2015 International Treasurer End-of-Year report

Please accept this as my second end-of-year report in the role of treasurer. This report covers my first full year of serving as your treasurer.

Through the year I have attended all the board meetings, which included setting up new agreements to move our board meetings to a more central location where we were actually able to have members ride their bikes to the meeting. The hotel in Syracuse offered us great rates and a fair bit of convenience but we were able to arrange better rates in Baltimore and make it a little more convenient for a number of board members. Of course I also attend the board meetings and annual meeting in San Antonio. Sure, it was warmer than the convention we hosted in 2014, but that was no reason not to ride – and what a ride it was.

Between meetings I kept track of all the regalia orders, all the membership changes, new chapters, state and federal taxes, statements, dues, paying all bills, and answering an unknown number of e-mails. On average it would be a matter of about 15 hours per week except the first few months of the year when it gets busy. There are many parts of this position that make it such a great place to be. Getting to connect with all the chapters and all the Members At Large each year, mostly related to dues but there are lots of other matters happening that I get to be involved in. Being one of the first to know about new chapters and new members is also a very rewarding part of being treasurer.

In the fall my family and I had the pleasure of joining members of France 1 for a dinner in their home town of Paris. That is what being a Red Knight is all about, going to a completely different part of the world and meeting up with brothers and sisters you have never met before and talking about the next time you will be able to get together. It’s a great family to be a part of.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Ryan
International Treasurer