



*Newsletter of the Memphis Harley Owners Group
Chapter 4928 Founded February 20, 1986*

January 2013 Activities

Polar Bear ride	Jan 1 st
Chapter meeting	Jan 5 th
Ladies Of Harley meeting	Jan 8 th
Margarita's dinner	Jan 15 th
Road Captain meeting	Jan 17 th
New member orientation	Jan 19 th
Activities meeting	Jan 22 nd
CPR Training	Jan 27 th
Officer meeting	Jan 29 th

February 2013 Activities

Chapter meeting	Feb 2 nd
Super Bowl Sunday	Feb 3 rd
Valentines dinner	Feb 10 th
Ladies Of Harley meeting	Feb 12 th
Road Captain meeting	Feb 21 st
Group Ride Training	Feb 24 th
Fox and Hound	Feb 26 th

March 2013 Activities

Officer meeting	Mar 5 th
Chapter meeting	Mar 9 th
Passenger Rider Training	Mar 10 th
Ladies Of Harley meeting	Mar 12 th
Lambert's Ride	Mar 16 th
Activities meeting	Mar 19 th
Road Captain meeting	Mar 21 st
Chili cookoff	Mar 23 rd
Olympic Dinner	Mar 28 th

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The Lady Of Harley

Niesce's News

Happy New Year!!!! 2012 seemed to fly.

First, I want to thank Tammy Stingley for all her hard work with the Ladies of Harley last year.

I am excited to be serving the chapter in 2103 as Director of Ladies of Harley. I have had countless hours of enjoyment during my years with the chapter. They will last me a lifetime. I have made lots of treasured friends and more fun times than I can count. The ladies have always been a source of dedication to the chapter and a great group of women. I am very happy and grateful to be part of this great group of women that never cease to give from the heart.

We will have lots of fun activities this coming year and I hope each and every one of our female members will come be a part. We will have LOH sponsored events and a ride or two. I want to personally extend an invitation to every lady in our chapter to come to our meetings. It's a great way to make new friends, socialize and support the chapter.

We will start making plans for 2013 at our first official meeting in January. Write down your ideas or suggestions and bring them with you to the meeting on January 8th. It will be at Panera Bread on Germantown Parkway at 6:30 pm. I know lots of you ladies have been to restaurants that you would like try again or places that, maybe, some of us have never been before. I am open to suggestions for anything you would enjoy.

With the help and support of all of you, we can make 2013 a year to remember and enjoy.

Denisce Paine

Treasurer Memphis Hog Club

Mary Nichols

Hello everyone, I am your Memphis Hog Club Treasurer for 2013. I have been a National Hog Member, Memphis Hog Club Member and a LOH Member since 2005. Looking forward to serving the Memphis Hog Chapter in 2013. Have Fun and Ride Safe.

Assistant Director

Allen Rhymer

Hope that your Christmas season has been merry with family and friends. If you thought 2012 was a busy year, wait until 2013 gets rolling. Some terrific rides, events, classes and overnights are planned ahead, don't be left behind staring at your bikes in the garage, contemplating putting another coat of wax on your bike.

Start off with riding with the Memphis HOG chapter on New Years day with the traditional Polar Bear Ride to Mud Island in support of the Dream Factory, followed by a traditional meal hosted by Ike Logan at Fresh Slices in Bartlett.

With Harley-Davidson's 110th celebration and HOG's 30th anniversary, if you plan on attending, tickets are on sale now at http://110.harley-davidson.com/en_US/ticketing. And oh by the way, this year's TN HOG rally is being held in the Great Smokey Mountains at Maryville, TN. Now is the time to make your reservations for accommodations. Check out <http://www.tnstatehogrally.com/> for all the information.

As always, hope that I see all members, past, present and future Memphis HOG members have a good time riding with friends.

Membership

Randy & Charlie Wagley

Our names are Randy and Charlie Wagley. I joined the National HOG in 1995 when I bought my first Harley, a 1995 Electra Glide Classic. I moved to Cordova from Indianapolis in 2002 and we joined the local chapter. I became a National Life member in 2004. In late 2006, we purchased a 2004 Dyna Low Rider for Charlie. We have since been to several interesting and exciting places, that without the love of riding, we probably would have never experienced! We also have made many new friends while being members of the best local chapter. We look forward to serving as the membership team for 2013.

Photo Op

Gene Fretwell

Hello HOG members. My name is Gene Fretwell and I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that I will be the chapter photographer this year. I have held other officer positions in past years. They include assistant director, safety, officer, and a road captain. I am looking forward to taking lots of great pictures of everyone, so keeping smiling for my camera.

Secretary

Wanda Fretwell

My name is Wanda Fretwell and I will be your secretary for the 2013 riding year. I have been a Memphis HOG member since 2005. For those who don't know me well, I am a mother of 2 boys and grandmother of 5 grandchildren. I am looking forward to the 2013 riding season and having fun with everyone.

Historian

Allen Rhymer

With Harley-Davidson celebrating 110 years of manufacturing and the Harley Owners Group's 30th year anniversary, I started a bit of "digging", and found an excellent article worthy of sharing from <http://theselvedgeyard.wordpress.com/2009/08/09/hog-wild-over-harley-davidson-the-hog-boys-of-early-h-d-history/>. The following is an excerpt, enjoy.

HOG WILD OVER HARLEY-DAVIDSON THE "HOG BOYS" OF EARLY H-D HISTORY



Harley-Davidson "Hog Boys" racer Ray Weishaar taking good care of the team mascot.

The term "HOG" has been affectionately associated with Harley-Davidson for decades. It's a workhorse term for the iconic motorcycle company that serves many purposes. Harley-Davidson is identified as HOG on the NYSE, they coined H.O.G. as an acronym for "Harley Owners Group", and Harley-Davidson even attempted to trademark "HOG" IN 1999— and lost

when it was ruled that "HOG" had become a common generic term used for large motorcycles, and therefore was unprotectable as a trademark.

All that said, the ones originally responsible for the "HOG" handle were a roughneck group of farm boys that rode for the H-D racing team back in the 1910s-1920s who'd take their little pig mascot on a victory lap after every race their team won— giving them the name "Hog Boys." They deserve a great deal of respect— more than one paid the ultimate price and left it all on the track for the sport that was their life— racing motorcycles. These guys also had their careers interrupted by our great country's call to serve in WWI. More than likely, many of us today cannot begin to fathom the depth of their personal commitment and sacrifices.



Ray Weishaar was undoubtedly one of the best known and popular motorcycle racing stars of the 1910s and 1920s. He rode the board and dirt tracks of the country for the Harley-Davidson factory racing team. Weishaar is seen here with the famous team Harley "hog" mascot on the tank of his bike.

Simple Directions

Burt Powell

I should be writing about the cool things coming which the club will be doing as we get the year started with new beginnings. Instead, my head is occupied with thoughts of things suddenly ending. This evening I watched and listened as President Obama delivered his memorial speech to the people of Newtown, Connecticut. I wondered where he found such courage, how he was able to maintain his composure as he read the names of those twenty slain children. I wept. Though I was raised to believe this is a good and peaceful time of year, I become messed up with news like that, a trend seemingly increasing with the passing of recent years.

Though we will likely never see them, those people need us, need our thoughts and prayers even from a distance.

There are those who are closer to home than Connecticut whom we do know with special circumstances or unique needs, our families, our friends like the Stingleys, the Lesters and the Rices. They need us too; they need those prayers and those kind thoughts. Do that for them and for yourself. Take one brief moment of your day to ponder how good life is. Merry Christmas everyone.

Safe Situations

Gene Cofer

Happy New Year ... my name is Gene Cofer and I've been asked to serve as your 2013 Memphis HOG Chapter Safety Officer. My wife Lydia and I have been members since June 2006 which happens to also be when we bought our first H-D motorcycle – 2006 Ultra Classic. Note: It's really her bike, I'm the chauffeur!

Since then we've touched all lower 48 states, 6 Canadian provinces and Mexico, accumulating over 100,000 miles. Our time with the chapter has brought us closer to like-minded riders and many lifelong friendships.

Nick Saben, Head Coach Alabama Football, recently said "Consistency and Process determine Success." Most all successful coaches will say the same thing. You can use this while considering your ride. Each time you get on the bike you're using experience, timing, reaction, judgment, and the entire gambit of senses to complete the trip.

Developing this combination leads to improved performance and behavior. Continuous training provides an environment to feed this seasoning. Success is then measured by "if we do it right this time, we can come back and do it again" and that's the Fun part.

Motorcycle safety training is designed to increase rider knowledge, skills, attitude, habits and values. It is comprised of six components: Rider education, State licensing and laws,

impaired rider education, Apparel education, Motorist awareness, First response.

In addition to the Chapter Newsletter articles & Reminder TIPS, I've scheduled several training opportunities to address these key messages and to inform/refresh your memory and help polish some riding skills/tactics.

Training Class Schedule:

- CPR certification – a class that might just save your life
- MC First Aid – accident scene management
- Group Riding & New Member Orientation – answers to needed questions
- Passenger Riding – important and appreciated
- Seasoned Rider – riders are older now ... what we need to know
- Coordinated safety training specifically for Road Captains
- Experienced Rider Course (ERC) – skill building

Facilitators are already being secured to provide for the best training season ever and sessions are open to all Memphis HOG Chapter members. As a life-long learner you will want to attend.

Vince Lombardi – Legendary coach with Green Bay Packers – once said "Perfection is not attainable. But if we chase perfection, we can catch excellence."

In other words ... There is no final exam when it comes to motorcycle safety.

Activities

Pam Powell

Happy New Year! I am very excited

about being a member of the

Activities Committee this year. We

have many exciting events and rides

scheduled for 2013! As you can see

on the front page of this newsletter

we have scheduled the first 3 months.

We would like for you to start

thinking about rides and activities you

would like to see the chapter

experience. We want our members

to have an active role in helping us

create the 2013 calendar. We have

our first activities meeting Tuesday,

January 22nd at 6:30 p.m. The

meeting will be at Fox Ridge Pizza

located at 1769 N. Germantown

Pkwy. Cordova, TN. We look forward

to seeing everyone and hearing your

ideas!

Road Captain

Jerry Hayes

Hello to all, and Happy New Year! I have accepted the position of Head Road Captain for 2013. I'm looking forward to the coming year and the exciting rides that are now being planned by our officers. I first started riding in 1981 as many of us did on a brand X metric bike. In 1997, I bought my first Harley – an Ultra Classic and rode nearly as many miles that year as I had in all the previous years combined. I have been a Memphis HOG member since 1997 and have served as a Road Captain for the past 10 years. Since then, I've logged well over 200,000 miles on Harleys. (I've found it very easy to put lots of miles on a Harley).

I will have the help of two Assistants this year, both of whom have a tremendous amount of riding experience. Returning for another year as an Assistant Road Captain is our current Assistant Director, Allen Rhymer, whom you may remember was also Head Road Captain a few years ago. My other Assistant is Dave Leutwyler. Dave has many miles under his belt and, as an added bonus, he has recently been certified as an MSF instructor.

When I joined the chapter, there were very few organized group rides. Those rides we did do were much different than today's group rides. Many were actually escorted, and we all rode as one huge group. As I recall, there was one Road Captain. If you have ridden with us anytime in the last few years, you know that is not the way we do it now. There have been a lot of positive changes over

the years! We have many more organized chapter rides now, and we run in much smaller groups which requires more groups in each ride. We try to maintain a significant distance between each of the groups so traffic can maneuver around us safely. Obviously, with more groups on each ride, more Road Captains are required for each ride. More on that in a minute.

The Road Captains' job is not only to plan the route and get us there by leading and sweeping each group, but to get us there *safely*. Safety is a major concern of our chapter. I encourage each of you to take advantage of Riders Edge training offered by our dealer, or other classes offered periodically by the chapter such as the MSF Group Riding Class. We even offer a class that teaches how to be a good passenger!

I want to congratulate our two newest Road Captains, Brian Bryant and Peter Doorley. Both of these men were in training last year and now become full-fledged Road Captains this year. As I mentioned above, we need a significant number of Road Captains in the chapter. Currently, we have about 28 Road Captains. Just like the Marines, we are always looking for a few good men (or women) to serve. If you are interested in serving as a Road Captain, please contact me or Allen or Dave and we can talk about the job requirements.

In closing, I and the entire Road Captain team look forward to serving the Chapter and to enjoying many miles of riding in the coming year.















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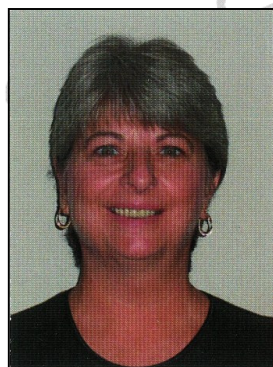
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