



October 2025 Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES:

It is with a heavy heart that I relay the following information about Brother William Fred LePera....

This from Greg his son....

To all Fred's friends, this is Greg, his son.

Yesterday, Wednesday Oct 8 at 12:42pm, Fred passed peacefully after a battle with congestive heart and liver failure. We miss him already. Thank you everyone for your love and prayers. It was Fred's wish to be a part of the human gift registry at WVU. We'll keep you posted on our plans for a future memorial service. Rest in peace, Fred.

It is with a deeply heavy heart that I relay the following information of our Brother and West Virginia State Representative Marshall Parker, who passed away on Thursday, October 16, 2025 in Florida.

When I get the rest of the information on the services, I will pass it on. It will most likely be October 26 and 27, 2025 but we will know more around Tuesday, October 21, 2025.

Please pray for Linda and the rest of the family.

Rest in Peace Brother Marshall Parker.

We had a pasta dinner fundraiser for Brother Jerry Menendez to help with his medical expenses. It was held at the Harrison County Parks and Recreation building on Rt 19 North of Clarksburg. We sold 150 dinners and with donations and all, we presented Brother Jerry Menendez a check of over \$3,100.00. Jerry is still recovering from his injuries so please keep him in your prayers.

Election for chapter officers will be at the November meeting. There are no proxy votes. You must be present at the meeting to vote.

<u>2026 - 2027 Election</u>		
President	Martin, Ed	
Vice President	Enoch, James	
	Kesling, Zach	
Secretary	Stevens, Lewis	

Treasurer	McNulty, Martin E.	
Director	Queen, Terry	
Director	Tyler, Ethel	
Director	Kolb, Andrew James	
Director	Bradley, William	

Report on the 2026 Wild Wonderful Knights Weekend Rally. The 31st WWK we will be charging the standard rate of about \$100.00 per person and that should cover everything. Room rates are \$130.00 per night plus taxes. Requesting our road captains to work on at least 3 different rides for Saturday to lead the others to travel for the day.

Ride with Pride

Ed & Rexann Martin

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VICE PRESIDENTS' NOTES:

Our next meeting will be Thursday, November 13, 2025 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. This will also be the meeting for voting of officers for the next term.

It is now time for you to send in your 2018 membership dues. The international has increased the membership dues to \$30.00 a year now, so please send in your due now. Send them to Blue Knights West Virginia II, P.O. Box 174, Anmoore, WV 26323-0174.

Also, I would encourage you to talk to someone that would be a great addition to our BK WV II membership that meet the requirements and plant a seed with them about becoming a BLUE KNIGHT. 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

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Jim Enoch

SECRETARY'S NOTES:

Greetings brother Knights. Please be careful out there on your bikes. We had two brothers who went down. Thank God they survived but suffered some injuries. Also please remember our Brother Fred LePera and his transfer to Heaven I. Brother LePera we will miss you.

Our next meeting will be November 13th, 2025 at 7 PM at the clubhouse on Emily Drive. This will also be the meeting for voting of officers for the next term. The only offices that have challenge is for Vice-President and Director. Brother Martin will have that information somewhere in this newsletter. Hope to see you there. 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

 Motorcycle Wind Chill Chart 															
Riding Speed (mph)	Air Temperature (degrees F)														
	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
5	27	32	37	43	48	53	58	64	69	74	79	85	90	95	100
10	16	22	28	34	40	47	53	59	65	71	77	84	90	96	102
15	9	15	22	29	36	42	49	56	63	69	76	83	90	96	103
20	4	11	18	25	32	39	47	54	61	68	75	82	89	97	104
25	0	8	15	22	30	37	45	52	60	67	74	82	89	97	104
30	-3	5	13	20	28	36	43	51	59	66	74	82	89	97	105
35	-5	3	11	19	27	35	42	50	58	66	74	81	89	97	105
40	-6	2	10	18	26	34	42	50	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
45	-7	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
50	-7	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
55	-8	0	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
60	-8	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
65	-9	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105


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Just wanting to let the ones that still ride in the later part of the year know the temperatures out there. Dress warm for the ride.

**Ride with Pride,
Walter Knight
Chapter Safety Officer**

Road Captains Doggone It! How to handle charging animals

By: Cash Anthony

When it comes to handling dog problems on a bike, here's a couple of ideas:

If you have a dog problem that's chronic (a neighbor who routinely fails to fence or leash his critter), you may have to deal with the same dog repeatedly. You may find it handy in such a case to keep a can of black pepper on the bike. Let him come close (not within contact, though!) and get a co-rider to sprinkle it liberally in his face while you drive at slow speed.

You could also try the pepper spray stuff that is sold for personal protection. It may do the same thing, maybe even be better -- but you have to be pretty close to hit the dog with it in the face. There may be some long-term effects on the dog (besides to discourage him from chasing bikes!), such as damaging his eyes; however, this doesn't seem to be a problem for human beings who are pepper-sprayed.

Dog lovers may not like these ideas, but if you ride, you need some strong self-protective instincts, too. While it may infuriate you to see someone treat a dog badly, a big dog can be serious road hazard for a motorcyclist if the owner is stupid enough to let the animal run loose near a road.

The preferred method with the occasional dog adventure is to change speed so that the dog is confused. If it is trying to chase you on the bike, vary your speed so that the dog can't tell where you're going to be next. Slow down so that it overshoots your front wheel, then speed up so it can't catch you. In short order, the dog will probably give up.

The one thing you want to avoid is kicking at the dog. You can seriously destabilize yourself on the bike by doing this -- and if you kick out and he bites and grabs hold of your leg as you're moving, you are very likely to go down (besides having teeth marks in your boot!). If a vicious dog approaches you on your bike while you're stopped and unable to drive away, you'll be doubly glad to be wearing good boots and leather chaps.

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Rene Noe, Terry Queen, Walter Knight, Andy Kolb, and John “Spot” McCloud

Chaplain's Corner

**Del Parris, Chaplain
Blue Knights WVII**

Quartermaster

Chapter 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.

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.

Joke for the Day

A salesman dropped in to see a business customer. Not a soul was in the office except a big dog emptying wastebaskets. The salesman stared at the animal, wondering if his imagination could be playing tricks on him. The dog looked up and said, "Don't be surprised. This is just part of my job."

"Incredible!" exclaimed the man. "I can't believe it!"

Does your boss know what a prize he has in you? An animal that can talk!"

"No, no," pleaded the dog. "Please don't! If that man finds out I can talk, he'll make me answer the phone as well!"

From Membership

Just a heads up right now. I am working on a pasta dinner fundraiser for Brother Menendez.

It will be on Saturday, October 11th, 2025 from 11 am to 3 pm or whenever we run out of pasta. It 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 County Club which is located at 1102 Good Hope Pike, Clarksburg.

I have several things already donated. We have pasta, tomato paste, tomato sauce, lettuce, and hamburger.

We will still need plastic wear, plates, tomatoes, onions, soft drinks, water, to go containers, salt/pepper, butter, table clothes, and desserts. If you know someone or place that would donate, please get the stuff and get it to me. I figure we need enough for at least 200 people.

Please remember we need volunteers to help setup, serve, cleanup and close the place down.

I have a cook and his help to prepare the meal.

UP COMING EVENTS

2025 EVENTS

October

2025 Tri-State Conference Fall Weekend: October 10-13, 2025. Holiday Inn Lansdale-Hatfield, 1750 Sumneytown Pike, Kulpsville, PA 19443. Rooms \$144 plus taxes. Call 215-368-3800. Registration is \$130.00 per person.

Contact Bud Dinnell 484-213-0699 or Pam McClaren 610-637-5881

2nd Annual Keith Johnson Memorial Toy Run: October 11, 2025 at Gibson Cycles located at 4788 Mount Cross Rd, Danville, VA. Registration at 9 AM, Ride departs at 11 AM. Registration fee is \$25.00.

The Annual Knights of the Roundtable (K.O.R.T.): October 9-12, 2025. Massanutten Resort, 1822 Resort Drive, Massanutten, VA 22840. Green Knights, Red Knights and Blue Knights all coming together.

November

2025 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 Tuesday, November 11, 2025.

2025 Harrison County Area Annual Toy Run; Sunday, November 30, 2025, bikers will meet at South Harrison High School parking lot at **noon** and kickstands up at 1:00 pm.

Sick, Ill, or in Distress: Brother Stevens' S/O Becky Green is back in Mon General for heart cath. Brother Wikert just started his chemo. Brother Kolb is doing better from car accident and his dad is home and able to walk with a cane. Brother McNulty's wife, Tammy, still seeing doctors to find out what they can do for her. Tina Benda a volunteer for our chapter for many years fell and broke her wrist in 3 places. Former member Tim Smith just received a second opinion on his cancer and they advised there is nothing they can do to help him. Former member Bil McGahan is back to work after his operation to remove his cancer. Please keep all of them in your prayers.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be November 13th, 2025 at the Blue Knights West Virginia II Clubhouse, 245 Emily Drive, Clarksburg, WV 26301.

Drawing: October drawing was \$10.00. Bobby Ryans name was drawn but he was not present. Must be present at the clubhouse to be eligible for the drawing. November drawing will be \$15.00.

Members in Attendance: Bill Bradley, Ronnie Watson Jr, Ron Watson, Ed Martin, Rexann Martin, Jim Enoch, Chuck Luzader, Lewis Stevens, Ethel Tyler, Walter Knight, and Andy Kolb.

Guest: Brandi Knight

Facebook: Cal Ennals, Larry Bailey, Tom Hayden, Debra Scott Blair, Russ Harper, Ethan Kesling, Bob Rhodes, Frank Fallaw, Zach Kesling, and Marty McNulty.

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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.

