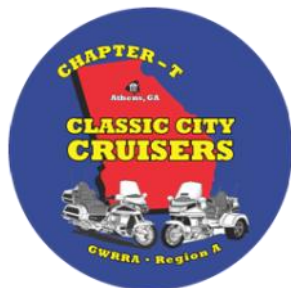


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May 2015

Well I am happy to report that our Spring Fling "Tacky Tourist" is over and it was a huge success. Thanks to all the Chapter T members that worked so hard on this event. We even had new members there happily working and I thank each and every one of you for stepping up to lend a hand. We had 75 visitors from other chapters and 29 members from Chapter T attend. Everyone was talking about how much fun they had and how good the food was. It all flowed very nicely time wise. We were very excited to see all the folks that dressed the parts of our tacky tourist. Some of the outfits were really tacky. (See pictures)

Ralph and I are very excited about Chapter T. When other people tell you they are enjoying our rides and events it makes us get more excited. We have a lot of good times that are being planned for this year and the team at Chapter T is working diligently to make some things happen to ensure that we all have a great time. I have heard rumors of overnight trips, card tournaments and even some camping. I can't wait. Let's go!!! Oh yea and the cruise to Alaska next year. Have you signed up for that yet? We set sail in May 2016, if you are interested please see Charleen.

You may have noticed some new faces at our meetings and events, I certainly hope you have introduced yourself to our newest members and made them feel welcome.

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I am looking forward to May 9th our "Ladies Only" fun night out. We are going to Donna Cohen's to decorate our duck and TUGA. We will have dinner at Donna's, along with a lot of laughs. I hope you are planning on coming to join in on the fun. Dress VERY CASUAL

"Participation Is The Key To Enjoying Life With Chapter T"

**Ride Safe and Have Fun,
Debbie and Ralph Stewart
Chapter T Directors
2013 Couple of the Year
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**Rider Education**

Hi Folks,

We have had a wet spring so far and chances are you will be in situation where you will be riding your motorcycle in the wet. So having some knowledge of what to do when riding in the rain is important. Here are some helpful tips. 1. Have a good quality rain suit, including waterproof gloves, boot covers and make sure there easy to get to if you have to get into them fast. 2. The first fifteen minutes after a rain storm starts is when the roads are their slickest. the rain is washing off all the accumulated dirt, grease and oil since the last rain. so slow down and if possible stop and take a break and let the road wash off. 3. Avoid shinny surfaces. What do I mean particularly? train tracks, man hole covers, Less obvious is anything painted: lane lines, turn arrows, etc. I guarantee you that trying painted turn arrows at an inter-more difficult than plain old asphalt. 4. Slow down. Water acts it takes longer to stop. 5. Ride in front of you it's tires are pushing which gives you a bit more trac-safe area and try stopping on wheel without locking your or at least a full face shield. Rain give you a bad case of pink face. 6. Test your traction. Go to a the wet surface with the rear brakes. 7. Have a full face helmet drops at 40 mph. hurt and will from the beating. 8. In the rain you need to simplify your actions. In other words, accelerate (one action) after you make a turn (one action). Downshift (one action) before you start to turn (one action). Etc. Don't combine actions on your tires together in the rain. Less tension on your tires in the rain is going to result in better traction. Following these tips may just help you to keep the shiny side up.



Most obvious is anything metal - metal grates on bridges, etc. painted: lane lines, turn arrows, to stop on one of those giant section is going to be much phalt. 4. Slow down. Water acts it takes longer to stop. 5. Ride in front of you it's tires are pushing which gives you a bit more trac-safe area and try stopping on wheel without locking your or at least a full face shield. Rain give you a bad case of pink face

Ride Safe Ride Smart,
Gary Rider Education

Ride to BENTON LEE "S"

A picture is like a thousands words. Do you see our face? If not you missed out on a spectacular day of riding, great food and fellowship. The morning started out cloudy and a little cool but as we worked our way down to Uvalda Ga. The scenic view was a breath taking view of Spring. Tommy and Vicky Martin led us through rolling hills of greens and browns. The purples of Wisteria, pink Azaleas, and the whites of Dogwoods showed all the glory of the rebirth of nature.



When we arrived at Benton Lee's waiting for us was Jeff and Connie Overbay. They had left Florida early in the morning. Jeff & Connie are our newest members of Chapter T. They will be joining us very soon on a regular basis. A few moments later Chapter E2 from Pooler GA came riding up. Now how often does that happen. It was great to see Chapter Director Robert and Connie Payne and all their Chapter Members. After both Chapters were seated it was time to get down to some serious food. Most everyone order T Bones or Rib-eye's. They were out of this world. It reminded me of the great cook outs when I was child. We had one member (Jeanna) who was a little more adventures by ordering Gator nuggets and Frog leg's. Benton Lee's lived up to their name. Most everyone cleaned their platters. Now with full tummy's it was time to say good by to Chapter E-2 and head home. Ralph and Debbie took off to capture a few more county's as the rest of us headed home. But a ride would not be the same without a stop at Dairy Queen. This was a great ending to a awesome day.

Ride Safe

Carol Swanson

CHAPTER T INVESTIGATING REPORTER

Debbie do you know where and what Ralph is doing while you are at work or with the grand children. This reporter has received information from a PI that Ralph has a side job.

Is he supplying the local restaurants with fresh fish? So are you sure when Ralph calls you with that funny ring tone that he is really home of flying his Planes?

STOP!! This investigator just received this picture. Chapter T members you make the call. Does Ralph have a side job or just gone fishing? This reporter signing off. You will never know where I will be.

CAROL SWANSON

INVESTIGATION REPORTER

FOR CHAPTER T



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 7th---Chapter T Meeting

May 9th---Chapter T "**Ladies Only Event**"-- Decorate our Duck/Dinner/Fellowship at Donna Cohen's
(Bring some supplies for project)

May 16th----Motorist Awareness Event—Marigold Festival in Winterville, GA

May 14-16----Alabama Rally

May 25th----Memorial Day

June 4th---Chapter T Meeting

June 18-20---Georgia Rally "Gold Wing Dynasty"

As usual please watch your email or listen for a phone call for more information on rides and dinners.

Chapter T FUN

Hello All,

April started out with 11 Chapter Members on a great ride to Benton Lee's Steak House in Uvalda, GA. Oh and the steaks! They were just as good as we were told they would be. We also got an unexpected treat when we arrived. Chapter E2 pulled in right behind us and we had a lot of fun spending lunch with them.

"Wow" Chapter T had a great turnout at the Tacky Tourist Fun Day and it appeared that all had a great time. Even though it started out a little on the wet side several Chapters (A, B2, D, J, I2, F2, S, Q) showed up in support of Chapter T event. We certainly appreciate their support and hope that they had as much fun as we did. Our own Chapter T Members came out and jumped right in to make this event a success. A few Special Thank You's is in order: To Willie and Phyllis for securing the Church Building, to all that came out on Friday night to help set up for the event on Saturday, to Sid Harris for being the #1 Pot Washer in the kitchen on Saturday, to our New Members Jeff and Connie Overbay for bring the games all the way from Florida, to the ones that made cakes, decorations, donated door prizes, etc.

We also want to say a special Thank You to Chapter F2 for bringing the District Travelers Plaque and giving it a way at our event, it was very generous of Chapter F2 to do that and we are extremely grateful. Chapter J captured the Plaque and will be giving away on May 16th in Hiawassee, GA. It took everyone's help to make this event the huge success that it was.



Vicky Martin
ACD GA-T

Thoughts to Ponder:

Life isn't about how to survive the storm, but how to dance in the rain.

ENLIGHTENED PERSPECTIVE

Written by Andy Rooney, a man who has the gift of saying so much with so few words.
I've learned....

That the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.

That when you're in love, it shows.

That just one person saying to me, 'You've made my day!' makes my day.

That having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.

That being kind is more important than being right.

That you should never say no to a gift from a child.

That I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in some other way.

That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

That sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

That simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.

That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.

That money doesn't buy class.

That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.

That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.

That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.

That when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.

That love, not time, heals all wounds.

That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

That no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.

That life is tough, but I'm tougher.

That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.

That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

That I wish I could have told my Mom that I love her one more time before she passed away.

That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.

That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

That when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, that you're hooked for life.

That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.

That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.

Garland Dennis

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TACKY TOURIST PARTY

There may have been a overcast sky, a few hiccups along the way but there was no rain on Chapter T's parade. Chapter D was the first Chapter to arrive in full Tacky Tourist attire. We all could just feel this was going to be a fun day. Chapter T members rallied to the success of the Party. There was a Tacky Tourist Trivia, a outstanding lunch, games, chapter challenges and all the great cakes are Chapter T ladies and gentlemen made for desserts and the Cake walk. The enthusiasm of some of the GA District staff was hilarious. Peg Hopkins won the Grand Prize a UGA foot ball signed by Mark Richt. You would of thought she had won a million dollars.

Thanks to everyone for your hard work. Now lets take a look back on all the fun.

Happy Traveling,
Carol Swanson



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A little funny to lighten your day!



Don't Step on the Ducks!

Three women die together in an accident and go to heaven.

When they get there, St. Peter says, "We only have one rule here in heaven: don't step on the ducks!"

So they enter heaven, and sure enough, there are ducks all over the place.

It is almost impossible not to step on a duck, and although they try their best to avoid them, the first woman accidentally steps on one.

Along comes St. Peter with the ugliest man she ever saw.

St. Peter chains them together and says, "Your punishment for stepping on a duck is to spend eternity chained to this ugly man!"

The next day, the second woman accidentally steps on a duck and along comes St. Peter, who doesn't miss a thing.

With him is another extremely ugly man. He chains them together with the same admonishment as for the first woman.

The third woman has observed all this and, not wanting to be chained for all eternity to an ugly man, is very, VERY careful where she steps.

She manages to go months without stepping on any ducks, but one day St. Peter comes up to her with the most handsome man she has ever laid eyes on ... very tall, long eyelashes, muscular, and thin.

St. Peter chains them together without saying a word.

The happy woman says, "I wonder what I did to deserve being chained to you for all of eternity?"

The guy says, "I don't know about you, but I stepped on a duck!"

Happy Anniversary



None Reported



Sid Cohen	1 st
Joyce Argo	2 nd
Charleen Dennis	12 th
Phyllis Barnett	12 th
Cody Dawley	18 th
Betty Andrade	18 th
Gayle Smith	23 rd
Glenn Argo	26 th

GWRRA Anniversary

Melissa Baldwin	5/13
Bill Smith	5/00
Ronald Smith Jr	5/12



Sick

Tommy Martin (Recovering from surgery)
Ralph Stewart (Recovering from surgery)

In Memory



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Adventures of Dumbo

Well as luck would have it (unsure if it was good or bad luck) I started my new journey with Sid Cohen. It did seem he was set up but it is always fun. so he was ok with it. We are having a slow month. As a matter of fact the first thing we did was attend Chapter S dinner get together. (it was raining so no one rode a bike) I couldn't eat anything because I was stuffed so I sat in the car. Anyway the next event was Chapter T "Tacky Tourist fun day. I hung out with Noah all day. Being with Noah was a lot better than just sitting in the kitchen. "Thanks Noah" I had a great time Anyway I'm now looking forward to heading to Key West with Sid, Donna, Ralph, Debbie, Jim and Sylvia. I can't write about the trip before it happens but I know I'll have a great time because I get involved and the way I hear it if you don't participate with the chapter you cannot enjoy the Chapter. I will send pictures of me and the group in Key West.



Your Friend,
Dumbo



Hey check these out, we had a blast!

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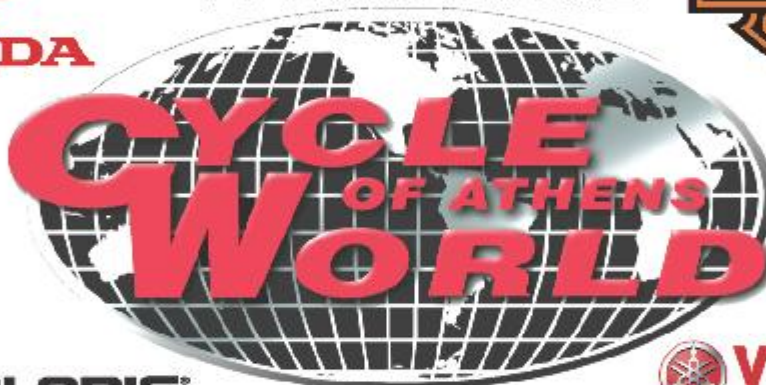
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May 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Chapter Q Benefit Poker Run
3	4	5	6	7 Chapter T Gathering	8	9 Duck Decorat- ing
10 Mothers Day	11	12	13	14 Alabama	15 District	16 Rally Chapter T M/A Day
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30
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June 2015

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2	3	4 Chapter T Gathering	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 Georgia	19 District	20 Rally
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				



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