

# Duneland Chapter Harley Owners Group

February 2010 **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY**

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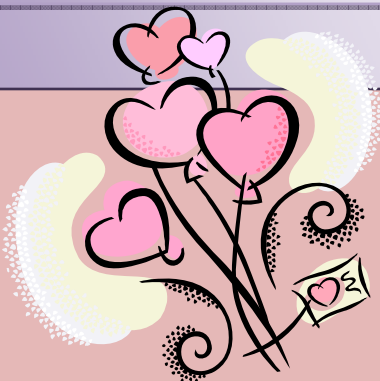
NEXT MEETING  
MARCH 3, 2010  
CASA DEL ROMA  
DINNER AT 6 PM  
MEETING AT 7 PM  
TOPICS: CLUB RIDES &  
DINNER RIDES

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## ROAD CAPTAINS

Landy Herndon, Daryl Huber, Mike Qualkinbush, Lee Kulchawick, Larry Huber, Jerry Nault, Nick Skertich, Bushie Kulchawick, Les Liess, Craig Spurling





## GREETINGS FROM LANDY

January 9<sup>th</sup> was our Year End Celebration Party, fun was had by all especially on the dance floor. 56 members plus about 10 guests attended. Linda Esserman & Dave Richards received the Directors award. Tim Blough received the Membership award. Dave & Linda also received the High mileage awards. Gary "Cupcake" Fortin received the Entertainer award. Progressive Dinner awards went to Scott & Laurie Swan, Jerry & Nadine Nault, Nick & Roseanne, & Ray Ojeda.

Wow what a great monthly meeting this month. We had 63 people in attendance. Our special guests Chuck "Chappy" Chapman from Thunder Roads Magazine & Bobby Newman from Ride for Kids & Calumet HOG Chapter Asst. Director Ross Howatt all spoke. They all were very impressed with the dedication and camaraderie that our chapter displayed. Linda Esserman & Dave Richards received there Director's award plaque. Thanks Dave & Linda for all you do. 5,000 mile patches and 10,000 mile patches where also given out. If you earned a mileage patch and have not received one please contact an officer.

We have a great set of new officers in place who really are willing to make our chapter all it can be. We need your support and input just as much as you need our support and input. Tell us your thoughts and ideas.

Our next meeting is March 3<sup>rd</sup> and we would like for you to bring your ideas about Dinner rides & Chapter rides. Where would you like to go for dinner, what day, what time, we want and need your input? Also where would be a good place to ride to on a Saturday or Sunday? Write it down with as much detail as you can.

On Sunday February 21<sup>st</sup> we plan on a trip to the International Motorcycle show in Rosemont Illinois. Meet at the dealership and then we will car pool to the convention center. Spend a few hours there and then stop at Smoque's BBQ on the way home. June 26<sup>th</sup> has been set as the date for our MDA ride.

Ginger has a lot of great things going on at the dealership. One of which is the Cruz-In on Friday nights.

Cars and motorcycles welcome, with a band performing on one Friday a month. It's a great opportunity for us as a chapter to recruit new members and to raise money for the Duneland HOG Chapter.

Joyce I would like to thank you for the dedication celebrating Beverly's life. Thank you.

I would now like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you who supported me when I needed it most. Beverly was a gift we all appreciated. She is still in our hearts and mind. Love the one you're with.

Thank you

Landy





## Jenny writes:

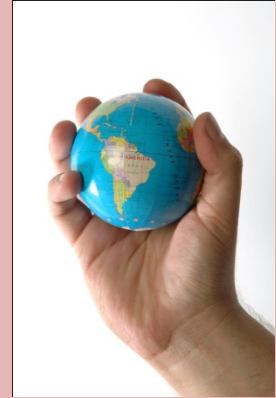
### Riding With A Purpose

The riding season is slowly approaching and I am excited to be involved in planning some fun events. I'm hoping to collaborate on events that serve a purpose as well. Ginger Misch of Valpo Harley spoke about her wishes to incorporate food drives with the Friday night cruise nights this summer. What a wonderful idea!

I am fortunate enough to afford a Harley when others can't afford food to eat. I have the health to travel on my bike while others less fortunate can't afford medical care.

Our club is over 100 strong. We have the power to make a difference – donating some time and cooperation to some good causes while enjoying the ride.

Let's work toward that for the upcoming season.....



February 3, 2010 (No January meeting due to End-of-Year Awards Night)

Location: Cas a del Roma, Valparaiso, Indiana

Guests:

Connie Blough  
Marian Herndon  
Brad Geissler  
Donna Martin  
R J Harrison  
Rhyneil Kegley  
Kathy Devany  
Gary Devany

Ginger Misch  
Chuck Chapman (Thunder Roads)  
Liz Angsten (Thunder Roads)  
Ross Howatt (Calumet HOG)  
Ron "Big Dog" Duff (Calumet HOG)  
Bobby Newman (Ride for Kids)

## MINUTES FROM EILEEN



**Membership and Guest Attendance: 63** Meeting is called to order at 7:00 p.m. by chapter director, Landy Herndon Pledge of the Allegiance

Welcome and opening statements by Landy Herndon. Our moment of silence was dedicated to the memory of Bev Herndon. A bright light was lit to remind us of Bev's beautiful soul and her beautiful smile and Joyce Mercon presented a remembrance poem to the Herndon family.

**Year End Banquet:** The banquet was well attended and everyone had fun. Landy presented the Director's Award to the 2009 winners - Linda Esserman and Dave Richards.

**Annual Mileage:** Jenny Stephan requested all members who did not submit their mileage at the end of the year to submit their mileage for the start of the upcoming riding season. Her email is [jennypenny@wildblue.net](mailto:jennypenny@wildblue.net). She needs this information to keep track of mileage for the 2010 end-of-year awards.

**10K and 5K Mileage Patches:** Tim Blough, Carl George, and Ed Johnson qualified for 10K patches and Linda Esserman, Linda Klumb, and Jenny Stephan qualified for 5K patches.

**Editor:** - Linda Esserman reminded the group about the upcoming deadline for articles for the newsletter. She also reminded the group that if they have any items for sale, they can submit it to her for inclusion in the newsletter.

**Webmaster:** Landy introduced our new webmaster, Paul Foley, to the group.

**Safety Officer:** Dave Richards stood in for Chip Ostenberg. He presented information on hypothermia, heat exhaustion and dehydration. For those members who were not able to attend the meeting, you can find this information on the website for the Mayo Clinic.

**Membership Dues:** Landy reminded everyone that membership dues are now payable.

**Activities:** Chris Tucker (with help from Bob Dickenson) updated the group on the following upcoming activities:

1. Bob informed the group about a motorcycle show and swap meet at McCormick Place this weekend. The swap meet is usually always excellent, but is only on Saturday.
2. International Motorcycle Show – February 21, 2010 – Donald A. Stephens Convention Center. Anyone who would like to go can meet at the dealership at 11:00 a.m. If this time changes, it will be posted on the Duneland website and on Facebook. After the show, the group will head towards "Smokes" at 3800 N. Pulaski for some excellent barbecue.
3. Duneland Crazy Bowl – March 7, 2010 at 12:00 p.m. – Westchester Lanes in Chesterton. \$10 each includes bowling and food.
4. HOG Camping Trip to Potato Creek – Dave Richards and Linda Esserman have reserved Circle B 89 & 91. Try and keep your reservation(s) close to those two lots. We will start arriving on Friday evening. Check out on Sunday is by 2 p.m. A camp site for two nights is \$50 and there is a one-time entrance fee
5. The 2010 MDA ride is scheduled for June 26, 2010. We will provide details of the ride later on in the year.

**Activities Calendar:** Landy announced that an activities calendar is available on our website and can be viewed on screen and/or printed. This calendar will be updated as events unfold.

**Ladies Ride:** Eileen Wayne, Jenny Stephan, and Linda Esserman would like to plan a one-day ladies ride. Eileen asked the ladies in the group to be prepared to offer suggestions for destinations at the March meeting. She also asked for volunteers to help plan the ride.

**Primary Officer's Training (POT):** Six of the officers will be attending POT in early April. This event is sponsored by Harley and is two days of intensive workshops that will help our officer's group keep Duneland safe, organized, and busy!

**Landy then turned the floor over to the membership and our guests:**

- Ginger Misch announced that the dealership is going to start a new event called Cruizin' Night. These events will be on a Friday night starting on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and will end in September. Starting in May, there will be a band. This event will include motorcycles, historical cars and Corvettes. They have offered to let us hold a membership drive at these events and some fund raising such as 50/50. She also announced that they are going to do a food drive on or around May 29<sup>th</sup> and suggested to the group that we hold our Blessing of the Bikes at the same time.
- Ross Howatt and Ron "Big Dog" Duff from the Calumet HOG group paid us a visit to introduce themselves.
- Chuck Chapman and Liz Angsten from Thunder Roads were present at this meeting. They introduced themselves and encouraged the group to let them know when we have events we would like them to cover. Liz Angsten is our local representative.
- Bobby Newman of Ride for Kids (Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation) provided the group with flyers about their program and announced that the 2010 ride will be on July 11, 2010. Participants can now register on-line at the Ride for Kids website ([www.rideforkids.org](http://www.rideforkids.org)).

**New Members:** Landy asked any new members to introduce themselves. They are Bill and Sue Pierce and Mary Jo Kats

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. February HOG Pull was won by Tess Mangold.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Eileen Wayne*  
Eileen Wayne

THINK



The March meeting will be held on March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010 and a great deal of the meeting is being dedicated to discussing our 2010 dinner rides and other rides and events. We encourage everyone to come and bring your suggestions!

## STAY SAFE by Chip



Because of recent abductions in daylight hours, refresh yourself of these things to do in an emergency situation... This is for you, and for you to share with your wife, your children, everyone you know.

After reading these 9 crucial tips ,forward them to someone you care about. It never hurts to be careful in this crazy world we live in.

- 1 . Tip from Tae Kwon Do : The elbow is the strongest point on your body. If you are close enough to use it, do!
2. Learned this from a tourist guide in New Orleans  
If a robber asks for your wallet and/or purse, **DO NOT HAND IT TO HIM.** Toss it away from you.... chances are that he is more interested in your wallet and/or purse than you, and he will go for the wallet/purse. **RUN LIKE MAD IN THE OTHER DIRECTION!**
3. If you are ever thrown into the trunk of a car, kick out the back tail lights and stick your arm out the hole and start waving like crazy. The driver won't see you, but everybody else will. This has saved lives.
4. Women have a tendency to get into their cars after shopping, eating, working, etc., and just sit (doing their checkbook, or making a list, etc. **DON'T DO THIS!**)  
The predator will be watching you, and this is the perfect opportunity for him to get in on the passenger side, put a gun to your head, and tell you where to go. **AS SOON AS YOU GET INTO YOUR CAR , LOCK THE DOORS AND LEAVE.**  
If someone is in the car with a gun to your head. **DO NOT DRIVE OFF,**  
repeat: **DO NOT DRIVE OFF!**  
Instead gun the engine and speed into anything, wrecking the car. Your Air Bag will save you. If the person is in the back seat they will get the worst of it .As soon as the car crashes bail out and run. It is better than having them find your body in a remote location.
- 5 . A few notes about getting into your car in a parking lot, or parking garage:  
A.) Be aware: look around you, look into your car, at the passenger side floor and in the back seat  
B.) If you are parked next to a big van, enter your car from the passenger door .  
Most serial killers attack their victims by pulling them into their vans while the women are attempting to get into their cars.  
C.) Look at the car parked on the driver's side of your vehicle, and the passenger side.. If a male is sitting alone in the seat nearest your car, you may want to walk back into the mall, or work, and get a guard/policeman to walk you back out. **IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY.** (And better paranoid than dead.)
6. **ALWAYS** take the elevator instead of the stairs.  
(Stairwells are horrible places to be alone and the perfect crime spot. This is especially true at NIGHT!)
7. If the predator has a gun and you are not under his control, **ALWAYS RUN!** The predator will only hit you (a running target) 4 in 100 times; And even then it most likely **WILL NOT** be a vital organ. **RUN,** Preferably in a zig -zag pattern!
8. As women, we are always trying to be sympathetic: **STOP** It may get you raped, or killed.  
Ted Bundy, the serial killer, was a good-looking, well educated man, who **ALWAYS** played on the sympathies of unsuspecting women.  
He walked with a cane, or a limp, and often asked 'for help' into his vehicle or with his vehicle, which is when he abducted his next victim.
9. Another Safety Point:  
Someone just told me that her friend heard a crying baby on her porch the night before last, and she called the police because it was late and she thought it was weird. The police told her 'Whatever you do, **DO NOT** open the door.' The lady then said that it sounded like the baby had crawled near a window, and she was worried that it would crawl to the street and get run over.  
The policeman said, 'We already have a unit on the way, whatever you do, **DO NOT** open the door.'  
He told her that they think a serial killer has a baby's cry recorded and uses it to coax women out of their homes thinking that someone dropped off a baby He said they have not verified it, but have had several calls by women saying that they hear baby's cries outside their doors when they're home alone at night.  
Please pass this on and **DO NOT** open the door for a crying baby ----  
This e-mail should probably be taken seriously because the Crying Baby theory was mentioned on America 's Most Wanted this past Saturday when they profiled the serial killer in Louisiana  
I'd like you to forward this to all the women you know.  
It may save a life. A candle is not dimmed by lighting another candle.  
I was going to send this to the ladies only, but guys, if you love your mothers, wives, sisters, daughters, etc., you may want to pass it onto them, as well.  
Send this to any woman you know that may need to be reminded that the world we live in has a lot of crazies in it and it's better to be safe than sorry..  
Everyone should take 5 minutes to read this. It may save your life or love one's life.





*END OF YEAR PARTY*





## UPCOMING EVENTS

### INTERNATIONAL MOTORCYCLE SHOW

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2010

ROSEMONT, IL

CARPOOL FROM VALPO HARLEY

RIDES LEAVE @ 11 AM

DINNER AT SMOKE'S IN CHICAGO

Email [Landy hogmembership@comcast.net](mailto:Landyhogmembership@comcast.net),

Jenny [jennypenny@wildblue.net](mailto:jennypenny@wildblue.net) or

Linda [l.esserman@comcast.net](mailto:l.esserman@comcast.net)

If you plan on going

FOR ONLINE TICKETS GO TO

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Click on 'buy tickets', enter promo code PRO10IL

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MARCH 3, 2010

MONTHLY MEETING

CASA DEL ROMA

DINNER 6 PM

MEETING 7 PM

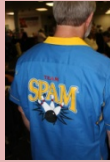
### CRAZY BOWL at the WESTCHESTER LANES

CHESTERTON

MARCH 7, 2010, 12 PM

\$10 FOR 2 GAMES,

PIZZA, BEER AND FUN!!!!



## RIDE FOR KIDS

South Bend, July 11, 2010

Pinhook Park

2801 Riverside Dr.

South Bend, IN 46616

This is a ride to benefit children with brain tumors. Proceeds will go to the PEDIATRIC BRAIN TUMOR FOUNDATION OF THE UNITED STATES where it will be used for research, family support and scholarships. There will also be a Honda as a given as a prize. If you win, maybe you can make it into a planter or a barbeque! For more information, please go to [rideforkids.com](http://rideforkids.com).



This ride's important!



**HARLEY-DAVIDSON**  
*of* **VALPARAISO**



**DON'T FORGET BREAKFAST AT  
BROADWAY CAFÉ EVERY  
SATURDAY MORNING AT 9 AM.  
WE WILL MEET AT THE  
DEALERSHIP AFTERWARDS TO GO  
ON A 'RIDE'. DON'T MISS  
IT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**



#### DUNELAND HOG MARKETPLACE

WE ARE GOING TO RETRY A NEWSLETTER FEATURE STARTING NEXT MONTH. IF ANYONE (**MEMBERS ONLY**) HAS ANY USED **MOTORCYCLE RELATED** ITEMS TO SELL (PARTS, CLOTHING, BIKES) PLEASE SEND ME THE INFORMATION AND I WILL INCLUDE IT IN THE UPCOMING NEWSLETTER. IT WILL BE A COPY AND PASTE THING SO PLEASE CHECK SPELLING AND GRAMMER BECAUSE IT WILL BE EXACTLY AS YOU WRITE IT AND DON'T MAKE IT TOO WORDY. THE LIMIT PER MEMBER PER MONTH WILL BE **3** ITEMS DUE TO SPACE CONSTRAINTS. PLEASE INCLUDE CONTACT INFORMATION IN YOUR AD. YOU MUST SEND YOUR AD TO ME BY THE 5<sup>TH</sup> OF EACH MONTH. I RESERVE THE RIGHT TO HAVE THE FINAL DECISION ON ADS. IF THIS GETS OUT OF HAND WE WILL HAVE TO STOP IT BUT I THINK A LOT OF YOU HAVE GOOD ITEMS TO SELL THAT ANOTHER MEMBER MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN. LET'S HAVE FUN WITH THIS.

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