

<u>April 2014</u>

Chairman's Report

The spring weather is finally here and the RGC Chapters are busy riding. Need to get those bikes serviced and ready to ride. Several Chapters are getting their events ready for the charities they support.

A few of these events are:

April 5 TX I's Fun Run supporting C.O.P.S.,

April 5 TX 35's Iron Butt run supporting the Scholarship Fund for TX 35 Heaven One member Jamie Pardon.

April 6 TX 11's Police Memorial Run supporting McLennan County 100 Club.

April 19 TX 35's 4 Annual Blue Line Ride supporting the Jamie Pardon Scholarship fund and the Boys and Girls Club of San Angelo.

April 28 TX 21's 4th Annual Golf Scramble supporting the Ellis County Children's Advocacy Center. Fish Fry, Chuck Wagon Cobbler, \$20,000 Hole In One and other prizes.

I know there are other Chapters doing things. Let me, the RGC Web Master, Robert Hilliard <u>robert@hilliard.ws</u> or the RGC Editor, Shawn Fullagar <u>sfullagar@ci.dublin.tx.us</u> know what your Chapter is doing so we can get the information out to the other Chapters.

The 2014 RGC convention is June 12 - 14 in South Padre Island. The host hotel and the overflow hotel are full. There are rooms in other hotels on the island but they are filling fast. It will be up to you at this point to find one. This is a busy time for the island with vacationers going to the beach. Also the Law Dogs National conference will be having their convention at the same time we will be in town so there will be a lot of bikes in the area.

My Chapter TX 21 will be heading to South Padre on Wednesday June 11 using US 77 from Waco. We will be stopping for the night in Kingsville, Texas at the Hotel 6. The hotel manager said the hotel is having

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renovations done but should be finished in late May. The hotel has 86 rooms at a rate of 46.00 + tax. Their number is 361-489-3516. Tell them you are with the Blue Knights.

If you have an agenda item you want discussed at the Presidents meeting, you will need to get it to the RGC Secretary G.M. Cox gmcox@murphytx.org so it can be sent to the RGC Chapters for discussion and how they want their President to vote on it.

Also this is an election year. All board positions, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, International Rep., will be voted on. If you are interested and qualify for one of the positions, put your name in the ring so the Chapters can tell their Presidents who they want on the Board. The one I am sure that will be changing is Chairman because I will be retiring. It has been an interesting 12 years but it is time to kick back and have some fun.

Be careful out there and always Ride with Pride

Kenneth Reeves RGC Chairman





RGC Vice Chairman's Report



Larry Green El Gee Vice Chairman RGC

Spring has sprung, and great riding weather is just around the corner! It has been an unusually cold winter throughout the U.S., and Texas has been no exception. It is hard to keep chapter members active and involved when it is cold, wet, freezing, etc., like it has been this winter. So, now is the time to start planning those rides and grab those members before their personal calendars fill up with activities other than your Blue Knights chapters activities.

I suggest, as many chapters do, (including my own) to make up a calendar of rides for the next 5-6 months at least and get the calendar of rides out to each chapter member as soon as possible. The Blue Knights is a motorcycle club, so we need to be out there on our motorcycles and riding to keep member interest up and to be visible to the motorcycling public. The best advertising you can have is a group of Blue Knights out making rides together.

I am sure that everyone reading this has been out on a group ride and when you make a stop have been approached by strangers wanting to know who we are, where we are, what we are about and can they join. It is challenging to get out there and find new members that meet our qualifications to join. But when you have interested people coming to you wanting to know all about the Blue Knights, well, that is pretty nice. That being said, make sure you always have and application and Blue Knights information sheets with you. You never



know when the opportunity will come up to get a new member. If you need any fliers, brochures, etc. please contact me with what you need, and I will be glad to get it to you.

Every chapter deals with membership retention, and typically every chapter will lose a few members at renewal. Some of those that we lose are legitimate, health, financial, family reasons. But we don't want to lose members due to boredom. Plan rides and events ahead of time, so your members can plan their calendars. Plan different kinds of rides so that you are reaching all of your chapter's members availability. Have lunch rides, dinner rides, overnight rides, participating in other chapter's events, joining in other motorcycle events to get the public exposure, etc. Try to have rides on weekdays as well as the weekends, early morning and evening rides. By mixing it up you may be able to accommodate more of your members that can't make just the weekend rides.

If your chapter is active and out riding and participating in events, it is much much easier to get and retain members. And you will be getting and retaining members that will help your chapter grow and become strong.

Look forward to seeing everyone out there riding this year and hope to see everyone at the RGC this year.

Everyone be safe and... Ride With Pride!



A Message from RGC Secretary GM Cox

Howdy Blue Knights of the RGC. Well, things have been kind of quiet here lately for the RGC. Of course, everyone is busy planning our upcoming conference in S. Padre Island. I hope to see all of you there.

Just a quick mention that I have actually processed and awarded five (5) Traveler's Pins to James "Wolfman" Wolf, Joe Rhodes, Lathe Alsadi, and Ayasha and Mike Eddins, all out Texas 34. Congrats on being awarded the coveted RGC Traveler's Pin.

If you are interested in pursuing the Traveler's Pin, got to the RGC web page and print off the form (lower right hand part of the screen). Fill it out and send it to me with a check for \$15 for each rider listed on the form. The rules of the event

are listed on the application. Once you have the pics made, just send them to me. I will verify that you spelled out: Blue Knights Rio Grande and mail your pin(s). This is a great program to encourage your chapter members to get out and ride.

Please keep in mind that all offices of the RGC are up for election at our annual conference. You may declare your candidacy just by sending an email to any of the board members or to the membership, at large. Of course, nominations will be accepted from the floor in S. Padre.

The Board will be meeting on Thursday, 6/12/14, the exact time and agenda has not been decided upon at this time. Stay tuned for those interesting details that will be sent to your RGC Blue Knight email addresses.

Also, there are some very interesting and provocative issues that are being considered by BKI that you may want to voice your opinions on. If you haven't seen the proposed changes to the by-laws, let me know via email and I will get them out to you. I am sure that these changes will be thoroughly vetted at the upcoming conference in S. Padre.

Finally, on behalf of the RGC, I want to wish you all happy and safe travels in all your rides.

I hope to see you in S. Padre and please be safe riding there if you plan on attending. Remember, this is where the rubber meets the road for all members of the Blue Knights – the regional conferences. So, get involved.

G. M. "Peenut" Cox RGC Secretary BK Chapter 38, Secretary gmcox@murphytx.org



A Message from RGC Chaplain Paul Worley

Dear RGC Blue Knights,

Let me begin by saying that I am truly honored to have been recently appointed as RGC Chaplain. My appointment comes after the tragic loss of Chaplain Dan "Stitch" Spinks. I am convinced that he is riding with Heaven One. My condolences go out to all of you. He was apparently a great example of servant ministry.

It is clear to me that I will not replace Chaplain Spinks. That is impossible. I do intend to continue his dedication to prayer for those of our number who need it. My e-mail is: raven44@gvec.net. Please let me know who needs to be on my prayer list. If you do not want to give details because of privacy issues, just give me a name. God will know what is needed. If there are other ways that I can be of service, please let me know that, too.

A bit of my background may be helpful to you. I have been a chaplain to the San Antonio Police Department since September, 2000 and the chaplain of Texas IV since 2009. In 2004, I retired from the Naval Reserves after 26 years' active and reserve service as a line officer and, later, as a chaplain to Marines. In 2007, I retired from the Episcopal Church, 26 years' service there also. I consider myself extremely fortunate to be able to spend my time in volunteer efforts, mainly with SAPD and the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo.



My wife, Mary, has tolerated me for 46 years, so far. We have 4 children and 7 grandchildren.

Finally, let me assure you that I see my role as RGC Chaplain as purely supported. It is a 'ministry of presence'. If you need me, I am there in whatever way I can be.

Stay safe, Paul Worley



Editor's Note – Paul obviously has a sense of humor. Below is his article submission e-mail.

Dear Shawn,

Here is my newsletter input for the second quarter. Feel free to edit, if necessary. Also, I have attached some pictures from this year's stock show, wearing my colors. I thought it humorous that I ride a Hog and, sometimes, drive a four-legged one. In two of them, you have a couple of pigs' rear ends, as it were. Use the pics as you want. Please let me know if you need anything from me. Blessings, Paul





A Message from International Representative Chuck Doran

Hello Fellow Blue Knights,

Just wanted to let you know I'm still here and taking care of business. The last BOD meeting set a record for longest meeting and the next one promises to be even longer. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me. The RGC 2014 is just around the corner so get your registrations in now. After talking with the chapter President Joker, it sounds like it really is going to be a good time for all with a lot of activities.

Ride With Pride Chuck Doran RGC Int'l Rep



A Message from President Torres of TX 42



Good Morning. As you all know Blue Knights TX 42 will be hosting the 2014 RGC in South Padre Island, Texas on the dates of June 12 thru June 14. Our committee has been busy planning this event. We are scheduling only two rides which will both take place on Friday June 13 image morning and should end that afternoon. one ride will be to Nuevo Progreso, Mexico. If you are planning on taking this ride DON'T forget to bring your passports. But don't worry if you don't have your passports bring your birth certificate and a state i.d. We will then stop at the local Harley Davidson where they have graciously agreed to feed us for lunch. Our Friday dinner will have a fireworks display at 9:15 that evening. On Saturday the only thing a had planned is the big meetings then after we want people to enjoy the area. Our dinner will be that night.

If you all have any more questions fell free to Contact me. Can you please put this on your distribution list to send to all the chapters. Thanks

Jose 'Joker' Torres, President Blue Knights TX 42 956-592-6816

RGC Conference Registration Form Can Be Found @

http://www.blueknightstx42.org/pdfs/Blue%20Knights%20Rio%20Grande%20Conference%202014.pdf



Blue Knights Texas 1

Just a quick word from the gang in North Central Texas. We have not done much riding as of yet this year due to weather and conflicting schedules with most of our members. We have however, done a lot of work preparing for our Annual Spring Fun-Run. On Saturday, April 5, we will hold our event with the registration and start point at DFW Honda in Grapevine, just off of Hwy. 121 and Hwy. 360. See the attached flyer for details or call me for directions (817-800-2461). We would love to see everyone in the area attend as this is to benefit the Metroplex Concerns Of Police Survivors. We will be ending at Bob Eden Park in Euless with food and drinks provided in the cost of the ride donation. We have a ride route for a little country sightseeing and then a quick return on the highway for the awaiting food and prizes. Our members have done an extraordinary job this year in collecting prizes so come see what you can pick up just for supporting our charity.



We have had a couple of movie nights at a local P.O.A. and shared some laughs and pizza. And, we found a new bar-be-que place in the country with live music on the weekends. It's a little pricey but the food is good and the atmosphere is worth the extra buck or two.



Other than gaining a couple of new members, we haven't really gotten off the ground with activities so far but there are plenty of plans in the works. The big plans being discussed are for everyone to make the RGC on Padre Island in June. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend this year......"cuz I'll be at the International Convention in Austria Suckas!" I am so psyched! My next RGC report will be from Austria and I will have quite a few photos to share.

Come see us at our Spring Fun-Run and Ride Safe! The key to safe riding is SMART riding so pay attention as the weather is getting better and the opportunities to ride are improving. Come say hello to our new members, Tony and Nick.

Gene Secretary BKTX#1

Blue Knights Texas IV

Eloise has about a dozen or so entries on her bucket list, chief among them was "ride on a motorcycle." A friend of her family shared this revelation with Michael Marr of the *Reguladores LEMC*, who decided to help put that dream in the rearview mirror. He contacted Chapter IV Vice President Charlie Chrzanowski who mobilized several members of Chapters IV, Texas XII, and Texas XXV. Yesterday, 25 Jan 2014, the group met outside of LaVernia TX and rode a short distance to Eloise's home which put most of her neighbors on high alert, as 27 motorcycles rumbled through the quiet neighborhood, stopping at Eloise's house. Speechless at the spectacle, and grinning from ear to ear, Eloise asked if her twin daughters could also ride with her. There were sufficient trikes available to accommodate everyone; she, her daughters, and her granddaughter. After the ride, Chapter IV President, Ben Reisz, presented Eloise with a Blue Knights T-shirt and a Chapter coin for her and her daughters. Eloise asked us if she could do it all again on her birthday, 10 years from now. Oh, did I mention that Eloise was 92 on Tuesday, and her two daughters were 70 years young.





Meeting up on a chilly morning



Eloise appears to enjoy the view from her new perch.



TX IV Vice Pres, Charles Chrzanowski and President Ben Reisz present Eloise with a Chapter IV T-Shirt and challenge coin.



Michael Marr of the Reguladores helps Elosie into a riding jacket—safety first.



The ride took Eloise throughout her neighborhood to show her off to friends.



Eloise and her twin daughters.





Regards,

J. Ben Reisz President, Texas IV

Blue Knights Texas V



Larry Green El Gee President TX V

Texas V is alive.....and doing well! We have managed to get in a couple of rides since the first of the year, one to Stephenville to the Hard 8, and another to Mineola to a burger joint. Great

since the first of the year, one to Stephenville to the Hard 8, and another to Mineola to a burger joint. Great turnouts on both!

But now we are actually getting into our riding season, and we start every season of with our annual motorcycle safety training class. We always have a great turnout for this. It is a hands on, ride your bike class. You get to run through our course as often as you need to in order to feel comfortable with that station. We have instructors at each station to help you achieve success so that by the end of the day you can drive away with a new found feeling of confidence in your riding ability! Our class is April 12th in Grand Prairie. For more information feel free to contact me at la-green@charter.net.

On April 25th we will be judging the annual Grand Prairie Police Rodeo in Grand Prairie, this is our 3rd year to participate in this great event.

Then we are having our second annual Car & Bike show in Cedar Hill on May 17th. Last year we had nearly 100 entries of custom cars and bikes. We are expecting nearly double that this year! So come on out and see some great custom cars.

We have rides planned for the Talimena Trail, the Twisted Sisters and several other "long weekend" rides along



with our normal day rides scattered throughout each month.

We would like to invite all chapters to participate in any/all of our rides and events!

Stay safe and.... Ride with Pride!

Blue Knights Texas VII

On January 31, 1994, Officer Guy Gaddis of the Houston Police Department was murdered by a prisoner he was transporting, In November of that year his murderer, Edgar Tamayo's, was convicted by a Harris County Court. Finally, on January 22, 2014, almost 20 years from the date of Officer Gaddis's murder, justice was served. Over 40 riders from three law enforcement motorcycle clubs rode to Huntsville in support of the Gaddis family.

Our numbers mainly were from the Thin Blue Line, with some Blue Knights TX-VII riders. After linking up just south of Huntsville, the Thin Blue Line's International President briefed on the route and our setup at the prison. The chaplain then led us in a prayer. For the family, for the safety of the riders and for the punishment of Tamayo. May sound cruel, but this group is over 90% cops. Some knew Gaddis. We are a family, we don't like cop killers. And we have no little tolerance for Tamayo as he said he murdered Gaddis because "he wouldn't let him leave his keys with his wife."



Although the ride to Huntsville was slowed by construction, we arrived in time to set up on one side of the prison, while the Tamayo supporters and other death penalty opponents are placed around 100 yards away. We are joined by riders by members of the Blue Iron Motorcycle Club, riding in from Lake Charles LA and Beaumont TX to support the Gaddis family. Several active officers are allowed to approach the front of the prison and great the Gaddis family as they arrive. After moving all the bikes, we settle in for what we hope is a stay of ninety minutes or so.



After a few minutes several of the officers in the group are allowed to walk to the front of the prison where some HPD officers are greeting the family members. Present is Officer Ray Hunt, President of the Houston Police Officer's Union. Here he greets Officer Gaddis's mother.

Believing the execution is taking place on schedule, we rev our bikes to insure the Gaddis family knows we're here for them. More than one witness will tell us we are heard in the execution area. Then we get the bad news, the Supreme Court has held the execution pending two final appeals. The riders are content to wait. The Gaddis family has wait for almost 20 years.

The riders turn to conversation while they wait. Rides we've taken, family, the job, sports, whatever it takes to pass the time. And again, we wait. Many of us are trying to get updates on our smart phones of the status of the SCOTUS review. Some riders have to leave. They have to be at work early the next day or have very long rides home. We wish them a safe ride and continue the watch, then the word comes down. SCOTUS will not stop the execution. Yes, finally. It's just past 900pm and we want to make it heard. Back to the bikes and make it loud! See videos at http://youtu.be/hvEqeXcdfqw

After a few minutes we start to move in front of the prison, as we all know this is done. We look at the entrance, and wait. And wait more. We hear the anti-death penalty people out there, connoting down the people this country had executed since the late 1970s and calling Rick Perry a murderer. People start trickling out and we hear it's finally done. It's around 930pm. One of the Texas Rangers who works with the executions walks out, smiles at us and says "They heard those bikes in there!"

We walk over to the press area and an official is making the announcement and handing out the press release. It's done. Justice is served. One of the points he made was Tamayo made no statement, no surprise. He was a coward in 1994, he dies a coward. The human gene pool is a bit cleaner this morning. This won't bring Gaddis back to him family, won't allow him to see his daughter grow up, walk her down the aisle, see grandchildren. But maybe he can rest a little easier. God bless him and his family.

Blue Knights Texas 38

Texas 38 is doing great. We have 40 total active members – most renewals, but a few new members. We continue to be a "ride a lot" club. Of course, we decided to take up a collection from among our members at our



annual Christmas Party held at "Leakey" Koons' home for donation to a yet to be identified charity. We collected over \$200 and are now in the process of deciding on a worthy charity.



At our monthly February meeting held at Shogun in McKinney, the membership decided to donate \$100 to the Palko Strong fundraiser. Officer Mike Palko, currently a McKinney Officer, formerly with Murphy & Wylie PD, has been diagnosed with stage 2 lymphoma cancer. Mike is only 25 years old, but he has a great attitude and is a fighter. If you're interested in donating money to Mike to help with medical expenses, please make a donation at any Wells Fargo Bank, Mike Palko Fund, or contact the McKinney Police Officers' Association and they will gladly accept your donation and get it to Mike.

As for activities, a group of BK 38 members made an "end of winter" ride starting at Prosper and hit the back roads to Daddy Rex's BBQ in Anna, then over to Westminster for a libation at Big Slicks. As coup de gras, we had homemade pies at Sweetie Pies by Karen in Van Alystyn. Sweetie Pies is owned by a Plano Police officer and his wife, Karen. If you find yourself in Van Alystyn stop in and try one of their awesome pies.

For many of us, going to Key West, Florida is on our "Bucket" list. Well four Knights and one Knight's Lady rode our Harleys, yes we all have Harleys and they all made it without incident – well, except for the leaner and the drop, but that is another story – to Key West, leaving Plano area the morning of March 7, 2014 from Poor Richards. It was 38 degrees – folks that is cold. We rode almost 3,300 miles on our adventures. We stopped for a night in Slidell, La and rode onto Orlando, Florida the second day, finally reaching Key West on Sunday, 3/19, and the party started. We found a lot of great places to wet our appetites and sooth the savage beasts in us – meaning there are plenty of places to eat and drink in KW. We would recommend that if you are planning on making this ride, stay at a hotel/motel just off Duval Street so you can do all the drinking and eating you want without riding the bike. The people are friendly and while some say the prices are high, we found Happy Hour at the Bottle Cap well within our tastes buds and wallets. After spending 2 full days in KW, the crew headed north to Daytona Beach to take in "Bike Week."

We arrived in Daytona Beach, found our hotel, which was right across the street from the Daytona Speedway. By the way, our hotel (call me if you want to know the name) treated us very well and they love bikers – at least Blue Knights. Every morning, we had a dry, clean cloth put on our bikes to wipe them off. It may have been to save their towels, but it was very considerate regardless. We made a ride through the back roads surrounding Daytona before hitting Main Street and the gauntlet. It was a hopping place with bikers everywhere. The weather was a bit cold, but tolerable – sunny and cool, which just made the sun burn creep up on you. After walking the full length of Main Street and soaking in all that Bike Week has to offer, including wet t-shirt contests and good beverages, we split. A couple of us ate at a restaurant not far off Main Street, called the Ocean Deck – awesome view of the Atlantic and great food. They love bikers as well and they allow bikers to park in their parking lot for a modest fee and they watch out for your bike. Great place and great people.



Finally, on Friday, 3/14, the crew headed back to Texas. Our return trip took us pretty much on the same route as we came to Florida on. We hit Slidell at about quitting time, but had a hard time finding hotel rooms – seems they had several conventions, a St. Patty's Day Parade, and a WWE event there. We did finally find a hotel, actually two different hotels to accommodate us. Finally, we put the bikes up, after taking everything off of them but the tires or locking the bags to keep honest folks out – of course, yours truly, has a RK Classic and the bags do not lock. So, off they came.

Saturday morning, we woke up to clouds and a forecast of rain all the way back to Plano. We suited up, after about 30 miles of optimism, and got wet, off and on, all the way back home, but when we hit the Dallas area, we got soaked. The good thing is that we all got in our respective garages about 30 minutes before the thunderstorms hit. Blessed.

It was a ride of our lives. An adventure shared with great friends. Several of us crossed at least two things off our Bucket Lists.

Our next big ride is to South Padre Island for RGC.

A group of Texas 38 will be going to Bikers, Blues and BBQ in Fayetteville, AR on the weekend of September 24-27, 2014. Come join us. Wear your colors proud and loud.

For those of you who may not have heard of the Frogs for Freedom Ride, held in Bandera, Texas, this ride is kind of like the Wounded Warrior Project except the money collected go to wounded Navy SEALs and/or family members of SEALs killed. This ride is held in October and you can check it out on www.texasfrogsforfreedom.com This ride is sponsored by Fred "Doc" Cox, brother of yours truly. This year, Marcus Latrell is supposed to make an appearance as is Rudy Bosch (remember the first "Survivor" show). It is a great ride, lots of fun, for a great cause. The ride will be held Saturday, October 4, 2014, and starts at the 11th Street Cowboy Bar, in Bandera. This is a great ride for Blue Knights to get into. In the past, Doc has recognized BK 38 and the second largest group to attend the ride.

Blue Knights Texas 38 enjoys our time together and we love to ride and we always Ride With Pride.

GM "Peenut" Cox Secretary, TX 38





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Virgil Dale Camp says his Grandpa, Gary Dale Keeter Would be the very BEST person for the position of Blue Knights. Río Grande Conference Chairman

Gary has been or is:

Blue Knights® member since 1995

Founding member of Arkansas II

President of Arkansas II for 13 years

Secretary/Treasurer of Arkansas II for 3+ years

Initiated the First Arkansas II website

A Law Enforcement Officer for 15 Years

Retiring at the rank of Sergeant

A loving Husband, Father & Grand Father



Gary has been:

Past Arkansas Rep for the Rio Grand Conference

Served as Rio Grand Conference Secretary for 10 years

Started and Published the Rio Grande Conference News Letter for 10 years

Built and Ran the Rio Grande Conference Website for 8+ Years.

Updated and maintained email contact lists of the executive board of each chapter

Kept all chapters informed and updated all Rio Grande Conference information.

My fellow Brother and Sister Blue Knights[®] I am asking for you to Vote for me as Rio Grande Conference Chairman and if elected I pledge to give my devotion to the office and to this fine organization to the very best of my ability.

Gary Keeter "Ride Safe and Ride with Pride"





BLUE KNIGHTS ARKANSAS V

WEEKEND ON THE NORTH FORK RIVER BENEFIT FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS SEPTEMBER 25, 26, & 27, 2014

Blue Knights Arkansas V has booked Gene's Trout Fishing Resort on the North Fork River in Salesville, Arkansas for what will be one of the most enjoyable and fun filled weekends you could ever imagine. There will be day motorcycle rides, campfires, pool tournaments, fishing tournaments, fun poker games and whatever else you may want to do. For those who want to show off their trout fishing skills, river Jon boats with motors will be available for rent (navigational experience suggested) and fishing guides available for hire. If you have never fished a river with flowing water, it is <u>highly recommended</u> to reserve an experienced guide, with Gene's Resort, for fly or bait fishing. Guides must be reserved in advance for guaranteed availability.

Accommodations consist of one, two, and three bedroom cabins and/or two or three story lodges and Grand Suites. The cabins, lodges, and Grand Suites all have fully equipped kitchens and bed linens. The lodges and Grand Suites all have a pool table. <u>All accommodations will be on a first come first serve basis.</u> If you want to book a riverfront cabin, make your reservations now! Fishing bait, tackle, and licenses/permits can be purchased at Gene's Resort. Rod & Reel rentals available.

Accommodation cost is \$45.00 per person/per day (minimum double occupancy per cabin/room). This price is separate from the Blue Knights Registration Form and reservations for accommodations must be made through Gene's Resort's toll free number at 1-800-526-3625 and their web site is <u>www.genestroutfishingresort.com</u>.

Blue Knights Arkansas V will be cooking a hot breakfast on Friday, Saturday & Sunday mornings. Friday night's dinner will be barbeque burgers and hot dogs and Saturday night will be a scrumptious "chilly dump" dinner. <u>What more can you ask for?!!!</u>

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BLUE KNIGHTS AR V

WEEKEND ON THE NORTH FORK RIVER

SEPTEMBER 25, 26, & 27 2014

REGISTRATION FORM

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REGISTRATION

Registration Fee: \$65.00/person postmarked by August 31, 2014 (late registration \$80.00/person). Please make checks payable to: Blue Knights AR V, 2933 Sycamore Springs Rd. Mountain Home, AR. 72653

LODGING

Lodging: Gene's Trout Resort - 324 River Acres Dr – Salesville, AR 72653. Information 1-870-499-5381

Reservations 1-800-526-3625 Contact **Scott Sillence** (AR V Honorary) \$45.00 per person per night double occupancy. Check-In time is 3PM. Please no early arrivals. Please go to their web site to view the resort..you're gonna like it !!!

E-mail – info@genestroutfishingresort.com Web Site – www.genestroutfishingresort.com

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Greetings,

The Blue Knights International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, Texas Chapter #1, is hosting a public motorcycle "fun run" event, Saturday, April 5, 2014. The event is to benefit Metroplex "C.O.P.S." – Concerns of Police Survivors. The C.O.P.S. organization assists spouses and children of Law Enforcement Officers killed in the line of duty in the North Texas Area with counseling, financial assistance and State and National ceremonies to honor their lost loved ones. With the cooperation of Metroplex C.O.P.S. we are able to accept donations in their name and donations are tax deductible through their tax identification number. We are soliciting sponsors for donations of goods or monies to off-set the expenses involved in promoting this event in hopes that we may be able to contribute more proceeds to the organization. We would be grateful for your assistance with our endeavor. The Federal Bureau of Investigation reports that the State of Texas had 13 officers killed in the line of duty for the year of 2013. The families and co-workers of these officers need our support to help mend the emotional effects associated with these unnecessary losses.

The Blue Knights is a registered, non-profit, International organization, established in 1974. The reported accounts of donations throughout our organization, maintained by the Blue Knights International Secretary, are over \$16.5 million dollars toward various charities throughout the world. Our International Headquarters is located at 38 Alden St., Bangor, Maine 04401. There are currently over 637 chapters, internationally, comprised of over 20,400 police officers, in 25 different countries. Texas Chapter #1 was chartered in 1985, with approximately 35 officer members from numerous police agencies throughout the Metroplex. There are almost two thousand Blue Knight members in the State of Texas. For further information please do not hesitate to contact me or Karen Freeto, current President of the Metroplex C.O.P.S. organization, <u>Karen.Freeto@MetroplexCOPS.org</u>.

Thank you for your help in this worthwhile endeavor.

Sincerely,

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