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#### **FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK**

As summer comes to an end, our riding season is also coming to an end. We had some great rides this year, and I would like to thank everyone for a great riding season! Hopefully our weather will let us get some more rides in and fingers crossed that everyone has a great fall. I would also like to thank all the members who have volunteered for the different activities in support of L-A Harley-Davidson this past year. We couldn't have done it without you! While our riding season may be ending, we still have lots of activities coming up as a chapter. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming meetings.

Ride safe and have fun, John



# Officer Updates

## Treasurers Report - Don Gabriel, Treasurer

As of September 30, 2024

Beginning Balance Checking\$	2,046.30
Checking Deposits\$	309.00
Checking Expenditures\$	(836.69)
Ending Balance Checking\$	2,318.61
Beginning Balance Savings\$	3,424.49
Savings Deposits\$	0.00
Savings Withdrawal\$	0.00
Savings Account Dividend\$	0.14
Ending Balance Savings\$	3,424.63

# Motorcycle Tips from the Safety Officer - Tony Bruno

- Motorcycles have the same rights and privileges as any other vehicle on the roadway.
- Allow your motorcycle a full lane width. Although it may seem as though there is enough room in the traffic lane, remember your motorcycle needs room to maneuver safely.
- Always signal your intentions before changing lanes or merging with traffic which will allow you to anticipate traffic flow and find a safe lane position.
- Always make a visual check for traffic by checking mirrors and blind spots before entering or leaving a traffic lane or intersection.
- Proceed with caution when approaching a vehicle with flashing turn signals as people sometimes forget to turn them off.
- Remember road conditions can pose a hazard such as potholes, gravel, wet/slippery surfaces, pavement seams, railroad crossings and grooved pavement. You may need to adjust speed and lane position.
- Remember to follow the rules of the road ~ red lights, stop signs, and emergency vehicles.

Have an enjoyable and safe riding season, Tony Bruno



# Happy Birthday to the following Chapter members\*:

\* Apologies to those we missed. Please contact Karen Tanguay so she can update our database

	<u>July</u>			<u>August</u>		<u>September</u>
Greg	Davis	7/3	Donald	Gabriel	8/1	
Lisa	Saucier	7/10	Skip	Forbes	8/29	
Di	Withers	7/29				
Paul	Walsh	7/31				

## **Corporate News**

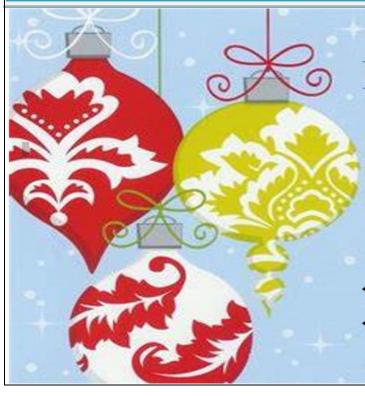


#### **Keep Rolling Your Odometers**

As the riding season winds down, the miles continue to roll up in H.O.G.'s Annual and Chapter Challenges. There is still plenty of time to plan fall Chapter rides and encourage your members to join in and pump up those numbers. Officers can monitor their chapter's progress in either mileage challenge by generating a Member Report using the Manage My Chapter tool. Current leaderboards are also available for anyone to view on your personal profile page at members.hog.com. Results don't become official until next year after final 2024 mileage tallies have been entered and validated after December 31. Keep your hand on the throttle until the finish line!

#### Save the Date





# Mid-Maine HOG Holiday Party

Sunday, December 8th 11am - 4pm at Gippers.

Cost \$20.00 / pp (members & guests)

- Buffet Dinner in a private room with cash bar
- Yankee Swap / Chinese Auction will be held with \$25.00 minimum gift cost



Nominations are now being accepted for our primary officer positions (Director, Assistant Director, Secretary, Treasurer). A box has been placed in the HOG's Den with nomination forms beside it. You can make as many nominations as you wish up until October 27<sup>th</sup>. You are also welcome to email John Biron with your nominations if you prefer. Just remember to specify the position(s) you are making the nomination for.

#### **Director:**

- Works with the sponsoring dealer to uphold the "Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters" and H.O.G. operating policies
- Assumes overall responsibility for the administration of the H.O.G. chapter and implementation of Harley Owners Group policies
- Signs annual H.O.G. Chapter Charter Application and ensures it is received in H.O.G. office by January 31
- If chapter is incorporated, ensures chapter complies with all corporate state annual filing requirements
- Promotes H.O.G. and the H.O.G. chapter to potential members
- Conducts chapter meetings
- Coordinates chapter officer responsibilities
- Ensures that risk management requirements set forth by the Chapter Insurance program, including procurement of necessary release forms, are met for all chapter activities
- Verifies that chapter T-shirt and merchandise guidelines are followed
- Ensures that all trademark requirements are met
- Ensures that chapter merchandise orders are supplied to the sponsoring dealer
- Ensures Chapter Officer News® is available to all fellow officers
- Routes H.O.G. correspondence to fellow officers and to membership, as requested

#### **Assistant Director:**

- Assists the sponsoring dealer and chapter director in upholding the "Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters"
- Assists the director as requested
- Promotes H.O.G. and the H.O.G. chapter to potential members
- Informs chapter members of H.O.G. programs and benefits. The following officers should assist you in this function:
  - LOH® Officer Ladies of Harley program and LOH Motorcycling Memories contest
  - Safety Officer Motorcycle safety programs and Safe Rider Skills program
  - Photographer Staff Photographer pin
- Conducts new member orientation
- Acts as the liaison between the chapter and the State Rally Committee



#### **Treasurer:**

- Assists the sponsoring dealer and chapter director in upholding the "Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters"
- Collects chapter dues (no more than \$24 per member per year)
- Manages all chapter funds
- Oversees the preparation of chapter federal, state and local tax returns
- Reports financial transactions to members monthly
- Ensures that any charitable contributions are managed according to H.O.G. guidelines
- Maintains a running comparison of current year chapter finances with prior year chapter finances for presentation at Annual Meeting

#### **Secretary:**

- Assists the sponsoring dealer and chapter director in upholding the "Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters"
- Oversees the administrative needs of the chapter
  - Keeps minutes of all chapter meetings, including "Annual Chapter Business Meeting"
  - Ensures that all insurance requirements are met
- Oversees membership officer position to:
  - Ensure that chapter members have current national H.O.G. memberships
  - Enroll new chapter members
  - Administers annual chapter member renewal process
  - Ensure that the most current officer and chapter address information is on file with H.O.G.
  - Maintain annual Chapter Membership Enrollment Form and Release on file for each member
- Submits the following forms/reports to H.O.G.:
  - H.O.G. Chapter Charter Application (once a year, by January 31)
  - Other reports and forms as requested
- Obtains, files and maintains records of all insurance forms, including release and injury report forms
- Administers the annual chapter business meeting
- If chapter is incorporated, submits corporate state annual report to proper state office (or chapter attorney)

# Nominations are now open

We will also have sign-up sheets for our secondary officer positions at the meetings. Please consider signing up for one of these in support of the chapter:

- Membership
- Merchandise
- Activities
- Newsletter
- Safety
- Webmaster
- Head Road Captain
  - o Road Captain
- Historian
- Photographer
- Pig Pot
- 50/50

### Classified Ad

# For Sale

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100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition / Silver & Black
113k well cared-for and well enjoyed miles
AM, FM, CD and CB radio system plus many extras
This is a rare find! \$6,500
Runs and rides great! Call Brent @ 860-874-7916









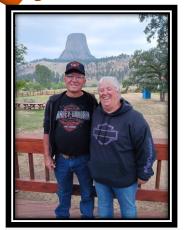




# Sturgis Rally 2024

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Sharlena, John, Bruce Motta, Stewart, and Ellen

Skip and Ann (Devil's Tower in background)

The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally is the largest motorcycle rally in the world. It is held annually in The Black Hills and in Sturgis, South Dakota for 10 days during the first week of August. It was started by local Indian dealer Pappy Hoel in 1938. Since its beginning, private area businesses throwing events such as races, concerts, and rides have made, and continue to make, the Sturgis Rally what it is today. 2025 will mark the 85th annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.









On the way out of town

# **Sponsoring Dealership Events**







# 2024 YEAR-END EVENT

#### **EVENT LOCATION**

L-A HARLEY-DAVIDSON®

839 Main Street, Lewiston, ME 04240

#### 09 NOVEMBER 2024 9:00AM - 2024 YEAR-END EVENT

It's been another memorable year of bike rallies, joy rides and everyday adventures. Let's gather to share stories and have some fun celebrating the reason we all choose to ride. While you're here, take a moment to honor the courage and sacrifice of our local military veterans who are part of the Harley-Davidson community.

Enter for a chance to win\*\* a 2024 Fat Boy® 114 and the ultimate H-D® Experience

3-Day Trip to Milwaukee for 2100,000 H-D® Membership Bonus Points (\$1,000 Value)1-Year Membership to Club EagleRiderPlus, get entered for a chance to win 1 of 6 \$500 In-Store Shopping Sprees sponsored by Rolling USA

Winners will be announced hourly 12-5pm EST on Saturday, November 9Visit: Facebook.com/RollingUSACheck with your dealer on how to earn additional entries.

Celebrate with us!

Let's close out the year the way only Harley-Davidson and your local dealer







