

# Happy New Year

## "The Buzz"



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(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 you there!!!*



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## Your Senior Chapter B Directors Tom & Merrilee Peck



Happy New Year everyone! 2019 was a terrific year---they all are, of course, and 2020 will be even better! First of all, a huge "thank you" to Mike and Linda Bridges for hosting our annual Chapter B Christmas party. As always, the food was absolutely delicious and the fellowship with our Goldwing family was a fun-filled pleasant get-together. We so enjoy being with our special friends and this day was no different. Mike and Linda always make us feel so welcome and everyone enjoys the time together.

Next, at our TN-B gathering this coming Tuesday, January 7, our Couple of the Year and our Individual of the Year for 2020 will be announced. Get ready to congratulate those involved and, BE THERE, just in case it's YOU. We look forward to making the announcement and wishing them the best for our new year.

Please make sure to mark your calendars (the 2020 one, you bet) January 11th, on a Saturday, is our 2020 Ride Planning Meeting at the Pecks' home. Be there at 11:00 a.m. and we will plan to eat around noon. This will be a great day to explore our ideas for places we want to ride, new and maybe some old ones we have previously visited are welcome. Bring a quart of your favorite chili for our CHILI DUMP. It was decided at the Christmas party that we would bring a quart of our favorite chili, dump it all together in a large pot and savor the flavor. This is called a "chili dump". We will pool our suggestions and come up with a plan. Last year's was really successful. We were able to attend most of the year with the exception of some down time from surgeries. Hated that we had to miss that West Virginia trip. It was sure fun the year before when we went. Let's make 2020 our best yet and invite others to join in all the comradery. We all love to ride and if, for some health reason, you cannot ride your bike or trike, just jump in your 4-wheeler and join us anyway. Everyone is welcome.

Hope to see you at our January gathering Tuesday and put your thinking caps on for our Spring Fling gathering and for rides you have wanted to do for awhile. Thanks for all you do for Chapter B to make it the fun and friendly chapter it is. You make it happen and we are both so proud to be a part of it!

Tom and Merrilee  
Senior Chapter Directors

# Assistant Chapter Directors



Well now that we have 2019 out of the way we can get started on a new and exciting 2020. We have stuff going on right out of the gate, starting with our January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting then the 2020 ride planning meeting at Tom and Merrilee's house on January 11<sup>th</sup>, we'll be able to get some nice rides laid out for the year and I think we'll have a little thing called a Chilly Dump again, yum. Also, right out of the gate the District has the officers meeting and everyone is welcome followed by the Winter event on February 8<sup>th</sup> which should be a lot of fun, this will be in Lebanon TN again so get your reservations made. We are also announcing at our January meeting the 2020 couple and individual of the year, this was supposed to happen at the Christmas party but we ran into some complications so we decided to hold off till the meeting but we are reel excited to get that information out to everyone. We also will have Spring Fling coming in April followed by Roane Mt. Steak out. It's going to be a great year and like everyone else we are excited to get it going. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Chapter Meeting.

Stanley & Patty Rinehart

TN-B Assistant Chapter Directors

## Happy New Year





# Chapter B Christmas Party

## Christmas Party

What a swell time we had at our annual Christmas party; I didn't get a head count but it was somewhere around 30 people. The Christmas party has always been the highlight of the year for me and patty, there is always great food and being able to spend some time with our Chapter B family is always enjoyable. Once again Mike and Linda opened up their beautiful home to us, everyone brought food and plenty of deserts and yes once again I ate to much. If Chapter B doesn't have anything else, we have some great cooks. The evening went great and after eating there were some games to be played and some nice conversation to be had. After Patty and I left we ran smack into the parade that was going on so we had another adventure as we had to twist and turn our way on the back roads to get back home. It was a very nice evening and I want to once again thank Mike and Linda for being such gracious host.

Stanley



# Chapter B Christmas Party



# Happy Trails



Wow, January 2020! Not only a new year but a new decade! As new year's resolutions often go by the wayside, I would like to challenge all of you to resolve to ride safer in the new year and keep that in mind every time you swing a leg over your seat.

Make a plan to be a better rider by following these suggestions:

**#1 Understand the relative danger of riding a motorcycle/trike. Riding motorcycles is 33 times more dangerous than driving a car. This includes injuries and fatalities. Just the facts, not trying to scare you.**

**#2 Avoid riding while impaired. Riding a motorcycle is much more demanding than driving a car. Any impairment, whether caused by alcohol, drugs, prescription medications, anger, fatigue, or dehydration, reduces your ability to control the situation. Impairment can double or triple the danger factor. About 38% of riders who died in motorcycle crashes had alcohol in their blood.**

**#3 Match your speed to conditions. Rarely are there single vehicle crashes when the motorcycle rider is following posted speed limits. When you ride faster than the posted limits you have less time to deal with whatever happens. Curves, hills and other roadway changes can become more dangerous for your ride.**

**#4 Take a rider course. Maybe its been a few years since you took a Advanced Rider Course or a Trike Rider Course. Riding skills can fade over time away from your bike. Take a course this spring to help restore those skills.**

**#5 Wear appropriate riding gear. Helmets, riding jackets, boots, gloves, etc. not only protect you from the elements like sunburn, windburn, hail, and so on, they will often minimize injury should you have a crash. I know that you heard this before but All the gear/All the time is a safer way to ride.**

Here's to wishing all of you a happy, healthy, and safer riding new year!

See you soon,

Jerry



# GWRRA



## Explanation of the GWRRA Rider Education Levels Program...

The GWRRA Rider Education Program (REP) is intended to make the motorcycle environment safer by reducing injuries and fatalities and increasing motorcyclist skills and awareness. The REP does not propose to have all the answers. However, our close-working relationship with the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), as well as additional GWRRA programs and studies, has provided a wealth of information for use in establishing a comprehensive Rider Education Program. Through Commitment, Education and Application, we can reduce our accident rate significantly. Listed below are several benefits of a fully implemented GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level:

- Increased rider knowledge
- Increased rider safety skills
- Prevention of accidents
- Reduced injuries
- Reduced fatalities
- Improved general public image of motorcyclists
- Enhanced enjoyment of motorcycle riding



The motorcycle community is already realizing many positive benefits from the GWRRA Rider Education Program. Through the efforts of the Rider Education Officers and participation of the membership and others, we will reach our goal of establishing the safest motorcycle environment possible.

One of the safety programs that GWRRA and our District is asking everyone to look at is the Riders Education Program and to be specific the level's Program. There are four levels to the program and each level is geared to make you a better rider and co-rider. Level 1 is as simple as saying that you are committing to riding safe then filling out the paper work and submitting it to our District Educator. I have just filled mine out and submitted it and look forward to working my way up through the other levels. I will have a members list at the meeting that will show where your current status is at and will have some forms for those wanting to get started. You can also go on the national web site and see your own status info that GWRRA has on you. To see it go to GWRRA (<http://gwrro.org/>) and click on the officer's tab and click on Rider Education. From here you can click on the levels program tab on the left side to read all about it or also on the left side click on My RE. Information then log in, your login name will be your membership number and your password will be the numbers of you address plus the expiration date on your membership card so for example if you address was 230 and you expiration date was 5/19 then your password would be 2300519. Once in you can see your GWRRA information, it's that simple. Hopefully everyone will join me and let's have some fun getting through other levels to make our favorite pass time a safe one.

Stanley

**Start 2020 out right and get enrolled in the Riders Level Program or work on moving up a level, everyone wants to ride safe and ride with safe riders.**



# Technical Bench



## Technical Coordinator: Chris Harden

Tech tips on a 2012 or newer if you have the cruise set you can release it by front brake switch rear brake switch or snapping throttle forward will release it which brings a new subject up clutch switch and brake switch lubrication these switches are known to hang up because as the motorcycle sets it allows them to stick in the closed position very simple repair with wd40 or equivalent spray into the switch area with brake or clutch lever pulled in then either use the pull release method on levers and normally will free them up, the switch repair is the same on all previous models of Goldwings and other bikes.

Shifting problems: Honda Goldwings are design to shift smoothly but when adding a heel toe shifter it changes how the lever moves for the original shifter, sometimes loosening the shifter from the shaft going into the transmission and this will cause shift failure or missing a gear change or possible shift clunk. To correct secure factory shifter to shift shaft, the bolt backs loose over time, its also recom-mender to inspect even if it doesn't have heel toe shifter installed

For Can Am spider owners

There are forums out there that we will monitor in the coming year and inform of any known problems which my occur please let me know your year makes and models and I will begin researching them

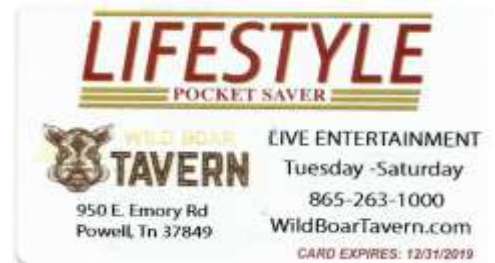
Chris

# Happy New Year





# LifeStyle Entertain-



We can choose our first outing during the meeting



**COME  
AND GET  
IT!!!**



- 1/18 Mike Bridges
- 1/6 Kyle Beeler
- 1/14 Deniese Richards
- 1/6 Joyce Jennings
- 1/29 Roy Jennings
- 1/17 Josh Manis
- 1/9 Sherrill Martin
- 1/18 Troy Simcox



- 1/15 Mike and Linda Bridges
- 1/24 Lennie & Sherrill Martin

# District Winter Event

## On The Road Again

Tennessee District  
Winter Event 2020



**WHEN**  
February 8 2020

**WHERE**  
James E. Ward Agricultural and Community Center  
945 Baddour Parkway, Lebanon TN 37087

Our theme for this event is "On The Road Again"  
Focus of the theme is on "More riding events and  
Rider Safety"

Operations meeting 9:00 am

Winter event 12:00 Noon

Scrap Book, Mascot  
& Table decorating  
Contests



We will have 50-25-25  
ticket sales and drawing.



Point of contact for more information.

Dennis Peterson  
Tennessee District Director  
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We will have a  
Chapter Challenge

The District will  
furnish a light  
lunch.



# "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 **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 **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 **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: Bobby Cash 865-705-7657

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 Bruce & Gayle Babcock 865-344-7194

## Lets go Visit!

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 **C2** meets the 3rd **Thursday** at Shoney's, 4148 US 127, S Crossville, Eat at 6:30 pm Meeting at 7:00 pm Chapter Director is Randy Ryan. 985-201-3791

### New Chapter Golf Shirts see Pat Place your 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
- Red/ White 4" GWRRA Patch ..... 6.00
- Black/Gold 4" GWRRA Patch..... 6.00
- Black/Gold 10" GWRRA Patch..... 14.00
- Red/White 10" GWRRA Patch..... 14.00
- Blue & Red District Patch ..... 5.00
- 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"

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