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## Thanks if you have already renewed

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# *President's Message*

*Jimbo Sherrow*

I am pleased to report that since last month's update, and almost three months after my motorcycle accident, I have finally managed to get out of my wheelchair and start walking again. I am still along way from being able to ride, but with a little luck, I am hoping to cross that bridge within the next couple of months as well. Thanks to the efforts of our ABATE legal counsel, Chris Sharp, the ticket I received for reckless driving was dismissed by the judge, because the police officer who ticketed me forgot to write an explanation of just how I was supposedly reckless. The past couple of months have been difficult for sure, but they would have been a whole lot harder without all of the support I received from my friends within the Chapter and the South Florida biker community.

On the legislative front, I am happy to report as of the date of this column, there have still been no bills proposed to bring back the mandatory helmet laws in Florida, which ABATE managed to overturn back in 2000. This does not mean we are out of the woods yet, since the 60 day legislative session in Tallahassee does not formally begin until March, but the longer we go without seeing a helmet bill, the better chances we have of being able to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Freedom of Choice on July 1, 2010. In addition, the chances of passing ABATE's stiffer penalties bill are looking better and better, and this may finally be the year that we win passage of this important law to hold drivers accountable when they injure or kill bikers by their stupidity on the road. There are also several bills limiting texting while driving, and at least one of them looks likely to pass as well.

At our State Meeting in February, our State President and Lobbyist, Doc Reichenbach, also reported that ABATE has managed to "recover" the \$500,000.00 in state funds that were allocated for motorcycle safety and education during the 2009 legislative session. This is the same money that ABATE has used in the past to fund our motorcycle safety and awareness program, purchase highway billboards and pay for giveaway items such as bumper stickers and the very popular yellow and black "Check Twice for Motorcycles" magnets that you may have seen on several hundred vehicles in Broward County. The story behind this issue is long and convoluted, but after the money was initially allocated for use by ABATE, several elected officials tried to misappropriate the money for their own purposes, and ABATE had to threaten legal action against the State of Florida before the money was finally returned to us in the last few weeks. Now that we have control of the money again, it will be used to support our safety and awareness programs, and we should have a whole bunch more of the "Check Twice for Motorcycles" magnets in the next few months, which we will try to give away as quickly as possible.

The February State Meeting also featured visits from several more politicians running for office in 2010, including Marco Rubio for the second time, and Paula Dockery, who is running for the Republican nomination for governor. The fact that these politicians are inviting themselves to speak with us shows what a political force ABATE has become in recent years, and we are hoping to use this power to benefit the motorcycling community in the 2010 elections.

At the risk of repeating myself, one way you can help ABATE flex its political muscles in this election year is to join us in Tallahassee for the Annual Freedom Rights Rally on Monday, April 19, 2010. The SE Chapter will be sending a bunch of members to Tallahassee for the Rally so if you are

interested in riding with us, give me a call or come to the March or April Chapter meetings for details on the ride. If all goes according to plan this year, we will hopefully be celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Freedom of Choice on July 1, 2010.

Finally, if you are going to Bike Week this year, ABATE of Florida will be running its campground at the Volusia County Fairgrounds in Deland. With low prices for camping and secure bike parking, this is one of the best places to stay in Daytona, not to mention that ABATE throws one of the best parties around and a good time is guaranteed for all. Our Chapter will be setting up its usual "compound," so if you are in the area, stop by to say hello and have a cold one or two and if you do go to Daytona this year, ride safe and try to avoid the amateurs so you can make it home in one piece.

Remember, ABATE is for everyone, no matter what you ride. For more information, check out the Chapter newsletter and the website, [www.abatese.org](http://www.abatese.org), or stop by one of our monthly meetings and get involved. You can also call me at 954-305-1599.

Ride safe and free, and remember that the price of freedom is eternal vigilance.

Jimbo Sherrow  
President, Southeast Chapter



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## Happy Birthday!

Our February Birthday Party at the American Legion Post 321 will be after the next publication of our news letter, thank you all for being there. The Ringerz had cancelled due to another engagement and I'm happy to say our very own Safety Director Geo plays with a band called HOODOO and they provided the music. Details will be in the March news letter after I get the scoop on the party when I get back from Texas.

Our thanks to Eddie manager of the Social Quarters and Mike the bartender for all his hard work. The cake is on me, enjoy!☺

The Birthday Party for March 2010 will be @ Mickey's on the 20th and as always we'll meet between 7-8 pm.



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

**Oswaldo Mayor Sr**

**Charles Corso**

**Chris Sharp**

**Leo Brault "The Lion"**

**Pat Scrogam**

**Bill Pessiman "Big Bill"**

**Eddie Diaz**

**"Gnarly Charlie"**

**Anthony Beechan "Tony"**

**Maureen Hernandez "MGM" Wayne Bragg "Loffin' Wayne"**

**Remember if you name is not included please contact me.**

**Send info to [karin.rylands@att.net](mailto:karin.rylands@att.net) or call 954-430-0487**

Till next month Ride Safe and Free

*Karin*

## **ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes Feb. 20, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 10:15am by Devil Dog sitting for Sgt @ Arms BARS with 40 members, no guest, and no At-Large members in attendance. Total in attendance: 40. Followed by the Pledge of Alliance the meeting started with a prayer given by our chaplain; Poppi.

### **President's Report**

Jimbo thanked all members for coming and welcomed our new members Greta & David. On a sad note, Tommy owner of Luke's passed away. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers, also Miami Mikes girlfriend Sharon is in the hospital needing a liver transplant. She is on the list; please keep them in your prayers. Our Road Captain Chris is progressing slowly but surely... Please stop by to see him and say Hello. He is in Broward General Medical Center Room 5027. We attended the Biker Appreciation Party for all the hard work at this years Toy Run. Jimbo thanked all our members who came out to make our event a huge success.

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

Old Hippie thanked everyone for their help on our event and those who came out and helped at the Antique Bike Show. A great time was had by all.

### **Secretary's Report**

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

### **Treasurer's Report**

Alice was excused. Paul read January's report. A motion was made, seconded to accept the Treasurers report. All in favor, motion passed.

### **Sergeant at Arms Report**

Devil Dog sitting for BARS reported Steve is back in the hospital and to keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

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

Newcomer was not present. Right after today's meeting will be the States MC event in Lake Worth and Petersons North event.

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FOR MEETING PLACE AND TIMES FOR ALL  
EVENTS.**

### **Safety Director's Report**

Geo reported he was able to get pricing on the items we normally have as give-away that used to be provided by the State for our MSAP Program. Bumper stickers, gummy bracelets and key chains. Discussion on the various items. Motion to purchase 2000 bumper stickers, Seconded, discussion. Vote: all in favor, none opposed, motion passed. Motion to purchase 1000 gummy bracelets using safety verbiage determined by Geo. Vote all in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

### **State Reps Report**

Jimmy Les reported on the State Meeting. Full details will be in the Masterlink. Highlights include: Nominations for 2010-2011 State Board of Directors. All positions running unopposed except for Vice-President which has 2 candidates; Doc Fish & Frenchy. There were a number of candidates running for office that came and spoke at the meeting. Even though ABATE of Florida does not endorse any candidate; we will support those who support our cause. Discussion on SB1918 & HB 875 Stiffer Penalties bill & Sb244 Cell Phone bill. Discussion on the possibility of having the money which we used to get to promote Motorcycle Safety returned to us. This money paid for billboards, bumper stickers assorted safety products etc. We will provide updates when they are available. Bike week coming up. If you work a 6hr shift you get a free nights tent camping and food. State meeting and the ride to the capitol will be in Tallahassee the weekend of 4/17/10. A great chance to meet with our elected officials.

### **Products Report**

Susan reported we did pretty good selling products at our event and at the Antique Bike show. Still working on ladies t-shirts and new hats. If you need anything you do not have to wait for the meeting, just give her a call. Her number is in the newsletter.

### **Membership Report**

George reported we now have 612 members. If you know of anyone on the list in the newsletter who has not renewed, please get them to renew. Reminder, when filling out the application form, PLEASE WRITE OR PRINT LEGIBALLY.

### **Newsletter Editor**

Suzanne reported with February being a short month she needs all articles no later than Tuesday so we can

have the newsletter to the printer no later than Friday. Suzanne will be handling this month's newsletter distribution for Karin. She had a few businesses that she needed help with the drop off. A number of members volunteered to help out. Thanks to all. With costs skyrocketing, we can save some money, you can either pick up a newsletter at any establishment which we deliver to or better yet it is available on-line. Please send our membership trustee George an e-mail at [membershipabatese@gmail.com](mailto:membershipabatese@gmail.com) to have your name removed from the mailing list.

#### **Legislative Report**

Old Hippie reported Oklahoma is trying to add 3.00 per motorcycle registration to help pay for their Motorcycle Safety Program. Discussion as Florida did have the same until they transferred all the safety money to the general fund. Hope Oklahoma gets lucky.

#### **Public Relations**

Marjorie was not present. No report

#### **Advertising**

Hope was not present. No report. Jimbo reported we need advertisers. No matter where you ask them to take out an ad. Business card ads are very reasonable.

#### **Events Coordinator**

Shaky Bob was not present due to illness. He did a great job at our last event.

#### **Social Director's Report**

Marti reported for Karin this month's birthday's party will be right here at the American Legion next Sat. Please come out and celebrate February's birthday babies. There will also be a pig roast. If you want your birthday recognized, please give Karin a call. She will add you to the list.

#### **Quartermaster's Report**

Bob Anz reported there was no report.

#### **Photographer's Report**

Brett reported there are about 1000 pictures on Face book. So check it out

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

Ricky Mouse reported our web is up and running. If you have any issues, please contact him at: [webmasterabatese@gmail.com](mailto:webmasterabatese@gmail.com). Don't forget our web address is: [www.abatese.org](http://www.abatese.org)

#### **Trash master's Report**

Commander Louis was not present. Paul reported the Commander apologizes for having to cancel the trash

pick up on short notice. This was due to a memorial service for a fallen service member who was killed in Haiti. Our next trash pick up is scheduled for Sat. March 20, 2010 starting at the VFW post on Griffin Road at 0800. For those who did not get the message on the cancellation and showed up, next time you see the Commander he would be more than happy to provide a free beverage for you.

#### **Legal Council**

Demetrious was not present. No report this month.

#### **Old Business**

Discussion on Wheels on the Road. Miami Mike has changed back to having VIP memberships to support WOTR. After lengthy discussion a motion was made to donate the amount we donated last year with a minimum of \$200.00 to become a VIP friend of WOTR. Vote; All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed. You can also give individual donations if you wish.

#### **New Business**

Jimbo reported we need to look into how we can save money with the printing and mailing of our newsletter. Our newsletter is one of the best in the state but is also our highest monthly cost. Different options were discussed including if you want a newsletter sent, you need to request to be put on a mailing list as the newsletter would be online only. This only pertains to our members who live in state. After lengthy discussion a motion was made, seconded to provide a cost benefit analysis, break even cost of the newsletter. Discussion, vote all in favor 2, opposed 35 motion defeated. Geo stated instead of looking as ways to cut cost, lets look at ways to increase our advertising revenue which will pay for the newsletter. Motion was made to establish a temporary advertising committee to assess our current process and to come up with solutions to generate more advertising revenue. Seconded, Discussion, vote all in favor, none opposed motion passed. If each member in the room today was able to get just 1 business card for a year, 2 months of the newsletter costs would be taken care of. If you **positively** know of an advertiser who has **not paid** their invoices, please do not sit there and complain. Do something about it. Advise the Advertising &

Newsletter trustees or any BOD member. We will look into it.

### Good of the order

Boots reported the Ride for Kids generated more than \$60,000.00 hoping to have an even higher figure next year. Geo thanked all our members who came out for the Antique Motorcycle Show. Lion reported that Linda has 2 antique motorcycles for sale. She is giving our members first crack at them. 2 bikes are available, a 1948 Harley Pan head & a 1978 Harley Shovel head. If you interested, please contact her. Keltics MC is having a fundraiser next Sat for the Outlaws MC. Seems like they were raided, nothing was found but could use some help. Long time member Wisconsin Les had back surgery and is doing well. Make sure you put your foot down when stopped at a light in Ft. Lauderdale. Looks like the city has found another way to generate revenue by giving tickets out to those who do not. Tony Donito reported we have one of the largest chapters in

the state with the fewest registered voters. Please register to vote. If you need your voting rights restored, we do have members who can help. Contact any member of the board. Next month we will start the nomination process for the 2010-2011 SE Chapter Board of Directors and Trustees. If you are interested in running for a position, feel free to ask any questions which pertain to that position. You can self nominate if you want. Nominations will be held in March, April and finalized at the May meeting. Voting takes place at the June meeting.

A motion was called for and seconded to adjourn, all in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:08pm  
These minutes are summarized and respectfully submitted

*Paul A. Melcer*

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Secretary



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## OldHippy's Corner

Motorcycle Profiling: Yes it can and does happen.

Law enforcement has used this in many situations to make reason of a stop or search. We have all seen and read where the ACLU has been called out and have declared that this was unjust. What gets me is that when they should they don't, like the terrorists that haven't been involved in different attacks, should have been, but instead we find motorcyclists being pulled over because the officer by the bikers' apparel finds reason to suspect a crime has been committed or is going to be committed.

Washington State has a bill out to correct this, bill is HB2511.

HB 2511 would force local law enforcement agencies to adopt a written policy designed to condemn and prevent the profiling of motorcyclists and to institute training to address the issue. The language used in HB 2511 is borrowed from a bill passed in 2002 that dealt with racial profiling.

"If we have to make it a legislative matter to make it stop, so be it," said Kirby, a Tacoma Democrat. "We shouldn't have had to pass a racial profiling bill, but we did because it was the right thing to do. And this is the right thing to do."

### **The Confederation of Clubs, US Defenders and ABATE of Washington State**

Got together to put heat on their law makers after they had their annual ride to the Capital similar to the one we have coming up, This is the just of it per the letter that was written:

During Black Thursday January 22, 2009 the Washington State Patrol indiscriminately profiled the motorcycle community on the grounds of the Washington State Capital. While members of the motorcycle rights movement were inside the Capital, attempting to find sponsorship for a bill that would stop motorcycle profiling, the State Patrol was captured on video crawling through the bushes in order to record the license plate and identifying information of every motorcycle in the parking lot. When confronted the State Patrol replied that they were gathering information based on their fictitious belief that there is always a propensity for violence when motorcycle clubs are together. This is, by definition, profiling.

The Washington Courts have confirmed that the Washington State Patrol is guilty of unlawful profiling and discrimination against motorcyclists. In 2002 the Court granted a permanent injunction against the State Patrol's use of a training pamphlet titled **BIKER 101**. On November 23, 2009 the Washington State Patrol, under oath, explicitly admitted that they profile members of motorcycle clubs and continue to use **BIKER 101** as a training manual.

**BIKERS ARE DANGEROUS'** A copy provided by ABATE's attorney to the bill sponsors that outlines the three main motorcycle equipment violations in Washington state (helmet, noise and handlebar height); includes protocol for how to pull bikers over; directs troopers to legally impound the motorcycle and "book" the biker if possible; and tells them to talk to riders about their patches, to take pictures of their badges and bikes, and to be professional. The first line reads: "Bikers are dangerous." "Now if that isn't a statement of profiling, I don't know what is," We have all grown accustomed to those fleeting looks of disapproval and trepidation when we are on our bikes. I have ridden in areas where drivers pull up alongside my motorcycle on the highway, they grip their steering wheels a little tighter and tell their kids to look away, I have also seen and heard where riders have been denied service at restaurants for wearing a bandanna and a leather vest. This has been going on for a long time and it has to stop and unfortunately it may take a Bill introduced to get it done.

The general public still is having a hard time understanding the biking community. They still see us the ones dressed in leather and have patches, pins, ear rings and other items that distinguish us from the main stream. Yes there is some things that is accruing in far away places and also in the distance past, but to put us all in a group is by far Profiling any way you look at it. It has gotten a little better than it was when I first started to ride when if you saw a cop, you might as well pull over and put the kick stand down because you are going to be there for a while as he "checks" you out.

There is a couple of ways that we can help to at least slow this infringement of our rights and liberty. For one we need educate the public by keeping up the good work we have been doing showing them that we are for the most part law biding people and are no threat to them, just like to ride and become part of a club or organization. Second and most important, we will fight this type of violation of our rights by legal actions and if needed be have another #@% ^ bill on the books and you know what I think of more laws especially some of the crap lately they have been trying to feed us.

Please let me know if you think you have been a victim of this Totalitarian enforcement and also hope they do this at our Run to the State that is coming up

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SE Chapter of ABATE of Florida and our safety program is no different.

We usually receive a lot of stuff from the State, which is given to us to distribute like the bumper sticker, key chains and also bill board or even money for PSA's. But what has happen is the Federal government that finances these things, by way of tax's we pay have been very slow, to say the least to release them, coupled with the State then deciding what to do with it, has help to make an already tough job harder.

Oklahoma has introduced a bill that will require an additional \$3 for all motorcycle registration just to be used for motorcycle safety and training because there just isn't anything coming from the feds. We tried it here in the past but the State ended up using it just like some of the gambling money that ended up in the General fund instead of the Educational fund, and was dropped

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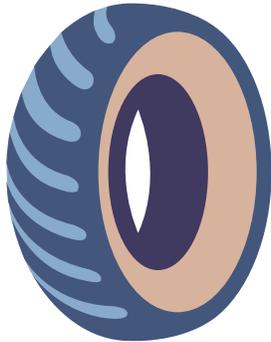
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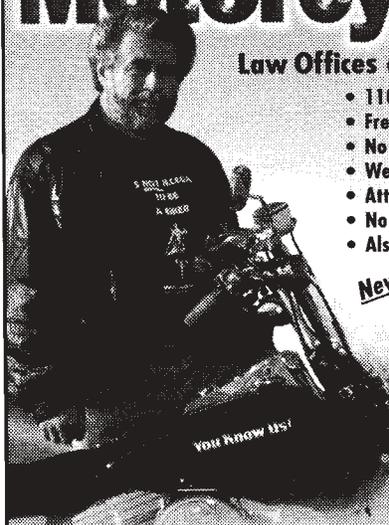
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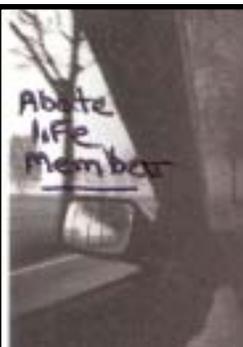


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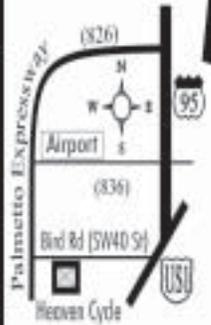
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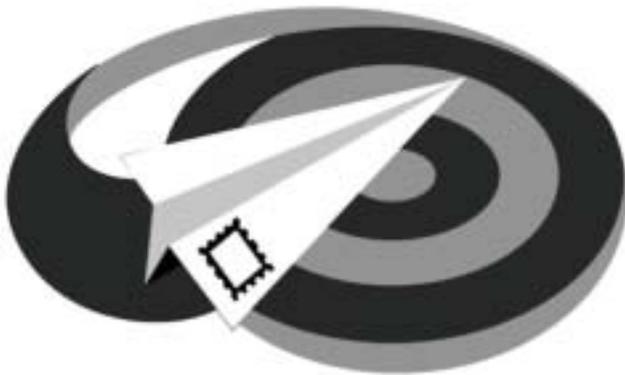
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That means that right turns are harder to negotiate than left turns at any given speed. It also means that if you mismanage the turn and go wide, you may find yourself in a lane of oncoming traffic. In a left turn situation that you mismanage you may find yourself off the road entirely. Which is more dangerous is largely a function of chance.

If, for example, there are no oncoming cars when you mismanage a right turn, at least you remain on pavement and have the chance of recovering from going wide, but any oncoming cars present you with a head-on collision as an unappetizing alternative.

Running off the road in a mismanaged left turn may not be worse than taking a tumble, but it could very well involve running into something on the roadside.

While making right turns involves greater lean angles at any particular speed than a corresponding left turn, there is usually MORE TRACTION available in a right turn than when turning to the left. This is because most roads are crowned. Thus, while turning to the right the road is cambered into the turn while turning left it is cambered away from the turn.

Left turns effectively provide you a narrower lane for use by your motorcycle. Because you must lean a motorcycle in order to make a turn, you cannot ride as far to the left within your lane when making a left turn as you might like without dragging your head or left grip across the center line and into the path of oncoming traffic. When making right turns, motorcycles typically can use their entire lane width.

Making a right turn at an intersection is FAR LESS dangerous than making a left turn at that intersection. The most obvious reason being, of course, that you do not have to cross the path of any oncoming traffic to do so.

One final thought: If you make a left turn across an oncoming traffic lane your danger is not restricted solely to that oncoming traffic. Before you actually make your left turn you must do a head check to the left to insure that someone is not trying to pass you on the left! If you are struck by that passing vehicle YOU ARE TO BLAME as you have performed an unsafe lane change.

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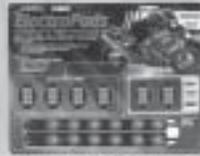
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## JANUARY

- 3 - States MC 15th Annual Blessing of the Bikes
- \*10 - *Wings of Gold MC Appreciation Day*
- 17 - SE ABATE Semi-Annual Rights Rally
- \*24 - *Third Tradition Annual*
- \*31 - *Der Krieger MC Annual*

## FEBRUARY

- 7 - Alternative WPB Party
- \*14 - *AOA MC Ft. Laud. Valentines Day Annual*
- \*20 - *Wheels of Man MC Deerfield 37th Annual (4PM)*
- \*21 - *States Lake Worth Annual*
- 20 & 21 Harley-Davidson of Miami's 56th Anniversary
- 27 - *USMV MC Homestead Annual*

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## MARCH

- Feb 26-March 7, 69th Annual Daytona Bike Week
- \*14 - *Keltics MC Broward Annual*
- \*21 - *Fiasco Brothers Annual*
- 21 - BBRA 3rd Annual Smiles Charity Ride
- \*27 - *Outcast MC Annual*
- \*28 - *States MC Pompano Annual*

## APRIL

- \*4 - *CMA Annual Easter Service*
- 3 & 4 - Peterson's South Anniversary Weekend
- \*11 - *AOA West Palm Beach Annual*
- 17 - Mystic Seven MC & Mojo's Birthday Party
- \*18 - *Hermanadad MC Annual*
- 24 - USMV Martin County party
- \*25 *Wings of Gold MC Ft. Laud Stars & Stripes Annual*
- 23, 24, 25 - Leesberg Bikefest

## MAY

- \*2 - *Southern MC Annual*
- 8 & 9 - National COC Convention Orlando
- \*15 - *USMVMC West Palm Annual*
- \*16 - *Wings of Gold MC Miami Annual*
- 22 - Wings of Gold MC Pt St. Lucie party
- \*23 - *Soldiers for Jesus MC West Palm Beach Annual*
- 30 - SE ABATE Memorial Day Event

## JUNE

- \*6 - *AOA MC Treasure Coast Annual*
- \*12 - *New Attitudes MC Annual*
- \*13 - *Wings of Gold MC West Palm Annual*
- 20 - Peterson's North Store Fathers Day Event
- 26 - Palm Beach ABATE Annual Event
- 27 - Wings of Gold MC Miami party

## JULY

- 3 - USMVMC South Broward Party
- 11 - AOA MC West Palm Beach party
- 17 - Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook-Off & Party
- 18 - States MC Lake Worth party
- \*25 - *Black Pistons MC Ft. Laud. Annual*

## AUGUST

- 9-15 70th Annual Sturgis Bike Week
- 13 to 15, - 15th International South Florida Tattoo Expo
- 15 - AOA MC 43rd Anniversary Party
- \*22 - *Wings of Gold MC Port Saint Lucie Annual*
- 29 - US Military Vets MC Pompano Party

## SEPTEMBER

- 11 - Outcast MC Party
- 12 - States Pompano MC 17th Key West Tuneup Party
- 16-19 Phil Peterson's 37th Annual Key West Poker Run
- 26 - Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & Party

## OCTOBER

- \*3 - *Mystic Seven MC Annual*
- 9 - BBRA Art Auction & Comedy Night
- 10 - AOA MC Treasure Coast Party
- 14 to 17 - Daytona Biketoberfest
- 17 - Keltics MC Miami party
- 23 - USMV MC Homestead benefit party
- 24 - SE ABATE 30th Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally
- 30 - Wheels of Man MC 37th Annual Halloween Party
- \*31 - *Alternative Ft. Laud Annual*

## NOVEMBER

- \*7 - *USMVMC National 23rd Annual*
- 13 - Soldiers for Jesus MC West Palm Beach Party
- 14 - Wings of Gold MC Palm Beach Party
- 21 - CMA Memorial Event
- 28 - Heaven Cycles 33rd Anniversary Party
- 28 - USMV MC Martin County Toy Run

## 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
- 18 - Wings of Gold MC West Palm Toy Drive
- 19 - Calvery Chapel 11th Annual Christmas Service

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**For this month I just want to share this article that I read, as food for thought.**

### **FLORIDA COURT SETS ATHEIST HOLY DAY**

In Florida, an atheist created a case against the upcoming Easter and Passover Holy days. He hired an attorney to bring a discrimination case against Christians and Jews and observances of their holy days. The argument was that it was unfair that atheists had no such recognized days.

The case was brought before a judge. After listening to the passionate presentation by the lawyer, the judge banged his gavel declaring, "Case dismissed!"

The lawyer immediately stood objecting to the ruling saying, "Your honor, How can you possibly dismiss this case? The Christians have Christmas, Easter and others. The Jews have Passover, Yom Kippur and Hanukkah, yet my client and all other atheists have no such holidays.."

The judge leaned forward in his chair saying, "But you do. Your client, counsel, is woefully ignorant."

The lawyer said, "Your Honor, we are unaware of any special observance or holiday for atheists.."

The judge said, "The calendar says April 1st is April Fools Day. Psalm 14:1 states, 'The fool says in his heart, there is no God.' Thus, it is the opinion of this court, that, if your client says there is no God, then he is a fool. Therefore, April 1st is his day. Court is adjourned."

You gotta love a Judge that knows his scripture!

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**FRIDAYS MARCH**  
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 12th - Sooner or Later Band (St Patty's Dress Rehearsal-Warm-up Party)  
 19th - Assassin  
 26th - Hep Cat Boo Daddies  
 April 2nd - Bag-a-Bones

**SATURDAYS**  
 6th - Recktifler  
 13th - Dr Strong  
 20th - Repeat Offender  
 27th - Trukker

**SUNDAYS**  
 7th - Hat Trick  
 14th - Miss Dympsy's Class Band  
 22nd - Riverdown  
 28 - The Baby Boomers  
 April 3rd - Bag-a-Bones

**THURSDAY'S**  
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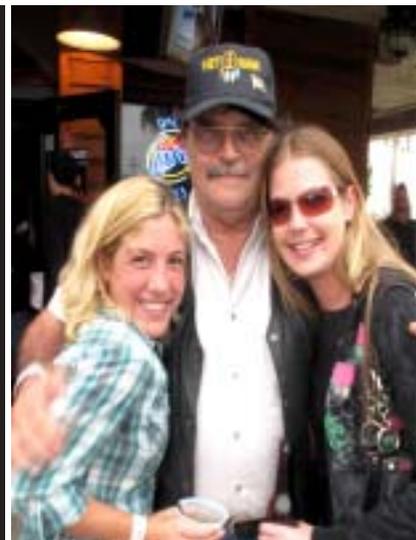
**Upcoming Events**  
 St Patricks Day Wednesday March 17  
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 Cagney's 1st Year Anniversary Party. Sat. April 10th  
 Jager Girls - Door Prizes - Pig Roast - Kill the Keg  
 Sat. April 17. Mystic 7 MC Party &  
 Mojo's Annual Birthday Party  
 Music by Trukker... 8-??

**WOW!**

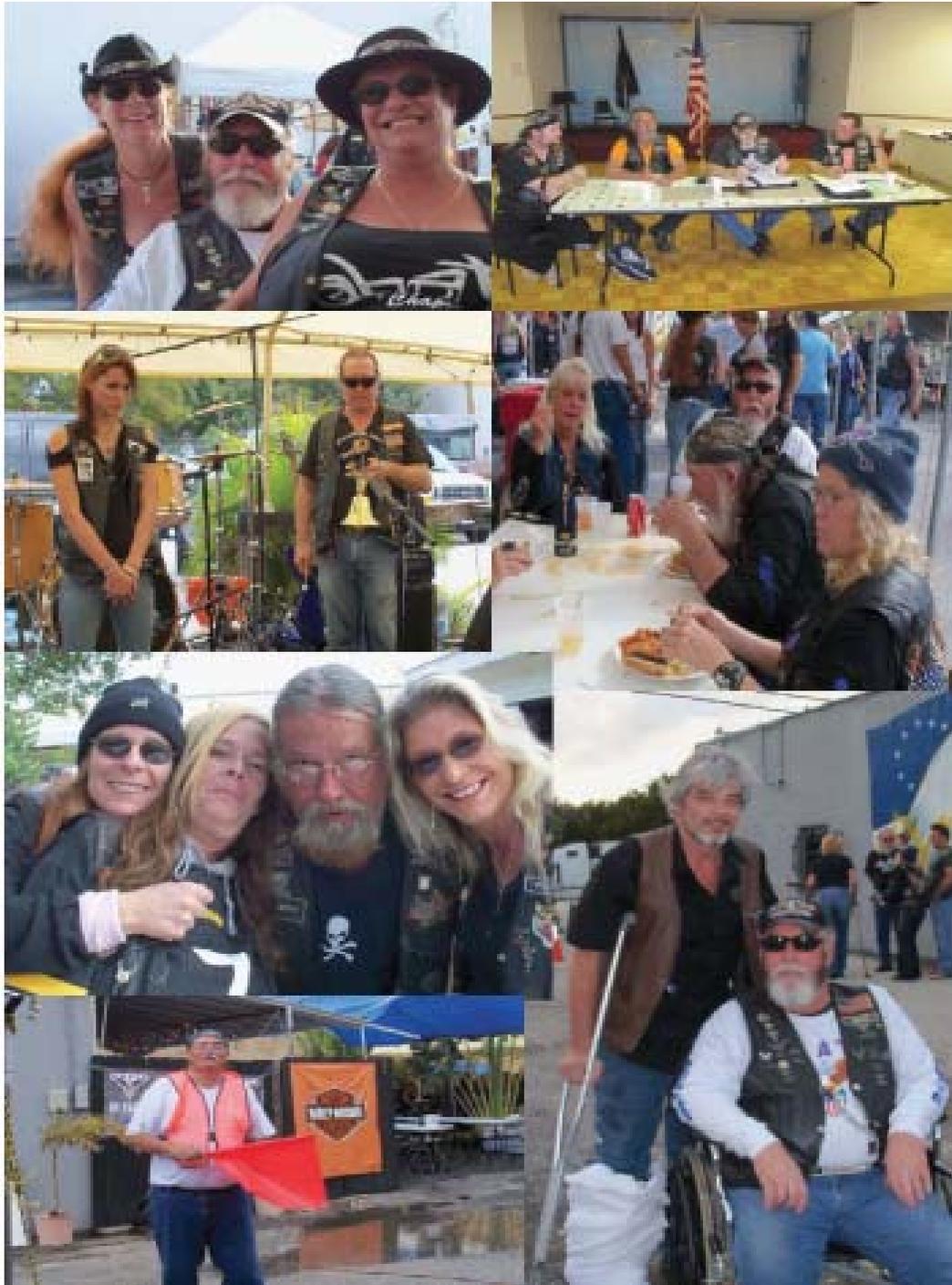
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**FOR IMMEDIATE  
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## **ABATE of Florida, Inc. Questions the Impact of a National Health Care Requirement on Motorcyclists**

Deland, FL, February 1, 2010 - The past few weeks have shown many changes in the political landscape of Health Care Reform, and how the various members of the US Congress intend on voting on this issue. Many may have thought that this is now a non-issue after recent election results, but in last week's State of the Union Address President Obama said he fully intends to introduce his over 1,000 page Health Care Reform Bill once again. Although there are many important issues to consider when reviewing this huge Bill, one should rise to the top when looking at how it concerns motorcyclists across the USA: the possible requirement to purchase healthcare and if a motorcyclist involved in a crash would even be covered.

Recently, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) has expressed concern there is precedent for us to be concerned with regarding any health care legislation coming from Washington. For example in 1996, Congress passed the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) that was intended to ensure non-discrimination in health coverage in the group market. However, when it came to implementing the law, the Department of Labor, the Internal Revenue Service and the Health Care Financing Administration - now the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services - issued a rule allowing insurers to deny health benefits for an otherwise covered injury that results from certain types of recreational activities, such as skiing, horseback riding, etc.

If the US Congress adopts the current Massachusetts-type plan, U.S. citizens will be required to purchase health insurance. If not purchased, they will be *FINED* each year. With the fact that insurers can and do deny health care coverage for necessary medical care, it is a concern that if a motorcyclist is involved in a crash, they should be concerned. This could result in motorcyclists being required by law to purchase health insurance that would cover them if they are involved in a motorcycle-related crash, regardless of who is at fault.

ABATE of Florida, Inc. asks the elected officials in Washington, D.C. to READ the ENTIRE BILL and fully understand how it will affect their constituents. Further, we ask that should a Health Care Reform Bill become law, all elected officials be required to partake in this Health Care Reform, instead of using their private, tax-payer-paid-for health insurance, the same one that average citizens are banned from.

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Yours truly,  
David Rich, Public Relations Trustee, ABATE of Florida, Inc.  
Our missions include educating the public about motorcycle awareness and continuing to fight in Tallahassee for the rights of every motorcyclist and the public in general. To aid in these ends, we have an exclusive lobbyist and have founded the Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Program, both with the intentions to help make the roads safer for everyone.

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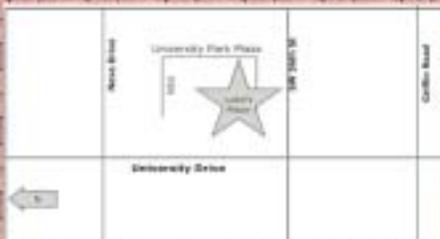
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## Trashmaster Column

Sometimes we have to flexible in our lives. Last month in February, I had to cancel the Trash Pick-Up day, at almost the 11th hour, due to being involved in the memorial for a USSOUTHCOM colleague of mine who lost his life in Hotel Montana in the Haiti earthquake while on a three day military mission /conference there. I hope I was able to contact the majority of those who usually attend this Hiway Beautification Projects to inform them of the postponement/cancellation (via email, Facebook and available phone numbers). Apologies and

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regrets to those who didn't get the cancellation in time and showed up to closed doors at the VFW on that Saturday morning. If you showed up, I owe you a draft beer!! Tell me next time you see me at the Legion or VFW!!!

So here we are in March, the last month of the 1st quarter of 2010, and we need to comply with our commitment to our community. We will be planning for Saturday, 20 March at 08:00am for our next Hiway Beautification Project at the same place , VFW #9697 on Griffin Road near the Turnpike, for coffee and doughnuts! If you have a "pick'em up" truck, please drive it to the VFW so we can have a vehicle to transport the trash bags!! Until then, let's keep it green!!!

*Commander*  
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## 12 Things my Motorcycle has Taught Me . . .

1. The only good view of a thunderstorm is in your rear view mirror.
2. Four wheels move the body; two wheels move the soul.
3. I'd rather be riding my motorcycle and thinking about God, than sitting in church thinking about my bike.
4. Life may begin at 30, but it doesn't get real interesting until about 75 mph.
5. Midnight bugs taste just as bad as Noon time bugs.
6. Sometimes it takes a whole tank full of gas before you can think straight.
7. A bike on the road is worth two in the shed.
8. Young riders pick a destination and go; old riders pick a direction and go.
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