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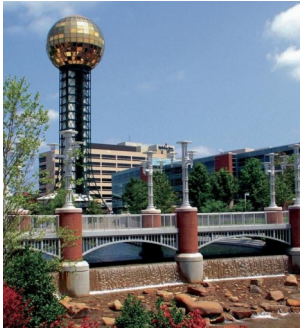
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**Join us the First Tuesday each month at Shoney's Restaurant  
2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN 37716, Exit 122 off I-75  
(Rt. 61 Museum exit) Just north of Knoxville, Ph. 865-494-7295  
Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM**

***Just announced!!  
Wing Ding 40  
Aug 28th thru Sept 1st  
2018  
Will be held in Knoxville,  
Tennessee  
Make your Reservations Now***



# Assistant Chapter B Director



It is with a lot of thought and heavy heart that I have decided to sell my trike. Its a 2008 loaded Goldwing with under 50k miles. It has a new clutch and front trike tire by Avon. Issues with it...needs a clip put in the top trunk that opens the bottom trunk ( a pair of vice grips is doing the job now), needs the bottom trunk rubber fixed or replaced, and body has a few dings. Its a good bike, but is 10 yrs old. I also have a trailer that I intended to fix and put a wrap on, It is a solid trailer, dry on inside, just needs cosmetic fixes. Call me if interested at 901-598-0205.

## For Sale



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## From Your Senior Chapter B Director Tom Peck



Hi Everyone,

January is in the history books as we work our way towards warmer weather into February then Spring will be right around the corner. Got to think warmer weather will be here before you know it.

Winter Event is over and we have a new District Couple Dennis & Jan Peterson from up in Clarksville chapter Q, couldn't have picked a more deserving couple to represent Tennessee GWRRA, Congratulations to them. The cold weather blew in for the event over in Murfreesboro dropping 30 degrees in a short 3 hour period into the single digits. Lots of fun, always look forward to this off season event each year. Make your plans for next year.

**Ride planning meeting Feb 17th at our place about 2 p.m. Hope you all can make this one.** We had to reschedule due to so many who couldn't make it.

Seems to be very hard to schedule things and not miss someone, mark your calendars and please try to be there and bring your ride suggestions with you. We will have food and drink for all and might even work in some of our favorite games when the work is done. Not much going on and look forward to seeing everyone next week and chapter gathering. Florida Rally coming up in March once again, always a good time to get away and enjoy some Florida sunshine, kind of get the season kicked off on the motorcycle. They also raffle off a new Goldwing each year so that is always an extra incentive to make the trip. Join us if you can.

**Tom**

# Happy Trails



**February is here and we look at the thermometer and the only positive thought is that we're one month closer to riding season. As I'm writing this article this afternoon it's about 30 degrees outside and a guy on a Harley just went roaring past my house! Sorry, I'm not that brave. Occasionally though, an above average temperature winter day may tempt you to fire up your sleeping Wing and head out for a ride. Unless you have access to a do-it-yourself car wash, I'll warn you to reconsider the trip, even a short ride. Salt and the liquid brine solution have been poured onto our roads because of all the snow and ice that we have seen so far this winter. Any dampness on your bike or the road will cause these salts to kick up and adhere to your bike, which if allowed to**

**remain, will certainly cause various parts to corrode or rust. It's better to wait until the stronger spring rains come and totally clean this stuff off the roads.**

**I like to use these rare warm winter days to install some of that new safety chrome that I picked up for the bike's Christmas present! Probably the best thing you can do to prep for the upcoming riding season is to put on your thinking caps and jot down ideas for ride destinations that will help fill up the chapter's ride calendar for 2018. Remember that if you suggest a ride, YOU need to do the necessary planning to put the ride or event together. Don't forget, the ride planning meeting is coming up February 17th. See you there!**

Until next time, ride safer



**TENNESSEE GWRRA**

*Jerry*

New Year's Resolution:



**RIDE MORE!**

*For Sale*



*2004 GL1800 Goldwing Trike 47191 miles. Hannigan trike conversion 2010. Lots of Chrome, custom seat, rare magenta color with beautiful pinstriping. Tall Tulsa windshield, CB, arm rest and many other accessories. Thought the trike was sold but buyer had some health issues and was unable to close the deal. Very well maintained by Bill DeGuire who passed away about a year ago. Merrilee would like to make someone the proud owner of her beautiful Trike. Contact Tom or Merrilee Peck if interested. Asking \$19,500. 423-494-9818/865-256-1250*



*Set Saddlebags, right, left and center filler removed form trike conversion, like new. Make offer. Make small trailer or storage unit to plug into your trailer hitch, no nicks or scratches anywhere. Contact Tom or Merrilee Peck if interested. 423-494-9818/ 865-256-1250*

# For Sale



*That's right everyone, my pride and joy is up for sale. Got the Hot's for a new 2018 Goldwing. Purchased this new 2016 GL1800 ABS model, heated seats, GPS, Loaded it on the trailer and hauled it to the California Sidecar factory in Virginia where top of the line conversion with all the available options were added. I installed another approx. 4K worth of accessories, CB radio etc. Close to 50K invested. 6000 miles, one trip to Florida and a trip to Wing Ding in Texas. If your looking for a Trike this one is a beauty, Not cheap but will make you a good deal. Like I said, I got the bug and had to get one of the new 2018 Goldwing's maybe Trike it sometime in the future. Going to remain firm at \$39,500. A trip to Florida in March will add a couple thousand miles to it, so if you're interested let me know, got the 2 wheeler in reserve.*

*Tom Peck 423-907-9712 (H) 423-494-9818 (C)*

# Technical Coordinator Roy Jennings



*A Few words from  
the Chief*



## What is do—as a Co-Rider—if the Rider becomes Incapacitated

PLEASE BE AWARE BEFORE READING!! THIS METHOD HAS BEEN A HIGHLY DEBATED TOPIC OVER THE YEARS. Is it even feasible? Has anyone ever managed to perform it successfully? We do not know for certain; however, it is one of the only methods we're aware of that offers the co-rider an option should the rider become incapacitated. This article appeared in the September 2009 Wing World magazine.

Rider incapacitation can happen for many reasons-fainting, stroke, reaction to medication, injury due to an impact from an object flying into the rider etc.

1<sup>st</sup> determine the situation: If you feel the rider has become incapacitated, command the rider to stop the motorcycle or trike. Remember that the motorcycle/trike is set up for the rider, he/she may still be able to respond at some level to bring it to a halt. (But remember time is of the essence and that you should not wait too long before taking control of the situation yourself.)

If the rider has definitely heard and understood you (if conscious) and is still unable to bring the motorcycle to a halt, prepare yourself to gain control and also prepare for the possibility of a crash.

2<sup>nd</sup>—GET CONTROL OF THE MOTORCYCLE/TRIKE—Any movement on your part may affect the balance of the motorcycle and your ability to remain with it. However, you must reach forward and gain control of the handle bars. Reaching forward WILL cause sudden change in motion or direction; therefore, try to minimize that motion by reaching forward as smooth as possible and grasp both handle bars at the same time.

3<sup>rd</sup>—PREPARE FOR A CRASH, WITH YOUR MAIN OBJECTIVE BEING TO INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF SURVIVAL: Reduce speed to decrease the force of the impact. Try to reach the cutoff switch located on the right handle bar. Try to select an impact site that will decrease as many harmful elements as possible. For example, given a choice between a wall or an open field, try to move toward the field.

Delay the impact as long as possible and remember that you must stay on the motorcycle/trike. Stay low and let the motorcycle take the impact and protect you rather than letting your body come between the motorcycle and another obstacle.

WHEN GRABBING THE HANDLE BARS—Your left hand will be on a fixed grip, also right behind the clutch lever.

Your right hand will be on a moveable grip which is the throttle twisting it away from you will slow the engine down. Also your right hand will be behind the front brake lever, do not grab it too quickly. Activate the kill switch, which is located at your right thumb, this will cause the motorcycle to slow down.

COMING TO A STOP—LET THE MOTORCYCLE SLOW DOWN GRADUALLY, IT WILL BECOME UNSTEADY AS IT SLOWS AND BE MORE DIFFICULT TO KEEP IT UPRIGHT

LOOK WELL AHEAD—Negotiate traffic and the road as you get the situation under control.

FIND A LANDING SPOT—Let the motorcycle/trike come to a stop as gently as possible.

KEEP YOUR ARMS, LEGS AND HANDS OUT FROM UNDER THE MOTORCYCLE/TRIKE.

CHECK YOURSELF—After coming to a complete stop, if you are not in good shape, you will not be of much assistance to the rider. GET ASSISTANCE TO THE RIDER

THE MOST BASICS STEPS FOR A CO-RIDER TO REMEMBER IF THE RIDER BECOMES INCAPACITATED:  
DETERMINE THE SITUATION-GAIN CONTROL OF THE MOTORCYCLE/TRIKE-PREPARE FOR A CRASH

*Roy*

## *Some interesting stuff from our District Director Gary Hamilton*



Spring Fling is coming up very quickly. Are you ready? We need you to get your registrations in and be sure to sign up for the Dolly Parton Mountain Adventures Dinner Show. We can have a great time after closing. We are looking for our Chapter Directors to help us get our members registered.

National has dropped the Chapter of the Year Award but the District will continue to do it. They also have done away with the newsletter requirement but you can continue if you want. We will continue to have a newsletter award.

We also would like to have some nominations for the Audrey Baston Award and the Chapter Director of the year Award. 2017 will be the last year for the Educator of the Year Award for Chapter Educators. We also would like to have nominations for the Lanny Stewart Award, Chapter Director of the Year. Send them to your District Director.

National has completed the new COY Booklet and sent it out to us. Dennis and Anne Greer will be sending that out to the chapter MECP's if you do not have a MECP then he will send it to the chapter director. As of yet the Officer Handbook has not been updated but they are working on the revisions.

Just a reminder that the winter months are a great time to get some training completed. Contact the district on any training needs and we will help you put some training together. Hopefully we can have several chapters at once. If you are planning on having a event remember to make it known to the district University Trainer and we will put it out to everyone. We are hosting a MFA class this Saturday February 3 at Chapter O Cleveland. Alvin is working to set up some riding classes come spring.

Can't wait to go and look at the new Gold Wing. This is the month they appear.

Ride safe and have fun Gary & Patti



## ***Spring Fling 2018 Chapter B Cabin***



***Just a reminder for those with reservations for cabin for Spring Fling, April 12-15, Mountain Breeze Manor at the Preserve Resort. Balance due by Feb. 11, \$180. You can see me at our Chapter meeting or send me a check before Feb. 11. Let me know if there's any problem or changes.  
<http://www.largecabinrentals.com/cabins/mountain-breeze-manor/>***

Pat Talley

# ***New GL1800 Revel***



***Honda of Knoxville asked me to contact each of you to extend their invitation to attend their reveal of the new GL1800 on Thursday evening, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, they will close the store at 6pm, move some stuff around, then re-open it for us at 6:30pm, they will have the new bike there, probably discounts in the Parts department, food and drink, and the staff to talk with and have a Q&A session***

Submitted by Brian Richards



## 2018 GWRRA Tennessee Winter Event Murfreesboro TN



### WINTER EVENT

Tom and I drove to Murfreesboro on a Friday (which just happened to be the coldest day thus far for our Tennessee area, with freezing rain coming in, etc.) to attend the Winter Event for our District. We checked into the Clarion, played a game of cards, and set out to find something good to eat. The temperature outside had dropped from 58 to 28 by the time we reached the hotel that afternoon. Early in the morning we had a storage auction at All Seasons Storage in Jacksboro, our facility, and even though the temperature



was upper 50's, all of us who attended were standing under umbrellas and the rain did not let up. Back to Murfreesboro...it was bitter cold going to the car. There was a biting wind swirling around our

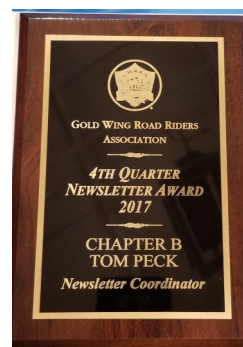
heads from the hotel to our parking spot. Guess what! There were places to eat everywhere—good ones, where you can sit, relax and enjoy, and fast foods—but all were closed due to the weather. We backtracked to a place called Coconut Bay Grill. Seeing several cars and trucks there as we passed by the first time, we decided “why not?” Well, guys, we hit it big time. It was like a sports bar with t.v.'s everywhere, locals laughing, eating, drinking, and enjoying the evening. The food was good, we were warming up, and then the live band came on the scene. What a great evening of entertainment. Great surprise! We stayed up late playing cards, which you all know we love, and the next morning drove to the Agriculture building where the winter event was held. We loved hearing from the competing couples for



COY at the district level. Dennis and Jan Peterson were selected as the new COY. It's always fun listening to their “story”. Of course, chapter challenge is always fun. Since we were the only ones from Chapter B there, we BOTH had to take part. We will share those game stories with you, if you wish, and we just might include some of them on our chapter's Fun Day in May 2018. Let's just say, I ended up with a whipped cream moisturizer all over my face and up my nose and Tom stumbled around blind-folded while I had to stand at least 5 feet away from him, directing him while it seemed everyone in the room was shouting, all at the same time, making it very difficult for Tom to hear my directions. What a time we had! The chapter directors were given information packets and Tom will share more with you at our gathering. All in all, a real fun weekend. We missed you, though, and were wishing you were with us. Allow me to encourage you to attend this annual event next year. We survived the “freeze” and the challenges, and would do it again in a minute.



Oh by the way we won \$500 in the \$5 ticket winner takes all drawing. Thanks Gary for rounding things off!!



Submitted by Merrilee



Make sure to make your reservations early



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*Home of the 1982 Worlds Fair*

***Host of Wing Ding***

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*IV 1987 (9)*

*XXXIII 2011 (33)*

*XL 2018 (40)*





# "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. CD Jim & Joyce Hunsley 217-412-9986

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 CD Randy Ryan 985-245-6414



## New Chapter Golf Shirts see Pat Chapter "Bee" Embroidered Hats: \$12 Place your Order with Pat Talley



Give me a call, email me or see you at the next meeting

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**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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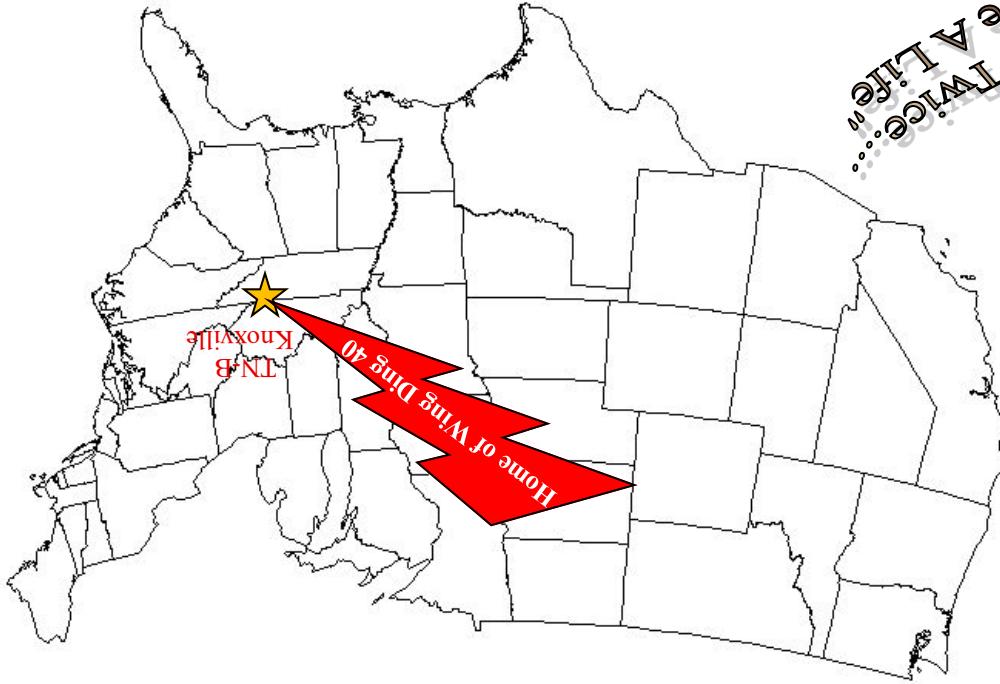
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Joann Smith Feb 1st  
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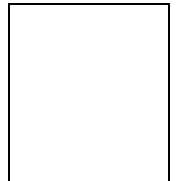


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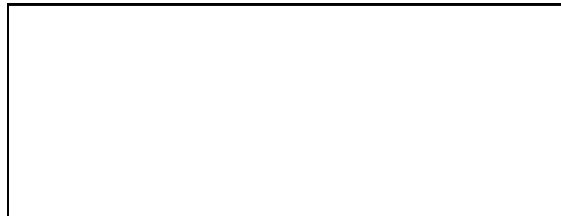
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