

# Spring Forward in Style: The Annual Club Social, 2016



A fun, relaxing, and just plain enjoyable time was had by the hundred (or so) folks who attended the club Social on Saturday, March 12, at the Cockeysville Volunteer Fire Company. Many people helped to make the evening a resounding success, to include Jane and John Cole, Cindy Wyatt, Russ Loy, Marty Zempel, Steve Zeldin, Bill Wiesand, Gene Young, Mary Ryan, and Renee Rees. This hard working volunteer team transported food, set up the entire room, organized and served dinner and drinks, and did whatever else was needed. Also, thanks to everyone who came early to help as needed.

The evening was a great mix of socializing and dinner. Included was a short program about bike legislation, key responsibility people explained their volunteer duties, and we also heard news of a racing event. It's always valuable to keep up with what's happening in the bike world and our club. A new feature this year, suggested by Cindy Wyatt that enhanced the vibe and energy of the evening, was a "free bike stuff" table. People were busily looking at, touching, and talking about bike items, there for the taking, including clothing and shoes—like a worn once pair of racing style women's bike shoes. They found a good home, as well as other assorted parts and equipment. "It's new to me" was the mantra as people perused and selected desired items. We hope to make this new feature a tradition for the Social.

Of course, a big hit, as always, was the delicious dinner enjoyed by everyone. We all were full and completely satisfied after chowing down on Pizza Connection's (Cockeysville) 5 different pizza choices—tomato/spinach, peppers/onions/and mushrooms, plain, and 2 meat offerings of sausage and of pepperoni. To round out the meal, a fresh garden salad from Eddie's (Charles Street), with homemade croutons and salad dressings, added that super fresh element we were looking for. Wine, beer, and sodas were served, and Graul's provided just the right amount of sweetness—with both carrot and chocolate cakes—to top off a great dinner.

We hope you were there this year, but if not, make sure to check the club website early in 2017 for notification of the event and how to register. We need to know the numbers to correctly order all that yummy food. Don't miss the next chance to shake off the winter "blahs" by sharing a fun evening with bike friends. Join us next year for all the festivities at the Annual Club Social.

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Event co-leaders