

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan. 2, Chapter Meeting & Cold Butt Ride, NSHD @ 9:30 am.
- Jan. 23, Ladies of Harley Ride, NSHD @ 10:45 am.
- See the web site for a complete listing of events

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MARQUETTE FAMILY BENEFIT RIDE

During the November meeting the Chapter decided to help a Slidell family which has endured more than its share of adversities. Bryan and Nicole (Waguespack) Marquette have been life-long, active members of the Slidell community for their entire lives. They were both raised in the same, south Slidell neighborhood and graduated from Salmen High School.

Bryan served on the Slidell Police Department and Nicole was employed by the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office. They married in 2001 and have a fouryear-old daughter, Hailey.

Fate has dealt their family a severe blow. Bryan and Nicole have been diagnosed with rare and chronic diseases which terminated their law-enforcement careers and impaired their future ability to provide for their family.

Bryan has been diagnosed with Scleroderma and Raynaud's Disease. Nicole suffers from Still's Disease.

Scleroderma is a chronic, non-contagious ailment that causes fibrosis (hardening) of the skin. Raynaud's Disease causes interruption of blood flow to the fingers and toes causing extreme swelling, pain, and spasms. Little is known about these maladies for which there are no known cures. Due to these illnesses, Bryan was forced to quit his law enforcement career.

Still's Disease is a form of arthritis characterized by high fevers, skin rashes, sore throat, swelling of lymph glands, and enlargement of the spleen and liver. The cause of this affliction is not known and there is no cure. As a result, Nicole has given up her career with the Sheriff's Office. She is currently confined

to a wheelchair.

The Northshore HOG Chapter decided to make the Marquettes' Christmas a memorable one. Several volunteers decorated their home for the holidays and the Chapter purchased gifts for the family (coordinated by Dan



ENBARKING ON THE MARQUETTE GIFT RUN

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Random Thoughts and Road Hazards

GOOD TIMES DESPITE BAD WEATHER

CHRISTMAS PARTY: I truly regret being unable to attend the Chapter's Christmas Party this year which was held at the Wine Market on Dec. 12th. I understand that the food was great and everyone enjoyed themselves. The highlight of the "Mad Santa" gift exchange was the final destination of the "Talking Toucan." Our Secretary, Pat Schaefer ended up with it, to the entertainment and pleasure of all. Many thanks to all who attended during a torrential rain storm!



PAT SCHAEFER & HIS TALKING BIRD

FIRST LADIES OF HARLEY RIDE FOR 2010: Sonia Fox has organized the first LOH Ride for 2010. Those who wish to participate should plan on leaving the parking lot of Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley-Davidson at 10:45 am, on Saturday, January 23, 2010. The planned destination is the Zea Rotisserie Grill in Covington.

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").

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NICOLE RECEIVING GIFTS & GOOD CHEER FROM THE CLUB

Schewe and Greg Peterman), which were delivered at the conclusion of a motorcycle parade on Saturday, December 19th.

Escorted by the Slidell Police Department, 19 chapter members rode from the Dealership to the Marquette residence and delivered our Chapter's gifts and best wishes for the holidays. Arrangements were even made for an appearance by Santa Clause! Bryan, Nicole, Hailey, and their extended family were most appreciative of this effort. They provided hot coffee, hot chocolate, and cookies to those who participated in the run.

Thanks to all who contributed to this worthwhile endeavor.

