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Halloween Fun!!!



Estero
River BOD
Meeting
9:30 AM,
Chapter
Meeting
10 AM
October 16th
@ The Cork-
screw
Country Store,
Ft. Myers, FL



Next ABATE
State
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BOD 12 PM
Delegates
2 PM
October 9th
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Estero River Chapter

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ABATE of Florida, Inc.

WHO WE ARE

We are a non-profit organization of motorcycle enthusiasts from all walks of life. We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image. We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM. We promote motorcycle safety, training, & political awareness. We ARE NOT A CLUB OR A GANG. We fund our work through toy runs, poker runs, campouts, and other motorcycle activities. We are your neighbors & friends who work, pay taxes, and get involved with our community. We serve and support our country and believe in freedom. We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others.

OUR GOALS

To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning the motorcyclist.

To promote the safe riding habits without infringing on individual freedoms.

To motivate the bikers to write letters to their legislators before, during, and after the legislative session.

To furnish our members with a newsletter to keep all bikers informed.

It is imperative that drivers understand the proper and safest way to share the road with motorcycle riders. Recognizing the need, ABATE of Florida, Inc. created the "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Program" to educate the public and help prevent fatalities and crashes and to help save lives. Also known as MSAP, it was developed and copyrighted by ABATE Of Florida, Inc .

Abate of Florida, Inc.'s commitment is strong and we continued to improve the program and expand our reach. With now more than 900,000 motorcyclists coming in and out of the State of Florida the need to reach more of the driving public is even greater.

Trained members of local ABATE chapters, from the Panhandle to the Keys present the MSAP program and provide valuable insight and information necessary to make the roads safer for everyone. We are continuing our efforts to develop more outlets. We are united in our efforts to teach everyone to "Watch for Motorcycles".

ABATE of Florida, Inc. and your local ABATE chapter offer the Motorcycle Safety Awareness Program to any organization or school free of charge. For more information or to arrange for a presentation, please call the state office 386-943-9610 or your local Chapter, Estero River, President Larry Peterson 904-610-7070.

OUR PRESIDENT

**From Your Estero River Chapter President,
October 2021**

Good Day All...

I would like to thank Debbie for having us at the Corkscrew Country Store and all our members for coming out and supporting our Chapter.

Our next Chapter meeting will be held on Saturday, October 16th at the Corkscrew Country Store.

We will be riding in Hurricane Tina's Veteran Support Ride on October 17th.

The flier for our next Brthday event is submitted and will be held on December 19th, 2021. Next year's Legendary Event is planned for a two-day event on March 18th and 19th, 2022.

Please, when you visit one of our Newsletter Advertisers LET THEM KNOW you have seen their ad in our newsletter. It really helps when they hear their efforts are being recognized.

If you are not receiving an email, please send me an email so I will have the correct address.

This is a great time to get out for a ride and enjoy our weather. Please stay safe.

**Respectfully,
Larry Peterson,
President**



OUR VICE PRESIDENT

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**From Your Estero River Chapter Vice President,
October 2021**

Hello My Fellow Members and Riders,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health and spirits.

So far it looks like Florida has been on the lucky side this year. We have dodged the hurricane's this season. I know most of us are all going to be much happier once we can get out and ride more often once the rainy afternoons dry up again. PMS or Parked Motorcycle Syndrome is no fun at all.

So, until next time, be sure to race the rain, ride the wind and chase the sunset!

Ride On and be safe.

**Jay "J-Bird" Neal
Your Vice President**



Estero River Chapter

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OCTOBER 2021 REPORT

NEW/RENEWAL MEMBERS LAST MONTH

Welcome to Estero River

R – Tara Ricci

DELINQUENT AUGUST MEMBERSHIPS – Don't forget to renew

Donna Ostapawycz & Charles Sparks

EXPIRING SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIPS – Don't forget to renew

Zachary Compton, Linda Levesque, Mikal Molina,
Maria Tunis, Walter Wood & Rick Zrelak Jr.

EXPIRING OCTOBER MEMBERSHIPS – Don't forget to renew

Stefan Foster, Daniel Lint,
John Silva, & William Thomas

SEPTEMBER LIFE MEMBERS

Scott Bashant, Mike Bates, David Finnegan,
Harold Hoffman, Herb Lent, Mark Levesque,
Michael McDole, Carl Sharp, Ed Stojinski & Richard Webb

140 MEMBERS – Let's keep this growing

ALL MEMBERS must renew at the Chapter meeting or mail a check or money order WITH your application so that it is received by the last day of your renewal month. Your application can be found in this Newsletter.

If you want an anniversary pin or have lost any of your pins, please contact Debi, our Membership Lead.

Please contact me if there are any errors or omissions in this Report.

Membership: Debi Chesebro 239-405-3324

Larry Peterson 904-610-7070

ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

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**ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC., ESTERO RIVER CHAPTER
CHAPTER MEETING**

Date: 9/19/2021 Called to Order at 10:037 am at Corkscrew Country Store

President: Larry Peterson

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence. Thank you to the staff at Corkscrew Country Store. We have 60 raffles tickets we need purchased. Hurricane Tina's Dive Bar is having a poker run on 10/17. Motion to move October 2021 meeting to Saturday the 16th 10AM.

Vice-President: Jay Neal—Excused**Secretary: Rachel Abrom**

Motion to accept August 2021 minutes as posted in newsletter: 1st Debra Chesebro, 2nd Kenny Winstead, Motion Accepted.

Treasurer: Mark Levesque

Motion to accept Report as given. 1st Kim Morgan, 2nd Kenny Winstead. Report available for review.

Sgt at Arms: Dave Rimes—Excused**Asst. Sgt at Arms: Stan Rendziniak**

Trailer needs to be cleaned out and organized. Kenny Winstead will reach out of some help in the next 2 weeks.

Quartermaster: Dave Rimes—Excused**Legislative: Jay Neal—Excused (Report given by Larry Peterson)**

Not very much going on with legislative currently. They will be back in session the start of 2022.

PR Communications: Kim Morgan—Excused

504 Facebook Followers Currently. Please Share the Facebook page!

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State Delegates: Kim Morgan, Debi Chesebro, Larry Peterson, Ricky Zrelak

Next state meeting Saturday, October 2, 2021 in Pensacola Florida

Safety: Victor Piorkowski – Excused

We currently do not have a any schools that will allow us to visit.

Advertising: Open

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Products: Dave Tenkate

Still have past event shirts available.

Newsletter: Kim Morgan

Need all officer reports & submissions by the 24th of each month.

Membership: Debi Chesebro—Excused (Report Given by Kim Morgan)

0 New - 1 Renewal – 2 Delinquent August – 6 Expiring September - 4

Expiring October – 10 September Life Anniversaries. 140 members.

Webmaster: Kim Morgan

126 Websites Hit this month, 287 Website Hits last month

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Special Events: Open

We have submitted flyer for birthday bash and are waiting for approval.

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Sunshine: Open

Please let Larry know if any cards should be sent out.

Historian: Laurie Hanley—Excused

Old Business:

We are finalizing items for Legendary. Vendors and sponsor can be spoken to. If you're a vendor and would like to participate please find the form in this newsletter.

New Business:

Register as a vendor for Southern Fried Swamp Jam at Seminole Casino, Immokalee, FL on January 8, 2022.

Good of the Order:

Fraternal Orders of Eagle 3938 Chili Cook Off – Open to the public – October 2, 2021. Hurricane Tina's Dive Bar poker run – October 17, 2021 9:30am, Motorcycle and truck show at Southern Fried Swamp Jam – January 8, 2022

Next BOD Meeting: 10/16/2021 at 9:30 at Corkscrew Country Store

Next Chapter Meeting: 10/16/2021 at 10:00 at Corkscrew Country Store

Motion to Adjourn: 1st Mark Levesque, 2nd Kenny Winstead 11:08 am.



ABATE OF FL, INC.

STATE MEETING

Hosted by: GULF COAST CHAPTER

Saturday October 9, 2021

Board Meeting at 12:00pm CST

Delegates Meeting at 2:00pm CST



Meet and Greet
Friday Night at Wayside Park
1401 E Gregory St Pensacola, FL
7pm - till, Burgers, Dogs, Drinks and
Side Dishes provided.
Afterwards lets all go and paint Graffiti Bridge
with "Watch For Motorcycles", and add your
own personal touch from your local Chapter.



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LEGISLATIVE REPORT– OCTOBER 2021

TALLAHASSEE --- Legal wrangling in courts this week set up showdowns over some of Gov. Ron DeSantis' top priorities, as the state fights on numerous fronts to uphold some of this year's most contentious efforts.

On Thursday, Chief U.S. District Judge Mark Walker blocked a controversial state law that enhances penalties and creates new crimes in protests that turn violent.

DeSantis championed the measure after nationwide protests focused on racial justice following the death last year of George Floyd, a Black man who was killed by a Minneapolis police officer. Republican lawmakers approved the measure, dubbed the "Combatting Public Disorder" act, during the 2021 legislative session and DeSantis signed it this Spring.

TALLAHASSEE --- As legislators start the once-a-decade political redistricting process next week, a national group released polling data Thursday indicating most Floridians are opposed to "gerrymandering," even if it helps their party gain seats.

And the majority of the 428 registered voters who were polled have concerns about lawmakers getting to draw new political lines for their own districts, according to Joe Kabourek, senior campaign director for Massachusetts-based RepresentUS, a nonprofit trying to limit the influence of money in American politics. **TALLAHASSEE** --- Pencils down, class. Time's up.

"High-stakes" standardized testing looks like it will be put out to pasture in Florida, but it's a move that will have to be executed by state lawmakers next year.

Gov. Ron DeSantis on Tuesday announced a proposal to end the Florida Standards Assessments, a plan that is almost certain to be one of the governor's top priorities for the legislative session that kicks off in January.

"We are going to be ending that, and we are going to be replacing it with progress monitoring, which many school districts are doing anyway. This is short, individualized check-in assessments three times per year. This will take hours, not days, to be able to do these assessments," DeSantis told reporters during a press conference in Doral.

DeSantis said the proposal would lead to assessing students in the fall, winter and spring, which would reduce the amount of time spent each year on testing. The state Department of Education said the proposed system will be dubbed Florida's Assessment of Student Thinking, or F.A.S.T.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT– OCTOBER 2021 Continued

TALLAHASSEE --- Senate Reapportionment Chairman Ray Rodrigues said Monday he wants the Florida Legislature to avoid the “shadow process” that occurred in 2012 when lawmakers drew new political district lines that were rejected by the Florida Supreme Court.

The Estero Republican said changes have been implemented to avoid another battle with the court and that the public will be able to provide input on how congressional and legislative lines should be shifted.

But, as the once-a-decade redistricting process kicks off in the Capitol this week, no decision has been made on whether lawmakers will travel around the state or even hold virtual forums to gather input from Floridians on prospective boundary changes.

Senator Targets Confederate Holidays
Sep 17, 2021

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A proposal that would end legal holidays marking the birthdays of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee and Confederate President Jefferson Davis, along with Confederate Memorial Day, has been revived in the Florida Senate. The measure (SB 250), filed Friday by Senate Minority Leader Sen. Lauren Book, D-Plantation, **would also do away with statutory protections for Confederate flags and emblems.** State law **makes it unlawful for people and companies to sell or advertise merchandise that includes either Florida’s state flag or emblem or any of the flags or emblems used by the Confederate States.** Included in the ban are the flags and emblems used by the “military or naval forces of the Confederate States at any time within the years 1860 to 1865.” The law notes that Confederate flags and other items can be used for “decorative or patriotic purposes.” Lee’s birthday, Jan. 19, and Confederate Memorial Day, April 26, have been legal holidays in Florida since 1895. Davis’ June 3 birthday was added in 1905. The three Confederate holidays are not paid holidays for public employees in the Sunshine State, however. Florida is one of five states that have kept Confederate Memorial Day a legal holiday. Book filed the proposal for consideration during the 2022 legislative session, which will begin Jan. 11. In past sessions, similar proposals have drawn objections from people who argued the changes would erase Southern history.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: *Jay Neal, Vice President*

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Christmas Toy Run

Sunday, November 7

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Event Info:
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October 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Eagles Karaoke	2 Eagles Chili Cook Off Noon-6 pm
3	4	5	6 Homestead Ladies Night	7	8 Eagles Karaoke	9 Abate State Mtng
10 Eagle Riders Mtng	11	12	13 Homestead Ladies Night	14	15 Eagles Karaoke	16 Estero River Mtng Southwest Mtng Biker Bay Bike Night
17 Gator Alley Mtng Peace River Mtng Hurricane Tina's Run	18	19	20 Homestead Ladies Night	21	22 Eagles Karaoke	23 Eagle Riders Event 4-7 pm Sandbar Bike Night
24 Eagle Riders Mtng	25	26	27 Homestead Ladies Night	28	29 Eagles Karaoke	30
31	Hurricane Tina's Happy Hour Daily 10 am—Noon 10/17 Hurricane Tina's Poker Run Registration—8:30 am					

November 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Homestead Ladies Night	4	5 Eagles Karaoke	6
7 Peace River Toy Run 1-3 pm	8	9	10 Homestead Ladies Night	11	12 Eagles Karaoke	13
14 Eagle Riders Mtng VFW Poker Run	15	16	17 Homestead Ladies Night	18	19 Eagles Karaoke	20 Southwest Mtng Biker Bay & Legion Bike Night
21 Estero River Mtng Gator Alley Mtng Peace River Mtng	22	23	24 Homestead Ladies Night	25	26 Eagles Karaoke	27 Eagle Riders Event 12-5 pm Sandbar Bike Night
28 Eagle Riders Mtng	29	30	Hurricane Tina's Happy Hour Daily 10 am—Noon Lake County Chapter's Leesburg BikeFest Nov. 11-14, 2021			

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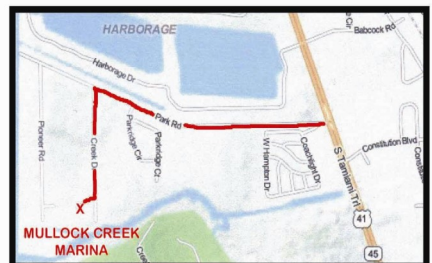
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Several months ago, while we were over in the Miami area, a cager attempted to run someone down on his scooter! The same day (and/or close to it), a driver was shooting at another driver due to an accidental cut-off incident. Road rage incidents seem to be increasing, as society seems to be becoming more polarized and frustrated with politics, personal issues, along with the ongoing pandemic, etc...

Because we are physically more vulnerable while on a motorcycle, being the victim or perpetrator of road rage could easily turn out to be fatal and/or permanently life altering. It could happen to you and/or your passenger.

We deal with a lot of things on the road easily causing our indignation:

- Texting/cell phones – Many times they cause impediment of traffic by driving too slow, not moving when the light turns green, weaving in and out of their lane, etc...
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Before riding, check any issues bothering you. Many times, the things that may cause one to explode, have been building up inside for a period of time and it only takes one little spark/incident to cause ignition!

When you are caught in a situation, follow the scripture in James 1:19-20, ***“Understand this, my beloved brothers and sisters. Let everyone be quick to hear [be a careful, thoughtful listener], slow to speak [a speaker of carefully chosen words and], slow to anger [patient, reflective, forgiving]; for the [resentful, deep-seated] anger of man does not produce the righteousness***

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of God [that standard of behavior which He requires from us]" (AMP)

Ecclesiastes 7:9 says, ***"Do not be quick in spirit to be angry or vexed, for anger and vexation lodge in the bosom of fools."*** (AMPC)

Put this into your heart and always remember, ***"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law."*** Galatians 5:22-23 (NKJV)

A prayer of salvation AND protection... Please pray, ***"Dear God, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, my heavenly Father, the God of Jesus, I confess that I am a sinner and have been separated from You. I ask forgiveness of my sins. I repent and accept this gift of repentance and I wish to be free in You. I confess with my mouth that your son Jesus is my savior and died for me. I believe in my heart that You raised Him from the dead. I receive Jesus into my heart and ask Him to become the center of my life. I ask, in the Name of Jesus. Lord, I also pray while I am riding, for your hedge of protection, your angels to surround, and Psalm 91 protection. Amen."***

If you prayed that prayer for the very first time and you have accepted Jesus into your heart, we would like to know and help you along your journey of faith.

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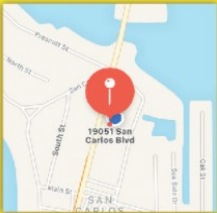
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