

Fellow members,

Last year was filled with great rides, meeting new members and making great and new friends. I hope the New Year will bring the same and a better year.

Looking back at 2018, I realize that our organization is a complex one. We have our ups and downs just like everyone else. As an International Officer, I try to do what is best for the members. During the year I listen to what the members are saying and try to reflect that in my decision making on the board. At times we, the board, make decisions that some members agree with and others do not, normal everyday life. I myself do not agree with everything that we vote on, but we carry on doing the best we can and strive to make this organization the best. From time to time we get caught up in things and we do not look at the overall picture to make sure it is the best for everyone not just ourselves. For the New Year, I would like for our club to grow stronger together as one and strive to overcome the obstacles that will be there in front of us that might hinder us. We are a great club!

As we start the New Year let me challenge each member to see what they can do to make the Club stronger. It takes everyone to make this club work not just the officers of the chapters or the International.

This past year I attended both the spring and fall Board of Directors meetings, Dixie Rally Alabama, International Convention, and several rides with my Chapter (NC12). I average around 12 - 14 hours a week doing emails or on the phone with members.

I would like to encourage each member if you have any topics that you think the board should address please send it to your Regional Director so that we can discuss it. Remember this is your club.

Region 4 (THE DIXIE RALLY) was held this past year in Alabama. We had around 200 members to attend the rally. It was a job well done by the hosting chapters. This year the Dixie will be held in Mississippi. I am positive this will be another great event.

This year I would like to challenge each chapter to reach out to the new members and make them feel welcome, show them the web site, Facebook pages and to go over the bylaws and SOG's. Over the last years a lot of questions have been asked on different subjects and I have found that they could have been answered by just knowing the By-laws, SOG's.

Who are the Red Knights? We are a group of individuals that gives our time to serve our communities. We do not ask questions in the time of need we just do it. We may have different opinions at times, but we are a family that comes together and stands as one to get the job done. Deep inside each of us the NEED to serve is all ways there. As a Red Knight WE can serve by doing charity events, help the local Fire Depts. with their events, and just be there with the families in their time of need. Let's not forget what this club is about and who we are and what we stand for.

**WE ARE A FAMILY OF ONE, THE RED KNIGHTS.....**

Hope everyone has a great and safe year of riding.

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