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### TSC NEWS BRIEFS: Written By Tristate Conference Secretary Guy Cook



Okay, as of the writing of this newsletter, Thanksgiving is over (can you believe it) and we are full swing into the holiday season. Heck, Liz and I have our tree up already (fresh, not artificial). Up here in my neck of the woods, we have already been snowed on twice (and it stuck to the ground both times). That means one thing to me; it's time to turn in your Christmas List to the proper authorities. My list consists of more motorcycle goodies and a new 2008 Harley (not happening). Oh well, I can dream can't I.

Before I forget, please make note of the e-mail address change for Tony Morgano (TSC NJ State Rep) and the change of address and e-mail and phone number for Carl Raymo (TSC NY State Rep).

Get well wishes go out to NY VI President Al Ruth who is recuperating from surgery. Our condolences go out to NY VIII Larry Moyer on the loss of his beloved sister, June Faye Moyer.

For many of our members the riding season has come to an end or soon will be. For those members I ask: is your iron horse ready for winter storage? It is easy to forget to do simple maintenance items that will help to ensure that your ride is ready for the 2008 riding season. A quick rundown on some of those items are as follows: Change your oil (old oil contains acid which is obviously not good for your bike), change the antifreeze in liquid cooled bikes if it is time to do so, maintain the charge in your battery, clean the gunk off your machine and throw a coat of wax on it, maintain the tire pressure, grease the areas that need greasing, bad or questionable tires should be replaced, change the fork oil, tighten bolts and drive chains/belts, check your owners manual for storage advise. The owner's manual will always be the best source of information for storage preparation unless you have a shop manual. Many times a shop manual will go into more detail and give better information. Just doing the simple things will help to make sure you are ready to ride in the upcoming new year.

If you take a look at the headings below for all of the individual Tristate Conference Chapters, you may notice that not too many chapters submitted anything for inclusion in this newsletter. I know that as we start into the winter months, there will be less riding activities. But all of our chapters continue to operate year round. I repeat brothers and sisters, this is your newsletter. It is your way to stay connected to all of the Tristate Conference Chapters. Even if the info about your chapter is only a one liner, send it in. Also, I did not receive a single picture from any of our 60 chapters for inclusion in this newsletter. Don't be shy Guys and Gals. Help me to make this newsletter your newsletter.

I am still monitoring the IRS site concerning any updates on the mandatory requirement for each chapter making \$25,000.00 and under (or no money at all) to file an E-Postcard. So far I have not found any updates on the progress the IRS has made in setting up their website to accommodate this filing. When I do, I will let you know.

Don't forget project "BLUE LIGHT" this holiday season. The idea is to display a blue light in one or more of your windows to honor those men and women in Law Enforcement who have given their lives in the performance of their duties and to honor those men and women who continue to work in Law Enforcement, putting their lives on the line every day. This tradition was started back in 1989 by Mrs. Dolly Craig of Philadelphia, PA, who lost her son in law, Danny Gleason, a Philadelphia Police Officer killed in the line of duty in 1986. In 1989 Mrs. Craig shared her idea with COPS (Concerns of Police Survivors) and told them that she was honoring her son in law and his wife (who had died in an auto accident earlier in 1989) by placing a blue light in her window. Because of her idea a tradition was born. Please place a blue light in your window this holiday season. Liz and I keep our blue light lit and in the window year round.

That's all I have for now. I hope that with the coming of the holidays, everyone will be able to enjoy a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah, and Happy Kwanza. Please don't forget our men and women serving in harms way. Include them in your prayers.

Keep the BLUE KNIGHTS Fraternal Spirit burning bright and let's all continue to "Ride with Pride."

Guy

### **TREASURERS COLUMN: Written by Gus Faella**



Here it is the day after Thanksgiving and I'm still stuffed from the wonderful meal Debbie prepared for me and her family. If you had to work, I feel for you, as they say, been there done that. I'm sure you made up for it when you got home and enjoyed your Thanksgiving as much as I did. With the temperature reaching 60 degrees, we couldn't have asked for a better day. I couldn't resist, I even took the bike out for an hour.

Just a quick reminder, that your Chapter's Tri-State Conference dues are due. Chapter dues are only 35.00 and individual dues are 25.00. Checks can be made out to the Tri-State Conference

and mailed to my home at 459 Northern Blvd. Bayville, New Jersey 08721. Our Tri-State Conference pins were a big hit so the Board decided to reorder another batch. Price will remain at 5.00 each or 6.00 mailed. They should be in any day, so place your order now in time for Christmas.

Debbie and I would like to wish you and your families a Safe, Healthy and Happy Holiday Season, and please, keep our men and woman in uniform that are serving our great country in your thoughts and prayers.

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NJ 15 DAVE MOEN 2435 HWY 35 #286 732-397-5961 dave\_moen@nps.gov MANASQUAN, NJ 08736 Hotline: 732-485-1929 AS 2007 COMES TO A CLOSE, NJXV SAW A GROWTH IN MEMBERSHIP, MORE MEMBERS ATTENDING MONTHLY MEETING, AND AN INCREASE IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN OUR SPRING AND FALL RUNS. ON NOVEMBER 15 CLUB CHARTER MEMBER JOE ZARRELLI WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE STATE TROOPER'S COALITION AND THE NATIONAL POLICE DEFENSE FOUNDATION AS BUSINESSMAN OF THE YEAR. BEING RETIRED FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT, JOE REMAINS A BIG SUPPORTER OF THE BLUE KNIGHTS, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND MANY OTHER CHARITIES HE DONATES TIME AND MONEY TOO. NJXV IS VERY PROUD TO HAVE JOE AS A MEMBER AND CONGRATULATES HIM ON RECEIVING SUCH A SPECIAL AWARD.

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Chapter held its annual Holiday Party on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November. 41 Chapter members, family and friends attended. Chapter will be holding its annual "Ride for Santa" on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December. During the ride we escort Santa on our motorcycles behind a Police escort vehicle to family residences of underprivileged families where Santa delivers presents to the children. Cookie platters are given to the families as well as food gift certificates from Shoprite. We will also be helping Santa deliver toys to the children at the Women's Shelter.

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> Guy Cook TSC Secretary \*\*\* As always: Ride with Pride \*\*\*

**MUG SHOTS:** 

If TSC Chapters would like to post a picture of their events or affairs, please e-mail the picture to me and if there is enough room in the TSC Times newsletter, I will be more than happy to include it. At any rate, if I can not print it, I will save it for inclusion in a future newsletter. Please e-mail your picture to <u>ultra02@frontiernet.net</u>. **Pictures are of the Fall TSC Conference Weekend:** 

