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Sunday
September 18, 2011**



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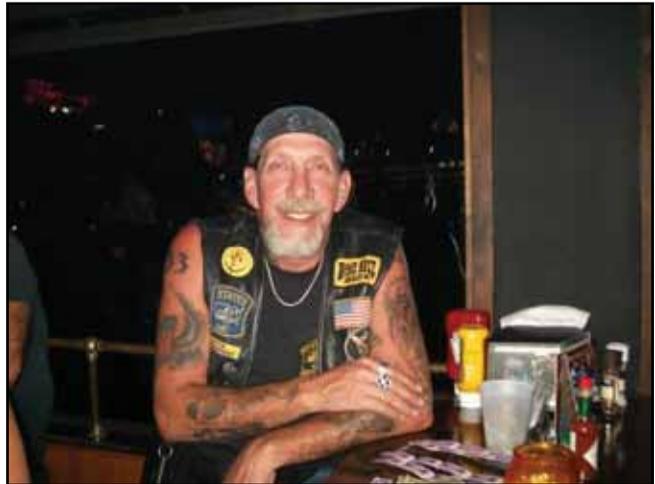
President's Thoughts

No news to report on in Tallahassee since they're all on vacation...Yeah sure. Anyway we had our first Biker Appreciation Party at Mickey's Bar in Pompano. We had about 39 or 40 of us show up to hang out and party Saturday night on August 20, 2011. It was nice to see so many ABATE members there. This is one way we can say thank you to Dave and Lisa for all they do for ABATE. The band they had was great too!

ABATE would also like to THANK Tattoo Dave and The WINGS OF GOLD for giving ABATE a table at the 16th Annual South Florida Tattoo Expo for our products and membership.

That's all for now.....so be safe and be strong, it's tough out there.

Peace, Johnny Rose



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Thanks if you have already renewed

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ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes, Aug. 21, 2011

Assistant Sgt. @ Arms Jimmy Les called the meeting to order at 10:10 am with 45 members, 2 guests & no At-Large members. Total attendance: 47. The meeting started following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence for the men and woman serving our country and a prayer by Tumbleweed.

Presidents Report

Johnny thanked all for coming. A special Thank You to Wings of Gold President Tattoo Dave for allowing our Safety and Membership Trustees have a table at the South Florida Tattoo Expo. On a sad note, Wrench a member of the States MC was involved in an accident. He is currently at North Broward Medical Center. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. We had a great time at Mickey's last night.

Vice-Presidents Report

Old Hippy reminded all our members with this heat, stay hydrated and be very careful out there.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made to accept the minutes of July's meeting as printed in the newsletter with the following corrections: Minutes are from the July's meeting not June's and Frank Hammons name was misspelled. It is Hammons not Hammond. Motion seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Joe read July's financial report. A motion was made, seconded to accept the Treasurers report. All in favor, motion passed.

Sergeant at Arms Report

Assistant Sgt @ Arms Jimmy Les reminded all members to ride safe and responsibly. Make sure your bike is in good mechanical shape, tires etc. Lost of rainstorms pop up so increase your distance between the bike and cage in front of you. We will be having a GI party at either Gimpy or Jimmy Les's house to unload the trailer, take a full inventory and re-organize the trailer. Check the hotline for the time and place.

Road Captain's Report

Frank was not present.
Please check the hotline for run updates and important information.

Safety Directors Report

Gimpy reported we had a great turn out at the Tattoo Expo and last night at Mickey's. Steve reported schools open starting tomorrow. Give yourself at least 15 extra minutes when going to work. Tickets

will be issued if you are caught speeding in a school zone. But more importantly watch out for the children to help keep them safe.

Products Report

Jackie reported we did very well selling products at Mickey's last night. We have products and you do not have to wait for our monthly meeting if you need something. Her number is in the newsletter. She is looking for suggestions for patches.

Events Coordinator

Jackie reported everyone had a great time at Mickey's last night. Special thanks to Lynn Hara for her special 50/50 selling techniques and to Jimmy Les who loves to speak into a microphone. Our October event will be held at Mickey's on the 30th. Information will be out shortly.

State Reps Report

Chris reported on the state meeting. Full details are available in the Masterlink.

Discussions were held on the following: Stiffer Penalties, public parking equal access, and the need to focus on the local issues, which affects motorcyclists. For example in July Paul Sermons in Sumter County was sentenced to 4 life sentences for killing 4 motorcyclists. Now we have Lake County's Bruce Duncan who had Florida State Representative H. Marlene O'Toole (R), Circuit Court Judges G. Richard Singeltary and T. Michael Johnson, President Of Lake-Sumter Community College Dr. Charles Mojock, Tavares City Administrator John Drury, Executive Director of Lake EMS Jim Judge and 14 other community leaders listed as defense witnesses in the upcoming hearing. It should be noted that on 8/18/11 Jim Judge contacted ABATE of Florida stating he did not feel it was appropriate in his position to testify in this matter and has notified the States Attorney of the same. On 10/17/09 Steve Muller was killed in a crash allegedly caused by Duncan. Duncan's blood alcohol was twice the legal limit and a ½ empty bottle of vodka was found in his truck according to FHP reports. Not being able to reach a plea, it is believed Duncan will plead "No Contest" or "Guilty" at his hearing. Then his attorneys will ask all the witnesses to speak on Duncan's behalf and character asking the judge to be lenient in sentencing for taking Mullen's life instead of sentencing him to the maximum time allowed by law for DUI manslaughter. These are the issues where ABATE members must show up in court and support the family's involved. We will keep you posted on this very important issue.

Next state meeting is at Hillsborough County – Spooks and Scoots. One of the best state events you can attend. Since the state legislature is starting up earlier than normal, next years Tallahassee run to the capitol will be held on the 2nd weekend in February. So dress warmly as the last time it was held in February the air temperature was 40 degrees. Bike week for 2012 starts on

March 9, 2012. As in years past ABATE will be at the campground, but due to a decrease in attendance, the campground will be smaller than usual. Either way when you go to Bike Week the only place to stay is at the ABATE Campground.

Membership Report

George reported a total of 618 members. Life Member cards were received for John Lefkowitz, Nancy and Don Hunt. We are still the largest chapter in the state. When you fill out your renewals or receive applications for new members, please make sure the application is legible. It really does help.

Newsletter Editor

Wildcat reported all articles; contributions, pictures etc are due by the 20th of each month.

We need advertisers. No matter where you go, ask them to take out a business card ad. This is the best bang for their buck. We still have one of the lowest advertising rates around.

Legislative Report

Jimmy Les reported on the importance on getting involved with the court cases.

Public Relations

Fern was excused. Johnny reported the cut off time for any information, which needs to be on the hotline, is midnight on Mondays.

Advertising

Hope was excused. Terry is home from the hospital but having a tough time. Give him a call to say "Hello" and help cheer him up.

Social Directors Report

Karin reported everyone had a great time at Mickey's last night. Next month's birthday party is right here at the legion. As usual the party starts between 700pm and 800pm. please come on out. She has a birthday list in the back; check to make sure your information is correct. If you are not on her list, your birthday will not be recognized. If you cannot make it to a meeting to check the list, just give her a call. Her number is in the newsletter.

Newsletter Distribution

Karin reported she still needs help with our newsletter distribution to Dade County. If you work down there or have relatives you visit in Dade County and can help her out, please let her know

Quartermaster's Report

Bob Anz reported that everything was 100%.

Photographer's Report

Axman reported he gave Mike a disc with over 1000 pictures for the web site.

Web-Master's Report

Mike reported the web site is up and running. There is a classified area where any member that has something to sell, can post it on the web. This is free to our members. Mike and Jimmy Les will be working on an e-mail distribution list.

Legal Council

Demetrios reported on the importance on following the court cases that affect motorcyclists. We will be tracking the court web site in order to follow up on accidents or incidents where motorcyclists are involved especially in Broward and Dade County's. . This information will be passed on to our members. We will be looking for members who have the time to show up in court to show support. In order to make a difference in sentencing etc. we need to make a commitment and a major showing of ABATE members when the need arises. 1 or 2 members showing up will not make that much of a difference to a judge in sentencing, but when 20 to 30 members show up, it will make a difference.

Old Business

Jackie contacted Casey from Cycle lab. We are still trying to find "Artie" who was the chapter historian years ago. We will keep you updated as information becomes available.

New Business

None

Good of the Order

Karin reported she has a page in the newsletter listing all of our members who are sick and in need. If you know of any member who is sick please let her know. If you know of anyone on the list who you have not talked to in a while, now is the time to say "Hello".

El Coqui Motorcycle Association will be hosting a block party and combination ABATE party on 10/1/11 at their clubhouse located at 1206 S. Dixie Hwy in Hollywood. ABATE members are asked to bring any items you want on the grill etc. There will be no charge for ABATE members, those who are not members can join on the spot and then not pay anything. Special thank you to El Coqui President JR and Vice President Louis for putting this together.

On the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, our South Florida Outlaws have an open house at the Tiki Bar as long as it does not interfere with their chapter business. In other words, if the gate is closed, there is business, if the gate is open, party time and all are welcome.

9/3/11- Fundraiser at Mickey's. We will head to Mickey's then

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OldHippy's Corner



Well, if you didn't know yet, after five years of cultivation I cut my hair and just like Samson, who got his cut, did not come without some sort of retribution. Samson lost his strength, I just got stupid. In most industries there is what is called PPE, or personal protection equipment, which can be anything as simple as eye protection and gloves to foot wear to help reduce injuries. Well that is where I got stupid, I have been harping on all the riders I have seen that do not wear long pants and proper foot wear about the exposure that can be subjected to as rider burns from pipes and so on. I even saw, can you believe a dude on a Goldwing in shorts and flip-flops once. Granted the bike is encased in plastic, but somewhere down the line you got to put your foot down which anybody, who has worn them, can tell you they can make you fall on your ass when the surface is slick and wet. Mine was just a simple of case of not wearing shoes at all and dragging an old large boat of an Anchor TV out to the curb for bulk pickup in our neighborhood. I was in a rush because the truck arrived before 0700 hrs and I only had a half cup of coffee down me which I'm sure clouded my judgment a little. Dressed in only a pair of shorts that accented the white legs that haven't seen the sun in a coon's age, I grabbed the TV by the cord and proceeded down to the street dragging the dead TV. All was going well till almost the end when, I guess I pulled a little too hard, sending the unit into my unprotected large toe on my right foot. After using a ton of four letter metaphors and looking like a person doing an audition for River Dance, I looked down to see that I had managed to take the toe nail up about 30 degrees and bleeding. OUCH! Well I bandaged it and sacrificed an old pair of Sperry Topsiders that I have had for over 10 years so I can at least walk around, but once again it took this incident to remind me of the effect of not being careful and wearing that right stuff for the job. Granted it seemed like it was a nothing task but it shows that anything can happen no matter how simple it can be.

This brings me to the reason that I am telling this stupid act on my part. We all have a choice, sometimes, for whatever reason we make decisions that can have an effect on ourselves as well as others and it is in these times we can make a decision that, unfortunately, made in haste can lead to events that we did not foresee, like mine for example. Mine was not wearing shoes and being in a hurry, ours as a biker riding could be; burns for exhaust caused by wearing short pants, not having proper eye protection in case something might fly in your face, riding on that tire that you know needs to be replaced, deciding to ride when you know you have had a little too much to drink and so on.

We need to stop and think before doing and constantly reminding ourselves that we need to look a little further than the moment. In some cases it is a like Newton's third law; "For every action there is (in our case, "could be) an equal and opposite reaction".



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OldHippy



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December 10, 2011, at 12 noon.

The U.S. Military Vets M/C, along with the Air Force Association Gold Coast Chapter 351, and the Patriot Guard, are hosting this event for the 4th year in a row and we would like to take this time to invite everyone to come out and REMEMBER with us the sacrifices that were given for our freedom.

Currently there are over 8,000 veterans in this cemetery, and each year we have been blessed to be able to increase our sponsorship through various individuals, clubs and sponsorship. Please help us reach our goals to one year cover the entire cemetery. Last year was a record breaking event, THANKS TO YOU. For every two wreaths purchased, we receive a third from the Wreaths Across America Organization. Sponsor a wreath for just \$15 each (no limit) to honor all veterans - **Deadline for Submissions November 11, 2011 - Veterans Day!** Please make checks payable to: Wreaths Across America, c/o Bill "Can-Do" Rugg, 2356 NW 37 Avenue, Coconut Creek, FL 33066

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A Special Message!!

I hope everyone will help contribute to this article and let me know when someone is sick or injured.

We usually find out at meetings about these kinds of things and by the time we get a card and have it signed another month has gone by. It will be not much different having this article, but a lot more members will know which one of us is in need of a friend and we can either visit or call to let them know we care. This is our first month and I have five brothers to write about, but we all wish there would be many months with nothing to report.

Donny Williams Mystic 7 MC - Memorial Hospital due to a bike accident.

“Wrench” States MC - N Broward Hospital due to a bike accident.

“Pouchie” El Coqui MG - recuperating at home due to a bike accident hit & run, but caught.

Terry “The Blindman” had surgery and is still stuck in the house.

Raul “El Diablo” Acosta had an accident, getting better and is recuperating at home.

Lionel “Primo” Arista had an accident a while back and is fighting to get better.

“Jester” had an accident awhile back too. He looks like he is doing very well and back to riding again.

And let’s not forget about Chris Brennan our former Road Captain who is still in rehab.

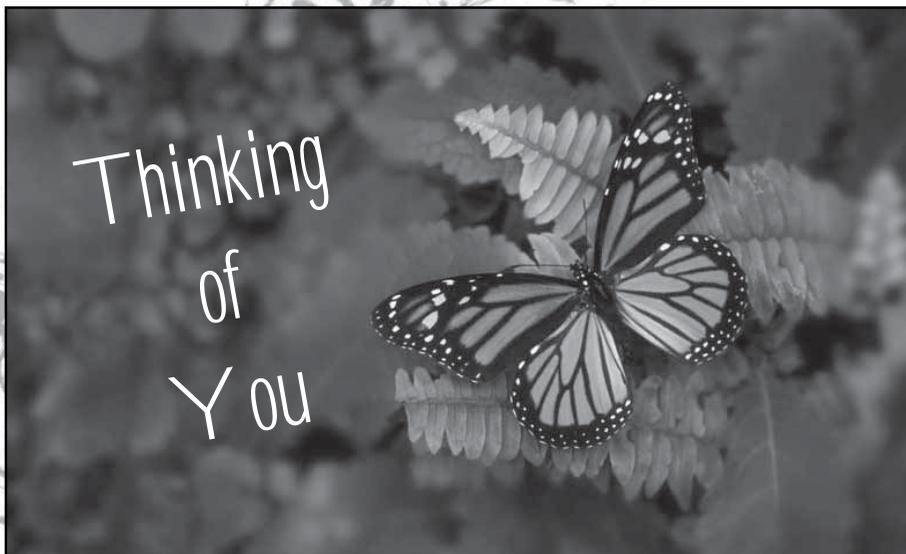
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We just want you to know that we’re thinking of you, wish you all the best, and hope you’ll be well soon!

Thank you,

Ride Safe and Free

Karin



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down to the legion for our birthday party.

9/4/11 – American Legion Post 142 will be holding the Bo Rainey Memorial run to support Death with Dignity. Meeting at Shelby's restaurant in Deerfield at 900am for breakfast. This is a police escorted ride to Ft. Lauderdale. The donation is \$20.00

9/11/11- Our American Legion Post 321 will be holding the "9/11 Remembrance Day Poker Run". Breakfast at 900am, registration at 930am with KSU (Kick Stands Up) at 1130am. Returning to the post at 400pm. Hand's are 10.00 each with all proceeds benefiting the Forgotten Soldiers Outreach and OUR American Legion Post 321.

Again this year Wreath's Across America will be raising money to place a wreath on the graves of our service men and women at the South Florida National Cemetery in Lake Worth. Each wreath costs 15.00. You can purchase one yourself for a loved one or we will be passing the hat in the coming months to make a purchase on behalf of the chapter.

The hat was passed to raise money for 2 of our members in need. Terry the Blind Man and Poochie. Special thanks to all members who contributed.

A motion was made, seconded to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:22am.

These minutes were summarized and submitted by:

Paul A. Melcer
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Happy Birthday!

Hello All,

Our August Birthday Party @ Mickey's had a great turnout again. Thanks to Dave & Lisa for having us. There were 39 of you at the Biker Appreciation/Birthday party. My thank you to all and to the staff for the great service.

The September Birthday Party will be on Sept 3rd, I know its Labor Day weekend, but if you are not out of town please come and celebrate with us. This month we will be at the American Legion Post 321 (where we have our monthly meetings).



We'll meet at the same time as always between 7-8pm and for directions check the news letter or listen to the hotline please.

Happy Birthday to all those below, please come and have fun at YOUR party!

Brian McNamara

Rick Jordan

Lynn Hara

Elwin Bernard

Mark Bender

Tony Montana

"Devil Dog"

"Call Girl"

"Big Chief"



Steve Thomas

Ben Stravato "Rogue"

Joe Baker

Hope Lanuis

Juan Fernandez

Ron Anania

Remember if your name is not included, please contact me. Birthday information is not automatic when you register to be a member. Please see me at any meeting, or give me a call if your name is not on our list. Send info to karin.rylands@att.net or call 954-430-0487.

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Flyer pg 50 **SATURDAY OCTOBER 1st, 6pm-?** Flyer pg 50
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Vice Prez

Let's start out by saying that we have had a hot and wet summer thus far, which has made it a little more of a challenge along with other things like the financial situation that some of us are in to ride. Well, at least we did not have our riding interrupted like the happening that has accrued in the northeast. Not only have they got the snow, they got storms and even an earth quake, but now they got Irene to contend with. It has to be really tough to be a rider up there. I am happy to report that this Chapter of Abate of Florida is on a mission, but we are going to need a little help from the members to make this happen. We need your help in many directions and anything you can do will help us and all in the riding community.

One thing is, we are planning to follow several cases in the legal system that involves riders that have been injured or have died due to the neglect of a cager who caused it. We want to give support to the families and also be there to make sure that justice is served and the punishment fits the action. We are tired of our brothers and sisters being mauled or killed and the person responsible be hit with a slap on the wrist! This is where you can get help, lets us know of any cases you think our presence can help and also we are also setting up a place on our web site (www.abatese.org) where you can sign up for notices of hearings and other important information. We need representatives at these hearings, to be there to show support for the fallen rider. This would show the system that we are concerned the way bikers are treated.

Hope everybody had a safe eventful Labor Day and participated in one of many 9/11 Memorial events that were out there.

Note: If you have not seen me riding for a while check out OldHippy's Corner and he will explain.

Till next month...

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OldHippy



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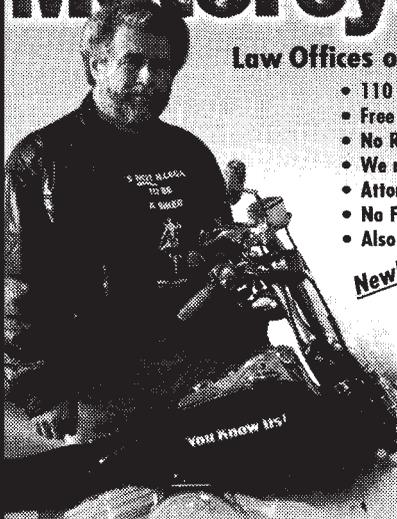
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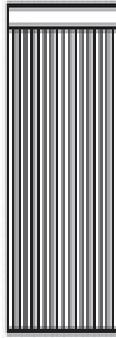
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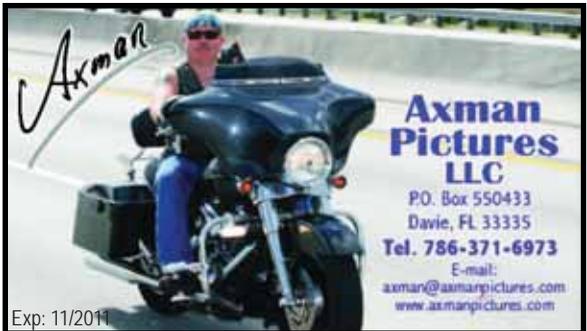
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				1 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite, Bikini's & Live Music	2	3 ABATE Birthday Party at American Legion Post 321
4 The Bo Roney Memorial Ride to Benefit Death with Dignity - See Flyer Page 37	5	6	7 Mickey's Bike Night	8 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite, Bikini's & Live Music	9 Outcasts MC Party Cancelled	10 Luke's Place Bike Night
11 American Legion Post 321 Poker Run 9/11 Remembrance Day	12	13	14 Mickey's Bike Night	15 Phil Peterson's 38th Annual Key West Poker Run Begins	16 →	17
18 ABATE Chapter Meeting Wings of Gold MC Miami	19	20	21 Mickey's Bike Night	22 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite, Bikini's & Live Music	23	24 Enforcers MC Gold Coast Chapter See pg 19
25 Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & Party	26	27	28 Mickey's Bike Night	29 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite, Bikini's & Live Music	30	

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Additional Info:

September 3rd - USMV MC Wreaths Across America Kick-Off Fundraiser at Mickey's 6pm

September 11 - States MC Pompano - 18th Annual Key West Tune-Up Party

September 15-18 - Phil Peterson's 38th Annual Key West Poker Run

September 18 - Wings of Gold MC Miami "After Key West Party"

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OCTOBER

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Mickey's Bike Night	Cafe' 27 Bike Nite, Bikini's & Live Music		1 Mystic 7 MC Annual
2 "New" Rough Riders MC Annual	3	4	5 Mickey's Bike Night	6 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite, Bikini's & Live Music	7	8 Luke's Place Bike Night
9 AOAMC Treasure Coast Party	10	11	12 Mickey's Bike Night	13 16th Annual Daytona Biketoberfest Begins	14 →	15 Luke's Place Bike Night
16 ABATE Chapter Meeting Keltics MC Miami Party	17	18	19 Mickey's Bike Night	20 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite, Bikini's & Live Music	21	22 USMV MC Homestead Benefit Party
23 ABATE SE 31st Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally	24	25	26 Mickey's Bike Night	27	28	29 Wheels of Man MC 38th Annual Halloween Party
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SEPTEMBER

- 3 - USMV MC Wreaths Across America..... (Date change)
- 9 (Friday) - Outcast MC Party..... (CANCELLED)
- 11 - States Pompano MC 18th Key West Tuneup party
- 15-18 Phil Peterson's 38th Annual Key West Poker Run
- 18 - Wings of Gold MC Miami "After Key West party"
- 25 - Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & party

OCTOBER

- *1 - *Mystic Seven MC Annual*..... (DATE CHANGE)
- *2 - *Rough Riders MC Annual*..... NEW
- 9 - AOA MC Treasure Coast party
- 13-16th Daytona Biketoberfest (Note: originally 20-23rd)
- 16 - Keltics MC Miami party
- 22 - USMV MC Homestead benefit party
- 23 - SE ABATE 31st Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally
- 29 - Wheels of Man MC 38th Annual Halloween party
- *30 - *Alternative Treasure Coast Annual*

NOVEMBER

- *6 - *USMVMC National 24th Annual*
- 12 - Soldiers for Jesus MC party
- 13 - Wings of Gold MC Palm Beach party
- *20 - *CMA Memorial Annual Event*
- 27 - Heaven Cycles 34th Anniversary party
- 27 - USMV MC Martin County Toy Run

DECEMBER

- 4 - ABATE West Palm Beach Annual
- 10 - USMVMC Wreaths Across America ceremony
- *11 - *24th Annual SFPC Christmas Toys in the Sun Run*
- 17 - Drawing for the Toy Run bike at H-D of Miami
- 17 - SFLCOC Christmas Dinner party
- 17 - Wings of Gold MC West Palm Toy Drive
- 18 - Calvary Chapel 12th Annual Christmas Service



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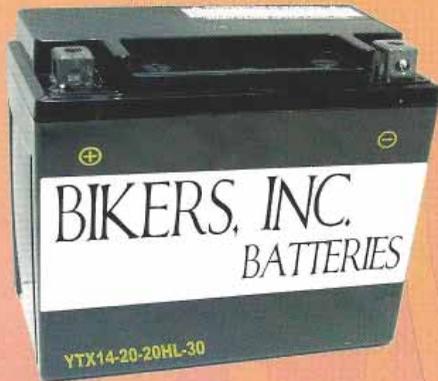
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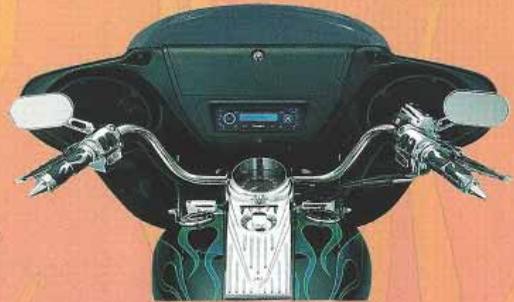
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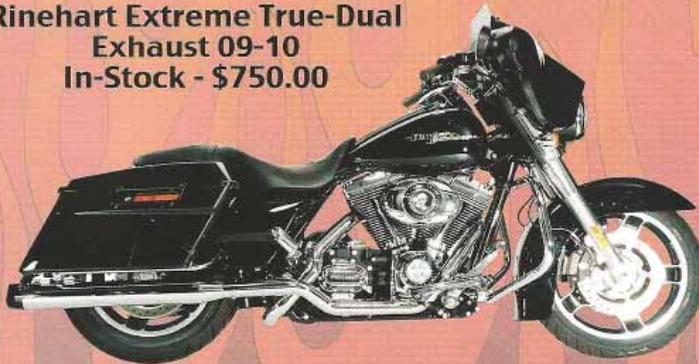
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Why am I telling you this? Because they will not be paying attention to who is on the road. They are only thinking about where they are heading and what they have to do. Slow down. Watch for the cars that are pulling out from the side streets.

Labor Day is upon us. This is the end of summer holiday, time to Celebrate with good friends. I hope that everyone had a safe and healthy summer. Please drink responsibly. **DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE.**

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The housing market continues to be depressed and loan modifications are a less than perfect solutions. Bankruptcy is an option to saving your home. Remember Bankruptcy language was put into the main body of the constitution even before the Bill of Rights.

In Florida's home market people are looking for ways to save their homes. One obstacle to saving a home is the second mortgage. Quite often, people with financial problems could save their homes if they had only the first mortgage. This is where bankruptcy law can help.

Your house is only worth a set amount. Under bankruptcy law, if your home is not worth more than the first mortgage then there is no house value left over to guarantee the second mortgage. This makes the second mortgage similar to if not the same as an unsecured credit card. By filing the proper papers before a bankruptcy court and proving the current value of your home, the second mortgage is "separated" from the home.

There are some catches. This is limited to a type of bankruptcy called Chapter 13 (Chapter 13 because it is chapter 13 of the bankruptcy law) or if you have a really large bankruptcy case into a "personal" Chapter 11. You will have to pay something each month. Chapter 13 cases are generally five years but can be reduced to three years in certain cases. Another and important catch is the fact that you must complete the payment plan in order to keep the second mortgage off the house.

If you don't complete your payment plan then you will be kicked out of bankruptcy and the second mortgage goes back on the house. However, if you complete the payment plan the math is very compelling.

Your payment plan is determined by the amount of disposable money you have after the allowed expenses. These expenses are based on a price list put out by the IRS and are updated every quarter. This number is your disposable income and becomes part of your plan along with any other payments that are put into your plan.

This is a simplification of bankruptcy law on this particular issue but, this is the general idea. In so short a time it is difficult to go into all the rules and nuances it is just important that you become aware that there are options out there. In upcoming articles I hope to write about protecting your bike, your retirement account, investment properties, and other parts of bankruptcy law.

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PRESIDENT OBAMA SIGNS REPEAL OF KIDS' MOTORCYCLE BAN

President Barack Obama signed a bipartisan consumer safety bill on August 12 that exempts youth-sized motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) from the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) of 2008 that bans children's products that contain lead.

H.R. 2715, introduced by U.S. Representatives Mary Bono Mack (R-CA) and G.K. Butterfield (D-NC), passed near-unanimously in the House 421-2 on Aug. 1 and was approved by unanimous consent by the Senate later that day. The measure excludes kids' off-road vehicles from the overly-broad CPSIA lead certification rules, which previously prohibited their sale due to lead content of components such as batteries and brakes.

"This law is a win-win for American consumers and the American economy," said Congresswoman Bono Mack, "and I thank the President for signing this critically important bill into law."

Be sure to contact your federal legislators and thank them for rectifying the onerous "Lead Law" bike ban, and for supporting the rights of millions of off-road enthusiasts and future motorcyclists.

ABATE OF MICHIGAN REQUESTS YOUR IMMEDIATE ACTION

This urgent Call To Action is on behalf of ABATE of Michigan, requesting the help of all motorcyclists in their fight for freedom.

"Senate Bill 291 passed the Michigan Senate in late June," writes ABATE President Vince Consiglio. "We are asking all rights activists to send a post card to Michigan's Governor, Rick Snyder, urging him to support motorcycle helmet choice for adults."

Consiglio further advises that; "A postcard from a 'FREE' state may help him realize that Michigan loses motorcycle money every day of the summer with a mandatory helmet law. Governor Snyder prides himself on being all about business and helping business. Please urge Governor Snyder to support adult choice." MAIL to: Governor Rick Snyder, State Capital, P.O. Box 30013, Lansing, MI 48909 or call [\(517\) 373-3400](tel:517-373-3400) or e-mail Rick.Snyder@michigan.gov.

Michigan is one of 20 states with a mandatory helmet law for all riders, but before the state legislature broke for the summer the Senate voted 24-14 on June 28th to repeal their 40-year old helmet requirement for motorcyclists 21 or older, who have been riding for at least two years or passes a safety test, and have \$100,000 in personal injury insurance. A sunset provision would cause the ban on helmetless riding to resume in five years, unless the legislature acts again. The heavily-amended measure now moves to the House of Representatives for further action.

NHTSA (AGAIN) PUSHES HELMET LAWS

NHTSA Administrator David Strickland has testified once again before a Congressional committee urging federal action to get

motorcyclists to wear helmets. On July 27, during a reauthorization hearing on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Strickland told a subcommittee of the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation that "the most important step we can take to reduce the deaths of motorcyclists on our roads and highways is to assure that all riders wear a DOT compliant helmet."

He further stated that, "A grant program emphasizing the use of motorcycle helmets would be effective in reducing fatalities."

Last year, in response to Congressional testimony from Strickland that increased helmet use is the core component of NHTSA's motorcycle safety plan, U.S. Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) introduced a resolution urging NHTSA to concentrate on motorcycle crash prevention and rider education instead of lobbying for helmet laws.

U.S. MOTORCYCLE MARKET RESEARCH

Research and Markets, a worldwide marketing research resource, has announced the addition of the "Motorcycle Dealers" report to their offering of over 718,000 global marketing research reports, which covers nearly 4,300 motorcycle-related stores in the United States with combined annual revenue of \$18 billion.

According to their industry research, no major companies dominate; most companies have a single retail outlet, "The industry is highly fragmented: the 50 largest companies generate just 10 percent of industry sales," states the report.

Under the "Competitive Landscape" heading, the R&M report says: "Discretionary personal income and interest rates drive demand, since motorcycles are high-ticket purchases and often financed. The profitability of individual companies depends on volume and sales of higher-margin goods like heavyweight motorcycles. Large dealers have advantages in broad inventory selections and negotiating power with manufacturers. Small dealers can compete effectively by providing superior customer service or offering unique services, like bike customization."

The report further observes that, "Major competitors include private market sellers, other recreational vehicle dealers, service center chains, and independent service shops."

Other key topics include: Industry Overview, Business Challenges & Trends, Industry Forecast & Opportunities, and Products, Operations & Technology:

For those in the motorcycle industry or starting a motorcycle business, or interested in better understanding the two-wheel marketplace, check them out at www.researchandmarkets.com.

R&M has also conducted numerous other motorcycle-oriented marketing reports, including a Global Industry Guide and a Global Motorcycle Report, which examines market conditions across Western Europe, North America as well as key emerging countries such as China and India.

NEW REPORT REVEALS THAT 1 IN 7 DRIVERS ARE UNINSURED

Summer is the time for road trips, long motorcycle rides and

making those daily back-and-forth trips to run household errands. Chances are drivers will not be involved in a vehicle accident during these travels, but everyone likely will be involved in at least one motor vehicle accident in his or her lifetime.

Across the United States, chances are roughly one in seven that a driver is uninsured, according to estimates released in April from the Insurance Research Council. The economic downturn is thought to be a major factor in the increase of uninsured motorists, with approximately 13.8% of U.S. drivers being uninsured in 2009 despite laws in most states requiring drivers to maintain minimum coverage.

In a new study, "Uninsured Motorists, 2011 edition," the IRC estimates the percentage of uninsured drivers countrywide and in individual states for 2008 and 2009 based on the number of uninsured motorist insurance claims versus the number of bodily injury claims.

In 2009, the five states with the highest uninsured driver estimates were Mississippi, 28%; New Mexico, 26%; Tennessee, 24%; Oklahoma, 24%; and Florida, 24%.

The five states with the lowest uninsured driver estimates were Massachusetts, 4.5%; Maine, 4.5%; New York, 5%; Pennsylvania, 7%; and Vermont, 7%.

The moral? Protect yourself by making sure you're fully covered, with Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist coverage included in your insurance policy!

SAFEST STATES TO RIDE

According to a statistical analysis from TheStreet.com financial website, the safest state to ride in is North Dakota, with a fatality rate nearly a third the national average, low levels of congestion and high quality road surfaces.

In an article "The Safest States for Motorcycles" in the August 1st Business Section, writer Greg Emerson points out that, "The truth is that motorcycle riding is up. Way up. Between 1996 and 2005, motorcycle registrations increased 61% while vehicle miles traveled of motorcycles grew only 8.6%, according to the Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration. That means a lot of new riders, riding not very far or not very often."

In an effort to "help keep all those weekend warriors looking to get on a bike and go riding from losing their heads, we looked at the most recent fatality data -- from 2009 -- to determine which states were the safest for the aspiring Evel Knievels among us. We ranked all 50 states and the District of Columbia to see which ones had the smallest proportion of motorcycle deaths as a proportion of total traffic deaths."

Half of the states fall below the national average of 15.4%, and half above. Here are the 10 states with the lowest ratio of rider fatalities:

Tenth-safest: Vermont - Motorcyclist fatalities: 68; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 11.8%

Eighth-safest (tie): Virginia - Motorcyclist fatalities: 671; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 11.5%

Eighth-safest (tie): Kentucky - Motorcyclist fatalities: 745; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 11.5%

Seventh-safest: Missouri - Motorcyclist fatalities: 806; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 10.8%

Sixth-safest: Wyoming - Motorcyclist fatalities: 129; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 10.1%

Fifth-safest: Alabama - Motorcyclist fatalities: 776; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 9.8%

Fourth-safest: West Virginia - Motorcyclist fatalities: 334; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 7.5%

Third-safest: Mississippi - Motorcyclist fatalities: 632; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 7.4%

Second-safest: Nebraska - Motorcyclist fatalities: 211; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 7.1%

Safest: North Dakota - Motorcyclist fatalities: 135; Proportion of total vehicle deaths: 5.2%

HELMET AND ACCOUSTICS RESEARCH COULD QUIET THE RIDE

After accelerating, most of the sound that a rider can hear isn't from the bike engine or other vehicles on the road, but from the air rushing over and around their helmet. Noise levels inside a helmet can reach rock-concert levels when traveling at highway speeds, and a group of engineers and psychologists from two U.K. universities have gathered to study how to minimize helmet noise to protect riders from hearing damage and reduce the potential distraction that noise poses to riders.

Their research paper, which has been accepted for publication by The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, says that riders experience noise from multiple sources. First is the engine noise, which is a relatively insignificant factor once riders accelerate to highway speeds. Audible wind noise can reach volumes as high as 115 decibels or more, roughly equivalent to what power saw operators without ear protection would hear. OSHA recommends limiting such exposure to 15 minutes or less per day. Turbulent air buffeting off the motorcycle windshield is another source of noise, as is air rushing around the chin bar of the helmet.

There's another type of sound experienced by riders, called body conducted sound. Aboard a motorcycle, this process transmits engine vibrations and the percussive force of the wind through the flesh and bone to the ear. Earplugs don't stop it, and it can be significant.

Another topic under investigation by the Bath group is how sound impacts attention, and one experiment measured how different volumes of sound impaired a test subject's peripheral vision.

While riders and others recognize that noise can be a serious health issue, many U.S. jurisdictions prohibit the use of earplugs or other noise-reducing devices. One long road trip could take a rider through numerous changes in local laws.

NIGERIA BANS MOTORCYCLES IN TERROR-STRUCK CITY
Officials in Maiduguri, Nigeria's seventh largest city and capital of northeastern Borno State, has banned motorbikes in a bid to curb

militant activities borne on the backs of these ubiquitous vehicles.

Motorcycles and Okada (motorcycle taxis) are the predominant mode of transportation in the mostly impoverished city, and members of the Motorcycle Transport Union have protested the ban on their livelihood, but the Borno State government is desperate to crack down on Boko Haram, an extremely orthodox Islamist sect that is seeking to overthrow the secular government in favor of a Muslim state. The terrorist group has become known for brazen public attacks conducted while riding motorbikes, and has killed at least 40 people including police officers and politicians in drive-by motorbike attacks.

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