

SPRINGS WINGS



CHAPTER I MONTHLY GATHERING

WHEN

1st SATURDAY

8:30 coffee, 9:00 meeting

LOCATION

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
4125 Constitution Ave.

- From the Director's Desk -



It may not be winter quite yet...I think this officially starts on December 21st. However, at home, we are starting to see ice forming all around the house. There is snow on the road, and when that subsides, there's more gravel with each storm. As a result, I'm less inclined to take the bike to work instead of my truck. Maybe it is just me 😊

This started me thinking about working on the bike during this down time. I've managed to stock pile a few projects for the Wing that haven't made progress this year. I'm sure that many of you also use the winter months to work on motorcycle projects. If so, would you consider writing an article for our newsletter describing your project and your feedback? I'm sure that many of us would enjoy reading about your projects and probably be motivated to take on a new project.

We had such a great time at our annual Christmas party. It was great to get together with all of you that were able to make it. The Radisson did a good job with the decorations and the food was great. Glenn, once again, did an outstanding job as our DJ...there was spontaneous dancing, singing (under my breath) and laughter by all.

As this year closes, we want to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Ride safe, and we will see you out there.

Steve & Jacque
Colorado Chapter I Directors

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THOUGHTS FROM THE BACK SEAT

As I prepare to write my last article to you for THIS year, our first year as your directors, my thoughts are so many.

In January of this year, I wondered what I would have to share with you each month, or if I would even have anything worth sharing.

What I have come to realize is that, THOUGHTS FROM THE BACKSEAT, has become not only my way to share my thoughts with you, but my heart also.

I have come to love and appreciate you ALL so very much! What you each bring to our Chapter-I family is so very important!

I have seen first hand, your generosity and compassion as cart loads of food, fleece blankets, toys for kids and bags of hygiene items have gone to those in need.

I have witness time and again, your personal sacrifices, you, freely giving of your time and your talents, to help make a difference, it's a beautiful sight!

I love your willingness to jump right in and help with anything, everything, be it our picnic, the bike and light shows, or to fill Thanksgiving baskets for struggling families.

I would like to say from the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU! Because of your wonderful support, your encouragement and tremendous help, our first year as your directors has been MUCH easier, MUCH more fun and MUCH better then Steve and I could EVER do on our own.



THANK YOU for a wonderful first year as your directors. We are looking forward to many more great things to come in 2017. We LOVE being part of YOU!

Jacque Callicott
Chapter I Director



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- Individual of the Year (IOY)** - Lamont ‘ Rocky’ Rigby



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2016

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JAN 2017 GOODIES

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Birthdays

JAN 2017

12—Marsha Curry
Joann Hauser
13-Jackie Lacasse
17-Bob Nyquist
19-Don Moller
Bonnie Kerbs

**CONGRATULATIONS
EARL EDWARDS**

**In addition to Chapter Educator,
Earl is also now**

Assistant DISTRICT Educator

Members to Remember

Best Wishes In Swift Recovery

Bea McClellan
Ralph Clayton

Dan Maine, Glenn Goode,
Earl Edwards
all looking good after their surgeries!

Anniversaries

JAN 2017

22—Ron & Marsha Curry

Dates to Remember

Jan 1-New Year's Breakfast Ride (Stetson Hills IHOP)

Jan 7-Monthly Chapter I Gathering

Jan 14-MFA/CPR (Police sub-station—7850 Goddard St)

Jan 28-District Officer's Mtg (All are Welcome to attend)

***Please refer to the Colorado District Calendar
for more dates/events***

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STRANGE ANIMAL

I worked with a guy named Felix for few months. I watched him get on his motorcycle and ride off at the end of the work day. Nothing unusual, not hot rodding it or anything unsafe. But his behavior and the way he carry himself on the motorcycle was just odd, not the norm, strange animal this guy. So one day I told him that he was just odd or different in regards to the way he drove his motorcycle. He said “Funny you should ask”... And hears the story...

Felix starts out by telling me that he has had several type of dirt bikes and motorcycles when he was a young kid. One story he tells me was that a few friends were out on a dirt road by a creek for a day of fun. At the end of the day, they decided to race back to the local water hole for drinks. Loser buys the soda. It was three boys and two motorcycles. Felix and the other boy got on one motorcycle and the other kid on the other motorcycle. Middle of summer, so that long pants and long sleeves is not an option, neither was a helmet or gloves. Anyway, we know that did not turn out right...two boys on a motorcycle, crowned road, no gear and racing. They crashed and burned. The gravel that gets into the skin, may last in the skin for a while. Felix was telling me he was going to school one day on his street motorcycle (track bike, bored out to go fast) and somehow lost control of the motorcycle and went down. He could hear the motorcycle running, located it, picked it up, and continued his journey. He came to an intersection and started to apply brakes, hmmm, where is that lever??? He made it through the intersection without an incident. Felix should have done a T-CLOC after the motorcycle went down. Early one Sunday morning, Felix was leaving a friend’s house. As he was leaving town a cop was following him. Twist the throttle and the chase was on. He turned down some side road and got some air over some railroad tracks and continued to increase speed. Now in excess of 110 mph, items begin to look blurry and distorted (remember the song-“Hot-rod Lincoln”) Anyway Felix just pulled over and shut down the motorcycle. Soon the cops came and thought that the motorcycle had stop running. Felix said “No, I just stopped”. The cop still gave Felix a \$285 ticket. Felix drove the motorcycle home and parked it and sold it later on. There something to be said about having no license and being self-taught. Yes Sir. **Self-taught**. No formal training or classes from an authorized trained professional. Throughout the years, Felix never lost his love for motorcycles.

Let’s fast forward to 2001-2002 when Felix goes to H-D dealership to buy a motorcycle. He can’t test drive one because he doesn’t have a motorcycle endorsement. So the salesperson and Felix go for a test ride, with Felix in the passenger seat, on the motorcycle. Everything works out well on the test ride, paperwork complete and motorcycle sold. Alright, ride the motorcycle home now...**No. Self-taught. No license**. They won’t let Felix drive it home because you don’t have a motorcycle endorsement. So the dealership trailers the motorcycle to his home and the dealership gave him a card to take the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) course for free. Felix tells me that he learned so much from that class. He was very surprised at his lack of knowledge of motorcycle operations. How to brake and corner? How to inspect a motorcycle and what is proper riding gear? Why he should wear a helmet and the list goes on and on.

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RIDER EDUCATION

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Now you know that Felix rides a Harley-Davidson Ultra Classic.

Training makes a big difference in your riding skills; thing that you should do or not do. Training makes you a better rider with time and practice.



Earl Edwards
Chapter Educator

FYI...

It is illegal for you to operate a motorcycle on a public street or highway in Colorado unless you have a valid license that specifically authorizes the operation of such vehicles. The general motorcycle endorsement “M” qualifies you to ride a 2- or 3-wheel motorcycle. Colorado also issues a separate endorsement “3” that authorizes the operation of 3-wheel motorcycles, only. Low-power scooters (engine size of 50cc or less or 4476 watts or less, if electric. 40 mph max.) do not qualify as motorcycles but Colorado law requires that you have at least a basic driver’s license to operate a low-power scooter on public streets.

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NO WHERE'S THE WING ?? FOR DECEMBER

WISHING YOU ALL



Nov Winner: Earl Edwards

Location: New Overlook—Victor mine

Thanks also to Joann Hauser also submitted the correct location.

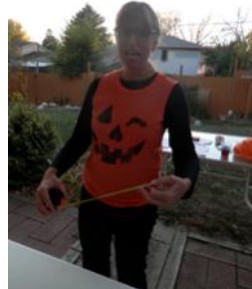
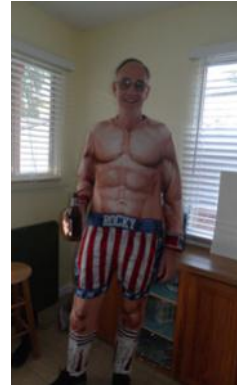
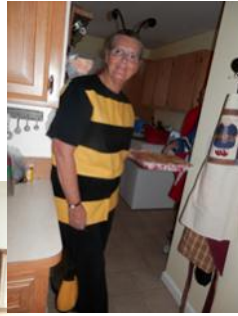
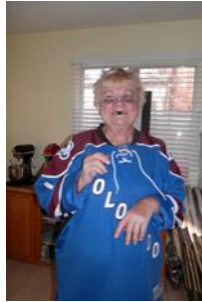


Editor Note: This is a really neat overlook! The overlook platform appears to have been made from one of the mining truck, truck beds.

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Chapter 1 Halloween Party

Couldn't resist sharing a few more Halloween pics. These are courtesy of Nancy Lockhart. ENJOY!



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MFA/CPR Course

♥*New Revised Guidelines*♥

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When: Saturday, January 14, 2017
8am –1pm

Where: Colorado Springs Police Department
Falcon Sub Station
7850 Goddard Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80920

Cost: \$25 for Colorado GWRRA Members

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Rider/Co-Rider TRAINING MORNING

- Motorist Awareness Seminar
- Co-Rider Seminar

When: Saturday, February 11, 2017

9am – 11am

Where: Colorado Springs Police Department

Falcon Sub Station

7850 Goddard Street

Colorado Springs, CO 80920

Cost:



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CHAPTER SHIRT EXAMPLES

Front

Back



**Front
Only**

Several people have recently expressed interest in Chapter Shirts.

**Please Contact
Steve or Jacque Callicott**

Trying to get a new list going. Can get shirts ordered once enough requests for a minimum order are received.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

FOOD PANTRY

GOAL SURPASSED !!

**GOAL- 2000 lbs
2175 lbs. as of December**

**THANKS SO MUCH
to Our Most Wonderful Chapter I and
Other visiting Chapter members
who contributed throughout the year !**

**WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED
WITHOUT YOU**

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Chapter I,

Over 40 blankets have been made over the year 2016 due to the efforts of our ladies and the gracious gathering place provided by Laurie Cruzan. In November over 130 hygiene bags (made by Laurie) were stuffed and delivered to several charitable organizations. With the very cold weather I'm sure the blankets and bags will be greatly appreciated.

Marsha, Nancy L, Laurie C

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU

**To All Our Members who contributed to our
Community Service Projects
during the year**

**45 Blankets
and
130 Tolleytry bags**

Distributions went to:

SALVATION ARMY

URBAN PEAK

SPRINGS RESCUE MISSION

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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.

**Goofy's sure getting used to his new home with our
Fearless Leaders,
Steve & Jacque**

-No new Goofy nomination again-
Winter's making it's presence known. Stay Safe!
Maybe Goofy will get to go home with someone else after Winter !

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