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Assistant Director's Report

I can't believe that it is October already. The leaves are falling, the Titan's season has got off to a decent start, and the Detroit Tigers are in the American league playoffs. (You know I have to root for the Tigers) We have had a lot of rides and activities so far this year with a few more to come. Try to plan on making the few last rides of the year. I am always happy to see you when you can make it.

From a safety perspective there are a few things to remember as we head into this fall weather. One thing to look out for is deer! This time of year they can appear out on

the road around any corner when you least expect it. Bow hunting season has started with mussel loaders and rifles soon to follow. Also, November starts the mating season. All this causes the deer to be on the run.

Scanning the edges of the road ahead of you as you ride is a good idea to spot deer. Also remember when you see one deer crossing the road, there are probably a few more behind it.

Another area of concern this time of year is leaves. Just a few blowing on the road is not a problem for a big Harley. The wet ones that have accumulated into a

big pile can present a danger. They can slide under your bike just like gravel. Also, piled up leaves can camouflage a pothole or other road hazards.

This brief safety message is not meant to scare you off your bike this fall. Just be careful. The fall can be one of the best times of year to ride. Cool temperatures, bright blue skies, and trees turning colors make it great to fire up that Harley and cruise off into the country.

Keep your face in the wind, ~Zero



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Membership Report, Terry Fox

Here it is, the middle of October, and the weather is just right for riding. Spoon & I just got back from Gatlinburg, where we trailered our bikes up because our wives went with us. That is the first time I have ever trailered my bike since I had one in ten years. We at least got them out to ride to Cherokee for a little gambling. No luck, that's why I'm still here writing this article. The weather was perfect, but the leaves hadn't changed yet.

I am happy to report we have

two new members, Trent Darnell from Columbia & Yolanda "Blondie" Barfield from Frankewing. Trent has already been on two great rides with us, the picnic & charity ride. You can't miss him he rides a black trike. Blondie is a new sales person at the Dealership. I don't know what she rides & I told her good luck getting Bill to give her a Saturday off where she can ride with us, but you never know I think he is softening up in his old age!!! Any way if you are looking for a new bike, help a member

"...the middle of October, the weather is just right for riding."

out!!!

That brings us up to 54 members!!! I think we have a couple of rides left, so get out & enjoy the fellowship with our great members!! It was also great to see Neil back on his scoot, I know he loves to ride like the rest of us. Just like I said in my last article, it's best therapy I know!!!

So Screw it, let's Ride!!!!

Head Road Captain Report, Jerry "Big Country" Knox

Hello Muletown! Wow, what a year it has been. We have had some of the best rides and activities this year that I can remember. Since the last newsletter, we have had a trip to Bristol, the chapter picnic, an overnighter to Reelfoot, and the charity ride for AMBUC's, which was a huge success. That might sound like a greatest hits to some chapters, but this is typical of what to expect from Muletown, new stuff, as well as old favorites thrown in.

It's hard to believe that we are down to the last three rides of the year. We are headed to Rosie's Mexican Cantina in

Huntsville on October 19, Champy's Chicken in Muscle Shoals on November 2, and Miller's Grocery in Christiana on November 16. Check the website calendar for depart times and locations.

Even though we have about finished this year, it's not too early to start thinking about next year. The road captains are always looking for new ideas, so if you have somewhere you would like to see us plan a ride to, you can contact me at simplemanl2r@yahoo.com, and we will get started on next year's calendar.

Y'all have a good one! ~Big Country



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Activities Report, Col. Tony Cornelius

Hey Muletown,

Mark your calendars - Saturday October 26th, 2013 – Miller's Thrillers Zombie Paintball Hayride (cost – Approx. \$20 per person), plan to meet at Poncho's in SH at 6:30 pm for dinner or meet at Millers at 8:00 pm (bike parking will be available) – open until 11 pm, bikes or cars. See website for more info:

http://www.millersthrillers.net/index.html

Also, we are still looking to plan a family bowling event in December and Super Bowl Party in January? I will try to iron out some details and we can discuss this more at our meeting.

I am starting to plan for 2014 – If you have ideas for activities that you would like me to pursue, bring them to the chapter meeting(s). I think we have some interest in the fall night Bristol NASCAR race

again in 2014 (August TBA). It may be easier to get a group of seats together and let small groups or couples work out their lodging details. Again, we can discuss this at the meeting. There are some great rides and two HD dealerships within 30 minutes of the track – and of course, Its Bristol Baby!

Hope to see you all soon! Rumble On!





THANKS MULETOWN!!

Tony Cornelius

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DIY, Assignments from the Principal. Jon "Doc" Ullrich

This time around I have a little something different for you. Our *Ride for a Ride* event was a huge success and a part of that success is in large part to the support we received from some folks who shared our vision.

Let me start with our biggest supporter this time around, Dominos Pizza.

John Gordon did not hesitate to support us by

providing lunch and paying for our t-shirts. If you find yourself out and about or live in the area of one of John's Dominos please give thanks by patronizing his establishments. Ultimately we were supported by Dominos of Spring Hill, Chapel Hill, Lewisburg, and Greenbrier.

Second on my list for you is Ryan Flook of Crew Printing & 515.878.5235 Promotions. Ryan is located in Spring Hill and did a nice job getting our shirts done. Even with a miscommunication he worked hard to correct an error and

make sure we were supported.

Next, is our friends at Outdoor Encounter. They made it



possible for our donations to be 100% tax deductible and were happy to support in any way they could.

Finally the Longview PTO gets a shout out. They sponsored our lunch event so that we could use the Longview



cafeteria legally. Being everything is always on camera at school, doing the right thing the right way is important.

So what's your assignment? Help us show that even bikers have manners and send these kind folks an email of thanks for their support. I know it will mean a lot to them to know they made a difference in our event. After all, that is why they provided what they could. Here are the addresses for these fabulous people, please flood their inboxes:

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There it is! When you are done, go ahead and make yourself a lobster shell motorcycle. Is there a better excuse to eat lobster tonight that the principal told me to for homework? Ride Safe, ~Doc



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Financial Report, Neil "Tex" Jones

Our club's bank balance as of this writing is \$492.60, and I have \$40 (new member dues) to be deposited, so that would make a total of \$532.60. This amount does not include any 50/50 funds we might get at

our next club meeting on October 15. The picnic rental and food expense has been paid. Thanks to Eddie Zero for getting the food ordered and picked up. We had a very successful fundraiser for the AMBUCS charity. We raised a total of \$815.00 for the event. Our next expense will be the Christmas Party. The club officers will discuss it and the best way to fund it. See you on the road. ~Tex

Scoot Stories, Neil "Tex" Jones



If you ever wanted to rob a bank, the best place to do that would be in Sturgis, SD during

bike week. Then once the bank employee described the robber as middle age or maybe older, bearded, with tattoos, a do-rag, leather jacket and riding a Harley, the local police would only have a couple of hundred thousand people to check out.

But seriously folks...it's interesting to analyze the Harley mystique and how one's image fits into it. And I put myself out guilty as charged as I hate to think how much money I've spent over the years on "the look." Not that there's anything wrong with it, mind you. I

just think that mystique is there whether we are waving to another biker, or addressing someone who is dressed in the Harley look. There is an undeniable brotherhood there. And have you ever noticed how you can be anywhere and hear the unmistakable Harley sound get louder as the bike pulls up beside you at a traffic light or goes by you passing or coming from the other way. One sure sign of a

Harley rider is that he/she will turn his/her head and check it out. It is an involuntary response for a Harley rider. And I for one, am proud to be part of it, and wouldn't have it any other way.

So I hope to see you on the road. I'll hear you first, then I'll check out your ride.

We just can't help it, can we. ~Tex



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Editor's Note: I decided to shorten the humor section for a serious note from one of our brothers. We all enjoy our time spent together and often give each other a hard time. When comes right down to it, the bond we have, when tested, is strong. Muletown HOG is a blessing in so many ways. Our brother, Tex, does a fabulous job of acknowledging one of those ways below.

Thank You

Words can't describe how much I have appreciated the concern and support I have received from the club during my fight with the big C. Words can't describe it, but I'll give it a shot.

I have received much from this club, including hospital visits (at Vanderbilt in Nashville which is a long way off and a maze to get in and out of), home visits (at my home which is a bear to find and beyond GPS capability), many get-well cards and phone calls, food delivered, motorcycle magazines that I enjoyed in the hospital and at home. One person even detailed my bike, but I'll not mention his real name (Big Country?) and fed my animals (Cressie the dog, Little Britches the cat, and Beauregard the horse also pass on their thanks). Kathy has been there by my side the whole time, whether to cook up something healthy, get something I needed, or tell on me to the doctors when I did not exactly follow their orders.

I had no idea when I joined this club in 2008 that I would get more than an opportunity to ride with like-minded folks. Well I did and much more. As they say in Texas, I am much beholdin' to you-all.

Thank you for your thoughts, prayers and support. ~Tex

Puzzles, Games, and Jokes



Arthur Davidson in Heaven

Arthur Davidson, of the Harley Davidson Motorcycle Corporation died and went to Heaven. At the gates, St. Peter told Arthur, "Since you've been such a good man and your motorcycles have changed the world, your reward is you can hang out with anyone you want in heaven". Arthur thought about it for a minute and then said, "I want to hang out with God." St. Peter took Arthur to the throne room, and introduced him to God.

Arthur then asked God, "Hey, aren't you the inventor of woman?" God said, "Oh, yes." "Well," said Arthur, "professional to professional, you have some major design flaws in your invention:

- 1. There is too much inconsistency in the front-end protrusion.
- 2. It chatters constantly at high speeds.
- 3. Most of the rear ends are too soft and wobble too much.
- 4. The intake is placed way too close to the exhaust.
- 5. Finally, the maintenance costs are outrageous."

"Hmmm, you may have some good points there," replied God, "hold on." God went to his celestial Super Computer, typed in a few words and waited for the results. The computer printed out a slip of paper and God read it.

"Well, it may be true that my invention is flawed," God said to Arthur, but according to these numbers, more men are riding my invention then yours".



...you'ld better have a damn good reason for not wearing a crash helmet!





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It is about the bikes and the people, after all.

Chapter Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to promote responsible motorcycling activities for local Harley Owner Group (H.O.G.) members by conducting Chapter activities and encouraging members to participate in other H.O.G. events. Chapter activities and operations shall be conducted in a manner consistent with a family oriented, non-political, philosophy. We are dedicated to advancing the enjoyment, image, and safety of the sport of motorcycling.

We do more than ride!

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