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Greetings From Your Director

Hey Everyone, Spring is finally here. At least that's what the calendar says. All we need now is some warm weather and rain to wash the roads off. Our events over the last few months were our overnight getaway to Baraboo which turned out to be a lot of fun. Our new members Rosie and Wally joined us, as they also entertained us at the Karaoke Bar that night along with some of our other members. We have a lot of talented singers in our group. Tom and Julie also taught us all another great game called Butt Darts, which turned out to be hilarious. I want to thank Tom and Julie for planning a great time. We always have a blast on our overnight getaways so I hope more people will join us. We also had a bowling night. Although I missed it, as I was in Las Vegas for business. I did get a chance to rent a Harley out there. Me and my wife Sheila took a ride through Valley of Fire, Lake Mead and Hoover Dam. We put over 300 miles on that day. It was a great ride. I highly recommend it if anyone ever gets to Vegas and has a chance to ride. The weather was great. I just can't wait to be able to ride around here. Hopefully it will be soon.

We had an officers meeting last week and set up our ride destinations for this year. I feel we have some great rides coming up, I hope everyone will at least get to go on a couple rides. I'm looking forward to seeing new faces and meeting new members this year.

Spring open house at Kutters is just around the corner. We have sign up sheets at Kutters for members to sign up for the activities we are putting on that day. There is also a sign up sheet for the up coming dinner rides this year. So if you know of a great place to eat, sign up and take your fellow riders along. It's that easy.

I want to remind everyone that all membership dues were due at the beginning of the year. If you signed up in the summer of last year your membership expired Jan 1 and you need to renew again for this year. For those of you that have not signed up for this year, this will be your last newsletter. So please get signed up if interested. If anyone is interested in the Wisconsin State Rally they need to contact Randy to get rooms reserved.

Live to Ride

Ride to Live

Fuzzy

MINUTE BY MINUTE.....

February 8th, 2006 Meeting Minutes

The February meeting was called to order by Director "Fuzzy" Karlen. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Fuzzy thanked Tom and Susie Bottoms for being the hosts of the Holiday Party at their place of business, "Reds Supper Club". Fuzzy thanked Gary for the evening of entertainment!

Fuzzy has received information on various bike events this summer. Those brochures can be found in the HOG corner at Kutter. Some of the events posted are the National HOG event in Billings, Montana, Edelweiss Bike Travels Wild Tour 2006 and the Wausau Firefighters MDA ride.

Assistant Director Randy Bowen reported there are eight rooms remaining for the Wisconsin State HOG rally. May 5 is the pre-registration deadline.

Tom Holmes reported on the February Overnight Getaway. Tom & Julie have made arrangements at the Best Western in Baraboo for February 25.

The Swiss Valley HOG Chapter is looking into getting Chapter T-shirts. We need to have an order minimum of 55 shirts. The HOG catalog was passed around and a shirt was chosen. More information to come concerning the shirts. We'll keep you posted.

Leroy reported the officers will be meeting regarding the 2006 Calendar of Events. We will be discussing in detail the rides and events for the year. Updated calendar information for the calendar will be published in the next newsletter.

Leroy also reminded the club that he has information for anyone interested in the TTRR (Tommy Thompson Reunion Ride) which is going to New York City June 16-23, 2006. This is a personally guided tour in New York to Staten Island, the Statute of Liberty, and Ground Zero to name a few. We will be taking a harbor cruise as well as visiting Orange County Choppers and Niagara Falls.

The week will be complete with a "Biker's Ball" in Toronto, Canada. We will be making several stops for meals and parties at Harley dealers throughout the trip. At this time members from our Chapter that are signed up for the ride are Dennis & Diane Holcomb, Curt & Diane Updike and Leroy & Kathy Rindy. The cost is \$150 per person. More info. posted at Kutter.

Gary Sinks introduced Roz McKennon, Kutter's Business Manager. She will be working with the HOG Chapter promoting events for both Kutter and the Chapter. She works out of Janesville but will also be involved with the Monroe store. Make it a point to meet her at the next Kutter event. She has a delightful personality and fits right in!

New members at the February meeting were Mike & Lori Foulker. Lori is Julie Holmes' sister. Welcome to the Chapter!

The 50/50 raffle was won by Lori Foulker (in order to help pay their club dues!). The pot was \$49. Congratulations Lori! Beginner's luck?

Two door prizes were given this month. Winners of the HOG mug were Greg Wedig and Gene Clement.

**Respectfully submitted by your
HOG Secretary,
Kathy Rindy**



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March 8th, 2006 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by starting with the Pledge of Allegiance. President Fuzzy was the only officer present. Randy Bowen was representing our club, with Jen and the Seffroods, in FL for Bike Week. Kathy was in IN with her newest grandbaby.

Will Wire, with the Blanchardville Centurians, was our guest. He explained the annual fundraiser they do to support the Lions Camp. They have donated an impressive \$100,000 to date. This year they are holding a bowling and pool tournament at Countryside Lanes in Hollandale and raffling an Electra Glide. Everyone is welcome.

We have new members, Mark and Betty Brandt. It was reported that everyone that went on the overnight outing to Baraboo had a good time. More people are needed to sign-up for the 4 work committees. There are rooms still available for the State Rally.

Our next event is bowling at Leisure Lanes in Monroe. Everyone is invited to meet at Pizza Hut before hand at 6:30 for pizza, and then bowl at 8:30. Sign-up is appreciated.

The destinations for the upcoming over-night rides are still to be determined. Sam Gorton will be checking into the accommodations of the Blue Highway Motorcycle Lodge in Hillsboro, WI. It sounds like an interesting cottage type lodge that caters to cyclists. Roz, from Kutter's, told us about the Rideless March Specials at Kutter's and April's Bike Tent Sale. Membership dues are asked to be in by April 1st.

Tom Bottoms won the 50-50 prize of \$61.00 and donated most of the winnings back to the club. Brad Mau was the winner of the Harley mug as the door prize.

Interm HOG Secretary.....Chandra Spike



Activities Corner.....

I was listening to the weather forecast tonight and it sounds like the riding season may finally be here! It looks like the officers and activities committee met just in time to get this years riding season planned. We got together Wednesday night, March 22 at Leisure Lanes meeting room and by putting our heads together, we came up with a lot of fun and exciting activities for 2006.

Without going into too many details, I want to highlight some of the different activities and rides we will be doing. A lot of the things we planned were based off of the survey I took at a meeting last fall.

We start out on Friday, April 21st with our first Friday Fish Fry Ride - possible drive - depending on weather. This is being planned by Tom & Julie Holmes.

On Saturday night, May 6 at 8:00 PM the HOG Chapter will be bowling for Big Brother/Big Sisters at Leisure Lanes. Pledge sheets are available for pick up in the HOG corner at Kutter. I hope everyone who can will be there for this good cause.

Then on Sunday, May 7 we will meet at Kutter at 10:00 AM for the May HOG meeting. After the meeting we will go on a Sunday Dinner Ride to Rookies in Black Earth. This is being planned by Dennis & Diane Holcomb.

We have another Sunday Dinner ride on May 21st. This time going to Rockton for their famous chicken dinner. Kathy & I are planning this.

On Wednesday, May 24th, we are having our first Wednight Night Dinner ride. This one is open for someone to plan. The sign up sheets for dinner rides are at Kutter, so anyone who would like to plan a dinner ride should sign up ASAP, as we only have six rides open.

Two of the newest members, Mike & Lori Foulker have volunteered to plan our 1st overnight ride on June 3-4. We will have more info coming soon.

Friday, June 9th, brings our 2nd Fish Fry Ride and Wednesday, June 21, our 2nd Wednesday night Dinner ride.

Brad & Julie Mau will be taking us to Quaker Steak and Lube in Middleton for the evening dinner ride on July 5th.

Our three day - two night ride is July 14-16. We will be going to Milwaukee on Friday to tour the Harley Davidson plant and then continue our ride up along Lake Michigan to Manitowoc, where we will stay Friday night. On Saturday, we will continue up the shoreline to Sturgeon Bay and then back to Green Bay for Saturday night. Sunday morning we will tour the Packer Hall of Fame and then head home.

Sunday, July 30th we head to the DeSoto House in Galena for a breakfast buffet. On Sunday, August 13, we will have our first HOG Chapter Picnic & Ride. Location and details will be coming soon. Friday, August 25th is our next Fish Fry Ride and that takes us through August. I a getting writer's cramp so I think this is a good place to stop.

Hope to see you all out on the road soon!

Activities Director

Leroy Rindy



Biker Humor

A little boy was sitting on the curb with a gallon of Turpentine and shaking it up and watching all the bubbles.

A little while later a Priest came along and asked the little boy what he had.

The little boy replied,

“This is the most powerful liquid in the world, it's called turpentine.”

The Priest said,

“No, the most powerful liquid in the world is Holy Water. If you take some of this Holy Water and rub it on a pregnant women's belly, she'll pass a healthy baby.”

The little boy replied,

“You take some of this here turpentine and rub it on a cat's ass and he'll pass a Harley Davidson.”

Safety Report.....

By the time you get this newsletter, we should know if the groundhog saw his shadow or not. Let's hope for an early spring. I have seen a few bikes out over the last few weeks when the weather was warm enough, but there is too much salt on the roads for me. My little baby is staying salt free in the garage, under the blankets.

Now might be the time to have Kutter's do any repairs needed, or add any chrome you might have gotten for Christmas. Make sure when you take your bike out of winter storage that you go completely over your electrical system to make sure no wires have been chewed or corroded, check your air pressure in the tires in case they have lost air while in storage, adjust your clutch and brakes if needed, and give the entire bike a once over. It would be a great idea to use your owners manual as a guide, so you don't forget anything. Get those babies ready to rumble!

Spring is just around the corner. Well, there might be a few more curves in the road before it actually gets here, but by the end of June it should be warm enough to ride.

Speaking of June riding, we are thinking about going on a week long ride from June 16th - the 25th to New York City, Niagara Falls, and Toronto, Canada. This is another “Women in Motion” ride like some of us took a couple of years ago, only a couple of thousand miles longer. I'm thinking it will be around 2200-2500 miles. We will have more information at the monthly meeting on the 8th if anyone is interested. We are going to be stopping at a lot of Harley dealers on the trip, and see many breathtaking sites while in New York City and throughout the entire trip. I hope some of you can join us. I really hope someone will join us. The biggest cost to the trip will be the hotel rooms. We would like to double up with the lodging with someone if they are open to saving 1/2 the cost of the rooms. Think about it, sounds like a great, once in a lifetime chance, to ride in New York City on your bike.

Hokie

2006 HOG CALENDAR

APRIL:

W	12	HOG Meeting	@ Ludlow	7:00 PM
F	21	Friday Night Fish Fride (by car?)	TBA	6:00 PM

MAY:

Sa	6	BB/BS Bowling	@ Leisure Lanes	TBA
Su	7	HOG Meeting & Sunday Dinner Ride	@ Kutter	10:00 AM
Sa	20	SPRING OPEN HOUSE at Kutter/Monroe <i>Begin selling BIKE RAFFLE tickets</i>		
Su	21	Chicken Dinner Ride	meet @ Kutter	10:00 AM
		To Rockton, WI		
W	24	Dinner Ride	meet @ Kutter	6:00 PM

JUNE:

Sa-Su	3-4	<i>SPRING OVERNIGHT RIDE</i>		TBA
F	9	Friday Fish Fride	TBA	6:00 PM
W	14	HOG Meeting	@ Ludlow	7:00 PM
F-Su	16-18	Balloon Rally & Tub Run Weekend		
W	21	Dinner Ride	meet @ Kutter	6:00 PM

JULY:

W	5	Dinner Ride	meet @ Kutter	6:00 PM
W	12	HOG Meeting	@ Ludlow	7:00 PM
F-Su	14-16	<i>SUMMER OVERNIGHT RIDE</i> <i>(3 DAYS)</i>		
Su	30	Sunday Dinner Ride	@ Kutter	10:00 AM

AUGUST:

Su	13	HOG Meeting & Picnic Including a Sunday Ride		TBA
F	25	Friday Fish Fride	meet @ Kutter	6:00 PM

SEPTEMBER:

F	8	Friday Fish Fride	TBA	6:00 PM
W	13	HOG Meeting	@ Ludlow	7:00 PM
Sa-Su	16-17	Cheese Days (sell bike raffle tickets)		
W	20	Dinner Ride	TBA	6:00 PM
Sa-Su	23-24	FALL OPEN HOUSE at Kutter/Monroe "BIKE GIVE AWAY!"		

OCTOBER:

S	1	Dinner Ride	@ Kutter	10:00 AM
W	11	HOG Meeting	@ Ludlow	7:00 PM
Sa-Su	14-15	<i>FALL OVERNIGHT RIDE</i>		
Sa	28	Halloween Party		

NOVEMBER:

Sa	4	HOG VIP Party	@ Kutter	TBA
W	8	HOG Meeting	@ Ludlow	7:00 PM

DECEMBER:	S 9	HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE Bake Sale/Gift Wrapping/Food Drive		
	W 13	HOG Meeting	@ Ludlow	7:00 PM

Happy Birthday

Robert Bowen 3/2
 Brenda Keepers 3/4
 Larry Nipple 3/14
 Brian Wing 3/18
 Mike Schmid 3/23
 Steve Harnish 3/25
 Stan Douglas 3/28

Rich Speich 3/31
 Robert Brown 4/19
 Ray Douglas 4/20
 Gary Folgate 4/30
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"MEET THE MEMBERS"

Name: Rosetta and Wally Fuchs

Name: Mike and Lori Foulker

When did we join: Feb, 2006

When did you join Swiss Valley HOG Chapter:

FEB 8TH 2006

Bikes we ride: I ride a 2000 Heritage Softtail Classic - Wally rides a 2003 Ultra

Bikes you ride: 92' Ultra Classic (Mike)

05' Sportster Custom (Lori)

Family background: 4 kids and 9 grandkids

Family Background: (spouse, kids, pets, etc.)

Favorite bike vacation: Soooo many, but I guess I would have to say it was my first long trip. We rode out to Las Vegas in 2000. We renewed our vows for our 15th anniversary with an Elvis impersonator (I have been a fan my whole life) We took a 3 week vacation and rode all over out west. Wally says they are all his favorites.

2 kids Kent (23) living and working in Dubuque, Iowa

Hillary(21) junior at UW Milwaukee

3 dogs –Molly, Missy and Cassie

Favorite Bike Vacation: (where, when)

Mountains of South Carolina in 04'

STURGIS 05'

What do I do besides ride: I enjoy gardening and my house, vacations, wine tasting, KARAOKE, craft shows and hanging out with the kids and grandkids. Did I mention KARAOKE :) We both love it. Wally doesn't have any hobbies except riding and hanging out with friends and family. He can watch the news and stock channels all day.

What do you do besides ride? (job, hobbies, etc.)

Mike—works and rides bike as much as possible

Lori—works for Procellular, enjoys sewing and spending time outdoors in the summertime

FEBRUARY OVERNIGHT

A group of 12 Swiss Valley HOG members signed up to get away for a weekend—February 25-26. We started out from Kutter's in Monroe and headed to Sauk City—may as well take advantage of the free food. From Sauk City we then headed on up to Baraboo and checked in at the Best Western Baraboo Inn. Some of us took advantage of the swimming pool and whirlpool while others were getting settled. At 6:00 p.m. we headed on up to Ho-Chunk Casino and had a great buffet meal and then gambled for approximately 45 minutes. Wally Fuchs and Diane Holcomb came back with a little extra money and the rest of us, well, we were there and gave to the cause. Then we headed back to the hotel where we played games: Left, Right, Center—Mike Foulker being the winner; Male/Female Political Etiquette—Mike and Lori Foulker being the winners; and "Buttdarts"—Sheila Karlen and Diane Holcomb being the winners. To round out the evening, we went to the bar as they were having Karaoke night. Lo and behold, Wally and Rosie Fuchs are Karaoke fans and did a little singing—a wonderful job they did, too. Also, Kathy Rindy, Diane Holcomb, Rosie Fuchs and Lori Foulker did a number. Good job everyone. Sunday morning brought us continental breakfast where we conversed before everyone headed their own way home. It was a wonderful time. The members who attended the overnight were: Wally and Rosie Fuchs, Mike and Lori Foulker, Leroy and Kathy Rindy, Dennis and Diane Holcomb, Fuzzy and Sheila Karlen, and Tom and Julie Holmes.

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