



Omaha Council Bluffs Hog Chapter Newsletter



February 2018

Director's Column by Gary S.

Welcome to 2018! If you haven't already heard, I have accepted the challenge to lead the Chapter this year. As your new Director, I'd like to introduce you to this year's new Officers. They are:

- Assistant Director: Dave Roze
- Treasurer: Debbie Stuckenschmidt
- Secretary/Editor: Shirley Roze
- Membership: Kim Howell
- Activities: All officers with Shirley Roze sending out reminders
- Head Road Captain: Dave Heywood (Bloodhound)
- Chapter Manager: Dan Howell
- Photographer: Ray Garvin
- Sgt of Arms: Jack Wagner

Four of us recently returned from HOT (Harley Officer Training) in Las Vegas. Three more officers will be going to Fort Worth in a few weeks. This year's theme is "Challenge Accepted". The 2-day training session was filled with information and lots of great ideas to help our Chapter focus more on riding and having fun. Once the others get back from Fort Worth, we'll compare notes. Be prepared to accept the challenge, "Ride More and Have Fun". It's going to be a great year for riding!

Assistant Director Column by Dave R.

Hi everyone! I have some exciting news to share with you. In partnership with Holstein's Harley Dealership, we are going to give back to our Chapter members. This year, you'll have an opportunity to win a \$50 gift card. We'll be putting all current members into a drawing. Each meeting, we'll randomly draw a name from our membership. If you are at the meeting and we call your name, you win! It's that simple!! So, I challenge you to start coming out to our meetings. You'll find that you have joined a fun group of people. I hope to see you at our next meeting!

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Chapter Mileage Challenge

By Debbie S.

I want to let you know that we have started the **Mileage Program** again for 2018. Gary has passed the list onto me and I have rolled over your miles as a starting point for this year. See the current list below, if you're not on it and want to participate this year it's simple. Just take a picture of your current mileage and email it along with the year and type of bike it is to treasurer@ocbhog.com. Or ask any of the chapter officers and we will record your starting mileage. You can update us throughout the year or wait until the end to send us an update of your finale mileage. For every 500 miles you ride, you will receive 1 ticket for our mileage challenge drawing. The prize is a \$100 gift certificate from Holstein's Harley Davidson.

Corrina G	Ray G
Dan B	Gary S
Dave R	Mike Wear
Tracy C	Ken Dutton
Bob Sheldon	Gerry W
Jack W	Tom R
Terri S	Mike M
Dave (Bloodhound)	Posse

And for something new this year, we are starting a "Free Ride Program". Come along on one of our designated meal rides each month and enter a drawing to win \$10 towards your meal, double your chances if you wear something with the Chapter logo or a Chapter shirt.

Looking forward to the 2018 riding season to begin so we can "Just Ride"

Membership

By Kim H.

Our membership drive for 2018 is in full swing. If you haven't already renewed at a meeting or at the dealership, please consider doing so by the end of March. That way you can continue to "ride and Have Fun" with this amazing chapter. We are a close group and we welcome everyone to the family. You won't be disappointed or left out of the fun.

The dues are still \$20 per calendar year. Make certain that you keep your National HOG membership current as well. Along with your \$20 dues payment you will need to sign a release form. These can be found on the website, at the monthly meeting or at Holstein's clothing counter.

We had one new member join in January, we would like to welcome:

Gaylene C.

to our HOG family.

There will be a membership drive on March 10th during Holstein's Harley Davidson Chili Dog Saturday event from 11AM – 1PM, hope to see you there!

Editor's Note

By Shirley R.

You're probably wondering why you are getting a newsletter so soon after our last one. Well, we just couldn't wait to share the news! Plus, let's be honest, it would have taken me several emails to get all of this out to you. 😊 We'll be returning to our quarterly newsletters. Also, if you'd like to submit an article or short note, please let me know. I'd be happy to add it to our newsletter and would be grateful for your input.

Photo Challenge

By Ray G.

This year's photo challenge will focus on military/veterans memorials. Just a few examples of memorials are: the tanks in Auburn and Tekamah and freedom rocks. You'll have until December 1st to get submit your pictures to photographer@ocbhog.com. Or if you'd like to submit your photos all at once, please submit them via a flash drive. To earn 1 point, your picture must include your bike and the memorial. If you include yourself in the picture, you'll earn 2 points. Selfies will be accepted. 1st place winner will receive a \$50 gift card, the 2nd place winner will receive a \$25 gift card and the 3rd place winner will receive a \$15 gift card. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Ride 365

By Gary S.

During this year's HOT training our Regional Managers threw down the gauntlet and challenged each chapter to get out and ride more. To help us, HOG introduced a new mileage tracking tool called "Ride 365". The new program is very simple to use, all you need to do is stop by Holstein's HD so they can record your mileage and get you entered the program. From there you are only required to stop by at least one more time prior to December 31st to have your ending mileage recorded. You can also stop by as often as you like to provide updates through the year if you like.

So, what does this program do for you? First, you can keep track of your yearly and lifetime mileage and see live updates by logging into HOG.com. Second, your mileage will count towards our chapter total mileage for the year, so we can see how we stack up against other chapters across the country. Prizes and recognition will be given for both personal mileage achievements, as well as chapter totals. To keep things fair, chapter mileage winners will be given out on a regional basis for both total miles and average miles per person. If you have more questions or want more information, visit HOG.com and look under the "Live to Ride" tab.

For this year, our OCBHOG mileage challenge will still be tracked manually, like last year since Ride 365 does not currently allow us to pull a list of individual mileage totals. I asked if this is a function they can add, and they said "Yes". So, if all goes well, by next year this will become our one stop mileage tracking program.

Activities

By Shirley R.

Hi everyone...are you hanging in there? It's only a few more weeks, until our Spring Degree Ride!! For those of you who may be new to our chapter, this is the ride that kicks off our riding season. Yay!! So be sure to mark it on your calendar – **Sunday, March 18th**. I'll send more details as we get closer.

We're getting ready to fill in the rest of our calendar for 2018. We got a lot of great ideas last year that we plan to use. If you have a ride you'd like us to include or want to suggest a destination, please send me an email or come to our planning meeting on Feb. 26th. I love your suggestions and look forward to a riding season with a lot of variety. We're going to have blast this year, I just know it !!

Listed below are a few of our upcoming activities...be sure to watch for my weekly emails.

- Monday, Feb. 26th - Calendar planning meeting – 6:30p at Debbie & Gary's home
Tuesday, Feb. 27th - The Royal Dinner – want to be treated like royalty? Meet us at Pizza King at 6:30p (1101 North Broadway, Co.Bluffs 51503)
Saturday, March 3rd - Soup & Stew – Bring a crockpot of your best soup or stew recipe to Debbie & Gary's at 6p. Judging will begin once all entries arrive – prize for the best!
Tuesday, March 6th - Officer Meeting at 6p
Saturday, March 10th - Chili Dog Days/Membership Drive – come enjoy a chili dog from 11a.m. to 1p.m. **Looking for volunteers...can you help us out?***
Tuesday, March 13th - Chapter meeting at 6:30p – Join us for dinner after the meeting!
Wed. March 14th - Get your green on and let's get lucky! Head on over to the Brazen Head Irish Pub for some Irish grub at 6:30p. (319 N 78th St, Omaha 68114)

(events are for chapter members and guests)

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.

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