

Northern Chapter H.O.G.  
October 03, 2013  
Chapter Meeting

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pins:

5 Point White Pin – Patrick Harrelson, Paula Wentzel, and Tom Wentzel

50 Pt Green Pin – Bran Harrison

100 Pt Orange Pin – Gregg Claxton

325 Pt Red Flag- Cris Lake

350 Pt Silver Flag – Tom Whilden

450 Pt Green Flag – John Lefler

500 Pt Orange Flag – Eric Denoyer

### **Reports**

Trent Tomlinson- Director: Opened the meeting by welcoming back Chuck Langford, a former chapter member who was involved in a motorcycle accident two years ago during the Father Fred ride. All were very happy to see Chuck back. He then asked Eric Denoyer to introduce his guests who are also new members. They are Andrea and Tom Coutuier, Eric's sister and brother-in-law. They ride a 2007 soft tail deluxe. Trent informed the members that this past month during one of the group rides, there was an incident. He congratulated those involved for their swift and outstanding job in handling the unfortunate event. A report has been filed at Classic. At the end of the meeting Trent then read a letter he wrote about his tenure as director this past year. How there have been good days and not so good days. He hopes we all continue as the family we have become. He then told all the members who are interested in becoming part of the 2014 board to see him.

Mike Lince- Asst. Director: Nothing new on the state rally so far. Keep an eye out on their web site for updated information.

Cris Lake-Treasurer: The checking account has \$3,306 and the savings account has \$2,785

Roberta McColley- Secretary: Brought copies of September 5, 2013 chapter and business meeting minutes for all the tables. She also reviewed the dollar amount up for the chapter member drawing, will be \$40 this month.

Greg Claxton: Safety officer: He told the chapter of a recent event he had riding where he dropped his bike. Unable to life his bike by himself made him think that he might not be the only person who would benefit from some tips as to how this could be accomplished. Greg then handed out a print out on the steps one need to go through in order to pick up a motorcycle by themselves. The members discussed the notes and felt they were correct and very helpful. Greg also mentioned the chapter ride which had the incident. He pointed out that both Lew Kirchner and Eric Denoyer, who assisted the injured members, had first aid kits on their bikes.

Greg went out and purchased one for his bike and suggested it would be a good idea for other members to consider.

Cory Liddy- Events Organizer: He still has patches in memory of the Schneider's son for those interested. He then reviewed the following upcoming events: October 5<sup>th</sup>'s color ride is cancelled due to rain. He will let members know if it is possible to reschedule. 10-10-13 is a dinner at Geno's Sports Bar & Grill. An email will go out asking members to RSVP so that Geno will have enough ribs on hand. 10-19-13 is the Curry's Halloween party, bring a dish to pass and there will be a prize for best costume. 10-24-13 is the second dinner event of the month at Pearl's in Elk Rapids. For November the chapter meeting is on the 7<sup>th</sup>. The Salvation Army food drive is November 9 & 10. See Cory after the meeting to sign up. The night of November 9<sup>th</sup> after we unload the food at the Salvation Army, the Denoyer's will host our chili cook off. 11-21-13 there is a dinner event at the Blue Tractor.

Steve DeBusschere- Webmaster: because it is near the end of the year he will be working on the chapter directory and hopes to have it completed soon.

Steve DeBusschere- Head Road Captain: nothing to cover at this time.

Julie Kincannon- Merchandise: not in attendance

Lindsey White- New member Liaison: one new member, Magie Dakoske.

Jan Hilewsky- L.O.H: Informed the chapter the author Nancy Vote, donated a Harley table cloth. A thank you letter will go out to her. Jan also ask the chapter if they were interested in purchasing the remaining stock of her Grandma & Grandpa Harley books. After some discussion a motion to purchase all the remaining books was made by Steven DeBusschere. It was seconded by Cris Lake. A vote was taken. There were 6 no votes and the majority were yes which passed. The total cost to the chapter will be \$642.

Beth Denoyer – Father Fred: Nothing on Father Fred however she re-introduced Chuck Langford who thanked the members for their cards and prayers. He has been through a very hard time and still has a long way to go. He purchased a Christmas ticket for \$30 (because his membership had lapsed while he is recovering). The member's decided to give him back \$10 and put the \$20 toward his 2014 membership. Than the members gave him his Christmas party ticket free. Welcome back Chuck, you were missed.

Lorri Schneider-

John Lefler: Christmas Party organizer: The party date is December 7, 2013. Tickets may be purchased by members for \$20 and non-members \$30 at the next meeting. You can make room reservation at the Park Place any time. He encouraged people to buy their tickets before November 15, 2013 and get their names in a drawing for \$100. He also asked for members to

start looking for silent auction items. The Kirchner's have reserved the hospitality room again this year for the pre-party and after party.

Membership Drawing- #83 Frank "Beans" Miller won \$40. Novembers drawing will be for \$20

Classic Drawing: Lew Kirchner

50/50 Drawing: \$30 for Kris VanDeusen Fischer & Deb Whilden(again☺) and \$30 Trent Tomlinson

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM

Respectfully submitted  
Roberta McColley  
Secretary  
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