

# CHAPTER NEWSLETTER



## Blue Knights SC-1 "Ride with Pride"

March 2010

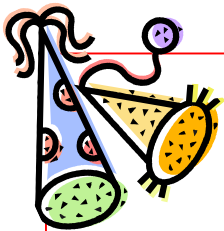
### **SNOW STORM CANCELS FEBRUARY MEETING!**

The Weatherman got it right! They predicted a snow storm in the Columbia area (heck, in almost all of South Carolina for that matter) for the evening of February 12, with 5-6 inches accumulation. And it actually happened!

Due to the predicted snowstorm, President Bill McKinzie conferred with Vice-President Tom Vacula and Immediate Past-President Dave Black and it was decided to cancel the February meeting. Bill then contacted members of the E-Board to get their approval as well. Notification of the cancellation was sent out by e-mail (or phone calls to those without e-mail) and on the "Cancellations" streamer on WIS-TV. Just in case there were any hearty souls who didn't get the word and actually made it to the meeting location on that Saturday morning, Thunder Tower was contacted as well! Can anyone ever remember the chapter cancelling a meeting in the past? And for snow, of all things?



Business that would have been conducted during the February meeting will be covered during the March 13th meeting. And hopefully the weather will be more agreeable!



### **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

3rd—Cathy Abrams  
4th—Susan Mangum  
15th—Al Siepert  
19th—Melda Scott  
25th—Chip Brown  
25th—Dave McClure  
26th—Sally Kolb  
27th—Elbert Jordon  
31st—Luise Siepert



### **Southern Regional Conference Spring 2010 Weekend April 29—May 2**

**Holiday House Resort  
Venice, Florida**

**Registration:  
\$60 per person before March 1st  
\$70 per person afterwards**

An on-line link for this event is available through our chapter's website: [www.blueknightsc1.org](http://www.blueknightsc1.org)



# MURPHY, NC RIDE UPDATE



Jeanne' and David Crump will once again host the annual Murphy Ride over the Memorial Day Weekend. Jeanne' has found several weekend cabin rentals:

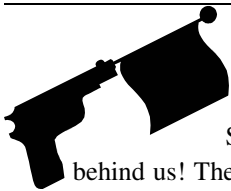
- Hansel & Gretel Cottage—a 1 bedroom/1 bath cottage that sleeps 4. Cost is \$60 a night plus tax, with a 3-night minimum.
- Tallwood Trail Cabin—a 2 bedroom/2bath cabin that sleeps 4. Cost is \$75 a night plus tax with a 3-night minimum.
- A Peace of Eden—features 2 bedrooms/2baths that sleeps 4. Cost is \$75 a night plus tax, with a 3-night minimum. There is a \$50 cleaning fee. A \$100 refundable reservation deposit is required. This is a pet-friendly accommodation with a \$100 pet deposit.

There are several motel chains in Murphy as well:

- Best Western (pet friendly)
- Days Inn
- Hampton Inn
- Holiday Inn Express

Jeanne' is continuing to work on locating suitable accommodations and getting special group rates. As more information becomes available, updates will be made available through e-mail and at the meetings.

This annual event has been one of the highlights of riding season, so don't miss out! Invite your friends to join us for a great riding experience.



## *Parting Shots . . . Words from 2010 President Bill McKinzie*

SNOW! As most of you know, I don't like riding in bad weather, let alone snowy or icy weather, so let's get this behind us! The weather will be getting better soon!!! We'll be leaving shortly for the Southern Region Conference in Florida, and I hope many of you will be going with us, and it won't be long after that when we have the annual Murphy Ride. The riding season will be here before we know it, and our chapter has events already on the calendar (see our web page). Plus, more events and rides will be added as the year progresses. And don't forget: periodically flyers will be posted on our web page that will give additional options that you may want to take advantage of. See you soon!

Yours in fellowship & brotherhood,  
Bill

### Chaplain's Corner

#### MAKING A DIFFERENCE

**Can we make a difference in such a large and complicated world? Here is an age-old true poem that can shed some light on that question:**

A little boy walked carefully along a crowded beach,  
 Where starfish by the hundreds lay, there within his reach.  
 They washed up with each wave, far as the eye could see,  
 And each would surely die, if they were not set free.  
 So one by one he rescued them, then heard a stranger call,  
 "It won't make any difference, you cannot save them all."  
 But as he tossed another back toward the ocean's setting sun,  
 He said with deep compassion, "I made a difference to that one!"

**We all can make a difference in people's lives, if we help them one life at a time!!**

In His service,  
Rev. Robert Smith, Jr.  
Romans 8:28

PS: Be of good cheer!

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