



The Swineline

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Time flies when you're having fun!

Save the date & plan on joining us to celebrate the first year of PDX Speed Shop. We can guarantee there will be badass bikes, bold beverages & beefy bites!

Thursday, May 4th at 6:30pm
1313 NW Kearney Street, Portland, OR

**May the 4th
 be with you!**

Director's Message



Russ Hayes, Director

As I write this article, I am sitting at Paradise Harley-Davidson watching and listening to the commotion and conversation of another Hogs & Hotcakes

breakfast. I want to thank our Chapter Road Captains and volunteers for all of their hard work, preparation, and cooking in putting this event together! On the menu today is bacon eggs, ham, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, fruit, baked goodies, and more... If you showed up hungry and you were full when you left, then we succeeded!!!

I really enjoy these social events. Half of riding and having fun is the "having fun" part. I have been thrilled to meet several new members, visitors and guests. I love it when we all get together to break bread, and share good times together. To be frank, I see many of you much more often than my actual relatives, so when we get together, it feels like a gathering of extended family every time.

Between the rides, we have regular meals together. In addition to breakfasts each month, we also have our monthly Meet & Mingle get-togethers at various restaurants around this area. If you are wondering where we are going to meet next, bookmark the Chapter calendar on the Website at www.sunsethog.com to stay on top of our get-togethers, their locations and meet times. Even if you are unable to come on many rides, these other social events are there to give you more opportunities to mingle with others who share a common affinity for riding our Harley-Davidson motorcycles.

Just last week, about 20 of us got together at Rose's Diner in Sherwood for the monthly Meet & Mingle. The food was great, the desserts even bigger and better, and we had fun with everyone who was able to attend. It is always a great time when we can share with you at any of the many rides and activities scheduled throughout the month. If you have never come to one of these non-riding events, you can only guess what you are missing, and we would love to have you at the next one! You can always find the next event at the website: <https://www.sunsethog.com/calendar>. Catch one, catch them all, we look forward to seeing you!!!

Speaking of food, sharing and fun... The Sunset Chapter has been cooking hot-dogs at the Paradise

Harley-Davidson Sizzlin' Saturday events throughout April. It has been an exciting way for us to meet new members, customers, and other Harley enthusiasts. We will continue to be cooking at Sizzlin' Saturday during each of the Mystery Rides, so go on the ride and at the end have lunch with us. Or just come on out to Paradise Harley-Davidson, stop by and have a delicious hot-dog cooked by your fellow Chapter Members.

As always, I want to give a shout out to let you know there are plenty of opportunities to get involved and volunteer to help the Chapter. We are planning a lot of events for this year, and as the old saying goes, many hands make light work. There is almost always a need, and some of our biggest events need the most hands. If you would like to do more with the Chapter, please let me or one of the other officers know that you would like to volunteer.

In other news, I am excited to announce that we have released the first version of our new check-in application. This new app has already proven to make checking members into rides and events faster and easier than ever before. You can help! When you come to any event, dig out your membership card, and have one of our iPhone equipped Road Captains scan your card for instant check-in. Of course, if you do not have your card handy, no worries... we can look you up by name. If you do not have your card yet, we have them available at our Chapter meetings, and they can also be picked up at Paradise Harley-Davidson on non-meeting days, just ask at the counter and one of our friends at Paradise will help you out. If you need a new membership card printed to replace one that has been lost or destroyed, just let one of the officers know and they will follow up.

Each time you check-in at one of our events, you will earn some "points." We have not fully decided what we are going to do with those points yet, but I can bet that the more you get, the more exciting the mystery will be in the end!

On my last topics for this month, I want to remind you all that the ABC's of Touring is this year's Chapter Challenge. Get those ABC's points, turn them in to HOG, and we will reward the Chapter Members with the most ABC's points at the end of the year.

Swineline Editor's Desk



Hi Everyone!

What kind of fun and mischief did you get into in April?

We all started out on April 1st with Bob Driscoll and the

April Fool's ride—which was “no foolin'!” fun! Then off to Silver Falls for a brown bag on a nice day with Roger Smith. The Parkdale Spring Blossom ride with Bob Driscoll was beautiful and the food was awesome! Wow! That Mystery ride, where did they go? Finally, to bring April to a close the Trask Mountain run. Read all about the rides in Hog Tales!

While we are chronicling as many of the Chapter rides as we can, we are also following the Hog Tales of a novice rider. If you are new to riding, please join me and share your journey to becoming a confident and seasoned rider ready to go anywhere, any time!

Our on-going theme this month is “Riding goals for 2017!” Be sure to check out where your fellow riders really want to go this year.

Don't forget the Chapter Challenge. Remember that a picture is worth a thousand words, or in this case it can be worth 1 to 5 points. Five (5) points gets you a pin and a patch. One picture in front of Paradise Harley Davidson and you have it! Ride to Paradise, get your picture taken and submit it. If I am there, I will take your picture and send it to you!

Did you take part in those Sizzlin' Saturday's? The events, music and hot dogs were great! Paradise Harley always has something fun and interesting going on the weekends. Check it out on their Website!

The Road Captains sponsored another rousing Hogs and Hotcakes this month and what a feast this turned out to be. If you missed it, there will be another one later!

NEW FOR YOU:

Read the Swineline, get a prize!!!

Somewhere off the wall in this issue , other than the normal reporting, is the name of a Chapter Member. If it is you, come to the next meeting, find me, show me where you found your name, and you will be the recipient of a nice prize!

These breakfasts help support our road captains to purchase needed gear and support materials (like first aid kits) to ensure we have safe rides. Come out and eat, mingle and help out with a donation.

If all the rides were not enough to keep us all in fun this month, the Meet and Mingle at Rose's Restaurant and Bakery did the trick! Yummy food, good company, wild hog tales!

Something new for you this month: check out “**Squealers!**” - you know, those rib tickling, rolling on the floor laughing tales that ensure us that Murphy's Law is still running things!

When you ride, take pictures! If you want to share in the Swineline, please send me a write up on your ride: Where did you go? Anything fun happen? What did you see? How was the weather?

Tell me about your rides, activities and other things you would like to share with the HOG:
sherri@sunsethog.com

Sherri



Activities Corner

Lisa Hayes & Sandy Karn



It has been an enjoyable month so far and I was able to go on some very fun rides: The April Fools ride & the Silver Falls ride. The April Fools ride had some twists and turns and I am not talking about the roads! It stayed true to the day of foolishness that is for sure. Going around in a circle and pulling back into Paradise after we initially left was a riot. We entered the highway from Scholl's and I waved at group two while we were on the highway and they were still on Cascade and then was like wait, what the heck? why are we pulling back onto Greenburg? Forgot...we were following that pesky squirrel, Bob! April Fools on us as he led us around in circles. He and the other RC's had some other April Fools surprises in store for us once we reached Vernonia where the group had choices! Yes, choices to pick one of three rides. Considering Russ was leading one of those three rides I went on that one. Our group was meant to do a brown bag lunch, but the weather as usual this Spring had other plans. Stuffy's II was calling our names and quick to be the replacement for Russ's group where I finally got to partake of one very large cinnamon roll. I'm hooked!

The Silver Falls run was also a great ride, and we had such a good time. I met some pretty awesome new folks on their first rides with the Chapter. We got to have our brown bag lunch at Camp Silver Creek Falls. It was chilly, but we all had a good time shooting the breeze. I got to take some fantastic pictures, which I love to do. You all smile so nice. I think one of my favorite pictures to take is the one I took of Joe & Kathy Eidenschink. They love that pose and I love for them to strike that pose. I have bunches of them over the years posing for my trusty camera. Getting to ride with Fred "Santa" Wallace was extra special as well. I was super excited when we caught sight of him in Silverton waiting

for the group. He is one that can always put a smile on my face. It was a lot of fun seeing everyone and hearing about all the rides you all have in store for the summer.

Anyway, on with actual Activity stuff! Last month we had our Meet & Mingle at Rose's Restaurant & Lounge. My little wish on having one on a sunny patio went down the drain with the rain as it rolled into the gutters. No such luck for April, but Sandy and I are on the lookout for some sunny days ahead with some great patio meet & mingles that we can ride out to. They are coming, those sunny days, and they are just around the corner. These are always great times to just get together with our HOG family talking about past rides, future rides and everything in between. Beware, I have been known to steal pickles!

Sandy & I have a couple activities in May. First out of the gate is our fabulous Breakfast Burrito Bar at Paradise on May 7th from 10:00am-11:30am. Our next Meet & Mingle is scheduled for May 16th. Keep those fingers crossed for some nice patio weather! Stay tuned on location and time in the upcoming e-blasts.

Have fun and stay safe.

Lisa Hayes & Sandy Karn
Activities Officers





Roger Smith, SR Road Captain

Senior Road Captain

The riding season is upon us, May is shaping up to be a busy riding month and we are excited to have so many fun rides planned for everyone from which to choose. We are very thankful to all of our Road Captains who go on all the rides with us. It is a pleasure to know that we have Road Captains along to help where needed whether the group for that ride is large or small.

We are always looking for more volunteers to become Road Captains and we have many fun rides. If you like going on the rides and you would like to become a Road Captain, please let me or one of the other Road Captains know you are interested and we will get you started on the process.

1st Gear... - March and April have been very rainy months this year, but we did have a few days that were sunny, some were overcast, but pleasant. I hope you were able to get out and ride. We have already had a bunch of fun and foolishness on the April Fool's ride, a nice ride through the country to Silver Falls, and a beautiful day and ride to Parkdale. We are so excited to see more and more of you joining in on the rides. The more the merrier! If you have not joined us on a ride yet, look at the calendar for upcoming rides. If you have questions or need additional information, please reach out to any Chapter officers and they will help answer.

2nd Gear... - I am looking for people who may have kept their tank instructions prior to 2017. If you have some old Tank Instructions sitting around, bring them to the next Chapter Meeting on May 9th. The 10th person (non-RC) to bring me an old Tank Instruction (prior to 2017) will receive a prize.

3rd Gear... - Group Riding Orientation – This is an optional class to help orient you to group riding in the Sunset Chapter and introduces you to the hand signals, riding formations and other information to help make the ride enjoyable. We offer this training class several times per year, but please do not let that hold you up from joining a ride. We want you to join us and we will give you an orientation before the ride

starts. We also have a pre-ride meeting, which covers safety, ride information, destination and route information, hand signals, waving off if you wish to leave the ride and other important information. Please join us on any ride you wish!

4th Gear... - You have probably heard us talk about Cookie Crumbs, but if you have not, let me explain. When riding in a group, it is easy to get split up. Sometimes we get split up trying to get through lights or perhaps waiting for traffic or trains and the riders left behind may not know where everyone in the front of the group may have gone or turned. If we get split up and there is a turn up ahead for the ride, we want everyone to know that we made a turn, so one person in the group stops before the turn and waits until they see the rest of the group show up. This person is the "cookie crumb." As the riders who were split off catch up, the cookie crumb gets back on the road and moves on with the ride. If there are more turns up ahead, other riders will stop to be cookie crumbs as well so that everyone in the group gets to the planned destination.

5th Gear... - If you want to go on an overnight ride this summer, please sign up as soon as you can. We have some awesome destinations to ride to this year: HOG North meets South, Medford (May 26-29, Dave Mann); Little Alpine Overnighter (Jun 23-26, Russ Hayes); Hells Canyon Rally (July 6-9); PNW HOG Rally (July 20-23) Meridian, Idaho; Hot Lake Ride, Baker City (Sept 9-10, Jeff Miesen), and the Samoa Cookhouse ride, Samao, CA, (9/1—9/4), to name a few. For more information on signing up for these overnight rides, contact one of the Chapter Officers and they will be happy to help get the ball rolling.

6th Gear... - I would like to thank all of you who have come out and supported your Road Captains' Hogs n Hotcakes breakfasts this year. Your support is greatly appreciated! Your donations have gone towards First Aid training and refurbishing our First Aid kits. We have one last Hogs 'n Hotcakes breakfast planned for the year on May 21st. Please come on out, enjoy the breakfast and have fun sharing with other members, guests and our Road Captains.

April Safety Tips!

Whether you are a new rider or a seasoned rider with many years and many miles behind you, it is always a good refresher to visit the safety considerations when riding. Just like learning to drive a cage (car), it is easier to learn out on the open roads where there is little to no traffic. It allows you to get a handle on the controls of your bike and develop muscle memory before you have to test these skills in the midst of traffic lights, cars, potholes, weather and other riding conditions.

According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS), motorcyclist are 30 times more likely to get into a fatal accident than those in a car. Unfortunately, nearly 50% of all deaths associated with riding a motorcycle are single-cycle crashes. However, with these kinds of statistics there are those who ride for a lifetime and never have a crash.

We are reminded, even if we have been riding for years, that there are certain tips that we need to keep in mind. Even if you are on your 2nd, 5th or 10th motorcycle, do not buy more “bike” than you can handle. Make sure that your bike “fits” you, which means you should be able to put both feet down comfortably on each side of the bike. You should not have to lean forward to hold the handlebars and your seat should be comfortable for long and short rides.

ABS – Anti-lock brakes are a blessing. Not all bikes come with them stock, so if you ride in traffic a great deal, it is worth it to invest in good anti-lock brakes. The IIHS data shows that bikes that have anti-lock brakes are 1/3+ less likely to be involved in a fatal crash. Locking up bike brakes robs you of steering control and can potentially lead to skids and a crash.

Practice, practice, practice. It is easy to become complacent and lackadaisical about your riding skills. It pays to practice such

things as a hard stop and slow riding techniques and cornering. Take a refresher course every year or so to have a ride instructor help and point out areas where you may need some additional practice. Also, there are parking lots that are already set up with practice runs. Talk to a Chapter officer and they may help you find one near you.

Remember those days when someone in your sphere of influence said, “Use your head?” It could have been a parent, a teacher, a coach or someone else. When it comes to motorcycle riding, you definitely want to use your head. The right helmet makes all the difference. Yes, helmets give you “helmet-hair,” but get the one that is the safest. No one wants to find out that his or her helmet did not quite make the cut after the impact.

Wear the right gear. Cut-off jeans and flip-flops may be a great way to dress for touring Margaretville, but not on a motorcycle. You need to cover yourself to protect you from flying debris, weather conditions, wind chill, and road rash or abrasions should you go down. Buying reflective gear so that others can see you is the best. Also, invest in solid eye protection, not just from UV rays, but rocks and other flying debris that can result in loss of sight.

Avoid bad weather; keep a weathered eye out for all those road hazards, and in our area, if you are riding in the mountains, deer, elk and other critters. Also, be ready to ride by doing a pre-ride check of your bike before you leave home. If you do break down out and away, have a backup plan to be rescued. Join AAA or another auto club that will pick up your bike and/or put you up if you become stranded.

Happy Riding! Keep the Rubber Side Down!

Chapter Membership!

Welcome new members to the Sunset Chapter of the Harley Owners Group. We are a great group of Riders and are fortunate to be sponsored by Paradise Harley-Davidson. Whether you are a new member or someone who has been with us for a while, we know that you bought your motorcycle to "ride!" We know that each and every one of you have some really cool reasons to ride your motorcycle and the Chapter adds a lot more reasons into the mix.

As riders, we often ride for the excitement and the adventure. We ride to feel the wind in our face and the freedom of the road to go places that we would not normally go. We ride to see places and things that we would not normally see and in the process meet people that we might not have had the good fortune to meet had we not been riding our bikes. Sometimes we ride just to get away, to escape the everyday and clear the cobwebs and other clutter from our minds seeking a bit of peace and tranquility on the road.

Sometimes we want to ride with others who have similar interests and who would like to ride along. That is where the Sunset Chapter membership comes in handy. If you joined this riding group looking for like-minded friends, relationships and camaraderie, you have come to the right place. At Sunset, you have found everything mentioned above in the blink of an eye, and more...

Along with all the variety of rides, we have 100's of members for you to partner up and ride. We also have group rides that are during the week, on weekends, holidays, overnight rides, long rides, short rides, coastal rides and rides in between. We know you like to ride and the easiest way to connect up with other riders is to come on out to our Monthly Chapter meetings, grab a burger and some fries and sit and visit with other members. While you are enjoying your food, smile, laugh, share and enjoy others' ride stories from all over and make plans to get together and go riding.

If you are a social media buff, we have fun on Facebook as well. If you would like to be a member of our Facebook community, send a friend request for the SUNSET CHAPTER of H.O.G. 1814 TIGARD, OREGON to get access. Like any other Facebook page, members share their rides, share

that they want to ride and look for others who want to go to the same place or just ride along, ask questions about parts and accessories, riding gear, upcoming events, shout outs to friends, questions, as well as other fun that may come about...

If you are not a social media buff, or would just like another place to surf for Chapter events, rides and information, check out the Chapter Website. You can log in at www.sunsethog.com with your national H.O.G. number and your last name to view pictures and the Swineline and other information about the Chapter. Check out the gallery of pictures from past events, who are this year's officers and volunteers, and the vast calendar of activities and rides scheduled for this riding season.

If your email is in our email list, you will receive weekly E-Blasts letting you know what is coming up for rides and events for the next 3 to 4 weeks in advance so you can plan ahead. There will be something fun happening with Paradise Harley-Davidson and/or the Chapter nearly every week for the rest of the summer. Plan on having some good time riding fun, food and company!

Every reason you can think of to ride your motorcycle can be found with your brothers and sisters at Sunset Chapter H.O.G. And... If you know someone who would like to join us and ride as well (rider or passenger), bring them along to a meeting and we will help sign them up. You can also sign up on our Website by going to www.sunsethog.com and clicking on About Us, then Join the Chapter. Scroll down and you will find the Chapter Membership Form and the Supplemental Membership form. Fill these out and bring them to a meeting with annual Chapter dues in the amount of \$25, or mail to: Sunset Chapter 1814, PO Box 2078, Beaverton, Oregon 97075-2078.

You can also pick up both forms at Paradise Harley-Davidson. The forms are located next to the TV in the file box and bring them to any ride or activity. There is always an officer at every activity, ride and meeting. Thank you for joining, being a member or bringing in guests and other members to our H.O.G. family!

Ride Safe, Have Fun, Enjoy!

Merchandise

How may we serve You?



While we are still waiting on the first batch of Chapter hoodies, we want you to know that we will still be special ordering these hoodies in the future, but please be aware that we have a 12-piece minimum requirement before we can place a new order, so it could be awhile between orders. We will continue to take pre-orders any time.

Would you like a Name Rocker? Name Rockers are popular and can be ordered in different styles and different colored stitching and even in script. You can have your name, your significant other's name, dog's name, road name or the name of the person you took to the prom. We can order your name rocker and usually get it back within 2-3 weeks.

Where do I put my patches? I have been getting regular questions about patches and how/where to sew them on a vest or jacket. Let me try to help people here. The Sunset Chapter of HOG has no set rule/custom or procedure to dictate how and where a patch gets sewn on your jacket, vest or chaps. There is a saying in the biker world that goes something like "It's your... Make it any ... way you want to and show your style and class." Same goes with your patches.

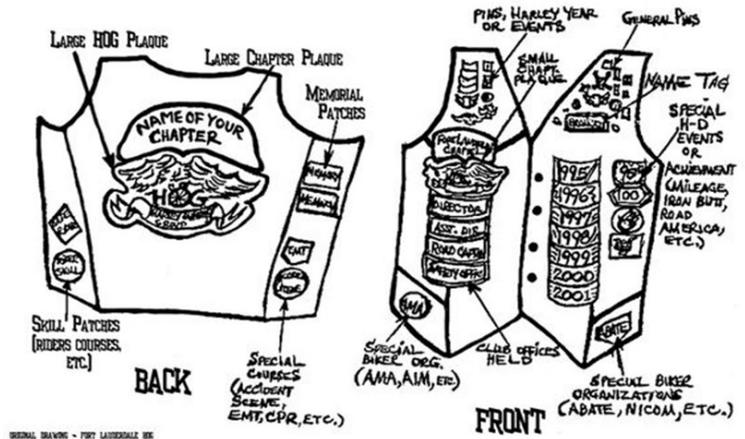
Traditionally there is a large back "center" patch and a "top rocker" patch that shows the Chapter name that most people generally place on the upper back of their vest or jacket. If you have a name rocker, which is your choice, common placement is on the upper right just below the shoulder. Various other HOG patches are available in smaller sizes that can be placed where you want them. We sell some of these other patches in various styles.

People put mileage rockers in different places and membership years where they like them. Some have American Flags (I have dual flags) and some people do not. There are people who have multiple vests with different themes such as HOG, Vet/Patriotic groups they are in, clean (no patches at all), and novelty vests with patches and pins from rallies, pin stops, vacation spots, memento's, etc.

Many people add other types of patches that are humorous, military related, novelty, traditional, in memoriam, from other groups and even trades/crafts they belong to. The best advice I can give you is to see what others have sewn on their jackets/vests/chaps and start a conversation with them. Hopefully these conversations will lead as

an inspiration. This is your personal expression, so make it how you like.

This is a graphic from another Chapter (Fort Lauderdale) that gives you one idea of how you



ORIGINAL DRAWING - FORT LAUDERDALE HD

might want to place your patches, though it is by no means required. I know that some people are a little nervous they will sew patches on wrong and I get that, but to reiterate, it is personal taste. I was in the military where patch placement is made tedious and with rulers and precision. (It explains the rebellious lack of order my vest displays.) Please note once again that the graphic is not an "official" Sunset Chapter protocol for sewing patches on a vest. I have included it so people can see the types of things that can be sewn/pinned on vests and give them the chance to do some pre-planning as they consider patch purchases and placement.

I want to thank the Chapter for allowing me to be the Merchandise Officer this year and I hope that the word is getting out that we have some cool stuff, and have a catalog that will allow us to help you order even more cool HD stuff that you might want to own. Even though the T-Shirt sale is over, we still have other stuff in stock such as patches, bandanas and hats for HOG and LOH riders. Let me know if you see a need for merchandise that I can stock or carry for you.

Keep the shiny side up,

The "Bob" Heino
Merchandise Officer

Swineline History

2 Years Ago this month....

SWINELINE

APRIL 2015



Season Opener Ride

So the Season Opener Ride was on March 7th. There was a really good turn out of 54 riders showing up at PHD. We split the groups in two; Me leading the first group with Jeff Miesen as my shotgun and Bob Driscoll as my sweep. The second group was lead by Russ Hayes with Steve Watts as his shotgun and Dan Boss as his sweep.

Lance Kretlow

2014 Electra Glide
Ultra Limited

Our route would loop us around the countryside and drop us back at PHD. The route took us down Scholls Ferry, onto HWY 219 and moved west towards HWY 47 to Forest Grove.

Although all the RC's pre-road this route and I had the route in my GPS I missed the turn we were suppose to make onto Blooming Fern Hill to get to 47. So off went the first group off course on what I hoped was towards Forest Grove. I heard Russ through the com telling me he was sticking on course with the second group. Not knowing the westside of town to well, I was sure hoping this road would take me to Forest Grove. It fortunately popped us out on HWY 8 and I saw the sign to Forest Grove. Relief. Turned the first group on 8 and approached the intersection at 47. Guess who we came across at the red light on 47? The second group! Perfect timing! The first group turned on 47 and the second group was right behind us.

We headed to Banks and onto HWY 26 to Vernonia for a quick stop at the duck pond and a big group picture on a our blue sky day. We moved onward and upward over the foothills of the Scappoose/Vernonia HWY for a fuel stop in Scappoose. Our final stretch went over the West Hills on Cornelius Pass Rd. heading towards Murray Blvd we made it back to PHD.

We had awesome weather that reached 72 degrees for the high that day. Could not ask for a better Season Opener Ride. It was a great ride with a lot of good folks. Thanks to all the new and returning RC's for making sure we rode safe and had fun. Thanks all who rode with us.



Chapter Challenge 2017



You Got it Going, Mike!
Mike Pritchett is off and racking up those points.

96 Points so far!!!



Way to Go, Scott Brammell!



Cities and Counties Going On!

"O" for Oregon and "U" for the United States!

How many Points do you have?

Send pictures and points updates to:
Sherri@sunsethog.com



Chapter Challenge 2017



Wow! Andy Lester!
This is a 5-pointer right here!

Rack up those points!

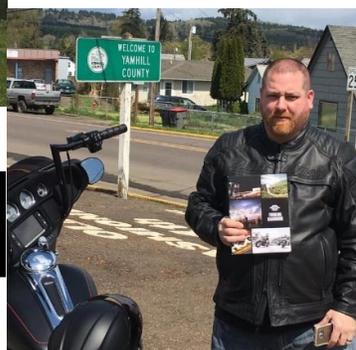


You are off and running, Chris Coronado!



Cities and Counties!!!

Sheridan for an "S"
Yamhill for a "Y"



Willamina for a "W"
Polk for a "P"



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2017 Chapter Challenge!



2017 ABCs OF TOURING FORM



An alphabetical "scavenger hunt" for you and your Harley-Davidson® motorcycle! Earn points and win prizes by collecting photos of yourself, your motorcycle, and "official signs" from A-Z!

PRIZES

- **FIRST PLACE:** \$1,500 Harley-Davidson® Gift Card; \$75 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive HOG Merchandise; 1st Place Plaque + Recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum®; HOG Magazine; and HOG Insider
- **SECOND PLACE:** \$1,000 Harley-Davidson Gift Card; \$50 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive HOG Merchandise; 2nd Place Plaque + Recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum; HOG Magazine; and HOG Insider
- **THIRD PLACE:** \$500 Harley-Davidson Gift Card; \$25 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive HOG Merchandise; 3rd Place Plaque + Recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum; HOG Magazine; and HOG Insider
- **100 POINTS OR MORE:** ABCs pin and patch, \$50 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive HOG Merchandise
- **51 TO 99 POINTS:** ABCs pin and patch, \$25 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive HOG Merchandise
- **5 TO 50 POINTS:** ABCs pin and patch

OFFICIAL RULES AND GUIDELINES:

PARTICIPATION

- Any full or associate H.O.G. member from the U.S. or Canada may enter. Entries must be submitted individually.
- Only one 2017 ABCs of Touring entry per H.O.G. member.
- All photos submitted become the property of Harley-Davidson Motor Company. Photos, along with participant's name, may be used in publications, promotions, and other Company purposes.
- In the interest of fairness, no exceptions will be made to the Guidelines.
- Individuals participate at their own risk. Do not break the law or endanger yourself or others when taking photos.

PHOTO FORMATS

All photos must be submitted online at hog.com/abc. Photo formats accepted are .jpg, .gif, .png. Each photo must not exceed 5MB in size. NOTE: Images must be clear and names/signs must be legible in submitted prints. Prints that are blurred, fuzzy, illegible, or unrecognizable will not receive points. Photos may be used for multiple categories by uploading the same photo for each category. Dealership photos used for city, state and province points may be used. Please upload the same photo for each category.

PHOTO ELEMENTS

- Your Harley-Davidson motorcycle must be in each photo. A Harley-Davidson® Authorized Rental motorcycle is also acceptable.
- The second page of these rules is the 2017 H.O.G. *Touring Handbook* cover that you can print and start your ABCs adventure today.
- You, the entrant, must be in at least five of the photos.
- An "official sign" must be in each photo. An official sign is defined as:
 - A government building with the name of the city, village, town, county, state, territory, or country on it. An example of a government building is a post office, city hall, or police station. Examples of items that WOULD NOT count as a government building are libraries, vehicles, schools, water towers, and museums.
 - An authorized Harley-Davidson dealership may be used to designate a city, state, or province, plus it may be used to obtain up to 10 H-D® Dealership points. Photos of the dealership must include the dealership building with the name of the dealership on it. The first letter of the actual city where the dealership is physically located is the letter for which you will receive a point. For example, Harley-Davidson of Charlotte is physically located in Matthews, NC so you would receive credit for the letter "M" for a photo of that dealership. For photos of dealerships, the name of the city and state of the dealership must be included in your description before submitting.
 - A sign posted by a government body that is physically located within the boundary of the place it identifies. Mileage markers and directional signs do not qualify.

HOW DO I EARN POINTS?

- Photos may be used for multiple categories by uploading the same photo for each category. Dealership photos used for city, state and province points may be used. Please upload the same photo for each category.
- One point for each city, village, town, township, or municipality sign from A-Z. Only one point per letter. (26 points maximum)
- One point for each county, parish, or district sign from A-Z. The word "county," "parish," or "district," or the abbreviation equivalent, must be on the sign as well as the name. Only one point per letter. (26 points maximum)
- One point for each U.S. state. The name of the state or abbreviation equivalent must appear on the sign. (50 points maximum)
- One point for each country. The name of the country or abbreviation equivalent must appear on the sign.
- One point for each Canadian province and territory. The name of the province or territory, or abbreviation equivalent, must appear on the sign. (13 points maximum)
- One point for each U.S. National Forest sign. The name of the forest as well as the words "National Forest" must appear on the sign. (5 points maximum)
- One point for each individual Harley-Davidson dealership. (10 points maximum) Dealership photos used for city, state, and province points may be used. However, a separate photo must be submitted for each point.
- One point for each U.S. National Park Service (NPS) managed site and for each National Park or Provincial Park in Canada. The NPS logo with name and/or the name of the park, historic site, lakeshore, monument, etc. as well as the words "National" or "Provincial" must appear on the sign. Visit nps.gov for U.S. parks and pc.gc.ca for Canadian parks. (5 points maximum)
- Canadian Provincial/Regional and U.S. H.O.G. Rallies or H.O.G. Pin Stops as listed on hog.com/events. The rally photo must clearly show you (the entrant) and an official rally banner or a national Harley-Davidson staff member. H.O.G. rally event banner may not always be accessible with your motorcycle. In that case a photo of you, the entrant, at the location and holding a 2017 HOG magazine or the 2017 H.O.G. *Touring Handbook* will be accepted. This is the only situation that does not require your motorcycle in the picture.
 - Two points for each 2017 International Rally (outside the country you reside) that is listed as the National Rally for that country.
 - Two points for each 2017 U.S. H.O.G. Rally or Canadian Provincial/Regional H.O.G. Rally.
 - One point for each 2017 U.S. or Canadian H.O.G. Pin Stop.
- Points as listed below for each of the following Harley-Davidson Motor Company facilities. (12 points maximum)
 - Two points for Juneau Avenue Headquarters in Milwaukee, WI
 - Two points for Pilgrim Road Operations in Menomonee Falls, WI
 - Two points for York Vehicle Operations in York, PA
 - Two points for Kansas City Operations in Kansas City, MO
 - Two points for Tomahawk Operations in Tomahawk, WI
 - Two points for Harley-Davidson Museum® in Milwaukee, WI (Please do not park on sidewalks while taking your photo at the Museum.)

SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY

- Photos must be submitted online at hog.com/abc.
- One photo must be included for each point for which you are submitting. All entries must be submitted online no later than December 31, 2017.

Decisions of the judges are final. Prizes are subject to change.

Your Ride Goals for 2017!



Buddy
"Hood River"



Brandon
"Florence, CO"



Fred
"Sacramento to Death Valley/Vegas/Reno and back!"



Garry
"Get on my bike and Ride!!!"



Al & Stephanie
"Every Place in Oregon we've never been?"



Daniel
"Yosemite!!!"



Mr. Bill
"Follow the Leader wherever he may go!"



Dennis
"So. California!!!"



James
"5,000 mile ride through 15 states!"



Harry
Aka Fuzzy Face
"Get back on my bike after time away!!!"



John
"Hells Canyon!"



Dennis
"Around the United States to visit... visit it... visit!"

Your Ride Goals for 2017!



Bob & Teresa
"The Coast!"



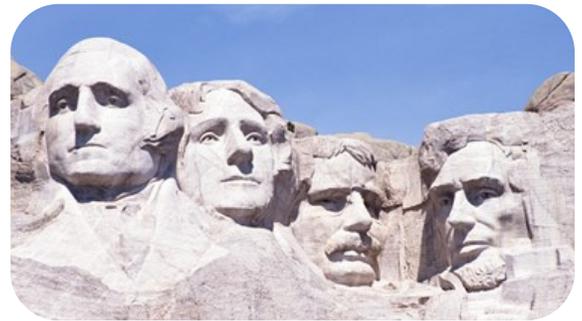
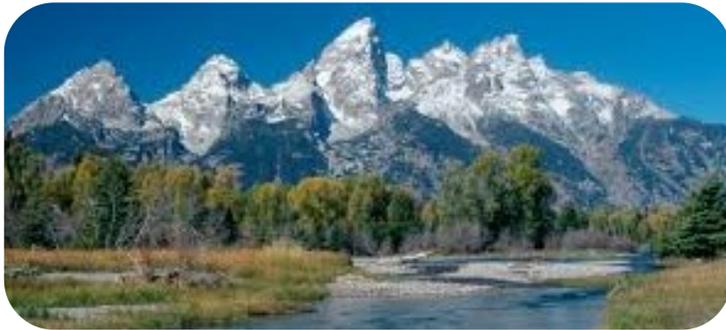
Arnie & Sandy
Canada!



Russ & Lisa
"Going to the Sun Road – Glacier National Park!"



Marc & Tammy
Lighthouse Run and more!



Jerry & Janet
Canada!



Rick & Vicki
Hagg Lake, Stonehenge, The Coast!



Earl & Jen
Cowboy Dinner Tree!



Dano & Connie
Hawaii!



Mike & Hazel
Anywhere on the Oregon Coast!



Bob D.
Hog Rally in Meridian, ID



Legend of the Guardian Bell



Many years ago, on a cold December night, an old greybeard biker was returning from a trip to Mexico with his saddlebags filled with toys and other assorted trinkets for the kids at a group home near where he worked.

As he road that night, he thought about how lucky he had been in life, having a loving riding partner that understood his need to roam the highways and about his trusty old bike that hadn't let him down once in the many years they had shared the road together.

About 50 miles north of the border, in the high desert, lurked a small group of notorious little critters know as Road Gremlins. You know, the ones who always leave little obstacles like one shoe, boards and pieces of old tires on the road and also dig those dreaded potholes for bikers to run over and crash, thus giving the Road Gremlins a chance to rejoice over their acts of evil.

As the old greybeard rounded a curve that moonlit night, the gremlins ambushed him, causing him to crash to the asphalt and skid before coming to a stop next to one of his saddlebags that had broken free. As he lay there, unable to move, the Road Gremlins made their way towards him. The greybeard, not being one to give up, started throwing things at the gremlins as they approached him. Finally, with nothing else to throw but a bell, he started ringing it in the hopes of scaring off the dirty little gremlins.

About a half a mile away, camped in the desert, were two bikers sitting around the campfire talking about their day's ride and the freedom of the wind blowing in their faces as they rode across this vast country. In the stillness of the night air, they heard what sounded to them like church bells ringing and upon investigating, found the old biker lying along the roadside with gremlins about to get him. Needless to say, being a part of the biker Brotherhood, they proceeded to ward off the gremlins until the last of them ran off into the night.

Being grateful to the two bikers, the old greybeard offered to pay them for their help, but as all true bikers do, they refused to accept any type of payment from him. Not being one to let a good deed go unnoticed, the greybeard cut two pieces of leather from his saddlebag tassels and tied a bell to each one. He then placed them on each of the biker's motorcycles, as near to the ground as possible. The tired, old road warrior then told the two travelers that with those bells placed on their bikes, they would be protected from the Road Gremlins and that if eve in trouble, just ring the bell and a fellow biker will come to their aid.

So whenever you see a biker with a bell, you know that he has been blessed with the most important thing in life...friendship from a fellow biker.

<http://www.angelfire.com/tx5/silverdragonlamp/HarleyBell.html>



April Chapter Meeting

New Members

Welcome to the Chapter!

🏍️ Brian Wisneski
 🏍️ James Carlson
 🏍️ Doug Whipper

🏍️ Rick Mathews 🏍️ Michael Nastasi
 🏍️ Kent Atherton 🏍️ Dennis Geldbach
 🏍️ George Forsyth/Debbie Taggart



Rick Mathews: I bought a 2006 Road King in Utah and then trailered it up here in April. I have only put about a 100 miles on it so far this year because I took it in to PHD and had them do a lot of service to it. I got set up with new tires, upgraded the suspension, Dyno, and new Road King tour pack for my wife's comfort. I am going to get the new SENA blue tooth device as well. I like group riding for the usual reasons, but also because I believe it is safer. The group is more visible.

Michael Nastasi: I bought a 2012 Heritage Soft Tail Classic. I belonged to Fairfax, VA HOG and was also a Myrtle Beach, VA HOG member. My wife grew up in Portland, Oregon and went to Sunset High School. We currently live in Hood River and just recently found Sunset Chapter.



James Carlson: I purchased a 2017 Road Glide Special (the Milwaukee Eight was what finally got me to pull the trigger on a new bike). I traded in my 2005 Fatboy for the Road Glide in the middle of February this year. I found out about this particular H.O.G. Chapter through Paradise Harley-Davidson when I purchased my new bike. My favorite ride is with a couple buddies, tearing it up on a sunny day, but my bike is also my daily driver. I take it everywhere in rain, snow, and shine.

Dennis Geldbach: I bought a 2017 CVO Street Glide in February. I like long rides, weekend rides and over-night rides. Me and my friends intend to go to Sturgis this year.

Doug Wipper: I learned to ride growing up by riding dirt bikes. I used to have a Honda, but decided one day to buy a bike again and wanted a Harley, so I bought a 2014 Sportster 48.

George Forsyth: I have a 2016 Ultra Limited, bought the bike in the middle to the end of June 2017 and put 1000 miles on it and it got hit in the parking lot at the Corner Saloon on Bike Night on June 6. I spent from June 7 until September 11 at Paradise Harley-Davidson getting it repaired. I will ride pretty much anytime as long as it is not raining. I am not really into riding in rainy wet weather. I will ride if I get stuck in it, but mostly I would prefer to ride when it is sunny and nice. My goals for this year is basically to get out and ride more. I will ride with friends or in groups, I enjoy both.

April Chapter Meeting More...

We had another great Chapter Meeting at the Elks Club on March 11, 2017.

Mileage Rocker Program:

While we did not have any new mileage rocker awards this month, we know you are all out there riding and racking up those miles. Sign up for the Mileage program by picking up an application at Paradise Harley-Davidson, fill it out, have someone at PHD sign it for you and send it in. PHD will even FAX it for you if you want



to get it turned in faster. The forms are located at PHD by the TV in the lounge area just under the Chapter Calendar. You may also ask any PHD associate to help you get you signed up. For your efforts, you get patches and pins from H.O.G., and a prize from the Chapter as you reach each mileage goal. The first

one is only 1,000 miles, so get your enrollment in today and start racking up those points!

We always have ride recaps, and announcements about upcoming rides and events too. The Road Captains all shared their rides for the past several weeks. Thank you Bob Driscoll, Dano Pierceall, Russ Hayes and Roger Smith for sharing the April Fools and Silver Falls ride experiences. Check out more pictures on the Website and Facebook.



April Chapter Meeting More...



Thank you to all who brought socks. We filled the 30-gallon donation drum (30 gallons of socks!) with new socks for the Veterans in support of the Elks sock drive. Ron, from the Elks Club, thanks the Chapter for their generosity and thoughtfulness. These socks will be greatly appreciated.

Ron also presented the "Elk of the Month" -- our very own Jaime May, fellow rider and Webmaster! Congrats to Jaime!

Lisa presented special lapel pins to the Veterans showcased in last month's Swineline. Thank you all for your service!

What an exciting turn out of new members this month! We had eight (8) new members join our ranks this month and brought many guests. Welcome to the Chapter and we love to have you all.

Roger (Sr. Road Captain) brought in a 10-pound cinnamon roll from Stuffys II in Longview, WA - fast becoming a favorite destination for our members. 10 pounds feeds a lot of people, and we cut it up and passed it around. Also, Russ Hayes, our director, was turning a year older (on April 12th). Thanks Lisa and Sandy for bringing in a birthday cake and sharing the fun and celebration with the Chapter!



This month our Mystery Greeter was James, and Blue won the prize. You never know who the Mystery Greeter is going to be, so mix and mingle - you might be the lucky winner!

If you have not been to the Chapter meetings recently, join us at the Elks Club on May 9th for our next meeting. You never know what fun and treats are in store!

Socializing and burgers & fries start at 6:00pm. The meeting starts at 7:00 and usually lasts an hour. The Elks Club is located at 3464 SW 106th Ave, Beaverton OR - see you there!





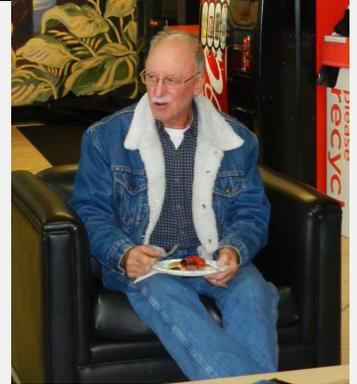
Hogs & Hotcakes! and bacon, and ham, and links and more...



Good Times!



Smiles all around!!!



Good Friends!



**Blueberry Pancakes
& Real
Maple Syrup served
up with
Bacon, Ham, link
sausage and more...**



Great Food!

**Awesome
company!**



*Sizzlin' Saturday @
Paradise Harley-Davidson
Your Sunset Chapter Director cookin'
Polish Dogs!*



**Every Saturday Paradise Harley-Davidson
sponsors live music, food, and friendship!
Come on out, share with your
fellow riders, enjoy the
music and food!**

**Thank you, Paradise Harley-Davidson
for everything you do!**



Ninth Annual

North Meets South

2017 Bike Rally

"Coming Home to Beautiful Southern Oregon"

Started in 2008 by Southern Oregon Number 1 HOG, North Meets South has become a living, breathing thing.

Have you ever wanted to see Crater Lake? Have you ever wanted to go to the 7 Feathers Casino in Canyonville? Well, now is your chance. Join me for the HOG event known as North Meets South. It is being sponsored by D&S Harley Davidson in Medford, OR. It is returning this year to Medford where it originated 9 years ago. It happens during Memorial Day weekend, May 26-29.

Your \$51.00 registration gets you a patch and a pin and three (3) nights of meals. T-shirts are available if you register online at northmeetsouth.info.

I have reserved a block of rooms at the Quality Inn. Give them a call (541-779-0050) and let them know you are with Sunset HOG, to put the room in your name and your method of payment.

For more information, visit the website. Hope to see you in Medford.

Dave

Meet & Mingle



Mm mm good!



Here's to you all!



Hmm... Burger or fish n' chips?



Havin' Fun at Rose's Restaurant & Bakery



Everything looks good — What are you having?



Hog Tips!

Choosing the right helmet!

I recently attended the Riding Gear Clinic at PHD and one of the topics was selecting the right helmet and making sure it fits correctly. After the clinic, I walked through the store and looked at the different helmets. There are quite a few to choose from. They come in different styles, colors and sizes made by a variety of manufacturers. Wearing a helmet reduces the potential for brain injury by 67% should you be involved in an accident. A helmet is a critical part of your riding gear, so make sure you purchase the right one for you. So, what is important and how can I know I picked the right one?

There are three basic types of helmets: Full Face (chin guard does not flip up), Modular (chin guard flip-up), $\frac{3}{4}$ face (open face and open-face with face shield), $\frac{1}{2}$ helmet (brain bucket, skid lid). Some of these helmets provide more protection than others.

The full face provides the most protection and includes a face shield for eye and face protection. The Modular provides the next best protection with the chin guard that will flip up so that you can talk to others without feeling like you have to take off your helmet. The $\frac{3}{4}$ face, or open-face helmet may or may not have a face shield and the $\frac{1}{2}$ helmet provides the least protection, thus the slang names for this type of helmet. If you purchase a helmet without the face shield, remember to invest in high-quality eye protection. Regular sun glasses do not provide the level of protection that will not shatter when hit with rocks, debris and other flying objects (like the studs off studded tires).

You want to make sure your helmet meets DOT safety standards and has the DOT seal somewhere on the helmet itself. Look for your helmet manufacturer's testing procedures and standards. You should be able to determine what the shock-absorbing impact is, how sturdy it is to prevent penetration of sharp objects, how well the chin strap will stay fastened, and whether you have a minimum side vision of 105 degrees right and left to ensure peripheral vision.

Pick the right size. If you know your hat size, then that is a good place to start. Of course, hat size may not be right for a helmet, as helmets need to fit snugly, not tightly. When you put on a

helmet, you should be able to feel the inside of the helmet all around your head without any particular points putting pressure on your head, ears, cheeks, or forehead. If there are particularly strong pressure points, this helmet may be too tight. Wearing the helmet around the store for a while may allow you to see if the helmet is too tight, or the peripheral vision line is not as it should be. If you begin to experience soreness on your head or face, or your neck begins to tighten up or you start getting a head-ache, this is not the helmet for you. While a helmet will need some time to "break in," it should not cause pain and hope that the pain will go away later. Snug is good, too tight is bad.

According to helmetcheck.org, the best way to try on a helmet is:

- Hold it by the chinstraps. The bottom of the helmet should face you with the front pointing down.
- Put your thumbs on the inside of the straps, balancing the helmet with your fingertips.
- Spread the sides of the helmet apart slightly and slip it down over your head using the chinstraps. (http://helmetcheck.org/downloads/helmet_csi.pdf)

While helmets run several hundred dollars, it is critical to your riding comfort and safety to replace it every 3 to 5 years or after the 1st impact; it only takes 1 impact to corrupt the materials that provide safety to your head. Over time, the oils from your head and sweat can break down the materials that are there to protect you, and while your helmet may feel "just right" after all of this time, it may not have the same level of protection that it had when you bought it. Another reason to replace our helmet is that technology and manufacturing has improved helmets over the years and the one you bought 3 to 5 years ago may not provide the same level of protection as one that is available now.

*Use your head – protect it
– ride safe and have fun!*



See &

Riding Gear Clinic

At Paradise Harley-Davidson



Be Seen!



Paradise Harley-Davidson presented a Riding Gear Clinic on Saturday, April 8th. Brian, the merchandise buyer for Paradise, schooled everyone on different types of riding gear: jackets, rain gear, helmets, gloves and eyewear.

Much of the riding gear contains Advanced Retroreflection technology, which provides enhanced visibility for your riding gear. Retroreflection differs from reflection in



that it reflects back to the light source. It can be seen up to 500 feet away, is four times as bright as a stop sign, and reflects 1,500 times more bright than white.

There are many styles in jackets to choose from made from leather and textile materials. The jackets have air venting and may include armor or have pockets for armor. One of the nice features of the riding gear is the research and care that has gone into making it comfortable and useful. The number of pockets is especially helpful when you are on the road and cannot carry additional bags.

The rain gear comes in a few Northwest would keep you home at times. Having a good set of rain gear better enjoy your ride. Rain gear for that time between the rain storm



styles. Living and riding in the Pacific unless you are willing to ride in the rain gear will keep you dry and allow you to has enhanced visibility and breathability and stopping to take it off. gauntlet for winter and other styles for weather keeps you dry and warm by seep or flow up your sleeves.

Gloves come in many styles, summer. Wearing gauntlets in eliminating the potential for rain to

Remember to hang up your rain gear and let it dry completely before repacking it for future use.

There are several styles of helmets to keep you safe while allowing you to be comfortable. Many have sun visors and front shields for your protection. Some have a divot for your radio and others have blue tooth. Fitting the correct helmet is critical for your safety. If your helmet is not snug, it may be the wrong size. Talk to the folks at Paradise to find your right size. Also, remember that helmets are good for 1 impact—and remember to buy a new one every 3-5 years as a matter of course.

Eyewear was also presented. The technological advances in eyewear is phenomenal and you can get eyewear to protect your eyes from flying bugs and debris, as well as from UV rays and weather.

Riding gear is an investment in your comfort and safety. If you are planning on buying riding gear, talk to Brian and the other folks at Paradise to find just the right gear for you and your riding style.

Thank you Paradise Harley-Davidson for another great clinic to help keep us all informed on the latest and greatest.

This was a very worthwhile clinic and very helpful when looking for the right riding gear for you!





Hog Tails!

April Fool's Ride!

...and we weren't foolin'!!!



Twenty-six riders and three passengers braved the weather to follow Bob around the Northern climes after those pesky squirrels. Neither rain, nor rain, nor more rain (mostly drizzle), would deter them, the hard-core first Chapter riders of the Season from being April-Fooled.

Today was definitely not anyone's first choice when it came to riding weather, but that is what riding leather and rain gear is for, right? It certainly was not clear blue sky and bright sun, but for what became of the day, we were all very, very pleased. Why, you say? Here's why:

This multi-choice ride started out as just an idea and a "wild idea" at that; the idea being to bring something new to the table of Sunset Chapter ride possibilities. We got to thinking, "What if we could do a ride that was three or more rides all wrapped into one? What if it could appeal to and suit many more members all at the same time? What if there could be more riding and more fun all in the same day?" With the help of people who see no limits or boundaries, and many other of your



dedicated Sunset Road Captains, the multi-choice ride was not just an idea sitting on a

launch pad, but one that we really made happen.



Everyone met at Paradise Harley-Davidson for safety checks and grouping, and then wouldn't you know, Bob took everyone around the loop back to PHD and the ride was over---April fools! The April fool's joke Bob Driscoll pulled of worked perfectly – in reverse. The only problem was that



the joke was on him. Even though we departed "on the ride" and he just went onto Scholl's Ferry, Hwy 217, off at Greenburg Road, and back to PHD, no one seemed to be upset. No one thought that the ride was over. That was exactly NOT "the joke." Oh well, maybe next year.

After that little side trip, everyone took off and Bob led the group on the beautiful highways and byways through Banks and up Highway 47 to Vernonia Lake. As the bikes all pulled into a quiet Vernonia Lake parking lot for a rest break, and



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signs on the bathroom doors, "Under Construction" – well, one of them was under construction – no foolin'!, it was clear that every-



one was thinking "Rain, Rain Go Away, bother me on a "working" day!" It was in Vernonia, with 26 bikes in the group, that the real "tomfoolery" began.

It was here at Vernonia Lake, ducks enjoying the mist and smooth sailing, that our trusty lead Road Captain, Bob, revealed that there were three new, all different rides to choose from: Some shorter, some longer, some to somewhere else, and some that fit the day



better. Everyone split at Vernonia Lake with smiles on their faces, a resolve to continue to ride in the mist and rain on the ride that that fit them best.

Ride number one was with Dano Piercell, the shortest distance to continue up Highway 47, veer off towards Highway 30 and have

lunch in Scappoose before heading back to the home front. Four bikes decided following Dano as their ride destination for today.

Ride number two was to follow Russ Hayes and his merry band of road captains to Westport, board the ferry across the Columbia River to Cathlamet, Washington and turn east. Heading toward Longview, Washington, their destination



was Stuff's II. Ten bikes hopped on the "Director's" train to have a look at that ten-pound cinnamon roll.

Ride number three was the "long" ride of the day. All "Bob" followers were going to cross the Columbia with the "Director's" train to Cathlamet, Washington, but then head west toward the setting sun and the imminently predictable ten minutes or more of the rain letting up hither and yon along the way. Nine brave bikes decided to run the gauntlet with Bob hoping to see some of those promised critters and maybe some sun breaks.

Everyone took off together and at the first opportunity to head north, Dano led his group up Scappoose Vernonia Highway to enjoy the beauty of the Coast Range in April and off on a hope to





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be a nice ride, but of course, it is still raining. Well, that is Oregon for you, nice one place, and rain in another. As his group hit the road with loud pipes and smiles on everyone's faces, because everyone loves to ride HARLEYS, some people look at us and say, "Wish I had a Harley," and some people look at us and say, "Are they nuts riding in the rain?" Well, that is the love we have for are bikes and riding them wherever the mood takes us.

We were off to Scappoose for lunch, wet from are first leg of this April Fool's ride, but hunger in our guts for some good food in Scappoose. We rode full on through the wind-



ing roads of Highway 47 past Pittsburg and onto the Scappoose Vernonia Highway through a misty, moist and refreshing Coast Range to Highway 30. Fun, right?

Wet and hungry, but pumped from the curvy ride northeast, we find Long Fellows for some real good steak. Enjoying the indoors to warm up, relax, eat, drink and be merry, the rain stopped. Yay!!!! We were ready to head back home east on Highway 30, up Cornelius Pass Road and on to our destinations. Dano and Connie want to thank everyone who chose to follow their lead, eat steak and make it an early day!

The remaining brave souls rode Highway 47 over Mist Mountain (and it was misty) to



Clatskanie, taking a westward ride to Westport and the Ferry. What a ride, what a ride, what a ride is Highway 47. There are lots of curves going up and lots of curves going down. While waiting for the next Ferry ride, everyone was still pretty pumped to keep going. The weather was starting to clear and it had stopped drizzling. All 19

bikes hopped on the ferry and off they went. At Highway 4, the group split again to conquer new roads and see new places.

After the groups split at Vernonia, Russ' group followed Bob Driscoll's group to the Wahkiakum County Ferry. After crossing the river, Russ' group headed to Stuffy's in Longview to share a 10 pound cinnamon roll! With over a dozen of us each taking a piece, we were able to finish less than half of it! It was a good meal and good times, with good friends! Russ's group hung out at Stuffy's II for a long leisurely lunch before returning to Oregon and home.

Bob's group headed west on highway 4 through Skamokawa, Grays River, Rosburg, waived heartily at Naselle from the highway and onto Highway 101 and a 13-mile trek along



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Wilapa Bay. The tide was out and the bay was contoured and colorful. Then everyone headed south to Chinook and McGowan to cross the Astoria-Megler Bridge, four miles of highway over the mouth of the Columbia River, into Astoria. Everyone was back in Oregon.



At Astoria, the group turned west to cross the Young's Bay Bridge into Warrenton and over to Fort Stevens State Park and Coffenbury Lake. The small group enjoyed a small fire at the Lake while eating their nice brown bag lunches of sandwiches, chips, fruit, nuts, cookies, coffee and more... After a short visit, some fresh air and a rest stop, Bob's group headed back toward home, stopping to get gas. Then it was back across the Young's Bay Bridge, up Highway 202 through Olney, Klaskanine Fish Hatchery, Fishhawk Falls, Jewell Meadows (there were no

Elk out on any April Fool's frolics today), into Jewel on Highway 103, up to Elsie on Highway 26 and a race to home. What a day, what a day, what a day. Thanks to Bob, Russ, Dano, and all the Road Captains for taking everyone on a fun and safe ride.

This was an experimental ride, giving 3 options to riders. Russ added: "I personally think it worked out pretty well, and if you took part and enjoyed the options, or if you didn't join, but would like to have these type of options on future rides, be sure to let us know. We will be doing more experiments this year, and are always looking for ways to mix-it-up a bit!"

The day went so well that we hope other RCs will want to do something similar later on. If you think this kind of ride is for you, or you like the idea as much as we all did, please share with other road captains. For those that went on the ride, if you liked it, talk it up to the other members and to the RCs.

If we don't do anything else this year let's "RIDE AND HAVE FUN!!!!!"



When's the next one, huh? Huh? Huh?
(look, a squirrel!!!)



We all got together at Paradise Harley-Davidson at 9:30 a.m. to check in and line up, then took off to Silver Falls at 10:00 a.m.

We rode a very nice route in the country (after some freeway



time) and wound our way through towns and communities, took a break to let a train go through, and found our way to Silver Falls State Park.

We discovered that the trails to the falls were all suffering from downed trees across the trails and traveling to the falls was not advised. We ate our brown bag lunches and after a group photo, we packed up and headed home on a bit of a longer route as we wound our way back to Paradise through Silver-ral Dell, Barlow, and Wil- Looking forward to the

ton, Scott Mills, Molalla, Rusonville, which was nice. next Chapter ride.





Hog Tails!

Parkdale Spring Blossom Ride!

April 15, 2017

Tax Day? – Nope!!! – Ride Day!!!!

It started out a cool, no “cold!”, crisp morning at 34° and everyone had to ask themselves, “Am I ready to ride?” – “YEP!” Dressing warm and in layers, we headed out to Paradise Harley-Davidson to meet up for today's ride. The sun was shining, the sky was mostly clear and it promised to be a beautiful day to travel east to the other side of Mt. Hood.

Each year, Parkdale Grange sponsors a dinner to raise money for their local school and the Sunset Chapter combines a beautiful



Mann, a newer road captain who did a wonderful job, riding group 1 last sweep. Lance Kretlow was lead road captain on group 2, Andy Lester riding shotgun, Phil Sheleny riding first sweep, and Joe Eidenschink riding last sweep. Steve Watts was the lead road captain on group 3, Jeff Miesen riding shotgun, Russ Hayes riding first sweep and Kevin Higgins riding last sweep.

The turnout for the Parkdale ride was awesome. There were over 40 riders and passengers ready to make a day of it. With everyone checked in, the ride started around 9:30 a.m. With such a wonderful turn out, a special thanks to Kathy Eidenschink, our Road Captain Auxiliary, who called Parkdale Grange to give them a heads up that we had a larger group than expected.



ride around Mt. Hood to support this small community nested on the Eastern side of the Cascades.

It takes a Chapter to build a ride and this type of ride needs a group of road captains working together to provide support. We have some terrific well-seasoned road captains and some wonderful newer road captains that all stepped up to the plate and made this ride possible, fun and safe for everyone.

Thank you to all of the road captains: Bob Driscoll, Lead road captain for this ride, Gary Sutherland riding group 1 shotgun, Harry Dickerson riding group 1 first sweep and Keith





Hog Tails!



Parkdale Spring Blossom Ride!



On a side note, our road captains come in from all around the area and are concerned when the roads are not as planned due to changing conditions between pre-rides and the actual ride. Thanks to the caring RC's who were thoughtful enough to request a route change due to road closures and other construction. We care about our riders' experience and change our route based on their eyes on the road on their way in. Even though we had a last minute change in route, that did not slow us down. We were ready and able to re-route our ride to bypass road construction, closures and traffic snarls.

The groups all headed south to I-5, east on 205 across the Glen Jackson bridge and into Washington. Everyone headed east on State Route 14 rolling along the serenity of the Columbia River, which was spectacularly calm. We rode past Camas, Washougal, Steigerwald Lake National Wildlife Refuge, M bar



J Ranch, Cruzatt, Skamania, Beacon Rock State Park, Pierce National Wildlife Refuge into North Bonneville for a break and gas stop. Everyone took a breather, regrouped and enjoyed the sunshine and fresh air.

Back on the road again, we continued to head east through Fort Rains and Bridge of the Gods. The road passes right onto the Columbia River with Ashes Lake on the left and the Columbia on the right and then again near Skamania Lodge with Rock Cove on the left. Another bridge crosses over the delta from the Wind River going into Home Valley, then over Dog Creek Falls and on to Cook, over another bridge at Drano Lake (sounds cleansing) fed by the Little White



Salmon River. Next is Tunnel Lake along the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Hood, then across the White Salmon River at Underwood, and then to White Salmon. We crossed the Hood River Toll Bridge back into Oregon only to see our trusty Editor standing by the road on the other side (which almost got her arrested – giggle, giggle) taking a video of the riders crossing the bridge.

Next, we all headed up to Parkdale in view of a beautifully snow-covered Mount Hood on curvy Highway 35 through Pine Grove, Mt. Hood and into Parkdale. All gathered in front of the Grange for a group photo and then lined up to enjoy a wonderful meal prepared by the Grange members.



Hog Tails!

Parkdale Spring Blossom Ride!

Dinner was very wholesome and tasty: Fruit halves with cottage cheese, salad, Cole slaw, apple sauce, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, Swiss steak and over 20 different pies (strawberry/rhubarb, blueberry, blackberry, blueberry/peach, peach, mixed berry, apple,



tures from last year's dinner in their Cookbook. What an awesome tribute to the Chapter included with some great recipes.



and more).

The members at the Grange were excited to see everyone and looked forward to having our Chapter visit and participate in dinner again this year. When we left, they reported they had over 100 people attend. In addition, the Grange included pic-



The ride officially ended at Parkdale and after the meal, everyone split up to continue their ride on this rare beautiful day following days and days and days of rain. Others high-tailed it back to Portland and home.





Hog Tails!

Paradise Harley-Davidson Mystery Ride!

Paradise Harley-Davidson sponsors a Mystery Ride each month during the riding season! Where we going? Today's ride was a little wet on the way in to get ready for the ride, but the weather was on our side and it stopped raining as I got closer to Paradise. We were lucky as the ride got under way, the weather cleared a bit and stayed clear until after the ride was over. While we were prepping for the ride and getting ready to check in the riders, we checked weath-



er reports and determined that it was going to be dry for a while.

As the riders began to arrive and check in, we were honored that Mike Durbin, Paradise Harley-Davidson owner and the sponsor of our Chapter, was able to join the group. We had three other riders join us and we started out. We kept a leisurely pace throughout the ride, which was full of those fun corners that we all like to ride. I will bet you are wonder-

ing where this Mystery Ride took us... Well.... We started out of PHD and headed out on Scholl's Ferry Road, we proceeded SW on SW Tile Flat Road and hooked up to Farmington and over the Tualatin River. We passed quite a few reservoirs out that way and



Tigard! Whew!

We saw a few wild critters along the way and some very large long-necked big dogs... The view of Mount Hood, when we could see it, was wonderful. All and all, it was fun all the way. At the end of the ride, Mike Durbin gave it a "2 thumbs up" and later commented that he was glad he had gone on the ride, that he had really enjoyed it. Thank you to road captains Bob Driscoll, my shotgun and Lance Kretlow, my sweep, Dan Boss, first sweep and all the other Road Captains who rode with us. Also, thank you to all the riders who came out on a less than sunny day to solve the Mystery ride and have a good time.

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Dan Schach, Road Captain



Hog Tails!

Tales of a Novice Rider!



I know there are a few of you out there who are new to riding like I am and I want to share that I am excited and pumped to go out, even if it is only for a short ride in the neighborhood or out into the farmland west of Beaverton. I took ride Number 4 recently heading out to take on riding a little more in city traffic, one of the bigger challenges. I was a little nervous because it had been several weeks since I rode my bike. But, once I remembered where all the controls were, I started feelin' it!

It was 64°, overcast and a bit breezy. I suited up, chose my regular riding gloves and stuck a bandana in my pocket just in case. I put the sissy bar back on my bike as I want to be able to ride with my backpack very soon and I need to work up to carrying that as well.



The route today took us through some stoplights, and I do not care much for those since bikes do not always set them off unless a car is waiting. Ended up making a right turn because the lights would never turn green {stupid lights...} another thing to plan around, I guess. I practiced riding slow and keeping my feet on the foot pegs even when turning around in the Helvetia gravel parking lot. I practiced turning my head while riding in traffic and looking in my rear view mirrors regularly. While riding, I kept in mind to keep looking far down the road while doing an eye sweep being mindful of potential hazards, as well as remembering to look through corners. When I had to make a tight right angle turn today, I remembered something Russ Hayes said to me about turning my head all the way to the right and the bike will follow – and “yes, it does!”

Rode over to Russ and Lisa Hayes' house as we are just 5 minutes down the road, then rode through their neighborhood over to Rock Creek, hung a right and on out to Cornelius Pass Road. We turned right on Cornelius pass road, changed lanes into the left lane and then turned left at the light on West Union. Once heading west on West Union, it was open road clear out to Helvetia. I was able to kick it up to 45, then 55 and really feel the wind and take those curves at a lean. All that bike riding as a teen-ager and the training I completed came back to me in a flash.

We turned right on Helvetia and headed out to Helvetia Tavern and pulled into the parking lot for a picture. Then we turned around and headed back. There was a bit of a breeze and I discovered that riding with my face shield up is not a good idea as the wind catches it and I have to hold my head tensely. I also added a bandana around my neck at Helvetia before we returned because it was a bit cool and I was feeling it go down my neck and jacket. Next time I am going to bring my gauntlets along. My riding gloves allowed the cool/cold breeze to blow up my sleeves and made me uncomfortable. At one point, the speed I was travelling at, the bit of breeze and my bike was feeling a little light, so I slowed down to feel better in control.

We mostly covered 2-lane road today. There were four lanes and cars in a few places, but now that I have been on the “streets” with traffic, I am feeling a bit more confident and I am ready to try more of the “in town” travel. All in all, I have to say I had a blast! I was reminded yet again why I got my endorsement, why I have wanted a motorcycle since I was 16, and why it is still a lot of fun now. There is something super fun about riding like the wind, cornering on a lean and breezing down those straight stretches. I am looking forward to making longer rides a little at a time until I can reach my goal to ride to Seaside.

Hot Cocoa Time - Our next trip: North Plains and Ice Cream (we are taking the back way on West Union!)



Squealers!

Has this ever happened to you?



The "Bob" Mishap...

Sometimes you just gotta laugh....

So there I was, a rare bright and sunny day in the midst of grey skies and rain intent to run some errands and ride the bike in pretty decent traffic to hone some skills that had gotten rusty over the Winter. I pulled the cap off the tank doing a pre-ride check and did not see much gas (no gas gauge). Thumping the tank gave an unwelcome hollow sounding ring and the mileage showed I had almost reached reserve status. 2003 Road Kings with carbs are fun to ride, but get thirsty sometimes. I rode it to the gas station and pulled up to the pump. I am a bit superstitious and I get gas from the same gas station and the same pump with rare exception. I am known at that gas station so I can just pull up, swipe the card and pump gas, finish and get my receipt before heading out (kinda like being in California). If it is slow at the gas station, I usually BS with the attendant as I am filling my tank. No need to worry, right?

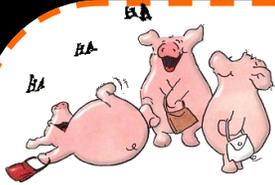
Roughly 4.4 gallons later, I am replacing the nozzle into the pump and congratulating myself for not getting a single drop anywhere but the towel I held under the nozzle as I moved it from the tank hole to the pump. It was gonna be an AWESOME day of just putting around and accomplishing errands. So, I threw my leg over the bike and stood it up and then.....disaster struck me like a single blow from that danged Murphy's bag of tricks. As I stood the bike up straight, gas poured at a pretty decent rate from the filler cap, down the tank and down the still warm engine. *Holy crap on a cracker...* I did some quick troubleshooting and discovered that the thingy in the gas pump that is supposed to trip the nozzle off as a tank fills, whatever voodoo magic that allows that to

happen, failed. I had roughly an extra quart to half gallon of fuel in my tank. Oh "Sea biscuits!!!" It happens right? Sooner or later mistakes happen and we get reminded that no matter how much experience we have....it happens. Well, this is where it gets interesting.

I pushed the bike (leaned to the left) away from the pump to a parking spot so as not to inhibit the sale of gasoline at my favorite gas station. I am mad at myself for not watching how many gallons were going into my tank and monitoring it with my eyeball. Now I gotta deal with it. I have a HS Diploma, am mechanically savvy and pretty creative. I get an idea after thinking and remembering a MacGyver episode on TV from the '80s.

I can go inside, buy a bottle of water and get the biggest danged straw they have and do the old straw trick with the straw in the tank, collecting gas and dumping it in the empty water bottle. I go in and make my purchase and come out. I drink all the water in the bottle congratulating myself on my genius, make the water bottle as dry as possible and start the syphoning process. I can tell you with certainty that ol' MacGyver made it look much easier than what this was.

Five minutes into saving the day, I had maybe 3 ounces of gas in my plastic bottle, and was just gonna finish the job. With my red shop rag on the tank to catch dribbles, working away like a man digging to freedom, transferring gas at a rate of roughly an ounce a minute, and I wasn't happy, but I was feeling accomplished. Until I looked up to find one of Beaverton's finest roll-by, eyeballing me like I might be in a future video shown on the evening news. What was his problem, anyway? Roughly 30 seconds after he drove off, it dawned on me. Here was a rough looking "biker" - that was before the ritual St. Baldrick's shaving—at a gas station



Squealers!

Has this ever happened to you?
--Continued--



putting gasoline from a tank into a water bottle surrounded by the proverbial red rag. *Uh oh.* I bet he was thinking I was up to no good. I can see how a cop, protecting and serving his community, may get the wrong idea and possibly think maybe I am making an incendiary device. So, I quickly dumped the couple ounces of gas I had in the plastic bottle back into the tank and did some more thinking. -Ding-

I buy a 1-gallon gas can from the nice lady in the gas station and hot foot it down the road to a store where I buy a Turkey baster. NOW I'll be super productive. I'm gonna get the bike out of that parking lot before the SWAT team can come back and seriously inconvenience me.

I start to use the turkey baster and gas can, wondering why I did not think of this before. It was about the third or fourth time sucking the fuel from the tank and blowing it into the gas can I learned a few things about the styrene plastic used to make cheap turkey basters, the rubber gasoline. It The rubber the glue that holds on and premium all don't mix well. bulb came off the turkey baster. No biggy, I'm a smart guy. I re-install it and keep going, whistling a little tune and happy I would be underway soon. Until the turkey baster slid out of the bulb and shot into the gas can. Nooooooooooooo!

I decided I would just call someone at 3 o'clock in the afternoon on a weekday. Slim pickin's on my list of contacts and location. I finally make a call to the one guy who I know works from home and might possibly have a few minutes to spare to help me out. I give Russ Hayes a call and like "Johnny on the spot," he showed up with a piece of tubing and in literally 60 seconds flat, we have a

third of a gallon of gas in my rather expensive 1-gallon gas can and the bike is again rideable. It was very cool and I was grateful. Problem averted...

Biker's Code

I remember reading this thing called "The Biker's Code" and one of the items in it is never leave a brother stranded. I am thankful that I am part of a great Chapter of Harley Owners who never leave a brother stranded.

I was doubly proud to be a part of this Chapter where in the March meeting everyone pulled together to be generous to a brother who was in need. It is always a good feeling to be the guy who gets that help, even if it is a few mile bike ride and simply providing a tool that is needed to help someone get their bike going safely.



We all love a good laugh!!!

If you have a humorous ride story that you would like to share to brighten someone's day with a laugh, please send it to Sherri@sunsethog.com

Calling All Sunset Chapter Veterans



This section is dedicated to our Sunset Chapter Veterans to show our gratitude, appreciation and continued support.

Sunset's Veterans Appreciation continues in our newsletter where our Veterans write in to tell us about their service. We have special lapel pins designed to give to each Veteran who submits their story for the newsletter. I present these pins at our Chapter meetings after your story runs.

This has been a very popular section for our members and all our Veterans are encouraged to submit. If you have served in the U.S. Armed Forces submit your military service information to sherri@sunsethog.com. **The basic information to submit is your name, a photo of you, branch, years enlisted, & where you were stationed at. You also can do a story of your time in the service and if you have any pictures you want to share while in the military.**

The other addition we had last year that will continue is our U.S. Military Anniversary rides. Each branch of our military has a birthday and we have a planned ride on or near that day to a military location to show our support. Last year we were able to crawl around a PT 658 boat, visit the Evergreen Air Museum, and participate in the Veteran's Day Parade.

A new addition, this year will be our Chapter giving back and honoring other Veterans by visiting our area's long-term care veteran home facilities. Our first ride is out to Oregon Veterans' Home in The Dalles on Saturday, June 17th. More details will roll out when we get closer to the date. A big thank you to Al Craig for setting this up for us!

Keep an eye out in your weekly E-Blasts and in this section for all the great new things coming up to support our Veterans.





Sunset Chapter Honors our Veterans



Troy Wilkendorf

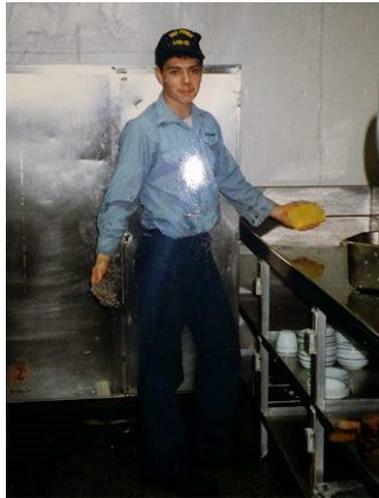


- ◇ US NAVY
- ◇ 1986 to 1999
- ◇ USS Ponce LPD-15
- ◇ USS MAUNA KEA
- ◇ AE-22
- ◇ USS JOHN PAUL JONES DDG-15
- ◇ US Sub Base Groton,

Conn.

I served as a cook throughout my career circling the globe twice.

This is me working at the bake shop at that time. In this particular picture I was on the USS Ponce.



James Carlson



Branch: U.S. Army
 Years: 2007-2016
 Stationed:
 Fort Myer, VA;
 Fort Lewis, WA



Doug Whipper



USMC Sergeant
 1982 – 1991
 7th Engineers Battalion,
 Camp Pendleton, CA

 Twentynine Palms, CA
 USS TARAWA, Combat mission
 Beirut, Lebanon

 Marine Corps Base Butler,
 Okinawa, Japan

Marine Corps Air Station El Toro, CA

Thank you all for your Service!



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Glenn Tsuda



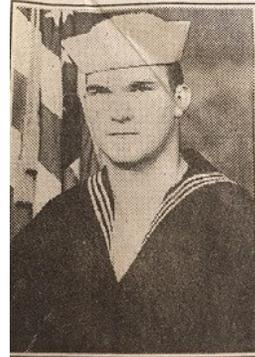
US Navy Active duty
 May 15, 1980
 ♦ Retired August, 2001
 ♦ Training - May 15, 1980 boot camp San Diego, CA
 ♦ Training - Treasure island, CA - Nuclear, Chemical, Biological Warfare Training - Fire Fighting, Flooding & Damage Control
 ♦ Training - San Diego, CA - welding, brazing, soldering, sheet metal work
 ♦ Training- Coronado, CA

- 2nd Class Diver Training - qualified to 190 feet on air breathing rigs
- ♦ Duty assignment- Diego Garcia, Indian Ocean - underwater ship maintenance & repair, salvage diving,
- ♦ Training - Naval Diving Training Center, Panama City Beach, FL - 1st Class Diver Training - Qualified Dive Supervisor, Chamber Supervisor - Mixed Gas Diver certified to 300 feet on helium/oxygen rigs - Underwater explosives training
- ♦ Duty assignment - Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico - underwater ship maintenance & repair, salvage diving - Hyperbaric Chamber Supervisor - military & humanitarian chamber recompression treatment - Vieques Bombing Range clearing unexploded ordnance
- ♦ Training - Naval School Deep Diving Systems, Pt Loma, CA - Saturation Diver Training - Qualified deep diver certified to 1000 feet
- ♦ Duty assignment - USS Pigeon ASR-21, 32nd Street Naval Station, San Diego, CA - submarine rescue & underwater salvage & repair
- ♦ Duty Assignment - Naval School Deep Diving Systems, Sub Base Pt Loma, San Diego, CA - Instructor Saturation Diver Training - student physical fitness & deep diver training
- ♦ Duty Assignment- Naval Medical Research Institute, Bethesda, MD - human subject on experimental/ research dives, diving systems maintenance & repair
- ♦ August, 2001 - RETIRED

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The "Bob" Heino



US Navy from 1989 – 2009

- ⇒ USS Detroit (AOE-4)
- ⇒ SIMA Earle, NJ
- ⇒ USS Nitro (AE-23)
- ⇒ USS Suribatchi (AE-21)
- ⇒ NSSF New London, CT
- ⇒ Lackland AFB, San Antonio, TX
- ⇒ NAS Fallon, NV
- ⇒ NSA Naples, Italy
- ⇒ NATO AFSOUTH Naples, Italy
- ⇒ AFRICOM
- ⇒ NSA Pascagoula, Mississippi
- ⇒ JTF Guantanamo Bay, Cuba



Mia Macy & Tricia Macy



US ARMY

- ♦ 1990-1995
- ♦ Stationed in Darmstadt Germany and Fort Campbell KY (101st Airborne DIV (Air Assault))



Sunset Chapter Honors our Veterans



Michael Nastasi



- ◇ U.S. Army - Armor and Finance Branches
- ◇ 1967-1978 (United States Military Academy - West Point - 1967-1971), 1971-1976 (Active Service), 1976-1978 (U.S. Army Reserve)
- ◇ Stationed: West Point, NY; Fort Knox, KY; Fort Hood, TX; Fort Harrison, IN; Republic of South Korea; West Point, NY; Fort Totten, NY

I attended the United States Military Academy at West Point from 1967-1971. While training at the academy in all combat arms, I selected Armor when commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. After attending Armor Officer's Basic School in Fort Knox, KY, I was assigned to the 2/66 Armor, 3d Brigade, 2d Armor Division at Fort Hood, TX. There I served as a tank platoon leader, training officer, scout platoon leader within the Battalion and trained Advanced Individual Trainees, and Human Relations (EO) Instructor at Brigade level.



I was promoted to First Lieutenant at Fort Hood. I changed branches from Armor to Finance in 1973 to serve as a finance and accounting officer. I attended finance school at Fort Harrison, IN and then was assigned to the 21st Finance Group at Camp Humphreys, ROK as a hardship tour (with Vietnam winding down)



where I paid military units assigned to the southern portion of Korea. I was then assigned as the Assistant Finance Officer of the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY. I was promoted to Captain. I managed payment of

military and civilian personnel at the military academy, accounting of all funds, conversion of payroll processes to standard army computer systems, and trained cadets on finances.

I achieved an MBA from Long Island University through night school while working at West Point. I resigned my commission in June, 1976 and accepted a lucrative financial position in the civilian sector. As a U.S. Army Reserve Captain, I served two years as a Budget Officer for the New York Army Reserve at Fort Totten, NY. I resigned my reserve commission in June, 1978.



Thank you for your Service!



Polishing the Ride Bell

It has been a tradition among some of us for a long time to attach a brass bell to our left swingarm to remember our Brothers & Sisters who have gone down riding.

It's a small thing, but the reason a brass bell is chosen is that, as we ride, it gets dirty and tarnished. Every time we get down to wash and polish it, we are reminded of friends lost and our thoughts turn to the meaning of "being in the wind."

As we ride and hear the bell ring, we know that our Brothers & Sisters are riding with us and how easy it would be to join them with a single mistake.

And maybe, just maybe, the next time a situation comes up, they will be there to help us...as long as we remember them by polishing the bell.



<http://www.angelfire.com/tx5/silverdragonlamp/HarleyBell.html>

Polishing the Bell



Washed my scoot today,
Shined the chrome real well.

A few miles of these desert roads,
makes her look like hell.

Startin' at the front wheel,
Work back towards the rear,

And end the job with a tradition,
My heart holds very dear.

Hangin' from my left swingarm,
Is a little plain brass bell.

Not a shiny chrome one,
Like those rally vendors sell.

It's not there to scare away
Some nasty "highway ghost".

And it's not there for "good luck",
Though I probably need that most.

But on wash day when I finish up,
And I'm polishing that bell,

It's to honor and remember,
A friend who fell.

It's hangin' from the swingarm,
Not the pegs or triple trees,

So when I'm toolin' down the road,
He's still ridin' there with me.

I think back to the road trips,
And the good times that we had.

And how we stood together,
when shit got really bad.

Some day we'll ride again,
As time will surely tell,

But till I make that final run,
I'll be polishing the bell.

Written by ANDY at Babe's Biker Forum.
In memory of Michael "Hairbag" Johnson.
Some old friends miss ya brother.



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2006 Screaming Eagle Ultra Classic (FLHTCUSE)

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Empty Weight 125 lbs., GVW Rating 350 lbs., covered tongue mounted ice chest, carpeted interior, mounted extra tire, (2) extra tires and tubes, plus extra add-on's.

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Text or call Gary @ 503-784-6175 for more information...



Calendar

of Fun Stuff

May

May 6th	HOGS Around Hagg—9:30am—2:00pm
May 7th	HOGs Breakfast Burrito Bar—10:00am—11:30am
May 7th	Group Riding Orientation (PHD)—11:00am—1:00pm
May 9th	Chapter Meeting—Beaverton Elks 6:00pm Eat and Catch up—Meeting: 7:00pm
May 10th	Season Opener Ride to Corner Saloon Taco Wednesday —5:00pm
May 13th	Grist Mill Ride—9:30am—4:00pm
May 18th	Meet & Mingle—6:30pm
May 20th	Paradise Harley-Davidson Mystery Ride—9:30am—Noon
May 21st	HOGs & Hotcakes—10:00am—11:30am
May 21st	Fat HOGs Ride—Noon—5:00pm
May 23rd	Mid-Week Ride—9:30am—2:00pm
May 26-29	HOG North Meets South Overnight Ride 3:00pm (Medford, OR)
May 29th	Stonehenge Memorial Day Ride—8:30am to 5:00pm



Volunteers Needed to Cook Polish dogs on Saturdays at PHD!

Come out and Cook Polish dogs on Saturdays from 12 to 4 to help Paradise Harley- Davidson and the Chapter.

Enjoy the music! — Meet new people! — Swap ride Stories!

All donations go to the Chapter!

Secure your Saturday today! (Take your pick - we need 2 people on each Saturday!)

Setup at 11:30 — Polish Dogs Out at 12:05

Contact: Russ Hayes, Director @ (503) 805-4056



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<u>June</u>	
June 3	Old Shit Ride—9:30am
June 10	Paradise H-D Mystery Ride—9:30am
June 11	Treasurer's Ride/Strawberry Shortcake Run—9:30am
June 13	Chapter Meeting—Beaverton Elks 6:00pm Eat and Catch up—Meeting: 7:00pm
June 14	Army Anniversary Ride—9:30am
June 17	Oregon Veteran's Home Ride—9:30am
June 20	Summer Solstice Dinner Ride—5:00pm
June 22	Meet & Mingle—6:30pm
June 23-26	Little Alpine Overnighter—8:00am
June 24	Long Way Home Ride—9:30am



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We want to hear from you...

Looking for Riders who are writers! - Contribute to the next Swineline—contact sherri@sunsethog.com

The Swineline publishes a variety of articles and photos:

- The latest from the Officers
- This month's theme/focus
- Monthly Chapter Meetings and Events
- Hot Tips and Hog Tales
- What's new with Merchandise
- Honoring our Veterans
- What's up at Paradise Harley-Davidson
- In Memoriam
- Stuff for Sale

Deadline for submissions for the next edition is the 3rd Friday of the current month.

We are excited to hear from you.
Submit your content today!