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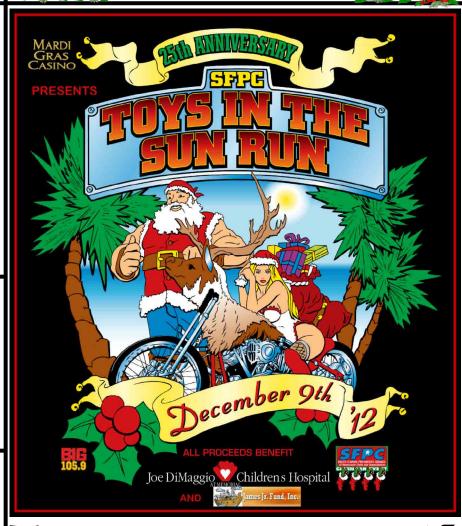


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#### "Freedom of Choice, Freedom of the Road"

You may know us as the motorcycle organization that got the helmet law repealed in Florida or from our motorcycle rights and safety rally's throughout the year.

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# President's Message

don't know about you, but, I am glad that the elections are over. I worked the early voting. It started on October 27<sup>th</sup> and ran thru November 3<sup>rd</sup>. We had over 1000 people voting every day. All totaled I worked 117 hours, then back on November 6<sup>th</sup> for the general election. Boy, am I glad it is over.

Now we will not have to listen to all those ads on TV and those phone calls when we get home from work and try and have something to eat and drink and kick back and chill out.

I have a new Vice-President. Alan "Big Wheel" Loper stepped down and Frank "Poppie" Cocchi has stepped up to help me out. It was Poppie who got me involved in ABATE all those years ago, and I do not regret it at all. I have met a lot of great people along the way.

Currently there is nothing happening at the state legislature. There will be more to report in my January message. Let's let them get back to work on all those bills that they have in front of them.

On Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> in the midst of all the crazy stuff going on with the elections I found time to attend the Everglades Bike Bash at Countyline Dragway out on US27. ABATE set up a Safety & Membership booth. Wrench, Alice & I had a good time talking to all the people that showed up to ask what ABATE is all about and what we do. I took time out to watch the bikes run. It was great to see them go down the track. I had forgotten how much fun it was. There were some 4-wheel bikes that were two-stroke and sounded like a chainsaw on steroids that ran about 100 MPH. All and all we had a great day.

Now that Thanksgiving has come and gone and the Christmas season is upon us and you just put away all those recipes from Thanksgiving and are breaking out those recipes for Christmas remember that the Southeast Chapter is putting together a cook book. So, while you have them out please make a copy and send them to Jackie at <a href="mailto:abatesecooking@gmail.com">abatesecooking@gmail.com</a>. Send it in an email, pdf or jpeg format with or without a picture. Include your name and organization at the bottom to be recognized. Please include a phone number to be reached for any questions. It will not be published. Any questions, contact Jackie at the email above or at 954-816-0114.

Mardi Gras Casino and the South Florida Presidents Council will put on the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Toys in the Sun Run on Sunday December 9<sup>th</sup> at Markham Park in Sunrise. ABATE will have a tent set up by the front gate like always. There will be a Safety & Membership table so stop by to join or renew your membership. There will also be men's t-shirts on sale for \$10.00 while they last. Please stop by and say Hi! to Santa Claus and have your picture taken with him.

Remember HERE TODAY, GONE TODAY Bars



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For Membership Renewals contact, George Torrence by either email:

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#### \* PLEASE NOTE \*

You have 30 days from the last day of your expiration month to renew your membership, or be deleted from the State's List. Also (very important) be sure to notify us of any changes.

We need your help. When you receive your renewal it is in your best interest if you fill out the renewal portion. I know this sounds stupid, but it does happen, more often than not, so please fill in the information SO WE CAN READ IT. You cannot believe the renewals we receive which are not filled out at all. So PLEASE take the time to fill out the renewal. Also make sure you renew in the month you joined and before the 30 day grace period ends.

#### **ATTENTION**

Yearly membership pins are available for purchase when you renew your membership.

Shirts and patches available also.

Call Bob "Bars" Calabrese at:

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Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes

Nov. 18, 2012

Assistant Sgt @b Arms, Jimmy Les called the meeting to order at 10:10am. There were 49 members, 1 guest. Total in attendance: 50. The meeting started following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence and a prayer by "Poppie"

#### **Presidents Report**

BARS thanked all members for coming. Our newest members today are Marie and Tack. Many thanks to our brother MC's and associations attending today with representation from CMA Christian Motorcycle Association, Dirty White Boys, Brothers of the Third Wheel, Wings of Gold and Der Kreiger MC's. We need to show our support to the many clubs and associations who always support us. Our Public Relations Trustee " Fern" is in Imperial Point Hospital. She is in room 512. Please give her a call or better vet, take a few minutes of time to stop by and say "HI" We received Thank You letters from Jody for attending Rogers Memorial Service and The Shiners for the support we gave them at their recent event. On a sad note, Gimpy our Safety Directors brother has passed away. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Thanks to Alice for filling in for Fern on the hotline. We have tickets for next years drawing at bike week. Please see any board member. We need to sell our allocation of tickets in support of the State. First prize is \$10,000.00 the drawing is on Mar. 16, 2013 and you do not need to be present to win. We also have drawing tickets to support this year's toy run. First prize is a 2013 Harley Road Glide Custom.

#### **Vice-Presidents Report**

Poppie reported he attended the President's Council Meeting with BARS. This was very interesting. Our event dates for next year are: Semi-Annual on 1/20/13, Memorial Day on 5/26/13 and Our Annual on 10/13/13. Since our Semi-Annual Event date falls on our regular monthly meeting date, January's monthly meeting has been changed to Sun. 1/13/13. We need your help at these events. These 3 events are the only fundraising functions we have for the year and they have to be successful for us to survive. Our success is based on reciprocity. I help you and you help me. This is what the biker brotherhood has always stood for. Support for each other. This is what we have to do, support the MC's and Associations who support us.

#### Secretary's Report

A motion was made to accept the minutes of October's meeting as printed in the newsletter, seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Frank read the financial report. A motion was made, seconded to accept the Treasurers report. All in favor, motion passed.

#### Sergeant at Arms Report

Jimmy Les reported on the Veterans Day Service held by the Town of Davie. Members of the American Legion Post 321, Davis Moose Lodge and ABATE Southeast proudly handled the 21 gun salute. Poppie handled the invocation and prayer service. Look for the Davie Town Times and you will see the pictures.

#### Road Captain's Report

Wrench reported on the motorcycle races. They were great; unfortunately membership participation was less than stellar. Now times are a changing, as previously discussed we must support those who support us. Many MC's have open houses on Fridays. Our group rides will be set in advance, in the newsletter and on the hotline. We will try to have at least 2 group rides per month on Friday nights.

Wrench also serves as Road Captain for the Patriot Guard. Many of our members also are members of the Patriot Guard. There is a Mission Ride this Friday night. Contact him for updated information.

#### **Safety Directors Report**

Dave reported Florida is only 1 of 6 states left that does not have a law on the books to stop TEXTING

WHILE DRIVING. Statistics are showing that texting while driving is now more dangerous than drunk driving. TV stations and new papers are now starting to cover this dangerous situation. Reason why? Florida can loose billions of dollars in federal support for not having one. That's not a misprint BILLIONS. The main reason there is not a law at this time is because of only 1 person. The previous Senate leader refused to have the law brought to a vote. Now that this Senator lost his bid for re-election, hopefully the new Senate leader will not make the same mistake the previous Senator did. Remember the elected officials who support us. We are running low on safety program give-a ways. Since our Governor has elected to line veto our safety money, the only to get more safety products is to pay for them. Dave reported on his brothers passing. Protect yourselves. Wear sunscreen, long sleeve shirts, large brim hats etc. His brother developed skin cancer, which went into his kidneys.

#### **Products Report**

Alice reported we have products. ALL MEN'S SHIRTS ARE ON SALE FOR ONLY \$10.00 per shirt. We will have a limited number of shirts at this year's toy run for the same price. We need a member to step up. We need a Products Trustee. This is not a hard position but you do need to have a vehicle that can transport the products. If any member is interested in becoming our Products Trustee please contact any board member. In the interim, if you need any products, please contact Alice @ 954-567-5720. BARS reported he has checked with Create A Stitch they are checking on a Day Glow Reflective product and will let us know.

#### **Events Coordinator**

Shaky reported we are working on finalizing the location of our January event. We will have more information at next months meeting.

#### **State Reps Report**

There was no State meeting therefore no report

#### Membership Report

George reported we have 660 members. Reminder: when you get your renewal in the mail, PLEASE take the time to fill out completely, send it in timely and when you fill it out, please do it in a way that we can read it.

#### **Newsletter Editor**

Old Hippy reminded all members that all articles etc

are due the day of the chapter meeting. If the articles are not turned in on time, they will not be printed. The only exception will be the minutes taken by our chapter secretary.

#### **Legislative Report**

Demetrious reported now is the time for our Board of Directors to set up face-to-face & meet and greets for the newly elected officials starting with the new Broward County Sheriff Scott Israel. We need to see who will support us.

#### **Public Relations**

Fern is in the hospital. Please give her a call. She has her cell and is in room 512 at Imperial Point Hospital. Get well soon.

#### Advertising

Pixie reported we are going to drop a couple of advertisers. Remember we are a business, so you no pay for your ad, and we no print your ad.

Please support our advertisers who faithfully pay for their ad's when they are due. they SUPPORT us. If you were at the meeting, you know of the financial issues the chapter is dealing with. Out newsletter, our primary tool in communication needs to be self-sufficient. Currently it is not. We have one of the lowest advertising rates for any magazine or newsletter especially for the amount of circulation we have. 1600 copies per month. At only \$85.57 per year for a business card it is such a deal. Please ask wherever you go. All they can say is NO. You might be pleasantly surprised.

#### **Social Directors Report**

Patty reported this month's birthday party was a huge success. Decembers birthday party will be held right here at the legion on 12/16/12. Discussion followed on what to do for a Christmas party. A motion was made, seconded to have Christmas at the Legion in combination with our Birthday Party right after our monthly meeting. The chapter will provide the burgers and hot dogs; the legion will have refreshment specials and help cook, all you have to do is bring a covered dish to share. Vote 49 in favor, 1 against, motion passed.

#### **Newsletter Distribution**

Debbie reported our newsletters are being delivered in a timely manner thanks to all of our members who deliver the newsletter. Old Hippy is doing an outstanding job in getting the newsletter to the publisher and Geo is great in getting the newsletter to the Post Office.

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Our newsletter is one of if not the best newsletter out there. But unfortunately to be the best comes at a cost. The newsletter is our number one cost item. Revenues generated by advertising and our 3 events help to keep it as the best newsletter out there. Discussion followed to find ways to reduce the mailing costs etc.

#### **Quartermaster's Report**

Bob was excused. No report

#### Photographer's Report

Wildcat was excused. No report. Haida asked permission to take pictures at the meeting. No problem. She will send them to Old Hippy and Rogue.

#### Web-Master's Report

Mike was excused. BARS reported the web site is up and running.

#### Legal Council

Demetrious reported that no motorcycle related issues have been brought to his attention.

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

None

#### Good of the Order

If you have a recipe you want to share and have published, please email them to abatesecooking@gmail.com

Non-ethanol fuel is available at the following locations: Café 27

Sunoco at 7801 W. Sample and Wiles Rd and NW 112 in Coral Springs

Our Santa will be present at this year's toy run. He will also make an appearance at Flossies on 11/30/12

12-1-12 - Bouringuen Riders MA Event

12-2-12 - ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Event

12-2-12 - Heaven Cycle 35th Anniversary Event

12/8/12 – Toy Run Set Up - Meeting at the main gate at Markham park at 300pm

12/9/12 - 25th Annual Toys in the Sun Run. Meeting at 84 diner between 0700 and 0800. Kickstands up at 800am.

1-6-13 States MC Blessing of the Bikes. Group ride will be planned.

1-13-13 – Southeast Chapter monthly meeting. Moved

from 1/20/13

1/20/13 – Southeast Chapters Semi-Annual Event. Location, set up times etc TBA.

There will be 2 group rides on 12-2-12, North run to support ABATE Palm Beach and South run to support Heaven cycles

Jimmy Les advised that Suzanne Keens daughter Cindy was involved in an accident yesterday in Tampa while visiting relatives. She has a broken pelvis and internal injuries. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

A motion was made, seconded to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

Please check the hotline for updated ride and event information.

All Southeast Chapter Group Rides start at our American Legion Post 321.

These minutes were summarized and submitted by:

Secretary

Paul A. Melcer

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#### From the Vice President

As your new Vice President, I thought I'd tell you a little about myself. My name is Frank "poppie" Cocchi, I got my first bike in 1968 it was a Honda CB 750, a great ride I worked my way to a Harley in 1999.

I've been a member of Abate se chapter for about 12 years, and I'm honored to hold the position of Chaplain 6 out of the last 7 years and will do so as long as you want me. I was one if the founding members of the band formally known as the Abate Fill ins, then the Fill ins, now are the "R P M 3" which stands for Red dog, Poppie, and Mike, the three of us. Enough about myself.

As your Vice President I will try to do my best for Abate South East Chapter to help to move us forward and be the best chapter in the State. If we all work together we can do it.

I haven't stepped up in past and now I will change that. I hope you"ll do the same. We have a great bunch of members who really are Brothers and Sisters with common goals for the motorcycling community.

Let's work together and make our Abate South East Chapter back patch shine as bright as we can, and take pride in what we do and stand for. Bars and I can't do it without you.

Vice President Poppie



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# from the desk of the editor

want to start off by hoping everybody had a great Thanksgiving and wish you all a safe Holiday season.

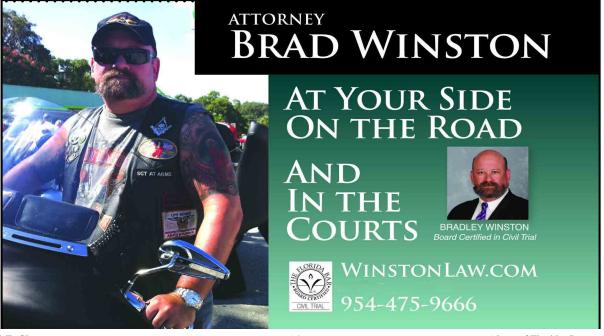
Can't say this has been a dull year with a lot of ups and down. We had of course the elections that have inundated our attention for it seems like all year has not played a major part.

We have also seen a lot of our brothers and sisters affected in one way or another. Some have gone through financial as well as medical issues. Some have recovered and doing better, but some are still in the process of trying to recoup. We have also lost many in the process; some by illness and others by accident, which leaves this time of year for some missing friends and loved ones.

Going forward; the dates have been given for the events next year and **ABATESE Semi-Annual** event will be held on **Sunday Jan. 20**. We are in the process of working out the logistics of it and when it worked out we will be relaying all the details to all.

I still want to remind everybody that this Newsletter is funded by the Chapter and Advertisers, which most of the dollars come from our Event to publish it; with that said, please if you know of anybody that wish to promote their business in a most cost effect way, contact me or one of the board members.

Till next year OldHippy Editor



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# OLDHIPPY'S CORNER

Election Cost? Almost \$6,000,000,000 (That's 6 Billion Dollars) spent on this past election

Where does all this money come from?? Mostly corporate and privately donated money, most of which is from the super wealthy in support Super Political Action Committees, (Super PACs), that have no limit after the Supreme Court ruling on how much they can collect, or spend, and no rules on how slanderous, or erroneous they can get... ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ISLE!

Here some of the interesting Pay-Per-Vote cost for both Prudential and for Congressional elections:
Barack Obama -\$1.78 Spent per vote (\$1.39 of it attacking Mitt Romney)

Here how it breaks down:

Super Pac SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNA-TIONAL UNION PEA-FEDERAL (supporting Barack Obama) got \$0.11 per vote, while Super PAC PRIORITIES USA ACTION paid \$1.02 per vote attacking Mitt Romney, Other Groups \$0.64 per vote.

Mitt Romney - \$6.23 Spent per vote, (\$5.49 of it attacking Barack Obama),

Super Pac's; RESTORE OUR FUTURE, INC.(supporting Mitt Romney \$0.19 per vote)

AMERICAN CROSSROADS (supporting Mitt Romney) \$0.11 per vote,

RESTORE OUR FUTURE, INC.(attacking Barack Obama) \$1.51 per vote,

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At the recent 2012 Motorcycle Riders Foundation's (MRF) Meeting of the Minds Conference held in September in Durham, North Carolina, a Legislative Strategy Session was hosted by the MRF's Legislative Committee. As has been done for the past several years, the MRF requested that it be attended by Sustaining State Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations (SSMRO) Legislative and/or Executive Officers. The goal was to set the MRF's Federal Legislative Agenda for the upcoming Meeting of the Minds to Meeting of the Minds annual cycle.

Shown below is a few of that where raised and discussed with SSMROs and is the MRF's Legislative Strategy Agenda for 2012-2013.

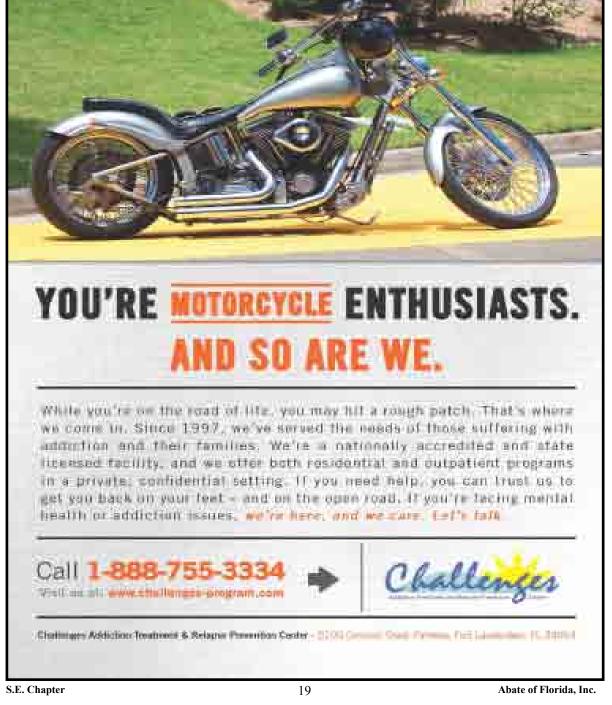
## Transportation Equity Act (TEA) Reauthorization (the Highway Bill)

To include Motorcycle 2010 Grant Funding (request to tighten up language for qualification and use), continue of the NHTSA Lobby ban, purse continuation of the Motorcycle Advisory Council (MAC) to advise the FHWA, oppose any federal blackmails or federal sanctions contained in the highway bill; closely monitor for any actions that would negatively impact motorcycles and riders; seeks to include HR904 language to ban specific roadblock grant funding.

NHTSA Checkpoint Grant Program

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AMERICAN CROSSROADS (attacking Barack Obama) \$1.45 per vote,

Party Affiliate REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COM-MITTEE (attacking Barack Obama) \$0.69 per vote,

501(c)(4) group AMERICANS FOR PROSPER-ITY (attacking Barack Obama) \$0.68 per vote,

501(c)(6) AMERICANS FOR JOB SECURITY (attacking Barack Obama) \$0.26 per vote,

501(c)(4) CROSSROADS GRASSROOTS POLICY STRATEGIES (attacking Barack Obama) \$0.15 per vote,

Other Groups \$1.19 per vote

Other ones of Interest:

Bill Nelson \$1.07 Spent per vote, \$0.82 of it attacking Connie Mack

Connie Mack \$3.92 Spent per vote, \$2.36 of it attacking Bill Nelson

#### In Ohio

Josh Mandel \$8.31 Spent per vote, \$6.42 of it attacking Sherrod Brown (lost) while

Sherrod Brown \$5.30 Spent per vote, \$4.46 of it attacking Josh Mandel

#### In Va

Timothy Michael Kaine \$10.96 Spent per vote, \$9.86 of it attacking George Allen

George Allen (lost) \$9.85 Spent per vote, \$8.96 of it attacking Timothy Michael Kaine

I like this one in Nevada

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2012	DECEMBER			2012		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner		1 Luke's Place Bike Night
ABATE PB <sup>2</sup> Annual	3	4	5	Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	7	8
9 Toys in the Sun run	10	11	12	Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	14	BOD- 15 meeting * TOY RUN DRAWING
Chapter 16 Meeting WINGS OF GOLD MC PB TOY DRIVE	17	18	19	20	21	22 SFLCOC CHRISTMAS PARTY
23	24	December 25	26	Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	28	CALVARY CHAPLE CHRISTMAS SERVICE
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#### Additional Info:

December 2nd Cycle Heaven 35 year Keg Party



★DECEMBER 15- HERMANDAD MC - ALFREDO PENA MEMORIAL RUN

December 22 - Mayan End Age

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JANUARY 2013 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5 Luke's Place Bike Night
States MC Blessing of the Bikes	7	8	9	Cafe' 27 10 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	11	BOD 12 Meeting  Luke's Place Bike Night
WOG 13 Appreciation day CHAPTER Meeting	14	15	16	Cafe' 27 17 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	18	WOM INDIAN RIVER PARTY Luke's Place Bike Night
ABATE EVENT	21 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	22	23	Cafe' 27 24 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	25	26 Luke's Place Bike Night
27 DER KRIEGER ANNUAL	28	29	30	Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner		Luke's Place Bike Night

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#### DECEMBER

2 - ABATE Palm Beach Annual

#### 9 - SFPC Tov Run

- 15 Toy Run Bike Drawing at Peterson's Harley 15 Hermandad MC Alfredo Pena Memorial Run
- 16 Wings of Gold MC West Palm Toy Drive
- 22 SFLCOC Christmas Party
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#### JANUARY

- 6 States MC 18th Annual Blessing of the Bikes
- 13 Wings of Gold MC Appreciation Day
- 19 Wheels of Man MC Indian River Party
- 20 SE ABATE semi-annual event
- 27 DER KRIEGER MC Annual

#### **FEBRUARY**

- 2 ALTERNATIVE MC Ft. Laud. Annual
- 3 THIRD TRADITION Annual
- 9 USMVMC Homestead Party
- 10 AOA MC Ft. Laud. Valentines Day Annual
- 17 STATES MC Lake Worth Annual
- 23 WHEELS OF MAN MC DB 40th Annual
- 24 KELTICS MC Broward Annual





#### OldHippy pg 21

Shelley Berkley **lost** spending \$32.91 per vote, \$29.79 of it attacking Dean Heller, whereas:

Dean Heller \$18.32 Spent per vote, \$17.63 of it attacking Shelley Berkley

Going through the numbers, there seems to be a pattern; all those attack ads that we were forced to endure for so many months, did not work. Almost all the big money spent to make the other look bad or to scare the voters failed.

Bottom line; there are a lot better ways of spending all these BILLIONS on this BS.

Till next time

Keep the Greasy side down and the Shinny side Up

OldHippy

from MRF pg 18

full effort to cut off specified use funding for the motorcycle based discriminatory practice, work with States to exchange information on passing anti-checkpoint laws.

#### **EPA Mandatory Stamping of Exhaust**

MRF to strongly oppose any federal standards proposing stamping and certifying motorcycle exhaust systems, work to prevent any federal legislation mirroring California's SB435

#### **Motorcyclist/Motorcycle Discrimination**

MRF to oppose any motorcycle type based discrimination proposed by the U.S. Congress or any Federal agency in Washington DC direction to include ant-profiling opposition this session

#### **Mandatory Helmet and Apparel Laws**

MRF to fiercely oppose any mandatory helmet or apparel proposal



PERSONAL INJURY ATTORNEY

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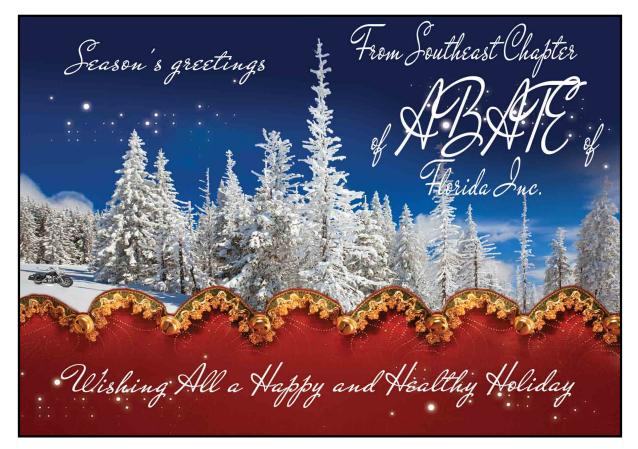












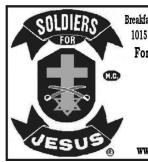




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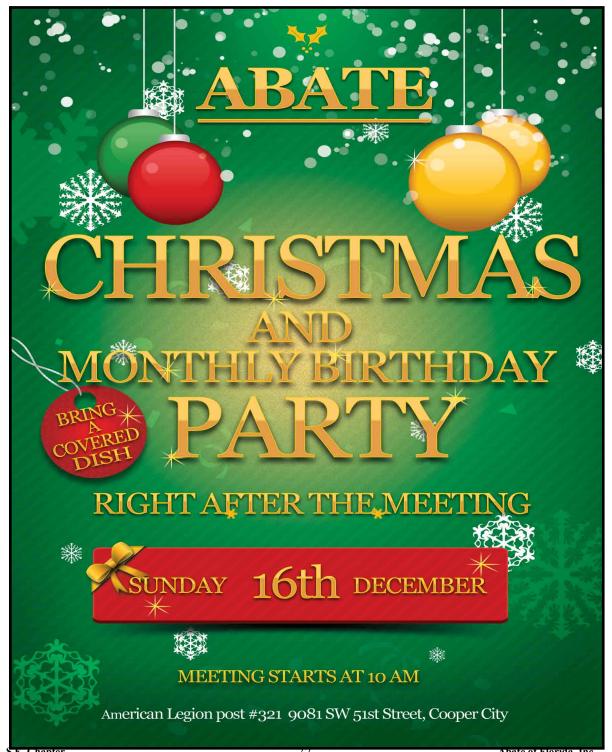




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## From Your Safety Director





Riding Season is here

reat riding weather is upon us here in south Florida. Lets get out and ride. But first, please do this. Put on sunscreen.

I have fair skin and I was not putting sunscreen on. I had to have 12 spots removed off my arms, back and head. I am the lucky one. None were cancer. Unfortunately I can not say the same for my older brother.

He got skin cancer, and did not get it treated in time. The cancer spread to his kidney, then throughout his body. He passed away last week at 55years old.

When you get ready to ride, put on the sunscreen. Then put on your protective clothing, Your gloves, and your helmet. I know the wind feels good in your hair (for those that still have hair), but remember. The snow birds are back down here and are not looking out for you. Slow down. Give yourself a little extra space between you and them.

I want everybody to be home and happy and healthy with their families for the holidays. We have had enough riders going down. Some of them from speed. Some from other drivers talking and texting. And others not looking.

Ride it like you stole it? Why the need for the speed here in south Florida? Life is way too short.

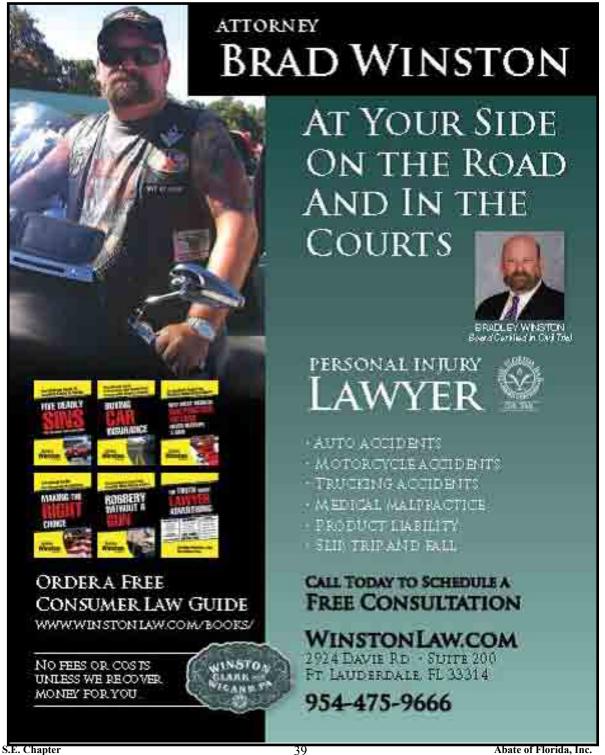
Slow down and enjoy the scenery.

David "Gimpy" Gregory

Safety Director abate south east chapter

Dress for the slide, not the ride





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#### NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM)

#### SPECIAL DELIVERY

This year's national Christmas Tree is being delivered to Washington, D.C. in a specially-decorated Mack truck driven by former U.S. Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell, a long-serving member of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists Legislative Task Force (NCOM-LTF) and member of the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame.

As an avid motorcyclist, Campbell was one of motorcycling's staunchest allies in Congress, representing Colorado from 1993-2005.

"It is a privilege to drive the tree for the U.S. Capitol from Colorado this year," remarked Campbell, who still has his commercial driver's license. The 2012 Capitol Christmas Tree tour began Nov. 9 in Meeker, CO where the 73-foot Engleman spruce was harvested, and will take nearly a month to reach the Capitol with scheduled stopovers in Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

#### ARIZONA TO ELIMINATE ANNUAL MOTOR-CYCLE EMISSIONS TESTING

Maricopa County is the only place in America that requires emissions testing for motorcycles, but it won't be for much longer according to a recent report from MMA of Arizona Lobbyist Bobbi Hartmann, who is also a member of the NCOM-Legislative Task Force; "The EPA is about to APPROVE the ADEQ's State Implementation Plan (SIP), requesting the ELIMINATION OF EMISSIONS ON MOTOR-CYCLES IN MARICOPA COUNTY!!!" Emphasis included, so you can read into it the emotion and thrill of success after ten years of effort to eliminate the last motorcycle emissions test in the U.S.

After the Kentucky Motorcycle Association (KMA/KBA) successfully removed motorcycles from their state's emissions testing several years ago, Arizona was the lone state to still require it, but testing was

limited to only Maricopa County (Phoenix) after motorcyclists successfully lobbied to end emission tests for motorcycles in Pima County (Tucson).

Hartmann reports that she recently received a call from the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), stating that although they had been expecting a "Disapproval Notice" from the EPA due to revised ozone levels at the federal level, their D.C. headquarters issued a Reversal of Opinion and approved their request for elimination of yearly motorcycle emissions in Maricopa/Pinal County (AREA A).

"ADEQ expects the proposed EPA action to be signed this week and published in the Federal Register within 2 weeks," explained Hartmann. "That starts the approximately 30 day Public Comment and EPA response to Public Comment period. Once that is complete, the EPA will sign the final action and then have 2 weeks to publish that in the Federal Register. The entire process should be FINAL and EFFECTIVE 60 days from that time frame, so the elimination of yearly emissions on motorcycles in AREA A should be effective by the end of first quarter of 2013 or before. It seems that all of our efforts from 2002 until now, have finally paid off!!"

CONGRATULATIONS to the motorcyclists' lobbying team representing a coalition led by ABATE of Arizona, the Modified Motorcycle Association (MMA) of Arizona and the Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs (ACMC).

#### NOW HEAR THIS!

A flurry of scientific and medical studies lately have identified an inordinate amount of hearing loss in motorcyclists, due not to "loud pipes" but rather to air rushing past our ears at deafening intensities at highway speeds. After accelerating, most of the sound that a rider hears isn't engine noise, it is wind noise, and audiologists admit that even helmets do not provide much protection against hearing loss caused by wind buffeting in and around a helmet.

Indeed, acoustical engineers say that audible wind noise inside a helmet can reach rock-concert levels as

high as 115 decibels, and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health warns that exposure to noise at 100 decibels is safe for only 15 minutes and permanent hearing loss can result from prolonged exposure -- so motorcycle riders in particular should pay attention to the warning signs: a ringing sound in the ears immediately after exposure, and hearing voices and other sounds as muffled.

Noise-induced hearing loss isn't reversible, but it is preventable. While even the most expensive helmet won't provide significant protection against noise, an inexpensive pair of foam earplugs, readily available at drug stores, can reduce sound levels by 20 to 25 decibels.

However, this simple solution may also be illegal.

Even though riders have come to recognize that noise can be a serious health issue, many U.S. jurisdictions prohibit the use of earplugs, and one long road trip could take a rider through numerous changes in state and local laws.

Just ask Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) Attorney Ralph C. Buss whose client, a truck driver from Michigan, was pulled over while riding his motorcycle in Ohio and given a ticket for wearing protective ear plugs!

The rider contacted ABATE of Ohio seeking assistance, and while ABATE looks into modifying the existing law to make allowances for motorcyclists to wear ear protection, they referred the motorcyclist to attorney Buss regarding the citation, which is a moving violation that in addition to a fine carries a 2 point penalty that could put his CDL and livelihood in jeopardy if he's found guilty.

Although some states like California have changed their laws to allow riders to use hearing protectors, and Maryland allows custom-made earplugs only, most passed such laws years ago to thwart the use of stereo headphones while driving. The codes do not distinguish between earphones and earplugs; one being used for audio equipment and the other used for

hearing protection -- so without case law to establish legislative intent, obsolete laws like Ohio's need to be rectified, which according to Buss "is exactly why motorcyclists need organizations like ABATE to not only watchdog the legislature, working to pass pro-motorcycle laws and prevent anti-bike bills from passing, but also to clean-up old laws that need to take into consideration both motorcycles and motorcyclists."

#### GEORGIA RIDES TOLL FREE

HOT lanes are replacing the HOV lanes on some interstates in Georgia starting with I-85, and will require a toll for their use by all vehicles except those which are exempt. Fortunately, just as motorcycles are able to use the existing HOV high occupancy lanes, they will be also permitted in the HOT lanes toll-free as exempt vehicles, but will need a Peach Pass device.

Peach Pass devices are available from Georgia's State Road & Tollway Authority at 1-855-PCH-PASS (724-7277), or you can find more information at www. peachpass.com.

## CALIFORNIA RESTRICTS PICKETING AT FUNERALS

California Governor Jerry Brown has signed legislation restricting protests at military and other funerals.

Senate Bill 661, by Senator Ted Lieu, D-Torrance, prohibits picketing a funeral within 300 feet of a burial or memorial site beginning one hour before a funeral and ending one hour after, having been amended to comply with a 2011 Supreme Court decision regarding protests of military funerals by members of the Westboro Baptist Church, known for its anti-Semitic and anti-gay views.

"Since time immemorial, society has respected the dignity and sacredness of putting the dead to rest," Lieu said in a prepared statement. "This bill recognizes the sanctity of funerals by placing reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions on disruptive protestors."

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COULD YOUR NEXT BIKE TALK...TO CARS? Could your future Honda motorcycle converse with the car coming out of the side street up ahead to alert the driver that you're approaching?

Well, only if they are each fitted with technology that can communicate with similarly-equipped vehicles to keep each other out of harm's way, according to the picture Honda painted at the 19th World ITS (Intelligent Transportation Systems) Congress, held in Vienna in October.

The "Motorcycle Approaching Indication" application is a connectivity system that warns both driver and rider when it detects that there is an obscured vehicle potentially approaching their direction of travel. Honda first proposed such a system in 1999, and demoed a version in 2008 on a Gold Wing. It has since refined ITS for more compact bikes, and so far warning systems for the two most common types of car-bike collisions - T-boning and being cut off by a car turning left - have been demoed successfully.

ITS could potentially also communicate with roadside infrastructure, warning of hazards in the road.

## WEIRD NEWS: BIKE THIEVES CRASH INTO ONE ANOTHER

Two heads aren't always better than one, as TWO bike thieves have landed up in the hospital after crashing their stolen motorcycles - into each other.

The bungling bikers collided and crashed on a roundabout in Sussex, England, after the two stolen bikes were seen being ridden at high speed together shortly before the collision.

#### DON'T SMILE FOR THE CAMERA

New Jersey residents may not have much to smile about in the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy, but that'll make it easier to comply with the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission's ban on smiling for driver's license photos.

That's because, according to the National Motorists

Association (NMA), drivers showing off their pearly whites apparently confuses the new facial recognition software New Jersey launched earlier this year. The stated aim of the system is to prevent people from acquiring driver's licenses under alternate identities by comparing photographs in the database.

New Jersey is not alone in its integration of facial recognition into the driver's licensing process. According to the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators, most states use some form of driver's license facial recognition.

Welcome to the world of biometrics -- the use of unique physical or behavioral characteristics to verify an individual's identity, and as surveillance cameras become ubiquitous and capable of recording finer detail, tracking of individuals (whether they're in their cars, or not) will become easier and easier.

In the wake of 9/11, policymakers called for stronger national standards to verify the identity of driver's license applicants. This led to the Real ID Act of 2005 which established requirements for a national identification system based on the driver's license. Among the 18 benchmarks the states must comply with is the implementation of facial recognition.

Despite being enacted seven years ago, Real ID has not been fully implemented. Many states, citing a range of privacy and budget concerns, have rejected the act through statute or legislative resolution, or have simply refused to comply.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "The price of freedom of religion or of speech or of the press is that we must put up with, and even pay for, a good deal of rubbish." ~ Robert H. Jackson (1892-1954), US Supreme Court justice



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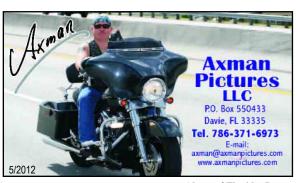
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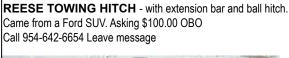
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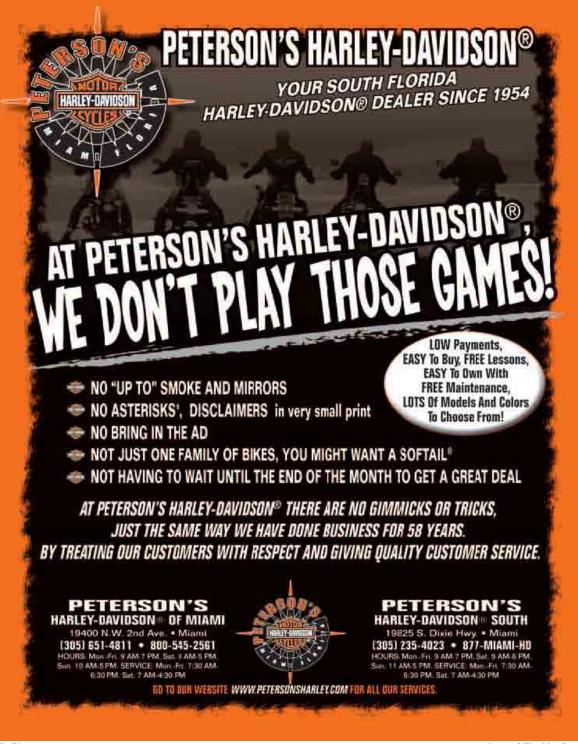






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To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning all motorcyclists rights.

To provide a lobbyist to represent ABATE of Florida, Inc. on the state and national level.

To promote voter registration and motivate members to write their legislators.

To promote safe riding habits without infringing on individual rights.

To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.

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#### **MEETINGS**

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