# - From the Directors -

#### Happy New Year!!!!

2014 is now upon us and we are off to a great start! Our New Years Day Ride to the I-HOP brought 41 of us together, two of us actually on our Wings. Thank you all for joining in to make it a festive af-



fair. We also had a great turnout for our January 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, even in the cold & snow. Oddly, didn't see any bikes in the parking lot....

We have another calendar full of opportunities for 2014. We'll have our Chapter "I" ride books ready for the February meeting. In the meantime you can peruse the Events Calendar on SpringsWings.org for most of the anticipated activities. Keep in mind that many of the dates and possibly some activities may change at our Colorado District Officers Conference later this month, and even later in the year should it be necessary. Remember Rule #1 in planning – Be Flexible...

Later this month (Jan 18-20) is the Grand Lake weekend featuring Snowmobiling and friendly gatherings. You are not at all required to go snowmobiling if you're just looking for some away time, please come on and have some fun. See your email for the getaway details.

Other notable events to consider:

May 23-25, Region F Convention in St George UT July 2-5, Wing Ding 36 in Madison WI our own John & Barb Pons participating in the International Couple of the Year Program!! August 2<sup>nd</sup> ? – Chapter I Picnic & "30<sup>th</sup>" Birthday Party (? pending facility reservation) August 21-23, Colorado District Convention in Breckenridge Chapter I is hosting the Bike & Light Shows!!

We also wish to recognize our 2014 Couple of the Year, Jim & Olga Wyman and our Individual of the Year, Don Moller. Thank you for your participation in Chapter I and even more for your friendship. We're looking forward to what 2014 has in store for you, and we're behind you all the way!!

So have a great month and be careful when you do get out to ride!!

Visit us at www.springswings.org

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### **CHAPTER I** MONTHLY MEETING

#### WHEN

**1st SATURDAY** 8:30 coffee, 9:00 meeting

**LOCATION** Holy Cross Lutheran Church 4125 Constitution Ave.



Steve & Jacque Callicott Assistant Chapter I Directors



### **JANUARY**

1-Anton Heil 6-Dody Day 12- Marsha Curry Joann Hauser 14-Donald Roberts 17-Bob Nyquist 19-Don Moller Bonnie Kerbs





### FEBRUARY GOODIES

**Ralph Clayton** 



## **Dates to Remember**

Jan 11 -CPR/1st Aid—USAFA Community Center, Bldg. 5136

Jan 17-19– Snowmobile Trip– Grand Lake

Jan 22-Dinner Ride-GOODE'S

Jan 25-District Officer's Mtg

Mar 8-CPR/FIRST AID Class

May 23-25-Region F Convention Dixie Center—St George, UT

Jul 2-5-36th ANNUAL WING DING Madison, WI

Aug 21-23-25th Annual District Convention Beaver Run—Breckenridge, CO



Couple of the Year Jim & Olga Wyman 2014



Individual of the Year Don Moller 2014



# THINKING MOTORCYCLES

We had a very good and informative class on "Thinking Motorcycles" at the meeting this month. For most of us that don't ride in the winter, we need to look for motorcycles. (even in good weather) There are a lot of motorcycle riders that ride during the winter time that we need to be aware of. They can be hidden by blind spots, such as Fixed, Shifting, and Rolling blind spots. In general, blind spots occur at intersection when vehicles try to turn in front of motorcycle. Items that may cause the obstruction can be light pole, communication boxes, or bus stop shelters. These items can easily hide a motorcycle. Also interior obstruction can block your view as well. Items such as children, pets, items hanging from your rear view mirror or even structural components of the car can cause blind spots.

How can we eliminate blind spots??? As a motorist you should adjust your mirrors to minimize fixed blind spots. Use you mirrors frequently and know what is around you in case of an emergency. Scan the road aggressively to seek out potential hazards and moving objects. Take extra time to find out what is hidden from you view. Don't proceed until you know the space is clear. As a motorist, you should give the motorcyclist more space than you would other vehicles and allow at least 3 seconds following distance. Remember: Drive Aware-

## MOTORCYCLES ARE EVERYWHERE!!!

## NOTE: The next CPR/First Aid class will be 8 March 2014

Earl Edwards Chapter Rider Educator



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# Springs Wings COMMUNITY SERVICE

## 2014 FOOD PANTRY GOAL-1500 LBS.

Mark your Calendars for THE BRIDGE RIDE-Jun 22

# NECK WARMERS \$5.00 ea.

## [Proceeds go toward cost of set up fees for new Chapter I t-shirts.]

Several colors are still available.

Contact: Jim Wyman

Big Thank You to Laurie Cruzan for making the Neck Warmers for this fund raiser.





INTRODUCING GOOFY III

GOOFY II has officially entered into Retirement, with GOOFY I.

Onward to New Adventures with GOOFY III.

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.

### **CHAPTER I - CHRISTMAS PARTY**



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# **EVENTS/ ACTIVITIES**

### 2014 GRAND LAKE SNOWMOBILE TRIP Friday, January 17, 2014 thru Sunday, January 19, 2014. GATEWAY INN - GRAND LAKE 200 West Portal Rd

### **Hotel Information -**

Room rates range from \$89 to \$119 and Gateway is offering a 20% discount each night for a 2 night stay or;

### Stay 2 nights at the regular rate and get third night free. No discount for a 1 night stay

Your first night's stay will immediately be charged to your card at time of reservation. You may cancel your reservation up to 15 days prior to your stay for a **\$30 charge**. First night will be forfeited if you cancel 14 days or less before stay.

### Call 1 877-627-1352 to get the discount

Please email Cliff and Myra at childs3153@gmail.com when you have booked your room. We will then set up the meal and snack assignments. Myra and I will supply the plates, cups, bowls, and silverware for the weekend.

There is a \$150.00 charge for the weekend use of the lower level room we used last year. We will have complete use of the room for dinners and gatherings Friday afternoon and all day Saturday. We ask that each couple pay their share of the room – we are anticipating that cost to be about \$12-\$15 per couple – a great savings when you consider we are able to bring in Friday and Saturday night dinners.

### Snowmobiles -

Popular vote was that snowmobiling would be on Saturday instead of Friday. After contacting all of the snowmobile rental agencies in Grand Lake, On the Trail Snowmobile was the best deal we could negotiate. I have set up the ride to start at 10:00 AM on Saturday so everyone snowmobiling will have to be on site by 9:30. Nick with On the Trail has offered a 10% discount for our group.

# Single sled is \$100 for 2 hours and \$150 for 4 hours minus the discount Doubles are \$120 for 2 hours and \$170 for 4 hours minus the discount

Directions -From Grand Lake take Hwy34 north 1.5 miles. Turn left at the RMNP visitor's center and drive 1.5 miles to Winding River Resort. Turn into the resort and follow the road ½ mile to On the Trail. Please make your own reservations by calling **888-627-2429**. Mention my name and Chapter I Colorado Springs to get the discount. **A NON REFUNDABLE \$50.00** deposit is required at the time of Reservation. On the Trail supplies boots, snowmobile suits, and helmets. They are not supplying Goggles this year but will rent them, if needed. You will need to bring gloves, goggles, neck warmers and water.



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