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[Southeastern Minnesota Harley Owners Group #2443](#)
February 2016 Newsletter

Directors Notes

I would like to thank everybody that helped out at the Eagles Cancer Telethon. From the Candlelight Vigil we raised \$1053 and from the SEMN HOG Cancer Ride we raised \$1050 for a total donation of \$2,103.

I would like to thank everyone who set up the Christmas party. We had about 40 in attendance for a great night. We would also like to send a big thank you to John and Judi for the door prizes provided.

This month we have a few things to knock out. The biggest one is the raffle tickets.

Don't forget the chili cook off after the meeting, so bring your best pot of chili for everyone to sample.

Starting in May we will be holding meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM to correspond with birthday ride for the month. With that we are hoping to have more rides on the weekends. So if you have some rides you would like to do, let us know.

Hope to see everybody at the meeting.

Thanks Tom K

Upcoming Events

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Harley Owner's Group Meeting Minutes for January 9, 2016

Meeting called to order my Director Tom Keller

Tom reported that he and Lyle met with John to discuss the Cancer Ride and the Raffle for 2016. During their meeting John suggested instead of a Cancer Ride make it a Local Charity Ride and they want to see the Raffle continue to support our local EMTs and Fire Departments.

Judy suggested that we look into combining our ride with the ride that the Eagles Club does every summer. Tom will be talking to Kevin at the Eagles Club about combining the two rides into one. Also suggested was moving the ride to later in the summer.

Mike Madden reported the 976 Raffle tickets were sold for the 2015 Event. \$3000.00 Cash was chosen by the winner of the Raffle. Dean Pederson sold the most tickets to win \$100 and Ed Carlin sold the Winning Ticket to win \$50.

Raffle for 2016 was discussed as we need to continue supporting our local EMTs and FDs with no set plans made. We are going to look into obtaining the EMT/FD Fundraiser Event Calendars for each City and co-inside some of our rides around their events. Discussion of changing the Bike to a credit towards any bike was made or changing the Bike to the HD Street to lower Club Cost if Bike is picked instead of the cash.

We are going to discuss the Raffle further at the next meeting.

Winter Meeting will continue this year due to Events scheduled.

Summer Meetings moving to the 2nd Tuesday of every month starting in May at 6pm.

Ditch Clean Up-Looking at moving to a Sunday or a Weeknight when Rochester HD is closed so that employees can volunteer to help out and won't interfere with a nice Saturday ride.

Discussion about making Flyers to be handed out when Rochester HD customers buy bikes to introduce them to the SEMN HOG Group. This was not decided at this time.

Eagle Cancer Telethon is on January 16th & 17th we are looking for volunteers for the Candlelight Vigil sign-up sheet available for each hour time slot. Lyle and Dale McIntyre will be present Sunday afternoon to make the final donation.

Assistant Director Lyle McIntyre had not report except the Minnesota State Rally is the June 23rd-25th in Eveleth, MN. Online Registration is OPEN! Register Early and Hotels are filling up fast.

Treasurer Leon reported beginning balance of \$ 15,073 and Ending Balance of \$ 13,548.

Membership Director Teresa reported that as of meeting 56 members have paid their 2016 Membership Fee. Membership is \$12, and you must be a member nationally also. The winner of the Early Registration raffle is Sandra Welsh and she receives \$20 gift certificate to the Harley Store.

Safety Director Charlie wanted to remind everyone that if you are leaving on vacation on your bike, please make sure you are meeting the State Requirements. Be careful!

Dealership News-

- Jan 15& 16 Winter Blues In Store Specials!
- New Merchandise is on the way! Be sure to check in & ask ☺
- Service Specials going on thru February!
- Feb 12 & 13th Sweetheart Daze! Don't forget those special people ☺

LOH officer ~ Patty reminded us that there will be a Chili Cookoff at the February 13th meeting. Trophy to 1st Place and Gift Cards to 2nd and 3rd. There will be a Bake Sale after the March meeting.

Tony Haimes reports that there will be ride any time he is free after the weather warms up. You may have 2 hours notice or 2 days notice, keep an eye on your email!

Social Director Pete M. reports that the Christmas party is tonight at the Eagles Club. Social Hour starts at 5 and Dinner at 6pm.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Dale McIntyre



Contribution Committee

The Salvation Army Bell Ringing done this past December total was \$415.85 or \$51.98 per hour which was above average for the, per hour for all kettles this year.
A big thank you guys.

Thank You,
Mike Shumaker

Membership Officer Notes

We have 58 paid members as of Jan 18. Please have your membership renewal in by the February meeting.

February birthdays: Lori Batzel; Richard Clark; Cindy Day-O'Brien; Mary Hamilton; Suzanne Koehler; Dennis McCallum; Dale Nelson; Randy Reiken; Rick Skaran; Mike Tointon; Randy Walker.

Thank you

Sincerely,
Teresa Wegner
Membership Officer

Ladies of Harley

Hello LOH!

Remember the " chili cook-off" February after the meeting. Come one, come all for some awesome chili eating :) Bring a crock pot of your favorite chili and compete for a trophy and prizes:) Pay \$5 to taste the best chili around , vote for your favorite at Rochester Harley Davidson :)

If you have any LOH ideas, please contact Patty-Ann at 507-993-7857 or send an email to patty_blue2u@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your participation and support.

Sincerely,
Patty-Ann Haimes
Ladies of Harley

Activity Notes

Nothing to Report

Tony Haimes
Activity Officer

Editor Notes

All input for newsletter should be submitted no later than the 20th of the month to make the next newsletter. If you have any questions on this subject or have any suggestions for a future newsletter, please e-mail or give Dale McIntyre a call. Thank you all for your support and input for the newsletter. You all help make this a good monthly newsletter. You may submit articles to daddyslpl@kmtel.com.

Dale McIntyre
Newsletter Editor

Webmaster Notes

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All information should sent to:

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Thank you all for your support and input for the web site. You all help to make this a good web site that will keep us all informed and help promote SE MN H.O.G. Club.

Dale Nelson
Webmaster

Around the Bend

"I don't know where I'm goin and can't say how long I'll be gone!" These words to live by are from the album MOTORCYCLE MAMA by SAILCAT in 1972. Song title is RAINBOW ROAD. Kinda nice to think about havin that attitude-especially at this time of year. Actually quite a few motorcycle events comin up.

DAYTONA is comin up fast-March 4-13-with the Antique MC meet on the 4-5th. ARIZONA BIKE WEEK is April 6-10. The LAUGHLIN RIVER RUN is APRIL 27-30 and the THUNDER BEACH SPRING RALLY in Panama City, FL is April 27-May 01. Not any major rally's close-but then, who has the studded sno tires on anyhow? I have mentioned/HARPED on it before, but once more-If you are goin to any of these, check that you and your bike are good to go when ya get there. That means, equipment on your bike and you (mirrors, foot pegs, MUFFLERS, INSURANCE, HELMETS etc). Most all requirements can be found in the HOG atlas. It has a listing of the requirements for all the states.

OK, ya got it planned, the bike is ready to go, the truck is full of CHEAPER gas, so what's next? Well, lets back up a bit. When was the last time ya had the ol' gal out-the bike that is! I am assuming you checked the tires and realize the 36# here may not be the same in FL or Phoenix or Laughlin. Check em when ya get where you're goin. Battery on a tender? Nuthin worse than getting where-ever and pushin the ol' starter button and CLICK-CLICK-CLICK! Now if ya got a kicker ya may still be in business. What was that- A KICKER! Not gonna go there. Make sure the battery is fully charged prior to loadin it up and ya should be ok. Speakin of loadin it up ,make much sense to put a \$20-30K bike on a \$200 trailer? That's ALL I'm gonna say about that!!

OK, so NOW what's next. Once ya get there SAFELY, take a few minutes to re-familiarize yourself with the bike. Ya, ya rode it XX thousand last year but haven't touched it since whenever. Anything move or change in transit? How bout those new whatcemacallits ya put on this winter? They feel the same as the old ones? Do they WORK? Does that new brake pedal/lever feel and act the same as the old? Any lites jiggle loose or fall out. Do a quick walk around-remember T-CLOCKS-and check. Wouldn't hurt to make a few laps around a parkin lot or the neighborhood to check the bike and your self out.

It can get REALLY hot in the places I mentioned. It can also get quite COLD believe it or not. Was in Daytona few years back-last century-and for 3 days it was 42°. Mornin, noon and nite. And WET!! It might "never rain in southern California" accordin to the Mamas and Papas, but not true elsewhere. The streets can get wet and slippery, especially along the water/ocean with the fine sand. Yes, it can get cold and wet enough to not only be uncomfortable but maybe even hypothermic-remember that? FL is loaded with steel grate bridge decks. Makes it feel like yer bike is tryin to HULA when ya go over them. NOT TO WORRY! The bike doesn't want to fall down any more than you do. A light grip on the bars is about all ya need. They also can get slippery when wet. Same goes for paint on the roads-and there is lots of it to tell ya where to go. Hopefully, nuthin like that will happen but doesn't hurt to be aware of it and be able to deal with it.

No, I'm not tryin to ruin your vacation and who knows. I may be there too. BUT, better to have it and not need it than need it and not have it, THAT, from my philosophical side! There is also a saying-Saddle bags may not hold everything you want, but will hold everything you NEED! That is a good way to get to my next point-Be careful and don't overload the bike. Ya, I know what I have rambled on about but if you are ridin 2-up, space can get used up pretty fast. I can never figure out where to put my hair(singular) dryer!!!

Ya know, some times I don't have much of an idea on what to put down here but things just start to fall in place. Usually when I am lookin for the song to start this whole RAMBLE with, ideas come to mind. Kinda think

the opener here served that purpose. If ya haven't been to some of the events listed, they are good times. This year will be DAYTONAS 75th much as last summer was STURIS 75th. Actually are some nice roads to ride in FL, especially in the center of the state. If ya been there, ya know traffic can be HORRIBLE!! A bit of advice- Never- Never try to get to Main Street on the beach in Daytona in the afternoon using the Main Street bridge from the mainland. You will learn why if you do. Just when I think I am done, another thought runz thru my mind- think I have successfully conquered it tho. Have a great time, ride safe and above all

LET'S BE CAREFUL OUT THERE

AT LAST, Home from DAYTONA!!!



2016 Chapter Events and Rides

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- February 27th [Rochester Bike Show & Swap Meet](#) @ Mayo Civic Center Call (507)288-9050 for more information and sign-up
- March 7th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- March 12th Meeting @ Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM
Bake sale 10:30AM following meeting. Questions contact Patty Ann Haines @ 507-993-7857 or patty_blue2u@yahoo.com
- April 4th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- April 9th Meeting @ Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM. Ditch clean-up at 10:30AM (if inclement weather, move to May 9th). Let's Ride! After meeting, kickstands up at 11AM.
- April 16th [Flood Run](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event) for more info <http://www.floodrun.org/>
- May 9th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- May 10th SEMN HOG Meeting at TBD @ 6:00PM, Birthday Ride after meeting
- May 14th [Purple Heart MC Run](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event)
Registration at [Harley-Davidson of Winona](#) at 9:30-11AM.
- May 15th [Bike Blessing](#) at [South Troy Wesleyan Church](#) by Pastor Colleen Hoeft with the blessing at 11:00AM and lunch after. Meet at RHD @ 10:00AM kickstands up @ 10:15AM.
- May 20th First Responder Checks
- May 28st 2016 Cancer Memorial Ride (Ride Against Cancer Charity Event) at [Fraternal Order of Eagles](#) in Rochester. Registration at 10:45AM to 12PM.
- June 8th First Responder Checks
- June 9th – 11th [SD State H.O.G. Rally](#) in TBD, SD. Registration deadline is April 21rd. Go to the following web site for registration, sign up to volunteer, or for more info <http://www.sdstatehogrally.com/>
- June 13th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- June 14th SEMN HOG Meeting at TBD @ 6:00PM, Birthday Ride after meeting
- June 18th Summer H.O.G. Picnic
- June 20th First Responder Checks
- June 23th - 25th [MN State H.O.G. Rally](#) in Eveleth, MN. Registration deadline is May 5th. Go to the following web site for registration, sign up to volunteer, or for more info <http://www.mnstatehogrally.com/>
- July 7th – 10th [Hot Harley Nights](#) in Sioux Falls, SD. Registration at J&L Harley-Davidson. (info only non-H.O.G. event)

- July 11th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- July 12th SEMN HOG Meeting at TBD @ 6:00PM, Birthday Ride after meeting
- July 16th [Hero's Ride](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event)
Registration at Rochester Harley-Davidson in Rochester at 10AM.
- July 20th First Responder Checks
- July 24th [The "Cruise" 2016](#) (16th Annual) A benefit ride for the Ronald McDonald house (non-H.O.G. event)
- August 8rd – 14th [Sturgis](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event)
- August 15th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- August 16th SEMN HOG Meeting at TBD @ 6:00PM, Birthday Ride after meeting
- September 1st - 4th [WI State H.O.G. Rally](#) in Milwaukee, WI. Registration deadline is July 14st. Go to the following web site for registration, sign up to volunteer, or for more info <http://www.wistatehogrally.com/>
- September 5th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- September 10th SEMN HOG Meeting at Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM.
- September 13th-18th [Tomahawk WI ride](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event). Go to the web site for more info.
- September 17th [Flood Run](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event) for more info <http://www.floodrun.org/>
- September 21th-24th [Bikes, Blues and BBQ Rally](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event)
- October 3th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- October 8th SEMN HOG Meeting at Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM.
- November 5th Freeze Your Butt Ride. Let's Ride! Meet @ Rochester Harley @ 10:30AM, kickstands up at 11AM.
- November 7th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- November 12th SEMN HOG Meeting at Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM, (Election Nominations). After meeting ride. Turn in mileage and chapter challenge sheets today.
- November 28th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- December 3th SEMN HOG Meeting at Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM (Elections). Rochester Harley Davidson Open House and SE MN HOG Bike Drawing @ 2:00PM.
- December 10th Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army at K-Mart from 9AM to 4PM. Please contact Mike Shumaker mikeshu@charter.net for ringing details.

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