

The Buzz

GWRRA Sun Sphere Wings Chapter B Knoxville Tennessee January 2015 Newsletter



Tennessee Chapter BChartered December 14th 1982
Home of the 1982 Worlds Fair

Allan & Carolyn Little Region N Directors

Appalachian Region N

www.region-n.org

Region N Directors www.region-n.org

Gary & Patti Hamilton
Tennessee District Directors
wwww.tngwrra.org









Chapter B Senior Directors Tom & Kathy Peck

You can reach them at home 423-907-9712 or email: tomkatpeck@msn.com



Gold Wing Road Riders Association GWRRA Director: Ray & Sandy Garris National Web site www.gwrra.org

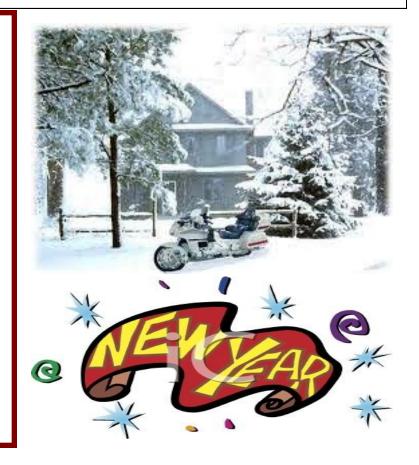
Volume 34: Number 1

Chapter B Web Site www.tn-b.org

Newsletter Editors: Tom & Kathy Peck tomkatpeck@msn.com

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 and our social
starts promptly at 7:00 PM
Hope to see Y'all there!!!



Chapter B Staff

Senior Directors

Tom & Kathy Peck 423-907-9712 tomkatpeck@msn.com

Assistant Directors

Scott Seal (Amy) 423-566-8250 gwrra2003@live.com

Treasurer

Joann Smith memories 1962@comcast.net

"Couple of the Year" 2014

Sam & Lynell Queener queener3@aol.com

"Individual of the Year" 2014

Peanut Davis peanutdavis@yahoo.com

Chapter Educator

Jerry Ciesla (Irene)

Ride Coordinator

Wally Maliskey 865-617-6268 bamaaty214@yahoo.com

Membership Enhancement

Cindy Cox (Doug) 865-719-5112 lucindap99@aol.com

Chapter Store

Pat Talley (Chuck) 423-562-1962 talleylakeside@gmail.com

Game Night Coordinator

Linda Bridges (Mike) 865-922-9266 redsmycolor@live.com

Sunshine

Emily Lewis 865-938-8223 mawmawx3tce@gmail.com

Technical Coordinator

Brian Richards (Loretta) 865-249-6173 barljr@comcast.net

Awards Coordinator

Tom Rhoads (Debbie) 865-945-3894 utvol105@yahoo.com

Web Master / Newsletter Editor

Tom Peck (Kathy) 423-907-9712 tomkatpeck@msn.com

From Your Senior Chapter B Directors, Tom & Kathy Peck



Hi Everyone,

Another year gone and a brand new start for 2015. As we look outside we realize it's cold out there. Not much thought of the motorcycle these days. As I was getting my bike ready to set for awhile I got to thinking, wouldn't it be great if we come up with an area of our newsletter and better advise and educate our members on the care and maintenance of our pride and joy sitting in the garage. I asked Brian Richards if this would be something he would be able to do for us and he accepted the new position as our Tech Advisor. I knew Brian was a good writer and with his many years of Goldwing riding. He would be the perfect fit.

It's always a good time to reflect on how our Chapter did providing a fun, educational environment for our membership and always being open to new ideas for making things even better. If you have any suggestions that we can bring to the table and discuss that would accomplish this task please bring your thoughts to any of our staff members and hopefully the idea will work its way to Scott or me so we can discuss things with everyone and hopefully implement your suggestion.

Wally has been working trying to pin down our ride and event schedule. Always keep your eye on the chapter web site events page for new and updated information. We will try to send out information as the schedule is updated and changed. See you all at Shoney's

Tom

Items For Sale

- 1) GWRRA 3-in-1 Jacket, size large, with 2nd 10" GWRRA patch sewn on inner jacket, excellent condition, asking \$70
- 2) Joe Rocket Honda Goldwing mesh Jacket, blue, with rain-liner, size XL, brand new, asking \$70:
- 3) Goldwing Fleece Jackets, size large, excellent condition, almost new, asking \$25 ea
- 4) Joe Rocket mesh Jacket, size large, good condition, asking \$15
- 5) Lady's Joe Rocket Honda Goldwing Mesh Jacket, front, Size large, with rain liner, almost new, \$190 new, asking \$75
- 6) Men's Joe Rocket Honda Goldwing Mesh Jacket, front, large, with rain liner, very good condition, asking \$35
- 7) Men's Tour Master Venture Air Mesh Riding Pants, Size 38-40, almost new, worn once, \$195 new, asking \$150
- 8) Lady's premium buffalo leather vest front, size XL, brand new, retail \$40, asking \$30
- 9) Men's classic lambskin western leather vest front, size XL, brand new, retail \$60, asking \$50
- 10) Hyper Lights, brand new, retail \$100, asking \$75 (3 sets)



Brian Richards has several items for sale listed above. All top quality items, like new condition. I'm sure if you give Brian a call he could bring any of the items with him to our chapter gathering at Shoney's so you could try them on and check it out up close. Call Brian or send him an email for further information.

Brian Richards

865-249-6173 email: barljr@comcast.net



Broccoli Soup

Submitted by Joyce Jennings

Broccoli

¼ Cup Butter4 Cups Milk1 Onion ChoppedSalt & Pepper

½ Cup Flour 2 Boxes Frozen chopped Broccoli

3 Cans Chicken Broth Velveeta Cheese

Cook Broccoli according to Pkg. Sauté onion in butter, stir in flour, broth & milk.

Stir until thick and bubbly. Remove from heat. Add broccoli, salt & pepper.

Tropical Chicken Salad

2 chicken breasts, cooked and chopped

1/4 cup slivered almonds, chopped

1/3 cup finely chopped celery

2 T. finely chopped onion

1/8 tsp. salt

Pepper to taste

3/4 cup Kraft real mayonnaise

1 (8 1/2 oz) can crushed pineapple, drained

Combine all ingredients in order listed. Toss well and chill.

Submitted by Tom Peck

Spring Fling will be held April 23-25, 2015, at Camp Jordan in East Ridge/Chattanooga TN

Host Hotel:

BEST WESTERN PLUS Arbor Inn & Suites

6710 Ringgold

East Ridge, Tennessee, 37412-4230, US

Phone: 423/893-7979

Note: I called and made a reservation to stay Thursday through Saturday, April 23-25. Need to ask for the GWRRA rate: Double \$82, King \$82, Suite (2 double beds and separate living room) \$92. (Plus tax). Cancelation is 6 PM the day of check-in.



Suggestions for Lodging:

- Hampton Inn and Suites, 4727
 University Drive, 4.5 miles
 from rally site, Trip advisor
 rating #13 of 53 hotels, \$89, (Sr and AAA)
- Sleep Inn and Suites, 4727 University
 Drive, 4.5 miles from rally site, Trip advisor rating #4 of 53 hotels, \$72 (Sr & AAA),
- Comfort Suites, 6224 Torok Cir, 6.7 miles from rally site, Trip advisor rating #14 of 53 hotels, \$82 (Sr. & AAA).

Note: these 3 hotels are not on the convention center list for Wing Ding and can be booked through their websites—rooms are still availa-



ble. There are others still available, but these 3 are in the top 25% of Trip Advisor's ratings.

Other hotels can be booked from the convention center list by going to GWRRA's website and following the Wing Ding links. The ones not already sold out are either farther out, not in the top 25% of ratings, or are more expensive than the ones we've indicated here. Don't hesitate to make your reservations while rooms are still available. We are staying in town at the Homewood Suites, which sold out early.

Tom and Kathy

Harrison's Dinner Ride



A good group of 18 of us had a very nice dinner on the 18th at the Harrison's in Clinton. There was a lot of fun and laughter, enjoying some good food and great friends. And as has become somewhat of a tradition, we all played the "quarters" game, and I was "lucky" enough (???) to be served last, so I won the pot, something that Loretta will be quick to tell you is really unusual - I will generally be the last served, **unless** there is something in it for me, such as winning the quarters, at which time I will usually be served next to last!

Obviously, as cold as it was, we all had gotten there in our "quadra-cycles", brrr this weather right now is not kind to motorcycle riders!

Loretta and I feel, looking back at this past year, the chapter has had some pretty nice dinner outings, the selected restaurants worked out really nice, and we have several new places to add to our list of places we like to go for a dinner out. We sure hope that more of the chapter members see about all the fun we all are having and decide to join us. We hope to see you at our next TN-B Dinner "ride".



Article submitted by: Brian Richards

Tech Advisor Section—devoted to the care and upkeep of your Motorcycle or Trike





Brian Richards, Tech Advisor

'd like to introduce Brian as our newly created position as Chapter Technical Advisor, Brian will be writing articles to do with the care and maintenance of your Goldwing,. Join me in welcoming Brian to his new position and feel free to discuss your interest with him, (Your CD Tom)

This new section of the newsletter, and my efforts, are intended to provide advice, assistance, hints/tips, tricks, etc. to all our fellow members to hopefully make things easier to maintain your motorcycle, so your time spent riding will be more enjoyable. As you think of ideas that you have used in the past that helped you maintain your motorcycle, made it easier to use and enjoy, etc., please consider sending them to me so I can forward them on in subsequent articles. We all can help each other fully enjoy our favorite pastime.

Okay, for this first article, I figured the following would be a good subject as this is the time of year that many of us figure we need to put our baby to bed for a long winter's nap. There are many recommendations floating around this time of year of what needs to be done to do a "safe" storage of your motorcycle so it is better prepared to get right back into a new riding season without a lot of trouble or hassle. Here are a few of them that I've been able to "round up" from multiple sources, for those getting ready to put their motorcycle up for the winter.

Cleaning: if you've had your motorcycle out for that last ride of the season, one thing to strongly consider is that chances are very good that you got some road grime and especially some bugs splattered on your motorcycle's surfaces. You do NOT want to leave that stuff laying on it all winter, there are chemicals involved that if left sitting on the

motorcycle for the next few months, can have a detrimental effect on the finish. So seriously consider giving your motorcycle a good cleaning before "putting it away". A good coat of wax would definitely be a good idea.

Gas: many of us know and understand the issue of what happens to gasoline when it is just sitting in the gas tank for a long period of time, it starts breaking down and gets "sludgey" or you may have heard the statement that it gets like varnish. Well that resulting material does not flow through the fuel system very well and can cause problems come spring-time when you try to get the motorcycle ready for a new riding season. One of the strongest suggestions is to put a fuel stabilizer into the tank as you put the motorcycle into storage. A good product to consider is "Sta-Bil fuel stabilizer", and just follow the instructions that come with the product.

Fill your tank: Speaking of gas, and storing the motorcycle for the winter, it is also strongly recommended that you fill the tank to the top, the reason for that is if the tank is only partially full, the upper portion of the tank has air in it, and if there is moisture in the air, you can get condensation on the inside of the tank where it is "open" to the air, which can lead to rust, obviously not a good thing.

Cleaning your tank in the spring: A good suggestion for next spring when you get ready to start riding again, is a product that does an excellent job of cleaning out the fuel system, which would be a great idea for that first fill up after running through the gas that has been sitting in the tank all winter, or even add it to the top of the tank before that first ride. It is called "Sea Foam" and is a great additive for cleaning the fuel system on most all vehicles, especially fuel injection systems. It can be purchased at most all automotive stores as well as Wal*Mart. For the Gold Wing, that first tank full and you might want to consider every few times you fill the tank with gas, put about 6 oz in before you fill the tank (putting it in before filling gives a better chance of it being thoroughly mixed with the gas) and just drive (I started using it this past fall and it seemed to have improved my fuel mileage as well as making the engine run a tad smoother).

Continued on next page

Tech Advisor—Continued:

Oil: as you have ridden and the oil circulates throughout the engine, it picks up "stuff", some of which tend to be somewhat acidic, you don't want to leave that old oil with all the impurities just sitting in the engine over the winter months. It is strongly recommended that you do an oil change - including the filter - before storing your motorcycle.

Remove the spark plugs: Many "experts" feel it is also a good idea to remove the spark plugs, squirt about 1 teaspoon of oil into each cylinder through the plug hole, and then replace the plugs before cranking the engine (with the "engine stop switch" in the off position). This will coat the insides of the cylinders with oil, preventing corrosion.

Spray a LIGHT coating of oil (or WD40 or similar) inside the muffler. Then spray a rag (an old sock works great) LIGHTLY with oil and stuff it in the pipe. Cover the end of the muffler with a plastic grocery bag and tie it in place. This will keep the creatures from making nests / webs / etc. in your pipes.

Place a few dryer sheets (Bounce works best) around the electrical "stuff" - mice don't like these and will be less likely to chew the wires.

Make sure you store the motorcycle on the center -stand so the weight is off the rear tire, and put a small piece of wood such as a 3/4" piece of plywood (8 inch square or so) under the front tire - this will keep them off the cold concrete over the winter.

Covers: this is a sticky issue for many, if you have to have the motorcycle covered, the type of cover you use can have a significant impact. Many of the covers that do such a good job of keeping the rain off during the riding season, if left on for a significant amount of time under changing weather/temperatures such as winter storage, can cause condensation to form underneath, resulting in your motorcycle getting or staying wet while it is being stored, obviously not a good situation. Try to use a cover that "breathes", or another option is an old bed sheet.

Battery: there are two schools of thought on the battery issue, one is to leave the battery in the motorcycle, the other is to take it out and store it on a shelf. There doesn't seem to be a really strong reason to consider either method, one over the other. The main issue is to keep a charge on the battery. The best recommendation is to keep it connected to something like the "Battery Tender" brand of charger. This is a "trickle" charge type of device, you do not want to have the battery connected to a device that is constantly charging the battery, these will tend to "cook" the battery, tending to a bad result. A trickle charger just maintains the charge, it will charge the battery to a proper level, then go into a "sleep" mode until the battery's charge drops below a certain level, at which time it wakes up and starts charging again to bring the battery back up to the proper level. Keeping the battery properly charged will insure it is ready to start the motorcycle come spring.

special hint, if you prefer to start your motorcycle every once in a while just to make sure things are "okay", make sure you let it run long enough for the engine to reach normal operating temperature, a good rule of thumb would be at least 10-15 minutes. Prior to that amount of time, there is condensation in the exhaust system (I know you've noticed the water dripping from

the exhaust pipes as it is sitting there idling and warming up), that once the engine reaches full operating temperature, gets dried out. If you don't run it long enough to dry out that condensation, and just shut the engine off, that condensation just sits inside the muffler and exhaust pipe, which can lead to rust.

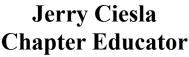
Brian



Chapter Educator Section









The holidays are over, it's cold outside, and your Gold Wing is tucked away resting with its battery maintainer attached. OK, I got the memo: IT'S WINTER! So who's thinking about riding? Well, I am, and you can also use winter as your own personal mental battery maintainer to stay in the proper mindset about some of the worst 4 wheel menaces that are out on the roadway every day.

Here's some tips I've found through my years on the road that often indicate a behind - the - wheel idiot. These can be important whether you're driving your car / truck or riding your Wing.

- 1. A CAR WITH BODY DAMAGE. A car with front end body damage usually indicates someone who likes to drive too fast. How old is that damage? Has that damage been spray painted over by the car's owner? Will the doors still open and close? You get the idea.
- 2. TAPE REPAIRS. Any tape repairs on the exterior of a vehicle usually indicates the driver just doesn't care about the condition of his / her car. Duct tape, packing tape, or even scotch tape holding body parts or lighting in place should make you raise a caution flag.
- 3. THE MATTRESS. No citizen has ever safely carried a mattress on a personal car. Ever. I've seen them tied on with string that resembled dental floss! I've seen an arm on each side of the roof and no tie downs at all! Even twine or rope is risky. Avoid being near these vehicles.

- 4. WHEELS / TIRES. You know me; I'm crazy about looking for vehicles with underinflated tires. They blow apart at the worst time. Cars rolling down the highway with obviously mismatched tires or temporary spare tires being used at higher speeds should tell you to pull over and take a 15 minute break if possible. It's not pretty being next to any vehicle when his / her tire fails. I've been there, have you?
- 5. DRIVER'S HANDS. This one's rather important. If you can't see a driver's hands (preferably on the steering wheel) you are in danger. If he / she is also looking down, then you know that person is either texting, dialing, or doing something with a mobile phone. Watching a vehicle that appears to have difficulty staying in its lane is another tip off. These people are threatening your life, their life, and the lives of everyone around them. Unfortunately, this is so common today, you'd never get anywhere if you pulled over every time you saw someone texting. Mobile phones are probably the worst thing to happen to not only motorcycling but all of motorized transportation ever. Though some people can walk and chew gum at the same time, many more cannot. You get my drift. Ensure that you don't become a victim to these electronic devices and the road menaces that use them carelessly.

I'll expand on this section at our January meeting.

Until next time Ride Safer, Jerry





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 the Fort Loudon Medical Center in Lenoir City. Mel & Renee McInerney 865-809-1466

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 Bill Potter 865-254-9218 Note Day Chg

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 Pendleton, 423-245-8484

Chapter A2 meets the 3rd Monday each month at O'Charlies Eat at 6pm Meet at 6:30, 364 Fountain View Circle Spring Brook Center, CD Wayne Howe & Brandi Ellard 865-924-0136 Note Location Change

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 CDs: Kimberly and Robert Burleson; 623-236-6645

Lets go Visit!

Chapter C2 meets the 3rd Saturday at Shoney's, 4148 US 127, Crossville, Eat at 8:00 am Gathering at 9:00 am CD David and Dianna Hamby 931-510-5595



New Chapter Golf Shirts see Pat

Chapter "Bee" Embroidered Hats: \$12 Place you Order with Pat Talley



Give me a call, email me or see you at the next meeting

INVENTORY CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:



Tennessee visitation pins (Shape of State)......\$4.00 ea. TN-B Hanger Bars 2.00 Region N 4" Patch 6.00 Red/ White 4" GWRRA Patch 6.00 Black/Gold 4" GWRRA Patch...... 6.00 Black/Gold IO" GWRRA Patch..... 14.00 Red/White 10" GWRRA Patch...... 14.00 Blue & Red District Patch —--TN District Pin—----- 4.00 Chapter B 25 Year Patch......Free to Chapter B members



We can order so many more goodies - such as - a GWRRA Mouse Pad for your computer, GWRRA Ball Caps in various colors, Coasters, Earrings, Logo Vest Clip Chains, License Plates, Bolo Ties, Happy Face Antenna Ball - and so much more (just too much to list here).

> **LET'S GO SHOPPING!** See the "Quarter Master"

Pat Talley

423-562-1962 or talleylakeside@gmail.com

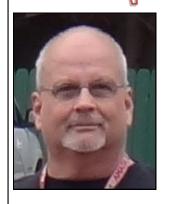




1/6 Joyce Jennings 1/6 Kyle Beeler 1/18 Mike Bridges 1/18 Troy Simcox 1/29 Roy Jennings



1/15 Mike & Linda Bridges 1/24 Chuck & Pat Talley



Wally Maliskey Ride Coordinator

JANUARY

1/13: Dinner Ride Tuesday night 6:30 pm at Altruda's

1/31 Saturday, Chapter B Chili Cook-Off, Halls **Senior Center**

FEBRUARY

2/10: Dinner Ride Tuesday night 6:30 pm at Foun- NOVEMBER tain City Diner

2/14: Saturday, TN District Winter Event

2/14-21: Chapter Cruise

MARCH

3/17: Dinner Ride Tuesday night 6:30 pm at RJ's Courtyard Restaurant in Alcoa, \$25 for room, will collect \$1 per person.

APRIL

4/21:Dinner Ride Tuesday night 6:30 pm, Cheddars, TBA

4/23-25: Thu-Sat, Spring Fling, East Ridge, TN

MAY

5/23: Saturday Ride, Old Mill Restaurant in Pigeon Forge, TBA

JUNE

6/13: Saturday Ride, Amis Mill Restaurant in Rogersville, TBA

JULY

7/9-11: Wings Over the Smokies, Cherokee, NC 7/18: Saturday Ride to Cumberland Lake State Park, TBA

7/26: Ride for Kids, at Oak Ridge Civic Center

AUGUST

8/22: Saturday Ride to the Green Tomato in **Mooresburg near Bean Station**

SEPTEMBER

9/2-5: Wing Ding, Huntsville, AL

9/11: Friday, Wings Across TN Lunch at Concord

Park

9/19: Saturday Ride to Jacob Myers Restaurant in

Dayton

OCTOBER

10/24: Saturday, Fall Color Ride, TBA

11/16: Tuesday Dinner Ride to Ye Ole Steak House, 6:30 pm

DECEMBER

12/8: Monthly Gathering Cancelled—Chili Cookoff Planning Meeting Instead 12/5 or 12: TN-B Christmas Party



Gold Wing Road Riders Association



HOX DOY &

Chili Lunch Door Prizes Galorel

50/25/25 Auction Tennessee Chapter B

Presents: The 21st Annual

Chili Cook-Off



January 31st, 2015

Great Location



4410 Crippen Road, Knoxville, TN 37918



LEAD EXPL 6, North of

9:30 am Doors Open 9:30 am - 1:00 pm. Ticket Sales 11:00 am - 12:30 pm ... Hot Dog/Chili Lunch 12:30 - 2:30 pm . . . Awards, Drawings, Auction 3:00 pm Have a safe trip home!

Registration: \$10 per Person

Children 14 & under FREE

Proceeds benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation Supported by the Ride For Kids®

Awards presented for: Best Hot Chili Most Creative Chili Best Traditional Chili Crowd Favorite and Longest Distance Largest Chapter in Attendance

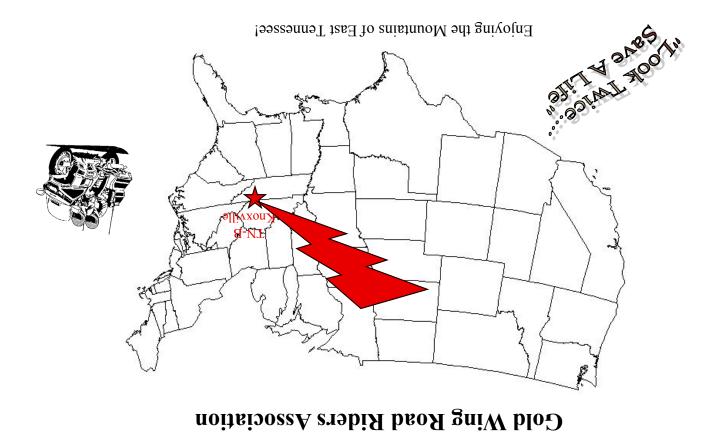
Make Checks payable to: GWRRA TN-B

And send to:

Tom and Kathy Peck 153 Deerwood Lane LaFollette, TN 37766

For more information: 423-907-9712 or tomkatpeck@msn.com

Name's		I/We agree to hold harmless soring organizations or any p	
Address		any loss of injury to self or p We may become involved by	roperty in which 1/ reason of participa-
City	STZip	tion in this event. I/We also agree to as responsibility for any property I/We know damage.	
Phone	Chapter	Rider's Signature	Date
Number Attending	Amount Enclosed \$ Page 11	Co-Rider's Signature	Date







Knoxville Sunsphere Wings GWRRA Chapter TN-B

Senior Director Tom & Kathy Peck 153 Deerwood Lane Lafollette, TN 37766 tomkatpeck@msn.com

Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Chapter TN-BJanuary 2015 Newsletter
Ride Safe! & Ride Aware





To:



