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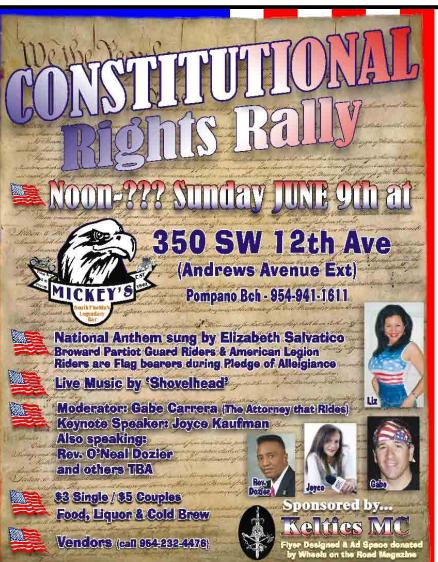


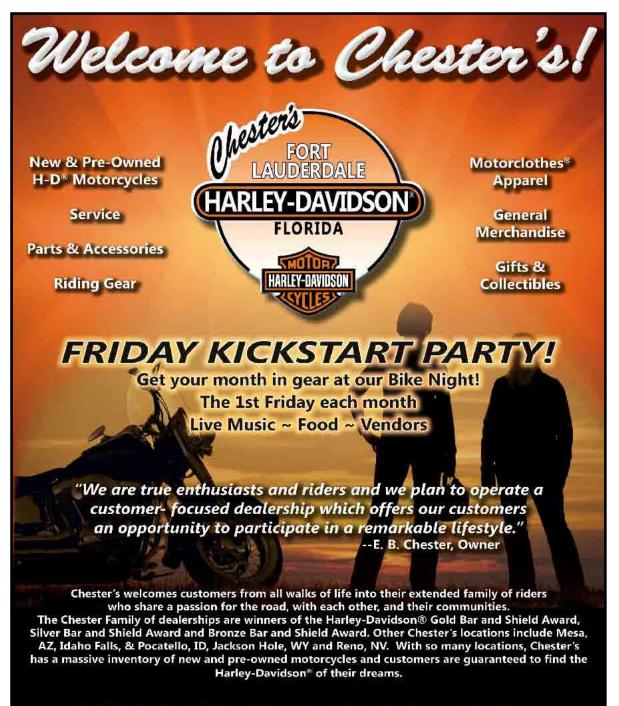
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Thanks if you have already renewed

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* PLEASE NOTE *

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

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

ATTENTION

Yearly membership pins are available for purchase when you renew your membership. Shirts and patches available also. Call Bob "Bars" Calabrese at: (954) 567-5720 for more details!!

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Sgt @ Arms, George " GEO" Bograkos called the meeting to order at 10:06 am. There were 60 members, no guests. Total in attendance: 60. The meeting started following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence and a prayer by our Chaplain "Poppi".

Presidents Report

BARS thanked all members for coming and welcomed new members, Al & Leonard. A nice show of support from our brother MC's and Associations with representation today from the Brothers of the Third Wheel, Keltics MC, American Legion Riders, Dirty White Boys, Scurvy Few, Wings of Gold, VVA 23, Legion Post 321, American Freedom Riders, Widows and Sons Masonic Riders. We also have a special guest today, long time member and past Treasurer Fernando Rodriguez is with us. Fernando stated he was proud to have been part of the "Dream Team "Board when Chuck was President. Fernando donated 4 gift certificates to Cycle Lab for our event. Many thanks Fernando great to see you. BARS reported on the Grand Opening of Chester's Harley Davidson of Sunrise. We received 100.00 in donations, and a ton of door prizes from Chester's. They also have a full page ad in our newsletter and hold a bike night on the First Friday of the Month.

Vice-Presidents Report

Poppi thanked all our members for coming out. Please do your best to give whatever time you can at our Memorial Day event. Any help no matter how small the time frame that you can give is greatly appreciated. Chester's Grand Opening was great. Secretary's Report

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

Treasurer's Report

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

Sergeant at Arms Report

Geo thanked all our members for coming out today. Our Memorial Day Event will be next Sunday at Café 27. We will need everyone's help in order to succeed. We only have 3 events per year to raise the necessary funds we need to operate. Unfortunately he will be unable to attend. Assistant Sgt @ Arms, Jimmy Les and Ace will be there.

Road Captain's Report

Wrench was excused. Stretch reported the Friday night group rides have been going real good. Each Friday we meet here at the Legion between 700 and 800pm with kick stands up at 830pm and go visit one of the MC's.

Safety Directors Report

Dave reported Governor Scott has vetoed our safety money. Keep that in mind when he runs for re-election. There has been an increase of motorcycle accidents. Unfortunately the statistics do not state whether the accident was a motorcycle, scooter or ATV. **Products Report**

Cathy and Joel have products. If you need anything, fell free to give them a call at 954-818-4481. Just a reminder, we have the ability to accept credit cards.

Events Coordinator

Princess Sharon reported we are all set for our Memorial Day event. Café 27 has new management. There are changes to the entry gate and how the vendors will set up. This is all for the better. We will have a quick planning meeting right after today's meeting.

State Reps Report

There was no state meeting this month. Next month's state meeting will be held at Cape Coral Florida on June 8. We will be riding over to this meeting. Any member who wants to participate is more than welcome. For further information contact any board member. At this time we will be meeting at 84 Diner. Kick stands up at 1030am. If you want to eat before leaving, get there early. Check the hotline for details.

Membership Report

George reported we have 667 members on the books. We also have 4 new Life Members. We are still #1 in the state. 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. Please notify us if you move and change your address. We have had a number of renewals returned because members have moved and have left no forwarding address.

Newsletter Editor

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

Legislative Report

Demetrious was excused. Old Hippy reported on the Texting while Driving Law. This law was passed, however it is so watered down but we guess it is better than nothing. As previously reported this will be a secondary offence and will not pertain to law enforcement or public service employees. Our stiffer penalties bill never made it to the floor to be heard. Keep this in mind when our elected officials are running for re-election. The speaker of



the house has the power to have a bill be heard or not. This is scary to have one person with that much power. If he does not want a bill heard, it does not get heard and our's was not heard.

Public Relations

Fern Was Excused. You can always find her at an event promoting ABATE.

Advertising

Pixie reported all advertising was up-to-date. We have a few invoices to be dropped off. She met with BARS and went over all the advertising and billing. Please Use Her Email Address For Any Advertising Questions Or Issues: Pixie33@Comcast.Net. Support our advertisers, they support us.

Social Directors Report

Patty reported this month's birthday party will be held right here at the legion on 5/31/13. GEO's band will be playing for our enjoyment. All are welcome. June's birthday party will be held at Luke's on 6-15-13. Remember – Luke's "It's on the way home".

Newsletter Distribution

Debbie reported all is going well. Our deliverers are doing a great job. They are being pro-active making deliveries. We are making adjustments each month, if a business has none left, we will try to increase their amount as on the other hand, if they have leftovers we decrease their amount.

Quartermaster's Report

Bob reported there was no report at this time. He will take care of whatever we need for our members at next Sundays Memorial Day Event.

Photographer's Report

Ada was excused. If you have any rated G pictures that you want to share, please send them to Old Hippy. His email address is: news@abatese.org

Web-Master's Report

Rogue reported web is up and running. We have over 9000 hits in the past 7 months. Not too shabby.

Legal Council

Demetrious was excused. No report. Trash reported on a situation with the Hallandale Beach police. Brad advised our members, if they feel they were selectively stopped to wait until there is a disposition in the case before filing a complaint with the police department's Internal Affairs.

Old Business

Third and final Round of Nominations for the 2013-2014 Board of Directors and Trustees. Steve Chomak, Supervisor of Elections. **See Page 8** for the List of Nominees.

All members who were running unopposed will be voted into

office by the vote of the chapter secretary. All members running for office MUST be present at next month's meeting to accept their position. If you are unable to attend you can email the secretary at secretary@abatese.org to accept the position.

New Business None

Good of the Order

Jimmy Les asked if any members have service flags which we can use at our Memorial Day Event to please contact him. Wisconsin Les who is a long time member and lives here part time, cannot make the June meetings ask a question "Why don't we have absentee ballots." BARS will get the question answered at next month's state meeting.

Due to a misunderstanding and confusion in the duties of an elected position, a motion was made, seconded to re-open the nominations. All in favor motion passed.

Brad Winston has declined his nomination as State Representative and has self nominated himself for Legislative liaison. Nominations now closed.

Upcoming events

ABATE SE Chapter Memorial Day Event - 5-26-13 Leatherneck's MC - 6-2-13 Keltics MC - 6-9-13 New Attitude MC - Originally scheduled for 6-8-13 has been cancelled AOA - 6-15-13 Wings of Gold - 6-23-13

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 11:26am

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Treasurer			Events Coordinator		
Frank T. Hammons	incumbent	Unopposed	Robert' Shaky" Nieman Sharon " Princess Sharon" Bryan	Accepted Accepted	
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President's Message

Now that summer is here and the nights are a little nicer for riding it reminds me of when I was a kid growing up back north. I was lucky enough to know my Great, Great, Grandmother. We would go to her house on Sunday nights. One time we were there and I heard some bikes go by and I thought that is was the coolest thing that I had ever heard. She then told me that they were called Devil's Chasers and me being a kid I asked her why they were called that. She told me that when she a little girl her

mother called them that because they made such a racket that they would chase the Devil away to this day I still like riding my bike at night and just listen to the sound of the pipes as they chase away ne demons.

e is a new Harley Dealer in town and it's called Chester's Fort Lauderdale Harley Davidson. It is in the Rossmeyer building in Sunrise. On May 10-11 they had their Grand Opening. On Friday the 10th they Jimmy Van Zant and on Saturday the 11th they had Molly Hatchet. On Saturday the Southeast Chapter BATE set up a Safety and Membership table. There must have had about 500 people there. We had ty of people stop by to see what we are about. We handed out plenty of flyers for our party at Cafe 27 on 26th and could not believe how many of them did not know what or who ABATE is. en I was Sgt at Arms Jimbo was our President. Well, after 20 plus years living in Florida he decided to

re to Eaton Ohio. I guess he had just about all the cold and snow he could take because he decided to down to Columbus, MS to see his buddy Bob. Well he and his buddy showed up in Leesburg this year. Jimbo and Bob kept riding and wound up back in South Florida. It was good to see him again and they stopped by the house where we talk for hours and got caught up on what we have been up to. Later that t we met up at Cafe 27 and talked some more. I asked him if he and Bob could stay for our party but he that they had to get back home. It was good to see an old friend again.

sure that by now you have heard that FL now has a ban on texting while driving. The Senate voted for SB52 that makes it illegal to read or type texts or emails while actually driving, though it would remain legal to do it while stopped, such as at a red light. The ban on texting while driving will be a ndary offense which means you will have to be pulled over for something else, such as careless driving beeding.

affic offenses bill that would have given more options to judges regarding sentencing of a person victed of killing or seriously injuring a motorcyclist, bicyclist or pedestrian never made it to first mittee. ABATE of Fl has long led the fight for stiffer penalties and we will continue to introduce slation for stricter sentences for cagers who take out a biker and only get a slap on the wrist. er laws that passed in Tallahassee include:

4001 A bill that would lift a 2008 law requiring gasoline sold by a terminal or wholesaler to be blended ethanol.

97 Prevents police from searching cell phones without a warrant.

5 Bans protests at funerals.

tions for ABATE Southeast Chapter are coming up this month on June 23rd (moved from the 16th for er's Day). Don't forget to bring your membership card. This is your organization so come out and make voice heard.

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From the Vice President



Well summer is here, get prepared for the heat in the morning and rain in afternoon. As far as the heat make sure you have water with you, I try to keep a bottle of water with me, you never know you might get stranded. Its always good to have something to drink with you.

As far as the rain goes try to have rain gear with you and drive carefully, if possible stop and wait it out. Here in Florida as you probably know it will pass pretty quick.

I had a chance to see our past President Jimbo. Got to ride with him, ans it was great to see him.

Bars, Alice, Stretch, Postal, Princess, Shaky, Hippy and me manned our safety and membership tent at sunrise Harley and it went well. Then the sky opened up and the rains came. We stayed dry as best we could under the tent huddled

together, it went good. I did't stay for the concert, but from my house I could hear Molly Hatchet and it sounded great.

The weekend with all the bands, I think Chester's Harley did a great job putting on a good event. In doing so I have to say "Thank You" to all the folks at Chester's Harley Davidson, and to all the M. C.s., and other groups that support ABATE SE. Without you we can't do what we do, so again I say Thank You.

Writing this article before our Memorial Day Event, I hope and pray my next article will be about how great our Event went.

V. P. Poppie

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It was a pleasure to hear from all the people, (a lot of them for whatever reasons are not Members) that came up to me at the Abate Memorial event that just past month and expressed that they look forward to reading my column every month. Sometime this was no easy feat in the past, especially when I also was writing the Abate Update in WOTR for a couple of years along with either the Presidents page or the VP page for three years. I just what to thank all that appreciate the effort it takes... Now here's another one;

It's over; The Florida 2013 regular 60 day Legislation session has come to an end and the Lawmakers can go back to their real jobs.

According to 2010 Legislator Compensation Data; Florida Legislators get a base salary of \$29,697/year with Session Per Diem Rate of \$133/day for House and \$133 for Senate (Vouchered) tied to federal rate. Earned based on the number of days in session. Travel vouchers are filed to substantiate. Not a whole lot, but not too shabby compared to New Mexico where there is NO base pay and Session Per Diem Rate \$159/ day (Vouchered) tied to federal rate & the constitution. Of course it could be costing us like California where the base pay is \$95,291/year, with a Per Diem Rate of \$173.00 per day for each day they are in session. (Not bad), but you have to take into consideration not all State's sessions are the same in as far of days they meet. This is why; if you think they are there for the money and working for us all year it might be a false impression.

All the lobbyists and special interest groups did their thing to get monies from the State and Our Governor is now deciding what ones actual go through by exercising his line item veto option.

We all know the dollars that motorcycle riders paid additional on their endorsement for safety and awareness, even though we all knew better when it was proposed, ended up like the lottery going somewhere else. We also know that all the big monies behind the lobby groups and special interest bunch to procure funds from our tax payers go to a good cause.

Here are just a few where our your monies are going according to the News Service of Florida;

Gulf Coast State College in Panama City went from a \$300,000 earmark to \$17.5 million for the construction of a 70,000-square-foot STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) classroom and lab building before both chambers settled at \$14 million.

When asked about a \$14 million line item for a college building in his home district that started out at \$300,000, Senate President Don Gaetz, responded "I would expect it doesn't hurt that the senator from Northwest Florida is also the president of the Senate." The Niceville Republican often peppered his comments on his votes or views on an issue by saying he takes into account that he has to go home to the cont. pg.16

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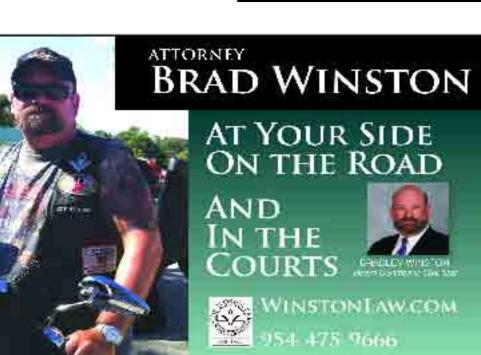
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Addition to Presidents Page

On May 26th the Southeast Chapter of ABATE held its annual Memorial Day party at Cafe 27. It was not your typical ABATE party because it didn't rain. We invited the veterans of World War II, Korea and Vietnam fron the Sandy Ninenger Nursing Home. We had over one thousand people attend. We had an honor guard and a 21 gun salute. Soulicide played the Jimi Hendricks version of the Star Spangled Banner and when taps was played there wasn't a dry eye in the place. We thank everyone for coming out. More in the next issue Bars







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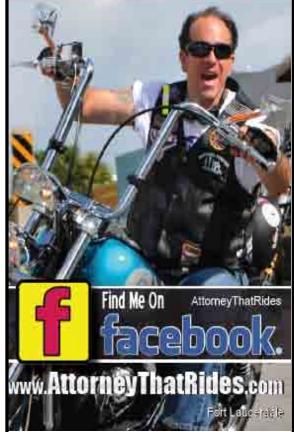
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"folks" of northwest Florida. As with other legislative leaders overseeing the state's purse strings, the Senate president departed from Capitol at the end of the legislative session with plenty for the folks back home.

When budget leaders hammered out allocations for the Florida College System in the last weekend of the session, numbers jumped quickly for a couple of schools.

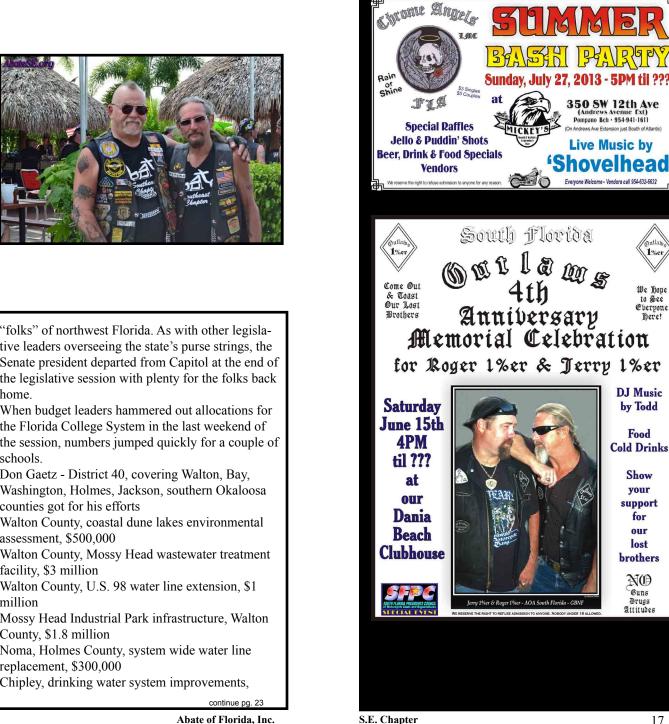
Don Gaetz - District 40, covering Walton, Bay, Washington, Holmes, Jackson, southern Okaloosa counties got for his efforts

Walton County, coastal dune lakes environmental assessment, \$500,000

Walton County, Mossy Head wastewater treatment facility, \$3 million

Walton County, U.S. 98 water line extension, \$1 million

Mossy Head Industrial Park infrastructure, Walton County, \$1.8 million Noma, Holmes County, system wide water line replacement, \$300,000





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JULY

20 - Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook off 28 - SOLDIERS FOR JESUS MC Annual

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3 - Wings of Gold MC Miami Party 8-18 73rd Annual Sturgis Bike Week 9-11, The 17th South Florida Tattoo Expo 11 - AOA MC 45th Anniversary Party

SEPTEMBER

7 - Outcast MC Party
8 - States Pompano MC 20th Key West Party
15 - Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & party
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5 - MYSTIC SEVEN MC Annual 12 - New Attitudes MC Party 13 - SE ABATE Annual Party 18-20 Biketoberfest 26 - Wheels of Man Deerfield Halloween Party

NOVEMBER

9 - USMVMC CH 1 Annual 9 - CMA Memorial Event 16 - Soldiers for Jesus MC Party

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8 - SFPC Toys in the Sun Run 14 - Toy Run Bike Drawing at Peterson's Harley 14 - Hermandad MC Alfredo Pena Memorial Run 15 - Wings of Gold MC Mia Wild Santa Toy Run 21 - SFLCOC Christmas Party Calvary Chanel Christmas Service















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Abate SE Chapter is creating a Cookbook and looking for recipes from the Biker community!!

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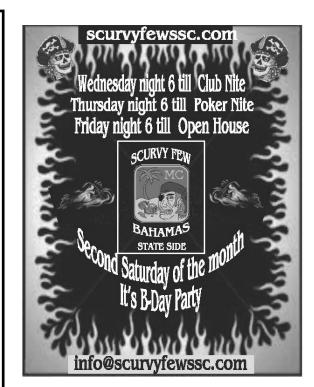
Granted these are just a few and I would guess deserving allocations of tax payer funds but myself and others that know, realize that funding for Motorcycle Safety and Awareness is paid for by us Riders with the additional fee that was placed on the endorsements and I would can't even tell you how much the feds give the States for the same purpose.

Oh by the way, the monies ABATE we use to get a year was less than some of their parties they held.

Till Next Time.. Keep the Shinny Side Up and the Greasy Side Down









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In GOD WE TRUST



When Words Don't Come

Sometime when people ask me to pray for someone or something it's hard to find the right words to say, to communicate with God. When I can't or I start to stumble over my words I try to stop and ask the Holy Spirit for help. This may have happened to you at one time or another.

The Bible says in Romans 8:26-27 "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to Pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will."

In other words ask the Holy Spirit for help, and He will give you words you need. He knows what is in your heart.

I might ask, Lord, I don't know how to pray about certain things, but You do. Holy Spirit, help me in my weakness by interceding for me and through me. You know the will of the Father and You know what to pray. Guide me and teach me, especially when I have exhausted all words. Help me to communicate my deepest thoughts, feelings, fears, and doubts, so that my prayers are pleasing to God.

All I'm saying is that all of us have the power of prayer in us, all we have to do to execute that power, is ask for the words to say and the Holy Spirit will give you them. Once again, ask and you shall receive.

As always Your Chaplain





Junes Birthdays

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Michele Ould
David "Taco"
Marjorie "Mama Grizz"
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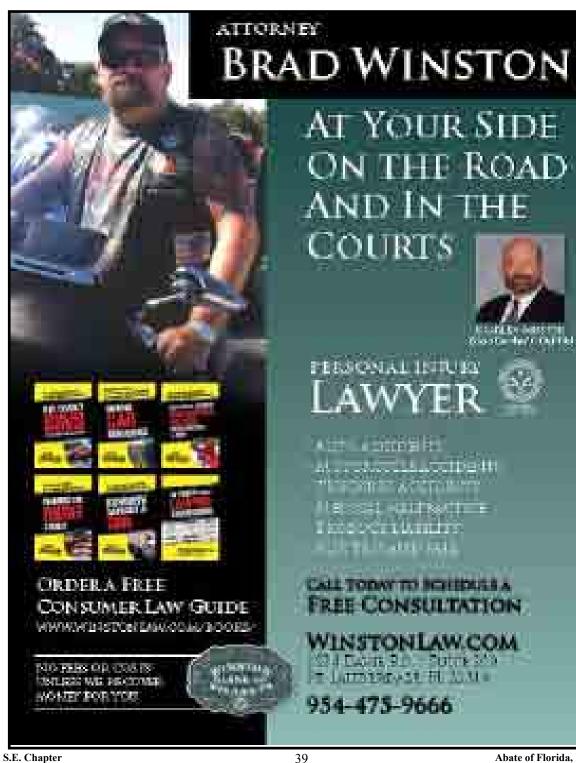


Group Riding

PLANNING A GROUP RIDE: Whether you're planning a short or a long ride, there are a number of things that you, as the coordinator, should consider. Plan a ride that will address the skill level of your riders. While choosing a route with curves and hills is good, choosing a route with hairpin curves and significant uphill right-hand turns can challenge even experienced riders. Try to plan your route so that it maximizes right turns and minimizes the number of intersections you need to go through. Plan to stop every hour or so in order to give riders a chance to eat, drink, stretch their legs and use restroom facilities. Be sure to plan a gas stop every 90-100 miles. Try to keep your groups small enough that they can get through intersections with minimal problems. This will require you to have enough experienced riders to help at both the front and the back of each group. EXECUTING A GROUP RIDE: Communication is the key. Communicate with your riders by giving them maps of the planned route, times you will be at each location, planned gas stops and your phone number. Ask your riders to arrive with a full tank of gas and an empty bladder. Instruct your group on group riding hand signals and staggered riding. For an excellent group riding instructional paper (complete with hand signals) that can be handed out to riders and/or sent to them ahead of time, see the Motorcycle Safety Foundation's Guide to Group Riding. Also check out The Motorcycle Safety Foundation's 10-minute video on group riding, available here. Designate someone as the group leader. Your group leader should be the person who gives pre-ride instructions. You should also have at least one person, but preferably two, assigned at the rear of the group, often called the "sweep." Those at the rear should be familiar with the route and should carry tools for minor breakdown assistance, a cell phone to call for help if needed, and Accident Scene Management (ASMI) training and supplies in the event someone needs medical assistance. The reason that having two people at the back is better than one is so one person can help while the other continues with the group or, if something more serious is happening, one person can help while the other goes for help. If you have a "chase vehicle," be sure to stock it with water, medical supplies and tools. Instruct the rider of the chase vehicle to maintain a safe distance from the back of the riders. This person may need to stop for more traffic signals than the rest of the group but will come upon anyone who has pulled over needing assistance. Inform riders that if they have a medical condition, they should let the sweep know. The sweep should be prepared to record the person's name, emergency contact, bike model, license plate number and medical condition. This can be done at registration to save time at the rendezvous site. CB communication can be very helpful between the front and back of the pack. Test your communication devices before you get out on the road. New riders often want to ride in the back and maintain an excessive distance between themselves and the person in front of them. While this creates an issue with traffic wanting to cut through or into the pack, pushing the new rider to ride beyond their comfort zone is not typically a good idea either, so be patient! Make sure the sweep is behind everyone and help this person have a good and a safe experience. PARTICIPATING IN A GROUP RIDE Hand signals and staggered riding are crucial. Make sure everyone in the group is using the same information and hand signals, and you will enjoy a wonderful experience. David "Gimpy" Gregory Safety Director Abate Southeast Chapter

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National Coalition of Motorcyclists



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NCOM CONVENTION HITS JACKPOT IN RENO

Freedom is an ongoing gamble, with bikers' rights activists wagering to win against an often stacked deck, always in favor of the House, but everyone came away a winner at this year's 28th annual NCOM Convention over Mother's Day weekend, May 9-12, 2013 at the posh Silver Legacy Resort-Casino in Reno, Nevada.

But it was work, not play, on the agenda for hundreds of attendees from across the country there to discuss topics of concern to all riders; such as biker profiling and discrimination, motorcycleonly roadblocks, knowing your rights, and mobilizing motorcyclists to advocate motorcycle-friendly legislation and defeat anti-biking bills.

The traditional "Ringing of the Bell" ceremony paid homage to those freedom fighters who have gone before us, while for the first time a Veterans' Rights seminar was conducted by NCOM's newly-formed Veteran Affairs Special Committee in an effort to reach out to true defenders of Freedom.

The National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) is solely sponsored by the Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) nationwide legal services program and serves as an umbrella organization for more than 2,000 NCOM Member clubs, organizations and associations worldwide, representing well over a quarter of a million politically active motorcyclists. NCOM has successfully outreached to numerous segments of the motorcycling community in an effort to unite for our rights, both legal and legislatively, and has become a unifying voice amongst North America's motorcycle rights organizations (MROs), motorcycle clubs, women riders, religious riding organizations, touring groups, trikers, sportbikers, and minority motorcyclists.

This year's NCOM Convention was hosted by the Northern Nevada Confederation of Clubs, and all motorcyclists were welcomed and encouraged to participate in the many meetings, seminars and group discussions that focused on legislative efforts and litigation techniques to protect our riders' rights and preserve Freedom of the Road.

During the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet on Saturday evening, several honorees were recognized for their contributions to "Improving The Image of Motorcycling", including; GOVERN-MENT: Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker; MEDIA: Becky Cakes – Classic Parts Hotline; COMMERCE: Chris McIntyre – Eagle Rider Motorcycle Rentals; LEGAL: Boyd Spencer – AIM Attorney for Pennsylvania & New Jersey; ENTERTAINMENT: Max "Pitstop" Martini – Actor/Boozefighters MC; SPECIAL RECOGNITION: Christine Paige – Sturgis Motorcycle Museum & Hall of Fame, and Suzanne "Baglady Sue" Austin – Comedian; and NCOM's highest honor, the Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award, was presented to Frank Ernst of ABATE of Minnesota and a member of the NCOM Board of Directors.

Next year's 29th Annual NCOM Convention will be held May 8–11, 2014 at The Intercontinental Hotel in Dallas, Texas. For further information, contact NCOM at (800) ON-A-BIKE or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com.

"STOP MOTORCYCLE CHECKPOINT FUNDING ACT" INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS

Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) has introduced "a bill to prohibit the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) from providing funds to state and local authorities for the purpose of creating motorcycle only checkpoints."

Filed on May 7, the Stop Motorcycle Checkpoint Funding Act, H.R. 1861, "also contains language to force the DOT to focus motorcycle safety efforts on crash prevention programs, not national helmet mandates," according to Rep. Sensenbrenner. "This will stop the DOT from manipulating State policies with federal money."

Contact your federal representatives and request they support H.R. 1861, and that they sign on as a co-sponsor of Sensenbrenner's bill. You can call members of Congress through the Capitol Switchboard at (202) 224-3121.

NTSB RECOMMENDS LOWERING DRUNK-DRIVING LIMIT TO .05

The National Transportation Safety Board has issued a recommendation that states lower their drunk-driving thresholds from a 0.08 blood-alcohol content to 0.05 BAC. The recommendation is one of several the NTSB made to curtail drunk driving, which the federal investigative agency claims is involved in a third of America's 34,000 traffic deaths each year. The agency acknowledged in its report there is no one "silver bullet," but estimated that 500 to 800 lives per year could be saved with the proposed lower limit.

Chairman Deborah Hersman admitted the NTSB is aiming even higher; "Reaching zero deaths from alcohol-impaired driving." Not everyone agrees. "This recommendation is ludicrous," said Sarah Longwell, managing director of the American Beverage Institute. "Moving from 0.08 to 0.05 would criminalize perfectly responsible behavior.

Currently, all 50 states have set a BAC level of .08, though most countries in Europe including Russia, most of South America and Australia, have set BAC levels at .05 to constitute drunken driving.

The NTSB only makes recommendations on transportation safety issues, and has little actual regulatory power. It will be up to federal agencies, Congress and state lawmakers to take action. The last move from .10 to .08 BAC levels took 21 years for each state to implement.

WEATHER & ECONOMY DRIVE UP TRAFFIC FA-TALITIES

For the first time in nearly a decade, the number of traffic deaths went up last year according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), which cited warmer weather and an improving economy for the 5.3% increase in fatalities to 34,080, the highest since 2008.

The rise follows a steady decline in fatal accidents since 2005 when 43,510 people died, culminating in a 60-year-low of 32,367 in 2011, but NHTSA Administrator David Strickland said, "With a rebounding economy there's increased discretionary driving, which is clearly always the leader in terms of dangerous driving scenarios."

U.S. motorcyclist deaths outpaced the overall national numbers with a projected 9% more fatalities in 2012, up to more than 5,000, and in addition to climatic and economic factors the agency also blames a long-term decline in helmet laws with only 19 states requiring usage, down from 26 states in 1997.

"The most notable thing was the warm weather," said Dr. James Hedlund, a former NHTSA official and the author of the report by the Governors Highway Safety Association, as thirty-four states east of the Rocky Mountains notched record average temperatures from March to May 2012, and forty-eight states recorded their warmest average temperatures on record.

The report also cited two economic factors that may have contributed to an increase in the number of miles traveled via motorcycle in 2012 and thus a higher probability of accidents: a better economy and high gas prices. "An improving economy produces more discretionary income with which to buy and ride motorcycles," said the study. Several states reported an increase in the number of registrations in 2012, and Hedlund has found that over the past three decades, the number of registrations tracks closely with the number of deaths.

GHSA's recommendations for cutting motorcyclist deaths include reducing alcohol impairment, reducing speeding,

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increasing driver awareness, and ensuring that motorcyclists are licensed. According to GHSA, NHTSA data shows that in 2010, nearly a quarter of riders involved in fatal accidents did not have valid licenses.

CONNECTICUT RIDERS DECRY PROPOSAL TO REGULATE EXHAUST SYSTEMS

An unexpected effort in the General Assembly to crack down on noisy motorcycles is being met by opposition from the motorcycle industry. Under language added last week to a bill involving off-road ATVs, the sale, registration or operation of a street motorcycle having non-stock pipes would become a fineable offense. Most after-market exhaust systems are not EPA-certified.

The new provisions, if approved, would require federal Environmental Protection Agency noise emission control labels to be displayed on all motorcycles, and would institute fines of up to \$250 per offense for non-compliance.

OHIO LAWMAKERS CALL FOR BAN ON TRAFFIC CAMERAS

Following a biting ruling by a judge who called traffic cameras a scam, legislation was introduced on February 20th in Columbus, Ohio by Representative Ron Maag (R-Lebanon) to eliminate the use of photo monitoring devices to detect speed and traffic signal violations. He and Rep. Dale Mallory (D-Cincinnati), one of many bipartisan co-sponsors, believe the removal of "speed-trap" cameras is necessary and must be addressed immediately since there is no existing state law regulating traffic enforcement cameras, so communities operate their programs under local ordinances.

Their hard-line stance against the cameras comes on the heels of Hamilton County Common Pleas Court Judge Robert Ruehlman's permanent injunction, which prohibits the further use of speed cameras in Elmwood Place, a Cincinnati suburb. Ruehlman granted the injunction citing there was a lack of due process for alleged violators.

Judge Ruehlman's decision was unequivocal. He made national news headlines when he called the speed camera system in Elmwood Place "a high-tech game of Three-card Monty.... It is a scam the motorist cannot win." Between the camera enforcement, the lack of proper signage, and the fees for administrative hearings, Ruehlman declared that the town of Elmwood Place had violated drivers' due-process rights, and may be the first case in the U.S. that specifically addresses the constitutionality of traffic cams.

In Ohio, there are at least 16 municipalities that use some kind of red light or speed camera, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. In the United States, there are more than 650 municipalities operating either red-light or speed cameras.

Nine states have passed laws prohibiting the use of red-light cameras, and 12 outlaw speed cameras, according to the Governors Highway Safety Association, while 29 states have no law on the books. Some Ohio legislators hope to make the Buckeye State the Lucky 13th state, and House Bill 69 has been assigned to the House's Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee for further discussion and vote.

POKER RUN LEGALIZATION BILL IN ILLINOIS Companion bills SB 1960 and HB 2520; the "Poker Run Act," have been introduced in Illinois to legalize poker runs for the charities that bikers do and for Not For Profit organizations.

"No segment in our society raises more money for charities and local citizens that are down and out on their luck than bikers," said Bob Myers, State Legislative Coordinator for ABATE of Illinois, who went on to explain; "Since 'Land Based Gaming' has become law, the Illinois liquor and Gaming agents have been tearing down our fliers in restaurants and bars claiming they are illegal as they use poker cards, spinners, dice, and marble spinners to complete the run."

ABATE intends to use the legislation to correct problems with "poker" runs and other events that the Gaming commission and Liquor Control Board are treating as gambling. Poker runs shall include "dice runs", "marble runs" or other events where the object is to build or obtain some matter of a score with which the participants use in a competition. Poker runs shall not constitute a game of chance under the Illinois Gaming Act or Liquor controls Act and shall not be regulated under those Acts.

THREE-WHEELERS MAY BE EXEMPTED FROM LOUI-SIANA HELMET LAW

Louisiana was the most recent state to (re)impose a mandatory helmet law for all motorcyclists back in 2004, but the House Transportation committee recently advanced legislation that would exempt a new concept vehicle from the legal category that requires drivers to wear helmets.

HB 218's exemption would apply to the three-wheeled Elio Motors vehicle, which is preparing for production at the Shreveport plant that once made pickups for General Motors. Because the Elio has three wheels, it's considered a motorcycle under federal and state safety regulations.

"It definitely affects our sales because a lot of people don't want to order the car if it requires wearing helmets," said Joel Sheltrown, vice president for governmental affairs at Elio Motors, adding that "We're not bound by automotive standards, but that is our goal."

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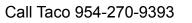
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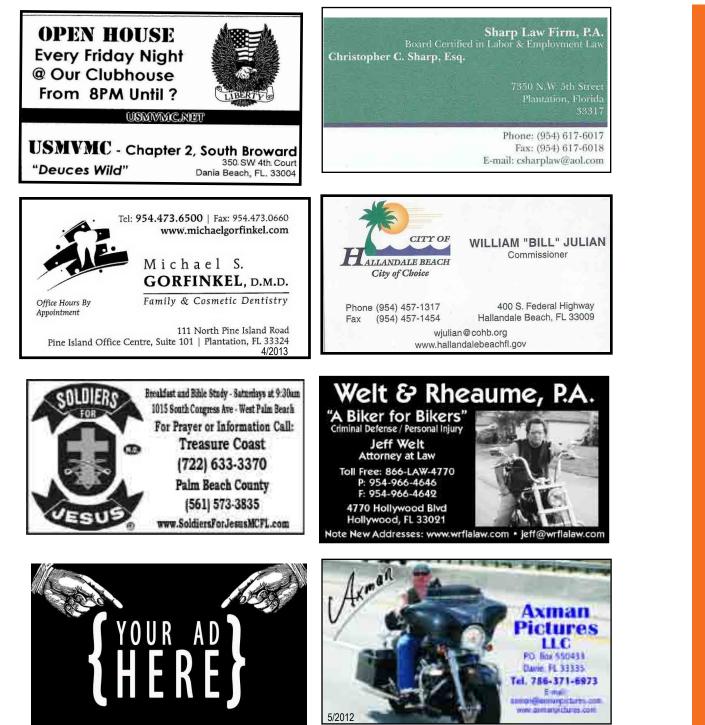
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To provide a lobbyist to represent ABATE of Florida, Inc. on the state and national level.

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

To promote safe riding habits without infringing on individual rights.

To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.

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