January 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 January meeting was held on January 21st, 2014 at Alioto's Restaurant.

President Jim Kindt (Tiny) called the meeting to order at 7:03pm with a total of 27 members and guests present. Guest and potential new member. Mike Hersh and his wife Charlene Rambedt-Hersh were introduced bv Chuck Homa. President Kindt led the chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence for our brothers who are in need.

A motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting (December 17th, 2013) was made by Chuck Homa and seconded by Danny O'Toole. 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membership (report will not be published in this forum.)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 Steve Schultz. The motion passed.

QUARTERMASTERS REPORT: No report to report as Quartermaster Jim Bagurdes was not in available.

OLD BUSINESS:

BADGES: Brian stated he will be placing the first official order tomorrow (Jan 22, 2014) see him after the meeting if you want to get one ordered!!

PACKER/BEAR CHRISTMAS PARTY:

President Kindt reported there was a good turnout and great time had by all for the Christmas party/crying towel event.

A big thank you to Carl Karwacki for wearing the jersey and to all who pitched in and helped.....an extra special thank you to the Bagurges' who provided us with a wonderful venue!

Tiny summed it up well by saying, "for \$109.16, it was a great party!!"



FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:

Committee chairman Paul Serdynski gave his report on the committees fundraising ideas. (All members should have received a copy of their ideas via e-mail prior to the January meeting.) Paul thanked those who responded with ideas and comments then made the following suggestions:

- 1) DONATIONS-cash donations by each member.
- 2) MOTORCYCLE RALLY EVENT-ie. Poker run
- 3) BREWER FUNDRAISER
- 4) DANCE
- 5) GUN RAFFLE
- 6) BOOZE RAFFLE

Paul went over the plus and minuses of each of the suggestion. Questions and answers were taken. After a lengthy discussion on each idea, it was decided we would do a Brewer game fundraiser.

This is a fun time for all attending with not a lot of "leg work" required by the members. How this works is.....we purchase 42 tickets in the Harley Deck at a discounted rate (\$77 per ticket) and sell them at a higher price \$100 per ticket (short version). Ticket price will include,

parking in the motorcycle area, (including tailgating) a buffet and 2 beers.

The game date of July 13th (St. Louis vs Milwaukee) was picked for the fundraiser. Paul offered to be the one to keep track of the ticket sales. Dennis, Tiny, and Danny O'Toole all offered to help.

Dennis will be making a flyer with all the particulars including Paul's address as the location to send your \$\$\$. Please contact Paul Serdynski (see roster) by the February meeting to reserve your spot.

-Paul also stated we can do more than one fundraiser. Several members expressed interested in doing the gun raffle and poker run. Paul encouraged you to take the ball and run with it!!

Thank you Paul and committee members, GREAT JOB!!!

2nd CHARITABLE FUND COMMITTEE:

Steve Lesniewski was unable to attend the meeting due to a last minute hitch at work but sent the following information:

The committee discussed and agreed on the following three charities for donations from the WIBKVI secondary charity fund. It will be split equally among the following:

Wounded Warrior Project, Riding for a Cure (local Breast Cancer Ride) and the Lake Area Shop with Cops (run out of Oconomowoc Police Department). I will get contact addresses for all of the charities and get that to you, Brian, or whomever they need to go to for the be mailed. checks to I apologize for not making the meeting, especially since I volunteered to chair the committee.

Respectfully, Steve Lesniewski We want to thank the secondary charity committee for their work.

OLD BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

GLRC & INTERNATIONAL UPDATES: NONE

If you plan on going to the Spring GLRC in Erie PA get your reservations in soon.....rooms are almost gone. There are sign-up sheets on the table.

Tiny stated he has room for 4-5 people in his vehicle if you want to hitch a ride.

BADGER HONOR FLIGHT:

President Kindt read a letter the chapter received from the Badger Honor Flight. Secretary Santoro wanted this brought up to the members to see if anyone would be interested in making a personal donation to this organization since the secondary charitable committee has already made their choices. A lengthy discussion regarding the club just making a donation out of the chapter funds, and or the 50/50 monies took place.

President Kindt went over the rules and reasons why we set up the second charitable fund.

Chuck Homa made a motion to donate \$250.00 to the Badger Honor Flight and repay it with the 50/50 proceeds. The motion was seconded by Dennis Hafemen. All members present were in favor of this. Bob Barr asked why we don't put the proceeds from the 50/50 into a fund that can be distributed as the chapter sees fit instead of the chapter treasury.

President Kindt stated he thought that was a good idea but would like to give the members a chance to contact him for the current copy of our fundraising rules for an opportunity to review them and become familiar with them prior to the

February meeting. This way you can make an informed decision as how to handle the 50/50 monies. He (President Kindt) would then entertain any ideas or motions.

Vice President Hafeman asked Bob Barr for clarification on if he wanted the 50/50 monies put into a discretionary fund or the charitable fund? Treasurer Bortmess went over the dollar limits of the Assist an Officer fund and the Secondary Charitable Fund and explained how it is funded. President Kindt also gave a brief explanation on how the different charities came about and how they are funded; we will revisit this issue at the next meeting if further discussion is warranted after reviewing the charity rules and by-laws.

NEW BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- -State Convention 6-20 to 6-22, Waupun Community Center (WI XII)
- -Spring GLRC will be held in Erie PA.

March 14-16. Should be a great time!

- -Summer GLRC, Galesburg ILL, Aug 15-17.
- -Thank you from Evie Pieper.
- -Thank you and Christmas card from Lake County Shop with Cops.
- -MWRC June 13-16. Davenport, Iowa.

GOOD OF THE ORDER FROM THE FLOOR: None.

Motion to close was made by Carl Karwacki at 0813pm and second by Tom Listinsky. Motion passed. Fraternally,

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ROLL CALL

Chuck Homa Bob Barr Steve Schultz Danny O'Toole Scott Wysocki **Brian Bortmess** Joanne Cook Sandy Santoro **Dennis Hafeman** Jim Kindt Al Schoessow **Gary Davey** Mary Davey Carl Karwacki Pete Simet Jim Ortiz Mark Zaremba Tom Listinsky Jared Listinsky Kenn Ziebell Paul Serdynski Mike Hersh Charlene Rambodt-Hersh **Ted Engelbart** Pat Engelbart Mark Koch **Christine Koch**



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BIRTHDAY WISHES

Doni Kubicek, Jan 15

Ellen Wysocki, Jan 15

Danny O'Toole, Jan 17

Laura Duff, Jan 17

Nancy Mihalovits, Jan 21

Tina McPeek, Jan 30



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

-2014 Spring GLRC March 14-16 Erie, PA (PA XVIII)

-2014 Pigs in the Smokies May 23-25 Hosted by Tennessee III (www.blueknightstn3.com)

-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) More detail to come soon

-2014 International June 22 – 27 Waidring Austria 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 Serdynski 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

Congratulations Steve Bzdusek on your successful RETIREMENT!!

50/50 WINNER!! \$56 to house \$56 to winner!! Al Schoessow

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY FEBURARY 18TH, 2014, 7:00PM, ALIOTO'S. SOCIAL HOUR STARTS AT 6:00PM

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

