



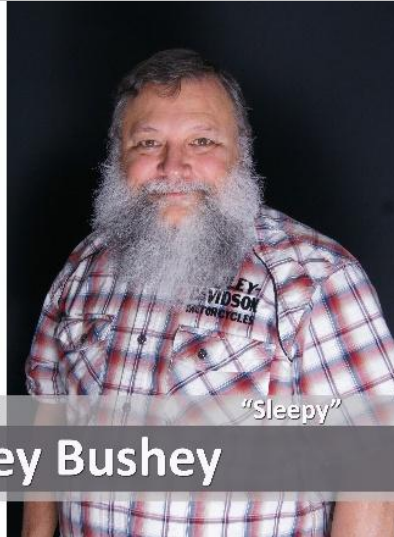
4th Quarter 2025 Newsletter





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Jeffrey Bushey

Autumn has arrived,

bringing with it two significant events: Bikes Blues and BBQ, as well as our annual Fall Foliage Ride. As BBB

commences, I would like to extend my best wishes for an enjoyable and safe festival to all participants. I am sincerely grateful to those who volunteered for our yearly water sales—this initiative constitutes our primary fundraiser and is essential to supporting the chapter's activities. For members who have not yet volunteered, I encourage your participation; the continued success of our chapter relies heavily on the commitment and efforts of its volunteers.

Regarding the Fall Foliage Ride, our destination this year will be Broken Bow, Oklahoma, renowned for its scenic lodge and outstanding riding opportunities. Special thanks are due to Becky, Judge, Janet, and Matt for their efforts in organizing this event.

Looking back at this year, it has marked a transition in chapter leadership. We invite new members to take on leadership roles and contribute their guidance. The chapter's vitality depends on active engagement and fresh perspectives from our membership.

Currently we have two positions open. The Secretary is a great fit for someone who values organization and communication. You'll be responsible for recording meeting minutes, preparing agendas, and managing HOG merchandise. Your work keeps our chapter informed and connected.

Activities is an active position, but with a committee it's quite fun. We would like to see three or four folks step up. This way a committee is started right from the get-go. That's how it's running right now, and it keeps the workload to a minimum. If you can plan a family vacation, you can plan events.

I really hope you will step up and fill these crucial positions.

HOG [SCAN]

HOGSCAN for everybody!

For the past couple of years, we have been slowly migrating to HOGSCAN. It is a great product with fantastic support. It offers the chapter a number of benefits. A few of them are “behind the scenes” with tools for chapter management that streamline and ease the burden. Others are much more user focused, such as the calendar, RSVPing, blogging just to name a few.

Next year we will be making a big change, we will be using HOGSCAN to track points and give away prizes to those who participate in chapter events. You get points by “Checking-in” to events and rides that are published on the calendar. You can do it all from your phone. Simply start and log into HOGSCAN (there’s a video out there on this) click on calendar at the bottom, scroll through the events and ride, select one you want to participate in and then click the little thumbs up icon. We call this “RSVPing” to an event. You’ll know which events you’re RSVPed for because on the calendar there will be a little thumbs up icon next to the event. To “Un-RSVP” just click the event and click the thumbs-up again.

When you get to the event find the person doing check-ins and start HOGSCAN and login again, then click “V-Card” at the bottom and show the QR-Code to them.

It’s that simple. Of course if you have any problems you can ask any officer for help or send an email to webmaster@pigtrailhog.com or Director@pigtrailhog.com. Be sure to watch the video at <https://www.youtube.com/@PigtrailHOG> and select the “How to Sign on to HOGSCAN on your phone” video.



CHAPTER MEETING

SECOND SATURDAY EACH MONTH



JOIN US AT 9AM AT PTHD
UPSTAIRS FOR CHAPTER
HAPPENINGS, EDUCATIONS
AND OUR CHAPTER RIDE

STARTS AT

9 AM

Get checked in with HOG[SCAN] app



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OCTOBER 11 - 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

SWAP MEET



OUTDOOR VENDOR MALL & MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET



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Fall riding offers some of the most spectacular experiences for motorcyclists, with crisp air, vibrant foliage, and often fewer crowds on scenic routes. However, the season also brings unique challenges that demand extra awareness and preparation.

One of the most significant factors is **temperature fluctuation**. Mornings can be chilly, while afternoons might be surprisingly warm. Layering is key: think moisture-wicking base layers, insulating mid-layers, and a windproof, water-resistant outer shell. Don't forget heated grips or gloves for those colder starts.

Road conditions also shift dramatically. Fallen leaves, while beautiful, can be as slippery as ice, especially when wet. Exercise extreme caution in shaded corners and areas with heavy leaf cover. Moisture from dew, frost, or recent rain can linger longer on the asphalt, reducing traction. Keep an eye out for "black ice" in early morning or late evening, particularly on bridges and overpasses, which freeze faster than standard roadways.

Visibility can be a concern too. Lower sun angles can create blinding glare, especially during sunrise and sunset. Consider a tinted visor for bright conditions and always ensure your headlight and taillight are clean and fully functional. Shorter daylight hours mean you might be riding in dusk or darkness sooner than expected; reflective gear is always a smart choice.

Finally, be mindful of **wildlife**. Deer, in particular, are more active during the fall due to mating season and hunting pressure. They are often most active at dawn and dusk. Stay vigilant, reduce speed in known wildlife areas, and be prepared to react.

Embracing the beauty of fall riding means acknowledging and preparing for its distinct challenges. With the right gear and a heightened sense of awareness, you can truly enjoy the breathtaking splendor of the season from the saddle of your motorcycle.

MOTORCYCLE ERGONOMICS



Proper posture on a motorcycle isn't just about looking good; it's fundamental to control, comfort, and safety. A well-maintained riding position minimizes fatigue, enhances your ability to react, and ultimately makes you a better rider.

The foundation of good posture starts with a relaxed yet engaged core. Avoid slouching or rigidly locking your back. Instead, imagine a straight line from your shoulders through your hips to your feet. Your shoulders should be relaxed and down, not hunched up by your ears. Elbows should be slightly bent, allowing your arms to act as natural shock absorbers, rather than rigidly gripping the handlebars. This prevents undue strain on your wrists and forearms.

Your knees should lightly grip the tank, providing stability and allowing you to feel the bike's movements.¹ Avoid clamping down tightly, which can lead to fatigue. Feet should be flat on the pegs, with the balls of your feet aligned with the pegs for optimal leverage and quick access to controls.

Finally, keep your head up and eyes looking far ahead, not just at the road directly in front of you. This not only improves your vision but also naturally aligns your spine. Regularly checking in with your posture, especially on longer rides, can make a significant difference in your riding experience. By mastering good posture, you'll not only ride more comfortably but also more confidently and safely.



FAREWELL BUT NOT GOODBYE

This will likely be my last newsletter article as your Treasurer — at least for now. Change is inevitable, and my path is taking me in a different direction. At the end of the year, I will be stepping away from this role.

Serving as Treasurer has been a privilege. In this role, I've built connections, shared experiences, and created memories that I will carry with me.

As we look ahead, we have several positions open — Treasurer, Secretary, and Activities. I encourage you to consider stepping up and volunteering for one of them. The connections you make, and the memories you'll create, are truly priceless.

If at times you feel things have become a little “stagnant,” please don't hesitate to reach out to one of the officers. We want to hear your ideas. Boring is the last thing we want to be, and your input helps us keep things fresh, engaging, and fun.

We're also heading into the final stretch of the year with plenty of opportunities to ride and fill out those challenge books — BBB, Fall Foliage, Friendsgiving, and the Christmas Party are just a few of the upcoming events. There's always something happening, so get out there, ride, and have fun!

Though I may be stepping aside from this position, this isn't goodbye. It's simply farewell — for now



Support...

Proud to wear my vest with my patches honoring a great family or group of members. We all need your support to enjoy our gatherings. So may we come together to enjoy what we do.

Screw it lets ride ...



Ladies of
Harley

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Amy Combs



What an exciting time it has been for my 1st year as LOH director!!! Super excited for the annual mystery dinner on Sept 28th at Barb Beckers house!! Thanks for all the ladies on the LOH committee that have joined and helped this year! In the next couple months we will be meeting to set the schedule for next year's events!!



Secretary

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Darla Stanley



The Chapter is for every one of you not just the officers. If there is somewhere u want to ride let us know, if there are things that u think needs to change let us know. It's about YOU!!

As this will be my last article if u are interested in being secretary let us know!!!

Do you have an interest in planning activities and other events for the Chapter?

Have you ever wondered what it takes to be one of the officers for the Chapter?

Often times people think being an officer is all about the time involved. It isn't the time that we enjoy but seeing the smiling faces and laughter of our Chapter members during one of our rides, meetings or activities. HOG provides us a lot of resources in our roles for the Chapter and no one has to know everything in order to provide our members ways to ride and have fun.

If you have an interest in learning more about what is involved in being an officer, please contact one of us and we would be happy to share our experiences and other information and let you see what is involved in leading this Chapter in order to ride and have fun.



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Membership

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Amy Neugebauer



announced soon.

We are excited to welcome more than 10 new members recently! Make sure if you see them please welcome them with open arms and invited them on a ride!

Here is your first reminder to renew your chapter membership before 12/31.

Membership drive day at Pig Trail to be



Activities

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Becky Fite



I just want to say a few things. We need a person to take over the position of Activities. I am sure you are tired of hearing this, especially since we have tried to fill this position for quite some time. However, I want to outline the “duties” of this position.

Activities Officer Duties are as follows:

- 1) Organize the four annual events: water sales for Bike, Blues & BBQ, Friendsgiving, Fall Foliage and the Christmas Party.
- 2) Coordinate our events such as rides meetings and events with Teresa Hurst. The dealership may need the Chapter’s help during the year and there needs to be communication.
- 3) Keep communication open between the Officers.
- 4). Form an Activities Committee to help you with the events.

If you decide to try for this position, the Director, Asst. Director, Secretary, Treasurer and Manager of the Chapter will interview you. They will be the decision makers. Not the outgoing Activities Officer.



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Bikes, Blues & BBQ, October 1-4

We will be selling beverages, water for sure. This is our biggest fundraiser. If you wish

to work the booth, there will be a sign up sheet at the August and September Chapter Meetings.



Fall Foliage

October 24-26 at Broken Bow, Oklahoma. Reservations can be made at Beavers Bend Lodge, Hwy 259 N Stephen's Gap Road, Phone #580-494-6179. The deadline for the discount of rooms has expired, but you can still make your reservations but no discount. Scott Fite will be the Road Captain and has a nice ride over to Broken Bow and a ride on Saturday. There will be a Halloween costume contest on Saturday Night with a Bon Fire.

Meet at Pig Trail on Friday, October 24

KSU at 9:00 am. We will stop for lunch along the way.



Friendsgiving

November 1, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Golden Corral, 2605 W. Pleasant Crossing, Rogers.



Christmas Party

November 22 at Double Tree Suites, 301 S. Walton, Bentonville. Tickets will be \$45.00 per person and will go on sale September 1 at the cash wrap at the dealership. We will have a DJ, Charlene Newell, gift giveaways and gift exchange with gift of \$20.00.

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Help Wanted

WANTED: SECRETARY

YOUR HOG CHAPTER IS LOOKING FOR
A TALENTED INDIVIDUAL TO BE OUR
SECRETARY.

DUTIES INCLUDE:

TAKING MINUTES OF MEETINGS
PREPARE AGENDAS
ORDER AND MAINTAIN CHAPTER GOODS
THIS IS AN EXECUTIVE POSITION



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OUR
ACTIVITIES OFFICER

DUTIES INCLUDE:

KEEPING THE CALENDAR OF EVENTS
PLANNING CHAPTER ACTIVITIES
LEAD COMMITTEES FOR PLANNING EVENTS
POSSESS AN ATTENTION FOR DETAILS



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