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### Assistant Director's Report

It is hard to believe as I write this article that ice and snow are on the ground, the temperatures are in the teens, and almost all of middle Tennessee schools have been closed all week. By the time you read this, the weather should be much better with spring just around the corner.

I am excited to welcome you all back as we get ready for this year's riding and activity adventures. It will be interesting to see what you have done to your bike over the winter months. Perhaps an engine upgrade, new paint job, or a new piece of chrome?

The Road Captains have planned some new destinations for us this year. We should again experience roads that many of us have never traveled before.



The club will have some new activities this year too, so stay tuned. Also, check out the State Rally that is happening in May. It promises to be a great one with many of our members already pre-

registered. As always, we welcome input from club members for ride destinations and activities, so please feel free to share out your ideas.

The most important part of riding our Harleys is safety. We always want to return from our rides in the same condition as we started out. Don't neglect spring maintenance on your bike before your first ride.

Review some safe riding procedures and start out slow as you get reacquainted with your bike.

I can't wait to be back on the road with all of you!

~Zero

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## Membership Report, Terry Fox

Here it is the next to last week in February, and what a sorry month it has been!! Snow, sleet, school closed all week!!! No football, thank goodness racing starting this weekend. I can't even think of one good day to get out and ride!! All I can do is keep the battery tender hooked up and knock the dust off my bike every now

and then. So far we have 24 members signed up with 3 more grandfathered in from last year. You still have until March meeting to get the 15.00 discount after that it will be 20.00. Hopefully before long I can say those famous words:

***Screw it lets Ride!!!!***



## Activities Report, Eddie Mann

First I'd like to thank the resigning Activities officer Tony Cornelius for the job he has done the last couple years and his willingness to take on the Head Road Captain job. By now I'm sure everyone is tired of winter and ready for the riding season to begin. I know I am for sure. The last three non-riding activities Muletown Chapter had were all great successes, if you attended these you know what I'm talking about. The Christmas party had good food, lots of fun with the indoor poker run, and dirty Santa gift swapping. Then we had the bowling outing at Galaxy Lanes, we may have not been the youngest group at the ally but the competition was there with Terry Fox being the dinner winner. I believe he enjoyed a steak afterward at

Legends on the chapter. Lastly our dinner get together was also a great success with over 20 members enjoying the good food and company at Puckett's on the square.

As for 2015 we would like to start the year out with a Chapter Challenge. The idea of the challenge is to get out and ride to as many Tennessee State Parks as possible this year. The best way to get information on the parks is to go on the website [tnstateparks.com](http://tnstateparks.com) or get a 2015 Tn. State Parks brochure all the parks are listed on it. You can also pick one up at the first park you visit.

Just go to the park and get a picture of you, your bike, under a park sign, if you cannot get yourself in the photo because you're on your

own try to at least capture your bike with the park sign. You can collect these pictures on a chapter led ride, a pickup ride with other chapter members, or just take off across Tn.

See how many parks you can make it to this year. We will collect the pictures and post the ones we can on the chapter website. I know at least 8 of the 56 parks have nice restaurants at them. At the end of the year the person/persons visiting the most parks will be the winner of the Chapter Challenge.

Last don't forget about the Tn. State HOG rally in Cookeville this year. It is supposed to be the biggest and best State Rally put on to date.

## Financial Report, Neil “Tex” Jones

Things were a little slow this winter, but we did have enough funds to over the Christmas Party expenses. As of this writing, our current balance is \$335.85 and all bills are paid. As dues continue to

come in we will get a nice rise in our bank account and many will pay at the February meeting.

I am ready for spring and some good riding days so we can all saddle up and ride!



## Scoot Stories, Neil “Tex” Jones



Many years ago I was working third shift and that gave me the opportunity to pick up my younger daughter from kindergarten. So about 2:15 pm I'd get in line with the other moms in their (back then) station wagons. I was the only guy in line—and the only one on a motorcycle.

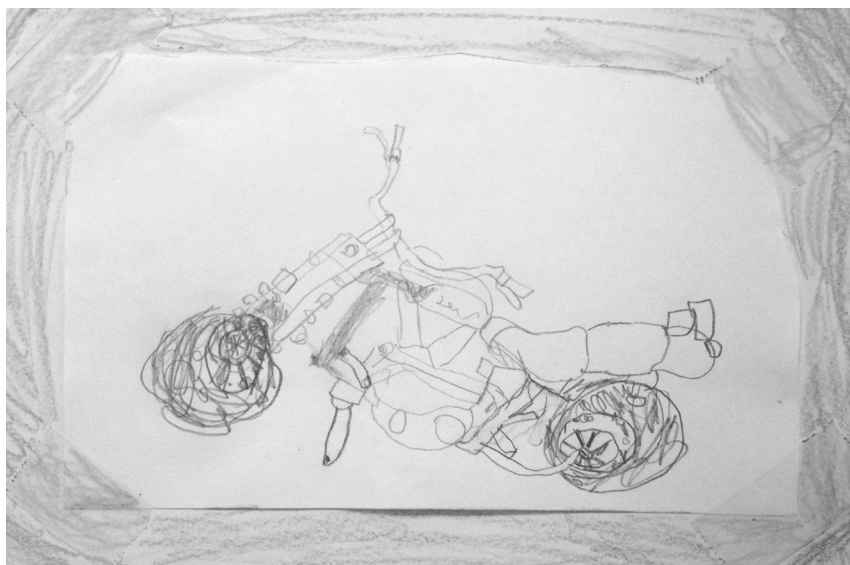
First of all there is nothing cuter than kindergarteners, or CLB,s (Cute Little Bears) as I call them, and of course my girl,

Jena, just happened to be not only the cutest, but the coolest as well, as I will show. The kids were all herded together and watched over by a teacher, and very orderly, each child was sent out when his or her ride was at the front of the line.

When it came Jena's turn, she didn't just walk to her motorcycle ride, she made an entrance. She fairly strutted that thirty feet as if she was on the red carpet. And all the

other children stared in awe and envy.

I would be waiting with her sparkly blue and gold helmet and I would strap her up good. She'd take one last twirl to see all the kids slack-jawed gaze, and then ceremoniously step up high on the buddy peg as I helped her mount her steed. And as we roared off down the toad, all knew there was no doubt who was the coolest CLB there!



Original Art by “CLB” Savannah Hasen, Age 6

## Got Something to Share?, Jon “Doc” Ullrich

Well Muletown, it was a mild winter right up until recently. Then even those of us that brave the cold to ride some were put in our cages due to ice and snow and temperatures that were just too cold to bear! As you read many of our officer’s reports, you will read how we are all ready for riding weather.

I am writing to invite you to share items for our newsletter.

Send pictures or your bikes or from your rides, include something cute your kids made that is HD related or them ready to ride. Whatever you would like to share with your HOG family, send it over and I will do my best to publish it in our next newsletter. Ride safe with the chrome side up!

~Doc



## Road Captain Report, Tony “Colonel” Cornelius

Hey Muletown,

I’m sitting here in my garage recovering from shoveling sleet for the past hour or so. Being from Iowa I had to smile a little knowing that most my neighbors probably didn’t even own a snow shovel...

Anyway, I just want to say that I am very excited about being the new head road captain and I know that we are going to have a great year of riding, activities, and fellowship. We had our semi-annual road captain meeting this past week and I think we put some great rides together for the first half of the group riding season (make sure to check the website). We also welcomed one new road captain, David Payne, and a

returning road captain, Eddie Mann. If you are interested in attending the next road captain training (probably in May) or have questions about becoming a road captain – please send me an email or give me a call.

It’s no secret that Muletown HOG is a group that loves to ride, and as the head road captain this makes my job even more important. I cannot emphasize enough that we all need to think about safety in everything that we do. This includes making sure we keep up with our bike maintenance, having the proper safety gear, and staying current with all the rules of group riding. Not only do I hope to continue an environment where everyone is comfortable riding together,

but I want to help foster a culture in our group that puts safety as the top priority. This means that safety is everyone’s responsibility and should always take precedence when making decisions for the group.

I hope that you all feel like you can come to me anytime that you have a question, concern, or an idea that will improve our organization and make it safer (better) for everyone. I am truly humbled by the opportunity to serve as your head road captain.

Hope to see you all on the rides this year! Rumble On!

THANKS MULETOWN!!

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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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**WELCOME**  
**NEW MEMBERS**



**Debbie Jenkins**

**Tim "Red" Thomas**

**Tom Voss**



New member, Tom Voss, and his ride.

