



SQUEAKS & SQUEALS

Mid Maine Lewiston Chapter #1980

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WELCOME TO THE MID MAINE LEWISTON CHAPTER:

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From the Director

Well it was one busy year for all of us at Mid Maine HOG. We started our year with a great Holiday Party at the Shriners. The food and company topped off a great holiday ending. Then off to the 12th Annual Blood Drive, as usual Mid Maine and L-A Harley was one of the biggest blood drives in Maine. Loss of a friend, family bowling, progressive dinner, scavenger hunt, silent auctions, basket raffles, rides, and luncheons served at L-A Harley and most recently Breakfast with Santa which was so much fun. All of this could not have been possible with the many volunteers we have had over the year. I am so fortunate to be associated with a wonderful bunch of people.

As the year comes to an end and a new year to begin; I wish you all a wonderful holiday and a new year full of happiness and good health.

Hoping 2012 is as good as 2011.

Kathi Yergin
Director



Mid-Maine Lewiston HOG, Chapter 1980

Monthly Chapter Meeting – December 7, 2011

6:30-6:50PM Social time; Official meeting open with Pledge of Allegiance and 25 members and guests present.

Director, Kathi Yergin:

- Accept Secretary notes as printed in the newsletter (1st, 2nd, approved)
- Treasurer report by Lorrie Stephenson and accept treasurer report (1st, 2nd, approved)
 - Lorrie reviewed in/out expenses and account balance.
- Overview of results of the chapter raffle.
 - John Story, dealer – gave the chapter 15% off the cost of the gift cards
 - Thanks to some dedicated chapter members, and John, we overcame a couple of difficult hurdles with the raffle this year and ended with a slight profit. The three winners were:
 - 1st Naomi Perkins
 - 2nd Luke Arsenault
 - 3rd Thomas Seymers
- Overview of money earned with food sales on Saturdays.
 - Time and effort the food sales are more profitable for the chapter than the raffle sales, which is a yearlong effort.
 - December 17th is Breakfast with Santa
- Dealer loyalty cards: Benefits of membership receive 20 points at time of purchase. Must be a chapter member. As of January 1, 2012 if chapter membership expires the extra discount will be put on hold.
 - Note: your National membership must be current to belong to a local chapter. The following is reprinted from the official Harley-Davidson HOG Handbook:

Local Chapter Membership:

All H.O.G.® members are eligible to join any affiliated local chapter by completing the Chapter Membership Enrollment Form and Release. Applicants are responsible for providing proof of their National membership. An expired National membership automatically terminates local chapter membership and any associated memberships.

- H.O.T. training. Last month we determined the chapter could not afford to send members to HOT. However, John Story expressed he wants the chapter to send representatives; he will underwrite the chapter at no interest.
 - Extensive discussion followed regarding the viability of sending people to HOT.
 - John Story addressed the chapter on the topic.
 - Motion by Greg Davis to send 4 people to HOT. 1st and 2nd and passed unanimously by group.
- Maine State Rally committee requests \$200 per chapter for prizes at the rally. Kathi suggested a gift card from LA Harley. Motion was made, 1st, 2nd and passed unanimously by group.

Asst. Director, Cindy Rogers

- Blood Drive: a meeting is scheduled to get all info from the Red Cross rep.
 - Chapter approved the t-shirt design as submitted by Greg Davis
- Boston bike show bus trip: info on cost break down to 21.50 per person: January 28 or 29; Looking for someone to run this if interested.
- Mohegan Sun bus trip: \$39 p/person, however you receive a \$40 value package. Any Saturday; January or February—Cindy will get info on shows available. There was more interest in this over the Boston bike show trip above.
- Name tags are in. If you ordered a tag please see Cindy to pick it up.

Karen Schneider:

- Membership report: 132 members, correct spelling of new member name: Vicki Purgavie
- 2012 membership due as of 1/1/12. Remember, you must be member of National HOG to be member of local chapter.
- December Birthdays
- LOH holiday dinner at DiVinci's 12/14 6:30pm

Jessie Poore:

- Holiday Party: Prospect Hill
 - Tickets are available tonight and every Saturday until December 17th. \$20 members and \$25 for non-members
 - Theme: Winter Wonderland
 - Menu and events (pool challenge) Winners of the scavenger hunt, DJ and dancing
 - The chapter can bring appetizers and/or deserts. Please sign up if you wish to bring something, this is volunteer only.

New bike: Ron Bilodeau

2012 Raffle team: Ron Bilodeau, Greg Davis, Henry Maheux, and Dick Moreau

- Suggesting a bike raffle with either a 2002 LOADED Fat Boy bike with 14000 miles for 12,500 or 2010 Super Glide with 650 miles for 10,500. Or 50% cash value. Tickets @ \$10. Other details include \$1000 gift card to the seller of the winning ticket. Does the chapter want a 2012 raffle? Motion, 1st, 2nd - accepted by chapter. Members present voted to buy the Super Glide.

Newsletter editor—Lenore Charest: Newsletter deadline is 12/17/2011 midnight. Anything you want to sell? Put it in the newsletter.

- Meeting closed 8:02pm, fun meeting activities: door prizes, munchies!

Next officer meeting: 12/28 at TBD @ 6:30pm; Next chapter meeting: 1/4 in the HOGs Den @ 6:30pm

Minutes submitted by Janis Tanguay, Chapter Secretary



Please wish Happy Birthday to:

Brett Jervis	December 3 rd
Randall Jones	December 5th
Tony Bruno	December 7th
Steven Bowdich	December 19th
Bonita Gregoire	December 21st
Jennifer Bowdich	December 26th
Ronald Bilodeau	December 27th

EVENTS

Ladies of Harley Christmas Dinner

December 14th at DaVinci's



Breakfast with Santa

December 17th



Never too old to sit on Santa's lap!





Ready to wrap presents

One of Santa's smiling elves



Santa's preferred ride!



Membership Info

Chapter Membership

The following guidelines will be in place for the 2012 membership. Over the last few years we have not been following the rules as much as we should.

1. Active National HOG member
2. After (3) meetings as a visitor, visitors are then considered an intruder and no longer able to attend a meeting. Please have your spouse, loved one join as an associate under yourself so they can continue to receive the benefits of our chapter.
3. Visitors are not allowed to vote nor have comments on Chapter discussions.
4. Visitors will have to pay more of a fee for events such as Progressive Dinner, Holiday Party and others deemed appropriate.
5. Visitors are allowed at functions and OPEN rides as long as they are with a chapter member and have signed all release forms prior to event.

Benefits of Chapter Membership (\$15.00 January to January)

1. Discounts on Progressive Dinner, Holiday Party and other events which saves in the membership right away.
2. 20% given on all loyalty cards, where all others get 10%. (This list will be update to L-A Harley every two months during the year starting in 2012).
3. Decisions on where the Chapter should head in the years to come.
4. Every ride available to each Chapter member.
5. Working with a great dealer.
6. And each year hopefully more benefits.

So please if you have not been an active member for a few years these rules will be enforced in the year ahead. If you know any prior members who have slipped away, please remind them of these benefits to rejoin. The 20% alone makes a HUGE difference.

National HOG Membership must be current in order to be a member of the local chapter

It's time to renew your chapter membership registration for next year

(Membership registration form is at the end of the newsletter)

**NEXT CHAPTER
MEETING**

**Wednesday,
January 4th,
6:30pm**

Hotline:

(207)758-0633

Call any officer to have additions
made to the hotline.

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Thank you to John Story, Managing Partner of L A Harley-Davidson, for helping make our H.O. G. Chapter possible.



CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP
ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

CHAPTER NAME _____

MEMBER NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ MEMBER NAT'L H.O.G. NUMBER _____

EXPIRATION DATE OF NATIONAL H.O.G. MEMBERSHIP _____

I have read the Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this dealer sponsored chapter.

I recognize that while this Chapter is chartered with H.O.G., it remains a separate, independent entity solely responsible for its actions.

- THIS IS A RELEASE, READ BEFORE SIGNING -

I agree that the Sponsoring Dealer, Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.), Harley-Davidson, Inc., Harley-Davidson Motor Company, my Chapter and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (hereinafter, the **"RELEASED PARTIES"**) shall not be liable or responsible for injury to me (including paralysis or death) or damage to my property occurring during any H.O.G. or H.O.G. chapter activities and resulting from acts or omissions occurring during the performance of the duties of the Released Parties, even where the damage or injury is caused by negligence (except willful neglect). I understand and agree that all H.O.G. members and their guests participate voluntarily and at their own risk in all H.O.G. activities and I assume all risks of injury and damage arising out of the conduct of such activities.

I release and hold the **"RELEASED PARTIES"** harmless from any injury or loss to my person or property which may result from my participation in H.O.G. activities and EVENT(S). I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT I AGREE NOT TO SUE THE **"RELEASED PARTIES"** FOR ANY INJURY OR RESULTING DAMAGE TO MYSELF OR MY PROPERTY ARISING FROM, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR CHAPTER DUTIES IN SPONSORING, PLANNING OR CONDUCTING SAID EVENT(S).

WAIVER OF RIGHTS UNDER STATE STATUTES

I further agree to waive all benefits flowing from any state statute which would negate or limit the scope of this Release and Indemnification Agreement including, but not limited to, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which provides:

"A general release does not extend to the claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known to him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

By signing this Release, I certify that I have read this Release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations made by the **"RELEASED PARTIES"**.

MEMBER SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

LOCAL DUES PAID \$ _____ DATE _____

(Dues not to exceed maximum amount prescribed in, "Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters", as contained in the H.O.G. Chapter Handbook.)

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