

“Forever in our Hearts”

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This year has been a tough year for the Hog Chapter.
We lost 2 members who were near and dear to all of us.

Let's use this time to reflect on how much Gary and AJ meant to everyone.



AJ Fox, Jr. was only 53 when he passed away on August 11, 2021 following a short battle with cancer. AJ was in the United States Marine Corps. He was a Desert Storm veteran. AJ met his wife, Mikki while they were both in the Marines. Together they raised two beautiful daughters, Alissa and Alaina, who meant the world to him. AJ loved to ride his Harley with his family and friends. He bought his first Street Glide in 2007, joined the chapter in 2008 and at the time of his death was the Head Road Captain of the chapter. AJ and Mikki often won best costume at our HOG-o-ween parties. AJ loved his family. They meant everything to him. He loved going on yearly fishing trips, hunting with family at “deer camp” and had a blast camping up north at FoxCamp. AJ was the type of man his entire family and friends could count on and will be deeply missed.

We all have many great memories of AJ.

Message from the Fox family

The Fox family is so blessed to have our HOG family in our lives. The love and support we felt during this time are beyond words. We are so grateful and thankful for you all.



Gary Lee Weller passed away May 9, 2021. Gary was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served during the Vietnam War. Gary married Sheryle Rae Bourdo on November 6, 1970. Gary was a member of the Fruitport Eagles and the Ravenna Conservation Club. Gary joined the Hog Chapter in 2006. Gary really enjoyed his HOG family and all the events like the Hog rallies and camping with his fellow members. He won the Bucket of Cheer at the holiday party a few times. He attended the monthly meetings unless the fish were biting. Right from the beginning Gary connected with many and friendships continued outside the chapter. He was an avid outdoorsman and especially loved fishing. Gary was a great person and will be greatly missed.



Director: Greg Nowak

Thank you for attending this month's meeting. It was a very solemn meeting in light of AJ's passing, thank you everyone who attended the thunder for AJ ride it was very impressive and appreciated by the family.

The group voted unanimously to purchase flowers and Dale Ferguson our membership benefit winner donated his winnings also the arraignment looked great, thank you Jamie and Terri who put this all together for me in my right arms (Carolyn's) absence.

As normal beginning in August all volunteer positions are posted on the back desk for sign up, reminder if you hold a position this year you will still need to sign up!!! They will be posted until the November meeting when elections of the Primary officers are complete, that being said after several years of serving Melinda and I will not be running for re-election or accepting nominations for any positions....

Ride Safe
Thank you

Assistant Director: Scott Herbert

Don't forget we need your ride 365 information. I am going to keep bringing that up at every meeting. Eventually you will be woken up at night thinking about how you need to send me your milage.

Contacted Catholic Central regarding the number of graduates and we will need approximately 32 bikes with helmets. I will have a signup sheet in the back at the next meeting.

Greg



Muskegon H.O.G. Chapter #1962 - Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2021

Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our fallen Bikers, Friends and Military

SECRETARY: Recorded by Pam Flint

Minutes for July have been approved, published in the Newsletter and posted to the website

TREASURER: Sue Foose

Sue was absent, but Greg read the report from Sue to the group and it was stated we started with \$2712.84 with expenditures of \$212.21 for the summer picnic and \$100 with an ending balance of \$2400.63

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Scott Herbert

Scott reminded the members of the Chapter Ride 365 and encouraged members to participate by submitting their current mileage.

Scott encouraged anyone interested in any of the volunteer officer positions to sign up on the signup sheets in the back of the room, even if you hold one of the positions now and you want to continue, you must sign up for consideration.

ACTIVITIES: Jamie Herbert and Terri White

Upcoming rides:

- Saturday 8-14 – Saugatuck ride for shopping and lunch. Meet at Hot Rod at 9:30, KS up at 10:00
- Sunday 8-15, Scott Herbert is leading a ride up to Brown Bear in Pentwater. Meeting at Hot Rod at 12:30, KS up at 1:00.
- Tuesday 8-17 is the dinner ride to Hog Wild BBQ restaurant in Holland. Meet at Hot Rod at 5:30, KS up at 6:00.
- Saturday 8-21 is to Cranes Pie Company in Fennville. Greg Nowak will be leading. Meet at Hot Rod at 9:30 and KS up at 10:00.
- Sunday 8-22 will be to Billy Bones in Grandville. Meet at Hot Rod at 12:30, KS up at 1pm
- Saturday 8-28 is the Progressive ride.
- Sunday 8-29 ride to Brenda's Burgers in Scottsville. Meeting at Hot Rod at 12:30 and KS up at 1:00p. Scott Herbert will be leading this ride.
- Friday 9-10/12 is the Air Force Museum ride. We were informed that you will need to wear a mask inside the museum, if that is an issue with you and wish to cancel, please let me know asap.
- Saturday 9-18 is the Mystery overnight ride. If you have not paid yet, I need your money of \$83.00 now. Please call me to make arrangements if you do not have it today.

Dinner after the meeting is going to be at the Pincrest lane Bike night. They are having a Taco truck there if anyone is interested.

Apparel: Jim Berlin- absent

Ken Howe brought up the looking into the cost of "backup/travel" Chapter Flag. He said he will do some checking on the pricing.

HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN: A.J. Fox has sadly passed away from cancer. He will be missed! Once the arrangements have been made, they will be posted on the HOG chapter Facebook page. Our condolences go out to Mikki and Al and Carolyn Fox and their family.

LOH: Deb Homoly –

- Deb talked about how to raise money for the 2 charities that we are working with. (1) WINC is a women's veterans' organization that assists women veterans with physical and mental trauma/health. It also assists with getting these women access to needed resource like the VA facility, etc. (2) Every Women's Place/families, which LOH has supported for last 2 years. We have raised \$345.50 so far. Thank you to everyone who has donated so far.
- The director and assistant director decided that the ride to Fennville will be a donation ride of \$5.00/ \$10.00 to help with the charities.
- It was also suggested that once we go back to the Sunday meetings, to start doing the bake sales and possibly do a Bucket of Happiness to raffle off to help with the charities. Possibly do a Halloween basket to raffle off at the Halloween party.
- Greg will ask about the possibility of putting a change jar upstairs to help raise money for the charities.
- LOH is working a "Progressive Ride"
 - We will start at Tim and Pam Flint's house for brunch, meeting there at 10:30 and leaving there at 11:30 then a nice ride led by Tim to Greg and Melinda Nowak's house for a mid-afternoon snack and another nice ride led by Greg to then finish up at Al & Carolyn's house for bonfire. If you plan to join us, please contact Deb Homoly or Jamie Herbert so we know how much food to prepare.
 - Last stop will have brat/dogs, bonfire and more socializing. BYOB Some members trade out their bike for a car before this stop. Lot of fun with our Chapter Family. Date is Saturday August 28th.

Safety: Scott White –

Scott reminded the members to be aware of your surroundings at all times.

Membership: Michelle Berlin – absent

72 members with our newest members, John Morchiando and Mike and Tricia Polcik. They are from up north near Ken and Tina. Welcome!!

Editor- Communications: Carolyn Fox - absent

Webmaster: Greg Marczak - • Absent

Director: Greg Nowak

Informed us of AJ Fox's passing. Unanimous vote was made to use \$150 to go towards flowers.

Dale Ferguson was the winner of the membership drawing and donated it back to the chapter to go towards the flowers for AJ.

Hat's off to our new Activities Team for a great job they have been doing this year

Thank you, ladies!



Branson Trip---

*So much more than just
a ride!*



HOG Calendar

September Events

September 10, 2021, 8:00 am - September 12, 2021, 5:00 pm

- Air Force Museum Trip-Dayton, OH Ride

Monday, September 13, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

- September HOG Meeting



September 18, 10:00 am - September 19, 2021

- Mystery Overnight Ride (Day 1/2)

Tuesday, September 21, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

- Crockery Creek Saloon, Nunica Dinner Ride



August/September
2021

August 19, 6:00-9:00p - Wrights Tavern Bike Night

- Bike Night's at Wright's are BACK!!
- \$2 Domestic
- Food & Music
- Giveaways by Hot Rod Harley-Davidson

Saturday Aug 28, 11am to 2pm - HOG days of Summer at Hot Rod H-D

- Live Music, Cold Brew, BBQ
- Softail Standard Give-away
- Register in-store

Rolling Milwaukee Promotion

- Register in-store to win a new H-D Electra Glide, a trip to Hometown Rally in Milwaukee and many other prizes.