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Volunteering

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What comes to mind when you hear the word "volunteer"? According to Merriam Webster, a volunteer is "a person who expresses a willingness to undertake a service". What does it mean to be willing? It means that you are eager, ready, or prepared to do something. To volunteer is offering something – something that is not required nor an obligation.

You do not volunteer for the pursuit of a monetary prize or recognition. You volunteer because the optimist inside you sees a glimmer of hope. You understand that you are helping. You see that your time is worth it. You believe that you are capable of inciting change and making progress. In some way, large or small, you are capable of doing good.

Most of the time, to volunteer means that you are working side by side with others. This connects you to other human beings as you are working toward a common goal, which in our case is to Ride and Have Fun. When you volunteer, you are making connections within the dealership and community. You are connected with the problem, as well as the solution. You are connected to a process – a process in which you believe. Through your actions and involvement, you are benefiting others as well as yourself.

Take a minute to think about using some time to volunteer within our HOG Chapter. Think about what you would like to do, and create your own definition for volunteerism. Whether you're helping with water sales, planning an activity, serving on a committee, or becoming an officer, you are freely giving your time to someone or something larger than yourself. Below are a few things to consider when trying to decide on the type of volunteer work that is right for you.

Find a Passion: Find something that evokes an emotional response within you. Identify your goals and interests. What excites you? What pulls at your heartstrings? Awaken your passions and your heart by volunteering for something that is meaningful to you.

Consider Your Talents: What special skills or talents do you bring to the table? Are you a strong communicator? Do you work well with your hands? Are you creative? Do you like policies?

Honor the Commitment: You are volunteering on your own time, but be sure to not overextend yourself to the extent that you will let someone down or not fulfill expectations. Do something that matters. You are choosing to use time to work for something. Be sure to give it your best shot!

Everything we do requires volunteers to pull it off. None of us like begging or constantly having to ask, promote, push, or pressure anyone to step up. I am hopeful that going into 2023 we will have a great plan in place, have volunteers step up, and we can remove the stress of last minute struggles. Think about your role and volunteer time for 2023 so you are also prepared to help your chapter have the best year ever!



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Making Most Of Your Membership

- Jeffrey "Sleepy" Bushey - Assistant Director
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I'm all about "Membership has its privileges; Participation has its rewards". You've taken the first step and joined, however If you're not participating, you're not getting the most out of your membership. It's by participating that you get the satisfaction you deserve. It's how you meet new people and try new things. I love volunteering, it is an opportunity to meet new people, talk about different topics, finding a common ground and with any luck a new memory to carry into the future. Come to a meeting, join in on a ride, volunteer for one of our activities, maybe join a committee or become a Road Captain or Officer. What do you get back, memories.

Your commitment to your membership is already showing, you are reading this and other articles in this publication. There are many ways to up the ante on your membership. Show up, don't be shy, shake hands and ask questions. You'll be surprised what comes your way.

I can only say trust me. You will get back what you put in and more.



Ozark Giraffes

- Sheila "Casper" Branham - Secretary
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As you should know, the Ozarks are nestled in parts of Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and very little in Kansas. After WWI and the Great Depression, between 1910s-1940s, home and business construction was built using what could be afforded. Limestone and sandstone is found in abundance in the Ozarks. Slabs were broken up into smaller sizes and therefore oddly shaped. Each piece was laid out like a puzzle and stuck together with wide thick mortar. Often that mortar was painted. With the browns and yellows of the stone and the tan of the mortar, the building's pattern looks like a giraffe's coat. The stone was a thrifty and practical choice for those farmers, ranchers, miners, and loggers as it was probably found on their property.

Many giraffe houses and buildings are still standing today. The next time you pass one on your ride through the Ozarks, think about life nearly 100 years ago and the family that lived there.



We Are All Volunteers Who Serve

- Polly & Bruce Ingerson - Volunteer Coordinators
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We are all volunteers who serve. Each and every one of the officers, coordinators, committee members, road captains, sweeps, Ladies of Harley and their support structure, are all volunteers who make our chapter work. They did not have to be told to do so. They just knew they were needed, stepped up, and volunteered their time, so that our chapter could fulfill our goal to Ride and Have Fun.

We have met both of those goals and have received the bonus of meeting so many wonderful people who we now call friends. That is what the Harley family is about.

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Welcome Members

- Pam "Commander" Stout - Former Membership Officer

Help me WELCOME Toni De Anda as your new Membership Officer. Toni has served as backup to several in our chapter and helped at many functions, and we are happy to welcome her to the officer team. Don't worry, I will be around (in case you were wondering).

As a reminder on membership, you must first be a current National HOG member, then you can join the local chapter for the great price of \$20 per person for 2023. Let's welcome our new members:

Paul Kuehn, Miriam & Allen Gustaf, Jere Widhalm, Jason Renfrow, Keith Cooper, Perry Goodall, Roger Jallo, Patty Stewart, Andrew Frye, Dave Wilson, Leslie Sherman, Ryan Fenton, and Jeremy Rousseau

#EthanStrong (www.ethanstrongchallenge.com)

Appreciation Lunch - Sat March 25, 11am - 1pm at the dealership

Door prizes to be given out among those that participate in the #EthanStrong Challenge (must be present)

We have a two night stay at a lake house in Hot Springs!

Let's get out and ride & Make it count! #HOGRIDE365



Exciting Year Ahead

- Toni De Anda - New Membership Officer

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I am excited to continue the good works that Commander started last year by taking on the Membership position. I am very grateful to support welcoming others to the chapter as you all did for me.

I moved to Arkansas in 2021 and have enjoyed discovering all the new places. I have 3 small dogs and spend my days working at Central States Manufacturing. My evenings and weekends are filled with PTHD chapter and dealership fun while also planning my fall wedding.

I look forward to getting to know more of you and creating wonderful chapter memories!

Ride365 Update



Total Chapter Miles: 60,737 Miles

National Ranking: 13th out of 267 Chapter

Regional Ranking: 2nd out of 66 Chapters - 60,737 Miles

Regional Leader: Central Midwest Chapter of Kansas - 101,012 Miles

Chapter Leader in Miles: Kyle C - 27,573 Miles

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
March 12th

More Daylight
More Riding...



Follow CDC Guidelines for COVID-19 Concerns

MILWAUKEE

Harley-Davidson is hosting Ride-In's across the country. They will be stopping over at Pig Trail Harley-Davidson on Sunday July 9th, if you want to join them for the rest of the journey. See details on the Facebook event page.

HOME COMING July 13-16

CELEBRATING 120 YEARS



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Evel Knievel Ride

- Becky & Scott Fite - Activities
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We can't believe it's March already and riding season is here! We have quite a bit of riding opportunities which include several overnight trips, day rides, or a few hours rides. We believe we've got you covered on what your preference might be.

The time has come for the ride to Topeka, Kansas to tour the Evel Knievel Museum, located in Historic Harley-Davidson dealership. The tour will be on Saturday, April 15.

Just a note: The exhibit is being moved to Las Vegas next year, so come go with your Chapter while it's still close.

Dates: April 14-16

Road Captain: Scott Fite

KSU Time: 9:00 am

KSU Location: PTHD

Hotel information: Clubhouse Inn & Suites

924 SW Henderson Road, Topeka, KS

Phone: 785-273-8888

Rooms are listed under "NWA Harley Owners Group in April 2023" at discounted rate of \$89.00 per night. There are 20 rooms blocked - 10 King rooms 10 Queen Rooms. You have until March 15 to make the reservation.



Escape Room

- Casey "Charmer" Conway - Ladies of Harley
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Ok ladies....I want to personally invite you to upcoming events. If you've never been to a LOH event, I understand it may be awkward not knowing anyone or many people. I want everyone to feel welcomed in our chapter.

We have the escape room coming up March 18th in Cave Springs. The 2 themed rooms reserved are Al Capone, and Train of Thought. Cost is \$25 plus tax and fees totaling \$28.94. Space is limited to 20. Must be paid for by the March meeting. Cash, check or Facebook pay. We will go to lunch at Joyhouse Coffee Company, across the street, following our escapes.

April 29th is our annual cookie run for the first responders!! Bring 5 to 6 dozen homemade cookies. Don't bake? Bring prepackaged candies or other baked goodies. We will meet upstairs at 9am, make the trays, and then deliver them to the local stations. I'm hoping to see you ladies!



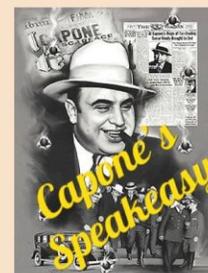
Account Update

- Sarah "Flip-Flop" Jackson - Treasurer
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Account Balance as of
February 15, 2023

\$1,587.00



Al Capone Escape Room



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Laissez Les Bons Temps Rouler

- Troy "Big Shot" Adams - Head Road Captain

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Laissez les bons temps rouler (Let the good times roll)!!! We need to let the good time start rolling. This year is planned out and we have more being added. Our RC's have taken on all the rides and will be posting routes and locations soon for upcoming rides. These folk's work hard to plan and to get you to and from locations safely. Please help support their rides by showing up and riding safely with them. For the upcoming riding season, laissez les bons temps rouler!!! Ride safe and ride often!!

We still have a few openings for the skilled riders course on March 4th that our RC's need to fill. The course is normally \$150 and PTHD is covering \$75 of it. We pay \$75 for the course, and once you complete it, HOG will send you a \$50 dollar gift card for Harley. It only cost you \$25. The instructors have set this up for us, and we need to support it. Here is the URL to sign up:

https://riders.harley-davidson.com/s/?language=en_US#60175&explvl=SRC-SP

Also, to all the RC's that want to do the 3-wheeled course, PTHD is extending the same offer to you. Please stop by and see Daryl at the dealership to get signed up!

Laissez les bons temps rouler!



Hashtags(#)

- Michael "Grim" Douglas - Webmaster

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This month, I will be discussing hashtags at the chapter meeting. For those who are already familiar with hashtags, we would like you to start using the hashtag #HOG2075 when posting pictures from PTHOG events on social media, especially Facebook. These events include: Dinner Rides, Adventure Rides, Weekday Rides, Chapter Rides, Sondag Rider Rides, Overnight Rides (Ex. Oaklawn Chapter Ride), etc...

If you have any questions related to hashtag use, then feel free to ask me.



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