



CHAPTER NEWS



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Membership has its Privileges

- Jeffrey Bushey - Director
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Membership has its Privileges; Participation has its Rewards: A Life Motto These words not only resonate within the fabric of our chapter but also serve as a guiding principle in my life. Time and again, we've heard the adage, "You only get out what you put in," and those words ring profoundly true. Therefore, I wholeheartedly invite each of you to engage more deeply with our chapter—your participation is what transforms a great chapter into an exceptional one.

Every moment spent with all of you enriches my experience, and I cherish the opportunity to connect and forge new friendships. There's a unique satisfaction that comes with meeting new faces at our chapter meetings and events—it's these encounters that truly make our journey worthwhile. Isn't it wonderful to find joy in the simple pleasures of life? Moreover, I have a special fondness for volunteering. Whether it's participating in water sales or joining in on our beloved toy runs, I find immense joy in giving back to our community. The act of helping others offers rewards far beyond material gain; there's an unparalleled fulfillment that comes when you know you played a part in creating something meaningful.

Let us not forget that rewards can take many forms. Sometimes, the richest rewards come from the heartfelt smile shared with a fellow member or the collective laughter experienced during our gatherings. So, let's commit to participating more, to being present, and to contributing our time and talents to this incredible chapter. Together, we can make the journey not just successful but truly unforgettable.

Yours in participation,
Jeffrey "Sleepy" Bushey

THANK YOU...

- Rick Hillier - Assistant Director
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I want to thank all the members that have supported me on this new adventure. I'm very excited to begin this position as assistant director for the 2025 year. The club or family has and will be very helpful as I begin the new year. Since I've been with the club I've heard alot of the older members talk about how it used to be. I would like to invite all members to voice what you'd like to see happen and the rides that they have enjoyed in the past. I know that the planning of this new year will be new and exciting. Looking forward to meeting more of you and the rides we will be having into 2025. I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and are looking forward to a wonderful 2025.



Account Update

- Beverly Rowland - Treasurer
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Pig Trail H.O.G. Chapter #2075
Account Balance as of
December, 2024

\$6122.83

CHAPTER RIDE

11:45am

KSU Time: 11:45am
KSU Location: PTHD
Outside Service Doors
Temperature Determines Destination

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It's A New Year!

- Beverly Rowland - Treasurer
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The new year is upon us and is bringing changes and opportunities for our chapter. First off, I would like to thank the officers that retired from their positions at the end of 2024. I appreciate the time and dedication you devoted. To the new officers coming on board in 2025 – WELCOME aboard!

The Ladies of Harley and Becky with Activities have lots of events lined up for this year and with the new challenge book, it's looking to be a year with loads of opportunities to get out and meet new people and ride and have fun. If you haven't purchased your challenge book, I encourage you to do so. The challenge book committee put a lot of thought into the new book and you are going to find lots of opportunities to take you places you haven't been to, or maybe to cool places you haven't been to in a while and it's time to revisit. If you have purchased your book, then get out there and start checking things off and locate an officer or someone on the challenge book committee to sign off on your accomplishments. I personally enjoy signing your books and seeing where all you have been.

Cheers! May your 2025 get off to a great start with health, happiness, prosperity, and safe riding.



Volunteering Has It's Rewards

- Polly Ingerson - Volunteer Coordinator
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Greetings Members!

I want to thank every HOG Member who gave of their time to volunteer to help our Chapter and our Dealership during 2024.

Volunteering has rewards. Emotionally we feel good about ourselves when we volunteer. But recognition for giving of our time also feels good. At every Chapter meeting we announce the Members who gave volunteer hours during the previous month as well as the activity they volunteered for. Then we draw the name of one of those Members and reward them with a \$25.00 PTHD Gift Card. This is a totally random recognition and reward. But as Volunteer Coordinator I will also keep track of the NUMBER of hours that each Member volunteers to help our Chapter and Dealership. Annually those hours are tallied up and at the Christmas Party the top three Volunteers are announced and given a Volunteer Pin and a random but a recognition of just how much time you gave during during the year.

This year we decided bit not to give a reward to the Officers who gave many hours of their time.

For 2024 these are the Non-Officer Members who were recognized and rewarded:

Rendell Whitehead – 48 Hours - \$150 PTHD Gift Card

Judge Patterson – 45 Hours - \$100 PTHD Gift Card

Bev Longley – 36 Hours - \$50 PTHD Gift Card

So you can see that volunteering does have it's rewards. Starting with this Newsletter it has been decided that they will only be published Quarterly. So I am asking our Membership to be especially mindful of our Volunteer needs. First, there are sign-up sheets on clipboards at our Meetings. If you cannot be at a Meeting I hope you will watch it and hear about these Volunteer Opportunities. You can always TEXT me at 479-789-4845 to discuss volunteering. Second, when there is a need watch for and please respond to Text Blasts you may receive. And finally, check on the Chapter Facebook page more frequently than you may have done regarding needs.

Thank for a great 2024 and I look forward to an even better 2025!



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A new year begins and along with it new adventures and rides!

- Becky Fite - Activities
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A new Activities Officer will be in training this year. Let me introduce Mike Gudde. He has shown an interest in becoming your Activities Officer. You may have a new face with new ideas before long.

Also, many ideas have been presented for the activities for this year. We are working on implementing some of them so hang tight!

I have a feeling this will be a good year and all we need is participation. This is your Chapter and if you want to have fun and ride, as our motto says, then you need to participate.

Screw it! Let's Ride!!
Becky



The End Of The Year

- Preston "Gadget" Mahan - Road Captain
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We had a great year of riding together I'm looking forward to another great year with our HOG family.

I hope everyone had a good time at the annual Christmas party and also a good Christmas holiday and New Year's celebration. It's time to think about the upcoming rides and how you can help the chapter out by leading and sweeping rides not only for me but for the chapter.

We have made some changes to the way we are doing the rides this year. We will not have a dinner and breakfast ride in the same month we will be alternating them. We are starting with a dinner ride in January then a breakfast ride in February and keep them going from there. Along with that we are only doing the adventure ride, the easy ride and the weekday ride once every quarter. We are doing it like this to see if we can generate more help with fewer rides.

If anyone has any suggestions for different ways to do things just reach out to me and we can see what we can do to make things easier for everyone. We are always open to any new ideas.

Don't forget if you took advantage of the free training classes and you haven't stepped up to help with being a ride lead or sweep you really need to as this was the reason Kyle offered the free training to the chapter. I have a list of the people that took advantage of the program so I'll be reaching out to all of you after the new year.

I'm looking forward to another great year with the chapter.



New Year New Position as Editor

- Bruce "GIF" Ingerson - Editor
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Hello this is Bruce I am not new to the chapter. Polly and I have been active for a couple of years as the Volunteer Coordinators with the encouragement of "Judge". So now I have agreed to take the Webmaster Position renamed Editor, I want to thank Michael Douglas for his service to the chapter. Now he will be a New Rider Coach a great service and beneficial class in which we encourage all members to enroll in if you have not done so. Michael has left me some very big shoes to fill. I will work hard for the chapter to fill them.

I ride a Harley-Davidson 2014 Tan and Brown Tri Glide bought at PTHD loved it from the moment I first got on it and that has not changed. I have learned so much and met so many wonderful member got to places I would have never gone to on my own. Being a Chapter member. Looking forward to and exciting and eventful new year 2025 for Chapter 2075.
Lots to learn and willing to try.



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I never saw the motorcycle

Mike Phillips Safety article

Many motorcycle crashes involve another vehicle like a car or truck. Most of these crashes are the fault of the other driver. You all know what the other driver says, "I never saw the motorcycle." This is offered as an excuse to take the blame off of them. There are a lot more cars and trucks on the road than there are bikes and some drivers do not see bikes. It's not always that they ignore us sometimes they really don't see us. Let's look at some reasons why drivers do not see bikes.

Many car drivers look for cars and trucks and not bikes because they don't expect to see bikes. Because of its narrow profile bikes can be easily hidden in a cars blind spot. Bikes can blend into the background outside of a car like bushes, fences and other vehicles. Because of its smaller size a bike may appear to be farther away than it really is. It is also difficult to judge a bikes speed. Riders sometimes slow down with engine braking that will not activate the bike's brake lights. Some riders do not use turn signals or forget to cancel the signal causing confusion among car drivers.

There are things riders can do to make bikes easier to see. Wear bright colors like yellow, orange, red or white. Road construction workers wear orange vests to be seen. Stay away from other vehicles blind spots by slowing down to stay behind them or speeding up to get away from them. Always use your turn signals and be sure to cancel them. Activate your brake lights every time you slow down, even if you are only rolling off the throttle or engine braking. Ride with your headlight on and add extra lights to your bike. Ride in a lane position that gives you the best opportunity to see and be seen. Feel sorry other drivers they are already handicapped that's why they're in a cage.



Full Of Hopes and Dreams

- Traci Kerr - Membership
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With the closing of another year, we find ourselves facing a fresh year full of hopes and dreams. My name is Traci Kerr and I am the new Membership Officer for H.O.G. Chapter 2075. I have been married for 39 years to the man of my dreams, Ricky Kerr. We have 5 children, 11 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. I hope to be able to provide an entertaining experience for my readers in the months to come. I plan to research topics that I feel we as Harley owners might be interested in reading. All in all, I hope to be able to put a smile on your face, cause you to question something or just plain teach you something you didn't know before reading my article. With that being said, I will be signing off for now and look forward to visting with you next month. God Bless

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OPEN POSITION

We will have an opening on the Officer Team for 2025
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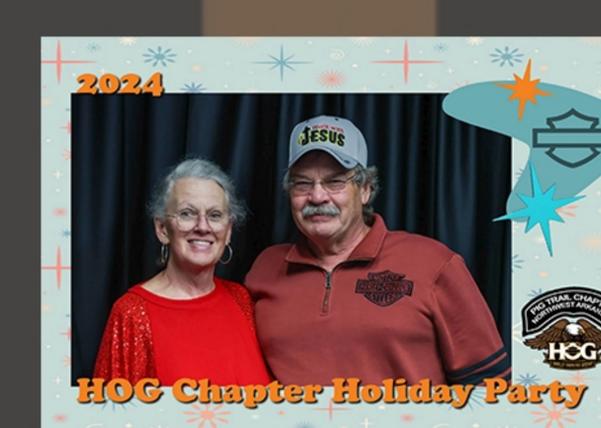
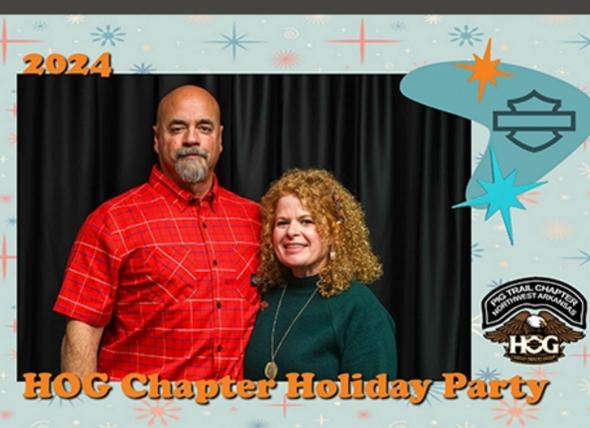
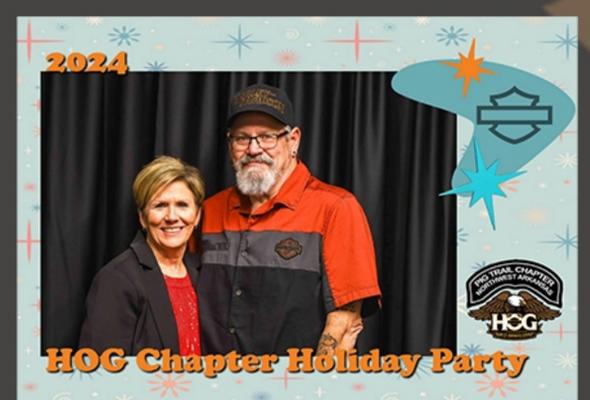
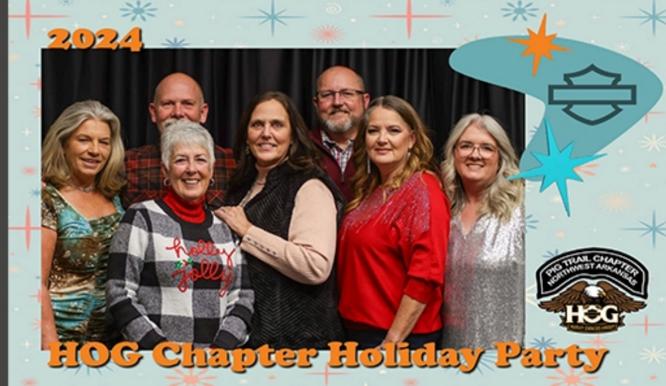
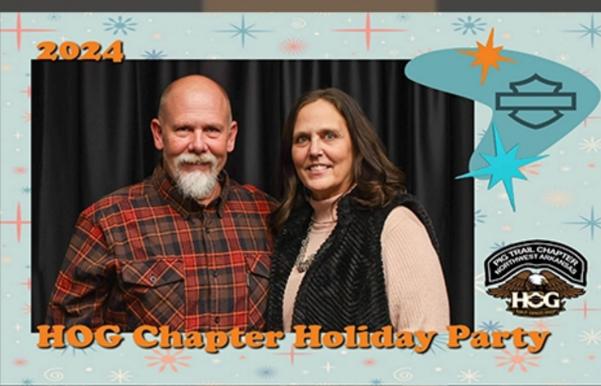




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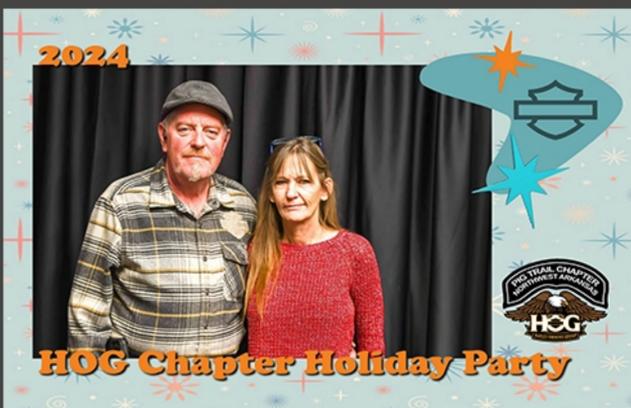
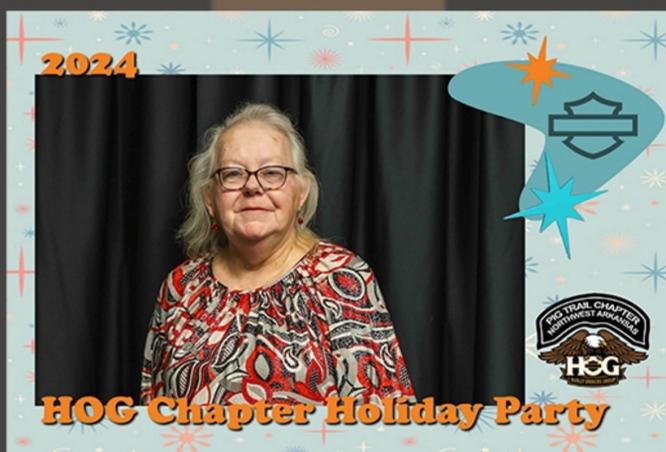
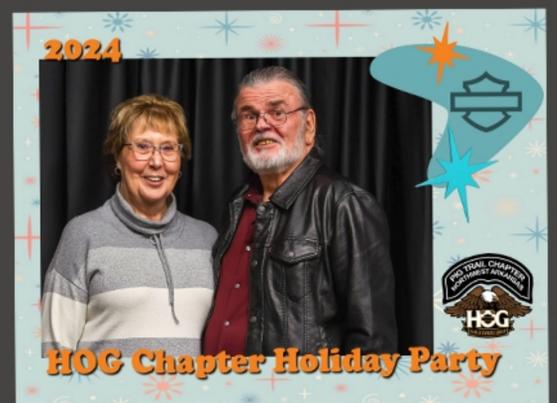
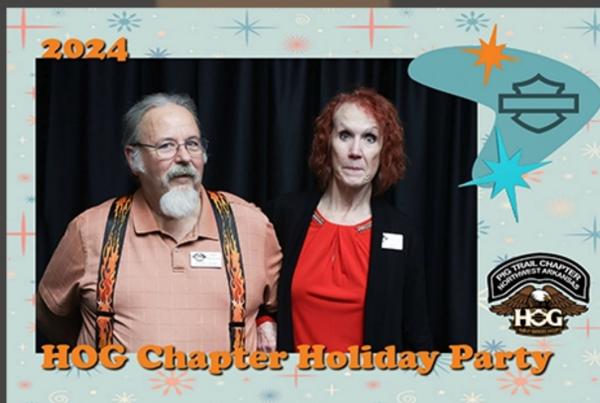




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