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WHO WE ARE

- ABATE of Florida, Inc. is a non–profit organization of motorcycle enthusiasts from all walks of life.
- We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image.
- We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM.
- We promote motorcycle safety, training, and political awareness.
- We fund our work by holding a series of annual events at different locations within our service area and other motorcycle activities.
- We are your neighbors and friends who work, pay taxes, and get involved with our community.
- We serve and support our country and believe in freedom.
- We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others.
- ABATE of Florida, Inc. is incorporated under the laws of Florida as a motorcycle rights organization or MRO. We are currently the only political MRO in Florida representing the interest of its members and the motorcycling public at-large.
- WE ARE NOT A CLUB OR A GANG.

ABATE is open to all individuals age 18 and older interested in motorcycle rights, safety or education. It doesn't matter what you ride or even if you ride. Everyone is welcome to join ABATE of Florida, Inc., which ensures YOUR opinion and views on motorcycle laws will be heard.

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Some of ABATE of Florida, Inc.'s Accomplishments

- On July 1, 2000, we had the 30 year old Florida Helmet law repealed; July 1, 2010 was our 10th Anniversary of Freedom of Choice.
- We've become the 4th largest State Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO) in the country (IN & IL are 1&2, we regularly switch for 3rd & 4th with PA).
- We got the handlebar heights law modified.
- We successfully fought a bill that would forbid our children from riding on our bikes.
- We successfully fought the bill that would confiscate motorcycles for going 30MPH over the speed limit.
- We developed an effective MSAP program that has raised motorist's perceptions and awareness of motorcycles, and have received funding from the State of FL totaling over \$750,000 to promote motorcycle safety and awareness.
- We successfully fought the bill against vertical tags that had over \$1,100 in fines for a first offense.
- Supported and fought for a texting-while-driving ban for the last few years.
- Our 2009-2010 Stiffer Penalties Bill made it through five of the FL House & Senate's committees; this is the farthest it has gone in the number of years we have tried. On the last day of session, a committee member strenuously attempted to attach a revival of the helmet law to our Bill. To avoid a new helmet law in Florida, we had to kill the Bill.
- We publish monthly Press Releases and/or Articles of Interest in many online & print publications, including Florida Full Throttle.
- The President of ABATE of Florida, Inc. has been asked to be on and currently sits as a member of The Motorcyclist Advisory Council (MAC) to the Federal Highway Administration in Washington, D.C. The Secretary of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation may appoint a representative from only two State MROs throughout the entire U.S.A. to be on this council.
- The President of ABATE of Florida, Inc. sits as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Collation of Motorcyclists (NCOM). NCOM has over 1000 member organizations.

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From Your President

This is a very important election year for the State of Florida and all of its counties. Don't forget to vote in the general elections in November. Hopefully, you all voted in the primaries in August. Please do some research on the candidates as well. Be an informed voter. Remember it is your right and privilege to vote. It is one of the things that make our country great and it's the only way we can make change possible.

I would like to thank everybody who worked in our Safety Booth at the Tattoo Expo. We were able to get some new members. And man, we all had a great time! If you haven't been to the Tattoo Expo, I suggest you check it out next year. The Wings of Gold MC did a great job putting it on, so thank you guys for all your hard work, especially Joey and Lisa. It is all for the kids at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital.

So now, on a sad note, we have lost some brothers and sisters on the roadways these past few months. RIP, Ride In Peace! It's not always the cagers that take us down. Sometimes it is the weather and the road conditions. We are in the rainy season, and with all this rain, the roads are slick. You also have to be careful on the road paint. It is Thermoplastic paint and very slippery in the rain. There is a lot of road construction on all the major highways. That means a lot of road debris. Use caution when riding in construction areas. Even country roads can have road debris, loose gravel, and leaves. These can all make you lose your traction and go down. So please be careful in bad conditions.

Remember we need advertisers and new members. The more members we have, the more clout in Tallahassee ABATE will have.

And to the younger people out there, you have the chance to inherit an organization that stands up and fights for biker rights and safety. Help us make a difference, now, and for the future!

ANYONE WHO RIDES SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF ABATE!!!!

God bless America!!!!

Peace,
Johnny Rose
President
Southeast Chapter





May We Have Your Attention Please?



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In order to avoid any confusion...We need to have any and all Contributions (ads, event flyers, articles, pictures, etc.) on or before the 3rd Sunday of each month. If you submit Contributions later than the 3rd Sunday of each month, your Contributions will not make the next month's newsletter. Please be mindful and considerate that there are other Contributors in this publication that count on us publishing a timely newsletter. If you're late, you make everyone else late as well. And also, to avoid any more confusion, there will be reminder notices throughout the Newsletter noting the deadline.

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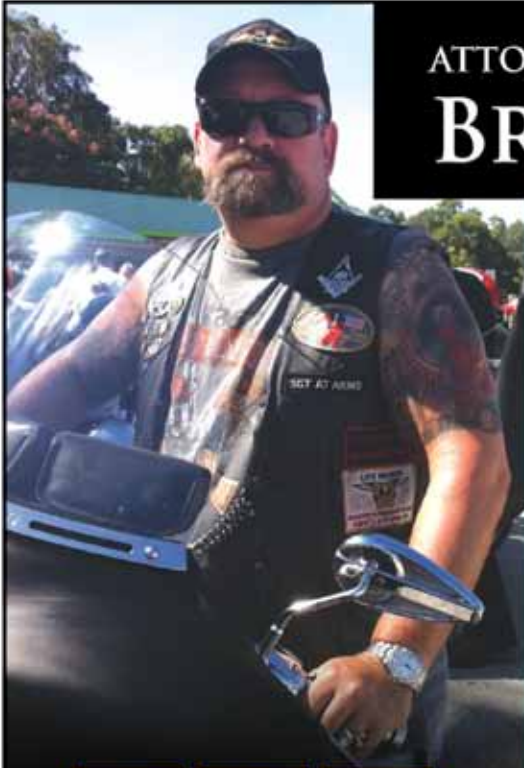


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**Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes
Held at American Legion Post 222
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August 19, 2018**

Johnny Rose called the meeting to order at 10:25 AM. There were 32 members. The meeting started following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence, and a prayer by Paul.

President's Report: Johnny thanked everyone for attending the meeting and commented on how nice it was to see the room filled with people and welcomed back some of the old timers. We were blessed with the presence and humor of our old, old VP Glen. Johnny spoke about the Tattoo Expo and thanked everyone who worked it. He reminded everyone about the upcoming elections, please remember to vote; it is very important. You can early vote now instead of waiting. He spoke about our October upcoming event at Mickey's and the Key West Poker Run in September.

Vice-President's Report: Old Hippy thanked everyone for coming and spoke on how we need to be informative, spread the good word about ABATE and how we need to visit other events not just the clubs.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the July meeting are in the August newsletter, A motion was made to accept the minutes as printed, seconded, no discussion, all in favor; Motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report: Sheila read the financial report. A motion was made to accept the financial report, seconded, all

were in favor; Motion was passed.

Sergeant at Arms' Report: Nighthawk thanked everyone for their help at the Tattoo Expo. He spoke on how there has already been one fatality since schools have opened. So please watch your speed. BSO is out there watching and enforcing.

Road Captain's Report: Russ spoke on the bad and crazy weather we are having and to be careful riding. Check you bikes. There was discussion about the white paint on the road and how slippery it is when you stop, be careful don't let the bike get away from you. Lefty spoke on asking our legislature to do something about the paint. Our delegates will bring it up at the next state meeting.

Safety Director's Report: Teddy Bear also spoke about the wet roads, gravel, and to be careful on the bikes. He also thanked everyone for working at the Tattoo Expo and mentioned there were over 100 man hours put in at the Expo.

Products' Report: Laurel reported we now have pictures of our products, today, if anyone wants to make an order.

Events Coordinator: Gabe was present and spoke about our October event and spoke about an event to be held November 10 & 11, the Rockfest at the Miramar Amphitheater, which is also Veterans Day weekend. He mentioned he'd like to do another non-partisan political forum again, like he did last year to meet the candidates for the upcoming elections. He spoke in depth about Geico not selling BI (bodily injury) and that they are trying to pass a mandatory \$25,000 requirement in insurance and not the \$10,000 required now. This is a good example of why we need to vote the right

people in office in Tallahassee.

State Representatives' Report: Marie and Wavy gave their report from the State meeting they attended in Ocala last weekend. Our Chapter, Southeast has committed to hosting the August State Meeting in 2019. There was a lot of discussion following the report of what went on at the State meeting. For more details on the State Meeting go to www.abateflorida.com/masterlink to read the Meeting Minutes.

Membership Report: Sheila read the membership report. We have 7 new members which brings us to a total of over 400 members.

Newsletter Editor: Wildcat reported she needs the articles for the September newsletter no later than end of week. All articles are due on or, preferably before, the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Legislative Report: Brad was not present to report.

Public Relations: Fern was not present; she was setting up at the Scurvy Few Event.

Billing and Invoicing: Sheila reported everything is up to date.

Social Director Report: Sandy brought the monthly Birthday Cake, and a cheese cake.

Newsletter Distribution: Johnny reported all is going good. He thanked everyone who is helping with the delivering of the newsletters.

Quartermaster Report: Bob was not present.

Photographer's Report: Barry was present but had nothing to report.

Webmaster's Report: Rogue was not present but everything is up and running.

Legal Council: Brad was not present.

Old Business: Nighthawk spoke about staying away from the Parkland area because of the heavy police presence. Johnny spoke about the State Meeting that we are hosting next year and that we are lining up hotels. The actual meeting will be at the VFW off State Road 84, Post 1966. They are also doing the cooking and gave us a fantastic price for the hall rental and food. There will be a list of hotels offered for the meeting.

New Business: Johnny spoke about Miami Mike and how he has offered to help us and Wildcat if and when needed. Please support our advertisers. It helps us and them.

Good of the Order: States MC Key West Tune-Up Party is September 9th. When buying on Amazon, use Amazon Smile to help ABATE. If you signed out State Rifle Drawing tickets and you lost them, you are responsible for the amount owed for the book. Scurvy Few MC event is right after the meeting for those who want to go. This coming week is the Adam Putnam event in West Palm Beach. He is a ABATE supporter and we should try and attend this function to be more informed about him.

A Motion to adjourn the meeting was called for at 11:45 AM, seconded, all were in favor. Our next meeting date is September 16, 2018, at the American Legion Post 222, in Oakland Park, FL.

Hope to see everyone there.

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Marie Baxter
Secretary
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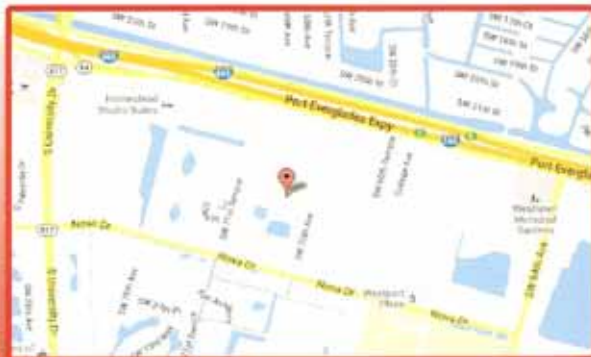
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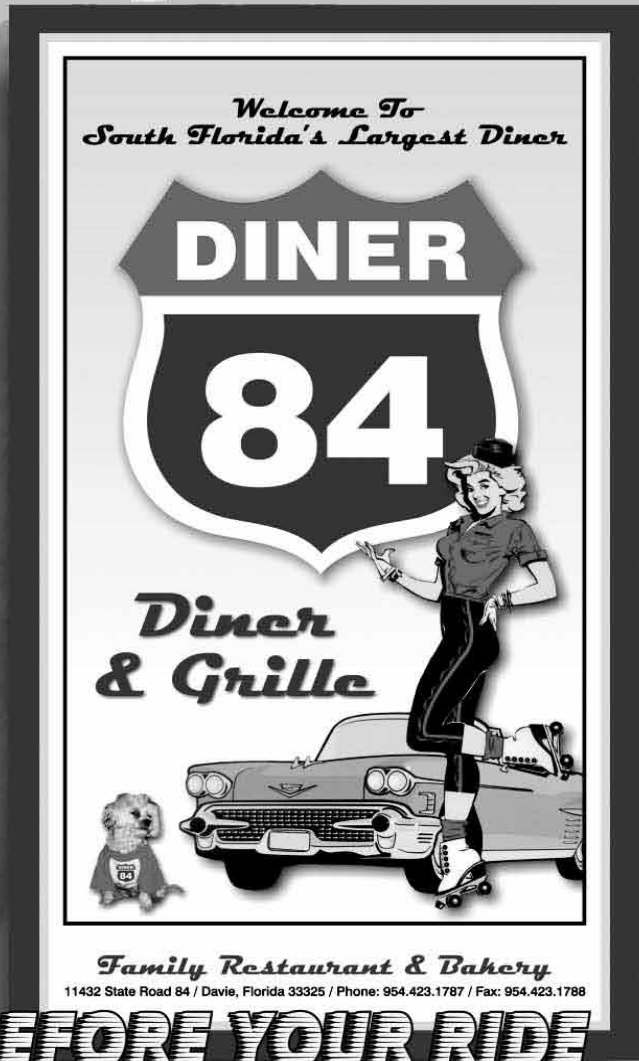
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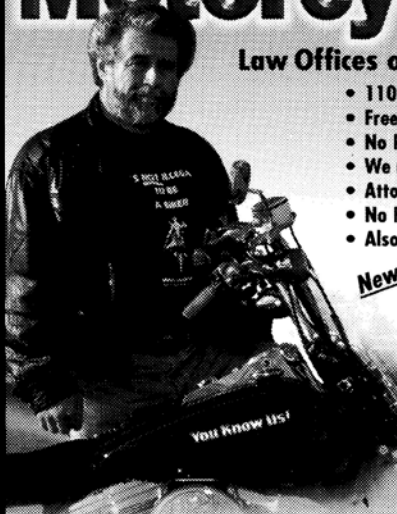
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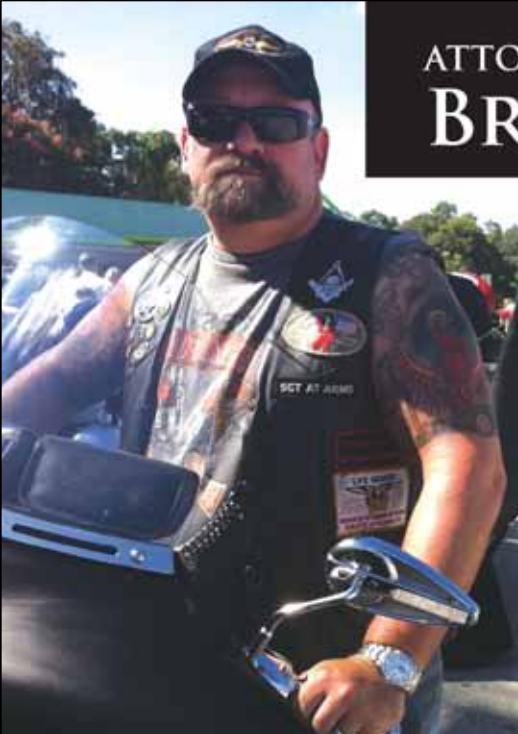
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First, I want to thank all my brothers and sisters for their support in this position.

This has been a very busy time of the year for the board and also for members. Just not only the normal behind the scene workings that I'm sure a lot of our members might not realize the time and effort that it takes just to keep this chapter going, but we have our board members and trustees who already have tasks within their position to do, doing more, but I also see some of our brothers and sisters who are stepping up and making a difference for the cause.

We have been able to increase our membership, which is one our main goals. By increasing our present in areas of the riding community who are unfamiliar with the organization, its purpose, its goals and what ABATE has done for them over the years it has helped. It still amazes me how many riders out there do not know ABATE was a instrumental player in 2000 to get the helmet law changed, let alone all the other issues , past and present that ABATE looks out for our rights as riders.

We have also secured additional advertisers, which I tell is on the top of the list to help this chapter and is much needed to meet the seeming impossible goal of the newsletter being self funding. Thanks to all the members who helped sell the ads and we need a lot more!

The newsletter is the single largest expense that we incurred, in not only money for printing and mailing, but with man-hours just to get it out. Kudos goes out for all the ones that make this possible, not to mention.

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I also want to thank the ones that have commented on my past articles, especially the ones that have read it for the first time that noticed that it was copied and pasted, and asking If I had permission? I must have to admit, I got lazy and took it from one of MY old articles from past newsletters (Shows how long they have been reading the SE newsletter, LOL).

I am glad to see more of the past members and advertisers for our newsletter returning, along with the new members we have gained. This shows that this Chapter of Abate of Florida is moving in the right direction thanks to more and more members stepping up and being involved.

That's all I have...
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Tattoo Expo



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WEEKLY EVENTS



SUNDAY

Free pool at Sharkey's Lounge Margate
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MONDAY Mon - Ladies nite at Sharkey's 9-2,
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TUESDAY

Wings of Gold MC Open House Ft Lauderdale

WEDNESDAY

Blues Nite at Mickey's

2nd & 4th Weds - States MC Open House 7pm-?

THURSDAY

1st & 3rd Thurs - Leathernecks MC Open
House 8-mid

Hermandad MC Open House, 8-2am

Mickey's Bike & Cruise Night, 7:30pm

Scurvy Few MC Texas Holdem/Karaoke - 7:30 pm

FRIDAY

USMV MC Ch 2 Open house at 8pm (Dania Bch)

Scurvy Few MC Open House at 7:30pm

States MC - Fri Night Pizza 6-8pm

1st & 3rd Fri - Kingdom of Brothers Open House

2nd - US Military Vets Dirty Dozen Open House

4th Fri - American Legion Post 36 Bike Night

Mystic Seven - Open House - 8pm

SATURDAY

1st & 3rd Sat - AOA MC Dania Open House 8pm

2nd Sat - USMV MC Ft. Laud. Open House

2nd & 4th Sat - Kingdom of Brothers Open House

2nd Sat - Scurvy Monthly Birthday Party

Last Sat - Leathernecks MC Charity Poker



From Your Safety Director

Tattoo Expo just ended, and we had a good time. There were quite a few bands for entertainment, lots of Vendors, Food, and many Tattoo Artists giving people Tattoos. Over all, it was a nice weekend. It was a little slower this year, but at least we got 7 new members and 2 possible ones. They would like to attend a meeting first.

I would like to say Thanks to: Steve "Nighthawk" Chomiak. Johnny Rose, Laurel Conner, Lee Ann "Wildcat" Lefkowitz, John "Lefty" Lefkowitz, Sheila Rose, Sandy Strickland, Lynda "Boots" Sadoff and J.R. for taking time to come out and help at the Tattoo Expo. In total we put in 112 man hours.

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2018



SEPTEMBER



2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 Southern MC Teddy Bear Run	3 	4	5 States MC Open House	6 Leathernecks MC Open House	7	8
9 States MC Florida Keys Tune-Up Party	10	11	12	13	14 Peterson's Florida Keys Poker Run	15 Peterson's Florida Keys Poker Run
16 SE ABATE Chapter Meeting	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 States MC Open House	27 Leathernecks MC Open House	28	29 Leathernecks MC Charity Poker
30 Kingdom of Brothers MC Annual				SEE PAGE 23 FOR OTHER WEEKLY EVENTS		

ADDITIONAL INFO, EVENTS OR PARTIES ARE LISTED HERE

- ▶ SEPTEMBER 14th-16th - Peterson's Florida Keys Poker Run
- ▶ FRIDAYS - 8:00 pm - Mystic Seven Open House
- ▶ FRIDAYS 6-8 pm - States MC Pizza Night - All are welcome

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2018



OCTOBER



2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Leathernecks MC Open House	5	6
7 Mystic Seven MC Annual	8	9	10 States MC Open House	11 Mickey's Tiki Bar Bike & Cruise Night	12 States MC Pizza Nite-All Are Welcome 6-8 Mystic Seven Open House 8pm	13 State Meeting Pensacola, Florida
14 SE ABATE 38th Annual Motorcycle Event	15	16	17	18 Mickey's Tiki Bar Bike & Cruise Night	19 States MC Pizza Nite-All Are Welcome 6-8 Mystic Seven Open House 8pm	20 Wheels of Man MC Halloween Party
21 SE ABATE Chapter Meeting	22	23	24 States MC Open House	25 Leathernecks MC Open House	26 States MC Pizza Nite-All Are Welcome 6-8 Mystic Seven Open House 8pm	27 Leathernecks MC Charity Poker
28 CMA Memorial	29	30	31  Halloween	SEE PAGE 23 FOR OTHER WEEKLY EVENTS		

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- ▶ OCTOBER 18th-21st - DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST
- ▶ OCTOBER 20TH (Saturday) - WHEELS OF MAN MC - HALLOWEEN PARTY
- ▶ OCTOBER 28TH - CMA MEMORIAL

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2018 CALENDAR

MANDATORY CLUB EVENTS ARE LISTED IN BOLD



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SEPTEMBER

2: SOUTHERN MC - TEDDY BEAR RUN

3: Labor Day

9: STATES MC - KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY

14-16: PETERSONS KEY WEST POKER RUN

23: KELTICS MC - PARTY

30: **KINGDOM OF BROTHERS MC-ANNUAL**

OCTOBER

7: **MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL**

14: **S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL**

18-21: DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST

20: WHEELS OF MAN MC-HALLOWEEN PARTY

27: ALTERNATIVE MC - PARTY

28: CMA - MEMORIAL

NOVEMBER

3: **HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL**

11: Veterans Day

11: **USMVMC CH 1 - ANNUAL**

17: **LEATHERNECKS MC - ANNUAL**

22: Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

9: **SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN**

15: ALIGATOR ALLEY TOY RUN BIKE DRAWING

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I haven't been able to ride my bike because it was too big for me to handle, as a matter of fact, I sold it rather than letting it sit and rot. I sold it to a local man, so you may see it around. I may buy something smaller when I'm feeling better, one that I can handle.

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I do miss you all and hope to get out more soon.

I do wish you all well, God Bless you and be safe.



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I decided in the column to revisit a subject that I wrote about a few years back that still comes into play. In most groups of people in organizations, is that their only objective is to promote a cause; whether it be for a charity or a political action organization, for the most part, are made up of people who care. Unless of course they happen to be some of the high executives that are using it as a career and also being well compensated for it. Motorcycle Rights Organizations like ABATE and MRF, plain and simple fight for our rights. You as a member may have different reasons for fighting, whether it is for freedom to choose, or gain you freedom of choice. Maybe it keeps them from taking your ride because your pipes are not EPA approved; you might be fighting for the privilege to ride at all. We all know there are countless reasons and causes for which we unfortunately have to fight for. That is us...and then there are the others who don't care. We know the general public could care less, they do not ride and it doesn't affect them. These people are too busy racing here, racing there and talking on their cell phones. It's obvious they don't care. Our lawmakers claim they care but they are too busy justifying their own existence and so called "doing their job", do they really give a crap? I must be fair, there are some of our elected officials that do care, but they are few and far between. I also understand these are hard times, with people out of work, everything costing more with people having to do more with less, and free time is a prime resource that we all guard and only give away to the most deserving cause. This is the life we live and reality as it stands. You might say this covered it all but the other people that don't care are the ones that bug the crap out of me. I need to say they are not bad people; they are just caught up in their own objectives and needs. Deals and companies are caught up in making the bottom line are also one's that do not care. They are just out to make money! Why else would you make a bike that can do 225 MPH out of the box and sell it to someone who promises to get a Motorcycle endorsement someday in the future? Then we have what I call the "free riders"; you know them, they are the general public riders that are oblivious to the fact that they are in danger of losing their ability to travel the roads on their chosen mode of transportation. Why do I call them "free riders" you might ask? Well they are the ones that ride on the freedom that so many have fought for so many years to protect and their right to ride, and many of them don't have a clue of the where's, when, or how's. Unfortunately, many of them just don't care.

Now the one's that concern me the most; these are the ones inside the motorcycle rights movement that went ahead and signed and joined a SMRO like ABATE. They all had good intentions when joined; to protect their rights; to work for motorcycle safety; to help in the

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fund raising for the organization or community charities. Some rise to leadership, but get caught up in all the day to day activities and politics of the job they've forgotten the reason for their joining. It's not they do not really care, they are just confused. Others join for the rides, parties and events, they do not really care because when asked to write a letter or step up to help with some task, they are somehow busy, or it's not there area of expertise, or their pet gold fish is expecting and they do not want to miss out. Then you have the ones that join to gain some kind of self-promotion, like a big fish in a small pond; they really don't care, they are looking to "self-promote" themselves and be somebody. Some just pay their dues and figure "Well I have done my part", I don't need to do anything more, there is plenty of other people that can do it...they do not care either! The last group is the one that is the most disheartening; they are the ones who cared the most but for some reason like internal politics or other reasons. They seem to not care anymore. These people who put aside the entire BS part that goes on and gave and gave and gave, to a point they got burned out, in their hearts, I'm sure they still care. They lead, they followed, they worked until there was nothing left to give and now they have faded to the somewhat forgotten past. Some of them are remembered and some are just ignored once they are no longer useful, and some, we didn't even know. They were there till they were gone and something wasn't getting done, most of them just slip into obscurity. With that you need to ask yourself this....What group do you see yourself in? And do you really care? Oh by the way... how's the new Gold Fishies doing?

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EPA ADMITS ETHANOL CAUSES ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE

“The federal requirement to blend ethanol into gasoline on the theory that it will reduce the hypothetical global warming that hasn’t appeared yet has been a joke from the start,” states a newsbit circulated by Bikernet.com, and that “By adding a huge amount of demand for corn, it did push up prices for that commodity, and made vast swaths of the rural Midwest prosperous, though it has injured poor Mexicans and others who depend on corn for a substantial portion of their nutrition and driven up the price of feed used for animals, raising meat prices.”

The net energy balance of ethanol production – subtracting the amount of energy necessary to grow the corn, transport it to refineries, and then transport the ethanol to gasoline producers, has been considered a substantial net energy gain. But now the EPA has finally issued a new report and admits that the ethanol mandate comes at a considerable environmental cost.

The Public News Service summarizes: “Federal law requires the EPA to assess the environmental impact of the fuel standard every three years, but the new report, issued in July, was four years overdue. According to David DeGennaro with the National Wildlife Federation, the report documents millions of acres of wildlife habitat lost to ethanol crop production, increased nutrient pollution in waterways and air emissions and side effects worse than the gasoline the ethanol is replacing.”

“The bigger surprise is the fact that ethanol production and combustion significantly increases the production of nitrous oxides (Nox),” notes HotAir.com. “This combines with oxygen in the atmosphere when exposed to sunlight, producing ozone... and actually contributes to the formation of smog and leads to respiratory ailments for many people.”

None of this speaks to the excessive costs that ethanol forces on drivers and auto manufacturers, says Bikernet.com, concluding that; “Alas, the mandate is so popular with corn farmers in Iowa, home of the first round of presidential nominations, that President Trump (and other politicians) not only maintain the mandate, President Trump recently told an audience in Iowa that he was ‘very close’ to having EPA issue a waiver to the Clean Air Act to allow year-round sale of E-15.”

SYNTHETIC PETROL IS ON ITS WAY

The concept of fuel for your bike that doesn’t drain our dwindling oil reserves and offsets its CO2 emissions with its very production is closer than we think, according to MotorcycleNews.com. “For decades, boffins have been trying to work out ways to synthesize petrol (gasoline) and diesel, but with recent strides by Ducati owners Audi and tech giants Bosch, synfuels could hit our pumps within the next decade.”

The theory is to harness our natural resources to make petrol and diesel and be able to produce it on an industrial scale so that prices can match current fuel costs.

“The new fuel has many advantages. It isn’t dependent on crude oil, it is compatible with the existing infrastructure and it offers the prospect of a closed carbon cycle,” says Reiner Mangold, head of sustainable product development at Audi.

A huge amount of energy is necessary to process the fuel, but Audi and Bosch’s plans involve a renewable energy source, such as solar or hydroelectric, to power the process. They say renewable electricity can make the process carbon neutral.

When combined with a potential carbon-free production process, it means internal combustion could be part of the environmental solution rather than the problem.

While all this might sound like science fiction, Audi produced their first synthetic petrol earlier this year, called e-Benzin, and is currently constructing a diesel production plant in Switzerland powered by hydroelectricity from a nearby dam. Mass production of this petrol is the next obvious step.

ACCIDENTS & FATALITIES DOWN AT STURGIS, DESPITE BIGGER CROWD

The number of fatal crashes during the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally was half that of last year’s count, according to statistics released by the South Dakota Highway Patrol. During the two-week event, there were four fatal crashes, compared to eight during the same time period last year. Both injury and non-injury accidents were down more than 10% compared to 2017, and total citations issued during Sturgis were also down nearly ten percent to 987.

Meanwhile, more than half a million vehicles rolled into the small western South Dakota town of 6,900. Data gathered by the South Dakota Department of Transportation from nine locations around Sturgis show a nearly 8% increase in traffic over

last year, which saw 469,100 vehicles.

For this year's 78th annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, the tally was 505,969 vehicles, which includes motorcycles, automobiles, trucks and motor homes. Still, the number was shy of the 2015 traffic, when 747,032 vehicles rolled into the city for the 75th annual rally.

MOTORCYCLE INDUSTRY TRYING TO ATTRACT NEW RIDERS

Motorcycling in America is getting a makeover, as industry stalwarts and upstart competitors are trying to attract new riders who want something different from Harley's big burbling cruisers or screaming Japanese and European performance bikes, says CNNMoney.

The changes are in response to younger riders who are attracted to the efficiency and fun of two-wheel travel, but who don't want to buy into all the «biker» baggage.

«Millennials and Gen X'ers, they aren't always seeking to make motorcycling a lifestyle, where it's kind of everything you live for,» said Tim Buche, president and CEO of the Motorcycle Industry Council. These younger riders are looking for motorcycles suited to a more casual relationship rather than a serious commitment.

With shifting tastes, some start-up motorcycle makers are offering "green" electric bikes, without the noise, vibration and pollutants of an internal combustion engine, while more well-established brands are putting design emphasis on spare simplicity, targeted at a more casual rider.

Even long-venerated Harley-Davidson announced it will start offering products aimed at reaching customers who aren't traditionally drawn to its renowned American retro-styled offerings, and will produce their first electric motorcycle -- the all-new LiveWire -- in 2019.

HARLEY REFUTES 'MISINFORMATION' ABOUT MOVING PRODUCTION OFFSHORE

Harley-Davidson Inc. Chief Executive Officer Matt Levatich pushed back against what he called "misinformation" surrounding the Motor Company's announced plans to move some production overseas.

The iconic American motorcycle maker has been the subject of angry tweets from President Donald Trump since announc-

ing in June it would move some production abroad to sidestep tariffs the European Union slapped on its bikes in retaliation to Trump's tariffs on imported steel and aluminum.

According to Bloomberg business news, "the spat heated up recently when President Trump said he would support a boycott of the company if it moved production overseas." Trump's pronouncement that "A Harley-Davidson should never be built in another country-never!" came a day after he welcomed nearly 200 «Bikers For Trump» supporters to his golf course in Bedminster, New Jersey, and a New York Times article cited some Harley-Davidson owners criticizing the company at the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally saying this was their last Harley.

Levatich said that the uproar surrounding the company's earlier announcement that it would move some of its production overseas «misinformation». He reminded employees and dealers that the purpose of this move is to keep their products competitive in their second biggest market. Harley doesn't sell motorcycles in the U.S. that are built overseas, and that won't change, Levatich said.

NEW MEXICO MRO CALLS OUT SHERIFFS DEPUTIES FOR PROFILING BIKERS

A motorcycle rights group in New Mexico is calling out the Bernalillo County Sheriff, claiming his deputies are profiling motorcyclists. «Being profiled, it's not a comfortable feeling,» said Raymond Gallegos of the New Mexico Motorcycle Rights Organization (NMMRO), saying there's been a string of incidents with BCSO, prompting them to write a letter to Sheriff Manuel Gonzales.

Some see the patches, the leather and certain colors on riders and assume criminal. However, Gallegos, vice chair of the NMMRO, says that's far from the truth. «So many of our organizations really benefit the community. We're working for charities, we're raising money for this organization or that organization,» he told KRQE News 13.

Gallegos says members of the NMMRO have reported three incidents over the last year that call into question BCSO's practices. It led the group to write a letter to Sheriff Gonzales that calls out the department for harassing, intimidating and even photographing riders.

So, NMMRO set up a meeting for July 30 with the sheriff. «We really wanted to see how our community and BCSO could work together to get ahead of this profiling issue,» he said. «That

was the intent of this meeting with the sheriff's department.»

However, the meeting was canceled at the 11th hour and the department told KRQE that there's an ongoing operation to address reckless motorcyclists, but that deputies do not profile riders.

A re-do meeting has since been rescheduled, though NMMRO says it's also pursuing anti-profiling legislation, and is encouraging its members who were allegedly profiled to seek legal counsel.

WACO 'TWIN PEAKS' UPDATE

To keep readers apprised of the ongoing travesty of 'Waco' -- the May 2015 shootout involving police and club members attending a legislative meeting at the Twin Peaks Restaurant that left nine bikers dead and 20 wounded -- AIM/NCOM Founder Richard Lester would like to share the following information gleaned from Southwest Scooter News:

Prosecutors and an attorney for Jacob Carrizal, the Dallas Bandidos chapter president, have agreed to postpone the retrial of the Twin Peaks biker shootout defendant, which had been set for September 10, 2018. Carrizal is the first and only defendant to stand trial so far, and his first trial ended in a hung jury and mistrial in November 2017.

In a joint motion for a continuance, Robert Moody, McLennan County first assistant district attorney, and Chris Lewis, Carrizal's attorney, cite the volume of evidence needed to be reviewed, plus evidence federal prosecutors have agreed to share from the separate trial of two former Bandidos national leaders that both sides want to see, according to the Waco Tribune.

Besides McLennan County prosecutors, attorneys representing defendants in federal civil rights lawsuits filed over the mass arrests of 193 bikers after the Twin Peaks incident also have cited the need to see federal evidence from a Bandidos racketeering case in San Antonio as a reason for postponing proceedings in the civil cases.

Prosecutors re-indicted Carrizal and 23 other Twin Peaks defendants earlier this summer on riot charges and have said they do not intend to pursue the identical 'engaging in organized criminal activity' charges on which 155 bikers were indicted three years ago. Of those 155 cases, with defendants being held in jail for months on a million dollars bail each, all

but 27 have been dismissed.

In the meantime, as his term grows short, Waco District Attorney Abel Reyna -- who failed in his re-election bid largely over his mishandling of the "Twin Peaks Shootout" cases -- is settling old scores before leaving office by firing prosecutor Amanda Dillon, the last of Reyna's remaining employees who provided information to the FBI during its investigation of DA Reyna, effectively blaming her for the mistrial in the Carrizal case.

HANOI TO BAN MOTORCYCLES

Vietnamese authorities have announced plans to ban motorcycles in Hanoi by 2030 in a bid to cut air pollution and improve locals' quality of life. The country's capital, Hanoi, is home to 7.7 million people and is one of the most polluted cities in Southeast Asia and only 38 days last year had air quality that was considered good by the World Health Organization.

The city is famous for its millions of motorcycles (5m), and it is these -- together with coal-fired power plants, heavy industry, a surge in construction projects and the seasonal agricultural burning -- which authorities are blaming for the pollution.

In an attempt to combat the air quality problem and boost public transport, Hanoi city council announced in early August that powered two-wheelers would be banned by 2030.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "If you want to call the NFL to make your voice heard," ask for Mike in the P.R. Office (212-450-2000) and "let them know the players need to respect our National Anthem and the Veterans of the United States. No profanity, be polite!"

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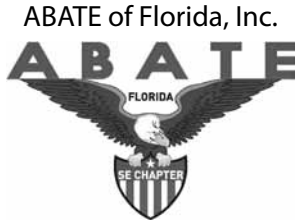
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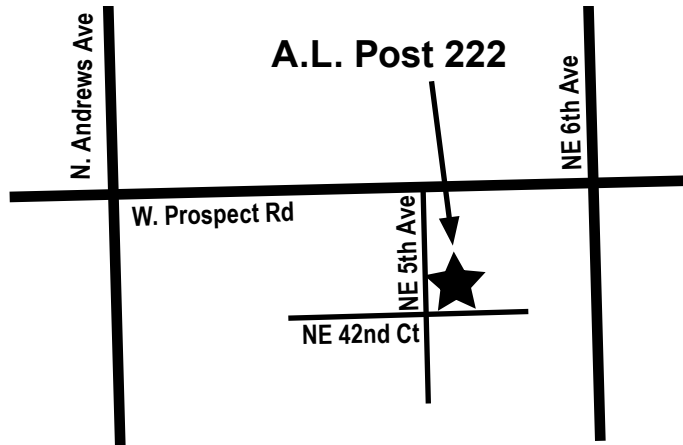
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