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The Gold Wing Road Riders Association is a social group who enjoys riding motorcycles, especially the Honda Gold Wing.

Our Motto is "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge." We plan rides and other activities that allow us to meet people with similar interest. Come visit us and find out what you may be missing.

Check out our Web site at : www.tn-b.org and stay up to date with all our activities and join us when you can. We would love to have you.

We publish a monthly newsletter and provide this to all our members and visitors. You can also view the newsletter on our web site.

Join us and see why there are more than 85,000 members all over the world in 52 countries and in all 50 states.

GWRRA Makes a Difference!

Join us the **First Tuesday** each month at **Shoney's Restaurant**
2405 Andersonville Hwy,
Andersonville, TN 37716
Ph. 865-494-7295
(Rt 61 Museum exit)
Exit 122 off I-75,
just north of Knoxville.
Eat at 6:30 PM
and our gathering starts
promptly at 7:30 PM.
Next Gathering: November 2
Hope to see Y'all there!!!

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**From your Chapter
Directors,
Tom and Kathy Peck**



Hi Everyone,

Football time in Tennessee means lots of beautiful fall colors and lots of good riding weather. Now that the extreme heat from this past summer is behind us, much more pleasant riding weather is finally here. I hope everyone has been able to take advantage of the colors that we are able to enjoy here in the East Tennessee mountains. Chapter B has had a pretty active riding season this year and as the season winds down we look forward to lots of other activities like the Cumberland County Playhouse coming up Nov 6th. We already have 20 that have signed up. If you care to go and have not previously signed up there still may be time to order you tickets,; give us a call and we'll check with the Playhouse to see if we can add more.

Our District Operations Meeting will be coming up soon where many of us will have a Saturday workshop bringing all chapter directors, assistant chapter directors, chapter educators, treasurers and membership enhancement coordinators up to speed on anything new coming up for GWRRA chapters. Hope everyone mentioned above can clear their calendar for this important training available to us.

Other activities getting into gear will be resuming our Game Nights the first of which will be at Mike and Linda's place out in Halls. Make sure you mark your calendars for November 19th and join us for a fun evening with our chapter friends to play some of your favorite games.

Our annual Christmas party is scheduled for Dec 4th this year to be held at Gary and Dianah's community club house, out on Norris lake. There is always good food and fellowship to be had by all. Are the guy's going to do all the cooking again this year?

Still lots of good riding weather left this year so if you have something planned give us a call; you have the phone list - if not let us know. I can give you the contact information you need to get in touch with others.

Tom & Kathy

PROGRESSIVE MEMBERSHIP DRAWING

One lucky Chapter "B" participant's GWRRA membership number will be drawn at each gathering. If that member is present and **can show a current GWRRA membership card, they will win \$20!**

If card is expired or not available to show, an additional \$5 will be placed in the drawing for the following month. So get your cards out, check the expiration date and make sure you have it with you Tuesday! Congratulations to Tom Peck membership number 020550 for winning in October!



Wear Your Chapter Shirt

and you'll receive an extra 50/25/25 ticket!

Anyone, including our visitors, wearing a chapter shirt or vest, will be given an extra 50/25/25 ticket.

So wear your chapter shirt and show your

Don't forget about our Chapter B "WAY TO GO!" Award.

Be ready to nominate one of our Chapter Participants for this monthly prestigious award. Anyone who has done something kind, helpful, noteworthy, above-and-beyond-the-call-of duty . . . (you get the picture) is deserving of this award.

Peanut won our "Way to Go" Award in October



Meet Our Members . . .

Along with being a husband, father of two, and granddad to three... Burt Wagner is a guy who loves to ride! He began attending Chapter B about a year ago, following his move from Chicago to East Tennessee. He started riding motorcycles about 50 years ago and figures he's ridden over 250,000 miles. Once he's covered 9 more states, he can claim to have covered every state three times, as well as 9 Canadian Provinces.

Since retiring to Knoxville, with his lovely wife, Helga, Burt has found plenty to keep him busy. So far, his Goldwing has carried him to every county this side of Nashville. His goal is to cover every county in the state.

He retired from the Chicago Police Force after serving 35 years. Prior to that, he served in the Army as a paratrooper, doing a tour of duty in Vietnam.

Burt was instrumental in starting a GWRRA chapter in the Chicago area that grew to be one of the largest in the state. His service included Chapter Director, Chapter Educator, and CPR Trainer and Instructor.

Not one to be idle, Burt is presently attending classes to earn his Bachelor's Degree. (So far, he hasn't declared a major.)

Along with that, he finds time to pursue his interest in archery and hopes to be able to do some snow skiing this winter.

We enjoyed the hospitality of the Wagner's when they hosted a pool party this summer, and look forward to some great times together.

*Submitted by Chuck and Pat Talley,
Chapter B's Couple of the Year*



Burt and Helga Wagner

Butternut Squash Soup II



Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, chopped
- 1 medium carrot, chopped
- 2 medium potatoes, cubed
- 1 medium butternut squash - peeled, seeded, and cubed
- 1 (32 fluid ounce) container chicken stock
- salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

Directions

1. Melt the butter in a large pot, and cook the onion, celery, carrot, potatoes, and squash 5 minutes, or until lightly browned. Pour in enough of the chicken stock to cover vegetables. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low, cover pot, and simmer 40 minutes, or until all vegetables are tender.
2. Transfer the soup to a blender, and blend until smooth. Return to pot, and mix in any remaining stock to attain desired consistency. Season with salt and pepper.

"Brigadoon" at the Cumberland County Playhouse, Crossville, TN

Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 2:30 PM.

We'll leave Weigel's on Emory Road at 11:00 AM, and have lunch at the Bean Pot in Crossville before heading over to the Playhouse.

The weather prediction for Saturday is a high of 48 and partly cloudy, with a 20% chance of rain. Looks like we'll be going in 4-wheelers.

Tickets are \$23—call Kathy at 423-907-9712 if you'd like to go but haven't ordered your tickets. We'll see if we can add more.



Four activities are coming up soon—even before our December Chapter gathering. We'll be discussing these activities and providing more information at our November Gathering. Those events are:

- Cumberland Playhouse, November 6
- Game Night, November 19
- Operations Meeting, November 20
- Christmas Party, December 4

If you are not able to attend, watch the website for more details or send us an email at tomkatpeck@msn.com or give us a call at 423-907-9712.

Tom and Kathy

Outer Banks Ride

September 25th through October 1st

How To Put On Rain Gear In One Minute or Less OR Survivor – Outer Banks

Monday, September 27, Morehead City, NC – RAIN. But 13 brave souls were forging ahead on their quest. The players – Chuck and Pat Talley, Tom and Kathy Peck, Tom and Debbie Rhoads, Jerry and Irene Ciesla, Bill and Merrilee DeGuire, Peanut Davis, JoAnn Smith and Gary Davis.



Now this morning was not just some little sprinkles falling from the sky, but buckets of water, lightning, thunder, the whole nine yards! Departure time was 7:30 AM. But ye of little faith, our Window of Opportunity Guy (Chuck Talley) steps up and you guessed it the rain quit. Off we go (in rain suits because we don't know how long this opportunity guy is good for) to catch the ferry from Cedar Island to Ocracoke.



Bill said to the waitress but she threw a piece of Key Lime pie in his lap. The next piece was on the house.

The ferry ride was very enjoyable, a couple of hours. Time to relax, chat and for sure some lively games of 5 Crowns. We arrive on Ocracoke for lunch. I don't know what

On to the first lighthouse and you guessed it, rain. From there we head to the next ferry ride to take us to Hatteras Island, with stops along the way to put rain suits back on and a look at a very angry surf. (where is this opportunity guy?).



This ferry ride is short but good. We take in a museum and head for Rodanthe (do you remember the Richard Gere movie, Night in Rodanthe? The house is still there). One more stop for a lighthouse! Arrive in Rodanthe and go to dinner, where we were able to listen to – you guessed it, a heavy rain! But we send out THE MAN (of opportunity) and it quits raining for our ride back to the motel.



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Outer Banks Ride (cont.)



Tuesday morning we wake up to a light rain and a lot of wind as we drive to breakfast. We were lucky and found an outstanding restaurant. After breakfast we said goodbye to Bill, Merrilee, Jerry and Irene, who were heading back home. I think this is probably where Pat Talley started having council meetings and voting people off the island. So now there are 9.



We stop at the Wright Brother's Museum in Kitty Hawk. Very interesting, a replica of the Wright Brother's airplane, watched a movie and you guessed it – a HARD RAIN. But we no longer doubted! The rain stopped when we were ready to leave. We say goodbye to Tom and Kathy, who are heading home for a meeting about Wing Ding.



Now there are 7 brave souls on a journey to Virginia Beach. We stopped for ice cream as all good bikers do but they didn't have any so we had to settle for apple cider. Chuck wanted everybody to have one more for the road! We arrived in Virginia Beach early afternoon where we had sunshine. Our rooms were fantastic, balcony overlooking the boardwalk and Atlantic Ocean. Pat outdid herself on our wonderful hotel!



*Article submitted by
Tom and Debbie Rhoads*

Random Acts of Kindness

Submitted by Burt Wagner

On my 5th wedding anniversary (now 41 wonderful years) the wife and I went on a cruise to celebrate. The first morning, having some jet lag, we both decided to go on the deck and take some pictures of the sun coming up over the ocean. Remember, this was back in the days of film. Sure enough after a few minutes I was out of film. I told my wife I was going to our cabin to get some.

Standing near us with his camera a man said “here take a roll of mine so you don’t miss the sun coming up.” I told him “thanks and that I’d give it back to him next time I saw him on the ship.” His reply, “don’t worry, and just do something nice for someone else some day and think of me.”

Now fast-forward 20 years and again the wife and I were on an anniversary cruise this time to Hawaii. While in some grotto on one of the islands I noticed this obviously newlywed couple and he was taking pictures of her. I overheard him say “#@& I just ran out of film.” Remembering my experience 20 years earlier, I walked over and gave him a roll of my mine and said, “just do something nice for someone some day” and walked away. Never looking back I have no idea of what he did next, though I did hear him say thanks.

Fast-forward another bunch of years, as I was standing in the checkout line at a grocery store I noticed the lady behind me had some flowers she was buying. I told the cashier to “put the flowers on my order, but not to say anything until I was gone.” I never got to see the expression on her face.

Once again fast-forwarding to about two months ago, while in a restaurant with my wife and waiting at the bar for our table, I got talking with this guy and his wife and they both seemed like very nice people. When I got called to my table I walked over to the bartender and told her to “put their drinks on my tab” and again just walked away.

After about 15 minutes the guy came over and asked me why I bought total strangers drinks. I told him the story about the man who gave me a roll of film and asked him, “to just do something nice for someone some day and think of me.”

I can’t tell you how it makes me feel when I do these ‘random act of kindness’ and it never costs me much. But each time I do, it is all because of some guy who gave me a roll of film, on a cruise, in the middle of the Atlantic. You might want to give it a try yourself some day, you never know what you may start.



Burt



Muddy Pond Impromptu Ride

It was a beautiful Thursday 10-21 and we had to put off our Muddy Pond ride several times due to all the rain this summer, so what a better place to visit. Plotting out a few way-points on the GPS, we had an all new route through the back roads. We hardly passed an oncoming car on the whole trip. Across Rt 63 then south on US27 where we headed east towards



Clarkrange and then on to Muddy Pond. As we were twisting around the back roads we came upon a working sorghum mill where we stopped and watched them

cook down the sorghum cane juice into that good old tasty sorghum syrup.

The general store provided quite a treat looking over all the cooking products brought in by the Mennonites community. All the bulk quantities were very reasonably priced. If you were shopping for any leather goods the leather shop right next door was the place. The time was right for lunch so we stopped at the Mennonite restaurant up the road before heading back home. Tom & Kathy and Chuck & Pat and Kyle enjoyed a great ride on a beautiful warm sunny fall day in Tennessee. It doesn’t get much better than that!



Submitted by: Tom

Ride For Kids 2010

What a day! Started out a bit cool and foggy, around 40 degrees, so even those not planning to “ride” layered up for the first few hours. It was exciting to greet our stars and their families and to witness the good turnout of riders—over 70, counting the police escorts.

Coffee and Krispy Kreme Doughnuts got us off to a good start. Robert Scott, task force volunteer, hit a deer with his bike, unable to see it in time due to the fog near Norris Dam.

This year, the ride was a loop, starting and ending at Norris Dam. About the time the ride pulled out to leave the site, the sun shone brightly and we welcomed the warmth. We just wanted to thank each and every volunteer who gave of their time and energy and also the donors, who gave so liberally.

\$30,886.64 was collected for our Kids this year and that will help so much in the research for this most worthy cause. Tom and Kathy Peck—we thank you for being our task force leaders and for keeping us motivated throughout the year. Without you two, we might sit back on our laurels and get real lazy.



I was so pleasantly surprised that we had Richard and Pat, a district couple of the year, and Stacey, all the way from Alabama, another couple from Michigan, who are all on task forces in their areas. They just came to help out! Of course, Tom and Kathy have helped with several other RFK events all over the country. It’s great to see good teamwork.

I just want to personally thank our Chapter B girls for helping in the patient family registration. These girls can always be depended upon to do their part and beyond to make it all come together. Our guys, who escorted the stars and their families, thank you for assisting in this way. When, at the last minute, we needed one more escort quickly, Cheryl opted to stay at the site so that Steve could escort a star’s father. The event was a success because of every one of you who make it to be.....may a cure be found soon!



Merrilee DeGaire

Items For Sale

2004 Yamaha XT 225 Dual Sport in EXCELLENT shape! Street legal and on/off trail ready. 7000 miles. Girl miles.... :) and by that I mean gently used by me. To the best of my knowledge there is nothing wrong with the bike. I bought a bike like my husband's is all. This has been a great bike!!!! Loved everything about it and the seat is a great height. I put two new tires on it (80/20) about 500 miles ago. They are great for the trails and the road. Come see it for yourself. I have added aftermarket saddle bags to this bike since these pics were taken. We also

added a homemade windshield and barkbusters that serve to protect your hands from the cold. So it's ready to ride till the snow hits us. And maybe even then for some riders!! I got 100 miles to the gallon on this bike. Pretty good if you're looking to use it to commute.

*** So give me (Amy) a call on my cell from 10am -10pm only please. **865-850-3078 (Lake City/Clinton/Norris area) Asking \$1800 obo.**



"Chapter Visitation"



Chapter **B** meets the **1st Tuesday** each month at **Shoney's** Clinton Exit 122 off I-75 North
Eat at 6:30 pm meeting at 7:30 pm.
Call Tom & Kathy Peck 423-907-9712

Chapter **F** meets the **2nd Tuesday** each month at **Golden Corral 2905** West Andrew Johnson Hwy (Highway 11E) Morristown Eat at 6:30 pm meeting at 7:30 pm.
Call George & Lanora Baker 865-231-7948

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. (Next to Cracker Barrel, behind Chili's)
Call Robert & Trudy Ashcraft 865-376-6403

Chapter **A2** meets the **4th Monday** each month at the **Ryan's Steakhouse**, 1053 Hunter Xing, Alcoa Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm
Call Alvin & Josie Nelson 865-977-9096

Chapter **G2** meets the **1st Monday** each month at IHOP 1802 Parkway Sevierville, TN 37862
Eat @ 6:30, Gathering @ 7:30
Call Beth & Dale Hodge 865-748-1059

Chapter **T** meets the **4th Tuesday** Each month
Chapter **T** meets at Shoney's 316E Emory Rd
Eat at 6:00 pm/Meet at 7:00 pm
Call Carroll & Pat Bales 865-687-2986



New Chapter T-Shirts \$20
Chapter "Bee" Embroidered Hats: \$15
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 Pins (Shape of State).....	\$4.00 ea.
TN-B Hanger Bars.....	2.00
Black/Gold 4" GWRRA Patch.....	5.00
Black/Gold 10" GWRRA Patch.....	12.00
Red/Blue/Yellow 10" GWRRA Patch.....	12.00
New Chapter B 25 Year Patch.....	Free to Chapter B members
GWRRA Blinking Buttons.....	2.50
Chapter B HatsNow Available.....	15.00
Ladies Yellow HatsNow Available.....	15.00

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, Region N 4" Patch, 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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11/1 Doug Cox
11/11 Burt Wagner
11/18 Dianah Davis



11/9 Tom and Kathy Peck

If we missed your Birthday or Anniversary make sure you contact Bobbie Beeler so we can update our records. We want to recognize everyone's Birthday and Anniversary each month, not only at our meetings but in this Newsletter. Check the info on the Sign-in sheet at our Monthly gathering.

Note from your Editors:

Let us know if there is anything you would like to see in your Newsletter just let us know. Items for sale, pictures, items of interest, business ads, clip art etc. You can email them to us at tomkatpeck@msn.com Remember this publication is yours!!! If there is any personal information you wish not to be public info please let Tom or Kathy Peck know so we can accommodate you wishes.

TN-B 2010 Ride Schedule

Saturday, November 6, Cumberland County Playhouse—Brigadoon, Crossville, TN, 2:30 PM. Leave Weigel's on Emory Road 11:00 AM. Lunch on the way. Tickets \$23

Friday, November 19, Game Night, 7 PM, Mike and Linda Bridges' place, 7505 Inverrary Circle, Halls, —more details at the Chapter B Gathering

Saturday, November 20, TN District Operations Meeting, Murfreesboro, TN

Saturday, December 4, Chapter Christmas Party, Community club house, Norris Lake—more details at the Chapter Gathering

Friday, December 17, Game Night, 7 PM

Saturday January 29th Chili Cook Off 2011, Senior Center Halls, TN

Game Nights: In the cooler months we'll plan to have Game Nights the 3rd Friday of each month. We'll be looking for volunteers to host!

“Red Highlighted entries are scheduled Chapter B Rides”

Check the newsletter and web-site regularly for updates and more information!
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Come Ride With Us!!!



Chuck Talley

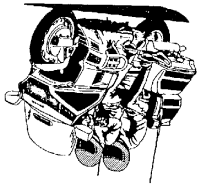
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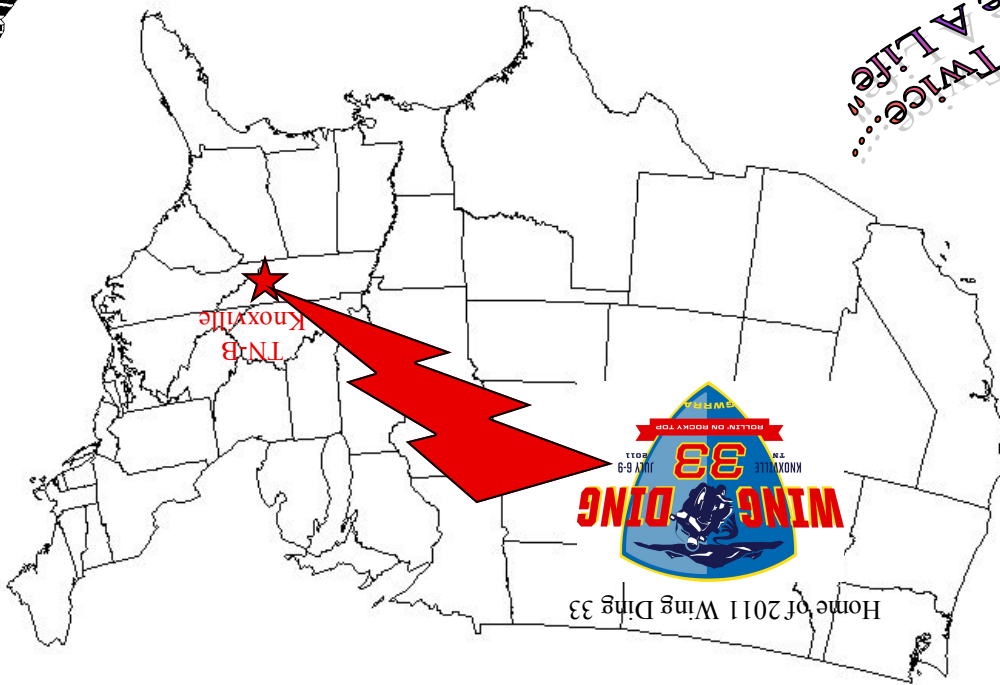


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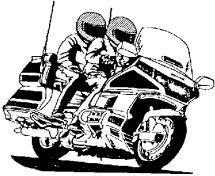


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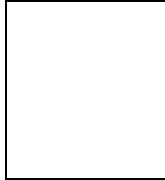


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