# **Colorado Springs**

July 2006



#### THE CURRY CHRONICLES

#### Ok;

We're almost back to normal. Cleared 75 e-mail messages out this morning (from the last 2 days) and spent most of the day getting our business back under control. While checking noses to make sure everyone got back ok, our aggressive newsletter editor reminded me to get this article written.

A couple of days before we left for our Wing Ding trip I had to take our old dog in and put him down. In just a couple of days he really went downhill fast and the vet didn't even argue with me - it was time. So, on that positive note, we scrambled and got everything ready and cancelled our dog-sitter.

Our route was through Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky to Tennessee with George Davis keeping us company along the very hot road. We arrived Satur-



Hot in Kansas

day evening and got to see and participate in the International Couple selection the next afternoon. Our Colorado/Region F Couple, Wayne and Dena Davis did a great job representing us, but another couple who were really deserving walked off with the honors.

We stayed in Nashville for 3 days. About 20 people from our Colorado Springs chapter showed up and we got together with them several times while we were there (the Schweedlers, Earl, the Shelleys, Wrens, Cruzan/Schlosser, Partners, George Davis, Harders, Noahs, Bondurants and the two of us all came to Wing Ding). One of the high points of our Wing Ding was when all of us got together at a fish place for dinner – about half way through dinner Rich Noah had the waitress go over to Paul Bondurant and hand him a bill while she told Paul they would have to have a partial payment because the bill was over \$300. I didn't know Paul could move or talk that fast! He was backpeddling, dodging and weaving and doing everything he could think of to get out of paying that bill! We also tput our white bike in the bike show and that was quite a first time experience for us – it was cleaner than it was

when it came out of the factory, but no prizes this go-around.

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At opening ceremonies it was announced that Wing Ding next year will be in **Billings**, **Montana!** I think our first Wing Ding was the 2000 rally in Billings – we took the town over!! You need to plan on going to the one next year – a 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  day ride, great country, Glacier National Park a day ride away, Beartooth Pass,and more.

From Nashville we took off Wednesday morning and rode 500 miles in the rain all day long to somewhere in Virginia overnight, then on through Washington, D.C. and over the tip of Chesapeke Bay and through



Maryland to Delaware next day. Stayed in Maryland overnight, then to the East point of Delaware and the Atlantic and on down Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, and across the bottom of the Chesapeke Bay into Virginia

#### THE CURRY CHRONICLES (cont.)



Beach and into North Carolina overnight. Then down North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and into Pensacola, Florida, overnight. Next

#### Rain in Virginia



day through Alabama to Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas with an overnight in Grapevine (Dallas). Next day through Texas to Oklahoma, more Texas, New Mexico, and overnight in Trinidad, CO (we came through Raton Pass and as we started to enter Trinidad it looked like a black curtain was pulled down halfway through the town - **RAIN**!) - we pulled over at the first motel we saw at about 5:30 p.m. Easy ride back home the next morning.



Gulf of New Mexico

We were on the road 8 days and 2½ hours and did 5100 miles. That's a lot of miles per day and time in the saddle. We'd get up and on the road early and ride a tank of gas out (about 200 miles); then we'd ride about another hour before a "brunch" stop. Then we'd put our cool ties on and ride 100 miles and stop, drink water and put our cool vests on. Then we'd stop to get rid of water, drink Gatorade, and do another 100. Etc., etc. It was over 97° every day except the

> day we rode back home from Trinidad and we saw 100° about four times. The bike ran great and we met lots of friendly people who would come over and talk to us about the bike and trailer everywhere we stopped. Had some great catfish in Nashville, seafood in Delaware, barbecue in Pensacola. Had

grits with breakfast every morning we were in the Deep South.

After this ride, the only two Continental United States we haven't had our motorcycles in are Oregon and California guess where we're headed next year after Billings!

Here are some Chapter and District updates:

Steve and Teresa Randolph have been appointed to be our Replacement Colorado **District Directors.** This change was made while we were on the road back from Wing Ding. Steve was the District Director when we first joined GWRRA. He is experienced and cares about this organization. The first decisions they've made have been to reinstitute the Individual Of The Year program in Colorado and to move our September Colorado District Rally to Salida. Those are both good decisions. Not much had been done to prepare for the Cortez rally, and going to a closer location will allow us to prepare better for a terrific gathering of Wings in a shorter period of time. Salida is only  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours from the Springs, so there isn't a good reason for any of us not to go, even if you only have one day available. I've already checked with Steve to ensure our rally registration is in his hands, and it was – it looks like that transfer of information went ok.

- Our good friend, Bob Strath, has had to make the decision to place Jan, his partner, friend, and wife of many years, in an assisted care facility. Jan has Alzheimers and it has apparently gotten much worse recently. Just a couple of days ago she again fell and broke her hip while in the facility. It is not a bad idea to let Bob know he has friends to help him along a bit as he is having to some very hard decisions.
- John Schweedler's cousin rode his Wing to Wing Ding from Albuquerque – he apparently had a heart issue while he was there and when we talked with Teshia last night she wasn't sure what the cousin's status was. I think his Albuquerque chapter came up with a way to get the bike back home.
- Our next Chapter meeting will be our picnic August 5<sup>th</sup> at the Air Force Academy. I think you will be seeing an e-mail shortly (or before this is published) letting you know more details. ACD

#### THE CURRY CHRONICLES (cont.)

Mark Damschen will be giving us instructions on information needed to ease your entry through the Academy security gates.

- The weekend after the picnic (11-13 Aug) is Ride Colorado – the Couple and Individual of the Year (and anyone else who wants to go along) ride. The ride is usually set up so you can join in for just a day or for the whole thing. I hope to have detailed information on that soon.
- Mark Atwell's 4 day Flaming George Ride is the following weekend – look for an e-mail with more detailed info on this spectacular ride and river exploration event soon.

Our chapter has approached the Summer months differently this year, with a June combined chapter meeting in Gunnison with Chapter B, no meeting during the July Wing Ding, and our usual picnic meeting in August. I've learned we need to post these changes on our web site for those new people wanting to meet up with us who aren't getting the newsletter, but other than that, we think this has been a great way to get a few more of <u>us out riding</u>. We still have the dinner rides and other social events in between the meetings to get together.

We'll see you at the picnic!!

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

Ron & Marsha Curry CO-I Chapter Directors

### Inside Gaylord's

Riverboat tour inside Gaylords waterfalls Convention center Dancing water It's all I could do to keep Butch from running over to Bass Pro Shops for fishing gear!!!!



Things we need from chapter members:

1. We would like for every family/member attending to bring your favorite side dish to share with your fellow members.

2. I again will need everyone's name who needs to gain access to the Air Force Academy. You will have to show a picture ID, so give me your name as it is shown on the picture ID that you will be presenting at the gate, I.e Drivers License.

3. Everyone on the access list needs to enter the Air Force Academy through the south entrance off of North Academy Blvd. Anyone having a military ID card can enter through either the South Gate or North Gate.

4. **Very Important:** I would like everyone to RSVP to me by either e-mail or you can call me at 481-9263 and let me know how many of you are attending the picnic so we can get a good idea of how much food we need to purchase, heaven forbid if we let any Wingers go hungry.



5. Map of the Academy and where the picnic areas are located is on next page, but if you have any problem finding us or getting onto the academy the day of the picnic, I will have my cell phone with me and that number is 719-237-8938.



## Air Force Academy Map



## **RIDE FOR KIDS**

Here are some pictures from the Colorado Ride for Kids.



Our Stars for the day were Ben and Spencer.





## A Note from Our New District Directors

Hello to all,

This is just a short note to let you all know that Teresa and I have been appointed the new Colorado District Directors. We have moved the Rally for this year to Salida, Co at the Chaffee County Fair Grounds.

Attached are some form for the Rally. There is a Registration Form, Vendor Packet and an Advertiser form. We have a short time to put the Rally together and will need all the help we can get. If there is someone in your area that would like to be at our Rally please get them the info.

On the Registration form we have put 20 50/50 tickets for the \$10.00 If you register and buy the tickets before July 31. The t-shirts will be 4 color and available in all sizes. To insure you get a t-shirt you will

have to order them on the Rally form, You can get t-shirts only if you choose.

Some additions to the Staff:

Rich and Joanne Sturgeon have agreed to be Asst. Directors Sherry Burgener has agreed to be the Treasure and handle pre Registration

If there are any questions or help needed don't hesitate to ask, we will try.

We look forward to working with all of you. Our goals are to have fun and Ride Safe.

Steve & Teresa Randolph Colorado District Directors 303-979-3502 Work 720-963-9434 Home



## Fun Pictures from Nashville





Not your typical "Meal in a Skillet"



Anyone from the University of Tennessee or the University of Texas would be proud to own this chariot













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Young riders pick a destination and go... Old riders pick a direction and go.











### **Fun Pictures**





The river by downtown Nashville (top). Entrance to Gaylord's (bottom)



Hermnannhof Winery in Herman, MO

> Everyone's favorite—we had to stop twice! Abilene, KS



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Arby—How much further ?



Jeannie-Hot in Kansas





Travis—Guys, I'll let you know when we're there.

Travis—We're HOME !!!!



# Wingin' The Rockies



**Colorado District Rally** 

In

Salida, Colorado September 8-9, 2006



# Host Hotel: Silver Ridge Lodge

545 Rainbow Blvd (US Hwy 50) Salida, CO

877-268-3320—tell them you are attending the "Goldwing Rally" E mail srltm@Bresnan.net

# Registration

Registration per GWRRA member

\$ 20.00 (nonmember \$25.00)

50/50 tickets – strips of 15 for (20 before 7-31)

\$ 10.00 \*\*Shirts by advance sales, cannot guarantee any available on site:

T-Shirts (long sleeved) S-M-L-XL

Specify: 2XL 3XL or 4XL \$ 22.00

Shirts only Without registration please add \$ 3.00 each order

Rider:		Age	GWRRA	#
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Make checks payable to:	How many registrations do you need?	x \$20 (or 25)=	\$
Colorado GWRRA	How many 50/50 tickets do you want? (1=15 tickets)	x \$ 10 =	\$
Mail form & payment to:	How many shirts do you want? Small	x \$ 20 =	\$
Sherry Burgener	Circle one: T-Shirt Medium	x \$ 20 =	\$
583 S Xenon Ct Lakewood, CO 80228	Large	x \$ 20 =	\$
303-591-2963	X Large	x \$ 20 =	\$
Sburgene@jeffco.us	2X, 3X or 4X Large	x \$ 22 =	\$
	Camping: RV's and Motor homes \$10.00 MC	X =	\$
	campers \$3.00 (circle the correct size)	x \$3 ea. shirt =	\$
District Directors:	Add \$3 for each shirt order without registration	Grand Total:	\$
Steve & Teresa Randolph			

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Phone: 720-963-9434 Email: Wingncolo@comcast.net Chapter I **NORMAL** meeting information:

WHEN First Saturday of the month, 8:30 coffee, 9:00 meeting

WHERE Holy Cross-Lutheran Church 4125 Constitution Ave.

NOTE—This month is NOT NORMAL See Page 4

## **Upcoming Rallies**

California - September 1-4 - Santa Clara, CA

Colorado - September 7-9 - Salida, CO

New Mexico - Sept. 29-Oct. 1 - Alamogorda, NM

Region I Rally - August 2006 - Powell, Wyoming

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