

Fall Color Ride enthusiasts get caught on Candid Camera



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REMINDER – BAKE SALE

Mark your calendars for **Thursday, October 11th at 7:00 p.m.** (instead of 7:30 p.m.) for our annual Bake Sale! Bring your baked goods and/or your craft items and your checkbook and help support the club with this fun auction. We will have a very brief meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. sharp and then begin the auction. Hope to see you there!

Officers Speak

Reasons for joining the RMVTA Club

Submitted By: Dick Bush

I am writing this on the eve of our mystery ride although some thought this was put in during the Bryce Canyon ride.

The Bryce Canyon ride was fantastic. Spending four days on the road with some great company was exactly why I bought my bike and joined the club. We had good weather and saw some of the most beautiful and different scenery in the western US. Steve was right that the

riding season isn't over yet. We have several more fun rides coming up before we end the official riding season.

Some of the best things the club has provided me are great friendships, a variety of rides to participate in, and an opportunity to go places and do some things that I might not have done. The club provides many different types of rides during the year, which should make it easy for everyone to find a ride they would like to participate in. My thanks to the ride committee and ride leaders for providing another fun filled year.

We will start our ride planning for next year shortly. If you have a ride you would like to see the club participate in, bring your suggestions to the ride committee or to one of your officers. You don't have to lead the ride to have it included in the club rides. I'm sure we can find someone to lead your ride.

Don't forget our fun and exciting bake sale, which will be held during the October meeting. This is always a fun and exciting evening. I hope we can get last years expert auctioneer back for another

time. Bring your good eats and check book to the October's meeting. Proceeds of the bake sale support the member appreciation party, which will be held in January.

"Kickstand"



Bob wins Trophy - Didn't tell Bonnie that Progressive Dinner Ride was at their house

**Next Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 11, 2007
7:00 p.m. Fay Myers Motorcycle World
9700 E. Arapahoe Road.**

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**Minutes
RMVTA Meeting
September 13, 2007**

Sam called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

We had three visitors at the meeting this evening. Chuck and Linda Coulter joined us for the first time. They ride a 1994 Wing and 2003 VTX. They found out about us through the web site and talking to one of our sponsors, Aurora Honda. We welcome Chuck and Linda and hope you join us for some of our remaining rides.

Brian introduced Sherri. Sherri has just started riding with Brian. Brian said they started out with small rides and "It kept getting bigger." Sam clarified that the rides kept getting bigger.

Under the exciting activities not sponsored by the club, Bob and Bonnie had a three-day ride to the Royal Gorge, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and home over the Labor Day weekend. They had great time and some very beautiful scenery.

Bill and Dena headed to Arkansas. Bill rode the Valkerie and Dena rode the Boulevard. Before the ride, Dena told Bill that they could take the Gold Wing. Bill said he already had the Valkyrie ready to go and the Wing was staying home. Both of them made it to Arkansas through the rain. Dena enjoyed riding her bike and said she will be riding the bike in more club rides.

Not sure this falls under the exciting activities but George had surgery again on his right leg to remove the hardware, clean up some infection and close it up. The doctors told George that the bones had healed very nicely and they cleaned out all of the infection. He will be in St Luke's until Monday or Tuesday of next week. As usual, George is ready to get out and get on with his life.

Prior to this surgery, George did get out to ride the "Blue Light Special".

Brian suggested we get a group together

and go visit George on Saturday. We all met at Sam's #3 for breakfast and later filled George's room until his lovely nurse came in to give him some drugs. We all enjoyed see him in good spirits. We gave him our usual ration.

**Officer's Reports:
Secretary:**

There were no objections to the minutes as published. Bob made the motion that the minutes be accepted and it was seconded by Lyle. The motion carried.

Treasurer:

Sherri B provided the treasurer's report. We have \$392.94 in checking, \$2034.67 in savings for a total of \$2427.61. Sherri renewed the mailbox at the post office near by.

Committee Reports:

Activities:

Ron brought in 8 Rockies tickets for Wednesday, September 19, 2007. The tickets disappeared quickly.

There was a suggestion that the club get together for a Hayride at Miller Farms.

Christmas Party suggestions seemed to be of the Italian flavor this year. Several restaurants were suggested. The suggestions were Cinzzetti's, Maggianos, Baby Doe's, which may be closed, and Romano's. Officers will be looking into and bring more information back at the next meeting. Dates being considered are December 9 or 16.

Newsletter:

Stan and Lloyd were AWOL tonight. Get all articles to Stan before the 23rd of the month. Paul is in training.

Finance:

Done for the year.

Website:

Brett did have some statistics. In August there were 125,976 hits with 5270 unique visits. The calendar is the most visited page and the "About Us" page is the least visited. Some suggestions on how to make the web site easier to navigate were made. Brett said the web site needs to be redesigned which he will try to work on over the winter.

Member Relations:

Nothing to report this month.

Historical:

Everything is lovely.

Membership:

We have two new members this month. George and Chitose Rowland joined the club. They attended the last dinner ride and were two of the four people that rode their bike on a wet evening.

Past Rides:

Crested Butte: 9 bikes and 15 people enjoyed an enjoyable and easy ride to Crested Butte. There was time to enjoy some power shopping, dinner and adult beverages. The route home was revised slightly, which provided a very fun path back home on Sunday.

Grand Lake Picnic: A very good group of people enjoyed a fun ride to Grand Lake. We enjoyed our picnic lunch in the park. We even had birthday cake and pizza provided by another family having a party in the park. After lunch we headed over Trail Ridge Road to Estes Park and on to Nederland. The trip to Nederland proved to be quite wet with some very severe thunderstorms. We stopped in Nederland for ice cream and to dry off. Good thing we were interested in ice cream because the power was out so anything warm was out of the question.

Dinner Ride: A wet evening. Three bikes made the trip. (See new members above) Everyone else was in the 4 wheelers. We went to Jim and Nick B-B-Q, which has a Kansas zip code.



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Good food and no one went away hungry.

Bryce Canyon: Brian filled in for George and modified the route slightly. We cruised 568 miles the first day. Made several stops along the way, harassed by Harley riders at a Harley store in Grand Junction and the owner of the Hotel we stayed in Friday Night. All good-natured ribbing. We left each morning at about 9 and saw some of the most beautiful scenery in the U.S. Brian found a fantastic dirt road at 9 p.m. That woke all of us up. Man is it dark in the desert. It was an extremely fun and enjoyable ride.

Mystery Ride: Sam led us on a fun and twisty ride along 285 and 67 on our way to Cripple Creek. We had lunch at a neat coffee shop. After lunch we had time to wander around town for a while before we headed to Victor for some "hand packed ice cream." Sam will need to explain that in his ride write-up.

Old Business:

Sam handed out some more of the flyers we have printed and encouraged everyone to hand them out to any riders we run into.

New Business:

Our annual bake sale will be held next month. The meeting will start at 7:00 so we have time to get all of the goodies auctioned.

A ride committee meeting was scheduled for October 27 at Brian's home. All members are invited to bring their ride ideas to that meeting or give them to one of the officers. You don't have to lead a ride to have it included in the club's rides. We can certainly find someone willing to lead your ride.

The election of officers for next year will be held during our November meeting. If you are interested in serving as an officer or on one of the committees let us know. We would be glad to have you.

Safety Topic: Carry emergency contact information with you. Using the acronym ICE in you cell phone is one way. Sam showed a zipper pull that tells emergency responders where he has his emergency contact information. It was suggested that the club have a CPR class during the non-riding months. It was also suggested that the club purchase a satellite phone to be carried on rides. This could come in handy if you are out in areas where cell coverage is very poor or non-existent as we found in few areas during the Bryce Canyon ride.

Future Rides:

Hare and Hound: Bill doesn't know where we will be going but will have it figured out by Sunday. Don't forget there will be some fabulous prizes for the winner and last place finisher.

September Dinner Ride: Brian will lead us to White Fence Farm. First time we have known were we are going before the ride. Should be a fun evening.

Wild Bill's Day ride: Bill and Dena will lead us to Grand Lake, over Trail Ridge and home. We play a little poker along the way.

Fall Color Ride: Floyd will lead this ride. We will spend Saturday night in Red River NM. We are hoping for good weather and great fall colors.

October Rides:

Highway Clean Up: We will meet for breakfast at Pegasus in Castle Rock at 8:30, clean our section of road and enjoy a short ride before lunch. This sounds like we really ride to eat. The more we have show-up to clean the faster we get done and more riding we can do.

Progressive Dinner Ride: The eating sites are set much to Bonnie's surprise (See missing link below).

50/50:

Bill and Dena were out riding to Arkansas so Floyd and Linda collected \$85 with \$42 going to the club and \$40 di-

vided into prizes.

3rd prize was \$9, which was won by Sherri B.

2nd prize was \$13, won by Linda.

1st prize was \$21, won by Sherri B.

We had two nominations for the Missing Link award. Bob Nominated Brian for all of his electrical troubles, which caused him to break down in a gas station in front of some Harley riders. This caused the Harley riders to say, "This is something you don't usually see: Someone working on a Honda at a gas station."

For Brian, turnabout is fair play. Brian promptly nominated Bob for not informing Bonnie that they were hosting lunch during the Progressive Dinner Ride. Bonnie was a little surprised by the announcement and sent some visual daggers at Bob when it was announced.

Our usual vote procedure was followed and after some discussion by the officers, Bob was declared the winner. Bob will now be displaying the coveted Missing Link Award prominently in his home. Bonnie, please read the last sentence again.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS.

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Charles & Linda Coulter #654 & 655

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Johnny & Ruthie Lane #656 & 657

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2nd - Tony Paolucci

8th - Linda Hatfield

10th - Bonnie Junker

11th - Sandi Redford

16th - Susan Ashley

20th - Sherri Barrett

22nd - Connie Benko

24th - Bill Lloyd



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

UPCOMING RIDES:

- 7th - George & Chitose Rowland
- 14th - Steve & Connie Benko
- 26th - David & Cary Todd
- 26th - Lloyd & Stella Nicholson

GOLDWINGMAMA'S FUN FACTS
(As of September 23rd)

- Pioneer Trail Ride – 13 people & 9 bikes
- Bryce Canyon Ride – 6 people & 4 bikes
- Mystery Ride – 11 people & 10 bikes
- September Meeting – 25 people
- Hare & Hound Chase – 20 people & 13 bikes
- September Dinner Ride – 18 people & 10 bikes & 3 cars
- Wild Bill's Ride – 19 people & 11 bikes

Perfect Ride Record Holder
(No One Left—Brian has fallen—Great Job Brian)

I will say that the race for the Rider and Passenger of the Year is VERY VERY CLOSE. My lips are sealed now until the Member Appreciation Party.

Point Leaders
(With 38 events under our belts)
(Remember points end for the year with the Fall Polar Bear Ride November 17th.)

Riders
52 pts - Brian Graves
43 pts – Richard Bush, Paul Maynard
41 pts – Sam Ashley

Passengers
33pts – Debbie Maynard
32pts – Dena Nielson
30 pts – Sherri Barrett

I hope you all are not forgetting to keep in mind your favorite ride of the year. We will be voting on this again this year, sometime in December. You will have had to attend at least 2 rides to be able to vote, and you can only vote on a ride that you were on. Dinner rides, President's Picnic ride, Highway Clean-ups and Sponsor Appreciation Ride DO NOT count.

We now have 83 members.

Fall Highway Clean-Up Ride
Saturday, October 13th
Ron Nardiello, Ride Leader

Progressive Dinner Ride
Sunday, October 14th
Sam Ashley, Ride Leader

October Dinner Ride
Thursday, October 25th
George Barrett, Ride Leader

Fall Polar Bear Ride XX
Saturday, November 17th
Tom Shumaker, Ride Leader

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22nd Annual Toy Run—
Children's Hospital
Sunday, December 2nd
Submitted by: Floyd Thorne

The 22nd Annual Toy Run to Children's Hospital will be held on Sunday December 2, 2007. The event is staged at the Aspen Grove Shopping center at 7301 South Santa Fe Drive in Littleton (just north of Mineral and Santa Fe Drive) and goes via an organized procession to Children's Hospital.

This activity is sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Harley Owners Group and is certainly open to all makes and models. It's NOT just a Harley Motorcycle rider's activity. This is a wonderful event that brings thousands of toys to the sick and injured children.

This one-day event brings in so many toys that every child who stays at The Children's Hospital throughout the year is able to receive a gift donated by a participant in the Toy Run. I have had the opportunity to see some of the toys being distributed on this day and the smiles and tears of joy are worth a million. It's no fun being in the hospital for the young or older ones and certainly not around the holiday time frame.

The weather can sometimes be very cold on that particular day. Cold is OK as you can generally deal with that for a

few hours. If it's cold and wet then freezing and ice are a big concern. On inclement weather days it's done by a lot of four-wheeled transportation. The event goes as planned regardless!

I would like to see the RMVTA participate and have a very large showing this year. If you are not going to be able to ride that day and would still like to make a contribution of a new unwrapped toy I will be happy to see that it gets down there for the children.

If I have to take my cargo trailer behind the bike or if I need to take a truck, I will see that the toys get delivered. If you don't see yourself being able to participate that day and you would care to bring your toy contribution to the October or November meetings, I can collect and hold them for delivery.

Thank You from myself and certainly the children.

Mr. "T"



Great Scenery from the Bryce Canyon Ride

PAST RIDES:

5th Annual RMVTA Memorial Ride –
Crested Butte Overnight
Submitted by: Bob Junker

Rottowa wrote about his first impressions of riding with the RMVTA Club. We think he REALLY enjoyed the ride!

On August 11th I had the time of my

life riding to Crested Butte. Everyone was extremely friendly and it felt like I was hanging out with my best friends. I rode with my grandma's friend Bob, we met up with about 20 other riders. Looking at all the other bikes was great, of course I have a favorite, which is the all blue bike licensed "Kmart".

When we took off I was so excited, everyone was talking on the C.B. through their headphones, (which I thought was freakin awesome). Riding the motorcycle down the passes and having the music piped through the headphone was like eating a box of Oreos with ice cold milk (heavenly). Oh yeah the view was pretty awesome too.

We stopped to eat at some place I don't remember cuz my butt was tingling like crazy but I do remember what I ate. It was a nice juicy, tender elk burger with the best fries EVER! Once we finished eating and it was time to go I didn't have to go to the bathroom but I knew I should cuz it would be a long ride. After lunch when we got back on the bikes and down a long stretch of highway Bob thought it would be cool to ride past all the bikers and take a few pictures of them. And it was, I got a lot of awesome shots.

It was sad to finally arrive at our destination. Riding back home with Bob we heard the best song ever. It went something like, "I Like to ride my bike." Ask Bob he knows the song. Our last stop before we got home was at Bob's uncle's favorite place. The view was gorgeous. Upon pulling up to my grandma's driveway I was thinking, "God! do I need a Goldwing so I can join them sometime." After speaking to my grandma Bob left to go home and I just wanted to run down the street yelling and screaming NO...STOP...PLEASE WAIT...DON'T LEAVE ME!

Bob supplied the following information about his passenger. Rottowa Ivester, aged 15. The song he is talking about is Queen's "Bicycle". In the song, the main theme is "I want to ride my bicycle, I want to ride my bike." When the song came on, in my best singing voice (which ain't all that great), I sang along,

but changed the words to "I want to ride my VaderWing, I want to ride my Wing".

President's Mystery Ride – Cripple Creek
Submitted by: Sam Ashley

On Saturday September 8, a group of 9 riders gathered optimistically for a Mystery destination. I was challenged to come up with a route that hadn't already been ridden, and a destination that we hadn't already visited this season, so I came up with Cripple Creek. We departed Fay Myers, heading out C470 to 285, then turned south at Pine Junction on Hwy 67. This is a beautiful curvaceous scenic highway that borders the Hayman fire area from several years ago, and is one of many of my favorite roads that I wanted to share with the group, even if it was already familiar to some.

The weather was perfect throughout the day with just a slight hint of the seasons starting to change. We proceeded through Woodland Park, West on Hwy 24, until we picked up Hwy 67 again and headed south for historic Cripple Creek. After lunch in Cripple Creek we explored the town, gambled a little, and then ventured on to the town of Victor, 6 miles away for "hand-packed" ice cream. There we toured the mining museum next door and tried to imagine what life must have been like back then for those pioneers. We then headed for home, following that same twisty route that we didn't get enough of the first time around.

Susan and I would like to thank everyone who joined us for this ride and hope that you had as much fun as we did. See you out there.

Editor's note: So as not to leave you hanging from the minutes, this place had "hand-packed" hamburger as well as "hand packed" ice cream...with no hand washing or rubber gloves in between.



2007 Fall Color Ride

Submitted by: Floyd and Linda Thorne

Well, things happen! The ride book and most of its planning takes place at the very late stages of the current riding year or very early on it the up coming riding year, as was the case this past 2006/2007.

George Barrett had every good intention of leading this year's Fall Color Ride and had done all the Motel and route planning with those good intentions. Well, we all know that things happen and things certainly have for George. We continue to wish him well in his battle for good health and hope that we can have him included in our group outings once again very soon.

At any rate, I offered some months ago to lead the Fall Color Ride should he not be up and able to do so by that time. It was very close I want you all to know. He was thinking on Wednesday morning (September 26, 2007) that he would be able to lead the ride on Saturday the 29th. Well, after going to his Doctor regarding his foot/lower leg he decided, wisely so I think, that he should just chill for a little while longer. He has so much invested in that limb so far that the risk of a set back was just too great. BUT, he was greatly missed for sure and was with us all in spirit.

We met at Fay Myers on Saturday morning bright and early as we had a considerable distance to travel. There were 10 bikes of us and 17 people at that point with plans to pick up one more bike and rider at Penrose along our way. You can all go to the Photo Gallery and see our route if you choose. There was only one significant mix-up when my GPS wanted to take me on dirt road. I am still in the elementary stages of GPS navigation it would seem but, we recovered from that and on we went.

We were fighting horrendous cross winds, head winds, every kind of wind I think but tail wind. Isn't that the way it usually goes. Then down within 20 miles or so of Red River, NM we started getting into rain. We stopped and several of our group got into their rain gear.

Some did not but as it turned out the rain was not really bad until once we got our bikes parked at the Motel. Then, it was like the proverbial "Cow and Flat Rock" scenario, at least for a while. It cleared as we were then assembling to make our way by foot to a local eatery about a block away. Good fun and food was had by all.

With the weather as it was and the forecast looking for very cool temperatures on Sunday morning it was decided that we would take advantage of the Continental Breakfast and plan on a 9:00 a.m. departure. We woke to beautiful blue skies (after torrential rains over night they say - I was sleeping) and crisp morning air. No white stuff not even frost that I seen. Finally, we are ready to roll. Everyone was geared up in warm clothes and or electric garments to ward off the biting temperatures compounded by the wind chill of motorcycle travel, none or at least relatively minimum winds on this beautiful morning.

Our travels took us on some very pretty roads in northern NM. Pretty meaning some of the most incredible twisties you will ever find with excellent road surfaces for the most part. The Fall Colors were everything that we had hoped for and the cameras were clicking left and right from several of the back seat photographers. Hope some of those shots turned out as we did not stop a lot to take carefully framed still shots.

We were short on time with the late morning start and a long way from home yet. So, it was decided by the group at large, that rather than taking the planned route which would have no doubt been full of Fall Colors as well, we opted to take a more direct Interstate route home to get everyone back safe and sound at a reasonable hour Sunday evening.

Linda and I would like to thank everyone that joined us for the weekend. We certainly had a great time of it and from all that we heard you did as well. Thanks once again to George for all his time and efforts in the planning and may you get well SOON.

Mr. "T" and Mrs. "T"

Big Thanks to Aurora Honda and Brian Graves

Submitted by: Floyd Thorne

I would like to thank Aurora Honda for the gifts they donated for the Fall Color Ride. I am sure that the recipients appreciated them. We would also like to thank Brian for asking Aurora Honda for the gifts and secondly for all the hard work he put into the trivia questions which made our weekend extra fun in addition to all the wonderful roads and beautiful Fall Colors.



"King George" holding court from his hospital bed...Get well Big Guy!!!! We miss you.

George was being "serviced" again at the hospital. This "service" was to clear out some bad skin, and while there, the doctors had the opportunity to remove all the hardware they had installed to help fix the bones. The bones had healed almost completely, and the hardware was no longer needed. This was great news!

A group of us decided to all visit and check up on him. George was in even greater spirits as we all arrived on Sat. the 15th. Sherri and Brian had made cookies for him (we all know it was Sherri). Which he shared reluctantly, even with a 50 cent donation the look of "that's mine punk" stopped me from taking two. So Debbie and I shared it.

He is always so antsy to leave and get back home. The nurse kicked us all out for a bit, so that he could get some medicine and check to see how he was doing.

As usual, some of us stayed well past our welcome, so George offered to let us leave. Of all the visits to hospitals we have had over the years, this one was a cheerful one. Knowing that George was on the mend and everything was moving forward to the healthy return for him. He has been missed and warm-healing thoughts and prayers have been keeping him positive.

We all wish George a full recovery and look forward to his return to the road of twisties and friendship we've all enjoyed with him...

Paul & Debbie

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Nancy & Leon Siefken on their new ride. Glad you are back!

LEON AND NANCY SIEFKEN are relatively new members to RMVTA. But they are not new to each other. Leon and Nancy met in 1973 while both were volunteering for an emergency communications team. At the time, they were both married to other people, but they remained friends for many years. Over the years, they were in and out of each other's lives, but finally, on February 25, 2005, they were married to each other.

Leon has two boys and 4 grandchildren that all live in the Denver metro area. Nancy is very proud of those grandchildren.

Leon keeps busy delivering products for Pepperdine Marketing Products after having retired from Public Ser-



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vice. Since retirement, Leon has tried several ventures including working as a radio repairman and being a drug runner (IT WAS LEGAL!!). Nancy spent a lot of years working for a veterinarian, but now is a driver for RTD Access-a-Ride. They both have a lot of drive for what they do! (Get it???)

Leon has been riding motorcycles for 22 years and has had several different rides during that time. Nancy rode a few times over the years but became Leon's serious passenger in 2003. On one ride in 2003, they traveled 425 miles in one day on a Honda 700. They were traveling with a group and they were the oldest couple on the smallest bike! They lasted the trip that included rain and a lot more miles. But upon returning to Denver the decision to get a new bike was really an easy one. They shortly found themselves in Loveland at Tri-City Cycles. The choice was a stripped down Goldwing or a Yamaha with lots of goodies. They chose the Yamaha and were happy with it for a lot of years. But in August, 2007, they became the proud owners of a black 2003 Goldwing. They are looking forward to spending every extra dollar on accessories . . . and more accessories . . . It's a Goldwing thing and we all understand.

Leon and Nancy have had some interesting experiences on their bike. A couple of years ago on the New Mexico trip, they were coming back with Jerry Hatfield who was leading the way to the bottle museum. Unfortunately, the drive-way to the museum was not conducive to bikes and Leon and Nancy ended up on the ground. Luckily, there was no real injury, but they learned later that the place is just a bike trap where several people had dumped their bike. Needless to say, they have not been back.

Leon and Nancy are looking forward to many miles on the new Goldwing. Leon says Nancy loves to ride and she loves the Goldwing. It appears that they are both getting used to it and those things that happen from time to time on a Goldwing—such as scraping the peg while going around a hairpin curve going up

Berthoud Pass. They will soon be taking those curves in stride. Get to know Leon and Nancy Siefken and let them show you their new bike.

“Judge Dena”

p.s. Leon & Nancy just sent an email giving us their new email address... le-siefken@yahoo.com

A Realization

Submitted by: Floyd and Linda Thorne

You know the other day I had a realization. You know one of those things that just all of a sudden pop's into ones head totally out of the blue. Fortunately I was not pushing a board through a table saw or forty stories high hanging iron on a new high rise building or even traveling down the interstate at a high rate of speed. I don't even really know what I was doing at that very moment. But all the same I came to this realization.

Maybe, just maybe some, like my wife and maybe even yours, also might say that it's not a realization but rather a rationalization. I choose not to think that way but I guess I can see how a loving spouse might just think that way. I am not sure why. Perhaps Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus for real. But regardless, somehow we Men and Women found ourselves here on this earth together. Boy, am I ever thankful for that but then that might be subject matter for another article down the road.

So what is this realization that I mention and have yet to disclose you might be asking yourself? Well, I came to the realization that we are not riding a VERY EXPENSIVE motorcycle but rather we have a Poor Man's Recreational Vehicle. Now what do you think of that? That's almost earth shaking isn't it?

There are some (men and women) you know that own very expensive motor homes that clog the highways and byways in the summer that we on the two wheel mode of travel sometimes disgruntle at when we want to carve the twisties. Oh now, now, so as not to offend anyone, I have thought about the luxury of owning a full blown Class A motor home and actually Linda and I did rent one a lot of years ago and took a most wonderful vacation with our son Patrick and Linda's parents. They, Linda's parents, talked so very fondly of that trip for many years and until their deaths many years later.

But, regardless, I think that we as a species have the desire to get out and recreate in one way or another. This is a good thing for all. It seems that we all spend forty to fifty (and in some cases even more) hours per week toiling at the mine so to speak and then when we do get some free time we have to get out and spend some of that hard earned money – on something.

I think that if our spouses would look at this all a little differently, trying to come to their own realization, if you will, it's a pretty good deal. After all, when we are out on our RV there has never been a bed that had to be made there has never been a meal that had to be prepared or dishes to be done afterwards. All of this is not taking into consideration those of you that have camped on occasions using this, the two wheeled mode of transportation.

With all this being said, I sincerely hope that you and your spouse, like Linda and I, truly enjoy your Poor Man's RV and are able to get out and see some of this beautiful land that we call home and love so dearly. We hope to see you out there and that you are safe and full of life.

Mr. T and Mrs. T

Don't forget the Annual Bake Sale Thursday, October 11th at 7:00 p.m. See you there!



For Sale:

We are fresh out of ads this month. RMVTA members advertise your items here for free as well as the web site.

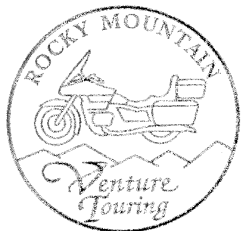
Member Notice
Look for your membership number in this issue. If you find it, see the 50-50 ticket sellers at the next meeting for your free brace of 50-50 tickets. Don't forget to check .

The Deadline for the Next Newsletter is October 23, 2007

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