



BLUE KNIGHTS West Virginia II



November 2015 Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES:

The officers for our chapter for the next two years (2016-2017) are President – Ed Martin, Vice President – Greg Hoskins, Secretary/Treasurer – Marty McNulty, Directors – Rex Talkington, Bobby Ryan and Lou Stevens.

We are looking for some sponsors to help out with our 2016 Wild Wonderful Knights Weekend. If you know of a business that will help please let me know. It doesn't matter if its \$100 or \$1,000 it all helps. I have a letter if you need one. Need all you members to help out here. I'm doing my best.

The Christmas Party/Meeting is coming soon so please remember to RSVP on who will be attending, we need the names, ages, gender of all that will be there.

Rexann and I want to wish all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Ride With Pride

Ed & Rexann Martin

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VICE PRESIDENTS NOTES:

Our next meeting will be Friday evening, December 11, 2015, at 17:30 hours, at Village Square Conference, Clarksburg, WV. The Christmas Party will start after the meeting.

Now that is starting to get cooler (colder) I know that more of you will be putting your bikes away for the winter. If you would please keep in contact with other members and start now on planning a few small day rides that you have been dreaming of but have not done yet. Why not get them done in 2016. Maybe there are some of the other brother knights that would like to see the same sites.

The 2016 is creeping up on as fast. So I am now starting to remind you of the upcoming dues for 2016. They will once again only be \$25.00 and they are due before December 15, 2015. I ask all of you to please send them in early and if possible do your best to recruit another member. I am trying to get a 100% renewal from everyone for 2016, so please help me out.

If you need a poster or other information about the Blue Knights let us know and we will get it to you. You can put it up at work or another agency.

Catch the fever.

Ride With Pride

Richard & Bridget Swisher

SECRETARY'S/TREASURER'S NOTES:

Our next meeting will be Friday evening, December 11, 2015, at 17:30 hours, at Village Square Conference, Clarksburg, WV. The Christmas Party will start after the meeting.

We need all of our members to let others know when you go for a ride. We should be riding as much as possible.

All bills are paid and chapter doing well.

We will have a list of donations given out by the December meeting.

Ride Safe, Ride Smart and Ride with Pride. You are the faces of West Virginia II.

Marty McNulty, Secretary/Treasurer

ROLL CALL

Members at November meeting: Marty McNulty, Fred LePera, Randy Biggins, Eugene Botting, Robby Robinson, Ed Martin, Rexann Martin, Russ Swiger, Del Parris, Walter Knight, Greg Hoskins, John McCloud, Don Wikert, Marshall Parker, Bill Bradley and Bobby Ryan. Guest: Becky Ryan, Cherry Pie, Tsula Botting, Mack Knight and Brandi Knight

Chapter Safety Officer

Ride With Pride

Walter Knight

MDC Safety Officer

D.W. Conners

Blue Knights, West Virginia II

Mason Dixon Safety Officer

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Road Captains

You should take steps now in order to insure your motorcycle runs smoothly when spring arrives after you've stored it for the winter. Taking care of your bike before you store it is just as crucial as taking care of it the rest of the year. With just a few simple steps, you can winterize your bike so that your first ride in the spring can go smoothly.

Difficulty: Moderate

Instructions

- 1 Fill your gas tank up. Include a fuel stabilizer to prevent the gasoline from breaking down and causing damage to the fuel lines and various other areas of your bike.
 - 2 To prevent corrosion on the metal surfaces of your motorcycle, it's a good idea to change the oil, transmission fluid and your chaincase fluid. This helps keep everything properly lubed and clean.
 - 3 Keep your throttle and clutch cables lubed to help them stay in good working condition.
 - 4 Focus on the battery attention when you plan to store for the winter, since it gradually loses charge over time. Ideally, you'll want to leave your battery in the motorcycle and attach a battery tender to it. The battery tender is a smart [charger](#) that basically turns itself on and off as needed, to prevent overcharging. Take time to clean the posts on your battery now if they are corroded. Add grease to the threads of the bolts to keep them clean all season.
 - 5 Inflate your [tires](#) to their ideal level to decrease the risk of flat spots forming on your tires. Take the time to move the bike several times a month--parking on a different section of the tires each time also helps prevent flat spots. To prevent your tires from dry rot, keep them out of direct sunlight.
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- 6 Give your motorcycle a good scrub before putting it up for the winter. Don't leave any grease or bugs on the paint or chromed areas. There are products available that you can apply to the paint and metal areas to protect the finish.
 - 7 Store your motorcycle inside if at all possible. If it isn't possible to store the bike inside, [invest](#) in a good form-fitting, breathable cover.
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Rene Noe, Walter Knight, Rex Talkington, and John "Spot" McCloud

Chaplain's Corner

Del Parris
Chaplain, Blue Knights WVII

State Rep's Report

RIDE WITH PRIDE, RIDE SAFE,
MARSHALL PARKER
WEST VIRGINIA STATE REP/ MEMBER WV II

Committee Reports

Right now Brother Knight and I are still working on getting most of the things finalized for the 2016 WWK with Holiday Inn Express & Suites, and other vendors in Elkins. Things are looking good. Gandy Dancers is going to move their evening show on Saturday to a noon show and we are working on getting our own train car for the 4 hour train ride if we have 25 people going. There are a very limited number of rooms at the hotel so please reserve yours soon. As of November 12th, 2015 we only have 25 rooms left on our block. So please call and make your reservation before all the rooms are full.

Ed Martin, 2016 WWK Committee Chairman

From Membership

UP COMING EVENTS

Toy Run on Sunday, November 29th, 2015. Starts at South Harrison High School in Lost Creek, WV.

I believe it departs from High School at 1 PM. Bring a new toy of some kind. Route is from High School to Courthouse in Clarksburg. This has been going on for about 20 years.

2015 West Virginia II, Friday, December 11th, 2015, West Virginia II chapter Christmas meeting/party Village Square Conference Center, Clarksburg. Meeting at 5:30 PM and Party right after the meeting.

2016 Winter MDC Conference, Danville, VA, February 12 - 14, 2016. Theme is "Knights by the Dan 2" Hosted by VA XIII, Comfort Inn & Suites, 100 Tower Drive, Danville, VA, 434-793-2000. \$75.00 per night. (Make sure you tell them you are with the Blue Knights LEMC group). Contact Keith Johnson 434-429-2531, bkshriner@verizon.net. Event is \$75.00 per person.

2016 Spring MDC Conference, Lexington, KY, hosted by Kentucky II. May 27 - 30, 2016. Clarion Hotel, 5532 Athens Boonesboro Road, Lexington, KY. (rooms \$99.00 per night plus tax) 859-263-5241. (Make sure you tell them you are with the Blue Knights LEMC group). Contact Jeanette Gardner @ Jeanette.gardner@comcast.net Event is \$85.00 per person.

2016 Wild & Wonderful Knights, Hosted by West Virginia II. Holiday Inn Express & Suites. Elkins, WV. June 10, 11 & 12, 2016. FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS CALL: Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 50 Martin St, Elkins, WV, call 304-630-2266; TELL THEM YOU ARE WITH THE BLUE KNIGHTS, Rooms \$99.00 per night plus tax. Event registration is \$50.00 per person before April 1st, 2016, and \$75.00 after April 1st.

2016 International Convention, June 17-24, 2016. Hosted by PA V, Harrisburg, PA. Host Hotel: Sheraton Hotel & Resort, Harrisburg, PA, 4650 Lindle Rd, Harrisburg, PA. Telephone 717-564-5511. For more information:

<http://www.2016bkiconvention.com/index.html> or Dhooper@excellenceinc.com

2016 MDC Fall Conference, Culpeper, VA, September 2 - 5, 2016. Hosted by VA II, Best Western Culpeper Inn, Event includes breakfast buffet, (540) 825-1253; Blue Knights Virginia – II, P.O. Box 2264, Merrifield, VA 22116-2264. The 40th Annual Blue Ridge Rally, theme is “New Orleans”. Price is \$95.00 per person. Contact Keith Chase (Secretary) 703-893-1823.

Sick - Ill or in Distress: Brother Doug Baker, Brother Don Wikert’s sister in law passed away.

Drawing: Drawing at November 12, 2015 meeting was for \$25.00. Brother Kevin Renzelli name was drawn and he was not present so the January meeting drawing will worth \$30.00.

November Meeting Locations

Our next meeting will be Friday evening, December 11, 2015, at 17:30 hours, at Village Square Conference, Clarksburg, WV.

Our first meeting of 2016 will be Thursday evening, January 14, 2015, at 19:00 hours, at Parkette Family Restaurant, 2022 East Pike St, Clarksburg, WV.