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## President's Point of View, by Ed Reiff

Hello LI Harley Riders. Welcome to the fall riding season. Summer is now over, and we start moving into the weather where it is cool, and we start putting on those layers to keep warm. The bikes run great in this weather.

Firstly, I want to thank all our members for the contributions they made through our poker run. After the poker run we had lunch at the VFW and distributed the 10 prizes that were won by our lucky members. We raised \$ 1,400.00 for the Homeless Veterans Shelter in Yaphank. We will be speaking with them to find out what their needs are, and we will be riding over there on November 11, 2018 to make the donation. It's a very worthy cause and our membership knocked it out of the park again. Thank you.

Also, I would like to thank the members who participated in the Melissa's Wish ride with Dee Snyder. There were 990 bikes that attended. Thank you to the RC's that blocked the intersections and kept the ride safe. And thank you to the members who volunteered their time. VP Bill Vultaggio puts in many months preparing for this fantastic event. Thank you, Bill.

We just finished our last overnighter of the year to New Hampshire and that ride was great.....no rain for a change, finally. RC Joe picked up a t-shirt from a dealer and now we have mailed all the t-shirts from our overnight rides to Gertrude to get working on the quilt that will be raffled off at the holiday party. Speaking of holiday parties, have you purchased your tickets? They were on sale at the September meeting, and are available at meetings to follow. Please let us know if you can make it as we need to speak with the facility and make our arrangements. It's always a lot of fun. This year it is being held at the Smithtown Landing Country Club December 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM. Don't miss out.

Following the October meeting will be our Octoberfest. There will be a facebook announcement where you can list the dish you want to make so we can enjoy a great Octoberfest meal with the membership. There will be a short ride after the meeting while Annette gets things set up and when we return to the VFW we can dig in.

Keep the shiny side up, ride safe.



## September 2018 Meeting

September's meeting was well attended. President Ed Reiff discussed the previous rides and planning for the 2019 riding season. RC Probie Kerry led his first off island ride to Kent CT where the members enjoyed a great lunch at the Villager Restaurant, 10 bikes and 11 members joined Kerry for the off-island ride. RC Joe G led 11 bikes and 15 members on an amazing 4 day trip to New England. Our members-only suggestion box has been busy. Members have suggested trips to Darryl's Place in Pawling NY, Hawks Nest in Port Jervis and another trip to refill our maple syrup fix at Crown Maple! Our Road Captains put a lot of time and planning in making these trips such a success. Please remember to thank them!!! Ed suggested planning a Fly-and-Ride over the winter. Suggestions are always welcome; email Ed with your ideas.

After the meeting we held our 2nd Annual Poker Run to benefit the Suffolk County Veterans home in Yaphank. Last year we raised \$1200 and the funds were used to purchase a security system for the facility. This year we raised \$1,400. The next charity ride is the Dee Snider ride in support of Melissa's Wish on 9/30. See the website for pre-registration.

The annual dues are being increased this year to help cover the clubs fixed expenses. The annual dues will rise to \$50 for members and \$25 for associate members starting in 2019. Members/associates who pay before 1/1/19 will pay a discounted rate of \$40/\$20. So lets pay early and save a few bucks. See Christine Vultaggio for your membership forms or check out our website.

Joe Giacalone discussed the proposed By Law changes that will be voted on in our November meeting. You must be an AMA member to vote. The 3 amendments proposed are term limits for President and Vice President, absentee or proxy voting and no familial relationship as primary officers.

Assistant RC Sal discussed upcoming rides. Upcoming rides include Woodstock on 10/7, Highpoint NJ on 10/14 and New Paltz on 10/21. Assistant Activities Director Lynne has been busy planning Bike Nights and we hope to continue them through the Fall as weather permits!

We will be having an Oktoberfest celebration after our October meeting on 10/28. If you would like to bring a delicious German specialty or dessert please contact Annette who will be coordinating the dishes. Our Holiday party planning is in full swing. The Party is scheduled for December 14th, the cost is \$70 per person. We are looking for gift baskets to be raffled off. If you would like to participate please contact Lynne.

The LOH trip to Pocono Manor is scheduled for October 5 thru the 7th. The Ladies will be 4 wheeling it this year but there will be lots of shopping, eating and pampering to be had! The Ladies will be doing some shopping for the Veterans who are in need of essentials including sheets, towels, washcloths and personal items.

A moment of silence was held for three members of the Long Island motorcycle community recently lost. They included Jim DeNatale, Gene Beresford and Tom Harrington.

The 50/50 Raffle was won by Bill Vultaggio and Deidre Kuster. The winnings were donated to the Veterans Home!

# September Meeting

## New Faces, New Bikes

We had four new members this month and four new bikes! Please welcome our new members: Michael "Manny" Emanuel rides a '04 Sportster, Eric Frohnen rides a '03 Superglide, Sal Barbaro rides a 2016 Limited Low and associate member Kathleen Amodeo.



Manny Emanuel



Kathleen Amodeo



Eric Frohnen

## NEW BIKES





# 2018 Poker Run



Following the September meeting members of the club embarked on our second annual Poker Run to benefit The Veterans Place in Yaphank. Members rode to three locations to draw cards and prizes were awarded to the best hand, worst hand. Thanks to Roebkes Restaurant, Miracle Mile Harley, Nassau County Harley, Oakdale Harley, Roslyn Eye Center (ample parking available) and Dunkin Donuts for their generous donations which were awarded at the end of the run. The club raised \$1400 for the Veterans. The donations will be delivered to the Veterans Place in November!!





# Labor Day Ride September 4, 2018

**LABOR DAY**



We had a great turnout for our Labor Day Ride led by President Ed Reiff. Ed led 31 bikes and 38 members for a wonderful ride out east and down the South Shore. The route wound around some beautiful back roads to end for lunch at O'Mally's in Southold. The weather was beautiful and sunny for a change. Some members followed up lunch with an ice cream treat at McNulty's!!

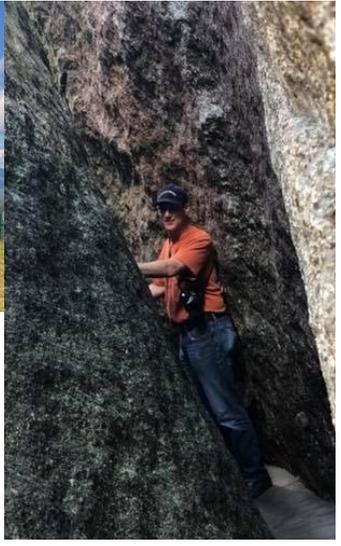




# New Hampshire September 14th - 16th



RC Joe G led the club on an amazing adventure to New England, including Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. Joe led 11 bikes and 15 riders through covered bridges, beautiful mountain roads and awe inspiring scenery. We rode to Laconia and stopped at Weir's Beach. We took a gondola to the top of Loon Mountain where we had fun exploring the glacial caves. Perfect weather made our trip to the top of Mt Washington memorable. We enjoyed unparalleled views of five states.





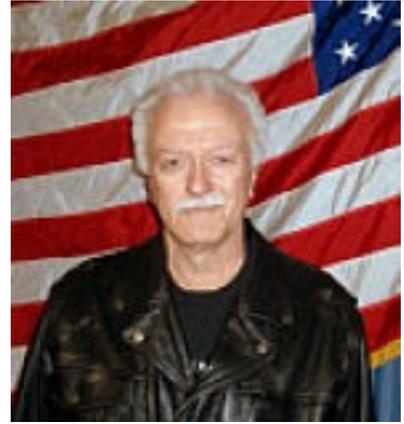
# Dee Snider's Melissa's Wish Charity Ride



On September 30th the 16th annual Dee Sniders annual Charity ride went off with a bang. This run raised funds for Melissa's Wish Foundation. Funds raised help support families facing catastrophic illness. Our VP Bill Vultaggio has been involved in these charity runs for a number of years. Our RC blocked the roads to keep safe the many riders who participated in this event. Some of our members helped with registration and a great time was had by all! The members enjoyed food, music and even a visit from Santa. Thanks again to Bill for all his hard work and planning and to the RC who volunteered.



Dom Mozzone  
LI Harley Riders Safety Officer  
October 2018



## Autumn Riding

The summer is behind us now and we're slowly sliding into the depths of shorter, colder days with the added challenges that autumn seasonal change brings...leaves. Yes leaves. All will be beautifully colored as autumn progresses and we plan a foliage ride on October 21 to New Paltz to catch a glimpse of the optimum time to view that geographic leaf color line as it works its way south. As the saying goes, all good things like the great summer riding season we had must come to an end sooner or later.

As autumn progresses so will the clutter of leaves blowing around making our riding more tenuous and at times down right dangerous. Especially in the early mornings when dew can soak leaves into behaving like ice when you're riding over them. A good rule of riding behavior is to consider all layers of leaves as ice and when riding over them you don't want to be in a banking turn or breaking. That would be a 'not so good' situation to find yourself in!! Layered wet leaves are very deceiving since on the surface they could look dry and uneventful. Don't fall into the trap of complacency when riding over dry-looking leaves. Always ride over them straight when possible like you're on ice and you'll reduce the probability of having an ah-s\*&t moment! We've all had those scary moments, I certainly have. Fortunately we're able to share these experiences with one another so that our riding family can avoid similar problems.

So as the weather starts to descend into late autumn and eventually winter, remember to dress appropriately, be conscience of early morning dew-soaked leaves and get into the habit of riding over them like they are ice and you'll safely enjoy autumn riding. Ride safe and often and enjoy the autumn riding season as it too will come to an end.



For a complete list of Charter Events and the latest information, visit [www.LIHarleyRiders.com](http://www.LIHarleyRiders.com) for details.

# October 2018

## October Birthdays

Joe Giacalone 10/3  
 Eric Frohnen 10/22  
 John Hachmann 10/2  
 Nancy Lee Johnson 10/22  
 Dom Mazza 10/17  
 Ken McKay 10/28  
 Bill Meneely 10/23  
 Steve Metzler 10/1  
 Barry Nagelberg 10/28  
 Ralph Norton 10/30  
 Janet Pepper 10/4  
 Jack Scalia 10/29  
 George Vagelatos 10/23

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 LOH Pocono weekend	6
7 Woodstock Ride KSU 7:30am	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Highpoint NJ KSU 8 am	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 New Paltz Ksu 8 AM	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Monthly Meeting Octoberfest	29	30	31			



**Upcoming Rides**

**Sagamore Ride 12/2**

*Charter rides that begin and terminate on Long Island are officially over when the destination is reached. If a Charter Ride leaves Long Island, the ride will officially end upon returning to Long Island. Official charter rides are "dry" rides, no alcohol. Helmets are required on all club rides.*

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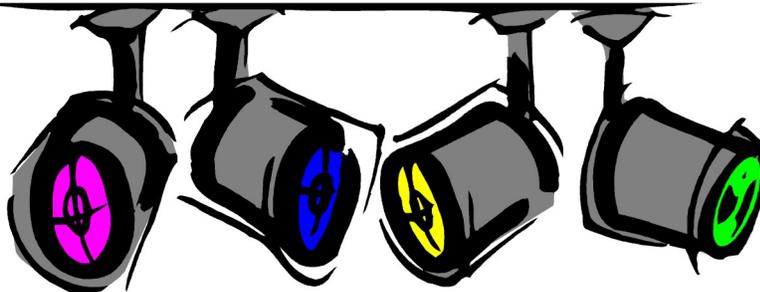
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## October Upcoming Rides

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- October 5-7 LOH ride to Pocono Manor  
October 7 RC Bill's ride to the Woodstock Museum  
October 14 RC Joe's ride to Highland Park in NJ  
October 21 RC Dom's leaf-peeping ride to New Paltz  
October 28 Monthly meeting, local ride followed with Oktoberfest



Remember to check the Hotline at (631)406-4170 1 1/2 hrs before KSU to hear updates and cancellations



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sagamore Children's Hospital Ride 12/2  
Club Christmas Party 12/14

### How About a Big Cheer for Our Road Captains?

Head Road Captain: Mario Ruffolo, Asst. Head Road Captain: Sal Fino  
Barry Boom, Steve Ficalora, Joe Giacalone, Fred (Grumpy) Hartmann, Nadine Hartmann, Gary Kinkel, Dom Mozzone, Bill Vultaggio, Ed Reiff and Rich Zeier



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10 AM

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