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Monthly Newsletter



What's Happening

April 21, 2024

Social Gathering

Breakfast at 9 a.m.

Chapter business at 10 a.m.

Upcoming Rides and Activities

“New to Riding with Lake Shore H.O.G.”

Saturday, April 6th

Leaving from Lake Shore Harley-Davidson

Kickstands up at 10:30 a.m.

“Shake Off the Winter” Ride

Sunday, April 7th

Leaving from Lake Shore Harley Davidson

Kickstands up at 10 a.m.

LOH Hitz Pizza Party

Friday, April 12th @ 7p.m.

See the flier on page 14 for details

WWDC #3 2024

“It’sa Italiano!”

Thursday, April 25th @ 6:45 p.m.

Leaving from Lake Shore Harley-Davidson

see page 20 for details

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Upcoming Rides and Activities

Lake Shore H.O.G. ANNUAL GETAWAY

St. Charles, MO

Thursday, June 27th—Sunday, June 30th

Leaving from Lake Shore Harley-Davidson





Douglas Wrobel Director



Well, Hello again.

We had a great turn out for the March Chapter gathering. I know the turnout will be short-lived as the weather starts to warm up. Old Mother Nature is just being bipolar right now. Members will be going on weekend getaways and vacations. But that's what it's all about if you are out and about riding.

I finally got the hotel situation worked out for our chapter trip. We will be at the Comfort Suites. The hotel address is:
1400 S Fifth Street, St Charles, MO.

The cost of the rooms is \$393 (tax included) for a king suite that sleeps 4, and \$428 (tax included) for a double queen. It is situated near restaurants and is 4 miles from St. Charles Harley-Davidson.

The link to reserve your rooms is:

<http://www.choicehotels.com/ires/en-US/html/ArrivalInfo?hotel=MO131&srp=LLAKES&pu=no>

If you are interested in the trip, send me an e-mail and I will add your name to the list.



Director (continued)

Finally, the 34th Annual Bike Blessing. It will be held on the 5th of May (the first Sunday in May). This year's Bike Blessing will be totally different, as John Sweeney discussed at the March chapter gathering. Lineup starts at 10 a.m. You, as chapter members, will be staged behind the dealership and broken down into groups and led to the church by our road captains. You **MUST** arrive by 10:30 a.m. to be staged with the chapter. We will ride the way the chapter rides.

All others will be given a map and route if they wish to partake in the Blessing. They can follow the chapter and there will be flaggers at each turn. This is the best feasible way to continue, since all police departments have chosen to not assist due to liability concerns. It will be a learning curve for us, and if this doesn't work, we will have to look at alternatives for the future.



Doug Wrobel

Director/Road Captain

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**LAKESHORE H.O.G. ANNUAL
GET AWAY**

**THIS YEAR'S TRIP
TAKES US DOWN TO
ST CHARLES MO**

JUNE 27TH – JUNE 30

COMFORT SUITES

1400 S FIFTH ST

ST CHARLES MO.

<http://www.choicehotels.com/ires/en-US/html/ArrivalInfo?hotel=MO131&srp=LLAKES&pu=no>

COME JOIN US AS WE HEAD DOWN TO ST CHARLES MO AND
RIDE SOME OF THE BACK ROADS OR JUST VISIT THE ST
CHARLES HISTORIC DISTRICT.



Scott Sears Assistant Director

Greetings Lake Shore H.O.G. members,

It was nice to see a full house at the March gathering, and the weather is going to start getting warmer any time now which means there is no excuse not to get out and ride.

The Great Lakes H.O.G. rally in Chippewa Falls looks to be a very exciting event with planned rides and other events starting as early as Wednesday June 5th, leading up to the the rally.

If you haven't been to a H.O.G. rally you should go. These rallies are a lot of fun, and a great opportunity to meet people from other H.O.G. chapters in the region. You can get the info on every H.O.G. rally at the national HOG website, and there is a FB page you can follow as well.

Speaking of rides, I'm working with the assistant director of Conrad's H.O.G. chapter on the Route 66 to Pontiac Illinois ride scheduled for May 25th. I think this is going to be a great ride and an opportunity to spend time getting to know another H.O.G. chapter. I really hope we get a good turn out for this ride.

See you at next month's gathering.

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Rick Cruz
Treasurer

Here's to hoping everyone enjoyed their Easter!
Riding season should be upon us anytime now. :o)



Rick Cruz
Treasurer/Road Captain
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Nita Cruz

Chapter Products

I'm writing this article to let you all know that I have stepped down from activities to focus on chapter products. I spoke with our director Doug, and he is on board with my decision.

Regarding chapter products, we are doing exceptional, thanks to many of you wanting to show pride in our chapter with T-shirts, patches, and name plates.

I've been asked whether we are able to get the Hi Vis shirt with long sleeves, and am currently working with our supplier to get more information regarding sizes and minimum quantity required. Once I have this, I will share with you to see if we can get another order put together.

Also, if you are looking to purchase a name plate, we need a minimum of 12 orders before we can submit it to our supplier. Cost for a name plate is \$12.00.

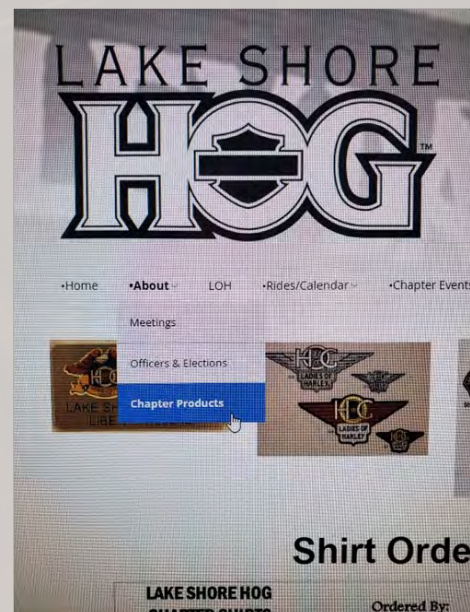
We do have a link on our website for chapter products which I am in the process of updating. If you have any question, please feel free to send me an email at

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Nita Cruz

Chapter Products

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Roz Wrobel

Membership

Greetings from Membership Corner

Spring is here and riding season is upon us. I know that some of us have been out already and that is wonderful. Let's get those miles! It's always nice to sit here and write the article for this newsletter after the chapter gathering, as I love seeing all of you at our gathering, at the dealership, and just out and about.

We are growing again! We are 146 family strong. And yes, we are a family. We had 6 returning members this month: Lynn and Jose Espinosa, Jim and Michele Lyons, Mike Lewis, and Mark Matczak. Welcome back and happy riding.

Don't forget to sign up for the chapter trip for the end of June. We will be traveling to St. Charles, MO and from what I have seen, there are some interesting places to see and beautiful roads to ride. Your board is busy working to make this a wonderful trip for everyone. See the flyer that is on the website. Hope to see everyone there. I know that I am excited about doing the ride with the twisties and see Uranus Fudge.

Please remember to keep your national H.O.G. membership current. This can be easily done, by logging on to www.hog.com. I will also send an 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. If your national membership should expire, your membership with the chapter becomes inactive until your national H.O.G. is current.



John R. Sweeney Jr.
Head Road Captain/ Webmaster

Howdy Everyone,

For those that do not know or haven't heard, our annual Bike Blessing is going to change drastically this year. The state, county, and local sheriffs/police are no longer supporting or escorting motorcycle parades. That means we are now on our own to pull off this year's bike blessing. After much discussion between our primary officers, discretionary officers, and road captains, we collectively have come up with what we believe to be the most practical and safest way to proceed.

If any of you have done Little Angels in the past, then you know what flagging is, and how it works. We are going to give out maps to the participants and then have 2 people with vests and flags on the seven corners that are the turns on our route.

One flagger will get the attention of the on-coming bikes and the other flagger will be pointing in the direction that the bikes should turn. I will be the last bike out of Lake Shore and as I come by each set of flaggers, they are free to either leave or join me going up to the church.

All of the participants will be instructed to follow all normal traffic laws and lights, and to drive straight until they see the flaggers, then turn there. This worked for Little Angels for years and they had as many as 2,000 bikes, so we feel this is the best solution for us.

Head Road Captain/ Webmaster (continued)

As we have done in previous years, members that get to Lake Shore before 10:30am will be able to go into the back and ride with the chapter. Our road captains will lead the officers and members in groups like we normally ride with leads and sweeps. The participants will be on their own to follow the route looking for the flaggers, leading them to the church.

With that said, we need volunteers that are willing to either flag on a corner, or go up to the church to help park the bikes. You will leave LS about 10 minutes before the group to get into position.

We DO NOT want to see our blessing come to an end, so its up to us—the members—to keep it going and stay successful. This will be our 34th Bike Blessing and we want to see it continue. If you are willing to help out or have a question, please contact me at (847) 882-0187 or jr.sweeney@comcast.net. I will then get back to you with all of the information and/or answer any questions that you might have about the event. We really need your help, so please consider helping out. Thank you in advance.

Weather permitting (always check the website for up-to-date information), we are going to have to two rides to get the season started. Both will be the weekend of April 6th and 7th.

Saturday April 6th, we have our “**New To Riding With Lake Shore H.O.G.**” This ride is for our new or newer members, and its intended to explain how Lake Shore H.O.G. rides as a group. We’ll go over everything we cover in our pre-ride meetings in more depth, answer any questions you might have, and then go for a 20+ mile ride to show you some different aspects like lane changes, hand signals, stop signs, etc. Many things are similar to other chapters or clubs, but some things are specific to us, so come on out and get acquainted with our club’s riding style.

Head Road Captain/ Webmaster (continued)

Then, the ride on **Sunday, April 7th**, is for anyone that wants to **shake off the winter** rust and just get out, stretch your legs, sharpen your skills, and get the muscle memory going again for spring.

We've been sitting around all winter waiting to get out, so now is the time get a little wind therapy and get back in the swing of things.

Hope to see you there...

Till next month...

John R Sweeney Jr.

"Remember, it's not the destination, it's the journey!"

Head Road Captain & Webmaster

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Sammie Sweeney Ladies of Harley (LOH) Officer

Hello Ladies,

Our Hitz Pizza Party is going to be on Friday, April 12th at 7:00pm. The pizza, salad, pop and raffle is for the ladies and is on LOH. Men are welcome to attend (if they want too), but they are on their own. ;—) The flyer with all of the information is in this newsletter.

Looking forward to getting together and get the year off to a great start. In the meantime, bring your ideas for activities that you would like to do or places that you would like to go this year. Events, rides, get togethers, its all up to you.

Till next time,
Sammie Sweeney
LOH (Ladies of Harley) Officer
loh@lakeshorehog.com



Friday
April 12th @ 7pm
Hitz Pizza &
Sports Bar
700 Butterfield Rd
Mundelien

Come on out for some laughs and some pizza.
This will be our first LOH meeting.
It's a great chance to get together, hang out
and start the new year.

FREE pizza, salad, pop and a raffle for the ladies.
Everyone is welcome, but men are on their own. ;--)

Hope you can make it, it is always
a LOT OF FUN... ;--)

PLEASE RSVP via text to
Sammie Sweeney (847) 732-0825
by Wednesday, April 10th



Teddy Bear Corner

Hi Everyone,

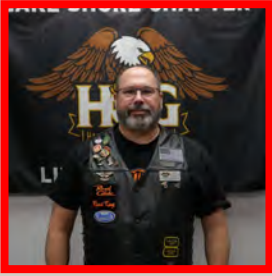
Nothing this month, but remember that we do have our donation bin over at the dealership in our H.O.G. corner, if you ever just want to drop something off.

Also, if you bring stuffed animals or Hot Wheels or children's underwear/socks to a meeting or a ride, you get an additional signature on your activities card.

Till next time,
Sammie Sweeney

Teddy Bear Coordinator

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Joe Murglin

Safety Officer

I was paging through some of my motorcycle books trying to find something helpful to write about this month. Since it will be the beginning of the '24 riding season when you're reading this, and you are probably a little rusty when it comes to being in a defensive mindset when riding your bike, I decided to touch on six tips that I came across that should help you avoid or foresee a possible panic situation.

1. Use your front brake. Even though most of our bikes have an integrated front/rear braking system and ABS, it's still a good idea to be in the habit of always using the front brake when slowing or stopping under normal conditions. Always using the front brake will make it an automatic response when you need to stop suddenly.
2. Use your brakes when approaching turns. This is especially important when downshifting into a turn to keep the bike balanced and to avoid rear tire slippage.
3. Brake early. This is important when approaching an intersection where we are most vulnerable. By braking early, we reduce both reaction time and stopping distance if another motorist doesn't see us. You all have heard the numbers before; one wasted second at 40mph eats up approximately 60 feet of asphalt, you can guess the rest.
4. Slow down 10mph for problems. When approaching a hazardous situation like a busy intersection, work zone, etc., easing on the brakes to slow just 10mph reduces forward energy of the bike almost in half, which should result in the same brakes and tires being able to stop the bike in about half of the distance!

Safety Officer (continued)

5. Reduce speed to sight distance. In other words, don't fall into the habit of cruising at a constant speed, adjust your speed based on the changing conditions. For example, when approaching a town along a 2-lane highway, a shopping mall, etc. Also, when riding at night, pay close attention not to overdrive your headlight(s).
6. Practice panic stopping, especially at the beginning of the season.

Joe Murglin

Safety Officer

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Dave Jones

Historian

My First Harley — and the Sporster Evolution Engine

In 1966, Harley-Davidson introduced the Shovelhead engine. It was a 1340 cm³ motor which produced 65 HP, due to new (not re-worked) cylinder heads, redesigned ducts, and more compact combustion chambers.

It also had higher compression pistons, a new camshaft, and a new carburetor. The cool thing about this engine, aside from the rocker boxes/cylinder head covers that looked like shovels (hence the name), is that it was the last H-D engine designed/developed without computer assistance.

The Shovelhead was in production from 1966 to 1984; quite a long production run. Then, in 1984, the Evolution was introduced. It was a true revolution in motorcycle engines. At 1340 cm³, it still used less fuel and generated more torque than previous models. Its tolerances were such that it ran more smoothly, quietly, and had less wear and tear, so was more durable. It was fitted into the new Softail, and (in various configurations) was in the complete Softail series. It was produced until 1999.

Two years after the Evolution was put into production, the Sporster Evolution was rolled off the line. The Sporster Evo checked in at 883 cm³ (46 HP) and 1202 cm³ (67 HP) - which was 2 more HP than the original Evo - 67 v 65.

Historian (continued)

The Sporster Evo became the basis for the Sporster line, as well as the Buell models. It had an Keihin CV carb (later replaced by an electronic intake manifold injection system) for additional performance enhancement.

The best part of the Sporster Evo was that it was simple, compact, inexpensive and could be modified easily. In fact, the 883 was often purchased to be turned into the 1200 with a simple cylinder modification.

This was the bike that I was finally able to consider for me and my son, as there was much less of a possibility that we would be stranded along the side of the road with his wheelchair.

It was then I was able to consider Harley-Davidson for my choice in cycles.

Until next month..., Ride safe!

Dave



Historian

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Dave Jones

Historian/Road Captain

Mmmmmm—It's-ah So Good-ah! It's-ah Italiano!!!! WWDC #3 - 2024

On Thursday, April 25th, 2024, we're headed out to Lake Zurich and Di Pieros Ristorante for another exceptional dinner and WWDC event!

The menu includes such traditional openings as bruschetta and calamari, a half dozen insalata options, and pasta, pollo, carne, and more. (see menu on the following pages)

We will have selected menu options, as Jimmy, (the manager) has created a special banquet menu for the Lake Shore H.O.G. WWDC riders and our special evening there! Be prepared for a perfection that isn't found in many places.

This will be another very exciting evening. As always, it will be filled with friends, fun, and games, but this time, it just might be the food that wins out over all!!

Weeknight Wandering Dinner Club #3 - 2024

Thursday, April 25, 2024 7:30 PM [at the restaurant.](#)

*****If there's a ride, kickstands up at LSHD at 6:45 PM. *****

**Di Pieros Italian Ristorante
17 E Main Street
Lake Zurich, IL 60047
(847) 438-3253**

**** CASH IS KING ****

**Text your name, how many people and phone # to me
(Dave J.) at 847) 609-0277**

DIPIEROS RISTORANTE

ANTIPASTI

- BAKED CLAMS (6)** - 13
- FRIED CALAMARI** - *domestic east coast \$16
- BRUSCHETTA** - \$9
- STUFFED ARTICHOKE** - \$13
- SHRIMP COCKTAIL** - \$15
- BURRATA** - * burrata- fire roasted tomatoes - basil pesto - grilled Italian bread * \$14
- CALAMARI PUTTANESCA** - spicy red sauce , black olives, and capers \$21

INSALATE

- SHRIMP LOUIE SALAD** - house made louie dressing, sliced egg, tomato & shrimp \$17
- ARTISAN ROMAINE CAESAR SALAD** - artisan romaine - marinated white anchovies - garlic croutons - Parmigiano Reggiano . \$12 add chicken + 6
- WEDGE SALAD** - blue cheese dressing & crumbles - tomato - bacon - balsamic reduction \$9
- INSALATA CAPRESE** - buffalo mozzarella - tomato- basil -extra virgin olive oil \$11
- FRESH CALAMARI SALAD** - \$22
- HOUSE SALAD** - * house salad with dinner \$3
A la Carte \$7

* All meals served A La Carte. *

PASTA

- LINGUINE con VONGOLE** - linguini - button clams - red or white sauce \$25
- TAGLIATELLE BOLOGNESE** - long flat pasta - Bolognese sauce - shaved Parmigiano \$21
- SPAGHETTI FRUTTI DI MARE** - extra long spaghetti - mussels - shrimp - calamari - scallops - stewed Roma tomato - fresh basil \$30
- LASAGNE** - filling of ricotta, and romano cheese \$22
- SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS** - *imported extra long spaghetti \$19
- EIGHT FINGER CAVATELLI** - \$19
- LINGUINE con CALAMARI** - salsa pomarola \$28
- GNOCCHI** - with sunday gravy \$19
- SHRIMP FRA DIAVOLO** - - shrimp - spicy tomato sauce - spaghetti \$24
- RAVIOLI** - ricotta cheese or meat filled \$20
- FETTUCCINE ALFREDO** - \$20
- EGGPLANT PARMIGIANA** - \$22

SIDES

- PASTA** - meat sauce, marinara, or agli e olio \$7
- ITALIAN SAUSAGE** - \$6
- MEATBALLS (2)** - \$6
- SAUTÉED SPINACH** - \$7
- GARLIC BREAD** - \$5
- BOWL OF SOUP** - \$6

DIPIEROS RISTORANTE

POLLO

CHICKEN VESUVIO (1930's Chicago classic) - bone in ½ chicken - wine - garlic - potatoes - peas \$23

CHICKEN FRANCESE - egg dredged chicken breast - lemon - white wine sauce \$23

DIPIERO'S CHICKEN FORTIVO - * bone in half chicken, calabrian peppers, pepperoncini, and a hint of garlic* \$24

CHICKEN MARSALA - chicken breast - mushrooms - Marsala wine sauce \$23

CHICKEN and EGGPLANT alla PARMIGIANA - oven baked layers of chicken - eggplant - mozzarella \$27

CHICKEN SCALLOPINI - *fresh mushrooms - sweet colored bell peppers - light tomato sauce \$23

PESCE

LAKE PERCH PORTOFINO - egg dipped fillets - white wine - lemon - over linguine \$28

WILD CAUGHT SALMON - Norwegian salmon - candied Italian forest honey mustard glaze \$26

RED SNAPPER FRANCESE - egg dredged gulf snapper - butter - lemon juice - white wine. \$27

SHRIMP DeJONGHE - 1920 Chicago classic
DeJonghe's Hotel and Restaurant, 12 E. Monroe St.
casserole of shrimp - butter - garlic - sherry - breadcrumb \$23

CARNE

TUSCAN GRILLED STEAK - prime custom cut steak with vegetable, and chef's choice potato \$27

GRILLED PORK CHOP - Berkshire double cut 15 oz chop - vegetable - apple sauce \$26

RACK OF LAMB - grilled prime New Zealand lamb - vegetable - mint jelly \$37

COSTOLETTO alla MILANESE e PARMIGIANA - 15 oz bone in breaded pork chop - pounded thin & pan fried - topped with crushed tomato - provolone cheese \$27

BABY BACK RIBS - full slab of ribs - crispy french fries \$26

GIAMBOTTA - sausage - chicken - sweet peppers - onions - potatoes - white wine sauce \$25

ITALIAN SAUSAGE AND SWEET PEPPERS - grilled sausage - sweet bell pepper - Vidalia onion \$21

VITELLO

VEAL MARSALA - thinly sliced veal - mushrooms - Marsala wine \$29

VEAL SALTIMBOCCA - thinly pounded veal - prosciutto di Parma - sage - fontina cheese \$29

VEAL FRANCESE - sautéed veal dipped in flour and seasoned egg batter, sautéed in E.V.V.O. \$29

VEAL PICCATA - egg dredged & sautéed veal - lemon - capers - white wine sauce \$29



Bob Morrison Photographer

Hello sisters and brothers,

Here are some memories from our March meeting followed by various pictures from the month.



March Meeting (continued):



Miscellaneous pictures from our members:



Here's a rare picture that you never see: SLEEVES!



Congratulations Rick!



Back to winter again. See you in the spring!

Bob

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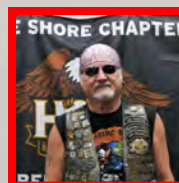
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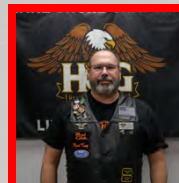
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