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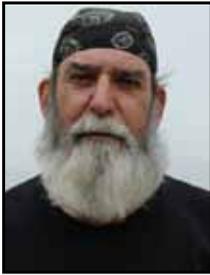
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From Your President



Please note that the Southeast Chapter of ABATE will be holding our monthly meeting on April 13th at the Davie Moose Lodge in Davie. The Lodge is located at 4483 SW 64th Avenue (Davie Road). We will be having the second round of nominations for the Board of Directors and Trustees. If you want to run for a position you can even nominate yourself. I hope to see you all there.

On Saturday and Sunday the 22nd and 23rd of February the Town of Davie held its 77th edition of the Orange Blossom Festival. The Southeast Chapter of ABATE was asked to ride in the parade and we brought 14 bikes. This was my first time going to the festival and I could not believe how big it was. There must have been about 100 vendors all selling something different for you to look at. Our Sergeant at Arms Jimmy Les was there with his 12' x 20' American flag to raise some money for the Southeast Chapter and he did a great job. Thanks Jimmy. If you would like him to bring out the flag and set it up for your event you can call him at 954-881-6571 and ask him. I'm sure he will do it for you if he can.

On Saturday night the 22nd of February the Wheels of Man MC of Deerfield Beach held their 41st Annual Poker Run at their clubhouse. When we got there I counted at least a couple of hundred bikes out front and the party was in full swing. Badboy and the Sooner or Later Band were playing the music for them. The States MC of Pompano Beach won the prize for largest club participation, the President of 95 South won the poker hand and I won the 50/50 drawing. The food was all homemade and the Shepherd's Pie looked and tasted great as did all the deserts. As always Indian and all the Wheels put on another great party that lasted into the wee hours.

The States MC of Pompano Beach will once again be serving dinner on Thursday night. This time Rich and Sue (AKA Hitch and Trouble) will be doing the cooking. So if you don't want to cook but rather go and have a good time I suggest you go to States and have some good food for \$5.00 a plate. I for one do not miss a Thursday night dinner so come out and enjoy the food and company.

On Saturday March 1st the Southeast Chapter of ABATE set up our Safety and Membership booth at the American Legion Post 180 for the American Legion Riders Biker Block Bash & BBQ. This was the first time we were at one of their parties to set up a booth. Manny and all the people from Post 180 made us feel really welcome. They had 14 vendors there. There were 2 old Jeeps and military rifles for us to look at. The music was by Sucker Punch, a country and western band and they even let our Vice-President Poppie sit in on the drums for a few songs.

On Sunday March 2nd we met at the American Legion Post 321 in Cooper City for a ride to Hermandad MC for their Spring Annual at the Booby Trap in Doral. We took I75 South to get there instead of going on the 826. I couldn't believe what a nice ride it was. It was nice to see all the different MC's from Dade County partying together. Thank you to Bigote for having it there instead of going to another parking lot party.

I would like to thank all of the members of the Southeast Chapter of ABATE who came out to our meeting at the Davie Moose Lodge on March 16th. Even though the meeting place was changed at the last minute we had a good turnout. We had our first round of nominations for chapter offices. After the meeting we took a ride to Café 27 for a memorial service for Terry "The Blindman" Lanus who passed away on November 25th of last year. We had about 50 people there to see the plaque that was placed in the Memorial Garden and to support Hope and family in their time of need. Now we have one more reason to go out there for a ride. Rest in Peace Terry.

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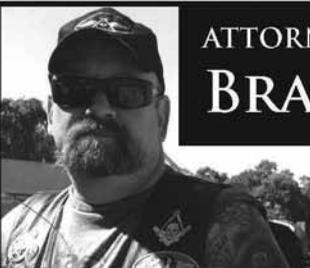
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or be deleted from the State's List. Also (very important) be sure to notify us of any changes.***



Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes Mar. 16, 2014

Our President BARS called the meeting to order at 10:20 am. There were 48 members, no guests. Total in attendance: 48. The meeting started following the Pledge of Allegiance, and a prayer by Poppi

President's Report

BARS thanked all members for coming. Another great show of support from our members and our brother MC's and Associations with representation today from the Brothers of the Third Wheel, American Legion Riders Post 321, American Freedom Riders Post 36, VVA23, Masonic Riders Association and Keltic's MC. A special thanks to the Moose Lodge for accommodating us on short notice due a schedule conflict with the American Legion . We were invited to participate in the town of Davie Orange Blossom Parade. We had 11 bikes and 1 BIG FLAG and a great time by all.

A very special "THANK YOU" to Jimmy Les. He spent 2 days out there collecting donations from those who wanted their picture taken in front of the flag. Needless to say there was tidy sum collected for the chapter. If your an NHRA fan, at today's Gator Nationals a Pro-Bike rider has an ABATE Decal on his bike. Hope he qualifies. Right after today's meeting, we will be headed to Cafe 27 for a memorial service and plaque dedication for Terry "The Blindman" Lanius.

Vice-President's Report

Poppi apologized for missing last month's meeting. It takes him longer to get well once he gets sick. It is good to see Paul Biggera back with us. He was hospitalized in Daytona. A very special thanks to Primo who went up to get him and for Gambler who kept in contact to help out Paul. We also attended Biker Bash and please support the Military Hero's Program.

Secretary's Report

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

Treasurer's Report

Frank then read the financial report for March. A motion was made to accept the financial report , the motion was seconded, all in favor motion passed

Sergeant-at-Arm's Report

Jimmy Les reported we will be needing help for set up, tear down for our Memorial Day Party. Special thanks to Demetrius for always helping in the tear down year after year. Also a special thank you for those who came out to support and ride in the Orange Blossom Parade. BARS, Jim, Shaky, Bev, Frank T., Joel, Cathy, Paul, Postal and Princess Sharon.

Road Captain's Report

Postal reported right after today's meeting we are headed to Cafe 27 for the memorial plaque dedication for Terry "The Blindman" Lanius.

Upcoming group rides and events will be listed under good of the order.

Safety Director's Report

Gambler reported that the CDC is pushing forward wanting a national helmet law. He read statistics from a Fact and Fiction report which stated the states with freedom of choice are less of a medical burden than states with helmet laws. It should be noted Florida DOES have a helmet law. Under 21 years of age, mandatory helmets usage over 21 years of age, freedom of choice ONLY if you have the proper medical insurance coverage. If you do not have the required medical coverage, you are not allowed to ride lidless. A comment for all members who support the Wounded Warriors Foundation. It seems like in the past with other organizations who start with the best of inten-

tions but lose sight due to money. Right now less than 20% of all donations actually go to the Wounded Warrior. More than 80% that's not a misprint, MORE THAN 80% goes to administrative costs such as salary's etc.

Now totally volunteer, not 1 penny used for administrative items, 100% of all donations are used for the benefit of the **Military Hero's Foundation**.

Products Report

Cathy reported we have the new ladies bling shirts for sale. If you need anything, fell free to give them a call at 954-818-4481.

Events Coordinator

Sharon reported our Memorial Day Party will be held at the ELKS Lodge in Pompano Beach. They are located at 700 NE 10th St. Take Dixie Hwy north to NE 10 St. make a right on NE 10th and follow NE 10th to the ELKS Lodge which is located on the south side of NE 10th St. They have welcomed us with open arms and have a fantastic facility. Vendors will be permitted, plenty of parking etc. So come on out to support your chapter. This will be one heck of a party.

State Reps Report

There was no state meeting. Next state meeting will be in Tallahassee the weekend of 4-11-14. On Monday 4-14-14 there will be a police escorted ride to the capitol to ring the bell for brothers and sisters lost and have the opportunity to meet with our elected officials. In addition there will be nominations for the state board positions which are up for election this year

Membership Report

George reported we have **594** members on the books. 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

Wildcat was excused. She will be stepping down and will not be running for the position in June. Anyone interested in taking over the position please contact any board member. **This is no joke or a threat, if we do not have any member step up to be our Newsletter Editor, Southeast Chapter will have no choice but to shut down.**

If this happens, your options are:

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member.

Legislative Report

Brad reported legislative session is in full swing. There are a number of bills in different stages of committees on the agenda, they include: No texting while driving, 18 and under, Threatened use of force, Traffic Highway Safety, State speed zone increase, Discrimination insurance, Enhanced penalties bill, Regulations of knives and weapons, Regulations of firearms and ammunition. Fees and toll waivers for Purple Heart veterans. Doing away with PIP and imposing mandatory bodily injury limits. We will pass on further information once it is received.

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Fern reported she is set up at most events promoting ABATE. Thank you Fern and for doing a great job with the hotline.

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Social Director's Report

BARS reported there will be a combination February and March birthday party right here at the Moose Lodge. The Social Directors position is open as Wildcat has resigned. BARS asked the membership on how they want to proceed, do we want a monthly, bi-monthly or quarterly birthday party?. The last party we had at Chit Chats who went all out for us only had 5 members show up. Discussion. A motion was made, seconded not to have any birthday party's until after Junes elections. All in favor, motion passed.

Newsletter Distribution

Debbie wanted to thank all the members who deliver the newsletter. Everyone does a great job.

Quartermaster's Report

Bob reported there was no report, but he will handle donuts, coffee etc for our workers at our Memorial Day Party

Photographer's Report

Wildcat has resigned this position. Rogue and Fern have stepped up and will do what they can to help out.

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If you have pictures, please send them to Rogue. If you have a slideshow presentation, please make sure it has 10 or more pictures. He will be more than happy to post them on our web-site.

Web-Master's Report

Rogue reported web up and running, no issues reported.

Legal Council

Demetrius reported he was advised of a red light camera tickets issued to motorcyclist. Unfortunately it was outside of Broward County. He still gave the motorcyclist advice on what needed to be done.

Old Business

None

New Business

Next month the American Legion will be hosting a chili cook off on the day of our meeting. A motion was made, seconded to move the meeting to the Moose Lodge. All in favor, motion passed. Since next month's meeting falls on Easter Sunday, a motion was made, seconded to move the meeting to Sunday April 13, 2014. All in favor, motion passed.

Next month's meeting will be held on April 13, 2014, 1000am, Moose Lodge Davie Florida.

Nominations for The Board of Directors and Trustee Positions for 2014-2015

Steve Chomiak has volunteered to be our elections chairperson. He reported on the requirements for voting in the election.

First round of nominations for the 2014-2015 Board of Directors are printed separately in the newsletter.

Good of the Order

After today's meeting - Group ride to Cafe 27 for Terry "The Blindman" Lanus Memorial Plaque presentation. Also today - US Military Vets Florida 1, Off Annual Event.

Cigar Charlie reported there have been chapter issues up north with Abate of New York. It has to do with more support given to upstate NY chapters than down south chapters. So, the Eastern Suffolk Chapter of Abate of New York has succeeded from the corporation. Their new corporation is now known as ABATE of Long Island Inc.

Jimmy Les reported if you are on the turnpike, towing your bikes, trailer etc to make sure you disable the Sunpass if you have one on your bike. Or you will get

double charged for tolls even though they are in tow. Karin reported on the communication or lack of between the chapter and the legion. This has been corrected and we are moving forward.

Long time member Rick "T-Man" Molina is running for Commander of our American legion Post 321. Voting will take place on May 20, 2014 between 0800am and 1800pm. If you are a member of Post 321, please come out and support one of our own.

Upcoming Events

3/22/14 - Abate of Florida, Southeast Chapter Birthday Party, Moose Lodge 700pm

3/30/14 - Group ride around the lake. Please contact Postal or Rogue for further info.

4/6/14 - States MC event. Group ride. Meeting at the Legion at 1100 am, Kick Stands Up at 1230 pm. We will have our safety, membership and products there. If you can help with the set up please contact BARS.

4/12/14 - Mystic Seven Off Annual and Mojo's Birthday party. 7:00 pm at Chit Chats

4/23/14 - Keltic's MC event at Cowboys saloon. Group ride meeting at the Legion between 1100 and 1200. Kick stands up at 1230 pm

Please check the hotline for updates and any changes. 954-310-4626

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

A motion was made to adjourn, seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned 11:40 am.

These minutes were summarized and submitted by:

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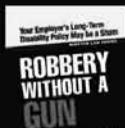
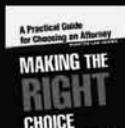
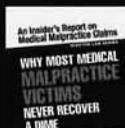
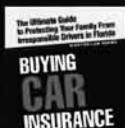
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The Chapter's Executive Board have asked many times for suggestions from our members on how to raise money to support our Chapter and also to recognize those Brothers and Sisters, who provide extra monetary resources to support and promote the S.E. Chapter's mission, and this is a suggestion worth implementing. Therefore the ABATE S.E. Chapter will establish ABATE SE Chapter Sponsorship Program. This will provide those that are able to provide a donation to the Chapter and to have name recognition in our Monthly Newsletter and on the ABATE Website for one year. The categories for Sponsorship are: Platinum Donor \$125+; Diamond Donor \$100+; Gold Donor \$75+; Silver Donor \$50+; and, Bronze Donor \$25+.

As of April 2013's Official State Membership Report, the S.E. Chapter is comprised of 632 members of which, 42% are Lifetime Members and 58% Annual Members. I am a Lifetime Member and when I joined I thought that a bulk of the \$150.00 fee would go to support the Chapter. In reality, only \$50 of that fee goes to the Chapter and the remaining \$100 goes to Florida State Abate, and our Annual Members pay a \$20 fee, the Chapter only receives \$10 with the State collecting the remainder. Therefore after five years, the Chapter's Lifetime Members no longer financially support the Chapter with any sort of annual dues payment. If you have been a Lifetime Member for over five years, you do not provide any financial support to the Chapter unless you: buy ABATE Chapter products; pay to attend Chapter events; post an ad in our Newsletter; or make a monetary donation. It is very financially difficult to support 632 members when 42% of the memberships, after five years, have no obligation to do so. Some state ABATE's, California for example, charge a onetime lifetime membership fee (\$450) and then each year afterwards "in order to maintain your lifetime status and benefits", must pay \$50 per year sustaining fee. Florida ABATE does not do that, yet.

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Thank you in advance for your support!

Thanks goes out to those who donated to ABATE SE Chapter's Sponsorship Program. Suzanne Keen was our first Platinum Sponsor. To date, these are the names of those who have donated over \$525.00 to ABATE SE Chapter.

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Strange things can happen when you look like a biker. This happened about ten years ago. I got a call from a booking agent friend, she told me that there was a casting call for biker looking men, she thought of me.

I went to this casting call in No. Miami, went inside and there was about fifty men that looked pretty much like me, some were bikers that I had seen around, won't name names, some were actors made up to look like bikers. Long story short, I got a part in a Molson beer commercial.

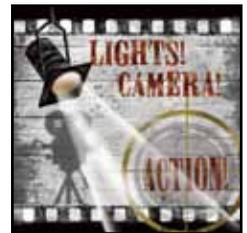
The people that made the commercial took us down to the middle keys, and began to cast us, and give us our costumes, now at the time I weighed about 320 pounds and all of that was belly, the costume they gave me was a anal floss speedo bikini. I said there was no way I was going to wear it, so I settled for a speedo bikini, not the anal one at least this one covered the crack of my butt. We were to wear our motorcycle boots and the speedo, can you imagine what that looked like.

We filmed for about six hours, they had us acting like a bunch of bikers, playing on the beach with a non-looking biker that was forced to take us on vacation with him. Would take too long to go into the whole story.

The best thing about the whole day was the commercial was made to show in Canada only, and when I saw the finished commercial I was cut except a shot of my boots while laying on a beach chair.

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It started out to be just another Saturday, but when you looked closely it was the Parade Day in the Town of Davie. The 77th Orange Blossom Festival began on Saturday and ABATE of Florida (the bikers that help bikers) was out there spreading good will. ABATE had a spot in the parade consisting of ten Motorcycles and one Trike. Those that participated in the parade had a great time coasting behind the Nova High School ROTC. We got to honk our horns and rev the engines to the delight of most of the people. Some of the older people were not as thrilled as the young kids.

The Town of Davie announced our presence three different times during the parade. We waved to the onlookers got our pictures taken and blew kisses to all the pretty girls. It was fun to be in the parade. I believe most of the crowd was impressed on the positive side with the riders from ABATE of Florida.

After the parade there was an event that took place on the corner of Davie Rd. and Orange Drive. The Vendors that were there sold all kinds of things from apples to zen coloring books and everything in between. ABATE was there with the big American Flag that is supplied free of charge by the (A plus American Exterminators) company. As you know ABATE gets to use the flag as a fund raiser. People like to stand in front of the flag and have their picture taken and most will make a small donation. Over the two day event one hundred and eighty dollars was donated to the ABATE organization. It turned out to be a good weekend for everyone including ABATE.

I wish to thank everyone that participated in the parade and those that sat in the hot sun collecting the donations and a special thanks to the people that helped set the flag up and take the flag down. By the way we were able to hang one of the ABATE banners on the frame of the big American Flag and advertise our organization.

Thanks again from Jimmy Les and the ABATE Board of Directors, especially "Frank T" the Treasurer.



Deadline: BEFORE Meeting of each Month for Articles, Ads, Flyers, etc.

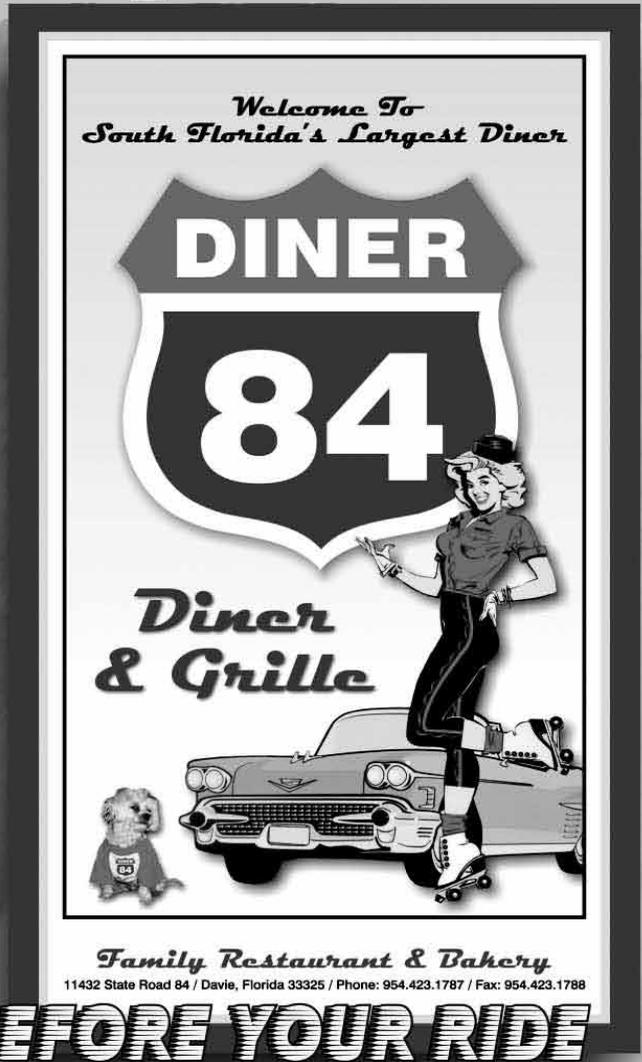
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- 3.
- 4.

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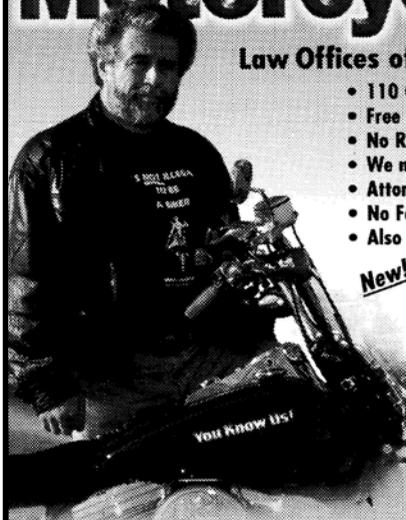
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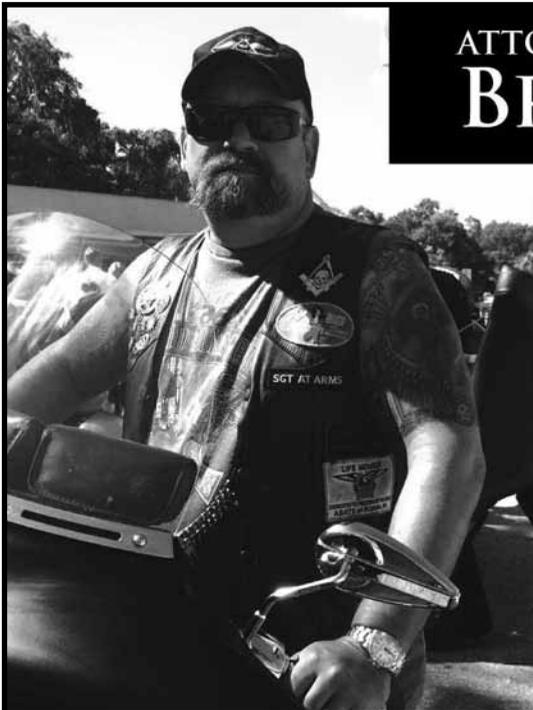
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2014

April

2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	4	5
6 States MC Annual	7	8	9	10 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	11	12 Mystic Seven MC Party See Pg 11
13 Chapter Meeting	14	15	16	17 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	18	19 Outcast MC Annual See Pg 27
20 CMA Easter Service  Easter Sunday	21	22	23	24 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	25 Leesburg Bikefest Begins	26 Leesburg Bikefest
27 Leesburg Bikefest Ends	28	29	30			

!! REMINDER !!

**Don't forget that the ABATE SE Chapter's Meeting
will be held at the Davie Moose Lodge. See page 13 for address.**

Additional Info:

April - 12th, 13th, & 14th - State Meeting - See page 31

April 13 - AOA Pauly 1%er Memorial - See page 27

April 20 - CMA Easter Service - See page 39



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2014

May

2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	2	3
4 Southern MC Annual See Pg 27	5	6	7	8 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	9	10
11  Mother's Day	12	13	14	15 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	16	17
18 Chapter Meeting	19	20	21	22 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	23	24
25 ABATE SE Memorial Day Event	26	27	28	29 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	30	31

Additional Info:**May 18 - Wings of Gold MC Miami Annual**

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2014 CALENDAR

MANDATORY ANNUAL CLUB EVENTS ARE LISTED IN BOLD

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APRIL 2014

6th - **STATES MC - ANNUAL**
12th - MYSTIC SEVEN MC - PARTY
13th - AOA PAULY 1^{er} MEMORIAL
19th - **OUTCAST MC - ANNUAL**
20th - CMA EASTER SERVICE
25th-27th - LEESBURG BIKEFEST

MAY 2014

4th - **SOUTHERN MC - ANNUAL**
18th - WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI - ANNUAL
25th - S.E. ABATE - MEMORIAL DAY EVENT

JUNE 2014

1st - **DER KRIEGER MC - ANNUAL**
8th - NEW ATTITUDES MC - PARTY
14th - AOA JERRY, ROGER, AND KENNY 1^{er} MEMORIAL
22nd - **WINGS OF GOLD MC FT. LAUD. - ANNUAL**
29th - **US MILITARY VETS MC S. BROWARD - ANNUAL**

JULY 2014

12th - ALTERNATIVE MC - PARTY
19th - WHEELS OF MAN MC - CHILI COOK-OFF

AUGUST 2014

2nd - WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI - PARTY
4th-10th - 74th STURGIS MOTORCYCLE RALLY
8th-10th - SOUTH FLORIDA TATTOO CONVENTION
10th - AOA FT. LAUD. - ANNIVERSARY PARTY

SEPTEMBER 2014

7th - SOUTHERN MC - TEDDY BEAR RUN
13th - OUTCAST MC - PARTY
14th - STATES MC - KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY
19th-21st - PETERSONS KEY WEST POKER RUN
28th - KELTICS MC - PARTY

OCTOBER 2014

4th - **MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL**
11th - **NEW ATTITUDES MC - ANNUAL**

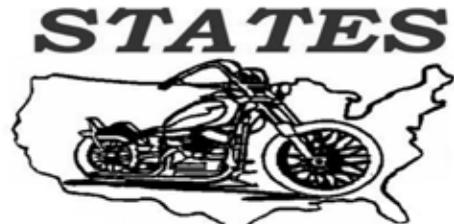
12th - **SE ABATE - ANNUAL**
16th-19th - DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST
25th - WHEELS OF MAN MC - HALLOWEEN PARTY

NOVEMBER 2014

8th - **US MILITARY VETS MC CH 1 - ANNUAL**
9th - CMA - MEMORIAL EVENT
15th - **HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL**

DECEMBER 2014

7th - **SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN**
13th - PETERSONS TOY RUN BIKE DRAWING
13th - HERMANDAD MC - ALFREDO MEMORIAL/TOY RUN
14th - WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI - TOY RUN
20th - **SFLCOC - CHRISTMAS PARTY**
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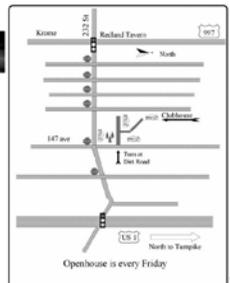
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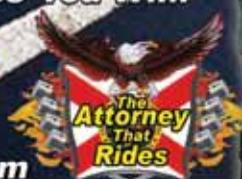
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What is Skin Cancer? Skin Cancer has a very high survival rate and one of the easiest forms to be diagnosed. Signs of Skin Cancer often appear first on the head, neck or back, though they can also form on any other part of the body. There are three types of Skin Cancer: basal-carcinoma, squamous-cell carcinoma and the most widely known melanoma. The first two, while serious, do not typically spread. The third type (melanoma) has a tendency to spread to other parts of the body.

What Causes Skin Cancer? Excessive exposure to the sun is the most common cause of skin cancer. The ultraviolet sun rays alter genetic material in skin cells. Ultraviolet light can also come from tanning booths, sunlamps, and x-rays. The basal cell and squamous cell carcinoma types of cancer have been positively linked to chronic sun or UV exposure. Other factors leading to skin cancer are tobacco use, chronic exposure to x-rays, or certain chemicals including arsenic and petroleum products.

What are the Symptoms of Skin Cancer? Basel-cell is the most common. This type accounts for 3 out of 4 diagnoses. It often looks like sores or red patchy growths that often bleed. Squamous-cell carcinoma is more aggressive than basel-cell and typically affects deeper levels of the skin. This type often resembles scarily or crusty wart-like growths. Melanoma is the most dangerous form of skin cancer. Though it is a rarer form, it causes the majority of skin cancer related deaths. Melanoma often resembles irregularly formed moles with variations in color.

How can you prevent Skin Cancer? Limiting exposure to sunlight is the surest way to lower your risk to skin cancer. Not gonna happen, right? Okay, avoid sunlight during peak hours, (between 10 AM and 2 PM). Wear protective clothing such as pants, long sleeve shirt, sunglasses and a wide brim hat. Apply and use sunscreen liberally, (most important). A broad spectrum sunscreen will offer full protection, prevent premature ageing of the skin and wrinkles.

How is Skin Cancer Treated? Treatment depends upon the size, depth and location of the cancer. Treatments include freezing the area with very cold liquid nitrogen. More invasive methods include excisional surgery or Mohs surgery in which the cancerous cells are removed in layers until only the healthy skin cells remain. For more invasive cancers, traditional cancer treatments of chemotherapy or radiation may be used. These treatments are typically used to halt the spread of cancer when it has moved beyond the skin.



Do what I do. See your Dermatologist twice a year. If you don't have one, get one. It could save your life!

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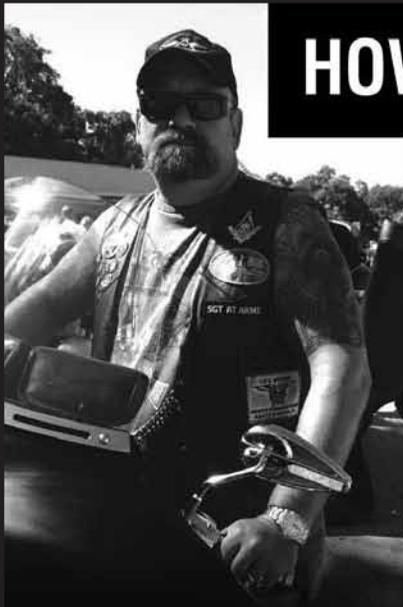
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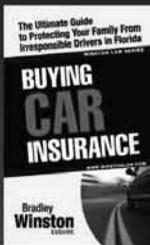
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U.S. SENATE ACTS TO STOP MOTORCYCLE-ONLY CHECKPOINTS

Bipartisan legislation has been introduced in the U.S. Senate to prohibit the use of federal funds in establishing motorcycle-only checkpoints. S.2078, the «Stop Motorcycle Checkpoint Funding Act,» sponsored by Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Ron Johnson (R-WI), Kelly Ayotte (R-NH) and Joe Manchin (D-WV) on Wednesday, March 5th, and is similar to H.R. 1861, introduced last year in the U.S. House by Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI).

The bill would prohibit the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) from issuing grants to states to set up checkpoints where motorcycle riders are targeted by police to check that their vehicles meet state standards for noise, tire condition and other requirements, and are also checked for safety gear during the roadside checkpoints.

Over the past few years, such roadblocks have been conducted in New York, Georgia, Virginia and Utah during large motorcycle rallies. The senators argue that these types of checkpoints are discriminatory and unnecessary since motorcycle riders are already subject to state registration, inspection, licensing and helmet laws and must stop at sobriety check points like all other drivers.

One co-sponsor, Sen. Manchin, former governor of West Virginia, says the checkpoints are a waste of taxpayer funding that can have an adverse effect on states' economies. «Requiring bikers to drive through motorcycle-only checkpoints is not only an ineffective use of taxpayer dollars, but it also raises legitimate questions about discrimination against motorcyclists. In West Virginia, bikers travel near and far to drive

on our winding roads and enjoy the beautiful scenery, which attracts tourism and helps boost both our local and state economies,» Manchin said. «As a Harley owner myself, I am pleased to work with my colleagues on this bipartisan legislation that simply would prohibit yet another senseless and unreasonable federal regulation which could harm states' economies.»

The states of California, Illinois, Missouri, New Hampshire, North Carolina, and Virginia have all passed legislation to bar such checkpoints.

CDC TASK FORCE RECOMMENDS HELMET LAWS

The Community Preventative Services Task Force, a panel operating under the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), has reported its findings for improving motorcycle rider safety, recommending that states and the federal government focus on passing helmet laws.

In its first-ever findings statement on motorcycle safety, the group of mostly medical professionals emphasize that motorcyclist fatalities have nearly doubled since 2000, but ignore the fact that motorcycle registrations have likewise multiplied over the same time period..

Members of Congress have written the CDC requesting that they back off from helmet propaganda, but the federal health agency feels justified in pursuing all preventable injuries.

FURTHER EPA ACTIONS RESTRICT E15 FUEL

Following passage of the Farm Bill, which hampers the availability of E15 (gasoline containing 15% ethanol) by restricting blender pumps necessary to dispense the fuel, as well as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's recent move to reduce for the first time the amount of ethanol required to be blended into U.S. gasoline supplies, two new EPA regulations are expected to further limit E15 availability.

In action taken March 3rd, the EPA decided

against adopting E15 as its standard test fuel, and in other regulatory action refused to waive E15 vapor pressure limits, which will effectively reduce its distribution to gas stations during summer months.

Previously, the EPA approved E15 for use in cars and trucks built since 2001, but has not approved the fuel for use in any motorcycles or ATVs, and manufacturers have warned that E15 can damage engines and even inadvertent fueling can void warranties.

PENNSYLVANIA LIMITS MOTORCYCLE LEARNERS PERMITS

State Representative Seth Grove introduced HB 892 in this session of the Pennsylvania State Legislature in an effort to curb the practice of “serial permitting” by novice riders in the state, and the bill was just signed by the Governor and becomes effective immediately.

The new law restricts the number of times someone can reapply for a motorcycle learners permit to three times in a 5 year period. Prior to this law, there was no restriction on the number of times an individual could reapply for a learners permit and thereby skirting the need to take the full motorcycle license written and riding test.

“We have been dealing with individuals who continually violate the restrictions of motorcycle permits because they treat permits like actual licenses,” Grove said.

ABATE of Pennsylvania also supported the bill and provides free student motorcycle safety training, with an opportunity to obtain a class “M” license upon completion of the course.

FLORIDA LAWMAKERS MAY MAKE DRIVERS WATCH OUT FOR MOTORCYCLISTS

Safety rule number one for motorcycle riders is to watch out for car drivers, but a proposal in Florida could make it state law for drivers to watch out for motorcycles.

The bill covers what Senator Greg Evers (R-District 2) calls «vulnerable road users.» That includes motorcyclists, pedestrians, road workers, scooter and bicycle riders, farm equipment operators, carriage drivers and those in wheelchairs. If a driver commits a moving violation that results in bodily injury, it would become a second-degree misdemeanor. If it causes death, it would become first-degree, with the potential for license suspension.

ABATE SEEKS TO ALLOW OFF-ROAD VEHICLES ON COUNTY ROADWAYS

Indiana state law bans driving off-road vehicles on public streets, but ABATE of Indiana, a motorcycle advocacy group, is asking Tippecanoe County commissioners to exercise a clause that allows county officials to allow all-terrain vehicles, ATVs and various other off-road machines, including snowmobiles, to use county roads in unincorporated areas. “We’re just requesting that they at least evaluate this; look at what other communities have done with this -- what other counties have done with this” said Jay Jackson, executive director of ABATE of Indiana. “We’re not aware of any significant ramifications as a result, so we don’t see a downside to it.”

Jackson told commissioners that 45 Indiana counties currently allow off-road vehicles on public roads. The vehicles still must comply with state laws governing off-road vehicles. State law requires the rider or driver be 16 years old and licensed, and also requires that the vehicle be registered, much like a boat.

WEIRD NEWS: BIKER BURIED WITH BIKE
An Ohio biker was granted his last wish to be buried astride his beloved Harley-Davidson, but it took one custom Plexiglas casket, three extra burial plots, five embalmers and six years of planning and preparations for 82-year old Bill Standley of Mechanicsburg, Ohio to share a grave with the '67 Harley he bought new and rode around the country through 49 states.

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It all started 18 years ago when Standley joked with his kids about who would inherit his motorcycle; "I've got two sons, only got one bike," and one of his daughters off-handedly quipped, "Oh dad, just be buried with it."

Six years ago, Standley went before the Champaign County Board of Health to get permission for the bizarre burial, and was informed that he would need a special vault and he'd have to drain all of the fluids out of the bike.

He and his two sons then custom built a see-through casket from a modified septic tank, reinforced with wood and steel, and on January 31st family and friends took him on his last ride to the cemetery, where a crane lowered him and his bike to their final resting place in full riding gear, forever in the wind.

NCOM CONVENTION HONORS FALLEN RIDERS; INVITES NAMES FOR TRIBUTE

With the 29th Annual NCOM Convention in Dallas just weeks away, the National Coalition of Motorcyclists is requesting that MROs, motorcycle clubs, and riding associations submit the names of those members and supporters who have died since May 2013, so that we may honor their memories during the traditional "Ring of the Bell" tribute to fallen riders during the opening ceremonies. Dedications can be hand-delivered at the Convention to "Doc" Reichenbach, NCOM Chairman of the Board, or e-mailed in advance to Bill Bish at NCOMBish@aol.com.

Attendees are also encouraged to bring an item on behalf of their organization for the Freedom Fund Auction, with proceeds benefiting the motorcyclists' rights movement nationwide through Getting Our People Elected donations, NCOM Speaker Program, lobbying activities and other pro-motorcycling projects as determined by the NCOM Board of Directors.

The 29th annual NCOM Convention will be held Mother's Day weekend, May 8-11, 2014 at The

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This annual gathering will draw hundreds of bikers' rights activists from across the country to discuss topics of concern to all riders, and ALL motorcyclists are welcome and encouraged to attend. Meetings, seminars and group discussions will focus on legislative efforts and litigation techniques to benefit our right to ride and Freedom of the Road.

To pre-register, call the National Coalition of Motorcyclists at (800) 525-5355 or visit: www.ON-A-BIKE.com.

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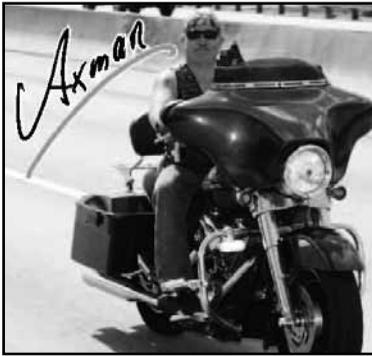
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