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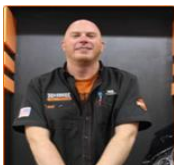
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Dealership Update

It's that time again! Debbie stopped by to remind me that everyone but me has submitted their newsletter article, which means I have the go ahead to complete mine.

Happy December y'all! First off, thanks to all who attended and supported our Grand Reopening event I wrote about last month. The event was everything we hoped for, despite the clouds. The turnout for a November bike night and bonfire was amazing. We raised over \$1,300 for Convoy of Hope- Hurricane Relief with our Pie the GM in the Face Event and Smash a Honda. Saturday's vendor fair, stunt show, and biker games were also well attended. None of this could have occurred smoothly without the help and support of our volunteers from HOG, LOH and our staff. Sincerely, I thank you all.

A little peek under the curtain for what may be coming in the near future... During our November business meeting I shared a conceptual plan to expand our HOG Room and further support the continued growth of our HOG Chapter. While this plan can still implode and has not fully earned a green light, I want to share with you all what my vision is for HOG events. We're working to finalize planning for a small remodeling project that would relocate our Service Drive to where the HOG room is currently. This is an effort to improve our communication with customers about the status of their bikes in Service and between Technicians and Service Advisors. Doing so will then open up real estate in the main dealership building to remodel and create a larger community space than the current HOG room. The space design could easily seat 300+, compared to our current limit of 90 – 100. If approved, my goal is to complete these remodels prior to Spring riding season. Another advantage of moving HOG under the roof of the main building would be better promotion of HOG events as they're happening so that the riding community would have the ability to see events and inquire about membership. I think this will be a win-win for both the dealership and Ozark Mountain HOG. More to come as the event finalizes.

With that peek under the curtain, I want to share my overall vision for 2025 and beyond with our HOG Chapter. Brace yourself, this is a doozy! All jokes aside, it's a simple vision and one that you'll hear from many others: Ride and Have Fun. Our Officer team will from time to time have to handle the business end of operating our chapter's budget, planning, execution and even risk management. All of those topics are dry, boring, blunt and yet necessary. I've tasked the officers with insuring that these moments stay confined to the Business Meeting, roughly 75 minutes each month. For

the other 43,725 minutes in the typical month, we will focus our efforts toward riding and having fun. As members, please help us keep that focus.

As Christmas and other annual holidays approach, if I don't get an opportunity to tell you in person, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and I can't wait to see you all during one or all our 2025 HOG or dealership events.

Nic



Director's Corner- Michael

HAPPY HOLIDAYS to all!

We just cruised through Thanksgiving, now it's off to the races for Christmas and New Year's. This year has flown by! Our chapter has accomplished so much in the past 11 months, and I am excited to see what will happen in the next 12 months. Our planning meeting was filled with ideas and suggestions. We are phasing out our Breakfast with the Officers, but Dwain is starting up a Saturday Safety Lunch Ride so stay tuned to the weekly E-blast for more details. The orange Challenge Book is undergoing a major overhaul for 2025. Our 2025 calendar will be filled with exciting HOG rides & events, Renegade dealership events and Ladies of Harley rides & activities for all to participate in.

We are really excited about the possible HOG room change – Nic announced at the November Business Meeting and in this newsletter. If the move happens, we will be moving into the dealership. Stay tuned for more information! We are currently at 193-chapter members, and with 4 weeks left to go in 2024, I think we can reach our goal of 200 members. We will have our Saturday Membership Table open in the dealership so folks can turn in their 2025 renewal membership forms and our membership volunteers can promote our chapter to potential new members.

On a more personal note, I want to express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for our great group of officers who commit a tremendous amount of time, effort and talent for the betterment of our HOG chapter. The support we receive from Teddy Morse's Renegade H-D is unparalleled in the HOG world. And our chapter members are engaged and committed to making HOG the best riding group in the world. I care deeply about our HOG chapter and all the members. Please know, anyone can approach me or contact me with any suggestions, comments, complaints, or recommendations. I truly want to hear from our members!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Assistant Director's Corner- Matt

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL!

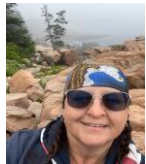
Hope you are still taking the opportunity to enjoy riding before it gets TOO cold! As of November 26, the chapter has ridden 718,498 miles which ranks us as 14th in the nation and number 4 in the West Central region. Our national rider average is 6473 miles. Let's keep on riding so we can reach our million-mile goal; remember to bundle up!

Congratulations to Brent E. for completing the 50 Rides, One Nation coin challenge by making a trip to Hawaii as his #50 coin! Great Job Brent – thank you for sharing your trip with us through FB.

We will again recognize monthly birthdays at the December Christmas party. I am looking forward to seeing those of you that will be joining us for Christmas Party on Dec. 7th where we will enjoy lots of yummy Italian food (chicken parmesan, fettucine alfredo, tortellini, appetizers and desserts) and have fun exchanging Dirty Santa gifts!

Please remember to send me (mjconde@sbcglobal.net) or Ramona (rjconde@sbcglobal.net) any ride pictures that you would like added to the banner. Keep logging your miles with the dealership to meet the monthly check-ins.

Ride Safe and Have Fun!



Secretary's Notebook- Valerie

My Journey to Road Captain

As noted in previous articles, I joined this chapter looking for like-minded people to establish friendships with as well as riding partners. It came with the side benefit of having a Ladies of Harley which just completely sold me on joining the chapter! After almost two years of membership, I noticed that we were not really having a lot of participation in the LOH activities despite multiple opportunities being presented. Some events were held during weekdays, which are a challenging time for many people to get to; however, weekend events did not seem to bring in lady participation either. The ladies were not having rides either and then we got Michael Wilcox as LOH Ride Officer, and she reached out to the ladies of the chapter for thoughts and ideas. Again, we received multiple ideas and people were asked to put rides together and submit, but we did not receive much follow-up. Several LOH rides were put together and what I noticed is that there was WAY more men on the ride than women. We love our guys, do not get me wrong, but what does it take to get our ladies involved?!

After a ride that I led in September, I spent Sunday reflecting on this as I did things around the house. Why do we not see more participation in events or rides? What could be some of the barriers preventing increased participation? Some of the reasons that came to me were family time on the weekends, lack of awareness, lack of connection, or maybe not feeling confident enough to put a ride together. Huh, well what was my experience? Why did I NOT jump right in and say, "SURE! I will lead a ride!" As I thought about that, I thought about my own fear that I did not have enough experience, I did not know where to start, being attacked or criticized by other chapter members, and last but certainly not least...how would I approach Brent, our Head Road Captain. He would eat me alive! ...or would I strangle HIM?! After much thought and consideration, I thought, well maybe if one lady starts the journey...others will follow?

I reached out to Brent via text and not 60 seconds later, he was on the phone. He was excited to have one of the ladies reach out. I was accepted as part of the pilot program after he asked me several questions. He was excited to share what he hoped would be an amazing first step to seeing more women involved as ride leaders and Road Captains in the future. I had already been through a Ride Leaders program with him that really reviewed HOG standards and procedures for safe riding. We set up the meeting for sooner rather than later because I did not want to give myself time to talk myself out of it! He gave me the packet and it included HOG materials, sample maps, and directions used by current Ride Leaders/Road Captains along with information about HOG programs like Ride 365, 10 for 24, and 50 Rides, 1 Nation, just to name a few. He also spent time working with me on the Harley Ride Planner and app. I started to work towards meeting the remaining goals to meet the standardized criteria to become a Road Captain. It was my hope that if I met the criteria and demonstrated that I somewhere could meet those standards, then I would be able to help and encourage those around me. I met my last criteria on October 11th, 2024, on the first day of the Arkansas Museum Tour.

My experience throughout this process has been positive. I have been encouraged and built up. I have been given feedback, positive but also constructive when and where it was needed. No one is perfect. Everyone can look back on decisions they have made whether they are on the back of a motorcycle or else along life's path and realize that if they had it to do over, they would make changes. We take that added information and apply it to go forward. Each experience makes us better and adds to our knowledge. Whether you ride your own or are a lady that loves the view from the backseat...I encourage you...you can lead a ride even if your partner is driving!

So, ladies...let's get ready to rumble!!!!!!!



Treasurer's Purse- Ramona

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving!

November expenses included completing the Hogs for Kids food and preparing for the Christmas Party. We will still have a balance of \$3619.69 after all gifts and catering are paid, with a few minor purchases yet to make.

Please reach out to me if have any questions, rjconde@sbcglobal.net.

Ride when you can, bundle up, ride safe and have fun!



Safety Corner- Dwain

Greetings Brothers & Sisters. Well, the final curtain call for this year is upon us. What a roller coaster ride. Exciting rides, events, and gatherings. More, much more to come next year. This month I am sending out the adopted impaired member procedure and emergency procedures for a rider down as requested by our Director.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES RIDER DOWN

1. PRIMARY SWEEP TAKES CONTROL & DIRECTION
2. INITIATE 911 SYSTEM
3. EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE GIVEN
4. CLEAR NON-INVOLVED RIDERS FROM SCENE
5. TRAFFIC CONTROL IF NECESSARY

OZARK MOUNTAIN HOG CHAPTER MEMBER IMPAIRED PROCEDURE 2024

The purpose of this procedure is to ensure a safe and quality ride given by Ride Leaders, Road Captains, Officers, and Sweeps to all chapter members participating in a chapter ride or event.

All members participating in a chapter ride or event that appear impaired in any way (this may include alcohol, prescription or recreational medication, over the counter medication, illness, etc.) may be made to forfeit riding on the ride. This decision can be made by 2 Road Captains or 2 Officers or any combination thereof. This procedure applies to all members, no one is exempt. If it is determined that the member is being

removed, they must contact the Head Road Captain for coaching. The Chapter Director, Assistant Director and Safety Officer will determine the release for further chapter rides.

It is all members' responsibility to help ensure that chapter rides and events are as safe as possible as this will make rides and events more enjoyable for all.

Below are the Impairing Guidelines from the HOG Chapter Handbook.

Safe and responsible motorcycling activity is a major H.O.G. goal. In this regard:

- The consumption and use of impairing substances is a serious personal responsibility involving the safety and welfare of family, riding friends and the individual H.O.G.® member.*
- Impairing substance consumption before or during motorcycling activity is not safe responsible behavior.*
- Any incident occurring during a motorcycling activity because of the participant consuming impairing substances results in no insurance coverage.*

National H.O.G.® has no direct operational control over Chapter operations.

Consumption of impairing substances after a riding activity or at non-riding events is a matter to be decided by the sponsoring Dealership and H.O.G.® Chapter leadership. All such decisions are subject to final review and approval by the sponsoring Dealership.

- If the sponsoring Dealer and Chapter decide that impairing substances may be consumed at a Chapter activity, then the recommended approach is either to "Bring Your Own" or to "Buy Your Own" from a vendor licensed and insured to sell the impairing substance. Notice: Liquor liability coverage is not provided by the Chapter General Liability Insurance Policy.*

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I want to wish each and every member a wonderful holiday season. As always, be safe during the winter days ahead. Remember to always trust the rubber. Till next year I bid you safe holiday travels and good health.

Safety Officer/Road Captain

Dwain Wilcox

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Road Captain's Seat- Brent

Aloha and Happy Holidays to everyone!

I'm thrilled to extend my congratulations to Valerie Goodnight on her recent achievement as Road Captain! She will be a tremendous asset to our ride leadership team.

In our commitment to enhancing the ride experience, we will be launching quarterly meetings for Road Captains and Ride Leaders. Stay tuned for dates in our upcoming E-blasts!

As the cold weather rolls in, gear up and keep those wheels turning. I'm looking forward for the Polar Bear Run! Let it snow!!!

Let's Ride!

Tap-Rack



Activities Playground- Brian and Kathy Hartley

December Activities – Brian and Kathy Hartley

How do you measure success? I don't know, success seems to be subjective. Regardless, we would like to thank the more than 50 volunteers that have helped us this past year. **TOGETHER** we have hosted...

- 2 HOGs for Kids Events - Easter Egg Hunt & Harleyween
- Provided 30 Thanksgiving Baskets to families at Cowden Elementary School
- Hosted two sister chapters for a weekend of riding
- 8 fundraiser lunches at the Dealership where we cooked, helped with parking and more
- Super Bowl Party, Chapter Picnic and the First Ever BUG RUN!

We wanted to take a moment and reflect on the accomplishments of the Chapter this year. Is that how you measure success? Maybe! All I know is that none of it would have happened without all of you! **THANK YOU!** You are

appreciated! We do this thing called Activities to serve you. One year behind us, we exhale and prepare for another year and a Regional Rally. And GO!

December 1, 2024 | Toys for Tots | Renegade 12:00 p.m. KSU 12:30 p.m.

Meet at Teddy Morse's Renegade H-D @ 12:00 p.m. KSU @ 12:30 p.m. This is a Rain, Snow or Shine event! We will ride to Corwin Ford, 3241 S. Glenstone Ave, Springfield for staging. The entire group will then leave @ 2:00 p.m. and travel north on Glenstone Ave to the Oasis Convention Center. Bring a new **UNWRAPPED** toy to donate. Our chapter has plenty of candy leftover from Harleyween to distribute at this year's event.

December 7, 2024 | Saturday Scoot | Renegade 9:00 a.m., KSU 9:30 a.m.

Scoot number **12** of Renegade's **12** Saturday Scoots for the year. **The FINAL** Saturday Scoot of 2024. How many of the 12 did you get? Don't worry, there is a new year of scoots coming starting in January 2025. Meet at Teddy Morse's Renegade H-D's lower lot at 9:00 a.m., KSU at 9:30 a.m. As always, donuts and coffee are provided.

December 7, 2024 | Chapter Christmas Party | HOG Chapter Room | 6:00 p.m. – 10:00pm

Food this year will again be catered for us...a non-traditional Italian theme! Lots of gifts, a Dirty Santa Exchange, photo booth, etc.

December 7, 2024 - March 29, 2025 | Membership Table | Renegade 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Be sure to stop by and renew your membership for \$20 each. Also, we will need people to help at the table. Be sure to check with Corey and Nancy to sign up.

December 12, 2024 |Ladies Shopping Night @ Teddy Morse's Renegade | 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Ladies come out to Teddy Morse's Renegade H-D and get some Christmas shopping done for those special people in your life. This is always a fun time to do some shopping, get some food and have some conversations.

December 12, 2024 | LOH Gift Wrapping

See Karen Ryan for details and to sign up! Gift Wrapping will be from 6pm-8pm.

December 13-14, 2024 | House of Blues Ride | Meet @ 12:00 p.m. KSU 12:30 p.m.

Come get one last ride for a 10 in 24 check-in at the House of Blues in Tunica, MS with Johnna F. This will be a weekend ride with stops at Jonesboro and

Southaven Harley-Davidson dealerships. The ride will be a total of 640 (+/-) miles. Days Inn, 7276 Casino Strip Resort Blvd., Robinsonville, MS 38664, (662) 363-5955 is the hotel that Johnna will be staying at. Make your own reservations. Plan on it being cold so dig out that cold gear to help keep you comfortable on the trip. Meet at Steeplechase (behind the building), 1530 E. Republic Road, Springfield, MO 65804 at noon / KSU at 12:30pm on Friday; return on Saturday. Contact Johnna at (417) 259-4483 for more information.

December 14, 2024 | LOH Gift Wrapping | 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Karen Ryan can let you know if there are still openings for you to help wrap gifts at Teddy Morse's Renegade H-D. If all the spots are filled and you are looking for things to do, stop by anyway and hang out with us.

December 17, 2024 | HOG Chapter Business Meeting | HOG Chapter Room at 6:30 p.m.

The Chapter Business Meeting will be at 6:30 pm in the H.O.G. Room. All are welcome to attend. Come for officer updates and information about upcoming events. If you would like to add an item to the agenda, email Ozarkmtnhog2606@gmail.com.

December 19, 2024 | Men's Shopping Night @ Teddy Morse's Renegade | 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Men come to Teddy Morse's Renegade H-D and get some Christmas shopping done for those special people in your life. This is always a fun time to do some shopping, get some food and have some conversations. Gift wrapping available, provided by LOH. Sign up with Karen Ryan

December 21, 2024 | Breakfast with the Officers | 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

FINAL ONE!! Join the Officers for breakfast at Billy Gail's, 1882 W. James River Road in Ozark. This is your final opportunity, in this casual setting, to share your ideas or get answers to questions you may have about the Chapter. There is no set agenda, just a time of conversation and breakfast. Contact Mike V. for more information. 417-942-8418

December 21, 2024 | LOH Gift Wrapping | 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Karen Ryan can let you know if there are still openings for you to help wrap gifts at Teddy Morse's Renegade H-D. If all the spots are filled and you are looking for things to do stop by anyway and hang out with us.

January 1, 2025 | Polar Bear Run | Meet @ 12:30 p.m. KSU 1:00 p.m.

Meet at Casey's on West Sunshine near the dealership. The length of the ride will be determined by the temperature. Dress accordingly, and plan to join us. If this is your first time you will be able to get the Polar Bear Run Patch and

rocker. If you are a seasoned participant, you will get the rocker with the year and temperature.

January 1 - February 28, 2025 | FROSTY KNUCKLES RIDING CHALLENGE | It's Back

We want to get you out riding to help our chapter reach the Million Mile goal. The Frosty Knuckle Challenge is a mileage only challenge. There will be 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place winners for BOTH Men and Women. Let's Ride!!

From the bottom of our hearts...Thank you all for allowing us to be your Activities Officers. We hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Brian & Kathy Hartley



Ladies of Harley LOH Corner- Karen

Gosh, this year went fast. As the saying goes: Life is like a roll of toilet paper, the closer to the end, the faster it goes. How true! Time is gone before you know it. So much to still accomplish in our life, places to see, people to visit, roads to ride down, but life gets busy, and time disappears. Before life takes control, plan those rides and schedule those visits with friends and family. Don't wait.

The Chapter recently had our 2025 planning meeting and has plenty of excellent rides and destinations on the agenda for the coming year. Don't miss out, put them on your calendar. Steal the time from your busy schedule to enjoy the beauty of the outdoors, the wind in your hair (or in some cases, on your helmet or bald head!)

Mike and I have seen plenty, experienced a lot, but time has slowed us down. Shorter rides have become our life, but looking back, we have had many adventures, many miles, and many laughs and truly enjoyed each day. Unfortunately, we are now older, and have done the long rides, the camping with our bikes, the adventures the younger riders are now experiencing. Yes, we have been there. Don't look at us as oldsters, look at us as experienced. We have been there, slowing down, however. Don't look at us with sadness, look at us with awe. We have once had youth and vitality, experiencing what you are now doing. Yes, we have done it, we have been there. We have had our friends killed by our dangerous, but worthwhile obsessions, we have become cautious, we have realized our limitations, but we are still drawn to the thrill. Look at everyday with excitement, make your own path, don't get caught up in the doldrums of life. Live every day. Now, Ride On!

Karen

P.S. This will be my last article for LOH as I have resigned from this position. It was with great joy that I had the pleasure of working on this chapter's board. I have made some life-long friends through this organization, so you are not done with me yet. I will still be involved but have freed up more of my time to do with what we want. See you on the roads!



LOH Ride Corner– Michael Wilcox

Hello All,

I want to start off saying Happy Holidays Everyone!!

The cold has settled in and there aren't many riding days left. So now is the time to sit down and come up with ideas to ride next spring and summer. We have the rally next year as well, but we still need other rides. LOH will be having rides once a month, so I need all ladies to get me ideas and places they would like to ride to. If you have a place, we will find a way to get'er done.

Please send me ideas!

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Membership Corner- Corey and Nancy

Thank you to those who have renewed their membership for 2025.

It is time to turn in your forms and pay your \$20 membership fee for 2025. You can turn it in at the next social gathering, hand it in to any officer at any event, ride or at Renegade H-D, please request it be given to Debbie. Please remember a National Hog membership is required to join our local chapter. No exceptions. Anyone is welcome to ride unless it's a closed ride. A waiver is required for non-chapter members.

National HOG Membership Anniversaries for December:

Nancy McDonald (14 years), Chris Huddleston (5 years), Kasandra Lovett (5 years), Michael Wilcox (5 years), Jennifer Raynes (1 year), Justin Raynes (1 year), Mike Owen (1 year)

Please join us in welcoming our new members and in celebrating the National HOG membership anniversaries of our friends. It has been exciting to watch the attendance at our social gatherings continue to grow. Higher attendance results in greater fun and fellowship.



Fundraising Coin Purse- Scott and Kim

Happy Holiday's from Scott and me. I wish you the best if you are travelling on these holidays, please make sure to stay safe.

Congratulations to Valarie Goodnight for winning the HD blanket raffle! Curl up and stay warm, it is supposed to be cold this winter.

Scott and I will be traveling and spending more time with my grandkids, so we have chosen to step down as Fundraising officers. We thank everyone for the support offered to us in 2024. As this year winds down and we start planning for 2025, please put your thinking caps on for any fund-raising ideas to bring to the Chapter. Not every idea will be able to come to life, but we are always welcome to hear new ways of generating funds to back our goals for community giving.

If there is anyone who is willing to step up for next year, I know the Hog chapter would be very appreciative and it is rewarding to see those that reap the benefits of this position.

Happy Thanksgiving and Have a Merry Christmas!



Merchandising- Brad Sanders

Brad is looking into restocking for patches and shirts. He will update everyone when the new merchandise comes in. If you need patches: the Large Chapter tricolor or silver patches and rockers are available for \$21.00 each or \$40.00 for a set. Small tricolor or silver patches and are \$11.00 each or \$20.00 for a set.

All short sleeve T-shirts are \$20.00 each. The long-sleeved T-shirts are \$24.00 each. You can pay by cash, or a check made out to Renegade Ozark Mtn Chapter HOG.



Chaplain's Meditations - Gregg and Jeanne

YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFT

"Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!"
2 Corinthians 9:15

Gratitude is a powerful force that propels life forward with positive momentum. As we transition from Thanksgiving and turn our hearts toward Christmas, let us reflect on a verse that captures the essence of thankfulness and its profound impact that gives true meaning to our Christmas season.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (John 3:16-17)

Jesus is the ultimate gift from God, underscoring the profound gratitude that we are to have for His blessings on our lives. As you search for that "perfect gift" for your loved ones this Christmas, don't displace Jesus. He is the true reason for the season, and His presence in your life is the greatest gift of all.

In the midst of the holiday hustle and bustle, pause and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. As you wrap and give your gifts, let Jesus inspire you to act with love, compassion, and generosity in your gift giving. Allow His example to guide you in spreading joy and kindness to those around you.

Wrap Jesus in every gift you give this season. Let His love and teachings inspire you and your loved ones. Create a ripple effect of gratitude and grace that extends beyond Christmas day. By keeping Jesus at the center of your celebrations, you will not only honor the true spirit of Christmas but will also enrich your own life and the lives of those you touch.

Let the spirit of the Christ Child fill your heart, soul, and mind with gratitude. Embracing a thankful spirit will transform your entire outlook on life.

Prayer

Father God, remind us that the true meaning of Christmas is the birth of your Son, Jesus. Holy Spirit, help us to live a life that pleases You by being an example of your love and kindness to those around us. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

As Chapter Chaplains, we wish you a very blessed and joyful Christmas.



Food Team Serving Platter- Antoinette

Enjoy the Christmas Season! Merry Christmas!!



Mid- America Rally News- Archie Buckner- Rally Coordinator



Excitement is building for next year's rally as HOG National unveils the schedule for 2025. The Mid-America H.O.G. Rally will unfold in Springfield, MO, from June 5 to June 7, 2025!

Registration is now open, and we urge everyone planning to join this incredible experience to secure their spots soon. Choose between two inspiring package options:

- ****Orange Package - \$40****: This includes a rally wristband, a commemorative rally T-shirt, a pin, and a patch—the perfect way to commemorate your journey. Registration closes on May 7, 2025.

****Black Package - \$30****: This option features a rally wristband, a pin, and a patch, ensuring you don't miss out on this noteworthy adventure. Registration closes on June 4, 2025.

Both packages promise an unforgettable ride and a chance to connect with fellow enthusiasts!

Accommodations are available at:

In Springfield, Missouri, there are several hotel options available for visitors. The Oasis Hotel & Convention Center is located at 2546 N Glenstone, offering a range of amenities. Nearby, you'll find the Comfort Inn at 2815 N Glenstone and the Drury Inn at 2715 N Glenstone. The Hampton Inn, positioned at 2750 N Glenstone, and Home 2 Suites at 2756 N Glenstone also provide comfortable accommodations. Additional options include the Holiday Inn Express at 2720 N Glenstone, the Lamp Lighter Inn at

2820 N Glenstone, the Quality Inn at 2745 N Glenstone, and the Econo Lodge at 2611 N Glenstone.

For those traveling with recreational vehicles, Cooks RV is situated at 4075 N State Hwy H, while another RV option can be found at Route 66 KOA located at 5775 W Farm Road 140 or Hanger Kafe RV Campground at 3103 Lawrence 1070 in Miller MO. These various hotels and RV options cater to the diverse needs of travelers in the Springfield area.

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