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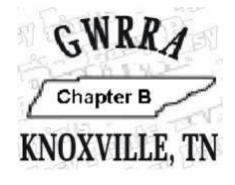
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Join us the First Tuesday each month at Shoney's Restaurant 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN 37716, Exit 122 off I-75 (Rt. 61 Museum exit) Just north of Knoxville, Ph. 865-494-7295 Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM This will be our first gathering since the Pandemic Shut down period. We will be practicing recommended social distancing guidelines laid out by our Governor Bill Lee, thank you all for compliance.







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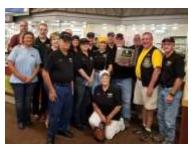
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## From Your Senior Chapter B Directors Tom & Merrilee Peck



Hi Everyone,

Almost half the year has come and gone, been out on the bike 3 times for a total of 150 miles at the most. That should be some kind of crime. Routinely over many years we would be talking several dozen trips out and probably over 5,000 miles on the odometer, working on 15,000 miles average for a typical riding season. With all the restrictions we have to deal with for the current Pandemic plus a few physical restrictions due to surgeries and the limitations just from getting old, if you haven't experienced the act of getting old believe me it's a real bummer. Got lots of pictures to look back over jogging the memories of the good old days when I was younger and ready to ride across the country then plan the next trip in a different direction. Putting off that favorite trip you always wanted to take but convinced yourself maybe next year—well if this year hasn't opened up your eyes to the phrase, "Next Year", nothing will. Plan that trip, get on down the road and smell the roses, you never know what is in store next year. See you all out on the road.



Tom & Merrilee

# Assistant Chapter Directors







Hard to remember how great the riding season looked after our ride planning meeting, and it seems like so long ago. With all the crazy stuff that we have had to endure this year and all the lives that have been affected, it does seem like there may be a little light at the end of the tunnel. It's great to see people planning rides again while also seeing more and more bikes out on the road. Nice to know that we have a little freedom again but we should remember when planning rides that we use good judgement and make sure that we plan to not only have a safe ride but to make sure we follow recommended safe health practices when we're out as well. The Zoom calls that Tom set up really worked great and it was fun to see everyone each month even if it was through a teleconference, but nothing replaces that personal connection that we have with our monthly meetings. I look forward to mine and Patty's FIRST RIDE and I always look forward to the fellowship and comradery that we have on a ride with our Chapter B family. The journey is always best when shared with others and our best rides have been some of the Chapter rides that we have had. As we are finally getting to have our first live Chapter meeting, we may want to remember that as hard as it may be, social distancing is still advised and hugs and hand shakes may not be the best practice. As always and even more now we look forward to seeing everyone at the June meeting.

Stanley and Patty



Most of us are well seasoned riders who normally make good riding decisions thanks to the various rider education courses that we participate in frequently. However, this has been an unusual year so far to say the least. On-road ARC's & TRC's that have been suspended have probably made some of us a little "rusty". Many others just say "It's not my riding I'm worried about, it's the other drivers" or "When it's my time, it's my time".

This month I'm doing something a little different. I don't know how many of you may be members of The American Motorcyclist Association, but I recently found an article by AMA member Robert Johnson of Colorado who wrote about his thoughts regarding your safety while riding. I will have copies of his guest column for you to read at the June meeting. It will take only about ten minutes or so to read, but hopefully it will give you a new insight to riding. See you soon.

#### Ride Safer

Jerry





This is a reminder that GWRRA TN District's <u>ARC/TRC Class May 30 Maryville, Tn.</u> is happening on: Saturday, May 30th, 2020 at 8:30 AM

GWRRA TN Riders's <u>ARC/TRC Class Maryville, Tn</u> is happening on: Saturday, May 30th, 2020 at 8:30 AM

















2 New, never worn women's medium & Large Tour master jackets only \$100 ea.

Contact:

Emily- 865-938-8223

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Heel to toe shifter and foot pegs by Kuryakyn with extensions. \$200.00 The heated seat and back rest from my 08. \$700.00 or best offer, Thanks Roy 865-426-6645





### Other items for Sale



Ultimate seat For Sale It fits first generation GL1800's 2001-2010. It's not heated but will fit a trike with an extra gas tank, rain cover included, and backrest \$600, see me at the meeting,

Contact Jerry Ciesla















Over the last couple of months our repair shop has run into some interesting problems on motorcycles .Most of the issues were caused by people adding accessories improperly or not taking the time to think about weather or placement so when installing anything on your bikes, you should sit on the bike as you would be riding it and think how is this going to affect me as I ride, then after installing it solder all connections and heat shrink to keep moisture out.

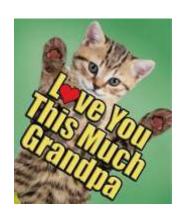
Wheel bearings—often you wonder do I have any problems with my bike—a big issue has always been wheel bearings. One of the telltale signs of a problem is vibration in the handlebars, especially if you lean one way or the other. What you are feeling is a rough bearing when extra pressure is put on it causing a vibration. This is a simple fix. Remove front wheel and replace the bearings and seals.

Don't forget to do pre-trip inspections on your bikes; it might save you from hav-

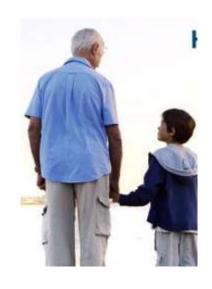
ing a breakdown













TO ALL OUR DADS OUT THERE, WE WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY FATHER'S DAY. MANY OF YOU ARE NOT ONLY FATHERS, YOU ARE GRANDFATHERS AND GREAT-GRANDFATHERS. ONLY THE BEST DADS ARE PROMOTED TO GRAND-PAS

WHETHER YOU ARE CALLED GRANDPA, GRANDDAD, OR PAPA, YOU ARE A HERO TO YOUR GRANDCHILD. YOU OFFER GUIDANCE, STRENGTH AND SUPPORT FOR EACH ONE AND, WHETHER OR NOT YOU REALIZE IT, YOU ARE A SHINING EXAMPLE OF WHO THEY DREAM OF BEING LIKE WHEN THEY GROW UP. GRANDPAS LOVE TO TELL STORIES, THEY LOVE TO GET DOWN ON THE CHILD'S LEVEL AND PRETEND TO BE A KID AGAIN. THEY ALWAYS HAVE TIME TO PLAY AND TO LISTEN. SILVER HAIR WITH HEARTS OF GOLD. SOME GRANDPAS LIKE TO FISH, SOME LIKE TO TAKE WALKS. THEY TAKE GREAT JOY IN LIVING LIFE ONCE MORE THROUGH THE EYES OF THE GRANDCHILD. WHEN DADS ARE TOO BUSY OR TOO TIRED FROM WORKING ALL DAY, GRANDPAS TAKE UP THE SLACK. SOME GRANDPAS ARE GOOD COOKS—THEY LIKE TO GRILL OUT AND HAVE ALL THE FAMILY OVER TO SPEND TIME LOVING, LAUGHING TOGETHER AND, OF COURSE, EAT.

GRANDPAS ARE WONDERFUL TEACHERS. THEY HAVE BEEN AROUND A LONG TIME, HAVE EXPERIENCED LIFE AT ITS BEST AND ITS WORST AND ARE USU-ALLY WILLING TO SHARE THIS GAINED WISDOM.

SO......TO ALL YOU GRANDFATHERS OUT THERE.....CONTINUE TO ENJOY THE ROLE YOU PLAY IN YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN'S LIVES. YOU CANNOT IMAGINE HOW REALLY SPECIAL YOU ARE!

Merrilee Peck

Chapter B will be having a raffle this year giving away a brand new 38 revolver. Pictured below is a Smith & Wesson 38 Special revolver, satin finish stainless steel. We will be selling tickets for \$5.00 each or you can purchase 5 tickets for \$20.00 The drawing will be held at our Sept 8th Chapter meeting at Shoney's. You can't win if you don't buy a ticket. See one of our members to purchase your tickets. We always make a contribution to St Jude from our annual fund raising effort.

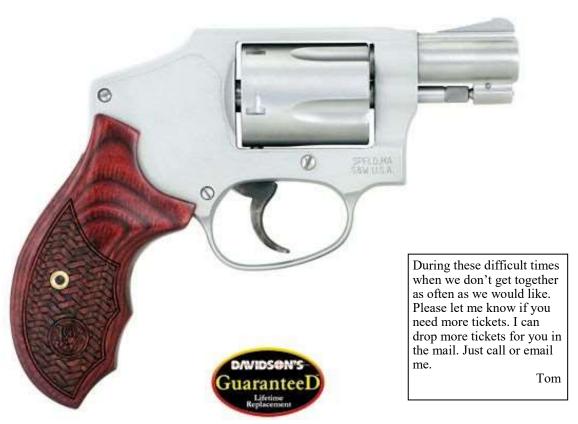




Smith & Wesson Model 642
Double Action 38 Special
Satin Stainless Steel Revolver
Drawing Sept 8th 2020
Proceeds Benefits
St. Jude
Winner need Not Be
Present to Win



We will have tickets available at our monthly gathering so make sure to pick up at least 1 or 2 books of 10 tickets. Tickets cost \$5 each or 5 for \$20 tickets. We are counting on everyone to make this fund raising effort a huge success. See Tom, Scott or Stanley to sign out your tickets.





## Chp B Steak Out



Chapter B Roan Mt. Steak out

One of the events that Patty and I look forward to every year is the Roan Mt. Steak out. We had a great time last year so while we were there, we decided that we would reserve a campsite for next year's (2020) cookout. During the event me and Patty did a ride through the campgrounds to pick a site we wanted so we could make our reservations for the following year. After returning to the cookout we asked Bill and Barbra Sowder, Roy and Joyce Jennings and John and Ann Hooper to join us. We all got our reservations made and waited for 2020 and the Steak out to roll around. Then Covid-19 hit and our world was turned upside down. As we watched one event after another get cancelled, we were hoping that everything would be back to normal by May but then the Steak out was cancelled also. We all agreed to keep our reservations in hopes we could still go. As May got closer and closer it started looking like we had a go but we still would have to exercise caution. John and Ann decided it was in their best interest to cancel and I have to admit that we wrestled with it a bit. We all showed up at the campground and set up camp. We had the grills going and set up for some competitive cornhole competition, we also had Bill keeping a nice little fire going every evening which made for some nice little fire side chats. When Saturday rolled around Roy got some coals fired up on a grill and the Roan Mt. Steak out was on and I would like to say that once again Chapter B had the most people in attendance. As always there is no way your getting some Chapter B people together without some great food showing up and this was no excep-

tion. We had a great spread laid out and Roy grilled up some great steaks. We started the week thinking we would have to endure some rain, as always seems the norm for the Steak out, but the weather took a turn for the good and we had nothing but beautiful skies and warm weather while we were there. I think Bill made out the best as he discovered that he had a DVD player and some extra windows in his RV. Other than a side trip up to the top of the mountain we stayed at the campsite and had the best case of quarantine possible and along the way we had a great time and we have already made reservations for next year. We would like to have more join us, if you don't have a camper there are cabins available. A big thank you to the Sowders and Jennings for making this one of the best Steak Outs we have had.



Stanley & Patty

## Social Distancing at its finest





#### 2020 Schedule

June ..... Regular meeting at Shoney's (I-75 & 61) Meeting starts 7:00pm.... 20<sup>th</sup> .... picnic ride heading down around Choo Choo/ Monteagle....Leaving from Watt Road at the Flying J (Exit 369 I-40/75) leave at 9:00am, come early for Breakfast at Denny's, Dave Roberts to lead....see article next page <u>July</u> 7<sup>th</sup> .... Regular meeting at Shoney's (I-75 & 61) Meeting starts 7:00pm....  $\frac{Aug}{4^{th}}$ .. Regular meeting at Shoney's (I-75 & 61) Meeting starts 7pm.... <u>Sept</u> 1<sup>st</sup> .... Regular meeting at Shoney's (I-75 & 61) Meeting starts 7pm.... 19th & 20th ..... Boone, NC, ride the Blue Ridge...eating, shopping, and riding...Jerry Ridinger to lead, info TBA Sept 25 thru 28.....TN,NC,SC,GA,BAMA...waterfall, covered bridge ride....will have info soon...Wally to lead Oct  $\frac{\overline{6^{th}}}{6^{th}}$ ... Regular meeting at Shoney's (I-75 & 61 Meeting starts 7pm... <u>Nov</u> 3<sup>rd</sup> .... Regular meeting at Shoney's (I-75 & 61) Meeting starts 7pm.... <u>Dec</u> 1<sup>st</sup>.... Regular meeting at Shoney's (I-75 & 61) Meeting starts 7pm.... 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party.....TBA





Look Out Mountain?



Lets Ride!!





# A socially distanced ride June 20th 2020, Flying J Watt Rd & I 75, kick stands up at 9:00am

By now you have probably had your fill of staying at home and you are longing for the open road. Well, we are going to ride on Saturday June 20th even though the Moon Pie Festival in Bell Buckle has been cancelled. Tom and I talked about heading that direction and modifying the route as required for weather and anything else that comes up.

I am not sure about eating places being open, so pack a lunch and be prepared to snack along the way.

We will leave from the Flying J truck stop at Watt road exit (369)—kick stands at 0900—Full tanks and bellies (they have a Denny's)

The general route will be a clockwise circle starting down the valley on I 75 and going up on the Cumberland Plateau in the Sewanee area. We will return via back roads to hit I-40 in the Crossville area and then head home.

Hope to see you there.

Dave Roberts



## Thapter 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



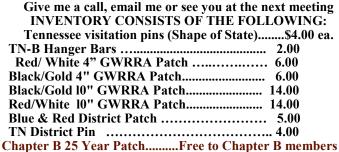
Chapter C2 meets the 3rd Thursday at Eat at 6:30 pm The new place is Ruby Tuesdays, 2316 N Main St, Crossville, TN. Meeting at 7:00 pm Chapter Director is Randy Ryan. 985-201-3791



#### New Chapter Golf Shirts see Pat Place your Order with Pat Talley







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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June 6th John Hooper June 8th Betty Roberts June 13h Scott Seal



June 1st Jeff & Diane Johnson June 15th Kyle & Bobbie Beeler June 26th Troy & Maryjane Simcox