

Red Knights Chapter NY29

March Meeting – Chatham Firehouse

March 19, 2017

Meeting called to order at 11.00am by President Paul Pratt.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Paul Pratt asked for a moment of silence in honor of Jim Van Deusen who passed unexpectedly. Mr. Van Deusen was a Past Fire Coordinator for Columbia County, and Past Fire Chief and Commissioner of AB Shaw Fire Company in Claverack, NY.

Roll Call – 14 members answered roll with three guests: Noah Proper; Dan Bransfield, President of CT2; and Linda O'Dell, friend of Gene Gaylord and Columbia County ABATE President.

Minutes of the February 2017 meeting were read by Secretary Judith Shea. One correction was made with regard to the Alphabet check being for Bryan Proper rather than Nick Proper. A motion was made by Eugenia Browning, and seconded by Nick Proper, to accept the minutes as corrected, with all in favor and none opposed; so carried.

Correspondence – None.

Treasurer – Treasure's Report was submitted by Treasurer, Lisa Funk. A motion was made by Mike Roper, and seconded by Jim Deluccia, to approve the report as submitted with all voting in favor and none opposed; so carried. One bill was presented for payment: \$6.16 in postage to Eugenia Browning for mailing of a shirt for inclusion in the 2017 Yankee Rally Raffle Quilt and mailing of Patch information. A motion was made by Mike Roper, and seconded by Scott Swenson, to reimburse this cost with all in favor and none opposed; so carried.

Vice President's Report – Vice-President PJ Proper submitted an application for Social Membership by Jackie Harvey, daughter of Treasurer Lisa Funk. A motion was made by Eugenia Browning, and seconded by Judith Shea, to approve this application with all voting in favor and none opposed; so carried. Welcome, Jackie!

Road Captain – Road Captain Mike Roper, at the request of Paul Pratt, presented a review of the Saturday evening roundtable held at the home of NY12 President Bob Hollner. Region 1 Director Matt Mattera was on hand to answer questions including those surrounding the proposed changes to the duties of Secretary, Treasurer, and Quartermaster on the International Board. In fact, much of the discussion centered upon duties of the NY State Association. Two items came forward for Chapter vote:

With regard to the reallocating the stipends for Secretary, Treasurer, and Quartermaster, in order to hire a full time Administrative Assistant: This action will require a change to the by-laws which will be voted on at the International Convention in August 2017. All members present

voted in favor of making this change with no abstentions.

Tim Tordoff, President of NY 53, has proposed a Blessing of the Bikes, ride, and meal, on Sunday, May 7. Rather than a per rider/passenger cost, he is proposing each chapter submit a \$100 flat fee. All members present voted against this with no abstentions.

Quartermaster – When asked, said she does patches and shirts/sweatshirts. She will have her inventory available at our April meeting.

Committees:

2017 Run to the Home – In anticipated order of stops: Home – Ladderball; Spencertown – Can Jam; Lebanon Valley – Darts; Niverville – Bean Bag Toss. 50/50 Poker will be held at the Home – monitored by Heathar Jensen and, we hope, Carol Goold. Menu is the same, although Lisa has not begun her purchases yet. Lisa circled the list of cell phone numbers from last year to be updated, as needed, for ease in communication this year. Rich and Ann Jennings will once again cover the cost of the printing the Scorecards. Thank you so much!

2018 Yankee Rally – Nothing discussed at this time.

Old Business –

Bingo at Home: This is scheduled for Tuesday, March 21, at 6.30pm. Kindly anticipate arriving at 6.15pm for a prompt start. A motion was made by Eugenia Browning, and seconded by Hal Jensen, to withdraw \$200 for pizza and prizes for the Residents, with all voting in favor and none opposed; so carried.

Alphabet Run: Lisa Funk advised that she has submitted the paperwork for Bryan Proper to receive a FIREHOUSE patch for his partial participation in the chapter's 2016 ALPHABET Ride. Congratulations, again, to all who participated and succeeded in achieving their patch/rockers!!!

Lisa and Dan Ride through CT – Lisa and Dan have come up with couple of possibilities which include possibly an Essex Train Ride and boat ride, or possibly later in July going to the Motorcycle Museum east of Hartford. They will narrow down possible dates to two and present them at the April meeting.

New Business – None at this time.

Good of the Chapter:

Chatham Breakfast Buffets – there will be no buffet in April but will hold their Mother's Day Buffett including the wonderful Made to Order Omelets!

Tsatsawassa Pancake Breakfasts on third Sundays of the month.

Saturday, March 25 – Benefit for Joe Mab, who participated in events at Lebanon Valley Speedway at Stuyvesant; \$15 eat in/take out

Saturday, April 2 – Niverville's Breakfast with the Easter Bunny – \$7 Adult / \$3 Child / Children under 3 Free

Saturday, April 8 – ABATE Spring Breakout Ride – KSU 1pm at the Plaza Diner

Saturday, April 15 – Copake Annual BBQ Chicken Dinner – \$12/ticket from 5-7pm – call 518.329.4161 or email BBQ@copakefire.org

Tuesday, May 9 – JJ's Bike Night at JJ's Cycle in Watervliet

Monday, May 15 – ABATE Freedom Rally leaving Taft Furniture on Central Avenue, Albany – Registration 9am; KSU 11am

Friday, May 19 – 125th Anniversary of the FASNY Firemen’s Home – Memorial Service and Caring Window Dedication – 7pm

Saturday, May 20 – 125th Anniversary of the FASNY Firemen’s Home – Muster, Parade, and Banquet – Antique Apparatus to step off at 9.30am ending at the Firemen’s Home with Muster Grounds open from 10am – 4pm.

Saturday, May 20 – Miracle Run beginning at Quigley’s – KSU at 11am

Saturday, June 17 – Raffle drawing for Snow Blower to support the Bob Arsenal Endowment Fund

Saturday, July 15 – Joint Ride to Boylston – Where it All Began – Details to come!!

Sometime in July – Ride to Motorcyclpaedia in Newburgh

Sunday, August 6 – CT2 Annual Picnic. Registration from 10-11am with KSU at noon

Next Meeting – Sunday, April 23 – 11.00am at New Lebanon.

Thank you, Chatham, for hosting our meeting and delicious breakfast munchies.

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

Meeting closed at 11.45am.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith K. Shea
Secretary