# Foothills Wings - TN-M



## October 2020

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



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### **Monthly gathering**

We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month, eat at 6pm, gathering at 7pm

Fort Loudon Medical Center 550 Fort Loudoun Medical

Center Dr., Lenoir City, TN Just off I-75, exit 81

GPS latitude/longitude: N35 49.497 W84 16.243

Please join us at 6pm for dinner before the gathering, in the hospital 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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Ken Gray, Randy Kinney, Mel McInerney & Russ Wools

Motorist Awareness

VACANT - Interested???

Chapter TN-M website: <a href="www.gwrratn-m.org/">www.gwrratn-m.org/</a>

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<u>Contest Coordinators</u> VACANT - Interested???

Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

### **Chapter Director's Spiel**

We hope you are all staying safe. It sure has been difficult living in these times of the Covid-19 virus. Thankfully, to us, no one that we know has been tested positive, and we sincerely hope it stays that way, for us, and we hope the same for you, and also that "they" find a viable vaccine to get us past this crisis, soon.

Well, we're rapidly approaching the fall riding season, usually a very enjoyable time for riding (with the proper gear of course). The days are cooler so we don't have to hassle with high heat, the skies are nice and blue, sometimes with cute white puffy clouds, and we can have lots of fun with our friends. And we'll start being able to enjoy the fall

colors, which are so awesome here in Eastern TN. A quick reminder, this season has "issues" that we all need to consider when planning a ride. Watch for wet leaves on the road, animals running across the road, be aware the temperature can change really quickly as the day progresses, from cool in the morning, to nice and decent midday, and back to cool in the evening, so you'll have to have layers to put on and take off as the need changes.

We've had some really enjoyable chapter rides this past month or so, and hope to continue that trend into the near future. You can see some of the run we've been having further along in this newsletter. We've been careful and worked on keeping at least a tad of that "social distancing", and of course we can't help it when we're riding, no riding less than 6 feet away, that's for sure! We have some rides planned on the calendar already, and we'll be looking into filling in some of those "empty" spots with more options for you to consider coming to join your fellow members on a chapter ride. And if you get that urge to hit the road and there's nothing scheduled, consider contacting me about what you want to do, and maybe we can activate the chapter phone tree and "drum up some company" for your ride, nothing wrong with a good impromptu ride!

The "usual" GWRRA rally season for 2020 was a big bust, as you all know, about the only thing to look forward to for the rest of this year, rally-wise, are the GA Ride-In, October 8-10 in Dillard, the MS District rally, October 15-17 in Gulfport (which we are planning on attending, depending on if they didn't get hammered too bad with the storms), and the VA District rally, October 29-31 in Lynchburg (which we also are planning on attending). If you have any questions about any of these, please feel free to contact me, and I have sent out the flyers previously in emails.

In last month's newsletter's "CD's Spiel", I mentioned the new chapter Team position of Chapter Skill Enhancement Coordinator (CSEA) implemented by GWRRA. The chapter members would be greatly helped in their enjoyment of GWRRA, especially the safety aspect, if we could get a member to step forward and fill this position. I won't repeat all I send in my article, you can look it up if you desire, I don't want to take up your time repeating, but further down in this newsletter is an article from the August 2020 GWRRA Insight Newsletter from Susan & George Huffman, Directors of Rider Education, with some specifics of the CSEA position, that I encourage you to review, and PLEASE, seriously consider helping out the chapter, your fellow chapter members, and personally, your Chapter Director.

Along the needs taken care of by the CSEA, I sent out an email with information about chapter members in the Rider Education Levels program, that need to renew one or more of their qualifications, such as CPR/1<sup>st</sup> Aid, or a rider course, and I encourage each of you (those not in the Levels program can still go to one of the classes, they are a really good idea for all the members, you are NOT disqualified to participate) to serious consider letting me know that you have an interest in obtaining that valuable training. Once I get a roster of interested members, I can work with the District Rider Education Team to get something set up.

We hope to see many of you at a chapter function in the near future, in the meantime, take care, get some riding in, and stay safe. If you have any questions, concerns, suggestions, etc., please feel free to contact me. **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.

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



### **Happy Halloween**

### **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:		Happy Anniversary to:		
Brian Richards	2-Oct	Bob & Karen Fisher	02-Oct	
Bill Cummings	12-Oct	Frank & Patti Balzer	15-Oct	

Loretta Richards 14-Oct Mel McInerney 28-Oct



## **Happy GWRRA Anniversary to:**

Renee McInerney 10/15/2003



## "Thoughts and Prayers"

#### **Carroel Edgmon, TN-M Sunshine Lady**

## **Chapter Awards & Winners** from the July Chapter Gathering

#### 50 / 25-25

Bob Fisher & Brian Richards

#### **STAR AWARD:**

Ken for the great planning of the Labor Day Weekend rides

#### WHOOPS AWARD:

Randy Kinney for dropping his bike on the Labor Day Weekend Saturday ride, at Newfound Gap, Whoops!

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

James Whitener (although I saw him pass it over to Carroel Edgmon)

## **Chapter M "Out Having FUN!"**

## TN-M Labor Day Weekend 3-days of Rides, Sep 05/06/07 by Ken Gray, photos by Brian Richards

We had originally planned a three-day ride on the Blue Ridge Parkway over the Labor Day Weekend, but the Covid-19 pandemic and some states having different restrictions for businesses and varying quarantine rules made us reluctant to attempt the ride at this time. So, instead we decided on doing three separate day rides and spending each night at home. We couldn't have had better weather for a motorcycle ride with temperatures starting out in the 60's and climbing in to the low 80's by afternoon with clear and sunny skies all three days.

The first ride departed Lenoir City at 8:30 am and we rode on 321 North to Walland and then the Foothills Parkway to Wears Valley. We started out with 9 people on the ride, but Mel and Renee had an electrical issue with their trike and had to head home from Maryville. From Wears Valley we took a secret route that bypassed the traffic in Pigeon Forge. We took the Gatlinburg By-pass and rode through the Great Smoky Mountains National Park to Newfound Gap and on to Cherokee, North Carolina. It's just as well that we did not ride the Blue Ridge Parkway this weekend because it looked like everyone and their brother decided to go camping and hiking. Every parking spot at the trail heads and the rest stops were taken and people were parking on the edge of the road for several hundred feet on either side of the parking areas. Traffic was very busy inside the park, but when we were outside the park, the traffic was relatively light, and we had no issues. From Cherokee, we went on to Bryson City and stopped for lunch at the Everett Street Diner. The seven of us had a good lunch and we continued on 19 South to 28 West, then 143 to Robbinsville. We stayed on 143 until it became the Cherohala Skyway. We rode the Cherohala Skyway to Tellico Plains where we stopped at the Exxon station for fuel and a restroom break. From there, most everyone decided they wanted to go to the TicTok in Loudon for ice cream. So, I continued on the originally planned route of 68 West and 58 North back to Kingston so I could visit and have dinner with my step-daughter and grandchildren who had come down from Kentucky for the day to visit with Chris and I. Most of us got home around 5:00 pm and the total distance for me was 285 miles.











The second ride left Lenoir City at 9:30 am with 7 people and we rode on 321 North and 95 South to Greenback. Then 411 South to Vonore and 360 South to Tellico Plains. Route 360 is a fun road with plenty of curves and beautiful scenery. The traffic was very light on this day and we rode at a pace that made the ride exciting. We stopped at the Exxon in Tellico Plains for fuel and a restroom break. We took 39 West out of Tellico Plains to Englewood and on to Athens. Route 39 is a pleasant road to ride with practically no traffic. It has a few tight curves and follows a creek for several miles. Also, there is a canopy of trees covering the road a good part of the way making it a bit cooler on a hot and sunny day. In Athens, we stopped at Jenkins restaurant for lunch. After enjoying a great lunch, we took 30 West to Decatur and 58 North and 304 North past the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant. We crossed over Watts Bar dam on highway 68 and then took 302 North to Spring City. From there, we took 27 North to Rockwood and 70 East to Kingston. We stopped at the Midway Ice Cream shop in Kingston for the required serving of ice cream and then everyone went home from there. Most of us got home around 3:30 pm and for me, the ride was 161 miles.

















The third ride left Lenoir City at 10:15 am with 6 people. We took 321 North to 11 South. In Loudon we got on 72 West and headed to Paint Rock. Route 72 has a lot of fun curves and pretty scenery. We turned left on 58 South and stopped at the Exxon station in Ten Mile for fuel and a restroom break. I was riding my vintage 1978 Goldwing today because I had worn out the rear tire on my GL 1800 on the previous day's ride. After the rest stop, we rode on 68 West across Watts Bar dam and continued on to Crossville. In Crossville, we took 127 South to Hillandale Road and 282 North through the village of Lake Tansi. There are some beautiful homes in that area. At the intersection with 101, we turned right on 101, then left on 392 to the Dairy Queen in Crossville. We combined lunch with the required serving of ice cream. After lunch we got on Genesis road and continued on 298 to the intersection of 62 near Lansing. We took 62 East back to Wartburg and Oliver Springs. We all headed home from Oliver Springs. Most of us got home around 4:00 pm and for me the ride was about 175 miles.









TN-M ride to the Eastern Section Chapters lunch at the Fried Green Tomato Grill, Sep 12<sup>th</sup> by Ken Gray, photos by Brian Richards

We left the Cracker Barrell parking lot promptly at 8:45 am with seven people on 3 bikes and two trikes. The weather was sunny and 75 degrees. Another beautiful day for a ride. We headed north on 321 towards Oak Ridge and zigged on 58 South for half a mile and then zagged on 327 North. We rode around the back side of the old K-25 plant and then turned right onto Poplar Creek Road. This was a skinny road with lots of beautiful scenery and some fun curves. The road follows the creek for a little way and the speed limit is 30 MPH, so it is a nice, peaceful ride. In Oliver Springs we got on 61 East and took that to Clinton where we made our first stop at the Rocky Top Market and Gas Station. Brian and Loretta joined our group in their quadracycle (Honda truck) at the rest stop. We continued on 61 East where we encountered some more fun curves, some of them 10 MPH hairpin, off camber, uphill curves. It made for a challenging and really fun ride. Traffic was light and the scenery was typical East Tennessee spectacular. We got on 131 south of Luttrell and headed north to Washburn. I had planned to make our second stop at the Veterans Overlook on 25 E near Bean Station, but Randy and Marlene decided to make an unplanned stop in the middle of a curve because that is where their rear tire went flat. Looks like Randy is going to keep the Whoops trophy for another month. After helping Randy and Marlene get their bike off the road and parked in someone's driveway, we continued on to the restaurant in Mooresburg. We had a great lunch at the Fried Green Tomato Grill. There were about 46 Gold Wingers there for lunch. After lunch we took a different route home by staying on 11W South and then turned right on Joppa Mountain Road. This is another

skinny, twisty road that goes up and over Joppa Mountain. Then we headed south on 131 for a few miles and turned on 61 West to Maynardville. In Maynardville we took 144 West to 170 West back to Clinton. Oh yeah, more curves. In Clinton, we continued straight on Edgemoor Road. Just outside of Oak Ridge it started raining, so we stopped at a little turnoff to put our rain suits on. Then we took 62 West into Oak Ridge and then 95 South back to Kingston or Lenoir City, depending on where your home was located. I had a blast leading the ride and for me it was 225 miles driveway to driveway. I got home around 3:50 PM.



## TN-M ROMEOS ride, Sep 16<sup>th</sup> by Ken Gray

I got to the Cracker Barrel around 9:10 am and only one person was there. We waited until 9:25 am and no one else showed up, so we started to put on our riding gear and off we went, just my friend, Joe, and I. We took route 95 to Greenback and then 411 South through Vonore. We stopped at a gas station in Madisonville to top off our fuel tanks and use the restroom. From Madisonville we took 68 West and 307 South to Athens. We passed by the Mayfield Dairy Visitor Center as we got into Athens. Looked like a good destination for a chapter ride sometime. I have never been there, but I think some of our chapter members went there one time. When we got to route 30 in Athens, we went one block on 30 West and then took 305 North to the intersection with route 11. At that intersection, we stopped at Michael's Casual Dining for lunch. We got there seven minutes before the restaurant opened, so we waited in the parking lot until they unlocked the front door. After a great lunch we continued on 305 North to route 68. We took 68 East for a few miles and then turned left on to Upper Concord road. This road changed names a few times and it connected highway 68 with highway 72. It was a very peaceful ride with a 30 MPH speed limit and interesting scenery. At the intersection with highway 72 we went west to the intersection with highway 58. From there we took 58 North to 70 East and back home. It was a very relaxing ride and for me, the ride was 111 miles. I was back home before 1:00 pm.

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# TN-M Ride to Devil's Triangle/Brushy Mountain State Penitentiary/Frozen Head State Park for a picnic, Sep 19<sup>th</sup> Brian Richards

We had a fantastic day for our ride, started out a little cool, but warmed up decently, some sunshine to give us a cheery outlook. There were 5 Gold Wings and 1 "quadra-cycle", 10 members that started the ride. Russ did an awesome job with the route, we were on a lot of nice, "motorcycle-friendly" (aka curvy) roads even before we reached the Devil's Triangle. He planned some good intermediate rest stops to keep everyone comfortable and limber, and he kept a comfortable pace, fast enough to be fun in the curves, but not too fast to be a challenge to anyone's riding ability, so it worked out really well.

After enjoying the ride on the triangle, when we reached the Brushy Mountain State Penitentiary, one couple, who had been through it already and were in the process of moving into a new home and had "a lot of boxes piled up in the dining room", decided to head home to get busy. The rest of us enjoyed the tour, then back on the bikes and on to the Frozen Head State Park for a friendly picnic lunch. We were even high class; Marlene had brought a vinyl tablecloth to "jazz" up the picnic table for all of us. It was really nice, friends enjoying each others' company, some good food (at we least hope it was all good, ).

After lunch, it was back on the bikes (and truck) for some more riding, and golly, what a surprise, our next stop was ... ice cream! Simply amazing how that worked out!

After the ice cream stop, we all split off to go our separate ways home. All-in-all it was a very nice, fun day with friends. The weather is turning real pleasant for rides so we hope to get some more good rides in before it gets "less pleasant", and we hope that you can join us on one or more.





















## TN-M Dinner Ride to Burger Station in Harriman, Sep 22<sup>nd</sup> Brian Richards

Member Virgil Powell had been selected to decide where the chapter was going to go for the September chapter dinner ride, and he had selected Big Ed's Pizza in Oak Ridge. When I contacted him the weekend before the ride, to see if he had made all the arrangements with them, he told me he was dealing with some medical issues and had not been able to, so I told him I would take care of it. After repeated attempts to contact Big Ed's were unsuccessful, I had to come up with an alternative and selected the Burger Station in Harriman.

Many of the members met at the Burger Station, and 6 of us met at the Cracker Barrel overflow lot and rode to the Burger Station. In all, we had 17 members there to enjoy a fun evening with friends and good food.

















## **Upcoming Chapter rides & events**

(For further info, please contact the CD):

- Oct 13 TN-M chapter gathering, details TBA
- Oct 24 TN-M Rock City/Lookout Mountain
- Oct 27 TN-M dinner, by Brian Richards, 6p, details TBA
- Oct 31 TN-M ride to Fort Oglethorpe, GA
- Nov 10 TN-M chapter gathering, details TBA

## Upcoming "District" / "Nearby" rides & events

- Oct 08-10 GA "Ride-In" Rally, Dillard, GA
- Oct 15-17 MS Rally, Gulfport, MS
- Oct 29-31 VA Rally, Lynchburg, VA
- Nov 14 TN Operations Meeting, Wilson County fairgrounds



## Let's support each other, by visiting the other chapters in our Section & area

<u>Chapter</u>	Eat/Meet	Location	Contact
"A2" Maryville	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon, 6pm/7pm	Shoney's, 1021 W Lamar Alexander Pkwy, Maryville	865-376-5090
"B" Knoxville	1 <sup>st</sup> Tue, 6pm/7pm	Shoney's, 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton	423-907-9712
"C" Kingsport	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue, 6pm/7pm	Bob Evans, 2801 Boones Creek Rd, Johnson City	423-383-0339
"C2" Crossville	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thu, 6:30pm/7pm	Ruby Tuesdays, 2316 N Main St, Crossville	985-201-3791
"F" Morristown	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thu, 6pm/7pm	Golden Corral, 2905 W Andrew Johnson Hwy, Morristown	gened4288@
			aol.com
"O" Cleveland	1 <sup>st</sup> Tue, 6pm/7pm	Gondolier Italian Restaurant, 3300 Keith St NW, Cleveland	423-310-5903
"T" Knoxville	4 <sup>th</sup> Sat, 9am/10am	Golden Corral, 6612 Clinton Hwy, Knoxville	865-712-1848
"V" Chattanooga	2 <sup>nd</sup> 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.

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For sale, contact Michael Minor, 865-224-0583 or <a href="Mminor1955@gmail.com">Mminor1955@gmail.com</a> or michael.minor1 on Facebook. 2008 Goldwing, \$7,500, with lots of Kuryakin chrome and only 80K miles. Why am I selling? Dreams of long-distance travel have dissipated, and I am looking to downsize. Two windshields and a set of new front brake pads included. Had tire pressure monitor added also.









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, MSPR \$130.00, will sell for \$70.00



We hope everyone has a fun AND safe Halloween

Items for sale, contact Brian Richards, 865-249-6173 or <a href="mailto:barljr@att.net">barljr@att.net</a>, NOTE, I have reduced several of the prices, so anything you think you might be interested in, recheck, and negotiate!



2018+ Goldwing Tour stock seat rider's backrest, MSRP \$278.55, asking \$100.



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



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

## **GWRRA Insight Newsletter, August 2020 article**

As I mentioned in my article above, here is the article from the August 2020 GWRRA Insight Newsletter from Susan & George Huffman, Directors of Rider Education, with some specifics of the CSEA position. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

## Susan & George Huttman Director of Rider Education

The Rider Education Program conducted its first set of two online workshops for Chapter Skill Enhancement Coordinators (CSEAs). Beginning with 26 participants, we grew to 46 in just a few weeks.



Rider Education Program Assistant John Kuehl has done a terrific job of engaging the workshop participants and providing the resources needed to become more knowledgeable about the RE database, assorted forms, and the courses and classes we conduct.

They were also provided information about working with their District Educators to ensure the existing data recorded for their Chapter participants is accurate and current.

While we do continue to encourage Chapter Directors to consider assigning a Skill Enhancement Coordinator, it is important to always take the educational goals of Chapter participants into consideration. It is a choice, not a mandate, and we know no two chapters are alike.

Chapter Directors are welcome to contact John Kuehl at: <u>wingit2up@gmail.com</u> to learn more about the optional chapter role.

Those chapters with the assistance of a CSEA will be better prepared to move forward once we are back in the classroom and on the range since the Educator will have a better idea of what Members want and need to meet their individual educational and Level goals.

We recognize that the mitigation necessary to keep Members safe continues to make classroom and range activities difficult in some states across the Association. The RE Program Team is working on a Levels grace period update to address the questions being raised about our plans moving forward.

It is not an easy task, and we want to do what will be best for the Members knowing there will be occasions when we will need to meet with a District Educator to determine the best cause of action on an individual Member basis. You should expect an update before September 1, 2020. The team is also exploring different ways to offer relevant RE information virtually for Members.

Finally, the Rider Education Program is seeking three (3) Rider Education Assistants to join our team. A Call for Applicants will be published on Group Works and on the GWRRA Rider Education Webpage with a position profile outlining the criteria necessary to be considered and the basic position responsibilities.

We encourage anyone with a Rider Education background to contact me directly at: <u>director-re@gwrra.org</u> if they are interested in the position and need more information. Candidate recommendations are also welcomed.

Susan & George Huttman 828-368-2249 director-re@gwrra.org



## Some "Fun" stuff to brighten your day

#### How It All Began

In ancient Israel, it came to pass that a trader by the name of Abraham Com did take unto himself a young wife by the name of Dot. And Dot Com was a comely woman, broad of shoulder and long of leg. Indeed, she came to be called Amazon Dot Com.

She said unto Abraham, her husband, "Why doth thou travel far from town to town with thy goods when thou can trade without ever leaving thy tent?" And Abraham did look at her as though she were several saddle bags short of a camel load, but simply said, "How, Dear?" And Dot replied, "I will place drums in all the towns and drums in between to send messages saying what you have for sale and they will reply telling you which hath the best price. And the sale can be made on the drums and delivery made by Uriah's Pony Stable (UPS)." Abraham thought long and decided he would let Dot have her way with the drums.

The drums rang out and were an immediate success. Abraham sold all the goods he had at the top price, without ever moving from his tent. But this success did arouse envy. A man named Maccabia did secret himself inside Abraham's drum and was accused of insider trading.

And the young men did take to Dot Com's trading as doth the greedy horsefly take to camel dung. They were called Nomadic Ecclesiastical Rich Dominican Siderites, or NERDS for short.

And lo, the land was so feverish with joy at the new riches and the deafening sound of drums, that no one noticed that the real riches were going to the drum maker, one Brother William of Gates, who bought up every drum company in the land. And indeed, did insist on making drums that would work only with Brother Gates' drumheads and drumsticks.

Dot did say, "Oh, Abraham, what we have started is being taken over by others." And as Abraham looked out over the Bay of Ezekiel, or as it came to be known "eBay" he said, "we need a name that reflects what we are," and Dot replied, "Young Ambitious Hebrew Owner Operators." "YAHOO", said Abraham.

And that is how it all began, it wasn't Al Gore after all.



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

## October 2020

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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						TN-L Lebanon, 11a
						TN-N Jackson, 5p
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		TN-B Knoxville, 6p		GA "Ride-In", Dillard, GA	GA "Ride-In"	GA "Ride-In"
		TN-O Cleveland, 6p				TN-E Smyrna, 9a
						TN-V Chattanooga, 9a
						TN-Z Columbia, 5:30p
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		TN-M Lenoir City, 6p		MS Rally, Gulfport, MS	MS Rally	MS Rally
				TN-C2 Crossville, 6:30p		TN-S Portland, 1p
				TN-F Morristown, 6p		TN-W2 Collierville, 6p
				TN-G Tullahoma, 6p		TN-Y Murfreesboro, 9a
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	TN-A2 Maryville, 6p	TN-C Kingsport, 6p				TN-M Rock City/Lookout Mountain
						TN-H Franklin, 9a
						TN-T Knoxville, 9a
25	26	27	28	29	30	FM Halloween 31
	TN-Q Clarksville, 6p	TN-M dinner, Brian Richards, 6p		VA Rally, Lynchburg, VA	VA Rally	VA Rally
		TN-A Nashville, 6p				TN-M Fort Oglethorpe, GA

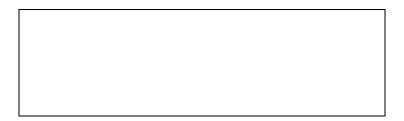
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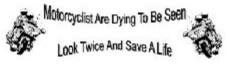
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
DST 1	2	Election Day 3	4	5	6	7
		TN-B Knoxville, 6p				TN-M Foothills Parkway
		TN-O Cleveland, 6p				TN-Q Veteran's Day parade
						TN-L Lebanon, 11a
						TN-N Jackson, 5p
8	9	10	Veteran's 11	12	13	14
		TN-M Lenoir City, 6p				<b>TN Ops Mtg, Wilson Cty fairgrounds</b>
						TN-E Smyrna, 9a
						TN-V Chattanooga, 9a
						TN-Z Columbia, 5:30p
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	TN-A2 Maryville, 6p	TN-C Kingsport, 6p		TN-C2 Crossville, 6:30p		TN-S Portland, 1p
				TN-F Morristown, 6p		TN-W2 Collierville, 6p
				TN-G Tullahoma, 6p		TN-Y Murfreesboro, 9a
22	23	24	25	Thanksgiving 26	27	28
		TN-A Nashville, 6p				TN-H Franklin, 9a
						TN-T Knoxville, 9a



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