



Blue Knights WI VI

April 2014 Chapter Newsletter

PLEDGE: As a Blue Knight, I pledge to act with honor and pride to promote motorcycling and motorcycle safety by being an example of the safe use, operation and enjoyment of motorcycles. I will work at all times to improve the relationship between the motorcycling law enforcement community and the general public. The fraternal spirit will always guide me in relating to other Blue Knights.

CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.bkwivi.com



The 2014 April meeting was held on April 15th, 2014 at Alioto's Restaurant.

President Jim Kindt (Tiny) called the meeting to order at 7:01pm with a total of 28 members present. President Kindt led the chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence for our brothers who are in need.

President Kindt welcomed our two new members, Mark Zaremba and Michael Hersh and presented them with their welcoming information, patches and certificate!!

A motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting (March 18th 2014) was made by Dennis Hafeman and seconded by Chuck Homa. The motion passed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Treasurer Brian Bortmess read the financial report to the membership (report will not be published in this forum.) A motion to accept the report was made by Tom Listinsky and seconded by Al Schoessow. The motion passed.

QUARTERMASTERS REPORT: Jim Bagurdes stated the shirts are here!! See him after the meeting for distribution!

OLD BUSINESS:

BADGES: Brian informed us that the first order should be in by Monday. He has picked up some badge holders to have sewn onto your vests; he will sell one to you for \$1.00. Larks will sew it on your vest for \$5.00.

If you are interested in placing an order for a badge see Brian after the meeting.

BREWERS FUNDRAISER: Paul Serdynski stated there are 17 people signed up and

paid for so far. We need to start promoting this!!

FACEBOOK: The Facebook page is up and running. It is by invitation only. Let's keep it to our members and their spouses to start with and see how this goes.

STATE CONVENTION: Al Schoessow reminded us that the cost will go up soon (May 1st) so get your registration in. He also said that there is a large indoor area to store your motorcycles if there is rain. If you have any questions contact Mike Matoushek at e-mail mmatoushek@att.net.

RIDES: Welcome back Bob!

With all the road destruction in and around our usual meeting location, Bob Barr suggests we pick a location to meet that is on the side of the county toward our destination. As the weather gets better and rides are planned, meeting locations will be announced.

OLD BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

GLRC & INTERNATIONAL UPDATES:

Dennis reports the following from the April 2nd board meeting: (highlights)

-change in the membership status due to police departments closing. Sent back for a re-write.

-colors, three piece colors are illegal overseas. Members can wear the center Blue Knights emblem if they are not permitted to wear the 3 piece patch.

-9 proposals regarding status of what a membership is – sent back for a re-write.

-proposal from the west coast made to kick out correction officers with arrest powers. Withdrawn prior to the meeting.

-2 proposals regarding displaced members (members losing their jobs due to departments closing) were withdrawn because they are rewording the earlier motion.

-2016 International Convention, Harriburg PA is bidding and would like to have the dates changed to June – passed.

NEW BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

If you are a hunter and have a Purple Heart, you can now get a conservation patron hunting license. Covers everything but wolf and bear at a cost of \$10.00.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Milwaukee Law Enforcement Memorial is Wednesday May 7, 2014. As in the past we hope to have a nice contingent of Blue Knights in attendance, once again Jim Crouse has been kind enough to arrange parking outside the Police Administration Building on the ramp. We usually leave from the parking lot of the Ramada Inn on 7 & Michigan at 11:30am for the short ride to the PAB.

-State Convention June 20-22, Waupun Community Center (WI XII)

-International convention June 22-27, Waidring, Austria

-Summer GLRC, Galesburg ILL, Aug 15-17

-Dodge county police memorial, May 9th meet the Dodge county Blue Knights and several other Blue Knights from different chapters at the BP in Columbus just off 151 and 60/16 at 9:30am and leave from there. We will head to a park across the Lake from the Capital, where we stage with the Squad/Officer motorcycle procession for a while. There is coffee, doughnuts, and restroom use at the park. Shortly before

the Squad/Motorcycle Officer procession starts, we head over to the Capital and get to park across the street from the Memorial, then walk over and attend the Memorial.

-if you want to be daring, and go on a poker run May 17th, there is the 4th annual club house run (put on by 1%ers) All proceeds go to Abate.

President Kindt reminds us that it is against our rules to associate with an Out Law group. If you wear your colors to one of their events, you will be kicked out of the club.

GOOD OF THE ORDER FROM THE FLOOR: None.

Motion to close was made by Mark Zarembo at 0729pm and seconded by Carl Karwacki. Motion passed.

Fraternally,
Sandy (LTS) 105

50/50 WINNER!!

Steve Schultz

\$62 to house \$63 to winner!!

**NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY MAY
20TH 2014, 7:00PM ALIOTO'S.
SOCIAL HOUR STARTS AT 6:00PM**

RIDES/EVENTS: Nothing to report.



**Happy
Easter**

**Check the International and
conference web sites for further
information and registration forms.**



ROLL CALL

Chuck Homa
 Steve Schultz
 Danny O'Toole
 Sandy Santoro
 Dennis Hafeman
 Jim Kindt
 Al Schoessow
 Gary Davey
 Mary Davey
 Carl Karwacki
 Jim Ortiz
 Paul Serdynski
 Mike Hersh
 Charlene Rambodt-Hersh
 Jim Bagurdes
 Mike Stroessner
 Steve Bzdusek
 Jared Listinsky
 Tom Listinsky
 Jim Crouse
 Herman Kremkau
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BIRTHDAY WISHES

Peggy Paddock, April 3

Carl Karwacki, April 7

Michael Powell, April 18

Michael Zivicki, April 27

**THE RIDING SEASON IS
 HERE!! (weather permitting)**



Brunch rides are the 2nd Sunday (10am)

Dinner rides are the 4th Wednesday (6pm)

Rides run March through November

(Ride dates may vary)

Meeting location: **changes per ride, due to construction**

UPCOMING EVENTS 2013

- Law Enforcement Memorial May 7
Police Administration Building, Downtown Milw
- Dodge County Police Memorial May 9
- WKSJ K-9 ride and fundraiser June 8 & 9
See attached flyers
- 2014 MWRC Iowa I June 13-15
Davenport, Iowa (www.blueknightsmwrc.com)
- 2014 State Convention June 20-22
Waupun Community Center (510 E Spring St)
- 2014 International June 22 – 27
Waidring Austria [HTTP://BK-Convention2014.eu/](http://BK-Convention2014.eu/)
- 2014 European Tour June 21-July 6
Escorted by Pat Fox, contact Pfox1@nycap.rr.com
- Brewer Fundraiser BK WI VI July 13
Contact Paul Serdyski Brewers vs St. Louis
- 2014 Summer GLRC August 15-17
Galesburg, ILL XXXVI
- Blue Knights 40th Anniversary Cruise, (7 days)
Hosted by Florida XVIII August 24, 2014
www.blueknightsflxviii.com
- 2014 TSC Oct 10-13
New York IV www.blueknightsny4.org
- 2015 Spring GLRC dates to be announced
Canton, OH

Saturday May 17th: Please consider joining Hals Harley Davidson in New Berlin for registration and free pancake breakfast between 0900 and 1100. Ride departs at 1100. This is a police escorted ride to the Harley Davidson Museum where we will have a wreath laying ceremony, speakers and military displays by all armed forces. This is a ride to support our men and women in uniform and the sacrifices they make for our freedoms.