

Foothills Wings - TN-M



April 2021

***Gold Wing Road Riders Association
GWRRRA Tennessee District
Chapter TN-M, Lenoir City***



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Monthly gathering

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month, eat at 6pm, gathering at 6:30pm.

Lenoir City Shoney's
1100 Highway 321 North
Lenoir City, TN
Just off I-75, exit 81.

Please join us at 6pm for dinner before the gathering, in the Shoney's back dining room.

We hope to see you at our monthly gathering, and all are welcome.

**TN-M, chartered
March 20, 1985**

TN-M Team

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VACANT - Interested???

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2021 Individual of the Year

Russ Wools

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Vacant - are you interested?

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Contest Coordinators

VACANT - Interested???

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TN District website: www.gwrratn.org/

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Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

Chapter Director's Spiel



Well, we've finely gotten into some weather that at least once-in-a-while is conducive to some riding (except of course for our diehards like Russ and Ken, who have been riding for quite some time, I'm not sure they ever really stopped, LOL). We hope that you've had a chance to get out and enjoy some nice rides, and strongly hope that you properly prepared, both yourselves and your motorcycle, after the "long winter nap".

There's lots of fun things to look forward to this year, after all the drama last year of the Covid-19 virus and everything being cancelled, it appears that this coming year most of the "normal" District rallies WILL be held. There may be some minor tweaking of the way things are done, to help maintain things like "Social Distancing", but for the chance to finally get together with our friends it's worth a little inconvenience, right?

From our perspective here in Tennessee, the first viable rally was the Florida District rally in Altamonte Springs, FL, March 18-20, and Loretta & I attended it, along with a few other members from Tennessee that we saw, including our District Directors Dennis & Jan Peterson. We had a great time, there were a LOT of members there, from quite a few districts, even from up north, Ohio, Michigan, etc., so it was reminiscent of the old rallies pre-Covid-19. (I'm wondering whether we might start using a new date indication, instead of 2021AD, this will be 01AC, 01 "After Covid", and of course there will be dates of BC, "Before Covid").

Our next available rally is our own Tennessee District "Spring Fling" rally in Pigeon Forge, TN, Apr 29 - May 01. It's being held at a new location, the Ramsey Hotel, which is a really nice-looking facility, and a big advantage over the previous venue is PARKING! There is a lot more available parking, which was always a hassle in years past. The District Team has a lot of plans for FUN things for us all to do. But they want us to remember that this rally is NOT "their" rally, it is OURS, a time for US to get together and have FUN, share stories, rekindle those friendships, especially the ones that got sidetracked due to the Covid-19 restrictions. One thing I'd like to bring up about the rally, there are a LOT of things that go on in the background, and the District Team is not able to handle everything on their own, they need our help, so if you are going and would be willing to volunteer a slice of your time, it would be greatly appreciated, by the Team as well as your fellow members, we'll all in this together, so if you'd like to help, please let me know and I can give you an idea of where your assistance would be of use.

Speaking of rallies, we hope to be able to get to many more this year, and we will do our best to have all the surrounding Districts' rallies listed on our chapter's "Ride Calendar", available through the chapter website, so if you are in mind of checking out a rally or two, make sure to check the calendar.

Take care, stay safe, and we hope to see you soon,

Brian & Loretta Richards, TN-M Chapter Directors

Assistant Chapter Director



Let's all be ready to have fun with our chapter friends when we get out and ride.

We're into a new year, so be careful, and if you're planning on going for a ride, make sure you, your gear, and especially your ride, are all at their peak performance level and ready to get out there and have fun. And make sure to be wearing the proper gear for safety and the expected conditions.

Ride Safe!

James Whitener, TN-M Assistant Chapter Director

Chapter Clothing/Flags & Hats

Questions about chapter "shirts"? Contact either Marlene or Brian. We also have a couple options for shirts and for where to get them embroidered as desired.

Available from Mark Kohlman, the "Flag Man":

Chapter Hats:

- Red, Solid----- \$8.00
- Red, Mesh back----- \$8.00
- Red with Flames ----- \$10.00

Chapter Flags, with hybrid mounting kit for both antenna and flagpole, and wrapping strap:

- Flags -----\$15.00

Marlene Kinney, Chapter Clothing

Chapter Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:

Christina Gray

20-Apr

Happy Anniversary to:

None



Happy GWRRA Anniversary to:

None



“Thoughts and Prayers”

Carroel Edgmon, TN-M Sunshine Lady

**Chapter Awards & Winners
from the February Chapter Gathering**

50 / 25-25

Dennis Peterson (TN District Director) & Joe Neeley

STAR AWARD:

Ken Gray for setting up the rides for the Guided Rides for Spring Fling.

WHOOPS AWARD:

Mel McInerney for being the person holding the Star Award when we couldn't find it – he forgot he had it.

I'm proud to wear my TN-M Shirt!

Russ Wools

Chapter M “Out Having FUN!”

TN-M Visit TN-V Gathering to capture the East TN Traveling Plaque, Mar 13th

Brian Richards

We had 6 of us (Loretta & I, Mel & Renee, Marlene and Russ, with Russ on his motorcycle, of course, the rest of us in our “quadra-cycles”) travel to the TN-V, Chattanooga chapter in hopes of capturing the East TN Traveling plaque, which is done by a ticket draw. Every visiting chapter member is given a ticket, and one is drawn to determine which chapter gets the plaque. We had 6 members, TN-T, Knoxville, had 6 members, and TN-O, Cleveland I think had 8 (but I'm not positive on that number). So there was fierce competition, but yippee, Russ' ticket was drawn, so we got to bring the plaque home, and it will be up for grabs by visiting chapters at our next gathering, April 13th.

After their gathering was over, Russ split away and headed into Chattanooga to do some shopping, and the rest of us started on the way north back home, with of course the requisite stop for lunch, at a Denny's this time. We had some good conversations, some good laughs, and great camaraderie while sitting waiting for our food, not much conversation once the food arrived, surprise, surprise ... NOT! All-in-all it was a pleasant day with friends.





TN-M dinner ride to the Parkside Grill, March 23rd
Brian Richards

A good group of us enjoyed dinner at the Parkside Grill in Knoxville, selected by Karen Fisher. We had 14 (Loretta & I, Mel & Renee, Russ, Burl, George & Vida, Joe & Brenda, Bob & Karen, and Bill & Penny), and we had a really nice evening, lots of camaraderie and laughs around the table, as well as some good food.



TN-M Visit TN-T Gathering to capture the TN Traveling Plaque, Mar 27th

Brian Richards

We had 9 of us (Loretta & I, Mel & Renee, Randy & Marlene, Russ, Burl and George) all braving the heavy rain, and even some hail, on Saturday, March 27th to get to the TN-T Knoxville gathering. Russ, of course, was on his motorcycle, thank goodness for rain suits! Loretta & I really want to thank the rest of our “crew” for ignoring the lousy weather and joining us in our hopes of capturing the Tennessee Traveling Plaque from TN-T. To capture this plaque, any visiting chapter, to be eligible, has to have a minimum of 5 members. The miles from the visiting chapter’s gathering location to the plaque holding chapter’s gathering location is calculated, and the number of members are totaled then multiplied by the mileage calculation (anyone that rides gets credit for double miles) to result in the total number of miles traveled by that chapter. Then of all the visiting chapters, the one with the most total miles gets awarded the plaque. We obviously had more than the minimum number of members, and since no other visiting chapter was there, it was a forgone conclusion that TN-M “captured” the plaque. So now, for our next monthly gathering, Tuesday evening, April 13th, we can expect many visiting chapters, since we have two of the three plaques, the Tennessee Traveling Plaque, and the East Tennessee Traveling Plaque (the other is the Tennessee Couple Of the Year Traveling Plaque, which can only be captured by a visiting current chapter Couple Of the Year).

TN-T’s gathering was at their new location of the Down Home Restaurant in Rutledge, TN, and it was a fairly nice place, the wait staff did a fairly decent job taking care of this onslaught of people over and above their usual lunch-time crowd, and the food was pretty good.

It was fun being able to visit the chapter, our chapter’s “Ride Calendar” had a ride to the Cumberland Mountain State Park scheduled for this Saturday, and we’d talked about some nice backroads to get there. With the absolutely terrible weather forecast (70% chance of rain), the consensus was to postpone this ride for a better time, and that allowed us to consider doing the visitation instead. All but Russ were in our “quadra-cycles” which was another reason for the change, to the park we want to be on our motorcycles, and with the rain forcing us to be in cars, this visitation was a nice alternative, and thanks again to those members that joined us, it was fun.

One other event at their gathering we got the chance to observe was their Chapter Director announced their chapter’s 2021 Couple Of the Year, Lloyd & Judy Pitney, a very deserving couple. They do a lot to support the chapter, Lloyd is the Assistant Chapter Director, Newsletter Editor, and also did a safety talk.



Upcoming Chapter rides & events

(For further info, please contact the CD):

- Apr 13 - TN-M chapter gathering, Shoney’s, eat at 6pm, meet at 6:30pm
- Apr 21 - TN-M ROMEOS ride, weather permitting, KSU from Cracker Barrel, 9:30am
- Apr 24 - TN-M ride to TNM Jack Daniels Distillery/Diamond Gusset store, details TBA
- Apr 27 - TN-M dinner ride, set up by Mel McInerney, details TBA
- May 08 - TNM Fontana Dam/Cherohala/Bald River Falls
- May 11 - TN-M chapter gathering, Shoney’s, eat at 6pm, meet at 6:30pm
- May 19 - TN-M ROMEOS ride, weather permitting, KSU from Cracker Barrel, 9:30am
- May 22 - TNM Douglas Dam overlook picnic
- May 25 - TN-M dinner ride, set up by Randy Kinney, details TBA
- May 28-31 - TNM Blueridge Parkway/Skyline Drive, details TBA



Upcoming “District” / “Nearby” rides & events

- Apr 10 – TN District Rider Ed ARC/TRC at the Blount 911 location in Maryville
- Apr 29-May 01 - TN District “Spring Fling” rally, Pigeon Forge, see flyer & registration below
- May 14-15 - TN-C Roan Mtn Steak-Out

Let’s support each other, by visiting the other chapters in our Section & area!

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Eat/Meet</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>
“A2” Maryville	3 rd Mon, 6pm/6:30pm	Shoney’s, 1021 W Lamar Alexander Pkwy, Maryville	865-376-5090
“B” Knoxville	1 st Tue, 6pm/7pm	Shoney’s, 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton	423-907-9712
“C” Kingsport	3 rd Tue, 6pm/7pm	Bob Evans, 2801 Boones Creek Rd, Johnson City	423-383-0339
“C2” Crossville	3 rd Thu, 6:30pm/7pm	Lacosta Restaurant, 138 The Crossings, Crossville	985-201-3791
“F” Morristown	3 rd Thu, 6pm/7pm	Golden Corral, 2905 W Andrew Johnson Hwy, Morristown	gened4288@aol.com
“L” Lebanon	1 st Mon, 6pm/7pm	Shoney’s, 814 S Cumberland St., Lebanon	615-784-9772
“O” Cleveland	1 st Tue, 6pm/7pm	Gondolier Italian Restaurant, 3300 Keith St NW, Cleveland	423-310-5903
“T” Knoxville	4 th Sat, 9am/10am	Down Home Restaurant, 7755 Rutledge Pike, Rutledge	865-712-1848
“V” Chattanooga	2 nd Sat, 9am/10am	Honda Southern Power Sports, 1394 Workman Rd, Chattanooga	423-800-1515

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Classifieds

If you have anything you want to have included here, “for sale” or “wanted” ads, please send the information to the Newsletter Editor. We will gladly run any member’s ad in the newsletter. A new request each month is required to run in a subsequent newsletter.

For sale, contact Mark Kohlman, 865 379-7229 or mkohlman@stepshirts.com

Aluma MCT trailer, LED lights, TN license plate, custom paint with Wing Bling accents - \$400/offer



For sale, contact Michael Minor, 865-224-0583 or Mminor1955@gmail.com or michael.minor1 on Facebook. 2008 Goldwing, \$7,000, firm, with lots of Kuryakin chrome and only 80K miles. Two windshields and a set of new front brake pads included. Had tire pressure monitor added also. Why am I selling? I have been diagnosed with bulbar ALS in the early stages.



For sale, contact Frank Balzer, 865-376-0643 or balzer6509@aol.com



Gerbing insulated, waterproof, electric gloves with all the wiring, men's medium, brand new in package, MSRP \$130.00, will sell for \$70.00

Items for sale, contact Brian Richards, 865-249-6173 or barljr@att.net, **NOTE, I have reduced several of the prices, so anything you think you might be interested in, recheck, and negotiate!**



Hartco custom vinyl seat, heated, with rider backrest, matching co-rider backrest cover, rider's backrest storage pouch, new heating element and refreshed rider's seat foam done by Hartco, fits GL1800 2012-2017, original MSRP \$1,500, asking \$400.00/OBO



2018+ Goldwing Tour stock seat rider's backrest, MSRP \$278.55, asking \$75.00.



2018+ Goldwing "Goldstrike" tie-down brackets, MSRP \$50, asking \$20.



Bilt Spirit H2O jacket, lady's size large, brand new, MSRP \$299.99, asking \$50.



Dyna Beads for tire balancing, new, (with TPMS system in our bike, we can't use these), asking \$10

Some "Fun" stuff to brighten your day

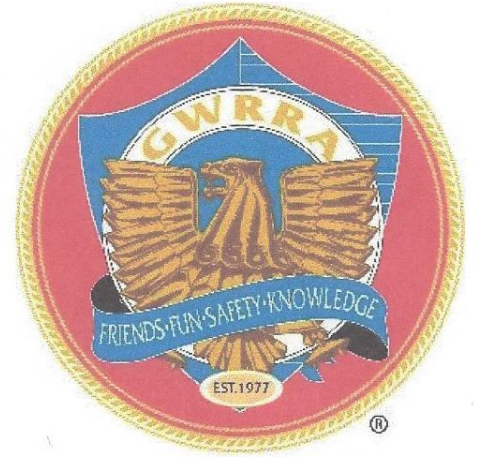
Here's how the fight started:



My wife and I were watching Who Wants To Be A Millionaire while we were in bed. I turned to her and said, 'Do you want to have Sex?' 'No,' she answered. I then said, 'Is that your final answer?' ... She didn't even look at me this time, simply saying, 'Yes.' So I said, "Then I'd like to phone a friend." And that's when the fight started...

I took my wife to a restaurant. The waiter, for some reason, took my order first. "I'll have the rump steak, rare, please." He said, "Aren't you worried about the mad cow?" "Nah, she can order for herself." And that's when the fight started.....

My wife and I were sitting at a table at her high school reunion, and she kept staring at a drunken man swigging his drink as he sat alone at a nearby table. I asked her, "Do you know him?" "Yes", she sighed, "He's my old boyfriend. I understand he took to drinking right after we split up those many years ago, and I hear he hasn't been sober since." "My God!" I said, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?" And then the fight started...



38th Annual
Tennessee District "Spring Fling"

April 29-30 May 1, 2021

Pigeon Forge, TN

Hillbilly Hoe Down



More info on next 2 pages.

HOST HOTEL

Ramsey Hotel and Convention Center
3230 Parkway, Pigeon Forge TN 37863

For Reservations Call

865-428-2700 or 1-800-555-2650

Rate is \$129 / night for two Queen or one King bed
includes Breakfast for two.

Be sure to mention GWRRA or Spring Fling to get the
special rate.

Additional Host Hotels

The following hotels are each part of

SMOKY MOUNTAIN RESORTS

Reservations for any one of them can be made by calling
their reservation center at 1-800-309-0819.

COUNTRY CASCADES

204 Sharon Drive

Rates starting at \$120.00 per night.

CREEKSTONE INN

4034 River Road S.

Rates starting at \$77.00 per night

Be sure to mention GWRRA to get the special rate.



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Registration Please Print Clearly

Rider _____ State _____ Chapter _____
 GWRRA # _____ Exp. Date _____ Age _____
 Position _____ Is this your first TN District Rally? Y N
 Circle all that apply: Male Female 1-UP 2-UP Bike Trike Sidocar Other

Co-Rider _____ State _____ Chapter _____
 GWRRA # _____ Exp. Date _____ Age _____
 Position _____ Is this your first TN District Rally? Y N
 Circle all that apply: Male Female 1-UP 2-UP Bike Trike Sidocar Other

Street _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____
 Distance to Rally (one way) _____

Liability Release

All Registrants Must Sign
 We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, the co-sponsoring organization,
 and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by
 any reason by participating in this rally.

Signature _____ Date _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

*Must be pre-registered for Master's Breakfast; tickets will not be sold on-site.
 ** 1 Grand Prize ticket included with Pre-Registration
 Day pass will be available on site for \$15.00 Per Day
 Note: All refunds are subject to \$15 handling fee. No refunds after April 15,
 2021, without the District Director's approval.

➔ **Early Bird Deadline March 2, 2021**
 Early Bird prize is \$100.00 by DRAWING
 First Grand Prize is \$1,000.00 second Grand Prize is \$500.00
 All Pre-registration forms must be received by April 1, 2021
 All full registrations will increase by \$5.00 after April 1, 2021

GWRRA Members	\$30 x	= \$
Life Members	\$25 x	= \$
Non-Members	\$35 x	= \$
13-15 Year Olds	\$10 x	= \$
12 Years Old and under	FREE with a paying Adult	
Master's Breakfast**	\$15 x	= \$
Grand Prize Tickets**	\$1 ea or 6 for \$5.00 x	= \$

Registration total \$ _____

Shirt Orders

Short Sleeve Tee	S, M, L, XL - \$16 / 2XL & up - \$19
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Long Sleeve Tee	S, M, L, XL - \$20 / 2XL & up - \$23
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Short Sleeve Golf	S, M, L, XL - \$27 / 2XL & up - \$29
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Size _____	Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Shirt Total \$ _____	

Grand Total \$ _____

Please make payment to TN GWRRA

Mail Entire Page with Check or Money Order (no cash) to:

Bob Mack
 1478 River Road
 Kingston, TN 37763

Please register early to help with planning

Color Key: TN-M events District events Other chapter events Misc m/c TN chapter gatherings

April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 TN-N Jackson, 5p
Easter 4	5 TN-L Lebanon, 6p	6 TN-B Knoxville, 6p TN-O Cleveland, 6p	7	8	9	10 ARC/TRC, Blount 911 TN-E Smyrna, 9a TN-V Chattanooga, 9a TN-Z Columbia, 5:30p
11	12	13 TN-M Lenoir City, 6p	14	15 TN-F Morristown, 6p TN-G Tullahoma, 6p TN-C2 Crossville, 6p	16	17 TN-Y Murfreesboro, 9a TN-S Portland, 1p TN-W2 Collierville, 6p
18	19 TN-A2 Maryville, 6p	20 TN-C Kingsport, 6p	21 TN-M ROMEOS	22	23	24 TNM Jack Daniels Distillery/Diamond Gusset store TN-T Knoxville, 9a
25	26 TN-Q Clarksville, 6p	27 TN-M dinner, Mel, 6p TN-A Nashville, 6p	28	29 TN Spring Fling, Pigeon Forge, TN	30 TN Spring Fling	

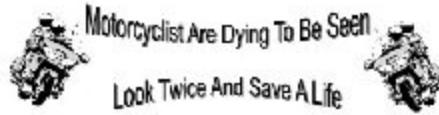
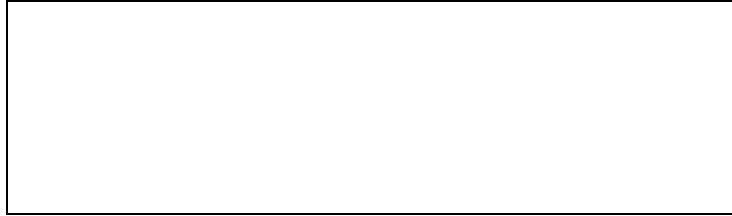
May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 TN Spring Fling TN-N Jackson, 5p
2	3 TN-L Lebanon, 6p	4 TN-B Knoxville, 6p TN-O Cleveland, 6p	5	6	7	8 TNM Fontana Dam/Cherohala/Bald River Falls TN-E Smyrna, 9a TN-V Chattanooga, 9a TN-Z Columbia, 5:30p
Mother 9	10	11 TN-M Lenoir City, 6p	12	13	14 TN-C Roan Mtn Steak-Out	15 TN-C Roan Mtn Steak-Out TN-Y Murfreesboro, 9a TN-S Portland, 1p TN-W2 Collierville, 6p
16	17 TN-A2 Maryville, 6p	18 TN-C Kingsport, 6p	19 TN-M ROMEOS	20 TN-F Morristown, 6p TN-G Tullahoma, 6p TN-C2 Crossville, 6p	21	22 TNM Douglas Dam picnic TN-T Knoxville, 11a



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