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Fellow members,

Last year was filled with great rides, meeting new members and making great and new friends. I hope the New Year will bring the same and a better year.

This past year I attended both the spring and fall Board of Directors meetings ,Dixie Rally New Orleans, International Convention, North Carolina State Meeting and Ride , 343 Memorial Ride Wilmington NC, and several rides with my Chapter NC12. I average around 10- 12 hr. a week doing emails or on the phone with members.

This past year Region 4 lost 9 members. I was able to attend 5 of the Funerals. It was a great honor to be a part of the services. Some of these members I was never able to meet. But I can tell you by listing to everyone each one was a true member and loved the Redknights.

I would like to encourage each member if you have any topics that you think the board should address please send it to your Regional Director so that we can discuss it. Remember this is your club.

Region 4 (THE DIXIE RALLY) was held this past year in New Orleans. We had around 160 members to attend the rally. It was a job well done by the hosting chapters. Next year the Dixie will be held in Maryland. I am sure this will be another great event.

I would like to challenge each chapter this year to reach out to the new members and make them feel welcome and to show them the web site, Facebook pages and to go over the bylaws and SOG's. Over the last two years a lot of questions have been ask on different subjects and I have found that they could have been answered by just knowing the By-laws,SOG's . I will be glade to email you the power point on membership retention if you would like to take a look at it. My email is region4@redknightsmc.com

This year I hope to meet more members and do more riding with different chapters. So far here is what I have lined up to attend. Board meetings, Dixie Rally, NC State meeting & 343 ride, 2016 International Convention, rides with my Chapter NC12 and the most import to me just riding with my wonderful wife Joy.



I challenge this past year each Region 4 chapter to reach out and try to get 4 new members. This would add over 400 new members. There are a lot of fire Departments that have never heard of the Redknights. Please reach out to your local depts.

As we start a new year remember who we are.

Who am I" ...by Thomas Powell

August 28, 2010

"My profession is somewhat unique in comparison to that of the average person. At any one fixed moment in time when duty calls upon me, I am prepared to sacrifice my own life to save the lives of others I may not even know. I am willing to do this because I understand that we all make choices in life. As for myself, this is the choice and path of service that I have chosen to follow. Though my job is often rewarding, it can also be unsettling. I often reflect upon the simplicity of one question, "Who am I?" At times, I cannot provide this answer, not even for myself. So, "Who am I" to choose a profession in life that regularly shows no mercy for the preciousness of life? "Who am I" to willingly, without hesitation, invite myself into some of the most uninviting situations known to mankind? "Who am I", so that when duty calls, may never again lay eyes on the loved ones I could leave behind? The assumed simplicity of this question is not so simple after all. Understanding "Who I am" may be difficult to answer at times. However, all I need to do is pause, think about, and remember those lives I have positively influenced and maybe even saved. All I need to do is look back on the years of service I have given to my community and realize that I helped make the world a safer place in which to live. In my heart, I know I made a difference. "Who am I?" I am a Firefighter!"

WE ARE A FAMILY OF ONE THE REDKNIGHTS.....

Hope everyone has a great year of riding.

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