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## ***President's Message***



On Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> Los Coquis held their annual event at Mickey's in Pompano Beach. Even though it was a Saturday afternoon they must have had about 300 bikes show up and I have never seen that many bikes there on a Saturday. Shovelhead played the music and had the crowd rocking. When they played Santana's "Evil Ways" Smokey started to play the conga drums and Magilla started playing the bongos and they both brought down the house. Smokey and all the members put on a great party. It was just like I was at their house. For those who don't know where it's at, it's between Hollywood Blvd and Pembroke Road on the west side of Dixie Highway. Then look for the bikes. The Southeast Chapter of ABATE set up our Safety & Membership booth. It was our Safety Director Gambler's first time and he said he was looking forward to doing more.

Later that night the Southeast Chapter of ABATE held our monthly birthday party at Shanks Towne Tavern. For those of you who don't know it's located at 9588 Griffin Road in Cooper City. We had about 30 people show up to party and have some cake to celebrate the August birthdays. Hot Buttered Peace played the music. We have a birthday party each month at a different location all the time so check the ABATE newsletter where the next one will be and if it's your birthday month (or not) you can come celebrate and party with us.

On Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup> Mickey's held their 52nd Anniversary Party starting at 7:30. It started to rain about noon and I hoped the weather would break. By the time we left the house it had stopped and it turned out to be a nice night to take a group photo in front of the big American flag that's painted on the side of the building. Drew and The Sooner or Later Band played the music all night long and the BBQ that Lisa put out was awesome as always. I couldn't believe all the clubs and independents that showed up. Great job Lisa and her staff.

On Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of September The States MC of Pompano Beach put on their 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Tune-Up Party for the Peterson's Key West Poker Run. If you have never been to one of their parties then you missed a good one. Drew and The Sooner or Later Band played all day long even after the party was supposed to end. Wrench and all the States make you feel at home when you go to their house even for Thursday night dinner which for \$5.00 a plate is a bargain. The Southeast Chapter of ABATE set up our Safety and Membership booth and had a pretty good day. We signed up two members and to top it off I would like to thank the person who gave us a \$20.00 donation and didn't even take a bumper sticker. Thank you again.

On Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> the Southeast Chapter of ABATE held our monthly meeting. It was the first time in a while that I rode my bike to a meeting and don't you know that it would rain – go figure. After the meeting we took a ride (in the rain) with 7 bikes and 3 cages to Hurricane Wings & Grill where we will be having our 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Hurricanes in located on the NW corner of Pines Blvd and Palm Avenue in the old Kmart Plaza which is now the Tiger Direct Plaza. We will have a flag man to let you know where to turn, then look

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**\* PLEASE NOTE \***

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

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## **- REMINDER - Membership Due For October 2013 -**

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Fred Sutton III  
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## **Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes September 15, 2013**

Sgt @ Arms, Jimmy "Les" Lesniak called the meeting to order at 10:08 am. There were 33 members and 2 guests in attendance. The meeting started following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence and a prayer by our Chaplain "Poppie"

### **President's Report**

BARS thanked all members for coming, and thanked our Vice President Poppi for chairing last month's meeting for him. A special thanks for support from our brother MC's and Associations with representation today from the American Legion Riders, Scurvy Few MC Stateside Chapter, VVA 23, Legion Post 321, American Freedom Riders, Christian Motorcycle Association, Wings of Gold and Brothers of the Third Wheel. Next month our 33rd Annual Rights Rally will be held at Hurricane Grill and Wings in Pembroke Pines. Information will be given under the events trustees report. The following statement was made and all members were advised there would be no discussion on the matter. President BARS with unanimous agreement and support of the Executive Board stated in order for our chapter to remain solvent in these trying economic times a decision was made to:

Raise advertising rates 10% effective on October 1, 2013.  
Start a Chapter member donor support program, effective on October 1, 2013

Stop the mailing of the newsletter to member's homes effective on January 1, 2014. If you want the newsletter mailed to your home, the cost will be 20.00 per year. The newsletter will still be available for no cost on line or you can pick up a copy at one of our advertisers or any of the businesses that we deliver to. You may also qualify to receive a free newsletter if you want to help with the distribution of our newsletter.

Full details of all the new changes will be printed in the newsletter. Please take the time to review the changes. If you have any questions, please contact any member of the Executive Board. We all know the financial situation of the chapter, these steps are necessary to solidify our future, if we do not make these changes now, we will not be successful in our mission. In case you forgot our mission we are:

"American Bikers Aiming Towards Education"

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

Poppie thanked past President Johnny Rose for his suggestion to pass the hat at last month's meeting. The donations received will help greatly. Tax exempt status is in the works. This means when we make a donation to the chapter whether time or money, it will be tax deductible. Though not required we will give our 3 months to make a decision on whether they want the newsletter mailed to them or not. If they want the newsletter mailed to them we must receive their money prior to 1/1/14.

### **Secretary's Report**

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

### **Treasurer's Report**

Frank gave August's financial report. A motion was made to accept the financial report, all in favor motion passed.

### **Sergeant at Arms Report**

Jimmy Les reported he will need help at our event. We only have 3 events per year to raise the funds we need to operate and survive. Postal volunteered to tow the trailer to the event. BARS reported we will be cleaning out and reorganizing the trailer next Saturday 9/21/13. In addition we will be conducting a full inventory of all items in the trailer. If you can help out, please meet at the Davie Moose Lodge

at 1230pm.

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

Postal reported we are having a nice turnout for the Friday night group rides to support the MC's and the weather has been great. The more support we show the MC's the more support we will receive in return. They do remember who shows and who does not. Right after today's meeting we will be headed down to Hurricane Grill and Wings for lunch. Check the hotline for details for all chapter events

### **Safety Directors Report**

Gambler reported our safety booth was set up at both the States MC and Los Coqui MC events. Please be careful out there. This month there has been a rider who was struck by lightning while riding. He lived but when you see lightning try to seek shelter. Patriot Guard Member Jack "Angel" Regan was hit and killed by a drunk driver on 95 while enroute to a Patriot Guard Honor Mission. Please keep him and his family in your thought and prayers. BE CAREFUL OUT THERE Discussion followed on group riding and flyers were given out on the proper use of hand signals. "Don't gamble with your safety or the safety of others".

### **Products Report**

Joel reported we have products. If you need anything, feel free to give them a call at 954-818-4481.

### **Events Coordinator**

Shaky reported we are all set for October event which will be held at Hurricane Grill and Wings in Pembroke Pines. We will need everyone's help in order to be successful. Please meet at Hurricane Grill at 0930 on October 13th. In the past members who have volunteered and worked our events were not required to pay for entry. Due to today's economics all members will be required to pay. The only exception: if you have an ABATE event get in free card, these cards were given out to those who volunteered their time at the ABATE campground during Bike Week.

### **State Reps Report**

There was no state meeting last month. Next month's state meeting will be hosted by Hillsborough County Chapter – Spooks and Scoots. Meeting will be on Sat. Oct. 12th.

### **Membership Report**

George reported we have 618 on the rolls. New life mem-

bers are Allen Bruckner, Lyle Dodson, and Louis Wisnieski. We are still the largest chapter in the state. Reminder, when you get your renewal in the mail, PLEASE take the time to fill out completely, send it in timely and when you fill it out, please do it in a way that we can read it. Also if you receive a card from the Post Office that you have an article to sign for, see what it is. We have a member's new life card and patch which was returned for failure to pick up. They spent 150.00 for a Life Membership but their life card and patch sat at the post office for 15 days. It needed to be signed for. Since it was not signed for it was returned to the chapter. Also we have had a number of renewals returned for various reasons, moved no forwarding etc. if you change your address, please let us know. And our newest Life Member is George Torrence, he was given his life card and patch by our President BARS. Congratulations' to all.

### **Newsletter Editor**

Wildcat was excused BARS reported all articles, pictures etc must be submitted no later than our monthly meeting.

### **Legislative Report**

Brad was excused. No report.

### **Public Relations**

Fern was excused. You can always find her at an event promoting ABATE.

### **Advertising**

Pixie was excused. BARS reported we only have 1 outstanding invoice.

Support our advertisers, they support us.

### **Social Directors Report**

Wildcat was excused. BARS reported next month's birthday party will be held on 9/27/13 at Mickey's starting between 700pm and 800pm. Come on out and celebrate.

### **Newsletter Distribution**

Charlie was excused. BARS reported all is going well. Our deliverers are also doing a great job. For those who deliver, if you have any leftovers from the month before, please hold onto them. We can always use them at our events. There was a discussion concerning the timely mailing of the newsletter. Many members did not receive their newsletter until 9-14-13. This might be an issue since next month's 33rd Annual Rights Rally falls on Oct. 13th. And our flyer is on the cover.

### **Quartermaster's Report**

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Bob was excused. No report.

### Photographer's Report

Wildcat was excused. BARS reported to please send her pictures for the newsletter and also send the pictures to our web-master Rogue so he can put them on our web-site.

### Web-Master's Report

Rogue reported web is up and running. Closing in on 10,000 hits. He will be making a few changes to update and refresh our web-site. Reminder that all paid advertisers will also have their ad's posted on our web-site at no additional charge.

### Legal Council

Demetrious was excused. No report.

### Old Business

None

### New Business

None

### Good of the Order

Suzanne reported on probably what is not readily known. September 20th is MIA POW Remembrance Day. Please take a minute out of your day for a moment of silence in their honor.

Teddy Bear has bumper stickers courtesy of Bikers Against Drunk Drivers

Jimmy Les reported never lose faith in your fellow man. The story goes, in preparing to leave on vacation unknown person or persons left his and Suzanne's riding vests on the tongue of the trailer they were towing. Stopping for gas, he noticed there was only 1 vest left and it was not his. As time went on He received a call from JL who is former member of the Estero Chapter. A friend of JL's works for the state mowing grass found Jimmy's vest in the medium on 95. Bottom line is he got the vest back.

Many thanks and always keep the faith.

### Upcoming Events

Right after today's meeting, we are having a group ride to Hurricane Grill and Wings.

Sept. 20th. MIA-POW Remembrance Day.

Sept. 27th. ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter Birthday party @ Mickey's.

Sept. 29th. Keltics MC Event @ Cowboy's. Group ride meeting at here at the legion between 11 and 1200n. Kick stands up at 12:30pm

Oct. 5th. Mystic 7 MC event @ Mickey's

Sun. Oct. 13th. ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter 33rd Annual Rights Rally at Hurricane Wings and Grill. Meeting there at 0930 for set up.

Oct. 11, 12th, 13th. ABATE of Florida State meeting at Hillsborough. Spooks and Scoots.

Nov. 9th. Alan West's Veteran's Day Ride to the US Navy Seal's museum in Fort Pierce.

Check the hotline for updates. All Southeast Chapter Group Rides start at our American Legion Post 321 unless otherwise advised.

A motion was made to adjourn, seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned 11:10 am

These minutes were summarized and submitted by:

*Paul A. Melcer*

Secretary



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for the POW and American flags flying high. Park your bike and come party with the Southeast Chapter of ABATE.

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Remember,

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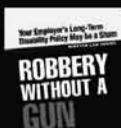
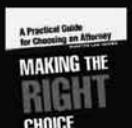
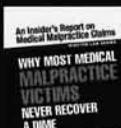
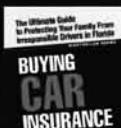


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**Saturday**

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## 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.

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## Vice-President

It's hard to believe its October already....this year is going so fast. Glad to say goodbye to a long hot summer!

We have a lot of things going on this month, our 33rd Annual, Spooks 'n Scoots, and the State Meeting in Brooksville. If you never been to a State Meeting this is one of the best parties that's great to go to, check it out.

There are some changes in our newsletter, that were brought up at our September chapter meeting. If you weren't there the changes are as follows:

- Price rate changes for advertising (see the newsletter)
- Better paper quality
- No more mailing to members, unless you pay for postage, \$20.00 per year. Mailing forms for mailing will be in the newsletter and on the web site, beginning in January 2014.
- We are also starting a Sponsorship Program.....details in the newsletter.

Remember you can get a newsletter at 28 locations in Miami Dade and Broward Counties. You can also get it online on our website and download it.

These changes will be for the better, and will generate funds really needed for our Chapter to stay financially self sufficient. These are things we've been talking about for quite a while, but never acted on them, now it's time we did. I really think they will help.

I thank you all for stepping up with donations, when past President Jonny Rose suggested we past the hat for our Chapter, we took in over \$300.00 A special thanks for Joel's son, who won the 50/50 and donated it all back to us. The Southeast Chapter of Abate has always come through when asked for help, that's why I love and respect our Chapter and all our Brothers and Sisters, and I am proud to be your V.P. and Chaplain and wear our Southeast Patch.

Your,  
V.P.  
Poppie

P.S.

The picture on page 16 of last month's newsletter that asks who's in the picture is Long time Life member and past V.P. Glen from Candy's cycles.

# Mickey's Bar



ABATE BIRTHDAY PARTY  
THANK YOU LISA!



*And Thanks to  
All who  
Came Out & Showed  
Their Support!!*



## GOODBYE TO ALL MY FRIENDS

*October will be my last month as the owner of Mickey's. I will be here for the Mystic 7 MC Annual on the 5th and the COC Bike Night on the 9th, and then a good-bye party on Fri the 11th.*

*At this time I am not sure if I will be staying at Mickey's as the manager but no matter what happens, I thank all of you who have supported Mickey's, Dave, Chelsea, Tyler and myself all these years.*

*This has been a long time coming since Dave's accident - I can no longer run the bar.*

*I love you all... Lisa Carter*

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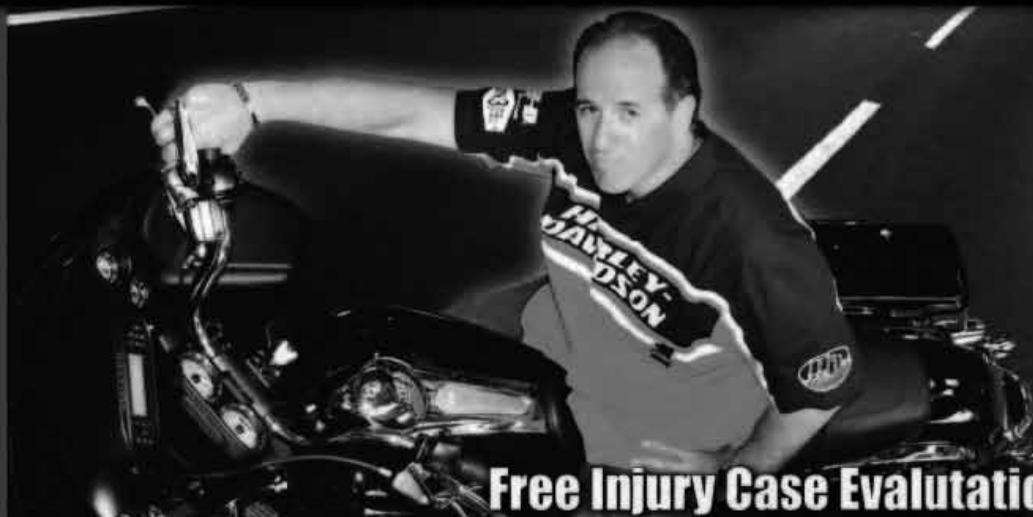
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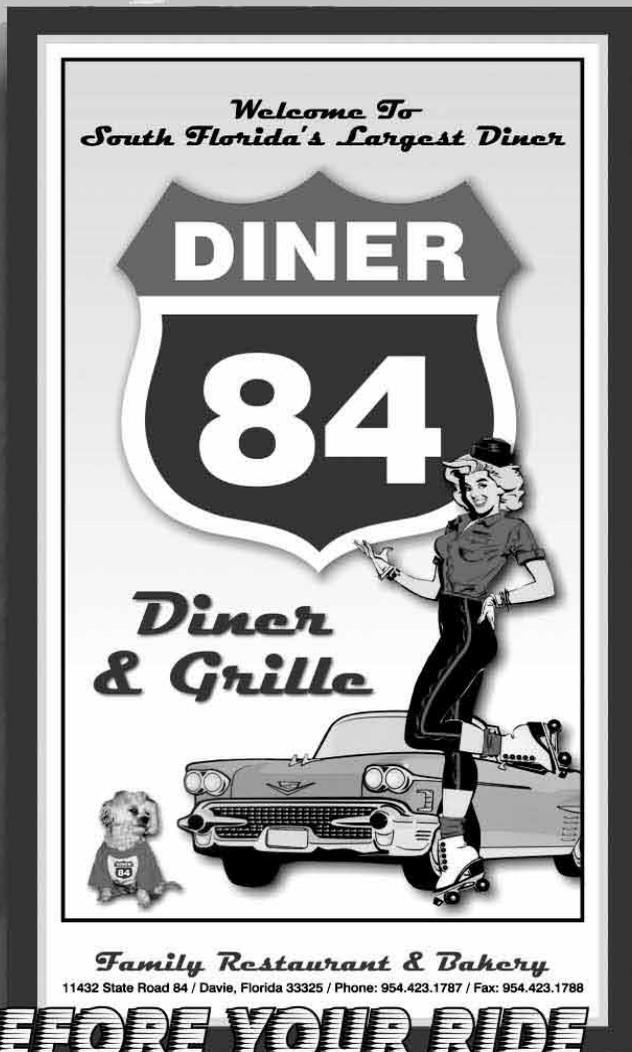
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ABATE has been around since 1972, after a been fighting for rider's rights ever since. So community, and join a group of motorcycle October 13th, at Hurricane Grill and Wings, Pines, is the 33rd annual rights rally, from sure your voice is heard.

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Also, Friday night is club night. There will be a ride leaving from the American Legion Post 321, at 830 PM on Friday night, to at least one of the local motorcycle clubs. Come out and show your support.

And always, until we meet again, ride safe and keep the shiny side up.

Daniel "Postal" Ortner – Road Captain



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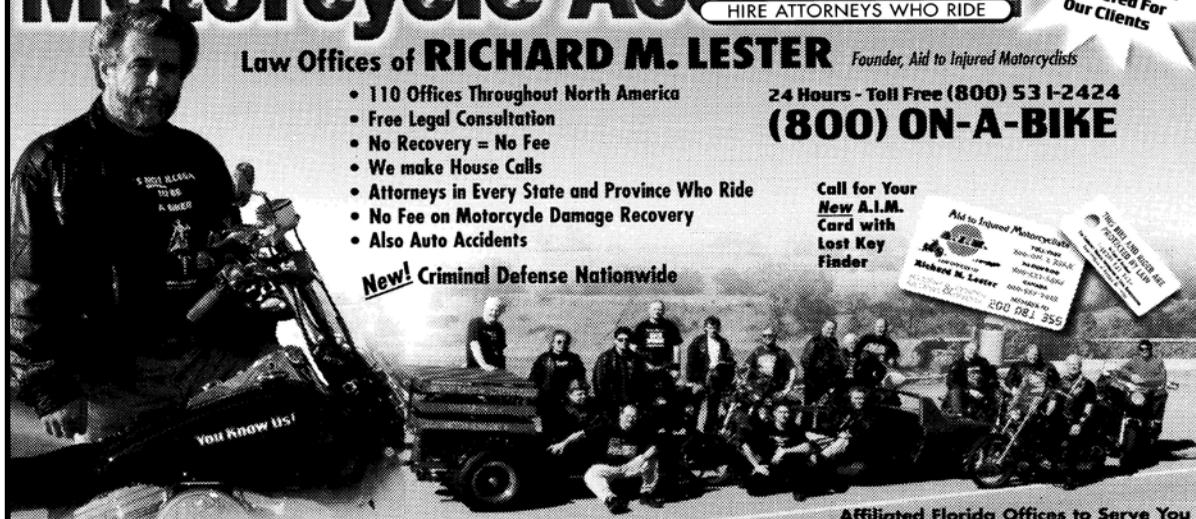
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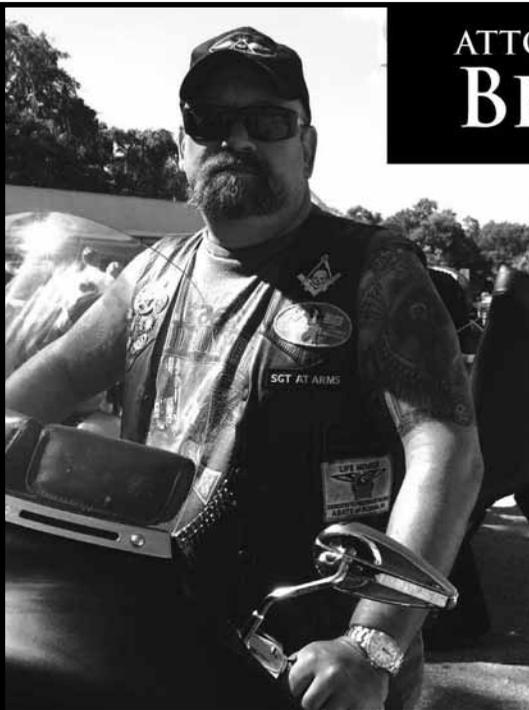
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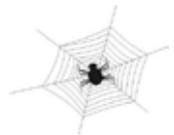
October

2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	4 Run to the Heartland Sebring, FL Begins →	5 Mystic 7 MC Annual Run to the Heartland Sebring, FL
6 Run to the Heartland Sebring, FL Ends	7	8	9	10 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	11 Spooks N' Scoots Begins See Info on Page 11	12 Spooks N' Scoots and State Meeting
13 <b>SE ABATE</b> Event at Hurricane Grill & Wings	14 Columbus Day	15	16	17 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	18 Biketoberfest Daytona, FL Begins →	19 Biketoberfest Daytona, FL Luke's Place Bike Night
20 <b>Chapter</b> <b>Meeting</b> Biketoberfest Daytona, FL Ends	21	22	23	24 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	25	26 <b>ABATE</b> <b>Birthday</b> <b>Party</b> <b>at Luke's</b>
27	28	29	30	31 		



**It's Party Time!**  
See Flyer on page 13 for More Details



### Additional Info:

October 12 - New Attitudes MC Party - See page 27

October 13 - ABATE SE Chapter's 33rd Annual - at Hurricane Grill & Wings - On Front Cover

October 26 - Wheels of Man MC Halloween Party - See page 27

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# November

2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	1  All Saints' Day	2
3  Daylight Saving Time Ends	4	5  Election Day	6	7 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	8	9 USMVMC Chapter 1 Annual CMA Memorial Event
10	11  Veteran's Day	12	13	14 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	15	16  Soldiers for Jesus MC Party
17  <b>Chapter Meeting</b>	18	19	20	21 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	22	23
24	25	26	27  Hanukkah Begins	28   HAPPY THANKSGIVING!	29	30  Luke's Place Bike Night



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# 2013 CALENDAR

MANDATORY ANNUAL CLUB EVENTS ARE LISTED IN BOLD



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## SEPTEMBER

- 7 - Outcast MC Party
- 8 - States Pompano MC 20th Key West Party
- ~~15 - Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & party - Cancelled~~
- 19-22 Peterson's 40th Key West Poker Run
- 29 - Keltics MC Party

## OCTOBER

- 5 - MYSTIC SEVEN MC Annual**
- 12 - New Attitudes MC Party
- 13 - SE ABATE Annual Party
- 18-20 Biketoberfest
- 26 - Wheels of Man Deerfield Halloween Party

## NOVEMBER

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

## DECEMBER

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



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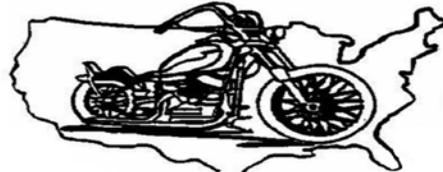
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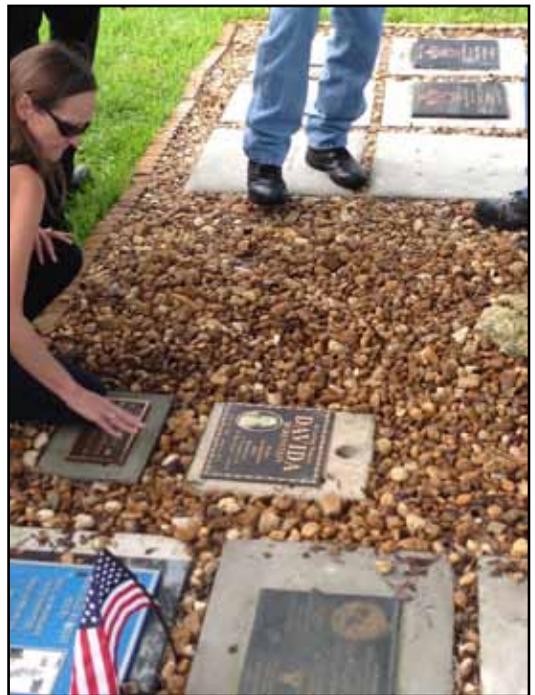
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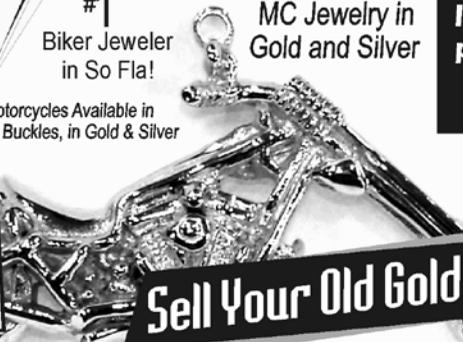


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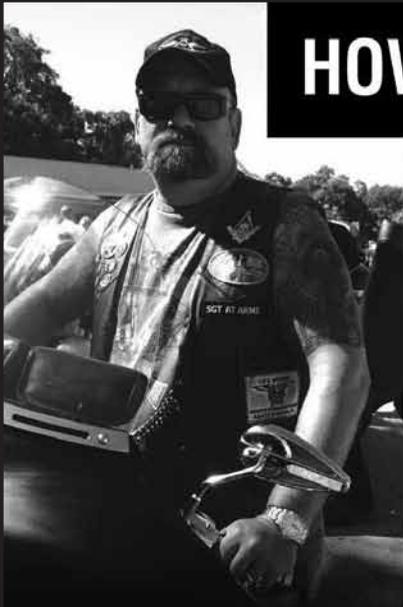
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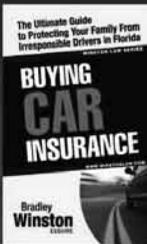
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## *The Lord's Timing*

God has His time for all things when you ask for His help. There is nothing He won't do for you if you ask. When you Pray for something God hears all Prayers, He answers all Prayer, the thing is the answer is not always the answer you want to hear, and sometimes not in the time that you want. But rest assured the answer will come, in His time and in His way. Remember God is never late and He's never early, He's always right on time.

God always has the time for all things.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 says,  
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a time to kill and a time to heal,  
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a time to weep and a time to laugh,  
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a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,  
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,  
a time to search and a time to give up,  
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a time to tear and a time to mend,  
a time to be silent and a time to speak,  
a time to love and a time to hate,  
a time for war and a time for peace.



If the Bible Verses sound familiar that's probably because, a song titled" Turn! Turn! Turn!" By the group The Byrds was inspired by them.

What I'm saying is as long as you have faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and believe that He is in control of all things, if you have needs and need help with anything, ask and you will receive, answers to all your Prayers will be granted. But remember You Must Have Faith.

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## From Your Safety Director



### - Taking Care of Your Bike -

Have you ever heard the cliché “Take care of your bike and your bike will take care of you”? It’s true! No one wants to break down miles from home and have to pay a hefty towing fee, and find out later the break down could have been prevented by performing a pre-ride safety check.

Remember Biketoberfest is this month and that my friend is not a short distance for most of us. Not just towing alone, but how about those repair costs? Hundreds and sometime thousands of dollars in repair costs can be prevented by taking a few minutes to check out your bike.

I found a chart on the Web site of the Motorcycle Safety Foundation titled “T-CLOCS Inspection Checklist.” I’m providing a partial list of what to check. Go to [www.msf-usa.org](http://www.msf-usa.org) under motorcycle safety tips for the complete chart that will give further explanation under each of these categories.

**T: Tires & Wheels.** Check tire wear and air pressure. Check rims, spokes, bearings and seals to make sure there are no leaks or damage.

**C: Controls.** Check handlebars, levers and pedals, cables, hoses, and throttle for their condition and are they functioning properly.

**L: Lights & Electric.** Check condition of the battery and operation of the headlamp, tail and break lamp, turn signals, switches, mirrors, lenses, and wiring.

**O: Oil & other Fluids.** Check levels of the engine oil, brake fluid, coolant, hydraulic fluid and fuel. Also inspect each of these for leaks.

**C: CHASSIS.** Check condition of frame, steering, and swingarm. Check the front forks and rear shocks. Check the chain or belt for proper tension and lubrication and condition.

**S: STANDS.** Make sure your center stand or side stand is working properly.

Remember, “Take care of your bike and your bike will take care of you”.

Until next time, don’t gamble with your safety or the safety of others.

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## **“2 MILLION BIKERS TO DC” TRUMPS “MILLION MUSLIM MARCH”**

A few dozen demonstrators attending a rally on the National Mall, once billed as the “Million Muslim March”, were vastly outnumbered by hundreds of thousands of motorcycle riders from across America participating in the “2 Million Bikers to DC” ride to honor September 11 victims and to counter the pro-Muslim rally that many said was inappropriate for such a solemn day in U.S. history.

The American Muslim Political Action Committee scheduled the rally to draw attention to what it said is an unfair and ongoing fear of Muslims after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Among the bikers, however, the provocatively scheduled rally was considered an insult to the nearly 3,000 people who died on Sept. 11, 2001, when Islamic terrorists hijacked three commercial jets and crashed them into the World Trade Center buildings in New York and the Pentagon in Arlington. Another hijacked plane headed for Washington, D.C. crashed near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

Though the biker gathering fell short of 2 million strong, some estimates ran as high as 880,000 riders, and “What began as an idea on Facebook quickly turned into a national movement thanks to social media and dedicated bikers from around the nation,” wrote the Examiner.com; and as bikers from as far away as the west coast began their journey to D.C., Twitter lit up with photos and videos showing thousands of bikes overflowing out of rest stops and parking lots as the hastily organized ride gained momentum.

So many turned out that plans to have them ride through the streets of the Capital had to be changed, particularly in light of the fact that local authorities denied a permit that would have provided the riders a police escort through traffic -- a sore spot with organizers who believe the denial was for political purposes.

“We didn’t need a permit in the first place,” National Event Organizer Belinda Bee told a local Fox News station, citing D.C. law; “it shall not be an offense to assemble or parade on a District street, sidewalk, or other public way, or in a District park, without having

provided notice or obtained an approved assembly plan.” So the event went on -- legally -- without the permit, although the group apologized to the public that “What could have been a one or two hour ride through” tied up Beltway traffic from early morning into the afternoon.

Co-founders Belinda Bee and “Top Fuel” Bill Williamson credited everyone who helped with the unprecedented success of this year’s ride, and promised another ride next year, “and every year for September 11.”

“Sending out a BIG Thank You to all who supported and cheered on the 2 Million Bikers to DC ride,” e-mailed Angel Richardson, a member of the NCOM Board of Directors who attended the hugely successful event; “We have a kick ass bunch of patriots!”

## **CHRISTIAN AND VETERAN BIKERS SUE OVER BEING THROWN OUT OF FAIR**

Motorcyclists who were thrown out of the Florida State Fair for displaying their love of America and Christianity on their vests must amend their lawsuit, a federal judge has ruled.

According to Courthouse News, Mark Denico, Thomas Griswold Jr., Timothy Newberry and Dennis Walsted had arrived at the Florida State Fair on Feb. 7, 2010. Denico and Griswold are members of the U.S. Military Vets Motorcycle Club, while Newberry and Walsted belong to the Spirit Riders Motorcycle Ministry. Walsted said he was planning to “lead all the motorcyclists in prayer once inside the fair,” but he and the others were escorted out once they paid for admission. Fair rules ban gang colors or signs, and members of the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office told the quartet that they could not enter the fair while wearing vests with the patches indicating motorcycle club membership.

Tampa Bay Times reported that approximately 50 bikers from numerous clubs were turned away that day. In their subsequent lawsuit, the four accused law enforcement and fair officials of violating their First Amendment rights to freedom of association and religion.

U.S. District Judge Virginia Hernandez Covington nevertheless dismissed the complaint without prejudice because it failed to specifically indicate claims

under the federal civil right law Section 1983, which creates a private right of action for civil damages. The fair demonstrated that the “plaintiffs’ naked reference to § 1983 is insufficient for defendants or this court to assume that they intended to bring [counts one through nine] under its rubric,” according to the ruling. “Plaintiffs may have identified constitutional rights alleged to have been violated, but have failed to allege causes of action associated with those violations,” Covington added.

The judge also declined to give the plaintiffs an injunction restraining the defendants from “ordering, compelling, bullying, requesting, coercing, or threatening a member of a motorcycle club or motorcycle ministry to remove their vests with ‘patches’ on them signifying membership within a particular organization.” Injunctions are appropriate only if plaintiffs can show they will continue to be harmed during the course of litigation, according to the ruling. “Conspicuously absent from the operative complaint is any allegation that the plaintiffs intend to return to the Florida Stair Fair wearing their prohibited patches or that the plaintiffs face specific future harm at the hands of the defendants,” Covington wrote. Vaguely alleging that “the Florida State Fair Authority will continue to selectively exclude certain motorcyclists from the fair” is not sufficient to reach the standard for an injunction, the court ruled, and so the club members must amend their complaint before moving forward with the lawsuit.

#### MOTORCYCLIST FINED FOR TIRE TREADS

A New York rider who set out for a Friday the 13th motorcycle trip to Port Dover, Ontario told local CTV News that he was unfairly ticketed and pulled off the roads by Waterloo Regional Police in Canada. Jeff Selby of Elmira, NY claims the officers were excessive in their punishment after a routine roadside check found the tread on his motorcycle tires was point five millimeters under code.

Selby says he offered to drive his bike straight to a repair shop to have the tire replaced but the officers said no. “He goes it doesn’t matter. Your bike will be off the road as of today. We’re gonna take your plate, we’re gonna charge you and you’re gonna have to get a tow truck.”

Selby told the news station that he understands the safety concerns but says he has a clean driving record and deserves a warning first, and that the five hundred

or more dollars he’s now facing in fines, relicensing fees and towing cost is exorbitant. Police there say the law is the law and you can’t put a price on safety, adding that when it comes to safety there’s no room for warnings or second chances and it’s their responsibility that’s on the line.

The legal regulation for tires on any motorized vehicle is that they have to have at least 1.5 millimeters of tread on the majority of the tires circumference.

**SIKH-ING HELMET EXEMPTIONS DOWN UNDER**  
On April 23, 2013, Queensland became the fourth Australian province to exempt bicyclists from the Sikh community from wearing a helmet. Calling it a “common-sense approach,” Queensland transport minister Scott Emerson said, “By amending the Queensland Road Rules, we will join Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia which also have this exemption.”

Now, Sikh motorcycle riders are seeking exemption from helmet laws as well. Harpreet Singh, who is originally from New Delhi, told ABC News that he has not ridden a motorbike since moving to Tasmania in 2008 because of the legal requirement to wear a helmet. Members of the Sikh faith wear turbans for religious reasons and do not want to remove them. “I have ridden motorbikes all my life and in India it is allowed and even in the UK, Canada and the US, Sikhs can ride a bike with a turban on.”

Anti-discrimination commissioner Robin Banks says it would be better to exempt the entire Sikh religion, in order to avoid the situation where every Sikh has to apply for an exemption and then prove they have one if they are stopped by the police. She too points to other parts of the world where similar changes have been made: “In Canada there’s been human rights cases that have decided that instead of having to wear a motorbike helmet, or even a safety helmet on building sites, [they] are permitted to wear their turbans.”

The Tasmanian Government says the transport commissioner has the power to exempt individuals from wearing a helmet.

In Tasmania, the fine for not wearing a helmet is \$140 and three demerit points.

**ACCIDENTS POSSIBLY LINKED TO BRAIN MISCAL-**

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## CULATIONS

Incidences of cars pulling out in front of motorcyclists run regularly in headlines -- locally, statewide and throughout the nation -- and there could be a scientific reason. Recent research by a Texas Tech University psychologist suggests that the regularity of this problem isn't necessarily a case of poor driving or carelessness, but may be related to a basic human judgment error.

Pat DeLucia, the coordinator of the Human Factors Psychology Program, said her results show that small, near objects can appear farther away than larger, farther objects. The study is published in the peer-reviewed scientific psychology journal "Current Directions in Psychological Science."

An interest in softball prompted DeLucia to study how the human brain perceives objects, their size and motion and an object's time to impact. Her finding -- that an object's size affects distance perception -- may be the basis explaining why car drivers miscalculate motorcyclists' distance and speed.

Many times, the brain interprets objects with a larger retinal image as closer. Since motorcycles are smaller than cars, DeLucia said the brain may use this shortcut to judge a smaller motorcycle farther away than it actually is.

This size-arrival effect can lead drivers to misjudge when a vehicle would arrive at an intersection and could be considered a contributing factor in motorcycle/vehicle accidents.

DeLucia hopes to find funding from the Texas Department of Transportation to create an educational program to inform drivers of her findings and reduce the incidents of these types of accidents.

## HONDA TOUTS TECHNOLOGY TO CUT MOTORCYCLIST FATALITIES

Honda North America executives announced that the Japanese automaker hopes two experimental safety technologies it is testing could help reduce pedestrian and motorcycle deaths by the end of the decade. By equipping a car and smartphone with wireless dedicated short range communications technology, Honda said it can alert both a driver and pedestrian, or motorcycle rider, of an impending collision.

Vehicle-to-Pedestrian and Vehicle-to-Motorcycle technologies are still in the early development and testing stages, but Honda intends to integrate the advanced collision sensing and predictive technologies into their vehicles through a special licensed radio band that allows cars to send and receive messages from surrounding vehicles. The system that might be an app one day on a smartphone is capable of alerting drivers that a pedestrian or motorcycle is near, even if the driver can't see them, in time to avoid a collision.

Jim Keller, chief engineer for Honda R&D Americas, Inc. said connected vehicle technology could be on the road by 2020, and the technology would be much cheaper than implementing cameras and other safety systems equipped on vehicles today.

Honda is one of eight automakers involved in a federal vehicle-to-vehicle communication study which began a year ago in Ann Arbor with the help of the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute and has been extended six months.

## WEIRD NEWS: BLIND DISABLED MOTORCYCLIST SETS SPEED RECORD

The dangers of riding a motorcycle are obvious even to able-bodied operators, yet blind, disabled Scottish biker Stuart Gunn threw caution to the wind by setting a new world record by clocking 167.1 mph.

Gunn is a real world Daredevil, and with a little help from his father, Geoff, the pair ride together and dad cheerfully informs his son if he's drifting or should brake, assisting his blind and paralyzed-from-the-waste-down son to beat world speed records.

"I hope this proves to people that just because you are blind or have a disability, doesn't mean it should change or limit your life," says Gunn, the World's Fastest Blind Motorcycle Rider.

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