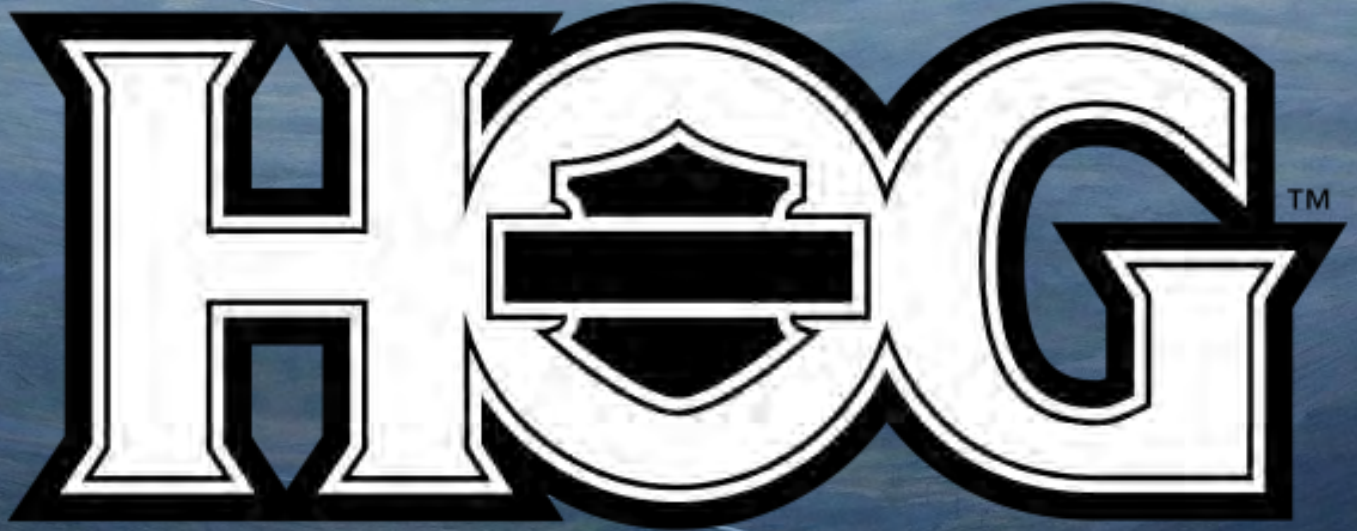


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Monthly Newsletter

Whats Happening

Chapter Meeting

February 20, 2022

Breakfast at 9am

Meeting at 10am

Magnolia Café at Lambs Farm

Upcoming Rides and Activities

2/06—L.O.H. Bling Party

2/27—Teddy Bear Bingo

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

Chapter Ride Hot Line 847-281-3141



Heather Johnston—Director

Wow, the first month of 2022 has really flown by. So far, our winter has been pretty mellow and mild, but now Mother Nature is reminding us what winter in Northern Illinois is really like. Brrrrr! I hope all of my H.O.G. sisters and brothers are staying warm and safe.

It was such a joy to see so many familiar faces of returning members, and quite a few new members, at signup.

We have a few events coming up that you'll want to mark your calendars for, so get those activities cards ready! Speaking of activities cards and new members, remember that for any member that brings a guest who then becomes a member, you will get a fully signed activity card for bringing in that new member to our Chapter. Woohoo!

First up, on **March 12, 2022** at 5:30 pm we will have Almost Daytona Game Night at the dealership. Come join us for a fun evening of pizza & games. Please RSVP to me. It's \$10 to hold your spot, which will be refunded at the time of the event to those who attend.

While riding season may seem far off in the future, it will be here before we know it. I know our Road Captains are busy planning routes to take us to lots of great places.

This year, our Chapter Trip will be **August 25th - 28th**. The **Four Rivers Frenzy** will take us to Paducah, KY. If you would like to join us, please make your hotel reservation by following this link: <http://bit.ly/10002867>. There will be fliers at each meeting going forward so you can get more information. Once you have reserved your room, please make sure to email Dawn Cherry and myself so that we can get a head count.

I am looking forward to spending time with you all very soon and hope to see you at our February meeting. Stay tuned for updates and, as always, keep an eye on the calendar and website for updates.

Heather "Bling" Johnston

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Dawn Cherry—Assistant Director

If you never venture outside of OUR chapter, I can guarantee you by the end of the riding season you will feel very satisfied. Our chapter has rides and events packed throughout the year. Although, today's article I want to give you a run down on the H.O.G. tours and rallies for 2022.

There are 14 rallies lined up, 8 touring and 4 rallies. Something may pique your interest!

I wish we were not still covered in snow for the kick off in March, starting in Virginia Beach, VA (3/1-3/4) there is a 3-day tour that will bring you down to Daytona to kick off the 81st bike week (3/5-3-12).

Or go west for some "Spring Heat" Lancaster, CA (4/2-4/5)

Check out Cajun Country in Scott, LA (4/7-4/9)

Back to Cali riding thru the big trees (5/31-6/6)

Now Meridian, Idaho has a gem of a ride on (6/16-6/21) you will see some natural beauty going thru Montana, Wyoming and Utah.

Cody, WY (6/23-6/25)

I need to highlight the museum tour starting in Pelham, AL (7/5-7/14) they are coming up to our neck of the woods with a stop at "Any Given Sunday Museum". Road captain's Al P. and Joe G. bring us to every year, and we get an extra treat of the pie afterwards! Then this tour ends up at the Harley Museum, another ride our chapter has been too many times.

You've got Ludlow, VT (7/14-7/16)

Dubuque, IA (7/21-7/23)

Circle around Lake Superior starting at Marquett, MI (7/25-7/29) you'll need your passport on this tour.

You've got the northeast tour starting in Annapolis, MD (8/15-8/19)

For the serious riders only! A part 1 of a two-year journey (9/4-9/16) Lynnwood, WA near Seattle bringing you across the country & ending in St. Augustine, FL. This sounds EPIC!

Then wrapping up the season (9/27-10/1) The Great Smokey Mountains starting in Maryville, TN. Personally, I've got my eye on this one!

As you can gather these are multiday travel rides. They do not have a road captain or sweep; you go at your leisure. H.O.G. does highlight stops along the way and usually that evening ending at a local dealership with dinner and music.



Dawn Cherry—Assistant Director

Of course, we have the mother of motorcycle rallies (8/5-8/14) 82nd annual Sturgis!

The hometown rally in Milwaukee will be (9/1-9/5) we usually have rides going up!

If you want to fly half way around the world and rent a HOG the European bike week will be (9/6-9/11) held in Austria.

I hope this itinerary, got your mind off of the cold and snow. I just was jogged out of dream-land by the sound of a snow shovel out my window.

Looking forward to seeing you at the monthly meeting Sunday Feb., 20th 9 a.m. starts breakfast.

Going that extra mile.....

Dawn Cherry

Assistant Director/RC

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Doug Wrobel—Treasurer

Well, hello everyone. It was nice to see everyone at signup, old members as well as new members. We are off to a good start and are looking very solvent as far as the money goes. I will provide a detailed account at the next meeting.

There are 8 of us going to Regional Officer Connection Training. You would think they would have a training class in and around The Milwaukee area since it is the home of Harley Davidson. But we have to travel to Lansing Michigan. Ought to be interesting.

The new board is already working on making this year a success. We already have a Chapter trip planned to Paducah Ky., which will be very interesting. Hope to see you all join us. Just in case you are all wondering, we will be 65 miles from Lamberts Café. You can check it out here, <https://throwedrolls.com/lamberts-cafe>. You'll love the place, plan on a nap afterwards.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the February meeting.

Doug Wrobel

Treasurer/RC

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Sherrie Bransky—Secretary

Thank you to everyone who made it to the Chapter Sign-Up. We had a terrific turnout! If you were unable to be there, don't forget to turn in your membership forms to Roz. The form may be downloaded from the Chapter website and returned to Roz or you can see her at a Chapter meeting to register.

Please make note of a change to the RSVP e-mail address for Heather on the Four Rivers Frenzy Chapter Trip flyers distributed at Sign-up. Heather's email should be johnstonh@comcast.net. If you have sent Heather your RSVP and have not received a reply back yet, please resend it to Heather at johnstonh@comcast.net. RSVP's can also be sent to Dawn.

The H.O.G. membership appreciation promotion has started. When you visit the LakeShore dealership, bring your National H.O.G. membership card and your Chapter membership card to the parts counter to receive an insulated water bottle (National membership card) and a black bandana (Chapter membership card). This is a limited supply promotion, if interested stop by before the dealer runs out of stock.

A couple of dates to add to your calendar...

The Chapter Safety meeting generally held during the April Chapter meeting has been moved to March this year due to the April Chapter meeting falling on Easter weekend. There will not be a Chapter meeting in April. Please plan to attend the Chapter meeting at Lamb's Farm on March 20th to hear Doug Cherry's safety presentation.

The Annual Bike Blessing will be held on Sunday, May 1st. More details to follow.

Sherrie Bransky

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Roz Wrobel—Membership

Hello from membership 2022!

We are starting off the year strong with 154 members with 32 new members. It was a wonderful seeing all the returning members and welcoming the new members. The dealership provided pizza and cool beverages for everyone. I am going to list the new members and welcome them to the best family.

Welcome new members: Kathleen Anderson, Tricia Anderson, Massimo Barigazzi, Brett Bradley, Chris Brandholt, Vladimir Cerbadji, Mike Cutler, John Dicken, Sharon Doerries, Ali Haider, Jordan Hook, Dan Hord, Chris Hove, Thomas Lueders, Artur Mackowiak, Timothy Michael, Gnoma Mikov, Coti Mills, David and Yvonna Mills, Adam Mosely, Lukas Nowakowski, Timothy Rahmoun, James Sandgathe, William Schult, Jeremy Secoy, Gene Seppala, Anthony Sullivan, Jeffrey Trigueros, Alexandru Vidican, Nikita Volobuev and Steve Washburn. If you see them at the dealership, on a ride or at a event or meeting, please say and welcome.

Please remember to keep your national H.O.G. up current. If it should expired, you membership with the chapter becomes inactive until your national H.O.G. is current. This can be easily done by logging on www.hog.com. I will also send a email or text if no email if it has expired. I check several times a month, please make sure that I have your current email address.

Lasty, your board is busy working on this year's events and rides. If you have a idea for a ride, event or anything, reach out and we will see what we can do. Can't wait to get out there and blow out those dust bunnies from the winter.



Roz Wrobel
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John R. Sweeney Jr

Head Road Captain

Howdy everyone,

Well it's February and for those that don't have their bikes in their garage, I'm sure you are already thinking about and planning when you can get your bike out of (the icky word) storage. I know February is a little early to be thinking about that, but I'm sure you are all chomping at the bit to get out there ASAP. It's not too much longer, so hang in there. For those that have access to their bikes and occasionally venture out on a good day and ride, please remember, it's been awhile, your skills are a tad rusty, the streets aren't in great shape and may have salt dust on them and most importantly, cars, trucks and buses are NOT expecting you to be out, so they are NOT looking for you. In fact, you are almost invisible to them. Take the extra time to take it easy, give yourself a little extra space between you and the vehicles around you, make yourself **VISIBLE** to the surrounding vehicles and most importantly, just take it slow and easy, enjoy that your out and be hyper aware of **EVERYONE** and **EVERYTHING** around you. You want to make it home, so your ready for that **NEXT** ride... ;—)

And before you pull out, truly give the bike a good once over. Check lights, brake lights, tire pressure, tires themselves (dry rot, low tread, possible bald spots or exposed cord, low tire pressure), cables, brakes, clutch and oil levels. Remember your bike has been sitting for weeks (or months) and you want to be sure it is tip-top, before pulling out of your garage. Those extra couple of minutes can make the difference between a wonderful trip for some wind therapy or a trip to a hospital or worse. Be safe, be smart, be careful and make it back home safely...

We will be having our Road Captain planning meeting in early March, so you should start to see dates appear on the chapter calendar in the middle of March. And as always, our first ride of the year will be after our March meeting. The "Annual Ice-Breaker Ride". We never know what the weather will be like, so we just wing it...

Finally, I hope a lot of you are planning on attending our Annual Weekend Chapter ride. There is more information about it in this newsletter. If you've been on one of our trips before, you know what a blast we have and if haven't done it yet, make this the year that you finally attend. You won't be sorry.

See you all on the road, very, very soon....

John R Sweeney Jr.

"Shiny side up and rubber side down..."

Head Road Captain

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Doug Cherry—Safety Officer

Last month we talked about how doing some very basic exercises can get you ready for the riding season. This month I would like to talk about some of the mental aspects that will keep us alert and focused right out of the gate. We spend a lot of time on the maintenance and winterization of our bike in the offseason but not a lot of time doing the things we should be doing to get us prepared mentally for not only our first ride but for the entire season. In most cases, the feeling of excitement of getting on the bike for the first time is universal, but the first ride of the season can affect each level of rider in different ways. For some people that are new to riding or who don't ride the miles like some of our veterans that first ride can be a little intimidating. We might not be able to get on the bike and practice yet but there are things we can do to mentally prepare before actually getting on the bike. Here are two simple ones

Visualization - create that mental picture in your mind of you on your perfect ride, where everything went right, where you were unstoppable. Once you have a good mental picture of that, project yourself into that first ride. See yourself with some of the new gear you bought over the winter, your bike all cleaned and ready to go, maybe using a new accessory you purchased to make your ride more enjoyable. Now, you're getting the bike out of your garage and starting it up. Can you hear the rumble? Down the driveway and onto the street (look both ways) into traffic and back into the world. You are on your way, in complete control, totally aware of your surroundings. Once you've enjoyed some of your quick ride, bring it home safely and back into the garage. First ride completed safely. Now, you may think some of this is corny but keep a couple of things in mind; world class athletes, fighter pilots and professionals always visualize what they are going to do before they do it AND you don't have to do any of these things if you don't want. I will guarantee you this: it works, and you will have fun.

Driving - some of you may already do this but I drive my car like I ride my motorcycle. What I mean is that I do many of the same things. I look through my turns, keep my eyes focused on what is in front but always being aware of what is around and behind me. I make assumptions that drivers are going to change lanes, enter the intersection or pull out, all directly in front of me. Even driving a car, I know I'm invisible because so many car drivers are distracted by the 386 million things they are doing other than paying attention to me (sound familiar). Visual focus and scanning provide our brain with the most important information while riding. Constantly scanning ahead has the effect of "slowing" things down and helping us make better decisions more quickly. Target fixation (focusing solely on the car in front of you for example) is one of the most prevalent causes of crashes, and visually scanning ahead, through the next curve, and between your current location and the road ahead while driving your car makes for great practice for riding a motorcycle.



Doug Cherry—Safety Officer

There, not too much work involved. Remember, being good at anything takes practice. In the Chicago area, we are unfortunate not to have a full year to physically enjoy our love of riding. That makes it even more important to make sure we stay engaged in the offseason so that our time on the bike is both enjoyable and safe.

Programming note: March will be Lakeshore HOG's annual Safety Seminar presentation at our monthly meeting. I will have information for new riders as well as our veterans. I hope to see you all there!

Safety Officer

Doug Cherry

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Teddy Bear Corner

It's Febingoary!!

Yes that's right. Bingo in February...

Please join us for an afternoon of fun with your H.O.G. brothers and sisters and add to our collection of stuffed animals for the year.

Teddy Bear Bingo

- Play 10 games
- Win prizes
- Have Fun
- Bring your own non-alcoholic drinks
- Please bring a dish to pass around

Feb 27th at 2:00PM

Join us at the Clubhouse in Heather Ridge
918 Vose Drive
Gurnee, IL

ENTRY FEE: 2 (or more) stuffed animals
or 5 (or more) Hot Wheels

Please R.S.V.P. Sammie at jr.sweeney@comcast.net
or (847) 882-0187 just to get a head count.

Prize awarded for each game and the Grand Prize is a \$50 gift card for the last game - Cover All

Bingo Time

Thank you,
Teddy Bear Coordinator,
Sammie Sweeney
LOH_Sammie@lakeshorehog.com
(847) 882-0187



Lori Marcotte—Ladies of Harley



Upcoming Events:

BLING PARTY

Come bling your vest, bandana, or any other items you would like to bling.

Sunday, February 6th, 2022

1:00 pm till 4ish???

Lori Marcotte's House

247 W. Norwell Lane

Round Lake, IL 60073

*Bring \$5 for pizza

*Bring your own bling jewels, glue, etc..

Please RSVP to Lori by February 1st: danlori0803@comcast.net

MOVIE NIGHT

Let's go see the movie "Marry Me" with Jennifer Lopez and Owen Wilson

February 19th, 2022

Time: TBA

Theater: TBA

Look for an e-blast with information once the movie is officially released.

We collected \$182 for Teddy Bears at sign-up. Thank you to all who donated!

Ladies of Harley

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George Lang – Historian

A Brief History of the Motorcycle

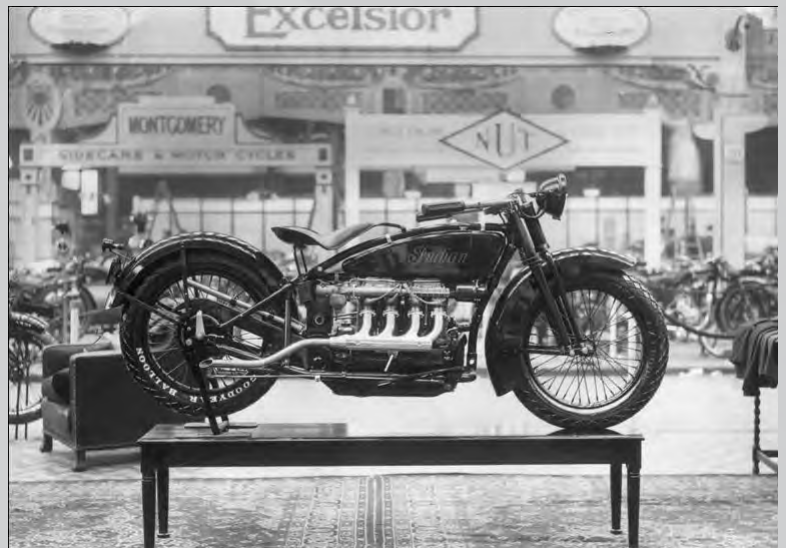
Like many inventions, the motorcycle evolved in gradual stages, without a single inventor who can lay sole claim to being the inventor. Early versions of the motorcycle were introduced by numerous inventors, mostly in Europe, in the 19th century.

Steam-Powered Bicycles

American Sylvester Howard Roper (1823-1896) invented a two-cylinder, steam-powered velocipede in 1867. A velocipede is an early form of a bicycle in which the pedals are attached to the front wheel. Roper's invention can be considered the first motorcycle if you allow your definition of a motorcycle to include a coal-fired steam engine. Roper, who also invented the steam-engine car, was killed in 1896 while riding his steam velocipede.

Around the same time that Roper introduced his steam-powered velocipede, Frenchman Ernest Michaux attached a steam engine to a velocipede invented by his father, blacksmith Pierre Michaux. His version was fired by alcohol and twin belt drives that powered the front wheel.

A few years later, in 1881, an inventor named Lucius Copeland of Phoenix, Arizona developed a smaller steam boiler that could drive the rear wheel of a bicycle at the amazing speed of 12 mph. In 1887, Copeland formed a manufacturing company to produce the first so-called "Moto-Cycle," though it was actually a three-wheeled contraption.



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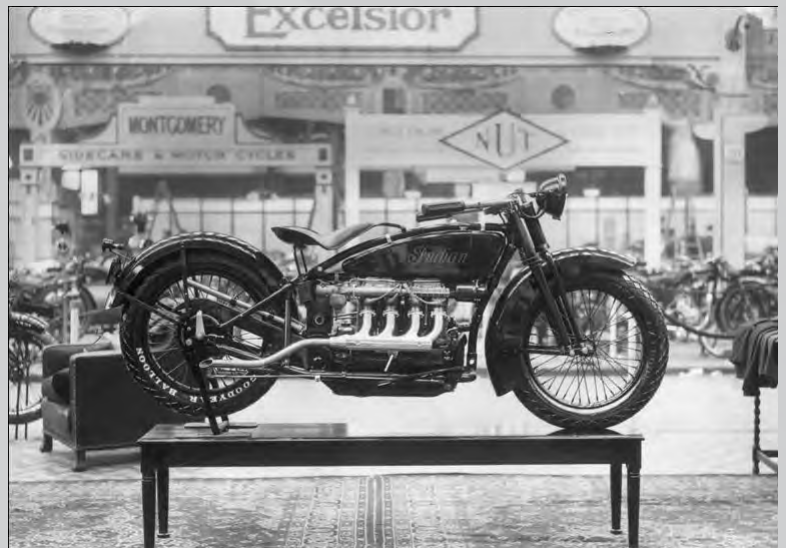
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The First Gas-Engined Motorcycle

Over the next 10 years, dozens of different designs for self-propelled bicycles appeared, but it's widely acknowledged that the first to use a gasoline-powered internal combustion engine was the creation of German Gottlieb Daimler and his partner Wilhelm Maybach, who developed the Petroleum Reitwagen in 1885. This marked the moment in history when the dual development of a viable gas-powered engine and the modern bicycle collided.

Gottlieb Daimler used a new engine invented by engineer Nicolaus Otto. Otto had invented the first "Four-Stroke Internal-Combustion Engine" in 1876, dubbing it the "Otto Cycle Engine." As soon as he completed his engine, Daimler (a former Otto employee) built it into a motorcycle. Oddly, Daimler's Reitwagen did not have a maneuverable front wheel, but instead relied on a pair of outrigger wheels, similar to training wheels, to keep the bike upright during turns.

Daimler was a prodigious innovator and went on to experiment with gasoline motors for boats, and he also became a pioneer in the commercial car manufacturing arena. The company bearing his name eventually became Daimler Benz—the company that evolved in the corporation we now know as Mercedes-Benz.



George Lang

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George Lang – Historian

A Brief History of the Motorcycle

Continued Development

From the late 1880s onward, dozens of additional companies sprang up to produce self-propelled "bicycles," first in Germany and Britain but quickly spreading to the U.S.

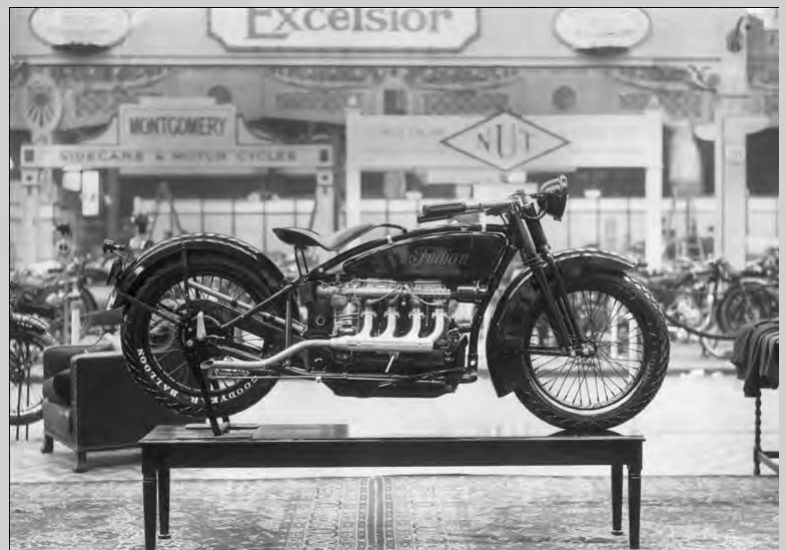
In 1894, the German company, Hildebrand & Wolfmüller, became the first to establish a production line factory to manufacture the vehicles, which now for the first time were called "motorcycles." In the U.S., the first production motorcycle was built by the factory of Charles Metz, in Waltham, Massachusetts.

The Harley Davidson Motorcycle

No discussion of the history of motorcycles can end without some mention of the most famous U.S. manufacturer, Harley Davidson.

Many of the 19th-century inventors who worked on early motorcycles often moved on to other inventions. Daimler and Roper, for example, both went on to develop automobiles and other vehicles. However, some inventors, including William Harley and the Davidsons brothers, continued to exclusively develop motorcycles. Among their business competitors were other new start-up companies, such as Excelsior, Indian, Pierce, Merkel, Schickel, and Thor.

In 1903, William Harley and his friends Arthur and Walter Davidson launched the Harley-Davidson Motor Company. The bike had a quality engine, so it could prove itself in races, even though the company initially planned to manufacture and market it as a transport vehicle. Merchant C. H. Lange sold the first officially distributed Harley-Davidson in Chicago.



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Bob Morrison—Photographer

Hello Lake Shore Sisters and Brothers,

It was great seeing everyone at the membership signup. Here are some pictures from that day.





Bob Morrison—Photographer



Counting the days until spring. See you at our next meeting.

Bob and Nancy Morrison

Bob Morrison

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Saturday March 12, 2022

5:30pm at the dealership

Pizza, Drinks and Treats!!

Bring your favorite game to play or sit and chat

RSVP Heather with \$10 reservation fee ASAP

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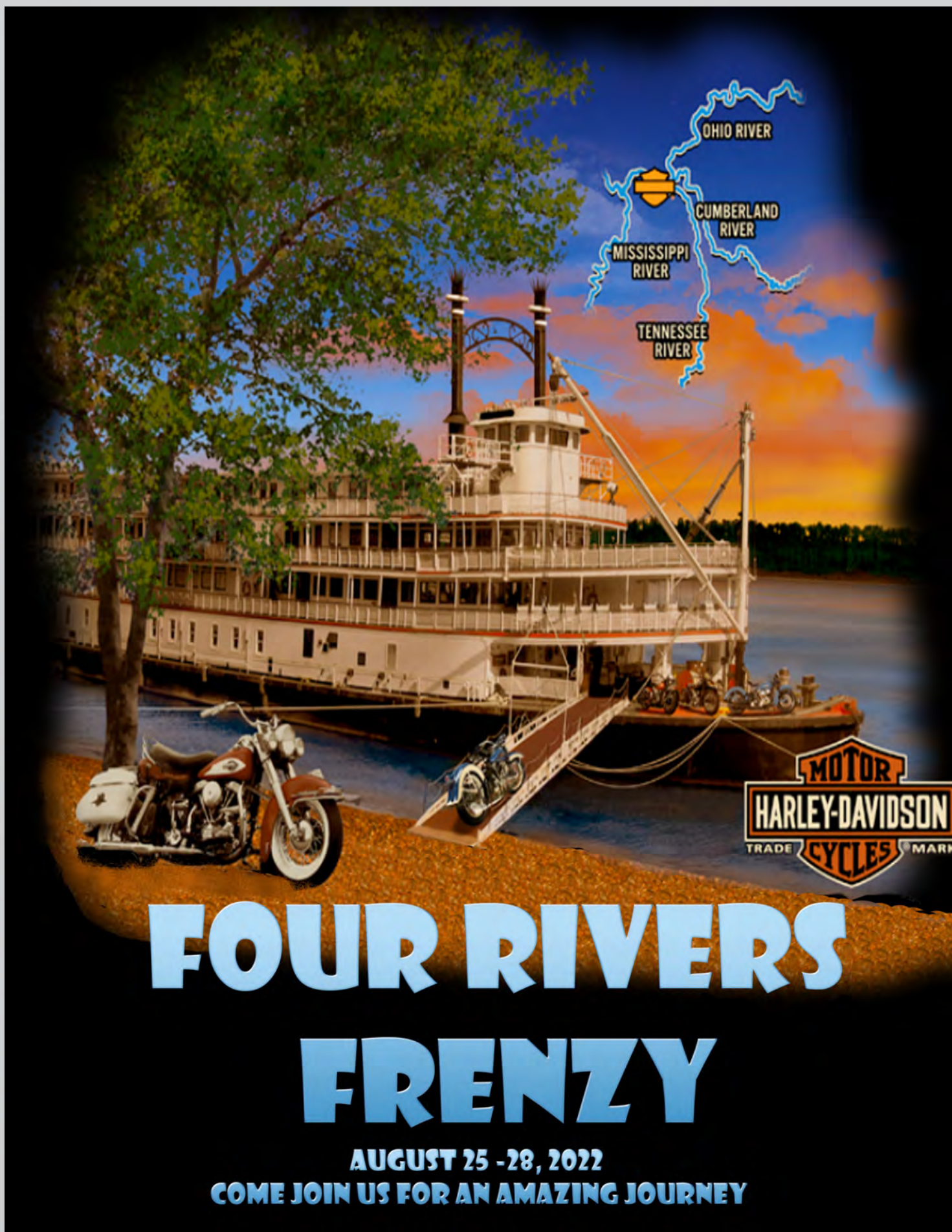
Member Name: _____

Member Name: _____

**\$10 refundable reservation fee for all members will be returned at the event
\$10 no refundable fee for all guests.**

**Please be sure to sign up at the next meeting or mail this card and a check
made payable to Lake Shore H.O.G. to**

**Heather Johnston
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FOUR RIVERS FRENZY

AUGUST 25 -28, 2022

COME JOIN US FOR AN AMAZING JOURNEY

FOUR RIVERS FRENZY

THURSDAY AUGUST 25 - SUNDAY AUGUST 28, 2022

**Come and join us for an amazing adventure of
approximatley 380 miles. We will be traveling South to
the Four Rivers region and the historic town of
Paducah KY. Close to Shawnee National Forest, Land
Between the Lakes, Nashville, and so much more! You
dont want to miss out on this great opportunity to ride
and have fun with friends.**

**We will be staying at the
Drury Suites**

2930 James Sanders Blvd, Paducah, KY 42001

Phone: 800-325-0720 Group #10002867

Rates from \$113 (2 Queens) or King room

Be sure to sign up early

**Once you make your reservation please
RSVP to**

Heather at johnstonh@comcast.net

&

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**more info on times and routes will follow via email
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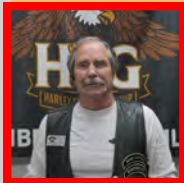


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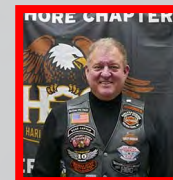
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