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Chapter Director

Hello Everyone,

As you all know we have our annual "Spring Fling" coming up on May 17th & 18th. We have been working hard to make sure our event is a huge success and we will need your help over the weekend to ensure the chapter's success. Please wear your chapter shirts for this event and let's all make sure everyone knows that we are united together to have a good time and to show our pride in our chapter. Please don't forget to bring an appetizer to share for our Friday night appetizer extravaganza. Food, campfires, friends and music...are you ready?

April was a month full of all types of fun things going on. We had our South Carolina "Wild Ride". We had a camping trip at Watson Mill Bridge State Park and over the weekend there were 12 Chapter T members in and out and 4 visitors all participating. Many of us were treated to a fantastic low country boil on Saturday night thanks to Cody and Jeanne. We also had our yearly trip to visit our friends in South Carolina for their District Rally. Chapter T won First Place with most members outside the district in attendance. We were well represented by our members.

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**Monthly Gathering - Second Thursday of each Month at:
The Loco's Grill & Pub, 1985 S. Barnett Shoals Road, Athens, GA
30605**
We join to eat at 6:00 PM and the meeting starts at 7:00PM.
(where we share GWRRA information & fun activities)
"Come Join Us and get the most out of your GWRRA Membership"

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We are working on getting some rides planned and other events for us to do. If you have any ideas please let me know. If you tell me I will plan it. I am looking forward to our Chapter T camping trip in Hiawassee. If you are not a camper, please come on up and join us for a weekend of fun, rides, food and fellowship. Hotels are nearby, so don't miss out. It is the first of August and Chapter T will be rocking out at Riverbend Campground. The Alabama District Rally is coming up June 20-22 in Eufaula, Alabama. I hope to see you there. Coming in September is the Georgia District Ride In at Dillard, GA. Chapter T members: Do you excel in making chili? If so please let me know, we will be having a chili cook off on Friday night at the District Ride In. I told Frank that we will have some entries. Rules: must be homemade and must be at least a gallon. I have been to a chili cook off before and I was amazed at the different types of chili. If you think you have what it takes to win... make your best pot of chili and bring it on. Dates are September 19-21 at the River Vista Campground in Dillard. (Same location as our Spring Fling). Let's get it on.

How many photos have you taken for the photo contest? You better get on it, 30 photo opportunities; you have until August 31 to get your entries in. See some amazing places here in our home state.

There is a lot of activities happening, get out there and enjoy hitting the road and riding your wing.

**Riding, friends, fun and of course food...
what could be better?**

**"Participation Is the Key to Enjoying Life with
Chapter T"**



**Ride Safe and Have Fun,
Debbie and Ralph Stewart
Chapter T Director**

As usual please watch your



or listen for a



for more Information on rides and dinners.

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Just Our Thoughts

Since our last newsletter, we had to cancel the three chapters we had planned to visit due to weather conditions. We will visit with them soon though.

Sylvia has wanted to do The Tail of the Dragon – so what better time to do so then on Monday 22 April. A nice cool early morning start it was – 40 degrees. Following my GPS we went 441 to Franklin, SC and picked up NC28, aka Moonshiners Road. Shortly after leaving Franklin, where we stopped for a hot breakfast to help warm us up, I heard my lady saying “I have to shed some clothes” – well..... quickly found us an area to pull over – the temperature had climbed to a warmish 80 degrees. Heated wear shed, we started back on the long awaited ride – check off on Sylvia’s Bucket List – YAHOOO J



And we did make the South Carolina District Rally, in Newberry held 25, 26 & 27 April. There is so much history in this town that has been in existence since the 1700's. Rally activities were held at the Opera House which is a fully restored historic building. We were asked to judge an event being held at the Opera House; a couple of movies were shown there for rally attendees, and you could take a tour of the building if one wanted to. Also, the Closing Ceremony was held there. Other events were held at the Fire House, i.e., hospitality room, games, ticket sales. A weekend filled with food, fun and fellowship and we enjoyed it all – even the ice cream.

A good portion of this News-
nessee District Rally in Pigeon
(04 May) and in route back home.
weekend was predicted and sure
it poured Thursday, the afternoon we
skies and it was very humid until
poured so hard that we thought it
Spring Fling 2019 was really nice as
again of being asked to judge three
events, Chapter Pride, Chapter Shirts and were recorders for the Couple
of the Year (Tom & Marrilee Peck). We also met the International Cou-
ple of the Year for the SE Territory (Carl & Kathy Williams). The
beautiful thing about all the traveling we are doing is the many
“forever” friends we are making, and representing Chapter T and also
representing Georgia as District Couple of the Year.



letter was put together at the Ten-
Forge this past weekend 02, 03 &
We didn't ride our bikes as a rainy
enough it did rain !! I will say that
checked in, but then we had sunny
Saturday when once again it
was a monsoon. The Tennessee
well; we had the pleasure once



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We are preparing for our own Chapter T Spring Fling where we will have the most fun ever. So Ya'all join us for a food, fun and fellowship filled weekend J J. After which, my lady and I head out to complete some more checks off our bucket list. There is still time for you to make plans to join us on our 200 - 250 miles a day road trip to Rolling Thunder in DC, Connecticut, Americade in Lake George, NY and we will spend a few days in New York sight seeing, then off to Niagara Falls for 2-3 days. How fun is that – we shouldn't be gone more than a couple or so months.

Hoping to see you at our monthly gathering on the second Thursday of each month at Loco's on Barnett Shoals in Athens.

Be safe, keep the rubber down and the sunny side up, lets ride, --- YAHOOOO !! (Sylvia's Victory Yell).

Blessings to You & Yours

Jim & Sylvia

Chapter T Having FUN !!!



Having FUN riding with our friends from Chapter T , it was a great ride, good food and Wonderful Friends !!!

Several of us attended the South Carolina District Rally. Ralph, Debbie and I camped in our bunk House campers, others stayed in motels. It was a great weekend the activities at the rally was a lot of fun and we really appreciate all the work the District Team puts in to their Rally just for the members pleasure.

Debbie actually won the lighted bike

show! However, for me the important part of a GWRRA Rally is the reunion. That's right it affords us an opportunity to Reunite and Visiting with our GW friends that we only get to see one two or maybe three times a year at events like the District Rallies and Chapter Events across the Districts. If you think about it that is why we joined GWRRA is to ride our motorcycles and hang out with our friends. Hope you are taking advantage of these opportunities.

Tommy



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Splinters in her crotch.....this is clean/funny!

A woman from Los Angeles, who was a tree hugger, a liberal Democrat, and an anti-hunter, purchased a piece of timberland near Colville, WA.

There was a large tree on one of the highest points in the tract. She wanted a good view of the natural splendor of her land, so she started to climb the big tree.

As she neared the top, she encountered a spotted owl that attacked her. In her haste to escape, the woman slid down the tree to the ground and got many splinters in her crotch.

In considerable pain, she hurried to a local ER to see a doctor. She told him she was an environmentalist, a Democrat, an anti-hunter and how she came to get all the splinters. The doctor listened to her story with great patience, and then told her to go wait in the examining room and he would see if he could help her.

She sat and waited three hours before the doctor reappeared. The angry woman demanded, "What took you so long?"

He smiled and then told her, "Well, I had to get permits from the Environmental Protection Agency, the Forest Service, and the Bureau of Land Management before I could remove old-growth timber from a "recreational area" so close to a waste treatment facility. I'm sorry, but due to Obama Care...they turned you down."

Sid

"PMA"

The acronym "PMA" stands for "**Positive Mental Attitude**", and is a concept first developed and introduced in 1937 by Napoleon Hill, in the book, "Think and Grow Rich". The book develops the importance of Positive Thinking as a principle for success. PMA is the philosophy that having an optimistic disposition in every situation in one's life can attract positive changes and increase achievement in your daily tasks. PMA opposes negativity, defeatism and hopelessness. PMA seeks a desirable outcome, regardless of the circumstances. Optimism and hope are vital to the development of PMA. PMA is under the umbrella of Positive Psychology. In positive psychology, high self-efficacy can help someone to gain learned optimism, which will ultimately lead to PMA. PMA is considered an internal focus of control that influences external factors. Research has shown that through emotional intelligence training and positive psychology therapy, one's attitudes and perceptions can be modified to improve their personal and professional life.

(Much of the above article was found when checking out PMA thru Wikipedia. The following thoughts were found @ tinybudda.com ... "simple wisdom for complex lives".)

There are 8 tips to help create a **Positive Mental Attitude** (by Declan O'Flaherty). Read on:

- Remember that you are powerful.
- Choose to embrace life.
- Realize that you get to control your reactions.
- Know that no one is better qualified.
- Believe that you are more than enough.
- Love yourself.
- Stay cool.
- Journey well...

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We know life is about the journey, and not the arrival. Be content with where you are today and don't make the mistake of putting off being happy because you are waiting for the right moment to shine. Sometimes, it takes a conscious effort to "Enjoy the Journey". Not everyone woke up this morning, and not everyone will go to bed tonight. Life has no guarantees. Every minute that you are living is a blessing that has to be experienced in the moment. It's not always easy, but it's always an option - a choice...Your choice!

Sid and Donna Cohen
Chapter T Membership Enhancement and Event Coordinator.
Sid Cohen,
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Ride Safe and Often



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Cody Dawley 5/18
Charleen Dennis 5/12
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May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Tennessee	3 District	4 Rally
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 Chapter T Fling	18 Spring
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June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9	10	11	12	13 Chapter Gathering	14	15
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