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Springs Wings



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Shelley Shenanigans Notes from the Directors -

First things first—Chapter I will not be meeting on the first Saturday in July. We will meet July 10 at Country Buffet (Citadel Crossing, 751 North Academy Boulevard) at 8:30 in the banquet room.

Reminder, we need to help our COY and IOY fill their COY/IOY basket for the District Rally, Au-

gust 27-28. Also, if you are planning on attending the rally, consider registering early. Registering early helps the organizers prepare and plan more events and activities.

June has been full of riding and activities.

- We had 33 members and guests ride to Pueblo after our June meeting for a wonderful lunch along the river walk. Then, with bellies full, we rode on to Beulah for an ice cream social with Chapters C and N.
- June 6, we went to The Bridge Assisted Living Center and gave residents motorcycle rides (see article for details and pictures)
- June 12 there was an ERC class
- June 13 was Ride for Kids
- June 17, Dick and Didi led the dinner ride up to Castle Rock. We had about 16 people for this excursion.

It appears riding season has finally settled in for us. There are so many places to go, things to see and do, and friends to enjoy. Be sure to look at our list of upcoming events for things to do. This is NOT an all inclusive list. Hope to see all of you at Wing Ding and the District Rally. Have a fun month and enjoy the summer.



Visit Chapter I at www.springswings.org

Ride Safe, Butch and Sinda

TESSA Run—July 18

Registration opens @ 8:00 am, Frankie's Bar & Grill, Powers & Galley Breakfast starts @ 8:00am, first bike out @ 9:30 am See attached flyer for more information.

Please consider dropping off your old cell phones at either Frankie's location. I'll even collect them if you prefer. Instead of sitting on them and letting them gather dust, donate them! They are re-programmed for emergency use for use by folks who find themselves in Domestic Violence and abuse situations. That's for men, women, and yes, children!

ASSISTED CYCLING' OVER THE BRIDGE - 6/6/10



This sign was in

Submitted by Didi Reisler

Impressive, proud is expressing it mildly at the participation and enthusiasm of our members towards giving motorcycle rides and a "Blast from the Past" experience to the residents of the Bridge Retirement home. These sentiments were also felt by the residents (co-riders) and their families.

Cindy and Pam, from the center, had been so helpful and organized with planning this event. They certainly are very caring for the welfare and happiness of their residents. They roped off an area in front of the building for parking the bikes and an area with chairs lined up in the shade for the riders and spectators. They also had a cooler with drinks ready for everyone, which was refreshing in this heat. Cindy and Pam were there helping each co-rider with encouragement and just being happy for their residents. **I think I want to live there when I grow up.**

The staging happened at the Star theatre around the corner, and the parade of 15 Gold Wings, Trikes, and Wings with sidecars rode together to the retirement home. Originally, we had eight residents who signed up for the ride. However, after seeing the show of our Wings, more (12 or 13, the majority were women) decided to join in the fun. How about them gutsy women, ah? We ladies know where the fun is – YES! The excitement was building up waiting for the Wings to arrive. They couldn't see the staging, and they started asking, "Where are they?", "Are they coming?"

I wish I had names to convey the event in a more personal level, but I'll try and mention a couple of observations and ask our member riders to tell more fun details about their ride with the residents. For instance, one lady, paralyzed on her left side, had to be carried up to the seat on Chris Erskine's Wing. It didn't work from the right side, so they went from the left. Although you could tell how uncomfortable she felt with this maneuver, she was such a sport, so excited about the ride, smiling and showing no sign of quitting. Thanks, Chris, Kevin, and Dick.

My fun memory of this was when I asked one of the men, Charlie, to choose which bike he wanted to ride on. Without hesitation, he pointed to Patty's shiny silver Wing. I'm not totally sure if it's because he liked the bike the most or sweet and pretty Patty. A smart man! At the end of this event, the conversations continued with the enjoyment of ice cream cups for everyone – a gold winger's dream desert. Thanks, Marsha.

I believe there were people who liked this experience so much and requested to go again for a ride. All in all, this was a very enriching experience for everyone involved and definitely should be considered again. Please share some of your memories of this with the rest of our chapter.





THANK YOUs go to: Patty Hales, George Davis (trike), Dean & Joann Hauser (trike), David & Judith Fitzgerald (trike), Kevin & Connie Dougherty (trike), Steve & Sherry Sullivan (Trike), Don Cruzan, Butch & Linda Shelley, Mark Damschen, Chris Erskine, Donald Roberts (trike), Claude & Nancy Lockhart, Doyne & Tom Bruner (owner of Apex and son, each came with motorcycle and side car), Dick & Didi Reisler.













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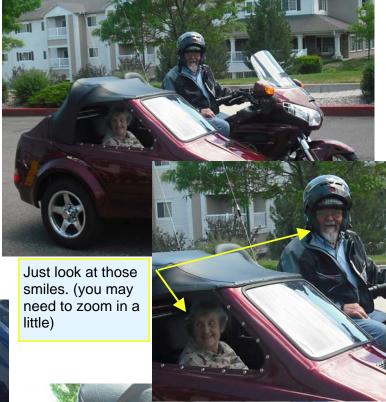








Mary wasn't too sure about riding a bike, since she recently had back surgery. But she saw Doyne's sidecar, how soft the seat was, and decided she would try it.





I could see that Coleen wanted to ride, but was hesitant. I told her that she could take Scout with her in a side car.

Looks like Scout and Coleen both had a blast.

Upcoming Events & Celebrations

Brillays



July 13—Steven Cox 14—Ken Kerbs 23—Butch Shelley

ANNIVERSARIES

July

3—Doug & Marilyn Irish

15—Earl & Laura Edwards

17—Ray & Bea McClellan

25—Jim & Rainy Moncrief

28—Chris & Sandie Erskine

Dates to Remember

June 30 to July 3—WING DING, Des Moines, IO

July 10—Chapter I meeting @ 8:30 am-Country Buffet on Academy

July 18—Chapter L Pancake Breakfast FUNDRAISER at Philly's, 3333 W. Wadsworth Blvd (8-11)

July 24—Day ride to Breckenridge with Dean

July 29-Aug 1—Riverview Camping

July 31—Chapter J Hummer of the Summer

Aug 7—Chapter I annual picnic at Air Force Academy

Aug 13-14—Chapter Q "Porker Run"

Aug 21—BBB (Bikes, BBQ, & Bunco)

Aug 27-28—District Rally, Salida (register early & register often!)

ERC Class

There was an Experienced Rider Class on Saturday, 12 June 2010. We had two members of Chapter I, Mark Damschen and Don Bush, attend the class. Although the weather was far less than par, both men demonstrated their ability to brake, corner, and swerve. I'm very impress with the riding ability of all of our chapter members. It shows me that some practice is being put forth in riding skills.

Earl Edwards Chapter I Rider Educator



Colorado District Rally August 27-28

Get those cookie recipes out and start getting ready for the cookie contest (sponsored by CO Chapter C).





Chapter I will be selling water and manning the swap meet area again this year. Volunteers needed.

Our own Don Cruzan will be running the Road Kill Game and needs some volunteers to help him.

Chapter I COY/IOY need donations for their entry into the COY/IOY basket competition.



GOOFY



Goofy goes to Earl Edwards

Goofy is awarded to one Chapter member who has done the goofiest thing since the last meeting. Goofy gets to spend the next month with that person. The person receiving Goofy must add or attach something that represents their "goofy" stunt.

Well, this month Goofy 2 gets to visit our "original" Goofy's favorite Chapter I member—Earl Edwards. Earl was nominated to receive Goofy because on Maintenance Day he kept loosing tools, sort of. Earl would use a screw driver and forget where he put it—his back pocket. Not once, but several times.



Dick Riesler is compiling the history of Goofy #1. If you have had Goofy as a guest in your home because you were a bit goofy and one of your fellow Chapter members saw it, please provide Dick with your story.

Even if you did not receive Goofy but you can remember someone who did, jot the down the information and send it to Dick or just give him a call.

Chapter I COY & IOY



Paul & Jeannie Bondurant



Nancy Daniels



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Chapter I Fun and Games



Progressive Marble Game

In May 2009, Chapter "I" started a progressive marble game. This was started to help generate some funds for the Chapter. How

the game is played is we started off with 12 marbles the same color and one of a different color in a bag. At each month's meeting for a dollar apiece you can buy a chance to have your ticket drawn to reach in the bag to see if can pull the different color marble and walk away with the amount in the kitty. Only one ticket is drawn each month. Half of the money that is collected goes to the Chapter and the other half goes in the kitty. If no one draws the different colored marble, then we precede to the next month. If the different colored marble is drawn then we start over again. The fun of this game is waiting to see if the different colored marble is drawn, if not then the kitty keeps growing.

We had a winner in February; therefore, we started over at the March meeting.



2010 Participation Reward Program Rules

Program is open to current Chapter I GWRRA members only.

Program lasts from January 1 to December 31, 2010.

Points will be awarded to each person attending events or activities by the following schedule:

- 2 pts CPR, First Aid, ERC, or Riding Skills classes or seminars (not parking lot practices).
- 3 pts Local organized events (meeting, lunch/dinner rides, day rides, etc).
- 5 pts **Out of Area** events (other chapter meetings, events, fund raisers, etc)
- 10 pts District, Region, or National GWRRA meetings, events or rallies

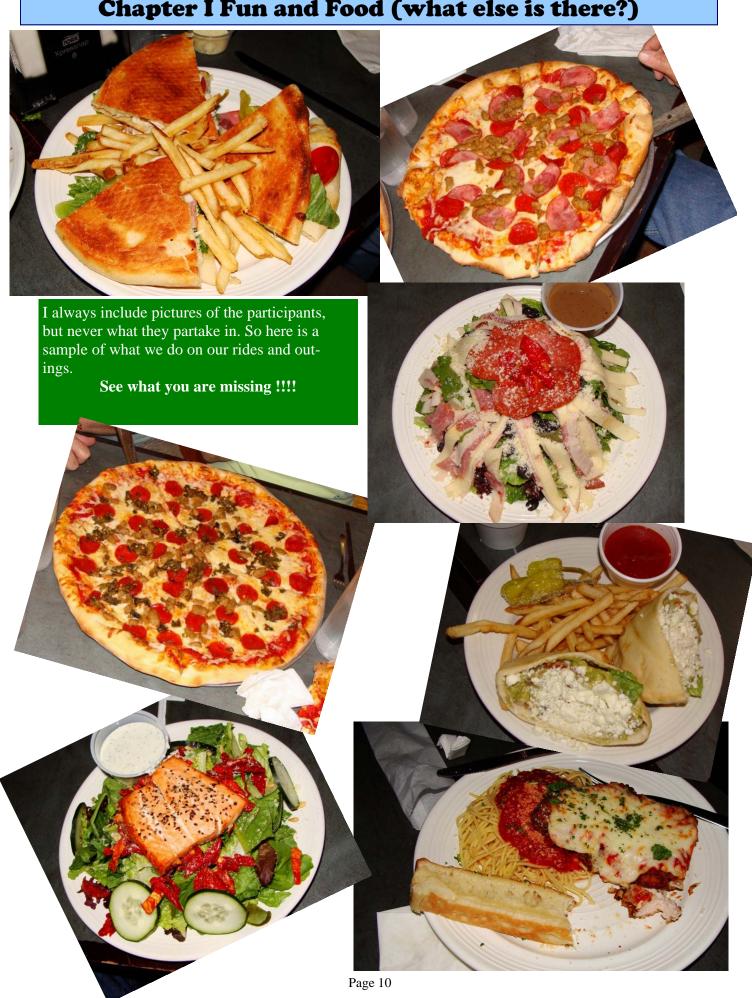
Attendance for local events will be recorded from the sign-in sheets. Proof of attendance for other than Chapter I events must be provided to the Chapter within two months (60 days) of attending the event to receive credit. Proof of attendance must be something that proves of actual attendance of the event, such as signed note from meeting director, copy of sign-in sheet, or photograph at the event; gas or meal receipts are not acceptable.

Current scores to be published bi-monthly in the chapter newsletter.

Prizes to be awarded at the January 2011 Chapter meeting. Prizes will be first place \$100, second place \$50, third place \$25 if possible. Gift certificates may have to be substituted for tax reasons, determination pending.



Chapter I Fun and Food (what else is there?)



Colorado Ride for Kids Update

Picture it—white tents, green grass, 30+ volunteers, 89+ motorcyclists, six brain tumor survivors (STARs) and their families, and it's raining like nobody's business (not to mention the temperature is a bit chilly). We are under the tents walking around in huge puddles, and trying to keep all the paperwork dry.

Our police escorts quickly mapped a new, safer route for the riders to avoid road closures (due to two-days worth of rain) and snow in the higher elevations. Upon returning, everyone enjoyed a BBQ lunch from Jim & Nick's while the Celebration of Life began.

All six Stars were excited to be there and ride on the bikes or in sidecars—even in the rain. Spencer, Ben, and Patricia (a Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation [PBTF] scholarship recipient) were our returning Stars, while our first-time riders included James, Colin, and Dylan. Dylan just graduated and received a PBTF scholarship for this Fall. Colin rode his own bike in the ride. When James and Dylan spoke to the riders they stated their amazement at all the people who came out to support and help them. These children and young adults are the ones who are amazing and extraordinary. They are the everyday heroes.

Despite the miserable weather, the riders were able to bring in **\$46,801** for the kids and prove to motorcyclists dedication.

I received the following note from the Colorado Ride Manager on Wednesday after our ride.

Recently, the Foundation has been in negotiation with a major corporation that is interested in being a national sponsor and will be donating hundreds of thousands of dollars. However, one of the things this company has been concerned about regarding Ride for Kids was the weather issue. The company was wondering what happens when the weather doesn't cooperate. Well, COLORADO RFK was able to show them. Because of the GREAT EVENT COLORADO had in such miserable weather, the Foundation was able to forward the press release to this company to show them that no matter what the weather, motorcyclists show up and the Ride for Kids event goes on to CELEBRATE our Stars' lives!!!

As a personal note, I would like to thank the Chapter I members and my volunteers who came out in that torrential downpour to support the Stars and ME. In the words of my Ride Manager - YOU ROCK!!

Linda

For Sale



2000 Anniversary Edition 1500 Goldwing With 2007 MOTOR TRIKE COUPE CONVERSION AKSING \$18,500.

Miles on Goldwing – 63,465

Miles on Trike – 7942 (include in Total Goldwing miles)

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TRIKE EXTRA'S

Chrome bumper-with LED lights, LED brake & running lights on fenders, fender skirts with LED light, trunk carpet & interior light, trailer hitch, 3 degree rake

Contact Betty at 303-828-1068 or 303-263-6805

ATTENTION

Chapter I JULY meeting

information:

WHEN **July 10**,

8:30 breakfast, 9:00 meeting

WHERE

Country Buffet, Citadel Crossing, 751 North Academy Blvd



Asthe new year begins and we step up to our new positions as Chapter Directors, we still need help filling vacancies on our staff.

Membership Enhancement Coordinator

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