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## Assistant Director's Report

Ken Steverson

It's hard to believe that it's already late September and that there are only a couple of months left in the riding season. But we've had some great riding and the next few rides look to be just as outstanding as those we've had all season. There isn't enough that can be said about our road captains and the time and effort they put into selecting great routes and destinations. Thank you Road Captains!!

We have a charity ride coming up. We will again make a donation to the Maury County Vet's Fund. This organization uses 100% of donated funds to help support Maury County vets that need a little assistance. No funds are used for administrative costs and that my friends is unique among charitable organizations. I hope everyone will make an effort to participate in the ride and to give

generously. The ride is scheduled for Saturday October 21st.

In December we'll have our annual Christmas party. The date for that get-together is Saturday December 16th. More details will be coming out about the party in a few weeks.

That's about it so keep riding!

~Ken



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### **Editor's Note**

Jon "Doc" Ullrich

Hey Muletown! Can you believe that the end of the riding season is starting to weigh upon us? Yeah, me neither; however, there is an opportunity in it!

I am already thinking about the Winter Issue that will be out at our Christmas Party. Let's make that issue full of stories and/or pictures from this years riding season. To make that simple for you, just click here and your email will open. Send me that story or a picture or two with a small caption. You could even think of it as a Christmas present for your Muletown family that no one can steal at the party! Thanks Muletown! Ride Safe, ~Doc

### Road Captain Report David Payne

It has been a great riding season. Thanks to the Road Captains that have taken their time to plan and lead us through the back roads of our great state. There are more rides to come so come out and join us.

If you would like to head a ride, or have an idea for a ride, please contact one of the Road Captains and provide them with the information. We are always looking for new ideas and destinations and new ideas can gladly go into next year's file!

My thanks to the Road Captains for their time and planning of the rides. ~Dave



## Membership Report

**Terry Fox** 

I'm writing this after our Chapter Picnic, the second day of fall! Boy, you can't tell it, but a great time. Hopefully, it will cool off a little, before our year is running out quickly! We are still at 46 members and holding! Fall break is coming up and Cindy and I are heading to Deadwood, should be a good time, no we are not riding! Lol. See y'all soon!

And remember, Screw it let's Ride!!



## Activities Report

Tim "Red" Thomas

Hello HOG members! Hard to believe today is the first day of fall for this year. 87 in Dixie and tomorrow is our picnic. Looks like we got good turn out coming. I lead a ride early spring to 31 BBQ. All will like. I guess for activities this wraps me up this year.

All officers will be involved for Christmas party. Most of that has been set. I would like to thank Doc and Sheryl for hosting picnic again this year. Also to Bridget who helps me get things lined up. We got good fall weather coming. Hope to see all at rides. If I continue as activity director for 2018, be ready for Preds game first of year. This Georgia boy has got hooked on some Preds. ~Red Most of you that have known me for a while already know that I fell in love with two wheeled, motorized vehicles at an early age (13) and that my first two wheeler was a 1962 Vespa 125 scooter. That was one tough little two wheeler because at that point in my riding career I didn't know what maintenance was. Broken clutch cables (the Vespa was a 3 speed) were a regular happening. And the engine, it was either smoking or knocking. You see you had to mix the oil and gas to a specific ratio for optimum performance and I always just took a guess at how much oil needed to be added to the fuel. Sometimes I got it right, most times I didn't.

So the little 125cc took a lot of abuse but generally got me and usually a friend where we wanted to go. Seeing that

most of my buddies didn't have transportation that Vespa and I were in pretty high demand. Maybe a friend wanted to go to the swimming pool or to the ball park to watch a girlfriend play ball. Or maybe a buddy's girlfriend's parents were gone for the afternoon and a clandestine visit was the goal of the day. Anyway, there was always

something going on and sometime our best made plans just didn't work out.

Larry Darks was one of my very best friends growing up. Larry was one of 6 brothers so if we could round them all up we already had the makings of a football team or baseball team. Larry and I spent a lot of time building model cars, shooting pool, and just hanging out together. We both loved snow days and it seemed that during those days when it snowed, it snowed!

On one such day, or I should say evening, Larry and I were thinking it might be interesting to get the Vespa out in the snow just to see what it could do. We bundled up as best we could (you know there was no heated riding gear in those days) and we headed out. Our driveway was pretty steep so when we made it to the top of the drive we were feeling pretty good about things. Let's keep going!

We made it up Vantrease Road hill and then headed north on Graycroft. Hey, riding a Vespa in the snow is a cinch. We made it to Dickerson Pike and headed to Goodletsville. By the time we got to the outskirts of Goodletsville there was so much ice and snow accumulated on that little 125 we were worried if we would make it back home. We obviously had a guardian angle riding with us as we made it back home before Mom got home from work.

The Vespa always stayed in the garage parked to the side of Mom's car. Larry and I were in my room when Mom got home and I immediately sensed something was wrong.



Her first comment: "Have you two been out on that motor scooter?" Larry and I just looked at one another. Then came "You won't be riding that thing for a few weeks." How did she know? Could it have been

the melting ice and snow on an otherwise dry garage floor. Oops, didn't think of that.

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### Chapter Purpose

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### Secretary/Treasurer Report Eddie "Zero" Fisher

#### Muletown,

As they say, time flies and it is time for our annual chapter picnic! Other life events sometimes take precedent over Harley functions and cause us to miss events and rides. Such is the case with me again this year.

Last year our granddaughter had her first birthday party, and what proud grandpa would miss that?! This year our youngest daughter is going to be married on the chapter picnic date. Red and Fox will be happy to know she is getting married in the great state of Georgia.

Our bank account balance as of today is \$1229.04. This is including the \$52 that was deposited from the August chapter meeting 50/50. We will have some expenses this month which include bereavement and chapter picnic costs.

Now that fall is officially here, I look forward to riding with you through the fall colors and cooler temperatures. Have a great time at the picnic! ~Zero



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