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Couple of the Year (COY) - Dean & Joann Hauser

Individual of the Year (IOY) - Jim Wyman

This is already proving to be a very full and active year for Chapter I and us. The calendar and ride planning was, in our opinions, a success. Things to look forward to this year include CPR/First Aid classes, ERC classes, maintenance day, a chili cook-off, picnics, camping trips, day rides, dinner rides, ice cream socials, games, conventions, visiting other Chapters and their activities, community service and outreach opportunities, and so much more. The ladies are already working on the 2011 Christmas Party.



Speaking of community service—we will be collecting food for the church food pantry a month early, FEBRUARY. Due to the holidays, their pantry is empty and need our help. It would be nice if we try to really out-do ourselves for them at the February meeting.

Our District has been assigned to sell 50/50 tickets at the Region Convention in Pueblo. We will contact the District Director and let him know Chapter I will take a block of time Saturday, afternoon May 28.

There are new guidelines and points for our participation rewards program. Now, even more ways to get active, meet members from other Chapters and Districts, and rack up those points. Refer to page XX for descriptions and points. When you visit other groups and events not only do you meet new people, you learn more about what they might do different and fun. Then bring it back to our group to share the ideas.

We spoke with the church and we are now scheduled to be in Hiller Hall (the big room just inside the East entrance) in February, April, June, July, September, and October. They have us scheduled for the Fireside Room in March, November, and December.

Get ready and bring your antacids, Chapter I's 2nd Annual Chili Cook-off will be March 26. The firefighters are looking forward to this and some may even be planning on competing. We are hoping members from other Chapters will bring their chili, too.

Our Christmas party committee is already in hot pursuit of a location for this year's party.

Ride Safe,

Butch and Linda

Law of Mechanical Repair - After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to pee.

Articles and photos needed for the newsletter.

Linda needs help filling the newsletter with Chapter activities, travels, special interest, etc.

Please provide any information or photos about your trips / excursions.

This is a **CHAPTER** newsletter.

Things my Motorcycle has taught me other the years

People ask me why I ride a motorcycle. For those who have experienced the joy, no explanation is necessary; for those who have not, no explanation is possible.

- The only good view of a thunderstorm is in your rear view mirror
- Four wheels move the body; two wheels move the soul
- Most motorcycle problems are usually caused by the Nut that connects the handlebars to the saddle
- Life may begin at 40, but it doesn't get real interesting until about 80mph!
- You start the game of life with a full pot of luck and an empty pot of experience! The object is to fill the pot of experience before you empty the pot of luck.
- If you wait, all that will happen is that you get older
- Bugs at midnight taste just as bad, as bugs at noon
- Saddlebags can never hold everything you want, but they can hold everything you need
- Don't ride so late into the night that you sleep through the sunrise
- Sometimes it takes a whole tank full of gas before you can think straight
- Never hesitate to ride past the last street light at the edge of town. H-D drivers, take note.
- Never do less than forty miles before breakfast
- A bike on the road is worth two in the shed
- Respect the person who has seen the dark side of motorcycling and lived, and still rides
- Young riders pick a destination and go; Old riders pick a direction and go!
- A good mechanic will let you watch, without charging you for it
- Sometimes the fastest way to get there is to stop for the night
- Always back your bike into the curb and sit where you can see it
- There are drunken riders and there are old riders, but there are not many old drunk riders
- Ride to work. Work to ride
- Two-lane blacktop isn't a highway - it's an attitude
- When you look down the road, it seems to never end; but you better believe it does!
- Winter is nature's way of telling you to test the electric's and install new tires
- Keep your bike in good repair; Motorcycle boots are not all that comfortable for walking
- People are like motorcycles; each is customized a bit differently
- Sometimes, the best communication happens when you're on separate bikes
- When you're riding lead, don't spit
- A friend is someone who'll get out of bed at 2 am, to drive his truck to the middle of nowhere to pick you up when you break down
- Catching a Bee in your shirt at 70 mph can double your vocabulary
- Catching a Hornet in your helmet will help triple that special vocabulary
- There's something ugly about a bike on a trailer
- Everyone crashes, some get back on, some don't, and some can't ;-)
- If you can't get it going with bungee cords and duct tape, it might be serious
- If you ride like there's no tomorrow, today will be a BLAST
- The best modifications cannot be seen from the outside....
- Always replace the cheapest parts first
- You can always forget what you do for a living when your knees are in the breeze
- Only a Rider knows why a dog sticks his head out of a car window
- Keep the shiny side up and the rubber side down again for 2011!

Happy New Year to all my riding friends and to new friends I haven't met yet.

Remember you meet the nicest people on a motorcycle. No matter where in the world you travel!

Submitted by Dean Hauser

UPCOMING FIRST AID/CPR CLASS

The class for the CPR/First-aid is schedule for January 22, 2011 at the Air Force Academy Outdoor Recreation Center (Community Center, Bldg 5136). To get the this building, if entering the north gate, once on base turn left on Stadium Drive, if entering the south gate, stay on south gate blvd till it turns into Stadium Drive. Look for Community Center Drive or sign for BX/Commissary. Go west on Community Center Drive. Approximately 2 miles, look for the Community Center on the left side of the road. If you pass the filling station on your right, you went too far. Class starts at 8 am. \$20 per person. The classes for February and March 12 are at the same location. Also keep in mind to order your First -Aid kits for your motorcycle and or your car.

Earl Edwards
Rider Educator



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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.

Celebrations, Events, & Fun

Goofy goes to Don Bush or is it Patricia Hales



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.

January was a toss up as to whether Don Bush or Patricia Hales should get Goofy. They were both involved in the same “goofy” happening.

Don needed some patches sewn on his chapter vest, so Patricia volunteered to be the seamstress. She made sure the patches were square and aligned just so. Don put on his vest and was so happy. Everything looked great as he inspected it in the mirror. That is until Bob Nyquist pointed out that the Colorado flag patch was upside down. Don looked down and said it looked right to him (it even looked right when he looked in the mirror). Patricia had to remove the Colorado patch and sew in on right side UP. Thus, Don got Goofy for not realizing the patch was wrong and gave it to Patricia for the stitchery.

Dates to Remember

- Jan 22—CPR/First Aid class, Air Force Academy
- Feb 5—Food pantry. After the meeting, everyone is invited to Ray & Nancy Daniels’. Nancy is hosting a PartyLite party for the ladies & the men can hang out in the basement. Nancy will have chili—everyone else bring whatever you would like to go with it or bring your own chili.
- Feb 12—Valentine Bunco, Ray & Nancy Daniels
- Feb 12—District Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser
- March 26—Chapter I 2nd Annual Chili Cook-off
- May—Region F Convention, Pueblo

Birthdays

- Jan 12—Marsha Curry
Joann Hauser
- Jan 14—Donald Roberts
- Jan 17—Bob Nyquist
- Jan 19—Don Moller
- Jan 27—Monica Harder
- Jan 28—Rainy Moncrief

Points		
New	Old	
20	10	District/Regional/National events
15	n/a	Chair/co-chair - Fundraiser
10	n/a	Event (such as Dinner Ride, party, games or activity at District Convention, etc.) - host/organizers/volunteer
7	5	Out of Area - chapter events (examples, Pueblo CO-N, Canon City CO-C, Denver chapters)
5	3	Local (Chapter I) - chapter meeting/scheduled Chapter I events
5	n/a	Guest to meetings/events – to include inviting to and introducing at meetings, escorting out-of-town visitors on rides
4	n/a	Newsletter articles (chapter, district, national) motorcycle or chapter related
3	n/a	Ride after meeting
3	2	CPR
3	2	First Aid
3	2	ERC
3	2	Riding Skills – parking lot practice
3	n/a	Snacks for meetings—Signing up and providing

Participation Rewards Program

Written or photographic proof (with date) required within 30 days of occurrence.

Any event or activity must be scheduled, announced, and available to all chapter members. *This does not include last minute dinner plans while on a Chapter camping excursion, because this would limit participation to only those on the excursion.*

“one winner per household only”

Classifieds



2000 Honda Valkyrie GL1500C -- 15k miles -- \$6250

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Second adult owner. Always garaged. My wife loves this motorcycle, and I hate to sell, but we just don't get to ride it much. I occasionally ride four miles to work.



New windshield for cool Colorado mornings. Nice comfortable seats and upgraded shocks, but otherwise very straight and stock.

Major tune-up just done in 2009 at Apex Sports including oil, all filters, plugs, valves and carbs adjusted (\$400). She is running very smooth.

No rides. No trades. No begging. Cash or a cashier's check deposited at my bank (Wells Fargo).

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Reporters interviewing a 104-year-old woman: 'And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?' the reporter asked. She simply replied, 'No peer pressure.'

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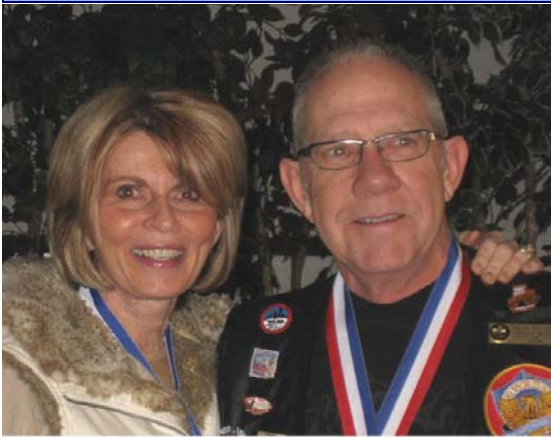
I've sure gotten old! I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. Have bouts with dementia. Have poor circulation; hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92. Have lost all my friends. But, thank God, I still have my driver's license.

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I feel like my body has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor's permission to join a fitness club and start exercising. I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors. I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour. But, by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over.

Couple of the Year

Joann & Dean Hauser



Individual of the Year

Jim Wyman



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— REMINDER —

Bring food and supplies to the February meeting for the church food pantry. It's empty after the holidays.

Let's see if we can really outdo ourselves this month.

The adventures of G.W. Biker

G.W. Biker is a Goldwing rider who lives to ride and works hard in order to pursue his passion. He is just an average man who has a passion for riding his Goldwing motorcycle. His mild mannered, caring personality lets people relax when they are around him.

His sense of humor borders on disgusting without hurting people's feelings. G.W. Biker lives where the weather is always warm and sunny. His Goldwing is always polished and ready to go in case the mood strikes him.

This morning was going to be special, he and his chapter were going to capture the wanderer. Donning his custom leather jacket, his riding boots, leather gloves, sunglasses, and helmet; G.W. was ready to ride.

Backing out of his driveway ever so slowly, he noticed how cool the morning breeze was. The sun riding low in the sky, the birds singing their morning songs and the occasional dog barking gave G.W. the feeling that this was the perfect place to live and ride. With a smile on his face, G.W. sped off like someone who had someplace to go.

Turning left out of the complex and coming up to speed, feeling the cool breeze on his face relaxed him. All of a sudden, he felt a sharp pain under his jacket. He figured it must be a bee sting and reach under his jacket to swish it away. At 60 mph wrestling with a bee and keeping your eyes on the road kept G.W. very busy. G.W. figured that it would be much safer to pull over and take care of the situation before it got worse.

He got off his bike and as luck would have it, his custom made leather jacket zipper got stuck. Yanking on that zipper made the bee angrier. While struggling with his jacket zipper, he



felt another sting giving him the impression that this thing must be a wasp not a bee.

Realizing what he had, he decided not to mess around with that zipper any more and try to pull his jacket off over his head. Of course he couldn't pull his jacket off without taking off his helmet. So he reached up and undid his chinstrap and slid his helmet off. Unfortunately, he forgot to undo his radio cord and ripped the jack out from the bike. Realizing what he had done made him so angry, that he threw his helmet down to the ground cracking the face shield, making his helmet and face shield totally unusable.

By this time he was so angry that he reached up and slid his jacket off over his head. This made the wasp even angrier. The jacket was half way over his head when he realized that he had forgotten to unzip his sleeve zippers.

Sliding the jacket back over his head, he looked down to unzip his sleeve zippers and felt another sting. While pulling the jacket over his head again and getting madder every minute, he lost his balance and fell against his Goldwing, knocking it off its kickstand and onto the ground. At this point, G.W. was helpless. His bike was on the ground, his jacket was over his head, and he was thrashing around on the ground trying to pull his jacket off.

It was clear to him at this point that he was going to get that wasp no matter what it took. Rolling around on the ground with his jacket pulled over his head and getting stung was NOT what he wanted to do today.

As he was struggling to pull the jacket off and swatting the area where the wasp was, he

inadvertently kick his headlight, cracking the lens all the way across. When he finally got the jacket off he reached down to locate that wasp and send him to the happy hunting grounds in the sky. Lifting up his shirt and just as he was about to bring the wrath of God upon him, the wasp flew off.



Exhausted, G.W. laid there contemplating what had gone down. He got stung several times, his helmet was ruined, his face shield was cracked, his radio jack was ripped from the bike, his kickstand was bent, his headlight lens was cracked, and his Goldwing was lying on the ground like a walrus sunning itself on the beach. All the result of one wasp. With the help of strangers, he got the bike upright and started.

While heading home G.W. realized what started out as a good day turned into an all out fight with Mother Nature. When he pulled into the garage, he was thinking of how much damage there was because of a little wasp. Nursing his wounds, G.W. couldn't help but think the next trip would be better, it couldn't get any worse.

Will G.W. Biker's next trip be less eventful? We'll see!

Submitted by Dean Hauser



January 2011
Chapter I meeting

WHEN
1st Saturday
8:30 coffee, 9:00 meeting

WHERE
Holy Cross-Lutheran Church
4125 Constitution Ave.
in Hiller Hall



Goodies for February
Olga Wyman
Rainy Moncrief



Blond Joke

A blonde heard that baths in milk would make her beautiful. She left a note for her milkman to leave 25 gallons of milk. When the milkman read the note, he felt there must be a mistake. He thought she probably meant 2.5 gallons. So he knocked on the door to clarify the point.

The blonde came to the door and the milkman said, "I found your note asking me to leave 25 gallons of milk. Did you mean 2.5 gallons?"

The blonde said, "No, I want 25 gallons. I'm going to fill my bathtub up with milk and take a milk bath so I can look young and beautiful again."

The milkman asked, "Do you want it pasteurized?"

The blonde said, "No, just up to my tits. I can splash it on my eyes."

Link to First Aid kits

<http://www.first-aid-product.com/industrial/vehicle-first-aid-kit.htm>

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