

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug. 27, LOH
 Lunch Ride to
 Venezia Italian,
 N.O., NSHD @
 10:00 am.
- Sept. 10, Chapter Meeting & Ride, NSHD @ 9:30 am.
- Sept. 17, LOH Lunchy Ride to Jerks, Convington, NSHD @ 10:00 am.
- Oct. I, Chapter Meeting & Ride, NSHD @ 9:30 am.
- See the web site for a complete listing of events

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AUGUST 6TH MEETING RIDE WELL-ATTENDED AND ENJOYED

By Susan Parrish; Photos by Karl Fox

It was a hot and humid day.....but the HOGs are a hearty breed. We set out with Dwight Bradbury leading a passel of bikes (15) with a total of 18 riders and passengers. We rode along Highways 190 and 90 to Chalmette. All were thirsty by the time we reached Armond's Eatery on Judge Perez Drive. Cold glasses of iced tea were welcomed by all.

The restaurant is owned and operated by the sister of Chapter member Rusty Callen. Chapter member Shari Callen helped serve food and drink to all. The food was great and the camaraderie was fantastic. Some of the members had other obligations so they left after the meal. The remaining 12 rode to Delacroix led by Karl Fox and navigator Sonia Fox. Some of us had never been to "the end of the world in Da Parish." It was an interesting ride along the bayou and at some points it was actually cool.

On the return to Chalmette we stopped for a hydration break and more fellowship. We followed the same route back to Slidell with some members leaving the ride to return to their respective destinations. The day ended with a visit to Baskin-Robbins in Slidell. While there Gwen Preveau surprised husband Ralph with a birthday cake and gift of video camera for his bike. We all shared the fantastic cake and considerable joking at Ralph's expense. Hopefully he has now read the 500 pages of instructions and will be filming future rides and events.

Here are some pix of the event:





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From the Editor

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Random Thoughts and Road Hazards

MISSED OPPORTUNITIES

Who would have guessed that, during my retirement years, I would be too busy with "business" to take time off on the weekends to enjoy my passion for the two-wheeled sport? That's the way it has been for the last five weeks. The last time I saddled up was on July 9th! So what is this pressing business?

Well, about seven long years ago I was "volunteered" to headup our homeowners association. Over the past few weeks I have been dealing with an extraordinary number of issues for my community ranging from street and drain maintenance to a major construction project. It isn't over yet; but, hopefully, the worst is now history.

Having been MIA for the last few rides, my column is limited to a picture show of what the rest of you have been doing.

July 31st Dealer Ride



On July 31st, our Sponsoring Dealer, Mike Bruno led a well-attended ride. Digital images of this event were submitted by Karl Fox.



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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").

PUERTO RICO TRIP

For a week, starting July 15th, and adventuresome group of riders (Dwight & Bretta Bradbury, Karl & Sonia Fox, and John & Carol Minica) traveled to Puerto Rico, rented Harleys and toured this island paradise. Below are some pictures of their trip.



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Last Month's Minutes by PAT SCHAEFER

August 6, 2011

The Chapter's monthly meeting/social get-together began with a Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dwight, Sonia and Karl briefed the Chapter on the Puerto Rico trip and their wet adventures on rented Harley's. Any members who have not been able to attend recent meetings have missed out on some good pictures of our Chapter members Riding and Having Fun; because the new flat screen TV that Mike B. provided in our meeting area gets good use showing pictures of our members on Chapter rides; before and during our monthly get-together.

Dwight also asked for member inputs regarding a long distance ride next year. Western Utah? North to Michigan? The I-55 route to Chicago? Anyone with a desired route/destination; let Dwight know so that a schedule can be developed by December.

Dwight briefed on tentative plans for the Chapter Christmas party, and obtained Chapter permission, via a unanimous show of hands, to spend above our Charter's \$500.00 limit but less than \$1,000.00; in order to reserve a party location.

Ray, our Treasurer, gave his report. The Chapter currently has \$2,917.96 in the bank. Pat reminded everyone of the excellent road hazard article in the latest issue of "HogTales".

Mike, our Assistant Director, briefed about H.O.G. membership benefits including the National H.O.G. motorcycle shipping program. Mike also distributed the Chapter specific H.O.G. merchandise items that had arrived.

Sonia, our LOH Officer, briefed on upcoming LOH activities. Everyone is reminded to check the Chapter monthly schedule on our web site for the latest info on Chapter activities.

Everyone was reminded that **next month's Chapter meeting will be on the second Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011.** The Chapter ride after the September meeting will be to the Rocking Bowl.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned to get ready for the ride to Armond's on Judge Perez. RIDE and HAVE FUN!

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There were many more memorable photos, but not enough room here to publish them. Many thanks to Karl for his photographic skills.

Keep The Sunny Side Up, Danno