

## NorthShore Chapter 0016

Sponsoring Dealer NorthShore Harley-Davidson

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## RIDE SAFELY -- HAVE FUN

#### From the Director:

This will be my last article as director because there will be a new one in January, 2005. This newsletter also serves as my last newsletter, again because there will be a new editor in January. Thankfully, Stan Benvenutti has volunteered to become the next editor but, as yet, no one has stepped forward to be the next director of our chapter. Hopefully, someone will volunteer for that position also.

Let me say that I have enjoyed being the director and I want to thank everyone who has helped me in that position this past year. Not only did all of our officers pitch in to help, but there were many other members who volunteered their time and efforts in making this year a success. We had folks helping out in water sales and membership drives at various events as well as a super turnout for the K-Bar-B remodeling job. It just proves that when we put our minds to it, our chapter as a collective body gets things done. My hat is off to all who have helped with a sincere "Thank You" for your efforts.

We've had a lot of fun this year riding and working together (more fun than work!). We tried out (successfully, I might add) a few new things this year such as monthly dinner rides, weekly Saturday rides later in the year, a telephone calling system and the restart of our website. I strongly suspect that our new group of officers will come up with even more "goodies" for us to enjoy in 2005. Let me ask that each of you give them as much help next year

as you gave me this year. By so doing, our chapter will continue to grow both in numbers and in the joy of belonging to a vibrant and enjoyable group of Harley riders.

Hey! What I just wrote sounds like we are finished for the year. Nope! We aren't done yet! There are several activities remaining for the year which I hope that all will take part in and enjoy. We will continue our monthly dinner rides to exotic and mouthwatering restaurants as well as continue our Saturday morning rides to locales as yet unknown. And, we still have two BIG events still on our calendar.

The first activity is the HOG Roast that Langston puts on annually in November. That event is scheduled for November 6th which will start with an escorted motorcycle ride around 10:00AM. Of special note is that we will ask all those participating in the ride to bring a toy that we can give away to needy children at Christmas.

Speaking of Christmas, our second big event is our annual Christmas Party which is scheduled for December 10th. It will be held at the same place as last year at the Bonfouca Banquet room in Slidell featuring music, food for all and premium drinks for all. Also, as last year, the chapter will pay for half of members' expenses; also, you may bring a guest or two but they will have to pay the full fare for the festivities.

Finally, I have enjoyed being your Director this past year. Thanks, again to all who have helped!!!

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Got any ideas, articles or suggestions for the newsletter? Write 'em down and drop them in the suggestion box at NorthShore Harley-Davidson. Or call the editor. He can use all the help he can get!

Also, got any good photos that he can print?
Again, put them in the suggestion box with a brief description of what the photo depicts.

Don't forget to put your name and phone number on the item so the editor can reach you if necessary.



## **Membership Renewal Reminder**

The time to renew your membership in the North-Shore Chapter of the Harley Owners Group will soon be upon us as the year 2005 approaches. The cost for next year will be the same as it has been in the past. For full-time members (owners of bikes) the cost is \$15.00 while the cost for associate members (non-bike owners living at the same address of a full-time member) is only \$5.00. You can pay your dues in a couple of ways:

- (1) At one of our monthly membership meetings between now and the end of the year;
- (2) At the front desk of NorthShore Harley-Davidson.

Here are some things you should know about renewing your membership:

- You must maintain your membership in the National H.O.G. Association. Last year the costs for this was \$40.00 for a full member and \$20.00 for an associate member. I suspect that those costs will be about the same for 2005.
- Each member (full or associate) must fill out and sign a separate Chapter H.O.G. Application form for 2005. Nothing new here - we do this every year.

Please try to renew your membership not later than December 31st so that we can get a good estimate of how many members we will have next year and also allow the new Board of Officers to plan a budget for 2005.

For your convenience, an application form has been reprinted on page 10 of this newsletter. Of course, if more than one member in your household is renewing his or her membership, you will have to make a copy of the application form so that both of you can sign as required.

We have a good, energetic chapter so let's keep it alive by signing up again for the year 2005. You can help by signing up as early as possible.

Jim Willette, Director, NorthShore Chapter #0016.

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#### **FINANCIAL REPORT, 2004**

John Clifford, Treasurer

Month

August

End of Month <u>Expenses</u> Income Bank Balance \$ 79.00 \$ 375.00 \$ 5,533.23 September \$ 401.17 \$ 175.00 \$ 5,307.06



#### **HARLEY HISTORY**

#### **Terry Forrette - Historian**

If you have ever wondered where the legendry Number One 1903 model is kept or where you would go to see the original issue of the Enthusiast Magazine, the answer is the Corporate Archives in Milwaukee. For most HD riders questions like this can't hold a candle to the thrill of a group ride, but for many of us "FHHN's" (Fanatical Harley History Nuts) this is the stuff that makes our pipes rumble. The Corporate Archives are maintained in Building 11 or the "Old P & A Building" on Juneau Avenue. The building itself has its own history first constructed in 1913 to house various manufacturing machines and then later becoming the assembly area for the 125, 165 and 175 cc two-stroke engines. The Archives moved into the fourth floor of Building 11 in July 1977. Occupying 16,000 square feet, it is divided into several distinct areas. Security is strict and access is limited even to HD employees with much of the Archives on a "need to know and see" basis. There are four full-time restorers as well as an intern from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee who works in the Archives.

In one section is a huge collection of nearly priceless artifacts stored on rows of steel racks. The area is climate-controlled at a constant 70 degrees and 45 percent relative humidity (great place to be during Louisiana's summers!). It houses 100,000 original documents, posters, service manuals and accessory catalogs dating back to 1903. Rows upon rows of HD clothing, belts, jewelry and foot gear can be found here.

Another set of steel doors opens to the Restoration Room. Here, specialists preserve elements of original motorcycles making sure that paint, plating and parts are kept in their original state. Dozens of engines can be seen here ranging from Knuckleheads, VR 1000 race engines to TC88's. The vintage vehicle collection contains ten vintage HD bicycles, five golf carts, three scooters and even an HD snowmobile (wonder what the 10K service would cost for that baby?).

Continuing through the Archives leads you to a section that contains a collection of motorcycles that represent models produced from the Original Number One to the 2005 Screaming Eagle editions. Within that collection are prototypes never released to the public, special military editions designed for World Wars I and II and models built in Japan prior to World War II.

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#### **NEW NORTHSHORE MEMBERS**

The following individuals have joined our chapter over the past couple of months. Please help to make these folks welcome to our riding community. Invite them to share a ride with you and let them know that we are happy that they are now members of the NorthShore Chapter of the Harley Owners Group.

#### <u>August</u>

Darin Carter Tim Cochran Rick Loumiet Ray Myers Earl St. Pierre

#### September

Dwight Bradbury Joby Chapotel Jacob Maczuga Richard Manninen

We are glad to have you!
Ride and have fun!













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## **DECEMBER ACTIVITIES**

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#### Friday, December 10th

Annual Christmas Party 8:00PM 'til Midnight Bonfouca Banquet Room (see page 6)

#### Saturday, December 18th

Membership Meeting 9:00 AM NorthShore Harley-Davidson Lunch Ride to Follow

#### **Additional Info**

★ We will undoubtedly do something for ★
★ children during the Christmas Season, ★
★ but plans have not yet been made. ★
★ We'll keep you informed at our Gen- ★
★ eral Membership Meetings as to ★
★ "what, when and where" as soon as we ★
★ decide on this type of activity.

☐ If you have any ideas regarding what you would like to see us do, please let us know. You can either drop us a line on the our website, in our suggestion to box at NorthShore Harley-Davidson or simply contact our Director, Jim willette at 985-726-9284.

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#### **MEMBERS' ADS**

Be glad to help you sell something. Three ways to advertise: (1) Put it in the Suggestion Box at North-Shore Harley, (2) send your ad to our Post Office box or, lastly, (3) e-mail Jim Willette at www.jfwillette@bellsouth.net.



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## Bike Nite Every Wednesday Night

Wednesday Bike Nite Specials

★ 2 for 1 Cocktails

**★ Domestic Long Necks: \$1.75** 

**★ Imported Beer: \$2.25** 

**☆** Draft Beer: \$1.25







#### **Restaurant Hours**

Monday - Saturday: 11 AM to 10 PM Fridays: 11 AM to 11 PM Sundays: Noon to 8 PM Happy Hour Mon-Fri: 3:00-7:00

#### **Harley History Continued:**

While I have never personally visited the Corporate Archives in Milwaukee, I did get a chance to view many of the Archival items at the Dallas Open Road Tour, the 100th Anniversary Celebration in Milwaukee last August and also at the HD Rolling History Exhibit that came to NorthShore Harley-Davidson last fall. To be able to look back in time and see the origins of motorcycling in the early days of Harley-Davidson is just one of the many things that make being a Harley-Davidson owner, rider and member of the Harley Owners Group so exciting. I hope that all of you "FHHN's" share this excitement with me.





## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Friday Evening December 10, 2004** 8:00PM to Midnight



**Bonfouca Banquet Room** Fremaux & Front Avenues (Slidell)

> **Food & Spirits Premium Bar** Dancing, etc. Music furnished by DJ

**Cost for Members:** \$14.00

**Cost for non-member Guests:** \$28.00

This will be the same banquet room that we have used for the past two years. As usual, you may bring guests, but they will have to pay the full price to attend. The chapter will pay for one-half of the party, costs for NorthShore Chapter members, both full and associate members. Please try to sign up before December 3rd to give us enough time to order the right amount of food and drinks.



Sign-up and pay at the front desk at NorthShore Harley.

**COME AND ENJOY!** 









#### Lt. Fuzz's Safety Tips

#### **Equipment Failures**

If your motorcycle is properly maintained, you greatly reduce the possibility of an equipment failure. However, Just in case, heed the following:

#### **BLOWOUTS**

The chances of a blowout is small if you run on tires of good quality, keep them at the proper pressure and change them when tires are worn. However, should a blowout occur, you must act quickly and correctly:

- 1. Try not to use the brakes; braking hard will only make things worse. However, if braking must be used, apply gradual pressure to the brake on the good tire and ease over to a safe place to stop.
- 2. Ease off on the throttle and slow down gradually; rapid deceleration could throw the bike out of control.
- 3. Hold the handlebars firmly. A great shuddering may occur as the out-of-round tire flops against the pavement. Keep that front tire straight until you come to a stop.

#### STUCK THROTTLE

Most riders have had bad dreams about this but few have experienced the problem. That is why all contemporary motorcycles have a cut-off switch by the right thumb. Practice flipping the cut-off switch while you are parked with the ignition off. If you actually experience a stuck throttle while riding with the bike in gear, remember to pull in the clutch when you use the cut-off switch and look for a safe place to stop.

#### **BROKEN CLUTCH CABLE**

Imagine that you are cruising along in fifth gear, you want to shift down, you pull in the clutch lever and there is no return action. The lever just lies up against the handgrip. No fun, but not dangerous. You can shift a bike without a clutch. This is not advisable unless necessary, but it can be done. Back off on the throttle and shift down a gear. If you have a sensitive foot, you can probably find neutral before coming to a complete stop. If not, get set for a jerky stop.

Above obtained from MSF Riding Tips.







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#### On the Road to Richmond Terry Forrette



Terry on the Blue Ridge Parkway

I recently attended the 21st Annual H.O.G. Rally in Richmond, Virginia in August, 2004. Never having gone to a National Rally, I wasn't sure what to expect but I knew that the ride there would be great and that anything beyond that would be lagniappe. Well, I was not disappointed. Leaving home before sunrise, I made it up to Knoxville, Tennessee the first day. The ride was uneventful which was fine by me. I had planned on taking the Interstate to save time and then follow some secondary roads once I got into North Carolina and Virginia. Leaving Knoxville, I went east on I-40 into Asheville, NC. Asheville is a delightful town full of arts and crafts with a real college atmosphere to it. Picking up the Blue Ridge Parkway, I headed north. What a ride! The scenery was breathtaking at almost every turn, and, were there ever a lot of turns! The Blue Ridge Parkway is not for the fainthearted or for those who do not care for "twisties." Although the posted speed limit is 45 mph, I found myself cruising about 35-40 mph. Several scenic pullovers allow

for great views of mountain gorges and also opportunities to put on rain gear (which, regrettably, I had to do about 5 miles into the parkway). With mist in my eyes and the cool mountain air rushing around me, I was glad that I had brought layered clothing to accommodate the quickly changing climate. Stopping for lunch at a quaint restaurant in Little Switzerland, which was recommended to me by a friend in Mandeville, I couldn't help but ponder the freedom of being on a motorcycle trip. That night I stopped at a place called Fancy Gap and the next day headed for Charlottesville to see Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson. Meeting up with some riders from Milwaukee, we enjoyed a great tour of Monticello learning about Jefferson and his many accomplishments. Old TJ was quite the man for his time - a real Renaissance type of guy. I am sure that had he lived in the 20th century, he would have been a Harley rider. My day ended with a much welcomed shower at the Red Roof Inn in Richmond. Friday was the first day of the rally and it was great. I got a chance to ride a 2005 Road Glide at the HD Demo area, see a fantastic bike and art exhibit, mingle with riders from all over the U.S. and Europe and soak up some good country music by Travis Tritt that evening. My plans were to head over to Williamsburg the next day and follow U.S. 17 down the east coast on my way back home (at the recommendation from John who works in the service department at NorthShore). My homeward journey would be a slow meandering with many stops to take pictures for the ABC's Touring contest and to see what there was to see. Unfortunately, Mother Nature did not cooperate with my plans. Two tropical depressions, Gaston and Hermes, developed off the coast of South Carolina in the exact area into which I had planned to travel. Although I am a Yankee by birth, I have lived in the South long enough to respect tropical storms. So, I decided to change plans and proceed somewhat reluctantly to Raleigh-Durham and Greensboro, South Carolina. With stormy weather in the west and a system coming up in the east, my only recourse was to travel through Atlanta and make a path for Louisiana. Arriving a few days early and surprising my family, I pulled into Mandeville after putting 2,308 on ye olde odometer. Even though the foul weather changed my original plans, it was a great trip. Yes, I would have preferred to stay on the road for a few more days and several hundred more miles. However, for those of us who enjoy the sport of long-distance touring, it's not about the number of miles or destination. Rather, it is, and always will be, the solitude of the open highway on a chilly morning in Virginia, the camaraderie of fellow riders huddled together during a rain storm, great mountain vistas on the Blue Ridge Parkway and the gentle growl of the King in my ears that make trips like this one that will never be forgotten.



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## **CALENDAR NOTES!**

#### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

#### **EVERY THIRD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH**

Meeting starts at 9:00AM NorthShore Harley-Davidson Dealership

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Weekly Saturday Rides NorthShore Harley-Davidson at 8:00AM

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#### **2004 Major Event Schedule**

Bikeoberfest Daytona Oct 21-24 Mississippi State Rally Oct 28-30 Steel Pony Express Oct 28-31

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Saturday, October 16th
Membership Meeting
9:00 AM
NorthShore Harley-Davidson
Lunch Ride to Follow

Saturday, October 30th
Dinner Ride
Assemble at NorthShore HD
Harley-Davidson
6:00 PM

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#### **NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES**

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Saturday, November 6th H.O.G. Roast NorthShore Harley-Davidson (see page 7)

Saturday, November 20th
Membership Meeting
9:00 AM
NorthShore Harley-Davidson
Lunch Ride to Follow

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Saturday, November 27th
Dinner Ride
Assemble at NorthShore HD
Harley-Davidson
6:00 PM

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## DIRECTIONS TO NORTHSHORE HARLEY-DAVIDSON

From I-10, take exit 266 and turn west (toward the center of town) on Gause Blvd.

Turn left at the first traffic light as though you're going into Taco Bell and follow the winding road. You'll see the NorthShore Harley-Davidson dealership just in front of you.

Our NorthShore Chapter meetings are held there—at the Harley store—every third Saturday at 9:00 AM.





#### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Would you like to join us? We would sure like to have you become a member and **enjoy what we enjoy**. The purpose of the NorthShore HOG Chapter is to promote safe motorcycling and social activities that are **fun!** 

To become a member, you must first join the National H.O.G. (Harley Owners Group). That's easy. You qualify as a full member as a Harley-Davidson motorcycle owner or an associate member as a passenger on a Harley-Davidson. Yearly dues to the National are \$40.00 for a full member and \$20.00 for associate members. You can obtain a National application in several ways:

- 1. At NorthShore Harley-Davidson.
- 2. Call 1-800-CLUB HOG.
- 3. E-mail Harley-Davidson at www.HOG.com.

Once you have joined the National club, you can get an application for our chapter from NorthShore Harley-Davidson or from our club treasurer, John Clifford at 847-0966. Annual dues are \$15.00 for NorthShore chapter membership. Associates at the same address may join for only \$5.00.

General membership meetings are held on the third Saturday of each month at the NorthShore Harley-Davidson dealership at 9:00 AM. Again, we would love to have you join us!

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