

#### Director Dennis "Gomez" Adams

February was the month for our two newest Road Captains, Harry Werner, and Drew Moores (Safety Officer), to lead us on their inaugural rides. Thank you to all the members of Old Town that came out to support them. Communications Officer Pete Barack is right behind them and will have his inaugural ride this month. Looking for our members to come out in force to support Pete as well. I appreciate Pete's wonderful work on the Bull Shots to get the word out on the happenings at the Dealership and the Chapter.

Our Dealership held its first Bike Night on the last Friday of the month and I want to thank the members for coming out to support them. They have worked with us to pick a night that would not conflict with our meetings, since they value the HOG Chapter for their future. They understand that to be a HOG member you must own a Harley-Davidson and pay \$59 annually to the motor company, on top of our annual \$30 Chapter dues. No other Motorcycle group that the Dealership supports has that Motor Company participation requirement, so I am pleased they do understand this. We now have a 15%-Chapter discount for parts and merchandise thanks to Jason and his team.

Thanks to Assistant Director Steve Byrnes and all the volunteers that helped with the Saturday Breakfast at the Dealership. Steve told me Nicholas Bockholt of the Marketing team was very supportive of the volunteers. I talk to Nick frequently, and know he has some great ideas for upcoming events. I look forward to seeing these ideas come to fruition soon and supporting him.

Our Six Board Members that attended the Regional Officer Class (ROC) in Orlando, came back with some great ideas that they picked up from the other HOG Chapters. I look forward to Head Road Captain Gary Stein trying to incorporate some of the ideas for rides, other than to a restaurant. Members have mentioned this in the past, so I think it is time to try it out. I have heard from senior members that things like progressive rides and scavenger hunts have been done years ago. I am open to anything that gets us out on the bikes. They did confirm that we do not do everything by the book, but we are doing better than most HOG Chapters that attended.

If you did not see the Facebook post I put up, we had a Black Lab puppy named "Rook" in the Colonel's honor. She is just starting her journey, with her puppy raiser, this month. We will get updates on her progress and look forward to getting some photos when she graduates from Southeastern Guide Dogs and dedicates her life helping someone, just like Ron did his entire life. Be safe and hope to see you soon.



Dennis "Gomez" Adams Director OTC 2024

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## AD Steve Byrnes Ramblings

### WOW! It is March Already!

Join us on the March 2<sup>nd</sup> Ride to Daytona for the start of Bike Week! Past Director David Brown will be leading that ride, and it will be a great time as the spring riding season gets into full swing.

The Raid on Key West is on for April 18<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>. Looking forward to leading that ride this year. Plans are coming together for our first overnight ride of the season. A sign-up sheet will be available at the March 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter Meeting. Questions are always welcome, as are suggestions.

As we put the chill and wet weather in February in the rearview mirror, we will be starting the planning for our fund raiser later this year for Paws for Patriots. When Paul Fore was Assistant Director, he reminded us that the Veterans Administration does not consider loss of vision a prosthetic need: therefore, our soldiers need our help! Southeastern Guide Dogs has extended the program to include Veterans with the DARKNESS of PTSD as well as friendship dogs for Veteran Hospitals. It is amazing that SEGD Supports the Guide Dogs they place for their full life! Mark your calendars for our Clay Shoot on September 28<sup>th</sup> which our Director, Dennis, secured for us at the Clay Shoot last year. Ideas and suggestions are always welcome. An email is best so we can track and respond.

February also marked our Dealership moving their Bike Night to the last Friday of each month, so it does not interfere with our Chapter Meeting. We will set up for Bike Night and award an attendee point for those who check-in. The changes at the Dealership have been plentiful as is the support for our Old Town Chapter. They are considering a New Owners Bike night where our Chapter can also introduce the New Owners to our activities. The Pancake Breakfast in Early February was a success and more of those social activities are being supported by our new General Manager, Jason Whidden.

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During the rain riding in February, it brought to mind a Welcome Wagon Class where we highlighted whether you are on 2 wheels, 3 wheels, or 4 wheels, Do Not Use Cruise Control on wet roads. When you hit a puddle and hydroplane, Cruise Control can speed up your drive wheel(s) and cause control problems. Dangerous for you and those traveling around you.

## LET'S RIDE, HAVE FUN, AND STAY SAFE!

Assistant Director, Steve Byrnes





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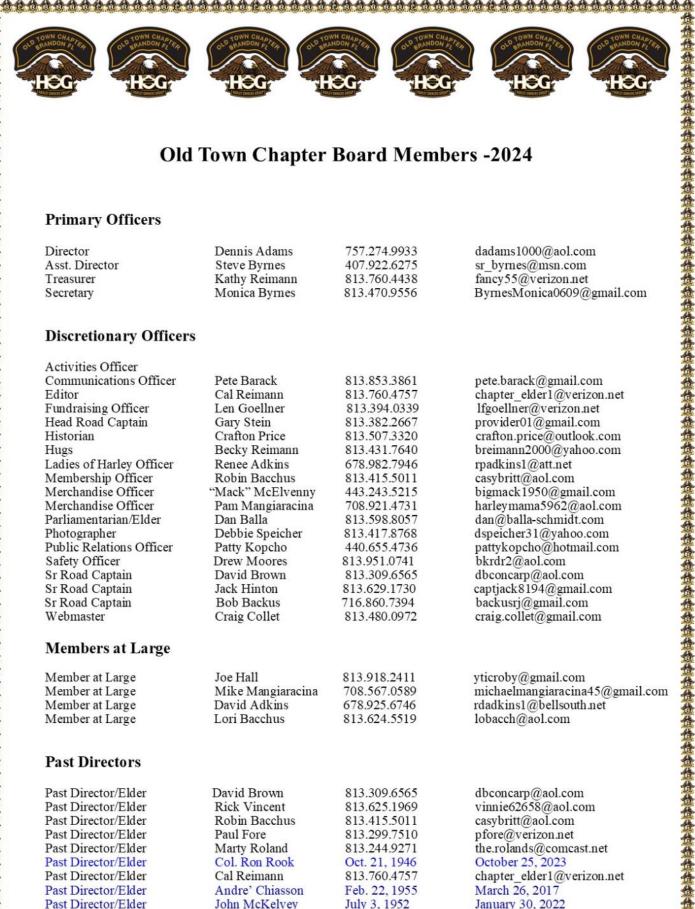
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Past Director/Elder	Andre' Chiasson	Feb. 22, 1955	March 26, 2017
Past Director/Elder	John McKelvey	July 3, 1952	January 30, 2022
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March dates to remember:

- March 17: National Corned Beef and Cabbage Day
- March 19: First Day of Spring
- March 22: National Goof Off Day
- March 31: Easter
- Zodiac signs: Pisces and Aries
- Birthstone: Aquamarine
- Flower: Daffodil

Average temperatures in Tampa for the month of March are between 75-80 and the lows usually stay above 65 degrees. This makes March a perfect time for riding and enjoying wind therapy.

Daylight Savings time begins on March 10 at 2a.m. local time, when we move our clocks forward an hour. Daylight Savings Time was introduced in 1918 to create a way to save energy and to get more use out of our natural daylight. Florida became the first state to enact legislation to permanently observe daylight savings time, in 2018. Federal law currently allows state or local governments to request permission from the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to remain on standard time permanently, but if they want to ditch the biannual time changes, Congress will have to pass a new bill.

March is a busy month in Florida. We average 30 million visitors between January and March with a few key events contributing to these numbers:

- ✓ Snowbirds are still in season.
- ✓ Spring break across the United States is during March, and Florida is the top domestic destination for Spring Breakers.
- March Madness tournaments are played throughout the month, with games played in Orlando March 16 & 18.

While Florida provides fun in the sun for so many families, friends and visitors, drivers can be less observant and unaware of their surroundings. Be careful and practice defensive driving.

Renee Adkins LOH Officer, 2024

Ladies of Harley is open to all women in the Chapter - - you do not need to be a rider to participate. You must however be an active full or associate member of HOG to be affiliated with Ladies of Harley. Although LOH is free of charge, membership is not automatic. If you would like to join, simply contact the national HOG office and request membership.

**Drew's Views** 

## Be Brilliant at the Basics (B<sup>3</sup>)

## Proud to be your 2024 Safety Officer! Let's get to it!

While I do not know much about sports, I know this. When the Devil Rays first hit the ice at the James Raymond Arena to begin the season, they do not start practicing Hail Mary kickoffs, quadruple plays, or doing lay-ups from the 4-point line. They focus on the basics. Blocking. Tackling. Puck drops. Field goals. Pitching. Bunting.  $B^3$  wins games and leads to fun, safe rides.

So, our 1<sup>st</sup> article focuses on a basic aspect of group riding; the staggered column (SC). First, the **purposes**. The SC is generally the <u>safest</u> technique for Group Riding because every rider: 1) can see further ahead and 2) has use of the entire lane if needed.

Now let's go to the 1" - 2" Rule. Rule of thumb: you should be able to see the face of rider to your diagonal front in their mirror. This works at ~ 25-35 mph, but the faster you go, the more distance you need. I often get asked "Drew, how many feet should I be from the rider to my diagonal front at 60 mph, a common speed for group rides?" Simple math. 60 mph = a mile a minute. A mile = 5,280' (feet). A minute = 60" (seconds). Check out the table, top to bottom.

Time (seconds)	Distance (feet)
60"	5,280'
30"	2,640'
15″	1,320'
1″	88'

"C'mon man, great, give me a visual. I am reading my Bull Shots in the bathtub smoking a cigar, for crying out loud!" OK.

Picture the TBHD service bay door. Stand in front of it, outside, facing SR 60. Ten 8' long Road Glides lined up tire to tire is about to the end of the overhang. So, if we're riding out in the sticks, no need to be any

closer than about 90' to the rider to your diagonal front most often. Riding further apart is safer!

## Welcome Wagon Ride (WWR) Overview

Want to provide an overview of what you can expect from your WWR program.

First, as our Head Road Captain Gary Stein said at the last meeting, "if you have a destination in mind and have checked it out - parking, service, food, and most importantly, confirm they can handle large groups" - give me the restaurant's name, location, and ideally who you spoke to, and I will plan a WWR there.

And speaking of planning, here's what you can count on for your first Sunday ride of the month, so you can plan your Sundays well in advance.

A 1- to 1.5-hour ride. Why? Because we never know if someone's showing up for their first group ride or first ride with our Chapter, and we don't want to give them the impression every Old Town ride takes up about 5-6 hours of their Saturday or Sunday (as fun as it is).

Next, every ride will have a mix of interstate and main street, and almost everything in between. Same rationale; to provide a practical application of our *rules-of-the-road* for new members or first-time guests.

And to close on that note, we want to be brilliant at the basics, keep the routine, routine, and make sure every move has a purpose.

Safety is no accident! (Please go to our Chapter website to see the entire articles.)



### OLD TOWN HOG CHAPTER – BRANDON FL CHAPTER MEETING

February 2, 2024

Chapter Member/Head Road Captain Gary Stein introduced the 2024 officers: Secretary Substitute Becky Reimann for: Monica Byrnes, Treasurer: Kathy Reimann, Assistant Director: Steve Byrnes, and Director: Dennis Adams.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Director Dennis Adams.

The American Flag was presented by Pete Barack and The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Dennis discussed Ride 365 and the changes to the program this year. Points earned can be redeemed for gift certificates at participating dealerships.

No one from Tampa Bay Harley Davidson Dealership was present. Dennis announced the Dealership has changed Bike Night to last Friday of the month.

Steve reminded everyone to visit our website, oldtownhog.com or Facebook page Old Town Harley for information on rides, the newsletter, photos, ride calendar, forum, and contact information. Answer the trivia question to win a prize.

4 Guest (s) were in attendance.

We had one new member who stood up and introduced himself as Axel Hollanda from South Tampa and rides a Deluxe.

The attendees recognized and sang Happy Birthday to all members with February birthdays.

Treasurer - Kathy Reimann gave her report.

**Ladies of Harley Officer** – Renee Adkins – next LOH meeting will be Tuesday, February 6th, at Mission BBQ. Renee reminded everyone that we have 3 restaurants that will be rotated for the meetings. Mission BBQ, Portillo's and Win Win. Sign-up sheet is now available for Biloxi ride. Pottery painting will be Feb 21<sup>st</sup>. 22 Moon Tea Room had 3 dates to vote on for March. Melting Pot restaurant will be on a Wednesday in May.

Dennis mentioned that the Chapter Picnic will be May 4<sup>th</sup> and sign-up sheet will be available next month. Sheri Philhower went to the park and placed the deposit.

Merchandise Office – Richard "Mack" McElvenny was present and asked everyone where the first restaurant pirates from Gasparilla went? The answer was Aaaarby's

February 3 – Cal Reimann – Stumpknockers

February 4 - Dennis Adams, Director, Welcome Wagon Class, and ride to Fat Rabbit

February 10 - David Brown - Casey Key Fish House

February 11 - Harry Werner - Inaugural Ride to Ski Beach Bar & Grill

February 17 – Lesli Monroe – Goodson Farms

February 18 - Drew Moores - Inaugural Ride to Plant City Homestyle Buffet

February 24 – Steve Byrnes – Capogna's Dugout

February 25 – Randy Hutchinson – Village Inn

Safety Officer – Dennis Adams will host the Welcome Wagon Class on Sunday. The destination for the ride will be the Fat Rabbit. KSU 2:00 pm at Dealership for ride to Chappy Chapman's Celebration of Life will follow.

Steve Byrnes stated that you can contact the Membership Officer, Robin Bacchus, to join the Chapter and/or go to the website for additional information and forms. Dues for 2024 are \$30.00 per person.

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Dennis explained that a 777 patch is awarded to any member who rides 777 one-way miles in one months' time. This does not include overnight rides. You can only receive the 777 patch once. Each year following that you ride 777 miles in one month you will receive a year patch.

There were no 777 Patch Winners for January.

Dennis explained the Posse Rider Patch is awarded to any member who has received 18 participation points in a calendar year. The Tombstone Patch is only awarded once, and each subsequent award is a rocker for the specific calendar year.

January didn't have enough points available to earn the posse patch.

Dennis and Steve explained the Rider and Member of the Month awards: Member/Rider/Board Member/Road Captain of the Month awards are given to members having the most participation point/miles with a calendar month that have not previously been awarded within the calendar year.

January Rider/ Mileage Awards			
Member of the Month Board Member/Road Captain of the Month		Board Member/Road Captain of the Month	
1st Place Harry Werner	9	1st Place Cal Reimann, Gary Stein	12
2nd Place Larry Snyder	8	2nd Place David Brown, Bob Backus	11
3rd Place Denise Schneider	7	3rd Place Mack McElvenny, Kathy Reimann	9

Member Rider Mileage Award		Board Member/Road Captain Mileage Award	
1st Place Harry Werner	466	1st Place Don Amberg	470
2nd Place Larry Snyder	387	2nd Place Cal Reimann	458
3rd Place Drew Moores	262	3rd Place Gary Stein	448

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4th Place Pete Barack	6	4th Place Steve Byrnes, Don Amberg, Robin Bacchus, Walter Schneider, Dennis Adams	8	
5th Place Drew Moores, James Schmitz, Barry Shapiro, Edi Shapiro, Lisa Branson, Robbie				
Salvog, Mark Rowley	5			



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4th Place James Schmitz	256	4th Place David Brown	376
5th Place Denise Schneider	254	5th Place Robin Bacchus	344

Overall, year-to-date rider stats were given, OTC members have earned a total of 361 points and have ridden a total of 11,517 miles in 2024.

- Monthly challenge question –January won by Denise Schneider
- Newsletter Reader January won by Leslie Monroe
- Name Tag drawing January won by Bob Backus
- Ride Lotto January won by Mack McElvenny
- T-shirt ride January had 2 T-shirt rides won by Crafton Price, Charles Tack
- Secret Greeter was David Brown won by Ray Gentile
- General Raffles: Ed Johns, Brad Souders, David Brown
- 50/50 drawing Rick Vincent
- Our next meeting will be March 1st, 2024.
- The meeting concluded at 8:30 pm.
- Respectfully submitted,
- Becky Reimann, for Monica Byrnes Secretary





### **OLD TOWN HOG CHAPTER – BRANDON FL**

### BOARD MEETING MINUTES February 7, 2024

The meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Director Dennis Adams.

Board Members Present: Dennis Adams, Steve Byrnes, Monica Byrnes, Kathy Reimann. Gary Stein, Bob Backus, Jack Hinton, David Brown, Drew Moores, Sheri Philhower, Pete Barack, Cal Reimann, Len Goellner, Crafton Price, Becky Reimann, Renee Adkins, Richard McElvenny, Pam Mangiaracina, Dan Balla, Debbie Speicher, Patty Kopcho, Craig Collette, Joe Hall, Mike Mangiaracina, David Adkins, Robin Bacchus

Board Members Missing: Lori Bacchus, Marty Roland, Paul Fore

Past Directors: Cal Reimann, David Brown, Robin Bacchus

**Director: Dennis Adams** 

**Guest: Mike Parker** 

**OLD BUSINESS**: Monthly meeting to remain at 7:30 p.m.

Dennis Adams wanted the Members who attended ROC Training to tell a little bit about their experience.

**Steve Byrnes** – stated that it was a good experience discussing with other Chapters of "what we do" and "how we do it." He stated that the Values – Valued Behavior, Fair, Honest, Creative...." He mentioned that other Chapters had a Leap Frog Ride which the board thought was interesting. Steve stated that some Chapters scheduled rides that were not limited to Road Captains.

Kathy Reimann – discussed Merchandise and Fundraising. Some Chapters did not stock Merchandise, therefore no accounting was necessary. She discussed our Fundraising and Ride Lotto which the other Chapters found interesting.

**Gary Stein** – Stated that after he spoke to other Chapters that this confirmed that "We are doing it right." He mentioned that some Chapters had members that do not like long rides, so some of their rides ended at the rest stop. Gary spoke about meeting up with other Chapters. If we did that, no additional waiver is needed. He stated that Harley has ended LIFE Memberships. There will be another program to which a fee might be added.

Joe Hall – said that we are miles ahead of other Chapters. Joe stated that one of our Old Town Members should meet and talk to any new member. That our members would get the new members' information and instead of bringing them up front, they stand where they are, and our member gives the information that the new member provides. He welcomes them, introduces them, tells us where they live and what they ride. Joe stated that other Chapters sometimes run ads on the television where they introduce the HOG Chapter to their customers. He said that some dealerships have the Salesperson selling the bike provide information for the HOG Chapter.

**Renee Adkins** - stated that when she attended ROC training that there were Chapters that did a "Brown Bag" lunch instead of going to a restaurant.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Treasurer: Kathy Reimann** – Kathy gave a report. A motion was made to accept the report, the motion was seconded and approved.

Secretary: Monica Byrnes – nothing to report

**Membership Officer**: Robin Bacchus reported 142 renewed members, and 2 waivers. Robin stated that he would like to remove the names of past members that didn't renew their membership to clean up the membership roster for the Road Captains.

Head Road Captain: Gary Stein reported that there are 18 Road Captains and 1

recruit, Pete Barack. Harry Werner's Inaugural ride will be Sunday 2/11/24 to Ski Beach Bar & Grill; Drew Moores Inaugural ride will be on Sunday, 2/18/24 to Plant City Homestyle Buffet. Please plan on attending the inaugural rides to support the new Road Captains.

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**Senior Road Captain: Bob Backus** – all good; **Jack Hinton** – absent from meeting; David **Brown** – spoke about Facebook clean up. He made a motion to accept Nick, the Harley Davidson Marketing Manager, onto our Facebook page, Renee Adkins seconded the motion.

#### Communication Officer: Pete Barack – all good

Safety Officer: Drew Moores has completed all his requirements and is now the Safety Officer. Dennis presented Drew with this "Safety Officer" patch.

Ladies of Harley Officer: Renee Adkins – Suggested that we purchase a new microphone. She also announced that LOH is planning a Chili Cook-off at a future Bike Night. She suggested that anyone who wants to participate dust off their old Chili recipes and plan on joining the event. As a reminder, the Road Captain Appreciation Dinner will be in June.

**Fundraising Officer**: Len Goellner – stated that we had a great 50/50 in January. Len is looking for Harley gifts to give aways for the meetings.

Parliamentarian: Dan Balla –Stated that if a motion is made, that Robert Rules requires it to have somebody second the motion.

**Merchandise Officer**: Richard "Mack" McElvenny - will order an additional 50 Lionel Theroux commemorative patches and it was agreed that he should purchase 100 commemorative patches for Mark "Chappy" Chapman. He is also looking to order some Old Town Chapter Harley Davidson Baseball Caps. Memorial Patches 50- Lionel Theroux and 100- Mark "Chappy" Chapman; Pam **Mangiaracina** – is currently taking inventory of the shirts. She also stated there were several of the containers broken. Becky Reimann stated that she has some containers that can be used for replacement.

**Public Relations: Patty Kopcho** - signed 1 new ad. Patty was told that Marty, Harley Davidson Salesperson, is interested in an Ad. Patty will follow up on that lead.

**Hugs**: Becky Reimann – please let her know if any members know of anybody who is sick, in the hospital or has a death in the family so she can send hugs from the Chapter. She sent out cards approximately seven (7) cards to members.

**Webmaster:** Craig Collet – please text or email Craig if you have any changes or additions to the Website. Craig's email is <u>Craig.Collet@gmail.com</u>. Craig is going to add Dan Balla as a Chapter Elder.

**Newsletter Editor**: Cal Reimann – reminded everyone that articles for the Newsletter are due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Photographer: Debbie Speicher – thanked everyone who sends her pictures when she is not on the ride.

Historian: Crafton Price received the notebook from Daniel. He is also capturing Facebook pictures and ride sheets.

**Members at Large**: Joe Hall – spoke about generic business cards with contact information and website to have on hand to hand out to possible future members. He also asked if the Primary Board is Bonded and said that he could provide us with information if we were interested. Mike Mangiaracina –all good; David Adkins – all good; Lori Bacchus – absent from meeting.

Assistant Director: Steve Byrnes –Stated that the Key West trip was on and scheduled for April 18-21. Steve is researching hotels for the event. Renee Adkins offered to provide a sign-up sheet for the event at the next Chapter Meeting.

Cal Reimann – all good

Rick Vincent – all good.

**David Brown** –stated that this is the best job he ever had. He also stated that John & Donna Garret, past members of the Chapter that moved to Colorado, were interested in getting a memorial patch for the Colonel. It was agreed that he would send the patch to them.

### **Open Discussion: Dennis Adams** –

Activities – Spring Picnic will be May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024. We will be looking for Volunteers to help plan the event. The games will be discussed at the next Road Captain Meeting.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Byrnes, Secretary





Ride Lotto is a Chapter participation program that started in July 2020 and will continue as long as there is interest. This is completely voluntary and there is no obligation to participate.

How it works:

Each ride you attend for the month, whether you do the ride or meet at the destination you have the option to participate in the Ride Lotto. If you choose to participate, you pay \$1 to the Road Captain that is taking attendance for the ride. The Road Captain will track your participation on the ride roster and collect your \$1.

- Ride Lotto will be available to participate in for all Chapter rides on the calendar each month.
- For every ride you attend and choose to participate in the Ride Lotto by paying \$1, you get one entry in the drawing. By the end of the month, if you participated in all the rides, you would have multiple entries in the Ride Lotto for that month's drawing.
- You cannot buy entries in the Ride Lotto. You must be <u>present</u> at KSU, on the ride, or meet at the ride destination to pay for an entry in the Ride Lotto.
- The Ride Lotto entries are tracked just like the ride mileage and attendance is tracked for each ride.
- At the Chapter Meeting there will be a drawing for the winner of the Ride Lotto for the previous month's rides. The person that is picked from the drawing MUST be present to win (spouses, family members or significant others cannot claim the prize for that person).
- If you are not at the Chapter Meeting and your name is drawn, then the Ride Lotto rolls over to the next month and will be added to the money collected for the Ride Lotto for the next month's drawing.
- All the money in the Ride Lotto is given to the winner if present at the meeting. This is not a 50/50.







## CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

Chapter Name:	OLD TOWN CHAPTER-	- BRANDON	
Member Name:			
City:		State:	Zip:
E-mail Address:			
Phone:	Memi	ber Nat'l H.O.G. Number:	
Expiration Date of National	H.O.G. <sup>®</sup> Membership:		

I have read the Annual Charter for H.O.G.® Chapters and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this Dealer sponsored Chapter.

I recognize that while this Chapter is chartered with H.O.G.<sup>®</sup>, it remains a separate, independent entity solely responsible for its actions.

### THIS IS A RELEASE, READ BEFORE SIGNING

I agree that the Sponsoring Dealer, Harley Owners Group® (H.O.G.®), Harley-Davidson, Inc., Harley-Davidson Motor Company, my Chapter and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (hereinafter, the **"RELEASED PARTIES"**) shall not be liable or responsible for injury to me (including paralysis or death) or damage to my property occurring during any H.O.G.® or H.O.G.® Chapter activities and resulting from acts or omissions occurring during the performance of the duties of the Released Parties, even where the damage or injury is caused by negligence (except willful neglect). I understand and agree that all H.O.G.® members and their guests participate voluntarily and at their own risk in all H.O.G.® activities and I assume all risks of injury and damage arising out of the conduct of such activities. I release and hold the **"RELEASED PARTIES"** harmless from any injury or loss to my person or property which may result from my participation in H.O.G. activities and EVENT(S). I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT I AGREE NOT TO SUE THE **"RELEASED PARTIES"** FOR ANY INJURY OR RESULTING DAMAGE TO MYSELF OR MY PROPERTY ARISING FROM, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR CHAPTER DUTIES IN SPONSORING, PLANNING OR CONDUCTING SAID EVENT(S).

#### WAIVER OF RIGHTS UNDER STATE STATUTES

I further agree to waive all benefits flowing from any state statute which would negate or limit the scope of this Release and Indemnification Agreement including, but not limited to, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which provides:

"A general release does not extend to the claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known to him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

By signing this Release, I certify that I have read this Release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations made by the "RELEASED PARTIES".

Member Signature:

Date:

### RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHAPTER

Mail to:

Membership Officer: Robin Bacchus 11435 Newgate Crest Drive Riverview, FL 33579

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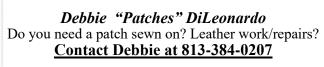






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Your signed membership form and a check for \$30 payable to Old Town Chapter insures your passport to continued fun in 2024.

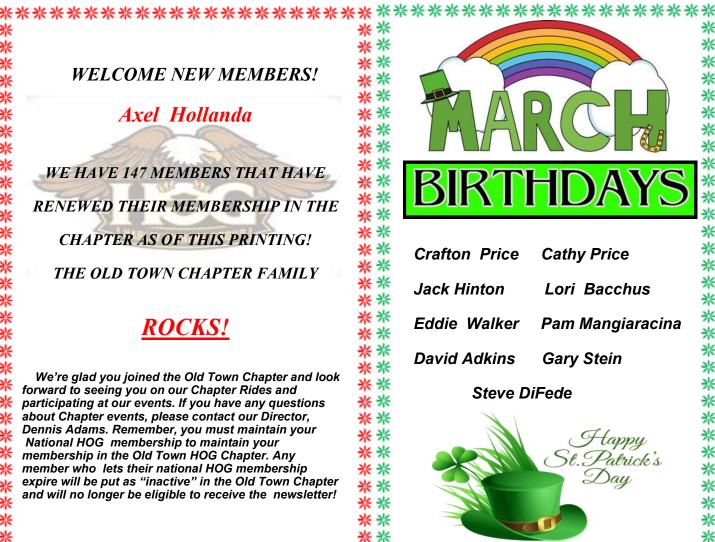
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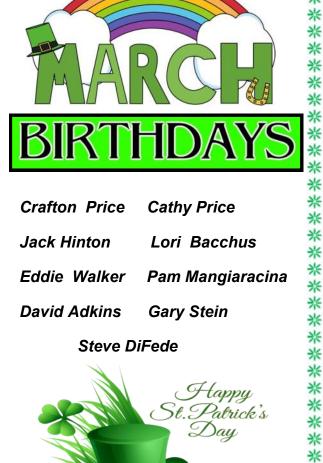
## (Help support "OUR" Great Chapter)

Remember, if you want your birthday in the newsletter you will have to give it to Robin to provide to Newsletter Editor: Cal Reimann.

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## **DID YOU READ OUR NEWSLETTER?**

Send an email by Friday, March 1st @ 1 pm to otcnewsletter@hotmail.com with a subject line of:

## RIDE WITH PRIDE!

(don't forget to include your full name in the email for a chance to win a \$25 H-D gift card.)

Chapter membership forms no longer ask for a member's birthday; we are unable to modify these forms as they are provided by National HOG. If you would like to share your special day with us, please contact/ email our Membership Officer, His Contact information: Robin Bacchus 813.415.5011 casybritt@aol.com

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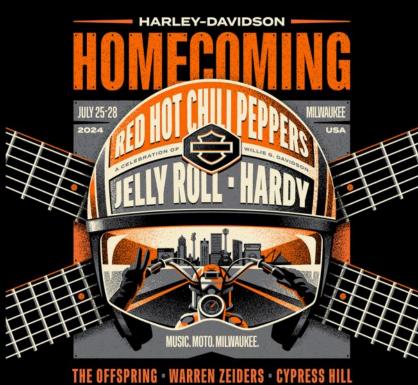
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### WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF A MOTORCYCLE CRASH? THE BASICS:

**SAFETY FIRST**: Move to a place of safety and out of harm's way.

**<u>DIAL 911</u>**: It's important to call 911 to immediately report the crash, request police; and if there are any injuries, request fire rescue/paramedics. Do not let the other driver talk you out of calling the police!

**COOPERATING WITH FIRST RESPONDERS**: Tell the paramedics ALL of your complaints. Providing all complaints of pain will help them identify your injuries, treat such injuries and will help with transport you to the nearest hospital. When asked questions by the police, whether at the scene or at the hospital, simply tell the officer how the crash happened in your own words. Afterwards, the officer typically provides you with a Drivers Exchange of Information, to allow your legal representative to order the Florida Traffic Crash Report (Long form). The officer may also provide you with a Tow Report, noting the details of the towing company and where your bike has been stored.

**PRESERVING THE EVIDENCE**: Photographs should be taken of the vehicles involved in the crash (including license plates & any business signs), the crash scene and of all injuries. Additionally, make best attempts of obtaining the names and contact information of all witnesses who may have witnessed the crash, including those who may have assisted afterwards. Also take photographs of any personal property items that have been damaged including your helmet, glasses, jacket, gloves, pants, boots, cell phone and any other items damaged by the crash, as such additional damages are reimbursable as well. Best to also keep an Accident Folder to staying organized, to store all papers, bills, etc.

**SEEKING MEDICAL CARE**: Follow EMT recommendations including transport to the nearest hospital for complete for a comprehensive exam, having all injuries diagnosed and treated. It's critically important you explain to the ER all complaints of injury from top to bottom to allow for the best examination, including diagnostic testing, so all injuries are properly diagnosed and treated. Alternatively, If you left the scene on your own and experience complaints of injury later the same day, next day or afterwards, present to a local urgent care. Within the exam room, tell them the history of present illness (the motorcycle crash) and report all complaints of injury, for the reasons noted above. For billing purposes, make sure all healthcare providers have copy of your health insurance card, front and back. Auto PIP coverage does not apply.

**SEEKING LEGAL REPRESENTATION**: As soon as possible, contact an attorney for representation. You want an attorney who is available, experienced, reputable and trustworthy. Timeliness is the key as we may need to hire a private investigator to obtain additional property damage photographs, scene photographs, injury photographs and witness statements within 24 hours to 48 hours after the crash, to prove your side of the case. We may also need to hire an accident reconstructionist to request a data download and inspection of the other vehicle. Your attorney will order the crash report, will report the crash to all applicable insurance companies, obtain the assigned claims representative(s), requesting all applicable insurance coverage. Your attorney will also report your property damage claim to timely schedule inspection and appraisal of your motorcycle, guiding you through this process as well, also to help you obtain loss of use monies and/or a rental car. Moreover, your attorney provides recommendations on continued medical care, towards providing you with specialist(s) for the examination, documentation and treatment of your specific injuries.

**DEALING WITH INSURANCE COMPANIES**: Importantly, you should NOT call any insurance company and do NOT post anything on social media. You should not be giving any statement to any insurance company after the crash. Should any insurance company contact you, by phone, in person or otherwise, simply decline from giving any statement this time until you have obtained legal counsel, allowing your attorney to give all statements on your behalf and/or to schedule any statements with your own insurance company at a reasonable time afterwards, also having prepared you beforehand.

**<u>CALL ATTORNEY BRAD SOUDERS</u>**: (Free Initial Consultation) Brad (a lifetime biker) has an office in Tampa and represents bikers & their families throughout Florida. <u>Call Brad directly on his cell phone at 813-220-7767</u>. Brad offers home, hospital, evening, weekend and virtual appointments. For additional information, visit <u>www.hoglaw1.com</u>. All Bikers Welcome! Ride Safe, Brad.



BRAD SOUDERS, ATTORNEY AT LAW

Old Town Chapter	apter	H.O.G. Calendar	endar	March 2024		Brandon FL
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			10 TOWN CHAPT		1 Chapter Meeting	2 Bike Week
					Hilton Garden Inn, 4328 Garden Vista Drive, Biscerious, El	KSU @ 7am from Flying J Travel Center, 11555 East Slich Auss Settion 145 mi
			<b>IEC</b>		Social Hour 6-7:30pm.	188, 188,
				1	Meeting / :Supri	4 nours SRC David Brown
ع Welcome Wagon Class 10 مس	4	5 TNDR/LOH Meeting	6 Board Mosting	,	×	פ Gaspar's Patio Bar and ב-נוו
		Win Win Asian Kitchen	7pm. TBHD			
**Welcome Wagon Ride Glory Days Grill		812 Providence Rd, Brandon, KSU @ 7pm,	Classroom			KSU @ 9am from RaceTrac, 10032 Gibsonton
KSU @ 11am from TBHD, 34 mi. 0RS. 1hr		from TBHD				Dr., Gibsonton, Fl. 33578, 2 hrs 70 mi 0 RS
SO/RC Drew Moores		RC Walter Schneider				RC - Bob Monroe
10	11	12 Stein & Vine	13	14	15	16 Harborside Grill
Charm City		027 W Bloominadolo	Road Captains			KSII @ 8.45cm from Mound
KSU @ 9:30am from Wawa		82/ W Bloomingdale Ave, Brandon, FL	Meeting o:Jupm. TBHD Classroom			(Bloomingdale Ave. &
13323 Boyette Rd., 55mi, 0rs, 1.5hr.		33511, KSU @ 7pm, From TBHD				Lithia Pinecrest), 77 miles, 1 RS, 2.75 hrs.
RC Eddie Walker		RC Mark Rowley				HKC Gary Stein <mark>T-Shirt Ride</mark>
17 Bana loo's Italian	18	19 Duba's Browbouso	20	21	22	23 Doto's Insurantal Dido -
Restaurant						McGrath's Irish Ale House
KSU @ 9:45 A.M. from		/95 W. Lumsden Kd., KSU @ 7pm, From				KSU @ 9am from Wawa
RaceTrac, 5951 N US Highwav 301 & Sligh Ave.		TBHD				(US-301 & Causeway Blvd), 65 mi. 0 RS. 2 hrs.
72 Miles, 1 RS, 2.25 Hours		SRC David Brown				PC Pata Barack
RC Rick Vincent						
24 Southern Belle Country Bar	25	26 Dave and Busters	27	28	29 BIKE NIGHT	30 Sesh Brewing Company
& Grill KSU @ 10am from Flying J,		10209 Estuary Lakes Dr.			Tampa Bay HD 9800 Adamo Dr.	KSU @ 9:00am from
29933 State Rd 52, Dade						RaceTrac (699 Lumsden Rd W Brandon El 33511)
RC Walter Schneider		RC Eddie Walker				88mi, 1RS, 2.5hrs RC Mark Rowlev
31 Easter Sundav Breakfast						(a
Ride						
The Scrambled Egg KSU 8:30 from Wawa 1710						
W. Brandon Blvd., 59 mi, 0 RS, 1.5 hrs.						
SRC David Brown						
			Come ride with us!		-	

Come ride with us! Check out our website @ <u>http://www.oldtownhog.com/</u> Old Town Chapter, Inc. #5039 9841 Adamo Dr. Brandon, FL 33619

Harley Owners Group



This month's Chapter Meeting is: *MARCH 1, 2024* Next month's Chapter Meeting is: *April 5, 2024* 

at the Hilton Garden Inn



4328 Garden Vista Drive, Riverview, FL 33578

Social Hour from 6:00 PM - Meeting starts at 7:30 PM

	Chapter Meetin	ng Schedule f	for 2024
	5th - <i>PAST</i> 2nd - <i>PAST</i> 1st - 5th - 3rd -	July August September October November	6th - 4th -
June	7th -	Dec. 7th	Christmas Party

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