

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb. I I Ride to Hooter in Gulfport, MS 9 a.m.
- Feb 18 Ride to the Whistle
 Stop in
 Wiggins, MS.
 9 a.m.
- Feb 25 New
 Members Ride
 9 a.m.
- Mar 4
 Chapter Ride after the meeting
- Mar 24 26
 NSHD Bayou Thunder

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Weekend Ride

Jesse Hunt

I just walked in the room in Herndon from an awesome motorcycle ride. I left Sat. morning, took US 50 out through Arcola, Gilberts Corner, Aiden and Middleburg, and took a state road down through some beautiful horse country to Marshall. I got on I-66 there and got off at Front Royal, VA, and caught the upper end of Skyline Drive through the Shenandoah National Forest (it's the uppermost segment of the Blue Ridge Parkway). There are scenic overlooks about every 3 or 4 miles, with some awesome vistas of the Shenandoah Valley. I met some riders from Hagerstown, and rode with them all afternoon. We got off at Hwy 211, and I rode into Luray, VA and got a room for the night. This morning, I filled up and got back on



Massanutten Mountains

Skyline Dr. at 211, and headed South. It was in the low 50's this morning with winds of 25 and gusting to 35. It was some chilly. I stopped at Skyland Resort, built as a retreat in 1915. and warmed up. I rode further south. and had 2 large deer jump off a bank onto the road right in front of me. I got within

10 ft of them, and they just walked across the road without spooking. I got off at hwy 33, and took 230 and 231 north along the east side of the ridge coming back. Much warmer, and beautiful. It was a series of valleys with streams and rivers, separated by ridges. The highway had a lot of neat switchbacks over and down the far side of the ridges. Lots of bikes on the road up this way!! It made me want to continue down the Blue Ridge Parkway all the way to Georgia. I'll do that someday!

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From the Editor

Random Thoughts and Road Hazards

Well we made it through another New Years and Super, Bowl and the weather is starting to turn nice. Life is good and the road is sweet. Northshore H.O.G. is alive, and well and it was heart warming for me to see the number of members at both the January and February meeting. I for one had missed seeing a lot of familiar faces and now with several folks making their way back to the NS H.O.G. pen it is starting to look like old times again. Along with returning members we have several new additions to our chapter. I like to see new members join up. It gives a breath of fresh air to any group when new ideas and faces come around. What's the old saying; "The only thing that doesn't change is change." And speaking of new, how about the roster of new Chapter Officers. Yes, a couple of us old dogs got to stick around for another year, but it is great to have Ward, Mark, Dan, Dwight, Rose, and Michelle volunteer their time. We lost some members too. Most notable were Larry and Lori, now Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hildestad (see the article on their wedding). Good luck to both of you out in sunny California. Hope to see you one day back here for visit. Other members, too many to list, have had to relocate due to the storm or other reasons. To all of you, safe riding and good luck. I am pumped about the upcoming riding season and all the activities that Vick has planned for us. So if I don't see you at NSHD I hope to see you in the saddle.

Keep it on the road - Terry



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From the Director's Saddle

The February Chapter Meeting served as a great indication of the resilience of people in our H.O.G. community. Members who lost so much from Katrina are rebuilding all aspects of their lives. Our Membership Officer, Rose Aucoin, has not let 6 broken ribs from an accident keep her away. It is good to see those affected back. Recovering, participating

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and having fun again. Healing is taking placein more that one way!

The Northshore Chapter is on track with activities lined-up for the next couple of months. If you cannot make the monthly meetings, stay informed by visiting our Website. (Maintained by Chapter Webmaster Dwight Bradbury) Our Activities Officer, Vick Vicknair, has rooms blocked for the Mississippi State HOG Rally in Natchez. Rides are planned each weekend, a lunch activity after March's meeting, and lots of other plans in place to ensure fun and fellowship as a Chapter. Assistant Director, Mark Aucoin, is working on a "kick-off" event at Southside Café in late April to welcome them back and show our appreciation. Chief Road Captain Chuck Ahmed and Safety Officer Dan Schewe are jointly working on getting additional Road Captains in place and providing needed direction to that group. Ladies of Harley Officer Michelle Lewis and assistant Wanda Muller are bringing focus to "LOH" interests.

Our Newsletter/Historian, Terry Forrette will be raising awareness and money for Coastal Restoration by riding around the perimeter of the United States. Our Chapter will donate funds and be a partial sponsor. Terry is making plans now. You can visit his website at: www.ridingtherim.com for details.

We are looking forward with great anticipation. The weather in the coming months is typically the best all year. So, take a look at the upcoming Chapter events. Mark your calendar, and join it the fun!

See you on the road,

Ward

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Welcome Back LOH

It has been awhile since we had an active Ladies of Harley (LOH) officer and so it was great when Michelle Lewis stepped up to fill that position. LOH has a rich history in H.O.G. and women Harley riders have an even richer history. LOH held their first meeting following the regular chapter meeting on February, 4th. If you would like to get involved in LOH give Michelle a rumble at 601-273-2825 or contact her at michelle17116@msn.com. Good luck to all of the LOH members and we look forward to your participation in the chapter.

Road Captain Needed

Tired of the same old routes or destinations for club rides? Want to lead rather than follow? Contact Chuck Ahmed about becoming a road captain.

Club Ride



Following the February Chapter meeting over 24 riders went on a very pleasant ride to the Abita Brew Pub, in Abita Springs. Great planning on Vicks part and thanks to our Road Captain - Dave Authement for a great ride. Hope to see you on the next ride!

Update Your Profile

Many of us have had a change in address, telephone number or email. Please go to the website www.northshorehog.com and update your profile. Don't forget to do the same thing when renewing your 2006 membership.

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Congratulations Larry and Lori



Larry and Lori Hildestad were married on January 7th in Slidell, LA. As many of you know both were very active members in Northshore H.O.G. Talk about dedicated to our club, Larry proposed to Lori at our Christmas Party! Along with our happiness for them is a bit of sadness. Larry received a great job offer, out west in California, and so he and Lori sadly will be leaving our area. However, they will always be members of Northshore H.O.G. and when we have a crawfish boil or some other event their laughter and love will be remembered. The best to the both of you.

It May Not of Been Cold, Butt It Was Foggy

Our annual Cold Butt ride took place on January 1, 2006. Although I could not attend, rumor has it that there were a few *foggy* heads to match the weather. As in past years the weather was mild, but this year there was an added attraction - Fog! The group left out of Northshore HD and headed up to Hattiesburg, MS. Typical for New Years Day, the pickings were slim for a place to eat, but never doubt the tenancy of this group. As the fog thickened and the mist got heavier, the bikes headed out and made their way back home for some football, dry socks and perhaps some antacids.



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