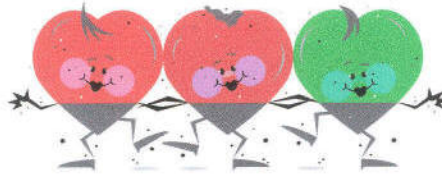




ROGUE VALLEY WINGS
NEWS LETTER
FEBRUARY 1, 2008



**NEW YEARS DAY 2008
CHAPTER "A" POLAR BEAR RIDE**

OK! Now I understand the story of the new recruit sailor who wrote home to Mom and in his letter told her that they had gone marching that day and that he was the only one in step?

We planned a New Year day luncheon/ride to the Junction Inn in Cave Junction (dependent on weather) and Judy & I were the only two who decided whether to ride. Everyone else decided whether to driveBUT.....that's great because we enjoyed a fantastic luncheon together and the start of another terrific year. Walk, ride or drive, the name of the game is "Destination Friendship".

The food was plentiful, service was great (thanks Dee Dee) and the room was welcome (thanks to Sharon, Gen. Mgr.). 23 of us enjoyed a great kickoff for the 2008-year (Now if I could only get people to ride). I don't really care how you get there just get there one way or the other so we won't miss you. The more ladies that show up the more hugs I get and without knowing what tomorrow may bring I treasure each and every one of those hugs.

Has somebody got an idea for a get together? Let's hear it, I'm usually game for just about anything. Life is short and I want to enjoy as much of it as I can crowd into a lifetime.

Ride safe and lets have fun, Don

**ROGUE VALLEY WINGS
GENERAL MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2008**

This meeting was held at Hart's restaurant with 24 members and 8 guests in attendance.

Ken opened the meeting at 9:15. He thanked everyone for coming and acknowledged all the guests who were there making for an impressive crowd.

Doris Kobernick was introduced and thanked for making the long trip to join us today. Randy couldn't make it to today's meeting as he had to work.

Ken announced who is on his staff as decided at the business meeting. Steve and Charlene Riggs are the Assistant Chapter Directors, Marty Warren is the Treasurer, Carmen Warren is the Secretary, Judy Coons is the Web Master and Photographer, Don Coons is State Safety Director, Chuck Thomas is the Chapter Safety Director, Dick and Joyce Armstead are the State Advisors, and Joyce is also the Sunshine person.

Anyone interested in learning any of these jobs should let Ken know. We all are interested in sharing our knowledge and every one of us will at some time need a back up.

There is a potluck brunch happening at the Armsteads on February 9th starting at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend. Plan to bring breakfast foods. The Armsteads do this every year and it is always fun.

We are planning to do a garage sale again this year at the Coons' house to earn money. It should happen in June again. This is a neighborhood sale that is done every year in Don and Judy's area. The chapter made a nice amount of money last year. So, save all your usable things in anticipation of this sale. Please don't bring clothes as they are too hard to display. Thanks.

The Greenway people sent the chapter a thank you note and are hoping we will ride again this year as backup for the bicycles. We voted at the business meeting to repeat this ride as it is always fun. Ken thinks we could use a few more bikes. This ride will happen in early September and comes with a nice meal at the end of the ride. Hope you will plan to attend.

Ken has forms for the Winter Weekend West weekend in California. This should be a hoot. There is more information on the web site if you are interested. Make your reservations soon.

Our poker run is tentatively planned for August 23rd this year. We should hear soon if that can be written in stone.

The Christmas Party is on December 14th at the Brewery. Carmen is attending to these plans this year and will have more information by next meeting on menu choices and prices. Don has a different gift exchange idea this year that sounds like fun. We can decide as time gets closer.

Larry is hoping to get some answers on how much to spend on trophies for the Light Parade at state rally. This will probably be talked about at the state meeting happening later today.

Rosemary has memory patches coming for Ivan that will cost \$5.00. Please let her know if you would like one.

Anyone who is a new member and doesn't have a name badge please see Charlene. They are under \$10.00. They look nice and make it easier for all of us to remember names.

The Abels are hosting a Super Bowl party and potluck in their home again this year. All are welcome. There is a flier posted on the web. They ask that you bring finger food.

Doris invited everyone to Madras for the State Rally over Memorial weekend in May. Madras is looking forward to this rally and seeing all of us on our bikes. They have just opened a water park so bring your suits if you're interested. Fiesta is our theme this year. She thanked us for the food already donated. Our charity is to the Madras area food bank so please continue to bring non-perishable food to the general meetings each month. The chapter will get it to Madras. There will be lots of fun things planned for this weekend including scenic rides, good food and games, and on bike safety courses and CPR classes given on Sunday. We will have a wonderful time.

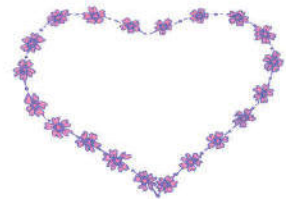
Larry reminded us that our light parade and judging will happen at state rally. It is always fun.

Ken wants all who do not have the web to let him know so we can send them a news letter.

Doris talked about the GWTA courthouse program that is going on. We are to take pictures of our bikes in front of as many courthouses as possible. This is a fun way to see some other cities we have never been to before. There is more information on the web about this program.

The winning 50/50 ticket was Diana Abel's for \$48.00. Way to go Diana!! Tickets were drawn for some Shari's coupons and Dave May, John Koughan, and Cheryl Dodson were the winners.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.
Carmen Warren, Secretary



A big Thank you to Scott and Sharon Starke for letting us hold our Jan. business meeting at their home. It was a great time and the food was wonderful as usual. A lot was accomplished. Hope to see you all at the next one. It is important to attend to get your vote in on what is going on in our club.



**This month's recipe submitted by Joyce Armstead.
Thank you Joyce. Sounds yummy**



Carmen and Sharon at the Business Meeting

Upcoming Event's:

Armsteads Brunch--Feb.9 10AM -bring breakfast food.

Valentine's Day--Feb. 14

Meeting--Feb. 17 & Fireman's Fish Fry

Presidents' Day--Feb. 19

Chicken and Rice Casserole

2 (14 1/2 oz) cans of green beans, rinsed and drained

3 cups diced cooked chicken

1 medium onion diced and sauteed

1 (8oz) can water chestnuts, drained and chopped

1 (4 oz) can pimentos

1 can condensed cream of celery soup

1 cup mayonaise

(6 oz) box long-grain and wild rice, cooked according to package directions

1 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese

pinch of salt

preheat oven to 350 deg.

Mix all ingredients together and pour into a greased 3-quart casserole dish. Bake 20-25 minutes or until bubbly.

Yield: 6 - 8 servings.

ENJOY...