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March 20, 2011



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President's Thoughts

This is a busy time of the year with Bike Week this month and Leesburg just around the corner. There are also a lot of charity events going on this month as well. So if you want to help out I'm sure they would appreciate it.

Now, it is time that we as a Chapter of Abate of Florida must decide if we will accept the proposed new by-laws. To look at them, please go the State web site where you will find both the old and the proposed ones there. **We will be holding a "vote" on it at the next chapter meeting** - March 20, 2011. Keep in mind, we can also bring up changes to the proposed one and also submit it at the next state meeting if it gets passed.

This is also the time where we are planning our annual **Memorial Day Event** and it looks like we will be having it in a different location this year. After a lot of hard work by our Events Coordinator Jackie, she has pretty much wrapped up the Seminole Casino in Coconut Creek for this year, and as of this writing the deal is not final, but it looks very promising.

In closing, remember... Georgia has been funded to set up Motorcycle only check points, and the word is out that they plan on setting up some for Bike Week. So if you know anybody who is going to Daytona from another state, let them know to watch out.

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ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes February 20, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 10:21am by President Old Hippy 50 signed-in members, no guests and no At-Large members in attendance. Total signed-in attendance: 50. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer by Poppie .

Presidents Report

Old Hippy presided the meeting by welcoming all the new members who have recently signed up (Kevin, Don, Bob, Julia). Things are happening including Bike Week in Daytona and the ABATE Camp Grounds. Keep safe while riding. Old Hippy passed the next discussion to the Vice President, Johnny Rose.

Vice-Presidents Report

Johnny Rose stated that a lot of events are coming up. Glad to see everybody here. Please continue to participate in our events. We need to be more aware as we are out riding. Thanks for all that have come today. Nothing further to report.

Secretary's Report

Commander Louie stated that he missed last meeting and was very appreciative of Paul Melcer for stepping in and giving a hand in transcribing the minutes for last month's minutes. 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 read January financial report. A motion was made, seconded to accept the Treasurers report. All in favor, motion passed.

Sergeant at Arms Report

BigWheel not present. Had a prior obligation.

Road Captain's Report

Geo discussed several of the upcoming rides. Please read his report later in this newsletter for dates and times. Spoke on the logistics of escorting the veterans from Sandy Ninninger Home for Veterans. Date of Ride to the Keys is now 17 April. On 13 March a Ride to Scottys in Clewiston riding up to Lake O on US 27. Events for today will be State's MC Annual and Peterson's Harley North. Let's meet up after the meeting.

Safety Directors Report

Nothing to report

Products Report

Challenge coins are back.

Events Coordinator

We are almost 98% finished with contracting for our next event for Memorial Day will to be held at Coconut Creek Casino. Great place! We will make a profit. Café 27 doesn't feel like having us there since they are busy without us.

State Reps Report

Demetrius got married, everyone congratulated him. He mentioned about the one vote on the Anti-Discrimination Bill may be coming back up in the Florida Legislature. The bill deals with the attire one wears that identifies you as a biker due to the prohibition of bikers wearing vests to entering the Tampa Fairgrounds. NCOM is in New Mexico on 6,7,8 March. A traveling trophy will be awarded for the ABATE chapter who shows up with the most members at the campground. DUI stops will be held earlier in the day and evening during Daytona Bike Week. In NY, police were targeting only bikers at DUI stops. Another discrimination suit there too. In GA, motorcycles being towed in a trailer are being pulled out to check out for anything illegal. Check with the ABATE Georgia website for further information. Val mentioned the ride to Tallahassee after the Leesburg Bikefest from the campground. Presidents/VPs and Officers meeting on 9,10 July. Bylaws will be voted at the next meeting. Chris has the Life membership cards. Ask him for them. Check out website www.robewarrior.com for good tips from a Judge who rides! You will need a transponder for SUNPASS if you have a vertical tag on your bike.

Membership Report

George reported a total of 620 members. The antique show helped us out a lot with membership.

Newsletter Editor

Lee Ann "Wildcat" states please get your articles in early.

Legislative Report

Nothing to report. See state report above.

Public Relations

Fern not present.

Advertising

Nothing to report

Social Directors Report

Karin stated Happy Birthday to Tumbleweed. Our next party will be held at Mickey's on March 26th from 7-8 pm with cake. Check my birthday list on the back bar and correct any errors or add your birthday.

Quartermaster's Report

Bob Anz reported that everything was 100%.

Photographer's Report

No report. Please send Wildcat any photos.

Web-Master's Report

Mike Hagar not present. Website is up.

Trash master's Report

Teddy Bear we had a trash pickup in January. . A vote was held to stop participating with Adopt a Highway. A motion was passed 16-0-3 to stop. No more trash pickup.

Legal Council

Be aware because it affects all of us bikers, since the fair season is coming up and discrimination may occur at the Dade County Fair, Broward and Palm Beach County fairs.

Old Business

No old Business

New Business

Old Hippy discussed events are around the corner. Get gifts, trinkets, door prizes for our next event. Everyone likes to win prizes. Next event planning meeting two Thursday nights from now 3 Mar at the VFW.

Good of the order

Teddy Bear mentioned about the Ride for Kids Brain Tumor Foundation on 3 April. Starting at Quiet Waters park. Ride for the Firefighters is on 20 March. Primo is selling his side car for \$2500. Hank, also with the ALR, announced the Poker Run on March 13 for \$10 a rider. Bars mentioned that one of our friend MCs has a new clubhouse (call Bars for new location). Motion to adjourned and ended at 11:54 am. Suzanne mentioned that her daughter Nikole is participating in a fundraising for MS. Check out website www.ms bikeflorida.com and donate to Nikole Keen. Jimmy Les spoke on the Teachers Union bills on the Senate floor in Florida. Check out bills 736 and 830.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 am.

Rainman won a free annual membership and Donna Gregory won the 50/50.

These minutes are summarized and respectfully submitted.

Commander Louie"
Luis "Louie" Subirats Secretary



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A Message from the North



Hi to all my friends in Sunny South Florida. While all you guys and girls of Southeast Abate were having Cake and a few cold ones at the Texas Rose, I spent my Birthday - February 2nd trying to get to my Snow Blower in the Garage!!

"Wisconsin" Les Jensen



OldHippy's Corner

I decided in the column to revisit a subject that I wrote about a few years back that still comes into play. In most group of people in organizations that their only objective is to promote a cause, whether it be for a charity or a political action organization for the most part are made up of people who care, unless of course they happen to be some of the high executives that are using it as career and also being well compensated for it.

Motorcycle Rights Organizations like ABATE and MRF, plain and simple fight for our rights. You as a member may have different reasons for fighting, whether it is for freedom to choose; or gain you freedom choice; maybe it keeps them from taking your ride because your pipes are not EPA approved; you might be fighting for the privilege to ride at all. We all know there are countless reasons and causes for which we unfortunately have to fight for.

That is us and then there are the others who don't care. We know the general public could care less, they do not ride and it doesn't affect them. These people are too busy racing here; racing there and talking on their cell phones; it's obvious they don't care. Our lawmakers claim they care but they are too busy justifying their own existence and so called "doing their job", do they really give a crap? I must be fair, there are some of our elected officials that do care, but they are few and far between. I also understand these are hard times; with people out of work; everything costing more with people having to do more with less, free time is a prime resource that we all guard and only give away to the most deserving cause. This is the life we live and reality as it stands.

You might say this covered it all but the other people that don't care are the ones that bug the crap out of me. I need to say they are not bad people they are just caught up in their own objectives and needs.

Deals and companies are caught up in making the bottom line are also one's that do not care. They are just out to make money, why else would make a bike that can do 225 MPH out of the box and sell it to someone who promises to get a Motorcycle endorsement someday in the future.

Then we have what I call the "free riders"; you know them, they are the general public riders that are oblivious to the fact that they are in danger of losing their ability to travel the roads on their chosen mode of transportation. Why do I call them "free riders" you might ask? Well they are the ones that ride on the freedom that so many have fought for so many years to protect and their right to ride, and many of them don't have a clue of the where's, when, or how's. Unfortunately, many of them just don't care.

Now the one's that concern me the most; these are the one's inside the motorcycle rights movement that went ahead and signed and joined a SMRO like ABATE. They all had good intentions when joined; to protect their rights; to work for motorcycle safety; to help in the fund raising for the organization or community charities. Some rise to leadership, but get caught up in all the day to day activities and politics of the job they've forgotten the reason for their joining. It's not they do not really care, they are just confused. Others join for the rides, parties and events, they do not really care because when asked to write a letter or step up to help with some task, they are somehow busy, or it's not there area of expertise, or their pet gold fish is expecting and they do not what to miss out. Then you have the ones that join to gain some kind of self promotion, like a big fish in a small pond; they really don't care they are looking for "self promote" themselves and be somebody. Some just pay their dues and figure "well I have done my part". I don't need to do anything more, there is plenty of other people that can do it, they do not care either.

The last group is the one that is the most disheartening; they are the ones who cared the most but for some reason like internal politics or other reasons. They seem to not care anymore. These people who put aside the entire BS part that goes on and gave and gave and gave, to a point they got burned out, in their hearts, I'm sure they still care. They lead, they followed, they worked until there was nothing left to give and now they have faded to the sometimes forgotten past. Some of them are remembered and some are just ignored once they are no longer useful, and some, we didn't even know. They were there till they were gone and something wasn't getting done, most of them just slip into obscurity.

With that you need to ask yourself this....What group do you see yourself in? And do you really care? Oh by the way... how is the new gold fishes doing?

OldHippy





Poker Run

Sunday - March 13, 2011

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Our **March** party will be on March 26th at Mickey's. The Cake will be provided by Lisa & Dave!

Please come join us! This is our party to celebrate all members Birthday's each month and they love to have you there. We will meet between 7-8 pm.

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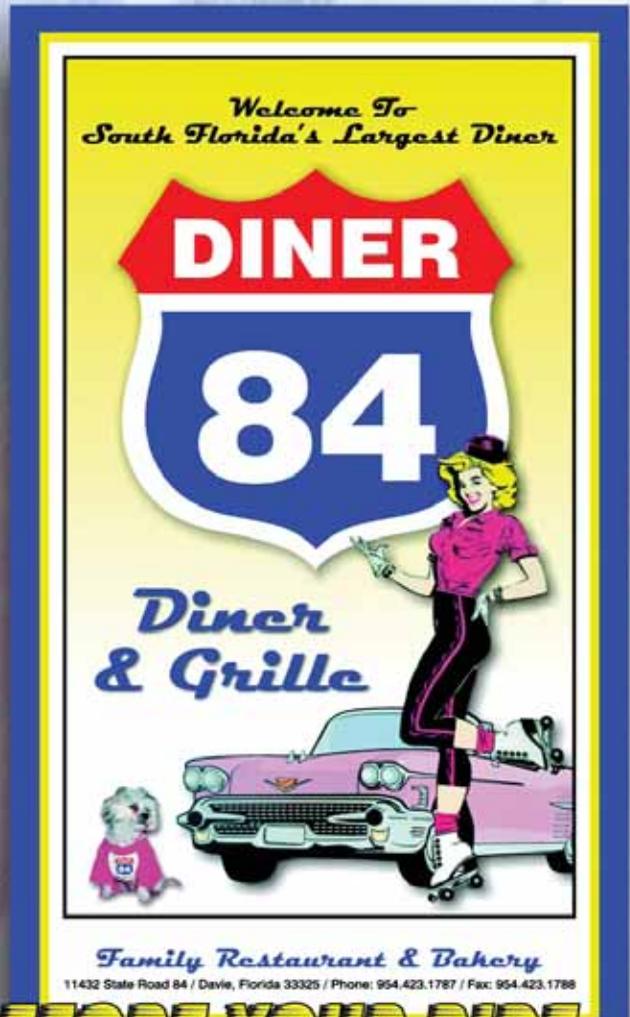
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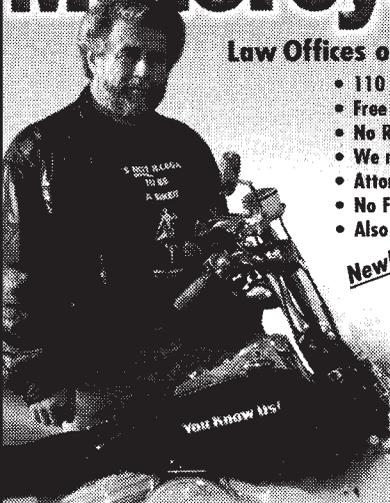
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6 USMVMC Ft Lauderdale Party	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Daytona Bike Week Ends Fiasco Brothers Annual	14	15	16	17 St Patrick's Day 	18	19
20 ABATE Chapter Meeting Keltics MC Broward Annual	21	22	23	24	25	26 ABATE Birthday Party at Mickey's
27 Hermandad MC Annual	28	29	30	31		

Additional Info:

March 4 - 13, 2011 - 70th Annual Daytona Bike Week

March 20 - BBRA 4th Annual Smiles Charity Ride

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Outcasts MC Annual
3 States MC Annual Pompano	4	5	6	7	8 Leesburg Bikefest Begins →	9 SE Police Rodeo
10 Leesburg Bikefest Ends	11	12	13	14	15	16 USMV MC Martin County Party
17 <i>ABATE Chapter Meeting</i> AOA MC W.P.B. Annual	18	19	20	21	22	23 Mystic 7 MC Party
24 HAPPY EASTER 	25	26	27	28	29	30

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April - 2 & 3 Peterson's South Anniversary Weekend

April - 8, 9, 10 - 15th Annual Leesburg Bikefest

April - 9 SE Police Rodeo

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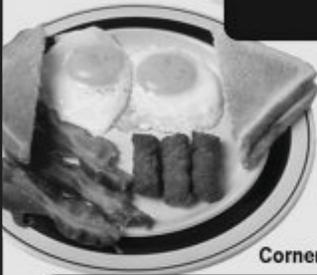
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By "Geo"

We have a few long rides coming up as well as our usual rides to local club events. Here's what I have for you this month.

Der Krieger MC Annual Party report:

On Sunday January 30th a group of us met at the American Legion in Cooper City and rode up to the Der Krieger annual Wild Card Party at All Stars Sports Bar up on Sample Road in Pompano. Southern Rock Society rocked the party out.

Outlaws AOA MC Valentine's Day Party report:

On Sunday February 13th a group of us once again met at the American Legion in Cooper City and rode across Stirling Road to the Outlaws Clubhouse in Dania Beach, where under the Tiki Hut, their Annual Valentine Day Party was under way. Music was provided by the Stems and as usual, the Outlaws threw a great party.

USMV MC Fort Lauderdale:

On Sunday, March 6th, we will be riding the USMV MC "Hot & Nas-ty" Annual party at Chit Chats in Pompano Beach. We will meet at the American Legion Post 321. Jose' is cooking breakfast there for \$ 4. Bucks. Kickstands up at 12:00 noon, so get to the Legion Hall about 11:00am if you want to eat breakfast. for breakfast. If you are already up north, we'll meet you there.

Scotty's Tiki Bar @ Roland Martins ride:

On Sunday, March 13th, we will be riding up US 27 to Scotty's Tiki Bar at Roland Martin's Marina in Clewiston for lunch. If you've never been up there, you will enjoy this ride. Scotty's is a great place with great food & drinks. We will again meet at the American Legion Post 321, where Jose' will cook breakfast there for \$ 4. bucks. Kickstands up @ 11:00am, so get to the Legion Hall about 10:00am for breakfast. After Scotty's, we will ride back down to Café' 27 to end the day.

Keltics MC Annual & BBRA Charity Event:

On Sunday, March 20th, after our regular chapter meeting, some of us will be riding to the Keltics MC Annual at Mulligans where The Stems will provide the music. Some of us will also ride up to the BBRC 4th Annual Ride for Smiles event at Bru's Room in Coral Springs and some of us will do both! We will have a membership/safety/products booth at the BBRA Event.

If you have any destinations or rides in mind, call me and tell me so we can consider a ride there.

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Some upcoming rides / events:

Mar. 4-13 – 70th Daytona Bike Week – Plan to stay at the Abate Campground if you go

**Mar. 6 – USMV MC Fort Lauderdale Chapter party
Mar. 13 – Abate SE Ride to Scotty's Tiki Bar @ Roland Martin's Marina in Clewiston (75 miles)**

Mar. 20 – Keltics MC Broward Annual party

Mar. 20 – BBRA 4th Annual Smiles Charity Ride

Mar. 27 – Hermandad MC Annual

Apr. 2 – Outcasts MC Annual

Apr. 2 & 3 – Peterson's HD South Anniversary weekend

Apr. 3 – States MC Pompano Annual

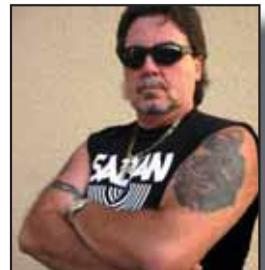
Apr. 8 – 10 Leesburg Bikefest

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

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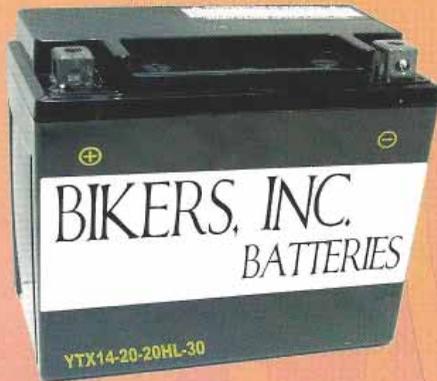
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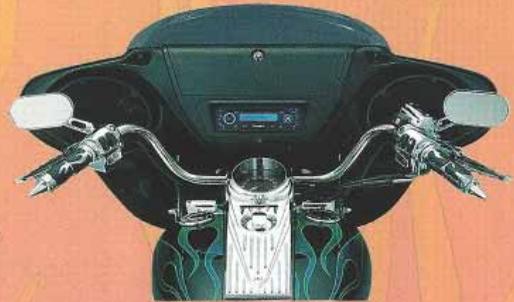
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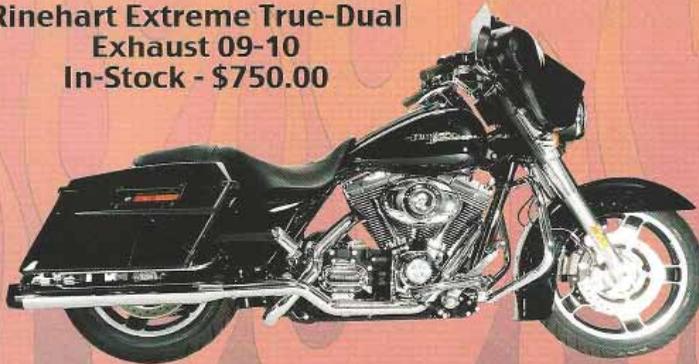
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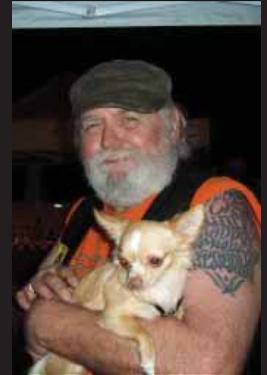
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Q. Do I have to make a lot of changes in my life?

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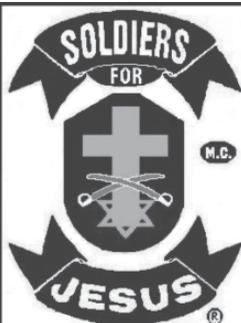
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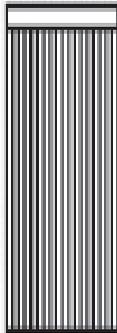
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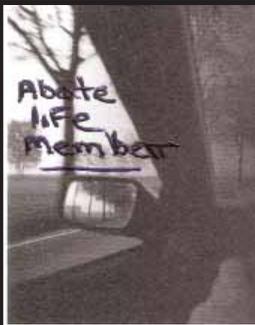


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KIDS JUST WANT TO RIDE ACT Two years ago the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) implemented the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) of 2008 to regulate the lead content in children's toys, inadvertently banning the sale of youth model all-terrain vehicles and off-highway motorcycles due to trace levels of lead in some inaccessible components. On January 25, Representative Denny Rehberg (R-MT) introduced H.R. 412, the Kids Just Want to Ride Act of 2011, which would exempt child-sized dirtbikes and ATVs from the "Lead Law" and provide a legislative fix to the misapplied restrictions. The Kids Just Want to Ride Act aims to clarify the previous federal law, which the consumer agency claims they must strictly interpret as written despite having twice postponed enforcement. Rep. Rehberg joined 22 fellow lawmakers from both parties in the House to introduce the new bipartisan act, calling the legislation "...the best way to clarify congressional intent and ensure that children have access to the youth-sized vehicles that will keep them safe." Senator Jon Tester (D-MT) has announced plans to introduce similar legislation in the Senate. Congress conducted initial hearings on the CPSIA on February 17 in the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing and Trade, and reviewed CPSC resources for implementing the lead law.

TAKING AIM AT CHILD PASSENGERS A Virginia Beach lawmaker has tried and failed to prohibit children under 8 from riding on motorcycles, but despite the defeat of HB 1850 the issue is recurring in states across the country. In opposing the measure, Matt Danielson, legal counsel for the Virginia Coalition of Motorcyclists (VCOM), said that there have been no fatalities among children under 8 riding on motorcycles in the past ten years. "I don't look at this as a governmental issue. I look at this as a parental issue," said Danielson on behalf of VCOM, a political action committee that represents motorcyclists' interests in the General

Assembly. "I think the parent can make a better decision about whether their child is ready to ride than can some legislator in Richmond." Such reasoning hasn't deterred other state legislation, such as HB 2232 in Oregon that would ban kids under 7 from riding as a passenger, despite existing state law that requires a motorcycle passenger's feet must reach the footpegs. Furthermore, in a bid to ban children from riding motorcycles in the Philippines, a ranking senator has cited the State's power to invoke *parens patriae*, or the constitutional mandate to "assume and act as a natural parent or guardian in order to safeguard the welfare of any child or individual or an incapacitated and dependent minor who is in need of protection against danger, risk of lives and limbs." With the growing number of motorcycle users worldwide, and with economic influences making motorbikes the most affordable mode of transportation, the matter of children riding and who is ultimately responsible for their safety and welfare will be a mounting concern.

U.S. HOUSE BILL ENCOURAGES STATE VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAMS U.S. Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee (D-TX) has introduced House Bill 229, the Michael Jon Newkirk Transportation Safety Enhancement Act of 2011 that establishes national standards for state safety inspections for motor vehicles. The bill requires states to establish minimum annual vehicle safety inspection programs or lose specific federal funds. Included in the requirements listed in the language of this new bill, states must enact and enforce "a law that requires the owner of a motor vehicle registered in the state to present the vehicle for inspection on an annual basis to ensure that the vehicle meets or exceeds motor vehicle safety standards to be established by the state." Less than half the states have vehicle safety inspection programs and of those programs that do exist, many have inconsistent standards, a situation that HB 229 intends to address by standardizing such safety inspection procedures.

WARNING: AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY DEVICES COMING SOON TO MOTORCYCLES Within the next two years, motorcycles could be sporting collision detection and other safety features more typically found installed in cars. The new safety systems being tested for motorcycles include speed limit warnings, information about neighboring vehicles and changing lanes, and information of the tightness of road bends and the speed in which to turn. According to a report from the BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation), tests are being completed to bring the latest technologies found on cars to two-wheels, and the rise in motorcyclist fatalities has prompted researchers to adapt the

first bike-based safety systems by late 2012. MIRA (the Motor Industry Research Association) acts as a testing and innovation center for carmakers and has been carrying out tests on the “Saferider” systems on road bikes and simulators. An ITS (Intelligent Transportation Systems) consultant at MIRA, Jonathan Moore, said of the project: “Saferider takes the driver safety systems that are becoming standard on cars and tries to adapt them to the unique needs of motorcyclists.” Moore said making safety systems on motorcycles useful was “challenging” because of all the distractions to which riders were subjected. With traffic noise and motorcycle helmets insulating riders from the traditional audible alarms found on car collision systems, researchers have looked for ways to alert bikers of pending danger with tactile warning systems such as vibrating seats and special gloves. New hi-tech systems could also protect riders from themselves, as one system being tested warns that a rider is going too fast to negotiate a turn. MIRA has developed “smart” software that acts as a “co-pilot” which, with the help of a digital map, knows what speed a motorcyclist should be travelling to make it around an approaching curve in the road.

MOTORCYCLE SALES CONTINUE DECLINE, BUT SHOW SIGNS OF IMPROVEMENT Sales of new motorcycles, scooters and ATVs dropped from 2009 to 2010, but some increases were seen in the month of December according to a recently released sales report for 2010 from the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC). In 2009, motorcycle sales saw a drastic drop. Close to 360,000 fewer motorcycles were sold in 2009 as compared to 2008, and sales have continued to decline. Total motorcycle sales, including scooters, through 2010 dropped 15.8%, or 82,198 fewer units in 2010 for a total of 439,678 motorcycles sold this year. If you break it down into category, off-road, dual-sport, highway, and scooters all saw a decrease in sales this year. The biggest loser was off-highway motorcycles, which saw a 23.3% decrease with a drop of nearly 25,000 bikes. The scooter segment saw the smallest decrease at 9.4%, amounting to 3,000 fewer units than were sold in 2009. ATV sales were down 64,000 units, or 20% down. December saw increases in some segments over the prior year month. Scooter sales were up 20% over the year-ago month, with an increase of 322 units. Dual purpose motorcycles also increased, at 7.2%, with a rise of 86 units over December 2009.

SOUTH CAROLINA BILL WOULD ALLOW CHARITABLE RAFFLES With many states around the nation cracking down on everything from poker runs to raffles, lawmakers in South Carolina moving to ensure that local

churches, schools and nonprofits do not unknowingly break the law when they hold charitable raffles. Legislation, already approved by a Senate committee 18-4, would change the state Constitution to allow the groups to hold a limited number of raffles and casino nights annually -- as long as 90% of the money raised goes to benefit charitable causes. “It’s a good start,” said Austin Coates of ABATE South Carolina, a motorcyclist rights nonprofit that holds hundreds of raffles annually for Special Olympics, breast cancer prevention, burn victims and others. “But there’ll be a fight ahead before it becomes law.” The bill next heads to the full Senate for consideration. Should it survive there, it would go to the House. Ultimately, however, voters would have to approve any change in the state Constitution.

MOTORCYCLE CHECKPOINTS IN GEORGIA DURING BIKE WEEK The state of Georgia has received a \$70,000 federal grant to launch motorcycle-only checkpoints in early March, just as Daytona Bike Week is getting underway. For most travelers, their route will take them through Georgia and likely into awaiting roadblocks to check for such things as proper license and current registration, insurance, DOT-approved helmets, EPA-approved mufflers, working horn and lights, etc, etc. “We were informed by unnamed sources that the Check Points would start in early March to coincide with the Daytona Bike Week event,” said Dan Forrest, State Director of ABATE of Georgia. “Most points of entry to Florida will be involved, so anyone traveling through Georgia to Daytona might want to rethink their route.” The US Defenders have issued a Call To Action regarding the proliferation of these motorcycle-only roadblocks being funded by NHTSA grants, and are urging the motorcycle community to voice their opposition to these so-called “Safety Checks” by contacting NHTSA, the U.S. DOT and most importantly by asking your own federal legislators to support H.R. 1498 by Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) to retain a ban on NHTSA’s ability to lobby State Legislators using our federal dollars through the “Motorcycle Law Enforcement Demonstration” grant program (DTNH22-10-R-00386). “These roadblocks or checkpoints for motorcycles ONLY are being conducted illegally and are discriminatory to say the least,” says Escondido Paul, National Lt. Commander of the US Defenders. “This is one more piece of evidence of the constant profiling attempts targeting our community at large.”

WASHINGTON STATE BILL WOULD PROHIBIT MOTORCYCLE PROFILING The Confederation of Clubs, US Defenders and ABATE of Washington are seeking support for legislation that would condemn and prevent the widespread law enforcement practice of motorcycle

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 (Wulfekuhle v. Washington State Patrol). However, on November 23, 2009 the WSP, under oath, explicitly admitted that they profile members of motorcycle clubs and continue to use BIKER 101 as a training manual. This gross violation of a Washington State Superior Court injunction proves that the pattern of motorcycle profiling continues and that the WSP brazenly violates the liberties of motorcyclists even in the face of judicial reprimand. To curb such injustices, Rep. Steve Kirby (D-Tacoma) introduced HB 1333 on January 19 to require law enforcement agencies to adopt a written policy that condemns and prevents motorcycle profiling, review existing procedures, and institute training to address the issue of motorcycle profiling, which means using the fact that a person rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle-related clothes as a factor in deciding to stop and question, arrest, or search a person or a vehicle without legal basis. (Companion: SB 5242).

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could do only a little."
Edmund Burke (1729-1797), British statesman and philosopher

From Your Safety Director

I ran out of thoughts for the newsletter, so I'm running a poem from my son when he was only 16 years old.

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By Lou Sadoff

He got on his motorcycle
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Or a Burger King.
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A nice moist breeze.
Not the dry dusty wind
slapping his wind whipped face.
His bronze arms were steady poles,
his hands vices on the handlebars
revving the gas.
80 miles an hour,
And his head was slapping back.
Inertia.
115 miles an hour,

And it was whiplash.
His motorcycle jilted and rocked,
Skidded twenty-five feet
over the scalding hot pavement,
His knee was torn from its skeletal structure.
When finally the bike had stopped,
He looked up at the cirrus clouds
in the crimson-blue sky,
«What did I do to you?»
He asked.
Only one person was listening.
He was on the interstate highway,
And no one else was on the road.

In memory of our son Louis Eric Sadoff,
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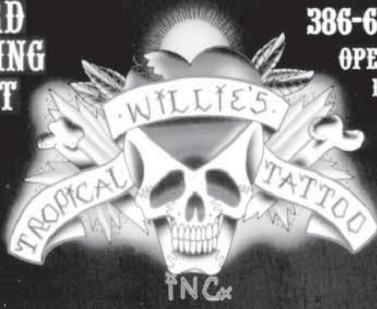


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To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning all motorcyclists rights.

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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at:

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