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From the Director,

Hello Chapter T and Friends,

It sure has been a hot summer and I hope everyone is doing well. I had a great time with our sons in Virginia, especially with the grand baby. Thank you to all who supported Jose S. at last month Chapter gathering. I know he did a great job.

And so I will let Jose lead the Chapter gathering next month again, because I will be leaving for Germany in July. I get to visit my Family and I will visit The Goldwing Friends from Braunschweig, Germany.

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July 24th

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During my Virginia visit, I joined Chapter L in Chesapeake at their gathering. What another great fun group and I made again new friends and I picked up some fun ideas.







Gary T. and I went to Chapter O gathering! That was a great time again. It is always fun visiting other chapters and revisit with your old friends and new friends.

Please check our website often, we have some changes on there. Our webmaster,





Gene Harris, has recreated the Chapter Logo. It looks great! The photo gallery is always fun to look at.

Lots of upcoming events are posted. That brings me to our T-Fest Rally on October 6, 2018 which we will have to discuss at our gathering!

THANK YOU ALWAYS for joining our gatherings, rides and events. Only if you participate, will you will find out how much fun you can have!

Ride safe! Kommt immer gut an!
Andrea Douglas
Chapter Director

Planning for a Long-Distance Ride

How many of you are planning for a multi-day ride this summer (such as Wing Ding in Knoxville)? I am already making my list and checking it twice for our ride up there via the west coast. Other than the obvious



TCLOC and maintenance items, I have a pretty

extensive list that I have developed over the years for what and how to pack. These are some of the highlights of things to consider before you head out:

Lightweight synthetic clothing – such as T-shirts and underwear – can be washed in a hotel sink and dried overnight (cotton fabrics take too long to dry in this manner).

Don't fold your clothes – roll them. They take up less space that way.

On long trips, consider bringing your rattiest underwear (or other clothing), then just throw it away when you're done with it!

Flip Flops are easy to pack and feel so good after a long day in boots.

Zipper-lock plastic bags of various sizes can be extremely useful for organizing items in saddlebags and duffle bags. They can make it easier to find and retrieve particular items without unpacking your entire motorcycle. Use the one-gallon size to pack one day's worth of clothes – jeans, undergarments, and shirt. This makes it easier to unpack just what you need.

Take a couple of soap pods and a roll of quarters for washing clothes.

Pack items that have more than one use. A multi-tool is handier than a basic pocket knife.

When traveling with other riders, conserve space by comparing packing lists and eliminating duplicate items.

Don't forget your battery chargers for cameras and cell phones. Bring spare batteries if applicable.

When traveling (two-up) with a spouse or "significant other", ask yourself questions such as: "Can we share a tube of toothpaste?" or "Can I get by using her shampoo for a week?"

Medical History....consider an Alert Bracelet. Also your Medical Health Insurance Card

If you take medication, be sure to bring an extra 3-5 days' worth longer than you intend to be gone.

Cooling vests and extra bottles of water to combat heat exhaustion.

A small towel can be wrapped around your neck during a rainstorm to keep water from running down your back – and doubles as a shop rag.

Even if you don't have a planned stop each day, plan a general route and leave it with someone. Don't forget your Gold Book!

Check the cargo weight limits of your bike - as wells as the bags and racks - and adjust tire pressure and suspension accordingly.

Few things are as easy to pack as money or credit cards. If you're struggling with whether or not to bring a particular item, consider simply buying it on the road if you need it.

If you watch the ounces, the pounds will take care of themselves. When possible, lighter is better.

When loading your bike, keep as much weight as possible close to the bike's center of gravity. That means low and toward the tank, distributed evenly from side to side.

A day or two before you leave, do a dry run. Pack the bike and go for a short ride, then adjust the load as needed.

If you're camping, set up your tent once or twice before you leave (and don't forget to waterproof it). Practice setting it up in the dark.

With your bike fully loaded for your road trip, check your headlamp to make sure it's properly aimed.

Pack your cold weather and raingear no matter what time of year it is. Weather can be unpredictable even in the summer months.

Carefully program your GPS if you have one, but still take some maps for backup.

Enjoy this riding season and I hope to see you in Knoxville!

Ride Often, Ride Safely, and HEY! Be careful out there!

"Eat to Ride, Ride to Eat"



"Actually, you could say my injuries are motorcycle related. I sat on my grandmother's motorcycle, and she wasn't too happy about it."

Miss Jones a very prim and proper second Grade teacher ask the <u>class</u> to tell the class their favorite animal. As it goes around the class there is the usual, Cat, Dog, Horse and so on.

when it come to Little Johnny, he say Fried Chicken. Miss Jones isn't sure she heard right and ask him to repeat what his favor animal was. Again it's Fried Chicken. this upsets Miss Jones. And she sends Johnny to see the principal. The principal thinks this is kind of funny but tells Johnny not to use Fried Chicken again.

A few days Later Miss Jones ask the class for there favorite person.

As it goes around the class there is Mom, Dad, George Washington, ext.. when it comes to Little Johnny he says, Col. Sanders JULY BIRTHDAYS JULY ANNIVERSARYS

13th Harriet F. (W) 1st William C.

18th Mitch H.

22nd Andy C.

23rd Jeff H



(Stolen from GWRRA TN Chapter Z Muletown Wings)

Mark your Calendars

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19-21 July - Washington District Rally - Cashmere, Wa

19-22 July - Sturgis Kentucky Bike Rally - Sturgis, Ky

24 July - Chapter Gathering – Killeen

26-28 July - Montana District Rally - Missoula, Mt

August 2018

9-12 August - Roadrunner Touring Weekend - Roanoke, Va

28 August - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

28 August – 1 September – Wing Ding 40 – Knoxville Tn

September 2018

20-23 September – New York District Rally – Watertown, NY

25 September - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

<u>26-29 September - Bikes, Blues, and BBQ Rally – Fayette-ville, Ar</u>

<u>27-29 September – Oklahoma District Rally – Lawton Ok</u>

28-29 September – Iowa District Rally – Fort Dodge, la

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Washington District Rally Sturgis	20 Washington District Rally Sturgis	21 Washington District Rally Sturgis
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