



THE SRC HERALD

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The Chairman: Jim Trachta

As your new SRC Chairman I would like to take this opportunity to say Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all Blue Knights and their families.

Already during this short time as your chairman I have had the opportunity to visit with many Chapters. It has been rewarding for me to meet new brothers and visit old friends. Things are starting to happen in the SRC. We have already appointed two new State Reps and our new SRC Chaplain. I do see more new appointments in the future.

It is my hope that all chapters share in the camaraderie in their chapter and their neighboring chapters. This is part of my focus with the SRC UPDATE. The SRC UPDATE although sent to the Presidents is meant to be share with all members. The information in the UPDATE opens up the door to all members wishing to visit and participate in other chapter events.

The Presidents of the Chapter are the Culture Builders. Their passion and enthusiasm will set the tone for how the chapter will run and be successful. As new Presidents and Boards take over I would ask the Past President and Board to embrace the new incoming and help guide them and support them. In turn I would ask the newly elected to accept guidance and help from those who have had some experience in the position. With new Leadership comes new ideas. All ideas new and old are for the good of the Chapter and should be viewed as successes. There are no better or worse ideas, just different ideas and approaches.

In closing as the cooler weather approaches it is always a good idea to check the pressure in your tires often. As always I thank you for your help and support, together we will make the SRC Second to None !!

Be Safe and RWP,

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Vice-Chairman : Mike Shockley

Greetings fellow Blue Knights of the SRC,

It was a pleasure seeing many friends and colleagues at the recent SRC in Pine Mountain. My sincere thanks go out to GA XVIII President Bobby Conway and the entire GA XVIII Chapter for hosting a great event. Also, I wish to thank all the Presidents and Chapter representatives that attended the business meeting and voted and thank you to the outgoing Chairman and Vice-Chairman for your service. I am looking forward to serving for the next two years as SRC Vice-Chairman and hearing all member's thoughts and suggestions as to how we can improve and make the SRC the greatest conference in the organization. Please continue to support us as we endeavor to make improvements and start new initiatives. One such improvement will be a revamping and updating of the SRC Website and honing our communications abilities.

The annual dues renewal process is upon us. The electronic renewal system is in its second year and should be less intimidating now that initial implementation is behind us. Obviously, it is good to focus on recruitment of new members, however, it's very important to retain the members and Chapters we currently have. We should work diligently to ensure no Chapters fold this year or in coming years. Remember, it is possible for Chapters to request a waiver of the 10-member requirement. If you are having difficulties with the renewal process or need to request a waiver please contact your State Rep, the International Rep or one of us on the Executive Board for help. Communication is critical in this process.

Please help ensure your Chapter and others do not become inactive. Riding and attending Blue Knights events is a primary way to ensure the organization stays strong and grows. Also, include family, and network with neighboring Chapters. Hosting and participating in multi-Chapter rides and events enhances your opportunities to socialize and enjoy the Blue Knights experience. There will be many upcoming Blue Knights events to choose from, including the Spring 2020 SRC in Kenner, LA (New Orleans) in March hosted by LA II, and the Fall 2020 SRC in Helen, GA in September hosted by GA XI. Ride calendars get full quickly, so please get your ride flyers and event notifications out early.

I wish everyone a happy holiday season, ride safe and ride with pride!

Mike Shockley

SRC Vice-Chairman

President, GA XI





From The SRC Secretary: Justin Hartley

Hope everyone was able to enjoy the extend riding season we go this year. I was able to follow several chapters on Facebook and it seems the brotherhood is going strong. I'm did a quick Herald just so the new board has a chance to let you all now we're still here and allow Jim Trachta and Mike Shockley introduce themselves to anyone who may know.

The newly elected SRC Board has had a chance to talk to each other and we are working on ways to make things easier and more streamlined. I know most chapters and members could care less about politics and other nonsense, hopefully we will keep that to a minimum. I would like to ask each chapter to send someone to the next few SRCs. Besides the president's meeting there are rides, meals and fellowship to be had.

I am going to try to produce 3 Heralds out a year. This is where the results of your rides can be shared. Jim Trachta makes an SRC update witch is good for posting upcoming rides, he puts his out almost weekly. If you send me a ride flier, I will put it in the herald, just know that the herald my not be out before your ride has come and gone. I plan on sending out Heralds on Jan 30th, May 30th and Sept. 30th. This means I will need any articles submitted to my by the 15ht of those months so I have time to put everything together. Again, send me your ride photos, party photos or anything else you think would make a good read. Send me a page or less of telling us what went on and a few photos.

Enjoy the cold months,

Justin Hartley,
SRC Secretary





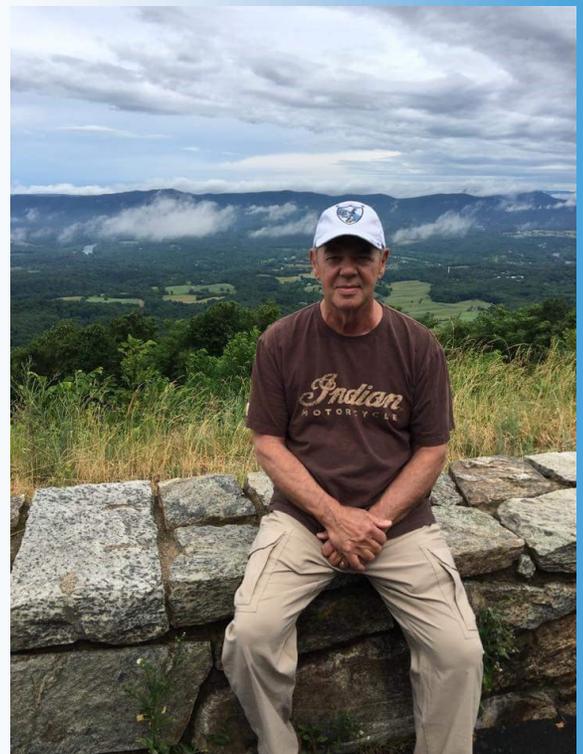
From International Rep: Bob Awtrey

We had a great SRC in Pine Mountain and GA XVIII thanks all who came back. It is a beautiful area, so visit us when you can and let us know, so that we can ride with you. Good things are happening in the SRC. Membership is growing, Chapters are participating with other Chapters on rides and events and that makes for lots of Brotherhood and fun.

We welcome Mike Shockley to our BOD as the Vice Chairman and Jim Trachta as the Chairman. We are looking forward to working with them to grow and get lots of member participation in the SRC. Be on the lookout for some great trips soon. With Mike and Jim stepping up to do conference work, we welcome Randy Houglund (GA XVI) and Bobby Durden (GA VIII) as the new north and south Georgia Reps. They are both great guys and will work hard to maintain our information flow to the Chapters and will assist in any way they can.

Lastly, it is extremely important that each Chapter President make sure that their email address is correct on this year's renewals. Next spring, we will use that email address to vote for the BOG candidates. This will mark the first time that we have had an International Election totally by electronic means (email). As the Chairman of the Election Procedures Committee, I encourage all Presidents to vote in this historic election.

Ride With Pride
Bob Awtrey, SRC Int. Rep. Chairman,
BKI Election Procedures Committee





From FL XVIII

A trip to the home of Officer Stephen Grogan to deliver funds that were donated by our chapter FL XXVI, Blue Knight members, chapters, and our S.R.C. during our fall conference. Once again our Brothers and Sisters stepped up to financially assist this family, and Officer Grogan, who is battling Glioblastoma brain cancer. Stephen is the son of our former Vice President. Stay strong Stephen we are praying for you.

 **Stephen Grogan is with Stephen John Grogan and 2 others.** ...
Yesterday at 6:58 PM · 

Nice visit from some of my LEO fraternal brothers, Blue Knights FL XXVI. They have supported Stephen and Christina since Stephen was diagnosed with Glioblastoma Multiform 4, brain cancer. They have whole heartedly supported, them both spiritually and financially. There support has been unwavering. From our family to yours, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. You have helped us so many ways. God bless you all.



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The image shows a Facebook post. At the top is a profile picture of Stephen Grogan and a post title "Stephen Grogan is with Stephen John Grogan and 2 others." followed by the time "Yesterday at 6:58 PM" and a group icon. The main text of the post is a thank-you message from Stephen Grogan to Blue Knights FL XXVI members for their support. Below the text is a group photograph of about ten people, including several men in Blue Knights motorcycle gear and a woman in a grey t-shirt. One man in the front row is holding a black t-shirt with the Blue Knights logo. At the bottom of the post is a "Make Profile Picture" button and social media interaction buttons for "Like", "Comment", and "Share".