

# Wolverine Tracks

## 2018 IS UNDERWAY



The annual Frozen Tundra gathering kicked off this year's festivities. Thanks to a couple of brave members, our riding chapter has started racking up the miles on day 1. Grab your gear and mount your bike to start racking up your own miles and memories.

As we say goodbye to 2017, we thank each of our 528 members for participating in our Chapter. The New Year brings opportunities to ride, meet new people and celebrate our common love of riding. Chapter #1332 and our sponsoring dealership, Wolverine Harley - Davidson already have a great many events scheduled for our members!!!!



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## DIRECTOR'S NOTE

### Look Back and Survey Ahead

Another year is upon us, and while the weather is not so great for riding for us here in Michigan, it does give us an opportunity to reflect on the past and plan ahead for the future. 2018 is an important year for the Wolverine Chapter as we celebrate the 15th anniversary since we chartered with National HOG. We have had an incredible 15 year history and traveled an amazing journey as brothers and sisters, sharing our passion for life, riding and Harley Davidson motorcycles.

Looking at our history and accomplishments of the past 15 years says a lot about the Wolverine Chapter family. Activities and LOH helped organize rides and events for a wealth of opportunities to get out, ride and have fun. Our Road Crew has worked hard to make sure that those rides were safe and enjoyable across hundreds of thousands of miles of riding. The Honor Guard has been there to present our colors at our events and to pay our respects to those no longer with us. All the while, members manage to continue to find time to serve our community and raise hundreds of thousands of dollars to help children and veterans organizations in and around Metro Detroit. This was all accomplished because of a great number of volunteers combined with the support of our incredible sponsoring dealer.

I am proud to be counted among you.

But just like when we are riding our beloved Harleys, we can't just live in the rear view mirror. We need to check where we've been - while looking ahead to where we are going. This year we have some incredible events on the calendar based on feedback we received from you. In addition, we have some great ideas on the table and need help to make them happen. Reach out to any of your officers to find out how you can contribute. Whether it is with Membership, Activities, Road Crew, Honor Guard or even just an odd job at one of our events, we can always use your help.

And while you're at it... bring a friend! Old friend, new friend... the more the merrier!! Share the incredible family we call Wolverine HOG. As we remember the past 15 years, we need to look ahead to grow the next 15 years of Chapter family. Carry on the great tradition that is the history of our incredible Chapter!

Ride and Have Fun!!





# A C T I V I T I E S



Our Activities Committee organized a fun-filled Euchre Tournament held January 20th at Hamlin Pub.



As with all events,  
participation is not required,  
but attendance can lead  
to a great time out with friends!



If you missed March  
activities, we had a Meet & Mingle  
at Malones and Bowling at  
Bonanza Lanes



## Feather Bowling

Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> 7-10ish pm  
Bath City Bistro  
75 Macomb Pl, Mt Clemens  
\$5 with max of 50 people

## Mark your calendar now for these UPCOMING EVENTS. . .

### MEET & MINGLES

- 4/27 - Sherwood Brewing Company with  
20% to our Charity
- 5/09 - Food Truck Rally
- 6/07 - to be determined



Reserve 6/16 for our Father's Day Ride



JOIN THE RIDE  
to  
OHIO BIKE WEEK  
May 25-27th

6/23—RIDE to Caseville

Where there is  
more than  
cheeseburgers.



Have questions or ideas for upcoming events?

Contact: [activities@wolverinehog.com](mailto:activities@wolverinehog.com)

# A C T I V I T I E S

# Dealership News

## OUTSTANDING NEWS!!!

Congratulations to our sponsoring dealer for earning the prestigious Platinum Bar and Shield award for 2017. Presented by Harley-Davidson® Motor Company, this award is given to the top six Harley-Davidson dealerships in the United States. Wolverine Harley-Davidson earned the award based on motorcycle and related product sales performance, customer service and satisfaction, and operational measures. "This is the highest award we give to our dealers," said Dave Cotteleer, Vice President and Managing Director for the United States. "We're proud to present it to George de la Nuez and Charles Riley in recognition of the outstanding work being done at Wolverine Harley-Davidson®. It's because of dealers like Wolverine that Harley-Davidson® enjoys the loyalty and commitment from its customers."

## 2nd Annual "Rambo" Blood Drive

Wolverine Harley-Davidson and Wolverine HOG Chapter #1332 again sponsored a blood drive in honor of Ron "Rambo" Wambold. Ron was an active member of the Wolverine HOG Chapter, Vice President of the Great Lakes SEM Riding Club and a proud Vietnam Veteran who lived life to the fullest.

With the great turn out, a total of 54 units were collected.

Thank you to all who came out in support of this life-saving cause!

## Wolverine H-D Weekend / Event Help

Wolverine Harley-Davidson is looking for motivated individuals to assist with Demo Rides and the "Jumpstart" (our ride simulator) during weekends at the dealer.

- \* 2 people to run demo rides & 1-2 people to run the Jumpstart from 11am-3pm
- \* Every Saturday starting in March-October weather permitting except holidays
- \* Must provide and ride your own H-D bike to lead the demo fleet
- \* Required to wear a Wolverine H-D staff/event shirt provided by the dealership
- \* Compensation will be at a rate of \$10 per hour

For more information please contact: Jon Juronoc or Carla Carlson

**NOW OPEN & DAYS A WEEK!!! The dealership hosts many great events throughout the year. Stop in and pick up a calendar so you don't miss out.**



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## THINK SPRING THINK SPRING THINK SPRING

As we prepare for the upcoming riding season, the Road Crew is beginning to shake off the winter-rust, and get our riding skills ready for another amazing riding season for the Wolverine HOG Chapter. We practice together, using standardized methods, so that regardless of who is escorting any given group, we all know what each other's job is in any given situation. That common knowledge and practice allows us to be as safe as possible, and ultimately make for a safe and enjoyable riding experience for Chapter events.

This theory is not only useful for the type of riding the road crew does to escort rides. As a chapter member joining these rides, having a set and standard method of riding makes everyone more comfortable, safer, and ultimately leads to a more enjoyable ride. Much like the Road Crew practicing and riding together to hone these skills, you too can hone your skills by riding with a group, and with a standard set of methods and techniques.

The Wolverine HOG Chapter has been conducting G.R.E.A.T. Rides for quite some time. G.R.E.A.T. (Group Riding Elements and Techniques) They depart from the dealership, and travel to a local destination, where along the way we can practice the elements and techniques employed by our Chapter in our group rides. Prior to departing, there is always an in depth pre-ride briefing. This briefing details the hand signals we use, the formations we ride in, the route we will be taking, and most importantly WHY we do all these things. Our goal is to get every rider, whether they are new to riding or just new to the chapter, on the same page and comfortable in a group regardless of the size. We encourage participation from the newest riders to the most seasoned riders (and everyone in between), because lets face it, it's still a chance to go for a ride! So come on out the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month during riding season and go for a ride with some of your fellow chapter members!!!

### ***The Wolverine Chapter presents THE G.R.E.A.T. RIDE***

#### **Group Riding Elements and Techniques.**

Are you new to group riding? Are you new to riding with the Wolverine Chapter? Do you just want to go for a ride with other Wolverine HOG members? Not all group rides are the same. Come join the Road Crew on a short ride as we familiarize new and experienced members on the group riding principles and techniques employed by our Chapter. We'll take you on a relaxing and scenic ride through northern Macomb County. Afterwards, we'll stop for refreshments and/or dinner at a local restaurant.



For ride cancellation info call the HOTLINE @ 586-464-0260.

**Date: 3rd Tuesday of the Month**

**Time: 6:30PM...The Dealership Parking Lot**

For details, contact via e-mail at

[HeadRoadCaptain@Wolverinehog.com](mailto:HeadRoadCaptain@Wolverinehog.com)



## *Spotlight on LOH*

Closing out 2017, we said farewell and a HUGE thank you to Rose "Spaz" Bertolini for functioning as LOH Officer for many years. The Ladies of Harley enjoyed a delicious Christmas Luncheon complete with a gift exchange and a visit from Santa.



2018 brings additional officer changes, and we welcome Sherrie Clemente and Kim Reid who will combine their talents to chair our LOH. At the January meeting, information was gathered to put together another entertaining year of activities. A Mardi Gras Pub Crawl in February "SOLD OUT," so sign-up early for upcoming events to ensure your space. Drag Queen Bingo set for April 7th at 7pm.



The next meeting is set for April 25, at Ireland's Pub.

Future events are in the works, and include a Mother's Day Ride with brunch on May 20th and a Picnic on June 30th. Both events are in coordination with our charitable efforts.

Annual Bike Wash is scheduled for July 21 at the dealer and all are welcome to participate with donations going toward our Charity..

**ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME AT LOH EVENTS. PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US.**

LOH events are listed on the chapter calendar, however, if you have any questions, contact the LOH officer at: [loh@wolverinehog.com](mailto:loh@wolverinehog.com)

# GET TO KNOW YOUR OFFICERS

## Meet a couple of our newest Officers

Treasurer—**Michael Reid**      Nickname: **Mike**

What do you ride?

**2015 Road Glide Special**

How long have you been riding?

**38 years**

How long have you been a member of Wolverine HOG?

**2012**

What is your favorite part of being a HOG member?

***Being part of such a great community of people with common interests. Also, I am proud to be part of an organization that does so much for charities and the children.***



Why do you volunteer your time to the board?

***I feel that I need to give back to the organization that does such great things for members, charities and the community.***

Why do you enjoy being on the board?

***I feel good contributing and taking an active role in the HOG chapter.***

What hobbies do you have outside of riding?

***Fishing, Hunting, Grand-kids, working on cars, motorcycles, the house and the yard, salt water aquarist.***

What is your favorite ride?

**2018 Road Glide Special**

Anything else you would like the membership to know about?

***Married for 29 years, three daughters, two grandkids and another on the way.***

***Ride Safe and Enjoy!***





Editor—*Darlene Brown*

What do you ride? *2015 H-D CVO Softail Deluxe*  
*I started with a mini-bike when I was 11 years old and progressed to dirt bikes, on-off road, Kawasaki Ninja 600 and finally my first Harley in 2003.*

How long have you been a member of Wolverine HOG?

*My initial membership was 2003 when I purchased my anniversary edition Dyna Low Rider. Then, life got in the way, and I rejoined in 2014.*

What is your favorite part of being a HOG member? *PEOPLE and their love of riding.*

Why do you volunteer your time to the board? *No organization can run without support, and I help where I can. It is rewarding to help out and this Chapter allows for great flexibility that can fit into most anyone's schedule.*

What hobbies do you have outside of riding? *Spending time with family and friends.*

What is your favorite ride? *Every one that my bike and I return home upright and in one piece! All kidding aside, the mountains in Tennessee, and anywhere near the water.*

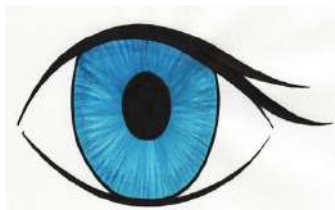
Anything else you would like the membership to know about? *Looking to put together a ride in Alaska. Anybody interested?*

## Have You Seen.....?



**NEW MEMBERS**

**Welcome to #1332**



# CHARITABLE EFFORTS

## Pay Off

A very special thank you to all Chapter Members who gave of themselves to make this possible. Your efforts during funds collection, gift wrapping, bake sales, bike wash and our sponsor's contributions from sales have allowed for this level of generosity.

2017 was an excellent year for our Chapter's charitable efforts. A sincere expression of gratitude to our Charity Officers Josie DiFalco (past) and Debbie Levites (current).

**JOB WELL DONE LADIES!!!**



"It is not often that I am speechless " - it happened tonight. Overwhelmed by the generosity from The Wolverine HOG Chapter this evening with their presentation of a check for \$10,000 for Kids On The Go!

Kristy Piana Schena—Founder and Executive Director, Kids On The Go







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### CALLING ALL DAY RIDERS.....

**Day rides will officially begin Monday,  
May 7th for the first ride of the year to  
Foxfire Fixins and they will be  
donating 20% to Kids On The GO!  
After that, they will be scheduled on  
Wednesdays**

Contact Greg, [greg1121@comcast.net](mailto:greg1121@comcast.net), 586-214-3949

### Help Spread the Word...

Looking for a few outgoing members to hang out at the dealership on Saturdays, chatting with guests and letting them know what our chapter is all about.

Sound like fun?

Email [membership@wolverinehog.com](mailto:membership@wolverinehog.com) to sign up.

### Ride 365! New HOG Mileage Program

Now you have 3 ways to be recognized in 1 easy process. Just simply register your odometer mileage at Wolverine H-D to start out the year and periodically check in your mileage throughout the year. Your mileage will count for Annual and Lifetime Recognition, as well as Chapter Challenge mileage.

Do what you got your bike for... to ride it!!

### Join your new Head Road Captain Chico as he leads you to Hot Dog heaven.

Enjoy the first ride of the year and grab a bite at world famous Tony Paco's

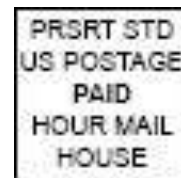
Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>

Staging at Bob Evans on M-59 and I-94  
@10 a.m.



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**Membership Meetings:**

7:00 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
of every month ConCorde Inn  
44315 Gratiot Avenue, Clinton Twp.  
(just south of Wolverine H-D dealership)

**\*\*\*Please note: The Wolverine HOG Newsletter  
will be published Quarterly and on-line only.**

**G.R.E.A.T. Ride (Group Riding  
Elements And Techniques):**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month  
April - October  
Arrive at Wolverine H-D dealership  
by 6:30 p.m. Kickstands up at 7 p.m.

**Ladies of Harley:**

Check the Chapter Calendar for  
meeting locations and LOH events.

**Websites:**

Wolverine H.O.G. Chapter [wolverinehog.com](http://wolverinehog.com)  
Wolverine Harley-Davidson [wolverinehd.com](http://wolverinehd.com)  
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**Chapter Membership: 300+**

## Chapter Events

*M Wed Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6 @ 7:00PM - Wolverine Officer's Meeting*

*C Tue Apr 10, May 8, Jun 12 @ 7- Chapter Meeting at Concorde Inn*

*C Mon May 7 - 1st Day Ride then every Wed. after that during riding season*

*C Sat Apr 7—Drag Queen Bingo*

*C Sat Apr 21 - Tony Packo's Ride*

*@ 7 - Feather Bowling*

*C Wed Apr 25 @ 6 - LOH Meeting*

*C Fri Apr 27—Meet/Mingle Sherwood Brewing Co.*

*P Wed May 9—Food Truck Rally*

*P Sat May 19—Blessing of the Bikes*

*C Sun May 20—Mother's Day Brunch Ride*

*C Fri May 25-27—OHIO Bike Week*

*C Fri Jun 8 —Meet/Mingle @ Mavericks*

*C Sat Jun 16—Father's Day Ride*

*& P - 1st Battalion 24th Marines*

*Memorial Poker Run*

*C Sat Jun 30—Charity Picnic Ride*

*Call the Chapter Hotline to see if a ride is canceled (586-464-0260). Time listed for rides is when kickstands go up (if it's a ride). See flier or website for up-to-date information including contact info, lineup and registration times and locations.*

**Member** events are events that are open only to H.O.G. members. | **Closed** events are those chapter events which are open to chapter members and one guest per member. | **Open** events are those chapter events which are open to chapter members, national H.O.G. members and other guests as desired. | **Public** events are those open to the general public, members and non-members alike are welcome. (Not endorsed by H.O.G.)