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## Feature Article

### **From One STAR (2017) to the Next (STAR 2018)**

By Dianne Park

[Ed: Most photos by Jim Park. Links added.]

STAR – the MSTA’s biggest event of the year – our National event – what are some of the things that happen (STAR-wise) after the end of the last STAR and in preparation for the next one?

While it might seem that STAR 2017 officially ended in Colorado Springs with the closing banquet and all of the “official on-site activities,” there still was more to be done. Jim Park got all of the STAR group photos and DVD’s prepared and sent out to those who had ordered them through the STAR registration process. Then the down-sized group photo was made into note cards, printed, and Eve Blazsur

sent these to vendors and Door Prize donors as a thank you for their participation. Finally with the group pictures done and Thank-You’s sent, it was time to really dive into planning the details for the next STAR. (After all, the location and hotel had already been selected more than a year before!)

Hopefully every STAR comes off without a hitch. Much planning goes into STAR to make that happen, and it is already very apparent that STAR 2018 in [La Crosse, WI](#) promises to be outstanding. Check out the great hype on Facebook



[MSTA STAR 2018](#) and enjoy the “local color” of La Crosse which is displayed on our STAR 2018 T-shirts.

If you have not already heard, La Crosse is a totally charming, historic northern looking town – wide streets, one building connected to the next and lots of brick on their two and three story buildings. The [Radisson](#) host hotel for STAR 2018 is situated perfectly for a successful STAR. From the hotel’s front entrance, across a large and level parking lot (with room for STAR attendees’ bikes as well as potential demo bikes!!!), you cross the small street and are already in the downtown! And what a downtown! There are a number of very good restaurants within several city blocks of the hotel, one or two ice cream shops, several coffee shops plus a [Duluth Trading](#) store in the heart of town.

That’s not all! There is also a back door out of the Radisson. From there you cross a pretty residential-looking street and step into a beautiful park. And that park sits on a very wide and gorgeous part of the Mississippi River. At the right end of the park (from the “back” door of the hotel) is the Convention and Visitor’s Bureau which houses all kinds of information on what to do in the town and surrounding areas, information and close by access to the [La Crosse Queen](#) riverboat cruises, and a huge statue that makes for an interesting backdrop for pictures. ([Additional photos here.](#))

Going either right or left from the hotel takes you to a couple exquisite restaurants. And there is a built in band shell with some pretty incredible live music on certain evenings during the week.

La Crosse has an incredible multi-brand motorcycle dealership just a couple of miles away from the Radisson. The owner, Rod, of [Rod’s Ride On Powersports](#) dealership is “all in” with participation with STAR 2018 and ways to make our event even more exciting – (in addition to being the source for our [STAR raffle bike](#)), a dealer sponsored lunch at the dealership location is being discussed, possibly small group led adventure rides, and some great local



Downtown La Crosse, Wisconsin



View of Radisson Inn from Mississippi River



knowledge of bike routes. (You have probably heard of the great twisty and winding roads through dairy farmland in this area).

La Crosse is a great setting, pretty town, and nice area for the whole family for STAR 2108. Again, don't forget to check out the [Facebook site](#) for a whole lot more information and suggestions for things to do in the immediate area as well as in other parts of Wisconsin

And speaking of other areas of interest ... just a few hours south is the incredible town of [Galena, IL](#). (At one point Galena was actually a part of Wisconsin.). You might want to try to schedule time on your way to or from La Crosse to spend some time here. While a few hours in the town will give you a good sense of the great shops and restaurants, spending the night might open the opportunity to meet and take a walking tour with [Ulysses S. Grant](#)! Grant lived in Galena, as well as eight other [Civil War](#) generals. There is a charming hotel in the middle of town which also plays into Grant's history tour, but is a most enjoyable place to stay in today's time.

But back to STAR 2018, ... SPOILER ALERT and last but certainly NOT least, ... it is looking good for [Alonzo Bodden](#) to join us again as our guest speaker at the banquet!!!

To those who have already registered for STAR 2018, ... great move! For those still considering, well re-read above! 😊



Granddad Bluff near La Crosse



Alonzo Bodden at STAR 2016

## SAFETY TALK

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** *Ultimately, the safety of motorcycle riders and their passengers is their own responsibility. Nothing presented in the column supersedes, negates or relieves a motorcyclist and/or passenger from assumption of personal responsibility for their actions and safety.*

### Risk Mitigation

Ok Folks, here it is, straight from the Florida Highway Safety statistics (Source: [flhsmv.gov](http://flhsmv.gov)):

In 2016, there were 10,331 recorded motorcycle crashes in Florida. That is an increase over 2015 of 1.27%. There were 515 rider fatalities and 30 passenger fatalities.

Here are some other interesting bits of data. Out of all the rider fatalities, just over 1/2 of them were wearing DOT-compliant helmets. Does that mean wearing a helmet doesn't matter? No. It means a helmet doesn't keep you from injury or death in case of a crash. It does however up your odds of survival considerably.

Speaking of injuries, out of the total 10,331 crashes, there were only 1,325 instances of no injuries. Think about that. If you go down, the chances are 87% that you are going to be injured, to some degree. Want to be a little more sobering? Statistics for 2016 say at least 22% of those crash victims will sustain incapacitating injuries.

I could go on, but I think the point is made. Now I'm going to make another one. Often times we are our own worst enemy when it comes to riding safely. Case in point: Just last week, an experienced rider in the Tampa Bay area was killed while trying to pass another vehicle by crossing a no-passing line on the two-lane road. She was killed when a vehicle unexpectedly turned left into her (illegal) path of travel.

Is this a unique situation? Sadly, no. It is easy to allow our better judgement to be overcome.

The reality is that the Florida riding environment is one of the most challenging and dangerous in the country. We ride year round. We have some of the worst traffic congestion in the nation. Interestingly, I-4 was recently named in one study as the most dangerous highway in America. (Source: EverQuote, an online marketplace source for auto insurance). Just ride through Orlando anytime and see if you don't agree.

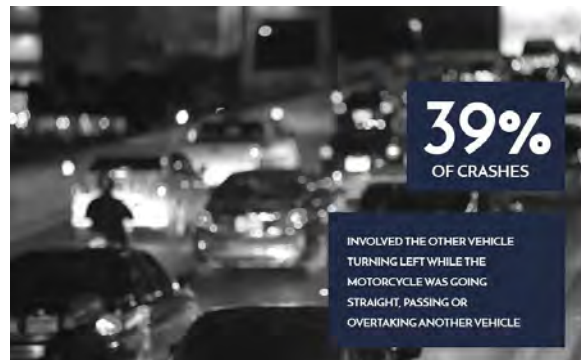
If we compound our riding environment with a lack of awareness and consideration for riding safety, then as riders we're only asking for trouble. So what can we do about it?

- 🏍 Ride Smart.
- 🏍 Watch the traffic conditions.
- 🏍 ATGATT ! (Don't even get me started on helmet wear...really...don't.)
- 🏍 Get more training! You can never have too much of this! As long as its good training, it doesn't matter where you get it. Just keep learning!

One final thought. We've lost too many good riders and friends to crashes recently. Please don't become another statistic. Think about your riding, and everyone it could affect if you don't!

Ride Safe!

Doug Westly – Safety Editor



Accident Statistic

Graphic: [Law Firm](#)

## Florida News

### South Director's Report

**WELL WELL WELL... HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

You know you are getting older when you know nearly everybody mentioned in the year-end in-memorials. Like, you grew up with them and stuff.. And, you also think that we lost a few of them way too soon...

So, stop wasting time cutting the lawn, or washing windows... Get out and ride!! You'll find Tom's Central Ride report a timely reminder that nothing ventured, nothing gained! Both Tom and Brian were again among the 30+ riders who had a blast at the [OK Corral Gun Club](#) in Okeechobee on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Everybody truly enjoyed their time at this one-of-a-kind destination!! Most agreed that this place is a top three destination.

The Southies started out with 13 bikes, which we divided into two groups for safety reasons. We traveled familiar roads, and arrived just as the staff was setting up the Road House for our gathering. The Crystal Ballroom was being prepped for a holiday party, but the Road House worked out perfectly. We dominated three outside tables, which were ours to use for the whole four hours that we were scheduled to be there! We could eat brunch, go fire off a few rounds, come back for a beverage and maybe sneak a little nibble, tell tall tales... This set up also allowed for members and riders to arrive when they wanted to. We did have over 20 diners at 10:00 AM, but, another 10+ people arrived over the next few hours! And, there were nine of us still there at 2:00 PM, when we bid our farewells! Between the perfect weather, the attentive service, headed by their event coordinator, Heather, and the uniqueness of the Club, everyone savored a tremendous day!!

As we marked our last ride of the year, everybody looked to make the most of our 50/50 raffle! The pot was impressive, at \$122! And, our winner, Rob Croot, made off with some serious holiday gift buying money!! The year-end total for the FL MSTA is \$991.00. As we close out 2017, a big THANK-YOU to all who participate!! We'll kick around some ideas for how to spend a portion of our good fortune, like we did last year. In addition to the raffle, we spread more good cheer around with some additions to several attendees' wardrobes! We had a box of left over promotional tee shirts that just had to find new homes. Mission accomplished!

### **What's Next??**

Be sure to check our RIDES calendar often to insure you never miss one of our events!! [www.flmsta.org](http://www.flmsta.org) The ride dates for 2018 are currently set through May. The Central Ride destinations are also set through May.



Van VanSteelant





Yours truly will post the South Ride locations ASAP. Stay tuned... We have some new ideas and places in mind!!

We begin the New Year as usual. The pattern is set. The Central Rides will be first each month. And, for January, we start with the first Saturday of the month! Join the Central Gang on Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> at the [Westgate Smokehouse Grill](#), at 3200 River Ranch Blvd, in River Ranch, FL 33867. This is a new destination for us, and close enough to entice the Southies to join in the festivities!! Look for a big turnout for the kick off lunch ride of 2018. I think Tom has found a winner here! See his promo at [www.flmsta.org](http://www.flmsta.org)

On Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, join up with the Southies as we dine at [Camellia Street Grill](#), on 202 Camellia St W, in Everglades City, FL 34139. We were here a few years ago, and had a great time. Funky and delicious. I confirmed that they are back in business after Irma. As I write this, they have been reopened for just 3 weeks!! And, if you missed the boat tour opportunity, here's your chance to make amends! This is the time of year to take advantage of the great weather and put some miles on that steel horse...

It's not too early to make your plans for the fun and games that the Florida Chapter has set up for the MSTA members country wide! Look at March 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> for our **Daytona Just For Fun Event** – in Ocala!! We have everything in place for this weekend, including discounted room rates. And our Daytona Lunch Ride happens on THURSDAY, March 15<sup>th</sup>. New location, but same great times for our locals and out-of-staters!!

[www.flmsta.org](http://www.flmsta.org)

## Membership News

I'll say this for the rest of the year...and all of next year!! My heartfelt THANKS to Don Moe for his efforts EVERY month to bring our Florida membership up to date with all the news about our new and renewing members!!

### Here's what we know today...

We welcome two new Florida riders who joined the MSTA in December:

Carmel Frawley                      Suarez Thillet Tulio

We thank these three Florida members for renewing their memberships in December:

Don Moe                      Don Mroczenski                      Phillip Ridgdill

These Florida memberships will expire soon or have recently expired:

Frederick Blackall                      Steve Marcum                      Teresa & Tim Vipond  
Jim Cavanagh                      Alan Miller                      Don Williams  
Chuck Headrick                      David & Leslie Noyes

We urge all our members to renew their memberships and to continue supporting their MSTA. If you have a question about when your membership expires, please contact me at [membership@ridemsta.com](mailto:membership@ridemsta.com). Renewing or joining can be quickly and securely done online at [PlanetReg.com/MSTArenew](http://PlanetReg.com/MSTArenew) or [PlanetReg.com/MSTAjoin](http://PlanetReg.com/MSTAjoin) respectively. If you use a pre-printed form from STARreview or an ITR, be sure to mail it to Beth Hemstreet, 5560 Stone Church Court, Loveland, CO 80537, and not to the address of a prior membership director.

If you only want to update your phone, email, bikes, or other details, you can do so quickly via [PlanetReg.com/MSTAupdate](http://PlanetReg.com/MSTAupdate). Please include enough unchanging information to assure the correct member is updated in the database.

When you encounter a rider who would seem to be a good fit as a new MSTA member, please pass along one of our Invitation-To-Ride quad-folds! For each new member you recruit starting in 2018 and who provides your name and/or membership number on the application, you will receive a coupon for a raffle ticket. STAR Bucks

coupons have been discontinued and members still holding coupons should plan on redeeming them at rallies or other MSTA events before the end of 2018.

## **Random Ramblings!**

I hope to include a few new destinations this year. I have several great recommendations from our members. Keep them coming... as long as 10-20 of us can eat together without overwhelming the establishment, send us your ideas!

We know that some of you are just holding back... Don't keep secrets from the rest of us! If you have purchased anything motorcycle related that has blown you away with its features or price or performance, send me and/or Don an email with a short write up and website. We'll try to include a Member's Promo each month...

Some of us are already making our plans, as STAR 2018 is "just around the corner..." Read the promos in the STARReview Magazine! Or on line on our National site [www.ridemsta.com](http://www.ridemsta.com) You just might be surprised about the location and the riding options!!

Happy, Happy New Year to one and all!!

Ride well! Ride often! Do it safely!!

ATGATT Van

MSTA Florida State Co-Director

## **Central Director's Report - December**

**Happy New Year. May all your wishes for 2018 come true.**

[Peck's Old Port Cove](#) out in the gulf's marshes between Crystal River and Homosassa was the destination for our December 9<sup>th</sup> Central lunch ride.

Unfortunately, Mother Nature dealt a bad hand. A strong cold front that put snow on the ground in the panhandle was going through the area overnight Friday and into Saturday. That meant pre-dawn thunderstorms, morning showers, overcast skies, gusty winds and daytime temperatures dropping to the low-50's. Doable, but certainly not conditions that would appeal to most.



Tom Blake

Sunday was predicted to be sunny and clear but crisp. Most Central riders had prior commitments for Sunday but six of us were open to a Saturday ride. The following Saturday was considered also but felt to be too close to the South ride the following day. So, the 9<sup>th</sup> it would have to be. The front was moving in a southeasterly direction, so northwestern areas would clear first, the Melbourne area last.

By the time I left the house at 8 A.M., the rain had all but stopped locally, and only occasional distant rumbles could be heard to the south. I hopped on the GS and soldiered through off and on drizzle for over two hours. By Wildwood the rain was over, but it was now down to 52 degrees. I took a break at Inverness to fuel up, shed the rain gear and down a much-needed cup of hot coffee. An additional fleece liner under the riding jacket and heavier gloves made for a very comfy final leg over to Peck's. Twisty Ozello Trail was in good shape and great fun. When I finally got to Peck's three minutes before noon, however, there were, to my utter astonishment, no other bikes in the parking lot. Not a one!

Well... I went inside to wait. About 12:15, new member Brian from Bartow pulled in on his RT. We chatted and drank a lot of coffee waiting for others to show up. He's an experienced and avid rider and I think a great fit with the MSTA. I was thankful at least one other intrepid rider was undeterred by the inclement weather. I

felt obligated to go. Brian was there because he likes to ride. It would have been one hell of a long ride for either of us just to eat alone.

Eventually, we realized that we were it and ordered. My blackened grouper sandwich, fries and clam chowder were delicious. Everybody raves about Peck's seafood and now I remember why. The property is also well maintained, clean, orderly and comfortable. The whole staff at Peck's were extremely accommodating as well, making the visit all the more enjoyable. This place goes right to the top of my favorites list.

About the time we were finishing up, Bill Hall, now from Gainesville, came walking in! He ordered fish, of course. So, we all sat there for another hour recounting great motorcycling experiences one right after the other. Big smiles, nods and enthusiasm all around. But by 2 o'clock, I announced that I had to get on the road. Rain was no longer a threat, but I did not want to be riding much after dark when temperatures would really start to plunge. Sundown was about 5:30 and I got home at 6:00 with the thermometer reading a chilly 48 degrees.



Peck's main entrance (picture from the internet)

A long, hot shower, delicious steak at the local Longhorn with Rose and a stout glass of Jameson were just what I needed to close out this strangely satisfying, albeit, challenging day.

[Westgate Smokehouse Grill](#) will be the Central lunch ride on January 6<sup>th</sup>. A new year and a new destination. Situated on the Kissimmee River off SR-60 between Lake Wales and Yeehaw Junction, the Smokehouse Grill offers a diverse menu that features appetizers, salads, burgers, sandwiches, baskets and desserts.

The grill is part of the Westgate River Ranch Resort which includes a hotel, lodges, cabins, RV and tent camping, western store, rodeo arena, buffalo grazing and airstrip. Activities include a trap and skeet range, archery range, airboat rides, horseback rides, swamp buggy rides, zip line, a rock climbing wall and mechanical bull.

The address is 3200 River Ranch Blvd, River Ranch, FL 33867 ([map](#)). The Grill is at the far south end of the boulevard. Please make plans to join us and budget time to look around and enjoy some of the resort's amenities.

### Central Florida January Lunch Ride

Saturday, **January 6<sup>th</sup>**, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

[Westgate Smokehouse Grill](#), ([map](#))

3200 River Ranch Blvd,  
River Ranch, FL 33867

Tom Blake

MSTA Florida State Co-Director



## **Florida MSTA Apparel**

As a reminder, our Florida State Storefront is open online for your MSTA-branded apparel! Go to [mstaflorida.qbstores.com](http://mstaflorida.qbstores.com). We have made arrangements with the supplier for our National Gearbox to allow our State membership to buy shirts, hats, etc. with our State logos directly from the source!!! No muss, no fuss!! Order yours today!!



They offer both embroidery and digital print options. Click onto the Embroidered Apparel or Shop By Logo for each option. Don't hesitate to contact Queensboro directly with any and all questions. They are very customer friendly. They also offer Polo shirts and T-shirts with pockets!!

## **Florida Rides This Month**

### **Important Note**

Always remember to check the Florida MSTA [Event Calendar](#) and/or your email for updates on scheduled rides. Changes in times, dates, and especially locations are often out of our control and with short notice.

### **MSTA Florida Central Lunch Ride**

When: Sat., **January 6<sup>th</sup>**, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Where: [Westgate Smokehouse Grill](#), 3200 River Ranch Blvd, River Ranch, FL 33867 ☎863-692-1321 ([map](#))

Description: Situated on the Kissimmee River off SR-60 between Lake Wales and Yeehaw Junction, the Smokehouse Grill offers great views and a diverse menu that features appetizers, salads, burgers, sandwiches, baskets and desserts. The grill is part of a resort including lodges, cabins, saloon, RV and tent camping; rodeos and other events; and an airstrip.

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### **MSTA Florida South Lunch Ride**

When: Sun., **January 20<sup>th</sup>**, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Where: [Camellia Street Grill](#), 202 Camellia St W, Everglades City, FL 34139 ☎239-695-2003 ([map](#))

Description: It's been awhile since we were here last. They have just reopened after Irma beat them up! So, let's help them get back on their feet. Good eats in a funky locale.

If you didn't join us for the National Park Boat Tour last time out, you can make amends now! Check out the website, and make your own reservations. Last visit, we were able to commit to the 2:00 tour. The dock is 5+ minutes from the restaurant. Check out their website...

[EvergladesNationalParkBoatToursGulfCoast.com](http://EvergladesNationalParkBoatToursGulfCoast.com)

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## Future Florida Rides

Note that the future ride events are included to facilitate longer term planning. The destinations and/or dates may be changed just before the ride dates. Please check the Florida MSTA [Event Calendar](#) for possible updates.

### MSTA Florida Central Lunch Ride

When: Sat., **February 10<sup>th</sup>**, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Where: [3 Bananas](#), 11 South Lake Street, Crescent City, FL 32112 ☎386-698-2861 ([map](#))

Description: Everyone who's been to 3 Bananas knows this is one of the better destinations. Indoor and outdoor seating right at the edge of scenic Crescent Lake. Nice rural 2-laners to get you there. Friendly and relaxed atmosphere, good selection of sandwiches and wraps, with moderate prices.

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### MSTA Florida South Lunch Ride

When: Sun., **February 17<sup>th</sup>**, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Where: TBA

Description: Placeholder for future event. Details coming soon. Check our [website](#).

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## Regional Events

### MSTA Daytona Just-For-Fun Event

When: Fri.-Sun., **March 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>**

Where: [Quality Inn](#), 3434 SW College Road, Ocala, FL 34474 ☎352-854-3200 ([map](#))

Description: We have put together a GREAT weekend of fun and frolic for our members, far and wide!! This is a great lead into Bike Weeks!! And, on the following Thursday, we have our MSTA Lunch Ride!!

Don't delay in making your reservations, as this arrangement will expire sooner than you think. Read through the details below, secured by a couple of excellent planners!! A big THANKS to them, and we'll see you there!!

Stay tuned for further event details and ride ideas...

Hotel Telephone ☎352 854-3200.

Room rates are greatly discounted for this time of year. We have a block of 10 rooms at \$89 a night, before taxes. This includes a hot breakfast, heated pool, 24-hour fitness center, WiFi throughout the hotel, and cookies and milk from 8:00-9:00 PM each evening. ☺

We have protected the price (\$89) for March 8<sup>th</sup> in the event that anyone from out of the area would like to arrive on Thursday for a good night's sleep and an early start the next morning on Friday, the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Keep in mind that not only are these dates the start of Bike Week in nearby Daytona Beach, it is also the heart of our tourist season so rooms may start to disappear quickly. Just call the telephone number above and reserve as soon as you know you can make it. You can cancel 24 hours prior to the date of your reservation. Any un-reserved rooms in the block of rooms will cancel on Wednesday, February 28, 2018.

Just refer to the MSTA block of rooms when you make your reservation.

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## [MSTA Daytona Bike Week Just-For-Fun Lunch](#)

When: Thursday, **March 15<sup>th</sup>**, 11:30 AM

Where: [1884 Restaurant and Bar](#), 12 East Magnolia Avenue, Eustis, FL 32726 ☎800-856-1884 ([map](#))

Description: We have a new destination for this year's luncheon and you are really going to like it. It's the perfect spot not too far away from Daytona's crowds in the small town of Eustis. The reservation has been made. The 1884 Restaurant and Bar is in a large, old 2-story brick building in easily accessible downtown. Inside it has wide-open spaces, tall ceiling, hardwood floors and dark wood bar and furniture and sections of marble wall. It is quite impressive in a manly sort of way. They will be able to easily accommodate all of us.

Lunches are made from locally grown, fresh produce and meats, along with homemade desserts from the in-house baker. Prices are moderate, in the \$9 to \$14 range, but you get your money's worth. Be sure to check their website for pictures, menus and more at [1884restaurantandbar.com](#).

If you're coming from out of town, you cannot get there without traveling some of Florida's better motorcycling roads. ([map](#))

From the Daytona speedway, it is just over an hour's ride. Follow US-92 west into Deland. Turn left on FL-15A (Spring Garden Ave) for just under 2 miles then right on FL-44. Once over the river, bare right again on FL-42 for an enjoyable 19-mile jaunt. Then go left on US-19 into Eustis. FL-42 is a particularly good ride. Staying on FL-44 can save you 4 minutes but is not nearly as much fun.

From Ocala, take US-441/27 south to Cr-464 and follow it southeast about 16 miles to Cr-25. Turn left on 25 through the small town of Ocklawaha. Cr-25 continues around the east side of Lake Weir and drops down to FL-42 at Weirsdale. Go left on 42 about 9 miles, then right on Cr-452. 452 is a very pleasant 12-mile run to US-19 where you turn right into downtown Eustis. Ride time should be just over an hour.

You can park on the Magnolia Ave in front of the restaurant. But the better alternative is the parking lot behind the restaurant on its south side. There is a back entrance. As you get to Eustis, keep on 19 (Bay St) to Magnolia Ave. Turn left on Magnolia, then right on the first street (Eustis St). Then take the first right again onto E. Orange (SR-44), then right again into the lot before crossing Bay St (19).

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For additional Florida events and information, [click here](#) to see the Florida MSTA website's Events page.

The Florida MSTA chapter also has a presence on Facebook with upcoming events and past photos: [click here](#).

We welcome articles and comments from our members for publication. Contact the editor at: [editor@flmsta.org](mailto:editor@flmsta.org).

The MSTA National [website](#) has extensive event information:

- 🏍 To join the MSTA or renew your membership: [click here](#).
- 🏍 For the sanctioned events: [click here](#).
- 🏍 For Just-For-Fun events in 2017: [click here](#).

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## Mystery Hyperlink of the Month

This month's Mystery Hyperlinks are again related to the safety article:

[Mystery Hyperlink #1](#)

[Mystery Hyperlink #2 \(PDF\)](#)

### **CLASSIFIED ADS**

To find a buyer for your motorcycle items, please send your ad and pictures by email to [editor@flmsta.org](mailto:editor@flmsta.org)