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THE CURRY CHRONICLES

I, yi, yi, yi! Hope all the rest of you are having as much fun as we are.

We took a little scoot out to Elko, Nevada, for about a week starting May 25th. George Davis rode out with us and we will never ever forget him, or his insatiable desire for biscuits and *graaaaaaavy!* This was a Region F “casino rally”, quite common in Nevada and Utah, where the only towns capable of hosting a group like ours consist mostly of casinos and nothing else! We went to support Derek and Laurie Fuller as they competed for the Region Couple of the Year title. Unfortunately, the Arizona couple walked away with the title this year, but our guys did a great job representing Colorado. It was a blast seeing a lot of our friends from the other states in Region F again. We polished on the white bike a bit and put it in the bike show. We actually won a plaque and were able to get about 350 people to sing “Happy Birthday” to the old guy – Dave Wren – at the ice cream social. We left the rally a bit early and rode to McGill, NV, where we visited with our kids, grandkids, and my brother for a couple of days. I got to ride my son’s new 1100 Honda

Shadow Sabre; we rode out about 30 miles, then switched bikes and rode back. It was about 43 degrees and, although I was having a bit of fun on that studdly machine, I was getting really cold and windblown without my fairing and windshield.



When we got back my son commented that for about the first 10 miles he forgot to put his helmet visor down and when he got off, he said that riding my bike with trailer was like driving an ice cream truck. Lots of grandbaby stories – Marsha’s in charge of answering any questions in that category.

At the District Rally in Greeley, CO, back in 2001 we had a 1996 white (of course) GL1500. We were wandering around the rally site and saw a ’97 white two-tone bike being pinstriped and it caught our at-

tention. There was a really huge guy standing next to it and we got to talking and that is how we first met Mike and Robin Bradbury. They were from Grand Junction and were having blue pin striping added to their Gold Wing. We chatted a bit more and at the end of the day we saw Mike riding out on his 1500. The next morning we were back at the rally and saw Mike back at the pin stripers with his bike being painted again. Turned out he’d ridden it out before the paint dried and he had a bunch of the pin striping on the insides of his jeans pants legs!

Anyway, that is how we met Mikey and we’ve remembered each other ever since. Mike became the Chapter B Director the next year and for several years we’ve kept in contact. While we were the chapter educators we traveled to Grand Junction one weekend to conduct a Road Captain’s course for their chapter and got to know more of the Chapter B members. We were also able to get together for barbecue with a bunch of Chapter B members a couple years ago when we had an overnight in Grand Junction during a Chapter I Color Ride. We’ve been trying

to get Chapter I and our friends at Chapter B together for a combined meeting for a long time. Both Chapters have their monthly meetings on the same day and at the same time, about 5 hours apart. I brought the combined meeting idea up with Boyce Baker, the new Chapter B Director early this year and he was all for it – we weren't quite sure how this all would turn out, but **our chapters actually pulled it off!**

We had our first combined chapter I/B meeting in Gunnison, CO, the 5th of June! Several of our members who like to camp went down Friday (Wrens, Cruzan/Schlosser, Atwells, Mike Manthei, Browns, and Nyquists) and secured the KOA pavilion for our meeting. We had twelve bikes in the group that left with us early Saturday morning. That group split into smaller groups after breakfast at the Gunnison McDonalds. Eric Hutchins and we were heading to the campground when Chris & Casey pulled up behind us (they'd ridden up on their own). I immediately missed the turn to the campground (*like your wouldn't have done that anyway, Ron?*) and as we were wandering off the wrong direction about ten Gold Wings passed us waving, heading the other direction – we later discovered that was Chapter B! We did a u-turn, took one more wrong turn and did another u-turn, then finally took the correct exit and pulled into the KOA. Both the Harders rode their bikes in about thirty minutes later with Mark Damschen accompanying (Tom got off a plane about 2:30 that morning). I counted fifty-five people at the pavilion and we managed to pull off the combined session in about thirty-five minutes, followed by a pot-luck lunch. Dena

Davis, half of the Region F Couple of the Year, came and she rode in with Skip and Margie from Chapter A. After socializing a bit, some of us stayed to relax in the campground and some of us took off with Earl in the lead heading down twisty Highway 114 to Saguache, then back up to Salida and on to the Chapter C Campout Dinner fundraiser. Tony and Anita McCoy are again the Chapter C Directors and they put on a great feed for us. After we finished our pie we headed East through the Arkansas River Canyon, getting back to Colorado Springs about 8 p.m. after a really terrific 465 mile day.

This may become a repeated event in the histories of Chapter B and Chapter I. My impression is that both chapters had fun and would like to do it again – maybe at the same or a different location next time.

This chapter is rockin' and a bunch of things are happenin' in other places!

- Dinner ride last month was led by the Atwells
- Erskines led (and already reported on) the Taos ride last month
- Had a couple of parking lot practices last month – no bikes dropped among the thirteen or so who practiced

📖 Our dinner ride this month is being led by the Reislars: meet on Thursday, the 15th at 6 p.m. at the Baptist Road King Soopers – destination known only by Dick & Didi!!

📖 Ride for Kids (Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation) fundraiser ice cream social at the Erskines, 6955 Oak Valley Ln, Saturday the **17th of June** starting at 6 p.m. **THIS**

IS A FUNDRAISER TO GATHER DONATIONS FOR THE CHAPTER TO TAKE UP TO THE RIDE FOR KIDS THE NEXT MORNING – BRING \$\$money\$\$ AND BE GENEROUS IN YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!!

📖 **RIDE FOR KIDS:** Fill out the registration form ahead of time; \$35 minimum contribution per bike to go on the ride. **Depart** Baptist Rd King Soopers parking lot 6:45 a.m. Sunday, 25th. Ecumenical ride – invite your Harley, Beemer, and Kawi friends along.

📖 **WING DING 2006:** the gathering of the wings! Many from our chapter are going. We're departing early the morning of Friday, June 30, and intend to be in Nashville Saturday evening (about 1150 miles). Others are departing earlier/later and are taking more time to get there than we are. If you want to go and want to ride with others, let us know and we'll try to coordinate groups.

📖 Chapter I Picnic/meeting first Saturday in August-USAFA

📖 **"Ride Colorado"** is August 11-13. This is something we started when we were the Colorado District Couple of the Year, and so far our replacements have continued to have it each year. It's intended to get chapters riding with each other as we take a scenic circular route through Colorado – I think the route might be up north again this year. You can join in for a while or ride the whole thing. Derek & Laurie Fuller, the current Colorado COY will have more info for us shortly.

📖 Finally, don't forget to regis-

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CHRONICLES (cont.)**

ter for the Colorado District Rally in Cortez September 8-10; the "early-bird" discount registration has been extended – register now and it won't cost you as much. I talked on the 8th with Gary Gardner, the Colorado District Director, and he assures me the rally in Cortez is on track. Gary has a torn rotator cup and had surgery on that the 9th – won't be able to get on a bike for at least three months.

If you aren't having fun with that motorcycle of yours, you just aren't trying! Stress relief is just a tank of gas away, and friends are a phone call away. Just takes one long ride to make great, unforgettable friends (where's my biscuits and graaaaaaavy?).

We hope to see all of you soon, and often.

Ron & Marsha Curry
CO-I Chapter Directors

Anyone know where I can find a helmet with ear holes?



Guess who

**June
Dinner
Ride**

The dinner ride is planned for June 15. We'll meet you at the Baptist Road King Sooper's up north at 6:00 PM, and we'll leave from there to the north. We promise you will enjoy the ride, like the food and sure you will return for an encore.

We still need to call the owner to let him know the approximate number of people coming. So please, send us an email at dickdidi@hotmail.com or give us a call at 488-9359.

Hope to see you on the 15th.

Dick and Didi



"Life may begin at 30, but it doesn't get real interesting until about 110."

RIDE FOR KIDS

Here's some information on our upcoming Ride for Kids on Sunday, the 25th of June. Look for a separate e-mail regarding the Erskines ice cream (and more) social on **Saturday afternoon, June 17th**. That event is intended to raise money to donate to the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation.

Roland is helping us coordinate this event for the chapter, so feel free to contact him with any questions. For now, plan on departing the Baptist Road King Soopers parking lot at about **6:45 a.m. on Sunday the 25th**. We'll take the back road up to the 470 loop around the West side of Denver to the Heritage Square parking lot. Registration starts at 8 a.m. and we'd like to be near the front of the pack.

I've included the flyer at the bottom of this note. You can go to <http://www.ride4kids.org/ridekit/2006WebRideKit.pdf> to **download the registration/contribution form**. There is a minimum donation of \$35 per bike to ride the event. I can tell you from experience, that it's very easy to bring more than \$100 per bike if you just let your friends and co-workers know what you're riding for - they are more than willing to chip in a few dollars. If you can't go on the ride, give someone else in the chapter your donations to carry up.

Each rider/co-rider must sign a registration form and have the data filled in and the money ready in cash or check - you won't have time to do all this after you get there, so do it before you show up to ride out of the Springs. We plan to ride up as a group and then meet separate riders from our chapter before we move into the staging area as a chapter group. The bikes are lined up for the ride in the order they come in, parked, and you immediately go to a registration table to turn in your registration forms.

Update On Spencer

Spencer is doing well - he finished radiation and has had two clean scans and is getting energy back slowly but surely. Since radiation is the treatment that's cured this kind of cancer for years, we're very optimistic that we're done with the experience! And he's done really well with it all - he still has a bit of short term memory disturbance but that seems to be abating and his sense of humor is very intact. :)

RIDE FOR KIDS Colorado Location

Heritage Square Park, Golden, CO

Join hundreds of other motorcyclists for this curvy ride along the Front Range mountains of the Rockies. You'll have a great time while raising funds for the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation's medical research and family support programs!

Registration opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 9:45 a.m. The ride starts at 10 a.m. sharp, *rain or shine!*

The police-escorted ride weaves through canyons with sparkling creeks and steep rock walls on its way to the Jefferson Co. Human Services facility. After a light lunch, participants will enjoy a Celebration of Life program that features interviews with young brain tumor survivors—the Ride for Kids® “stars” of the day. Award presentations to top fundraisers and distribution of premiums will follow.

The minimum donation to ride is \$35, but the more money you raise, the more premiums you earn. For each \$300 you raise, your name will be entered into a drawing for a brand-new Honda motorcycle!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

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Why? Ice Cream - and lots of other goodies - Social

When? Saturday, June 17th 6:00 pm (NOTE THE TIME CHANGE!!!!)

Where? Chris and Sandie Erskine's Home
6955 Oak Valley Lane
In the Rockrimmon area (see directions below)



Cost? You bet! Please plan to make a much appreciated donation to benefit the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. We will happily accept checks made out to the Foundation and your hard-earned dollars will always be welcomed. All donations will go directly to the Foundation on behalf of Chapter I. This will be presented at the Ride For Kids on Sunday June 25th.

What can you bring? Besides your monetary donation, if you have a couple of lightweight outdoor chairs, that would be handy. If you don't have the chairs, no problem, we'll have extras I'm sure. Other than that, just bring your appetite!

RSVP? Please do! We need to be sure we'll have plenty for all
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Chris.erskine@eds.net Chris



Can I bring a guest (or two)? Bring your friends, kids, neighbors - the more the merrier. Just let us how many are coming.

Directions: From I-25 and Woodman Road go west till about the 5th traffic light. That will be Allegheny. Turn right on Allegheny. Stay on Allegheny for a mile, you will drive over 5 speed bumps. Immediately after the 5th speed bump, turn right onto Oak Valley Lane. We're at the end of the Cul-de-sak #6955.

From Centennial and Garden of the Gods, go north on Centennial. After crossing over Vindicator Road/Flying W Ranch Road, the next street is Allegheny. Turn right and go about 1 mile. You will go over 1 speed bump. Immediately after the speed bump is our street. Turn left, we're at the end.

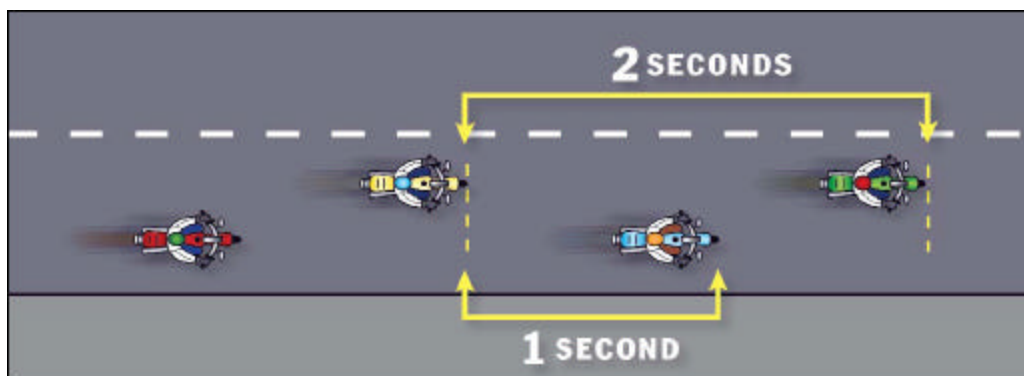
We hope to have a great turnout for this very worthy cause so mark you Chapter Calendars NOW. Please note that we moved the time to 6:00 pm. This will allow more time for all those Honey-Do lists to be completed during the day.



QUICK TIPS: Guide to Group Riding

Motorcycling is primarily a solo activity, but for many, riding as a group -- whether with friends on a Sunday morning ride or with an organized motorcycle rally -- is the epitome of the motorcycling experience. Here are some tips to help ensure a fun and safe group ride:

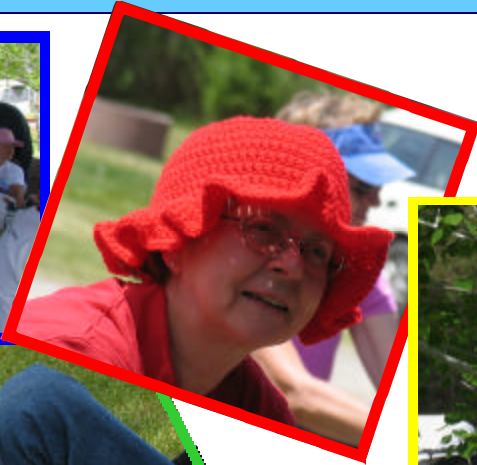
- **Arrive prepared.** Arrive on time with a full gas tank.
- **Hold a riders' meeting.** Discuss things like the route, rest and fuel stops, and hand signals (see diagrams on next page). Assign a lead and sweep (tail) rider. Both should be experienced riders who are well-versed in group riding procedures. The leader should assess everyone's riding skills and the group's riding style.
- **Keep the group to a manageable size**, ideally five to seven riders. If necessary, break the group into smaller sub-groups, each with a lead and sweep rider.
- **Ride prepared.** At least one rider in each group should pack a cell phone, first-aid kit, and full tool kit, so the group is prepared for any problem that they might encounter.
- **Ride in formation.** The staggered riding formation (see diagram below) allows a proper space cushion between motorcycles so that each rider has enough time and space to maneuver and to react to hazards. The leader rides in the left third of the lane, while the next rider stays at least one second behind in the right third of the lane; the rest of the group follows the same pattern. A single-file formation is preferred on a curvy road, under conditions of poor visibility or poor road surfaces, entering/leaving highways, or other situations where an increased space cushion or maneuvering room is needed.
- **Avoid side-by-side formations**, as they reduce the space cushion. If you suddenly needed to swerve to avoid a hazard, you would not have room to do so. You don't want handlebars to get entangled.
- **Periodically check the riders following in your rear view mirror.** If you see a rider falling behind, slow down so they may catch up. If all the riders in the group use this technique, the group should be able to maintain a fairly steady speed without pressure to ride too fast to catch up.
- **If you're separated from the group**, don't panic. Your group should have a pre-planned procedure in place to regroup. Don't break the law or ride beyond your skills to catch up as the situation warrants. . **For mechanical or medical problems**, use a cell phone to call for assistance.



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by
Mark Damschen

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Combined Chapters I and B meeting





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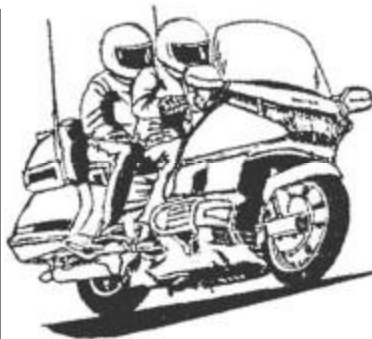
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...Then I caught her spending
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...And I asked how come I had to
give up stuff and not her.
...She said she needed the make-
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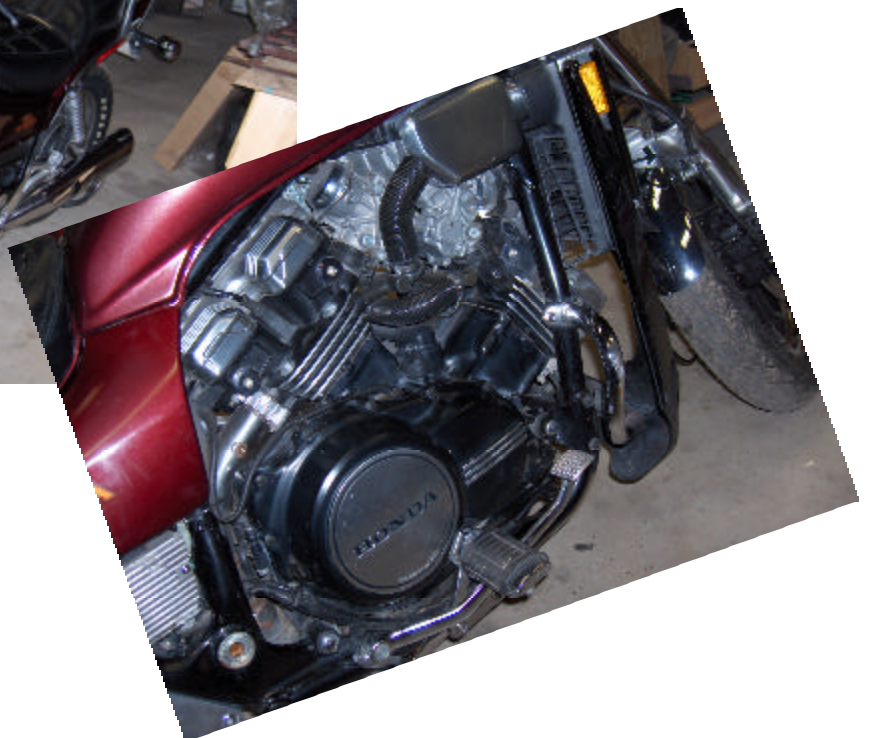
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Here are a few pictures:

John Sterner

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“FUN ACTIVITIES AT WING DING”

By now I hope all of the Chapter Directors throughout the Organization have received their Chapter invitation to come join in the “FUN”. We are coordinating “Chapter Get Together” for each individual Chapter designation in the Organization.

The Henry Horton State Park Restaurant has been reserved for 3 days (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) in preparation for these gatherings. The Restaurant manager, Jan Darnell, is looking forward to our arrival. Careful consideration has been given to the coordination of the “Get Together” so we will not overbook or overwhelm the Restaurant personnel and we do not want to take our Members away from the activities scheduled at Wing Ding such as the Opening Ceremonies, talent show and the Grand Parade.

Due to Opening Ceremonies from 8:00am until 9:00am and the talent show from 4:00pm until 6:00pm on Monday we have only lunch scheduled. On Tuesday due to the Grand Parade from 3:00pm until 5:00pm we have scheduled only breakfast and lunch. On Wednesday we have scheduled all three meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner). Each Chapter designation is scheduled for one of these meals and will meet in the Magnolia Circle at the North end of the Opryland Hotel at a designated time to ride to the restaurant.

Our Chapter Coordinators have made every attempt to make sure all Chapter Directors have been contacted, but due to outdated email addresses some may not have gotten the letters. If you are one of these Directors please let us know. I am including a list of Coordinators for each Chapter designation. Please contact them and let the coordinator know if your Chapter will be attending this “FUN” event. Just think sitting in a room with all Chapter “A’s” or “B’s”, etc. and socializing. This may be something you would want to do each year.

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See you at Wing Ding,

June Agee

International Public Relations Coordinator

Heat Related Topic

Passing this forward...safety tip for heat related riding....stay safe, it's hot out there...

For those of you that ride - this is great information to keep in mind. I had NO idea that I could loose 3 quarts of water in an hour riding -- that explains a lot!

by Terry Horan

Texas seems to be entering a summer of record high temperatures, when in combination with Austin's relatively high humidity can be fatal to unprepared motorcyclists. When the ambient air temperature in the shade is 100° F., it can be well over 120° two feet above the black asphalt of a Texas highway. Compounding the heat from the sun is a pair of cylinders and exhaust pipes radiating temperatures in excess of 500° F just inches from the rider's legs. A safety conscious motorcyclist will be wearing boots, jeans, a long sleeve shirt, gloves and a helmet that restricts the body's ability to cool down through evaporation of perspiration.

Dr. Richard A. Beauchamp, a medical consultant for the Bureau of Epidemiology at the Texas Department of Health exclaimed, "High temperatures are physically tolerated by most people for short periods of time," but some form of heat—related illness may occur when people are exposed to high temperatures and humidity that produce a heat index of 95 degrees F or higher for 30 minutes or longer. **At temperatures above 90° F., a motorcycle rider traveling at 60 miles per hour can lose three quarts of water every hour.** If these fluids and

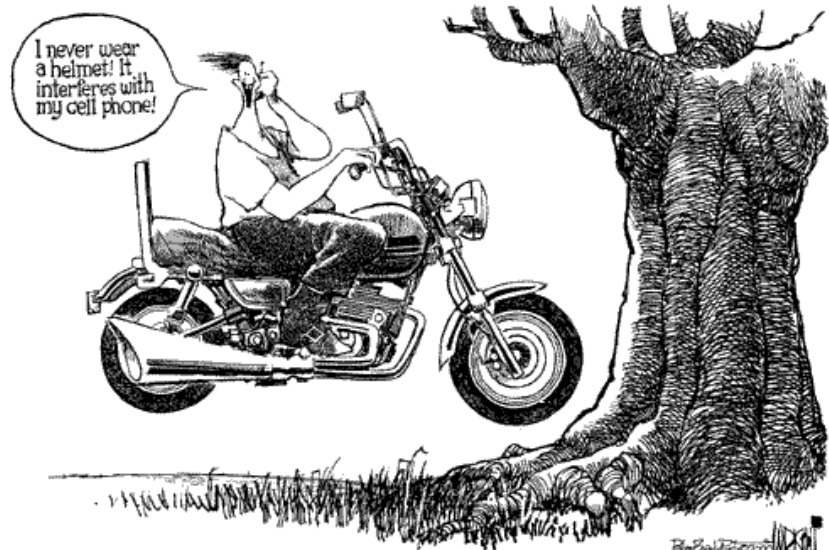
salts, lost through perspiration, are not rapidly and continuously replaced then dehydration and electrolyte imbalances can occur. Dehydration further impairs the body's ability to maintain the proper core temperature which could lead to heat stress, heat exhaustion, heat stroke and even death.

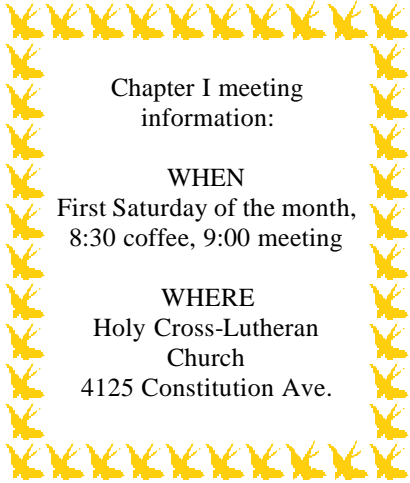
To prevent dehydration and hyperthermia, a motorcyclist should stop every thirty minutes to consume at least a quart of water plus prepare another quart to consume while riding between breaks.

Water, milk, fruit juices, as well as many of the commercially available "sport" drinks are excellent fluid replenishes, but do not drink anything containing alcohol or caffeine as they will actually dehydrate your body. You can also reduce dehydration by wearing light colored, loose fitting clothes and drenching these clothes with cool water at each thirty-minute break. This artificial perspiration can make the body feel 20 degrees cooler

and reduce the loss of body fluids. At 60 miles per hour on a 90° F day a soaked shirt and jeans will be bone dry within twenty minutes. If you own a Kool Tie or similar product, it will keep your neck and shoulders cooler and prevent sunburn on this otherwise exposed skin. If you do not own a Kool Tie, a light colored neckerchief or bandanna soaked in ice water can serve the same purpose.

If you experience nausea, dizziness, headache, fatigue, rapid pulse, shortness of breath, disorientation, cold and clammy skin or hot and dry skin, you should take immediate steps to rapidly cool down the body. The best and fastest method is to get into a tub of cool water and add ice as fast as you can stand it until you core temperature has returned to normal. If a tub is not available, a cool stream or lake will help and if that is not available simply soak your clothes with ice water from your cooler.





Chapter I meeting
information:

WHEN

First Saturday of the month,
8:30 coffee, 9:00 meeting

WHERE

Holy Cross-Lutheran
Church
4125 Constitution Ave.

Upcoming Rallies

WING DING - July 3-6 - Nashville, TN

California - September 1-4 - Santa Clara, CA

Colorado - September 7-9 - Cortez, CO

New Mexico - Sept. 29–Oct. 1 - Alamogorda, NM

Region I Rally - August 2006 - Powell, Wyoming

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