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#### JANUARY 2015

# **Springs Wings**

### - From the Directors -

Welcome 2015 !! We've been waiting for you...

Now that the new year has begun we can officially start planning our 2015 rides and events. We had a grest planning session following last Saturdays meeting.

Thank you all for participating and bringing along some great ideas! We've add a number of potential events to our 2015 Chapter I Calendar & Ride Book. We plan to have it ready for distribution at the February meeting.

Also completed was the final order process for our new Chapter I T-Shirts!! Again I will thank you for such a great response. I'm looking forward to seeing that sea of red at 2015 events & rides. Those too, should be ready for pick-up on or before the February meeting.

### Have a great January!

Don Cruzan & Cathy Luce Colorado Chapter I Directors Colorado Springs GWRRA CO-I Region F



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#### **CHAPTER I** MONTHLY GATHERING

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

LOCATION Holy Cross Lutheran Church 4125 Constitution Ave.

Visit us at www.SpringsWings.org



Steve & Jacque Callicott Assistant Chapter I Directors

# **Birthdays**

### <u>JANUARY</u>

1-Anton Heil 12-Marsha Curry Joann Hauser 13-Jackie Lacasse 17-Bob Nyquist 19-Don Moller

# Anniversaries

### <u>JANUARY</u>

22-Ron & Marsha Curry

FEBRUARY 2015 GOODIES

Ken & Bonnie Kerbs Chris & Sandie Erskine

## Welcome New Friends

Don & Jackie Lacasse

### **Dates to Remember**

Jan 10 - MFA/CPR Course
See Flyer later in this newsletter
Jan 28 - January Dinner Ride (Goode)
Jan 31 - 2015 CO District Officers Conference
Feb 7 - Chapter I Meeting
Feb 14 - Motorist Awareness/Co-Rider Seminar See Flyer later in this newsletter
Feb 21– WINTER BLAH BUNCO & Potluck [Ray & Nancy Daniels']
Feb 28 - All CO Bowling 'Fun' Day—Englewood
Mar 7 - Chapter I Meeting
Mar 15 - CPR @ Chapter G
Mar 21 - Wyoming B Birthday Party
Mar 28 - Chapter L Fundraiser
Apr 12 - Chapter A Fundraiser
Apr 25 - Rider Education Training
May 22-24 - Region F Rally - Tucson, AZ
Jun 19-21 - Mukti-Chapter Campout
July 25 - Hummer of a Hummer - CO-J
Aug 13-15 - <u>Colorado District Rally</u> - Montrose
Aug 29 - Howl At The Moon Ride - CO-G
Sept 3-6 - Wing Ding 37 - Huntsville AL

### <u>Colorado District Calendar</u>



Couple of the Year Dan & Tiffany Maine 2015



Individual of the Year Ralph Clayton 2015

! ANNOUNCING ! CHAPTER I 2015 COUPLE OF THE YEAR & INDIVIDUAL OF THE YEAR



### WHERE'S THE WING ??

#### **Do you know where the Wing in this photo is?** <u>EMAIL RESPONSES TO</u>: co\_Inewsletter@yahoo.com.

PRIZE: The first correct email response will win 5 -50/50 tickets at the Next Month's gathering.



#### Email your answer to: co\_Inewsletter@yahoo.com

Congratulations to Last Month's winner: Marsha Curry

Other correct responses from: Cliff Childs Rich & Donna Noah

**Location:** Legends Highway near La Veta [Thank you Claude & Nancy for the photo.]



#### **Explanation of the GWRRA Rider Education Levels Program...**



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#### <u>Purpose</u>

The GWRRA Rider Education Program (REP) is intended to make the motorcycle environment safer by reducing injuries and fatalities and increasing motorcyclist skills and awareness. The REP does not propose to have all the answers. However, our close-workingrelationship with the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), as well as additional GWRRA programs and studies, has provided a wealth of information for use in establishing a comprehensive Rider Education Program. Through Commitment, Education and Application, we can reduce our accident rate significantly. Listed below are several benefits of a fully implemented GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level:

Increased rider knowledge Increased rider safety skills Prevention of accidents Reduced injuries Reduced fatalities Improved general public image of motorcyclists Enhanced enjoyment of motorcycle riding

The motorcycle community is already realizing many positive benefits from the GWRRA Rider Education Program. Through the efforts of the Rider Education Officers and participation of the membership and others, we will reach our goal of establishing the safest motorcycle environment possible.



#### Level I: Safety by Commitment - The first big step to success

Level I of the Rider Education Program is also referred to as Safe Miles. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or the Co-Rider to practice safe motorcycle operation whenever they operate their motorcycle.

Safety is a state of mind which can only be attained through total commitment. Every successful accomplishment begins with a commitment to reach the intended objective. This is true of the Rider Education Program and includes a promise to learn for the sake of Rider, Co-Rider, friends and family, and others on the road.

Though there is no mileage requirement to enter Level I, the commitment to safe riding is tracked by the number of accident free miles since joining GWRRA. Accident free miles are accumulated in 5,000 mile increments and may be updated at yearly intervals. Requirement: Verbal commitment to ride safely at all times. No cost to sign up. Patches available at \$6.00 per participant Receive: "Safe Miles" patch, Rider (or Co-rider) Rocker, and mileage pin.

#### Level II: Safety by Education



Level II of the REP is also referred to as Tour Rider. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to be safer motorcycle riders by taking approved motorcycle riding courses at regular intervals.

GWRRA has chosen several educational training programs for the Riders and Co-Riders such as the MSF (Motorcycle Safety Foundation) programs, the United Sidecar Association course, the CSC (Canadian Safety Council) programs, and the GWRRA's Advanced Riding courses and Parking Lot Practice programs. (See note in the Rider Education Manual on PLP.)

Completing these courses provides the foundation and skills for your quest to be a safe motorcycle rider. All recognized programs with the exception of the PLP are taught by qualified and Nationally certified instructors. PLPs use our Facilitators to administer the program.

For the Co-Rider, we have provided an excellent seminar and "Two Up" programs to assist in their role in the safety aspect of motorcycle riding.

Motorcycle education goes "hand in hand" with commitment. The "on bike" education by MSF, USCA, CSC and GWRRA for the Rider and Co-Rider and the "off bike" education designed specifically for the Co-Rider, provide a very effective approach to motorcycle safety. This is when a REP participant truly begins to understand what the Level I commitment means and sees the value in the program.

Requirement: Rider - a Certified Rider Course with 5,000 safe miles. Co-Rider - certified Co-rider Seminar or 2-up Rider Course. No cost to sign up. Patches available at \$5.00 per participant Receive: "Red Triangle" patch for either Rider or Co-rider signifying Level II participant.

#### Level III: Safety by Preparedness



Level III of the REP is also referred to as Certified Tour Rider/Co-Rider. It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to be prepared in the event of an accident to give aid and possibly save lives. This is done by being knowledgeable in First Aid or CPR and carrying a first aid kit on their motorcycle at all times.

It would be wonderful if we could achieve the coveted goal of zero accidents, however, we know realistically, accidents will happen. Because of this, it is important to be fully prepared to lend aid to unfortunate accident victims. It is important to always be prepared to save a life. Level III of the Rider Education Program was developed to deal with such circumstances by recognizing and encouraging proper First Aid or CPR training. CPR (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation), has been used to save many lives. Being trained to render CPR or First Aid is a tremendous asset to those the REP participant will come in contact with daily.

Requirement: Current in Level II and have taken either First Aid or CPR training

No cost to sign up. Patches available at \$4.00 per participant Receive: "Certified Tour Rider" or "Certified Co-Rider" patch.

#### Level IV: Safety By Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness

Level IV is the most prestigious of the REP levels and is referred to as Master Tour Rider/Co-Rider. It represents the highest commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to safe riding and preparedness. This commitment is shown by a demonstrated history of safe miles and current certification in both First Aid and CPR.. These Master Tour Riders/Co-Riders are the finest example to everyone of the highest commitment to safe motorcycle operation and preparedness.



Level IV of the REP, the Master Tour Rider, was designed for those special caring individuals who desire to "be all they can be" with regards to motorcycle safety. The requirements are more stringent than Level III and require a greater commitment. These individuals are caring, trained and prepared with the experience to back them up. It is realized Level IV is not for everyone, but for those who desire to be of greater service to their fellow man, it is the correct prescription.

Why desire to be a Level IV Master Tour Rider? It's a worthy goal. Being prepared to save a life is a high calling indeed! These individuals are shining examples to the rest of the GWRRA membership. Others aspire to practice the same commitment as displayed by those who have attained Level IV. For that reason, because these individuals are ambassadors to the members at all levels, GWRRA provides a special gathering to celebrate the Master Tour Rider commitment each year at the District Rally, Region D Rally and Wing Ding.

Requirement: Current in Level III for one year and have taken both First Aid and CPR training. Have 25,000 Safe Miles and must be committed to riding with "Proper Riding Gear" at all times.

Cost: \$35.00 for each participant (Black and Gold patch is available for another \$8.00)

Receive: "Special Triangular" patch with dark blue border and your individual Master number embroidered on it.

Note: all Level Program Patches are also available in "Black and Gold" at a charge of \$1.00 extra per level for levels I, II, and III.

So there you have the program structure:

Level I Safety by Commitment Level II Safety by Education Level III Safety by Preparedness Level IV Safety by Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness

The GWRRA is proud to present the Rider Education Program. We encourage you to think seriously about motorcycle safety and be a participant in the GWRRA Rider Education Program. You should also remember the old cliche, "an ounce of prevention IS worth a pound of cure."

Always wear protective riding apparel!

Earl Edwards

Chapter I

**Rider Educator** 



2014 CHAPTER I CHRISTMAS PARTY



## **Springs Wings** WHAT A WAY TO BRING IN THE NEW YEAR !









# **MFA/CPR Course**

Sponsored by CO-I Springs Wings When: Saturday, January 10, 2015 8am –1pm

 Where: Stetson Hills Division Police Department Community Room 4110 Tutt Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO
 Cost: \$20 for Colorado GWRRA Members

Here are the guidelines for taking the Medic First Aid/ CPR Classes to receive the special \$10.00 fee.

- 1. Your membership must be current and assigned to a Colorado Chapter
- 2. Members must be enrolled in the Levels Program
  - If Level I, show your intention to be level three within a short period.
- 3. Your current Medic First Aid/CPR expiration should be within 90 days, or already expired
  - Remember that Level II requires an ERC course for the rider or Co-Rider Seminar for the co-rider. Level III Requires Medic First Aid/CPR.
  - If you have any questions about where you are in the Levels program, please feel free to call or ask your Chapter Educator

RSVP: Earl Edwards <u>Edwards 1500@hotmail.com</u> 719-637-0908 (h) 719-459-2426 (c)







## **RIDER/CO-RIDER TRAINING MORNING**

- Motorist Awareness Seminar
- Co-Rider Seminar

When: Saturday, February 14, 2015 9am – 11am
Where: Stetson Hills Division Police Department Community Room 4110 Tutt Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO
Cost: FREE
Sponsored by CO-I Springs Wings
Questions: Contact Earl Edwards
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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.

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