# Springs Wings

# Shelley Shenanigans - Notes from the Directors -

The snow has almost melted in our yard (well, in most areas). There is green beginning to peek out as the temperature begins to warm. Motorcyclists are coming out of hibernation. What a wonderful site it is. As we get our bikes out on the roads be diligent and cautious with all the gravel and sand on the streets, as well as all the motorists still in their own world and unaware that we are around.



Be sure to watch your emails and the newsletter for upcoming activities. We will be promoting events from all over the state including poker and fund raising rides from other groups. Doesn't matter what anyone rides as long as the rides are safe and fun.

Oh, and don't try this -



Ride safe,

Butch and Linda

There are three stages of life; youth, middle age and "Gee, you look good!" Red Skelton

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### **Dates to Remember**

Mar 22-Dinner Ride/Las Palmitas Glenn & Alexis

**Apr 7- Chapter Meeting** 

Apr 14—Silpada Jewelry- Golden , CO

Apr 15—Chapter A Pancake Breakfast / Littleton, CO

Apr 23-Quaker Steak & Lube/

Westminster, CO

## **Birthdays**

#### **APRIL**

2-Casey Ward 5-Darrel Cruzan 23-Joe Carlson

## Anniversaries

**APRL** 

30-Claude & Nancy Lockhart

#### **APRIL GOODIES**

Joe Carlson Claude & Nancy Lockhart

### MAINTENANCE TIP

FINAL DRIVE GEAR OIL Is due change every 8,000 miles

[It only holds 4 ounces of gear lube.]

### **QUESTION OF THE MONTH**

### What's Your Favorite Colorado Road?

I have a lot of favorites, but US 40 over Berthoud Pass to Grand Lake has to be in my top 3 rides. The hairpin curves and the elevation changes along with the views on both sides are great. I have been driving over that pass for 46 years and it has always been an adventure no matter what vehicle I am in.

The one that leads home Linda Shelley

The one that leads away from work. Chris Ward

Cliff Childs

The Next One Darrell Cruzan

Gosh!!! All of them...as long as they are in mountains!!!!! Claude & Nancy Lockhart

My favorite is Hwy 24 from the Springs to Buena Vista, then from there Hwy 291 to Salida, and finally Hwy's 50 & 115 back to the Springs. Great views, low traffic, twisties, and straightalways. Good places along the way for eats. Gene Krull

Dean and I both agree that our favorite scenic road to ride in CO is the Durango/Silverton/ Ouray/Telluride Loop, especially in the fall!

Joann Hauser Hwy 9 from Royal Gorge up to Guffy.

Jim Wyman

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I really enjoy the area by Chatfield Dam - Deer Creek Canyon (Co Rd 124) up into Turkey Creek (Co Rd 122). Lots of trees, pretty houses to look at, wildlife to be on the lookout for, little traffic and nice easy-breezy turns. Probably one of my favorites. Sandie Erskine

9 going south off of I-70 Ralph Clayton

Kens favorite road is the 115 to Canon City and mine is 67. Bonnie Kerbs

My favorite road in Colorado is located on Highway 50 west after the location of the Royal Gorge. It is along the Colorado River heading toward Salida. I just love the curves along the river, the up and down hills and curves. The river is nice and the air is cool. The scenery is just fantastic. Earl Edwards

Ben's favorite road in Colorado is CO-125 from Granby to Rand CO. Kathy Apple

## - <u>NEXT MONTH'S QUESTION</u> - WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE RIDE FOR FOOD?

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## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

This month Chapter I collected over 200, close to 300, pounds of food and delivered it to the church food pantry. We have always done such a great job of donating food and you should be proud or our Chapter. Thanks for your generosity. We will continue to donate food to the pantry (so many folks are in need) every quarter. If you feel you want to donate more and bring it every month, please feel free.

Nancy Lockhart spoke about the Toiletry event that we will be continuing. As you travel, or if you shop places where small toiletries are offered at low prices, collect them and bring them to any meeting. We will collect these items until September. A committee will package toiletries in bags (thanks to Casey Ward these bags are always a delight to behold) and deliver them to needy organizations such a the Ronald MacDonald House in October.

We are also working to put our Bridge ride together where trikes and bikes with side cars will give rides to the residents at The Bridge. The date for this is 24 June( a Sunday) at 1PM. We will be asking Chapter I members with trikes or bikes with side cars to meet there (and don't forget to bring along some helmets for the co/riders to borrow to make this ride for the seniors a great event. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy this event.

Our positive community work is very important so that bikers and especially Gold Wingers show folks in our city that we are the "good guys."

I also wanted to thank Didi Reisler for all the work she has done to get our program going in a great way.

Community Service,

Marsha Curry & Nancy Lockhart

#### HASHBROWNS CHEESE BREAKFAST CASSEROLE

8 potato squares 1 cup milk
4 cups cheese salt/pepper
2 cups ham or sausage 7 eggs
1/2 tsp ground mustard

Put potatoes on bottom of greased pan. Layer cheese and met. Mix eggs, milk, salt, pepper, and ground mustard. Pour over top of casserole. Bake at 350 for 1 hr covered, then uncovered for 15 mins.

#### EASY QUICHE

1 cup half & half
4 eggs
1 can mushrooms
1 pie crust
1 lb sausage

Mix eggs, half & half together. Add remaining ingredients. You can add black olives, green chilies, onion. Place in unbaked pie crust. Bake at 400 for 45 mins.

Compliments of Laurie Schlosser—Yummm!!

## GOOFY



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.

Members, be on the look out for someone pulling a Goofy.

### RIDER EDUCATION

#### MOTORCYCLE HELMETS

As we all know, or should know, or not know, motorcycle helmets should prevent head injuries if worn correctly. The expected life of a motorcycle helmet is about 5 years. Due to the composition of the helmet, the contents will break down over a time. This is why the helmet should be exchanged for a new helmet around 5 years.

What if you drop your helmet? What should you do? Is it any good? Should you throw it away? Buy another \$400 helmet? Certain companies will check your helmet to see if there is a crack or internal damage to your helmet by way of an ex-ray machine or some other type of hi-tech machine. I don't now the cost or if some companies may do it for free. {I doubt it.} The other choice you can do is to be careful with your helmet. No matter how careful you are, there is bound to be an accidental drop or bump of a helmet. Well, what now wise guy/gal? This is where your judgment comes into play. How bad was the bump? How high was the fall or drop? How often does this action occur? I use the egg analogy, an egg is fragile just like your helmet. If you have a hairline crack in your eggshell, is the egg still good or will you throw it away. If you have a medium crack in the eggshell, is it still good? If you have a severe crack in the egg shell, where the egg white is showing, is the egg still good? Try to relate this to your helmet. Although, no egg white will come out of your helmet, you can try to judge the impact of your helmet. Keep in mind, this is a judgment call for you. Only you know what is good or bad. (This is one person's

opinion.)

Earl



Update from Ron Hall regarding the MOST Program

Please let the members know that SB12-089 The Repeal of the MOST Program was defeated yesterday in committee. I thank you for all the signatures on the petition. We were successful. Now C-DOT will make the changes recommended by the audit that was done and things should be better with the program.

#### **Link to First Aid kits**

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



## RIDE OPPORTUNITIES / OTHER EVENTS

### SILPADA JEWELRY PARTY

For the ladies of the house (unless the man of the house wants to buy a gift for his lovely wife), A Silpada Jewelry party to benefit Colorado Ride for Kids at my home on Saturday, April 14, from 10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon. I hope you will save the date and plan on attending. More information will be sent to you as the date draws closer.

For those of you who do not know about Silpada jewelry, it is sterling silver and very nice. The representative who displays the jewelry gives her entire commission to Ride for Kids and I give my so-called hostess gift too.

Hope to see you here. April Hansen-Keppler pahkwing95@aol.com

## LAUGHLIN, NV

Group (so far there are five of us) leaving Monument, CO April 22, 1000hrs for Laughlin, NV - arrive in Laughlin, NV the afternoon of April 27th - spend Friday and Saturday at the Laughlin River Run and then head back to Colorado Springs to arrive Monday night - May 1st. Route out is variable depending on the weather - looks like we will head due south and then go across the southern parts of New Mexico and Arizona then North from Yuma. Return should be Interstate 40 for the most part - again weather dependent.

Let me know if you would like to join us and we can work out more of the details.

Joe Carlson aka Deer Slayer <u>jcarlsonretired@aol.com</u> 719-488-1902 405-326-2588 skype

## QUAKER STEAK & LUBE -Ride for Kids Fundraiser

Ride for Kids Fundraiser to be held on April 23 at Quaker Steak & Lube, 10392 Reed St, Westminster. This will be a buffet dinner and silent auction, 5:00—9:00. Contact Linda Shelley with questions and for tickets.

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Couple of the Year (COY) - Don Cruzan & Cathy Luce

Member of the Year (IOY) - Nancy Lockhart



#### Chapter I meeting

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

LOCATION
Holy Cross Lutheran Church
4125 Constitution Ave.

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## Member of the Year Nancy Lockhart



#### **Newsletter Editor Note**

Special thanks to all who provided input for this month's Newsletter.

## **Springs Wings**

## \*\*\*\*\* Fun Stuff \*\*\*\*\*

### I'm just saying

- Your motorcycle doesn't get upset when you forget its birthday.
- You can choke your motorcycle.
- Your motorcycle doesn't get mad when you ignore it for a month or so.
- Motorcycles don't snore.
- Your motorcycle won't wake you up at 3:00 AM and ask you if you love it.
- If your Motorcycle doesn't look good, you can paint it or get better parts.
- It's always OK to use tie downs on your Motorcycle.
- Motorcycles don't care about how many other Motorcycles you have.
- Motorcycles don't whine unless something is really wrong.
- Motorcycles' curves never sag.
- You can kick your Motorcycle to wake it up.
- The only good view of a thunderstorm is in your rearview mirror.
- Well-trained reflexes are quicker than luck.
- Never mistake horsepower for staying power.
- Young riders pick a destination and go. . . Old riders pick a direction and go.

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