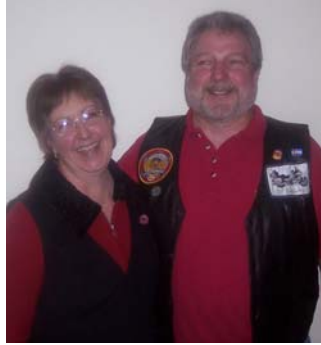


- From the Directors -

Hello Everyone and welcome to March 2013!! Do you realize that it's almost riding season? I want to thank everyone again for another fantastic meeting! It is just magnificent having in attendance 54 CO-I members, 15 CO-? visitors and 2 first time visitors. I hope everyone made Dave & Nancy Roberts feel welcome. I guess we'll know if we see them back in April or before. A hearty 'welcome back' to Tom & Julie and to Anton & Caryn. I'm glad to see we didn't scare them off. I'm pretty sure Caryn had a good time before it was all over. (Congrats!)



We really had a great time last month on our trip to the Chapter B Valentine Fundraiser in Grand Junction. We were joined there by Cliff & Myra Childs and John & Kim Athman plus twenty or so of our front-range friends and an equal number of west slope members. After they fed us we got to participate in their auction which I'd love to describe to you but you'd really just have to be there. Seriously, it was so much fun! I'll be going back.

That event was preceded a week earlier by our own Valentines Bunco Fundraiser hosted by Ray & Nancy Daniels. Of course we ate first, then played Bunco, then we got to buy stuff in the auction with real 'fake' money we earned during the Bunco. Honest Detective Reisler, it was real 'fake' money.... Everyone had a great time, especially those that were able to secure that special something they were hoping to 'buy'. Thank you to everyone who participated and to Nancy for your ideas and to Ray, whose job it is to "Git R Done". As usual, you guys did a wonderful job!

Looking ahead, as I mentioned, we have the beginning of riding season. Please take time to get you bikes ready. Check and change that oil if needed, as well as the tires and brakes. Check those fork seals, it's not a huge job to change them if it's time.

Don't forget to check the lights and the preload. You have time to do that now. That first really nice weekend is just around the corner. Let's be ready.

Remember to check your email's. I'll try not to overwhelm you but I do like to keep you up-to-date on new and/or improved upcoming events. I hope to see your headlight behind me or your helmet ahead very soon.

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- Members of the Year** - Darrell & Laurie Cruzan

APRIL GOODIES

Claude & Nancy Lockhart
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Dates to Remember

Birthdays

APRIL

1-DJ Morasky
 2-Casey Ward
 Wally Shutt
 5-Darrell Cruzan
 Jacque Callicott
 23-Joe Carlson

- Mar 16—Dinner Ride - Childs
 White Fence Farm-Lakewood
- Mar 17-Happy St Patrick's Day
- Mar 21-Ride for Kids FunRaiser
 Sweet Tomatoes-Westminster
- Mar 30-WY-B Birthday Party
 CO-District Leadership Trng
- Mar 31-Happy Easter
- Apr 6-CHAPTER MEETING
 Follow the Leader Ride
- Apr 7-Chapter A Pancake Breakfast -
 Littleton
- Apr 10-Open House—Aurora Honda
 Chapter J, Free Food !
- Apr 13- ERC
- Apr 13-Iowa Chapter W, Humbolt

Anniversaries

APRIL

5-Steve & Jacque Callicott
 30-Claude & 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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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 know the cost or if some companies may do it for free. (I doubt it). The other choice that you can do it 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 judgement come 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 judgement call for you. Only you know what is good or bad. (This is one person's opinion.)

Earl Edwards
Chapter Rider Educator



More Pics



Thanks to
Nancy Lockhart
for these VALENTINE'S BUNCO pics

&

Doug & Marilyn pics



BE WELL SOON,
DOUG

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COMMUNITY SERVICE



3/4/13

Gold wing motorcycle Club
Thank you very much for the
302 # of groceries donated to
the HC Pantry on 3/2/13. The
donation contained a large variety of groceries
which is very good. Your generosity is
appreciated very much. Thanks for caring
for the needs in our community.
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COMMUNITY SERVICE



Dear Mr. Cruzan,
Sandie Erskine recently brought
in a wonderful donation of quilts
and blankets made by your group!
We, at SilverKey, were thrilled
to receive this gift on behalf
of the seniors we serve.
Thank you so much for your
generosity and kind heart! The
Goldwing Group is wonderful!
Thank You - Fern Drwig

EVENTS/ ACTIVITIES

Please join us for the next dinner ride at White Fence Farm. Details are as follows:

White Fence Farm

6263 W. Jewell Avenue

Lakewood, CO

303-935-5945

Time/Date: 4:30 p.m. - Saturday, March 16th

Menu:

Chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, pickled beets, cottage cheese, corn fritter, red beans

Served family style - cost is \$14.95 for 4 pieces of chicken and the second person can pay \$9.95 and gets the sides only and share in the 4 pieces of chicken

You can also order from the menu

RSVP to childs3153@gmail.com or call at 303-353-9502 no later than Tuesday, March 12th so we can verify the number of meals with the restaurant

White Fence Farm is an old farmhouse converted to a restaurant and has a petting zoo, gift shops, carriage rides, bluegrass band and beautiful grounds you can walk.

If you would like to carpool, please meet at the King Soopers parking lot on Baptist Road at 3:00 p.m. Otherwise, we'll see you at the restaurant.

Hope to see you there -

Cliff and Myra Childs

EVENTS/ ACTIVITIES

Buy One - Get One Free KOA Weekend - Pay for Friday night and get Saturday night free!!

When: Friday, May 10th through Sunday, May 12th

Where: Royal Gorge KOA - 559 County Road 3A - Canon City, Colorado

The entrance to the KOA is off of Highway 50 at the Royal Gorge turnoff

Cost: \$40 plus tax Friday night - Saturday night free

Sites: The sites held are 20 and 30 amp electric/water sites only. If you want full hookups, please tell them when making your reservation

Join us for a great weekend of camping, campfires, conversation and bean bag baseball

Call Royal Gorge KOA at 719-275-6116 and mention Cliff Childs, Chapter I to reserve one of the spots that have been held or make reservations for a spot with full hookups. Cabins may be available, if that is your preference.

Questions - call Cliff or Myra at 303-353-9502 after 6:00 p.m. or email at childs3153@gmail.com.

!! LET'S GET READY FOR CAMPING !!

EVENTS/ ACTIVITIES

40 to Phoenix - Plan is to ride from COS on March 12 to Moriarty, NM and join up with the main group that is coming in from El Reno, Oklahoma. On March 13 ride from Moriarty, NM to Phoenix , AZ March 14 is tour the GWRRA Headquarters. March 15, 16, 17 – return to COS using whatever route decided upon. Pat Staffieri and I did this ride for the first time last year and we really enjoyed the ride and camaraderie.

2. Laughlin River Run www.laughlinriverrun.com

Plan is to leave COS on April 21 or 22 and return o/aApril 29th. The route and timing is dependent upon the weather. Stay in Laughlin the nights of April 25th and 26th. Laughlin is 902 miles from COS. Take the most scenic routes available – every year is different. This will be my 4th year to do this ride and I've enjoyed it each time. So far there are 5 of us going.

If you have questions, please give me a call or email. If you would like to join up and go on either of these rides, let me know. 405-326-2588 or email. Joe Carlson aka Deer Slayer

Mar 21 5:00—8:00 pm Ride For Kids FUN RAISER

SWEET TOMATOES, 8971 Yates St., Westminster, CO

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.

Colorado

All Chapter Camp-out



Date: June 14-16, 2013

Location: Royal Gorge KOA, 559 County Road 3A, Canon City, CO 81212

Camping rates: The website for the campground is: koa.com/campgrounds/royal-gorge

You will all have to make your own reservation this year via the website. If you plan on attending and want to be updated on some fun things that we are planning, email me at jwilliams5@comcast.net. If you want me to take you off the email list, let me know. Make your reservation as early in January as possible to ensure a campsite and deposits are due by May 1st to the KOA. As part of the Gold Wing Road Riders camping group, you will receive a 10% discount at check-in time.

There are a lot of fun things to do at the campgrounds and surrounding areas. This should be another fun campout for our group and hope that you can join us.

Judy & Carl Williams

District Special Events Coordinators

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