



Northshore HOG News

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan. 1, Cold Butt Ride, NSHD @ 10:30 am.
- Jan. 8, Chapter Meeting & Ride, NSHD @ 9:30 am.
- Jan. 22, LOH Ride to Taste of Bavaria.
- See the web site for a complete listing of events

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GOOD TIMES AT THE CHAPTER'S 2010 CHRISTMAS PARTY

BY DAN WEHR

Taking advantage of the same venue as last year, the Northshore Chapter held its annual Christmas party on December 4th at the Wine Market in Slidell. We had a great turnout, approximately 30 guests, who were treated with great food, good company, and plenty of libations. The meal consisted of appetizers, fresh garden salad, Shrimp Pasta, Vegetable Casserole, Jambalaya, and desert, all of which were well prepared and ravenously consumed by the attendees.

The evening was topped off by the "Mad Santa" gift exchange. While there was some spirited rivalry for the more popular items, once the dust settled and the final gift was picked, everyone appeared to have thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Many thanks to the officers who assisted in putting this event together, and to those who participated in making it such a great success (a few of whom are pictured below).

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From the Editor

Random Thoughts and Road Hazards

MISSING MINUTES & RESCHEDULED JANUARY MEETING

Since we did not have a meeting in December (except for the Christmas Party), you will notice that our "Last Month's Minutes" column, authored by Pat Schaeffer, is missing from this issue. Fear not, his article will re-appear in February's newsletter.

Inasmuch as the first Saturday of January, 2011 is New Years Day, the January meeting of the Northshore Chapter of HOG will take place on the following Saturday, January 8th, at the usual time and place. Hope to see you there.

JOIN IN THE "COLD BUTT RIDE"

As is our Chapter's custom, it offers its members the opportunity to appropriately ring in the new year with an annual, two-wheeled event on New Year's Day. Those who wish to participate in the 2011 "Cold Butt Ride" should plan on meeting at Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley-Davidson on the first morning of the new year. In order to accommodate sufficient recovery from New Year's Eve festivities, this ride will depart the dealership at 10:30 am.

LADIES OF HARLEY RIDE PLANNED

The Chapters first LOH Ride will be on January 22, 2011, to the Taste of Bavaria in Ponchatoula. Participants will meet in the parking lot of Star Bucks on Northshore Blvd., by the mall, at 10:00 am, weather permitting.

Ride Safe & Often,
Danno

If you are not a current member of the Northshore HOG Chapter, or you forgot to renew your membership in January, simply fill out an enrollment form (available at the dealership or on the website, see "Downloads").

From The Director

Once again we find ourselves facing a new year. We wonder what the new year will bring. As H.O.G. chapter members we hope for a new year filled with great riding weather. We hope for plenty of H.O.G. activities that will enhance our motorcycle riding fun. We look forward to increasing our riding skills and road smarts.

To this end, the NorthShore officers have already begun their planning for the new year. Only two weeks after their elections to office, an officers' meeting was held to organize and to get a good understanding of the responsibilities associated with the various positions they hold. It is important for each of them, to not only know what is expected of them, but it is of equal importance for them to know what is expected of the other officers as well. In order for all the officers to get their jobs accomplished, they must learn to work with the other officers as well. I feel that we have accomplished this and that each officer feels that they are a member of a team dedicated to H.O.G.'s mission statement of "Ride and have Fun!"

At this same meeting the officers started to flesh-out the 2011 NorthShore H.O.G. calendar. We are planning to have at least two chapter events per month. The event calendar will be posted on the Chapter's Forum and will be emailed to each member at least once a month. So please check your emails and the Chapter Forum to keep abreast of the upcoming events. You will also notice several multi-day rides and events that are already posted, even through November 2011. We are giving everybody plenty of notice so they can be planning and setting aside vacation days. You should also make note that the year 2011 has many holiday conflicts with our traditional first Saturday of the month meetings. For this reason, we have had to move some of the meetings to the second Saturday of the month. Again, check the posted calendar for the correct meeting dates.

After the meeting, some of the officers still had time to help decorate the home of the ill Slidell Police officer and his ill wife that we helped the year before.

I wish to highlight FOUR upcoming events:

January 1 – Saturday, "COLD BUTT RIDE", leaving Mike Bruno's at 10:30 a.m.

January 8 – Monthly Meeting followed by a ride to Terry Forrette's book signing event. Let's have a large turnout to support Terry. Lunch will be across the street at Voodoo BBQ.

January 22 – a chapter day ride. Check the calendar for updates.

February 5 – We are having an extra special guest speaker at our monthly meeting. Valerie Ledterman, H.O.G. Regional Manager for Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Texas, is coming to southeastern Louisiana just to meet the members of our chapter and to tell us of the exciting year we have ahead of us. You will be missing probably our most exciting meeting we ever had if you miss this one. Be sure to make it a point to be there.

The primary officers (Director, Assist. Director, Secretary and Treasurer) met with Mike Bruno as well. We defined the working relationships between the chapter and the dealership. Mike Bruno has already put Stephanie in charge of getting door prizes for each of our meetings. Mike also said that he will promote the Chapter to his customers. I must say that I am extremely optimistic that there will be a much better working relationship between the Chapter and the Dealership in the coming year.

The more you participate in our activities, the more you will get out of being a member of the chapter. It is the 2011 officer's pledge to make this coming year the most fun year we have had since before Katrina. We intend for 2011 to be a "page-turning" year in the history of our chapter. We will all be glad to be part of it.

Your Director,