Omaha Council Bluffs Hog Chapter Newsletter- **October 2016**

Director's Column by Ray G.

Welcome all to October. The year is quickly drawing to a close and as such, we will be looking for candidates interested for next years officer positions. I will quickly go over a few details on each major position so you have a general idea of what's asked of you.

-**Webmaster**- designs and maintains all things on the website and email. Remember the person you gave wedges too and shoved in their locker? Now they ride a Harley...

-**Editor** - compiles, edits and sends out the newsletter... and hopefully can use spell check

-**Activities** - creates, manages and coordinates our yearly activities including weekly event emails... basically if you don't like where we go, change it.

-**Membership** - maintains all new, current and expiring memberships, unless they don't like you and then you're S O L

-**Treasurer** - is responsible for any and all finances chapter related including maintaining the chapters private jet...

-**Secretary** - gets coffee, submits sandwich requests, types up meeting minutes, makes more sandwich requests...

-**Asst. Director** - mostly keeping long winded el presidenté in check and oversees major events

-**Director** and él presidenté- long winded boring speeches about family and togetherness and keeps track of everything club related including being a direct liaison to the dealership.

Some to most of that is a true representation of what you might be involved in.

Halloween Party

Come one, come all to the head cheeses abode for a Halloween party on the 29th on this month. Main dish, soda and beer available, please bring a side or dessert/candy for the dessert buffet. Costumes encouraged but not required however there will be a costume contest with a top prize. (For those who bleed red, the game will be on TV.) Please sign up on the website if your coming so we know how much food to make.

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Membership

By Debbie S.

The sad news is another month has come to an end but good news is we have another new Chapter member. Some of you have already had the pleasure of meeting her on our overnighter to Kansas City and a couple of other recent rides so please welcome:
Terri S

And another thank you to current members who spread the word about our Chapter, this is the best advertisement for us. It's great having people join because of members who bring them to our group. Also, just a friendly reminder now that our riding season will be getting shorter there are s!ll a lot of rides & activities all planned for the rest of the year so please keep checking the calendar. Just because the weather will be changing soon doesn't mean we stop getting together. Be safe & just ride.

Assistant Director

By Debbie S.

WOW, the month of September just seemed to fly by, can't believe we are already going into October. But what a beautiful month October can be with all the leaves turning color; the amazing shades of red, gold and orange that will begin to fill the neighborhoods and parks everywhere you look. Along with the beautiful colors is the incredible smells of apples cooking for apple pies, turnovers and apple crisps, just thinking about this makes my mouth water. This brings me to thinking about picking those apples when we go to Small's Fruit Farm in Mondamin, IA on Sunday, October 9th. What an awesome time that always is. Hopefully it will not be too cool to ride, but you can always go by 4 wheels if need be. If you have never been it's worth it. The last few times we've been they've had apples to sample so you can decide which ones to pick or see how far you can sling shot them in the field next to the pumpkin patch, where you can pick your own pumpkin. Or better yet, treat yourself to warm apple pie & ice cream…. delicious. Even if you don't want to pick any apples they have some you can buy, along with other tasty items that are hard to resist. I have found that picking the apples is half the fun; and then after the work the other half is seeing the results of everything you made. Hope to see you there. As for the rest of the month if the weather holds up for us we can do some impromptu rides after our breakfasts this month for more beautiful sights. So if you have a suggestion for a ride or an event, please let us know. We are always looking for new ideas. We like seeing the participation, it's a great way to make friends and have some fun. Just ride and be safe.

Editor's Note

By Corrina G.

As you may know, I ride a 2003 Anniversary Edition Sportster 883…..when it decides to run. So with that said, I've been without my own bike in good working order for the last month and a half and I've made sure to ride other people's bikes in the meantime. By "ride other people's bikes," I mean I've ridden the demo bikes in Kansas City, Iowa, and I've even stolen my husband's 2016 Road Glide Ultra several times. Yes, I jumped from an 883 to a Road Glide Ultra without any issues, I even managed a successful u-turn without putting my feet down or dropping the bike (not even close).

This brings me to the topic of my article, finding a motorcycle that fits YOU. While it isn't a bad idea to get started on a bike that is less expensive or a little older, this may not be ideal for a long term motorcycle. I've found that I've quickly outgrown the Sportster's gas tank and it is older so it does have some issues that come with the age. So far I've replaced the front fork seal, tires, brakes, ignition coil, spark plugs, and soon the ignition module. Sportster's are great bikes for around town and to start out on but they are extremely top heavy so some people (myself included) may find that they don't corner or take wind as well. I won't lie, I was extremely intimidated the first time I set out to test a Road Glide because I wasn't used to a bike of that size but I've found that it fits my stature much better since most of it's weight is lower and it has a different center of gravity. While test riding in Kansas City, I was able to take a curve at roughly 55 mph with zero issues. It I tried that on the Sportster, I'd go down for sure. While the Sporty has mods on it to make it fit me

better (forward controls, mini apes, taller seat), I've found that even on a Road Glide or Street Glide special, I can stretch out so much better and I have much better control of the bike.
While a touring bike will eventually be my next step, it may not be right for you. There are other families in the HD lineup that may suit you better for your stature and your riding needs.
Look how cozy I am!!

Treasurer

By Gary S.

Treasury Notes:Have you ever wondered where your membership dues and other fundraising money go? With our $20.00 membership dues, 50/50 drawings, Holsteins Harley Nights burger burns, and a bake sale, we were able to purchase a new PA system, a white board to display upcoming activities at the dealership, and put on our annual chapter picnic. We also donated $268 to the Legacy Scholarship fund and are making plans for our annual Christmas/Holiday party. So what else do we do with our funds? Some of it goes to annual fees for our internet domain name and fees to host our web site, and some of it goes toward prizes and gift cards for chapter activities to promote riding and having fun. If we are still on budget at the end of the year, our goal is to try and supplement some of the out of pocket expenses for travel and lodging for next year's Primary Officers to attend a Harley Officers Training session to ensure we have trained, motivated chapter officers to continue to lead this group. So in a nutshell, that's where your $20.00 goes each year. I don't know about you, but for the fun and camaraderie I've had this year, it's been a bargain.

Hospitality

By Connie M.

OCTOBER 2016 HOSPITALITY NEWS

A Reminder: If you know of any member that is ill, please email me their name , so that we can get a get well card out to them.

A very Happy Birthday to member celebrating hIs special day this month

If you know of a member that is celebrating a birthday, please let me know so that we can aknowledge their special day.

Tracy C.

Four wheels move the body "Two wheels move the Soul"
Ride Safe Have Fun

Connie M.

Upcoming Events By Shirley R.

The tree have started to turn and I am a little sad that our that riding season is winding down. But as I browse thru my phone looking at my pictures, because I should be turning in the population signs we've accumulated, I can't help but smile and giggle a little. Here's some of the highlights I have taken from our many crooked miles and time together.

- Our rides usually include at least one missed turn or exit. However, it should never be considered a mistake, but merely an opportunity to wander and take in the scenery.

- We have complete trust in whoever is leading the ride, as we would follow each other anywhere - including laps in parking lots.

- Those population sign pictures are not as easy to take as you would think. I've got tons of pics of the back of Dave's head, his arm and the road. Not to mention that I have almost mastered the art of a selfie.

- Our picnic was a blast !! There was good food, great conversation and a little friendly competition. I loved how everyone cheered each other on during the games.

- I have definitely spent a lot of time with a bunch of kind, warm and fun people!

If you didn't get a chance to attend, don't worry we still have plenty of activities planned. There will be other opportunities to enjoy each other's company. I hope to see you at the ride out to Small's Fruit Farm, a dinner ride or the Chat & Chews that are going to start next month. Be sure to check out our calendar and sign up !!

Chapter activities are conducted primarily for the benefit of H.O.G. chapter members.
There are three categories of activities. All activities are identified as follows:
Closed events are for chapter members and one guest per member
Member events are reserved for H.O.G. members only.
Open events are chapter events open to chapter members, national H.O.G. members and other guests.
items preceded by a pound sign (#) are Holstein's Harley-Davidson events. See Holstein's website for more info.
Check for latest updates on www.OCBHOG.com
ALL Omaha Council Bluffs HOG activities are "Closed Events", unless stated otherwise.

October OCB HOG Event Details

1	**Ride to Ft. Atkinson (Ft. Calhoun) Time TBD**
4	**OCBHOG Officers meeting-@ Holstein's @ 6p.m.**
6	**Dinner ride to Mama's Pizza Meet at dealership @ 6p.m. Kickstands up at 6:15p.m. Weather permitting and ride to restaurant (715 Saddle Creek Rd, Omaha)**
9	**Ride to Small's Fruit Farm Meet-@ Holstein's @ 10a.m., kickstands up at 10:15a.m. And ride to Small's Fruit Farm for some warm apple pie and pick apples**
11	**OCBHOG Chapter meeting-@ Holstein's @ 6:30p.m.**
15	**Chat 'n Chew @ Sugars Meet at restaurant at 9:30a.m. (2725 E Kanesville Blvd, Council Bluffs)**
18	**Dinner ride to Jonesey's Taco House Meet at dealership @ 6p.m. Kickstands up at 6:15p.m. Weather permitting and ride to restaurant (1117 16th Ave, Council Bluffs)**
23	**Chat 'n Chew @ Amato's Meet at restaurant at 9:30a.m. (6405 Center St, Omaha)**
29	**Halloween party at Ray and Corrina's house-see website for details**

November OCB HOG Event Details

1	**OCBHOG Officers meeting-@ Holstein's @ 6p.m.**
5	**Chat 'n Chew @ Jimbo's Meet at restaurant at 9:30a.m. (7101 S 84th St, LaVista 68128)**
8	**OCBHOG Chapter meeting-@ Holstein's @ 6:30p.m.**
12	**Chili Cookoff More TBD**
17	**Dinner @ HuHot Meet at restaurant at 6:30p.m. (990 S 72nd St, Omaha 68114)**
20	**Chat 'n Chew @ Summer Kitchen Cafe Meet at restaurant at 9:30a.m. (12010 Giles Rd, LaVista 68128)**
28	**Dinner @ Hartland BBQ Meet at restaurant at 6:30p.m. (5402 NW Radial Hwy, Omaha 68104)**

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9 Ride to Small's Fruit Farm	10	11 **OCB Hog chapter meeting**	12	13	14	15 Chat 'n Chew @ Sugars
16	17	18 Dinner @ Jonesey's Tacos	19	20	21	22
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20 Chat & Chew @ Summer Kitchen	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Dinner at Hartland BBQ	29	30			

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