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**Red Knights MN4 Announces 2026 Firefighters Fighting Cancer Benefit
Saturday, August 29, 2026 | Hamel VFW | Plymouth, Minnesota**

Red Knights MN Chapter 4 (MN4) will host its annual Firefighters Fighting Cancer Benefit on Saturday, August 29, 2026, at the Hamel VFW.

Since 2010, this firefighter-led fundraiser has provided critical financial support to Minnesota firefighters and their families battling cancer — a leading cause of fire service–related line-of-duty deaths. What began as a small gathering within the fire service has grown into a meaningful community event grounded in brotherhood, service, and direct impact.

Proceeds from the event support selected firefighter beneficiaries and their families, delivering meaningful financial assistance during one of life’s most difficult battles. Funds raised are directed toward beneficiary support and related charitable efforts of the Red Knights MN Chapter 4.

The day begins with registration, breakfast, and a morning social, followed by a motorcycle ride through the west metro. Participants return to the Hamel VFW for food trucks, refreshments, games, a silent as well as live auction, and live music.

The event is open to the public. Riders, families, businesses, and community members are encouraged to attend, sponsor, donate, or partner with MN4 to make a measurable difference.

Event Schedule

- 10:00 a.m. – Registration Opens
- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. – Breakfast and morning social
- 12:00 p.m. – Benefit ride departs
- 3:30 p.m. – Return for live music and post-ride activities

Fundraising efforts include silent as well as live auctions, sponsorship opportunities, and direct community contributions.

For event details, sponsorship opportunities, or donation information, visit:

<https://redknightsmn4.org/rkmn4-benefit-ride/> or contact Shawn Thorud at 763-458-7908 or president.rkmn4@gmail.com

About Red Knights MN Chapter 4

Red Knights MN Chapter 4 is the Minnesota metro chapter of the Red Knights International Firefighters Motorcycle Club, an international organization comprised of current and retired firefighters and fire service personnel. The chapter is committed to brotherhood, community service, and charitable support for firefighters and their families.