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Gazette

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**WITH THE 2011 SEASON COMING TO A CLOSE, I WOULD LIKE TO RE-MIND EVERYONE THAT THESE OFFICER POSITIONS ARE OPEN FOR 2012. IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN ONE OR SEVERAL POSITIONS DON'T BE SHY! EMAIL US, ASK US, COME TO OUR RIDES/EVENTS AND PICK OUR BRAIN!
-REBECCA**

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WELCOME NEW / RETURNING MEMBERS!



Tiffanie Ainge
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A WELCOME TO THE NEW MEMBERS,

Congratulations on joining the Mat-Su Alaska HOG Chapter 1836. There are many activities for you to participate in as a member of this chapter. Call the HOG Hotline to get the latest information or review the chapter calendar and newsletter for future activities. Be a regular at the chapter meetings to help give suggestions for future events, check the calendar for the next scheduled meeting.

Events to watch for:

- 1. Denali Patch Program:** Get a Denali Passport to track your points as you attend meetings, volunteer to help, attend cruises and other events. 20 points is all you need to attain your Denali Patch.
- 2. Rides:** We have a variety of scheduled rides to choose from; including weeknights, weekends, and some overnight events starting in May to the end of September. For the regular weeknight rides we meet at Denali H-D at 6 p.m. with a full tank of gas for a group cruise to a designated destination. There is a route and safety briefing at 6:30. the group leaves the dealership at 6:45 p.m. sharp and the cruise is about an hour long. We sometimes go to a restaurant, a park for a BBQ, dessert runs, brown bags, etc. We separate riders into groups that suit their riding experience and speed preference.
- 3. Fundraisers:** Most events have a split-the-pot/poker run type activity to help pay for prizes and other expenses incurred. We also do other fundraisers throughout the year such as bike washes, gift wrapping, auctions, bake sales, etc. Most activities also have door prizes.
- 4. Weekend Rides:** There are typically three or four organized long rides each year. The rides take you through the Alaska countryside anywhere from Homer to Fairbanks. Information and times for these rides will be provided by e-mail, hot line, and web site updates.
- 5. Unofficial group rides** will take you to Rallies, memorials, campouts, and many other destinations. Members are encouraged to organize unofficial rides on their own—call some of your new found friends and invite them on a ride.
- 6. Winter activities** include dinners, socials and other events to bring members together during the non riding season to keep friendships, memories and stories alive.
- 7. Safety** seminars will be taught by chapter officers to help all members keep current on helpful information. We have Road Captain training classes as well as Group Riding Instruction. These classes are recommended for all skill levels to either learn or brush up on your skills. You will learn how to ride safely in a group, hand signals, etc. New member orientation is included in the Group Riding Instruction Classes.
- 8. Newsletter:** Receive our monthly newsletters electronically. Provide your e-mail address to receive weekly updates and a full color electronic newsletter. Members not having e-mail may pick up their copy at Denali Harley Davidson on Hyer Road.
- 9. E-Mail:** Join our E-mail list. The purpose of this chapter member only e-mail list is to inform you of upcoming chapter events, schedule changes, etc. Strictly chapter business only will be circulated. Send a note to director@matsuakhog.org to be added to the e-mail list!

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E-Mail “Code of Etiquette” for Chapter 1836:

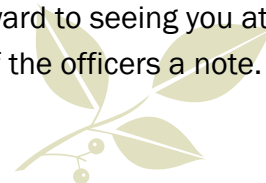
You have to request to be on the list before your name will be sent to the officers within the chapter (either by providing your e-mail address when you sign up or by sending an e-mail to us).

This list will not be shared with others.

We will try to keep the information interesting or useful.

10. Your help is requested: Volunteer! This is a great way to get to know other chapter members and earn points toward your Denali Patch.

Welcome again to the Mat-Su Alaska HOG Chapter #1836. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting or event. If you have any questions, ask or send one of the officers a note.





WHO:... All motorcycle riders that are members of Chapter 1836 and those that may ride with them...

WHAT:... Group Riding Instruction Program..

WHY:... Learn to ride safely in a group to protect yourself & others. All road captains are required to take this class first. Anyone riding with Chapter 1836 is strongly urged to take the class. If you have taken the class before, it is recommended to take a yearly refresher course. It is also a good way to meet the new members of our group...

WHERE:... Denali Harley Davidson - Wasilla, upstairs meeting room..

WHEN:... Several Classes Offered..
Please check the website for next class offering!

Any member attending this class earns a point towards their 2011 Denali Patch..

CONTACT:... If you have any questions please contact Paul Scott - Head Road Captain - Safety Officer.. rideonak@hotmail.com or call 232-1266.

Group riding demands a different set of skills than riding solo. In our class, you'll learn the following:..

- Ride planning and preparation..
- Formations..
- Hand signals..
- How to deal with road hazards & accidents..

Keep This In Mind For Next Year H.O.G. 1836!



2011 Freedom Flag Run

This event is sponsored by the 49th. State Street Rodders, and has been a lot of fun through the years, as well as a remembrance for those who serve. 10th. Year anniversary, so this one should be special.

Meet at Denali H-D about "Nine-ish", depart at 9:30.

10th Anniversary

NEVER FORGET!

LET'S ROLL!

49th STATE STREET RODDERS ASSOC. Just havin' fun

FREEDOM FLAG RUN

2011

Please Join Us on
SUNDAY, Sept. 11th
for the Freedom Flag Run
Cruise, Car Show & BBQ!
Show your support for our
Military Troops, Fire Fighters,
Policemen, Troopers & Emergency
Personal!

We'll meet at Carr's parking lot, in Palmer
at 10 AM and cruise to Sears, Wasilla to regroup.
For more information, call 745-2652

Just A Biker

I saw you hug your purse closer to you in the grocery store line. But you didn't see me put an extra \$10.00 in the collection plate last Sunday.

I saw you pull your child closer when we passed each other on the sidewalk. But you didn't see me playing Santa at the local mall.

I saw you change your mind about going into the restaurant when you saw my bike parked out front. But you didn't see me attending a meeting to raise more money for the hurricane relief.

I saw you roll up your window and shake your head when I rode by. But you didn't see me riding behind you when you flicked your cigarette butt out the car window.

I saw you frown at me when I smiled at your children. But you didn't see me, when I took time off from work to run toys to the homeless.

I saw you stare at my long hair. But you didn't see me and my friends cut ten inches off for 'Locks of Love'.

I saw you roll your eyes at our leather jackets and gloves. But you didn't see me and my brothers donate our old ones to those that had none.

I saw you look in fright at my tattoos. But you didn't see me cry as my children were born or have their name written over and in my heart.

I saw you race down the road in the rain. But you didn't see me get soaked to the skin so my son could have the car to go on his date.

I saw you change lanes while rushing off to go somewhere. But you didn't see me when you were changing the CD and drifted into my lane.

I saw you yelling at your kids in the car. But you didn't see me pat my child's hands knowing she was safe behind me.

I saw you reading the newspaper or map as you drove down the road. But you didn't see me squeeze my wife's leg when she told me to take the next turn.

I saw you run the yellow light just to save a few minutes of time. But you didn't see me trying to turn right.

I saw you cut me off because you needed to be in the lane I was in. But you didn't see me leave the road.

I saw you waiting impatiently for my friends to pass. But you didn't see me. I wasn't there...

I saw you go home to your family. But you didn't see me because I died that day you cut me off on the road. I was just a biker; a person with friends and a family, but you didn't see me....

-Not sure who wrote this but thought I would add this as a good sentiment. Let us be thankful as this 2011 season is winding down into hibernation.

Rebecca Walser
Editor 2010 & 2011

INSIDE STORY HEADLINE

This story can fit 150-200 words.

One benefit of using your newsletter as a promotional tool is that you can reuse content from other marketing materials, such as press releases, market studies, and reports.

While your main goal of distributing a newsletter might be to sell your product or service, the key to a success-

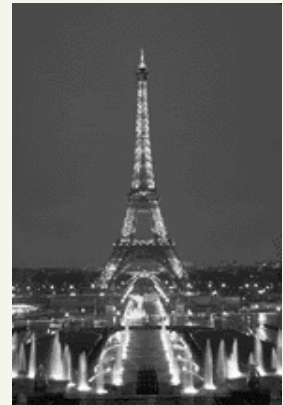
ful newsletter is making it useful to your readers.

A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer that promotes a new product.

You can also research articles or find "filler" articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a

variety of topics but try to keep your articles short.

Much of the content you put in your newsletter can also be used for your Web site. Microsoft Publisher offers a simple way to convert your newsletter to a Web publication. So, when you're finished writing your newsletter, convert it to a Web site and post it.



Caption describing picture or graphic.

"To catch the reader's attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here."

INSIDE STORY HEADLINE

This story can fit 100-150 words.

The subject matter that appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your

customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice

column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

INSIDE STORY HEADLINE

This story can fit 75-125 words.

Selecting pictures or graphics is an important part of adding content to your newsletter.

Think about your article and ask yourself if the picture supports or enhances the

message you're trying to convey. Avoid selecting images that appear to be out of context.

Microsoft Publisher includes thousands of clip art images from which you can choose and import into your newsletter. There are also several

tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

Once you have chosen an image, place it close to the article. Be sure to place the caption of the image near the image.



Caption describing picture or graphic.

COME ONE, COME ALL TO THE FIRST EVER
Frightful Pajama Party

SATURDAY OCTOBER 29, 2011



7 PM - ????????????

AT THE WALSERS RETREAT

GAMES WILL BE PLAYED INCLUDING:

GHOSTLY TREASURE HUNT

HANGMAN POKER — (YOU WANT TO AVOID GETTING THIS HAND)

SEEK AND YE SHALL NOT FIND

BOBBING FOR APPLES IN A VAT OF BLOOD



**REFRESHMENTS IN THE FORM OF FOOD & PUNCH
WILL BE SERVED.**

BYOS - BRING YOUR OWN SPIRITS!

MORE THAN AN OIL CHANGE

Regular service will help keep your H-D® motorcycle operating at peak performance. With more than 20 specific check points from front tire to tailpipe, Mitch & Matt at Denali Harley-Davidson® knows best how to service your motorcycle using factory approved methods and equipment.



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The Photo Gallery

Have you clicked through the Chapter 1836 Photo Gallery lately? This is a collection of photos from HOG related events, with an emphasis on the “fun” part of our rides – bikes and their riders doing what they do best.



From this page you have the choice of viewing the events, sorted by year, and a sequential listing of rides and events for each year. There are also links for “The Company Store” and “Fun Stuff”. There is also “Pictures Past”, a bucket of photos, that goes back to the earlier years as the chapter was being founded and organized. A trip down memory lane for some.

A page displaying new members, or current members that have been chosen by new or different rides, was started in 2010, and is being continued this year. Photos displayed on this page are collected by a combination of chance encounters and/or a “heads up” provided by the staff. Any one that is new to the chapter, please let me know when I’ve been asleep at the wheel. This page is easy to update on short notice.

Here’s the Internet link to the 1836 Photo Gallery:

<http://www.matsuakhog.org/photo-gallery>

If anyone should happen to find a photo that is of particular interest to them, I’ll be more than happy to send you, via email, a clean higher resolution copy of that photo, without the HOG 1836 watermark.

Slow Vince

CALENDARS!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September 2011				1	2	3
4 Brown Bag Ride to Matsu Glacier. 10am @DHD	5	6	7 Ride to Willow Trading Post 6pm @DHD	8	9 Officers Meet- ing 630pm Windbreak	10
11 49th Street Hot Rodders Free- dom Flag Run	12	13 Evening Ride TBA	14	15	16	17
18 Evening Ride TBA	19	20	21	22 'Fire-n-Ice' ride to Boones. 6pm @DHD	23 Planning meet- ing for final ride. 630pm @ Windbreak	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Final Ride of the Season TBA	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October 2011						1
2	3	4	5	6	7 Officers Meet- ing 630pm	8
9	10	11 Monthly Social	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 Halloween PJ Party @ Walser's
30	31					