

THE CURRY CHRONICLES

February started off with another fun meeting! We had some special visitors – Doug Irish, a GWRRA member of 14 years has transferred into our chapter and George & Barbara Francis visited with us and then sent in their GWRRA application. Mike, Debbie, & Evan Wyman have received their membership back and are on their way to becoming chapter regulars!

Wolf Wendell and his friend, Tia also visited with us – we hope to see them again and also bring them into the chapter. Thanks to those of you who made a special effort to help these folks feel welcome.

Our new calendars were distributed – if you weren't at the meeting, we decided to give every family a copy of the calendar. If anyone wants more than one copy, they are welcome to take them but we ask for a \$2.50 donation to the chapter for those extra copies – we're not going to keep records – this will be on the honor system.

Our District Directors, Gary & Jan Gardner, explained at our January staff meeting that guidance on the 50/50 drawings has changed. As long as we're holding a closed meeting with just GWRRA members, and as long as the proceeds of the 50/50 go back into the chapter treasury, then it's ok to hold the 50/50 drawings. We did that. Laurie Schlosser brought a beautiful afghan to the meeting to raffle off (she raised over \$80 for the chapter).

Game night will be Saturday evening the 25th of February at Sandy Swing's home. Look for an e-mail with directions later this month.

We were glad to see Bruce & Mel Partner back and we want to extend to them the sympathies of the chapter for the recent loss of their brother-in-law.

Dave Wren is coordinating a camp-out at the Gunnison KOA in support of our joint Chapter I and Chapter B combined meeting on June 3. Contact Dave at dewglwren@adelphia.net if you have questions about making reservations at the KOA. Please mark this weekend on your calendar – it's going to be a fun event, and a few of us may ride back to Grand Junction that evening with the Chapter B folks, spend the night there, and ride some of the spectacular passes in that area the next morning before heading back home.

Mark Damschen reminded

us that Rider Education level renewals are due. A major change this year is that it doesn't cost a thing to renew! You just have to fill in the form and turn it in to Mark. If you want patches or hanger bars, there is a minimal fee to obtain those. You can reach Mark at <u>mdam-</u> <u>schen@msn.com</u> if you have any questions.

Little Mikey Manthei has agreed to help us with membership data. We have our own Excel database where we add and make changes to member information and we occasionally get new membership databases from national. Mike is going to help us manipulate this data in a manner that will allow us to send formatted changes back up the chain. He also may be capable of merging our Rider Education "Green Bar" (the report with Rider Ed data) into the membership database. Additionally, Wilma Brown is going to help with a chapter directory. We have to respect the privacy of our members as we do this, so we will need confirmation from each of you that it is ok to add your name to the directory Wilma will be compiling. You'll hear more about that in the near future. In the meantime,

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you can use your Gold Book to find most of our chapter members.

For those of you attending Wing Ding, this year they are having chapter letter gettogethers. Chapter I members from all over the nation, Canada, and other countries are getting together for breakfast the morning of July 4th. If you think you'd like to go to that, you can RSVP to <u>clara@pcpartner.net</u> by June 15th. Cost is \$10.69 per person.

As I write this, it appears that we have nobody from the chapter attending the Chapter A Valentine Dance, the Chapter B Valentine Pot Luck & Auction, or the Chapter N Valentine dinner fundraisers, all on the 11th of February. We are personally going to do our best this year to attend events in the other chapters, but our unpredictable work demands prevented us from making any of these – we really need all your help to get us back on track with visits to other chapters. When we send out reminders and invitations to visit other chapters and go to their fundraisers, please consider going. We have a lot of friends around the state, and it's a bunch of fun to get together with them as often as we can. Please help us with this.

We hope to see all of you soon, and often.

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Just call me Bobby Crocker From Doug Casey son of Linda Shelley

Magic Mix: 2 cups of Flour 1 tablespoon Baking powder (Rumford)(no aluminum) 1/2 teaspoon Salt 1/4 cup olive Oil, butter, or 'Take Control' margerine mix it all up real good

Biscuits (buttermilk): 1-1/2 cups Magic Mix 1/4 teaspoon Baking soda mix up really good w/ fork slowly add Buttermilk until forms a ball, add flour as necessary bake @ 425 degrees

so far they look VERY fluffy, I also added some cinnimon and some whole grains in today

They have a lady coming to their dorm once a week to teach them to cook. But alas, she can't teach them to spell. Look out world—Doug graduates from Baylor University in 3 months.

Philosophy of Charles Schults

Provided By: Chris Ward

The following is the philosophy of Charles Schultz, the creator of the "Peanuts" comic strip. You don't have to actually answer the questions. Just read the article straight through and you'll get the point.

- 1. Name the five wealthiest people of the world.
- 2. Name the last five Heisman trophy winners.
- 3. Name the last five winners of the Miss America.
- 1. Name ten people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer Prize.
- 2. Name the last half dozen Academy Award winners for best actress.
- 3. Name the last decade's worth or World Series winners.

How did you do?

The point is, none of us remember the headliners of yesterday. These are no second rate achievers. They are the best in their fields. But the applause dies. Awards tarnish. Achievements are forgotten. Accolades and certificates are buried with their owners.

Here's another quiz. See how you do on this one.

- 1. List a few teachers who aided your journey through school.
- 2. Name three friends who helped you through a difficult time.
- 3. Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile.
- 4. Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special.
- 5. Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.

Easier?

The lesson: The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money, or the most awards. They are the ones that care.

Jokes for the Soul

Three very old and very bored grandmas were sitting on a bench outside a nursing home. About then an old man walked by and one of the grandmas said, "Betcha we can guess how old you are."

The old man said, "There ain't no way you can guess how old I am."

One of the grandmas replied, "Sure we can! Just drop your undershorts and we can tell your exact age."

He did. The grandmas stared at him for a good while and then they all piped up and said, "You're 87 years old!"

The old man was stunned. "Amazing! How did you guess that?"

The grandmas laughed until tears were rolling down their cheeks. Slapping their knees and grinning from ear to ear, all three happily yelled in unison, "You told us yesterday!"

A man and his wife are dining at a table in a plush restaurant, and the husband keeps staring at an old drunken lady swigging her gin as she sits alone at a nearby table, until the wife asks, "Do you know her?"

"Yes," sighs the husband, "She's my ex-wife. She took to drink right after we divorced seven years ago, and I hear she hasn't been sober since."

"My God!" says the wife, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?" An 80 year old woman was arrested for shop lifting. When she went before the judge asked her, "What did you steal?" She replied: a can of peaches. The judge asked her why she had stolen them and she replied that she was hungry. The judge then asked her how many peaches were in the can. She replied 6. The judge then said, "I will give you 6 days in jail." Before the judge could actually pronounce the punishment the woman's husband spoke up and asked the judge if he could say something. The judge asked, "What is it?" The husband said "Your Honor, she also stole a can of peas."

Cowboy Chili...Only the strong (stomachs) survive A young cowboy walks into a seedy cafe in Laramie, WY. He sits at the counter and notices an old cowboy with his arms folded staring blankly at a full bowl of chili. After fifteen minutes of just sitting there staring at it, the young cowboy bravely asks the old cowpoke, "If you ain't gonna eat that, mind if I do?"

The older cowboy slowly turns his head toward the young wrangler and in his best cowboy manner says, "Nah, go ahead."

Eagerly, the young cowboy reaches over and slides the bowl over to his place and starts spooning it in with delight. He gets nearly down to the bottom and notices a dead mouse in the chili. The sight was shocking and he immediately pukes up the chili into the bowl.

The old cowboy quietly says, "Yep, that's as far as I got, too."

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Valentine's photos



FIRST AID KIT Does yours need a check up?

- Your First Aid kit needs to have a really good pair of scissors in it, to cut away (thick) clothing. If you can't see the injured area, it's hard to figure out what is best to do. You may find it worthwhile to invest in a heavy-duty shears which can handle thick material.
- Every rider should carry a pair (several pairs is best) of latex gloves to be used in case of an accident where blood is spilled. Having them on your bike may allow persons who want to assist you to make that decision without fear of contamination, as well as being available to you to help someone else.
- A good First Aid kit should have a number of triangle bandages in it, which can be easily made from inexpensive muslin purchased at any fabric or discount department store -- I got mine for about .99 a yard. These pieces should be large enough that you can make a sling from them, or fold them to use as a pressure-point type bandage, or put them on a head injury to hold other bandages into place. Mine are about 30" by 30" and are cut on the diagonal. These are just unbleached muslin, but they are clean and strong and BIG. I've NEVER seen a commercially purchased First Aid kit with these supplied. If you need more than one (for example, after making a sling for an arm, it's a good idea to immobilize that arm by binding it to the upper body), you can tie several of these together if the patient is a large individual. Carrying a minimum of three triangle bandages would be a good idea.
- I've also seen very few kits that have anything like enough sterile gauze pads. If you need to put pressure on a bleeding wound, you'll go through these items fast and will want enough to add another clean one often, directly to the wound.
- It is helpful to have a bottle of filtered or distilled water in your kit. This can be useful in case of broken bones, eye injuries, cleaning out other minor injuries, and for dehydration. If you've got a compound fracture, it is helpful to put a muslin bandage over a damp gauze bandage on the end of the exposed bone, to keep it from drying out. Many minor problems can be dealt with initially by washing them with clean water, and debris in the eye can often be relieved by this, with nothing else required. (Even if the water isn't distilled or filtered, it can still be used if it's of potable quality.)
- In the case of very bad head injuries, it's not unusual to have substantial eye injuries. Unfortunately, eyes can come out of place on impact. The recommended First Aid in this situation is to have a cup (like a clean Styrofoam cup) available to contain the damaged and displaced eye, and to strap that cup onto the face with a triangle bandage. The medical folks today can do amazing things to put an eye back into place,

but it's a good idea to bandage both eyes to keep the person from panicking (and to slow the 'eyematching' reflexes, which try to make our eyes work together), while touching and reassuring the injured party. Having a clean cup in your kit may permit you to do someone an invaluable service by helping to save their sight.

- Those who haven't taken a CPR or First Aid class in a while might be interested to know that the American Heart Association guidelines on CPR have been changing gradually. But all courses do strongly recommend that a person who is going to administer CPR have a barrier available to protect them from the bodily fluids of the injured party. This may be a plastic gadget that looks like a kitchen gripper, with a hole in it for a breathing tube, or a more sophisticated mask that can keep a rescuer's face and lips away from the injured party while he or she breathes for the person who's down. These items are inexpensive and are available at medical supply shops, but I've yet to see a commercial First Aid kit that comes with one.
- Most simple First Aid kits contain some kind of antiseptic ointment or cream. These can be useful for minor sunburns or insect bites, but they should usually NOT be used on an serious injury. When the medical folks start working on a wound, they don't want to wonder what has already been applied to it. When in doubt, throw it out.

In case of an accident, the first response these days is to call 911. In most regions of the country, even in rural areas, emergency assistance can be sent out right away. However, if you ever become a witness to a bad accident, you'll discover how important it is to have current information and adequate First Aid gear, even if you can't really do very much at the scene. It may save a life to know what NOT to do.

When you reach for that First Aid kit, you'll be better prepared if you know what's in it and how to use it. Take some time to look at what you're carrying on your bike, to see if it's what you really need.

If you are looking for a good First Aid Kit go to the following web site: <u>http://www.first-aid-product.com/</u>industrial/vehicle-first-aid-kit.htm

Article provided by Mark Damschen



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- 4. Maximum of 4 colors.
- 5. Include the official entry form below. **DO NOT** put your name or other identifying info on your entry.
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