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# President's Thoughts

Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving.

This will be a very busy month for the chapter with all the things going, between the Toy Run with a side bar of a union between two members of the Chapter under the tent at the event, to the State meeting where the updated by-laws for the organization will be unveiled.

We are also looking forward to a very challenging year ahead, with the change in the elected officials and the changes in power we need to keep an eye on everything that comes out in Tallahassee.

Abate of Florida is also going through a challenging time financially to keep up the level of influence with the law-makers. The organization relies on the revenue generated through fundraisers and with the economy being the way it is has been hit like everybody. The largest fundraiser the organization has is Bike Week, where we have a campground set up for the week and the last couple of years attendance has been down, with last year being the worst it has been since it was started. This is also why we sell a chance to win a Harley with all taxes included that is given out that week. So sell and buy some tickets! It all helps to make sure we can fund the Organization and the Lobbyists who represent us.

In closing...

I want to wish everyone a safe and Happy Holiday. Plus a Big Special Congratulations to the Happy Couple, Newcomer and the Magnet on their marriage and wish them the best!

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## 2010 CALENDAR

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**DECEMBER**

- \*5 - **23rd Annual SFPC Christmas Toys in the Sun Run**
- 11 - Drawing for the Toy Run bike at H-D of Miami
- 12 - ABATE West Palm Beach Party
- 18 - SFLCOC Christmas Dinner Party
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**ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter Meeting  
Minutes  
November 21, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 10:21am by President Old Hippy with an estimated 45 signed-in members, no guests and no At-Large members in attendance. Total signed-in attendance: 45. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer by Poppie.

**Presidents Report**

Old Hippy presided the meeting by welcoming all the new members who have recently signed up. We've been having a lot of events this month and thanks to all who attended and helped out. Old Hippy mentioned about Jay, former treasurer for ABATE SE chapter had a heart attack and died. Squeaky had a heart attack and is still alive. Dave the Kid, is here, who recently had a stroke but is feeling great! We need to sell the ABATE State Bike Tix Raffle \$5 to help support the state treasury. We will be preparing for the TOY RUN which by the way we will have Newcomer and Ann Marie married under the tent at the Toy Run Festival. We have a new governor and we don't know how he stands on motorcycle issues. We need to keep a good eye on him and the rest of the new congressional winners. Old Hippy passed the next discussion to the Vice President, Johnny Rose.

**Vice-Presidents Report**

Johnny Rose stated that he went to the South Florida President's Council meeting. He was impressed that we were able to secure all our dates for our ABATE SE parties. We have a party on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January. We need to be more aware as we are out riding. Thanks for all that have come today. Nothing further to report.

**Secretary's Report**

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

**Treasurer's Report**

Alice read October's financial report. A motion was made, seconded to accept the Treasurers report. All

in favor, motion passed. We need to sell motorcycle drawing tickets for state. Only \$5 a ticket.

**Sergeant at Arms Report**

Big Wheel discussed about him going to Roscoe's Chili Challenge in Lakeland, FL. Hank cooked for us. Thanks Hank.

**Road Captain's Report**

Geo discussed about vehicles turning left. Watch for them ...they are not watching for you. Geo also discussed about the ride after Thanksgiving around Lake Okeechobee. Contact him for details on Friday KSU at 0900 at 84 Diner. On Dec 11, a ride to Naples for the State Meeting. An out and back ride. Bring your Sunpass or \$2.50 for both ways. On Jan 29 we will ride to Dania Bike Festival at Frost Park. Geo also passed out a brochure regarding riding in group rider/staggered bike formation.

**Safety Director's Report**

Teddy Bear read about a traffic accident out in western USA regarding the deaths of 5 bikers due to two cagers riding in the same pathway but in different directions.

**Products Report**

Jackie not here due to illness.

**Events Coordinator**

The next event will be on Jan 16. Let's look for a location. We will be working on having committees for planning the event.

**State Reps Report**

Chris mentioned about not having a state meeting last month. He discussed about the new governor, Rick Scott, who "is open for business" (*\*whatever that means*). Keep an eye out for any new state legislation and let's go up to Tallahassee in April.

**Membership Report**

George reported 3 life applications last month and this month 4 life members, for a Total of 621 members. Largest chapter in Florida.

### Newsletter Editor

Lee Ann "Wildcat" states please get your articles in earlier now on NOV 24, is the new deadline.

### Legislative Report

Nothing significant to report. A combined information given earlier during the state report.

### Public Relations

Fern not present.

### Advertising

Hope thanked all those who are helping in picking up the checks for the ad invoices. She also mentioned a few of our advertisers who need to pay up and asked if anyone frequents them to help in the pickup of the payments.

### Social Director's Report

Karin stated this month's birthday's party will be held at Shanks on Nov 27. Xmas Party at the beach after our meeting in December.

### Quartermaster's Report

Bob Anz reported that everything was 100%.

### Photographer's Report

No report.

### Web-Master's Report

Mike Hagar nothing significant to report. All members can advertise on the website for free.

### Trash master's Report

Teddy Bear we had a trash pickup on Oct 9. Next time will NOW be on January 22. Discussion was held regarding the "dumping" of the west end. A vote will be held in December.

### Legal Council

Chris reported nothing significant to report.

### Old Business

Commander Louie requested that the letter from Nin-inger Vets Home be put into the newsletter as per last meeting.

### New Business

Old Hippy discussed about changing the meeting in January. A motion was seconded and voted upon to change it to the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January.

### Good of the order

Christmas on the Beach after meeting in December. Stu of the VFW is having his birthday party on Dec 1, 2010 at the VFW. Let's all go. Motion to adjourn meeting, and ended at 11:54am.

JR of El Coqui won a free annual membership and Bree won the 50/50.

These minutes are summarized and respectfully submitted.

*"Commander Louie"*

Luis "*Louie*" Subirats

Secretary





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# OldHippy's Corner

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Well we can't say this has been an uneventful year. We have gone through the first years on a new president and a congress controlled by one party. We have also seen that power taken away with the mid-term elections with a lot of new first time elected officials elected.

For me, I have a lot of trepidations in the upcoming year with some of these changes.

For one, we have a new Governor who has no experience in that position and has invested more money to be elected than the national budget for some small county, this really has me concerned. With the NTSA recommendations for the states for next year and a mandatory helmet law was one of the top ten on their list, there is no telling what his administration is going to do, especially if the threat of not getting federal highway funds could be used as a tool to make the state comply.

We also have a few "new"law makers, who for the first time are in the political arena and are in a learning curve. They will find out its going to be a difficult time to get accepted in the "good ole boys club" and be able to have a creditable voice. They are in the process of appointing their staff, and I'm hoping they are putting together the best support group that they can muster to help them, give them directions, and not installing personal use as a payback for their support in the election. We all know that a lot of special interest groups poured tons of monies in the campaign. Another thing that makes no sense and has my long hair on ends, is some of... how should I put it? ..... Ok crap! that is going on.

Did you hear about that student in Denair CA., who got into trouble because he had an American flag flying from his bicycle when he went to school in honor of Veterans Day and the school said it would offend some other students and could cause trouble! HUH?????? What flag was ok? I wonder. Out of concern for his safety, hundreds of motorcyclists -many of them veterans, and some from out of state, all wanting to show support to 13-year-old Cody Alicea. The School showed up to his house to escort him and his friends to school. According to Cody, "In this country we're supposed to be free and I should be able to wave my flag wherever I want to.

The school superintendent has since apologized, and promised that something like that will not happen

again. But the school district is now facing a lawsuit from a civil liberties group. Sorry, but this is just downright wrong! Since when is the display of an American Flag offensive in America? I see tons of other countries flags being displayed hanging from car mirrors and if anybody should be offended for other countries flag being displayed in America, is Americans.

With the end of the 2010 year... it's time for family and friends, and also the beginning of the New Year. It is also a time to reflect of the past year and all the events that have taken place, taking note of all the challenges that we have faced. Some came out good and others fell short.

History, in general, only informs us of what bad government is.

## Thomas Jefferson

*History also dictates that every failure should be a lesson to be learned and unfortunately, we as a race somehow seem to repeat the same mistakes over and over with the same results.*

My hope for next year is for our leaders to do their homework and guide us in a path where we will continue to have our freedoms and liberty without the threat of losing anyone from either foreign or domestic entities.

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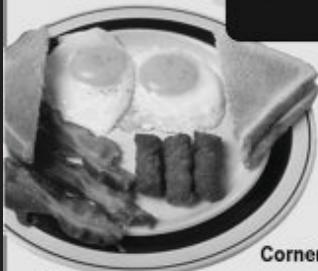
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The November Birthday Party at Shank's had a nice turn-out, so I hope you all had a great time! Attending was 25 members celebrating. Thanks to all of you for being there. Thanks to Paul for the specials, the cake and the staff for spoiling us again. The "Ringerz" had to cancel for this party, but they had a good reason, Tommy J's daughter had her Engagement party on the same day. Congratulations and good luck from all of us.

To our December Birthdays your party will be on December 19, 2010, and as every year in conjunction with our Christmas Party on the Beach. Please come join us even if it's not your Birthday.

We will leave to go to the beach after the Dec. meeting at the American Legion in Cooper City.

Happy Birthday to all those below please come and have fun at your party!



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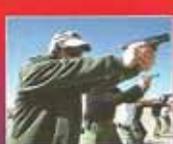
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I would like to thank the Presidents' Council for the opportunity of being at the SFPC Calendar meeting. Thanks to them, both Abate Se and Palm Beach chapters were able to secure our events for the same dates we had last year. So get ready for 2011 ABATE!!

I would like to wish everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season. It's time for the 4 F's... Food, Friends, Football, and Family!!!!

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*Here's a Copy of a Letter from the Ninninger Nursing Home about our Memorial Day Event.*

To the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 321 and ABATE of Florida SE Chapter

*Dear ABATE Rep.Jimmy Lesnniak & Social Director /Sgt at Arms Aux. Unit 321 Karyn Rylands .*

*We will continue to treasure the great time that our residents and staff alike, had at the festivities that you both facilitated.*

*All your members showed devotion, friendliness, starting in front of the facility, riding and making noises, saluting residents, and I can say you not leave anyone behind, most of the ABATE entered at the building to greet residents in bed or just setting on the lounges.*

*The escort of the Police cars and motorcycles was the most exiting time, can not avoid to say "feel like royalty".*

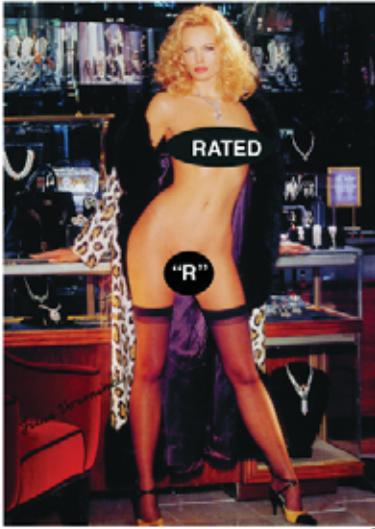
*This also was so touching, the affection and genuine interests of the participants at Café 27, were we had great time at the tables with drinks, food, and more importantly, the chatting, dancing, kissing and providing genuine interests, believe me, better than therapy!*

*The last and not the least, was the speech of Mr. Lesniak, thanking all the veterans, singing and getting emotional and yet happy.*

*On behalf of the residents, families and the entire recreation staff, I thank you for your generosity and for your input, to achieved such success, and nothing better in life is having friends that you can relay on them.*

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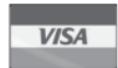
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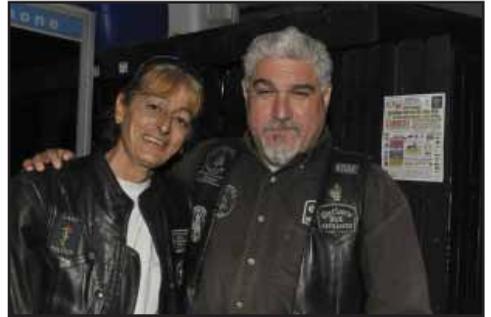
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 23rd Annual SFPC Christmas Toys in the Sun Run	6	7	8	9	10	11 State Meeting by Gator Alley Ch. Naples, FL
12 ABATE West Palm Beach Party	13	14	15	16	17	18 <i>B.O.D. Meeting 10:00 am</i> SFLCOC Christmas Dinner Party
19 <i>ABATE SE Chapter Meeting</i> <i>ABATE SE Christmas on the Beach &amp; B'day Party</i>	20	21	22	23	24	25 <i>Christmas Day!</i>
26	27	28	29	30	31	

**Additional Info:**

- December 11, 2010 Drawing for the Toy Run Bike at H-D of Miami
- December 18, 2010 - Wings of Gold MC WPB Toy Drive
- December 19, 2010 - Calvery Chapel Christmas Service



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JANUARY

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 <i>New Year's Day</i>
2 States MC Pompano 16th Annual Blessing of the Bikes	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Wings of Gold MC Appreciation Day	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 <i>ABATE SE Semi-Annual Rights Rally</i>	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 <i>ABATE SE Chapter Meeting</i> <hr/> Chrome Angels MC Winter Party	24	25	26	27	28	29
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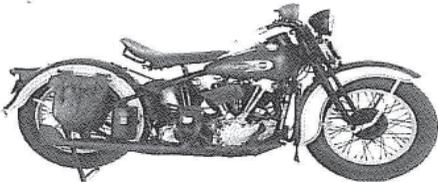
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## ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT – DECEMBER 2010 UPCOMING RIDES & EVENTS

Cannot believe this is my last article for 2010! Where the hell did this year go? The older we get the faster time goes by!

We have a few long rides coming up as well as our usual rides to local club events.

### The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual SFPC Christmas Toys in the Sun Run:

On **Sunday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>** ABATE SE Chapter will have our Membership / Products / Safety / Wedding Chapel tent set up.

That's right: Wedding chapel. Turns out Al "Newcomer" is going to *marry* Annemarie "Magnet" at the event! We should all be there to wish them the best, help promote ABATE and support the Toy Run. Bring a toy and \$10.00 bucks to get in. No stuffed animals. Every year, some dumbasses STILL show up with stuffed animals. WTF???

### Abate State Meeting ride:

On **Saturday December 11<sup>th</sup>**, we will all be riding to Naples to attend the Abate of Florida, Inc. State Meeting. If you've never attended a State Meeting, this would be an opportune time since it is being held close by in Naples at the Comfort Inn just off Alligator Alley exit 101. We will meet for breakfast at 84 Diner in Davie and ride across Alligator Alley. Kickstands up @ 10:00am for this ride Arrive with tanks full ready to ride. Come earlier if you want to eat breakfast first. This trip is about 90 miles each way. We will stop for a break at the Indian Reservation at exit 49, midway across the Alley. **Bring your Sunpass** or \$2.50 in exact change (each way).

### Alabama Jacks ride:

On **Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**, we will be riding down to Alabama Jacks for lunch. This is a great little 68 mile ride for which you will be rewarded with the absolute best Maryland Style Crab Cakes or other fine local seafood when we arrive.

We will meet at the American Legion Post 321. I will hopefully get Jose' to cook breakfast for us there. Kickstands up @ 11:00am, so get to the Legion Hall about 9:30am for breakfast. We will be riding down Krome Avenue. No Turnpike, just a nice cruise through some beautiful south Florida heartland.

Remember; always check your bike out mechanically prior to any group ride. Look for loose bolts, cables, lights out, etc. Don't forget your tire pressures, oil levels and general all around roadworthiness. ALWAYS arrive for ANY group ride with your tanks full.

If you have questions about how to properly ride with a group, please speak up so we can help you out. There is no shame in speaking up on this matter; there is only shame if you do not. We can always place you in a certain spot in the group, perhaps next to an experienced rider, who can help you become a more proficient group rider. Also, not speaking up could jeopardize the safety of others in the group. We were all new at this at one time or another.

Remember, it's about safety first.

As usual, **check Fern's excellent hotline, 954-310-4636**, for weekly updates as to what's going on and where we can ride to as a group. We will usually meet at the American Legion Post 321 as a starting point unless stated otherwise.

### *Some upcoming rides / events:*

Dec. 5 – Toys in the Sun Run, Markham Park  
Dec. 11 – Ride to State meeting in Naples (100 miles)  
Dec. 12 – Abate WPB 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Rights Rally  
Dec. 18 – SFLCOC Annual Dinner party  
Jan. 9 – Ride to Alabama Jacks (68 miles)  
Jan. 29 – Dania Beach Antique Motorcycle Show  
Jan. ??? - TBA – Ride to Holiday Isle & Hog Heaven Sports Bar & Grill in Islamorada (100 miles)

Remember that Mickey's Bar has a bike night every Wednesday and Café 27 every Thursday night. CONGRATS to Dave & Lisa on their 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! These two venues support Abate SE Chapter, so remember to support them whenever you can.

There's more to come and lots to do. Stay tuned and stay tuned up! Let's ride!

With Respect,  
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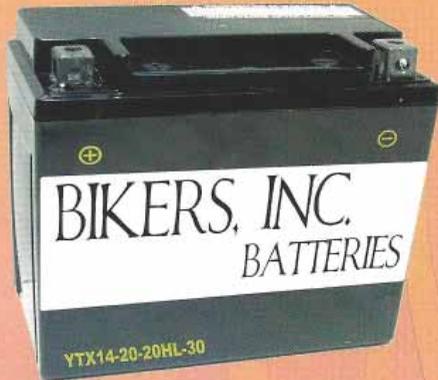
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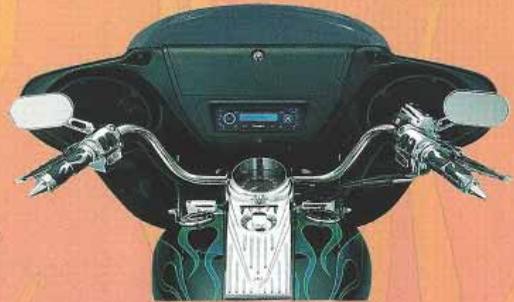
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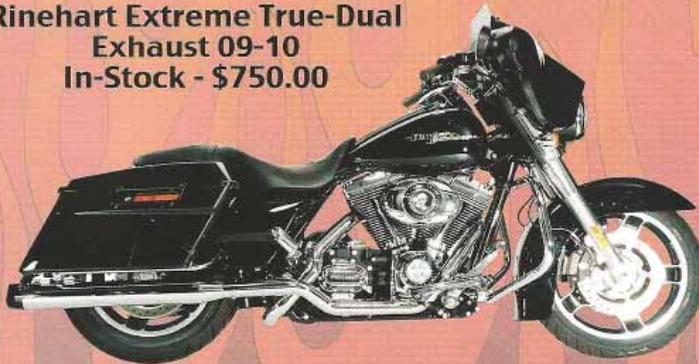
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It's amazing how close the two holidays are very much alike, one starts the beginning of the new Covenant with GOD the father, and the other starts the beginning of a new year for all of us.

Just think how amazing that all is, the New Year can and should not end all that has happened to you in the past year, but starts a new beginning to complete the old and begin the new, not by forgetting the past, but completing it so you can try to make things better in the new year.

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So let us all thank GOD for Christmas and let's celebrate it for what it really means the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Thank GOD for all the new years we've had and all the new years to come, that they be blessed for all of us.

In closing let me again wish you all a very Merry Christmas and very Happy New Year and that all your Prayers will be answered.  
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## JANUARY

- 2 - States MC 16th Annual Blessing of the Bikes
- \*9 - Wings of Gold MC Appreciation Day**
- 16 - SE ABATE Semi-Annual Rights Rally
- 23 - Chrome Angels MC winter party
- \*30 - Der Krieger MC Annual**

## FEBRUARY

- 5 - Alternative Ft. Laud. Party
- \*6 - Third Tradition Annual**
- \*13 - AOA MC Ft. Laud. Valentines Day Annual**
- \*20 - States MC Lake Worth Annual**
- 20 & 21 Harley-Davidson of Miami's 57th Anniversary
- \*26 - Wheels of Man MC Deerfield 38th Annual (4PM)**
- 27 - USMV MC Homestead Party

## MARCH

- Feb 28-March 6, 70th Annual Daytona Bike Week
- 6 - USMV MC Ft. Laud Party
- \*13 - Fiasco Brothers Annual**
- \*20 - Keltics MC Broward Annual**
- 20 - BBRA 4th Annual Smiles Charity Ride Annual
- \*27 - Hermandad MC Annual**

## APRIL

- \*2 - Outcasts MC Annual**
- 2 & 3 - Peterson's South Anniversary Weekend
- \*3 - States MC Pompano Annual**
- 8, 9, 10 - Leesburg Bike Week
- \*10 - WOG MC Ft. Laud Stars & Stripes Annual**
- 16 - USMV MC Martin County party
- \*17 - AOA MC West Palm Beach Annual**
- 23 - Mystic 7 MC party
- 24 - CMA Easter Service

## MAY

- \*1 - Southern MC Annual**
- 6 & 7 - National COC Convention
- \*14 - USMVMC West Palm Annual**
- \*15 - Soldiers for Jesus MC Annual**
- 21 - Wings of Gold MC Pt St. Lucie party
- \*22 - Wings of Gold MC Miami Annual**
- 29 - SE ABATE Memorial Day Event

## JUNE

- \*5 - AOA MC Treasure Coast Annual**
- \*11 - New Attitudes MC Annual**
- \*12 - Wings of Gold MC West Palm Annual**
- 19 - Peterson's North Store Fathers Day Event
- 25 - Palm Beach ABATE Party

## JULY

- 3 - USMVMC South Broward Party
- 10 - AOA MC West Palm Beach party
- 16 - Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook-Off & Party
- 17 - States MC Lake Worth party
- \*24 - Black Pistons MC Ft. Laud. Annual**
- 31 - Chrome Angels MC summer bash party

## AUGUST

- 8-14 71st Annual Sturgis Bike Week
- 12 to 14, - 16th International South Florida Tattoo Expo
- 14 - AOA MC 44th Anniversary Party
- \*21 - Wings of Gold MC Port Saint Lucie Annual**

## SEPTEMBER

- 9 (Friday) - Outcast MC Party
- 11 - States Pompano MC 18th Key West Tuneup Party
- 17 - USMVMC West Palm Wreaths Across America
- 15-18 Phil Peterson's 38th Annual Key West Poker Run
- 18 - Wings of Gold MC Miami "After Key West Party"
- 25 - Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & Party

## OCTOBER

- \*2 - Mystic Seven MC Annual**
- 9 - AOA MC Treasure Coast Party
- 16 - Keltics MC Miami party
- 22 - USMV MC Homestead benefit party
- 20-23 Daytona Biketoberfest
- 23 - SE ABATE 31st Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally
- 29 - Wheels of Man MC 38th Annual Halloween Party
- \*30 - Alternative Treasure Coast Annual**

## NOVEMBER

- \*6 - USMVMC National 24th Annual**
- 12 - Soldiers for Jesus MC Party
- 13 - Wings of Gold MC Palm Beach Party
- \*20 - CMA Memorial Annual Event**
- 27 - Heaven Cycles 34th Anniversary Party
- 27 - USMV MC Martin County Toy Run

## DECEMBER

- 4 - ABATE West Palm Beach Annual
- \*11 - 24th Annual SFPC Christmas Toys in the Sun Run**
- 17 - Drawing for the Toy Run bike at H-D of Miami
- 17 - SFLCOC Christmas Dinner Party
- 17 - Wings of Gold MC West Palm Toy Drive
- 18 - Calvary Chapel 12th Annual Christmas Service



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# From Your Safety Director

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## RIDING YOUR MOTORCYCLE SMARTER TO BE SAFER

Rewritten With Permission by Art Westergren

I was trying to think of a way to put into words, the things we do to be safe, while riding our motorcycles. My wife and I ride at least a 1000 miles or more every month of the year and seem to learn something every time we go out. In my past, I was a helicopter mechanic for over 25 years, and that taught me to pay attention to little details, so, I soon realized that the same thing is necessary to safely ride a motorcycle. I decided to write down my thoughts, and try to pass it on to my friends and anyone else that may be interested in learning the secrets to continuous safe riding. As we all know, there are many idiots that we ride along with, that don't have a clue as to what safe riding really is. You have seen it a million times, you know, the guy that rides out in a lane by himself instead of in line with the group he is suppose to be with. The guy that passes all the traffic on the white lines, or pulls up in front of all the traffic by going around everybody on the right shoulder or falls a quarter of a mile behind. You know the guy I am talking about. I don't mean to offend anyone or single anyone out, so, if I have described you, learn from it, and remember why you are riding in the first place, to smell the roses.

What is your hurry? The sooner you get there, the less you will be riding.

**RISK FACTORS KILL, SO PLEASE, TRY TO MAKE A MENTAL NOTE OF THEM:**

Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs is the Number One confidence builder. So please avoid it or don't do it at all, because makes your bike go faster.

Make noise and have plenty of bright lights and trust no other vehicle because you are basically invisible and the world is out to run you over.

Wear proper protective gear like leathers, helmet, boots and gloves, because it will literally save your hide. Pardon the pun.

Know the limits of your bike by practicing panic stops, turns, counter steering, etc., with and without a passenger.

Try to practice to avoid all the risk factors until it comes as a natural instinct. You will, more than likely, live to be old and gray.

I would like to start by going over some basic stuff that everybody already knows, so I will create a check list first before we leave for that little ride we look forward to every chance we get. I am going to point out the risk factors that kill or injure.

Lets think of some of the little things that we all forgot the last time we rode:

1. Check the weather, ha, that's a good one. It sure would be nice to know the temperature and where the rain is for the day. Having the rain gear and a warm jacket in the saddlebag was a smart thing to do. If it's really getting cold, throw an extra long sleeve shirt and regular gloves in too.
2. Check the motorcycle, and don't say, "Oh the bike was OK the last time I rode it. Check the oil, tires, cables, clutch, chain or belt tension, horn, lights, signals, brakes and, fuel, or wait on the fuel and make the entire group stop because you needed fuel. How many times has that happened? The guy had two weeks to get ready for the trip and showed up to go, low on gas. I have added a 145PSI double trumpet truck air horn to our bikes to give us a little edge on alerting others that we are there. Test everything. Start the engine up, before everybody gets there, and test the battery and spark plugs.
3. Plan the route so that you don't have to stop to check the map or discuss where you are going, Each stop adds a risk factor, like slowing down, turning in, pulling out, and any interaction leaving or entering with traffic causes risk. Most accidents occur while making a change from going straight down the road. Tell everyone in the group the plan so there are no surprises.
4. Double check everything before you leave, for instance, do you have your motorcycle keys? Did you clean the bike? How about that tool kit with those spare light bulbs and a screwdriver. Final walk around the bike to look at everything like that missing bolt or the loose strap on the bag, Oh, and did you lock the house? We like to bring a frozen bottle of water for later. Grab the cell phone! I have had to lend night glasses or goggles, shirts, gloves, shirts, jackets, bandannas, light bulbs, tools, hats, locks, and forgotten articles that I never got back from the borrower that got caught out after dark in the cool night air. We spend a small fortune to support our friends with gear. Have any gas?

Brief your passenger on the rules of proper hand signals, getting on and off bike and being your watch dog for any thing unexpected. I can't tell you how times my wife saved my butt because I didn't see something. Make sure they put their feet on the foot pegs immediately to give you maximum balance.

Get rid of the flip flops and open toed shoes, leather boots with good rubber soles, with plenty of grip, is the proper foot wear.

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5. Warm up the engine enough to let the oil warm and circulate and let the oil pressure stabilize. You won't need full choke after one minute of idling, but leave it out a little for the first five minutes of riding for a smoother running engine. Don't forget to push the choke all the way in after five minutes or so that way you won't choke to death every body behind you at the stop lights. Check your brakes right away, sometimes setting a long time allows air in the brake lines so the first pull or push on the brake may be soft or spongy, if this occurs, have the brakes checked by a mechanic first chance you get. I know you think they work ok after you use them a couple of times, but when you need them in a panic stop they will fail you or scare the hell out of you. Put your high beams on because you have 157% more visibility to oncoming traffic in daylight hours making it safer for you. Invest in a hi-intensity halogen bulb.

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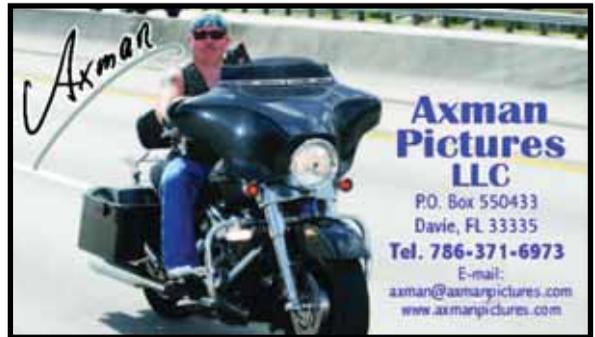
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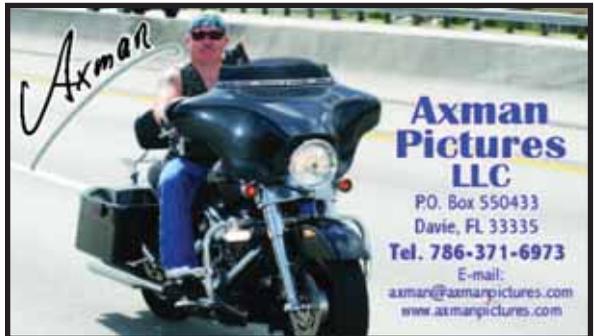
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## **NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES**

Compiled & Edited by Bill Bush,  
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### **DIRTY POLITICS BACKFIRES**

In an historic mid-term election that saw the GOP sweep into control of the House and narrowly miss winning a Senate majority, as well as Republican gains in gubernatorial posts and statewide races, most of the electorate is simply happy to see an end to negative campaign ads and mudslinging by candidates.

One such attack ad could easily be confused with a commercial for Sons of Anarchy, with a Florida congressional hopeful being accused of being a member of “a biker gang linked to meth running” and acts of criminal violence.

The TV spot kicks off with a rumbling Harley motor and a gritty-voiced narrator growling, “Guns. Prostitution. Murder. That’s who Allen West rides with.” Paid for and produced by the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, the smear piece ends with, “We don’t need a politician who rides with gangs.” The Palm Beach Post reported that the Florida Democratic Party said a West supporter was wearing a South Florida Confederation of Clubs patch, and that confederation “has ties to the Outlaws organized crime syndicate.”

West (R) is indeed an active motorcyclist who writes a regular political column for a local South Florida biker magazine “Wheels on the Road” that supported his bid, and the Tea Party favorite did have members of the Outlaws Motorcycle Club providing security during his campaign, but the mudslinging appears to be the desperate last-gasp tactics of incumbent Rep. Ron Klein (D) to hold on to his House seat.

The Miami New Times called it the “Scariest Ad Of the Year”, but according to one of West’s fellow biker rag columnists, Chuck Lehmann, “This smear tactic by Klein backfired big time as the voters overwhelmingly gave, the underdog, Allen West a resounding 10 point victory over the pathetic Ron Klein, who went down to defeat in disgrace. My WOTR colleague/columnist Lt.Col. Allen West can now be called Congressman-elect Allen West, C.D. 22 Representative in Congress.”

### **VOTERS SEE RED**

Fueled by discontent, record voter turnout nationwide not only gave the Republican Party the nod in local and national races, but they also saw red at the ballot box as Red Light Camera initiatives lost big on Election Day.

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According to TheNewspaper.com, “Regardless of who you voted for, November 2nd represented a major win for everyone who opposes the use of red light cameras. In a handful of pockets across the nation, voters decided they were sick of the automated machines and by voting against the use of these devices, sent a message to law enforcement, as well as the companies that manufacture red light cameras.”

These cameras are often viewed as a revenue-generating scheme rather than safety devices, and many citizens feel that red light cameras even represent a violation of our constitutional rights. On Election Day, cities and districts across the nation decided to ban the use of these cameras, adding to a growing list of towns that have already voted to do so.

“The outcome of the voting is a major blow for American Traffic Solutions, the company that manufactures a large number of the cameras,” reported Autoblog.com. “ATS tried hard to block these measures from even appearing on the ballot, but it was denied. The company was then forced to spend millions of dollars to attempt to sway the public to vote in favor of the cameras, to no avail.”

In Houston, Texas, which happens to be one of ATS’s most important accounts, a campaign was run against the camera company by brothers Paul and Randy Kubosh through their Citizens Against Red Light Cameras organization. ATS reportedly spent over \$1.7 million, ten times more than the Kubosh brothers, yet ATS still lost the fight in Houston. Following Houston’s lead, red light cameras are now banned in Mukilteo, Washington; Anaheim, California; and Baytown, Texas.

### **NEW YORK RIDERS FIGHT DISCRIMINATION**

In addition to the unprecedented harassment on highways by police manning motorcycle-only checkpoints, which is the subject of ongoing litigation by Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) Attorney Mitch Proner, Big Apple riders are now faced with elimination of legal bike-only parking spaces.

As if it weren’t difficult enough for New York City motorcyclists, over the past decade bikers contend the city has turned up the heat on regulatory and legislative fronts, leading to growing complaints of harassment and accusations of discrimination.

There are only about 37,000 motorcyclists in a city of over 8 million people so they are a tiny minority, but the motorcycle community has begun to organize and fight back with a group known as “The New York Motorcycle & Scooter

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Task Force” (NYMSTF), working to ease some of these problems. Most large cities in the U.S. provide biker-only parking for good reason: Bikes and scooters take up less room and are more environmentally-friendly than passenger vehicles.

#### OSHA TELLS OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT TO BAN MOTORCYCLE TRAVEL

Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division officials have recommended that school employees be prohibited from using motorcycles as transportation to work-related activities after Principal Tiffany O’Donnell was seriously injured Sept. 13 in a motorcycle accident en route between two rural schools.

O’Donnell, principal of both Elk Trail Elementary School and Shady Cove School, was seriously injured while riding her Suzuki motorcycle between campuses when she was struck by a Nissan pickup truck that was making an illegal U-turn, police said.

State OSHA officials said the school district has not violated any regulations, and no citations have been issued, but cautioned that allowing employees to drive motorcycles for work activities presents a hazard to employees, as well as a liability to the school district. The school board is mulling over the recommendation, which is not mandatory.

School administrators are expected to drive their personal vehicle for work purposes, but it hadn’t occurred to district officials to dictate what kind of vehicle they drive, said Eagle Point schools Superintendent Cynda Rickert, adding that “We don’t know if the Board will move forward on a policy not allowing you to drive a motorcycle if you are doing school business.”

#### OMG

Distracted driving apparently causes fatal crashes affecting bikers and drivers of light trucks more than any other group on the road, according to 2009 statistics from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Though the statistics don’t break down which operator was distracted, only that “distracted driving” affected one or more drivers in fatal crashes, you can be sure there aren’t too many bikers distracted by talking or texting on a cell phone while riding their bikes.

It’s estimated that approximately 959,000 traffic incidents last year were caused by distracted driving and 4,898 of those resulted in at least one death. As a result, Massachusetts recently joined 29 other states in passing a texting ban; almost all of those same states (28) have also banned cell

phone use in some form.

However, a new insurance industry study says that such bans have not reduced automobile accidents. The report does not dispute the danger of texting while driving, but rather it suggests that banning the practice does not automatically produce safer roads.

“If we’re counting on texting bans to reduce crashes from distracted driving, they’re not doing that,” said Adrian Lund, president of the Highway Loss Data Institute in presenting the group’s findings in Kansas City during the annual meeting of the Governors Highway Safety Association.

The new study is not the first time the research institute has suggested that legislative efforts to combat distracted driving are not affecting crash rates. In January, the institute found virtually no change in crash frequency for states that had enacted bans on handheld phone use.

Lund suggested multiple explanations, pointing to prior studies that found many drivers are not heeding the texting ban, and may be lowering their hands and taking their eyes off the road to text more discreetly.

US Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood, who has championed awareness of the dangers of cellphone use and other distractions, immediately condemned the study as “completely misleading.”

#### HIGH COURT RULES AGAINST SOUTH AUSTRALIA GANG LAW

Six of seven High Court judges have ruled that aspects of anti-“bikie” laws, which prevent members of “declared” motorcycle gangs from associating with each other, were unconstitutional as applied in South Australia.

Under SA laws passed last year to disband outlawed motorcycle clubs, the state attorney-general can “declare” an organization to be an illegal gang if satisfied that its members associate for serious criminal purposes and represent a risk to public safety and order.

This is the second resounding legal defeat of this calculating and reactionary piece of legislation, according to the United Motorcycle Council of New South Wales, a coalition of motorcycle clubs organized to fight such discriminatory gang laws. “This decision is an important milestone not just in terms of the fight against the South Australian legislation, but also against similar hastily adopted legislation of other states,” said Ferret, UMC Chairman.

Other Australian states, including NSW and Queensland, have enacted similar legislation but officials there believe that their legislation differs in key respects.

To celebrate the Supreme Court decision, members of rival clubs came together for a drink to toast a win against the very laws aimed at stopping them from associating.

But South Australian Premier Mike Rann said the ruling was only a setback in his self-declared war on bikies, saying he would “keep coming” at members of motorcycle clubs with new legislative measures.

#### SCOTTISH BIKERS PROTEST FUEL HIKES

Hundreds of Scottish bike riders formed a rolling roadblock into Edinburgh, the capital of Scotland, on Saturday, Sept 25th to protest skyrocketing petrol prices and increase public awareness of a proposed 1p increase in fuel duty.

Members of Fife Bikers blocked sections of the M90 as around 600 bikers slowly rolled into the capital, and organizers say they are prepared to do so again. Member Jim Seymour told the Courier newspaper that he thought the bikers had received a “fantastic” response from the public who lined the streets and overpasses to watch the demonstration.

Petitions handed out that day and signed by members of the public are still being gathered, and will be handed in to MSPs in Parliament who will be asked to take legislative action.

#### WEIRD NEWS: ACTOR FATALLY SHOT FILMING MOTORCYCLE GETAWAY SCENE

Actor Kirk Abella was masked and filming a getaway scene for the British film “Going Somewhere” when a watchman mistook the performer for a real bandit and fatally shot him.

The New York Daily News reports that when the director shouted, “Action,” Abella ran to his waiting motorcycle (and masked stunt driver) to make his film getaway -- only to be grabbed by his shirt and shot in the back at close range by volunteer village guard, Eddie Cuizon, in front of dozens of spectators.

Police told the media that when the crowd heard Cuizon fire the gun they believed it was just part of the film -- not realizing they were witnessing the actor’s murder.

The shooting took place in the Parian district of Cebu in the Philippine Islands, where criminals often use motorcycles to S.E. Chapter

escape law enforcement.

However, the shooting was no simple mistake. Firearms are illegal in the Philippines, and before the incident the guard borrowed a friend’s .357 handgun and went to the police station -- where he was informed that the filming was taking place. The watchman, accompanied by a police officer, then made his way to the film set to help secure the area. Police Chief Alexis Relado said, «I don’t know why he still accosted them.»

QUOTABLE QUOTE: “If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn’t sit for a month.”

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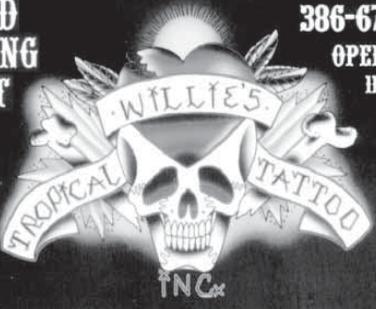

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