



BLUE KNIGHTS West Virginia II



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PRESIDENT'S NOTES:

Membership renewals for 2026 are complete. We currently have 46 member's total. We have 41 regular members, 4 honorary and 1 special honorary.

I would like to thank the members that showed up with their significate other at the chapter luncheon on Monday, March 9th, 2026 at the FOP Restaurant. We had a total of 10 people show up. Wish more of you could have attended. If you want another luncheon, give me an idea of date and time.

Reminder that you should have made your room reservation for the 2026 Wild Wonderful Knights Weekend Rally by now. Also please send in your registration for as soon as you can. The price for weekend reservation is only \$100.00 per person.

The 2026 renewals for MDC were paid and Vice-President Jim Enoch has the membership cards and in trying to get them to each member.

Ride with Pride

Ed & Rexann Martin

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VICE PRESIDENTS' NOTES:

Our next meeting will be Thursday, April 9th, 2026 it will be at the 19:00 Hours (7 PM) at Blue Knights West Virginia 2 Clubhouse, 245 Emily Drive, Clarksburg, WV 26301. We will have pizza before the meeting.

Catch the fever.

Ride with Pride

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Jim Enoch

SECRETARY'S NOTES:

Greetings brother/sister Knights. As I watch the news and check out Facebook it really grinds my gears when people complain about our military being treated to steak and lobster. Apparently, they forget these people hold the line for us to keep our country safe. They put their life on the line not only in our country but others also. Same goes for our law enforcement. Personally, I don't think we can do too much for them. It's not a job for just anyone. They have loyalty and dedication to us as well as their brothers in arms.

On another note, don't forget our meeting next month on April 9th at 7 PM at the clubhouse. Come early and have some pizza.

Our next meeting will be April 9th, 2026 at 7 PM at the clubhouse on Emily Drive, Clarksburg, WV. Come early and have some pizza. Hope to see you then.

If you need me feel free to call or contact me anytime. If I don't know the answer I will contact someone to get the answer. Be safe out there.

Respectfully,
Lewis “Lou” Stevens
Blue Knights WVII Secretary
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TREASURER'S NOTES:

All bills are paid and chapter doing well.

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

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Marty McNulty

Chapter Safety Officer

A Motorcycle First Aid Kit has Special Needs

An ordinary first aid kit just won't cut it. The types of common injuries that motorcyclists may experience need a special balance of first aid supplies. It is important to know the purpose of and how to use every item in your [motorcycle first aid/trauma kit](#)– otherwise it's just taking up valuable space.

Injuries a motorcycle rider might incur:

- [Burns](#) – [sunburn](#) and heat burns from exhaust pipes and other hot motorcycle parts.
- [Eye injuries](#) – things flying or blowing into the eyes and Insect bites or stings.
- [Cuts](#), abrasions and scrapes – usually from hitting the road (literally).
- Fractures, bleeding, possible amputation
- Trauma to the head, neck, spine, chest and abdomen (Box of Life).
- **Here's a [Motorcycle First Aid Kit Checklist](#):**
- A good compact first aid book or cheat sheet (ASM PACT Card).
- Nitrile gloves – No less than 2 pair – more is better!
- Anti-microbial Hand Cleaner – Waterless is preferred with at least 60% alcohol.
- Sting Relief & Burn Gel.
- Band-Aids: A variety of shapes and sizes for small cuts and scrapes. Antibiotic ointment packets
- Steri-strips or Butterfly bandages, Adhesive Sutures- used to pull a small gaping [cut](#) or wound together.
- Minimum 4 large (4×4) Sterile Gauze Pads – For Hint: paper towels in a zip-lock baggie can be used for clean-up – save the sterile dressings for when you need them!
- Rescue Breathing
- Emergency Blanket – For retaining body heat that can be used as a reflector for rain and ground cover.
- Normal sterile saline with a squirt tip for irrigating – this doubles as an [eye wash](#) or [wound cleansing](#).
- Instant Cold Pack(s) – They are single use so if you have space, grab a couple for your kit. The larger size works better.
- [Burn](#) cream or gel (some have lidocaine for pain)- Aloe Vera aids in healing, pain relief, has anti-inflammation properties.
- Glow Stick(s) – High intensity emergency glow stick for directing traffic or signaling for help. Consider Green, Yellow & Red so they can be used for triage!
- Heavy Duty Zip-lock Bags – Uses: disposal of used and contaminated gauze, gloves and dressings.
- Other medication – Pack the travel size or sample packets: Anti-diarrhea tablets, Anti-acid, Antihistamine (like Benadryl or Claritin), pain relievers, Electrolytes.
- Triangular Bandage – For [slings](#), padding, strapping limbs to splints when [fractures](#) are suspected.
- Trauma shears – 7-inch Paramedic Shear – smaller one's just don't cut it! You will need to be able to cut through leather. You will not want to move a person to remove clothing – if there is [heavy bleeding](#) you will need to cut through the leathers & other clothing. Use caution as you are using the shears since they can cut through unintended items.
- 1 or 2 rolls of 2” or 3” roll gauze.
- Tweezers: Easy-to-grip handles for splinter removal and other first aid procedures.

Other things to consider when putting together a [Motorcycle First Aid Kit](#):

- Look for soft-sided waterproof zipper cases. Consider packing items in separate strong zip-lock bags. The reason is you will need to stuff all these items into a small bag -as mentioned above- it is very useful to use one bag for each 'type' of item such as gauze in one bag, medication in another and medical tools (scissors and tweezers) in another. Then when you pull out the items from the main bag, they do not all tumble out onto the ground. This will not instill confidence in the person you might be helping.
- Become familiar with what is in your kit and inspect the contents routinely. Make sure your kit is not buried in a saddle bag & preferably is on the non-traffic (right) side of the bike. Consider adding a reflective red cross to indicate where your supplies are located.

Because you may not have time to read a manual while trying to give first aid to an injured person or yourself, we recommend that you take an [Accident Scene Management \(ASM\) course](#) to learn what first aid challenges you may encounter and how to treat them. A 100 series ASM course teaches the basics of motorcycle trauma using the P.A.C.T. formula and ABCSS of Trauma to prioritize treatment. While this one-day course is geared toward the lay rescuer, it is great for the EMS worker as well. Helmet removal, moving the injured and jaw thrust rescue breathing are all part of this class that prepares you to respond to a trauma scene and apply basic first aid. For more information [about classes click here](#) and [Pre-packed Motorcycle First Aid Kits go to http://www.rgcompound.com/](http://www.rgcompound.com/)

Ride with Pride, Walter Knight

Road Captains

POTHOLE SAFETY TIPS

- **Keep an eye on traffic patterns.** A number of cars that slows down or move quickly to other lanes may be a sign of major potholes or road damage ahead.
- **Avoid the urge to swerve out of the way of a pothole at the last minute.** You may swerve into the path of an oncoming vehicle. Risking damage to your car is wiser than risking the loss of your life or that of another person.
- **If you hit a pothole and suspect damage, pull over as soon as it is safe.** If you notice damage, record details and specific damage—just as you would in the event of a collision with another motorist—in case you need to file an insurance claim.
- **In West Virginia you can file a claim with the DOT.** It may take up to 18 months to get your money but hopefully you will be reimbursed.
- Check in at least annually with your independent insurance agent to **ensure that you have the right coverage.**

Terry Queen, Walter Knight, Andy Kolb, and Zach Kesling

Chaplain's Corner

Del Parris, Chaplain
Blue Knights WVII

Quartermaster

The chapter shirts have arrived and you can contact me or one of the staff members to get you shirts. items are at the clubhouse. If you need something contact me or one of the staff at the clubhouse. We have a lot of items on sale, please purchase something today. Remember if there is an item that you think the chapter should purchase and have on sale, please bring it up at a meeting so we can vote on it. The new shirt you ordered should be in any day. Call the clubhouse at 304-566-7539 and see if yours has arrived.

Rene Noe
Quartermaster

Committee Report

The 31st Annual Wild Wonderful Knights Rally, June 12th, 13th, and 14th, 2026. Registration will be \$100.00. Host hotel will be Holiday Inn Express in Elkins; rooms will be \$130.00 plus taxes. You can make room reservations at any time.

The 2026 Christmas Party will be held at the Harrison County Parks and Recreation building near Clarksburg on December 11th, 2026. That is where we held the pasta dinner for Brother Menendez. We are working on a caterer now. Looking at four (4) different one at this time.

Joke for the Day*

“Young riders pick a destination and go... Old riders pick a direction and go.” – **Anonymous**

Last night I was walking home and decided to take a short cut past the cemetery... 3 girls walked up to me and explained that they were really scared to walk past the cemetery at night, so I agreed to let them walk along with me. I told them “I understand...I used to be freaked out too when I was alive...”
Never seen anyone run that fast!!!

From Membership

None

UP COMING EVENTS

2026 EVENTS

May

2026 Spring MDC in Rocky Mount, NC: May 1-3, 2026. Host hotel is the Country Inn & Suites by Radisson, 672 English Rd., Rocky Mount, NC 27804. Call 252-4231-3850. Room rate is \$139.00 per night plus tax, tell them Blue Knights Conference. Information on registration is not out yet.

June

2026 31st Wild & Wonderful Knights Weekend Rally: Hosted by West Virginia II. Host hotel is the Holiday Inn Express & Suites. Elkins, WV. June 12th – 14th, 2026. 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 GROUP, Rooms \$130.00 per night plus tax. Event registration is \$100.00 per person before May 25th, 2026, and \$125.00 after May 15th.

July

2026 West Virginia II Summer Picnic, will be Sunday, July 12th, 2026 at the Overlook Shelter, Veteran’s Memorial Park, 1500 S. Chestnut St, Clarksburg, WV Rt 98, Clarksburg, WV 26301. *Picnic starts at NOON until 3 PM.* Brothers Food is going to be catered. Shelter is close to the mini golf course and splash zone.

August

2026 Martland I Crab Feast: The dates will be August 7-9, 2026 and the host hotel will be the Holiday Inn in Greenbelt, MD. Crab Feast will August 8th, 2 PM to 6 PM at the Martin’s Crosswinds, 7400 Greenbelt Center Drive, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Hotel is the Holiday Inn Greenbelt, 7200 Hanover Drive Building 1, Greenbelt, ND 20770. Room rate is \$119.00 per night plus tax. Call 1-800-465-4329 tell them you are with Blue Knights Crab Feast. Contact persons, Byron Hope 202-904-4892 or mpdcleo124@aol.com.

September

2026 MDC Fall Conference/49th Annual Blue Ridge Rally; Culpeper, VA, Sept 4 to 7, 2026. Hosted by VA II, Baymont Hotel, Culpeper Inn, Event includes breakfast buffet, (540) 825-1253, Blue Knights Virginia – II, P.O. Box 2264, Merrifield, VA 22116-2264. Contact Dan Rivard 703-314-1012 or VA2@blueknights.org.

November

2026 Veterans Day Parade hosted by Clarksburg VFW Post 573. We need to be in place at 10:15 AM at the corner of West Main Street and 6th Street, Clarksburg (next to the Clarksburg Senior Center). Parade starts at **noon** on Wednesday, November 11, 2026.

2026 Harrison County Area Annual Toy Run; Sunday, November 29, 2026, bikers will meet at South Harrison High School parking lot at **noon** and kickstands up at 1:00 pm.

December

2026 West Virginia II, Saturday, December 11th, 2026, West Virginia II - chapter Christmas party will be at the Harrison County Parks and Recreation building, 43 Recreation Drive, Clarksburg, WV 26301. That is on U.S. Rt 19 across from Sunny Croft Country Club which is located at 1102 Good Hope Pike, Clarksburg. Social Hour 6 pm and Dinner about 7 pm.

Sick, Ill, or in Distress: Brother Wikert still on chemo. Brother Ryan recovering from foot surgery. Tammy McNulty still having problems from her accident, head injury and left eye not focusing correctly. Becky Green still having problems. Brother Enoch grandson going to have open heart surgery in March.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be March 12th, 2026 at the Blue Knights West Virginia II Clubhouse, 245 Emily Drive, Clarksburg, WV 26301.

Drawing: March drawing was \$15.00. Brother Kacinec's name was drawn, but he was not present. Must be present at the clubhouse to be eligible for the drawing. April drawing will be \$20.00.

Members in Attendance: Don Wikert, Mike Neely, Jim Enoch, Chuck Luzader, Ron Watson, Rexann Martin, Ed Martin, Linda Parker, John McCloud, Del Parris and Marty McNulty.

Guest: None

Facebook: Leslie Pruitt, Lewis Stevens, Debra Scott-Blair, Tammy Riffle McNulty, Larry Seagen, Larry Bailey, Pam Poisson, Mike Barnhart, and Zach Kesling.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be April 9th, 2026 at 7 PM at the Blue Knights West Virginia 2 Clubhouse, 245 Emily Drive, Clarksburg, WV.

ARE YOU A MEMBER YET?

Hey, just to let you know that if you are a Blue Knight member you can join the Justice Federal Credit Union for just \$5.00 and also get one of their credit cards.

It would be great to get as many chapter members as possible to join up.

