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Monthly Newsletter



What's Happening

November 17, 2024

Social Gathering

Breakfast at 9 a.m.

Chapter business at 10 a.m.

Magnolia Café, Libertyville

Upcoming Rides and Activities

(check the calendar on the chapter website for details)

Annual Teddy Bear Boxing Party and Delivery

Saturday, November 2nd, 11:30 a.m.

Brunch & Naked Tree Ride

Saturday, November 9th, 8:50 a.m.

Get Lost Ride

Sunday, November 17th, following chapter gathering

WWDC #10—Froggy's

Wednesday, November 20th, 6:45 p.m.



Douglas Wrobel Director

Well, hello again.

Where has the year gone? It's hard to believe that it is November already.

Just a few things to share.

As all members know, October is the month that we take nominations for the primary board members. It was tight. There will not be any elections in November. There was only one nominee for each position; so all nominees were voted in by acclamation. Your 2025 primary board is as follows:

Director:	Doug Wrobel
Assistant Director:	Scott Sears
Treasurer:	Owen West
Secretary:	Edward Baha

The next step is to fill the open discretionary officer positions: activities and chapter products. If you're interested in one of these positions, please reach out to one of us.

The push is on now to see who is going to the holiday party. The deadline to reserve your spot is the 7th of December. This year, it is a Black and White Ball. Don't worry, you don't need to dress up.

Director (continued)

Last but not least, we are losing two of our past directors. They served a total of 7 years. Let's all congratulate Heather and Corey Johnston as they move 4 hours south of us to start the next chapter in their life. Both will be missed.

Now, let's ride and have some fun. Winter is right around the corner, so get as much riding in as you can.



Doug Wrobel

Director/Road Captain

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Roz Wrobel

Membership

Membership says, "Happy fall!"

As we come into fall, there is still plenty of riding to do. The calendar still has rides and places to see.

We have a new member this month, so please welcome, Todd Steffenhage. If you see Todd on a ride, event, or even at the dealership, please say hi.

Speaking of upcoming events, remember that the holiday party this year is a Black and White Ball. You don't HAVE to wear all black or all white, but ...

If you have never been to one of the chapter holiday parties, you will enjoy this one. We are back at the Karma room at the DoubleTree Hotel in Mundelein. The flyer is on the website and also in this newsletter on page 7.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you there. The deadline is to reserve your spot is December 7th. You can mail your form and payment to me, or give it to me at the November chapter gathering.

Membership (continued)

As always, please remember to keep your National H.O.G. membership updated. If it should expire, your membership with the chapter becomes inactive until your national H.O.G. is current. This can be done easily by logging onto 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. It also has been brought to my attention that some of you are not getting the newsletter. If you are not, please reach out to me and make sure that I have your correct email address.

Roz Wrobel
aka "Muffin"

Membership Officer/Volunteer Coordinator
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Lake Shore H.O.G.
would like to invite you to join our
Black and White Ball

December 14, 2024

Double Tree Karma Lounge

510 E IL-83 Mundelein, IL

6PM Cocktails & Hors D'oeuvres

(Cash Bar)

7 PM Buffet Dinner

followed by dancing

Members \$25 Guests \$45

RSVP by November 23, 2024 to

Roz Wrobel 811 Oakley Ave

Waukegan, IL 60085

Full Name and amount enclosed

\$ _____

Member(s) _____

Guest(s) _____

Checks payable to Lake Shore H.O.G.



John R. Sweeney Jr.
 Head Road Captain/ Webmaster

Howdy everyone,

Congratulations to all of our winners of our Annual Mileage Contest. Nicely done.

1st place received \$100

2nd place received \$50

3rd place received an honorable mention.

Also, our 1st place winners will have their names engraved on the plaque in our H.O.G. Corner over at the dealer.

September had a better turnout for check in, so we'll keep it at our September gathering from now on.

Lake Shore H.O.G. Mileage Contest Winners for 2024

WEEKEND WARRIORS

1st	Babich, Tom	5,644
2nd	Quill, Christine	5,214
3rd	Bahaiev, Ed	5,113
	Warkins, Mike	5,048
	Bradley, Brett (trike)	4,995
	Sears, Scott	4,167
	Lang, George	2,758
	Wrobel, Doug	2,529
	Murglin, Joe	2,487
	Johnston, Heather	2,472
	Holmes, Lyle	2,444
	Meirthew, Paul	2,088
	Wrobel, Roz	1,852
	Farino, Jenn	1,499
	Seiwert, Bill	1,458
	Faber, Rich	959
	Marcotte, Dan	897
	Faber, Mark	616

IRON BUTT

1st	May, Clayton	21,672
2nd	Treppa, Mark	15,198
3rd	Mills, Coti	15,115
	Morris, Eric	14,059
	Goodrum, James	13,615
	Dusing Jr., Rick	13,557
	Bildir, Barlas	11,450
	Mills, David	8,702
	Peat, Michael	6,408
	Warzecha, Bob	5,144
	Johnston, Corey	3,283
	Gembala, Jeff	2,602

Yellow denotes people moved up to the Iron Butt from the Weekend Warrior category, due to the higher than average mileage. The cut off was 6,078.

RETIRED

1st	Sweeney, John	9,861
2nd	Panozzo, Al	9,658
3rd	West, Owen	6,501
	Geraci, Joe	6,493
	Wennerstrom, Gary	5,025
	Herff, Tom (CVO)	4,254
	Casillas, Manny	2,903
	Herff, June	2,767
	Hoogerhyde, Russ	1,455

Head Road Captain/ Webmaster (continued)

Below are all of our members that have earned their 5,000 mile rocker for this year. If this is your first year, you will also be receiving the 5,000 mile patch.

The delivery of the patches has been delayed until the end of this month, so I will have them with me at our December breakfast social and at our sign-up in January at the dealership.

Please come and see me if your name is on this list.

5,000 Patch Club 2024	
May, Clayton	21,672
20,000	
Treppa, Mark	15,198
Miles, Coti	15,115
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Morris, Eric	14,059
Goodrum, Jim	13,615
Dusing Jr., Rick	13,557
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Head Road Captain/ Webmaster (continued)

Lastly, on the next page is the list of everyone that—as of October 20th—is signed up for our annual mileage contest for 2025. If you do not see your name, then you are not registered. Please see me or check in over at Lake Shore to get your mileage read and recorded.

If you go to the dealership, remember to tell them that you want to register for our **chapter** mileage contest. Ours is separate from Ride365 and each is run differently.

Keep an eye on the calendar. You just might see another ride show up before the end of the year if we get more nice days. Fall isn't over yet, so let's ride.

Till next month...

John R Sweeney Jr.

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

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Head Road Captain/ Webmaster (continued)

Registered for 2025

These are the people registered as of 10/20/24 for the 2025 season that will end on 09/15/25

This is your starting mileage

If you are not on this list, please contact John Sweeney

Iron butt	Start
Dusing Jr., Rick	17,401
Gembala, Jeff	14,258
Johnston, Corey	86,307
May, Clayton	75,296
Morris, Eric	54,193
Quill, Tim	52,563
Treppa, Mark	28,110
Warzecha, Bob	790

Retired	Start
Casillas, Manny	54,705
Conrad, Tom	37,816
Geraci, Joe	193,507
Herff, June	24,021
Herff, Tom	22,389
Herff, Tom (CVO)	1,423
Hoogerhyde, Russ	5,298
Panozzo, Al	109,505
Sweeney, John	226,513
Wennerstrom, Gary	28,915
West, Owen	52,736

Weekend Warriors	Start
Babich, Tom	40,906
Bahaiev, Ed	12,735
Bildir, Barlas	70,551
Bradley, Brett (trike)	13,607
Bradley, Brett (Limited)	83
Carlisle, Kim	27,492
Espinosa, Jose	21,107
Faber, Mark	25,554
Faber, Rich	14,844
Farino, Jenn	26,767
Goodrum, James	52,469
Holmes, Lyle	33,590
Johnston, Heather	31,269
Jones, Dave	39,000
Lang, George	34,527
Marcotte, Dan	10,274
Meirthew, Paul	36,965
Mills, Coti	34,856
Mills, David	48,632
Morrison, Bob	20,666
Morrow, John	12,108
Murglin, Joe	25,100
Peat, Michael	6,413
Quill, Christine	12,639
Sears, Scott	60,944
Seiwert, Bill	68,337
Warkins, Mike	58,113
Wrobel, Doug	19,003
Wrobel, Roz	13,654



Sammie Sweeney

Ladies of Harley (LOH) Officer

Hello ladies,

Nothing for this month.

Let's just enjoy the fall and get out there and ride while we can.

Till next time,
Sammie Sweeney
LOH (Ladies of Harley) Officer
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Teddy Bear Corner

Howdy folks,

We will be having our annual Teddy Bear Boxing Party at Lake Shore on Saturday, November 2nd. Boxing will start at 11:30am and then we will deliver them to Nicasa. We always have a good time and it's for the kids.

Come on out and join us and make their Christmas and little bit better. Hope to see all there.

NOTE: Please don't come early, as we will be setting up the packing area. Thank you.

A huge thank you to everyone that donated bears, stuffed animals, Hot Wheels, children's underwear and/or gave money to make purchases. You are all awesome!

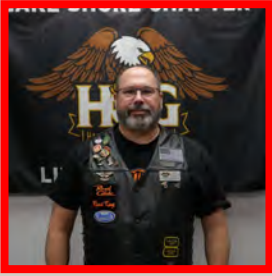
In December, we'll have our annual teddy bear bake sale. More information will be available in the December newsletter.

Till next time,

Sammie Sweeney

Teddy Bear Coordinator

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Joe Murglin Safety Officer

As I am writing this, the morning became cloudy and gray, and it finally started to rain. Luckily for me, I was at home in front of my computer and not out for a ride on my bike. With all the leaves that had fallen overnight and with the cold fall rain, not only would it have been a chilly ride, but possibly a little risky. It's especially important that you keep close tabs on your tires this time of year; you may end up unwittingly testing their limits. It's not just tire pressure changes due to the colder temperatures you need to watch for. It is important to keep in mind that it will take longer for your tires to heat up in these cooler temperatures.

When was the last time you checked for nails or screws in the tread? Checking the front is easy enough, but it helps to have someone examine the rear tire as you slowly roll the bike forward.

Also, when riding on a nice, sunny, fall day you will inevitably end up riding through some shady areas. Be careful. Not only could there be frost on the pavement, but slippery leaves as well.

Be aware of the possibility that oncoming drivers may be blinded by the sun and not see you (think left turn right in front of you at a driveway or intersection!).

Safety Officer continued

Don't forget that deer have only one thing on their minds this time of year. It can cause them to do stupid things — like run across your path at the most inopportune time. If you see one deer, there are usually more.

Take along some extra gear if you start out later in the warm part of the day, it can get cold fast. At the very least throw your rain suit in a saddlebag to use as a last-ditch windbreaker.

As always, ride safe and dress for the slide, not the ride.



Joe Murglin

Safety Officer

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Dave Jones

Historian

“Post AMF” Harley-Davidson

After manufacturing almost 100,000 motorcycles for the United States Armed Forces in World War II, Harley-Davidson acquired various engine manufacturers including Aermacchi from Italy and DKW from Germany. During the 1960s and 1970s, as the American economy began to struggle, so did the Harley-Davidson brand. After being purchased in 1969 by American Machine and Foundry (AMF), sales began to dip, and overall designs were derided which gave birth to the pejorative nickname “hog.”

Eventually, AMF sold the company to an investment group of 13 investors for \$80 million. Thankfully, the new investment team quickly improved product quality, and introduced new technologies after being somewhat neglected by the previous ownership.

During this time, Japanese motorcycles began to gain popularity among the American public and various other companies were copying their designs to stay relevant. Rather than mimic the Japanese style, Harley-Davidson embarked on a “retro” revolution of motorcycle designs, building machines that deliberately adopted the look and feel of earlier bikes.

Historian (continued)

As the strategy proved successful and buyers began returning to the brand, Harley-Davidson continued purchasing other companies to expand their technical prowess such as the "Sub Shock" cantilever-swingarm rear suspension design from Missouri engineer Bill Davis. This suspension was incorporated into the Softail series of motorcycles, introduced in 1984 with the FXST Softail.

The 1990s brought the introduction of the iconic Fat Boy and Harley-Davidson regained the title as sales leader in the market. The name Fat Boy was initially thought to come from combining the names of the atomic bombs Fat Man and Little Boy, but really, "Fat Boy" comes from the motorcycle appearing somewhat wider than others when viewed head-on.

On September 1, 2003, Harley-Davidson celebrated its 100th anniversary with a large event and concert featuring Elton John, The Doobie Brothers, Kid Rock, and Tim McGraw. A few years later, construction began on a \$75 million, 130,000-square-foot Harley-Davidson museum in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. It opened in 2008 and contains a massive collection of historic motorcycles, corporate archives, a restaurant, a café, and meeting space.

Today, there are thousands of Harley-Davidson motorcycle clubs spread throughout the world. The oldest one is located in Prague, Czech Republic, and was founded in 1928. Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.) was established in 1983 and will soon celebrate its 42nd anniversary. H.O.G. boasts over 1,000,000 members worldwide.

Historian (continued)

In 2014, the all-electric Harley-Davidson LiveWire was introduced to the media, going into production five years later. The LiveWire can hit a top speed of 115 miles per hour and has a range of 146 miles on a single charge. Today, Harley-Davidson's motorcycle lineup, with over 20 different bikes, is spread across five different models: Sport, Cruiser, Adventure Touring, Grand American Touring, and Trike .

There is also a Custom Vehicle Operations (CVO) team within Harley-Davidson that produces limited-edition customizations of the company's stock motorcycle models. Since 1999, Harley-Davidson selects two base models to which they add higher-displacement engines, performance upgrades, special-edition paint jobs, audio system upgrades and other premium-quality customizations for the factory custom market.

My time as historian for LS-HOG is up, and I'm happy to still have two rides/events going into November. Hope to see a LOT of you on November 9th for a breakfast run to Harvard and a Naked Tree Ride after that, and for our final WWDC event (ride if we can), on November 20th from LSHD to Froggy's in Highwood.

Until then, ride safe!

Dave RC / Historian LS-H.O.G.

Historian

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Bob Morrison Photographer

Greetings sisters and brothers,

Here are some of the memories from October. I hope you enjoy them.

Pictures from the October monthly gathering:



October gathering continued:



Group picture from the after gathering ride: Paul's Spectacular Sculptures – Road Captains Al and John



Miscellaneous pictures from our members during the month:



More miscellaneous photos from our members:



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More miscellaneous photos from our members:



See you in November,
Bob Morrison

Bob Morrison

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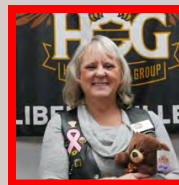


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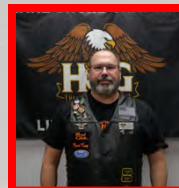
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