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## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP Subj: Membership wide survey, Our new Quartermaster, International Nominations and Heaven 1 Pictures

Hello to all Red Knights,

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For the past few years the board has been exploring the viability of transitioning the majority of the daily tasks of the Secretary, Treasurer and Quartermaster to a hired administrative assistant to the board. We want your opinion! Each chapter will be receiving a "survey monkey" email in their official Red Knights MC email accounts with the following question;

"Would you be in favor of the Red Knights International hiring an Administrative Assistant to take over the majority of administrative duties of the Secretary and Treasurer, as well as all of the duties of the Quartermaster?

Note - The positions of the Secretary and Treasurer would maintain their responsibilities and remain part of the Executive Board. However, there would be no financial compensation for these elected positions."

Please ensure your chapter discusses this and answer the survey email that will be sent out by the end of the month. As this change would need a By-Law change to go to the floor at convention, the deadline for answering the question will be April 1-2017. If you need any further info about this, please contact your Regional Director.

At the beginning of this month, Kevin B Williams (NJ XI), your international Quartermaster for the past 3+ years transferred his office to Alan Billings (MD 4). A huge thanks goes out to Kevin for all his diligent work. Alan agreed to fulfill this position on an interim basis until Dec 31-2017, He has already started applying his organization and analytical skills to his work. As he comes up to speed, please understand with any transition like this, there might be a slight delay in processing your orders. Also, during the transition the Quartermaster email has been changed to <a href="mailto:qm@redknightsmc.com">qm@redknightsmc.com</a>. Even though the old email address <a href="mailto:rkrquartermaster@redknightsregalia.com">rkrquartermaster@redknightsregalia.com</a> will auto-forward, please start using the new address.

As we are approaching the International Officers nominations season, please keep an eye on the website and your chapter email for information on who will be running for the following offices: President, Treasurer, Region 1, Region 3, Region 5 and Region 7. If you are interested in serving the membership of this great club on an international level, visit the website, download the nominations form, complete and submit to Tom Caisse at <a href="mailto:nominations@redknightsmc.com">nominations@redknightsmc.com</a>.

In closing, the most important item is that we need your help! At convention this Fall, for the first time we will be displaying the pictures of our fallen Brothers and Sisters during the memorial portion of the banquet. If you have a Picture of a member who joined our Heavens 1 chapter since August 2015, please save the picture with the members name as the file name and send to <a href="mailto:secretary@redknightsmc.com">secretary@redknightsmc.com</a>. As of today, we have lost nearly 70 members during this time frame and we only have pictures of about 20. Please help!

Thank You Loyal to our duty Chris