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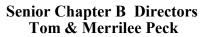
GWRRA SunSphere Wings Chapter B Knoxville Tennessee January/Feb 2021 Newsletter





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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

38th Annual Tennessee District "Spring Fling" April 29-30 May 1, 2021 Pigeon Forge TN Hillbilly Hoe Down



The Ramsey Hotel and Convention Center 3230 Parkway, Pigeon Forge TN 37863 For Reservations Call 865-428-2700 visit: www.gwrratn.org/training & Events for Registration Form

Wing Ding 42 June 29 – July 3, 2021 Springfield Expo Center in Springfield, Missouri

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From Your Senior Chapter B Directors Tom & Merrilee Peck





Happy Valentine's Day



Tom & Merrilee

Happy New Year everyone, Last year was quite a year of a lifetime. Fortunately, that year is gone and we have a new one to build on. Due to the pandemic many of our activities have either been canceled or rescheduled. Our annual Christmas party is when your selection committee was to announce our Chapter Couple and Individual of the Year. We were not able to do this, so much of this newsletter is devoted to this special announcement. Our ride schedule meeting was also postponed, but we were able to attach a questionnaire for you to fill out so Wally could pull a few things together with the results of those surveys. We will try to put together some sort of Ride schedule soon.

Spring Fling is approaching and the District Team is trying to get things going under these trying times. This is the time when we look at all our membership to see what kinds of jobs they would like to volunteer for as our chapter's part of responsibilities at the Rally. Emily is hard at it filling the Couple of the Year basket to be raffled off; any help you can give her is appreciated. If you have other suggestions for Rides or outings let Wally know. As things open back up to a more normal way of life; we are always looking for ideas to bring some excitement into the chapter.

Make sure to stay on top of District activities by visiting their web site at www.gwrratn.org and the National web site at www.gwrra.org and of course our chapter web site at www.tn-b.org. Lots of updated information to visit as you prepare for the upcoming riding season.

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Now that the new year is under way and we all have hopes of things to come, it seems like we are still faced with a lot of the same challenges that last year served us. The old saying, "you don't know what you had till it's gone" sure rings true for us. One of the things that we have missed is the time to get together with family and friends and Chapter B fits in both those categories. There are a few events that are scheduled this year and with a LOT of luck it will all work out. I think one of the first events to come up will be Spring Fling and we are really looking forward to that and shortly after will be the Roane Mt. Steak out (another favorite of ours) and hopefully everyone is sending in their rides to Wally so he can start putting the ride schedule together. We also have the Chapter B picnic in June and that should be another fun time. I feel confident that at some time this year we will see some sign of normal again and like all of you I can't wait. As I walk through my garage now, I just stop and pet on my trike and tell it our day is coming and just because we have been served Lemons doesn't mean we can't start making Lemonade. It has been great to do the Zoom meetings that Tom has set up, and if you have not participated in one you owe it to yourself to join in and catch up with everyone, let everyone know how it's been going with you and join in on some of the planning that the new year is going to bring. Also make sure to be checking the Web page for chapter updates as Tom and Wally work out our ride schedule. I hope to see you all soon.













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Chapter B's Individual of the Year

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BREAKING NEWS TENNESSEE SPRING FLING 2021

Out of an abundance of care and concern for the health and safety of our members and guests we found it necessary to change venues. We are moving the rally about 1.5 miles up the Parkway. The rally will now be held at the Ramsey Hotel and Convention Center, located at 3230 Parkway, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863. This is a very nice upscale hotel. This was previously a Holiday Inn and is located about a block off the Parkway and in the middle of most of the activities. You can check this out on the internet, just go to your search engine and put in the https:// myramseyhotel.com and look it over. The room cost will be \$129.00 per night. That price is for 2 Queens or 1 King Standard room. Breakfast is included with the room. The hotel has plenty of parking space so we will not be looking for a place to park. Jan and I just stayed at the hotel and we found that everything that is pictured in on the web site is current. Gold Wing Motorcycle Rally April 29, 2021 – May 2, 2021 The Ramsey Hotel & Convention Center For Reservations Call 865-428-2700 or 1-800-555-2650 • 208 interior-corridor updated guest rooms with plenty of common areas and elevators • All extra clean guest rooms feature new pillow-top mattresses, all white duvets, linens and bath towels, large LCD 42" TVs with cable, one gigabyte of fast glass fiber Wi-Fi, Keurig coffee makers, mini- fridge, microwaves, iron and ironing boards, hair dryers and Bath & Body Works bath amenities • Huge 24-hour indoor waterfall pool, hot tub, fire-pit patio with nightly movies on a giant screen and free fresh hot popcorn • Free wireless, high speed internet throughout hotel • 24-hour complimentary fitness and business centers • Free 24-hour coffees, teas, and hot chocolate • 24-hour guest laundry • On City of Pigeon Forge Fun Time Trolley Route with onsite pickup • Due to Covid, we have temporarily switched over to a 'Grab-N-Go' Boxed Breakfast—boiled egg, fruit, muffin, breakfast bar & juice, coffee. The regular breakfast is buffet. • 18,810 sq. ft. of upscale convention and meeting space with full-service catering for 10 to 1000 guests • Only 10 minutes to major attractions like Dollywood, Dolly Parton's Stampede, The Island in Pigeon Forge, The Old Mill Historic District, LeConte Center, and the Ripken Experience BREAKING NEWS

Happy Trails









Typically February has never been a good month for riding, so I now have a good opportunity to go back to a topic that not only pertains to riding, but driving as well; DISTRACTED DRIVING! The modern roadway free-for-all is a combination of sensory overload; driver distractions; outdated and decaying infrastructure; population explosion; unfunded driver training; lax requirements for licensing; and no requirement for recurrent training.

Everyone operating a vehicle should want to be the best they can at a task that is very unforgiving. Unfortunately, this isn't so. The biggest mistake drivers make is sensory overload. Distractions have existed forever, but examples while driving include tuning the radio, eating, having a conversation, disciplining children and applying makeup.

We have all seen, maybe even participated in, many more than these examples, but the biggest problem is the mass addiction of connected smartphones. Supercomputers have been miniaturized to several square inches, and can now be carried around in a pocket. I have yet to find answering the phone or texting while driving to be more important than my own safety, or that of others.

We can't do much to protect ourselves against selfish drivers. However, there are some things we can do to identify those drivers and stay away from them. A stopped vehicle that doesn't move when the light turns green likely has a driver who is busy on the phone. Likewise, a driver with their eyes or head looking down is a good bet that they are busy texting. A vehicle on the freeway easing along at 60 mph, with traffic backing up behind them, is another indication that they are focused elsewhere. (NOT to be confused with drivers from certain regions of the country who are natural lane hogs)

Mentally note the license plate number, the color and make of the car, get past the obstruction and on with your business. It will do no good to point out the error of other people's judgement. Selfish drivers take this as an affront, which is how road rage begins. If you drive the same route on a regular basis, remember and avoid these drivers.

Motorcyclists equipped with Bluetooth technology connected to their phones should be very selective about how they use it. Even though it is "hands free", talking on the phone increases risk in any environment that requires absolute attention, like riding a motorcycle. Even listening to music is a potential distraction, which can reduce your reaction time to potential conflicts. Let calls go to voicemail, or pull over before answering if possible.

Catastrophic results occur every day due to people driving distracted. It is not worth the risk of getting hurt or killed, damaging your vehicle or getting arrested for the instant gratification of communication. It can wait!



Items For Sale



Honda factory Service and ETM manual for GL1800/A 2001-2003 but good up to 2007 \$50.00





Kuryakyn Transformer floorboards Fit all GL1500 and GL1800 to 2017 - Complete with all rubber inserts - \$150.00 pair



Top bridge for GL1800 complete with handlebar setbacks. Just bolt on - \$20.00



Auxiliary fuel tank. Use for extended riding or maintenance. 3.25 gallon spun aluminum - \$100.00



Aluma MCT trailer (3 photos) - LED lights, TN license plate, custom paint with Wing Bling accents - \$700/offer

All items contact Mark Kohman 865-3797229 or email him at mkohlnan@stepshirts.com

Please make sure to fill out this survey and bring with you to the next Chapter gathering or you can email it to Wally

2021 Ride Form	v val
Daily Weekend	
Week or longer	
(circle one)	
Destination	
Date/s:	
Area Attraction's :	
Suggested by:	
Road Capt:	
Depart Time and Location	
Notes:	







Submitted by: Merrilee

Cheesy Potato Soup

1 large can chicken broth

4 cans cream of chicken soup

1 small chopped onion

1-2 bags of hashbrowns

1 block Velveeta cheese (regular or Mexican)

Bring all except hashbrowns to a boil and cook until onion is tender. Add potatoes. Cook until tender. Add cheese and cook until melted.

NOTE: Makes a lot.

For 6 people, make 1/2

INCREASE FOR COMPANY!

Dutchman's Bowl

1 slices bacon

1/4 c. chopped onion

2 T. chopped parsley

Dash (short dash) thyme 1 can cream of potato soup

1/2 soup can milk

1/2 soup can water

1/2 cup whole kernel corn

In saucepan, cook bacon until crisp, remove and crumble. Pour off all but 1 T. drippings. Add onions, parsley and thyme. Cook until onion is tender. Stir in remaining ingredients. Heat; stir now and then. Garnish with bacon.

3 servings

French Onion Soup

1 T. butter

3/4 c. sliced onions, or more

1/2 t. sugar

1 T. flour

4 c. beef broth

Bread cubes

Sliced Provolone cheese

Melt butter in large pan. Add onions and cook until transparent. Add sugar and flour; stir and cook one minute. Add broth and simmer 30 minutes. Add water to maintain volume. Pour into bowls. Add bread cubes and place provolone on top. Place under broiler for short period of time. Watch closely so it doesn't burn!









Baby it's Cold Outside, lets warm up with some soup

2021 Ride Schedule Wally Maliskey Ride Coordinator

Feb 2nd: Regular Chapter Gathering at Shoney's 7 pm

April 29-30 May 1, 2021

38th Annual Tennessee District

"Spring Fling" Pigeon Forge TN Hillbilly Hoe Down

June 29 – July 3, 2021

Wing Ding 42

Springfield Expo Center in Springfield, Missouri

***** Make sure to fill out Wally's survey and send it to him or bring it at Chapter Gathering









Dec, 2020:

Lynell Queener Dec7th Sonya Ridinger Dec 13th Irene Ciesla Dec 21st Chuck Talley Dec 26th Julie Harden Dec 31st



Jan, 2021:

Kyle Beeler Jan 6th
Joyce Jennings Jan 6th
Sherrill Martin Jan 9th
John Thompson Jan 13th
Deniese James Jan 14th
Josh Manis Jan 17th
Mike Bridges Jan 18th
Troy Simcox Jan 18th
Jerry Ridinger Jan 27th
Roy Jennings Jan 29th

Jan15th Mike & Linda Bridges

Jan 24th Lennie & Sherrill Martin Chuck & Pat Talley



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 & Merrilee Peck 423-907-9712 / 423-494-9818

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 865-249-6173

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 Gene & Donna Dunn 631-848-9435

Chapter C meets the **3rd Tuesday** each month at Bob Evans, I-26 Boone's Creek Exit, Kingsport, Eat at 6:00pm and start the Gathering at 7:00pm. TN Tom & Carolyn Jarrell 423-383-0339

Chapter A2 meets the 3rd Monday each month at Shoney's 1021 Lamar Alexander Pkwy Maryville, Eat at 6pm Meeting at 7pm. Chapter Directors Bob Mack Jr. and Margie Pagano 865-376-5090.

Chapter T meets the **4th Saturday** Each month at the Golden Corral 6621 Clinton Hwy 37921 Eat at 9:00 am/Meet at 10:00 am CD: Lee Ann & Wilburn Hayes 423-497-2945

Chapter **C2** meets the 3rd **Thursday** at Eat at 6:30 pm The new place is Ruby Tuesdays, 2316 N Main St, Crossville, TN. Meeting at 7:00 pm Chapter Director is Randy Ryan. 985-201-3791

We have several Chapter Shirts, you can choose the one you

like. Pat can order or you can purchase on your own and we can get the embroidering done for you.

Place your Order with Pat Talley



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).

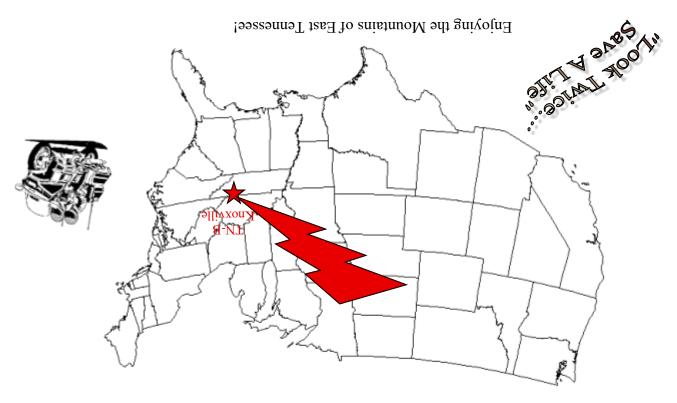


LET'S GO SHOPPING! See the "Quarter Master" Pat Talley

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Stay Tuned to www.tn-b.org



Gold Wing Road Riders Association

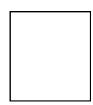


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