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Monthly Newsletter



What's Happening

September 15, 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)

Jim G's Graduation Ride (Take 2)

Sunday, September 1st, 10:30 a.m.

Top 10 Burgers #13

Thursday, September 5th, 10:00 a.m.

Saturday Breakfast #3 and Beyond

Saturday, September 7th, 7:45 a.m.

Top 10 Burgers #14

Thursday, September 12th, 10:00 a.m.

The Pub in Maple Park

Saturday, September 14th, 11:00 a.m.

Scavenger Hunt

Sunday, September 15th, 11:00 a.m.

What's Happening

Upcoming Rides and Activities

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Top 10 Burgers #15

Thursday, September 19th, 10:00 a.m.

13th Baby Butt 500

Saturday, September 21st, 5:45 a.m.

Waterfront Warehouse

Saturday, September 21st , 10:00 a.m.

9th Annual Edward's Apple Orchard

Sunday, September 22nd, 9:45 a.m.

WWDC #8

Tuesday, September 24th, 6:45 p.m.

Top 10 Burgers #16

Thursday, September 26, 10:00 a.m.



Douglas Wrobel

Director

Well, hello again.

We had another great turnout for the August chapter gathering; it was a full house.

The weather somewhat agreed with us for the rivet ride for Doug O'Keefe. Little drizzle here, a little drizzle there. We had a good turnout for the ride up to the museum for the rivet viewing.

As we all know, Dan Marcotte had brain surgery for a mass that was located on his brain. Surgery didn't last as long as they said it would. As of today (8/23), he was hoping to be discharged and be at home resting. Here's to a speedy recovery; the chapter has your back.

Don't forget about the scavenger hunt after the September gathering. Also, the holiday party is on track for December 14th.

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



Doug Wrobel

Director/Road Captain

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Nita Cruz

Chapter Products

I've had a number of inquiries about our long-sleeved Hi-Vis shirts. If I can get at least 20 requests, I can put another order together for these before the end of the year.

If you are interested, please send an email with your size and how many you would like to:

chapterproducts@lakeshorehog.com

If I get the required 20, I will let you know.

If you have any question, please feel free to send me an email.

Thanks.

Nita Cruz

Chapter Products

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Roz Wrobel Membership



Greetings from Membership

As we are coming to fall and the leaves are starting to turn, there is still plenty of riding to do.

We are at 163 members. Tell your friends that ride how much fun we are.

As we talk about the fall event and the holiday party coming up, I am excited. The fall event is a scavenger hunt. We will start at the dealership right after the September gathering.

You will be given a list and you will have 2 hours to complete or find as many of the things as you can. Remember, the teams are made up of 4 people and the whole team needs to be in the picture with the things that you find.

After the hunt, we will have hamburgers and hot dogs at the dealership, along with some other goodies.

Next is the holiday party. We are having a Black and White Ball this year. December 14th is the date and more information will be given at the September gathering.

Membership (continued)

As we all know, one of our members, Dan Marcotte, has had surgery. He is doing well and his wife Lori will keep everyone posted.

Also, after last month's gathering, we did the rivet ride to the Harley museum for Doug O'Keefe. Beautiful ride and some nice roads.

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.C.

Photo Scavenger Hunt

Come and join us

Sunday September 15, 2024 following the
meeting Approximately 11am Start

We will form teams of 4 and head out on a 2
hour adventure taking photos of as many items
on the list as possible. We will have food and
prizes when the teams return around 1pm.

Don't miss out on the fun!!!



Lake Shore H.O.G.
would like to invite you to join our
Black and White Ball

December 14, 2024-
510 E IL-83 Mundelein, IL
Double Tree Karma Lounge
6PM Cocktails & HorsD'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

What's up everyone.,

Thank you to everyone that attended Doug O'Keefe's Memorial Ride to view his rivet. Rain threatened in the beginning, but it turned out to be a nice day. Anyone who went on Doug's "Beach Bashes," knows that we often got hit with some rain, but it always turned into a beautiful day. So, it was very appropriate.

A final reminder that we will ending our chapter mileage contest for 2024 at our September gathering, NOT our October gatherinfg, as in years past. I'll be checking-in bikes before, during, or after the gathering, and before our Scavenger Hunt Ride. This will shorten this year, but in the long run, I think we will get more people completing the year and starting their mileage for the next year.

Speaking of the scavenger hunt, if you haven't done one of these before, they really are a lot of fun. Challenging, competitive, and a blast. A great way to spend an afternoon with your friends. Good luck to everyone who competes and most importantly, enjoy the day.

There are still plenty of rides for the rest of this riding season. We have the "Top 10 Burgers", "WWDC's", after meeting rides, "Fall Colors", "Baby Butt", Halloween, "Naked Tree Ride", "Get Lost" and many, many others. So please, take advantage of as many of these as you can.

Head Road Captain/ Webmaster (continued)

We put them together for you, the members, and we all want you to enjoy them, as often as you can. Lake Shore H.O.G. is DEFINITELY a riding club and we prove it every year. So far we have already had 60+ rides and plenty more still to come. So pick what appeals to you and ride, Ride, RIDE...

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

Hello ladies,

Next Up!

I challenge you to a round of miniature golf in Round Lake Beach, on [Friday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m.](#)

We will meet at:
[Kristoff's Entertainment Center](#)
[421 West Rollins Road](#)
[Round Lake Beach, IL](#)
[\(847\) 546-2512](#)

Fees for golf are \$10 for 18 holes or \$15 for 36 holes on two different courses. Seniors fees are \$8 and \$12, respectively.

There will be prizes awarded.

They also have an arcade, bowling and go karts if you are interested. <http://www.krsotofs.net>

I hope you come and join in on the fun.

Tip for the day:

Never twist your throttle with your ego.

Till next time,
Sammie Sweeney
LOH (Ladies of Harley) Officer
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Mini golf



YOU HAVE BEEN CHALLENGED!

On Friday, September 27th at 7:00pm, come join us at Kristof's Entertainment Center for a challenging game of miniature golf. Kristof's is located at

421 West Rollins Road, Round Lake Beach, IL



Fee is \$10 for 18 holes or \$15 for 36 holes

2 Challenging courses

Seniors are \$8 and \$12

Prizes will be awarded

They also have an arcade, go karts, bowling and food

Please send an email to Sammie Sweeney at jr.sweeney@comcast.net for a head count.





Teddy Bear Corner

Howdy everyone,

Sometime in October, we will be having our Jeff Dunham Underwear Party to collect undies/socks for our Teddy Bear Drive. I will let you know more, as soon as I work out the details.

In the meantime, please keep those donations coming. They are greatly appreciated. Also, I want to thank those members who have donated from their 50/50 winnings throughout the year. They really help too.

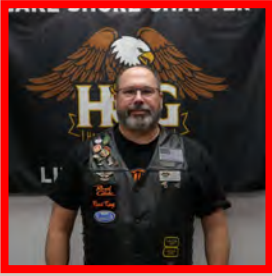
Remember, when you bring stuffed animals, cars, undies, and/or socks to a meeting or ride, you get an extra signature on your activities card.

We will be planning our annual boxing party and the delivery of our donations, for early November.

Till next time,
Sammie Sweeney

Teddy Bear Coordinator

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Joe Murglin Safety Officer

Thank you to Tom Babich for this month's safety topic.

We all are aware that riding a motorcycle carries with it some risks. One of the most serious injuries from a motorcycle accident, other than head trauma (from not wearing a helmet), is life-threatening bleeding.

The American College of Surgeons has an online course that will teach you what to do in an emergency. The course only takes a few minutes and is definitely time well spent.

The course covers the basics of what to do if you find yourself in a situation where you could actually save a life by stopping someone from bleeding to death.

Here are some of the highlights:

- Make sure the area is safe for you as well as the victim. If not, move to a safe location and bring the victim with you, if possible
- Call 9-1-1 or instruct someone else to do so
- Look for life-threatening bleeding, sometimes it can be hidden by clothing, etc.
- Depending on the wound, apply either direct pressure, pack the wound, or use a tourniquet.

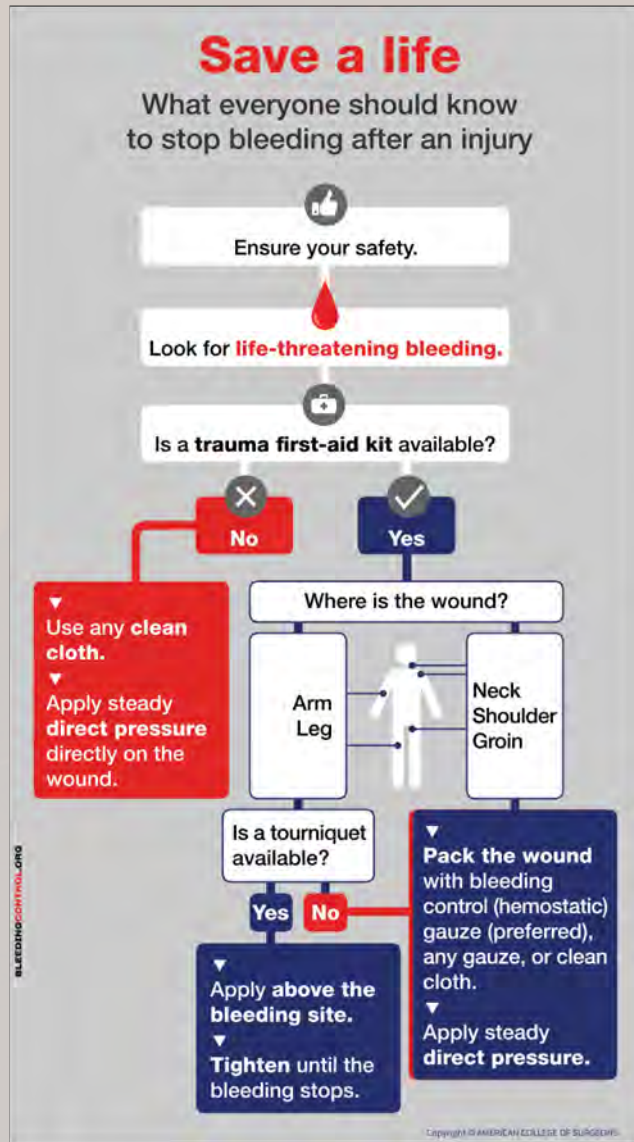
See www.stopthebleed.org/training/ for more details and the quick online course. It took me less than 20 minutes to take the course and the quiz.



Joe Murglin Safety Officer

If you have the room on your Harley, take a first aid kit, you never know when you may need it.

Ride safe and enjoy the gorgeous weather we're having!



Joe Murglin

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Dave Jones Historian

Harley didn't always move ahead smoothly. In fact, there were a number of really rough spots. For a number of reasons, Japanese motorcycles grabbed a large part of market share in the early to mid 60s, which led to the following.

"The AMF" Harley-Davidson

Harley-Davidson, founded in '03, is known for its iconic motorcycles. However, this brand wasn't always self-run. There was a time in the late 1960s when the company hit a rough patch and risked having to close. Instead, they found a financial savior in American Machine and Foundry, a recreational sporting goods company, which kept Harley-Davidson alive.

Better known as AMF, this manufacturing company originally produced tennis rackets, bowling equipment, and other items for recreational sports.

In 1969, they took a different turn and purchased the struggling Harley-Davidson company. Without AMF, the famous motorcycle brand may not have survived its economic struggles.

Harley-Davidson purists often spurn the AMF-ownership era, unhappy with the motorcycles produced under the eye of a sporting goods company. However, most acknowledge that AMF was a much-needed lifeline to keep the motorcycle brand alive, even if the motorcycles they made weren't favorites. It wasn't just that a sporting goods manufacturing company was running the acclaimed motorcycle brand, many riders had

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concerns about the quality of the workmanship, and even the reliability, of the AMF-era bikes. That, paired with a belief at the time that Harley-Davidson had sold out to the corporate world, came a perception of lower quality, which resulted in a decrease in sales.

Some riders remember the 1970s as a decade of more repairs than rides, rivaling Ford's moniker "Fix Or Repair Daily." Issues with layoffs, strikes, and poor management are some of the reasons the AMF bikes are often remembered as being lower-quality, and the reason you don't see many on the road today.

The company made a few smart moves during its twelve-year tenure. AMF was acutely aware of the increasing popularity of its foreign competition. To stay competitive with market trends, they continued the production (or rather, the redesign) of the Italian-made Aermacchi motorcycles. A few design tweaks, and Harley-Davidson branding, kept this line alive until 1978, when Cagiva, an Italian motorcycle company, purchased it.

Harley-Davidson made more than just motorcycles, and AMF thought it wise to keep producing their three- and four-wheeled golf carts. Golf was widely popular in the 1970s and AMF was happy to cater to that marketplace.

From 1971 to 1975, Harley-Davidson also produced a snowmobile; perhaps inspired by the success of their golf carts or perhaps a desire to expand into more recreational machines.

AMF / H-D / Motorcycles

The FX 1200 Super Glide

Many enthusiasts argue this model is the most influential of the bikes produced in the AMF years. This model debuted in 1971 as

Historian (continued)

a hybrid model. Part custom, part cruiser, this Sportster/big twin bike quickly gained popularity with customers despite its sluggish nature.

The Limited-Edition Bicentennial Liberty of 1976

The company wanted to design a special bike to celebrate America's bicentennial, and these limited-edition designs were quite popular, both with riders and reviewers. The decals, which featured a special commemorative design, helped propel this line to success.

The Confederate Edition Series of 1977

This series, both controversial and rare, came onto the marketplace just one year after the bicentennial model. The bikes, which featured decals of the rebel (Confederate) flag caused a civil rights complaint to be lodged against AMF.

The XLCR of 1977

This 1000 cc café racer model saw dismal sales, enough so that AMF discontinued the line in 1979. However, the XLCR is popular among modern-day collectors.

The XR-750

This racing bike was one of the longest-lasting models produced under AMF, available from 1972 to 1980. Part of its popularity is thanks to Evel Knievel, who used this model for his jumps in the 1970s. Even after the bike was no longer available, Harley-Davidson continued to produce the engine.

Historian (continued)

The 1970s saw a marked increase in motorcycle manufacturers across the ocean. Countries like Italy, Britain, Germany, and Japan produced bikes that were very popular with the public. Some of these bikes, particularly the Japanese brands Kawasaki, Yamaha, and Honda, became real competitors for the classic Harley-Davidson.

After a struggle in the 1970s, thanks to a recession and the increasing popularity of foreign brands, a group of senior executives at Harley-Davidson gathered their funds and were able to purchase the company back from AMF in 1981.

The company regained its independence and quickly regained respect and trust from the public. Their vision of excellence continues to this day.

More next time

Until then, ride safe!



Historian

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Bob Morrison Photographer

Hello brothers and sisters,

Below are some of the memories from August 2024.

August gathering:



August gathering continued:



August gathering continued:



Doug Okeefe Memorial Ride:



Doug O'Keefe Memorial Ride:



Miscellaneous Photos from our Members:



Congratulations Barlas!



Until next month,
Bob

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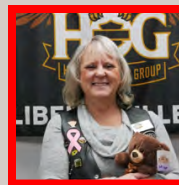


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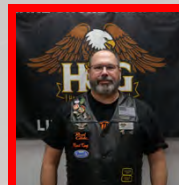
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