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From Your Senior Chapter B Director
Tom Peck



Hi Everyone,

Well I can say summer time has arrived and the heat is on. Several chapter rides have come and gone and others are on the schedule. Finally got our Chapter Web Site up and running again after a lengthy down period, sorry about that. You might want to check out the site and stay tuned to all the latest on our ride schedule. Also take some time and check out the many links to other places you will find interesting.

Like to give a shout out to all those who made the West Virginia ride this past weekend. Starting out for a ride in the pouring down rain really sorts out the REAL motorcycle enthusiast from the pack. 21 riders on 13 bikes made the weekend trip and what a great time we had doing the backroads of West Virginia. What a pleasure it was to observe how the riding went so well, 13 bikes headed down the road in perfect formation is a site to see. Thanks to Richard and Deniese for setting up and planning the weekend. The route, the logging, the side trips all perfect. We all felt bad as we learned about the last minute back problems Richard experienced that prevented him and Deniese from going. Big thanks to Stanley & Patty for stepping in to lead the group on our ride. Good ride, good friends, good food, good facilities to stay, lots of sites to see and the weather cleared shortly after leaving, had we left a short hour later than planned the bikes would have stayed clean and we would have not had to put on the rain suits and start out wet. Just goes to show you the immediate conditions can change very quickly so don't let the conditions ruin a fun ride, you'll miss out on lots of fun!!

Tom

Happy Trails



June 23rd had 8 Chapter B members slabbing west-bound on I-40 heading to the Lane Motor Museum in Nashville. The museum is only about 15 years old and is a rather unique place. It was the former site of the Holsum / Sunbeam bakery. Although their complete inventory is almost 400 vehicles, only about 150 can be displayed at a time on the main display floor. Occasionally, basement tours are conducted allowing visitors the opportunity to see the entire collection.

Cars, motorcycles, cycle-cars and even old collector bicycles are on display. Many of the vehicles are prototypes or concept cars. I think our Chapter Director fell head over heels for a 2012 model hybrid car from Finland! Who knows, maybe it could be for sale? Considering that their display vehicles rotate from time to time, maybe a return visit might be planned for next year.

Well naturally after a two and a half hour ride and a two hour museum tour, Gold Wings not only have to re-fuel their bikes but also their tummies. Acting upon a recommendation from our own Nashville native Dave Roberts, we rode a short distance from the museum to a new dining experience at Monell's at the Manor. Located on Murfreesboro Pike next to the Nashville airport is this renovated post-civil war building known as Colemere Mansion. Having experienced the Dillard House in Georgia and The Farmer's Daughter in East Tennessee, Monell's at the Manor, in my opinion represents the Trifecta of Gold Wing dining excess!

Each of the main floor rooms has been converted into large dining rooms. Those of you with military time might liken these to "mess halls". As dining groups arrive they are seated together with another group(s) of hungry people at the same table and that's where the fun begins. You meet new people and then the wait staff starts to bring out giant platters and bowls of wonderful Southern comfort food. And they keep bringing out more and more until you're stuffed. And yes, everything was so good I found that the dinner plates were too small!

This place may also become a Chapter B favorite for future rides to the Nashville area. A great ride back which took in some great scenic back roads with a little slab mixed in got us back before dark.

See you soon and remember to ride safe

Jerry





For Sale



Set Saddlebags, right, left and center filler removed from the 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



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I have several Helmets available, most are full face ARAI Profile with J & M head sets installed some open face. Several different sizes from Small to XX Large. These helmets are all in good shape but are not the flip up type. Pearl White, Pearl Blue, Red & Black striped colors. If you're interested give me a call. Tom Peck 423-907-9712/423-494-9818, will sell very reasonable, make offer. Also have Trike take off parts, several model years



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Recipe's

Chicken Spaghetti

1lb spaghetti noodles (I use angel hair)

2 large chicken breast

1 lb. Velveeta cheese

1 stick of butter

1 sweet onion

1 green bell pepper

1 original rotel

1 medium rotel (hot if you want)

1 big deep dish cooking sheet

Dice onion, bell pepper and cheese. Melt stick of butter in skillet and sauté bell pepper and onion.

Melt cheese (microwave or double boiler works best) then add to bell peppers and onions in skillet. The cheese will burn quick, turn down the heat and stir frequently then add both cans of rotel. Mix together.

Cube chicken breast and boil with noodles. Drain noodles and chicken but leave some water then pour into cooking sheet. Pour cheese concoction on top of cheese and mix with noodles. Cover with aluminum foil and bake @350 for 1 hour.

Bon Appetit

Submitted by Wally



Ballgame Saturday July 14th at the Smokies Ball Park

Special Night at the Ball Park

**Chapter TN-B Fund Raising effort for the
Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation
Deals Gap "Ride For Kids"**

Contact: Wally, Emily or Jerry if you haven't ordered your tickets yet and would like to go

Lane Motor Museum Article June 23rd

Seven Chapter B members met at Swifty's in Oak Ridge Saturday morning, June 23rd, for a group ride to the Lane Motor Museum in Nashville, TN. Along for the ride were Jerry and Irene Ciesla, Sam and Lynelle Queener, Robert Burnett and Tom and Merrilee Peck. The ride was well prepared and managed by Jerry and Irene. An eighth rider, Mark Kohlman, was found along the way for a total of 8 riders on 5 bikes. Three trikes and 2 two wheelers.



There was a bit of traffic on I-40 but no adverse weather on the way there. We didn't even need to turn around, so I'm not sure if it was an "official" ride. There was undercover parking at the museum, at least for bikes, as they now use this area for overflow of museum vehicles.

The Lane Motor Museum claims to be unique in the respect of restoring and exhibiting some of the world's more unique automobiles, motorcycles/scooters and some airplanes. There were many examples of beautiful European and Japanese early vehicles and bikes.

Afterwards, there was an arranged late lunch (Linner? Dunch?) at a family-style restaurant named Monell's at the manor right next to the Nashville airport. The eight of us shared a table with another family in a full dining room with all we could eat cucumber salad, cole slaw, green and baked beans, corn fritter, (maybe corn pudding) salad (Merrilee liked this one), real mashed taters, mac and cheese, fried chicken, meat loaf and pork loin. Of course it wouldn't be complete without banana pudding. The original seven members took route 70 back East. Mark decided to take the slab back to Louisville.



I thoroughly enjoyed the museum and was late getting back to the group to go eat. But I'm a museum freak anyway. Looking forward to seeing the Memphis Belle B-17 at the Air Force museum next month!

Thank you to Jerry and Irene Ciesla for putting this ride together.

Mark Kohlman





U.S. AIR FORCE



National Museum of the US Air Force (Last chance)

Well, it's that time again to visit one of Chapter B's favorite destinations—The National Museum of the US Air Force. We will depart Shoney/s, **Exit 134 at 0800—(fueled up, both bikes and riders) on Friday July 20 for a 3 day trip.**

The plan is to ride up I-75 for a while and then take back roads to miss most of the major cities along the way. We pass through Daniel Boone country, on the way to cross the Ohio River at Marysville (The Clooney family home, although I think George was born in Lexington.) and find a spot for lunch.

After lunch it's on to the Wingate by Wyndham Dayton-Fairborn, via Xenia, (one of the few towns in America that begins with a X.)

The hotel offers 2 queen-bed rooms @ 92.65 per night with a hot breakfast buffet included; free wi-fi, and an indoor pool for all of you swimmers. Call the hotel and say you are with the Gold Wing group—mention my name. I have several rooms reserved.

The Museum opens at 0900 Saturday and it's about a 10 minute ride (don't forget, NO FIREARMS on an Air Force Base.)

I've not seen the new Building 4 which has a walk-through C-130E (I'm sure Tom will point out all the particulars) along with a number of Presidential planes. Plus, The new MEMPHIS BELLE exhibit is now open.—Lots to see.

We will depart the museum in the late afternoon (Museum closes at 1700) for Young's Dairy, (another Chapter B tradition) for dinner.

We leave for home Sunday morning after breakfast—I-75 home.

Hotel details: Wingate by Wyndham Dayton-Fairborn
3055 Presidential Dr, Fairborn, OH 45324
937 912-9350

Should be a fun trip—it always is!!



Technical Coordinator Roy Jennings



*A Few words from
the Chief*



Technical Article

Sticking ELECTRICAL SWITCHES ON YOUR GOLDWING

All of us who ride motorcycles at one time or another, have had a stuck switch. These switches are a cam-over style push on/push off. You would think after 30+ years, one would think that the manufacturer would have come up with a more durable solution by now, or least provide the switches as replacement parts. The design of these switches (cruise on, reverse, hazard flasher, etc.) is like a Roach Motel—dirt checks in, but it never checks out. And with the small intricate components in the switch, it doesn't take much dirt to cause the mechanism to bind.

You may find, after opening the switch cluster, that flushing the switch body with aerosol electronics cleaner or silicone (DO NOT USED SILICONE SPRAY CONTAINING ACETONE IN THE PROPELLENT) will remove the containments and restore function. If a person had steady hands and good mechanical skills, he could disassemble the switch for cleaning. CAUTION—the switch contains tiny parts which may fling themselves on the floor and disappear forever. As a last resort, one would need to replace the entire switch cluster, as these switches are not available separately.

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New River Gorge

As our trip to West Virginia wound down and everyone pulled out for home Patty, Troy, Mary Jane and myself headed out for The New River Gorge Bridge. At 3,030 feet long and 876 feet high it is a sight to see. It was a slight detour for us to get there and did add extra miles to the trip home but it was well worth the trip to see it. The roads that we took to get there once again did not disap-



point, seems to be a regular theme when talking about West Virginia roads. We got to the Bridge around 11:30 which makes taking pictures from the platforms a lot better as the sun is high in the sky. After the many steps down to the viewing platforms we took the bikes and headed down to the base of the bridge which is another very impressive sight to see and the road down and back up was pretty nice as well. With a long road ahead of us there wasn't a lot of time to hang out so it was time to head home with some great memories of West Virginia.

Stanley & Patty





Upcomming Rides



Air Force Museum Ride U.S. AIR FORCE

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Dave Roberts: 865-748-9738

Chapter B Ride Schedule. Check out tn-b.org web site for latest details

28-Jul	Green Tomato	Day	Dinner ride though the countryside	Kyle Beeler
4-Aug	open			
11-Aug	Promise Land	Overnight	David & Robert to plan route and suggest motel	David & Robert
18-Aug	open			
28-Aug	Wing Ding Aug	28th thru Sept 1	Knoxville Hope you join us there	National Event
1-Sep	open (Wing Ding) week			
8-Sep	Fields of the Woods Bible Park,	Day	Meet at Shoney's exit 122 for breakfast 9 am	Stanley Rinehart
22-Sep	Lilly Bluff overlook	Day	Meet at Shoney's exit 134 TBA	Stanley Rinehart
29-Sep	Ride For Kids Deals Gap	Day	Quality inn & Suites Robbinsville, previous night 28th	Wally Maliskey
10-Nov	Savannah Nov 10th thru 16th	Leave Sat back friday	465 mile overnight in Lexington Georgia 231 mi Comfort Suite more details TBA	Kyle Beeler

Portsmouth Murals Ride

This is the ride report for the ride to Portsmouth, Ohio to see the flood wall murals. The murals depict the history of Portsmouth from the Indians to the 1930's. One particular mural shows the first motorcycle club in the United States.

We met at the Shoney's at Caryville and after a good breakfast it was kickstands up at 8:15. The riders were Merrilee and Tom Peck, David Underwood and Robert



Burnett. We rode to Harrogate for our first water break and leg stretch. Back in the saddle and on through beautiful Virginia to Duffield. The weather was getting warmer so we had another water

break in Duffield. It's important to stay hydrated in the heat. On towards Norton but stopped at the Powell Valley overlook for some pictures, then on to Norton.

In Norton we stopped for lunch at the Woods Booger Grill. The Woods Booger is a local (in Norton) Bigfoot and the Grill is decorated



with a lot of Bigfoot things. It was crowded and it took a while to get our food but it was good. We took a lot of pictures both outside and inside.



When we left the temperature had risen into the 90's so we filled up with gas and headed up 23 towards Ashland, Ky. Ate in Ashland at Star Chili where the food was good and the

service was great. On to the hotels for the night.

Up Sunday morning for some free hotel breakfast, then met up at Merrilee and Tom's hotel then off to Portsmouth. The murals were great and we took lots of pictures.

Left Portsmouth and rode down the Ohio side of the Ohio River to Ripley. Stopped in Ripley for a break then rode another 8 miles and took a ferry across the Ohio River. The ferry ride was a highlight of the trip. It was totally unexpected and was great. The ferry took us to Augusta, Ky.

From Augusta we rode the beautiful Kentucky back roads to Cynthiana, KY and stopped at a local restaurant called Blenicki. Really good food and as we left there were more murals. So we took more pictures.



We left Cynthiana and rode to Georgetown and got on I-75 south back home. Trip was about 630 miles, and while the weather was hot, we took plenty of breaks, no rain and a good time was had by all!

David Underwood, Robert Burnett



West Virginia Backroads

June 28th through July 1st 2018



Joint Article from most everyone who was along on our trip to West Virginia



What an enjoyable 4 days, from start to finish. It's hard to pick what we enjoyed the most from the 1,060 miles we traveled. Seneca Rock was impressive, but the beautiful mountains of West Virginia were awesome. Fun and fellowship was great. We so appreciate the efforts of Richard and Deniese who planned out the trip, then didn't get to go with us because of Richard's back problem. Thanks to Stan for stepping in and doing a great job leading the ride. Always a great time with Chapter B friends! Chuck and Pat

The West Virginia trip was great, Patty and I really enjoyed the trip and this was our first overnight adventure with the chapter. I have to say that we had the best time getting out and doing a long trip with everyone and it made the ride so much more enjoyable. Richard had put together a great trip and we were so sorry he didn't get to make it, Deniese and Richard were both missed. The West Virginia roads are great to ride and you seem to hear that a lot in our conversations, but there are a lot of Deer and one really needs to keep an eye out. The trip to Seneca Rocks was a very nice ride with some real interesting rock structures, after the Rocks it was up another great road to Black Water falls and a very good lunch was had at the Black Water Falls Lodge followed by a trip to see Falls. The Falls were very impressive, I think more impressive than Cumberland Falls. It was a Long walk to the bottom but it was well worth the journey and it is amazing at how much water runs over the falls. We look forward to our next great Chapter adventure. Patty and Stanley

Got home just fine! Troy said his favorite things were the sing along on the CB and when we came around the curve and that huge windmill popped up. Mine was I got to enjoy talking to everybody and thought the whole ride was great! Loved the little lodge too! Owner was very friendly, food was great and loved the guys playing and singing Saturday night! Hated you all missed the bridge, it was awesome. Troy had been wanting to see it for a long time! Troy & Mary Jane

What a great trip to Mingo, West VA and surroundings! It's such a beautiful place, and of course the best part was being with our Chapter B family! Joyce and Roy

I enjoyed that a big group stayed together while traveling. Kudo's for Stan hopping in to lead, flawlessly in place of Richard. Also, Tom jumped in when Stan was out for the count. Shocked by the beauty of the area. The part that I used to go was where they strip mined, a 180 degrees difference in the scenery. I enjoyed the fellowship of the large group, it's been awhile. The food at the inn was good. I was most surprised about Seneca Rocks and its history. First ride I didn't have a clue where we were. Thanks for Rich for all his planning Wally

I just want to start by saying thank you to Deniese and Richard for planning this wonderful trip. We were all disappointed that they could not make the trip. Stanley took over as tour director and did a fantastic job. It has been a long time since so many of us went on a trip together. I really enjoyed the ride West Virginia roads are as good as the dragon. Spending time with great friends and good food topped off my trip. I look forward to many more trips. Thanks again to Stanley and Patty. You guys are going to make fantastic assistant chapter directors. Emily

Best part of the weekend was riding with a group that seemed to enjoy the moment, from leaving in the pouring down rain to roasting in the heat our group had a great time, enjoyed good company and the beautiful back roads of West Virginia. Tom

Wow! What a fun-filled, wonderful 4 days we spent with Chapter B family traveling to and from West Virginia. The State of WV is breathtaking. Even though we did a train ride, viewed the Blackwater Falls, and Seneca Rock, the highlight of the trip for me was riding the backroads, taking in the beauty of the land itself, smelling the raked hay in the fields, seeing all the cattle and wildlife and listening to the music of the Kessinger Brothers. Can't wait till the next trip with all of you! Merrilee



"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
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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



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LET'S GO SHOPPING!

See the "Quarter Master"



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