

## Shelley Shenanigans - Notes from the Directors -

Everyone is so busy this summer. Therefore, this newsletter will cover July & August.

Reminder – The August meeting and annual picnic has been changed to the **SECOND** Saturday, August 11. Meeting will begin at 10:00 am with the picnic to follow. The Chapter will furnish hamburgers, hot dogs, coffee, and water. We would like for people to sign up to bring lettuce, sliced tomatoes, sliced onions, buns, and condiments. Bring your favorite picnic dish to share with everyone. Picnic will be at the picnic pavilion on the Air Force Academy. If you plan on riding your bike to the picnic, you must wear long pants, over the ankle boots/shoes, long sleeves, bright and/or contrasting colors, helmet, full finger gloves, and eye protection (if you do not have a face shield. Details will be provided in a week or so regarding personal information we will have to turn in to the Academy.



Colorado District Convention is less than a month away. Register and make your reservations soon. Several good seminars are planned for the convention and some new games should be fun. Don't forget the motel lowered the room rate \$5.

Hope ya'll are staying cool in all this heat. Just be glad you aren't in Texas with the heat AND humidity. Don't think it has stopped raining since I was there 2 weeks ago. Tried to bring the rain back but all we got was some of the heat.

Ride Safe, let's continue to have a better year than last, maybe everybody can have a chance to heal up.  
Remember: You're never too old to learn something stupid.

*Butch and Linda*

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## Dates to Remember

**Aug 4—CRUZAN MOTORSPORTS Race  
Day in North Platte, NE**

**Aug 11—CHAPTER MTG/ ANNUAL PICNIC  
AIR FORCE ACADEMY PICNIC PAVILLION**

**Aug 16-18—DISTRICT CONVENTION /  
GRAND JUNCTION  
[Peach Festival also]**

OH SO GOOD—  
RECIPES, GIFT IDEAS & TIPS  
—\$5.00 each—

CD's available with Proceeds Benefiting  
the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation, supported by **RIDE FOR KIDS**

What a great bargain — buy several to give as gifts, while giving to a most worthwhile cause .....

Contact Linda Shelley to purchase !!

## Couple of the Year Don Cruzan & Cathy Luce



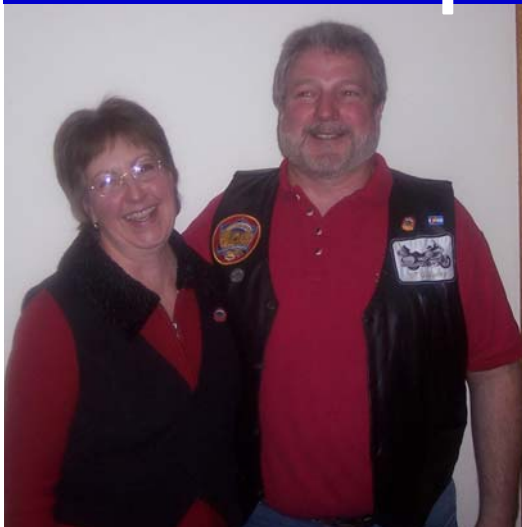
CHAPTER I MEETING  
10:00 am  
SAT, AUG 11TH  
Annual Picnic to Follow

Location:  
AIR FORCE ACADEMY  
PICNIC PAVILLION

## Member of the Year Nancy Lockhart



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## Birthdays

### AUGUST

1-Carole Moravek  
5-Chris Ward  
7-Rod Klock  
16-Laura Edwards  
29-Olga Wyman

### SEPTEMBER

2-Marilyn Irish  
11-Tammy Day  
Kathy Wren  
12-John Athman  
19-Bonnie Ebersol  
Eric Hutchins  
25-Jeannie Bondurant  
29-Doug Irish  
30-Cliff Childs

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

**Member of the Year (IOY)** - Nancy Lockhart

## Anniversaries

### AUGUST

15-Paul & Jeannie Bondurant  
20-Ray & Carole Moravek

### SEPTEMBER

1-Gene & Marina Krull  
3-Dave & Kathy Wren  
8-Neal & Barbara Bondurant

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# Past Member comes to the Springs

About June 28, 2012, a few employees from Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station gather at “The Hatch Cover” to celebrate the retirement of an Army Colonel. I was ready to go when this man called out “Is your name Earl?” At first I didn’t recognize the man. “Who wants to know?” I said. “Didn’t we take a trip to South Carolina several years ago?” It was Don Dudley. Imagine that. Don was in our Chapter I in the early 1990’s. Anyway, he came up to visit his son that owns a limo service.

Well, the story goes...back in 1996, give or take a year or so, Wing Ding was in Greenville, SC. I was going, but was going to travel alone, because everybody else was leaving earlier in the week. Back then, I did much camping and took along MRE’s (Meals Ready to Eat) that I saved from Army maneuvers. As I remember, Rich & Donna Noah, Bob & Darlene & Ray and Bea McClellan and a few others (can’t remember) was going to Wing Ding. Along the way they were going to stop at Nashville, TN to see a show at the Grand Ole Opry at 6 pm. Bea had a friend that could give us backstage passes to the show. Don and I signed up to make the show. Everybody thought that we would not make the show, leaving Friday and the show on Saturday. Don and I left on Friday morning in the rain from Pike Peaks Community College at 7 am. What a miserable start for a two day ride. Well, the rain stopped about the time we reached New Mexico. We changed out of our rain gear and it was game on. Don was pulling a home-made trailer with a 1988 Honda Gold Wing. I had a 1989 Wing. The plan was to stop around Oklahoma City for the night, but we were not tired, so we kept driving. Don was a big gambler when it came to fuel...little did I know. It began to get late into the night as we drove into the state of Arkansas. We got fuel throughout the day on a regular basis as needed, but the last fuel stop was a little nerve-racking. As we pass the city lights of Fort Smith, AR at midnight, I notice the fuel light had come on. Now, I’m thinking...85-90 mph was our speed, Don’s pulling a trailer...his fuel light should be on. “Don, my fuel light is on” I said over the CB. “Don’t worry about it...Mine has been on” replied Don as the city light of Fort Smith, AR got dimmer in my rear view mirror. We did find a gas station that was open and got fuel. I put in 6.1 gallons and Don put in 6.2 gallons. I believe max capacity was 6.3 gallons. Too close for me. We found a motel and went to sleep.

The next day was going to be a rough day because yesterday we didn’t feel tired. Well, I was right because around 10:30 am, we began to get tired and stopped for a nap in a local park. After recharging our batteries for about an hour, we were on our way again. We drove all the way to Nashville, TN and located the Grand Ole Opry. We made our way to the special entrance and past security and made it on stage where our seats were reserved. The rest of the group was already there and was surprised to see Don and I. Yes, we made it without any problems. The first day was 860 miles and the second day was 430 miles. The next day, we all went to Greenville, SC for Wing Ding.

Earl Edwards  
Chapter Rider Educator



## **RIDER EDUCATION**

### **Don't be DEAD RIGHT!**

The average driver in today's society has become a creature of habit. They only know how to get from point A to point B as fast as possible. This will include running through Yellow lights to gain a few seconds, or cutting in and out of lanes just to beat someone to the next stop light.

Everyone seems to be a graduate of the NASCAR driving school, as they think nothing of changing lanes without signals, or if you leave 10 feet of space between you and the car in front, they will fill it!

It is more important than ever to be aware of these drivers, as they apparently have no respect for others. If you encounter one of these cell phone talking, texting fools, or worse drunks, you will probably have to be the bigger person and drive for both of you.

That means anticipating them doing the unexpected! A recent poll by the NTSB showed that 65% of drivers between the ages of 16-25 admit to texting while driving. This is scary since most of them have little or no experience behind the wheel.

If you are not riding DEFENSIVELY, and looking for the driver coming at you, or in the next lane to do something stupid, then you are probably a statistic waiting to happen.

**DON'T BE DEAD RIGHT!** Motorist Awareness works both ways, and as riders we need to be aware of the fact that not all folks are driving with their head on their shoulders.

Forwarded by Dean Hauser — Thanks for the input Dean !



## FOR SALE

2009 Honda GL1800 Silver Goldwing For Sale - \$20,000

33050 miles, chrome wheels, LED tail lights, HID headlights, heated package, passenger armrests, passenger switch blade footboards, cb radio, butler cup holder for driver & passenger, garmin zumo gps mount, trailer hitch, exhaust turndowns, tubular chrome trunk rack, highway pegs, muff mirrors and upgraded battery that is guaranteed to last 10 years. Honda warranty with 7 year extended warranty is transferrable.

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## FOR SALE

Year old ROAD DOG Trailer For Sale \$2,100. I acquired the trailer last year which was upgraded by the manufacturer to have it service as both a regular trailer, and a Pet Hauler. They added a removable inside shelf to provide a higher and better ride for the pet, a vent that can be locked in any position, and a solar fan to keep the interior cool. My intent was simply to use it for providing Annie (Minnie Austrian Shepard) a better riding opportunity. Annie has a mind of her own and prefers to ride on the rear seat of my trike. It is a very well made trailer, a pleasure to tow (don't know it is there), and only has about 5 miles on it. Purchase price was \$3,400 – you have a chance to own it for \$2,100.



You can visit the Road Dog site for more information <http://www.roaddogtrailers.com/>

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### Newsletter Editor Note

Apologies to Walter & Pat — these submissions didn't come across as they were sent.  
I'm not that technologically savvy, but did the best I could.

## **AUGUST GOODIES**

### **ANNUAL CHAPTER PICNIC**

**Please bring your favorite picnic dish  
to share**

## **SEPTEMBER GOODIES**

**NANCY DANIELS  
MEL PARTNER**

# **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.

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