On behalf of the International Association of Fire Fighters and the IAFF Motorcycle Group (IAFF-MG) Committee, I invite you to join me and the many active and retired members from throughout this International union to become a member of our fast-growing IAFF-MG.

Created through a resolution at the 2004 IAFF Convention, the IAFF-MG is designed to promote fraternalism among the IAFF’s ranks in a manner that’s not focused solely on the work they do every day, and to give us a reason to get out and ride.

I encourage you to sign up today and look forward to your participation in the IAFF-MG and future events and activities.

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Harold A. Schaitberger
General President
ABOUT THE IAFF-MG

The mission of the IAFF-MG is to provide an opportunity for the significant segment of IAFF members who own and ride motorcycles to connect with each other. Since its inception, the IAFF-MG has continued to grow in spirit and numbers.

Membership is open to active, alumni, retired IAFF Members and IAFF HQ Staff who ride motorcycles and possess a valid motorcycle license.

Your membership will continue as long as you remain a member in good standing with the IAFF, including payment of annual dues and active support of IAFF-MG functions. Any member who maintains active membership in good standing in the IAFF-MG for 10 consecutive years will be awarded a lifetime membership in the IAFF-MG at a dues rate of $25.

The IAFF-MG is governed by the IAFF-MG Committee, which is composed of seven members appointed by the General President. The Committee is responsible for managing the activities of the IAFF-MG, maintaining a roster of members nationwide, establishing membership dues and operating a treasury.

Additionally, 16 members (one from each of the districts represented by the IAFF) are appointed by the General President to serve as district event coordinators responsible for events and activities in their districts. Additionally, state/provincial coordinators have been appointed to assist the district event coordinators with support events and activities within their respective states or provinces.

IAFF MOTORCYCLE GROUP

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can we start a local or state chapter? Yes and No. In an attempt to further the goal of promoting fraternalism among IAFF-MG members in states and provinces within each district and to further support benevolent activities both internal and external, the IAFF-MG — working with our district/state coordinators — is now offering IAFF-MG State Chapters to established IAFF state/provincial associations. Contact the IAFF-MG National Coordinator for details and how to request State Chapter affiliation. The IAFF-MG is not currently establishing local chapters.

2. What is included in my dues? Post and foremost, the IAFF-MG must be self-sustaining, as the resolution passed at the IAFF-MG 2004 Convention was without per capita support. Your dues are used to support IAFF-MG events annually throughout the United States and Canada.

3. Can I join the IAFF-MG if I do not own a motorcycle? Yes you can join the IAFF-MG. You do not have to own a motorcycle to join the IAFF-MG.

4. Do I have to own a Harley Davidson to join the IAFF-MG? No. While the IAFF-MG Constitution and By-laws encourages members to buy and ride union-made motorcycles manufactured in the United States or Canada, it is not a requirement. You may join if you own and ride a motorcycle and wish to share and promote the IAFF and the IAFF-MG to others.

5. Does the IAFF-MG have associate membership? Yes, the IAFF-MG now offers associate membership to the immediate family members and the significant others of IAFF-MG members. Those seeking associate membership in the IAFF-MG must be sponsored by an IAFF-MG member. The dues for associate membership are $25.00 annually. IAFF-MG associate members are only authorized to wear the “center” portion of the IAFF-MG Colors.

6. Do I have to be an IAFF-MG member to buy the Colors or merchandise? Yes and no. It is a requirement to be an IAFF-MG member to purchase and wear the IAFF-MG Colors, but you do not have to be an IAFF-MG member to purchase IAFF-MG merchandise.

7. How do I order IAFF-MG colors and custom merchandise? You must order your IAFF-MG Colors through the IAFF’s Online Store at www.iaffmg.org. To order online, visit the IAFF-MG’s Online Store.

8. What should my IAFF-MG vest look like? Visit www.iaffmg.org. Click on the IAFF-MG Color tab located in the left side navigational bar or contact the IAFF-MG’s National Coordinator, Michael Crouse, at mcrouse@iaff.org.

9. What does “Charter Member” mean? This designation is for members who joined the IAFF-MG before December 31, 2006. These members can purchase and wear merchandise bearing this designation. It also appears on their IAFF-MG membership card. No additional Charter Members are being accepted.

10. How often must I pay dues? Dues are paid annually. You can pay your dues online or send a check with your dues application form. The IAFF-MG sends renewal notices electronically to all IAFF-MG members every November and posts notification on the IAFF-MG web site.

11. How are IAFF-MG events coordinated? According to the IAFF-MG Constitution and By-laws, the IAFF General President (also the President of the Motorcycle Group), with consult and advice of the IAFF District Vice President, will appoint a “District Event Coordinator” for each of the 16 IAFF Districts and one [1] State Coordinator from each state/province. It is also mandated by the Constitution and By-laws that each district hold a minimum of two events annually within their respective districts.

IAFF-MG MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

With submission of this application the member agrees to abide by the Constitution and By-laws of the IAFF Motorcycle Group.

NAME:

IAFF MEMBERSHIP NUMBER _______________________

[ ] ACTIVE [ ] ACTIVE/RETIR ED [ ] ALUMNI [ ] IAFF HQ STAFF

ADDRESS

LOCAL __________________________ DISTRICT __________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS __________________________________________________

SIGNATURE ____________________________________________________________

SUBMIT TO: IAFF-MG, 1750 New York Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20006-5395

Or visit www.iaffmg.org

Inaugural Ride, August 2005, Las Vegas, Nevada