

Lake Shore H.O.G. Monthly

LAKE SHORE H.O.G. CHAPTER #3522

May Member's Meeting
Sunday, May 16, 2021
Lamb's Farm Magnolia Café
9:00 am breakfast 10:00 meeting



Rides and Activities Quick Reference

May 8—Knuckleheads—KSU 10 am from McDonald's in Volo

May 12—El gordo for WWDC—KSU 6:45 pm from Lake Shore

May 15—Hansen's—KSU 12 Noon from Lake Shore

May 16—After Meeting Ride—from Lake Shore

May 22—Backroads of Lake County—KSU 9 am from Lake Shore

May 29—Tracks, Cary—KSU 10 am from McDonalds in Volo

See the Lakeshorehoo homepage for more details on the rides







Corey Johnston - Director



Welcome May!

The season is off to a great start. On April 24th we had our first ever movie night. 34 members gathered for pizza and other treats and a screening of Wild Hogs. If you missed this event be sure to join our next gathering.

Our chapter Bike Blessing looked a bit different this year but was a great success. We had 269 bikes and over 300 people in attendance.

I would like to thank all the officers, road captains and members who stepped up and volunteered to make the day a great success.

The calendar is starting to fill up with more rides and great weather. So make sure you check the Facebook page and website for upcoming rides and events.

Now let's get on our bikes and Ride and Have Fun! Until next time, enjoy the road.

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

Hey there H.O.G.s,

Welcome May! First of all I would like to thank all of the Lake Shore H.O.G. members that helped at the Bike Blessing. Everyone did an outstanding job. I thought we and a great turn out and it looked like everyone had fun.

Hopefully everyone has their bikes out of storage by now and is getting the long deserved wind therapy. With that said, remember that we have our weekend get away July 29th to August 1st so please get your hotel room and join us for a fun filled weekend. Please email Corey and myself when you make your reservations. See ya at the next Chapter meeting and please...ride safe.

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Heather Johnston-Secretary



Hello, H.O.G. Brothers & Sisters!

It was awesome to see those of you who came out for the Movie Night on April 24th, and it was great to participate in the Bike Blessing on May 2nd. Both events were a success, and I am looking forward to more fun and good times with you again soon.

For now, I do not have any upcoming events to post here. Please keep an eye out on the website, Facebook group, and 'through the grapevine' for new gatherings and events.

Heather Johnston
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Dawn Cherry-Treasurer



Well we all know the ol saying, money can't buy happiness. But... it did buy us our Harleys and with that, we became member of this great chapter! The past couple of weeks have been a hell of a lot of fun! The chapter activities, the rides, lunches, dinners and our phenomenal bike blessing. You can't put a price tag on these things!

As your treasurer, I can tell you with confidence, that the board is

spending smart. You will get so much more out of this chapter than the \$24 put in for the membership fee. These chapter rides and activities are all geared with your best interest in mind. So shine up your boots, check your tire pressure and come on out and enjoy with your H.O.G. brothers and sisters. We are in for a great year!

Going that extra mile for you,

Dawn Cherry
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Roz Wrobel-Membership



Well Hello Summer! By now we have had our Annual Bike Blessing and what a turn out! It was wonderful to see all the bikes come in. Wow is all I can say. I want to thank all the members that helped with getting waivers signed and the wrist bands on, selling patches, Heather Johnston, Owen West, Debbie Lang, Dawn Cherry, Lisa Meier, Sammie Sweeney, Sherri Bransky, Debbie McHugh, Jean Andersen, Lori Marcotte and my special helper, Elizabeth Marcotte, You guys rock and I could not have done it without you. To all who did things behind the scene, you are rock also.

Now we are growing and we are at 196 members and we have 22 new members this month. Please welcome to our family: Val Rummel, Michael DeVitt, Amy Neal, Kamil Kalinowski, Phil Rubino, Mark Rasmussen, Anatol Topolewski, Brian Lorenzo, Sami Lavi, Stephanie Rozga, Tom Hill, Sean Toyra, Patrick Grabski, Paul Cacioppo, Jonathan Cianfaglione, Chad Bronstein, Frank Brey, Tim Ardam, Bob Mitchell, Debra Goossens, Ross Marquez, Saferino Pekovic. If you see them at a chapter meeting, a ride or at the dealership, please say hello and welcome them to our family.

Just a reminder on keeping your National H.O.G. membership active, if you should let your National H.O.G. membership expire, your membership with Lake Shore H.O.G. chapter is inactive until you renew your National H.O.G. This can be easily accomplished by logging onto www.hog.com.

Til next month, ride safe and have fun.

Roz Wrobel aka" Muffin" Membership Officer/Volunteer Coordinator membership@lakeshorehog.com

John R Sweeney Jr HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN

Howdy everyone,



I'm keeping it short this month.

1) It was wonderful to have our Bike Blessing once again. Better turnout than I expected. A huge thank you to all of the officers, road captains, volunteers, Lake County Sheriff's, St. Paul's pastor's and their volunteers and Lake Shore HD for letting us host the blessing there. Everyone did an awesome job and the participants had a

great blessing.

- 2) Please check our website to verify you are signed up for our Mileage Contest. If you aren't, please see me or Kory at Lake Shore. You ride, have fun and maybe make some money. Why wouldn't you be signed up?
- 3) Still haven't resolved the ride calendar issue on our website. Looks like I might have to re-enter all of the rides into a new plug-in. For now remember that our home page has the next 4 to 6 things coming up and our hot-line has the upcoming weeks rides. Really sorry for the inconvenience, but it can't be avoided.

So get out there and ride and enjoy spring and summer. They are only here for a short time. ;—)

John R Sweeney Jr aka (Motor Mouth) "Shiny side UP, rubber side DOWN" Head Road Captain Lake Shore H.O.G Chapter HeadRoadCaptain@lakeshorehog.com (847) 882-0187

George Lang-Historian



Pioneers of Women's Motorcycling



Effie & Avis Hotchkiss

In 1915, Effie Hotchkiss was a Wall Street banking clerk who had big dreams to see America on her way to San Francisco and the Panama Panama-Pacific International Exposition. Using money left to her after her father's death, Effie bought a Harley and, according to the archives of <u>Harley-Davidson</u>, rigged the V-Twin with a sidecar for her mother, Avis, who insisted on going along.

Leaving Brooklyn in May, the gritty pair took two months to complete the journey of over 5,000 miles. Along the way, they persevered through sweltering heat, blown tires, uncertain weather and an epically unpredictable terrain laced with narrow, muddy and dangerous roads. After dipping their toes in the Pacific (and--fun fact-nearly running over a man who would later become Effie's husband), the two simply turned around and headed back to New York. On the return trip, they logged another 4,000 miles on the odometer before arriving home in October.

Augusta and Adeline Van Buren

In 1916, a year after the U.S. House of Representatives rejected a proposal to allow women the right to vote, America was poised to enter World War I. Augusta and Adeline Van Buren, two "society sisters" who traced their lineage back to the eighth president of the United States, wanted to show the military that women could ride motorcycles just as well as men.

The 20-something pair had designs on becoming dispatch riders in the coming war (while also bringing attention to women's suffrage) and, to prove they were capable, set off from Brooklyn bound for Los Angeles on July 4, 1916. Wearing military-style riding uniforms and riding two Indian Power Plus motorcycles, the Van Buren sisters overcame poor roads, bad weather and towering obstacles like the 14,000-foot Pike's Peak in Colorado, which had never been done before by any woman in a motor vehicle. Despite the fame they enjoyed after completing their 3,300 mile quest, the sisters' military applications were ultimately rejected. Today, the Van Burens are still regarded as the first women to ride solo across America on two motorcycles.

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Dorothy "Dot" Robinson

Dorothy Robinson's father was a sidecar manufacturer who, according to legend, raced his pregnant and laboring wife to an Australian hospital in a sidecar on delivery day. The Robinson family moved to America in 1918, eventually settling in Saginaw, Michigan (and later Detroit), where they ran a motorcycle dealership. Dot Robinson logged her first 100-mile endurance race win in 1930. Six years later, she was the first woman to compete in Michigan's 500-mile Jack Pine Motorcycle Run. According to the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame, organized attempts were made to keep Robinson out of racing throughout the '30s and '40s. But in refusing to give up the sport she loved, the woman who went on to co-found Motor Maids—the first women's motorcycle group and America's oldest existing women's club is credited with opening the door to the sport to future generations of women.

Bessie Stringfield

Inducted to the <u>AMA</u> Motorcycle Hall of Fame in 2002, Bessie Stringfield had only been riding motorcycles for three years before becoming the first African-American woman to ride solo across the United States. The year was 1930, and Stringfield was only 19. Despite rampant bigotry, racism and sexism, Stringfield traveled solo to all the Lower 48 states over the next decade and during World War II served as a dispatch rider for U.S. military. After the war, she moved to Miami where she founded the Iron Horse Motorcycle Club. There she made frequent appearances on the local motorcycle show circuit, prompting the press to nickname her "The Motorcycle Queen of Miami." In 1990, the AMA honored Stringfield as one of the "Heroes of Harley-Davidson" for a lifetime of breaking down color barriers and advancing the joy of motorcycle riding for women.

Vivian Bales

Motorcycling's first "cover girl," Vivian Bales went on a 5,000-mile solo tour of the country after her appearance on the cover of The Harley Davidson Enthusiast in 1929. Visiting various towns from Albany to Milwaukee, Baltimore to Washington D.C. (where she toured The White House and met then-president Herbert Hoover), Bales is best remembered for the goodwill and exposure she brought to women motorcyclists on her 78-day journey. Later that year, she chronicled her experiences on the road in a two-part article for Harley-Davidson's magazine (and appeared on the cover again).

George Lang **Historian**<u>Historian@LakeShoreHOG.com</u>

Teddy Bear Corner

Hi Everyone,



To help raise additional funds for the Teddy Bears, we are planning a live auction. This auction will take place later in the season, but for now I'm asking for any donations in the form of items that we can auction. All proceeds will go to buying more bears, stuffed animals and Hot Wheels. Anything that you feel would bring a few dollars at the auction is welcome. Or if you know of a business that you are fa-

miliar with that might like to donate to a good cause, please let me know.

The auction should be a fun time for everyone and it will benefit the kids, I'll talk more about this at our May meeting.

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Doug Wrobel—Safety Officer





Hello all. As the month of May rolls in so does our Annual Bike Blessing on May 2^{nd} . May is also considered Motorcycle Awareness Month. With that being said, we must pay close attention as we ride. Cagers are slow getting use to us on the roads. There have been several Motorcycle accidents within Lake County with fatalities. So here are several tips for us as well as cagers from the National Safety Council.

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Throughout Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month, NSC encourages motorists to share the road with motorcyclists and be extra alert when they are nearby. NSC's tips include:

- 1. Car drivers must allow greater following distance behind a motorcycle.
- 2. Drivers also must show extra caution in intersections. Most crashes occur when a driver fails to see a motorcyclist and turns left in front of a motorcycle.
- **3.** Drivers should never try to share a lane with a motorcycle. Always give a motorcycle the full lane width.
- **4.** Motorcyclists should avoid riding in poor weather conditions.
- **5.** Motorcyclists should position their motorcycles to avoid a driver's blind spot.
- **6.** Motorcyclists must use turn signals for every turn or lane change.

Many crashes occur because motorcycles are hidden in a vehicle's blind spot. Drivers should always make a visual check for motorcyclists by checking mirrors and blind spots before entering or leaving a lane of traffic, NSC explained.

Throughout spring and summer, the number of motorcyclists on the road will increase. It is important for both motorists and motorcyclists to be aware of one another. To better defend themselves, motorcyclists should follow the rules of the roadway and wear protective gear, including a Department of Transportation compliant helmet."

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Happy Riding Season Everyone,

Last month, LOH was pleased to have a Woman's Garage Day with the help of the Lake Shore dealership. Much was learned by everyone. How to properly and safely pick your bike up, several general maintenance techniques, doing a proper walk-around of your bike before riding and some other things. Many of the ladies questions were answered and we are hoping to plan more garage time for our lady riders in the future.



We are in the process of arranging a meet and greet with our sister LOH ladies from the City Limits Chapter. More information coming when it is arranged.

Keep an eye on the calendar, as we will be adding some LOH rides to the ride calendar.

Please remember that your suggestions are always wanted and welcomed. Let's hear what you want to do...

Hello Sisters and Brothers of Lake Shore H.O.G. Chapter,
It was great getting back together at our monthly meeting!
Had a great time at our Movie Night and Bike Blessing too!
Here are some memories from our Meeting!



Movie Night Memories!





Great to have our Bike Blessing back!

St. Columbanus is the patron of motorcyclists.

St. Columbanus was one of those roving Irish monks who wandered up and down Europe in the sixth and seventh centuries. This love of the open road inspired the Rev. John Oliver, an Anglican bishop and biker, to suggest St. Columbanus as the patron of motorcyclists.

JESUS THE BIKER

He was a lot like you and me. The government didn't like him. The church thought he was weird. His Friends were few. What friends he had, denied him. He was persecuted by hypocrites. He hung around people like you and me, not the goody-two-shoes pharisees.

Yes, if Jesus were on this earth in the flesh he would be next to you on his Harley telling you he loved you... enough to die for you.





Keep the rubber side down! Have a safe riding season.

Bob & Nancy Morrison

2021 Chapter Trip

Join us for our Chapter Trip to

St Ignace Michigan Thursday July 29 - Sunday August 1, 2021

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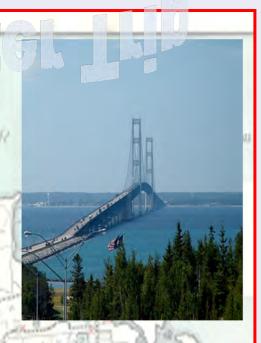
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Please email Corey & Ralph if you plan to attend drcjohnston40@hotmail.com & hwdald@gmail.com



Stay near three great lakes, Mackinac Island, Mackinaw City and the "Mighty Mac" Bridge





Chapter Trip

Our primary officers are planning a casual trip this year to

St Ignace Michigan Thursday July 29, 2021 - Sunday August 1, 2021

Meeting at Graham's Marketplace Wadsworth BP & McDonalds at the corner of Wadsworth Rd & 41

Thursday 7:30am departure

All parties are responsible for booking thier own hotel Officers will be staying at

Bavarian Haus Lakefront Inn 800-732-9746

or

Quality Inn Lakefront 906-643-7581

This trip will be a relaxed journey riding as groups North through Wisconsion into the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

We will not have any formal rides during Friday and Saturday but as usual there will be plenty of beautiful riding with friends.

We will be offering group rides home on Sunday.

Please email Corey & Ralph if you plan to attend so we can plan on how many road captains and groups we need for the ride up and back.

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