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## **RACK EM' UP!!**

**THIRD ANNUAL NORTHERN  
CHAPTER POOL TOURNAMENT**

**SATURDAY—FEBRUARY 18TH**

**2 - 6 pm**

**TIMBER LANE'S**

**ALL MEMBERS WELCOME!**

**WE'RE PLAYING RAGG'S ROTATION,  
Which means everyone has a chance  
to win, regardless of their playing skills.  
Tournament costs will be determined by  
the number of players who attend.**

**(Bowling will also be available)**

# **LOH Pa"JAMA" PARTY**

**FRIDAY, February 3, 2006—7:00pm**

**9069 N. Tottenham Dr., TC**

**(Call Deb Emanuel at 943-3569 if you need directions or do map quest)**

**Don't forget your pajamas! Also, bring your pillow,  
an appetizer, and your drink of choice!**

**On tap for the evening: Jewelry Display, Manicures, Pedicures, Chick  
Flicks and Games!**

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## DIRECTOR'S NOTES

*I know it's February, but...*

*Are you working on riding plans for 2006? Your Northern Chapter is! Even while the snow is falling, your chapter officers are working on plans for fun and interesting rides and activities for this riding season.*

*To help us plan, this edition of your chapter newsletter includes the "2006 Ride and Have Fun Survey". Did you participate in the chapter rides last year? How long do think the chapter rides should be? Do you have some ideas of new places to ride? Do you prefer riding to the Cedar Tavern or to Don's Drive-in? Here is your chance to voice your opinions. Take a few minutes and tell us what you think.*

*We are introducing two new features to the newsletter this month. First, safety officer Tom Whilden is introducing "Tom's Safety Corner". Tom's goal is for all of us to keep safety a priority in our group and individual rides. Second, Deb Emanuel has prepared her first "Member Spotlight", introducing us to chapter member Carolyn Scott Risk. What a great way to learn more about the members of our chapter! Thanks, Deb!*

*Check out the calendar of events for February—there are chapter meetings, dinner "rides", Ragg's pool tournament (you are welcome even if you can't play pool!) and LOH activities planned to help get you through the cold days of February. And if you still find yourself longing for spring, I know just the thing to put a smile back on your face. Just pull out the pictures you took on one of your rides from the past year or two, pour yourself a mug of your favorite warm beverage and take time to relive the memories from one of your past rides.*

*See you at the pool tournament and meetings.*

*—Paul*

# TOM'S SAFETY CORNER

Hello, and Happy New Riding Year to all!

To start with, lets talk briefly about 2005. It was a rough summer for our Northern Chapter group. At least four of our riders (that I personally know of) needed to visit the emergency room for injuries while on their Harley. Of those four, two had to be admitted to the hospital, one of which was Deb Widrig, for very serious injuries. Thankfully, Deb Widrig arrived home Wednesday, January 11th. She will continue to get better and stronger. When we saw her last Friday, we once again told her that her extended Harley family is always ready to do whatever we can to help her. We can only hope and pray that things go a lot better this year for all.

**SAFETY:** described in Webster's as "the quality or condition of being safe; freedom from danger, injury or personal damage; secure." Certainly an issue each and every time we climb aboard our rides.

**Our goal** in each of our membership rides is to keep our riders safe. That is why such importance is placed on your **pre-ride checklist** before you ride (we will go into more detail on this subject at a later date). Before each group ride, a Road Captain goes over a list of things to do and not to do, with the ultimate goal of everyone to have fun and arrive home safely. There is a lot of responsibility on each of the road captains to keep it that way, but ultimately, it is each rider's responsibility to assist in obtaining and maintaining that goal. None of the aforementioned injury accidents happened while on a designated Northern Chapter ride. This gives great credit to those who lead the group rides as well as everyone who rides in the group.

**This is YOUR safety corner.** I hope to hear from anyone who has issues or suggestions on how to make things safer out there. It doesn't matter to me if you've put 50,000 or 50 miles on your bike last year, if you have been in the group since it started, or brand new to the group. If you have a safety concern, please share it with me.

**Feel** free to e-mail me, but please include a message in the subject as we do not open every e-mail we get, and very seldom do we open forwarded mail. If this doesn't work, there is a drop box at Classic, or catch me or any Road Captain before or after a ride.

I look forward to working as your Safety Director. **Paul Jarboe will be providing me with information on the different biker courses available and that information will be available in the March newsletter.** I expect the rest of the Road Captains will have some input here also.

OK—enough jabbering by me. My motto for the upcoming year will be: **"RIDE ON — RIDE SAFE — KEEP THE TIRES ON THE ROAD AT ALL TIMES!"** Tom Whilden, Safety Director

SHE'S BAAACCCCCCKKKKK!

Deb Widrig aboard her bike on 1/20/06



CONGRATULATIONS TO  
BRIAN ZIONSKOWSKI  
AND JESSICA BOOTZ  
ON THEIR RECENT  
ENGAGEMENT!

## **NORTHERN CHAPTER—HARLEY OWNERS GROUP 2006 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
Thursday	February 2nd	7:00pm	Chapter Meeting	Peegeo's
Friday	February 3rd	7:00pm	LOH Pa "Jama" Party	Emanuel Residence
Friday	February 10th	7:00pm	Chapter Ride	Little Bo's Bar
Saturday	February 18th	2-6pm	Pool Tournament	Timber Lanes
Tuesday	February 21st	7:00pm	Chapter Business Meeting	South City Limits
Friday	February 24th	7:00pm	Chapter Ride	Boone's Long Lake Inn
Thursday	March 2nd	7:00pm	Chapter Meeting	Peegeo's
Friday	March 10th	7:00pm	Chapter Ride	Big Eazy
Tuesday	March 14th	5:30pm	LOH Dinner & Chick Flick	Jonathan B Pub
Tuesday	March 21st	7:00pm	Chapter Business Meeting	South City Limits
Thursday	April 6th	7:00pm	Chapter Meeting	Peegeo's

### **NORTHERN CHAPTER H.O.G. "FYI" PAGE**

#### **Keeping an eye on what's happening around us!**

*APRIL 29th (Saturday)—KALKASKA BLESSING OF THE BIKES*

*May 14th (Sunday)—BALDWIN BLESSING OF THE BIKES*

*BRIMLEY BLESSING OF THE BIKES (Date to be announced)*

*June 3rd and 4th (Saturday-Sunday)—MANCELONA BASS FESTIVAL*

*JUNE 24th (Saturday) CELEBRATION OF LIFE RIDE (Benzie County)*

*July 22nd and 23rd (Saturday-Sunday)—FR. FRED BENEFIT*

**HIGHLIGHTS OF CHAPTER MEETING—JANUARY 5, 2006**

- ▶ Welcome to new Members
- ▶ Congratulations to Brian Zionskowski and Jessica Bootz on their wedding engagement.
- ▶ Watch for Ride/Event survey in Newsletter—ideas and suggestions welcome.
- ▶ HOG RENDEZVOUS moved to Ionia County Fairgrounds this year—July 7,8 and 9th.
- ▶ Third Annual Progressive Dinner scheduled for May 13th—Greek Theme.
- ▶ Fr. Fred Benefit planned for July 22nd and 23rd.
- ▶ Christmas Party planned for December 2nd.
- ▶ Julie Rosner has volunteered to be our Photographer/Historian.
- ▶ If interested in becoming a ROAD CAPTAIN, please contact Brian Z.
- ▶ Women's Resource Center Raffle Tickets available through Tara Baesch.
- ▶ **Drawing Winners: T-shirt, Cheryl Fischer; Membership Drawing, Stephen White (not present); 50/50 Drawing, Cheryl Miller.**

**HIGHLIGHTS OF BUSINESS MEETING-January 16, 2006**

- ▶ Treasurer—Finances in good standing. T-shirt refunds available. See newsletter for more details.
- ▶ New members welcome letter coming soon.
- ▶ LOH Pajama Party and Dinner/Movie night—see schedule.
- ▶ 2006 Road Captains should be identified in February.
- ▶ New T-shirts can be ordered soon—pictures and additional information coming soon.
- ▶ Current chapter membership stands at 105.
- ▶ Paul Jarboe and Lew Kirchner attended Regional HOG and Dealer meeting—very worthwhile. Currently 35,000 Michigan HOG members.
- ▶ Primary Officer Training Seminar to be held on April 21st and 22nd in Milwaukee. Some of our current officers are planning on attending.

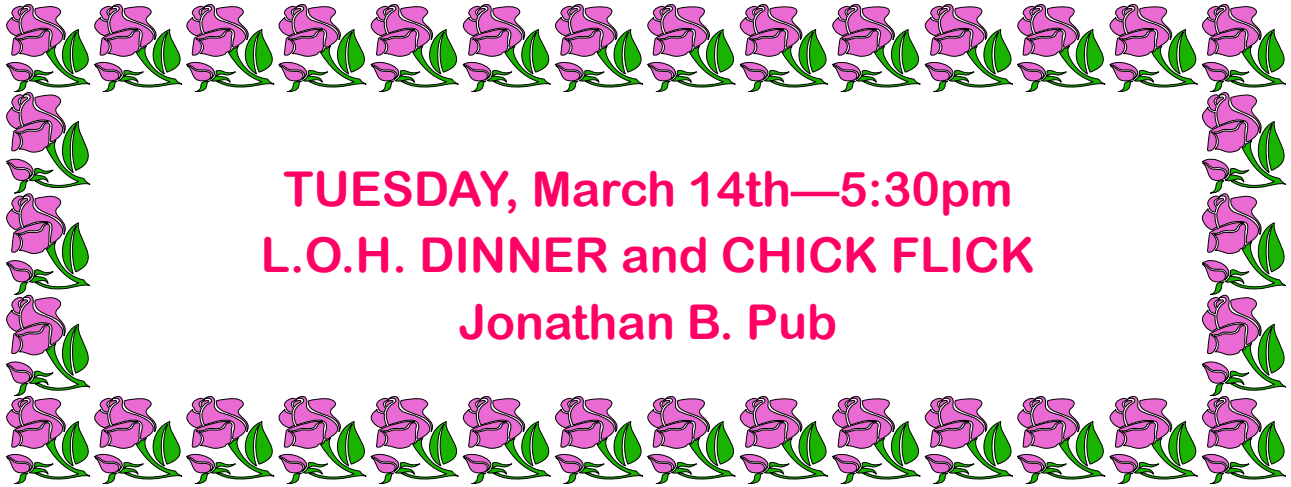
**2nd ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF LIFE MOTORCYCLE RIDE**

The Benzie County American Cancer Society Relay for Life presents the 2nd annual "Celebration of Life" ride to raise money in support of cancer research to find a cure. Our newest member, Mark Rosseels, is passing along the following information regarding the ride and looks forward to your support.

- WHEN:** Saturday, June 24, 2006. Registration will take place on Friday, June 23rd, from 6 to 9pm, and again on Saturday from 9am to noon.
- WHERE:** The ride will depart from the parking lot at Benzie Central High School at 1pm on 6/24. The ride will end at Mineral Springs Park in Frankfort for a picnic.
- DETAILS:** The cost is \$25.00 per rider. The first 200 registrations will receive a t-shirt and a commemorative pin. Every participant is welcome at the "after ride" picnic. There will be 50/50 drawings and prizes to give away at the picnic.

All bikes and riders are welcome. This will be an escorted ride. The distance will be about 70-80 miles. The ride will take place rain or shine. From more information, contact Marc and/or Vicki Rosseels at 231-882-4951 or by e-mail at [marcandvicki@charter.net](mailto:marcandvicki@charter.net).

# LADIES OF HARLEY



**TUESDAY, March 14th—5:30pm**  
**L.O.H. DINNER and CHICK FLICK**  
**Jonathan B. Pub**

## ***HOG Rendezvous - Press Release***

***(If you are interested in organizing a group from the Northern Chapter to attend the Rendezvous, please contact Paul Jarboe for additional information)***

The Michigan Harley-Davidson Dealers Association (MHDDA) is excited to announce that the 2006 Michigan H.O.G. Rendezvous will be held at the Ionia Free Fair fairgrounds along the Grand River in Ionia, Michigan. The dates for the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Rendezvous are July 7-9, 2006.

The move to Ionia gives the Rendezvous a more centrally located venue, has unlimited space for campers, motor homes, and trailers, has a much larger grand stand area, many more buildings for indoor activities, a track that could be utilized for future programming, and outstanding camping along the river. Ionia is conveniently located within thirty miles of both Lansing and Grand Rapids, which offer many Hotel/Motel choices for those that don't camp. According to Ray Clemens, President of the MHDDA, "It's a very exciting opportunity for the Rendezvous to grow and reinvent itself."

Clemens went on to say "while we have made a lot of friends in West Branch and have some tremendous memories from past events it was no longer economically feasible to stay without raising the ticket prices and we just didn't want to do that. We believe that we offer the best bang-for-the-buck in the entertainment business, by far, and we intend to keep it that way. Over the last five years our expenses have increased over 40% and yet we have only raised the H.O.G. member ticket by 10% and haven't raised the non-member ticket at all. For the event to sustain itself we needed more space and a centrally located venue. Ionia was the perfect call."

The three-month process of moving the event concluded with unanimous support by the MHDDA Rendezvous committee and the Michigan H.O.G. Chapter Rendezvous committee.

***DUE TO DIFFICULTIES WITH THE CHAPTER T-SHIRT DESIGN, THE CHAPTER T-SHIRTS WILL NOT BE SOLD THIS WINTER. REFUND CHECKS WILL BE ISSUED TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE ALREADY PAID FOR THE SHIRTS. IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A REFUND, AND HAVE PAID FOR YOUR SHIRT, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHAPTER TREASURER, LEW KIRCHNER.***

***If you are interested in becoming a Road Captain, please contact Brian Zionskowski at 645-4448 or at [toomanytoys@hotmail.com](mailto:toomanytoys@hotmail.com)***

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



CAROLYN SCOTT RISK and her  
2003 Anniversary Edition 883 Sportster

We have an artist among us! Not only is Carolyn Scott Risk a member of our own Northern Chapter H.O.G., she is a well-known award-winning Northern Michigan artist and popular workshop leader and instructor at Northwestern Michigan College. She has recently published two new books, "Mackinac Island Memories, Chicago Memories," and "The Michigan State Experience," and has created posters for the North American Vasa skiing competition. You can see her well-known wildflower and landscape paintings in the following galleries: Bella Galleria, Old Mission; Dennon Museum Shop, Traverse City; and Good Harbor Gallery.

Along with her love of art, Carolyn rides a 2003 Anniversary Edition 883 Sportster. Carolyn is married to Ed and has a son, a daughter-in-law, and one grandchild. Besides riding her bike, Carolyn's hobbies include cross-country skiing, biking, kayaking and canoeing. Carolyn was just featured in the magazine "Cross Country Skier."

JUST A REMINDER THAT IT'S ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME. YOUR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION IS INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER. YOUR PROMPT RENEWAL WILL BE APPRECIATED AND WILL KEEP YOUR NEWSLETTER COMING WITHOUT INTERRUPTION!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE 3RD ANNUAL PROGRESSGIVE DINNER

**SATURDAY, May 13, 2006 — THEME: GREEK**

*Your hosts are as follows:*

*Appetizers—Julie Rosner (946-5650)*

*Salad—Raggs and Paula Mack (275-5403)*

*Main Course—Greg and Jeanette Sherman (275-5357)*

*Dessert, Drinks and Games—John and Deb Emanuel (943-3569)*

*PS—Your help is needed to make this a successful event. Therefore, please call one of the hosts listed above and offer your assistance!*

# 2006 RIDE AND HAVE FUN SURVEY

- ☛ How many “Dinner Rides” did you participate in last year? \_\_\_\_\_
- ☛ Were you able to participate on rides on Thursday nights? Yes / No
- ☛ Did you enjoy the rides you attended? Yes / No
- ☛ How long of a ride would you like to take before dinner?  
30min / 45min / 60min
- ☛ Which of the following types of places would you prefer to ride to?
  - A) Cedar Tavern, Dockside, Laughing Horse Saloon
  - B) Mountain Jacks, Brookside, Bowers Harbor Inn
  - C) Don’s Drive-In, Big Boy, Culvers
- ☛ What is most important to you?
  - A) The quality of the Ride
  - B) The quality of the Dinner
- ☛ Would you like to participate in Saturday/Sunday rides? Yes / No  
Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☛ Would you like to participate in more over-night rides? Yes / No  
Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☛ What would you like to change, if anything, about the Thursday Night Rides?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☛ What new ideas for restaurants do you have?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☛ Would you like to volunteer for a House BBQ? Yes / No  
If so, please list your name, a telephone number, and any date you have in mind: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR SURVEY TO YOUR ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR, PAULA MACK, BY ANY OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS:**  
Mail—7801 N. Reynolds Road, Lake Ann, MI 49650; Fax—231-275-5403, or by depositing same in the “Suggestion Box” at Classic





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### A NOTE TO OUR READERS:

For updates on Deb Widrig's condition,  
please refer to our website @

[www.northernchapter.com](http://www.northernchapter.com)

Thanks!

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- ☺Richard Cole—2/01      ☺Teresa Wasson—2/23  
☺Deb Emanuel—2/10      ☺Richard Culver—2/26  
☺Rich Baesch—2/11      ☺Andy Karnowski—2/28  
☺Lonnie Schaub—2/19

With  
Deepest  
Sympathy



OUR  
THOUGHTS  
AND PRAYERS

GO OUT TO  
RICK AND  
KRIS COLE ON  
THE RECENT  
PASSING OF  
RICK'S  
FATHER.

### WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

**Paula Salagovich, Marc Rosseels, Lonnie Schaub, Dale Inman and Lynn Brehler**

*For those of you who may be interested, the Women's Resource Center is hosting*

**EXTRAVAGANZA 2006—"TANGO AT TWILIGHT" on FEBRUARY 18, 2006.**

**Tickets for the dinner event are \$125.00. There is also a raffle. Those tickets are \$100 per ticket, or 3 for \$200.00. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold. The grand prize is your choice of the following:**

- (1) 2006 Street Glide Harley Davidson Motorcycle**
- (2) Yamaha Disklavier Grand Piano**
- (3) \$15,000 Travel Voucher.**

**All proceeds benefit the Women's Resource Center.**

**If you are interested in purchasing either an event ticket or raffle ticket, please contact Tara Baesch at 231-929-9546 or 231-941-1210. Raffle tickets also available at Classic Motor Sports.**