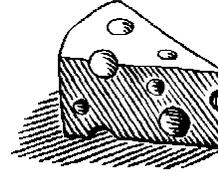
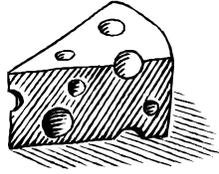


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NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and on the path to a great new year. We had a pretty good year for riding last year and hope for more of the same or even better.

I would like to take this opportunity to give a big thank you to Steve Jacobs, Kathy Rindy, and Leroy Rindy for their time as Assistant Director, Secretary, and Head Road Captain for our chapter. These folks are stepping down from their positions and spend time as a regular member. With that being said, I would like welcome Jeff Wright as the new Assistant Director. Please support Jeff and his duties, and help him get up to speed. I would also like to thank Wendy Holmes for taking the Membership Officer position. We are still in need of a Secretary, Head Road Captain, and possibly a Safety Officer if someone is interested. These positions need to be filled ASAP. Please contact myself, or Scott G., and discuss what position you would like to take.

We went through and created the 2012 calendar at the December meeting. We added more rides for this year and more breakfast rides. Now just because we added more rides doesn't mean you have to be there for them. They are there for those who want to go on a ride when they have a chance. I will be putting up sign-up sheets at Kutter for each ride. There will be Breakfast Rides with short rides after and also some with long rides. The new calendar is online (a few changes may be made soon) and there is a downloadable PDF file just above the online calendar.

Kutter Open House was a pretty good turnout. We sold over \$200 worth of desserts, and made over \$50 for our half of the 50/50 raffle, and made around \$50 of donations towards the Veterans. Hopefully this year we can have some better results with the Flame Thrower Cafe.

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NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR – continued....

Our next monthly meeting is on January 10th and our Holiday party is on Saturday the 14th. Hopefully everyone that notified me that they were coming can make it! Should be a great party.

That is all I have for this month.

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I'm here to assist you any way I can, because it's your chapter too!

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

- Swiss Valley HOG dues are due beginning 1/1/2012
- Dues are good from 1/1/2012 through 12/31/2012 and must be renewed every year due to HOG insurance regulations.
- \$20 for a full member & \$10 for associate member annually
- We will be collecting dues at the January and February meetings
- Forms available at meetings or at Kutter
- If you fill out and leave your form at Kutter, put it in an envelope, along with your check (made payable to Swiss Valley HOG) – **1 membership form per person** and write on it Attn: Wendy Holmes, Membership Officer
- **ONE form needed from EACH member, no couples on one form**
- You must be a National HOG member in order to belong to a local chapter

Thanks to Wendy Holmes, who has agreed to be our new Membership Officer for the club. I will be helping out in the transition, so getting your memberships done in a timely manner will help make our job easier.

Note: We will also be taking Membership Enrollment Forms and checks (**already filled out and in envelopes**) at the Holiday Party.

Thank you,

Kathy Rindy, former Membership Officer
Wendy Holmes, new Membership Officer
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

Calendar of Events:

2-Months at a Glance

*2012 Calendar of Swiss Valley Harley
Owners Group*

*Chapter Events available online at
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-February newsletter deadline-

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January 25, 2011

--January--

- 10th **HOG Meeting - Closed**
7:00p.m.
Doyles – Monroe
- 14th **Holiday Party - Closed**
6:00p.m.
Bank Community Room –
On the square in Monroe
- 27th **Dinner Ride - Closed**
6:00p.m.
Organizer: Scott & Rachel
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--February--

- 10th **International Motorcycle**
11th-12th **Show – Rosemont, IL**
- 14th **HOG Meeting - Closed**
7:00p.m.
Doyles – Monroe
- 23th **Dinner Ride - Closed**
6:00p.m.
Organizer: Scott & Dawn
Golackson

Minute by Minute.....

I feel a little sense of relief with this being my last secretary report. I've been taking notes and typing minutes as Secretary and acting as Membership Officer (with the exception of two years) since we started the Chapter in April of 2003. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know all the members. Some have come and gone and others have stayed for the long haul. It's been a great experience, but with five growing and active grandkids, all living locally now, Leroy and I have our hands full! We love being involved in their lives and are looking forward to having a little more free time to spend with family. Even though we are stepping down from our leadership roles, we will still continue to be active members. See you around! Kathy

Swiss Valley HOG Meeting – December 13, 2011

Director John Deackman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. A busy night of planning the 2012 calendar followed. I won't bother repeating every detail of the meeting regarding the calendar, as it has been published for the club.

Kutter's Open House was held December 10 with the HOG Chapter conducting a bake sale and wrapping gifts. The Chapter profited \$322 from their efforts. Profits from the day went to benefit military families.

Diane Updike from the Activities Committee has reserved the bank community room for the HOG Holiday Party on 1/14/12. Dennis Holcomb has arranged for Gempelers to cater our meal, just like last year's party. The cost of the meal is \$10, of which the club is picking up half of the tab for members only. Any person attending who is not a HOG member will be asked to pay the full \$10. A \$5 gift exchange is again being held for those who wish to participate. If you wish to participate, please bring a \$5 gift or a homemade baked good for your gift exchange.

Treasurer Barb Smith reported the club has a balance of \$2113.60. Barb sent checks off to Shop with a Cop and Toys for Tots – each in the amount of \$100. We will also be donating \$125 in gift cards to two military families in need for a total of \$250. Other Charities being helped out this year are: Green Haven \$150, Big Brothers/Big Sisters \$150, Christmas Stocking \$150 and Food Pantries \$150 (\$75 Monroe & \$75 Monticello).

The Food Drive that was being organized by John & Scott was revised with the HOG Chapter donating \$50 and Kutter donating \$50 to the Food Pantry rather than collecting food.

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Minute by Minute.....continued

Scott from Kutter thanked everyone who helped at Kutter's Holiday Open House December 10. Santa and Mrs. Claus were there.

Winners of the drawings at the meeting were: 50/50 raffle – Curt Moyer (\$22). Scott Golackson and Wendy Holmes were each winners of the \$10 Kutter gift certificates.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Rindy, Secretary
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

January Birthdays

- 1-9 Steve Cort
- 1-12 Pat Schutt
- 1-27 Judy Klassy



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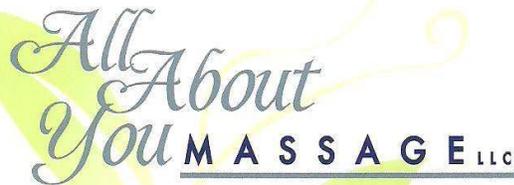
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