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Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM  
**Hope to see Y'all there!!!**



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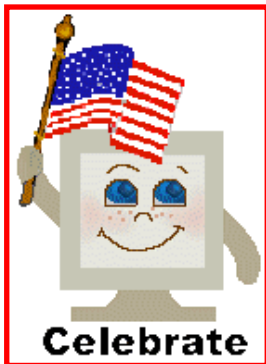
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From Your Senior Chapter B Directors,  
Tom & Kathy Peck



Hi Everyone,

I'm sitting at my desk as its pouring down rain outside. Figured this was a good time to sneak a few extra minutes and devote them to finishing up this newsletter. Hope you all are enjoying the holiday and all your friends and family remain safe.

Its been a pretty busy month this past June, lots going on. July arrived hot as usual for this time of the year. Many of you are planning your riding trip this year whether it's to Wing Ding or some other location. North is always a good choice since its always cooler up north. If you're headed out west make sure to take your cool vest along—you will need it!!

Just got a notification that our District Director Gary Hamilton is accepting applications for the district membership enhancement coordinator position. Those interested can send their resume to Gary at the email address listed on the front page of this newsletter.

Let's celebrate our freedom!!!



*Tom*

# Assistant Chapter Directors, Scott and Amy Seal

What a beautiful (HOT) time this year has been so far. I think that I will have to start earlier in the year to get acclimated to the temps because it has taken a toll on me this year.

I hope that all your current riding experiences have been good ones and that the future ones go better than expected. Hope that I can catch you on some of our rides that we have coming up because we (Amy and I) miss seeing everyone, but Grandkids come first and I just haven't figured out

how to get everyone on the bike yet, still a work in progress.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon, Love Scott n Amy.



# Night at the Ball Park

*Friday evening June 10th*

Twenty-eight Chapter B participants and friends showed up at the Cracker Barrel to go the Smokies stadium to enjoy a ballgame.

Couldn't have been a nicer evening as we all converged on the Smokies ballpark.



lost the game but it an enjoyable game. Roy & Joyce's grand son even caught a fowl ball and took himself home a souvenir.

Fun time at the ole ballpark ended up with a fantastic fireworks display and a beautiful ride home on the bikes. Thanks to Jerry for setting everything up and getting those wonderful front row seats. Always look forward to the next annual event in 2017.



Once into the stadium everyone scattered to pick out their favorite ballpark food before the start of the game. As usual Jerry got some great really great seats right behind the 3rd base line.

The home team



**Tom**



## Technical Article

Recall, after recall, after recall, one thing has remained constant in the Takata airbag quagmire: the disaster has been confined to the four-wheeled world. Not any longer! The Honda Goldwing, the first and so far only motorcycle equipped with an airbag from the factory, has been recalled.

A total of 2,701 motorcycles are involved in this recall, spanning the 2006 through 2010 model years and only in certain regions. It's sort of confusing so it is suggested to peruse the official notice below for all the details. But the gist is the same as ever – Takata's airbag inflators can rupture, potentially propelling shards of metal shrapnel at the vehicle's occupants. Only Goldwings sold or operated in areas with high humidity or frequent temperature cycling are being

recalled at this time. No schedule for repairs and replacements has yet been announced, but owners are invited to call Honda at 1-866-784-1870 for more information. As always, you can check the recall status of your vehicle with NHTSA's lookup tool using your car or bike's VIN. To see the article for yourself, go to the following shortcut:

<http://www.autoblog.com/2016/06/02/honda-goldwing-takata-airbag-recall/>

**Brian Richards**

Well, summer heat is here and will be around for quite a while. Some don't seem to mind the heat while others cannot tolerate it as much. And, some bikes can't seem to tolerate it either and lets us know by a rising needle of the temp gauge and/or spewing out antifreeze due to severe overheating.

Summer time is just as important as the winter when it comes to maintaining the coolant system. While in the winter, the antifreeze lowers the freezing point, in the summer it raises the boiling point. We all know that water boils at 100°C or 212°F. the thermostat in our bikes is rated at 194°F and begins to open around 169°F to 176°F and fully open at 194°F. when open, it allows for the hot water in the engine to be replaced with the cooler water in the radiators.

Once the thermostat adjusts to the cooler water entering the engine, it starts to close and stop the flow from the radiators. Sometimes, thermostats can malfunction due to mechanical sticking of the valve that opens and closes. If stuck closed, then the engine will definitely run hot and if stick open, the engine cannot get up to the proper operating temperature that the ECM monitors due to temperature sensors, to control fuel and air mixtures to the cylinders.

If you believe you have a faulty thermostat and you do your own work, a simple test will provide proof either way. Remove the thermostat and place it in a pot of water and slowly bring the temperature up by watching a thermometer placed in the water.

When the temperature reaches 169°F to 176°F notice if it is just beginning to open slightly. Next, when the temperature reaches 194°F, it should be fully open. If your thermostat functions as listed, then you have a good thermostat. These values could have a +/-2\* to 4\* of variance. If it doesn't open till let's

say 200°F, you have a problem for sure.

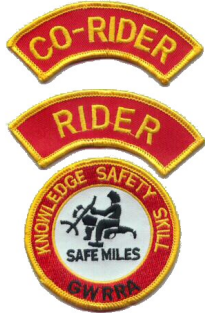
The antifreeze and the radiator cap both play a role in not letting the water boil. Caps have been known to go bad and have less pressure than needed to prevent overheating. A good cap should read between 16psi to 20psi. It's not uncommon to have one go bad. That cap serves a dual function, it controls the pressure of the system and the vacuum of the system.

During riding in hot weather, the bike's coolant system can allow some antifreeze to be transferred to the coolant reservoir due to heat and pressure in the system. At night, when the system cools down, it builds a vacuum and the radiator cap dual seal allows for coolant in the reservoir to be sucked back into the radiator and keep the level full. If the system is working like it should, the filler neck of the radiator should be full of coolant when removing the cap first thing in the morning after the bike has set all night. If not, then add a small amount of coolant in the filler neck until full.

Only use antifreeze that is silicate free. If you use 100%, then dilute it with distilled water up to 50% before using it. If you use pre-diluted 50%, then use as is without any more dilution. Air in the system is sometimes hard to bleed and can cause your bike to run hot as well. Be sure to bleed the system enough to make sure all air is gone.

**Brian Richards**

# Chapter Educator Section



So here comes July! The heat and the heat of the riding season. Ninety degrees almost every day. A group from the chapter rode down to the Deals Gap Resort last weekend for the Ride for Kids benefit BBQ. Yeah, it was still the tail end of June but quite warm with hundreds of bikers out for the day enjoying the Tail of the Dragon. For the six hours that I was there, I observed almost every kind of bike and riders wearing, or not wearing almost any kind of riding gear.

Experienced smart riders know that proper gear, worn all the time, is essential to safety. Other riders seem to wear little more than beachwear! Many use summer heat as a common excuse. Riders don't want to get overheated while sitting in traffic, but crashes happen in all kinds of weather so you have to be prepared. And three wheels does not grant you any special exemption from coming into physical contact with the pavement! Today's riding gear manufacturers have figured that out and have a wide variety of ventilated riding jackets and other cooler

pants with protective armor to help keep you safe and comfortable. This protective clothing is available in many different styles, so you can still look good and have good protection no matter what type of bike you ride.

While knowing that protective gear will help keep you safer, riders need to keep in mind the theory of "risk compensation". This is an unconscious feeling of safety that triggers a false sense of invincibility and produces an increase in risky riding behavior. I'll elaborate a little further on this subject at this month's gathering.

Looking back to the Motorcycle Safety Foundation's Basic Rider Course suggestion: You should cover any body parts with protective clothing if you want to use them again!

Til next time, ride safer.

***Jerry***



# For Sale



Women's Riding boots contact Jerry Ciesla for details



# TN-B 2016 Ride and Event Schedule



*Brian Richards  
Chapter B Ride  
Coordinator*

**July** 02, Sat - Chapter ride to Mayfield dairy tour followed by dinner at Dinner Bell in Sweetwater  
Jul 05, Tue - TN-B monthly Chapter Gathering, at Shoney's, 6pm dinner, 7pm gathering  
Jul 09, Sat - Chapter game day at Mike & Linda Bridges, 2pm, bring finger foods  
Jul 16, Sat - Chapter ride to Green Tomato, **Mooreburg**  
Jul 19, Tue - Dinner ride, Captain's Gallery in Danville, off I-40 exit 417, meet there at 6:30pm  
Jul 22-23, Fri-Sat - WV District Rally, Summersville WV  
Jul 30, Sat - Chapter ride to Amis Mill, **Rogersville**  
**August** 02, Tue - TN-B monthly Chapter Gathering, at Shoney's, 6pm dinner, 7pm gathering  
Aug 04, Thu - TN-C 7<sup>th</sup> Putt-Putt Tournament, Kingsport  
Aug 06, Sat - Chapter ride to Carver's Apple orchard, Cosby  
Aug 13-14, Sat-Sun - weekend ride to Barber Motorsports museum & Little Mountain state park  
Aug 16, Tue - Dinner ride, Concord Lakeside Tavern, meet there at 6:30pm  
Aug 19-20, Fri-Sat - KY District Rally, Cave City, KY  
Aug 30-Sep 01, Tue-Wed - Wing Ding, Billings, MT

**September** 06, Tue - TN-B monthly Chapter Gathering, at Shoney's, 6pm dinner, 7pm gathering  
Sep 17, Sat - Chapter ride to Cookie Jar café, Dunlap  
Sep 20, Tue - Dinner ride, Hot Rod's, Maryville, meet there at 6:30pm  
Sep 22-24, Thu-Sat - NC District Rally, Cherokee, NC  
**October** 04, Tue - TN-B monthly Chapter Gathering, at Shoney's, 6pm dinner, 7pm gathering  
Oct 06-08, Thu-Sat - VA District Rally, Tanglewood Mall, Roanoke, VA  
Oct 07, Fri - Ride For Kids® training, Clinton Harley Davidson, 7pm  
Oct 08, Sat - Ride For Kids®, early registration & info booth at Honda of Knoxville, all day  
Oct 09, Sun - Ride For Kids®, registration 12pm  
Oct 18, Tue - Dinner ride, Apple Barn, Sevierville, meet there at 6:30pm  
Oct 22, Sat - TN-B Fall Colors Ride  
**November** 01, Tue - TN-B monthly Chapter Gathering, at Shoney's, 6pm dinner, 7pm gathering  
Nov 04-05, Fri-Sat - Region N Rally, Johnson City TN, details TBA  
Nov 15, Tue - Dinner ride, Longhorn Steakhouse, Turkey Creek, meet there at 6:30pm

**Come Ride with us!**

# Mayfield Dairy Tour

Nine members of TN-B braved the expected heat of the Saturday before Independence Day to go on the scheduled ride to tour the Mayfield Creamery factory, lunch at the Dinner Bell Restaurant, and stop at the Sweetwater Valley Farm.



hop onto the interstate going north a very short distance, to the exit to visit the Sweetwater Valley Farm. We all did some sampling of the many cheeses they had, and most of us made some kind of purchases, I saw cheeses, jams, and miscellaneous items.

Then back onto 11N for the ride home. As we got to the appropriate area,



We had a really nice day, other than it getting pretty hot later in the afternoon. We had a pleasant start from the Flying J

on Watt Road, and a leisurely ride down 11 to the Mayfield Creamery factory. After a group shot in front of their mascot cow, we went inside. The tour starts with a video of the history, then as we are getting ready to start the actual tour, after the "rules" are explained, we all got to put very stylish (?) hair nets on, to protect the environment we were told. Sure not a fashion statement!



After the tour, and enjoying the free ice

cream that came with the purchase of the tour tickets, it was off to the Dinner Bell restaurant for a rather late lunch. From the comments around the table, it seemed that everyone enjoyed their meals.



We left the Dinner Bell, did a quick

*Brian*





# Branson Trip 2016

Saturday morning rolled around and we headed off towards Branson, Missouri. Meeting at our usual place on Emory and picking up Jerry & Irene up the road on I-40. Tom & Kathy, Emily, Brian & Loretta rode towards Nashville where we met up with Bill & Merrilee for lunch at a nice family style restaurant. Our overnight stay was in Charleston, MO. We had two different motels just a few miles apart.



The Missouri District rally was being held that following weekend after we arrived so we took in some of the festivities, especially some of the food specials. Tom entered his windshield cover in the "Windshield Cover" competition and got a

plaque for 2nd place. Brian and Loretta helped judge some of the contests.

While out on one of our day rides in the area Emily's trike experienced some mechanical issues but

Got a call from Jerry and it seems Bill had taken



a fall while getting off his trike. When the left handle grip slides off in your hand as you're on one foot you're bound to be going down. Bill took a pretty good hit and the soreness would be felt for several days. Got the grip glued back on and we were all ready to go next morning. The weather could have not been better as we

headed west on Rt 60 across the Mississippi River and into Branson. We had 3 different condo's reserved as John & Ann Hooper joined us for the remainder of the week.



We took in a couple shows, had plenty to eat at some really good places in Branson as well as back at the condo where we all gathered at Tom & Kathy & Brian & Loretta's place for a lasagna dinner.

There were a couple good groups performing, one was the Haygood's and the other, Six, both good shows. We had second and third row seats and got some up close and personal stuff going on with the entertainers. Ask Jerry who (or what) sat next him. Ask Merrilee about the "kiss". Had to deal with a few showers but nothing that we were not ready for.

nothing one of the local motorcycle service departments could not deal with. "Gene's Gallery" was Johnny on the spot finding the replacement part and getting her back on the road in a few short hours, special thanks to Brian & Loretta who escorted her to Gene's and kept Emily company while the service dept worked their magic.

As the week drew to an end everyone split off at different times for home, Kathy & I along with Emily took back roads home stopping at Clarksville overnight.

**Tom**



# Region N District Rally Schedule

2016 Rally Schedule		
<p><b>TENNESSEE DISTRICT</b>            Spring Fling            2016            A SMOKY            MOUNTAIN            ROUNDUP            April 28-30            Pigeon Forge TN            Join us for a            tootin' good time</p>  	<p><b>APPALACIAN REGION</b>            is having a  <b>REGION RIDIN' N'</b>            May 20<sup>th</sup> &amp; 21<sup>st</sup>            Hungry Mother            State Park            Marietta TN</p>  <p>And <b>YOU</b> are invited!!!</p>	<p><b>West Virginia District</b>            2016  <i>"Down Home            Reunion Event"</i></p>  <p>Summersville WV  <b>SAVE THE DATE!!!</b>            July 22 &amp; 23            2016</p> 
<p><b>KENTUCKY DISTRICT            PRESENTS            THE 2016 BLAST</b></p>  <p>Cave City KY            August 18 - 20</p>	<p><b>Wings Over the Smokies</b>            2016            September 22-24            Cherokee NC</p> 	<p><b>Virginia District            RALLY IN THE VALLEY</b></p>  <p>October 6 - 8            Holiday Inn — Tanglewood            Roanoke VA</p>

## Dates set for 2017 Spring Fling: April 20-22

There will be a sign-up for those who 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 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 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 Gath-  
ering at 7:00pm. TN Call Richard & Connie  
Pendleton, 423-245-8484

Chapter **A2** meets the **3rd Monday** each month  
at O'Charlie's Eat at 6pm Meet at 6:30, 364  
Fountain View Circle Spring Brook Center,  
Newly appointed CD Larry & Margret Borne,  
Phone: 865-856-6179.

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, Crossville, Eat at 8:00 am  
Gathering at 9:00 am CD Buddy & Brenda  
Turner, 931-484-7337



### 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 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"

**Pat Talley**

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**Happy Birthday**

- 7/5 Bobbie Beeler
- 7/11 Wally Maliskey
- 7/19 Vickie Litterell
- 7/30 Jerry Bailey

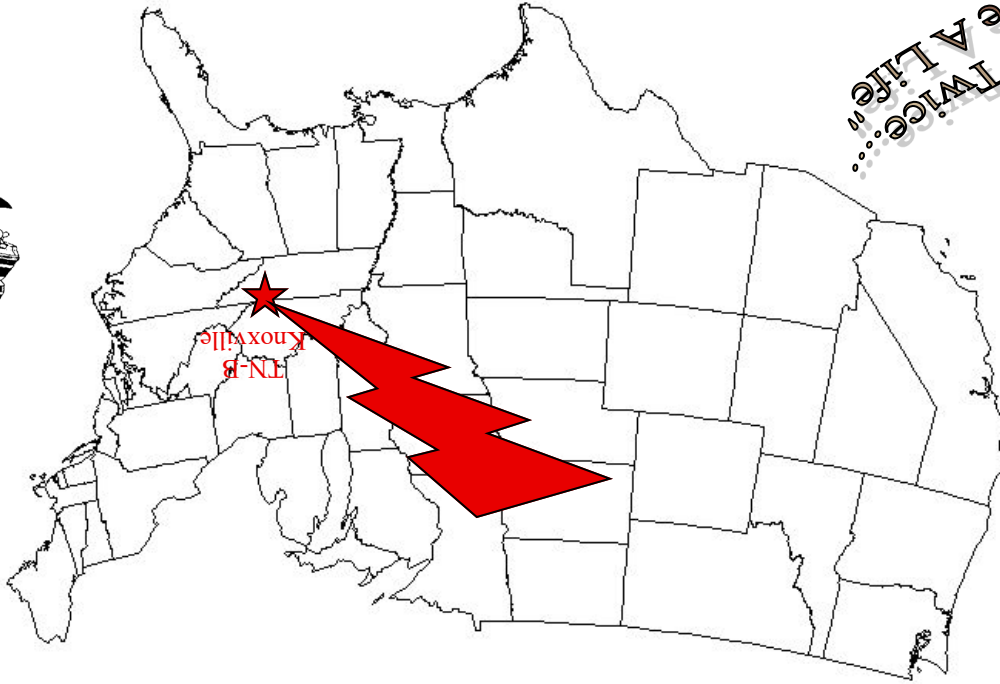
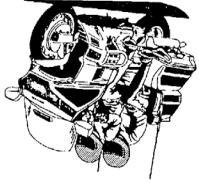


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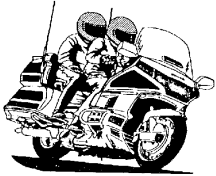
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- 7/14 David & Fern Underwood

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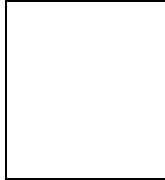


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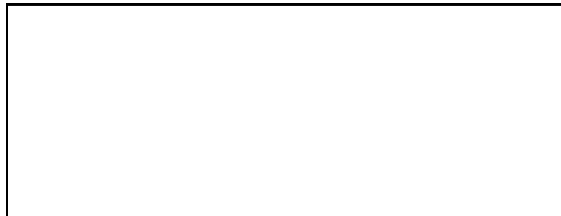
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