** Clinton Exit 122 off I-75 North Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm. Call Tom & Kathy Peck 423-907-9712

Chapter **M** meets the **2nd Tuesday** each month. Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm.. Chapter M meets at 550 Fort Loudon Medical Center Dr in Lenoir City. CD Brian & Loretta Richards 865-816-8212

Chapter F meets the **3rd Thursday** Golden Corral, 2905 West Andrew Johnson Highway, Morristown, TN 37814. Eat 6:30 pm/Meet 7:30 pm CD Elizabeth & Earl Smith 585-737-9823

Chapter C meets the **3rd Tuesday** each month at MaMa's House Buffet 2608 N John B Dennis Hwy. Kingsport, Eat at 6:00pm and start the Gathering at 7:00pm. TN Call Richard & Connie Pen**dleton**, 423-245-8484 Chapter A2 meets the **3rd Monday** each month at Shoney's 1021 Lamar Alexander Pkwy Maryville, Eat at 6pm Meeting at 7pm. CD Jim & Joyce Hunsley 217-412-9986

Chapter **T** meets the **4th Tuesday** Each month at the Shoney's 315 Emory Rd, Powell Eat at 6:00 pm/Meet at 7:00 pm CD: Bobby Cash 865-705-7657

Lets go Visit!

Chapter C2 meets the 3rd Saturday at Shoney's, 4148 US 127, S Crossville, Eat at 9:00 am Meeting at 10:00 am CD Buddy & Brenda Turner, 931-484-7337



Ride Planning Meeting Saturday, February 4, 2017 10:00 a.m. Tom and Kathy's Place 153 Deerwood Lane LaFollette, TN 37766 423-907-9712

Come with your suggestions for day rides, dinner rides, overnight rides . . .

We'll have our planning meeting first. Then we'll grill up some hot dogs to go with all the other stuff you guys are bringing. Then we'll break out the cards and dice and marble boards! Hope you can join us!

Directions to Tom and Kathy's Place 153 Deerwood Lane, LaFollette, TN 37766, 423-907-9712

- I-75 North to Exit 134 (Caryville, Jacksboro, LaFollette).
- At bottom of ramp turn right (east) on TN-63/US-25W.
- Turn right in approx. 9 miles, after going thru town, at Traffic Light #10, Cumberland Avenue.
- Road name changes to Old Long Hollow Road (follow signs to Deerfield Resort every mile or so).
- Turn left in about 3.8 miles onto Cedar Creek Road (just past Coolidge Baptist Church).
- Turn right in about 3.8 miles at Fast Freddy's onto Alder Springs Road.
- Bear right in about 1 mile, up the hill onto Chapman Rd (you'll see signs to Deerfield Resort.)
- You'll come to the guard shack in about a mile let them know that you're visiting us. Note: the road name changes to Deerfield Way at the guard shack.
- Turn right in about 2 miles at office and tennis courts (you'll still be on Deerfield Way after turning).
- Go down the hill and turn at the first street, Deerwood Lane.
- Our house is the second driveway on the left. You can't miss the sign that says "TomKats Place".

Note: Your GPS may take you a different way – that's OK. We prefer this route. See you soon!

TN-B 2017 Ride and Event Schedule

Ride Planning Meeting— Saturday February 4, at Tom and Kathy's Place. See page 16 for details!



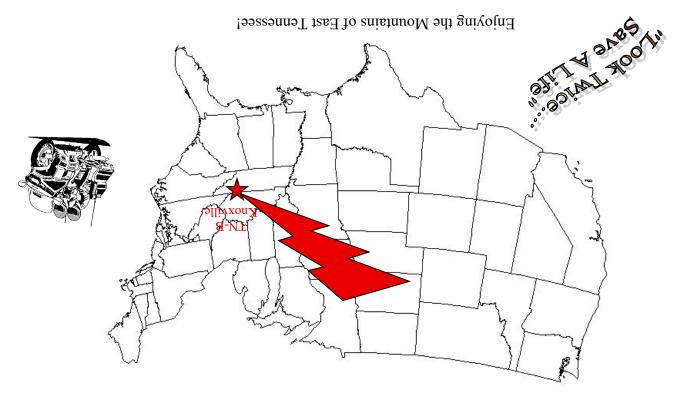


Deals Gap Motorcycle Resort BBQ lunch

We're looking for someone to take over as Ride Coorinator Are you interested?



Come Ride with us!



Gold Wing Road Riders Association

