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WINDY CITY



Monthly Newsletter



What's Happening

December 14, 2025

Annual Breakfast Social

9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Magnolia Café, Libertyville

Upcoming Rides and Activities

(check the calendar on the chapter website for details)

48th Annual Toys For Tots Parade

Sunday December 7th

8 a.m. at Irving Park Oasis on 294 southbound

Annual Holiday Party

Saturday, December 13th

6 p.m. at the Double Tree Hotel, Mundelein

L.O.H. White Elephant Party

Friday, December 19th

7 p.m. at the Sweeney's home



Doug Wrobel Director

Hello everyone.

Well, there's a lot going on and the direction we are going is for the good.

The dealership has committed to supporting the chapter. The Legendary Group has given the chapter \$2,000.00 to purchase a new chapter flag and new chapter patches. We will be ordering them soon and members will be given a patch. We will order the small ones too.

The chapter holiday party is right around the corner. Please get your reservation into Roz as soon as possible. The link for the hotel rooms is posted on our website, and an email blast was sent as well.

Our breakfast social for December will be one week earlier on the 14th of December. We have the room from 9 to 10 due to the Lambs Farm Breakfast with Santa. Remember to bring a few extra dollars because this is when we collect money for the Lambs Farm staff.

Don't forget to get checked in to ride 365 at the dealership for your year-end reading.

For now, I'm looking forward to seeing everyone whether it's at the next meeting, the dealership or out on the street.

I hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Stay safe.

Doug Wrobel

Director/Road Captain

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Roz "Muffin" Wrobel Membership

Happy Holidays from the Membership Corner

As I sit and write the last news article for this year, I am thinking about all the memories, rides, and events that happened this year. You, the members, make this chapter great! You have made this year so wonderful.

I would like to thank all the board members for their support this year. I know that some events did not happen because of Mother Nature and I am hopeful that she cooperates next year.

We finish the year with 166 family members and I am looking forward to next year's signup. Info will coming in the following months.

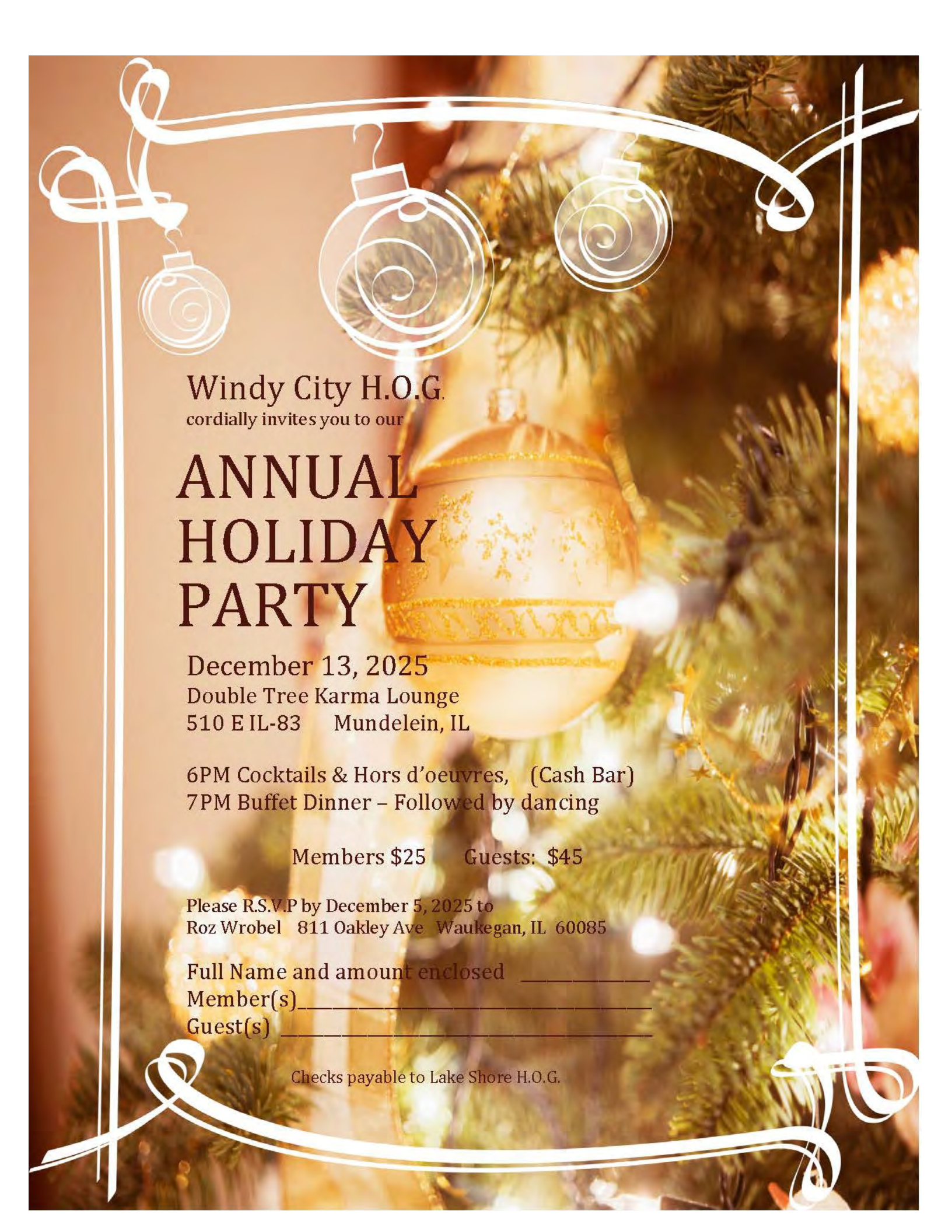
Next up is the holiday party, which will be on December 13th at the Double Tree Hotel in Mundelein. The flyer is attached in this newsletter. Hope to see everyone there.

Again, THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL YEAR!

Remember to keep your National H.O.G. membership active. If it becomes inactive, your membership with the chapter is inactive until you renew your National H.O.G.



Roz "Muffin" Wrobel
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Windy City H.O.G.
cordially invites you to our

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

December 13, 2025
Double Tree Karma Lounge
510 E IL-83 Mundelein, IL

6PM Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres, (Cash Bar)
7PM Buffet Dinner - Followed by dancing

Members \$25 Guests: \$45

Please R.S.V.P by December 5, 2025 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 "Motor Mouth" Sweeney 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**.

Our riding season is coming to an end and, as of this newsletter, we have one last ride on the calendar. That would be Toys for Tots on Sunday, December 7th. This, as always, will be weather permitting, so check the website before you leave for the ride.

We are ending another great riding year for Lake Shore H.O.G. (Windy City H.O.G.). Of course the weather didn't cooperate as much as we would have liked, but we still had 94 rides for this season, which for where we live, is not bad at all. ;—)

For the year, we have had 799 riders, 721 bikes, 6,415 in route mileage for a total of 69,391 miles for the year. That is just on our chapter rides, but doesn't count all of the other miles you racked up on your own. Congrats to all of you. We also had many participants in the Let's Ride Challenge, Ride365, and the others special challenges that Harley had all year. Lots and lots of places to go and roads to seek out. And now we are already planning things for 2026. Some of them are looking pretty damn nice, if you ask me.

As I always do at this time of the year, 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? Not only did we have a lot of our usual assortment of rides, but Dave Jones and Owen West really stepped

Head Road Captain/ Webmaster (continued)

up adding many weekday rides. Dave with his dinner rides, Baby Butt, and bonus rides and Owen's never-ending quest for the PERFECT hamburger. He had 20 rides this year and a lot of full tummies. We also had a very successful chapter trip to Two Rivers that was a great time. Can't wait for next year.

City Limits/Chicago chapter (now City Limits Riders) 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.

Looking forward to our holiday party, sign-up in January, and riding season in 2026. I'm already chomping at the bit to get started.

I'm working on next year's chapter getaway/trip and things are looking good. More info to coming next month.

Till next month...

John R. "Motor Mouth" Sweeney Jr.

"Remember, shiny side up and rubber side down..."

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Sammie Sweeney

Ladies of Harley (LOH)

Ladies Of Harley,

Please come join us for our last get-together of the year. It's our White Elephant Gift exchange. Let's have some food, laughs, and fun gifts. It will be at my house on Friday, December 19th at 7pm. (See flier on next page)

The location is:

945 Washington Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL

One last fling before 2025 ends and we set our sights on 2026. Only \$5 to reserve your spot and to be in the raffle.

Please call me to R.S.V.P. by Tuesday, December 15th 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. ;—)

Till next time,

Sammie Sweeney

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YOU'RE INVITED TO THE LOH

White Elephant

GIFT EXCHANGE PARTY



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19TH
AT 7:00PM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR PIZZA, SALAD, SOFT DRINKS SOME FUN AND LAUGHTER. IF YOU WANT ANYTHING HARDER TO DRINK, BYOB

WHERE: 945 WASHINGTON BLVD, HOFFMAN ESTATES

\$5 HOLDS YOUR SEAT AND PUTS YOU IN A RAFFLE.
FOR AN EXPLANATION OF A WHITE ELEPHANT, PLEASE CHECK-OUT
OUR WEBSITE IN THE LOH SECTION.

RSVP AND YOUR \$5 TO SAMMIE BY DECEMBER 15TH: 847 732-0825



Teddy Bear Corner

Hi Everyone,

We had our Annual Boxing Party on Saturday, November 8th. Afterwards, 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 4th year donating to them and they, as always, were so appreciative. As a remembrance and a thank you to the chapter, they gave us this ornament (see next page). They said that it represents the joy that NICASA and the children feel from your donations.

It was a good year. You all really opened up your hearts and wallets and made this a success.

We collected:

2,044—Bears / stuffed animals

414—Hot Wheels

334—assorted undies/socks

2,792 = 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 ;—).

Till next time,
Sammie Sweeney

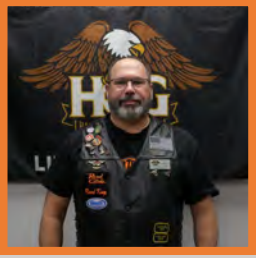
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**GREAT JOB
WINDY CITY
H.O.G.(LAKE
SHORE
H.O.G.)!!!**





Joe Murglin

Safety Officer

Keep in mind that if you are still riding during this time of year, you need to take it easy when starting out to give your tires a little extra time to warm up—cold tires can be slippery. Also, don't forget to check your tire pressure more often.

With the colder morning temperatures, there is a real danger of black ice formation, not to mention those pesky leaves!

Now that the holidays are upon us, I hope that you are planning to attend our holiday party. My wife Terry and I have always had a good time and are looking forward to this year's get-together. It's your chapter, so take advantage and come on out for a fun evening with your friends.

If I don't see you at this year's party, have a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

Joe Murglin
Safety Officer

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Bob Warzecha

Officer-at-Large

Hello everyone,

The riding season is all done for this year; maybe a few nice days coming, but all but over! Long months ahead, trapped like rats on a ship. I'm hoping for an early spring or a very mild winter myself.

We do have our holiday party coming up, and our breakfast social, so there are some fun things to do. But I dread winter & the long wait for the next riding season.

It is a great time to go over your bike in detail; check, clean, & polish everything, so you are ready for that day when we can ride again in true happiness!! Until then stay warm & be careful shoveling that 4-letter "S" word (don't want to say it!).

I do wish everybody a very happy holiday & a prosperous New Year!

Bob

Bob Warzecha

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Denise Runge

Editor

Hi everyone,

I hope that you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

I wanted to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy holiday season and a 2026 that is filled with family, friends, health, and happiness.

I hope to see many of you at the L.O.H. White Elephant party, the holiday party, and/or the breakfast social. If I don't, I will see you next year!

Denise Runge

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Bob Morrison Photographer

Hello sisters and brothers,

Here are some of the memories from November. Hope you enjoy them.

Windy City H.O.G. Chapter Teddy Bear Boxing Party 2025:



Teddy Bear Boxing Party 2025 continued:



Photos taken during the event:

<http://lakeshorehog.com/photos-2025/nggallery/album/teddy-bear-boxing-party-25>



Our November Gathering/Meeting:



Miscellaneous pictures from our members:



See you at the December Social,
Bob and Nancy

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