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## “THE NEWS TO KNIGHTS”

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### INTRODUCTION

Hello fellow Knights. Well It's September now and the day's are getting shorter the mornings have been gettin a bit cooler. Remember a couple weeks ago when it was ungodly hot and we were all bitchin about it and wishin it was way cooler? Before you know it we will be scraping snow and ice off our four wheeler windshields and bitchin about how cold it is and wishin for hot weather. It's vicious cycle aint it? Only one good thing about cold weather, that means its soon "hunting season" deer in particular. that's the only time I don't mind the cold. As soon as deer season is over it could go back to 90 and it wouldn't bother me any. Well anyway lets get down to business. We've had a few rides this past month that some of us have gottin to go on. We'll start with a week after our August picnic meeting, Sunday Aug. 14th. Three of us Scott, Mike and myself met at Goodwill in the morning and rode to Lower Frederick Firehouse for breakfast. For those of you that don't know they do a great and cheap breakfast every Sunday morning. Anyway, after breakfast we road down to Lower Skippack Mennonite Church, yep you guessed it it's in the lower side of Skippack Township. Seems this church has a group of bikers that wanted to go for a ride. Well we rolled in about 3 min. before the church service was over, it was warm and I think maybe a door was open, because somehow they new we were there before they even saw us. Huh, go figure. Anyway we met up with these Mennonite people some, well most, practically all of them are also Red Knights TOO. But since they were riding out of their club house they wore their colors. Which are a red t-shirt with M.O.M. running down the middle of the back and the club name spelled out at the breast pocket area. "Mennonites On Motorcycles" catchy aint it. Well we had a total of eight bikes and left the church and rode up to Blue Marsh Lake up above Reading and had a nice little picnic. Travis, Brian and Debbie Boyer's son-in-law and I think soon to be member, has a boat, he rode his bike up but had a friend bring his boat up and we had optional boat rides if we wanted. Some did some didn't. There was a total of 15 people once we got up there. Some of them boat people are ok and some of them aren't, but that's another story for another time. August 28th was the Reading Ride for Freedom, the POW-MIA event that goes from Womelsdorf to Reading. That's a great ride, but that day the weather was lookin real crappy and nobody went. September 10th was Lansdale Bike Night. Another great

event that we had 6 members and some guests make it to. a total of 9 bikes and 13 people. Sunday September 11th was a fly-in breakfast at the Limerick/Pottstown Airport. We had 3 members and a guest go on three bikes. We had breakfast there, saw a lot of neat planes come and go while we ate right along the landing strip and had a lot of neat planes to look at. This is a yearly event that was real cool if you've never done it before it's worth checkin out. After breakfast we went to the Birdsboro VFW where the Berks County Chapter 4 of the Blue Knights had a poker run to raise money for care packages to go to our troops in Iraq. It was not the best poker run I ever did but it was a nice day to ride. Well that was it for rides. The season is growing short so if you want to get some ridin in, get off your asses and lets go. O.K. on to your latest edition of our newsletter.

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### LATEST MEETING

The September meeting was held at Charlie's house, on their back patio. First things first, when we got there Dottie had three different kind of desert out for us to choose from and devour. A special thanks to Dottie for treating us like royalty, oh wait, we are knights. Anyway, the meeting was called to order at about 7:25pm a little late 'cause we were eatin. We had 9 members and one future member at the meeting. We had no new membership proposals at this meeting there are a couple that will join soon but they will wait till December and start off the new year as new members. The minutes from last month were read and accepted. I gave the Ride Committee report, Jeanne gave the Treasurers report (if you want to know how much money we have you'll have to show up at the meetings), there was nothing to report from the new Poker Run committee, seems we aint had a meeting yet.. Mike gave his long winded nomination committee report. Then we discussed "Old Business" which mainly consists of T-shirts. We are still waiting (**forever**) to get the trademark agreement contracts from International, they have had some personnel changes there and have gotten behind on paperwork. Just a reminder our T-shirts will be black with Red Knights in red on the front at the breast pocket and our actual main back patch silk-screened on the back with a rocker under it that says chapter PA.#17. The cost will be determined when we have them done. Toby is also working on an idea for another t-shirt for sale to non members. The non-member shirt will be just like the member shirts except instead of a bottom rocker it will have a top rocker that says "Friend of the Red Knights". We saw art work of what they will all look like and voted on them and approved them. Now we just have to wait for "International" to approve it all and then we'll get started. The "Friend" shirts will be cool, because we can put them on the Internationals web site and sell them. They will be coming soon, stay tuned.

Colors, if you are qualified to get and wear your colors and have not ordered them yet, you better hurry up and "Git-R-Done". We are also getting ready to order our "Chapter PA # 17" rockers, they get sewn on to the back of your vest under the large club patch. If you have your club patch and top rocker already you can order the chapter rocker for \$20.00, if you are eligible and ready to order your full three patch set it will be \$50.00 total. We need to order a minimum of 30 chapter rockers so we need orders and money. So basically what I'm sayin is "Bring your **Stinkin** money" to the next meeting or get it to **Karen McNear, ASAP**. Come on people we need to get these things ordered so get on the stick and get your money up, "**LETS GO**". We did a 50/50 drawing, which we do at every meeting (see you can show up and win money), Bruce won it this month.

New business. The "Grand Tour" certificates and pins are in for those of us that have already done the grand tour. Jeanne had submitted our forms and pictures to international and the pictures can be seen on their web site and were also put in the "Grand Tour Photo Album" which was on display at the Red Knights International Convention in Canada. One of these days we'll have to go to that there convention thing and check it out. Anyway if you weren't at this months meeting, and didn't get your certificate and pin, contact Jeanne or come to the next meeting. If you haven't done the Grand Tour yet what the heck you waitin for. We have another new committee, the "Beef and Beer" committee, which is Kisch and Harvey. It seems these two are the logical choice for the

committee to plan for the opportunity for a bunch of people to get together and get stinkin drunk. Makes sense to me. There are some very important meetings coming up in the near future. The meeting for the month of October will be officer nominations. The offices that will be up for nomination and election will be President, Quartermaster and Treasurer. The next important issue is **DUES**, dues for the **2006 membership are due no later than the November meeting**. Renewal fee is \$10.00 flat fee for any membership weather it is Active, Charter or Social, \$10.00 across the board. If you have not paid your dues for 2006 by the end of the November meeting you missed the boat. You will then have to pay the \$20.00 application fee and start all over again. So this is very important to get your money in by the **November** meeting. Next months meeting will be on

**“ Please show up and have a say”**

Next months will be October 2nd  
at 7:00pm at Goodwill FC.  
**“SEE YA’S THERE”**

**NEW MEMBERS**

New members? None this month.

**FUND RAISERS**

We are looking for FUND RAISER ideas. So please bring yours to the table.  
Dance, Car wash, Bake sale, Beef and Beer whatever lets get this crap goin.

**DATED UPCOMING RIDES AND EVENTS**

OK, you ready? Here’s what’s coming up for the next month or so. Th dates that are underlined are definite rides that are happening the rest are just options that are available. If any strike your fancy and you want to get a group together and go start contacting people, send out an email, call somebody, what ever it takes lets get some ridin in while we can.

Sept 18th = Pottstown, POW/MIA Recognition Day-Friends of the Forgotten, meet for breakfast at 9:00am at the Pottstown Diner, then head to staging area at Home Depot to leave at 11:30 sharp and ride to Memorial Park for a Noon service. A feet up ride.

(non stop, streets closed to traffic with escort, bikes only)

Sept 18th = K.O.P. to Longwood Gardens - Kids With Brain Tumors Ride

Sept 22-24 = York, PA. OPEN HOUSE at the Harley plant

Sept 25th = Haycock Bike Fest, Coopersburg, PA. 10am to 6pm \$10.00 donation. A fall motorcycle and music festival. Go to [WWW.HAYCOCKBIKEFEST.COM](http://WWW.HAYCOCKBIKEFEST.COM) and check it out.

Oct. 2nd = Law Enforcement Memorial Ride, Pottstown, PA. registration 8am-10:30am at Coventry Mall, ride goes to a park in Upper Gwyned which is down around Lansdale. Registration is 8-am to 10:30am, \$25.00 per bike. Leaving Mall at 11:00am.

Oct. 8-9th = Allentown Motorcycle showcase, Ag. Hall, Allentown Fairgrounds, Allentown, PA.

Oct. 9th = Blocker Enterprises Fall Foliage Run. Parryville, PA, Pocono’s

Oct. 15th = Coopersburg Toy Run, Clemen’s parking lot Rt. 309 11:30am

**FINALE**

Well Knight’s that’s it for another month. Don’t forget to show up at next months meeting . And try

to make it to some of the great rides that are coming up in the next month. Hopefully the weather and the "Bike Gods" are with us and all the future rides are worthy.

**" LIVE AND RIDE WELL"**

**Thanks, SHORTY...**

**Dave "Shorty" Alderfer**

**P.S. Keep safe John**