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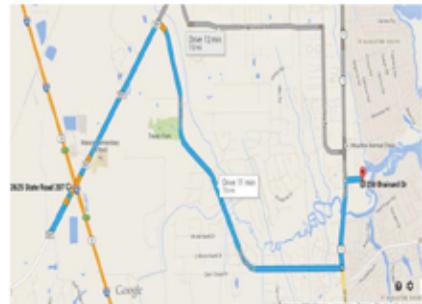
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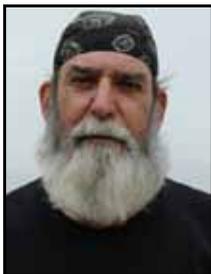
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## From Your President



On April 19 the Outcasts MC's Mother Chapter held their 12<sup>th</sup> Annual "Another Damn Good Outcast Party" at their Clubhouse in Lauderhill which now has A/C. If you have never been to one of their party's then you missed a great one. They even brought one of their brother's down from Georgia to do the cooking for them. They cooked chicken on an old style grill, and when smoke from the grill started to go in the wind you could smell how good it was going to be. 'Q', another Damn Good Party as promised.

On April 20 the next morning we met at the American Legion Post 321 in Cooper City for an early morning ride down to Peterson's Harley Davidson North for the annual Easter Biker Service that the Christian Motorcyclists Association puts on. I said that it was early because the night before I was at the Outcast's party. Our Vice-President "Poppie" and his daughter Fran, Ada, Alice and myself had a nice ride down to the Easter Day Service which is the only time that I have Biscuits with Sausage gravy. They had a guest speaker. His name is Ian Hendrix and he really had the crowd of about 100 people listening to his every word. Then after the service I had my Bike blessed by them.

On April the 26<sup>th</sup> when everybody was up in Leesburg we went to the American Legion Post 142 in Pompano Beach for their Annual 'Bikers, Burgers, and Bunz's'. It was the first time being there and they made us feel like we were old friends. We had a lot of people show up and they served food and drink all day long. The music was by Lori B. who was the DJ, MC, and she did some singing too [good voice]. She can be reached at 954-895-7464 or [lorisings@hotmail.com](mailto:lorisings@hotmail.com). Tell her Bars from Southeast ABATE sent you. When she played Lee Greenwood's God Bless the U.S.A. everybody stood up and there was not a dry eye in the house not even a WWII vet who was celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. To top off the day our "T-Man" won the last basket of cheer that they raffled off.

On Sunday "May the 4<sup>th</sup> be with you" to quote "Star Wars" the Southeast Chapter of ABATE took a ride to the Southern M. C. Annual Party in Homestead. We met at the American Legion Post 321 in Cooper City. For the ride down we had 9 bikes and 12 people when we left. The rides to the Southern Parties are the ones that I look forward to every year. Going down 27 to 997 and then to their Clubhouse is just the best. Being on that two lane road riding through the Glades just clears my head with no stop and go just sit back and ride. The music was by Gypsy Road and they played all day long and they had great food by Boss Hogg and plenty of it for the price. I would thank Joey and all his Southern M. C. brother's for a great time.



On May 18<sup>th</sup> The Southeast Chapter of ABATE was back at our regular meeting place; the American Legion Post 321 in Cooper City. We held our third round of nominations for chapter offices for the upcoming year. We have two people running for Vice-President: Frank "Poppie" Cocci and Marty "Tank" Essenberg, and two running for Secretary: Paul Melcer and Marie Baxter. If you forget your membership card but your name is on the membership rolls you will be allowed to vote. Voting will begin at 8:30 AM. The June meeting will be on the 22<sup>nd</sup> instead of the third Sunday. I have to attend our State meeting to vote for the people who are running for State offices. More to come on who won those elections in the

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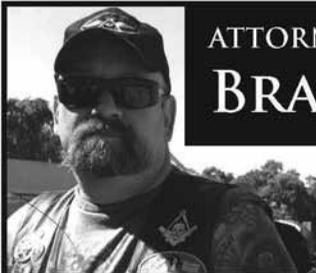
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## **Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes May 18, 2014**

President BARS called the meeting to order at 10:13 am. There were 46 members, no guests. Total in attendance: 46. The meeting started following the Pledge of Allegiance, and a prayer by Poppi:

### **President's Report**

BARS thanked all members for coming. A 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 & Post 180, American Freedom Riders Post 36, VVA23, Masonic Riders Association, Keltic's MC. We had a great ride down to Southern MC's event. Everyone had a great time. Speaking of events, do not forget our huge Memorial Day event is next Sunday. This year we are being hosted by the Elks Lodge. Please come out and support YOUR chapter. Now speaking of help and support, a number of our members came out to help reorganize and clean up our trailer. Many thanks to Bev, Shaky & Sharon, Gambler, Postal, Cathy & Joel. It looks great. After today's meeting we will be having a group ride to the Elks to show our support for them. After all they are opening their doors for us and they are big doors. Their facility is over 40,000 square feet under air not counting the outside bar and pavilion. Supposedly there is a pool on the property but Shaky has been unable to locate it. Maybe we will find in on Sunday.

### **Vice-President's Report**

Poppi reported on a CMA member who was hit

by a cager making a right turn in front of him in Leesburg. Sadly he passed away. Please be careful out there. We are under attack again. The constitution was written and our country was founded with the belief and faith of One **Nation Under God**. Now they want to take that away from us and have those words removed from the Pledge of Allegiance. Contrary to a statement made by the President of the United States. We **are NOT a Muslim nation**. Contact your elected officials. **This CANNOT be allowed**.

### **Secretary's Report**

A motion was made to accept the minutes of April'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 April. A motion was made to accept the financial report, the motion was seconded, all in favor motion passed.

### **Sergeant at Arms Report**

Jimmy Les reported we will be needing help for set up, tear down for our Memorial Day Event. Reminder, there are events and party's almost every weekend. However there are only 3 events that we hold to raise the funding we need to operate. Memorial Day event is the largest event we have. Any time that you can give even if only 20 minutes of your time will be greatly appreciated.

### **Road Captain's Report**

Postal reported we had a great time on the ride at Southern MC event. Right after today's meeting we are headed to the Elks. On 6/1/14, we will be having a group ride for Der Krieger MC event at

Cagney's. Meeting at the legion between 1100 and 1200, kick stands up at 1230pm. Upcoming group rides and events will be listed after good of the order.

### **Safety Directors Report**

Gambler reported summer time is upon us. Hydration is important for your body. We don't mean the hops and barley or energy type drinks but good old fashioned water. You can always take a bottle of water and freeze it before a ride. You will be thankful when you do. We need to follow what's going on with world events. The UN has passed a non binding resolution regarding a worldwide mandatory helmet resolution. PLEASE keep a very close eye on this. It appears the UN thinks that they have the right to make laws for the world to follow. Look at the track record of our present elected officials, they will probably bend over and kiss their \*\*\*. It has happened before. We need to ensure our elected officials will fight for our rights and what our country stands for and what we believe in not on what the UN and the rest of the world wants. And jut an FYI, they pay no property taxes on their building in New York and UN representatives are immune to prosecution or pay any tickets. They currently owe NYC more than 18 million dollars in traffic fines. Do you think they care about our rights? or do they just want your tax dollars.

### **Products Report**

Cathy reported we have COC stickers for sale. All products are in stock including new POW-MIA patches for your vest. If you need anything, fell free to give them a call at 954-818-4481.

### **Events Coordinator**

Shakie reported our Memorial Day Party will be held at the ELKS Lodge in Pompano Beach. They are located at 700 NE 10th St. We are all set to go. Discussion followed on the escorts and program for our veterans. Finalization for our program will be completed this week. Our hotline will be updated by Wednesday. Stay tuned. We will be meeting at the Elks between 0900 and 0930 for set up. Set up will be a piece of cake, we only need our 20X40 tent but will need help getting the tent up and the teardown at the end of the day. As always we still

need door prizes, anywhere you go just ask. All they can say is no. We are looking forward for having a great event.

### **State Reps Report**

Demetrios reported on last month's state meeting. Highlights are: Every year the Executive Board will undergo background checks. Flyers for events must be approved by the State. Moving the April State meeting to a warmer climate city. The SE Chapter has hosted the State Meeting in the past. We can apply to hold the meeting. We have a few positions on the state board which must be discussed and the chapter has to vote. State Vice President, Lobbyist and Legislative Trustee positions. Chapter secretary read to the members information received by both candidates for Vice President, Dennis "Mudder" Rudoi and Jim Burrow. After discussion a motion was made, seconded for the chapter cast their vote for Dennis " Mudder" Rudoi for Vice President. Vote 32 in favor, none opposed motion passed. After discussion a motion was made and seconded to have the chapter vote in favor of James "Doc" Reichenbach III to be our lobbyist. Vote 37 in favor none opposed, motion passed. After discussion, a motion was made, seconded for the chapter to cast their vote in favor of Darrin Brooks as State Legislative Trustee. Vote 33 in favor none opposed, motion passed. Our chapter delegates have been tasked to vote on behalf of the Southeast Chapter at next month's state elections as follows: Vice President Dennis Rudoi, Lobbyist James Richenbach III, and Legislative Trustee Darrin Brooks.

### **Membership Trustee**

George reported we have **599** 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. The following Life Member Cards were received, Congratulations to our newest Life Members: Beatriz Winston, Lisbet and Steve Dionizio, Craig Langwell, Alexander Morris, Robert Carlo and William Barry.

### **Newsletter Editor**

Wildcat was excused, no issues reported.

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### **Legislative Report**

Demetrius reported that leaving the scene of an accident with injury's or death is now a felony and not just a slap on the wrist. Also for our Veterans. There seems to be an issue with Veterans medical appointments being cancelled without the veteran knowing about it until they show for their medical appointment. If this happens, please contact your Congressman and Senators and file a complaint.

### **Public Relations**

Fern was excused. She is set up at most events promoting ABATE. Thank you Fern and for doing a great job with the hotline. BARS reported on the tables are copy's of this month's Wheels on The Road Magazine. There is an article written by Dave Amchir, President of the Wings of Gold MC supporting our chapter and what ABATE stands for. Thank you to Dave, Wings of Gold MC and the entire MC community for the continued support.

### **Billing and Invoicing**

Pixie was excused. BARS reported all billing is up to date. BARS reported that V-Twin Custom is our newest full page advertiser.

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### **Social Directors Report**

No party's are being planned at this time. The Social Directors position is vacant until June elections.

### **Newsletter Distribution**

Charlie thanked Debbie for all her hard work. She get's the newsletters in and newsletters out. He also wanted to thank all the members who deliver the newsletter. Everyone does a great job.

### **Quartermaster's Report**

Bob wanted to thank all the members who came out to clean out our trailer and he will also take care of the donuts and coffee etc for our workers who come out to set up at our Memorial Day Party

### **Photographer's Report**

Fern was excused and Rogue was taking pictures.

### **Web-Master's Report**

Rogue reported the web is up and running. If you send him any pictures, **PLEASE** describe the who what and where the pictures were taken. Also if you can send the pictures full size, he will crop, resize etc what is needed to make them work.

### **Legal Council**

Brad was excused. Demetrius reported there was nothing to report.

### **Old Business**

3rd and final round of nominations. A full list of the nominations are printed in the newsletter.

### **New Business**

None

### **Good of the Order**

If you are a member of the legion come out on May 20th to vote for your new board. Voting takes place from 800am to 600pm. Also on June 1st voting will take place for the Ladies Auxiliary Board. Jimmy Les sold some left over items. motion to donate 25.00 to the legion riders and 45.00 to Jimmy Les for replacement parts on the giant flag. All in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

Bob Moser reported on the different types of fuel which are available for your bike. Unleaded and E10 are ok, but they are trying to pass a law where they can have up to 14% Ethanol but list it at 10%. In addition blended gas pumps can pump up to 4 gallons of whatever grade was used last. So if you have a 4 gallon gas tank, and the last one who used the pump used E15, guess what you got. To find stations who still have regular unleaded gas visit [www.pure-gas.org](http://www.pure-gas.org).

The legion has a drawing for a large screen TV and a grill. See any legion member if interested. Junes meeting has been moved and rescheduled for 6-22-14.

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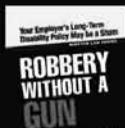
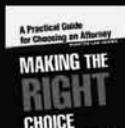
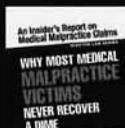
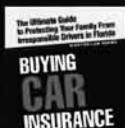
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On May 25<sup>th</sup> the Southeast Chapter of ABATE held our Memorial Day Party at the Elks Lodge #1898 in Pompano Beach. The weather was just great for a party outside under the trees with grass under your feet. By the turnout that we had I can see that everybody found it OK. I would like to thank all the MC's (too many to mention) who showed up to help us get through another couple of months. I'd like to thank all the independents who showed up and all the Elk members as well. The band was a country and western called the Jamie Mitchell Band ([redo8650@yahoo.com](mailto:redo8650@yahoo.com)). They had the crowd up and dancing all day and some people sitting and listening to them sing. As usual we had the Vets from the Sandy Nininger Home as our guests. By the looks on their faces you could see that they were enjoying being outside in the fresh air. The honor guard service was the best I've seen in all the years we've been doing it. Kudos to Jimmy Les & Suzanne for putting it all together. Thanks also to our speakers: Brent from CMA and our own VP Poppie.

Remember,

HERE TODAY GONE TODAY

*Bars*



< Meeting Minutes continued from Page 10 >

5/25/14 - ABATE Memorial Day Event @ the ELKS

5/31/14 - To support the Patriot Guard Riders there will be an Honor Flight of veterans returning from Washington. Bring your 3x5 flag. Motorcycles will park on the upper level of terminal 3. Staging at 715pm. Jimmy Les has offered his flags for our use. He has a full set of military flags. Just let him know.

6/1/14 - Der Krieger MC event at Cagneys. Meeting at the legion between 1100 and 1200. Kick stands up at 1230pm

Aug. 8, 9 & 10. Tattoo Expo. Our safety and membership will be there. More information to follow.

**REMEMBER - THOSE WHO SUPPORT US,  
NEED TO BE SUPPORTED BY US.**

**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 12:10pm

These minutes were summarized and submitted by:

*Paul A. Melcer*

Secretary



## ABATE Southeast Chapter Sponsorship Program

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.

**This is an opportunity for all SE ABATE Brothers and Sisters to become ABATE SE Chapter Sponsors.**

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# Vice-President

***Craig's List ad--Read it closely folks... a good one.***

## AN ACTUAL CRAIG'S LIST PERSONALS AD

To the Guy Who Tried to Mug Me in Downtown Savannah, night before last. Date: 2011-11-27, 1:43 am. E.S.T.



I was the guy wearing the black Burberry jacket that you demanded that I hand over, shortly after you pulled the knife on me and my girlfriend, threatening our lives. You also asked for my girlfriend's purse and earrings. I can only hope that you somehow come across this rather important message.

First, I'd like to apologize for your embarrassment; I didn't expect you to actually crap in your pants when I drew my pistol after you took my jacket.. The evening was not that cold, and I was wearing the jacket for a reason.. My girlfriend was happy that I just returned safely from my 2nd tour as a Combat [Marine](#) in Afghanistan...She had just bought me that Kimber Custom Model 1911 .45 ACP pistol for my birthday, and we had picked up a shoulder holster for it that very evening. Obviously you agree that it is a very intimidating weapon when pointed at your head ... isn't it?!

I know it probably wasn't fun walking back to wherever you'd come from with crap in your pants. I'm sure it was even worse walking bare-footed since I made you leave your shoes, cell phone, and wallet with me. (That prevented you from calling or running to your buddies to come help mug us again). After I called your mother or "Momma" as you had her listed in your cell, I explained the entire episode of what you'd done. Then I went and filled up my gas tank as well as those of four other people in the gas station, -- on your credit card. The guy with the big motor home took 153 gallons and was extremely grateful!

I gave your shoes to a homeless guy outside Vinnie Van Go Go's, along with all the cash in your wallet. [That made his day!] I then threw your wallet into the big pink "pimp mobile" that was parked at the curb ..... after I broke the windshield and side window and keyed the entire driver's side of the car. Earlier, I managed to get in two threatening phone calls to the DA's office and one to the FBI, while mentioning President Obama as my possible target. The FBI guy seemed really intense and we had a nice long chat (I guess while he traced your number etc.); In a way, perhaps I should apologize for not killing you ... but I feel this type of retribution is a far more appropriate punishment.

As Always,

Your Vice President

Poppie



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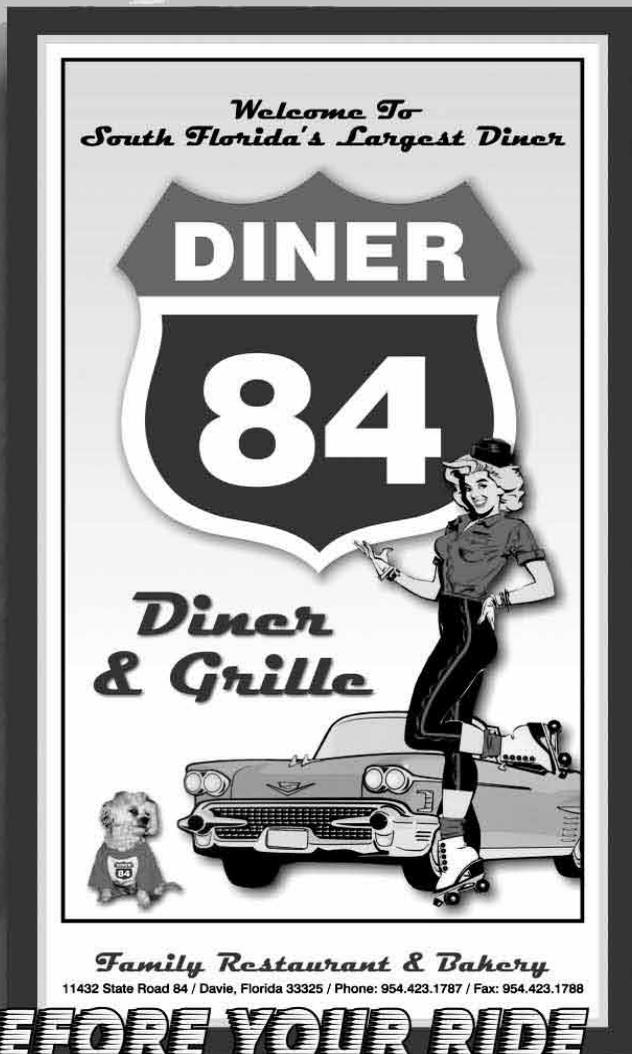
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Nominations for the 2014-2015  
Board of Directors and Trustee Positions**

Final Round May 18, 2014. Steve Chomiak,  
Elections Chairman.

**President**

Robert "BARS Calabrese -Accepted

**Vice President (BALLOTT)**

Frank "Poppi" Cocci - Accepted  
Marty "Tank" Essenburg - Accepted

**Secretary (BALLOTT)**

Paul A. Melcer - Accepted  
Marie Baxter - Accepted

**Treasurer**

Frank T. Hammons -Accepted

**Sgt. @ Arms**

Steve Chomiak -Accepted

**Road Captain**

Daniel "Postal"Ortner -Accepted

**Safety Director**

James " Gambler" Willard -Accepted

**State Representatives  
(BALLOTT for Delegate and Alternate)**

Demetrios Kirriles - Accepted  
Robert " BARS" Calabrese - Accepted  
Beverly Swasey - Accepted

**Legal Counsel (co counsel)**

Demetrios Kirriles -Accepted  
Brad Winston-Accepted

**Products**

Cathy and Joel Honeycutt- Accepted

**Membership**

George "Blue Trike" Torrence-Accepted

**Newsletter Editor**

Cesar Tejera -Accepted

**Legislative Liason**

Brad Winston-Accepted

**Public Relations**

Fern Cameron-Accepted

**Events Coordinator**

Sharon "Princess Bryan" &  
Robert "Shaky" Nieman - Accepted

**Social Director**

James "Jimmy Les" Lesniak- Accepted

**Quartermaster**

Robert Anz-Accepted

**Photographer (Co Photographers)**

Mike "Rogue" Hager -Accepted  
Rick "T Man" Molina-Accepted

**Web-Master**

Mike "Rogue" Hager-Accepted

**Chaplain**

Frank "Poppi" Cocci-Accepted

Elections Closed until next month's voting.  
All members running unopposed will be voted in  
by the chapter secretary on behalf of the chapter  
at next month's meeting. All members must be  
present at next month's meeting to accept their  
position unless written acceptance is given  
to the chapter secretary.

You must present your membership card or be on  
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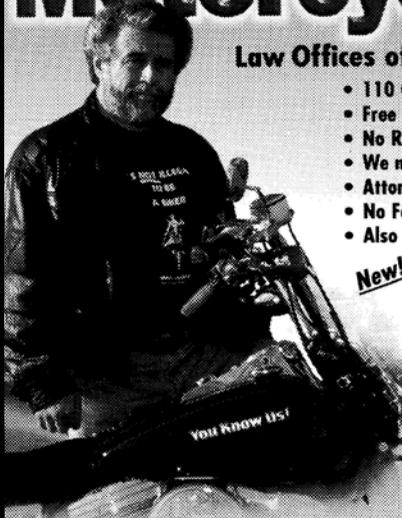
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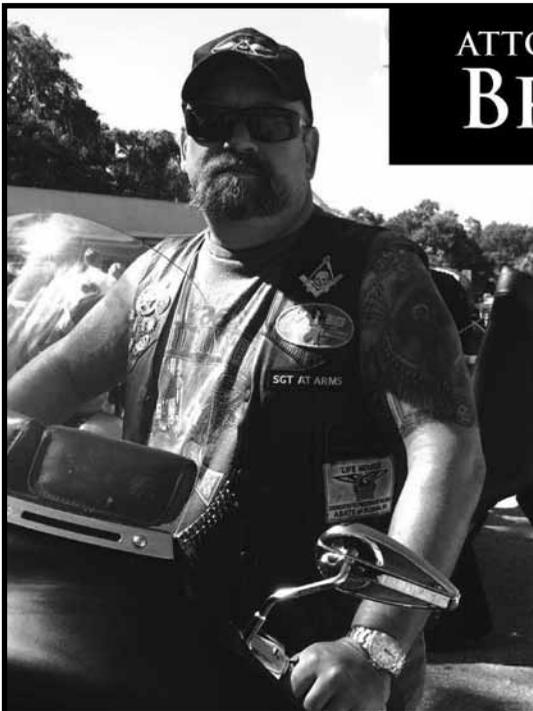
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2014

June

2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Der Kreiger MC Annual	2	3	4 Chit Chat's Bike Night	5 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	6	7
8 New Attitudes MC Party	9	10	11 Chit Chat's Bike Night	12 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	13	14 <i>State Meeting St Augustine</i>
15  Father's Day	16	17	18 Chit Chat's Bike Night	19 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	20	21 AOA Jerry, Roger, & Kenny 1%er Memorial
22 <b>Chapter Meeting</b>	23	24	25 Chit Chat's Bike Night	26 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	27	28 <b>ABATE Palm Beach Annual See pg 29</b>
29 USMVMC Ft Lauderdale Annual	30					

Happy Father's Day

**Additional Info:**

June 15th - Father's Day at Peterson's - See page 47 for more details

June 22nd - Wings of gold MC Ft Lauderdale Annual - See page 27

June 28th - ABATE of Palm Beach Annual Freedom Rights Rally - See page 29

Always Check the Hotline for more additional information: 954-310-4636...  
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2014

July

2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Chit Chat's Bike Night	3 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	4 	5
6	7	8	9 Chit Chat's Bike Night	10 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	11	12 Los Coqui MC Party Alternative MC Party
13	14	15	16 Chit Chat's Bike Night	17 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	18	19 Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook-Off
20 <b>Chapter Meeting</b>	21	22	23 Chit Chat's Bike Night	24 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	25	26 Chrome Angels LMC Summer Bash Party
27	28	29	30 Chit Chat's Bike Night	31		



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# 2014 CALENDAR

MANDATORY ANNUAL CLUB EVENTS ARE LISTED IN BOLD

# SFPC

SOUTH FLORIDA PRESIDENTS COUNCIL  
of Motorcycle Clubs and Organizations

FOR CHANGES EMAIL:  
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Indianwommc@yahoo.com  
SFPC CHAIRMAN

## JUNE 2014

1st - **DER KRIEGER MC ANNUAL**

CANCELLED >>> (8th - NEW ATTITUDES MC - PARTY)

21st - AOA JERRY, ROGER, AND KENNY 1<sup>st</sup>er MEMORIAL

22nd - **WINGS OF GOLD MC FT. LAUD. - ANNUAL**

29th - **US MILITARY VETS MC S. BROWARD - ANNUAL**

## JULY 2014

12th - LOS COQUIS MC PARTY <<< (New Date)

13th - ALTERNATIVE MC - PARTY <<<DATE CHANGE

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 - KELTS MC - PARTY

## OCTOBER 2014

4th - **MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL**

11th - **NEW ATTITUDES MC - ANNUAL**

12th - **S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL**

16th-19th - DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST

25th - WHEELS OF MAN MC - HALLOWEEN PARTY

## NOVEMBER 2014

1st - **HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL** <<<<<<<<<< Date change)

8th - **US MILITARY VETS MC CH 1 - ANNUAL**

9th - CMA - MEMORIAL EVENT

## DECEMBER 2014

7th - **SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN**

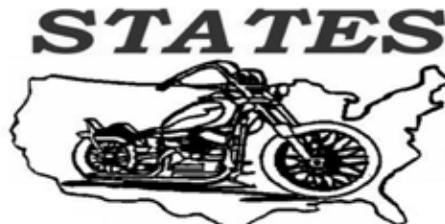
13th - PETERSONS TOY RUN BIKE DRAWING

13th - HERMANDAD MC - ALFREDO MEMORIAL/TOY RUN

14th - WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI - TOY RUN

20th - **SFLCOC - CHRISTMAS PARTY**

21st - CALVARY CHAPEL - CHRISTMAS SERVICE



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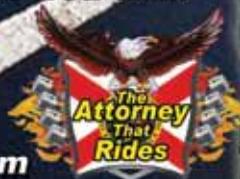
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That's all for now. Until next time, as always, keep the shiny side up.

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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's 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 to help me to communicate my deepest thoughts, feelings, fears, and doubts, so that my prayers are pleasing to God.

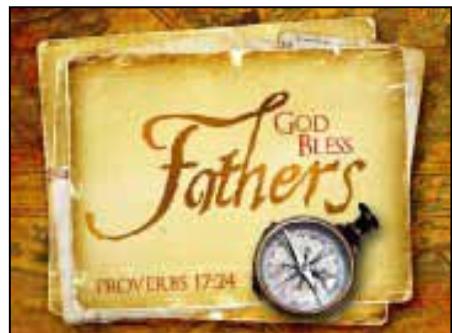
All I'm saying is that all of us have the power of prayer in us, all we have to do to execute that power, is ask for the words to say and the Holy Spirit will give you them.

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## From Your Safety Director



### WORTH REPEATING!

OMG! What are the outside degrees? Is it in the 90's, but the heat index is in the 100's? All I know is it's **HOT, HOT, HOT!** This is the time of year we love to go on long rides, and go to all the Rallies and Parties both locally and throughout Florida. But it's not easy keeping cool and comfortable when it's so hot outside. Have you ever been riding and discovered you stopped sweating, had dry mouth, felt a little dizzy? All signs of dehydration.

Other signs of dehydration are fatigue, headache, confusion and little or no urine. It is important to keep our bodies hydrated at all times, especially during these hot summer months. Your body depends on water for survival. Did you know that water makes up more than half your body weight? Every cell, tissue and organ in your body uses water to maintain its temperature, remove waste and lubricate joints. Some of the complications of dehydration are decreased blood flow to vital organs. This could result in kidney failure, coma, shock, heat exhaustion, heat stroke and even death if not treated.

The best way to keep hydrated is drink plenty of water during the day. Water is the best remedy. If you don't like plain water add lemon or lime, or another flavor. There are plenty of water flavored additives to choose from at the grocery store. Sport drinks like Gator Aid or Power Aid are also good because they contain carbohydrates that can prevent low blood sugar and can also help replace electrolytes that are lost with body fluids. But don't confuse sport drinks with energy drinks. Energy drinks contain high doses of caffeine and sugar.

Stay away from caffeinated beverages like coffee, tea and some sodas. These are diuretic which means they will cause your body to eliminate more water and fluids than it takes in. You should also know that beer and other alcoholic beverages are also diuretic and should be avoided. While it may seem like they are rehydrating your body, it is only temporary. They in fact will also cause an increase in the output of bodily fluids.

It all comes down to this, stay hydrated, stay safe, stay healthy, and have fun.



Remember, don't Gamble with your Safety or the Safety of Others.

Until next time, be safe, stay safe.

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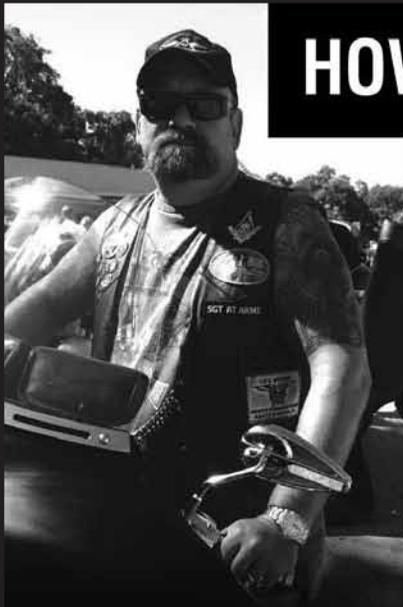
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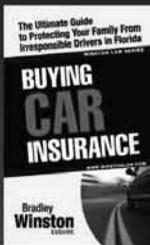
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#### **OBAMA ADMINISTRATION'S "GROW AMERICA ACT" PUSHES HELMET LAWS**

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has sent to Congress a \$302 billion four-year surface transportation reauthorization proposal, the "Generating Renewal, Opportunity, and Work with Accelerated Mobility, Efficiency, and Rebuilding of Infrastructure and Communities throughout America Act" – or GROW AMERICA Act; President Obama's blueprint for a model transportation bill, which happens to include a push for mandatory motorcycle helmet laws nationwide!

Specifically, buried in the Obama Administration's 350-page proposal, found under "Title IV -- Highway And Motor Vehicle Safety," in SEC. 4004: Amendment to Motorcyclist Safety Grant Criteria, the GROW AMERICA Act would amend Section 405(f) of title 23, United States Code by inserting the following: "SUPPORT ACTIVITY -- The (Transportation) Secretary or the Secretary's designee may engage in activities with States and State legislators to consider proposals related to motorcycle helmet use laws.»

The time to act is NOW! This new highway bill is under immediate consideration as the current two-year "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act" (MAP-21) expires in September, but the Highway Trust Fund -- the main funding source for most state and local transportation projects -- is headed toward insolvency and is expected to run out of money as early as July. So contact your Congressional representatives today, and protect your rights for tomorrow!

#### **LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL WOULD PREVENT YOUR MOTORCYCLE FROM TESTIFYING AGAINST YOU**

Data collected from so-called "Black Box" devices can be used against you in a court of law, and most people don't even realize it.

That's why U.S.. Senator Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) is proposing to amend the language of the Driver Privacy Act to protect all information recorded by event data recorders installed on all "motor vehicles", including motorcycles. The way S. 1925 is currently written grants privacy only for data the government "requires"

to be collected.

Currently the government does not require "black boxes" on motorcycles, only passenger vehicles, trucks and buses. But some current motorcycle models are equipped with the recording devices. A similar bill in the House (H.R. 2414) is worded that "any data recorded on any event data recorder in an automobile or motorcycle shall be considered the property of the owner of the automobile or motorcycle."

Under current law, insurance companies, law enforcement and auto rental agencies can access the data on the device and can use it as evidence against the driver/owner in legal proceedings. Data recorders collect a wide range of information on crashes, including whether the brakes were applied, the speed at the time of impact, the steering angle, and whether seat belt circuits were shown as "Buckled" or "Unbuckled" at the time of the crash.

Fourteen states have statutes that restrict access to the event data recorder or limit the use of recovered EDR information.

#### **GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION NOTES REDUCED MOTORCYCLIST FATALITIES**

A recent report by the Governors Highway Safety Association projects that the number of motorcyclist fatalities fell by 7% last year, the second decline in five years, despite an increase in motorcycle sales in 2013.

The report, "Spotlight on Highway Safety," based its findings on motorcyclist fatality counts reported to the GHSA by all 50 states and the District of Columbia for the first nine months of 2013, and indicated that motorcycle fatalities are projected up in 13 states, down in 35 states and D.C., and to remain the same in two states compared with the first nine months of 2012.

Noting bad weather the first six months of 2013, the association projects that the number of motorcyclists killed last year will total 4,610, down from 4,957 in 2012 and nearly identical to the 2011 figure of 4,612.

Meanwhile, new motorcycle sales ended the year with a 1.4% overall increase, up from 452,386 total units in 2012 to 458,972 last year, bringing total U.S. motorcycle registrations to a record 9 million nationwide.

The Governors association also noted that the use of

helmets dropped to 60% in 2012 down from 66% in 2011, citing that only 19 states now require helmets for all riders.

#### GAS PRICES RELATE TO FATAL MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS

Researchers have found a strong relationship between gasoline prices and motorcycle fatalities: As gas prices rise, so do the number of fatalities, and falling gas prices tend to be mirrored by reduced numbers of motorcycle deaths.

An analysis by the National Safety Council showed a strong correlation between gasoline prices and motorcycle fatalities, charting the trend since 1976. Safety experts speculate that higher gas prices encourage people to use fuel-efficient motorcycles instead of cars.

With new unit sales increasing when gas prices go up, there are more people riding and potentially more inexperienced riders on the road.

#### NEW MICHIGAN LAW LIMITS TEMPORARY MOTORCYCLE PERMITS

Michigan Governor Rick Snyder has signed legislation that encourages motorcycle operators to apply for a full operating endorsement by limiting their ability to obtain temporary training permits. The move is aimed at improving motorcycle safety standards in the state.

Sponsored by Representative Bradford Jacobsen (R-Oxford), House Bill 4781 allows a motorcyclist to apply for a temporary instruction permit (TIP) only twice during a 10-year period, starting next January. Previously, there was no limit to the number of times a person could be granted a temporary permit, so many operators would apply every riding season as an alternative to obtaining their full cycle endorsement, taking advantage of the loophole in the law to avoid taking required testing or training.

“This bill will help prevent abuse of the current motorcycle permitting process, ultimately ensuring more motorcyclists are trained to operate their vehicles in the safest manner possible,” the governor said.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS ANTI-POLICE LICENSE PLATE

The high court in the “Live Free or Die” state has ruled in favor of free speech on a personalized license plate

that reads; “COPSLIE”.

David Montenegro forced the issue by suing the New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) when it refused to accept his request filed four years ago for the personalized plate.

«A reasonable person would find COPSLIE offensive to good taste,» a May 12, 2010 DMV ruling explained.

Montenegro filed for reconsideration and received the same response, so in August that year he decided to apply, in order, for COPSLIE, GR8GOVT, LUVGOVT, GOVTSUX, SEALPAC and GOVTLAZ. The pro-government license plate, GR8GOVT, was immediately approved. He used the approval of one message over another as evidence that his state and federal constitutional right to free speech was being trampled.

The state supreme court framed the question as an issue of private speech, the plate’s message, on government-owned property, the license plate itself. The justices agreed with Montenegro that the regulation cited by the DMV was unconstitutionally vague because it was left up to the whim of employees to decide what messages were acceptable.

#### BIG-TIME NCOM CONVENTION IN BIG-D

Everything’s bigger in Texas, and the Lone Star state recently hosted one of the largest gatherings of bikers’ rights activists in the world as concerned riders from across the country attended the National Coalition of Motorcyclists annual NCOM Convention in Dallas. This yearly “coming together” of various segments of motorcycling, from M/CS to MROs and from Christian clubs to sportbike riders, was hosted by the Texas Confederation of Clubs and welcomed all motorcyclists to attend various meetings and seminars on legal and legislative issues affecting today’s motorcyclists.

For nearly three decades, over Mother’s Day weekend the NCOM Convention has provided a platform for diverse factions of the motorcycle community to come together in unity and cooperation in pursuit of shared interests for the betterment of biking. Topics included Biker Anti-Discrimination and Profiling Legislation; Protecting Your Patch; the Legality of Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints; Know Your Rights during a Police Encounter; Freedom of the Road and Use of the Courts;

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as well as seminars on the Use of Social Media, Incorporate Or Not, the Art of Grant Writing, and featuring the Golden Hour - How to Save a Biker's Life by EMT Instructor Slider Gilmore.

Special Meetings were on the agenda in support of NCOM's many outreach programs for Women In Motorcycling; Clean and Sober Roundtable; National Sport Bike Association (NSBA); and Christian Unity Conference, in addition to the Confederation of Clubs General Patch Holders Meeting.

"It wasn't our biggest Convention ever, but I'm thrilled with the progress made here this weekend and proud to see the unity behind the SAVE THE PATCH effort to support the Mongols Motorcycle Club in their court battle to prevent authorities from seizing their club colors...which would endanger every clubs' rights to wear a patch," said NCOM Founder Richard M. Lester.

During the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet, several honorees were recognized for their contributions to "Improving The Image of Motorcycling", including; GOVERNMENT: Jerry Patterson, running for Lt. Governor of Texas; MEDIA: Darrell and Cheryl Briggs - Oklahoma Biker Magazine; COMMERCE: Steve Meneto - CEO of new Indian Motorcycle; LEGAL: Ray Pacia - AIM Attorney for Rhode Island; ENTERTAINMENT: Stan Ellsworth - "American Ride" BYU-TV history series; ICOM INTERNATIONAL AWARD: Michael Mosia - Motorcycle Movement of Quebec; SPECIAL RECOGNITION: 2 Million Bikers to DC; and NCOM's highest honor, the Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award, was presented to Bobbi Hartmann, Member of the NCOM Legislative Task Force and former MMA of AZ Lobbyist.

Next year's 30th Annual NCOM Convention will be held May 7-10, 2015 at the Denver Marriott Tech Center in Denver, Colorado. For further information, contact NCOM at (800) ON-A-BIKE or visit [www.ON-A-BIKE.com](http://www.ON-A-BIKE.com).

#### SAVE THE PATCH

"Bikers from around the nation are joining forces to support the Mongols Motorcycle Club to combat a lawsuit by federal authorities to take control of the Mongols trademarked logo," states a National CALL TO ACTION issued recently by the US Defenders National Office.

"They are trying to destroy the right of men to associate and indicate their association" said Joe Yanny, an attorney representing the Mongols. In addition to being a violation of club members' freedom of speech rights, Yanny said, "more importantly, it's a due process issue."

If the Feds win this case and set a new precedent then no trademarked logo will be safe from being taken away.

In announcing that Texas clubs are "rallying for the Mongols and their legal representation," the CTA asks others to "join the fight to support the Mongols Nation with its trademark battle with the Feds" by educating yourself on this case by going to: <http://usdefender.net/cta-tdf.html> and go "LIKE" the National US Defenders Facebook **page for future updates**.

To donate to the Mongols Nation Lawsuit Defense Fund ("100% or every red cent goes directly to the Trademark Fund") send donations to: Joseph Yanny, Law Office of Yanny and Smith, 1801 Century Park East Suite 2400, Los Angeles, CA 90067

"We have no other fight as important as this fight to help the Mongols MC Nation win this case, the US Defenders will do all we can to assist them in every State," US Defenders National Office..

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "They've (bikers) got the same rights as anybody. The day it becomes a crime to ride a motorbike down the street, by God that'll be a sad day for all of us."

Capt Bingham addressing his police officers in the 1968 movie "Angels From Hell"

## Happy Father's Day



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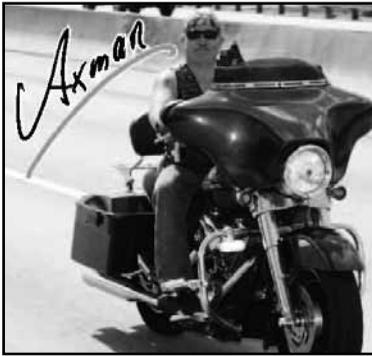
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