

# Northshore HOG News

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# The End Of The Road

By Ray Gregg

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As many of us wanted to contribute to Harley Davidson's World Ride mileage total, several of our chapter members decided a ride to Lafitte would be a good way to pile up the miles. So, on Monday, Buddy, Ralph, Johnny, Bob, and I met at the dealership to head in that direction. I'd programmed my GPS with the route so I lead the way. We took our usual Hwy 190 route out of Slidell and then US 90 into New Orleans East. We jumped onto I-10 to get through the city, and then took the Greater New Orleans Bridge to Gretna and the Westbank Expressway. We exited the expressway onto Barataria Blvd, and from there we found a Sonic to stop for refreshments and a short break. We continued down Barataria Blvd instead of taking the Lafitte Parkway so our ride would be a little more leisurely. When we reached Crown Point, we stopped at the Restaurant de Families for lunch. Jokingly I mentioned the restaurant looked expensive and probably had

linen table cloths, but went in to check the menu anyway. Sure enough, they had white linen table cloths and many of their patrons were dressed in suits and ties. But, we were hunger and knew we had few choices further south, so since the lunch menu was respectable and priced reasonably, we decided to settle in.



Restaurant de Families

After lunch it was a short ride (less than 15 miles) to Lafitte and the end of the road. What was noteworthy on this short stretch of road were the expensive homes that have sprung up since Katrina; especially since these homes appeared to only be a few feet above sea level. It remains whether the decision to build in the flood zone area was a good idea or not. Regardless, the ride was enjoyable but brief.

On wanted to do a little more riding on our return trip, so we headed for I-310 and over to Laplace. Thunderstorms were in the area around I-310, so we decided to suit up to be safe. As it turned out, the rain lasted only two minutes and we were out of it. In Laplace we removed out raingear and had a cold drink before heading for home. We headed up I-55 and then over to I-12, where Ralph and I broke off at Covington while the rest continued onto SlidelI.

Although it was a very short ride (about 60 miles from Slidell), it is a ride that can be accomplished on the spur of the moment for someone looking for something different. I would recommend everyone think seriously about where to eat before leaving, however, because the pickings are slim once you leave Marrero. There are good reviews about Boute's in Lafitte but they are closed on Mondays.

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# From Your Director

We finally made it through September, and I am really excited about the temperature changes ahead of us. To me, the cooler weather means a much better ride. Don't get me wrong, I LOVE EVERY RIDE, but the cooler weather makes it that much better! Now that it is cooler, we need some ideas on where and what you would like to do.



When a few of us went to the Georgia State HOG Rally in 2013, they

offered a Geocache ride. Since we really didn't know what they meant by geocache, we kind of looked over it. Then we decided to take the geocache challenge on. When we signed up for the ride, they gave us the rules for a normal poker run but our destinations were nothing but longitude and latitude numbers. All of us either had a GPS or smart phone, so we entered the latitude and longitude of each point into the GPS or smart phone and we were off. We didn't know where we were going and didn't know what to look for, so we just rode and followed the directions provided by the phone or GPS. We found the first box at one of the Fire Stations, the second in a downtown parking lot, and the third in (repeat IN) an office building. It was a fun way to find something, and Judy won the poker run part of the challenge which made it even better.

There are hidden treasures located in every corner of the globe. Geocaching is really an outdoor treasure hunt using your choice of transportation and a GPS device.

Harley Davidson published an article on "A Neo-cacher's Perspective" in HOG #019 2013. See From Your Director (Continued) on Page 3



## From Your Director (Continued)

Check it out, and for even more information, log onto geocaching.com for even more information and the location of a local telephone store where you can download the geocache application.

You will see hundreds of geocaches in our riding area when you visit <u>geocaching.com</u>. Shall we give this a try on one of our future rides? Let us know during our next meeting.

As you know, October will be a very important meeting for the Chapter. We will be taking nominations for the four Primary Officer positions (i.e., Director, Assistant Director, Secretary and Treasurer). Volunteers are always welcome! Our official vote will take place during the November meeting. Please plan on attending these meetings and making your voice heard.

# One Rule That Will Keep You Alive On City Streets

By: James R. Davis

Of all the things that we learn being out on the streets with our bikes, one stands out as the all time life-saver in my book.

• If you can avoid it, never enter an intersection without another vehicle on your right side.

(It should be noted that this advice assumes you ride in a country where people drive on the right side of the road.)

If you have to slow down in order to let a vehicle catch up with you on the right side, or if you have to increase speed a little so that you catch up with another vehicle, having one on your right side is as safe as it gets for entering an intersection.

Obviously this also means that if you are stopped at a traffic light and it turns green, you enter the intersection when the vehicle on your right does - no jack rabbit jumps if you want to live.

Too tame? Could be, but this rider likes it that way.

#### **One Rule That Will Keep You Alive (Continued)**

In fact, I'd rather that the vehicle on my right was a bus or even an 18-wheeler.

By the way, it is safer that the vehicle be on your right than on the left. The closer you can be to the center of the intersection when you go through it, the more air there is (on average) between you and somebody that comes at you from either side. This is just another way of saying that if you have to enter the intersection by yourself, do it in the left most lane.

### September Ride to Slap Ya Momma's



Northshore #2147 HOGs

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 04 Oct 09:45 am Membership Mtg & Ride
  11:15 am Depart Bruno's For Darwell's
- 127 East First Street Long Beach, MS

  19 Oct 3:00 10:00 pm LOH Ride
  3:00 pm -Depart Bruno's For Barley Oaks
- 22 Oct 25 Oct Florida State HOG Rally Okaloosa Island, FL

2101 Lakeshore Drive, Mandeville, LA

15 Nov - 10:00 am - LOH Ride
10:00 Depart Bruno's For Ticos Mexican
320 W. North Street, Pass Christian, MS

MORE RIDES & ACTIVITIES ARE COMING UP
IF YOU HAVE A RECOMMENDATION
LET US KNOW
YOUR IDEAS COUNT!

# Northshore #2147 HOG Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2014 Northshore 2147 HOG® Meeting

Location: Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley Davidson

Dealership, Slidell, LA

In attendance were the following 2014 officers:

Interim Director Bill Anderson

Asst. Director Chip Newman

Treasurer Buddy Newman

Secretary Judy Anderson (Absent)

Web Master Karl Fox

Activities Officer Bill Anderson

Asst. Activities Officer Richard Dillon

Ladies of Harley Sonja Fox

**Head Road Captain** Simon Gonzales (Departed Early)

Safety Officer Russ Davis (Absent)

Membership Officer Frank Lay (Absent)

Photographer Karl Fox

Chaplain Russ Davis (Absent)

Editor Richard Dillon

**Historian** Dwight Bradbury (Absent)

Meeting called to order: 10:10 AM

Pledge of Allegiance: Steve Williams

Prayer led by: Carol Dussel

**Bill Anderson, Director:** Opened with a welcome to members present, and the weather we faced during August – either HOT HOT, or thunder storms! Glad it's September! Our availability of rides increases in September: Today, our ride is to Slap Ya Momma's Smokehouse and BBQ in Biloxi

- 13 September is the Shrine Poker Run hosted by Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley
- 13 September for our Mississippi members King of the Beau Humane Society Ride
- 18 September New Owner Meet and Greet at Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley

- 18-20 September Mississippi State HOG Rally, Natchez, MS
- 18-20 September Georgia State HOG Rally, Columbus, GA
- 27 September LOH Ride to the Italian Grill, Picayune, MS

Reminder to all members that we are entering our officer election period. This HOG Chapter is made up by you for you, so I ask that each of you take a moment and reflect on what you can do for this Chapter. There will be positions to be filled ranging from the Primary Officers (Director, Assistant Director, Treasurer and Secretary) to the other officer positions listed on the top of this newsletter.

- October: Take nominations and volunteers for the 4 primary officer positions.
- **November:** Election of the 4 primary officers. Following the final vote for the primary positions, we will take nominations/volunteers for other positions.
- December: New Officer Induction.

New Officer review and update of Chapter documents and By-laws.

In the Secretary's absence, we reviewed the minutes of the July Meeting via the August Newsletter. Minutes were approved as written and seconded. Passed favorably.

We also reviewed the August meeting minutes via the September Newsletter. Minutes were approved as written and seconded. Passed favorably.

Introduced Terry Durrell, Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley Davidson Sales Manager. Terry stated that the dealership was offering from great deals on both your trade, and on the 2014, 2015 and trade-in's available. Check out the new 2015 models! HOG members keep their machines in great condition, so find out what your motor-cycle will trade for!

Introduced Ray Gregg. Ray and Lara chair the Christmas Party Committee. Asked Ray to address the Christmas Party to the members present.

 Reiterated to the membership that we were looking at holding the party at a local church and if anyone objected to please voice that to him or an officer.

Stated that we were looking into other locations, however, nothing had been finalized at this time. Stressed that we needed to get our location now or it will be too late.

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- Recommended pot-luck type Christmas meal at the party. Handed out food sign up slips and asked that when filled out include the number of servings that will be provided. Ray and Lara's phone number and Email address was printed on the form to ease communication. Asked for this information prior to the next meeting.
- Added that the committee may have to change the food being brought in, if we already had enough servings of that food.
- Looking for additional volunteers for the committee.
- Date of meeting was discussed. Group discussion narrowed the party date to the 13<sup>th</sup> (second weekend) as primary, and the 6<sup>th</sup> (first weekend) as the secondary date.

**Chip Newman, Asst. Director:** The next meet and greet will be September 18<sup>th</sup>. In the absence of our Membership Officer, Chip also announced our September Birthdays:

Russ Davis

Sylvan Pipe

Karl Fox

Charles Hollis

Jay Wolfe

David Perez

Joe Senez

Rick Baker

Buddy Newman

Charles Hollis

Darla Benfield

Simon Gonzales

Paul Senez

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE!**

**Buddy Newman, Treasurer:** Presented the treasury report for August 2014.

Buddy also introduced our 4 new members:
Harley Battiest Derek Dabbs
R.J. Pierce Joe Staggs, Jr.

#### **WELCOME TO THE CHAPTER!**

**Richard Dillon, Editor:** Newsletter deadline is September15<sup>th</sup>, send me any information, write ups on rides, pictures, etc.

50/50 drawing was \$45.00 and was won by one of new members: R. J. Pierce

#### **EDITOR'S CORNER**

Young Riders Pick A Destination And Go.
Old Riders Pick A Direction And Go.

#### **September New HOG Members**



Harley Battiest



Dereck Dabbs



R. J. Pierce

(Fill one form per applicant.) (Leave no blank spaces.)



## CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

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I have read the Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this dealer sponsored chapter.
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By signing this Release, I certify that I have read this Release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations made by the "RELEASED PARTIES".
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