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 WHEREAS, the safe operation of a motorcycle requires the use of special skills developed through a combination of training and experience, the use of good judgment, and thorough knowledge of traffic laws and licensing requirements; and  
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**Editors Column ...**

Hello AriZona Riders!

We caught our cover photos during the sign-in for the East Valley Firefighters Charity Ride that took place during Bike Week.

Welcome to our newest Advertisers: Arizona Motorcycle Towing & Storage ~ serving Phoenix & the surrounding areas; F.T.D. Cycle Repair in Phoenix ~ 'It's a Bike Shop Not a Boutique'; Saint Nicks Tavern ~ tending to thirsty folks at 27th & Glendale Avenues; and Southwest Trikes in Phoenix ~ helping riders to be free on three. While they may be new to these pages they've each been serving our community for years. We appreciate their support. When you stop by these establishments, please mention that Bruce & Betsy say 'hi'!

Motorcycle Awareness Month is underway. We appreciate our that our Governor plus Mayors of numerous cities & towns around our beautiful state are acknowledging the motorcycle safety & awareness efforts of our community and issuing Proclamations in support, declaring MAY as Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Month. This month and EVERY month it is so important to continuously promote the message that all vehicles need to safely share our roadways. Ride as though you are invisible!

Memorial Day... It is so much more than just an excuse for a long weekend with a bbq or campout. Please take some time to reflect on the cost paid, year after year, for that day off you enjoy with friends and loved ones.

Just because Bike Week has passed doesn't mean there's 'nothing to do' in AriZona ~ lol. There is SO much coming up this month. Before the heat takes over the desert floor there'll be racing, parties, benefits, swap meet, & more. Be sure & check out the calendar for details.

And then it's time to 'head for the hills' *actually the mountains* for Too Broke For Sturgis, at the beginning of June. We hope to see lots of you there!

Happy Mother's Day to all you Moms out there!

Ride safely, choose wisely, & *Keep Your Butts On Your Putts!*

*Bruce & Betsy*



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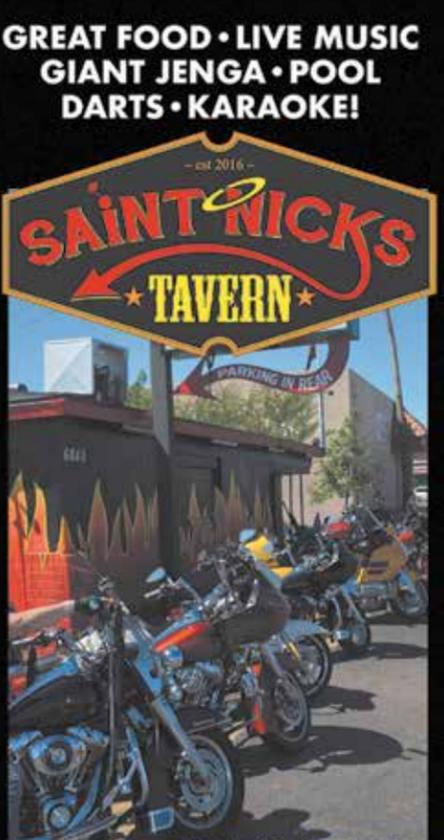


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# Evil Twin Custom Cycles' Customer Appreciation Party

questions.

The raffle table had some cool stuff up for grabs, including apparel, leather goods, a helmet, a ScalaRider Bluetooth headset, a set of HD 'on the rocks' glasses, various adult beverages, and HD ice cube trays. There were gift certificates for shop labor, oil changes, bike detailing, and tattoo work. AND if you marked your tickets with your name & phone #, they'd call you if you won. Neat!

Shawn Dostler was the winner of the 50/50 raffle and donated back the winnings.

Monies collected this day went toward the Ride For Life event taking place the following weekend, April 14 ~ to benefit Jocelyn Tangitau Foundation, Inc. We hope to bring you news of that event as well.

Thanks go out from Evil Twin to Robert Shinn, the Unknown Associates, all the vendors, and everyone who came out and supported the event. "It was a great time!"

This was a good place to stop in along our Bike Week travels & we're glad we did. We saw some old friends, met some new people, and had a good visit.

Evil Twin Custom Cycle is located at 58 N. Country Club in Mesa. You can visit them online at [www.eviltwincustomcycle.com/](http://www.eviltwincustomcycle.com/) or [www.facebook.com/eviltwincustomcycle/](http://www.facebook.com/eviltwincustomcycle/) or call 480-784-0040.

If you haven't been by Evil Twin lately, you should check it out. Please tell 'em Bruce & Betsy say hi ☺

April 7 was the day to stop by Evil Twin Custom Cycle in Mesa for their Customer Appreciation Party. From 10a-5pm there was free food & drinkables. There was music and much camaraderie to enjoy.

This was the first party since Chase Jorgensen became owner of Evil Twin. He seems to be settling in well.

In keeping with the chaos of Bike Week, Chase & Clayton were at the store during the party; while Adam manned the Evil Twin Custom Cycles booth up in Cave Creek.

Robert & his fellow Unknown Associates provided the music for the day.

Vendors included Phoenix Motor Leathers, with their mobile store filled with goodies. Drag Specialties rep Greg Matter had new headlight designs as part of his display. Fat Daddy's Beef Jerky had jerky and local honey available. Evil Twin hosted the free lunch, with Fat Daddy Nick at his hot dog cart cooking & serving. Family Affair Apparel was selling flannels & other apparel. Chase, Clayton, and the ET crew appreciate them all coming out to set up.

The shop's office has become a tattoo booth, with artist Tod Eggmann slinging the ink. During the event, you could get an Evil Twin logo tattoo for free. Evil Twin Custom Ink is open 11a-8p Thursday-Saturday & by appointment Sun-Wednesday. Phone number is same as the shop. Call or stop by for an appointment or with





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AZ Rider **MPP ~ Daytona Beach News Journal Falsely Reports Bikers Kill Children** 5

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[www.motorcycleprofilingproject.com/daytona-beach-news-journal/](http://www.motorcycleprofilingproject.com/daytona-beach-news-journal/)

The *Daytona Beach News Journal* (*News Journal*) is disrespectfully using the anniversary of a biker's murder as an opportunity to promote a discriminatory and highly inaccurate stereotype about motorcycle clubs, even going so far as quoting an investigator from Wisconsin saying that motorcycle club members have a history of killing children.

The National Council of Clubs, a movement representing the political, legal, and legislative interests of motorcycle clubs nationwide, is outraged that any media source would desecrate the memory of a man that lost his life prematurely by irresponsibly propagating fear and false narratives about tens of thousands of individuals that belong to motorcycle clubs.

**The Story as Published in the 'Daytona Beach News Journal'**

Outlaw MC member Louie Da' Lip was murdered in Daytona Beach on April 2, 2017.

The *News Journal* released an article on April 2, 2018 titled, "1 year later, murder of Daytona Outlaws biker 'Louie da Lip' remains unsolved." But instead of merely reporting on the facts of Louie's murder, the *News Journal* used the 1 year anniversary of this incident to spread fear and sensationalized falsehoods regarding motorcycle club culture. The *News Journal* reports:

"Members of biker gangs have committed murder, rape and other violent crimes and they have a history of degrading women and even killing children, said Charles Berard, a criminal investigator from Wisconsin

who has studied biker gangs for more than three decades."

**The Truth**

The above quote is so highly inaccurate and offensive that it's printing alone should disqualify Mr. Berard and the *News Journal's* credibility. To imply that motorcycle clubs have a history of killing children is as far from the truth as possible. There is a fundamental and foundational principle among members of motorcycle club culture that crimes against children are absolutely not tolerated.

Basic research by the *News Journal* would have revealed that even qualified law enforcement experts recently testifying in trials in Waco and San Antonio recognize that motorcycle clubs will not allow members that have committed crimes against children and that committing a crime against a child is grounds for expulsion from the club. Indeed, there are dozens of motorcycle clubs such as Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA) that are dedicated to the mission of protecting children.

On the other hand, law enforcement officers do truly have a long and irrefutable history relating to crimes against children and women. **The Associated Press recently reported 1,000 cases of sex crimes committed by police**, including sex crimes against children. The State of Florida is not exempt. **Consider the recent conviction of a Florida cop for statutory rape while on duty**. And in terms of law enforcement killing children, there is simply not enough time or space to discuss even the most recent incidents that have happened coast to coast, including Florida.

Motorcycle club members, by comparison, have far less propensity to commit felony crimes. Have some members of motorcycle clubs been convicted of felony crimes? Most certainly. But, just as the egregious acts

of some police officers do not define the whole, the vast majority of motorcycle club members, including 1%ERS, do not have criminal records. The sensationalized hype is simply not true.

What do the available statistics reveal? The 2017 National Motorcycle Profiling Survey, with only a 1.4% margin of error, demonstrates that less than 2% of club members in Florida have been convicted of a felony crime.

**Conclusions**

The *News Journal* should be admonished for irresponsible and one-sided tabloid reporting. Louie Da' Lip's memory should be respected with dignity. His murder should not be, must not be, used for the purpose of spreading fear and sensationalism. This fear is, in-turn, being used to justify the current epidemic of profiling and discrimination targeting motorcycle clubs, particularly in Daytona Beach.

Professional ethics would dictate that the *News Journal* cease taking an active role in law enforcement's campaign of discrimination and begin to responsibly report balanced and researched journalism relating to motorcycle clubs.

Links:  
[www.cato.org/blog/associated-press-reports-thousand-cases-police-sexual-misconduct](http://www.cato.org/blog/associated-press-reports-thousand-cases-police-sexual-misconduct)

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# Advertiser Review: Mesa Market Place Swap Meet

## Mesa Market Place offers recreational shopping at its best!

Since 1996, Mesa Market Place Swap Meet has been a landmark in Mesa, AZ. Located at Baseline & Signal Butte Roads, it was a hit on its opening weekend and hasn't slowed down. Parking is free, admission is free, and live music in the Food Court is also free.

This place is enormous. A single breezeway provides 1 ¼ miles of shaded walkways filled with diverse shops. The pace is relaxed, the merchants are friendly, and there are lots of places to sit and people-watch.

The market is 100% handicap accessible, and features six snack bars and a full-service Food Court. Hot breakfasts, burritos, lunches, snacks, smoothies, salads, and ice cream are all available. The Market Breakfast includes two eggs, toast, and hash browns for \$4.50. Check out the coupon in the *AZ Rider Motorcycle News* advertisements for an even better deal!

Joan Wells, of the Advertising & Marketing Dept. at Mesa Market Place, shared, "You won't find a denser concentration of small locally-based retail businesses anywhere else in the Phoenix Metro Area. And we know you love shopping locally. The market attracts merchants from all over the world. It's still a bit of a swap meet in that there still are a few second-hand stores. But there is much more. Mesa Market Place is just the kind of place homeowners' love. It's where Arizona lifestyle furnishings and world décor meet.

"We Arizonans love our outdoor living areas: they're vital to our lifestyle. This market is the place to shop for your backyard improvements. You'll find pergolas, outdoor BBQ kitchens, patio furniture, fire pits, garden accessories, and even spas.

"And we Arizonans are always looking for the perfect summer outfit. It's got to wear well, look great, keep us fresh, and be comfortable, all at the same time. You'll discover great women's clothing, jewelry, and shoe stores. Their clothing stores have perfected 'summer survival!'

"Take your time shopping. Slow down and look at the variety. The prize you're looking for will be just around the corner. A bit of exploring will reveal items for a fraction of the price a specialty store would sell it.

"Did you know.....? Mesa Market Place is the Number 2 tourist destination in the East Valley after baseball's Spring Training! Tourists and locals enjoy the market equally! Your out-of-town friends will find the perfect souvenir to take home, reminding them of their trip to Arizona."

Mesa Market Pace Swap Meet is an ideal location for supporting local small businesses. Perhaps you are looking to start a small business and are hesitant to commit to a traditional 'brick and mortar' store at first...? This may be the perfect place for you to launch your new endeavor!

"Mesa Market Place looks for ways to serve as this generation's 'city center.' "We'll always look for ways to support and to do good in our community. We're a good place to bring people together," says Mesa Market Place's General Manager, Pam White.

Motorcycle & Car Shows are hosted here regularly - in support of the Modified Motorcycle Association, numerous Veterans organizations, and other community charities. There are also many patriotic-themed events that take place throughout the year... on behalf of Veterans and deployed GIs.

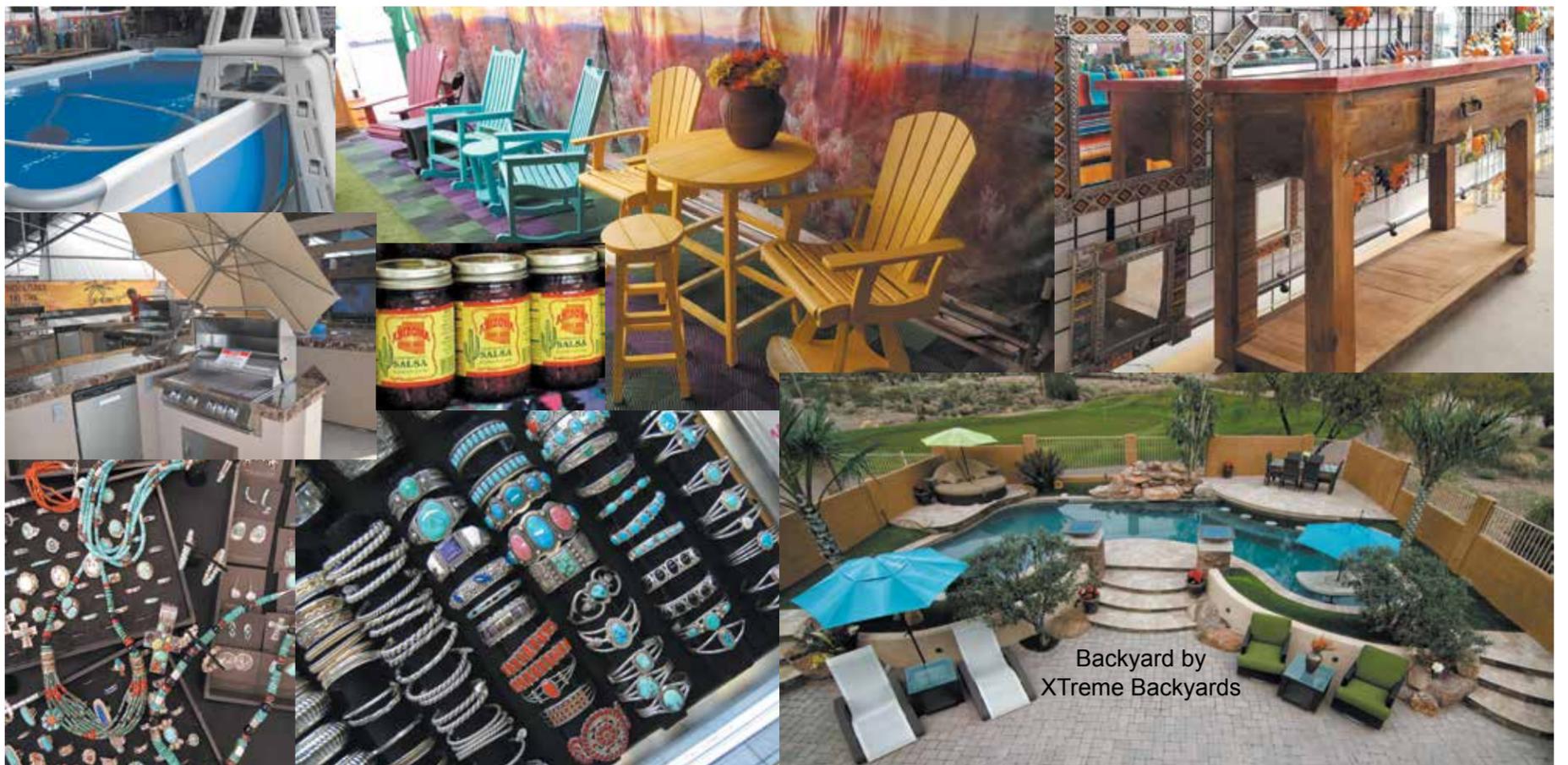
Gatherings here are always family-friendly... but no fur-babies please. Service animals only.

Full capacity, during high season, brings more than 900 merchants to MMP. But during the summer there are *still* some 500 or so merchants stocking about 900 shops. They offer tools, general household items, apparel & accessories, giftables, year 'round necessities, and more; plus all kinds of outdoor living items.

Mesa Market Place's address is 10550 E. Baseline Rd., Mesa, AZ 85209. If you come in on Hwy 60, take Exit 193 Signal Butte Rd. Turn south, then turn right onto Baseline Rd.

Right now, Mesa Market Place is enjoying its Spring Season and is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, 7am until 3pm. In the middle of June they'll cut back to being open just Saturdays and Sundays from 7am until 3pm. In the Winter they resume Friday-Sunday hours from 7a-4pm. Their website is [www.mesamarket.com](http://www.mesamarket.com) and is an excellent place to check on hours and upcoming events. You can also call Mesa Market Place at 480-380-5572, or visit [www.facebook.com/mesamarket/](http://www.facebook.com/mesamarket/)

Any time of year you can find something you can't live without at Mesa Market Place Swap Meet. C'mon out and have fun exploring all they have to offer!



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# 8 East Valley Firefighters Charity Ride AZ Rider



The 15th Annual East Valley Firefighter Charity Ride took place on Friday April 13, 2018. Sign-in was hosted at Superstition Harley-Davidson, located at 2910 West Apache Trail in Apache Junction, AZ. This event has become an East Valley tradition, held the Friday of Bike Week.

It was about 60° to start off the day. Wind chill was enough to be invigorating without being unpleasant. The sky was clear. While it was still breezy, it was less so than the day before.

Reception was busy as volunteers manned the pre-registration and onsite registration tables. Local celebrity Charity Spears ~ Mrs. Gilbert AZ 2018 was there in support of the firefighters and to greet participants. There were a lot of independent riders out to support. Plus, organizations represented included American Legion Riders, Dead to Sin M/M, HOG, IAFF 10th District Riders, and Riders USA.

Your entry fee included breakfast served up by EV firefighter volunteers. Darryl was head cook, with a crew of about a dozen people. He shared that they served about 500 breakfasts... 800 eggs, 90# of sausage, 60# of pancake batter, & 4 gallons of syrup. It's impressive to see the efficiency with which these folks can coordinate feeding so many people in a short amount of time. The coffee station was sponsored by Starbucks of Apache Junction; with ladies from Starbucks serving up tasty hot coffee and warm morning greetings to all. "We are always happy to help our community."

Raffle tables were filled with prizes. This fundraiser was set up as a 'brown bag' type raffle.

You purchase tickets & put them into containers next to the prize you'd like to win. Tickets could be purchased in the morning and also at the last stop. There was an array of items including numerous adult beverages, gift certificates & gift cards, a 32" LED TV, tools, and a propane campfire which was quite popular. For the raffle you had to be at the last stop to win. On the other hand, the 50/50 winner did not have to be present to win.

The Superstition FD Pipes & Drums Honor Guard was there to perform and was well received.

Departure for the ride was staggered. The self-paced route was about 150 miles. Stops included the Drift Inn Saloon in Globe, Queen Creek's Olive Mill, and Gilbert Fire Dept Station #1 on Williams Field Road. Last card in was at 4:30pm at the final stop, Gila River Lone Butte Casino on Kyrene Road in Chandler. Fellow riders we spoke to commented on the windy ride as well! We definitely felt ourselves being pushed around on the road.

Announcements & drawings included Low hand winner Joe Minor with a 9-high assortment. Turns out he's a retired firefighter from Michigan. He won \$250 & donated back \$200 to the event. High hand winner was Jesse M. with four 8s. The prize was \$500. The 50/50 prize was \$408. Mike C. wasn't there to claim it so he was called with the news. Congratulations to each of you!

Brina from Superstition H-D shared, "Superstition Harley-Davidson is honored to be this event's starting location for the last 10+ years and we look forward to next year ☺"

Thanks go out to all the sponsors, Public Safety Financial/Galloway, United Phoenix Fire Fighters Charities (UPFFC), Verve Wellness Center, and Law Tigers. EVFC Executive Director Steve Heyer also extended thanks to Lone Butte Casino for their hospitality.

East Valley Firefighter Charities supports area communities & families, including burn and abuse victims. From their website <http://firefightercharities.com>, "Our charity has been created by the dedicated firefighters from the Cities of Mesa, Gilbert, Superstition, Gila River, Salt River, Ft. McDowell and Florence, Arizona, who truly believe that we can make a difference in our communities. As we respond into the homes of citizens we can observe up close the personal situations where people truly need a hand to live and succeed." While covering this event years back it was explained that, "The job of these firefighters is to make the best of everyone else's worst day. They see so much tragedy in their work, and spend so much time dealing with the rough segments of life. Their volunteer efforts allow them to take all that negative energy and re-direct it toward a positive outcome."

All I can say is, firefighters are a special kind of strong and good-hearted people. *Thank a Firefighter.* They're the folks running TOWARD the shit that's hitting the fan!

This group is a blessing in our community.

*Betsy & Bruce*



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- 13th - 15th Annual Firefighter Charity Ride
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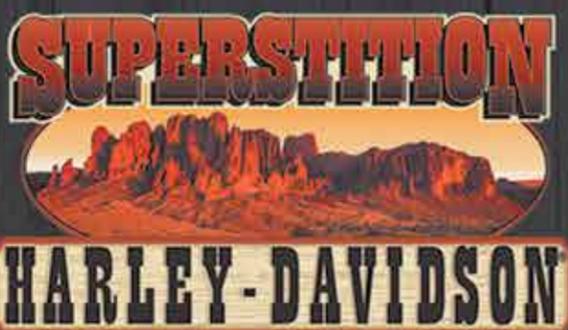
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# Arizona Bike Week 2018



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April 14, 2018 ... Saturday at WestWorld in Scottsdale was a beautiful day to enjoy the 22nd annual AZ Bike Week party. It was a great looking crowd and there was lots of enthusiasm.

Riders of the Clint Ewing Stunt Team were SO cool to watch and the Globe of Death riders are amazing.

The Vendors Village was row after row of cool stuff to check out. Plus there were even more booths inside the exhibition hall. So, you could be shopping and listening to the great music coming out of the Handlebar Saloon at the same time. Excellent!

We look forward to sharing even more AZ Bike Week stories in upcoming editions.

Hope you had a great time. We did!  
*Bruce & Betsy*



# RIP Mickey Jones, actor, biker and all around good guy AZ Rider

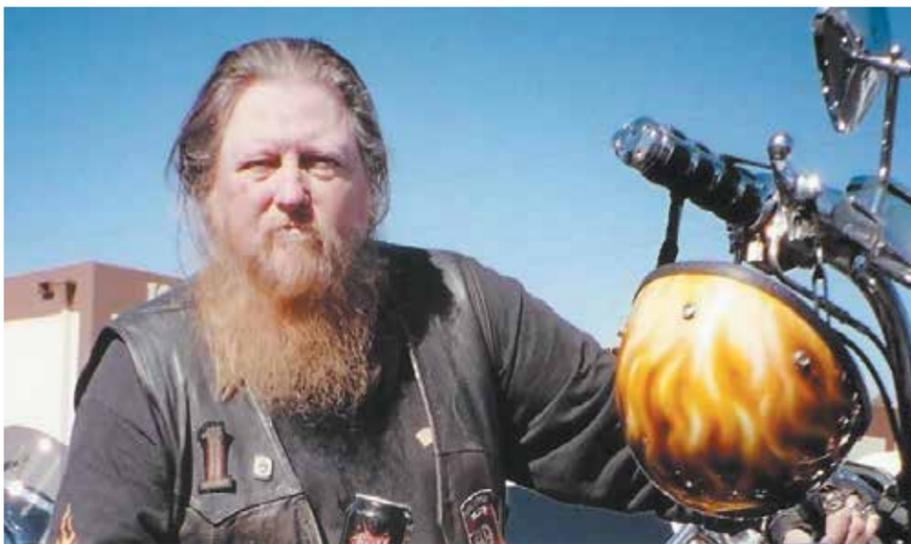
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February 08, 2018 ... Actor Mickey Jones—best known for popping up as a bearded biker or grizzled blue-collar man in loads of movies and TV shows—has died. A rep for Jones confirmed his death, saying he had been suffering from a “lengthy illness.” Jones was 76.

In 2003, Jones received the National Coalition of Motorcyclists Silver Spoke award for entertainment for his positive portrayal of motorcyclists during his career.

*BikerNet* reported “After the banquet, Mickey Jones donated a script from the final episode of *Home Improvement* autographed by the entire cast, which fetched \$1,000 during the auction to raise money for the Freedom Fund! He also donated several copies of various movies and short films he has appeared in, including the infamous *Breath Savers*



commercial, which garnered several hundred dollars more to be used for lobbying and advancing bikers’ rights causes. Mickey instantly became the star of the Convention, graciously signing autographs until 2 a.m., and was the last person to leave the banquet room.”

On TV, Jones had a recurring role as Pete Bilker on *Home Improvement*, appeared on the ‘80s sitcom *Flo*, and popped up on *M\*A\*S\*H*, *Baywatch*, *Justified*, and *It’s Always Sunny In Philadelphia*. His most recent role was on Adult Swim’s *Newsread-*

*ers* in 2015. He also had memorable roles in the original *Total Recall*, *National Lampoon’s Vacation*, and *Sling Blade* (where he appeared alongside his friend Billy Bob Thornton).

Jones was also an accomplished drummer. In the 1960s and ‘70s, he was a drummer with Bob Dylan, Johnny Rivers, Trini Lopez, and the First Edition with Kenny Rogers.

In 1966, Jones played with Dylan during a pair of shows at London’s Royal Albert Hall that became noteworthy when the crowd erupted in boos when Dylan switched to an electric guitar midway through the show.

Jones told *The Times* in 2008 that he was the original drummer of the Band — which backed up Dylan before gaining fame on their own — before Levon Helm joined the group. Most accounts, though, indicate that Jones had filled in on drums when Helm took a break from the group.

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#### Happy Birthday in May to

Lady Jewells, Gene Lueth, Breeze, Jane Hudson, Randy Price ~ GKMMC, Keith Salyer, Em Jay, Katherine Boes, Clyde Brooks, Russ Abshire, Margie Sanchez, Roy Siqueiros, Jason Clark, Richele Lynn Dildine, Taliesin MacAran, Pawnee Erin Carter, Yukon Rick Johnson, Robert Baker, David 'Sleepy' Layne, Curt Burnley, Jennifer Anderson, Phillip Riski Stabolito, Michelle Lee Blackwell Mills, Athena Anderson, Tabitha Demaio, Paula Maros 'Sparky', Marcus Vincent, 'St Nick' Mason, Marla Kelly, Jim Page, Unclebandit Az, Jayne VanDyke, Tammy Nunes Thompson, Bob Moreno, Shantel L'Ange Parks, Cheri Adamek, & Bedonna Coe  
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Robert J. Bellemey ~ May 15, 2011  
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Wayne 'Undertaker' Anderson ~ May 16, 2014  
Daniel Harrington ~ May 18, 2016  
'Danny Boy' Eckland, RRMC ~ May 2017  
Allen C. Eshman ~ May 6, 2017  
Cheri Dickerson ~ May 9, 2017  
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March 2018 ... East Valley's Chapter 8 of the Disabled American Vets {DAV} is hosting a fundraising raffle for an M1 Carbine 30cal rifle. The drawing will take place on June 14, 2018. Tickets cost \$3/each or get 4 tickets for \$10. There are booths setting up at locations around the East Valley, including the Apache Trail Swap Meet, located at 9452 E Main Street in East Mesa. Tickets are also available at the DAV office, located at 655 N. Gilbert Rd, Mesa. Learn more about what the DAV does for Disabled Vets in the community by visiting this website <http://azdav08.org/> For more information on getting YOUR tickets, contact Sarge at [fundraising@azdav08.org](mailto:fundraising@azdav08.org) or call 480-890-2424.  
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April 4, 2018 ... Recall ~

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18V215  
Internal Cells in Battery May Short Causing Fire  
Potential Number of Units Affected: 218  
Components:

Electrical System, Hybrid Propulsion System  
Summary: Zero Motorcycles (Zero) is recalling all 2012 Zero S, Zero DS, and Zero DSP (Police) motorcycles. Cell pouches in the battery packs may wear from contact with the holders, allowing humidity to enter the pouch and cause an electrical short within the battery. An electrical short can increase the risk of a fire.

Remedy: Zero Motorcycles will notify owners and offer them a choice of either the repurchase of their motorcycle or a financial trade-assist towards a newer model year Zero Motorcycles motorcycle. The recall is expected to begin April 30, 2018. Owners may contact Zero customer service at 1-888-841-8085. Zero's number for this recall is SV-ZMC-018-383. Note: Since owners are advised to no longer ride or charge the affected motorcycles, Zero Motorcycles dealers will arrange for the collection of the affected motorcycle at no charge to the owners.

Notes: Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).  
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April 6 ... It was such a nice night to be out ~ a light breeze, mid 80's ~ perfect! And a LOT of other people thought so too! THIS is why we live here, folks ☺

There was a really good-looking turnout to this evening's Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa... an excellent run up to all the Bike Week activities to come.

Manic Monkeys were jammin' at the bandstand in the beer garden. There were several food trucks set up nearby. So, along with the numerous restaurants along Main Street you had plenty of choices to get a bite and have some refreshments. Vendor booths offered an array of goods for shopping.

Mike was manning the East Valley ABATE-AZ Chapter booth, sans Willie. She was home & we hope to see her next time. We got to see Chase from Evil Twin Custom Cycle & met his wife Stephanie, saw Tom from Post 138, Red & Bob, Cheryl, Richard, TC, Lonnie... the list goes on. Coffee at Jarrod's Gallery is becoming a favorite while visiting & listening to more music. Awesome!

Well, if you missed it... your chances are winding down FAST. May's Bike Night ~ on the 4th, featuring music by the Chris Kane Trio, will be here & gone before you know it! Then June 1st is the last MoM before the summer hiatus ~ with the Moonshine VooDoo Band taking the stage. Everything kicks off at 6pm. We hope to see you out there to wrap up the season.

And of course, mark your calendars for September 7 when the new season gets underway. Motorcycles on Main takes place every first Friday between September & June.  
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April 10, 2018 ... Recall ~

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18V228  
Motorcycle May Start Unexpectedly  
Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,341

Summary: Indian Motorcycle Company (Indian) is recalling certain 2018 Indian Chief, Chief Classic, Chief Dark Horse, Chief Vintage, Chieftain, Chieftain Classic, Chieftain Dark Horse, Chieftain Elite, Chieftain Limited, Springfield, Springfield Dark Horse, Roadmaster, Roadmaster Elite, Roadmaster Icon, and Roadmaster Classic motorcycles. Corrosion may develop within the right combination switch, potentially resulting in the motorcycle starting without the user's intent if the key fob is near the motorcycle and the required safety interlock conditions are met. If the motorcycle starts unintentionally and

is parked in an enclosed space, exposure to carbon monoxide may increase the risk of injury.

Remedy: Indian will notify owners, and dealers will replace the right hand combination switch, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin April 19, 2018. Owners may contact Indian customer service at 1-877-204-3697. Indian's number for this recall is I-18-04.

Notes: Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov)  
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April 11, 2018 ... Fatal Traffic Collision, Carefree Highway, Phoenix

From Phoenix PD Public Information officer Sergeant Mercedes Fortune... "On April 11, 2018 at 1:30 this morning Phoenix police officers responded to the area of 1500 W. Carefree Highway reference a motorcycle and vehicle collision. It was reported that the motorcycle was traveling west bound on Carefree Hwy. when it collided with a raised median.

"After colliding with the median the motorcyclist traveled onto east bound traffic. A vehicle traveling eastbound struck the motorcyclist and he was pronounced deceased at scene by fire personnel. The driver of the vehicle remained at scene and impairment does not appear to be a factor with regards to the driver of the vehicle. The investigation is ongoing and Carefree Hwy is still restricted between 15th Avenue and 20th Avenue."

The motorcyclist has been identified as 46-year old Howard G. Evans. He was an out-of-town rider. He was wearing a helmet. Determination of whether the pilot was impaired awaits results of lab tests.  
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April 21, 2018 ... Motorcyclist Killed in Crash, Kingman, AZ...

According to Kingman PD Public Information Officer Deputy Chief Rusty Cooper, "On Saturday, April 21st, at about 2:10pm, a fatal traffic crash occurred in the 3200blk of Airway Ave., just east of the Andy Devine Ave. intersection. The investigation determined that a green in color 1994 Ford Ranger truck driven by a 58 year old Kingman man was westbound on Airway Ave. in the outside traffic lane, approaching E. Andy Devine Ave. A black in color 2012 Victory motorcycle driven by James Earl Paul, 37 of Kingman, was also westbound on Airway Ave. in the inside traffic lane, some distance behind the Ford truck. The driver of the Ford truck began to merge into the inside lane. Paul, who was estimated to be operating the motorcycle in excess of 48mph, attempted to stop, skidding over 121 feet before crashing into the driver's side of the Ford truck. Paul was thrown from the motorcycle, landing on the ground and becoming stuck underneath the Ford truck. Paul was pronounced dead at the scene from massive head trauma. The speed of the motorcycle is believed to have contributed to the cause of the crash. No charges are expected. Paul was not wearing a helmet. The 3200blk of Airway Ave was closed during the scene investigation, which was completed by 4:30pm."  
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# FoEver Here Charity Car & Motorcycle Show

Mesa Market Place Swap Meet in Mesa hosted the FoEver Here Charity Car, Truck & Cycle Show on Saturday April 7, 2018. It was a beautiful day for this shine and show event.

Exhibitors included the restored Viet Nam "Charlie Chopper" helicopter. It is a Series III OH-6a Hardbelly Cayuse LOach {light observation helicopter} that served in Viet Nam from 1970 to 1973. It survived six crashes while in service.

American National Collector Car Insurance was there, as well as Russ Lyon Realty and a face painting booth. There was also a table of raffle items & a 50/50 drawing.

DJ Jon from Electric Blue Entertainment entertained with music, activities, and even a dance contest! Special guest Darryl Clack, an 80s era Dallas Cowboys Running Back, came out to sign autographs.

We learned that nearly 100 vehicles participated in the show. We did observe a greater turnout of cars

over motorcycles, but with all the Bike Week--related activities going on this day, this wasn't a big surprise to us. It was a treat all the same... to walk among the many beauties on display.

The oldest vintage car we saw was a 1930 Model A Ford. There was also a beautiful Mercedes Gazelle... which is a replicar of the 1929 Mercedes-Benz SSK. Car clubs represented included the AZ Kit Car Club and AZ's East Valley Cruisers.

Voting is all about 'stuffing the ballot box' ☺ Each show entry had a donation box in front of it. You vote for a vehicle by adding money to their donations. Participants were also encouraged to collect contributions ahead of the show! At the end of the day, the vehicle collecting the most money wins First Place! Unfortunately, the name of the winner wasn't available at the time of this writing. But in truth, the winners this day were those of us who got to enjoy these vehicles and the FoEver Here organization who received your generous support.

100% of the proceeds of this show go to the organization FoEver Here, Inc., which helps Parents who have lost a child 21 years old and younger with funeral, burial, and other related services. We'd never hear of this group before. The organization started in 2015 as a means to help channel the grief of parents Tish & James Woods III who had been faced with the untimely death of their 15-year old son two years prior. They also hoped that what they'd learned along their journey could help other parents faced with similar tragedy. There is so much more to learn about FoEver Here and you can do so via their Facebook page [www.facebook.com/FoEverHere-Inc/](http://www.facebook.com/FoEverHere-Inc/) and website [www.FoEverHere.org](http://www.FoEverHere.org). Send emails to [FoEverHere@gmail.com](mailto:FoEverHere@gmail.com) or [contact@foeverhere.org](mailto:contact@foeverhere.org) or call Tish Woods at 480-246-4954.

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**Wednesdays 2018 {5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30}: Superstition HOG Chapter Ride. Departs Superstition HD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120. Ride with our HOG Members. Meet at East Lot 7:30a, ride @ 8am. FMI: 480-346-0600 or visit <http://superstitionhd.com/>**

**2nd Wednesday: ABATE-AZ Yavapai Chapter meeting ~ 6pm at VFW Post 541, 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott. FMI: 928-308-9911, [ycabateaz@gmail.com](mailto:ycabateaz@gmail.com)**

Every Friday: ALMA MC Westside Open House... 8-11:30pm. 1050 N. Eliseo Felix Jr Way #105, Avondale. FMI: [www.facebook.com/AlmaMcWestside/](http://www.facebook.com/AlmaMcWestside/)

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**5/4 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music by Chris Kane Trio. Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 <https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain>**

**5/4 Ride with Superstition Harley-Davidson to Motorcycles on Main. Meet at SHD west lot, 2910 W Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ 85120. KSU 6:15pm. FMI: 480-346-0600, [receptionist@superstitionhd.com](mailto:receptionist@superstitionhd.com)**

**5/4-6 {Fr-Sun} Wild in the Weeds with ABATE-AZ High Country Chapter. Old School Bike Rally @ Punkin Center Bar & Grill - Mile Post 262 SR 188 Tonto Basin. FMI: CC 928-476-1955, <http://wildintheweeds.com/> | [www.facebook.com/AbateHighCountryChapter/](http://www.facebook.com/AbateHighCountryChapter/)**

**5/5 {Sat} International Female Ride Day {IFRD} meet-up at Superstition Harley-Davidson, 2910 W Apache Trail Apache Junction, 85120. "RSVP & Ride with SHD® We will kick-off the day with muffins, coffee, & refreshments. Lunch @ Roadhouse is on us if you ride & register with us!" KSU 11am. First 30 ladies to RSVP receive a gift bag! FMI/RSVP: 480-346-0600, [receptionist@superstitionhd.com](mailto:receptionist@superstitionhd.com)**

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5/5 23rd Annual Jester Run presented by MMA's Verde Valley District to honor our lost brothers & sisters. This year the run is dedicated to Jack Perkins Seitz. Register 9am at American Legion Post 25, 480 S Calvary Way Cottonwood 86326. KSU 10:30a. Police escort to the first stop Kactus Kates. End Party is @ 10/12 Lounge in Clarkdale, 910 Main St. Clarkdale. Music, raffles, 50/50, & a great time. FMI: [Stretch \(tpaynehogs@yahoo.com\)](mailto:Stretch (tpaynehogs@yahoo.com))

5/6 {Sun} Sho Ryders MC 1st Annual Sho Your Cards Poker Run. \$20/bike with 5 stops at local MC clubhouses. Highest hand at the end wins prize. 10:30a-5pm. FMI: [www.shoryders.com/](http://www.shoryders.com/)

**5/8 {Tu} Bike Night with Superstition HD's Sales Team at the Monastery in Mesa. Meet in the SHD west lot, 2910 W. Apache Trail in AJ, 85120. KSU 6:15pm. FMI: 480-346-0600, [receptionist@superstitionhd.com](mailto:receptionist@superstitionhd.com)**

5/11-13 {Fr-Sun} Tucson Motorcycle Rodeo @ Tucson Rodeo Grounds, 4823 S 6th Ave, Tucson, 85714 FMI: <http://rodeoonthetrange.com/>

**5/12 {Sat} Law Tigers 3rd annual Arizona Mile Flat Track Racing at Turf Paradise. FMI: [www.lawtigers.com](http://www.lawtigers.com) | [www.facebook.com/arizonamile/](http://www.facebook.com/arizonamile/)**

5/12 3rd Annual Lost Dutchman MC Queen Creek Six Shooter Poker Run. \$10/pp. Sign in 10a-Noon at Superstition H-D {2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, 85120}. End party starts 4pm at LDMC Queen Creek Clubhouse, 17998 186th St, Queen Creek 85142. Live music, door prizes, 50/50 raffle, high hand winner. Independents Welcome. FMI: [receptionist@superstitionhd.com](mailto:receptionist@superstitionhd.com) | [mwarren0717@gmail.com](mailto:mwarren0717@gmail.com)

5/12 Sun Riders MC 40th Anniversary Party. Free hog roast, live music from Mr. Skynard. 8a-5pm. FMI: <http://tucsonsunridersmc.com/>

5/12 11th Annual Howling For The Hounds. Benefits the Humane Society of Southern AZ. Live Music, Auction, Raffle, 50/50. 11a-5pm Hydraulic Solutions, 119 W Alturas St, Tucson, 85705. Cost: \$20 - \$30. FMI: 520-505-8834

**5/13 {Sun} 11-Mile Corner Swap Meet. All parts & all brands welcome. Opens 8am. Pinal County Fairgrounds, 512 N 11-Mile Corner Rd {exit 194 from I-10}. \$5/pp, children under 12 free. Seller spaces 10x15=\$30; bike corral \$5. Setup 6am. FMI: 480-209-8521**

**5/13 Mothers Day @ Superstition Harley-Davidson. Bring mom into Superstition HD for a free rose while supplies last. OR get mom that special gift for Mother's Day @ SHD & we'll wrap it for free. Located at 2910 W Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ. FMI: 480-346-0600, [receptionist@superstitionhd.com](mailto:receptionist@superstitionhd.com)**

5/19 {Sat} Party on the Patio at Desert Wind H-D, 922 S. Country Club Dr. in Mesa benefits ABATE's Too Broke For Sturgis. FMI: [www.toobrokeforsturgis.com/](http://www.toobrokeforsturgis.com/)

5/19 Miracle in the Desert at Sunshine Acres Children's Home, 10a-2pm. Lunch by EV ABATE's Red-bone & the Bonettes. Ride-in Bike Show {kids pick Best of Show} FMI: [Glenn cmaglenng@gmail.com](mailto:Glenn cmaglenng@gmail.com)

5/19 4th annual Hawaiian Dice Run. Ride starts & ends at St Nick's Tavern, 6840 N 27th Ave, Phoenix. Sign-in 8:30a. KSU 10a. \$10/sgl, \$15/2-up. Please wear your Hawaiian shirt or swimwear ☺ All riders welcome. FMI: [www.facebook.com/events/1643259785754861/](http://www.facebook.com/events/1643259785754861/) or 602-242-2345

5/19 Carriage House Bike Run to benefit the residents at the Carriage House Assisted Living Facility in Snowflake, AZ. Sign-in for Poker Run 9-10am at Show Low Motorsports. Stop at Carriage House for games, cook-out lunch, visit with residents. Ride continues to Cabin in Overgaard. Entry = 1 non-perishable food item/pp to be donated to Veterans in need in the White Mountains. FMI: 928-386-9348

**5/19 Superstition H-D activities include General H.O.G. Chapter Meeting at 10am. Gather 9:30am for 3c's {cake, coffee, conversation}. H.O.G. Dogs from 11am till gone. Located at 2910 W Apache Trail Apache Junction, 85120 FMI: [receptionist@superstitionhd.com](mailto:receptionist@superstitionhd.com) | 480-346-0600**

5/19 3rd Annual Sinners & Saints Fight Against Diabetes Party, presented by the Hooligans MC Deer Valley & the Silent Saints MC at the Hooligans MC DV Clubhouse in Phoenix from 6-11:30 pm. Benefits awareness of & the fight against diabetes. Good food, cold drinks, music, vendors, & of course a great time. \$10/sgl, \$15/cpl. FMI: [hooligansmcdv@gmail.com](mailto:hooligansmcdv@gmail.com)

5/19 Old Fashioned Biker Picnic, noon-5pm with the AZ Leathernecks MC-Tucson and Hooligans MC-Casa Grande. \$15/sgl, \$20/cpl. Great food, plenty of beverages, music, & great people. All in one place!!! AZ Leathernecks MC Tucson Clubhouse 10861 W Grier Rd, Marana, 85658 FMI: [admin@azleathernecks.com](mailto:admin@azleathernecks.com)

**5/24 {Th} Throttle Thursday Bike Night w/ Superstition H-D. Wrap up the week with live bull riding, drink specials, & giveaways. Ride with the dealer or meet up at the Hitching Posting 2341 N Apache Trail in Apache Jct 85119. KSU 6:15pm from the SHD west parking lot, 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, [receptionist@superstitionhd.com](mailto:receptionist@superstitionhd.com)**

5/25-27 {Fr-Sun} Silver City NM Blues Festival. Music, vendors, Kneeling Nun Bike Run, & more. FMI: 575-538-2505, [www.silvercitybluesfestival.org](http://www.silvercitybluesfestival.org)

5/26 {Sat} AZ Leathernecks MC 18th Anniversary Party. 7-11:30pm @ AZ Leathernecks MC Phx Clubhouse 9855 N 19th Dr, Phoenix, 85021 FMI: [admin@azleathernecks.com](mailto:admin@azleathernecks.com)

**5/28 {Mon} 12th Annual "Flags For Our Fallen" Memorial Day Rally, from 6-9am. Organized by RidersUSA. We line Cave Creek Rd with 500 American Flags on 10' tall flagpoles, put the bikes in between them & salute the family members going into the National Cemetery for the 8am official State-sponsored event. Pins for the first 300 bikes. Location: corner of Cave Creek & Pinnacle Peak Roads at the entrance to the Nat'l Memorial Cemetery of AZ, 23029 N Cave Creek Road. FMI: [www.ridersusa.net](http://www.ridersusa.net)**

6/1 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Music by Moonshine Voodoo Band. Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 <https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain>

6/2 {Sat} East Valley ABATE-AZ Spaghetti Feed. 6-9pm at American Legion Post 2, 2125 S Industrial Park Ave, Tempe. All-U-Can-Eat spaghetti, meatballs, bread, salad, dessert for \$10/adult & \$5/kid. FMI: [steeddp@gmail.com](mailto:steeddp@gmail.com)

6/2 Devil's Highway Poker Run, commemorating the birth & death of the once legendary Devil's Highway. Starts/ends in Springerville, AZ. Meet 8:30a at Avery's on Main St. for this 265-mile ride. No registration fee, but pre-reg online if you want a pin. FMI: <http://azride.com/devils-highway-run/2557977>

**6/7-10 {Th-Sun} Too Broke For Sturgis annual ABATE-AZ fundraiser & party weekend! ALWAYS a good time! Adults ONLY party at Mormon Lake Lodge. [www.facebook.com/Toobrokeforsturgis/](http://www.facebook.com/Toobrokeforsturgis/)**

6/9 {Sat} Hooligans annual Heatwave Summer Kickoff Party from 6-11:30pm at Deer Valley Clubhouse. Kick off the summer with the 422 Crew. Good Food, Cold Drinks, Vendors, Music & a great time!! \$10/sgl, \$15/cpl. FMI: [www.hooligansmcdvalley.com](http://www.hooligansmcdvalley.com)

6/22-23 White Mountain Bike Rally at Hon-Dah Casino FMI: <http://hon-dah.com/events-entertainment/>

7/7 {Sat} Running with the Pups, benefit for Humane Society hosted by Old Bastards MC at Payson Clubhouse, 109 W. Phoenix St, Payson, AZ 85541. FMI: Coyote 928-978-8110, Coors 520-850-0116

**7/20-22 {Fr-Sun} Biker Bash & Packages from Home Fundraiser at the Cabin Bar & Grill. Live Music Friday & Saturday nights with The Chris Kane Trio. DJ in the afternoons. Vendors. 50/50. Silent Auction. Tattoos from HK Tattoo Studios (Cory Young), much more! 2763 Hwy 260 in Overgaard. FMI: 928-535-6117**

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9/12-15 {Wed-Sat} Thunder Valley Rally in Cottonwood AZ. Presented by Law Tigers. <http://thundervalleyrally.com>

11/2-4 {Fr-Sun} ACMC's Riot on the River @ Gila River Park, Winkelman. Weekend prices = \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl. FMI: 623-363-3470, [moehmcdv@gmail.com](mailto:moehmcdv@gmail.com)

10/5 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music. Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 <https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain>

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10/11-14 {Th-Sun} Las Vegas BikeFest <https://lasvegaskbikefest.com/>

12/8 {Sat} ABATE-AZ High Country Chapter Chili Cook-off. Details TBA. FMI: [Cecilia.ransom@gmail.com](mailto:Cecilia.ransom@gmail.com)

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Instead of a key card, eight social media savvy collegians will get the opportunity to learn to ride via Harley-Davidson's Riding Academy. Upon successful completion, they'll receive the keys to their very own Harley-Davidson motorcycle with the mission of sharing their experiences, exploring motorcycle culture, and enjoying the freedom of riding all summer long.

"We're continuously working to grow the sport of motorcycling," said Harley-Davidson CEO, Matt Levatich. "What better way to engage future riders than to have a whole team of newly trained enthusiasts share personal stories as they immerse themselves in motorcycle culture and community – all while gaining marketable career skills. I'm looking forward to following their journeys, learning about their experiences, and seeing them out on the road."

Reporting to Harley-Davidson's marketing and social media team, the interns will take to the road and document their journey throughout summer, including: learning to ride at H-D Riding Academy, attending and covering events and of course, experiencing the freedom of motorcycle riding. Some will even take part in the Motor Company's 115th Anniversary celebrations in Milwaukee and Prague.

To qualify, candidates must have a taste for adventure and be socially savvy storytellers. In-



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So, go ahead, review the job description and show us what FREEDOM means to you. – You can make a video, write an essay, create a photo collage, whatever you want. Get creative and show us what you got and send it to: FreedomInternship@Harley-Davidson.com.

All applications must be submitted by 11:59PM CST on May 11, 2018.

\*Conditioned upon passing H-D Riding Academy course and obtaining a motorcycle endorsement within a H-D specified time period.

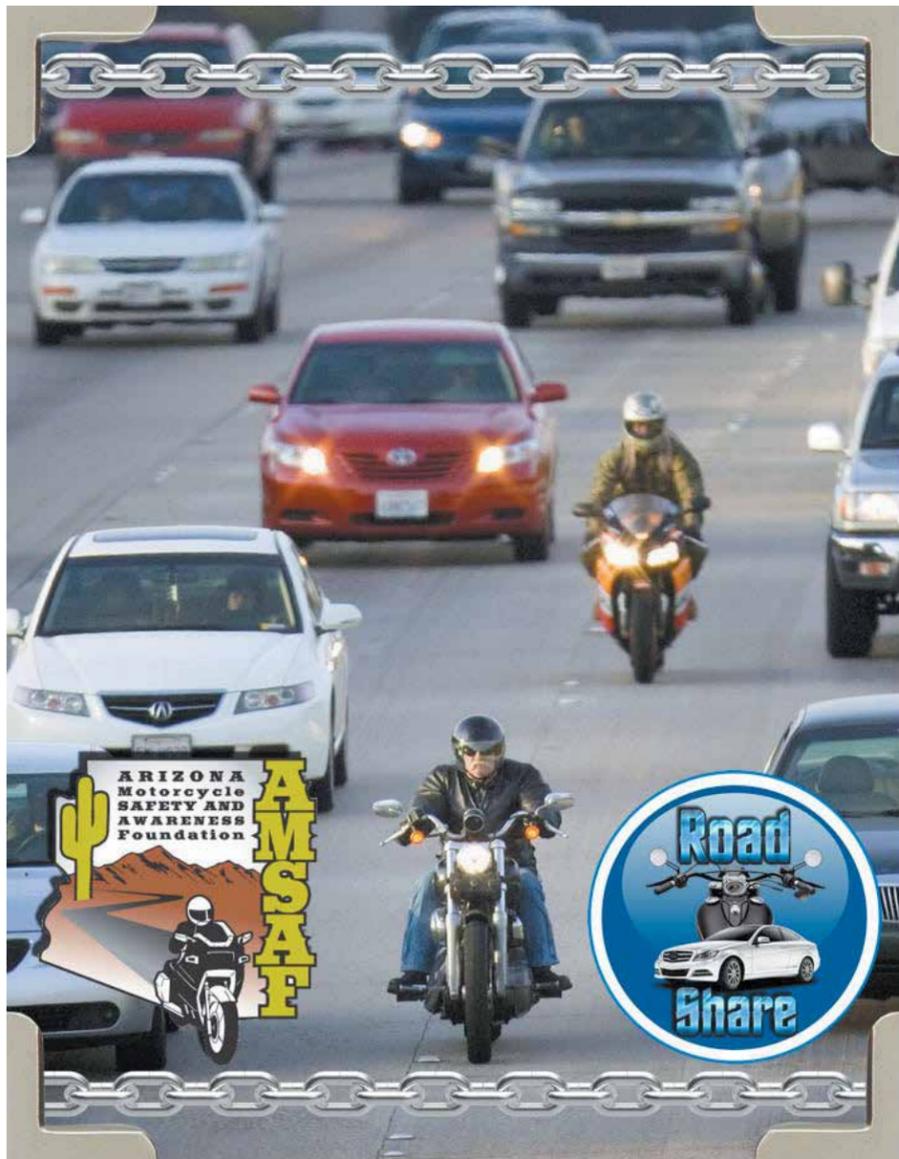
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terested candidates must describe what FREEDOM means to them by creating a video, writing an essay, developing a photo collage, or creating whatever piece of content they want to make their application unique and then submitting it to FreedomInternship@Harley-Davidson.com.

The internship program is open to junior and senior level college students (or equivalent) or recent college graduates across the globe, 18 years old and above, looking to pursue a career in social media, communications, public relations or marketing. In total, eight interns will be selected for the program and applications are due Friday, May 11.

For more information on the #FindYourFreedom internship program, visit the hiring page at [www.h-d.com](http://www.h-d.com), and follow the interns throughout the summer on the brand's Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and SnapChat channels.

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# Backstage Biker Bash



Backstage Biker Bash 2018 took place on April 6-7 at Desert Wind Harley-Davidson, located at 922 S. Country Club Drive in Mesa. This was a benefit presented by Motorsports Entertainment on behalf of ABATE-AZ's Phoenix- Shadow Mountain Chapter.

Desert Wind HD provides a great venue for music concerts & this event made full use of that fact! Friday night's concert offered local favorites 74th St Band and Moonshine Voodoo Band; followed by Mark Farner {formerly of Grand Funk Railroad} & special guest Micki Free.

Saturday's music included additional favorites Skarlett Fever and Unchained; with Autograph & then headliner Queensrÿche wrapping the night. There was a lot of positive response to the performances ... locals & headliners alike.

While waiting for the music to start you could shop numerous vendors, including Ace Motorsports, American Bikes & Trikes, At Season's End Mortuary, Best Clothing Company, Bling Shirts by Kelly, Cigars For Warriors, Clip Man, Discount Biker Supply, EagleRider Rentals, Iron Maiden Boutique, Rocco's Apparel, Sarah DeFer Skin Care,

State Farm Insurance, and YourGroundedJWP. Food trucks included our friends Mark & TheresaAnn of HoggDogs. They're adding vegetarian options to their menu. Thank you so much! The burger was very tasty!

Friday night fundraising included an auction. A guitar autographed by Mark Farner was won by Neal & Joyce Buttler. Very cool!

Saturday's Bike Show had 16 entries. The complete winners list was unavailable at the time of this writing. Congratulations to Mike Schneider in the Metric Class and Greg Crooks for his Trike Class trophy. Congratulations to all the winners.

Desert Wind HD owner Ray Croghan was recognized by AMSAF {AZ Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Fndn} for his contributions to support motorcycle awareness in our community. The presentation was made by AMSAF Chairman / Executive Board Member Mark Breyer of Breyer Law.

Thanks go out to sponsors Attorneys For Freedom, Breyer Law, Chuck Franklin Law, Easy Rider Bourbon, Evapeology Vape & Coffee Lounge, Firestone Walker Brewing Company, and Square Peg Promos.

This particular event was a fundraiser for the Phoenix Shadow Mountain Chapter of ABATE-AZ. Chapters around the state host events, such as High Country Chapter's 'Wild in the Weeds' in May, Chili Cook-off in October, and Toy Run in December.

Later in May, on the 19th, you can return to Desert Wind HD to support ABATE during the Party on the Patio... including preregistration for Too Broke coming up in June.

June brings the East Valley ABATE-AZ Spaghetti Feed on Saturday the 2nd {details in our calendar!}

And of course the annual everyone looks forward to is Too Broke For Sturgis! This year it's the weekend of June 7-10. Details are in the calendar & a separate announcement elsewhere in these pages.

The Backstage Biker Bash was a really good time for a lot of people. Good music, good people, good cause. And a great way to get your Bike Week rolling!

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*Betsy & Bruce*



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