



**RED KNIGHTS
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MOTORCYCLE CLUB®
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2023 EOY REPORT

Fraternal Greetings Everyone

Karen and I wish you all a very Happy, Healthy, and Safe 2024 New Year.

Thank you for entrusting in me the honor to navigate this incredible organization.

Please join me as we extend a big thank you to Past President Joey Powell for his ten (10) years of Board service. Six (6) years as Region 4 Director, and four (4) years as International President. To all of our Committee Chairs and Members, you are to be commended.

You are the unsung heroes, and extremely integral to all of our moving parts. The newly formed Information Technology (IT) Committee has hit the ground running and continues to evolve.

The committee has started developing a laptop and peripherals replacement program. The older laptops are being serviced and updated. When possible these computers will be issued to Committee Chair's for continued R.K. use.

Since convention and with the retirement of long-standing Board Member/Region 2 Director, Leo Patry and the vacancy of the Vice President's position, in accordance to the By-Laws this triggered a special election. We congratulate and welcome newly elected Region 2 Director, Randy Smith (Ontario 1), and Vice President, Norman Beausoleil (Massachusetts 1).

It is an honor and we certainly look forward to working with these two brothers.

Shortly after the Vice President election results were announced, Norm and I met at R.K. Memorial Hall in Boylston, MA (Dec. 19-21) for the V.P. transition.

November 15-19, 2023 your International Board met in Baltimore, MD for the Fall Board Meeting (FBM) of Red Knights International (RKI), Red Knights Regalia (RKR) and Red Knights Memorial Foundation (RKM). The extensive agendas and minutes of those meetings can be found on the Red Knights website.

<https://www.redknightsmc.com/meeting-minutes>

Also since the September Convention/ABM in Fussach Austria, this office has also scheduled and held eight (8) Zoom Meetings.

On Saturday October 28, 2023 I attended Heaven One services for Nancy Eighmie (NY 49) in Stamford, NY. Sadly enough just 316 days earlier I also attended Heaven One services for her husband Scott Eighmie (NY 49). Our continued thoughts and prayers go out to the Eighmie family and New York Chapter 49.

On December 31st we lost a dear friend and brother Red Knight, Ed Brouillet.

- Ed was a 40-year member of the Red Knights Massachusetts Chapter 2
- A 2012 recipient of the Perry Carter Award aka Red Knight of the Year
- Past International President (the 7th President)
- Past International Vice-President (the 5th Vice President)
- Charter Member of Massachusetts Chapter 2
- Past Chapter President
- Past Chapter Vice-President

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- Past Chapter Road Captain

Rest in Peace Eddie. We'll take it from here.

In closing, I urge all members to regularly visit and peruse the Red Knights Website. Pretty much changes and updates occur on a daily basis, thanks to Communications Chair, Sara-Lynn Hickam who has unquestionably transformed both the website and R.K. Facebook Page beyond expectations.

On the social side of things there is also the Red Knights All Chapters and MAL Facebook Page, which is membership founded, driven, and administered. Social threads, announcements, chapter/regional rides, functions, rallies, and the like can all be found on this page.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/RedknightsMCIntlChapters>

There is even a members only Sunday night Zoom, now entering into its fourth year.

We hope to see you on the open roads. Until then, be safe and ride safe. **RKF**

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "SPIKE" followed by a stylized flourish.

R. Spike Ostiguy
International President