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LAKE SHORE HOGTM

Monthly Newsletter



Whats Happening

Annual Breakfast Social

December 17, 2023

9:00 am Breakfast

Social hour only NO Meeting

Magnolia Café Lambs Farm

Upcoming Rides and Activities

Dec 1- LOH Holiday Party

Dec 3- Toys for Tots Ride

Dec 3- Pampered Chef Teddy Bear Fundraiser

Dec 9- Chapter Holiday Party

Dec 12- WWDC #12- Froggy's in Highwood

Dec 16- Annual Teddy Bear Bake Sale

Dec 17- Annual Breakfast Social

[Click here for more information on upcoming rides and activities](#)



Heather Johnston

Director

As 2023 draws to a close, and I sit writing what will be my final article as Director, I am incredibly thankful for the opportunity I've had over the past couple of years.

Thank you for the honor and privilege of being your Director.

Congratulations to our new Director, Doug Wrobel, and our other primary officers, Scott Sears, Rick Cruz, and Colleen Hancock.

Thank you to all who have served on the Board with me the last 2 years. Our Chapter runs well because of the dedication of our members who volunteer to help. Thank you.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank my husband who has provided guidance and encouragement along the way, as well as being a tremendous support in planning trips and events.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our Holiday Party in just a couple of weeks, and at our breakfast social.

Wishing you all & your families a very blessed holiday season and a happy & healthy 2024!

Signing off,

Heather "Bling" Johnston

Director

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Doug Wrobel

Assistant Director

Well Hello everyone. This is my last article as Assistant Director as I get ready to take over as your new Director. It's been a very good year for us all, plenty of rides with stories to share.

So it should be an interesting year ahead. We have two new Primary Officers. I will be moving up to Director and Scott Sears will be the new Assistant Director. Rick Cruz will remain as Treasurer and Colleen Hancock will remain as Secretary. We will also have some new Discretionary Officers too. If anyone is interested in a discretionary position let one of the Primaries know. We need to have the new board in place as soon as possible. I will be contacting some of you soon.

Once I take over as Director, I don't want anyone to think that they can not contact me with concerns about the chapter. It will be basically an open door policy, so I look forward to you the Chapter Members voicing your concerns and ideas. I look forward to the upcoming challenges.

We will be looking at next years Chapter trip and we will get word out accordingly so we can all plan on attending.

Well for now, I hope everyone has a wonderful Holiday season. Hope to see everyone either at the Holiday Party (Go Navy, Beat Army) or the Breakfast Social for our last informal gathering of the year.

Doug Wrobel
Assistant Director/Road Captain
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Rick Cruz

Treasurer

Elections were completed at the meeting in November and I am graciously happy to be your Treasurer for another season. I'm looking forward to the new Board and seeing what great things we can accomplish.

We have one more planned activity before the year ends which is the Holiday Party at Primo in Gurnee. I'm hoping you can join us there and end the season on a high note.

Please see the flyer in this newsletter, or on our Facebook page or in the "What's Happening" section of the Webpage for details.

If you can't make the party, hopefully we'll see you at the December Breakfast Social at Lambs Farm on Sunday December 17. (see calendar for details)

Wishing you and your families the
Happiest of Holidays!



Rick Cruz

Treasurer/Road Captain

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Nita Cruz

Activities

I hope that you and your families all had a great Thanksgiving.



It's time for the Holiday Party; which you can see by the attached flyer and all the advertising is Saturday December 9th. We currently have 33 people signed up and have room for plenty more! We need your non-refundable payment: Members \$30.00, Non-members \$60.00 by no later than Monday December 4th NO EXCEPTIONS so that we can let the restaurant know our final count to ensure there is enough good food to go around. You can mail me a check with your information, or you can drop it in the saddle bag at the dealership. I ask that you please email me at activities_nita@lakeshorehog.com if you drop it at the dealership so that I can get you listed.

For all the details, please see the attached flyer and join us for a great time.

Let's end the 2023 season with lots of fun, good food, and festivities.

Nita Cruz
Activities

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Lake Shore H.O.G. Holiday Party

December 9, 2023

Primo Italian American Cuisine
720 Milwaukee Ave
Gurnee, IL 60031

Menu Includes:

House Salad
Sliced Beef
Teriyaki Salmon
Chicken Alfredo
Green Beans
Roasted Parmesan Potatoes
Vegetarian Options Available

Appetizers at 6:00PM
Dinner at 7:00PM

Raffle Drawings

Maximum number of attendees
70

Coffee/Tea/Soda
CASH BAR

Spots
are
Limited
so
Sign-up
Today!



Member _____

Member _____

Guest _____

Cost per Member \$30/Cost per Guest \$60

Deadline for Sign-up is Monday December 4

Make Checks Payable to Lake Shore H.O.G.

Send to Nita Cruz

9321 Champion Ct

Spring Grove IL. 60081

847-406-0060



Roz Wrobel

Membership

Happy Holidays from Membership Corner

As I sit here and write the last article of the year 2023, I can't believe that it is almost over as the holidays are upon us. The weather is changing as we have had beautiful weather and then some not so good weather, but the miles that this chapter has rode is unbelievable. I look back and remember all the new members that have joined our family of brothers and sisters, the returning faces, all the rides, the events that were planned and attended and see a smile come on my face. It has been an exciting year.

As we finish this year with 173 members of new and returning members, can't wait to see what the new year brings. Congratulations to the new board for year 2024. You will be awesome.



Roz Wrobel
aka" Muffin"
Membership Officer/Volunteer Coordinator
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Howdy everyone,

Congratulations to all of our winners of our Annual Mileage Contest. Nicely done. 1st place received \$100, 2nd place received \$50 and 3rd place received an honorable mention. Also our 1st place winners will have their names engraved on the plaque in our H.O.G. Corner over at the dealer

5,000 Patch Club 2023	
May, Clayton	18,414
15,000	
Cherry, Doug	12,977
Cherry, Dawn	11,772
Morris, Eric	10,646
Warzecha, Bob	10,212
Sweeney, John	10,003
10,000	
Mills, Dave	9,312
West, Owen	9,540
Bradley, Brett	8,509
Dusing Jr., Rick	8,148
Meirthew, Paul	8,081
Bildir, Barlas	7,750
Quill, Christine	6,633
Warkins, Mike	6,262
Panozzo, Al	6,236
Mills, Coti	6,130
Goodrum, Jim	6,073
Johnston, Corey	5,878
Cruz, Dan	5,073
Babich, Tom	5,069
Johnston, Heather	5,056
5,000	

John R. Sweeney Jr

Head Road Captain/ Webmaster

Lake Shore H.O.G. Mileage Contest Winners for 2023

WEEKEND WARRIORS

1st	Dusing Jr., Rick	8,148
2nd	Meirthew, Paul	8,081
3rd	Bildir, Barlas	7,750
	Quill, Christine	6,633
	Warkins, Mike	6,262
	Mills, Coti	6,130
	Goodrum, James	6,073
	Cruz, Dan	5,073
	Babich, Tom	5,069
	Johnston, Heather	5,056
	Wrobel, Doug	4,648
	Lang, George	4,380
	Peat, Michael	4,300
	Wrobel, Roz	3,787
	Murglin, Joe	3,591
	Seiwert, Bill	3,486
	Farino, Jenn	3,006

IRON BUTT

1st	May, Clayton	18,414
2nd	Cherry, Doug	12,977
3rd	Cherry, Dawn	11,772
	Morris, Eric	10,646
	Warzecha, Bob	10,212
	Mills, David	9,621
	Bradley, Brett	8,509
	Johnston, Corey	5,878
	Gembala, Jeff	4,958
	Healy, Barbara	4,485

Yellow denotes people moved up to the Iron Butt from the Weekend Warrior category, due to the higher than average mileage. The cut off was 8,317.

1st	Sweeney, John	10,003
2nd	West, Owen	9,540
3rd	Panozzo, Al	6,236
	Casillas, Manny	4,719
	Geraci, Joe	4,625

<<< These are all of our members that have earned their 5,000 mile rocker for this year. If this is your first year, you will also be receiving the 5,000 mile patch. The patches have been delayed and will be delivered around the end of November, so I will have them with me at our December Breakfast Social and at our sign-up in January at the dealership. Please come and see me, if your name is on this list.

Head Road Captain (cont'd)

Lastly, this is the list of everyone that is signed up for our Annual Mileage Contest for 2024, as of November 20th. If you do not see your name, then you are not registered. Please see either myself or Kory over at Lake Shore to get your mileage read and recorded. Remember to tell Kory you want to register for our Chapter Mileage Contest. This is separate from Ride365 and each are run differently.

Keep an eye on the calendar in case of a nice day, you just might see another ride show up, before the end of the year.

And to all of my chapter brothers and sisters and your families and loved ones, have a very...

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Registered for 2024

These are the people
registered as of 11/20/23
for 2024 season that will
end on 09/15/24.

This is your starting
mileage

If you are not on this list,
please contact
John Sweeney

Iron butt	Start
Dusing Jr., Rick	3,844
Gembala, Jeff	11,656
Healy, Barbara	50,550
Johnston, Corey	83,024
May, Clayton	53,624
Morris, Eric	40,134
Treppa, Mark	12,912
Warzecha, Bob	55,539

Weekend Warriors	Start
Babich, Tom	35,262
Bahaiev, Ed	11,596
Bildir, Barlas	59,101
Bradley, Brett (trike)	12,814
Bradley, Brett (Limited)	13,403
Cherry, Dawn	28,041
Cherry, Doug	70,584
Cruz, Dan	12,184
Faber, Mark	24,938
Farino, Jenn	25,268
Goodrum, James	38,854
Holmes, Lyle	31,146
Johnston, Heather	28,797
Jones, Dave	37,304
Lang, George	31,769
Meirthew, Paul	34,877
Mills, Coti	19,741
Mills, David	39,930
Murglin, Joe	22,613
Peat, Michael	5
Quill, Christine	7,425
Seiwert, Bill	66,879
Warkins, Mike	53,065
Wrobel, Doug	16,474
Wrobel, Roz	11,802

Retired	Start
Casillas, Manny	51,802
Geraci, Joe	187,014
Panozzo, Al	99,847
Sweeney, John	216,652
West, Owen	46,235

Till next month...

John R. Sweeney Jr.

aka (Motor Mouth)

"Remember, shiny side up and rubber side down..."

Head Road Captain

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Teddy Bear Corner

Hi everyone,

Lakeshore H.O.G. members are the best! We packed and delivered 1,314 animals. 604 cars and 441 assorted undies and socks this year for the needy families in Lake County. Give yourself a high-five for excellence on the 2023 Teddy Bear Drive. Thank you on behalf of Nicasa. They will distribute our donations to local organizations, churches and host a Christmas party at their facility where families can come to meet Santa and gather items to give to their children. This really helps the community. Lake Shore H.O.G., we did good... ;—)

On Sunday Dec. 3rd, we will have our Pampered Chef Teddy Bear Fundraiser at Lakeshore at 1pm to 3pm. A portion of the proceeds will go to our Teddy Bear Fund. Stop by and check us out...

And last, but not least... we will have our annual bake sale, Saturday, December 16th at Lake Shore Harley at noon to 4pm. We need donations of home-baked or store bought sweet and/or savory treats. Please shoot me a text at (847) 732-0825 of what you will be donating. Hope to see you there...

Till next time,
Sammie Sweeney
Teddy Bear Coordinator
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(847) 882-0187

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Let's Raise Funds!

Sunday, Dec. 3rd – 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Lake Shore H.O.G. is hosting a fundraiser for the Teddy Bear Drive.
Our chapter will receive a check for up to 15% of the total sales
so that more kids can get a gift this holiday season.

Stop by the dealer and check out the products and a tasty recipe (or two).
If you can't make it to the party in person, please use the link and place an order,

<https://www.pamperedchef.com/party/teddybears110523>

Orders are shipped directly to your door. Big or small every order helps.

Hope to see you there!



Saturday, Dec. 16th

*Bake
Sale*

12:00pm - 4:00pm

Lake Shore Harley Davidson

14000 Rockland Road, Libertyville, IL

Come see Santa and buy yourself some sweet and/or savory treats at the Annual Teddy Bear Bake Sale...

Come on out and satisfy your sweet tooth and help out our charity. We need bakers and buyers and a few of our LOH ladies to help with the dealership gift wrapping.

All proceeds go to the purchase of stuffed animals and Hot Wheels® cars that the Lake Shore H.O.G. Chapter donates to the children of Lake County.





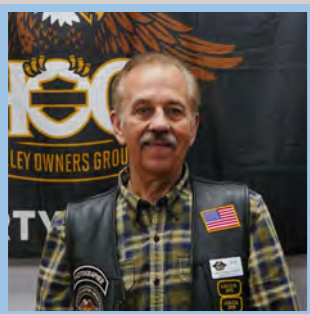
Joe Murglin

Safety Officer

With Thanksgiving in our rearview mirrors by the time you read this, I hope you didn't go too far overboard with all the goodies! I for one need to do some extra walking with my dog Lily to work off some of the extra calories.

I know I'm getting old when my youngest son of 25 years told me he wants to buy a motorcycle, and as a parent, I'm not sure if I want him to. Back in the day when I started riding, motorcycles were a rarity, and so was the crazy traffic congestion and idiots that we routinely deal with every time we go out for a ride now a days. Of course, he's going to take a riding safety course and I plan on going out for rides alongside him while he has his permit. Also, I'll try to instill any of my own experiences in him that may help prepare him, but as a parent I'll always be wondering if I did enough.

I'm really looking forward to our Christmas party on December 9th, don't forget to have a designated driver so you can get home safely (luckily, my wife doesn't drink).



Bob Morrison Photographer

Hello sisters and brothers,

Hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving.

Here are some pictures and memories from this month.

November 4th we had our Annual Teddy Bear boxing and delivery:







Link for the Annual Teddy Bear Boxing and Delivery video:

(1433) Lake Shore H. O. G. Chapter Annual Teddy Bear Boxing and Delivery 2023 - YouTube

Pictures from our November 19th meeting:





I had to include this picture John took of his bike:

John's post had this statement with it.

"At 217,735 miles this the FIRST time my baby had been on a TRAIL-ER...:--(

I'm sure it will be on the road again soon!

Most miles I've ever seen on a bike.

See you at the Holiday Party and the
December Breakfast!

Bob and Nancy Morrison



Bob Morrison

Photographer

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Corey A. Johnston

Editor

Well we have come to the last newsletter of the year, I would like to thank everyone who took the time to read my Tails from the Trail stories of some of my rides over the last few years. I would like to thank Tom and Rick for taking the time to write articles and submit them for others to enjoy. This will be my last article as editor so don't worry I won't make you read another of my stories. I hope that perhaps as you looked at photos or read about the journeys it inspired you to get out and ride more.

We all have good years and bad years on the bike one year I rode 25,000 and this year I didn't even pass 6,000. The important thing is to get out and enjoy every mile that life will let you.

May you all enjoy your holiday season. May 2024 bring you many safe and memorable miles with family and friends. Until we meet again may you enjoy the road and remember to "Listen to the Wind, it talks..."

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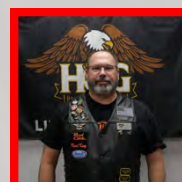
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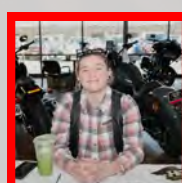
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