

Red Rocks Report GWRRA Chapter CO-L June 2019



Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

2013 International Chapter of the Year

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Sobering (Distracted)
Information by Ralph K.
Spencer, Treasurer/Motorist
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The April 2019 edition of *Wing World* magazine contained an article by Barri and Mike Critzman, Motorist Awareness Program Directors, that I am compelled to repeat here for the rest of us to digest and drive home the importance of refusing to join the ever-increasing ranks of distracted drivers.

The Critzman's Top 10 List of sobering information (and my italicized comments) should make all of us motorcyclists quake in our leather, over-the-ankle boots!

- 1. According to the Division of Motor Vehicles, nine people in the U.S. are killed each day as a result of accidents involving a distracted driver. *Please, tell me this isn't true! Except that you and I both know it is. Visualize, if you can, these nine senseless funerals that take place every day. What a waste!*
- 2. Over 80% of drivers admit to blatantly hazardous behavior while driving, such as changing clothes, steering with a leg, and eating. Add to this list reading a book, applying makeup, petting a dog, falling asleep, drinking and you will soon be wondering why ONLY nine people a day are killed due to distracted driving!

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- 3. The greatest cause of distracted driving crashes, a whopping 62%, is the daydreaming driver. *I* wonder what percentage of this 62% involves marijuana, alcohol, and psychedelic mushrooms?
- 4. One out of four traffic accidents that occur in the U.S. is caused by cell phone usage. *Be still my beating heart and say it isn't so!*
- 5. According to the National Safety Council, cell phone use while driving leads to 1.6 million crashes annually. Only 1.6 million? I wonder what percentage of these involve teenagers?!?
- 6. Texting while driving results in 400% more time with a driver's eyes off the road. Once again, only nine people are killed each day?

 What an amazingly low number, considering items 2-10!
- 7. Texting while driving increases the chance of an accident by 23 times even when the accident is caused by another driver. *Color me speechless!*
- 8. There is no difference in the cognitive distraction between using a handheld or hands-free device while behind the wheel. There goes another perfectly

- good excuse (down the drain) for allowing phone usage while driving!
- 9. Alerts signaling an incoming text, email or social media update results in the release of dopamine, leading to a compulsion to check your phone.

 Now I know why this chemical is called dope-a-mine!
- 10. Hands-free devices aren't as safe as you may think (see #8, above).

 Drivers are distracted for a full 27 seconds after a call or text, even while they try to get back into "driving" mode. Let's see, 27 seconds at 60 miles/hour equals about 2,376 feet of travel, or roughly 148 car lengths (assuming the average car length is 16 feet). And only nine people are killed each day?

 Amazing!!!

My sincere thanks to Barri and Mike for their sobering (to say the least) article. I am now a true believer and will NEVER allow myself to be distracted while driving my motorcycle or automobile. How about you, readers???

Until next time, do NOT become one of the nine, and continue to ...

Share the Road - Safely!!!





May 22 Dinner Ride By Donald Redline, Photographer

It was a cold and dreary night on May 22nd, but nine brave Gold Wingers got together to have dinner hosted by Jim & Linda Hazlett. We gathered at The Old Capitol Grill & Smokehouse in Golden.



The food was great; the conversation was all about all the fun times we have had and about friends that have moved away.





It seems like the same members at every dinner ride. We'd love to have others join us to enjoy the fun we always have.



April's Adjectives By April Hansen, Chapter Editor

What Does an Editor Do?

According to the New American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, an adjective is "any of a class of words used to modify a noun or other essential language by limiting, qualifying, or specifying." That's why I'm calling my column "April's Adjectives" since I limit, qualify or specify articles provided to me for each issue.

Do you know what an editor does? We don't just slap stuff together and call it "done." What we do is not as specialized as it is with a big city newspaper; it is more of an "all encompassing" position.

An editor is "a person who edits a literary, artistic, or musical work for publication" and "a person who supervises the policies or production of a publication [New American Heritage Dictionary]." Now, you know what I am supposed to do in connection with the Chapter newsletter.

Of course, in addition to the duties of an editor, newsletter editors also function as layout persons and are responsible

for putting everyone's articles together in a smooth-flowing manner. If the articles submitted by others do not flow in a clear, logical manner, it makes the publication more difficult to read.

We must also act as proof-readers in order to be sure we issue a newsletter that is presented as a correctly prepared publication. After all, who wants to read something that sounds like a document done by a five-year-old (even though we all enjoy the works of our children and grandchildren)?

Newsletter editors must also know proper punctuation because, as anyone acquainted with the law knows, having a comma in the wrong place or where it is not needed can alter the entire meaning of a sentence. Thus, we are also punctuation specialists.

Now, you know what a newsletter editor does, whether it is a Chapter Editor or a District Editor. All we ask is that you give us something with which to work and trust us to get it done in a timely manner for you.

FOR SALE: 2007 ASPEN CLASSIC CAMPER -- \$3,000/OBO

Full carpet in basement; Gas lifts for bed board; Chrome Rims; Bearing Buddies; Bed Caddy (60" with four pockets); Cooler, 48 qt.; Cooler Cover, 48 qt.; Cooler Rack, adjustable; Light Bar (LED, steel & chrome); Spare Tire, Chrome Rim; Spare Tire Bracket; Spare Tire Cover; Sun-Rain Canopy (includes poles, ropes & stakes); Swivel Coupler; Window Awning Set (both side windows); Den Add-A-Room (includes poles, ropes & stakes).

Compare to new list price of \$6,795.

Contact Mike Ackerman: 303-870-6918 or BIKERMHA@MSN.COM







Birthdays 23 – Mike Ackerman



Upcoming Events

June 2: Odd Sunday Ride, 9:00 a.m., Denney's, 6th & Simms, Lakewood

June 3: Chapter L Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Aspen Room, Clements Community Center, Lakewood

June 7-8: Chapter L Royal Gorge Ride

June 16: Father's Day & Odd Sunday Ride, 9:00 a.m., Denney's, 6th & Simms, Lakewood

June 19: Chapter L "Mystery" Dinner Ride, 6:00 p.m.

June 27-29: Wyoming District Rally, Lander

June 30: Odd Sunday Ride, 9:00 a.m., Denney's, 6th & Simms, Lakewood

July 1: Chapter L Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Aspen Room, Clements Community Center, Lakewood

July 7: Odd Sunday Ride, 9:00 a.m., Denney's, 6th & Simms, Lakewood

July 17: Chapter L "Mystery" Dinner Ride, 6:00 p.m.

July 20: Ch. G Howl at the Moon

July 21: Odd Sunday Ride, 9:00 a.m., Denney's, 6th & Simms, Lakewood

July 27: Chapter L Copper Mountain Ride

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Let's Party!!!!

WHAT: NE/W Chapter Birthday Party

Where: Pioneer Park

East 27th and 2nd Ave

Scottsbluff, NE

The park is right across 27th street from Scottsbluff High School

When: June 8th 2019 @ 12:00 p.m.







COME JOIN US FOR FUN, FOOD, AND LOTS OF GGOD TIMES!!



GWRRA UNIVERSITY FLYER TRAINING EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT



COLORADO DISTRICT IS HOSTING A TRAINING EVENT ON

Saturday, June 15, 2019

EVENT ADDRESS: River Bottom Road, off of S. Rio Grande Avenue in Montrose

(Just north of the Tri-State Generation)

EVENT LOCATION: UTE Park in Montrose, CO

EVENT HOURS: 1:00p-5:30p

What you MUST bring: M/C Registration, Proof of Insurance, License with M/C endorsement, DOT approved Helmet, Long Sleeve shirt or coat, Long pants, Over the Ankle shoe, Full Finger Gloves and Eye Protection

⊠RIDER EDUCATION ARC-R

ARC-R (Co-Riders are encouraged)

(FEE PER □ PERSON ☒ BIKE \$35.00

Make Checks Payable To: GWRRA Colorado District

Mail To: Michael Werner 3420 W Edgemore PI Sheridan, CO 80110

♦ FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER FOR THE EVENT CONTACT♦

Michael Werner

PHONE: 303-434-5242 (cell) EMAIL: goldwinger2@hotmail.com

PLEASE RSVP ON OR BEFORE: Friday, May 31

CLASS LIMITED TO FIRST 12 BIKES

⊠LUNCH WILL NOT BE PROVIDED



Wingin' The Wind River Range

31st Annual Wyoming District Rally

Lander, Wyoming

June 27th - 29th, 2019



Rider	GWRRA #		Chapter	Age
Co-Rider	GWRRA#		Chapter	Age
Address	City		State	Zip
Home Phone	E-mail		-	·
Distance traveled directly to rally	-		**************************************	
		REGI	STRATION F	EES:
Host Hotel & Rally Headquarters		Preregistrations postmarked by May 31st, 2019		
Pronghorn Lodge/Rode	GWRRA Member		= \$	
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Lander, WY 82520 - 307	On site or postmarked June 1st, 2019 & after			
Room Choice \$105.99	GWRRA Members \$ 25 X = \$			
(Ask for Senior, AARP, or AAA	(Ask for Senior, AARP, or AAA discount)			=\$
Pet Fee (Dogs Only) - \$25 per	night per pet	NON-Member		
www.pronghornlodge	e.com	2019 Rally Shirts	& Polo's (pr	e-registration only)
		Short Sleeve T-		
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of participation in the District Rally. I/We have read this		Saturday Night Banquet		
waiver and acknowledge with signa	atures(s) below:	Per Person:		= \$
Rider Signature:	Date:			·
		Pre-registi	ration 50/50) tickets
Co-Rider Signature:	Date:	6 for \$5 or 15 for \$10 = \$		
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Mail signed form to: Steve Hodges, 53 WYDistrictDirectors@	17 East Four Mile Road, Cheyenne Ogmail.com or call (307) 823-3441	WY 82009. For questions (Steve) or (307-823-3441	s e-mail Steve (Amy)	or Amy at
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Steamboat Springs - July 12, 13 & 14

Hot Air Balloon Rodeo and 45th Annual Art Festival in the Park

https://www.steamboatchamber.com/events/annual-events/hot-air-balloon-rodeo



Again, this year, Chapter CO-A is planning a weekend ride to Steamboat Springs for the Hot air Balloon Rodeo and 45th Art festival in the Park.

Chapter CO-A wishes to invite members from all Chapters to join.

Chapter A ride plan is as follows:

Friday July 12 (170 miles):

Departure from King Soopers (Wadsworth and Chatfield, Littleton)

Kick stand up at 1pm; full fuel and empty bladder (12:50 Safety/Ride briefing) Destination Steamboat Springs

Stop in Granby at approximately 3pm at the Kum & GO gas station at the West end of Granby. Other Chapters could join there or meet the group in Steamboat Springs.

Arrive in Steamboat Springs at approximately 5pm.

Saturday July 13:

Hot air balloon rodeo (morning) and Art in the Park (afternoon)

Sunday July 14 (170 miles):

Return to Denver Departure TBD

Kick stand up TBD

If you are interested by this ride, please reserve your room as soon as possible. Currently 10 single Queen rooms & 10 double Queen rooms are blocked. Single Queen are \$125 + tax per night and Double Queens are \$170 + tax per night. The rooms are blocked until March 4th, 2019. There is a very high demand for rooms in Steamboat Springs for that weekend as it is the busiest weekend of the year for hotels/motels in Steamboat. The rooms are blocked at the Rabbit Ears Motel located downtown within walking distance of the restaurants, bistros, Hot Springs and the Art Festival.

Call the Rabbit Ears Motel to make your reservation and mention that you are with the GWRRA group to get the group rate (1-800-828-7702 or 970-879-1150).

If you have any questions, you can contact:

Jacques Perron; Colorado District Ride Coordinator

Email: jacquesperron61@yahoo.ca

Mobile: 720.308.1513



GWRRA CO-G ANNUAL MULTI-CHAPTER RIDE



HOWL AT THE MOON



June 20th, 2019

Dinner:

Each chapter is encouraged to have dinner together at a place of their choosing.

Meet: 8:45 pm

We will meet in the NE corner of the Estes Park Town Hall parking lot.

Kickstands up: 9:00 pm

For our ride into RMNP, (admission is free after 9PM), up Trail Ridge Road to the Alpine Visitor Center where we will enjoy fun and games as well as howl at the moon!

Questions - contact:

director@gwrranortherncolorado.org



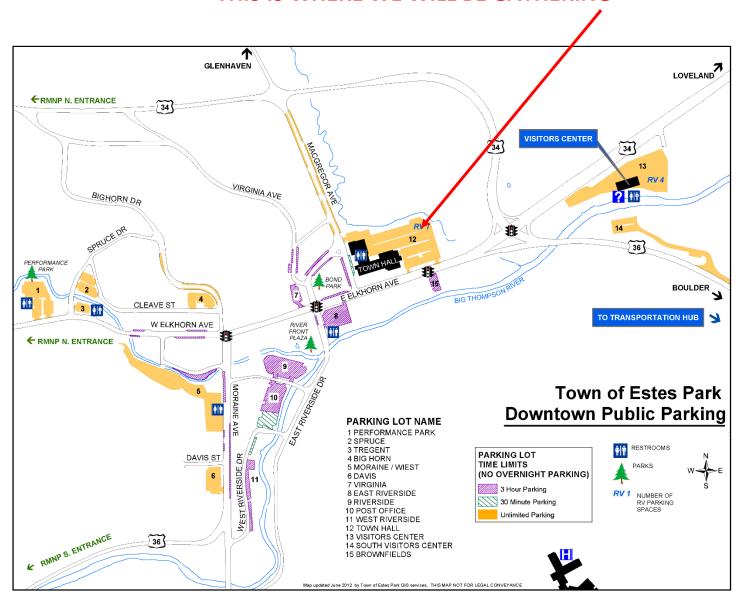


You may purchase a 'HOWL AT THE MOON" pin and year hanger at the event.

HOWL AT THE MOON

AREA 12

THIS IS WHERE WE WILL BE GATHERING





4 Corners Multi-District Rally

August 16, 17, 18 2019





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Rider2/Co-Rider:		GWRRA#		_ Master	#
Address:		City:		_ State: _	Zip:
Phone:Email:			Chapter:	(i	nclude District, e.g. AZ-G, CO-A)
Rally Registration: Member - \$30	#	_x \$30 = _			
Rally Registration: Non-Member -\$35	#	_x \$35 = _			
Saturday Breakfast Buffet - \$20	#	_x \$20 =_			Rally Shirts Available
Dinner Buffet Saturday Night: - \$30	#	_x \$30 = _			at <u>www.Krazybeanz.com</u>
Sunday Morning Breakfast Buffet: - \$20	#	_ x \$20 = _			
Sunday Morning Masters Breakfast: - \$20	#	_x \$20 = _			
50/25/15/10: \$5 = 6 Tickets; \$10	= 16 Tickets	; \$20	0 = 40 Tickets =		<u>-</u>
Door Prize: \$5 = 6 Tickets; \$10	= 16 Tickets	; \$20	0 = 40 Tickets =		
\$500 Grand Prize: \$5 = 2 Tickets; \$10	= 8 Tickets	; \$20			
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ask for the Front Desk / Reservations. From there give the August 16, 17 & 18 dates and ask for the "GWRRA" room block to get the discounted room rate.

I/We agree to hold harmless the GWRRA, the sponsoring organization and the property owners for any loss or injury to myself or my property by reason of participation in this event.

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Rider: _	
Co-Ride	r:
Make ch	ecks payable to "GWRRA Colorado District"
	Mail Registration & Payment to:
	April Hansen
	12662 Meadow Lark Lane

Broomfield, CO 80021

Or register online at:

www.gwrra-4cornersrally.org





Colorado Chapter L Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser



Come Chill with some Chili!

at the

Ken-Caryl Ranch House
7676 S. Continental Divide Rd.

Littleton, CO 80127

on

Saturday, October 12, 2019,

11:30 am - 2:30 pm

If you want to compete in the cook-off, please register your prize-winning chili by contacting Janet Spencer at:

email -- spencerjanet667@gmail.com --OR-phone -- 303-887-4382

COOK AND COMPETE! OR JUST COME TO EAT!

You can participate in many ways:

- Bring your crock pot of chili to the Shaffer Room on the 2nd floor (elevator available) of the Ken-Caryl Ranch House at 11:00 am on Saturday, October 12.
- Tasting is open to everyone. After tasting, submit your vote(s) for the best chili.
- -- OR -- Just come to enjoy a great lunch!!!



\$12 lunch tickets will be available in advance or at the door.
\$5 for children 12 years & under.

Does your chili have what it takes?
3 winning categories: Best Red, Best Green, Best Overall
\$50 Prize to be awarded for each category!

