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Monthly Newsletter



What's Happening

December 15, 2024

Chapter Breakfast Social

Breakfast at 9 a.m.

No Chapter Business

Magnolia Café, Libertyville

Upcoming Rides and Activities

(check the calendar on the chapter website for details)

47th Annual Toys for Tots Parade

Sunday, December 1st, 8:00 a.m.

Holiday Party—Black and White Ball

Saturday, December 14th, 6:00 p.m.

LOH White Elephant Gift Exchange

Thursday, December 19th, 7:00 p.m.



Douglas Wrobel

Director

Well, hello ladies and gentlemen.

Here we go, as we start the last month of the calendar year and last month of our chapter membership. We had another good turnout for the November gathering. And, there were 25 brave souls who rode to the meeting.

I was unable to attend the get lost ride. Yep, it's that time of the year again. So, I had a bunch of things to get done around the house before I leave.

We have our holiday party coming up. It is a Black and White Ball at the Double Tree in Mundelein on the 14th of December. Your party committee is working hard to make sure it's a success. Go NAVY beat Army. (Yes, it seems like our holiday party is always on the day of the Navy/Army football game.)

The next morning, December 15th, is the breakfast social. It will be from 9-10 am at Lamb's Farm. I talked to Elaine at Lamb's Farm and they are taking reservations because this is also their Breakfast with Santa. She is seating the front section first. We will be in our normal room. I told her that we would try and be out by 10 so that they can get the room setup for the 10:30 seating. If we run over, it is ok.

I would like to take a minute THANK Lori and Elizabeth Marcotte for their continued support in collecting money and distributing the tickets for the gift card and 50/50 raffles.

As we move forward into 2025, I hope that the chapter board moves the chapter in the right direction.

Director (continued)

As I sit here writing this article, we are getting our first snowfall of the season. Hopefully the two inches they are calling for doesn't last long and we can get a few more rides in. Everyone, ride safe and enjoy the time out on the roads.



Doug Wrobel

Director/Road Captain

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Scott Sears Assistant Director

Hello Lake Shore HOG,

Well, its almost Christmas and the weather is getting cooler which means most of us are putting our bikes away for the winter (except you John S. 😊),but it's only for a few months. Before you know it, it will be spring and we will be out enjoying our Harleys going to new places and making new memories.

Which leads me to the next subject. National H.O.G. has their calendar set for the 2025 season. Registration is now open for all H.O.G. rallies and events for next year.

I encourage everyone to go on the Harley app and check out the calendar. If you have never been to a H.O.G. rally, they are a lot of fun and an opportunity to meet H.O.G. members from other parts of the country.

I hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving, and I hope to see you at the holiday party and the December social.

Scott (Pooh Bear) Sears

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Rick Cruz
Treasurer

I wanted to take this moment to thank you all for allowing me to be your treasurer for the last two years.

As I look back, I've been blessed to serve this chapter in a number of different roles. I was your secretary in 2019, your safety officer in 2020, became a road captain in 2018/2019, and most recently, your treasurer starting in 2023. This has been a fun experience for me.

I know your next treasurer, Owen West, will do a fine job and ensure you have the funds necessary to manage all the fun activities and requirements needed to keep this chapter solvent.

So in closing, I would like to wish you and your families the best holiday season.

**Wishing you and your families the
Happiest of Holidays!**



Rick Cruz

Treasurer/Road Captain

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Roz Wrobel Membership

Happy Holidays from Membership Corner!

As I sit here writing the last article for this year, let me say that I have enjoyed my time as your membership officer and love seeing everyone at the gatherings and the events that this chapter has had.

To the road captains, you ROCK! The rides that you planned, lead or swept, have been awesome. The roads, the scenery, the places have been great. But most of all, the great times and laughs with our fellow chapter members. Can't wait to see where we go next year.

We are also working on next year's chapter trip. A couple of places have been chosen and we will have more information at sign up.

Speaking of sign up, mark your calendars for January 19, 2025. We will have more information next month regarding the time. Hope to see everyone there. Tell your friends.

Soon we will be having our holiday party; this year it is a Black and White Ball. The holiday party committee has been busy and can't wait for those that are coming to have an awesome time. As always we will have a few surprises and great time!

As I close this news letter article, may the new year bring you happiness and many new blessings.

Roz Wrobel
aka "Muffin"

Membership Officer/Volunteer Coordinator
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Nita Cruz

Chapter Products

As the season winds down, I wanted to say that I had fun working with chapter products. This year we had sales of 71 different patches, 67 tee shirts and 16 name plates.

Thanks to all of you that helped to make chapter products successful. You promoted this chapter visually to anyone out there who may have been wondering who we were.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Nita Cruz

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John R. Sweeney Jr.
Head Road Captain/ Webmaster

Howdy

I hope that all of you had a wonderful Turkey Day (Happy Thanksgiving) and are looking forward to a very **Merry Christmas** and a **H;)ppy New Year**.

It's a wrap on another great riding year for Lake Shore H.O.G. Once again the weather didn't cooperate as much as we would have liked, but we still had 98 rides (and we are trying to get 2 more in to hit the 100 mark, so watch the calendar just in case). So far, we have had 902 bikes, 1,008 riders, route mileage of 6,557 for a total of 68,606 miles for the year. That is just on our chapter rides. It doesn't count for all of the other miles you racked up on your own. Congrats to all of you. And we'll try for even better in 2025.

As I have in past years, I want to thank each and ever road captain for doing a great job and giving the chapter such a full riding calendar. So much variety to pick from, where do you start? We had old favorites, some new destinations and routes, weekday day rides and night rides, long rides and short rides and everything in between. You all did a wonderful job and on behalf of everyone, I just want to say it is really appreciated. Great job...

Head Road Captain/ Webmaster (continued)

I'm hoping we can get a couple more rides in to hit the 100 mark, but if we are done for the season, so be it... There is always next year. City Limits/Chicago chapter has had a tradition for the last several years to have what they call, the "Blue Balls Ride."

On January 1st, they have a ride that goes as many miles as the temperature. It's actually fun. If anyone is interested in doing this, let me know either via email, phone or Facebook. If there is an interest, I'll throw it on the calendar.

Hoping to see many of you at our Holiday Party. It's always a great time with great food and more importantly, great friends. A wonderful way to end the year and get ready for the next one.

Till next month...

John R Sweeney Jr.

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

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Sammie Sweeney
Ladies of Harley (LOH) Officer

Ladies Of Harley,

Please come join us for our last get-together of the year: our White Elephant Gift exchange. See the flier on the next page.

It will be at Hitz Pizza in Mundelein, on Thursday, December 19th at 7:00pm.

Let's have some food, laughs and fun gifts. One last fling before 2024 ends and we set our sights on 2025.

Please text me your R.S.V.P. by Monday, December 16th at (847) 732-0825 or email me jr.sweeney@comcast.net

Monthly quote:

Life is short,
break the rules,
forgive quickly,
love honestly,
laugh easily,
keep it simple,
ride often,
ride free,
and never regret anything,
that makes you smile. ;-)

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Till next time,
Sammie Sweeney
LOH (Ladies of Harley) Officer
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white
ELEPHANT
gift exchange

Thursday
Dec. 19th @ 7pm
Hitz Pizza &
Sports Bar
700 Butterfield Rd
Mundelien

Come on out for some laughs, some pizza,
bring a gift, then get a gift.
This is a LOH event, but our guys are always
welcome. It's a great chance to get together,
before we get too busy with the holidays.

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

PLEASE RSVP Sammie Sweeney
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by Monday Dec. 16th



Teddy Bear Corner

Hi Everyone,

We had a very good year with our donations. Our Annual Boxing Party was on Saturday, November 2nd, and then we delivered our donations to Nicasa in North Chicago.

They work in conjunction with DCFS (Department of Children and Family Services), as well as local charities. This is our 3rd year with them and they were so appreciative, they sent us a thank you card (see next page).

This year, you all really opened up your hearts and wallets. We collected:

2,076 - Bears/stuffed animals

735 - Hot Wheels

215 - assorted undies/socks

936 - size 1 baby diapers

50 - baby bottles

4,022 = Total items - **WOW!**

We already are collecting for next year and looking for donations of animals and/or money (I love spending your money to make the kids smile ;—).

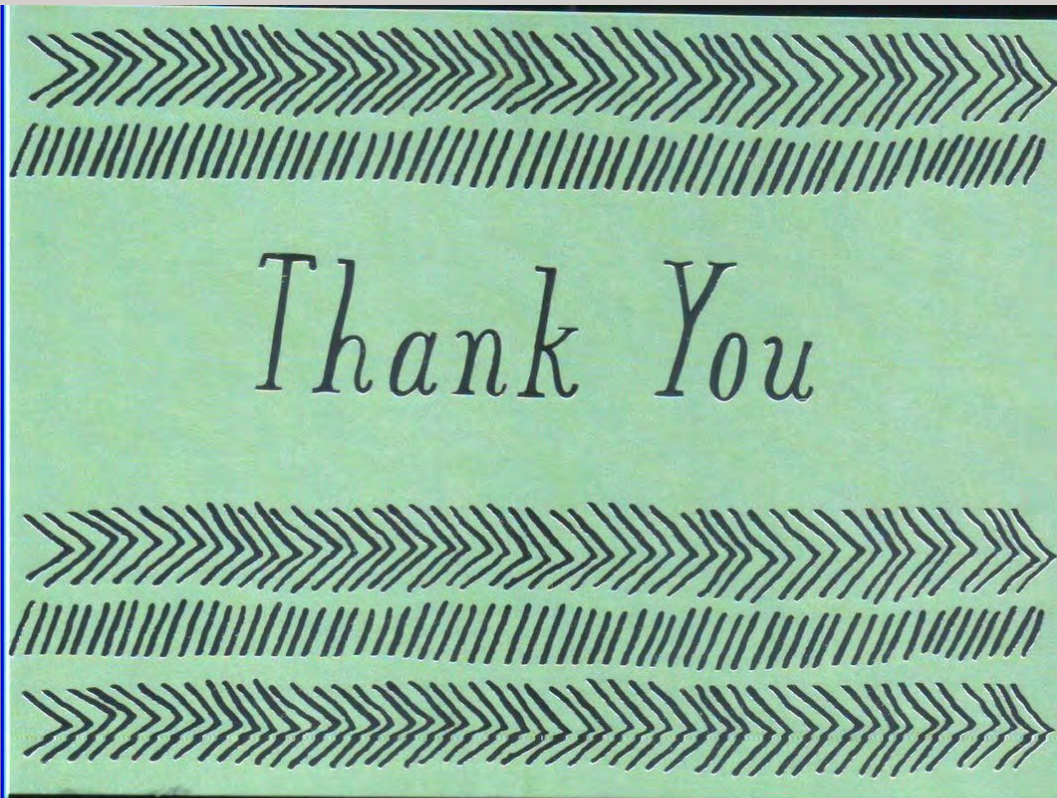
GREAT JOB LAKE SHORE H.O.G.!!!

Till next time,

Sammie Sweeney

Teddy Bear Coordinator

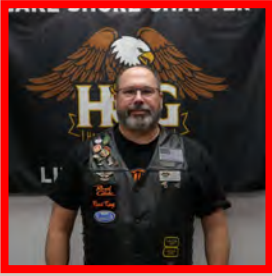
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H.O.G.S

Nicasa thanks you for your generosity and kindness and most importantly, for bringing a smile to children's faces. May you always be blessed!

♡ Nicasa



Joe Murglin Safety Officer

For you die-hards that refuse to put your bike away for the winter and plan on riding whenever the weather isn't too nasty, I thought I'd put together a few pointers to keep in mind to help you stay safe.

- Due to the cold pavement, give your tires extra time to warm up. Also, with fuel injection it's tempting to take off once the bike is running, but it's better to wait a minute or so for the engine oil to warm up.
- Most information online recommends not to ride when the air temperature is at 32 degrees. Keep in mind that if the ground has had enough cold days for snow to stick, there's a good chance there could be invisible black ice on the road resulting from the colder nighttime temperatures.
- Even if the road is dry, but the temperature is at or near freezing, you could be in for a dangerous ride home if it starts to rain or sleet later in the day. In other words, check your weather app before heading out.
- If you're wondering what gear you'll need before heading out, check out the wind chill chart on the next page.

Joe Murglin

Safety Officer

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MOTORCYCLE WIND CHILL CHART

Riding Speed (MPH)	Air Temperature (°F)									
	15°	20°	25°	30°	35°	40°	45°	50°	55°	60°
25	-4°	3°	9°	16°	23°	29°	36°	43°	49°	56°
30	-5°	1°	8°	15°	22°	28°	35°	42°	49°	56°
35	-7°	0°	7°	14°	21°	28°	35°	41°	48°	55°
40	-8°	-1°	6°	13°	20°	27°	34°	41°	48°	55°
45	-9°	-2°	5°	12°	19°	26°	33°	40°	47°	54°
50	-10°	-3°	4°	12°	19°	26°	33°	40°	47°	54°
55	-11°	-3°	4°	11°	18°	25°	32°	40°	47°	54°
60	-11°	-4°	3°	10°	17°	25°	32°	39°	46°	54°
65	-12°	-5°	2°	10°	17°	24°	32°	39°	46°	53°
70	-13°	-6°	2°	9°	16°	24°	31°	38°	46°	53°
75	-13°	-6°	1°	9°	16°	23°	31°	38°	46°	53°
80	-14°	-7°	1°	8°	16°	23°	30°	38°	45°	53°
85	-15°	-7°	0°	8°	15°	23°	30°	38°	45°	52°



Denise Runge Editor

You don't often hear from me, but I wanted to take this opportunity to say that I have enjoyed being the editor this past year.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a 2025 filled with health, happiness, love, prosperity, and of course, great and safe riding!

Editor

Denise Runge

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Bob Morrison
Photographer

Hello sisters and brothers,
Hope you enjoy some of the memories from November. I've included the YouTube links from the Teddy Bear event and slide show from our Nov. gathering below.

Annual Teddy Bear Boxing Party and Delivery:



Annual Teddy Bear Boxing Party and Delivery continued:



Annual Teddy Bear Boxing Party and Delivery continued:



YouTube link to Teddy Bear event video:

[Lake Shore H O G Chapter Teddy Bear Delivery 2024](#)

Our November monthly gathering:



November monthly gathering continued:



YouTube link to the slide show from our November gathering:

(These are pictures from October and November rides and events, excluding the Nov. gathering pictures above.)

[Slide show from the November monthly gathering.](#)

Hope to see everyone at our Lake Shore H.O.G.
HOLIDAY PARTY!



Happy Thanksgiving,
Bob and Nancy

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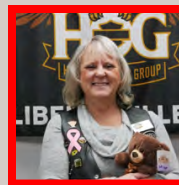


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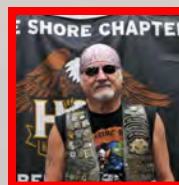
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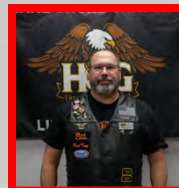
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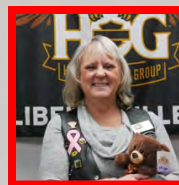
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