

Red Knights Chapter NY29

March Meeting – Germantown

March 20, 2016

Meeting called to order at noon by President Paul Pratt.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call – 16 members answered roll with no guests.

Minutes of the February 2016 meeting were read by Secretary Judith Shea. A motion made by Theresa Proper, and seconded by Nick Proper, to approve the minutes as read, with all voting in favor and none opposed; so carried.

Correspondence – Lisa Funk read a confirmation from the Fireman’s Home for the Run to the Home event.

Treasurer – The Treasurer’s Report was presented by Treasurer Lisa Funk. A motion was made by Mike Roper, and seconded by Stefania Maruniak, to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented, with all voting in favor and none opposed; so carried.

Vice President’s Report:

Application for Active Membership was brought forward for a vote, Charles Deutscher, of Copake, having interviewed with the Membership Committee and meeting the requirements. A motion was made by PJ Proper, and seconded by Bryan Proper, to approve Charles for membership, with all voting in favor and none opposed; so carried. Welcome, Charles!

Road Captain:

SNO Bike Nite @ BBQ USA in Saratoga Springs on Thursday evening, March 24th.
Kellogg Fund Raiser at the Hollner’s on, Saturday, March 26th. Steve was the Road Captain for NY12 and is a wounded veteran. For health reasons he had to move to Florida. This is a fund raiser to get Steve to this year’s Yankee Rally in NJ.

Saturday, April 16 – Greene County K-9 Unit Run leaves Home Depot in Leeds. Propose meeting at Bell’s Pond gas station at 8.45am and riding over to Home Depot

Saturday, May 7 – NY12 Poker Run leaving from Clifton Park Station off Exit 9 of the Northway (this is where the goodbye breakfast for the 2015 Yankee Rally was held). Meet time will come as date draws closer.

Quartermaster – Quartermaster Eugenia Browning has some extra shirts. She was asked if she had any small patches for dress shirts (one set needed for Paul). She will check.

Unfinished Business:

Committees – Run to the Home:

The Route has been established – it will cover 85 miles: need 4 sets of Headers and Heelers to guide the rides and one extra set in case we need a fifth group to leave between 11-11.30 Horseshoes at the Fireman's Home; Golf at Meadowgreens; Paintball at the Hornet's Nest; Cornhole at Germantown (Germantown asks that we park bikes on the lower lot and walk up to the upper lot for the games to avoid blocking bays if they need to answer a call)
Food: Danish/donuts for breakfasts; hamburger, sausage w/pepper patties, all-beef hot dogs, baked beans, cole slaw, and chips
Members working the event (not riding) will pay \$10; all others pay \$20
Other:

Lenny Blish is not doing well. He has contracted a blood infection. The paperwork for hospice care has been approved and they are going to try and get Lenny home as that is where he wishes to pass. Paul has been in regular contact with his Lenny's son, Doug. A full Firefighter service is being planned when the time comes. Our continued prayers are with Lenny and his family at this very difficult time.

The CCVFA class related to cancer in the firefighting community will be held at Columbia Green Community College on May 16. James Brady will send out a volunteers list with additional information.

New Business:

Meetings: Mike Roper has asked that we move meeting back to evenings. During the Summer months the midday meetings just eats in to the day and projects. With the May meeting already scheduled for Friday, May 6th, before the Run to the Home, the following three months have meetings scheduled at 7.00pm on third Fridays, as follows:

June 17

July 15

August 19

Paul will contact members to see about locations for the meetings as we are so often hosted by Copake and Germantown.

Kickstand Plates: Mike has moved forward with the previous discussion of kickstand plates made from diamond plate. He has several made up to use at the Kellogg fundraiser. He is thinking he might establish a table at the Lake George Fire House lunch during Americade. Discussion was had and it was felt the asking price should be between \$10-\$8, with most leaning toward \$10.

Paul has raised the idea that this year is the chapter's 10th Anniversary in August 2016. He has proposed the idea of a celebratory banquet (Mike has volunteered his back yard). A committee was asked for and the following people have signed on: Eugenia Browning, Joanne Dwy, and Judith Shea. An initial meeting will be held before the next chapter meeting.

Good of the Chapter:

Second Sundays – Breakfast Buffet at Chatham – 8-11am

Fish Fry Fridays – Chatham through Easter – 5-8pm

March 26 – BBQ Chicken Dinner at Copake - \$12/ticket 5-7pm (Eat-in/Take-out)

May 7 – NY12 Poker – Details to follow

Next Meeting: Sunday, April 17, 9am in Lebanon Valley Protective Association – first leg of Alphabet Run through Columbia County and out to Queensbury.

Thank you, to Germantown, for hosting our meeting and a wonderful lunch! Hot Dogs at the first of Spring – Excellent!!

Motion to adjourn made was by PJ Proper, and seconded by Hal Jensen, with all voting in favor and none opposed; motion carried.

Meeting closed at 1 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith K. Shea
Secretary