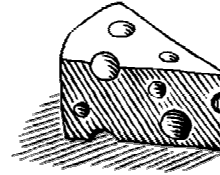
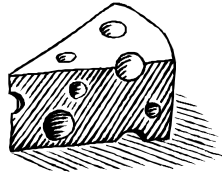


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### NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR

WOW! Where did January go? Even though it has been 30 degrees below zero and we have had a lot more winter than I care to see, I can't believe we are already into February. Who knows, we could be riding our bikes in the next couple of months if we are lucky.

We had a great Holiday Party at the Amcore Bank Community Room. I want to thank Diane and Kathy for doing such a tremendous job on the meats, and to everyone else that brought in such great food to round out the meal. This was a very inexpensive way to celebrate the Holidays, and I think everyone that attended had a great time. Thank you also to Scott of Kutters for donating prizes for the evening, and to my wonderful wife for decorating the room so festive. It looked great, and was very cozy.

We had a few new members join our Chapter in January. Let's all welcome Maureen & Bill Allred, and Deb Stagno. Deb's husband Jim will be joining as soon as he gets his national HOG number. We look forward to getting to know them and spending many wonderful times together. Making memories, that's what we are all about!!

We have a few things going on in February, the trip to the H-D Museum on the 21st, and our second dinner ride of the year on the 24th. Please make plans to attend one or both of these events. The monthly meeting will be on the 11th, (weather permitting). Remember, membership fees are due now. Bring payments and forms to the meeting, or mail them to Kathy Rindy or myself. You can also leave them off at Kutters in Monroe too.

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## **NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR - continued**

Please remember, we are still collecting food and cash donations for the food pantry, and clothing for the needy. We didn't do to well with donations in January, so please give generously in February. There are many people in our area who can't afford things we take for granted. Thank you for any donations, large or small, everything is appreciated.

Please be safe, and let's get ready to ride!!

Hokie, Chapter Director  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

## **Membership Meeting Minutes - January 21, 2009**

### **Director: Dennis (Hokie) Holcomb**

- \* Called meeting to order with 25 people in attendance
- \* Led Pledge of Allegiance
- \* Introduced four guests from the Lake Carroll area:  
Maureen & Bill Allred  
Deb & Jim Stagno
- \* Spoke of the trip to the Harley Museum on February 21st
- \* Membership fees dues now
- \* Thanked everyone that attended the Holiday Party for making a fun filled event
- \* Shared the thank you notes from the organizations we donated to at the end of 2008
- \* Stated we still want to keep collecting food, money, and clothing for the needy
- \* Thanked John Deackman for doing such a great job updating our Website
- \* Dawn Wolfe won the Teddy Bear Raffle, \$48 profit for charity

### **Assitant Director: Steve Jacobs**

- \* Spoke about Wisconsin State Rally next June in Appleton

### **Treasurer: Mike Schmid (absent)**

### **Secretary & Membership Officer: Kathy Rindy (absent)**

- \* Leroy filled in to collect membership forms and fees,  
**Thank you!**
- \* Diane took minutes from the meeting, **Thank you!**

## Calendar of Events:

### 2-Months at a Glance

2009 Calendar of Swiss Valley Harley  
Owners Group

Chapter Events available online at  
[www.swissvalleyhog.com](http://www.swissvalleyhog.com)

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**--March newsletter deadline--**  
February 26, 2009  
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### **--FEBRUARY--**

**2009 Membership Dues**  
Need to be paid by February 28<sup>th</sup>  
to continue to receive the  
newsletter.

11<sup>th</sup> **HOG Meeting - Closed**  
**7:00p.m.**  
Roadhouse, Monroe

21<sup>st</sup> **Day/Overnight Harley**  
22<sup>nd</sup> **Davidson Museum - Closed**  
Organizer: Leroy Rindy

24<sup>th</sup> **Dinner Ride - Closed**  
**6:00p.m.**  
Organizer: Scott Golackson

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**--MARCH--**

11<sup>th</sup> **HOG Meeting - Closed**  
**7:00p.m.**  
Roadhouse, Monroe

26<sup>th</sup> **Dinner Ride - Closed**  
**6:00p.m.**  
Organizer: John Deackman



## Meeting Minutes – continued

### **Kutter H-D Representative: Scott Golackson**

- \* HOG corner moved in back together with a lounge area
- \* January Price Thaw going on until the end of January
- \* Service department is filling up, make your appointments early for that spring work
- \* H-D tool box is the next item to be raffled off, winner drawn at end of February
- \* Keep an eye on the Kutter Website for more happenings at the store

### **Head Road Captain: Leroy Rindy**

- \* Sign up for the H-D Museum by February 7th, we still need more interest please
- \* Dinner ride on January 30th, Dave Wehinger will lead the ride. Leaving Kutters at 6:00
- \* We are looking for at least one more road captain to replace Craig Tourdot

### **Safety Officer: Steve Zinsli (absent)**

### **Editor: Jody Jacobs**

- \* Deadline for newsletter articles are the 28th of each month, the 25th for Hokie

### **Webmaster: John Deackman**

- \* Trying to make the website more user friendly
- \* Anyone that has pictures they want posted on the website, send to me

### **Other:**

- \* Hokie asked if there was any interest in new HOG Shirts, catalog will be at Kutters to look at, make a note as to which you prefer.
- \* Sarah Gobel has volunteered to be on the activities committee
- \* Pleasant View Park has been reserved for the Chapter Picnic August 9th

### **Door Prizes:**

- \* \$10 gift certificates donated by Kutters, won by Maureen Allred and Jody Jacobs
- \* 50/50 winner of \$23 went to Leroy Rindy

**Next HOG Chapter Meeting: Wednesday, February 11th at Roadhouse in Monroe**

Minutes taken by Diane Holcomb for:  
Kathy Rindy, Secretary  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

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## Road Captain Report

Hi everyone! I hope everyone is doing OK with all this snow and cold. I can hardly believe we actually once rode motorcycles on these salt-covered, snow-packed roads - seems like a hundred years ago!!

I heard the other day on the weather that we have gained 40 minutes of daylight since December 22, so maybe there is hope yet.

Something to help us get back into the right frame of mind will be our trip to the Harley Davidson Museum in Milwaukee on February 21st. We have decided to make this just a 1 day trip, so we will not be staying overnight.

As of today, January 25th, we have 11 people signed up to go. I am really hoping to get at least 15 people so that we can get the group rate of \$12 per person, rather than the regular price of \$16. We will be meeting at Kutter at 9:00 AM and leaving Kutter at 9:30 AM and traveling to the museum, possibly stopping for a break at a HD dealer in route. (Imagine that!)

We will eat lunch at the Motor Restaurant at the museum. I checked the menu and it looks like it should be very good. After lunch, we will spend the afternoon going through the museum. When everyone has had enough time exploring the museum, we will head back to Monroe, possibly stopping for dinner along the way.

Please sign up at Kutter or call me by February 7 so I can call and order our group discount tickets. It will be a fun day and will help us get in the right mood for spring.

Hope to see everyone on the 21st.

Think Spring,

Leroy Rindy, Head Road Captain  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

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## Safety Officer Report

No safety officer report this month.

Steve Zinsli, Safety Officer  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

## February Birthdays


- 2-3 Heather Phillipson
- 2-14 Sheila Karlen
- 2-17 Christine Clement
- 2-21 Tom Holmes
- 2-26 Franz Gosset

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We hope everyone had a good time at the Holiday Party on January 10th, 2009. The event was held at the Amcore Bank Community Room. A festive and candle lit atmosphere was the setting for the evening.

Thank you to Swiss Valley HOG for providing the meat. Kathy and Leroy did a wonderful job preparing the Prime Rib. Dennis and I prepared the Pork Tenderloin and the dinner rolls. Everyone else brought a wonderful selection of other dishes to round out the meal. We have a lot of great cooks in our group.

Julie Holmes finished the evening with a fun game of Dumb \_\_\_\_. It was the guys against the girls. Without the help of Jeff Wright and Scott Golackson, the guys would not have done nearly as well. I think Jeff and Scott have seen every movie since the 80's. Needless to say, the guys were the winners, but the girls were good sports too.

Thanks to Scott and Kutters for donating prizes for a few of the games played during the evening.

We enjoyed a great evening, with great food, and with great friends. Who could ask for anything more than that. I guess just to have more fun, with more people, more often!

Submitted by Diane Holcomb  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

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### ***BREAKING NEWS !!!!!!!***

### **BREITBACH'S WILL REBUILD !!**

According to Thursday's (1/29/09) Dubuque Telegraph Herald article, "Mike Breitbach, owner of Breitbach's Country Dining, announced Wednesday that the restaurant will rebuild after suffering a second fire less than a year after the first." I went online and checked the story out. In a video clip Mike stated there were three things that brought them to their decision to rebuild. 1) Their insurance company, West Bend Mutual is doing a fantastic job working with Mike on the tragedy 2) Mike's family (wife and 7 children) all agree to rebuild and 3) The Breitbach's Restaurant has been a vital part of the community for over 150 years and they have received overwhelming support and continue to - so they can't let them down.

Mike also stated that they plan to start building in mid-March and hope to open sometime in mid-summer.

You can bet we will be planning a ride to help them celebrate! I will pass along more information when my "source" informs me. I am going to send them a note from our HOG Chapter congratulating them and telling them we will continue to support them as well.

Kathy Rindy, Secretary  
Swiss Valley HOG Chapter

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## Meet the Member

*This month, become acquainted with  
one of our chapter's members.*

**Name:** Sarah Goebel

**When Did You Join Swiss Valley H.O.G.?** 2007

**What Do You Ride?** As a passenger, I ride with Jay on his 2003 fat boy. As a driver, I ride a 1983 Kawasaki 440 Ltd. – I'm looking for my 1<sup>st</sup> Harley!

**Why Do You Ride?** I love the freedom of the open road – being one with nature – the smells, the wind, the bugs!

**What Was/Is Your Favorite Ride?** Every ride I take.

**What is Your Dream Bike?** I don't know yet – I'm still looking – leaning towards a custom build Dyna.

**What is Your Dream Ride?** Having all the time in the world & being able to go from one end of the states to the other & everywhere in between.

**What is Your Favorite Thing to Do When Not Riding?** Reading a good book; being pampered; scrap booking. Spending times with our children, grandchildren, other family members & friends.

**What Else Do You Want To Share About Yourself – Your Family or Riding?** While riding with my husband, Jay, and watching other riders, I noticed more and more of them were women riding their own motorcycles, not just being a passenger. I began to think maybe I could do that – drive/ride my own bike. Why not? I could go where I wanted to, when I wanted to, and not have to wait until Jay could or wanted to go riding. Just a thought! Now not doing anything rash – I began to slowly learn a little more and more about cycling and how everything works.

While riding one summer day with Jay, who was wearing shorts at the time, had a misguided dragonfly venture up his shorts leg. It couldn't find its' way out and Jay was trying to dislodge the poor fellow out, slow the bike while having me grab the controls so Jay could properly show the dragonfly out. All I was thinking – ok stop the bike, hold it up there – don't dump it while trying not to laugh my head off to see Jay dancing around, dropping his shorts to give the dragonfly a larger escape way. Just a thought – maybe I needed to know how to handle the cycle.

Our son, Justin, wanted to learn to ride a motorcycle and purchased a 1983 Kawasaki 440 Ltd. to learn on. Well, he learned quickly enough and purchased his own 2005 HD Springer. That left the Kawasaki looking very lonely in the garage with no one to ride it. Well – I couldn't let that happen. Jay has been a very patient teacher instructing me the controls on the cycle. Don't rush me – I learned at my own pace – after all I had a few fears to overcome. After a couple of summers riding in our yard, around the country block, and even going into town I was starting to feel comfortable on the little Kawasaki. I can do this!!

I enrolled in the Riders Safety course and graduated summer of 2008. This course is the best at getting your confidence and learning even more safety techniques. I truly recommend it for every motorcycle rider – I'll continue to ride the little Kawasaki, if you don't mind, until I gain more experience and find my 1<sup>st</sup> dream Harley.

Sarah Goebel