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Central Texas Wings

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Chapter Directors' Notes

Good evening CenTex Wings,

Welcome Back Peggy! We missed you the last few months. And welcome to Kent and Sue Moore. Kent linked up with us at Black Rifle Coffee on 30 Sep.



On 11 Oct Jim and Alvalin, and Gene and Quinta went to Lufkin to participate in the Capital Wings (Chapter O) Ride-In. Three full days of rides through the beautiful Piney Woods, including the Angelina, Davy Crockett, and Sam Houston National Forests. Points of interest included the Heritage Village Museum in Woodville, the Patricia Huffman Smith NASA (Space Shuttle Columbia) Museum in Hemphill, and the Texas State Prison Museum in Huntsville. We topped out with 22 riders on 16 bikes/trikes from Texas, New Mexico, and Louisiana, and were joined by seven additional EWMA riders from Louisiana at our lunch stop on Thursday. Jim and Dee Dee Evans, directors of Chapter O, hosted an impressive welcome supper on Wednesday evening, and put together a well planned and executed ride-in. Their hard work paid off with a great event for all.

The Region B Foliage Ride-In is coming up 2-5 Nov in Clarksville AR. We are considering a Chapter T trip to San Antonio in November or December, if there is interest in the members. Please check our Rides/Events closely for changes and additions.

Ride Often/Ride Safe

-Living the Dream-
Gene & Quinta

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Next Chapter Meeting
November 28
Golden Corral



Breakfast at Black Rifle Coffee in Temple.



Rest stop near Woodville TX



Boarding house style lunch with 29 riders from Texas, Louisiana, and New Mexico



Jim and Gene—Cat Herders for hire.

ANNIVERSARIES

23 Oct Brady & Jeannie K
7 Nov Erik & Lori W

BIRTHDAYS

3 Oct Jim W
12 Nov Dale G

Chapter Team:

Directors: Gene & Quinta Harris

Treasurers: Tim & Young Brooks

Ride Coordinators: Jim and Alvalin Woodul

Safety/Rider Education: Chet Roby

Webmaster/Newsletter: Gene & Quinta Harris

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4610 Teal Drive
Killeen, TX 76542-3783



Tim & Young Brooks will be hosting the **Chapter T Christmas party** this year on **Friday December 1st at 6:00pm.**

Location: 312 Crestwood Dr.
Killeen, TX 76549
Gate code #5328

This is in the River Ridge Ranch gated community. Directions from Killeen: Go south on Hwy 195, cross the Lampasas River bridge, look for a right turn onto River Ridge Ranch Rd. Follow until the first left turn, it is the third house on the right.

There's plenty of parking on the right side of the house and in back.

We will be supplying the meat (smoked turkey and ham) and drinks (Bush's sweet and unsweet tea, diet coke and regular coke, water). If you need anything else please bring it.

We ask everyone to **bring a vegetable or dessert side dish.**



We will have our **traditional white elephant gift exchange**. If you wish to participate please bring a gift of \$25.00 or less.

Please RSVP to Tim (254-290-5462 voice or text) by November 15th with how many in your party, and what side dish you can bring.

Central Texas (Chapter T) Newsletter
 Meeting on October 24, 2023
 Written by Chet Roby
 EWMA Number 1093
 Former GWRRA Number 174559
 Former Life Grand Master Number 6226



Dear EWMA family and fellow Riders:

June 22, 2021, "Armydillo," Chapter T's admired mascot for multiple years, was introduced as to his inception into Chapter T's illustrious presence. "Army," as he was respectfully nicknamed, fostered an esteemed presence with the chapter and on chapter rides, for many occasions.

"Army's" indoctrination into the chapter was detailed in the above noted newsletter. Thus, re-printing the specifics would be repetitive. Therefore, a summary will be provided for those unfamiliar with Armydillo's birth into Central Texas Wings, formally and currently, Chapter T.

Army was first introduced into Chapter T's presence in 2007 (give or take a few years), and continued his illustrious career through the first quarter of 2020, when COVID-19 impacted our country/nation. "Army's" domiciled location was on Trimmer Road, in Killeen, but varied depending on the time of day and Chapter T's weekly activities.

During the initial inception of COVID-19, "Army's" vaccination for COVID-19 was confirmed, following research through FDA records. Thus, his health was not as much of a concern, as was "Army's" safety due to the massive amount of asphalt roads. (Remember the procedure armadillos' use as defense mechanisms.)

Having provided a brief synopsis of "Army's" introduction into Central Texas Wings (formally and currently Chapter T) let me focus on "Army's" adopted home, which was identified several months ago, by this writer, and confirmed, through DNA (deniable notification of authentication), coupled with foot prints and past injury markings.

As I was riding through the streets of Killeen (west end of Killeen), always searching 360% for riding safety, I noticed a critter, which appeared to resemble "Army." After further review, it was confirmed to have been "Armydillo," who had been re-homed from Trimmer Road to the corner of Meadow Drive and Meadow Spur. "Armydillo" appears to have been adopted by the on-site family and has been re-named "Arny." The family has provided a natural environment for "Arny" and appears to have nurtured him as only an army contractor could have done. "Arny" is protected by ground, covered with lush, green, St. Augustine grass, and a barrier of rocks supporting his evening comforts.

"Arny" appears to be in Armadillo heaven (see attached photo), as he basks in the sunlight of notoriety, love, and rocks. His adopted family is forthright and honors the principles of family values, God, and country. The patriotic family has seen fit to render his presence for public display thus allowing us to visit on occasions, and remi-



nise of days gone by.

Please understand I have not scripted the above information showing "Arny" to be anything less than a friend of Central Texas Wings (formally Chapter T). "Arny" is not being represented as an idol, but a representation of the love shown to CTW (Chapter T) during his travels and now has the opportunity to extol the same affectionate homage to his current family and friends.

"Arny" has shown us the importance of always focusing on friendships in life and during our travels. "Arny" continues to support riding for friends, safety, and fun.



Have a great day as you travel assuring the rubber side stays down.

Kindest personal regards,

R Chester (Chet) Roby

Postscript to the above story...

This writer had been entreated with "Armydillo's" inception into the life and times of Chapter T. Additionally, the ancestral background was also an area of intrigue that lent itself to challenge inquisitive minds...or at least this inquisitive mind. Thus the journey began and ended in Palo Pinto County where "Armydillo's" great – great grandfather was located and confirmed by the nail prints, of the feet.

It was further confirmed "Army's" great-great grandfather spent his evening entertaining the prisoners, waiting to be sentenced, as depicted in a few cherished pictures of yester years.

Well, I can comfortably state "Army's" existence has come full circle. He has also shown his tenacity for survival and entertainment, plus his unparalleled nature to survive in the early 1900's. I give a tip of the hat to "Army's" can do attitude and intestinal fortitude toward perseverance. Continue to rest well my friend and past colleague.



EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



Central Texas Wings (Chapter T)

Rides/Events

<i>Chapter T Gathering</i>	<i>24 Oct 2023</i>	<i>Golden Corral, Killeen</i>
Mississippi District Rally	26 - 28 Oct 2023	Biloxi, MS
Oklahoma District Rally	26 - 29 Oct 2023	Ponca City, OK
Region B Ride-In	2 - 5 Nov 2023	Clarksville, AR
<i>Chapter T Ride - Alamo/River Walk</i>	<i>11 - 12 Nov 2023 (T)</i>	<i>San Antonio, TX</i>
<i>Chapter T Saturday Breakfast</i>	<i>18 Nov 2023</i>	<i>Black Rifle Coffee</i>
<i>Chapter T Gathering</i>	<i>28 Nov 2023</i>	<i>Golden Corral, Killeen</i>
<i>Chapter T Holiday Party</i>	<i>1 Dec 2023</i>	<i>Tim & Young Brooks</i>
<i>Chapter T Saturday Breakfast</i>	<i>16 Dec 2023</i>	<i>Black Rifle Coffee</i>
<i>Chapters O & T Polar Bear Ride</i>	<i>1 Jan 2024</i>	<i>Dead Fish Grill</i>
<i>Chapter T Saturday Breakfast</i>	<i>13 Jan 2024</i>	<i>Black Rifle Coffee</i>

Some Technology Tidbits

Mike Melton, Director of Technology & Communications

Hello to all the folks out there, especially the one's I had the pleasure of speaking with over the last few months.

Lots of people having troubles logging into our system, and I think, I was able to help each and everyone who contacted me. If you are still having difficulties, drop me an email or contact me and I will be glad to work you through the process. After the first time, it gets easier. After the second time, it becomes even easier.

I would like to hit on some highlights of some of the things that have been challenges to you. I will say, if you don't read these, you are missing out on some helpful info. I write these for you the user... and I take input on things you would like different. Our website is complete, but under constant revision as we work to improve your experience with our website, on all platforms, Desktop, Laptop, Phone or Tablet.

Here are some pointers...

1. Are you even **receiving the emails**? We had several people who when they signed up, did not provide an email, or we could not appropriately read the hand writing. **If you are not receiving the emails, you are missing out on a lot. If you do email, and are not receiving the On The Fly bulletins, please send an email to eaglewings.web@gmail.com**, and we will be glad to check and make sure we have your email correctly.
2. **Did the primary member get the email with your username and password**. Everyone should have received this email. It gives you the temporary username and password to log into our system, and you can then update your profile. There are many more things you can do, but I'll save that for later.
3. Some people have trouble **figuring out the characters in their email**, and yes, we are trying to fix the font to fix this issue. Sometimes, "i's" and "I's" look the same, along with other letters. If you know how, and can copy/paste to the login page, it will work. Then, you can change the username and/or password to something you can remember.
4. Once you are logged in, you can look through your **Profile** and make updates. Some may actually be selecting the chapter(s) you like to ride with or go to their events. You can also update the info under your profile, "Your Website Functions" and then select "Services" to **update the Eagle Book with services you would be willing to provide** to other members. You get to pick and choose from several options, and no, you do not have to select them all. Under "Basic Member Information" you can update your emergency contact information. This is available to all of our officers, and could be the resource for helping during an emergency situation (that we hope we never have to use).
5. **Reaching out for help**. If there is anything... anything, you need assistance with in regards to the website, logging in, or other challenges, please reach out to me at eaglewings.web@gmail.com, **or call me at 843-847-1444**. If it goes to voicemail, I'm likely helping someone else, (or riding my bike) and I will get back with you pronto.

Have a blessed day, and a blessed ride.

Some Technology Tidbits

Mike Melton, Director of Technology & Communications

Welcome again to another round of providing unique information for your entertainment.

First of all, did you know there **are Member Benefits** built into our **online website**? There are three things you can do, that may be of benefit to you or a fellow friend in the future. All three of these tips are accessible through your profile, after you login to our website. First of all, my favorite line is, we are either visible, or we are invisible. There may be times we feel like we want to be invisible, but not all of the time. So, one way to make yourself visible is **to login to our system, go to your profile, and then go to "Chapters/Additional Members"**. Once there, you can select one or more chapters you would like to associate with, or hear from. **Until you do this, you are invisible to the directors. Once done, it makes it easier for them to reach out to you with news and events for the local chapters.**

The second Benefit can directly benefit you. One of the features of our system is to allow each of your family members to add an **Emergency Contact**. You never know when the accident or emergency situation can occur (whether on your bike or other situation), and this gives a line of communication to your family members. By adding this under your profile, under **"Basic Member Information"**, when you are out with other EWMA friends, and something happens, this gives them a point of contact to help with the emergency situation. Just make sure your emergency contact is not the person who would normally sit directly in front, behind, or beside you. If you are together when the emergency happens, we still need to know who to contact.

The third Benefit is filling in your data for our **"Eagle Book"**. The Eagle Book is where a person can go when they are in need. Have you ever been travelling down the road, have a break down, and not know who to reach out to (happened to me recently). The Eagle Book can help solve that, but only if you choose to participate. You can choose the options you would be willing to do, to include providing a trailer, or something simple like accepting texts or playing tour guide. That is one way to also make new friends.

Did you know... you can change your home address, phone number, email and other pertinent information about yourself just by logging into our system. You are in control. It is also very easy for you to renew if you so desire. When you login, if you are within 30 days of expiring, you will have a little red button. If you are further out, there will be a message off to the right side. Either way, you click on it, verify your data (to include your email address) and follow the prompts. Quick thing is to pay by credit card, but if that concerns you, you can pay by PayPal or select pay by check... then print the invoice, and send the invoice and check in together (the latter takes longer to process).

One last thing... the question of security has come up several times now. We do NOT store financial or sensitive information in our system. Most information in our system can be found with a simple internet search. We intentionally do not store the credit card info. Once the payment is processed, the credit card info is removed from the system. So now, hopefully, you can rest well tonight.

If you ever need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to me (Mike Melton) at eaglewings.web@gmail.com.

EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



Central Texas Wings (Chapter T)

Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association References and Links

EWMA National Website: <https://www.EWMA-World.org>

EWMA National Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/eagle.wings.motorcycle.association>

Region B Website:

Region B Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/648709793287460>

Texas District Website: <https://www.gwrra-tx.org/>

Texas District Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/736753967150486>

CenTex Wings Website: <https://www.CenTexWings.org>

CenTex Wings Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/207106826116544>

Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Membership Application

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____

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Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ ST/PV: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

USA _____ Canada _____ Other _____

Member Phone number: _____ Member Email: _____

Select One:

Individual Membership: 3 years \$65.00, 2 years \$45.00, 1 year \$25.00

Family Membership (2 or more people in household): 3 years \$80.00, 2 years \$55.00, 1 year \$30.00

I currently own the following motorcycle brands: (please select all that apply)

Honda Harley-Davidson Indian BMW Yamaha Ducati Triumph Other

New Member – Who referred you to us? Name _____ Member # _____

Where did you hear about us? (Example: magazine, website dealer, etc.)

Signature _____

Signature _____

Make check payable in U.S. funds to Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association and mail to 6635 W. Happy Valley RD., Suite A104-443, Glendale, AZ 85310