



# *Red Knights International Motorcycle Club Ohio Chapter 5 Newsletter*

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## ***From the President:***

*Hello Chapter members, the riding season is coming to an end as the weather soon will be changing to cool and then cold. We still have a few times to get together and ride left. They are listed elsewhere in this newsletter.*

*Due to the comments, location and price, we will return to the 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron for our Christmas Dinner again this year. The date is Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> (2 unit). Our happy hour is from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm with dinner at 7:00 pm. Make your plans now to attend.*

*We discussed the reasons for the poor attendance at our ride this year. While we get a good turn out for the Christmas party and for the long distance rides that Mike Bowman sets up (thanks Mike) we do get poor involvement in the locate rides. There were four time this year where we had one or two members show up for a chapter ride.*

*Please call me, e-mail me, write me a letter, send a message by pigeon but let me know why you do not take an active part in your chapter. We have donations totaling \$600.00 for the event in June and could not get our members to commit to attending. What is the problem?*

*If it is the leadership, then please step up and run for an office and lead the way. It is upsetting to put in time to plan something and no one shows up.*

## ***From the Vice President:***

*At the meeting held on September 27<sup>th</sup>, we discussed our dues. I made a motion, which was seconded by Dave Comer and passed to raise our dues to \$20.00 per year for Charter, Active and Associate members and \$8.00 per year for Social members. We have not raised our dues since 1994. As we have not fund raisers during the year I feel that it was time to raise our dues. If you do not like this idea, you have the right to come to the next meeting and make a motion to lower them.*

*We are looking for ways to improve our Chapter and to get more members active in attending rides and meetings.*

*One way that we will try for next year is to hold our chapter meetings on the same day each month and at the same location instead of moving them around. Therefore we are looking for a location. If you know of a place, please let me know. It needs to have a room or area set aside for meetings, food, beverages and easy to get to. I would like to have this location in time for our January meeting.*

*We are also looking for ideas to help us be more active in our area. Any ideas that you have please share them with us. (Hold a poker run for a charity)*

***Elections:***

*It is that time of the year again. Our election for officers will be held at our Christmas Party. Many of our members have been members for years and have not held an office. Now is your time to step up and lead us to the next level. Contact Dan Miller if you are interested in an office. Any member can run for office.*

***Here is the list of upcoming rides and events for our chapter:***

***October 7-9:*** Red Helmet (Line of Duty Death) ride at the National Fire Academy. Leaving from TJ's in Lancaster at 9:00 am. Contact Bill Snodgrass if you are going.

***October 15:*** Do you know the difference between a W.Va. style hot dog and a Sante Fe style hot dog.....a Brooklyn style hot dog and a Boston style hot dog.....a Connecticut style hot dog and a Chicago style hot dog. In my travels I have found 30 different styles of hot dogs. Therefore, Diane and I invite you to come to our first annual **HOT DOG EXTRABAGANZA**. We will start at 4:00 pm. Soda's and water will be furnished. If you last name is A - M please bring a covered dish and if it is N - Z, please bring a dessert. BYOBS

***October 22, 2005:*** Fall color ride to Hocking Hills. Meet at TJ's restaurant in Lancaster at 9:00 am. Dan Kellermeyer will lead the ride.

***October 26, 2005:*** Chapter meeting at Rooster's, 3370 Olentangy River Road at 7:00 pm (in the back room)

***October 29, 2005:*** Dave and Jean Comer's Annual hog roast. Contact Dave or Jean for more information and directions at 614-833-0642

**November 12, 2005:** 18th Annual Firefighters Toy for Tots Run. Where: Toys "R" Us, 4285 Graves Road, Columbus, Ohio. Assemble at 12:00 noon and leave at 1:00 pm SHARP. Admission fee---one new toy. Party and fundraiser immediately following at Sundance Saloon, 1921 Channingway Center Drive, Columbus. We can meet and ride in as a group if there is interest in doing that.

**December 12, 2005:** Christmas Party and Dinner at the 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron. Happy Hour is 6 to 7 and dinner is at 7:00.



