



The H.O.G. Insider

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Breakfast Social

December 15th @ Lamb's Farm—Magnolia Café

9:00 Breakfast

There is no meeting this month, please join us for breakfast and fun

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Corey Johnston – Director



A Cool Yule to All. It is hard to believe that it's already December and we are about to ring in the ROARING 20's. As we enter this holiday season may your homes be filled with laughter, cheer, and love. Once again, I would like to thank all the officers and road captains that put in a lot of hard work each year to make sure everyone has a great season. I would also like to thank all our active members for continuing to make this an awesome chapter. I am looking forward to continuing to serve as your director for another year. I am happy to officially announce your 2020 Lake Shore H.O.G. Board of Officers:

Primary Officers

Director: Corey Johnston

Assistant Director: Ralph Lenzini

Treasurer: Dawn Cherry

Secretary: Heather Johnston

Discretionary Officers

Activities: Corey Johnston & Committee

Editor: Laurie Lenzini

Chapter Products: Dave Jones

Head Road Captain: John Sweeney

LOH: Colleen Hancock & Sydney Johnson

Membership: Roz Wrobel

Officer at Large: George Lang

Photographer: Bob Morrison

Historian: Doug Wrobel

Safety: Rick Cruz

Webmaster: Nick Strom

Other exciting news... Ralph and I have already begun working on next year's chapter trip and we are looking at **July 9-12**. Mark your calendars! Much more exciting information to come!

To all my H.O.G. brothers and sisters... Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Don't forget our breakfast social **Sunday December 15th, 2019** at 9am at Lambs Farm.

Until next time, stay warm and dream of the winding roads ahead.

Corey (Rain Man) Johnston
"Listen to the wind, it talks..."
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Ralph Lenzini—Assistant Director



Well here we are my Brothers and Sisters. HAPPY HOLIDAYS! That's right, It's December. May your Holidays be Blessed. First I would like to say Thank You for allowing me to continue as your Assistant Director. With that said, the competition was tough. Rick Cruz and I have ridden a lot of miles together, both with the Chapter and personal, and in the end we hugged and smiled. But the best part... There's no hard feelings. We are planning for next year's trip. That's what this Chapter is about Brothers and Sisters. Because we are all trying to do what is best for this Chapter. So once again, LET'S RIDE .Thank You Again.

Well now onto business. By now all of you have received your H.O.G. Magazine. Did you Read It? If you did you will know that they are no longer going to include the Ride Planner in your annual packet. Yes it was an Atlas with highlighted routes but the most important thing was the Dealerships in the back. If you are a long distant traveler or a short distance rider and needed to find a Dealership it was there. And it worked. Trust me I used it! The best part is you didn't need a GPS. Just look at the map for the nearest Dealership and ride to it or call them. I will have more info for you at the February meeting and more.

I can't wait to see you all at the signup in January. Oh and a Heads up... my portion at the February meeting will be a little long but informative, SO HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

Ralph "yoyo" Lenzini
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Ray Weimer—Treasurer



Happy December to all. Congratulations to the newly elected primaries and good luck to all the officers whether just appointed or continuing on in their position in 2020.

The holidays are quickly approaching and with that Merry Christmas to all and Happy New Year! Hoping everyone's resolutions for next year are a reality. I for one resolve to ride more and enjoy all the great roads and scenic areas this great country of ours has to offer.

On a final note, it's always good news to hear that Doug Cherry is recovering and doing well. He is a great guy with a fun and caring attitude to all and another reason this chapter is so tremendous with all the fantastic members we have.

Till our paths cross again on the great roads of America keep your knees in the breeze,

Ray (Pockets) Weimer
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Rick Cruz – Secretary



December is here and 2019 is about to make its exit! What a year it's been, I hope you all had the opportunity to ride some of the many rides that were posted on the calendar as well your own meanderings. This is my last article as your Secretary and I want to thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve in this capacity. I'm looking forward to 2020 and wish all a great year!

Merry Christmas to all and a Very Happy New Year!



**From our November General Meeting:
Meeting opened at 10:17 AM. We had 73 members in attendance.**

- Update on one of our Chapter members (Doug Cherry) Wishing you a speedy recovery, and know that we are all pulling for you.
- Buffo's Teddy Bear fundraiser resulted in \$165.00 in sales plus an additional \$60.00 in donations totaling \$225.00 for year 2020 Teddy Bear purchases. A special thanks to Lenny for his support and extra kindness with the soda donation.
- Update on "Ride 365" We finished in the top 10 with a current total of 202,900 miles, Way to go Bob Montgomery for getting the miles you rode on your Fat Boy entered!
Note to the rest, if you've traded in a bike and have the beginning and ending miles, bring the paperwork to the dealership as those miles can be entered.
Thanks to all that get out there and ride, remember you have until December 31, to get your 2019 "Ride 365" miles entered. And don't forget to re-register in January to start your 2020 challenge.
- To date we have 214 members, up 3 from our last meeting. The November meeting is the last meeting that counts towards perfect attendance
- Another good month as the Chapter finances continue to be in the black.
- The Holiday party is scheduled for Saturday December 7, 2019 at the Doubletree in Mundelien. There were still 8 open spots for the party and the last day to sign up was Sunday November 17, 2019 . There is no special theme, looking forward to a great party.
- LOH Holiday Crafts & Bake Sale will be Saturday and Sunday December 14 – 15, proceeds will support the 2020 year Teddy Bear project. Looking for Bakers and Crafters to help with the event. (See Flyer, and contact Sammie Sweeney with any questions or to help out)
The Dealership will need gift wrappers to help out on both Saturday and Sunday December 14 – 15
- The November newsletter posted all the names of the riders that were captured at the October General Meeting for the 2019 Chapter Mileage Contest and some new riders for the year 2020 Chapter Mileage Contest. If you did not see your name, you were not counted. If you believe there is an error, please reach out to John Sweeney. *Remember:* If you were not able to get your numbers in by October 20th, you can still get your mileage entered to start the 2020 riding season by seeing Kory at the dealership or meeting with John.
The winners in each category: Weekend Warrior, Iron Butt & Retiree will be announced at the February 2020 Chapter meeting.
- The chapter did 87 rides totaling 89,847 miles, there were 732 bikes and 896 rider/passengers enjoying those rides.

- Update from the Teddy Bear Packing event: 1501 bears/animals were packed into 74 boxes and 555 cars were packed into 4 boxes.
- A big Thank You goes out to the financial donations of \$2219.00 that were used to purchase 1275 bears and 257 cars. Andy from the DCFS says Thank You to the Lake Shore H.O.G. chapter for your continued support.
- The annual Pistol Pete competition had 9-slots open, contact John Sweeney for more information if you are interested.
- A great big Thank You to our Veterans for your service!
- Elections for the 2020 Primary Officers were held; the Election committee comprised of Scott Sears, Patrick Bowman and Bob Ogg took the ballots for: Director: Corey Johnston – Uncontested
 - o Assistant Director: Ralph Lenzini and Rick Cruz
 - o Secretary: Heather Johnston – Uncontested
 - o Treasurer: Dawn Cherry and Doug Wrobel
- Congratulations to your 2020 Primary Board of: Director: Corey Johnston, Assistant Director: Ralph Lenzini, Secretary: Heather Johnston & Treasurer: Dawn Cherry
- Illinois Spinal Care presented at the November Meeting, Thank You for Breakfast and supporting our Teddy Bear fundraiser. Special Thanks to Bob and Nancy Morrison for bringing them in.
- For December, in place of the General meeting we will have our annual Breakfast Social at Lambs Farm. There will be no Raffles. In place of this, we'll be accepting donations to present to the Great! Magnolia Café staff that took such good care of us all year. Breakfast will be at 9:00 AM.



Rick Cruz
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Anne Weimer—Membership



Congratulations to the newly elected Board and to all the discretionary officers, all of whom have so graciously agreed to give of their time to the Chapter. This month we welcome to our H.O.G. family **Rich Geib**. I hope you will be able to attend the Christmas Breakfast Social on **Sunday December 15th**.

December 2019....I am in total disbelief that another year is almost complete and for me this year has brought about many life changes. Not only did we retire but we also sold our house in McHenry and moved to Missouri. This has been quite a change and a big adjustment in our lives but we are now living much closer, in the same town, to our daughter and her family which brings us many joys. The very difficult part is the fact that not only did I leave my mom and siblings behind, we left behind all of our H.O.G. family!! So as I sit here writing this, my last article, as a discretionary officer I find myself extremely sad. I have truly enjoyed my many years as membership officer and previously as the photographer. I cannot express how very much you all mean to me. We have made some lifelong friendships and for that I am so very grateful. This is definitely not good bye as I am looking forward to 2020 and all that it has to bring. The best is yet to come!!!!!!

From my family to all of yours we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year.

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John R Sweeney Jr HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN

Howdy Lake Shore H.O.G.



I can't believe how fast this year has gone. It seems like just yesterday I was planning our annual Bike Blessing and now I'm getting ready for Toys For Tots. Where has the season gone. I'll tell you where it went. We rode and rode and rode. We always refer to ourselves as a riding chapter and this season really proved it.

87 Rides with 896 people and 732 bikes for a total of 89,847 miles... And these are just the chapter rides on our calendar. That is just plain awesome. Our RC's planned them and you attended, which is exactly why most of us joined a H.O.G. chapter in the first place. To ride and have fun. I can't wait for next season, which we hope to make it even better.

I've been lucky enough to be the Head Road Captain for the last 4 years and I am truly grateful for that opportunity. I enjoy working with all of the RC's to put together a great calendar of very diverse rides and events for the members throughout the year. When I and the other RC's joined the chapter, we got to meet people and go on many different rides. Now it is our turn to do the same for the new people that have joined us as well as our regular membership. It's our way of giving back to the chapter. If you have a good time, then we did our job right... ;—)

For those that have not put their bikes away for the season, remember to check-in your final mileage for H.O.G.'s Ride365 at the dealership. Get those final miles in, so we see how the chapter finishes up for 2019.

On a personal note, I just want to thank Ray and Anne Weimer for all of their years working their butts off for this chapter. Ray has been a member and at one time or another the Editor, Secretary, Director and Treasurer and Anne has been Membership for many, many years, sat on or chaired multiple committees and volunteered from just about everything over the years. They are a huge part of why this chapter is as good and as healthy as it is today. Their contributions have been immeasurable. I and the whole chapter owe them a debt of gratitude. Their shoes will be hard to fill. Though they will remain members, their contributions as officers will be sorely missed. Thank you both for all of your years of dedication to us...

John R Sweeney Jr
aka (Motor Mouth)
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Ladies of Harley

Sammie Sweeney



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December already... WHAT???

I hope you all had a fabulous Thanksgiving. I also hope that you can join me on **Thursday, December 19th** at 7pm for a **WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE** at Hitz Pizza - 700 Butterfield Road, Munde-lein. Let's get together for some fun and food, exchange some gifts and have a few laughs. Please R.S.V.P. me either by text at (847) 732-0825 or on our Members ONLY FaceBook page. Hope you can make it...

Also this month is our Annual Bake / Craft Sale. It will be a two day event this year, **December 14th & 15th**. The dealer is having Santa on Saturday and Kids shopping on Sunday and gift wrapping the whole weekend.

If you would like to donate baked goods or craft items, please bring them to the dealer at 9:30am on Saturday, Dec. 14th. The dealer has asked us to help gift wrap again this year, so volunteers would be appreciated.

On a side note, this will be my last year as your LOH Officer. I have done this for the last 2 years and it has been fun, but its time for new blood. Thank you for all of your participation over the last couple of years and I look forward to next year as just another LOH member...
Sammie out...

Lake Shore H.O.G. Chapter is da B OMB!!!



We as a chapter donated 1,501 teddy bears and stuffed animals and 555 Hot Wheels cars to DCFS. Give yourselves a "HIGH FIVE", you put a smile on the faces of 2,056 kids.... ;-)

We are off to a great start for next year. Buffo's Teddy Bear Event raised \$161 and we also received \$60 from a private donation. Thank you Lenny for all you do for the kids. And we already have received a large amount of stuffed animals to kick off next year. PetSmart is running a campaign for people to donate money to buy stuffed animals for the children of DCFS. Thank you PetSmart...

Saturday, Dec. 14th
10:00am – 3:00pm

Sunday, Dec. 15th
11:00am – 3:00pm

Lake Shore Harley Davidson

14000 Rockland Road, Libertyville, IL



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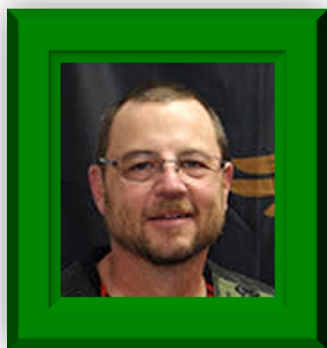
**Come see Santa and buy yourself some treats or crafts
at the Ladies Of Harley Annual Bake & Craft Sale...**

**Through out the day, we will have cake walks, a raffle
for a chocolate high-heel shoe, lots of cookies, cakes,
and plenty of crafts ...**

**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 DCFS.**



Dan Marcotte—Safety Officer



Winterizing Your Motorcycle in 11 Steps

Sadly, motorcycles aren't ideal for the winter weather, and simply throwing a cover over your baby isn't enough to protect it. So, as the temperature drops and the snow falls, it's time to put away your toys. But first, follow these eleven easy steps to get your hogs ready for hibernation.

Winter wash. Think about that clean, cozy feeling you get from showering before bed. Doesn't your motorcycle deserve that same treatment? Built up dirt will corrode and damage metal surfaces over time, but a thorough wash and dry will leave your bike grime-free

and a proper wax will help keep moisture at bay.

All oiled up. Remember one thing – moisture is the enemy. Give your bike and its engine proper lubrication before storing it. And repel that dreaded moisture by lubricating here and there during the winter.

Replace spark plugs. But before you do, pour about a tablespoon of winter weight engine oil, like SW30, into the holes of the cylinder heads, and turn over the engine a few times to coat the cylinder walls.

Check moving parts. This includes things like the chain, kickstand, and the throttle and shifter – all need lubrication to prevent rusting. Keep those areas lubricated and moving during the winter to keep them loose.

Switch out dirty oil. Old oil can ruin an engine, especially after sitting for too long. Switch over to a quality winter-weight oil that will last well into the riding season, and don't forget to change your filter too.

Check your levels. Proper fluid levels are crucial in the cold to protect your bike from rust and freezing temperatures. But fluids aren't the only levels you'll need to check before throwing your cover on and calling it a day.

Empty your gas tank. With sludge and rust in your tank, you won't be going anywhere come riding season. So before storing your bike, empty your gas tank completely, or add a fuel stabilizer to a full tank and run the engine to let it cycle through.

Stock up on antifreeze. Filling your coolant system with antifreeze will not only protect your engine from cracking in freezing temperatures, it'll protect your nerves and sanity, because replacing your engine is the last thing you'll have to worry about when it's time to ride again.

Protect your tires. Start by filling them with the max amount of air to avoid under-inflation from the cold. Then prop your bike on a rack to keep your tires off the ground so they don't go flat or take in moisture that can destroy them from the inside out. If you don't have a rack, park your bike on a piece of plywood or carpet, and make sure to rotate your tires often.

Prevent drain. Batteries tend to drain over time, even if they're not being used. Take the battery out of your bike and hook it to a battery tender to keep it charged all winter without overcharging it. And if you're worried about corrosion, put a little grease on the battery threads to stop it in its tracks.

Cover up. Small pests will be looking for a warm place to nest, and they'll go right for your exhaust pipe – unless it's covered. Use a cap or plastic bag to block that off, and then you're finally ready to cover your bike for a long winter's nap. But choose your cover wisely. A cover that ties will stay in place and do the best job keeping out dust and moisture. And a breathable fabric won't trap moisture in like a tarp would.

Once your bike is all bundled up for the winter, you can go inside and do the same.

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Doug Wrobel—Historian



Well, it's been a fun filled year for Lakeshore H.O.G. Between the activities that our very own Activities Officer planned for us all, to the rides put on by all the Road Captains. I know we had a few rides cancelled due to the weather, but other rides were out there for us to do.

Also, the Bardstown, Kentucky weekend was a great time for all that attended. From the riding the back roads that made you think you were riding up someone's driveway to all the local Distilleries. Right Ralph? I'm pretty sure next year's weekend getaway is being planned.

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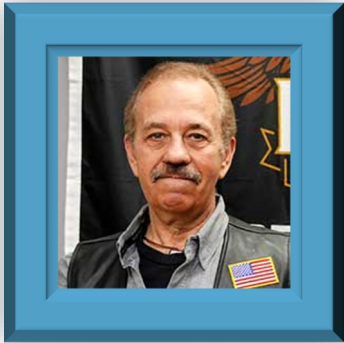


**From all Lakeshore H.O.G.
Board to all of you.....**



Bob Morrison—Photographer

Hello Sisters and Brothers from Lake Shore H.O.G. Chapter,



I can't believe how the time has gone by. I've been retired for a number of years, yet it seems I have less time now than when I was working. Here are a few highlights from our Teddy Bear Packing Party and the Holiday Party.

Thank you Sammie and John for all your hard work!



I made a video of the Teddy Bear Packing Party.
Here is the youtube link to the event if you couldn't attend.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jEYjJi8kPe8>

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Thank you Ron and Julie for all the time and work you have put in throughout the year!



Welcome Back Doug!



Here is our video to the message we gave Doug last month!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=19r6bBVTmQM>

We hope everyone has a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

My New Year's Resolution will include riding more and slowing down to enjoy life!

Bob and Nancy Morrison

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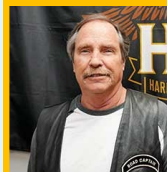
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