



Welcome to 2016!

ECMC is excited about this upcoming year, we've already started things off with a bang, including:

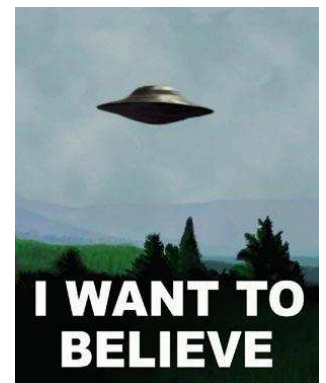
- Our first barnight at the **new** DC Eagle in Washington DC on Saturday the 16th of January!
- Our annual nominations and elections concluded just a few days ago with some fresh new officers to be installed at our installation dinner on 24th January!
- What's that? A new pledge and a new prospect?!? You bet!!
- Heck, we're even giving our newsletter, RUMBLINGS a fresh new look for 2016!



New officers for 2016 / Installation dinner

Elections are over and the membership has spoken... Our new officers for 2016 are as follows:

President	Chaz A	AMCC Rep	T/B/A
Vice President	Joe M	Sergeant at Arms	T/B/A
Road Captain	Geno K	Pledge Master	T/B/A
Secretary	Aaron G		
Treasurer	Mark W		



The positions on the right are appointed by the Executive Board, which consists of the current five officers and the most recent past-president whom is not a present officer.

Please consider attending our installation dinner to congratulate this year's officers. ECMC's 52nd Annual Installation Dinner will be at Malagueta Restaurant, 25-35 36th Avenue, Astoria, Queens, NY 11106. Dinner is a flat cost of \$40 cash per person and there will be a cash bar. Vegetarian & Vegan menu choices available! There is limited space, if you'd like to attend, please e-mail amcc-rep@empirecitymc.com to reserve your spot! Dinner starts at three o'clock and ends around six (so we can all get home in time to watch the new X-Files!) ☺

Ride & event planning is underway!

We're already planning some awesome rides for 2016, including: a week-long road trip to Montréal, Quebec in August during their gay pride week with stops at Gargoyle House (up and back), HOGS for Hope and of course our annual Biker Weekend over Memorial Day Weekend! We expect a very active riding year. We haven't abandoned New York City – our V.P. has some great ideas for local events too!



Here we grow again... meet Steven and Brian!

Steven G is the latest person to apply for membership with Empire City MC! Steven rides a Harley-Davidson Fat Boy and approached the club as a prospect a while ago. At the January meeting, he presented his application for membership. He has a remarkable 34 years of motorcycle riding under his belt. The pledging process is long and arduous, a minimum of three months as a pledge is required, but typically takes six. We all wish him the best luck in completing the process!

ECMC also has a new prospect! Brian V has been watching ECMC from afar and came to his first ECMC meeting this month. He expressed interest in the club. He's only lived in New York State for a couple of years and rides a Suzuki GSX-S 1000F.

Watch for these two guys at ECMC events and rides and get to know them – they might just be the ones that take our full membership a sweet sixteen, a healthy number not seen for a very long time! Don't forget to add our associate and emeritus members!

Meet the member: Gary P

Discovering Empire City MC was a fortuitous accident for Gary. In 2012, Gary was a volunteer at New York City's "Folsom Street East" and it happened to be the same year that Empire City set up their own booth for the first time ever. Gary spotted ECMC and spoke to a few members. One week later, Gary came up to New York City once again to ride in the Stonewall Pride March – Evil Ed had spotted him in the crowd and asked him to ride with ECMC as a guest. Gary was excited, not only because he'd be riding near the front of the parade, but this was to be the first gay pride march he'd ever been in!



Folsom St East 2012



Gary was an officer (Treasurer) of the Philadelphians MC, a gay men's leather social club in Gary's home city of Philadelphia. When Gary had joined the Philadelphians, only two members rode motorcycle in the organisation – and sadly, once Gary had become a member, those two riders left, leaving Gary alone as the only riding member of the Philadelphians. Motorcycling is very near and dear to Gary, so he became an Associate Member of ECMC October 2012 and only a mere twelve months later, he applied to be our first out-of-town Full Member. At the time, we had recently changed out bylaws allowing an Associate Member who could perform the duties of a Full Member for a full year apply for Full Membership even though they are outside the allowable radius for being a Full Member. In January 2014, Gary was voted in following his mandatory pledge period.

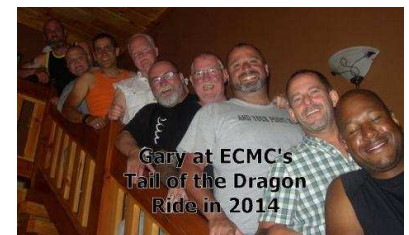


Gary's first ride with ECMC!



Gary as an associate member of ECMC, but officer of the Philadelphians, MC

I asked Gary if his beliefs and perceptions of what ECMC was in his mind lived up to his expectations and he responded with a resounding yes! Gary loves the camaraderie he gets being a member of ECMC, and since he's presently single and available, the brothers of ECMC are some of the closest people in his life at this time and he's very appreciative! Gary is thrilled to be involved with other men that have a strong interest in riding motorcycles as he does.



Gary at ECMC's Tail of the Dragon Ride in 2014



In addition to ECMC, Gary is also associated with other men's groups, including being an associate member of Philadelphians MC, the Keystone Boys of Leather (which is now defunct), M.A.U.L. (The Mid-Atlantic Uniform League), a summer position with the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary and recently a coach of gay volleyball team in the Stonewall Philadelphia Sports League (whom took its name from the historic New York City Stonewall Inn.) Gary met the members of M.A.U.L. at the Raven in New Hope, PA following the 2014 ECMC Biker's Picnic and has been a member since January 2015.

Gary's favourite ride (to date) was an interesting ride involving planes, trains and automobiles – he was a passenger in a side car of a friend's motorcycle, hopped on a bus from there to the airport to Oakland, CA and then

the BART to Modesto, CA where he rented a H-D Electroglide and rode to nearly the Oregon border and back again. A total of 1,400 miles.

His "dream ride" would be ride his motorcycle to Maine, ferry over to Nova Scotia, drive across Nova Scotia, ferry to Newfoundland and ride to St John's to the site of the titanic survivors' location.



DON'T MISS THIS ONE...

**EMPIRE CITY MC
LEATHER BIKER BARNIGHT
@ DC EAGLE**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 16 2016
STARTING @ 9PM**

**COME AND HANG OUT WITH
THE MEN OF EMPIRE CITY MC AND
ENJOY \$2 DRAFT BEER SPECIAL,
JELL-O SHOTS AND MORE**



The last word...

While my term as President of our club comes to a close, I must say I am honored to have been given the opportunity to represent my club brothers. Together we've continued to make a positive impact within our community, general public and, most importantly, our brotherhood. These past 2 years would not have been as successful had I not had the full support of my club brothers. I confidently say we are unique group of brothers who truly have a strong bond, respect and love for one another.



Please join me in congratulating our newly elected 2016 executive board, Chaz Antonelli as President, Joe Mitchell as Vice President, Geno Knox as Road Captain, Aaron Griffin as Secretary and Mark Wind as Treasurer. – “Evil” Ed

UPCOMING EVENTS & RIDES

16th January: Join ECMC at the **new** DC Eagle for an amazing and sexy barnight on Saturday night during the Centaur MC's Mid-Atlantic Leather Weekend! The fun starts at around 10pm. ECMC members please arrive at 9pm for set-up.

24th January: ECMC's 52nd Annual Installation Dinner at Malagueta Restaurant, 25-35 36th Avenue, Astoria, Queens, NY 11106. Dinner is a flat cost of \$40 cash per person and there will be a cash bar. Vegetarian & Vegan menu choices available! There is limited space, please e-mail amcc-rep@empirecitymc.com to reserve your spot! Dinner starts at 3 o'clock and ends around six so we can all watch the new X-Files.

3rd February: Empire City MC's open general meeting is held the first Wednesday of the month at The Centre, 208 W 13th St, NYC. All interested men and prospective members are welcome to attend. Check the posted schedule to see which room we're in.

2nd March: Empire City MC's open general meeting is held the first Wednesday of the month at The Centre, 208 W 13th St, NYC. All interested men and prospective members are welcome to attend. Check the posted schedule to see which room we're in.

12th March: Empire City MC is proud to perform security services for the Imperial Court of New York's Night of a Thousand Gowns!

19th March: Long Island Ravens' Anniversary Dinner. Applications at <http://liravensmc.org/anniversary24/>

21st March – 5th April: Chaz & KK's Southeast Asia tour (Bangkok, Laos, Penang)

6th April: Empire City MC's open general meeting is held the first Wednesday of the month at The Centre, 208 W 13th St, NYC. All interested men and prospective members are welcome to attend. Check the posted schedule to see which room we're in.

4th May: Empire City MC's open general meeting is held the first Wednesday of the month at The Centre, 208 W 13th St, NYC. All interested men and prospective members are welcome to attend. Check the posted schedule to see which room we're in.

20th-22nd May: The Island of Misfit Boys is Excelsior MC and Twilight Guard's annual run on Fire Island. Empire City will be there to provide libations and stir up some trouble! See you there!

27th-30th May: Empire City MC's annual Biker Weekend in the Finger Lakes Region. Applications will be coming out soon!

REMEMBER: There will be plenty of other events and rides added to our official calendar on a regular basis, especially day rides! Be sure to bookmark our official calendar at <http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com> and come along with us!

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Empire City MC is a proud member of the Atlantic Motorcycle Coordinating Council. For more information about membership with Empire City MC, [click here](#) to view/download our constitution, bylaws and membership application.

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