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A Cop Story Jim Scott

It was 2009. Our friend Dave told us that his family had sponsored a memorial stone in his honor at the Veterans War Memorial in Milwaukee. He hinted that it would be nice to ride down there and see it. No problem. We set a date and off we went. There were a half dozen of us and it was a nice ride....until we got there.



We didn't consider the fact that the Circus Parade was being conducted that weekend and all of the parking places on and around the War Memorial were hiked up to \$15.00 a spot. That was our beer money! So off we went down the lake shore looking for a place to put 6 motorcycles...to no avail. I was leading and we pulled into the drive for the area yacht owners so we could discuss this dilemma....right next to the No Parking sins. It took about the time to light a smoke for a motorcycle cop to show up, wondering kind of seriously if we had a problem.

For some reason, he directed his inquiries to me. So I explained that we were trying to get our buddy here down to the War Memorial so he could see his name on a brick, but we couldn't find a place to park close enough for him to walk and if he had been smart enough to duck when he was in Nam, he wouldn't have been wounded in the first place and we wouldn't have this f'n problem. The cop looked at Dave and asked if that was true. He nodded...and took another drag.

The cop looked again at me and told me to get everyone mounted up and ride with him....telling me to ride tandem with him. On went the blue and reds and a couple of squawks from the siren and we were on our way back up to the Memorial. He took us to a spot marked as "Temporary No Parking" and said we should leave the bikes there. It was right above the Memorial. The he asked Dave if he could walk that far down to the Memorial. Dave said he could, but the cop said he should make the little ass hole (Being me) take him down there if it was a problem. We all made it. Looked and found Dave's brick, and a lot of other ones. Took some pictures and headed for the bikes...kind of quietly.

I don't know who he was and I don't know anything about him except this. He wore a badge and he didn't judge a band of brothers on a mission. He did his job. He helped. Somehow I think he knows what this meant to Dave. We will all remember.





Event creator and organizer, Phil Vincevineus, presents a symbolic check worth \$3000.00 to Saukville FD Chief Gilly Schultz, from the annual Summer Thunder Poker Run held in August. He is joined by members of the Run committee and representatives of the fire department. Nearly 200 participants helped raise funds that go to help provide fire and EMT protection to the Village, and surrounding area. The Run has grown over the years and has added a web site to provide information about the ride, stops and sponsors. The complete story of the Run and pictures will be in a future issue of the FRP.

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