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Dave "Judge" Patterson

### DIRECTOR'S NOTE

#### DID YOU KNOW?

#### H.O.G.® MEMBER BENEFITS

Details of the H.O.G.® member benefits listed below can be found in the H.O.G.® Membership Guide at hog.com

- H.O.G.® Magazine
- World Wide H.O.G.® Rallies and Events
- Roadside Assistance
- H-D® Insurance
- Touring Handbook
- Toll-free Number
- Ride 365 Mileage Program
- Safe Rider Skills
- Safe Rider Skills Chapter Plaque
- Motorcycle Shipping
- Theft Reward
- AT&T
- Best Western

#### RIDE 365

Whether it's an afternoon getaway or a transcontinental journey of a lifetime, every ride you take brings us closer together. Keep track of your lifetime mileage because miles count. Sign up in the Service Department today.



#### COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



More than 500 children each year find a safe haven and HOPE for the future at the **Northwest Arkansas Children's Shelter.**

For more information or to get involved, visit [www.nwacs.org](http://www.nwacs.org)

Ladies of Harley are proud to support this great organization with events throughout the year.

Get the H.O.G. Magazine App



Sarah "Flip Flop" Jackson

#### Treasurer



Balance of account as of

2/15/20 is \$3,832.06



### JOIN OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

- Holly "Best Shot" Adams - Membership

To become a member of the Pig Trail H.O.G. Chapter, your national H.O.G. membership must be current. Full Members and Associate Members can become part of the Pig Trail H.O.G. Chapter for just \$20 per person per year.

Get a free membership with the purchase of a New or Used Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Ask for details today... Check your memberships today and get ready for the riding season!



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# HOW DO I GET MORE INVOLVED?

- Garry "Doc" Raymond - Assistant Director

As the Pig Trail HOG Chapter continues to grow, we need some volunteers to assist with the myriad activities offered. Please do not wait to be asked; let us know your areas of interest and your schedule of availability.

Here are just a few areas of current need:

- **Assist the Secretary** (secretary@pigtrailhog.com)
  - Serve on the Merchandise Committee
  - Help maintain official and historical chapter records
  - Proof read verbiage as needed
- **Assist the Treasurer** (treasurer@pigtrailhog.com)
  - Help sell tickets at meetings for the various giveaways and drawings
- **Assist the Activities Officers** (activities@pigtrailhog.com)
  - Serve on the annual Christmas Party Committee
  - Attend activities meetings and suggest some cool, new ideas to "spice up" our rides and events
  - Help sell raffle tickets at the monthly meetings
  - Help with set-up and clean-up for our activities
- **Assist the Head Road Captain** (roadcaptain2@pigtrailhog.com)
  - Sign up for training to qualify to be a Road Captain
  - Welcome and encourage new members to go on rides
  - Assist Road Captains with collecting waivers and sign-in paperwork prior to rides
  - Participate during rides to ensure positive experiences
- **Assist the Ladies of Harley (LOH) Officer** (LOH2@pigtrailhog.com)
  - Provide cool ideas to the LOH Committee members
  - Host an LOH activity
  - Invite new lady members to events and make them feel welcome and engaged
- **Assist the Membership Officer** (membership@pigtrailhog.com)
  - Reach out (via phone/text/email/etc.) to new members to encourage participation
  - Meet and greet prior to monthly chapter meetings
  - Assist with drawings and raffles at meetings
- **Assist the Webmaster** (webmaster@pigtrailhog.com)
  - Serve on Tech Committee to provide input for Constant Contact (email blasts), Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Chaptergram, Texts, etc.
  - Provide interesting articles and photos for the Chaptergram
  - Assist with proof reading as needed by the Webmaster

These are exciting times for our Pig Trail HOG Chapter. As we continue to grow, we need to ensure that members feel connected and involved. Your officer team wants to be sure everyone feels that they are a valued member of a GREAT club. Please help your leadership team by volunteering as your schedule allows.

Thanks for always giving back!



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# Did You Know: 1903 Wasn't the First Year of Production



William Harley and Arthur Davidson initially began production on their very first motorcycle back in late 1901. It took them nearly two years to complete the project and it was released in 1903. That's why everyone says that production started in 1903 but that was really when sales started, not production. The pair made two bikes in 1904. Their first year of what might be called mass production was in 1905. That year a whopping eight motorcycles were finished and released to the public.



## WHY AM I HERE?

- Chuck "Tusk" Yarbrough - Secretary

Fellow HOG members,

I sometimes suffer from CRC (Can't Remember Crap) or Hereafter (What am I Here After?).

I am proud to say I know a lot of members, however name badges would help the Membership Committee make introductions to the guest they are hosting.

One way to meet new people is to be able to introduce folks. So if you have a name badge bring it and wear it PLEASE.

If you don't have one the process is simple. Go to the checkout cash wrap and let them know you want to order one. They will take your money. Next step is to email the Secretary what you want on your name badge full name, road name and any title you might have in the Chapter. It is just that easy. Each month even if we don't have the minimum order number the Chapter will pay for the up charge and send the order to the supplier for processing.

We also keep a stock of HOG patches and rockers at the cash wrap. If you want one that we don't have in stock we will order at our cost plus taxes and shipping charges.

We stock LOH, large HOG logo patches / Rockers plus some small HOG logo items first aid kits, pens, lanterns and other items.

Wear with pride and have people recognize who you ride with to have FUN!!!

## AWARD WINNING DEALERSHIP

Congratulations to Pig Trail Harley-Davidson Dealership who was awarded a 2019 Silver Bar & Shield Award for outstanding sales, service & customer satisfaction! They are up from a Bronze award in 2018 and looking for GOLD in 2020!

We are proud to be a part of such a great team...



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# LADIES OF HARLEY HAPPENINGS

- Debbie "Keeper" Raymond - Ladies of Harley



All ladies in the Pig Trail Harley Chapter, whether you are a member or associate member, are invited to attend and participate in all LOH events.

Some events coming up include a large suitcase and/or backpack collection drive for the NWA Children's Shelter on March 7. Anyone who brings suitcases or backpacks to the HOG Chapter Meeting will be given 1 ticket per bag, so more bags equals more tickets. A ticket will be drawn for a prize from LOH. After the March meeting, LOH will take the bags to the Children's Shelter. All ladies are invited to travel with us to the Shelter. We will be leaving Pig Trail H-D at 11:00. Upon arrival we will be given a tour of the shelter and then go to lunch as a group. Ladies are welcome to take their bikes or cages to the shelter (of course weather is always a factor). Garry will take our truck and trailer -- hopefully filled with bags and backpacks to the shelter. Ladies can ride with Garry too!

On April 11th we will do the First Responders Cookie, Candy, and Cereal Bars Run. We are planning the LOH Mystery Dinner for May 17th. This year the Mystery Dinner is on a Sunday so our lady employees from the Pig Trail Dealership can join in on the fun and frolicking.

Hope to see you all at the HOG Chapter Meeting on March 7!



Paul Newell

## MARK YOUR ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Are y'all ready to do some riding? The cold weather is almost gone. Time to start warming up those tires on the asphalt! March is shaping up with lots of things to take part in. However, before you do...make sure to give your bike a once over. Tire pressures will fluctuate with the temperature...so make sure you check it before EVERY ride. When's the last time you checked your fluids...light...brake lights. Have I got you to start thinking? While we all love to ride, we must remember to take the time to ensure our bikes are as ready for the road as we are!!!

### 3/7 Chapter Ride

- Jim Moss will lead a ride after our meeting with Troy Adams sweeping. Details will be provided at the meeting.

### 3/10 Weekday Ride

- Jim Shelton will lead the ride with Chuck Yarbrough sweeping. KSU at 10am at PTHD. Watch our HOG Chapter Facebook events for further details.

### 3/18 Dinner Ride

- Dave Woods will be leading the ride with Garry Raymond sweeping. KSU at 6:30pm from Workman's Travel Center (exit 78 on I 49). The ride will end at Beef O'Bradys in Bentonville.

### 3/20 HOG Dance

- Come join your fellow HOG members and scoot a boot or kick back and visit while Legacy Entertainment plays some great music from 7pm to 10pm. This will be held at the American Legion #341, 1889 Bella Vista Way, Bella Vista AR. This is going to be a great time!

### 3/22 Sunday Ride with the Sondag Riders

- This is going to be great opportunity to ride with some new friends.  
Ride will leave the Bella Vista Lutheran Church, 1990 Date Hwy 249, at 2pm.

### 3/28 Saturday Ride (Odometer Poker Ride)

- Glen Heron will be leading the ride with Ron Housel sweeping. The ride will be leaving from PTHD at 11am and heading to Katfish Kitchen in Tahlequah, OK. Upon arrival at Katfish Kitchen, the odometers will be checked.  
The best poker hand made from the numbers on the odometer wins!

### Scrabble Starts 3/1

- The new phrase is "Ride Your Ride in the Natural State of Arkansas".  
- We will go over details at our Chapter Meeting!!!



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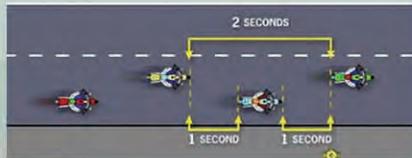
# ARE YOU READY TO HIT THE ROAD?

- Jim "Gator" Moss - Head Road Captain

Riding a motorcycle in a group is different than riding alone, more bikes mean more safety concerns. However, if you take proper precautions, motorcycle group riding can be a lot of fun. As our chapter continues to grow, we will have riders that are new to group riding. I was in this exact scenario when I joined the chapter a few years ago, I had never ridden in big groups and wasn't sure what to expect. If you are new to group riding or still a little hesitant, please visit with the Road Captain before the ride so we can find a spot in the formation to fit your comfort level. For those that have experience, be patient and be encouraging to the new group riders.

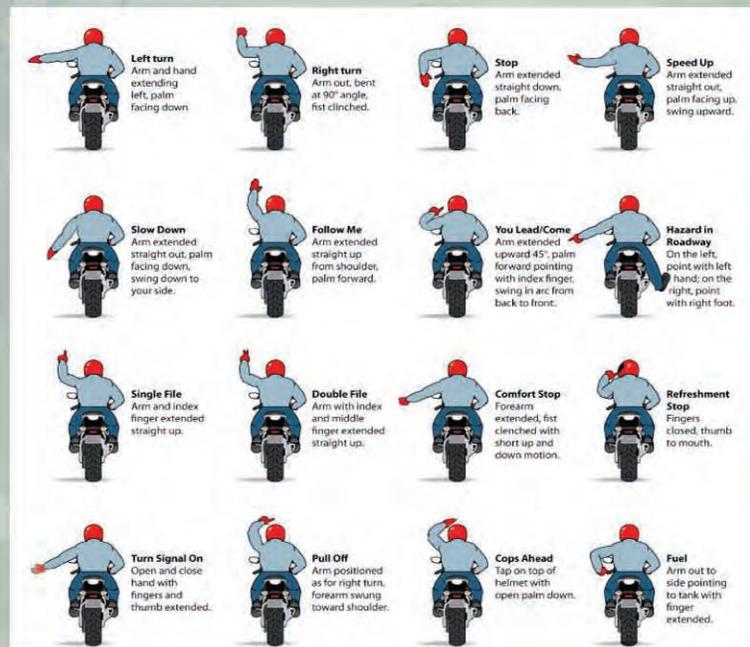
Here are a few tips to make your group ride more successful:

1. Keep your motorcycle properly maintained
2. Position yourself based on your experience level.
3. Ride your own ride. Don't let pressure force you to drive outside your ability.
4. Don't fixate on the bike in front of you. You need to continue to look ahead of you, a few bikes ahead and look through he turns.
5. Allow proper spacing between bikes:



6. We ride in staggered formation most of the time, but it is important to know when to ride single file.
  - a. Curvy roads
  - b. When we have low visibility
  - c. Construction zones
  - d. When other road hazards are present. (For example, a car pulled over on the shoulder of the road)

7. Know hand signals:



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