



**RED KNIGHTS INTERNATIONAL
FIREFIGHTERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB®
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Hello to all my fellow Red Knights Brothers and Sisters

I would again like to thank everyone for giving me this opportunity to serve you on this Board. It truly is an honor and privilege to be a small part of our Club's future!

In this last year as your International Secretary, I have had the privilege to attend the, 2023 New Jersey State ACP, the 2023 International Spring Board Meeting, the 2023 Dixie Rally, the 2023 Yankee Rally, the 2023 Bootleggers Rally, and the 2023 International Convention. I cherish those events and the memories made at each and every one of those events. I look forward to many more years of building bonds, friendships, and memories!

This last year I have been very busy transforming the TMLA system into a fully digital system and we are now in the middle of a complete audit with each Chapter. Once complete, it should get everyone up to speed with what they have and hopefully give everyone a better understanding of how the system works. The goal is to have this completed by the end of my first term, so the next term we can focus on other items to help us move to the future!

I have been asked several times now, what is a QRG. A QRG is a Quick Reference Guide, its sole purpose is to help our members with different items or processes that have been deemed difficult or confusing. They are meant to give a little insight into how the process works, for instance, we released QRG RKMC SOG 12:02. Its purpose is to help give details on each step of the process and insight into what each step entails.

Also, we've talked about transparency on different matters, I hope you all received the SOG Revision Reference Guides from your Regional Directors. I hope you have found them to be a good start to that concept. It helps show where the changes were made so we all may catch them and be in the know. Also, the International Board Motions are now published on the website. This is another attempt to be more transparent and to show the work we are dedicated to performing for our members.

Below are some of the stats from 2023:

TMLA report:

Approved: 313

Denied: 5

Pending: 6

Total requested: 324

Where to go for TMLAs:

<https://www.redknightsmc.com/chapter-merchandise>

Insurance policies:

Insurance issued: 48

Non-compliant but issued: 1

Non-compliant: 3

Pending: 0

Insurance requested: 51

Where to go for RKMC Ins. Program:

<https://www.redknightsmc.com/insurance-for-authorized-red-knights>

New Chapter Applications sent out:

Interest letters sent: 46

Applications sent: 32

Keep spreading the word! Let's grow!

Region 7 is leading the way!

Rental Agreements issued:

Total issued: 36

Pending: 0

Total requested: 36

Did you know about Memorial Hall?

<https://www.redknightsmc.com/reserve-memorial-hall>

Equipment or items issued:

Banners: 2

Flags: 0

Total requested: 2

For more information see SOG section 17:01

https://www.redknightsmc.com/Images/redknightsinternational/SOG_s/International_SOG_s_Update_11-14-2022_-_secured.pdf



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I developed a passion for education as a Training Captain for my F.D. and I'm trying to find better ways to drive that here with the RKMC.

If you need information about TMLAs, go to:

https://www.redknightsmc.com/chapter-merchandise_cloned

If you are seeking Liability Insurance for your event, go to:

<https://www.redknightsmc.com/insurance-for-authorized-red-knights>

If you have questions on your Bylaws, SOGs, or Revision Reference Guides, go to:

<https://www.redknightsmc.com/downloads>

If you would like more information about the Memorial Hall, go to:

<https://www.redknightsmc.com/reserve-memorial-hall>

There is a wealth of knowledge out there to be found, visit our website, and explore!

<https://www.redknightsmc.com/>

If you're sending in your chapter's roster, please send them to the International Treasurer at treasurer@redknightsmc.com.

If you have any ideas for better educational items, please feel free to let me know, I'm here to help and move to a better tomorrow!

One last thing, get out there and meet new RKMC members, rekindle old contacts, and turn them into friendships! Go to rallies and have a great time with like-minded brothers and sisters. There is more to this Club than just Chapter life, there is a whole world full of our brothers and sisters that you can make connections with!

Again, Thank you for your patience and faith! I'm very appreciative to be able to serve you and help play a small part in making our beloved organization grow for the future!

"Loyal to Our Duty"

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Woods" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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