





CHAPTER 'T' TEAM

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Chapter Director

Meet & eat, monthly gathering, officer's conference are just a few things happening this month. We have members recovering from surgies and illness, members that have received some great news and members who are hitting the road. As you see there is a lot going on within our chapter.

Now is the time for all of us to pull the cob webs off our motorcycles, clean them up and most importantaly do a check up on your bike. Change the oil, check your tires, check your wires, brakes, charge your battery and just check everything so when it is time to ride you will be ready. Remember SAFETY FIRST.

The Florida Rally will be March 19-21 in Altamont Springs Florida. Host hotel is the Hilton.

On Saturday, April 4th we will be having our chapter cook out and bon fire at our house. I hope that all of you will mark it on your calendar and join us for the food, fun and fellowship.

Let's get pumped up about our "Spring Fling". If you have not sent in your registration yet, please be prepared to take care off it Thursday at our chapter gathering. Tommy will have the registration forms for you, our event is \$10.00 per person. Our Spring Fling is May 15th & 16th at the River Vista RV Resort in Dillard.

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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"

We are looking forward to another great year for Chapter T. We hope that you are too!!

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

"Participation Is the Key to Enjoying Life with Chapter <u>T</u>"

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

Next Monthly Gathering..... Thursday, February 13th

Where: Loco's Grill and Pub, 1985 S. Barnett Shoals Road, Athens, GA 30605

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Family isn't always blood.

It's the people in your life who want you in theirs; the ones who accept you for who you are. The ones who would do anything to see you smile and who love you no matter what.

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



Meet & Eat at Bills Bar B Q



FRIENDS for FUN, SAFETY and KNOWLEDGE



Mike & Linda Fields 2/22



Vicky Martin and family (Loss of her Father)

Juanita Rackley and Family (Loss of our good friend Gary Rackley)





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Debra Crowell

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Jim & Sylvia Stogden
Jeanne Dawley (Knee Surgery)
Vance Oaks (Back Surgery)
T J Martin
Sue Jackson (Heart Surgery)

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CHAPTER T's SUNSHINE LADYwill

- **S S**end cards to Chapter members, friends and family, i.e., Birthday, Cheer, Get Well, Sympathy, Encouragement
- U Understand the need for a friendly note on your behalf
- N Never let you down when asked to send a card
- **S S**ay a prayer for whomever the card is being sent
- **H** be **H**appy to always hear from you
- I will be Interested in the welfare of members, friends or family
- N Never be out of note cards or specialty cards to send
- **E** Encourage you to give her names of Chapter members, friends or family who will be happy to receive a card of cheer, get well, word of encouragement or sympathy

May you and yours have a day filled with **Sonshine**!!

Sylvia J. Stogden stogden@uga.edu

2019 In Review

For the Stogdens it was a good year. Besides our fun-filled Chapter T monthly gatherings and planned rides and events, we were blessed to be able to do our 2019 Bucket List Ride which started the middle part of May. We rode to Washington, D.C., for which was to have been the Last Rolling Thunder ride, because of high costs and logistical issues. Rolling Thunder, Inc has been celebrating this ride for 32 years. The annual event will indeed continue, but....under a new name "Rolling to Remember". For more information on this ride, one can go on line and read all about it. Who knows we may be able to join in one of the rides here in Georgia – YAHOOOOO!! After spending four (4) days in Washington, DC we rode to Americade in Lake George, New York. We were joined by our son and wife (John and Karen). Spending only a couple of days there, we headed onto New Hampshire and onto Mt. Washington. Another beautiful three days. Heading back to Connecticut for a couple of days to catch our breath, then on to New York to do the sight seeing tourist "stuffs" to include taking the metro rail for the first time and riding to Grand Central Station and experiencing the "unfriendly" people of New York, well.....really not all of New York is unfriendly. After our stay in New York, we headed to Niagara Falls, New York to start our tour to Niagara Falls, Canada. WHAT AN AWESOME SIGHT - we had a great and informative tour guide. AND....yes !!!! Sylvia did it all – YAHOOOOO!! To include having the bus of twelve (12) wait on her a couple of times – "just tip the tour guide extra" she said.

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We didn't come straight home, as we got word that our son had taken a serious fall off a loading dock and shattered his ankle, front and back. We headed back to Connecticut for three (3) weeks. We are thankful that he came through surgery just fine (after a four (4) day wait, because of swelling), and as of this writing he is healing just as well as can be expected considering the break – the surgeon is pleased and will continue therapy for a long while. His angels were truly with him that morning. We continue to give our Lord the praise and glory!!

It was a sad 2019 December closure for the Stogden's. Sylvia's sister-in-law, Kitty, lost her battle to Lung cancer. We made the trip to Arizona for services and decided to visit family in California and New Mexico. It was a slow, rainy and snowy trip for us, and very cold. Sylvia and I have been recovering from bronchitis, laryngitis and a touch of pneumonia. Cabin fever has set in as we have not been able to go out and about. Besides saying goodbye to Kitty, we have said goodbye to five (5) of our friends since the New Year began.

The Stogden 2020 Bucket List Ride is in the works and promises to be an exciting one for sure. YAHOOO!

In talking with fellow members throughout this year, I, being the Member Contact Coordinator, have talked with several who do not ride anymore. You don't need to ride a bike to join in the food, fun and fellowship. Our monthly Chapter gathering is at Loco's in Athens – we eat at 6p and meet at 7p. There will be many rides and events you can participate in even if you don't ride anymore. Come in your car, truck or van. We'd love to shake your hand and give you a warm Chapter T hug. We'd like to share "ride" stories. We're sure there are many stories, indeed.

MAY HE KEEP YOU AND YOURS IN THE FOLDS OF HIS ARMS.

Jim & Sylvia

A little Humor

Lost at Sea Two Irishmen, Patrick and Michael were adrift in a lifeboat following a dramatic escape from a burning freighter. While rummaging through the boat's provisions, Patrick stumbled across an old lamp. Secretly hoping that a genie would appear, he rubbed the lamp vigorously. To Patrick's amazement, a genie came forth. This particular genie, however, stated that he could only deliver one wish, not the standard three. Without giving much thought to the matter, Patrick blurted out, "Make the entire ocean into Guinness Beer!" The genie clapped his hands with a deafening crash, and immediately the entire sea turned into the finest brew ever sampled by mortals. Simultaneously, the genie vanished. Only the gentle lapping of Guinness on the hull broke the stillness as the two men considered their circumstances. Michael looked disgustedly at Patrick whose wish had been granted. After a long, tension-filled moment, he spoke: "Nice going Patrick! Now we're going to have to pee in the boat!"

A couple more cute ones. . .

Three Lutheran ministers are having dinner at a restaurant when the Archangel Gabriel approaches and points to one of them. "I HAVE A GIFT FOR YOU," the angel says. "But you must choose: Infinite wisdom, or a million dollars?" Being among Lutheran ministers, the man chooses wisdom, and Gabriel disappears in a puff. "So," one of the ministers asks, with awe in his voice, "What do you know now that you didn't know before?" He answers: "I should have taken the money.

While stitching a cut on the hand of a 75 year old farmer, whose hand was caught in the squeeze gate while working cattle, the doctor struck up a conversation with the old man. Eventually, the topic got around to politicians and their role as our leaders. The old farmer said, "Well, as I see it, most politicians are 'Post Turtles'." Not being familiar with the term, the doctor asked him what a 'post turtle' was. The old rancher said, "When you're driving down a country road and you come across a fence post with a turtle balanced on top, that's a post turtle." The old farmer saw the puzzled look on the doctor's face, so he continued to explain. "You know he didn't get up there by himself, he doesn't belong up there, he doesn't know what to do while he's up there, he's elevated beyond his ability to function, and you just wonder what kind of dumb arse put him up there to begin with."

Six Ethics Of Life Before you Pray----Believe Before you Speak---Listen Before you Spend----Earn Before you Write----Think Before you Quit-----Try Before you Die-----Live

Sid and Donna Cohen

February 2020

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