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Chapter of the Year - 2018!



May
2019



WINGNUT

Chapter T awards this coveted trophy each month. If you are not riding, you are not winning.

The Wingnut was awarded to Lori W. in April. During her move to Gatesville, she had an unplanned visit with the Gatesville Welcome Wagon (the one with flashing lights and a siren).

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Next Chapter Meeting

June 25th

Greetings Chapter T and Friends,

As I write my letter to our membership, I want to share with you some of my thoughts on this past weekend. Thursday morning, May 16th, Gene and Quinta led the ride to Paris, Texas for the 2019 Texas District Rally.

Gene, Gary, Steven from Chapter O and I traveled to Paris along 35, 84, Texas 7, and Texas 19 from Nolanville to Paris. Soon after arrival and check-in, Gary, Gene, Steven and I took turns checking out the view from the No Zone Truck (18 wheel truck), that teaches you to truly respect the truckers on the road. It really sinks in why we as motorist, and motorcyclist should never ride alongside (blind side) of a truck, and why not to ride up on a trucks tail. It takes a lot to stop a truck under dry conditions, let alone wet, gravel type roads. STAY AWAY or PASS THEM quickly and safely.



Gary, Gene and Quinta got to test out a few of the routes picked out by our Texas District Team, throughout the city of Paris. Gary received his Level 2 patch from Randy after earning it last year. I will make sure levels patches are ordered in a timely manner following eligibility. Not only did Gary get his patch, a waitress at Denny's inadvertently coined a new nickname for him, T-Bone Tracy, lol. Needless to say, the name stuck with him all the way back to Killeen. What a good sport.

The light show Friday evening was a hit, as well as the ice cream social hosted by owner Ryan of South Main Iron Powersports. We had a nice time chatting with our friends at the social, as well as with some of the residents, and shop owners who stood open just for us. A storm was threatening to put an end to the ARC course being held Saturday, May 18th, before it even started. Fortunately for all who signed up for the course, including our very own webmaster, Gene H, the weather held up. Let's give Gene a round of applause for completing his level two. Both him and Quinta now qualify for their Level 2 patches, which will be ordered soon. At closing ceremonies, I once again was awarded the young-

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est rider certificate at the Texas District Rally, at age 50. The hunt is on for a few non-AARP eligible riders/co-riders and members who will attend next years 2020 Texas District Rally so I don't have to win this certificate again lol.

Oh, by the way, did I mention where our Texas District Rally will be in 2020???? The location is: Y.O. Ranch Hotel and Conference Center April 30th thru May 2nd in Kerrville, Texas. Yes, you read it correctly, we will be heading to the home of the Twisted Sisters. You better believe we are in for a treat, and all her twists. Our next chapter ride is next weekend, May 25th, which is a make up for the May 11th ride which was rescheduled due to inclement weather. We will be heading to the Canyon of The Eagles in Central Texas Hill Country on Lake Buchanan. Hope to see you there.

See you all soon.

Jose and Celest Soto
Chapter Directors

Chapter Team:

Directors: Jose & Celest Soto

Treasurers: Tim & Young Brooks

Educators: Dale & Carleen Garrett

Ride Coordinators: Danny & Peggy Thacker

Membership Enhancement/ Social Coordinators & Chapter of the Year Coordinators: Lori & Erik Wiggins

Webmaster/Newsletter: Gene & Quinta Harris

2012-2017 OEM NAVI Update

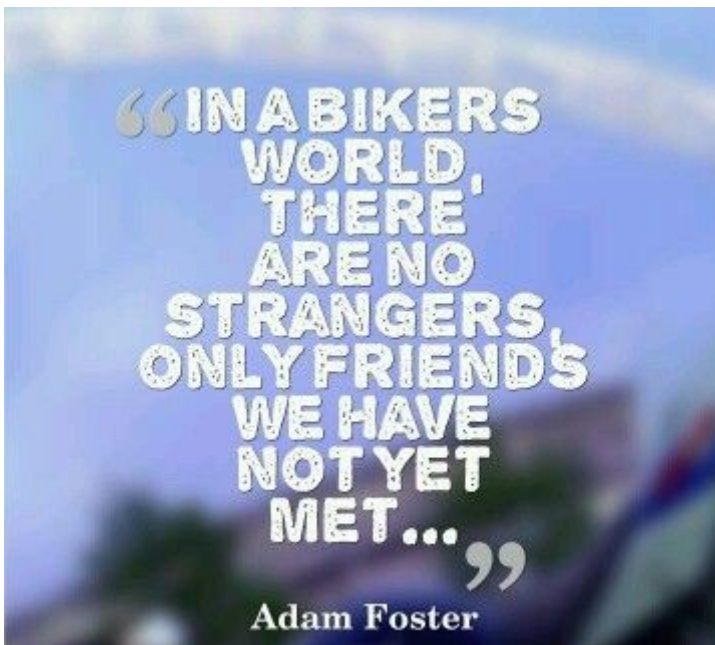
Garmin has released the first (and long overdue) update for 2012-2017 Honda Gold Wing Navi maps. The price is \$95.00 (with tax \$102.84). Go to goldwing.garmin.com/goldwing for details.

BIRTHDAYS

MAY	Jun
1 Tim B.	2 James S.
8 Peggy T.	17 Carleen G.
11 Celest S.	22 Lori W.
12 Jerry P.	
23 Jim B.	
28 Brady K.	

ANNIVERSARYS

11 May—Jose & Celest S.
28 May—Dale & Carleen G.
26 Jun—Gene & Quinta H.





Long Distant Travels

By Chet Roby

Have you ever had a desire to challenge an “Iron Butt” ride; better known as the “SaddleSore” run? I chose that event in 2011, traveling from Killeen, Texas to Murdo, South Dakota, in just over 18 hours. Gas stops were arranged every 125 to 140 miles.

Although I considered the excursion to have been a “bucket list” event, with no intention of repeating, I rode from Duluth, Minnesota, to Killeen, Texas in 22 hours and 48 minutes in August of 2016.

Continuing with my adventure of personal challenges I chose to ride from New Bremen, Ohio, to Killeen, Texas, in September of 2017; the trip was completed in 21 hour and 45 minutes.

Choosing to outdo myself, I rode from Toledo, Ohio to Killeen, Texas in 21 hours and 35 minutes in August of 2018.

In September of 2018, I rode from Killeen, Texas to Toledo, Ohio and back, in 21 hours and 10 minutes, there and the return trip took 20 hours and 38 minutes; that is 1,368 miles, one way, I might add.

The challenge asked of me referenced getting tired. I reminded the asking party that I had a GoldWing Trike; if I got tired, the cruise control was set and I slept for the next several hours. Love that Harto Seat.

Ok, now on the serious side, long distant travels can be fun, if you plan the trip, are mentally prepared, and physically capable. The key is planning.

The trip starts like any other motorcycle run, assuring the clothes being packed support the potential challenges, without over packing. Unnecessary baggage can add weight to the run, plus become a space constraint. Pulling a trailer is an option, but again, over packing must be in the forefront of one's planning. Once the attire has been decided, the trip must be methodically planned, assuring detours are also part of the equation. One must also inform family members of the exact route or have an electronic device that will allow family to track your travels.

Snacks, with a lot of protein must be packed, coupled with drinks supporting electrolytes and potassium. Gas stops must be between 120 to 150 miles, and have to be kept to 15 minutes. There may be times, towards the end of the run, that gas trips could last 25 to 30 minutes. Take the time to be safe.

So, this has been discussion on planning, informing family members of the route, packing to assure hydration and physical stamina. Now let's look at your physical condition. Your body must be well rested, with mental stress completely eliminated. The focus has to be on the ride. (Remember, a marathon is nothing more than a sprint for 26+ miles, versus 1-four minute mile.) This requires ensuring a well rested body, for at least the week, prior to the trip. Yes, that is a solid 7 to 8 hours of sleep, every night, to allow the body to heal from the mental fatigue of our daily challenges.

OK, the basics have been noted and now one is ready for the ride. Enjoy traveling, no matter how you choose to arrive at your point-of-destination. Just assure the trip ends as good or better than it started.

Thank you for taking the time to read and share. Yes, I will be making a long distance trip back to Toledo, Ohio in September of this year, celebrating my 50th high school reunion, plus visiting Mom and Dad together, this trip.

Kindest personal regards,
Chet Roby

GWRRA Number 174559





Mark your Calendars



May 2019

25 May - Chapter T Ride – Overlook Cafe, Canyon of the Eagles, TX

30 May-1 Jun – Missouri District Rally – Branson MO

June 2019

7-9 Jun - Chapter T Ride – Palo Duro Canyon, TX

8-9 Jun—Arkansas District Rally—Harrison AR

13-15 Jun - Republic of Texas Rally – Austin, TX

21-22 Jun – Kansas District Rally – Salina KS

July 2019

13 Jul - Chapter T Ride – Koffee Kup Restaurant, Hico TX

August 2019

10 Aug - Chapter T Ride – Miller's BBQ, Belton TX

27-31 Aug - Wing Ding 41, Nashville TN

September 2019

14 Sep - Chapter T Ride – Dahlia's Cafe, Liberty Hill TX



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2019 Second Saturday Rides



23 Feb – *Heritage Homestead, Waco, TX* ✓ (9 participants)

9 Mar - *Andice General Store, Andice, TX* ✓ (5 participants)

13 Apr - *Bluebonnet Ride – Fredericksburg, TX* (Cancelled)

27 Apr—*Llano Crawfish Fest—Llano, TX* ✓ (11 participants)

25 May - *Overlook Cafe, Canyon of the Eagles, TX*

8-9 Jun - *Palo Duro Canyon, TX*

13 Jul - *Koffee Kup Restaurant, Hico, TX*

10 Aug - *Miller's BBQ, Belton, TX*

14 Sep - *Dahlia's Cafe, Liberty Hill, TX*

18 – 20 Oct - *Twisted Sisters Ride – Kerrville, TX*

9 Nov - *Regency Suspension Bridge, Mills County, TX*

14 Dec - *Green's Sausage House, Zabcikville, TX*

May 2019

Chapter T, Holidays in United States

May 2019 (Central Time - Chicago)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
					Hill Country Run @ Luckenbach, TX	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Hill Country Run @ Cinco de Mayo						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mother's Day				TX District Rally - Paris, TX		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		7pm - Chapter O 7pm - Chapter T				T* Ride - Overlook
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Memorial Day			Missouri District Rally - Branson, MO @ Branson, MO 65616, USA		

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