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MEETING DATE
NOVEMBER 14, 2026**

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OCTOBER 2026



People are more violently opposed to fur than leather
because it's safer to harass rich women than motorcycle
gangs.— Alexei Sayler



Poker Chip drawing was held. Bill Moss' name was drawn. Since Bill was not present he did not win the \$35.(!)

By being present at the monthly Blue Knight Chapter meeting you become eligible for the drawing. If you are present, you win the amount in the pot. If you are not present \$5 is added to the pot. Currently the amount is \$40!.



THE BLUE KNIGHTS



The Blue Knights® International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, Inc., is an International fraternal organization comprised of law enforcement officers and their families who are also motorcycle enthusiasts.

Headquartered in Bangor, Maine, the Blue Knights® operates under an international constitution and bylaws within an organizational structure of an international board of directors and eleven regional conferences, each conference including a number of local chapters. The Blue Knights® promotes safe and responsible motorcycling and sponsors fund raising in support of numerous charities.

The inception of the Blue Knights® came in April 1974 when a Bangor Maine, police officer had the idea of forming a motorcycle club for people in law enforcement. Since then, the club has grown to become the foremost and largest international law enforcement motorcycle club. Today, there are over twenty thousand Blue Knights® worldwide in six hundred in six hundred chapters in the twenty-nine countries and one commonwealth.



OUR CHAPTER IN SAN DIEGO

CALIFORNIA VI



Chapter California VI was formed in 1987 by a group of seventeen San Diego area law enforcement officers, some retired and some on active duty. We have been chartered since January 1988, making us one of the oldest currently existing Blue Knights® chapters in California. Our members are full-time, part-time and retired law enforcement officers from local, county, state and federal levels.

We are presently one of the largest chapters in the Southwest Conference, with over 40 members on our rolls. Chapter California VI members strive to promote a positive image both of law enforcement and motorcycling. We are active in community service projects, and each year we donate to local charities.

Chapter meetings are held at 0900 on the second Saturday of the month at the Broken Yolk Restaurant, 1851 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, CA. (Unless that is a holiday weekend) After the breakfast and one hour meeting, we go for a ride.

Persons interested in becoming a member may contact Vice President Ray Juanengo by email at: BlueKnightsCAVI.VP@gmail.com



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GREETER

[Tina Lopotosky](#)

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®



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ken Smith President

October 2026



Greetings Blue Knights and welcome to Fall!

Well, on the calendar it says Fall, and pumpkin spice everything is everywhere you look, but it is still almost 100 degrees in San Diego. Fun!

I hope you are all ready for the next few months, because we are going to be busy!!! I know, life gets busy for a lot of you, and the last few meetings we've experienced "low voter turnout". I'm hoping the cooler weather will make it easier for folks to come to the monthly meetings and participate in all the great things that are Blue Knights.

Coming up this month is the California X Poker Run on October 24th. I hope many of you are going, as it should be great weather, great riding, a great event, and no greater camaraderie than hanging with the folks at CAL-X. Check our website Calendar section for details on this and all events. And in case you're worried, there are no pumpkin spice references on the website.

Next, we have a Veterans Day Ride on November 7th to the Veteran's Home in Chula Vista, to visit with the vets, show the bikes and bring them their all-important and favorite mass quantities of Walmart Gift Cards. If you missed the last meeting you can donate to this cause from our own square link. Check your email for the link and let's get out there and ride!

After that, our November meeting falls on the same weekend as November Knights! Another great event to meet up with Blue Knights from all over the Southwest Conference (SWC). If you really want to know what Blue Knights is about, you need to attend events like this, and other regional Blue Knight Conferences as well as the International. Once you get outside the bubble of your own Chapter you really get to see what's up, and the true value of our organization.

In December, it's our annual Christmas Party. Get your best duds ready, get those raffle prizes together, and don't forget your White Elephant gift. We are exploring ways to save costs on this wonderful event and some great solutions were offered at the last meeting. Stand by for good news on that! Please watch your email for the invitation and instructions for this party. No leftover Halloween goodies please!

Following all this in the beginning of February is the Winter Gathering (formerly the Buster Hummel Ride). Again, another big SWC level event and gorgeous riding, and a really nice hotel to stay at. Book your rooms for this and the November Knights sooner than later!

So, as you can see, there's a lot going on. We have a new Board of Directors getting sworn in at the Xmas Party, and all sorts of side projects in the works. One of the best ways you can help is recruiting. Just be careful of who you try to recruit, we don't need any Michael Meyers or Jason Vorhees or Van Helsing this time of year. Getting new members involved is what keeps us going, makes us stronger, and adds to the fun. Don't forget about those raffle tickets, we need them all sold by next month, so we are ready to draw the lucky winners at the Xmas party.

Hoping all of you have a great start to the Fall, and have a Happy Halloween, and I'll see many of you on the road.

Be safe, stay vigilant, and as always, Ride With Pride!

Best,

Ken



SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Mike Wagner, Secretary



**October 10, 2026
MINUTES**

Call to Order: President Ken Smith called the meeting to order at 0902 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Rick Carlson

Moment of Silence for Members of Heaven I
Recognition of Fallen Chapter Members

Prayer given by: Randy Alldredge

Introductions/Guests:

Blue Knights 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."

President Ken Smith – Present

1. Ken presented John Lopotosky his 25-year pin and certificate from Blue Knight International LEMC for loyal and dedicated service as a Blue Knight member.
2. Raffle Tix. The club still has 20 books to sell.
3. Xmas Party. Last year each member paid \$50.00. Possibility of moving next year's party
4. to another location. John mentioned the club spent \$6,000.00 last year. Looking at a member paying \$85.00 and a guest will pay \$85.00. An additional guest will pay \$120.00. The Bennetts paid to subsidize the first thirty-five dinners for members and one guest thus lowering their price to \$75.00 instead of paying \$85.00.
5. Recruiting Events like the Motorcycle Competition. Even though the SWC has Recruiting Issues; we need to take advantage of motorcycle events in the future. For Example: At the Terry Bennett Memorial Police Motorcycle Training and Competition hosted by SDPD on September 18-19, 2026, at Seaworld; we could have had a BK Rep visit the various organizations passing out BK flyers etc. We are missing out on these great recruiting opportunities. We still have events in October and November we can benefit from. These are excellent recruiting events for us to make people understand what Blue Knights stand for.
6. Move the November Meeting. Possibility of moving the November Zoom Meeting to November 2, 2026, and the General Meeting to November 7, 2026. (Later decided to keep November 14th meeting date and November 8th for BOD Zoom meeting.)

Vice President Ray Juanengo - Not Present

Secretary Mike Wagner - Present

Treasurer Mike Belluso - Present

Treasurer Report given to membership.

Immediate Past President John Lopotosky - Present

1. New patches. 200 patches for the November meeting. They can be sold for \$10 each. Working on creating a link for everything in our Quartermaster inventory.
2. 2027 Renewals. Called for members to renew early.
3. Square Account Access. Will provide a link so members can purchase patches and assist the Quartermaster in selling quartermaster items.
4. Working on creating a new challenge coin.

Chapter Directors:

Director and News Editor Richard Bennet - Present

1. Acceptance/Declination Letters to Honorary Members. At the BOD's meeting, reviewed our Honorary Members and welcome their membership to our club.
2. Kyle Fitchhorn Update. Chaplain Randy informed the membership; Kyle had a serious motorcycle accident and will require 6 to 8 months of rehabilitation. He is on Workman's Comp and only receives two-thirds pay. He is not getting the support from National City PD or his Police Officer's Association. The membership donated \$500.00. There was a Motion made by John and Seconded by Randy for the Chapter to donate \$400.00. This motion was passed unanimously by the membership. There was a Second Motion made by Chaplain Randy and Seconded by Mike Belluso for the Chapter to donate \$250.00 from the Emergency Fund to be given to Kyle Fitchhorn. Again, this Motion passed unanimously by the membership.

Director Randy Alldredge - Present

1. Veteran's Day ride to Veterans Home in Chula Vista. Possibility of moving the ride to November 7, 2026. Again, this year looking at getting \$5.00 Walmart Gift Cards, plus donations from the club and members. The Veteran's Day Ride will revert back to the original date of November 14, 2026.
2. Xmas Party for 2027. Contact made with the Handley Hotel in San Diego. The possibility of hosting the 2027 Xmas Party there. Can accommodate up to 80 members for a five-hour time frame. A buffet style dinner. The club would only have to contribute \$3,000.00. This would save the club \$3,000.00. The cost per member would be around \$72.00 a person. Additionally, the cost of staying at the hotel would be from \$105.00 to \$120.00.

Director Emeritus Bill Crow - Not Present

Director Arturo Romero - Not Present

Staff:

Quarter Master Alex Cross - Present

1. Informed the membership on October 21, 2026 the Navy will celebrate it's 251st Birthday at the 22 Area Dinning Facility located aboard Camp Pendleton, California. There is a minimum cash payment. Steak and Lobster with all the trimmings.

Ride Coordinator Michael Belluso - (Randy temporarily filling this position)

Safety Officer Mike Manen – (Excused)

(Morale Welfare Coordinador) Michelle Juanengo - Not Present

(Greeter/Raffle Sales/Welfare Coordinator) Tina Lopotosky - Not Present

Jorge Ortiz: - Not Present

Poker Chip Drawing: \$35.00. Bill Moss's name was drawn. Not present. Increases to \$40.00

50-25-25 Winners: \$24.00 each First: Jennifer Wade Second: Richard Bennett

Good of the Order:

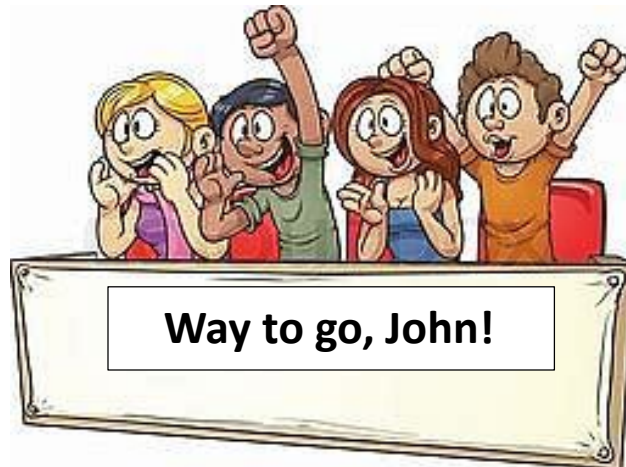
Wendy Widdop-Cross informed the membership tomorrow October 11, 2026, at Riverside PD there will be a Woman's Judo Tournament.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 hours

Next General Meeting: November 14, 2026, located at: Broken Yolk, 1851 Garnett Avenue, San Diego, CA. 92109.

Past-president John Lopotosky

Awarded 25-Year Recognition



Past-president John Lopotosky is the most experienced Blue Knight of our chapter. John's Blue Knight career has included holding Board of Director offices in CA VI, been the president of a start-up Blue Knight chapter in Temecula, and held Southwest Conference positions, including Chairman and International Representative.

John has been active his entire 25 years with Blue Knights, including attending many International Blue Knight conventions, where he and wife Tina even traveled to Europe representing Southwest Conference Blue Knights.

John started his Blue Knight career right here in CA VI. After brief membership in CA IV and his start-up chapter in Temecula, John returned to CA VI. John was instrumental in resurrecting CA VI after COVID took out several Blue Knight members, including the chapter president. John stepped up to reorganize and reestablish our Chapter. His vast Blue Knight experience and excellent business skills helped our chapter flourish once again.

The membership of California VI is fortunate to have John Lopotosky as a member. We congratulate him on his 25 years of achievements and dedicated Blue Knight membership!



John Lopotosky with CA VI President Ken Smith



SAFETY MESSAGE

Mike Manen, Safety Officer



Managing Heat

Well here we are with a extreme heat warning. There are some major factors to consider when riding in high temps. I found an informative article from Harley Davidson Insurance.

Heat index values above 90°F may require additional safety precautions. This isn't just about comfort; it's about preventing heat-related incidents that could affect your ability to control your bike.

Here's your temperature decision guide:

- **Below 85°F:** Normal precautions apply
- **85-95°F:** Enhanced hydration needed, consider mesh gear, avoid midday riding
- **95-110°F:** Cooling gear recommended, frequent breaks essential
- **Above 110°F:** Extreme caution and strongly consider postponing your ride

Wind cooling effects disappear around 97°F (your body temperature). Once ambient temperature matches body temperature, your natural cooling system fails, while dangerous heat exhaustion may follow within minutes.

Many experienced riders choose not to take rides above 85°F in leather gear, switching to mesh jackets once temperatures reach 90-95°F. Remember: burns can occur at 113°F after just 1.7 hours of exposure, and at 122°F after only 2 minutes.

Heat Index	Gear Recommendation	Hydration Need	Break Frequency	Rider Action
Below 85°F	Standard leather/mesh	8-16 oz per hr	Every 2 hours	Ride normally with standard precautions
85-95°F	Mesh jacket preferred	16-24 oz per hr	Every 1.5 hours	Enhanced hydration; avoid midday riding
95-110°F	Cooling vest recommended	1-1.5 qt per hr + electrolytes	Every 1 hour	Frequent stops become essential; dawn/dusk rides are safer
Above 110°F	Hydration pack + cooling vest	1.5+ qt per hr	Every 45 minutes	Extreme caution, strongly consider postponing

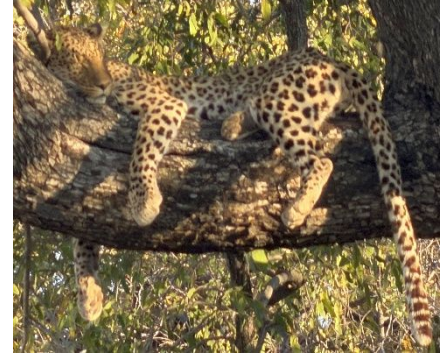
AFRICIA: UP CLOSE



Chuck and Judy



Story and photos by Chuck and Judy Belletti



Local resident

This is the story of a Blue Knight in Africa, and this story involves many moments of surprise, an untold quantity of awe, and a few instances of terror.

The African portion of our adventure began in Cape Town, South Africa, which is a beautiful, vibrant city wedged between miles of pristine coastline and the striking Table Mountain. We spent five days exploring where the Atlantic and Indian oceans collide, and this is where the surprises began—ostriches on the beach, baboons eating dinner at low tide, apparently having learned that tide pools provide food. There are penguins on the beach, too, long ago having caught a current up from Antarctica. Throughout the week we tried game meat at restaurants and became acquainted with some very nice South African wines. We thoroughly enjoyed our time in Cape Town.

We flew into the Okavango Delta, within the country of Botswana, on a caravan prop plane designed to transport four passengers. You know you're getting old when the pilot of the plane appears to be a 15-year-old girl (who, by the way, did an excellent job landing the plane on a hard-packed dirt runway, and who endured my jokes: When will the meal service begin? Is there a restroom onboard?). Botswana is about the size of Texas and has a population of 2 million people, whereas Texas has 31 million. Much of Botswana is dry Kalahari Desert, but the Okavango Delta provides fresh water year-round and wildlife congregates there.

We stayed in four distinct camps over the course of our 10-day safari. There were never more than 24 tourists at any of the camps. The camps were beautiful, often raised on stilts above water or sitting right alongside a river. Every bungalow had a king-sized bed, an ensuite bathroom, monkeys clamoring on the roof, and a balcony pointed toward the sunrise. We ate communally at each meal and met people from all over the world. We bonded quickly with a Norwegian couple who we saw schlepping Harley luggage.



We often did game drives in 4-wheel drive trucks, but we also used boats to see/encounter wildlife. We went on a walking safari too. Yes, there were lions and, yes, our guide carried a .375 caliber rifle with a bullet in the chamber, but barring a cheeky young (and huge) male elephant there were no problems. Walking safaris were not scary as much as they were quiet and peaceful.

Everybody expects to see animals while on a safari, but what I didn't expect was how close we would be. Nor did I expect there to be hundreds of animals at a single time. And I did not expect to encounter any wild animals in our camps—that's where the people are, right? The animals should stay out in the desert. Well, that is not the way it actually goes . . .

Judy was on our balcony watching elephants cool off in the Boteti River when a monkey rushed her to steal a cookie right out of her hand. On another occasion a hippo ran across our path as we walked to dinner. After dinner I was nonplussed walking back to our bungalow because lightning wouldn't strike twice in the same place, right? We heard (before we saw) hyenas hunting warthogs that had been peaceably munching grass all day long. To that end, several times we saw banded mongoose sniffing out tasty morsels and darting between the legs of our fellow safari-goers as we all sat at a teak dining table drinking cappuccinos.



My wife is the Nature-lover and I acquiesced to going on this journey to the other side of the world. I couldn't be happier that we made this trip. Travel is always broadening, but on this occasion, I was introduced to an entirely different world. Yes, I have seen lions in zoos

but when I was five feet away from a sturdy male lion all I could think was, "This is the most impressive creature I have ever seen." That experience was eclipsed by hundreds of elephants lining up, in single file, to cross the Chobe River into Zambia for fresh grass. I have certainly seen wildlife documentaries showing this sort of occurrence but I simply do not have the words to describe what I felt while witnessing such a moment—fortunate, for sure. Humbled, absolutely.

Extraordinary things happen in Botswana. Go!



BK News You Can Use

The Town Crier

Member Participation



September 2026 was a busy month for our Chapter; We knew it would be. To the credit of our President and the Board of Directors, we got everything done efficiently. While it was certainly a group effort, you should know who toled their end of the log to make the month successful.

Monthly meeting and Picnic at De Anza Cove Park.

Vice-president elect **Randy Alldredge** took the lead for the picnic. He recommended the picnic site, got approval from the membership and recruited volunteers to help. From the meeting sign-up sheets to early arrival at the site to claim our turf, Randy handled the details.

Quarter Master **Alex Cross** was the official event coordinator, President **Ken Smith and Patti** brought food and a plethora of door prizes for the event, even after just returning from Hawaii the day before. The **Bennetts** brought a camp stove, recreational equipment, table and chairs, arriving with Randy Alldredge before daylight.

The Blue Knight pop-up tent and sign were brought by Quarter Master **Alex Cross**, along with tables and chairs. Early arrivals helped get everything set up and functional before the event began. Thanks to **Aaron Roberts, Mike Wagner, Wendy and Kory Cross**, for assisting with early set up.

The monthly meeting was led by President Smith. The normal agenda was followed with the addition of leadership nominations. The members who were present nominated candidates for every Board of Director position. Each position had only one qualified candidate. Being no competition, the nominated candidates were voted into office by acclimation of those present.

We were also joined by several members of **California X**, who also brought side dishes and gifts. The raffle prizes were the best and most generous I have ever seen; Thanks to **Ken Smith** for the prizes!

After the business meeting, everyone enjoyed grilled food and wonderful side dishes. The beach location of the picnic with grass, water and a big shade tree made this (actual) picnic an ideal choice.

Annual San Diego County Motor Officers Association training and competition event.

Held at Sea World San Diego, this event celebrated its 24th year, and was well attended by on-duty motorcycle officers from several cities from California, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico. Tijuana motorcycle officers on Harley Davidsons wowed the crowd with amazing skill through the tight chicanes. It was estimated that 101 officers competed in the two-day event.

This was the first year the Blue Knights had a kiosk and a Blue Knight banner at this event. Director-elect **Rick Carlson** brought his custom-built Bat Mobile trike, which was parked next to our kiosk, and attracted attention from spectators.

Our Blue Knights assisted with the motorcycle competition courses Friday and Saturday. We learned that Motorcycle **Officer Kyle Fitchhorn** (skills presenter at our Southwest Conference in June) had suffered serious injuries in an on-duty motorcycle crash.

Kyle had been bed-ridden at home for three weeks. We arranged for Kyle and his family to join us ringside at the Blue Knight kiosk on Saturday. Kyle and his family spent the day with us, and he and his wife Mae were able to tour the venue, using a wheel chair to visit fellow officers. A visit which everyone enjoyed.



Officer Kyle Fitchhorn and friend at the Blue Knight kiosk

Blue Knights who attended and assisted with the 24th Annual Terry Bennett Motorcycle Training and Competition were **Richard Bennett, Rick Carlson, Brian Duncan, Mike Manen, Aaron Roberts, Ken Smith** and **Mike Wagner**.

These two major events happened on consecutive weekends. Blue Knight members and their families stepped up to make both events a success. Thanks to all who pitched in and helped!



Opening Ceremony on Saturday



Director-elect Carlson, Mike Manen, Mike Wagner



BK Tent, Mike Wagner, Aaron Roberts, Mike Manen

Blue Knights Help with 24th Annual Terry Bennett Event

Story and photos by Rick Carlson



Rick and Crew at event

Members of Blue Knights California VI were pleased to participate in the San Diego County Motor Officers 24th Annual "Terry Bennett Memorial" Police Motorcycle Training Competition. This was a two-day event, held on September 18 and 19, 2026. This year's event was sponsored by the La Mesa Police Department and held at Sea World in San Diego.

The event is named after Terry Bennett, a San Diego Police Motorcycle Officer who lost his life in the line of duty while attempting to arrest an auto theft suspect. This year was also a tribute to La Mesa Officer Lauren Craven who made the ultimate sacrifice and lost her life October 20, 2025 while assisting a motorist on the freeway.



Officer Terry Bennett

This is more than just a competition; It is a training opportunity for active Law Enforcement Officers to become more proficient in their motorcycle skills while serving the communities they work in.



There were 101 competitors from Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico and our neighbors to the south in Mexico. The participants had to maneuver through a series of complicated turns, figure eights and obstacles while being timed and judged for accuracy.

Not only is it a great test of skills, it is a rewarding spectator's event. San Diego Blue Knights Chapter VI were a major part of the competition, both in scoring the event and resetting the course as needed.

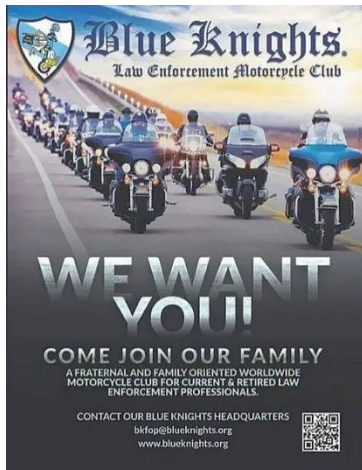


Including me, we had six members on the job both days of the event; Richard Bennett, Brian Duncan, Mike Manen, Aaron Roberts, Ken Smith and Mike Wagner. They are commended for the great job they did, and we look forward to next year's event.

This was a great opportunity to support our fellow law enforcement officers who are making our communities a safer place for all of us.



Richard Bennett, Mike Wagner, Mike Manen, Ken Smith



EXPOSE YOURSELF

(In a good way)

By Seymour Action

A CA VI Editorial About Membership ("I never heard of Blue Knights")



Confucius says...

How often have you heard someone say they have never heard of the Blue Knights?

As Blue Knights, we need to initiate a campaign of public discovery. Our Southwest Conference Board of Directors Chairman, Mark Beluscak said it best: *"Effective sustained recruitment is about being out and seen at places and motorcycle events that are police supportive, or police friendly, and making connections with our people at these events."* I think this is a call to action, and we should build upon this concept.

Blue Knights has existed since 1974, currently having 600 Chapters and 15,000 members Internationally. Why haven't more people, especially eligible law enforcement members, heard of us? The short answer is exposure.

Of the Chapters in our Southwest Conference, few, if any, have more than 40 members. Here in San Diego County, CA VI is the only Blue Knight Chapter. Considering that San Diego County has a population of 3.34 million (and adjacent Imperial County 181 thousand) it would seem that more eligible members are available. We have 43 members. Like most Blue Knight chapters, some of our members are not very active, therefore, not seen. So, again, exposure is lacking.

It is not enough that our members "recruit" new Blue Knights (still very important), we need to be SEEN. An example of our Chapters' efforts was the 2026 Blue Knight Southwest Conference in San Diego. We had an Assistant Police Chief as our Keynote speaker, and the San Diego Police Honor Guard for our opening ceremonies at a high-quality hotel venue. Our International Blue Knight President, Rus Harper, was in the audience, and spoke at the Conference. The event was published in our Knightly News, and sent to several local police agencies. We are doing our part to be seen, and this should just be the beginning.

Previous exposure venues for Blue Knights have diminished. Yes, there is Facebook, but at a local level, where new members are located, we need to re-establish our brand. Chapter newsletters used to be published each month. Many newsletters had paid advertisements. Local merchants were happy to support Blue Knights with an ad, and display a certificate or plaque in their businesses. Chapters received some revenue in addition to the exposure.

(For example, a local BMW motorcycle club has over 130 members, a healthy exposure and treasury due to ads and revenue from their monthly newsletter.) Newsletters give us exposure, keep our members informed, and are a potential source of revenue. Exposure AND revenue...

The challenge is that Blue Knights have competition. Only about 10 percent of eligible law enforcement personnel ride motorcycles. Of that group, there are several law enforcement motorcycle groups vying for new members. In addition to being family oriented, Blue Knights accept all brands of motorcycles; Blue Knights needs to advertise our wholesome environment, conservative members and shared law enforcement experience.

Locally, here is what CA VI is doing to maximize exposure, and gain membership.

- We have had a comprehensive newsletter for over four years. It gets read internationally.
- Our Chapter members are publicized in the newsletter with stories of activities.
- Newsletters are archived in our Chapter website for history.
- Copies of our newsletter are sent to several Law Enforcement agencies each month.
- We support the local Law Enforcement Widows and Orphans fund.
- We support the San Diego Police Historical Association and Museum.
- We participate in charity and patriotic events.

Those of us who are active members of a Blue Knight Chapter know the benefits of being a Blue Knight. We believe that Blue Knights is a healthy, family-oriented motorcycle club that offers law enforcement personnel comradery in a healthy environment.

Let's support and follow BK SWC Chairman Mark Beluscak's vision for being more visible.



Blue Knights exposing the brand
Royal Gorge Bridge, Colorado



CHAPLAINS CORNER

By Randy Alldredge

Hope and Patience



As we step into a new month with refreshed new opportunities to trust in God's timing, we ask you Lord to grant us the patience and the trust to believe Your timing is always on time, even if it doesn't always feel that way. One of the most difficult things we face as humans and Christians.

As autumn settles around us, we're reminded that every harvest requires both planting and waiting. As we seek assistance from our Lord Jesus to patiently wait for the harvest (a prayer answered), we need to remember to count our blessing already provided by our Heavenly Father.

This month let us explore the beautiful partnership between faith (planting) and patience (harvesting) - the twin keys needed to unlock God's promises in our lives.

This month we again recognize several of our members needing extra prayers. Some of us are healing from injuries, surgeries, and internal complications. While others are facing pending critical life decisions for family members.

Heavenly Father, we pray for each of our members for strength as we traverse the hardships of life. I ask in Your name you give each member the courage of David and the strength of Samson as we face life's challenges.

Let His peace guide your heart through whatever delays you are facing.

God Bless each and every one of us!

Note: If anyone needs special prayer, please email me at ran5150@yahoo.com so I can add you to my prayer list. All prayer requests are confidential.

Ya' Feelin' Lucky?



Opportunity tickets being sold now!
**(If you are a Blue Knight,
are you selling your tickets?)**

You can't win if you don't play!
Tickets \$10 donation.
Tickets are being sold by CA VI members.

First Prize: \$1,000

Second Prize: \$500

Third Prize: \$250



Only 500 tickets will be sold

Winning tickets will be drawn on Saturday, December 12, 2026 at the monthly meeting and Christmas Party. Winners will be notified immediately.

Proceeds from the drawing will go to selected charities (See our Charities page)

Tickets available from Jennifer Wade, Drawing manager. **619-518-1569**

Or by email: divajen.ca@gmail.com

Increase your chances; the more you buy, the better your odds!



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The above items are immediately available from the Quarter Master. Contact Alex at the monthly meetings or by email. www.arcx3@cox.net

Submit your Blue Knight articles to the Knightly News

The Knightly News is published monthly by Blue Knights California VI. All members are encouraged to submit articles. Articles deemed appropriate include but are not limited to: articles regarding motorcycle-oriented stories, personal travel, police functions or informational / technical topics.

As a reminder, any submissions of re-printed articles must clearly give credit to the original author. Copyrighted material must have permission of the author to be eligible. This can be remedied by writing up an outline of the article and by referencing the original author.

Articles that are deemed inappropriate for publication include and are not limited to: articles regarding controversial, personal choices, religious positions or advocacy for questionable action. Questions about material that does not fall clearly within the guidelines will be brought to the attention of the Chapter President by the Editor, for a decision of appropriateness. If necessary, the Board may review the article and make a decision to publish or not to publish.

Submit articles to Editor: electrotalk2610@outlook.com

DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES

FRIDAY, WEEK AFTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SEND COMPLETED NOMINATION TO PRESIDENT KEN SMITH: kenstah@gmail.com

**Nomination
CA VI Blue Knight of the Year**

Blue Knight of the Year is a member in good standing, has a high participation level in the Chapter and supports its activities. Demonstrating a positive image of the Blue Knights and the motorcycling community. Works at all times to improve relationships between law enforcement community and general public. Maintains fraternal spirit relating to other Blue Knights.

To: President, California VI

Today's date _____

From: _____

Name of nominee: _____

Give examples of:

High participation level in the Chapter

Supports activities

Demonstrates positive image of Blue Knights and motorcycling community

Improves relationships between Law Enforcement and general public

Maintains fraternal spirit relating to other Blue Knights

(Use additional pages, if necessary)

SEND COMPLETED NOMINATION TO PRESIDENT KEN SMITH: kenstah@gmail.com

**Nomination
CA VI Lord / Lady Blue Knight of the Year**

Lord / Lady Knight of the Year given to **spouse or significant other** of a Blue Knight. Has **high participation level in the Chapter, supports activities, supports law enforcement community. Demonstrates a positive image of the Blue Knights, works to improve relationship between motorcycling law enforcement community and public, guided by fraternal spirit relating to Blue Knights.**

To: President, California VI

Today's date _____

From: _____

Name of nominee: _____

Give examples of:

Relationship to Blue Knight member

High participation level in the Chapter

Supports law enforcement community

Demonstrates positive image of the Blue Knights

Improves relationship between motorcycling law enforcement community and public

Fraternal spirit relating to Blue Knights

(Use additional pages if necessary)

The members of Blue Knights California VI - San Diego, are honored to support the following charities. Donations are encouraged.



<https://thewishesgrantedfoundation.com/>



<https://nextstepservicedogs.org/>



www.sdpolicemuseum.com



San Diego Police Widows and Orphans Fund

www.sdpoa.org

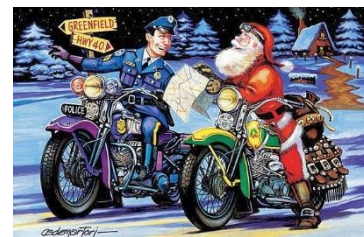


2026 BLUE KNIGHTS CHRISTMAS PARTY

It's a tradition
(Be a part of it!)

Saturday December 12, 2026

Embassy Suites, 4550 La Jolla Village Dr., San Diego



Christmas 2005: Four faces in this photo still attend. Can you find them?



Christmas Party 2025: Be in the 2026 photo!

Current costs have dictated an increase in price this year. Blue Knights with one guest: \$85 each. Non-member guests \$120 each. **COST SAVINGS BONUS:** [The first 35 BK / Guests discounted to \\$75 each! Register early!](#)

Join this traditional year-end Blue Knight holiday celebration with your friends!

This dress-up Christmas party includes:
Business meeting
Installation of Officers
Chapter Blue Knight / Lady BK of the Year
Buffet meal with three entrees
Adult beverages on site
Gift exchange
Raffle ticket winners
Annual Christmas photo

End this memorable year with your Blue Knight friends and family!

Look for Invitation and reservation forms in your email.



2026 Blue Knights CA VI Christmas Party

Saturday, December 12, 2026

Embassy Suites

4550 La Jolla Village Dr, San Diego, CA 92122

5 P.M. to 10 P.M.

Meals and Gift Exchange Info

This year's meal will be Buffet style.

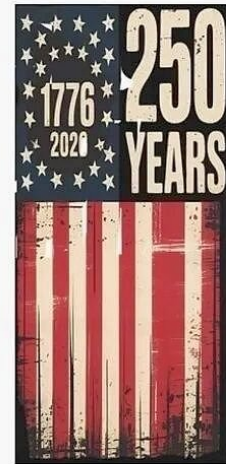
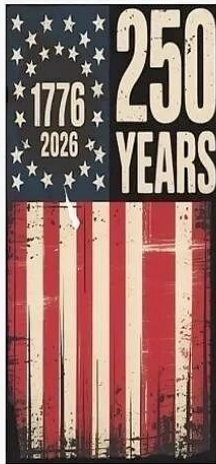
Gift Exchange

Gift Exchange procedures for Members & guests who wish to participate in this traditional event.

- Bring a wrapped gift in the \$25 range.
- **Please no "gag" gifts.**
- Be sure the gift is clearly **marked** for a "male" or "female". (Unisex gifts should be marked the same sex as the giver.)
- Present your gift at the sign-in table.
- Print your name on a card (provided).



UPCOMING RIDES



29th Annual Poker Run **OCTOBER 24, 2026**

High Hand \$200

Low Hand \$100

Registration 08:00-10:00 at the:

COYNE POWERSPORTS

2351 South 4th Street, El Centro, Ca 92243

Single \$30, Double \$40, Extra Hand \$10

Good Food, Raffles and Good Times with Friends. Everyone is welcome.

RIDE WITH PRIDE !



Blue Knights CA X, P.O. Box 646, El Centro, Ca. 92244

For Information contact: BLUEKNIGHTSCA_X@YAHOO.COM



Poker Run
Registration

Donation