HOG Breath

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Next meeting Saturday February 9, 2019 – 6pm followed by Game Night and Pot Luck - HOG Room

Hi Everyone, We are an authorized LiveWire dealer! It is a pretty exciting time for us. Over the course of the next few months we will be adding in the necessary charging stations and equipment needed to be a full-service electric vehicle dealer.

Flat Out Friday is coming up February 15th and we have a few spots left in the Uke's section (227). We would like to see you there cheering the guys on!

February 16th 1pm – 3pm we are having an HD101 – Intro to Motorcycling seminar. If there is anyone you know looking to get into riding this is a good place to start.

February 21st Billy is hosting an Audio Seminar on the new 2019 Boom! GTS Infotainment System 5pm – 7pm (or until we ALL know he can be long winded!). There will be pizza!

Early heads up – we did book the Harley-Davidson Demo Truck for the June Open House (6/1 & amp; 6/2) and also for the Labor Day Open House (8/31, 9/1 & amp; 9/2).

Uke's employees are excited for Game Night – can't wait to see everyone there!

Ride Safe,

The Uke's Team



Hope everyone is staying warm! Winter cannot be over soon enough! Thank you to those who renewed their chapter membership at the January meeting. To those who were not at the chapter meeting, remember the next meeting will be Saturday February 9th at 6:00pm. It will be a potluck and Family Game Night. This night has been popular and fun for the last two years and we look forward to more fun this year.

The board has been mulling around a variety of ideas and many of these ideas come from you, the members! If you have an idea share it! Your ideas are valuable to this chapter so keep them coming!

Hope you all had a great time at the Chapter bowling party. You are quite the group! Remember the Chapter will again host a Pool Tourney in March let's keep that fun rolling since we cannot roll down the highway quite yet!

At this time, I would like to extend our sympathies to Beth and Chris Cleveland for the loss of their brother-in-law. During this time of sadness, Beth worried equally about getting some stamp book stuff completed. We had her back got it out on time to give her time to be with family. Thank you to those members who helped. That is what makes this chapter great we truly are like family, helping out in the time of need.

Speaking of the stamp book how many new ads have you gotten? There is money up for grabs remember!

See you at Game Night, be ready to play!

Kevin Klee



Happy New Year! It's January, let's get down to business. This is a long one!

The meeting started with recognizing the board members- thank you for your hard work!

Paul- Assistant Director

Memorial Ride is scheduled for May 18th-19th

We are looking for suggestions on destination- some ideas being thrown out so far are Galena, Shawano and New Glarus. Please let Paul or Kevin know ASAP if you also have a great destination in mind!

Beth- Treasurer

Stamp Book

New businesses. What's in it for you?? Well, the board has created incentive now! There will be a drawing for a cash prize for those who get a new business to buy an ad in this year's stamp book. Each new ad purchased and confirmed will equal one entry in the drawing. The more new businesses you are able to get in the stamp book, the more entries you get in the drawing. New business is defined as a business that WAS NOT in the stamp book last year. Please think outside the box- do you have a favorite cigar shop, etc? Talk them into buying an ad! Due date for stamp books is April 1st.

Gean- Activities

Christmas party White Elephant. There was some talk about how the gift exchange was interpreted. Some purchased a gift, some re-gifted something from their basement. If you got something you do not want- talk it up this year, bring it as your white elephant gift for the next party to pass it on!

Bowling party at GRC on 1/27 from 12:30-2:30 or until you bowl 3 games. Glenn Thomas was able to get bowling and shoes for \$11 and was able to get GRC to throw in pizza and soda for free. Thanks Glenn!

Meeting minutes cont'd.....

Family Game Night- Saturday 2/9 at 6:00pm. Pot luck- please bring a dish to pass. There will be a variety of games provided, with a possible new installment of Minute To Win It. If you have a fun game to share, please bring it as well!

Bike Blessing- Saturday 5/4. Thinking outside the box for fundraiser ideas in addition to the Pancake and Pizza sales. Donna Halverson will head up a group of creative thinkers who will take our "junk" and make it into treasures that will be used in raffles. Please consider donating any items in your home that you are no longer in need of. Donna will also be asking for donations of any bottles of wine or gift cards that you might have received as Christmas gifts and do not want or will use.

Melissa- Secretary

Minutes are now up on the HOG website under the member's only section, in addition to being posted in the Newsletter monthly. Any feedback, please share!

Brian- Webmaster

The website has gone through an over-haul. Please share any feedback on how you like the website or problems you are having.

Cindy-LOH

Quilting shirt class will happen in five stages, with the probable dates of 2/10, 2/23, 3/10, 3/24 and 3/31 from 11:00am-3:00pm. Can do a brown bag lunch or order pizza as a group. Please let Cindy know if you are interested, she will get you a supply list of things you will need!

Cupcake decorating party may happen again this year- more details to follow. Would ask for a \$5 donation for supplies.

Would like to coordinate a donation of baby blankets to a local hospital. More details to follow.

Bob- Safety Officer

Stamp books- Bob and Beth created a new, simplified form for new businesses to buy ads. If businesses do not have art work for the ad to submit, Bob will put something together based on what he can find from their Facebook page/ website. If businesses would like to email Bob for more info, please ask them to put "stamp book" or "Kenosha HOG" in the subject line so they do not get lost in the inbox

Meeting minutes cont'd.....

Gym- Head Road Captain

Several rides are already set up and on the calendar. Road captains are trying to provide a variety of rides, including longer and shorter distances.

Challenging our retired road captains to put together weekday rides, possibly for lunch or breakfast. Would like to possibly offer some short notice rides.

Gym asked for interest in getting text message alerts of rides. If enough interest, can look into possible program or app to use where info can be pushed out and avoid several people replying to the dreaded group texts. More info to follow after some investigation on this. If you have something you know of that would work for us, please let Gym or Brian Hawver know.

Iron Butt readings. Mr. F was mistakenly left out! He rode 12,941 last season. Way to go!

Looking for interest in a possible Iron Butt ride this season- which is 1,000 miles in a day. There could also be a LOH version of 500 miles in a day.

Keith– Uke's

Cabin Fever party will be 1/26 at 3pm.

Uke's was chosen as one of the 150 dealerships out of more than 700 that will get the new electric bike for sale. The next closest dealership is in Indiana. This is very exciting news! The bikes should land in here in August!

Rental bikes will be at the dealership again this year, as well as Demo bikes!

There is a box inside of Uke's to place any cards or well wishes for the family of the Rich, former Sales Manager of Uke's

Stuart-

Would like to know if any interest in having another group go to the gun range

Also thinking of setting up a ride to HOG's Corner this year. Please let Stuart know if you are interested in either of these events.



From the Treaurer - Beth Cleveland



The stamp book is taking off for 2019! I hope that there is some excitement about the changes that have been made in the "winnings" for the stamp book and our chapter! If there is any specific place that you can see as being an asset to have in our stamp book please consider approaching the owner(s) for them to join in.

Our members have found many new places to visit and enjoy because of the ads that have been placed in the stamp book. If you have a suggestion on how we might be able to make the process easier for a business to join in on the 2019 stamp book, I am open to suggestions!

I will be asking for help soon in contacting businesses that have been in our stamp book in the past and following up with them. If you are interested in helping, please contact me at this_is_reality@hotmail.com or call/text me at 262-902-7823.

This is not a "one person" job. Many business owners can be reached only during the day time hours. Many of us, myself included, still work during the day time hours and cannot make as many phone calls as needed.

So again, any and all help would be appreciated in making this year's stamp book a better success then last years!

Beth Cleveland – Treasurer



Time to try something new!

NEED *incentive* to help YOUR chapter continue to grow and succeed?

Want to continue enjoying the fun times and wonderful "chapter paid" events?

More businesses are needed for the 2019 Kenosha HOG stamp book!!

We will have 2 drawings this year ****FOR NEW ADS ONLY****

Drawing 1 - For those whom have helped get **new business** ads. After all ad's will have been received and paid for and book is to print.

How do you get in this drawing?

Sign up a new business, once it is paid and graphics received your name is entered. For each **new business** you get to join, you get another chances for your name to be drawn.



First prize - \$100 Second prize - \$50 Third prize - \$25



*This pot may be increased if there are a significant number of new ads!

Drawing 2 - For those who frequented the businesses will be held in December at the HOG Christmas party.



First prize - \$200 Second prize - \$100 Third prize - \$50



*This pot may increase if there are significant number of new ads!



Thanks to all who have already signed up or renewed their Chapter membership at our January meeting. Please remember that you must have the form completely filled out on both the back and front sides. You must also have a valid National HOG membership card to become and or remain a member of any local chapter.

The dues for full members are 25.00 and the associate members, typically those who don't ride, are only 20.00 for the entire year.

I will be back taking 2019 applications at our February meeting as I did for the January meeting

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call or email me anytime

Gary Quedenfeld Membership Chair 847 226 1759 garyquedenfeld@sbcglobal.net



Activities - Gean Klee

Wow! January is just about over and February around the corner. At this rate we will be riding before you know it!



Chapter bowling Sunday January 27 by the time you read this it may have happened or if not join us at 12:30 at Guttormsen's (GRC).



Saturday February 9th is the Chapter Meeting/Game Night/Potluck at 6pm at the HOG Room. If you come for anything come for the food, this chapter know how to cook! Me personally, there is nothing better than laughing and this night surely brings the laughter especially when members play "Minute to Win It"



March brings us to Pool Tourney 3. We will again have a pool tournament with the date to be decided but it will be a Saturday so watch you email for the date! Who will be the Shark this time? We will be sure to mix things up to keep it fun!



Bike Blessing - OK we need your stuff to recreate items for the Bike Blessing Drawings! Got an old night stand, know where we can get big wire spools, have old Harley boots or belts we want this stuff. We will have some finished products at the February meeting to show you what we created with pallet wood and stuff plucked from a garbage can!



Got an IDEA? Share it! Thanks to members I have been able to implement many fun ideas into things that we have done over the years. Keep them coming you are the best resource the chapter has!

Hurry up spring, until then, see you at the activities! Gean Klee

Got questions?? contact Gean at 262-705-3715 - hogcash@gmail.com



To all Lady of Harley's, first T-shirt quilting class is February 10th at 11:00 till 3:00 at the Hog room.

There still time to register for class. If interested and did not sign up please email <u>dnorwich@wi.rr.com</u> Thanks

Cindy Norwich - Lady of Harley



Holiday's, Birthdays and Anniversaries

February Anniversaries 2019

2 Curt & Laura DeBruin 14 Mick & Tami Bosovich 14 Jerry & Sheryl Brandes 14 Todd & Jacqueline Clifford

February Birthdays 2019

2 Nancy Bates RIP 2 Ground Hog Day 9 Michael Burback 10 Cheryl Fry 11 Gail Reboletti 13 Carlos Castillo RIP 13 Edward Hermanson 14 Happy Valentine Day 14 Scott Monaghan 14 Sandra Rapey 16 Dave Hirtreiter 17 Jerry Olson 18 President Day 24 Bruce Radowski 24 Howard Witkus RIP 25 Jeffrey Rapey 25 Brenda Thompson 26 Thomas Miceli



Safety - Bob Clampit

Cabin Fever Safety...

That's right, it's winter and the longing for warm days is forever on our minds. When will it end? We *need* to satisfy that haunting echo in the back of our consciousness, but how...

'Tis the season really means it'll be a couple of months before we have the opportunity to once again throw a leg over our two-wheeled chariots and feel the power and pleasure that only our V-twin can provide. It is also the season to consider the needs of that bike and the rider/s that it carries.

Rubber, leather, lighting, airhorns that space between two ears, the list goes on...

Rubber, of course we're talking about two tires and ensuring that you have adequate tread to keep your grip on the road through corners and storms alike.

Leather, that outer shell that protects against the elements and the surface we ride on. Chaps and jackets provide both warmth from the chill and the comfort in knowing that should you go down you've given yourself a barrier from the unforgiving nature of asphalt.

Lighting, I mean LED and I mean that being seen is one of the most important things we can do to make our presence known to those we share the road with, yep, I'm talking cagers! Front lights, headlamps, spotlights and turn signals light up the bike like no other accessory, giving a stark visual signal that says, "here I am," and that may be all it takes to keep that teenager texting at the stop-sign from pulling out in front of you. Rear lights, brake and turn signals do exactly the same thing for those on your tail, consider a brake light that pulsates when you apply the brake, it really says to those following you that same "here I am," please slow down!

Airhorns, the moment you need it, you want to make sure the offending vehicle, no matter the type, knows that you are there. A loud notice to those you share the road with just might keep you up on your bike rather than having an unwelcome outcome. If you're on the fence about the expense ask me this spring to give you a sample of my horn, it makes quite a statement!

That space between two ears, that's right I'm talking about your noggin, it's yours and it's your most valuable asset in the quest for safety on two wheels. No one knows everything when it comes to riding safely, but we all can increase our knowledge base in a number of different ways. The Motorcycle Safety Foundation, <u>https://msf-usa.org/</u> has an online only course for just \$19.99, it seems a bargain if you learn just one trick to add to your bag of knowledge. Advance or basic rider courses are available at Uke's Harley-Davidson, just ask and you'll be on your way to a safer ride. One more thing, a good helmet never hurt anyone and it's known to have saved more than one life, give it a try!

Safety cont'd.....

Reach out to the service department or the parts counter to add to your bike the accessories that'll help keep you seen and heard out there. Whether you do the wrenching or have the service department take care of your needs, you won't be disappointed knowing you're creating a safer experience for yourself and those you share the road with.

Experience is and will always be the greatest teacher when it comes to the road we share, but you have an arsenal of tools and knowledge at your disposal, all you have to do is begin with the first step. It will be a journey that should provide you with years of riding enjoyment with friends and others you encounter on this wild ride we call life!