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Russ Hayes
2014 Ultra Limited

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

I know that many of our members ride year round, but for the others, March signals the beginning of the 2016 riding season. As you bring your bikes out of storage, please remember to go over your TCLOCS before you ride.

That's:

- Tires & Wheels.
- Controls & Cables
- Lights
- Oil & Fuel
- Chassis
- Side Stand (Jiffy Stand)

For Tires & Wheels, check their condition and pressure. Check all of your Controls & Cables for functionality, and check your cables for wear. Make sure all of your Lights are in working order.

Check and change your Oil, and make sure you have fresh Fuel. Give the Chassis a going over, checking your suspension, bags, fairing footboards and other components. Lastly, make sure your Side Stand is in proper working order, and that the springs hold it in the up position.

Now that you and your bike are ready for fun, your Road Captains and Volunteer Officers are hard at work setting up the 2016 event calendar. There will be a lot of fun to be had this year! With all of the rides and events we are planning this year, we will have a need for additional event volunteers and get some event planning committees started. There are many different kinds of volunteering you can get involved in, always something for everyone! If you are interested in volunteering, please let me know we will put you to work. Email me at russ@sunsethog.com to learn more.

This year, Sunset Chapter will also be helping out at Paradise Harley-Davidson, hosting some Sizzlin' Saturday events, so come out and have a hot-dog while we share the brotherhood that makes the Sunset Chapter feel like family.

See you all on the road!

SPRING TUNE UP & MOTORCYCLE DETAIL WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH
10:30AM - 11:30AM



EDITOR'S PIG PARLOR



Lisa Hayes
2-Up 2014
Ultra Limited

You feel like you've been chomping at the bit lately? Well I sure have been. I'm not one for wishing my days away to get to days ahead. Every day is special in its own right, but I'm pretty antsy at getting back on those long road trips this summer and out to do more riding in general. Sure we ride all year long, but I do admit I like the fair weather riding better. Hey who doesn't right?

There is a lot of exciting riding the Chapter has planned this year with some pretty dang awesome activities getting planned at our destinations. With everything the Chapter has to offer this year plus I've got a couple fantastic vacation trips for Russ & I have planned this year too, I'm getting ants in the pants to let the good times roll.

Speaking of vacationing. I booked our reservations for the upcoming vacation fun. I highly recommend getting those reservations in early if you plan on staying at any National Park during the summertime. They book up early so you snooze you lose when it comes to this. Both hotels and campgrounds are like this. If you're flexible, find out what these places cancellation policies are. You can sometimes grab up someones last-minute 48 hour cancellation! Start calling three or four days before your trip. You might get lucky.

Everyone plus their dog want to see these jewels of the U.S. in the summertime. Timing is everything. The best solution for dealing with summertime crowds at National Parks...visit in the spring. But seriously, if you travel in the summer, choosing your dates carefully. Going the week before Memorial Day or the week after Labor Day are choice. The weekends before and after the 4th of July see less people too. Visit mid-week instead of weekends. Basic stuff right?

Obvious big ticket National Parks like Yosemite (the one we are riding to this year) hit the top 10 list which makes it busier than other parks. Hitting some possibly less busy parks like Kings Canyon, which have some wow factor twisty roads to go with the views is a great alternative.

It would probably be overkill to start packing bags yet, but I'm anxious and no one ever claimed I was a normal type of gal. Happy vacation planning.



Pancake Breakfast coming up on Sunday, March 6th from 10am-noon. Come enjoy some hot off the griddle pancakes and some great social time with your Chapter family at PHD.



PHD Rib roast is on March 12th. Annual Season Opening from 12pm-2pm. You won't want to miss it. Serving up a free lunch of incredible ribs, side dishes & refreshments



Meet & Mingle Dinner at The Rock Wood Fired Kitchen in Hillsboro Wednesday March 16th at 6:30pm upstairs. Great eats with great friends. Make sure you RSVP at activities@sunsethog.com

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TIRE AND BATTERY SALE

SAT-SUN
MAR 5-6

USED BIKE EXPO

SUNDAY MARCH 6

Experienced riders know starting the riding season off with a fresh battery and new tires is one of the smartest things motorcyclists can do. Make sure your motorcycle starts strong and your tires provide you a safe contact patch. Buy a battery, battery tender and tires this weekend and save 15%. Offer valid March 5th and March 6th only. Live music and hot barbeque served up from noon to 4pm.

Our Used Bike Expo is a great way to sell your used Harley-Davidson motorcycle. We provide space in our parking lot for you to park and advertise your Harley. We also provide financing options to qualified buyers. Our Used Bike Expo is from 11 am to 2 pm. Register in advance with our Vehicle Sales Manager.

HARLEY-DAVIDSON COOLER CHAIR FREE WITH QUALIFYING \$300 PURCHASE

MARCH 1, 2016 TO MARCH 31, 2016

Looking for a reason to make the Harley-Davidson purchase you've been waiting on? Well, receive this awesome Harley-Davidson Cooler Chair free (\$75 Value) when you spend \$300 or more on qualifying Harley-Davidson parts, accessories and riding gear. Offer good from March 1, 2016 to March 31, 2016 while supplies last.



ANNUAL RIB ROAST SEASON OPENER

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

This is our perennial party of Spring and you won't want to miss it! We're celebrating the kick-off to the riding season in style. Our awesome Service Department is serving up a free lunch featuring incredible ribs, side dishes and refreshments. Our Rib Roast runs from noon to 2pm, live music goes until 4pm.



SPRING TUNE-UP AND MOTORCYCLE DETAIL WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, MARCH 26

Our expert Service Technicians will be holding a Spring Tune-up and Detail workshop from 10:30am to 11:30am. We'll talk about how to have your motorcycle in tip top shape and we'll discuss the process we use to make our bikes shine for the showroom.



LIFE IS GOOD...ENJOY THE RIDE!



2016 SUNSET CHAPTER CHALLENGE

It's back! Time to dust off the envelopes...You have some deliveries to make!

Your mission is to visit as many of the 344 U.S Post Office's in Oregon. What's the rules? Simple.

- Take a picture with your bike in front of the Oregon Post Office (You need to be in a least 5 of the pictures with your bike).

1st place wins \$200.00 gift card to PHD

2nd place wins \$100.00 gift card to PHD

Deadline is: December 13, 2016



ONE OF H.O.G. MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS: THE ABC'S OF TOURING



Joe Ballard
2006 Road Glide

HOG wants to offer you prizes for taking selfies at the places you travel to in 2016; so why not take them up on the deal.

ABC Touring Contest is a HOG activity where they offer prizes for how many points you accumulate individually and then prizes if you are 1st thru 3rd in points out of everyone who submits there contest information. Points are easy to accumulate and you get a cool ABC pin,

patch and bandana at 5 points. First place prize includes a Limited Edition Framed Watercolor Print by Willie G. Davidson and 3" Museum Rivet!

Just do the following:

1. **Ride:** Get on your bike with a current issue of HOG magazine or the H.O.G. Touring Handbook.

2. **Snap** pictures featuring you, your Harley and the magazine/handbook cover in front of "official signs".
3. **Submit** your photos and entry form
4. **Win** prizes based on your point total - plus a year's worth of bragging rights.

In 2013, 1520 Harley riders participated and out of that only 12 were from Oregon. We had 2 of our own Chapter members compete in 2015. What can we do for 2016???

There are so many opportunities to get out there with your Sunset Chapter family to do the ABC's of Touring. You can participate in our Chapter rides, attend the PNW H.O.G. Rally or the Hells Canyon Rally and don't forget our Sunset Chapter Challenge for 2016. All these are picture perfect times to snap and pose.

Let's get to snapping those photos and celebrate together to adventures we all had along the way with earning some fantastic prizes from H.O.G.

SENIOR ROAD CAPTAIN



Jay Kreilich
2007 Deluxe

We just finished up our RC Orientations and we now have 26 Road Captains for 2016!

Here are all your Road Captains for 2016. Returning Road Captains are:

Andre Bjornskov, Bob Driscoll, Dan Boss, Joe Ballard, Dave Mann, Diane Feack, Eva Kreilich, Jeff Miesen, Jerry Sabins, Kevin Higgins, Lance Kretlow, Mike Holley, Ron Cunningham, Russ Hayes and Steve Watts,

Joining us for our 2016 season is Andy Lester, Chris Thompson, Daniel Schach, Dan Pierceall, Dave Faulk, Jess Goodwin, Joe Eidenschink, Jacque Smith, Keith Mann and Roger Smith.

We had a big turn out to ride over to The One Motorcycle Show. There were all sorts of motorcycles to look at. Who ended up with the awards? W&W Cycles won "The American Made Award" for its stellar 1946 Harley-Davidson VL45. The "Cannonball" Knucklehead features a leaf spring fork and streamlined bodywork enveloping the rear. Boxer Metal out of Chico, California, was granted "The Motor Road Award" from BMW Motorrad for its twin turbo 1980 BMW R100. The bike's gold flake paint on the tank and twin turbos jutting off its Boxer Twin catch people's attention first, then details like the gauges built into its tank and modified Lester rear wheel reveal themselves upon closer inspection. Craig Marleau of Kick Start Garage, whose "Taco Truck" might just have been the most unique creation in the show, won "The Moto Vibes Award" from Poler Stuff for his 1971 BMW R75/5 equipped with a wooden-planked sidecar platform for his Bultaco "Side Bike."

Your Road Captains have got together and have set up some fantastic rides for our 2016 season! Check out all the upcoming rides on our website at www.sunsethog.com.

We also having our second HOGS & Hotcakes breakfast that your Road Captains is hosting on Sunday, March 20th from 10:00am - 11:30am. Right after breakfast we are having a short ride out in the country. Looking forward to a great year!



H.O.G.S & HOTCAKES
SUNDAY, MARCH 20TH
10AM - NOON

Our Sunset H.O.G. Chapter Road Captains will be serving up delicious FREE pancakes to you!

MARK SOME DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR! HERE'S SOME UPCOMING SPRING RIDES

WELCOME TO SPRING RIDE	MARCH 20TH	ARRIVE PHD 9:30AM	KSU: 10:00AM
SENIOR ROAD CAPTAIN RIDING IT OUT RIDE	APRIL 10TH	ARRIVE PHD 9:30AM	KSU: 10:00AM
SPRING BLOSSOM RIDE	APRIL 16TH	ARRIVE PHD 9:30AM	KSU: 10:00AM

YOUR ROAD CAPTAINS HAVE PACKED THE CALENDAR WITH SOME GREAT RIDES THIS YEAR. CHECK THEM OUT ON OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.SUNSETHOG.COM

1935 HARLEY DAVIDSON RL REBUILD

By: *Melvin Deboer*

This is a story of two old buddies who fixed each other. It begins in the early '50s, with me saying to my mother, "Mom, I worked all summer. "May I buy a motorcycle?" "Of course not," she said. "You can kill yourself on one of those things." I begged and pleaded constantly, but to no avail; the answer was always no. That very summer, my older brother Ken came home from working in the wheat fields in Montana, riding a Harley. That opened the first door. Now, fast-forward to 2013, with me asking my wife, "Honey, sweetheart, darling, is it alright with you if I buy a motorcycle?" "Of course not," she said. "You can kill yourself on one of those things." "Well then, how about an old one that doesn't run?" "Well, okay. But remember: no riding." Another door opened. One small step for man... nothing for mankind.

The internet became my weapon of choice to find a motorcycle the same age as I am. I went through bike after bike, but no luck. Then, in July of 2013, my nephew Kriss called with a possible find: a 1935 RL in boxes and jars, with gears in oily old sweat socks. That Harley barely looked like a motorcycle. It passed muster and we went home together—boxes, jars, broken parts, and wrong parts. From there, it took about three weeks to put enough parts together, finger-tight, to make it look like a motorcycle and take a picture for insurance. This was when I began to realize how many parts were missing, and I questioned the idea of ever riding this parts collection.

Where to begin? How to start, when you've never attempted this before? I began with some small parts that could be cleaned up and made to look nice and outsourced things like the generator. All this just to keep things moving and not

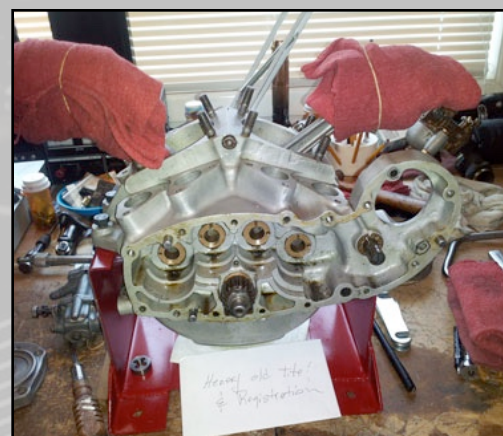
let doubt and depression set in, like it had with the two previous owners. But my mind kept saying, You didn't take this apart, and two people have worked on it before you. Even so, I managed to keep up my interest by meeting some great people online and in the local area who kept me going. I broke all the rules that professionals give to would-be restorers.

- 1) Always buy a complete project.
- 2) Always buy one that has not already been worked on or taken apart by others.
- 3) Don't buy primed parts.
- 4) Know your seller.
- 5) Take someone knowledgeable with you.

When you know better and still screw up five out of five, who can you blame? You just have to move on with more determination than ever.

One year later, the restoration was moving along. Sometimes, however, I had to drive stakes to see how far and in which direction. The tasks are hard and the tasks are nearly impossible, and believe me when I say there are plenty of both kinds. The first example is finding missing parts. Remember that you didn't take it apart, you don't know how many, which ones, or what it looks like, so now go find one or maybe two. There are always lots of parts, but which one fits your bike? But be careful: It's not what fits your bike, but what is correct for your bike. It can sound the same, but there's a day-and-night difference. All the rare and one-year parts with big dollar numbers attached were stripped from my purchase, and sold or lost as the bike changed hands, I would guess. This is when your bank account of knowledgeable and trustworthy contacts can become really valuable.

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TRAINING



Dave Mann
2008 Road Glide

Oh My! I know I seem to start all of my articles this way, but it does fit for our first Group Riding Orientation (GRO) in February. I know the weather was not the best, but by the afternoon the sun came out and we had a nice ride after the seminar. Oh, and speaking of the ride, I decided to come back on Scholls instead of Walnut. Bad idea, Scholls is not a good road on a Saturday. as all of Tigard is on that road heading for places to shop. So Kevin Higgins got us off Scholls, and we had a nice scenic

neighborhood ride back to PHD and still got to see the big reveal. The PHD custom bike is awesome. The GRO ride became part mystery ride also, and we had a great day. But, I digress, back to the Oh My.

The GRO was supposed to start at 10:00am, and at 10:00am I looked around and saw 16, count 'em 16 Road Captains. That was it. Oh My! A few moments later member Ben Romero showed up. You can imagine how much information Ben got with 16 Road Captains present, but Ben was great. He even did the ride after

with 11 RC's. What a GRO! Which leads me to my next comment, where were all of the rest of you? Now I know that many of you have already been to a GRO in years past, but as you can see from last Saturday we have a really excited and dedicated group of RC's this year. So, even if you been to a GRO, come again and put these wonderful RC's to work. We are not having a GRO in March, as I put it on Easter Sunday. Senior moment, big time.

In case you are wondering. What is a GRO. You learn how Sunset Chapter rides together on our group rides in a class, then you put your learned skills from the classroom to on the road. At the end of the ride we have a brief question and answer stop to get anything you may want to know more about. All our new members out there are encouraged to come and learn how we ride together and what the Sunset Chapter is all about; Riding and Having Fun.

Remember, no matter how long you have been a chapter member it's always good to attend one of the GRO's at least once a year to keep updated on what may have changed. See you there. In the meantime ride safe and have fun. We hold them at Paradise Harley-Davidson in their Upstairs Conference Room 10:00am - 1:00pm. See the website at www.sunsethog.com for all the upcoming GRO dates.

VALENTINE'S DAY RIDE



Mike Holley
2015 Street Glide

We arrived at PHD to a very grey and wet day. Just about the time we started thinking it may be an all-RC ride, three more bikes pulled in to join us. We had KSU up at 10 and wandered through the Scholls area. We made our way through Newberg and then on to Donald and the Donald Cafe for brunch. Only seven bikes rode to the restaurant but the restaurant was full of our members. Many members drove because of the weather, but the rain didn't dampen the fun time we had, sharing stories and enjoying a fine breakfast. It was a fantastic Valentines Day.

I want to thank all that took the time out to get out in the rain and made this a great Valentine Day.





PARADISE HARLEY-DAVIDSON'S CUSTOM KINGS CONTEST A.K.A THE "SURFSTER"

This is what happens when Harley-Davidson dealers get their hands dirty, transforming stock Harley-Davidson Sportster motorcycles into killer works of rolling art. Paradise Harley-Davidson's entry into H-D's Custom Kings Contest for 2016, A.K.A. the "Surfster", is proudly on display on our showroom floor. If you missed the reveal party on Saturday, you need to see this awesome interpretation of a Sportster 72 (XL1200V).

We wanted to create a throwback and pay homage to the 70's with our "Surfster". To build a bike that bridged the gap between two lifestyles that we believe go hand in hand. The surf and motorcycle lifestyle. What's old is new again it seems. A scrambler style Sportster, converted to chain drive for beach / sand cruising sporting a custom "Woodies" style paint scheme. Knobby tires, a solo custom leather wrapped springer seat with matching custom made leather tool kit. Scrambler high pipes for those shallow water conditions allowing you to get to your favorite surf spot, along with a custom made, quick release surfboard rack. Now imagine what the good'ol days would be like today, with our 2016 "Surfster".

The "Surfster" is competing against Harley-Davidson dealers nationwide. The competition is fierce and we need you to vote online to push the "Surfster" to victory. The website to cast your vote for Paradise H-D Tigard, OR in the West region is customkingsvoting.harley-davidson.com/#/vote. Be sure to cast a vote for each bracket located on each of the 8 region pages (4 votes per region page) to make sure your vote for the "Surfster" is recorded. You can vote for us once a day from each device that you own while we are in the competition...hopefully, we'll be in it all the way to a nationwide victory on April 12th! Help PHD represent Oregon as the best custom Harley-Davidson build of any Harley-Davidson dealer in the nation!





HOG TALES

Welcome to HOG Tales, where you'll meet some new and old Chapter members and read their stories on how they got into riding motorcycles, particularly Harley-Davidson. Members share with us why they love riding and some of their best experiences they have had on the road. There will be some flashbacks of old motorcycle days, adventure trips on the open road and share the best roads they have traveled along the way. Everyone at the Sunset Chapter has at least one common interest and that is Harley-Davidson.



Jesus "Chuy" Buenavida My love for Harley-Davidson Motorcycles goes all the way back to when I was about 8 years old. I grew up in Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico and I had two uncles that rode big motorcycles one of them was a Harley-Davidson and the other was a Goldwing but to me they were all big, loud, badass machines. Both of my uncles were police officers and they were tough guys with their full mustaches and Ray-Ban aviator sunglasses and I always wanted to be like them. I always loved watching them go through their ritualistic preparation of getting ready to ride. First they would say good bye to me with a strong hug, a ruffling of my head/hair, and a reminder to behave and listen to my Grandma and then would come the opening of the saddle bag, the tying of the bandana, the Ray-Ban sunglasses that wrapped around your ears, putting on their jacket and then helmet, and some leather gloves to match their dark cowboy boots and then of course came the crank and rumbly explosion when they started their bike and a few loud revs because they knew I loved it right before they would take off without looking back... I can remember it like it was yesterday.



I've always wanted to live a life of danger and adventure so after high school I joined the United States Marine Corps and served in Afghanistan OEF as an Infantry Rifleman. After the Marines I continued to serve as a Protective Security Specialist working High Threat Protection-Diplomatic Security in Baghdad/Basra, Iraq and this is when I was finally able to buy my first Harley. My first bike was a 2009 HD Sportster Nightster 1200 and after 6 months of riding that I bought my 2013 HD Street Glide brand new from San Diego Harley-Davidson and its been fun times ever since.

I love getting out on my bike and cruising around by myself with no particular place to go... Feeling that cold fresh air and hearing that Rinehart rumble.. I also love having my girl Andrea ride with me and both of us getting out on that open road to enjoy some scenery together..



I was able to make it out to the Harley-Davidson museum in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and that was really awesome but my best experience was going on a long distance ride. Shortly after getting my Street Glide in 2013 I did a fun 3,300 mile cruise over 10 days starting from San Diego, California and into Las Vegas, then I visited 3 National Parks in Utah (Zion, Bryce Canyon, and Arches) and would hike around all day and then ride to the next place, from Utah I rode up to Green River, Wyoming and visited a friend from the Marines that I hadn't seen in over 10 years, then onto Pocatello, Idaho and visited some friends and natural hot springs and then from there I cruised into Oregon for the first time where I would eventually move to. I enjoyed seeing Bend and Crater Lake, and then of course the ride down the beautiful California coastline on Highway 1. That was a very cool trip and I hope to do more like that except next time instead of sleeping in motels I plan on going full vagabond and sleeping outside with a blanket roll, a fire, and some Budweiser's. I look forward to more backcountry miles enjoying the beautiful United States of America.



SUNSET CHAPTER VETERANS



Veterans never ask for our recognition or gratitude, yet they deserve our appreciation every day. The Sunset Chapter cares about our Veterans. As a chapter we honor our Veterans throughout the year. As part of our Sunset Chapter Veterans Appreciation we give a respectful expression of recognition and gratitude and have a dedicated section in our newsletter to thank them for their service and sacrifice to our country.

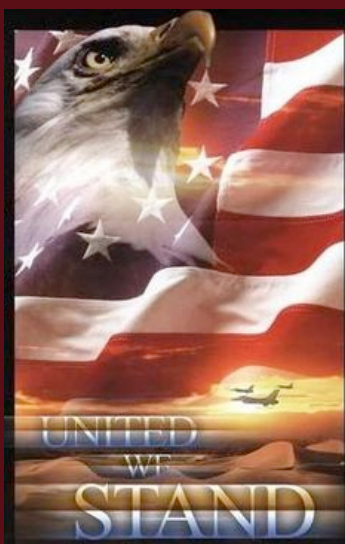
We have designed special lapel pins for our Veterans. At our chapter meeting each Veteran who was recognized in our newsletter will be presented a pin for our gratitude and appreciation for your service.

U.S. Armed Forces

All Five Armed Service Branches

Every branch: Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps and Navy. Any category of our military: Active Duty, Reserve or National Guard.

No matter what position you held, you made an impact and contribution during your service. Your service is worth being acknowledged and honored.



SUBMISSIONS

We want to hear from all our Chapter Veterans!

Your basic information to submit is your name, branch, years enlisted, where you were stationed and photo of you currently.

You are encouraged to submit a story of your time in the service and any pictures you have to share while you were in the military.

Full and Associate members may submit.

Send your information to Lisa at lisa@sunsethog.com



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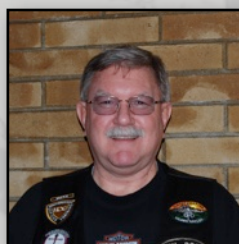


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You can read current and past issues of our newsletter in the Members Only section of the website at www.sunsethog.com

OUR NEW MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH PROGRAM



Tim Doty
2006 Street Glide

Membership Outreach is an effort by Sunset HOG to address the various needs of members within the Chapter. Because the size of the Chapter and the variety of medical situations or surgeries taking place, there is a strong desire to have an avenue so that visitation can take place, lawns can be mowed, the dog fed and meals can be provided if needed.

The Membership Outreach officer will communicate directly with our Director, where continuing visitation can take place while addressing the needs that might occur for each individual. Sunset HOG is like a "family" in many ways. The activities of this group, the rides that are part of the livelihood of each member and the ongoing friendships are part of what makes the Sunset HOG group unique. Hence, sharing the needs with others who might be able to make life more tolerable would be wonderful, while at the same time making sure that all communication is done appropriately and confidential, if this is the desire.

I have been appointed to represent Membership Outreach at this time. My continuing goal away from the Sunset HOG Chapter has been to be a representative in the area hospitals for pastors who do not live in

Portland to allow for some contact with those from their cities who visit the metro area for various illnesses or surgeries. Continuing in this same role would be the importance of Membership Outreach, since the ongoing visitation would be appropriate while at the same time positioning helpful aspects for continuing life in the absence of one member of the household. There would not be anything religious about this visitation, since everyone regardless of their faith is part of the HOG family. In the past I, personally, have visited other bikers who have been in an accident of some kind to offer encouragement and a listening ear for each individual. While I am an ordained clergy, serving in this important situation is part of being one who reaches out to all HOG folk in an effort to reveal the family approach to all that Sunset Chapter accomplishes.

It is my personal hope that each HOG member recognize that this avenue is one possible way to encourage themselves personally, develop friendships across this important Sunset Chapter activity, and in a real way help to provide even more for each individual facing a sickness, surgery, or some unanticipated health crisis.

It is the hope of the Sunset Chapter leadership that people will utilize this important Membership Outreach group in the future. Feel free to contact me at tim@sunsethog.com if you anticipate any upcoming situations that can be addressed.

**IT'S BACK...
...AND HOTTER
THAN EVER!**

**SIZZLIN'
SATURDAY**

LIVE MUSIC & BBQ EVERY SATURDAY
FROM NOON TO 4PM STARTING ON
SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH



SAFETY



IT ONLY TAKES A SECOND

SOMETIMES YOU JUST DON'T THINK ABOUT HOW FAST THE WORLD CAN CHANGE.



Bob Driscoll
2008 Ultra
Touring Classic

At last months Chapter meeting I asked for members to share their riding stories so others might learn from them. Sometimes admitting you made a mistake is a little embarrassing. Making a mistake is OK as long as you're lucky enough to get to the other side alive, healthy and.... you learn from it. It's even better if you are brave enough to admit it to others in an effort to help keep them from making the same mistake which might result in a

less fortunate outcome. If your story saves them from that, well then, you've just become a hero even though you may never know it.

An embarrassed but brave and possibly heroic member approached me after the meeting and gave me this story. He did not give me permission to use his name. So to protect his identity we'll just call him "Bob".

Anyway, "Bob" said he was traveling south on Hwy 217 in the right lane and nearing the Greenburg Rd exit. He was following a vehicle towing a low flatbed trailer. In his peripheral vision he noticed something to his right taking the exit and noticed it was overtaking him. He took just a second to see exactly what it was. Oh, it's no big deal. That is until....Bob looked back to the trailer in front of him and realized the driver of the car towing the trailer had hit his brakes and now there is not enough time/room to keep from rear ending the trailer. SCARY STUFF RIGHT?

To keep from rear ending the trailer Bob swerved to the left. To his good fortune there was no one in the left lane. Wheehoo. Disaster averted. How lucky am I Bob thought!

What was the lesson Bob learned? He was following too close to even take a little 1 second look around to see what was going on around him. Sometimes you just don't think about how fast the world can change. And it changes for no apparent reason.

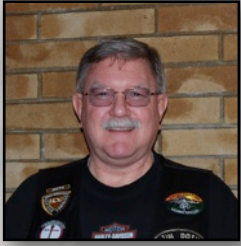
What to do? I think Bob should act a little more like those professional truckers you see. Let off the gas a little. Give yourself a little more following distance to allow for that extra 1 second glance. I know what you're thinking. You think when I do that some *!#%\$ cage in the other lane who doesn't respect my safety decides to use that space for his lane change into my lane. Here is where you act like the professional trucker who just backs off the throttle a little to get that safety space back. It's difficult I know but you will still eventually get to you destination and the important thing is, you'll get there alive and well.

The next time you see "Bob" tell him how much you appreciated his willingness to embarrass himself and tell you his story.

Give yourself the gift of one second. It only takes a second for crying out loud!

Think safety all the time. Ride safe and be happy.

SUNSET CHAPTER MERCHANDISE



Tim Doty
2006 Street Glide
Custom

The Sunset HOG merchandise has added some additional T-shirts and hats! Sunset HOG Chapter specific T-shirts in short sleeve have been received in both Black and Ash. The prices are the same as before with Small to XL at \$21 each, 2XL at \$23 each, and 3XL at \$24 each. Some within the chapter are currently wearing their copies of this shirt and they have been selling very well.

Also received are long sleeve black Sunset Chapter specific T-shirts. A total of 24 were purchased in sizes Large to 3XL. The price for these shirts in Large to XL is \$26 each, 2XL at \$28, and 3XL at \$29 total. There are no Small or Medium in the long sleeve variety at this time since the order was for the larger sizes. If you specifically want a smaller size in this long sleeve variety please tell the merchandize person, so the next order will reflect this.

The final return item is a hat that is black with contrast silver stitching that is Sunset Chapter specific. These hats were sold very quickly in the past and this reorder has a total of 24 new caps ready to be purchased. The cost for the hats is \$16 each.

Recently ordered were 12 Large Reflective Sunset Chapter patches. These patches will have a set price as soon as we receive them. Several have asked about these reflective patches and when they are "in the light" they are VERY reflective.

If you are interested in any Sunset Chapter merchandise or items related to HOG in any way, I encourage you to visit the table and check out the merchandise currently in stock.



CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 8TH

BEAVERTON ELK'S LODGE
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Arrive at 6:00PM to eat some burgers, meet up
with new & old friends & check out the bikes.
Meeting is from 7:00PM - 8:00PM

1935 HARLEY DAVIDSON RL REBUILD

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Another example: Parts put together wrong. When I was looking at this as a possible purchase, a big selling point was the lower end. I was told it had been completely rebuilt by a professional. It looked good, felt good, and impressed me—but it was completely wrong. The front rod was in the back cylinder and the back rod was in the front cylinder. How can you tell when you don't know? There's only one way: Take the time to study and learn more about the rods, then the "professional" who put it together. This simple-but-complex, difficult-but-easy switcheroo took me about two months (and a hundred pull tabs) to discover and change, because I thought the rods were correct and looked everywhere else first. This must have happened at least eight or ten times—rear hub, transmission, brakes and so on.



Next, wiring. I purchased an aftermarket wiring harness that had numbers or names on little tabs on each end of the wire to make sure you can't make a mistake. Oh yeah? Well, what if the wiring diagram left off one wire and no wire was in the kit? Well, there goes another month (and fifty pull tabs).

Engine timing. According to The Big Bang Theory, Einstein said that insanity was "doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results." Yet I would bet I timed that engine two hundred times and nothing changed. That's two hundred pull tabs. Your safety officer (and my neighbor), Bob Driscoll, stopped by to check on progress and give a helping hand. After listening to my tales of woe, he said, "Let me play with it. Let's try moving some of these cam gears and see what happens." Lo and behold, in about ten minutes he had the thing timed. It all came down to a gear with a timing mark in the wrong place, but it fit. Ten happy pull tabs.

I could go on about many similar challenges—gas tanks, carburetor, and plenty of others that just added to the pull tab count. What I'll tell you instead is that over three and a half years of working on this bike, from bringing it home to starting the engine (with Bob's help), the pull tab count reached 1,700. Now when people ask, "How long did this take you?" I show them two sandwich bags full of beer tabs and say, "That long."

One last thing to cover. You may be wondering, how did two old buddies fix each other? Well, I'm sure by now you know I fixed the bike. I did about 90% of the restoration myself. So how did the bike fix me? Well, it got me up every morning at 7:00 and couldn't wait to finish my chores and get at that project. I met new friends, learned how to work a computer much better than I could before, and even learned how to operate a smart phone and text my kids and grandkids, none of which would have happened if not for one rusty old bike that needed a buddy who wouldn't quit. One step for mankind—a restored Harley.

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