


# HOG WILD



We Ride and  
Have Fun!

## DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Gary Bagwell

Good Times...just happen with three easy steps

(Ride) save gas

(Meet with Friends) laugh out loud

(Attend the monthly meeting) get the latest on Chapter events

We returned from Panama City Beach Sunday with a strong head wind but smiling faces. As luck would have it I woke up with a fever Monday morning. A happy fever, mind you, not a physical fever. The "let's just keep riding stop at the house only for clean clothes" kind of fever. Miles are the antidote and I plan to continue getting my share. Miles are like ketchup, everything just tastes and feels better with miles. It's not only the satisfaction of watching the odometer turn, it's the spontaneous moments that happen during the ride that bond us as riders and friends. Even weather and breakdowns can make good memories. Just ask "long time" MCC member Willie Clark who had a flat tire in Montgomery coming home from PCB. Our very capable Pit Crew, Willie and Michael "Maclver"

Henry performed a roadside repair and we were back on the road, relieved by the safe and positive outcome. I think Willie and Michael have the fever, too.

May and June are very active riding months with many miles and good times planned. The weather has warmed enough to shed the layers of Winter and early Spring riding. The state rally is in the Maryville/Townsend area June 4-7. The riding is outstanding, the schedule looks great, and I hope to see you there. Even if the rally does not fit in to your schedule, get in the saddle and enjoy the local rides we have planned every week. Our next monthly Chapter meeting is Thursday 6/19 at Fesslers Lane and Boswell's Bike Nights begin this Friday 5/23. Come out and enjoy some great riding, fun destinations, and good times at the dealership.

May is National Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month as designated by the National Highway Traffic

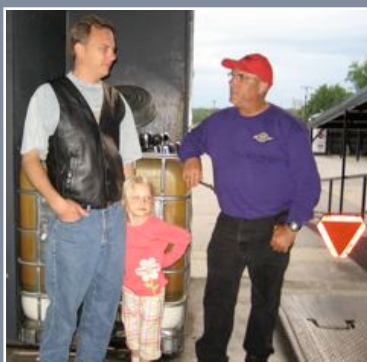
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### Chapter Meeting Reminder

The next Chapter Meeting is June 19th.  
Dinner at 6:30 and meeting at 7:30  
in the HOG Room.

## PHOTO OP



A few photos from the May Chapter Meeting. We had a great time!

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Administration. The goal of this program is two-fold -- to remind us to be responsible riders and to remind all drivers to be cognizant of riders during the busier riding season. It's also a good time to consider taking a MSF or Rider's Edge Course. Regardless of your experience level I guarantee it will sharpen your awareness of the road, increase your skill level and confidence, and enhance your overall riding enjoyment.

If you have the fever, too, let's treat it. We'll ride, have fun and return home safely.

Ride & Have Fun,  
Gary

## OVERNIGHT RIDES

**It's been said** that you never really **know someone** until you **travel** with them! Overnight rides are a great way to get to know your fellow MCC Chapter members.

### Upcoming overnight trips-

**Tennessee State H.O.G. Rally**, Maryville, TN June 4 – 7, go to [www.tnstatehogrally.com](http://www.tnstatehogrally.com) and click on lodging. Rides, events and live music everyday.

**Maggie Valley, North Carolina**, July 7-11. Our host hotel, The Creekside Inn is currently sold out, however there are numerous hotels within easy walking distance. Check out [www.maggievalley.com](http://www.maggievalley.com) for a list of available hotels. Great riding, including a guided ride to the Biltmore in Asheville, our famous Saturday afternoon Duck Drag Racing and bbq by the creek!

## HOW TO OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY

**"...gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime....let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude,--the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan." --General John Logan, General Order No. 11, 5 May 1868**

The "Memorial" in Memorial Day has been ignored by too many of us who are beneficiaries of those who have given the ultimate sacrifice. Often we do not observe the day as it should be, a day where we actively remember our ancestors, our family members, our loved ones, our neighbors, and our friends who have given the ultimate sacrifice:

- by visiting cemeteries and placing flags or flowers on the graves of our fallen heroes.
- by visiting memorials.
- by flying the U.S. Flag at half-staff until noon.
- by flying the 'POW/MIA Flag' as well (Section 1082 of the 1998 Defense Authorization Act).
- by participating in a "[National Moment of Remembrance](#)": at 3 p.m. to pause and think upon the true meaning of the day, and for [Taps](#) to be played.
- by renewing a pledge to aid the widows, widowers, and orphans of our fallen dead, and to aid the disabled veterans.

From [www.usmemorialday.org](http://www.usmemorialday.org)

# STATE RALLY 07

## -A LOOK BACK

The Johnson City Rally was the perfect example of what a state HOG rally should provide. The rally had it all-- fantastic scenery, great riding, special events and 'Best of All', great people. By volunteering, Tom and I were able to meet members from all over the world. The rally included something for everyone, not the least of which was the opportunity to ride your bike on the Bristol Speedway racetrack.

For Tom and I, one of the most memorable and rewarding events was visiting the Children's Hospital as well as the Saturday parade that was held to benefit the hospital. As Gary Bagwell always likes to say, everyone came away with 'memories' that will last a lifetime. All in all, the Johnson City rally is one we will always remember.

The rally exemplified the FOCUS of HOG: Ride and Have Fun.

ENJOY THE 2008 TENNESSEE STATE RALLY

Barb & Tom Tallar

## MAY RIDES

### May 25 - Papa Boudreaux's Cajun Cafe

"We'll spend three hours touring the West and Southwest before arriving at Papa Boudreaux's Cajun Cafe for fabulous family style Cajun standards such as Etoufee, Shrimp and Crawfish, along with old favorites like pasta and Po Boys. Seating is limited to 35 guests and dinner should cost between \$25 and \$30 per person. Papa is opening his Cafe early just for the Music City HOG Chapter. Please visit Papa's website @ [www.papaboudreaux.com](http://www.papaboudreaux.com). See you at 11:45 am for a noon departure."

### May 31 - David Crockett State Park Ride

Depart Fesslers Lane @ 9:30 am. Ride to Lawrenceburg, TN for lunch at Chaparral's Steakhouse. Bring your camera and get a photo for the Ride the Parks contest!

# SAFETY HIGHLIGHT

As we have seen on TV, or read about them, the Cicadas are coming! Sometime in May the 17-year Cicada will emerge from the ground and grace us with its presence.

While we are out enjoying our rides soon, the Cicadas will come and join us--not that they were asked to come along, but they will. After 17 years in the ground growing, I'm sure they will splat very juicily on our windshields, visors, faces and everywhere else we don't want them to be.

We've all been hit by a bug, rock or other object as we travel down the road, so we know how painful it can be and can also possibly impair our vision as we ride. Try adding some type of wet wipes in your tour pack or saddlebags to help with the clean up of ourselves, helmets, windshields or anything else that might need clean up of cicada juice.

The life span of a Cicada is short, but it can make a big mess while here. This might just be the summer of the full face helmet comeback!

Ride safe!  
Sherri

# JUNE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3 Dinner Ride Leave Fesslers @ 6:30 pm	4 TN State HOG Rally	5 TN State HOG Rally	6 TN State HOG Rally	7 TN State HOG Rally
8 Return from TN State Rally	9	10 Dinner Ride Leave Fesslers @ 6:30 pm	11	12	13	14 Officers Meeting Boswells Grill  New Member Ride Depart 10:00 am
15 Father's Day	16	17 Dinner Ride Leave Fesslers @ 6:30 pm	18	19 MCC Meeting HOG Room Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30	20 1st Day of Summer	21 Heart of TN State Parks Ride Leave Fesslers @ 9:00 am
22 AMRA Harley Drags Bowling Green, KY	23	24 Dinner Ride Leave Fesslers @ 6:30 pm	25	26	27 Music City Bike Night 5:30 pm	28
29	30					

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Boswell's Harley-Davidson

401 Fesslers Lane

Nashville, TN 37210

### Mileage Contest

got miles?

We need your beginning mileage asap! If you have not already, please send your mileage, bike model and year to Barb Tallar at [thomastallar@bellsouth.net](mailto:thomastallar@bellsouth.net)

### MCC Weather Policy

Remember the 50/50 Rule: scheduled Chapter rides will be canceled if the high temperature is 50 degrees or less OR the chance of rain is 50% or more. Check the Weather Channel or weather.com

### Ride Line

Call 242-6067, option 8 for the latest ride info & dinner ride destinations.