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Dealership Update

The first half of 2024 is over, and it is FLYING by. June was a particularly exciting month. Initially, it felt like riding season was just beginning and suddenly it was 100 degrees outside, and we were complaining about being too hot!! Our first large events of the season went off with a bang and we're so appreciative of all the folks that have come out from our Chapters to support those activities both by volunteering and just hanging out. It's been a blast, so thank you for being there.

In June we had our first "concert" series at Frontier, and we hosted our first Friday night stunt show at Renegade. Both new ideas came via the feedback we have received from our team members and our loyal riders as we continue to bring more excitement and energy to our riding communities. "The Bikeriders" premiered, and we really enjoyed the group events to go watch the movie with our team and the Chapters. We now turn our attention to July and the month-long celebration of Freedom that is such an integral part of the lifestyle we live. This is always one of the highlights of our season and we have a lot planned between rides, events, and rallies. This month we have Hogs for Dogs and the inaugural Muffler Shootout at Renegade. Frontier has the Vintage/Chopper/Car Show and will host their Stunt Show. The month will be capped off with the Homecoming Rally in Milwaukee and many will begin preparations for Sturgis.

We can't wait to see you at the shops and look forward to crossing paths with you out on the open road. As always, thank you for riding the best motorcycles in the world.

Let's Ride!

Chad Anderson- VP of Harley Davidson Operations

Nic Lowther- General Manager – Renegade-HD

Rich Abourezk- General Manager- Frontier H-D



Director's Corner- Michael

Greetings to all my HOG brothers and sisters. Wow, it has been a hot one! Summer definitely announced its presence with high temperatures and loads of humidity. But, as the saying goes, it's never too hot at speeds above 30 mph.

We had a very dynamic Business Meeting in June. If you have never attended a business meeting, I encourage you to do so. There is a lot of information exchanged

between officers and members who attend. Based on the feedback, suggestions, and critiques, you will notice some changes to our monthly Social. First, there was a lot of feedback concerning the arrangement of the tables. Most folks present at the meeting voiced a dissatisfaction of how the current long rows of tables were not conducive to socializing with others. We are going to experiment with some different layouts, and we definitely want your feedback on how the room is set up. We know that we have limited space, but we want to be as accommodating as possible. Secondly, there was discussion about the "2 minute rule" for officer presentations during the Social. The consensus was that not every officer needs to have a presentation for the Social. Most felt that the presentations should focus on Rides and Riding Activities. That is our motto: RIDE AND HAVE FUN. Our Activities Officers, Brian and Kathy, will highlight upcoming events and activities. Our LOH Officers, Karen and Michael, will highlight LOH activities and LOH rides for the upcoming month. The Director, Mike, and Assistant Director, Matt, will give updates concerning Chapter news. Our Safety Officer, Dwain, will highlight safety tips pertinent to the riding season we are in. And our Head Road Captain, Brent, will discuss items pertaining to Ride Leaders and Road Captains. This will also put more emphasis on our weekly E-blast and monthly Newsletter to distribute valuable information to all our members. Please be sure to read the e-blasts and newsletters. Sherry does a fantastic job of keeping our Social Media up to date. Check out these avenues for current announcements. Finally, we want to hear from you! You can send an email to any chapter officer or myself with comments, suggestions, critiques, criticisms, praises or concerns. You can also call or text us if you prefer. We don't know what we don't know, so let your voices be heard.



Assistant Director's Corner- Matt

HAPPY JULY!

As of June 27th we have ridden 262,842 miles as a Chapter which ranks us as 11th in the nation and number 4 in the West Central region. Our national rider average is 2628 miles. Let's get out there and ride so we can reach our million-mile challenge. We are making Great Progress to reach our Goal!

We will again recognize monthly birthdays In July with a cake.

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.

The weather is getting warmer so stay hydrated but keep riding. Ride Safe and Have Fun!



Secretary's Notebook- Valerie

Happy July!

As always... if you have anything that you would like to have discussed at the business meetings, please send me an email and we invite anyone to attend. The meetings are on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm in the HOG room. The minutes of all business meetings are posted on our website!



Treasurer's Purse- Ramona

Welcome to July!

It's getting a little warmer or downright hot, but still time to ride!!

June expenses were dedicated to the summer bash, visiting chapter gathering and a few expenses in preparation for the upcoming rally. We ended the month with a balance of \$5,055.07; \$3,342.82 being dedicated to Hogs for Kids.

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

Ride often, ride safe and have fun!



Safety Corner- Dwain

Greetings brothers & sisters. Our riding season is in full swing right now. Lots of local day rides and lots of cross-country rides to choose from. Make sure your body maintenance is well maintained as your bike maintenance is. Stay hydrated more often than you would normally do. As a rule of thumb, if your urine output is discolored then you're not drinking enough water. In the heat of the day, stay away from caffeine products. We all listen to our bikes when they are running. We should listen to our bodies when we start to not feel very well. Ride with caution and safety both with our bikes and our bodies. Keep a watchful eye out for others as well. Help them when the need arises. And don't forget sunscreen too. DAMN IT'S HOT OUTSIDE.....

Till next month, be safe, ride safer, and trust the rubber.....

LET'S RIDE IN STYLE AND IN SAFETY!!!!!!!

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Road Captain's Seat- Brent

It's Summer- Let's Ride!!!!

Tap-Rack



Activities Playground- Brian and Kathy Hartley

July 4 - 21, 2024 | Western Big Sky Ride | Ride Leader: Dwain Wilcox

Dwain will take you on an unforgettable journey up North and into Canada. If you have not already made plans and you are excited to scramble to make last minute reservation and you have a valid passport, then this ride is for you. If you do not have a passport and you do not like to make last second plans then this ride is out of the question since it leaves on Thursday.

July 6, 2024 | Saturday Scoot Meet @ 9:00 am, KSU @ 9:30 am

Scoot number 7 of Renegade's 12 Saturday Scoots. Mark your calendars on the first Saturday each month in 2024. Meet @ 9:00 am at Renegade's Lower Lot KSU @ 9:30 am. Donuts and coffee will be provided.

July 7, 2024 | HOGS for Dogs | Registration @ 9:00 am | Ride Departs @ 10:00 am

Ride Details:

Registration begins @ 9:00 a.m. - Registration Cost is \$25 for Rider & \$10 for Passenger - Registration includes: Ride, Lunch and (1) Ride Pin.

Additional items for sale: Ride Pin \$5, T-Shirt \$20, & Bandana \$10

Lunch is at Renegade H-D @ 12:00 p.m. Awards announced @ 12:30 p.m.

Volunteer Details:

Volunteers need to arrive @ 8:30 a.m.

We have some parking volunteers signed up, but there is still room for you if you would like to help, please contact Kathy Hartley 314-814-4511

July 10, 2024 | Bike Night | Renegade 6:00 p.m KSU 6:30 p.m.

Meet at Renegade, KSU 6:30 p.m. and ride to the American Legion Post 639 at 2660 S. Scenic together. There will be food, music, 50/50, prize raffles, and a Queen of Heart Card Draw.

July 11, 2024 | Chapter Social @ 6:00 pm, Fun Begins @ 6:30pm

Food details this month are detailed in Antoinette's article below. Meal starts @ 6:00 pm and Fun begins @ 6:30 pm. Join in the fun, win some prizes, get to know your fellow chapter members, and learn about upcoming Chapter Events.

Bring Apple Juice (64 oz.) PLASTIC JUGS, and get an extra blue ticket and 20 points in the challenge book. This is for our HOGS for Kids Thanksgiving Baskets.

July 12, 2024 | Friday Fun Run | Renegade @ 5:00 p.m. KSU @ 5:30 p.m.

The THIRD Fun Run of the summer. Join us for a 1-hour (or so) ride with Renegade to a local hotspot and enjoy some appetizers and fellowship.

July 13, 2024 | Coffee with the Chaplain | Architect Coffee | 8:15 a.m.

Come have coffee with Greg & Jeanne our Chapter Chaplains. This is an ongoing event @ 8:15 a.m. on the second Saturday of every month – rain or shine! Ride or drive your cage to Architect's Coffee 1604 E Republic Rd, Springfield, MO 65804.

July 13, 2024 | Reza Matinee & Lunch Ride | Renegade @ 9:30 a.m. KSU @10:00 a.m.

Mel's Hard Luck Diner - Lunch from 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Meal is not included in the ticket price below.

Reza Illusions show: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$34 per person Contact Mike Vennekotter by text to purchase tickets. 417-942-8418. There are only 15 tickets available.

Ride details: Meet at Renegade H-D @ 9:30 a.m. KSU @ 10:00 a.m.

July 20, 2024 | Breakfast with the Officers | Billy Gail's in Ozark | @ 8:00 am

Come join your Chapter Officers as we watch Mike eat a 14" pancake. This is a rain or shine event! Ride or drive your cage to Billy Gail's, 1882 W. James River Road, Ozark, MO 65721. Come join us for breakfast and/or coffee. Chat, share ideas, fellowship, or bring concerns/compliments about our HOG chapter. Breakfast and/or coffee are on your own.

July 20, 2024 | Muffler Shootout | Renegade H-D

Chapter Fund Raiser - Serving Lunch from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. NEED VOLUNTEERS to setup, cook, serve, and tear down from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

July 23, 2024 | Business Meeting Starts @ 6:30 p.m.

The Chapter Business Meeting will begin 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.

July 24, 2024 | Bike Night | Renegade 6:00 p.m. KSU 6:30 p.m.

Meet at Renegade, KSU 6:30 p.m. and ride to the American Legion Post 639 at 2660 S. Scenic together. There will be food, music, 50/50, prize raffles, and a Queen of Heart Card Draw.

July 27, 2024 | Jon's Dam Ride | Renegade

Jon Goodnight will be leading this ride. Watch the E-Blast for more details

July 27 - August 5, 2024 | MN, ND, MT, WY, Sturgis SD Ride | Renegade

Matt & Ramona Conde will be leading this ride. Please contact either of the Conde's for all of the details and hotel information

July 28, 2024 | New Member Orientation | Canceled

New Member Orientation has been canceled until September. Let's Ride!

Calendar Change: The Chapter Picnic Luau scheduled for July 20 has been rescheduled to **September 28 @ 3:00 p.m.** The theme will be a Luau. Smoked Pulled Pork and Baked Beans will be the main course. Bring a side dish or dessert. More details to come. So get out your highlighters and mark your calendars now.

A LOOK AHEAD...Snap Shot of August

Coming next month:

July 27 – Aug 5 – MN, ND, MT, WY, Sturgis SD Ride

Aug 3 – Saturday Scoot @ Renegade

Aug 7 – Bike Night

Aug 9 – Friday Fun Run

Aug 10 - Chaplain's Coffee

Aug 15 – Social Gathering

Aug 17 - Breakfast w/Officers

Aug 17-18 - **HOGWAPALOOZA**: August 17-18. Meet at the Wal-Mart parking lot Hwy 65 South & Hwy F in Ozark at 9:00am, KSU 9:30 am, Lunch at Flat Creek Grill 1:00-2:15pm, arriving at Cruise Inn Throttle Down at 3:30pm. A beautiful ride over two lakes and 4 bridges. After the ride, all are welcome to grab some food and beverages from Harter House in Kimberling City for a group cookout at Cruise Inn. A unique place with plenty of character. Bring a swimsuit and have a drink at the tiki bar and enjoy a peck from Louie the parrot. Each year, we take pictures with Cruise Inn sign showing the temperature in background. Patch/rocker given for ride completion. Call Cruise Inn Throttle Down for reservations: (417) 779-4158 now. Don't miss the fun!

Aug 21 – Bike Night

Aug 24 - Dwain's Mystery Ride

Aug 27 – Chapter Business Meeting

Aug 31 – Jon's Dam Ride #2

Aug 31 - Sept 8 – Lake Michigan Circle Ride

A Wider View...

Be Thinking how you can participate...

HOGS for Kids - Continue to check your challenge books to see what to bring each month to the Chapter Social Gathering. We are planning to assemble 30 baskets this year. Continue to bring non-perishable food items to each Chapter Social and get additional blue tickets. (Be sure the "use by" date is after November 30, 2024) Stay tuned for more exciting news and events to help with fund raising and food collection.

The long rides have begun. Plan to join one or more of these incredible rides.



Ladies of Harley LOH Corner- Karen

July is here with its heat on full blast! Good weather for an early morning ride with plenty of hydration. For those of us that have experienced heat exhaustion, it's no fun and makes you look at how serious the heat in Missouri can be and how fast it can affect people adversely. Drink, drink, drink and take note of what your body tells you, pay attention and notice the signs. It can happen fast, with little warning. Little changes in your body can have big consequences.

LOH Activities for July are:

BRUNCH BUNCH: July 22 11:30 a.m. @ El Puente Mexican Restaurant, 400 N. Massey Blvd, Nixa. Join us for good food and great comradery. Everyone is invited. Take a break, enjoy the laughs.

LET'S EAT OUT (LEO): July 25 6:30 p.m. @ Hinode Japanese Steakhouse, 129 N. Massey Blvd, Nixa. Sign up sheet requirement for attendance. There is a minimum/maximum required for this activity. Come watch the show as the chef does a volcano and tosses food around with expertise. Always entertaining.

LAST CALL: **Collecting your favorite recipes** to assemble into a book. As of the writing of this article, I have received ten recipes which would make a pretty poor recipe book! Apparently, our members want to keep their recipes to themselves and not share, our loss. This will be the last call for recipes, I will stop pestering you, I get it, you don't want to do it. For those who want to contribute, get your recipes to me at karilyn99@gmail.com.



LOH Ride Corner– Michael Wilcox

Hey Ladies,
I don't have much this time. Just keep riding. Let's put some miles on those wheels. I'm gone for most of July, so let's just have fun in the wind. Be safe out there and stay upright and hydrated.
Let's go girls.

Michael
michaellwilcox@icloud.com or 417-622-9017



Membership Corner- Corey and Nancy

Thank you to those who have already renewed their membership for 2024. Don't worry, you can still turn in your renewals at any of the chapter meetings and social gatherings. Remember spouses not owning their own bike must also be a National H.O.G. Member to be a Chapter member. If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining us, and they are a National HOG member, they may join our local chapter for an annual fee of \$20 per member. As always, we encourage and welcome everyone to our chapter social gatherings, where they can inquire further about membership. We are now wanting to track how long members have been continuous members of the chapter.

This will include the time before the dealership became Renegade. On the sign-in-sheet, at the social gathering we have included a column where we would like everyone to enter the date they have joined the chapter. If you cannot make it to the social gathering, you can E-mail Corey at the goat1222@yahoo.com.

Please join me in welcoming our new members and in celebrating the National HOG membership anniversaries of our friends. Let's continue to grow, so that others may enjoy the benefits of being part of the Ozark Mountain HOG Chapter.

National HOG Membership Anniversaries for July: Burney Nimmo (19 years), Karl Keller (26 Years), Paul Dale (14 years), Sharon Clark (5 Years), Mike Vennekotter (3 years), Debbie Vennekotter (3 Years) Randy Thomas (2 years), James Weiherer (2 years), Lee Goldman (1 year), Chance Bennett (1 year), Hunter Ross (1 year), Justin Hampton (1 year), Jordan Miller (1 year), Brian Amass (1 yea), Jacob Gardner (1 year), Kristy Barbee (1 year), Shelly Price (1 Year), Michael Hayes (1 year).



Fundraising Coin Purse- Scott and Kim

Hope everyone is having a fabulous summer and getting those miles in.

Congratulations to Mike Owen, his ticket was drawn as the raffle winner for the Glock.

Looking forward to this fall we will be raffling off a Harley Davidson t-shirt blanket and continuing our efforts to raise funds for the 2025 National Hog Rally. Remember to bring those non-perishable food items to each social meeting.

We have such a wonderful Chapter, or should I say family. Have a great summer and be safe out there.

Merchandising

Due to price increases, 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. [You can also purchase Chapter patches in the Renegade store.](#)

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



Chaplain's Meditations - Gregg and Jeanne

MOMENTUM FOR LIVING

"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you and lead me along the path of everlasting life."
(Psalm 139:23-24 NLT)

David wrote Psalm 139, during a time when he lay under the reproach and slanderous accusations of men, who had made false accusations against him. King Saul was persecuting him and David's son, Absalom, was rebelling against him. David concludes his appeal of innocence before God by essentially asking God to peel back any layers of self-deception. Only then would David fully recognize the offenses he should confess and the burdens he needed to hand over to God. He wanted his offensive thoughts and ways brought to the surface so they could be dealt with, repented of, and purified from him. David makes a request for guidance and a desire to live in a way that is pleasing to God. His words are a powerful prayer for introspection, confession, repentance, and divine guidance. It reflects a heart that is open to correction and eager to align with God's will. Elsewhere in Scripture we find that David was a man after God's own heart (1 Samuel 13:14; Acts 13:22). Are you willing to pray that the God, who knows you, knows where you are, made you, and has a plan for you, will "search you and know you"? Are you ready to be changed according to God's will for your life? God designed you to have momentum.

Prayer

"Heavenly Father, what comfort it is to know that You know everything about me. Even the things that I do wrong can never separate me from Your unfailing love. Jesus, lead me into peace and contentment. Holy Spirit, help me to live out this truth in my life, and may I do only those things that are pleasing in Your sight. In Jesus' name, I pray.



Food Team Serving Platter- Antoinette

Good day everybody. Our theme for July is going to be sandwiches. Since it's been so hot out, I figured why not have something cool, light and refreshing. How we're gonna do this is we need EVERYBODY'S participation that is going to the social. The letter of your first name brings what is listed- pretty please and thanks!

A-H: meat: ham, turkey, roast beef, salami.

I-R: bring 2 toppings like lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, cheese slices, mayo, mustard, etc.

S-Z: Bread, buns or wraps.



Mid- America Rally News- Archie Buckner- Rally Coordinator

The Mid-American HOG Rally for 2025 will be a time to remember. While rally registration is not open at this point, hotel reservations are available immediately. We are excited to partner with Oasis Hotel and Convention Center. The Oasis, home of Fire and Ice Restaurant and Bar, will serve as basecamp for the duration of the rally. Rooms are now available from June 5 - 8, 2025 at special rates. Contact information for the Oasis: toll free 888-532-4338 springfieldoasis.com | 417-866-5253 | 2546 N. Glenstone • Springfield, MO 65803. Use code **HOG RALLY**.

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Please email Debbie at Debvenne@yahoo.com if you would like to submit anything for the newsletter!!!

