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Chapter 1257**

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Dear Chapter Members,

WHOA!! What a progressive dinner! I know a great time was had by all the folks that attended. The food was excellent. A HUGE thanks to all of the folks that prepared and hosted the food in their homes.

Don't forget there is only a couple of weeks left to collect miles for the challenge.

This weekend, there are 2 rides going on. The All Biker Poker Run and Bruce's Nut Run. Please try to attend the PR and take a chance to win some of the money we will be giving away this Saturday.

I think it was a very good idea to combine the Hog Nob and the Chapter meeting on Saturday. I think the attendance has greatly improved. There are still a lot of great things to come this year yet.

Don't forget to start thinking about whom you would like to be your Chapter Officers for 2010, elections are just around the corner. I have really enjoyed being the assistant director and the director for the pass 4 years. I think it would be great to get some new blood and ideas, so I will be stepping out of the picture to let someone else take over. I will be there to help in any way that I can to support the Chapter. THANK YOU for all the support you have given me. Please support your new officers like you did me.

Ride and be SAFE

Gary



Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2009

Laura Hauffe - Secretary



This month's HOG Nob and General Membership meeting was a Progressive Dinner and Poker Run that took place at four different stops around town. The first stop was the home of Scott and Nancy Nelson for appetizers. The weather was cold and threatening rain all evening, but some members were tough and rode their bikes anyway. Next stop was the home of Henderson and Stacy Bryson for salads. From there the group motored to Dennis and Cheryl Rafferty's for Mexican entrees. After everyone got stuffed, it was off to Justin and Treana Johnson's home for dessert and the General Membership Meeting. Excellent food was enjoyed by all at each stop.

If you missed this Progressive Dinner and Poker Run, you missed a really great time.

Assistant Director Dennis Rafferty kicked off this month's meeting by asking for a motion to forego the reading of the minutes from the August HOG Meeting. The motion was offered, seconded and passed unanimously.

Guests and New Members: We had several guests join us for this month's meeting. Patty was Rick Collard's guest; Joni was Bill Patterson's guest; Amber came with Scott and Nancy Nelson; Tonya joined us with Andy Ottaway; Bev was the guest of Erick Salverson; and the Bryson kids also joined in all of the fun.

Birthdays In September: Dorothy Blessing, Dennis Rafferty, Derek Wells, and Cheryl Rafferty. HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Old Business: Dennis got things going by recognizing and thanking Gretchen Wells for the great job she did putting together the LOH picnic. The picnic was enjoyed by all who attended, but mention was made that one of the burger cooks was culinary-ily challenged at keeping the burgers together on the grill. Some picnic games were held (I didn't hear what they were) and Team Donna/Gary won first, Team April Beaverhausen took second, and Team Nelson placed third. First place winners received a \$75.00 gift certificate from the Dealership. Prizes for 2nd & 3rd place weren't mentioned. April Keyes also won the raffle drawing for a new Cheyenne HOG Chapter jacket. So, when you miss a HOG outing, you miss out on a lot of fun and some great prizes.

Next, Rick Collard offered his thanks to the Dealership and to all of the folks who helped out with this year's Hogs For Dogs Event. The event raise over \$8,700 and there were double the number of pet adoptions for that week. It was a great success, so thank you to all who volunteered and participated. That kind of help goes a long way in helping deserving pets who need a home.

Justin was next and wanted to let everyone know how much the Dealership appreciates all of the hard work and time volunteers put into helping Mavericks put on their different events throughout the year. He knows how hard it can be to make the time to participate in this tough economic climate and wanted everyone to know that their contributions mean the world to the Dealership.

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The next topic was pictures for the HOG CHIT Newsletter. Assistant Director Rafferty asked Members to submit pictures to Editor Keyes if they'd like to see them included in our Monthly Newsletters. Members could submit shots from recent rides or from different functions they have participated in. Everyone agreed about how good the last newsletter looked with addition of pictures to it. Pictures dress it up and special recognition was given to Editor Eric Keyes for the outstanding job he did with the last edition. Dennis went on to remind the Membership that the Video Library is still open and it is free of charge to borrow videos. Head Librarian Howard informed that he has a new title, "Ride Like A Pro 3", if folks are interested. Howard brings the videos to each meeting, so see him if you'd like to borrow one to view at your convenience. Volunteer Of The Year award is coming up at the end of the year. The selection committee will be making their decision and the volunteer selected will receive a fantastic gift, courtesy of the Chapter and the Dealership, as recognition of her/his efforts. Please remember, to be in the running for this great prize, you need to help out at as many of our functions as you can.

Nominations for new Chapter Officers is coming up at our November General Membership Meeting. If you're interested in being an officer, please nominate yourself, or get someone to nominate you. Voting will take place at the December Meeting and you must be present at that meeting to vote. No exceptions.

The Mileage Challenge we have going with the Thornton HOGsters ENDS **SEPTEMBER 30th**. On October 1st, you need to record the mileage on your bike and bring it to the October Meeting. We will add up all the miles to see if we spanked the CCT HOGsters. A barbeque for all three Chapters (Thornton, Laramie and Cheyenne) will be held where the traveling trophy will be handed to the winning Chapter. Barbeque date TBD.



A Cheyenne HOG Member taking a break along the Wildlife Loop in Custer State Park, Black Hills, South Dakota - June, 2009.

New Business: Next Saturday, **September 19th**, is the All Biker Poker Run. Proceeds from this run go to participating riders only. 40% of the pot goes to the winning hand, 20% goes to the next best hand, and the last 40% goes to the worst hand. Participants have three chances to win. Turnout is expected to be pretty good, so the payouts could be substantial. The Run will start at 9:00 AM from the Eagle's Nest and go to Maverick's in Laramie. Next stop is the Commodore Bar in Wheatland, then on to Uncle Charlie's here in Cheyenne. The Poker Run will finish up back at the Eagle's Nest. There will be a three-question-scavenger-hunt for bonus along the way - so keep your eyes open as you ride on this Run.

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The following Sunday, **September 20th**, is the Annual Nut Run down to Bruce's in Severance, Colorado. We will be meeting at DBR Distributing on Southwest Drive (same place where we had the New Member Steak Feed back in May). We will head down to Bruce's via US 85 to Eaton, Colorado, and then west into Severance. Anyone wanting to make this run, please be at DBR Distributing at 9:00 AM.

The **10th of October** is the Annual Toy Run sponsored by Mavericks. Please bring a toy for a disadvantaged child. Registration begins at 10:00 AM at Mavericks, the Parade through Cheyenne will start at 1:00. The Salvation Army gets the toys and all toys go to kids in Cheyenne. Please plan to participate and help make some young person's Christmas maybe just a little better than it might be if you don't.

No one had anything for the Q&A portion of our newsletter or for the Dealership.

Director Rusk briefly explained that this year's Chapter Christmas Party will be held again at the Historic Plains Hotel. It was suggested we get the Powder River Room this year because it has a dance floor. Gary informed members that if they have punch cards that are filled up, to make sure your name is on them and get them to him. If you have any punch cards that are not filled up with punches, you only have until the end of the year to get them filled and turned in, otherwise they become void. Next year we're going to have a whole new punch card. Here's a word to the wise: Take a look at your unfilled punch cards to see how many punches you need to fill them up. Then take a look at the calendar. There are only three more meetings left for this year which means you can only get three more punches without volunteering to help out with a function. The more functions you volunteer for, the more punches you receive. Filled out punch cards earn you great gifts from the Dealership and the Chapter. -Just a word to the wise.

Open Forum: Bill Paterson described a enjoyable ride he recently took through Rocky Mountain National Park. It was an overnigher and on the first day they rode down to Estes Park and up through Rocky Mountain, over the top, and down into Grand Lake where they spent the night. Bill related that the scenery was fantastic along the entire route. The next day they rode back up and over Trail Ridge Road, back down into Estes, and then home. Bill highly recommends this ride if you've never done it before.

Next Gary and Dennis said they made a ride into the Snowy Range and back. Said it was a good time, but didn't add much else.

Chapter Photographer Don Hendrickson told the Members about the trip he and Max took down to Thunder Mountain Harley Davidson for the Thunder In The Rockies party. Don said the celebration was a lot of fun and he saw other Cheyenne HOG Chapter Members there too.

Treasurer Tosca reported that the Chapter's Bank Account balance is about where it was last month which is probably as high as it's ever been.

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Prizes

WINNERS OF THE POKER RUN

Best Hand - Amber - \$40.00

Worst Hand – Derek Wells - \$40.00

JOKER POKER (The Pot is OVER \$530.00!)

1ST Card Drawn: Cheryl Rafferty – Queen of Clubs

2nd Card Drawn: Don Hendrickson – 3 of Hearts

\$5.00 went to Derrick Wells

50/50 RAFFLE

April Keyes - \$25.00

Gary Rusk - \$20.00

POKER CHIP DRAWING

HOG Coffee Mug – Carol Thompson #15

HOG Coffee Mug – Stacy Bryson #5

**Assistant Director
The Other Corner
Dennis Rafferty**



I would like to thank everyone that was involved with the progressive dinner. Wow, what a great turn out. Just a reminder, for those that might miss an event due to weather, we still have the event; we just use our cars instead.

Congratulations to April for winning the chapter jacket, when you miss an outing or meeting, you just miss a lot.

The mileage challenge is over on **30 Sept.** Please have your mileage turn in at the next meeting. It also includes you passenger as well. If you will not be attending the meeting, please send it to me at dbrdist@aol.com or 635-8300. You can also reach Scott at skootrhd@bresnan.net or 634-0115. It is important that we receive everyone mileage, as Thornton Chapter is very strong.



“ Hog Heaven for these three on a hot day”

Ride very safe,
Dennis

**Ladies of Harley (LOH)
Gretchen Wells**



The end of the riding season is coming to up on us quickly and the weather is not always cooperating, so please be safe out there.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that attended the LOH picnic and a special thanks to Nancy for making the beans (that were gone before I got to eat), hope we can have another opportunity to have her make more. Congratulation to April for winning the chapter jacket.

Be Safe,
Gretchen



Safety Officer

Howard Segal

**Motorcycle riding into the fall season.**

We all know it's coming, but we don't want to admit it. Some people actually look forward to it. Some people head South and avoid it totally. What am I talking about? The fall riding season!

Notice I said "riding" season. I don't know about you, but I kind of look forward to the fall season for the cooler temps and usually less bikes on the road. With the fall season approaching, there are some things we need to be aware of while out there enjoying our motorcycles along with a couple of things to keep in mind.

First thing to keep I mind is the daily temperatures are going to start to cool down, especially in the morning time. Check your tire pressures! They are the two most important things on your bike. Cooler weather can cause your tire pressure to fluctuate as much as 5 psi! Even under ideal temperatures, your bike's tires will lose some air pressure each month. Take 30 seconds every couple of days before you ride and check those pressures. It works best to check them when cold. If you notice one tire seems to always be lower than the other, this could be a sign you have a problem and you can catch it before it could become expensive or even life threatening.

Well, enough about tires. My next reminder has to do with fallen leaves on the road. Leaves can be as slick as ice and could also be hiding road hazards underneath them. Try and avoid them if at all possible, especially in the early morning or evening.

One other thing I would like to mention to you which I know you've already noticed is that the days are getting shorter, so there will be more riding in the dark. Check all your lights (to include brakes) and make sure they are working. You might also want to have a pair of clear glasses or goggles with you if you don't use a full face helmet. Check with the weather guessers to see what might be happening later on in the day weather wise. The riding conditions and temperatures can change from when you left so plan your riding gear accordingly. Nothing sucks more than being cold! Ok, maybe wet and cold! You can always take clothing off and stuff it in a saddlebag, but if it's not there in the first place because you forgot to bring it, you are S.O.L.!

Well, I think that's enough to get your bike and brain ready for some cooler riding conditions. We all know that this time of year in Wyoming can really be a nice time to ride. The changing colors on the trees and the crispness in the air. Enjoy it while it's here because you know what will be coming next!

Ride safe and often and I'll see you out there!

Howard

Activities Officer

Scott Nelson



19 Sep: All Biker Poker Run (9AM – Eagles Nest)

20 Sep: Nut Run - Meet @ DBR 0900

26 Sep: Pigs Night Out -TBA

30 Sep: Mileage Challenge Ends

10 Oct: Toy Run (10AM – Mavericks)

10 Oct: HOG Nob & Chapter Meeting

Editor

Eric Keyes



If you have a classified add you would like to run in the newsletter please do your best to let me know at least by the second Sunday of the month (H.O.G. Meeting). Please keep in mind that ads are only for Chapter Members and will run for 3 months.

Please do not hesitate to email me at ezeekeyes@bresnan.net for any suggestions you feel would improve our newsletter.

Membership Officer

Gerald Blessing



Please welcome our newest members:

Shawna & Tony Melendez



Webmaster

Erick Salverson



I have been able to load the 2009 Wyoming HOG Rally photos to the website. Thanks to everyone who sent pictures. Please continue to watch for future photos as I receive them. As always, if you have photos that you would like to share, please feel free to let me know I will be glad to get those posted. You will noticed that photos from January through June 2009 are no longer on the photos portion of the site. I have placed these in the 2009 Archive folder which can still be accessed by clicking on the 2009 in the lower left hand side of the website.

Thanks.

Erick Salverson

*A Big Happy H.O.G.
Birthday Wish Goes To:*

Stacie Bryson

Rick Eccli

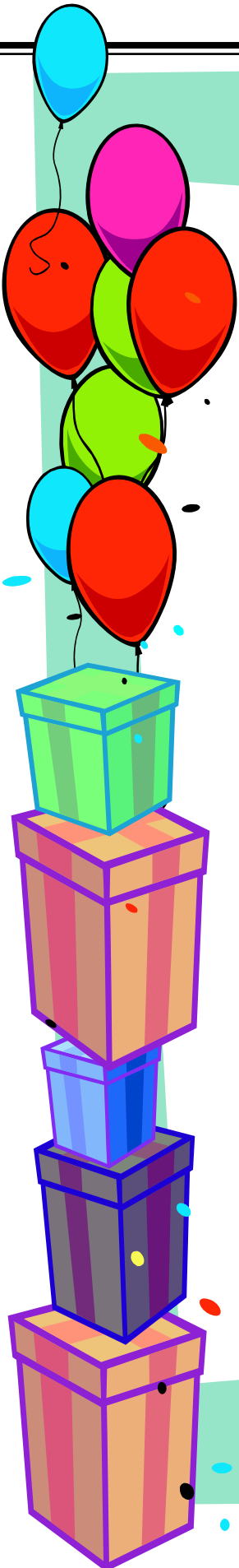
Laura Hauffe

Tal Hauffe

Jesse Hernandez

Larry Pitmon

Happy Birthday!!



CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP
ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

CHAPTER NAME Cheyenne, Wyoming Chapter # 1257

MEMBER NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ MEMBER NATL H.O.G. NUMBER _____

EXPIRATION DATE OF NATIONAL H.O.G. MEMBERSHIP _____

I have read the Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this dealer sponsored chapter.

I recognize that while this Chapter is chartered with H.O.G., it remains a separate, independent entity solely responsible for its actions.

- THIS IS A RELEASE, READ BEFORE SIGNING -

I agree that the Sponsoring Dealer, Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.), Harley-Davidson, Inc., Harley-Davidson Motor Company, my Chapter and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (hereinafter, the "RELEASED PARTIES") shall not be liable or responsible for injury to me (including paralysis or death) or damage to my property occurring during any H.O.G. or H.O.G. chapter activities and resulting from acts or omissions occurring during the performance of the duties of the Released Parties, even where the damage or injury is caused by negligence (except willful neglect). I understand and agree that all H.O.G. members and their guests participate voluntarily and at their own risk in all H.O.G. activities and I assume all risks of injury and damage arising out of the conduct of such activities.

I release and hold the "RELEASED PARTIES" harmless from any injury or loss to my person or property which may result from my participation in H.O.G. activities and EVENT(S). I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT I AGREE NOT TO SUE THE "RELEASED PARTIES" FOR ANY INJURY OR RESULTING DAMAGE TO MYSELF OR MY PROPERTY ARISING FROM, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR CHAPTER DUTIES IN SPONSORING, PLANNING OR CONDUCTING SAID EVENT(S).

WAIVER OF RIGHTS UNDER STATE STATUTES

I further agree to waive all benefits flowing from any state statute which would negate or limit the scope of this Release and Indemnification Agreement including, but not limited to, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which provides:

"A general release does not extend to the claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known to him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

By signing this Release, I certify that I have read this Release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations made by the "RELEASED PARTIES".

MEMBER SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

LOCAL DUES PAID \$ _____ DATE _____

(Dues not to exceed maximum amount prescribed in, "Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters", as contained in the H.O.G. Chapter Handbook.)

RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHAPTER

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Chapter dues are \$20 for individual or \$30 per couple (Need separate form for each)
Mail form and dues to:
Cheyenne, Wyoming Hog Chapter
P.O. Box 20981
Cheyenne, WY 82003

Classifieds FOR SALE:

For Sale: Barely used Harley Davidson Sportster Leather Saddlebags. Come with mounting brackets and mounting bolts. These cost \$599 new, will sell for \$275. These bags have the embossed "Sportster" logo for style and the quick-disconnect clips under the traditional chrome buckles for easy access. Harley Part # 90342-04A. These bags look brand new at less than half the price.


Please call Laura at 634-6609.

Classifieds Wanted

Old prestige auto, truck, and/or motorcycle license plates.

Please call Larry Pitmon @ 632-6109

October 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 HOG NOB & Meeting Toy Run
11	12 	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 