

April 7, 2016 Northern Chapter Monthly Meeting Minutes and

April 22, 2015 LOH Monthly Meeting Minutes

Director Mike Lince welcomed 3 guests at the meeting. Deb Haase from Father Fred, Father Kotter from Christ the King Church in Acme, Charlie's friend John Sohockie.

Deb Haase started out by telling us this is the 24th year for Father Fred Ride. There are 12 members on the board, 1.7 million budget for the year, 5 full time employees and 180 volunteers who assist 25-30 families per day. In 2015 5,000 families were helped through Father Fred. Father Fred is 100 % run on local donations and receives NO State Aide.

Treasure Report: Julie A. We started the month with \$1,363.94. Minus 1 check \$18.79 to Classic for HOG Flag, .06 Interest and 1 deposit of \$440.00 for membership renewals, 50/50 drawing and pin sales.
Ending Balance \$1,785.21

Charlie will check with Don at Classic regarding a food drive during the weekend of Father Fred. Charlie's band will perform before the Father Fred ride on Sunday.

Father Fred Behind the Scenes: Julie K: Port-a-John's have been ordered, permits are in the works, checking with T.C. Police Dept. about escorted ride and VFW Hall is FREE. Walt @ the VFW has been real generous with the VFW facility. We can use their 10 % discount to purchase the food for after the ride on Sunday. Saturday after the Poker Run J.T. & Friends Band will perform at the VFW. They are a County-Blue Grass type of band.

Membership: Keith F. At the Cadillac swap meet 19 members came to help out. 3 new bikes have been purchased. Rides=Bang for your bucks. Get out and Ride, Ride and Ride some more!!

Tom Miller had a great idea to make 2 flag holder out of PVC pipes so the HOG Chapter and LOH Flags were displayed at the Cadillac Swap Meet. These can also be used at our monthly meeting, Father Fred and the State Rally in August.

Abate Meeting: State Legislature passed Motorcycle class is now \$50 instead for \$25 in past years. Double Insurance includes extra coverage of \$20,000 on riders without helmets. Monthly meetings are Thursday nights at Critters Bar in Rapids City. May 28th Veteran's Ride from Gaylord to Onaway \$10.00 per person and can do laps on the Onaway Speedway. June 8th Ride to State Capital starting in Rapid City and pick up Abate Groups on the way. Meeting 12:00 at the State Capital.

Learn to Ride for 1st Responders, U.S. Military and Veterans is now reimbursed through Harley Davidson.

LOH: Barb L. Asked the group if we should meet every month or just during the non-riding season. Just let her know.

Merchandise: Gayle S. We still have extra shirts for sale. New catalog came in. New Chapter Hoodies start at \$49.00 with \$2.00 added for chapter specific and \$2.00 for larger sizes.

A minimum of 12 for Hoodies and 25 for shirts are need before placing the order. We still need 4 more people to order name tags to place an order of 10.

Father Kohler said he would be more than please to do a Blessing of the Riders at The Christ the King Church. We can use the down stairs as long as the bikes are outside.

Ride Challenge: Ride to Fire Stations for 1 point, 20 is needed for the patch/rocker. There are 950 Fire Stations in the State of Michigan. This will be a lot safer to get off the road than it was for the ABC's last year.

Group ride to Manistee Fire Station is summer. Very unique Fire Station since it was built when horses pulled the Fire Trucks. Fire Trucks need to be specially built in order to get through the doors. Date to be announced.

Two new bikes in the group. Sharon Morris 2007 Deluxe Custom Built in Burnt Orange and Sherri Buford 2015 Soft Tail Slim in Black.

Pins: Steve and Christine Draper White Membership pin. Marc Horton 25 point pin and Mike Lince 125 dangler pin. Congratulations to all.

Red Ticket Winner Dean Neely \$50.00, Blue Ticket Frank Trojanowski \$25.00 Gift Card to Classic and Membership #26 was Andy Karnowski \$60.00.