THESE RULES GO INTO EFFECT AFTER JANUARY 30, 2010

Tennessee "Couple of the Year" Visitation Plaque

Purpose: The purpose of awarding the plaque is to encourage and promote inter-chapter visitation during the year by our Tennessee Chapter Couples of the Year.

1. Any current TN Chapter Couple of the Year ("Couple") wishing to challenge possession of this plaque may do so by attending the next gathering or event of the possessing Chapter. In case more than one Couple challenges possession, the Couple that has traveled the most distance will be given possession of the plaque. Couples that ride their motorcycle will be awarded double mileage. Determination of distances will be made by multiplying the total number of people challenging for the plaque by the number of miles traveled. (For example, if Couple A travels 50 miles on their motorcycle, and Couple B travels 75 miles in their car, then Couple A's miles are calculated as 2x50x2=200, and Couple B's miles are calculated as 2x75=150. Couple A having the most calculated miles would be awarded the plaque.) Distance is determined by the most direct route from the Chapter's regular monthly gathering place to the event place of the Chapter that is in possession of the plaque. MapQuest www.mapquest.com will be considered the authority for determining the official mileage.

2. In the event that both members of a Couple representing a challenge are not present, then a single member of a Couple becomes eligible. However, in the event that both members of a Couple are present—they will always take priority over a Couple where only one member is present.

3. Both members representing the challenging Couple must prove current membership in the Gold Wing Road Rider's Association, and the Couple must be on the TN-District MEC list (available on the TN GWRRA website at http://www.tngwrra.org/chapter_coy.htm).

4. The plaque is to be awarded at the beginning of the chapter gathering/event.

5. Once a Couple has successfully challenged and taken possession of the plaque, the Chapter's MEC or representative will immediately notify the District MEC so this information can be posted on the Tennessee District website. If possible, please also submit a picture of the possessing Couple presenting the plaque to the challenging/receiving Couple.

6. When the announcement of a successful challenge has been made, the plaque will then be available for challenge at the next gathering or event of the possessing Chapter. This process will then begin again.

7. No Couple can re-gain possession of the plaque until it has been taken from the Chapter in which the said Couple presented it to. The one exception is that if during the next event the plaque is not captured by anyone, then at the following event, the plaque will be available to the previous possessing Chapter Couple. (Example: If Chapter A has the plaque and Chapter B Couple comes and takes possession, then Chapter A Couple cannot re-gain possession from Chapter B at Chapter B's next event. They must wait until another Chapter Couple has taken it -- unless no one captures it from Chapter B, in which case Chapter A Couple will become eligible to capture it from Chapter B at their next event.)

8. The plaque will circulate between January 30 and December 31, 2010. The plaque will be awarded at the 2011 District Winter Event to the Chapter Couple of the Year out of the 2010 Class who captured the plaque the most times. In the event that two or more Couples are tied for capturing the plaque the most times, there will be a drawing between those Couples to determine the final awarding of the plaque.

Any questions regarding the Visitation Plaque Program should be directed to the Tennessee District Membership Enhancement Coordinators.