ABATE OF FLORIDA SOUTHEAST CHAPTER

NEW WEB: <u>www.abatese.org</u> • HOTLINE: 954.310.INFO (4636)

JUNE 2011 ISSUE 335 ВАТЕ ABATE of Florida, Inc. Leadership Seminars Saturday, July 9, 2011 Presidents Meeting A MERICAN Sunday, July 10, 2011 **B** IKERS At the Days Inn and Suites A IMING 20390 N. US Hwy 27 • Clermont 34711 (Meeting Hall Downstairs in Hotel's "Ball Room") T OWARD For Reservations Call: (352) 429-0483 • Special Rates for ABATE www.daysinn.com E DUCATION Days Inn and Suites Clermont is located 1/4 mile south of Florida Turnpike on US 27 These Leadership Seminars are for ALL CHAPTER OFFICERS. Each seminar will be presented by the State Board Member based on his or her respective office. These seminars will offer a good overview of the duties and responsibilities of a Chapter Officer And will give attendees a chance to get answers to their questions on an individual basis. - SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2011 TIME ROOM A ROOM B ROOM C 8:00 - 9:00 am Products Legislative Treasury NEXT Legislative 9:00 - 10:00 am Treasury Delegates 10:00 - 11:00 am Sat-At-Arms Newsletter Treasury **CHAPTER** 11:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch Lunch Lunch Safety Secretary/Insurance PR/Communications 1:00 - 2:00 pm 2:00 - 3:00 pm Secretary/Insurance PR/Web Membership MEETING SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2011 -9:00 am - 12 Noon Presidents/Vice Presidents Meeting 10 AM Sunday June 19, 2011



DECIDE!

For further information contact: ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. State Office (386) 943– 9610 Donations to ABATE of Florida, Inc. are not deductible for income tax purposes + ABATE of Florida, Inc. does NOT condone drinking

Check Out the New Listings in the Classifieds - Pg 46

2010-2011 BOARD OF DIRECTORS www.abatese.org Hotline (954) 310-INFO (4636)

President	Bob "Old Hippy" Leavitt	(954)770-7366	Distribution	Karin Rylands	(954)430-0487
	pres@abatese.org			newsdistribution@abatese.o	rg
Vice President	Johnny Rose	(954)868-4390	Legislative	Chris Sharp	(954)818-4863
	vp@abatese.org		Liaison	legislative@abatese.org	
Secretary	Louie"Commander" secretary@abatese.org	(305)297-1651	Legal Counsel	Demetrios Kirkiles legal@abatese.org	(954)463-6500
Treasurer	Alice Calabrese	(954)567-5720		Chris Sharp	(954)818-4869
	treasurer@abatese.org			legal_1@abatese.org	
Sergeant at Arms	Alan "Bigwheel" Loper	(954)292-6791	Public Relations	Fern Cameron	(954) 782-6500
0	sargeantatarms@abatese.o	rg		publicrelations@abatese.org	
Road Captain	Geo Bograkos	(954)868-2990	Advertising	Hope Lanius	(954)415-1758
Roud Cuptuin	roadcaptain@abatese.org	()))000 2))0	U	advertising@abatese.org	
	1 0	(054) 540,0500	Events Coordinator	Jackie Stanly	(954)816-0114
Safety Director	Barry "TeddyBear" Sadoff	(954)740-0700		events@abatese.org	. ,
0 D	safety@abatese.org		Social Director	Karin Rylands	(954)430-0487
State Reps.	Chris Sharp	(954)818-4869		socialdirector@abatese.org	
	staterep@abatese.org		Quartermaster	Bob Anz	(954)252-9101
	Demetrios Kirkiles staterep_1@abatese.org	(954)463-6500		quartermaster@abatese.org	· · ·
Alt	Bob "Old Hippy" Leavitt	(954)237-9607			
		, ,	Photographer	Lee Ann "Wildcat" Lewis	(954)868-1244
Products	Jackie Stanly	(954)816-0114		photographer@abatese.org	
	products@abatese.org		Webmaster	Mike Hager	(561)601-0616
Membership	George Torrence	(954)385-2837		webmaster@abatese.org	
	membership@abatese.org		Chaplain	Frank "Poppie"	(305) 331-8000
Newsletter Editor	Lee Ann "Wildcat" Lewis news@abatese.us	(954)868-1244	Ĩ	chaplain@abatese.org	

DEADLINE: 20th of each Month for Articles, Ads, Flyers, etc.

ABATE of Florida, Inc. • www.AbateFlorida.com • flabate@bellsouth.net • (386) 943-9610 (voice & fax)



TO PLACE ADVERTISEMENTS



You must submit print ready ads or PC compatible disk. Black type on white paper, including business cards, required. Ads and copy must be prepaid to "SE ABATE Chapter" and submitted at or before the chapter meeting to be included in that issue. Due to limited space all ads must be paid to date or they will be dropped without notification. THE ADVERTISER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL COPY AND AD CHANGES. Non-camera ready advertisements will incur a minimum \$50 layout charge and will be billed separately.

The Southeast Chapter Newsletter is published monthly by ABATE of Florida, Inc. Southeast Chapter, PO BOX 292693, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33329-2693. 1600+ NEWSLETTERS PUBLISHED MONTHLY.

The views expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC., or the Southeast Chapter. This publication encourages its members to express their own beliefs and/or opinions. ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. and the Southeast Chapter accepts no responsibility for the opinions, views, or comments contained in this publication. Southeast Chapter reserves the right to edit any article submitted for publication for mis-spellings or inappropriate language, or photos.

Membership Due

Thanks if you have already renewed

June

Thurmond E "Buddy" Capps Timothy "Tim" Capps Stephen M Chomiak Gary Cliett Dean "Mickey" Cocchi	William Mursell Ramonita "Ramona" Negron John "Johnny Diamond" O'Rourke Michele Ould Jordl Plo	Thom "Tuna" Wilker Crystal Wilson Linda "Bikerchick" Wright Martha Yappel	Bob Mossie Erwin Nissen Jim "J P" Pow David W. Ring Cory Torrence
Gene "Goofy" Cocchi	John A Price	<u>July</u>	Derek Torreno
Nancy Day	John H Ramirez		
Dennis Griffin	Bill Ruddy	Wayne "Pappy" Banta	
Steve "Capt" Heicher	Kimberly Ruddy	Brad Bennett	
Jay Nelson Heier	Tyrone Scanlon	Clay F "Clam" Cameron	
Demetrios Kirkiles	Scott "Cool Breeze" Schoedinger	Kenneth Diedrick	
Richard Leavitt	Jody D "Wild Child" Swett	K C Kasper	
Richard "Gemini" Lucas	Andi "Mamaha" Thomas	Hank "Bitchin Hank" Konczynski	
Linda Mc Grath	Jon "Key" Thomas	Joyce Konczynski	
Steve Mc Grath	Horatio "Horror Show" Tihanyi	Bob "Old Hippy" Leavitt	
Michael A "Tinman" Mench	Charlie Tona	John Malin	
Randall E "Blue Eyes" Miller	Joey "Joker" Vitelli	Cindy McHugh	
Rick "Big Papa" Morales	Jay "Digger" Walrond	Hugh Robert "Bob McPhee" Mc Phee	

n wers nehart ce nce

For Membership Renewals contact, George Torrence by either email: membership@abatese.us or by phone: 954-385-2837

* PLEASE NOTE *

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

DEADLINE: 20th of each Month for Articles, Ads, Flyers, etc.

Pick up your Newsletters here!

Tobacco Source 84 Diner **Broward Motor Sports HD South** Vin-EZ Cycle Parts HD Ft Lauderdale VFW Post 9697 Kings Head Pub **Big Dawgs** American Legion 321 Keltics MC Beer Barn **Top Gun Cycle** S.E. Chapter

Wheels of Man MC **HD Sunrise FOE- Eagles HD North Heaven Cycles** Lou's Tattoos **DP's on Beach Thunder Cycles** CycleLab Biker's Inc. Mastermailer **Texas Rose Saloon** Cagney's

Crabby Jacks Mickey's Bar Luke's Place Shank's Tavern Firewater Flossie's **Chop Shop Customs** Joseph's Recycling Enforcers MC Lefty's West Tavern & Grille



Last of this President's Thoughts

First, I want to thank everybody for the support and effort that has been put forth this past year.

We have managed in this past year to increase our rolls to a point that Southeast Chapter is the largest Chapter for ABATE Of Florida Inc. We have also been able to decrease some expenses as well as we have had, some successful events that have made it possible for us to keep the newsletter and the chapter going. All this was possible by the endless hours and hard work from dedicated individuals.

The election has changed the Chapter Board of Directors, with some new and some old faces. We all wish them well in their position and I am sure that they will continue the positive direction this chapter is going. In closing, I again want to thank all that have supported this Board this past year and hope the same support will be shown for the new board.

For the last time here... Ride Free, Ride Safe OldHippy









ATTENTION

Yearly membership pins available for purchase when you renew your membership. Shirts and patches available also . Call Jackie Stanly (954) 816-0114 for details!!













ATTORNEYS AT LAW

BRADLEY WINSTON, ESQ. - BOARD CERTIFIED CIVIL TRIAL LAWYER PRACTICE LIMITED TO CIVIL LITIGATION

Serving Clients Throughout The State Of Florida Since 1989

PERSONAL, INJURY

WRONGFUL DEATH

AUTO ACCIDENT

MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT

PRODUCTS LIABILITY

SLIP & FALL

Dog BITE INJURIES

POLICE MISCONDUCT

EXCESSIVE FORCE

FALSE ARREST LITIGATION

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

WINSTON & CLARK, P.A.

8211 W. BROWARD BLVD.

SUITE 420

PLANTATION, FLORIDA 33324

954 / 475-9666



THE HIRING OF A LAWYER IS AN IMPORTANT DECISION THAT SHOULD NOT BE BASED SOLELY UPON ADVERTISEMENTS. BEFORE YOU DECIDE, ASK US TO SEND YOU FREE WRITTEN INFORMATION ABOUT OUR QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE.

Exp: 11/2011

ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes - May 15, 2011

Our President "OldHippy" called the meeting to order at 10:23am. There were no At-Large, non or guests members in attendance. In attendance: 39 members. Followed by the Pledge of Alliance, the meeting started after a moment of silence for all our Armed Forces personnel.

Presidents Report

Old Hippy thanked all our members for coming. We will need a lot of help for our Memorial Day Event that will be on 5/29/11 at our new venue <u>"Seminole Casino in Coconut Creek"</u>. More information continued in events. It has been a tough month. There were 3 incidents where Rolando Romero had passed away, and Jester and Primo were injured. These were single vehicle accidents and were not caused by a cager. Please keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers and be careful out there.

Vice-Presidents Report

Johnny Rose discussed our Memorial Day event. We only have 3 events a year to raise money for <u>OUR</u> chapter. We need everyone's help in order to make this event a huge success. For all members who are nominated for office and any member who wants to run in the future, the Leadership Seminars again will be held this year in Deland. Check the Masterlink or contact any board member for information. The seminar's will give you an insight for what your responsibilities are when you hold a board or trustee position. For those members who are elected to the Executive Board of Directors or a trustee position, the chapter will pay for hotel and fuel expenses.

Secretary's Report

Chapter Secretary Commander Louis was excused; past secretary Paul A. Melcer will be taking today's minutes. With the following corrections: Aprils treasurers report was listed as February's and under Old Business, nominations for the 2011-2012 Board and Trustee Positions were incorrect. Corrections for Board and Trustee nominations are corrected and listed in this month's minute under Old Business. A motion was made to accept the minutes of April's meeting as printed in the newsletter. Motion seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

Treasures Report

Alice read the report. A motion was made, seconded to accept the report. All in favor, motion passed.

Sergeant at Arms Report

Big Wheel reported not much to report. He will be out of town for our Memorial Day event and has asked Bruce to cover for him. Please contact him if you have any issues.

Road Captain's Report

Geo reported right after today's meeting we were to be headed to the Love In Event. Unfortunately Mother Nature is not and will not be cooperating. It is tough to plan events, as there are a lot of things going on. We will try to plan the best we can. Don't forget there are weekly bike nights. Please support those who always support us. As in the past, for this years Memorial Day Event, we have the honor to meet, spend time and escort our veterans who stay at the Sandy Nininger Nursing Home. This year we will escort the busses with 8 of our members. For those who want the honor to escort our veterans, please contact him. We need a total of 8 Road Guards and will meet at the nursing home at 0930.

Safety Directors Report

Teddy Bear reported, there was no report this month.

State Reps Report

Chris reported there was no state meeting this month. Next months State Meeting will be held in Middlebury Florida, located just north of St. Augustine. Discussion on the status of the new by-laws, they are still in discussion at the state level, information will be made available to all members when we receive it. Chris also reported this years bike week at Daytona was one of he worst revenue producers for ABATE of Florida. We need to think out of the box for fundraisers etc to keep out corporation fluid and moving forward in our fight. Val reported on this years NCOM Convention. Our own Congressman Allen West was awarded the Silver Spoke Award. Our State President Doc Riechenbach will be presenting the award to Allen in Washington in the near future. Congratulations.

Products Report

Jackie reported we have geared up with products for our event and have new products in stock. Ladies large shirts, sunglasses with our logo on them and SE Chapter Cozies are just a few of the new items in stock. If you need anything don't wait for the meeting, just give her a call. Her number is in the newsletter.

Membership Report

George reported we now have 617 members. We are the largest chapter in the state. If you know of anyone on the list in the newsletter who has not renewed, please get him or her to renew. Reminder, when filling out the application form, PLEASE WRITE OR PRINT LEGIBALLY.

Newsletter Editor

Wildcat was excused. Reminder all contributions <u>MUST BE</u> <u>SUBMITTED</u> by the 20th of the month. Karin reported she has a number of newsletter distribution stops where she needs help with. Numerous members stepped up to help. Thank you.

Legislative Report

Chris reported this was a very disappointing year for our legislature. Our elected officials did everything they could to pass 3 abortion bills, lower employment benefits and did not seem to care about motorcyclist safety. As reported last month, the Chairman of the House Transportation Committee would not bring our Stiffer Penalties Bill to a vote.

And why do you ask. The answer given to our lobbyist, " What if Tim Tebow hit and either killed or maimed a motorcycle rider on the road." What would happen to HIS career? That was the answer. For the motorcycle community who live in the central part of the state, remember this for the next election. The only high point of this year's legislature is we were given our \$250,000.00 for motorcycle safety.

Public Relations

No report.

Advertising

Hope was excused. We need advertisers. Business card ads are very reasonable, one of the cheapest and provide the best bang for the buck. We have a distribution of 1600 copies per month. All in the distribution of our newsletters has done a great job. Discussion on the expiration of our Quick books account.

Events Coordinator

Jackie reported: We are all set to go. Drawing tickets for the cruise are doing very well. She still has some left. We will be meeting between 930am and 0945 at the Sandy Nininger Veterans Home to have coffee with the veterans. From there we will be heading to our new venue " Seminole Casino at Coconut Creek" We have door prizes but can always use more. As always, many hands make for little work. The more the merrier. Even if you can only spare an hour of your time, any time you can give, is greatly appreciated. Next and last events planning meeting this Thurs at the VFW on Griffin Road. Remember, we only hold 3 events per year to raise the funds to continue fighting for motorcyclist's rights and to support our chapter.

Social Directors Report

Karin thanked all those who came out for this months birthday party which was held right here at the legion. The count was 21 who had a great time. Next month's birthday party will be announced on the hotline as the location is not finalized as of yet.

Quartermaster's Report

Bob Anz reported there was no report.

Photographer's Report

Wildcat and Axman was excused, no report. If you have any pictures that you would like to share, please email them to them.

Web-Master's Report

Mike Hager was excused. Please send him any pictures so he can post them. Email: <u>webmaster@abatese.us</u> .Web address is: www.abatese.org

Old Business

Val took over for the nomination process. This is the final month to accept or decline nominations. Due to a typographical error, those members who were nominated, undecided and who are not present at today's meeting will be contacted by the election chairperson and given till next Sunday 5-22-11 to respond. This is the original date printed in the newsletter. Only those members who were previously nominated, will be listed as undecided and not present today will be contacted. Those members who are running unopposed are listed in bold italics and will be voted into office at the June meeting by the Secretary's vote. For those running unopposed, Congratulations. For the offices, which have multiple nominations best of luck and Thank you for stepping up in wanting to be part of the leadership of our chapter Nominations for the 2011-2012.

Executive Board of Directors and Trustees Positions are:

The Executive Board of Directors

President James "Jimmy Les" Lesniak – Declined Bob "OldHippy" Leavitt - Declined Johnny Rose – Accepted

Vice-President

Paul A. Melcer – Declined Robert "BARS" Calabrese Jr. – Declined Johnny Rose – Declined Tony Denito – Declined James " Jimmy Les" Lesniak- Accepted Robert "OldHippy" Leavitt - Accepted Terry "Blindman" Lanius – Declined

<u>Secretary</u>

Alice Calabrese – Declined Joe Baker – Declined Louis "Commander" Subirats – Declined Patti Dollard – Declined Paul A. Melcer – Accepted

<u>Treasurer</u>

Alice Calabrese – Declined Frank Hammons – Accepted Joe Baker – Accepted

Chapter Trustee Positions

Sgt. at Arms Robert "BARS" Calabrese – Declined Al " Big Wheel" Loper - Declined James "Jimmy Les" Lesniak – Declined Terry " Blindman" Lanius – Declined Steve Thomas – Accepted Allen "ACE" Ryant – Accepted George "GEO" Bograkos - Accepted

<u>Road Captain</u> Al " Newcomer" Acevedo – Declined James "Jimmy Les" Lesniak – Declined George "GEO" Bograkos- Declined *Frank Tomasek - Accepted*

Safety Director Suzanne Keen – Declined Paul "Video Vulture"- Declined Barry "Teddy Bear" Sadoff- Declined Charles "Papa Harley - Declined Dave Gregory – Accepted

<u>State Representatives</u> Suzanne Keen – Declined James "Jimmy Les" Lesniak – Accepted Demetrios Kirkiles – Accepted Chris Sharp – Accepted Bob "Old Hippy" Leavitt- Accepted Frank Hammons – Declined

The top 2 receivers of votes will be our chapter representatives. The second 2 receivers of votes will be the chapter alternates.

> <u>Products</u> Amy "Pixie" Sonnenfeld- Declined Princess Sharon – Declined Jackie Stanly – Accepted

Membership George Torrence- Accepted

<u>Newsletter Editor</u> Lee Ann "Wildcat" Lewis - Accepted

Legislative Liaison Bob "Old Hippy"Levitt - Declined Chris Sharp – Decline James "Jimmy Les" Lesniak - Accepted Chuck Widle - Declined Legal Counsel Demetrios Kirkiles – Accepted Chris Sharp – Accepted

Public Relations James "Jimmy Les" Lesniak – Accepted Fern Cameron - Accepted

> <u>Advertising</u> Hope Lanius - Accepted

Events Coordinator Jackie Stanly- Accepted

Social Director Karin Rylands – Accepted Lynn Hara – Declined Ginger Europe– Accepted Jim Powers– Declined

> <u>Quartermaster</u> Bob Anz - Accepted

Photographer Axel "Axman" Wojnar – Accepted Lee Ann "Wildcat" Lewis – Accepted

> Web Master Mike Hager - Accepted

<u>Chaplain</u> Frank "Poppie 'Cocchi - Accepted Jim "Tumbleweed" McLemore – Declined

Per the current by-laws: All members who have accepted nominations must be present at the June meeting to accept their positions.

<u>New Business</u> None

×

Good of the Order

It is sad to announce, Paula Freeman, wife of Fill-In member Mike Freeman passed away last week. Please keep Mike and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Harley Davidson and Bikers Inc are giving ABATE members 10% off their prices. Jackie reported on 6-5-11 a fundraiser will be held in Margate at the intersection of Margate Blvd and SR441 to support Disabled Children.

For those members who sponsored Suzanne Keene's daughter

fundraiser, she completed the bike ride and raised \$1025.00. Way to go!

A motion was made to donate \$100.00 to support the rescue efforts in Alabama. No second, Motion not passed. Recommend changing the motion to request passing the hat for the victims. No further action was taken.

There are a number of organizations we support and they reciprocate and then some. This is a reminder to all our members. If you are eligible to join any of these organizations that support us, i.e. American Legion, VFW etc. and are not members, PLEASE join their organization and support them. Reciprocation is a 2 way street that I need not explain.

Motion to adjourn at 12:00 noon. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

These minutes are summarized and respectfully submitted:

Paul A. Melcer Paul A. Melcer For Louis Subirats Secretary







2011 WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISER



Please help us to acknowledge those who have give so much to ensure our freedom.

The U.S. Military Vets M/C in Broward, Palm Beach and Martin Counties are proud participants in the Annual Wreaths Across America Ceremony at the South Florida VA National Cemetery in Lake Worth, Florida that will take place on Saturday,

December 10, 2011, at 12 noon.

The U.S. Military Vets M/C, along with the Air Force Association Gold Coast Chapter 351, and the Patriot Guard, are hosting this event for the 4th year in a row and we would like to take this time to invite everyone to come out and REMEMBER with us the sacrifices that were given for our freedom. Currently there are over 8,000 veterans in this cemetery, and each year we have been blessed to be able to increase our sponsorship through various individuals, clubs and sponsorship. Please help us reach our goals to one year cover the entire cemetery. Last year was a record breaking event, THANKS TO YOU. For every two wreaths purchased, we receive a third from the Wreaths Across America Organization. Sponsor a wreath for just \$15 each (no limit) to honor all veterans - Deadline for Submissions November 11, 2011 - Veterans Day! Please make checks payable to: Wreaths Across America, c/o Bill "Can-Do" Rugg, 2356 NW37 Avenue, Coconut Creek, FL 33066

For more information on this program or how to become more involved contact Can-Do at 954-579-1453 or

Sparrow at 954-298-1465 Sponsoring Group: US Military Vets, ID# FLUSMVC4 Cemetery Sponsored: South Florida VA National Cemetery in Lake Worth, FL Cemetery ID# FLSFNL





OldHippy's Corner



I have been writing this little column for a few years now and with it I have covered a wide range of subjects and topics. I sometime use thoughts of others to help along with research to find a way to fill the page and hopefully stimulate not only mine, but others gray matter. Being an active member of this Chapter and the biker community I have also seen the changing of the times that have taken its toll on so many of us.

You do not see the participation from some many that where before do to the economic times. Hell I remember all I had to do was put in \$1.00 in my ride all day and now I have heard from some people that they can even afford to do that. Yes tough times have hit a lot of us in many ways. I also have seen some of us getting older and succumbing to some of the problems of getting old like as far has getting a hair cut due to not being able to put it in a pony tail due to problems with arthritis. It sucks getting old.

When I first started to ride, first thing other than learning to ride was that the cars where our biggest enemy as far as able to inflict damage and now in the past few years it seems to be ourselves. I have seen more riders hurt or laid to rest in single vehicle accidents in recent times then being hit by a call, even though that is always a threat. This shows that awareness is helping, but unfortunately also shows that riders need to pay attention more.

I have also noticed that with the new wave of riders that have emerged in the last decade who have different mindsets than the ones who have ridin' for a long time. I have asked some of them how long they have been riding and a lot of them seem to fall into that group that rode when they were young and stop when they got married when the wife said no. Yet if this was the case why in the heck are they riding in shorts and sneakers? Don't they remember the pipe burns on the legs that so many of us still carry the scares today to above for it? Let along the fact when whether the pipe burns on the legs that so many of us still carry the scares today to

show for it? Let alone the slipping of the feet when water hit the grease on the road and you need a good footing to keep from going over standing still.

Time has moved on in many fronts and the biker community has also, but the main change which is indicative to here in South Florida is because of all the efforts that have been put forth by members of the SFPC who have helped make it a better place to ride.

This is a little short due to I'm getting a little old and slowly realizing all the brain cells I've destroyed in my youth.

Till next time...

Keep the shiny side up and the greasy side down!



REMEMBER



Old H ippy

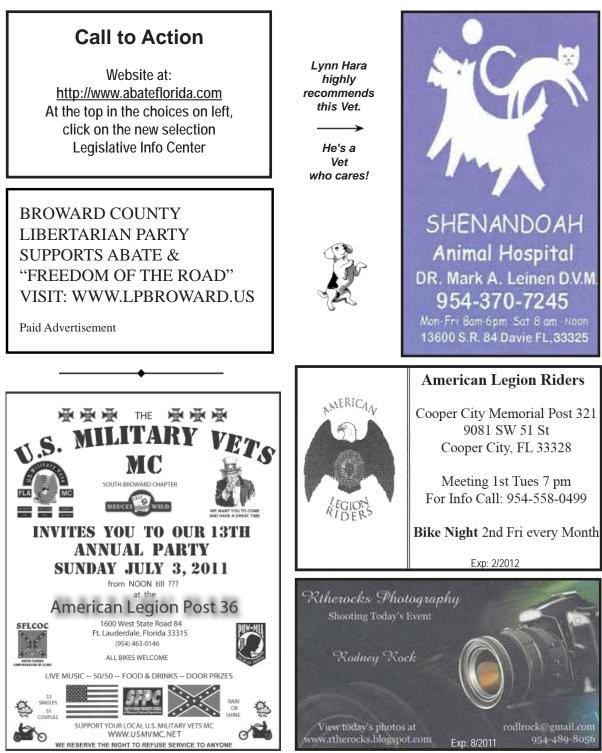






DEADLINE: 20th of each Month for Articles, Ads, Flyers, etc.







S.E. Chapter



SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT & GET \$\$\$\$\$ DOING IT

Established 1981

RECYCLING MAKES CENT\$

Don't Toss It, Recycle It!!!!

One of Florida's Largest Buyers & Processors of:

- Copper
- Brass
- Stainless

- Aluminum
- Radiators
- · Lead & More!

954-525-0053

Member ABATE of Florida, SE Chapter

Hours: M-F 8am-5pm • Sat: 8am-12noon • Sun: Closed

2309 SW 2nd Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315 www.josephsrecyclingcenter.com (Across the street from Lester's Diner)

Wildcat Graphics & Design, Inc.

Exp: 11/2011

Happy Birthday!

Thank you very much to all 21 of you for being at the American Legion Post 321 for our May Birthday Party and your support. Thank you also to Commander Gordon Mobley, Eddie the Manager of the social quarters and Mike the bartender.

Our next month's Birthday Party will be on **June 11th at Lefty's West** (Hiatus & 84). They will provide us with the use of their private room if we want it and the cake; there is a patio with umbrellas for those who wish to be outside. The address will be on the hotline.

Remember: This is "Our Party" to celebrate all members Birthday's each month and they love to have you there. We will meet between 7-8 pm.

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

- Jimmy Lesniak David Frank Peter J Mundhenk Jim McAnary Charlene Coronado Marc Friedman Jake Edwards Nicole Reydel
- "Les" "Taco" "Phantom" "Roadking Pete" "Mack" "Lowiack"



Michele Ould Marjorie "Mama Grizz" Dianne Rattner Johnny Rose Chuck Carlton Timmy "Da Man" Sam Keeney Lionel Arista "Primo" Tom Pierceall

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

Till next month Ride Safe and Free,

Karin

Happy Birthday



Pics from Our May Birthday Party















Well this year's State legislative session came and went. We didn't lose any of our rights or anything, but we also didn't gain anything either. I hope our stiffer penalties bill can be reintroduced in the next session again and make it through both the House and the Senate this time. We need to get this Bill passed early on in the next State Legislative session, that's right! Right out of the gate, it seems that it always comes down the wire and something or someone stops it. What's up with that? It's been about 5 years now and we still will continue the fight to get it to pass.

I am still amazed at all the work that the members of ABATE of Florida and especially the members of the Southeast Chapter did to help us to have the right to choose now. It took them 2 decades to get that law passed and that's a lot of time and energy spent; not to mention the patience and determination that it took to get it

done. I would like to take my hat off to all them. THANK YOU ALL. Now it's up to us to keep it that way.

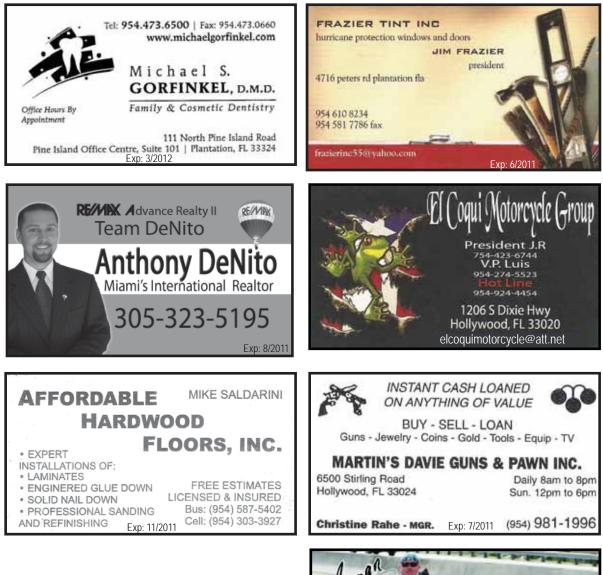
Till next month ride safe and be strong... And remember anyone who rides should be a member of ABATE.



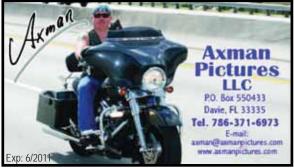


Peace, Johnny Rose

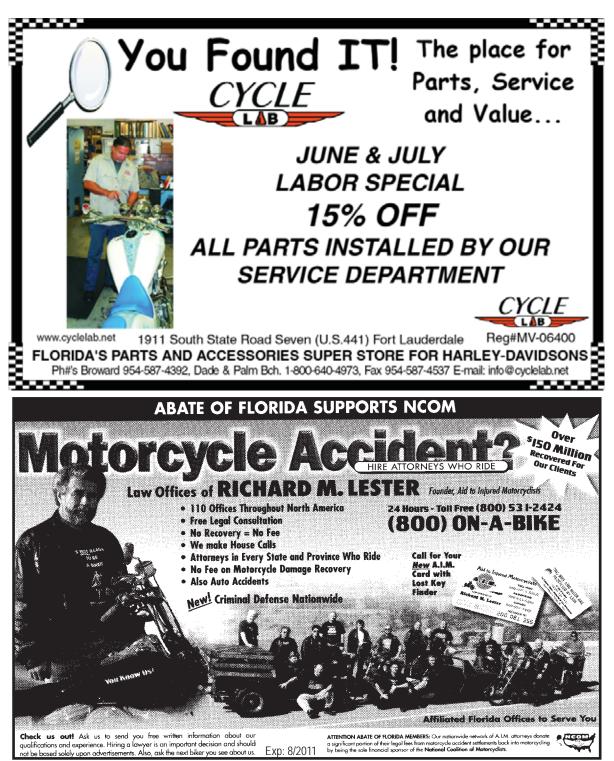




Visit & Support American Legion Post 321 9081 SW 51st Street, **Cooper City** (Meeting Place for SE ABATE)



DEADLINE: 20th of each Month for Articles, Ads, Flyers, etc. Abate of Florida. Inc.







S.E. Chapter



Thurs: Cafe' 27 Sat: Luke's Place

American Legion - Post 321 Cooper City Bike Night Every 2nd Friday

2011			JUNE			2011
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 AOA MC Treasure Coast Annual	6	7	8	9	10	11 ABATE B'day Party at Lefty's West
12 Wings of Gold MC W. P. B. Annual	13	14	15	16	17	18 El Coqui Annual Event at Mickey's 6 pm-Until
19 ABATE Chapter Meeting	20	21	22	23	24	25 Palm Beach ABATE Party
26 Wings of Gold MC Ft Lauderdale Stars & Stripes Annual	27	28	29	30		
Additional Info: June 11 - June 4 - Chopper Zoo - see pg 18 New Attitudes MC June 5 - Treasure Coast Outlaws - see pg 36 Annual - see pg 37 June 12 - BBRCF Kids 4 Kids Charity Fest - see pg 39 Annual - see pg 37 June 18 - Vietnam Vets MC & Legacy Vets MC - see pg 44 June 19 - Peterson's North Store Father's Day Event -see pg 9 June 25 - AOA 2nd Anniversary Memorial for Roger 1%er & Jerry 1%er - see pg 37						
Always Check the Hotline for more additional information: 954-310-4636 Sometimes "Events" get missed or don't get listed in time for the Calendar.						

2011			JULY			2011
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 USMV MC South Broward Party	4 Independence Day!	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook-Off and Party
17 ABATE Chapter Meeting States MC Lake Worth Party	18	19	20	21	22	23
	25	26	27	28	29	30 Chrome Angels MC Summer Bash Party
31						
Additional Info						
	-		e for more additiona			
E Charter	Som	etimes "Events" get	missed or don't get	listed in time for th	e Calendar.	



S.E. Chapter



S.E. Chapter

	. Box 292693 ,FTL	<i>,</i>
Date New ReNew Inactive Add	ress Change Trans	fer Card Issued
FULL NAME	_	
ROAD NAME		
Address		
City		Zip
Phone ()	Cell ()	
E-Mail		
Registered Voter?St House:	Senate	US Dist
Signature		
Office use:		
Fill out this form , sign it & attach your check o	r money order for \$1	50.00 for Life,
\$20.00 for 1 Year & mail to the address above.		
\$20.00 for 1 Year & mail to the address above.	Since 198	g rakos, CEO SE Chapter ~ Lists ~ Mailing 0
\$20.00 for 1 Year & mail to the address above.	oad Captain, Abate esign ~ Printing Since 198 3700 N 29th A	grakos, CEO SE Chapter ~ Lists ~ Mailing
\$20.00 for 1 Year & mail to the address above.	oad Captain, Abate esign ~ Printing Since 198 3700 N 29th A	grakos, CEO SE Chapter - Lists ~ Mailing 0 venue ~ Suite 203
\$20.00 for 1 Year & mail to the address above.	oad Captain, Abate esign ~ Printing Since 198 3700 N 29th A	grakos, CEO SE Chapter ~ Lists ~ Mailing 0 venue ~ Suite 203
\$20.00 for 1 Year & mail to the address above.	oad Captain, Abate esign ~ Printing Since 198 3700 N 29th A Hollywo	grakos, CEO SE Chapter ~ Lists ~ Mailing 0 venue ~ Suite 203 od, FL 33020-1019

ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT – JUNE 2011 "Geo"

This will be my last article as your Road Captain, ABATE Southeast Chapter.

I chose to respectfully decline my nomination as Road Captain for next year.

I am not going away though. Like a rash, I keep coming back. I accepted your nomination for Sergeant–At-Arms. If I am elected to that position, I will see if there is space in the newsletter for me to continue to contribute a monthly article. I will continue to DONATE the mailing of the Chapter newsletter next year as well.

The election for Sergeant–At-Arms is a 3-way contested election this year with me, Steve & Ace running for the spot.

It has been a privilege to serve as your Road Captain this past year and as your Safety Director the year before that.

Thank you for the confidence you placed in me by electing me to those two positions.

Hopefully, you will have the same confidence at the next meeting to elect me as your next Sergeant–At-Arms.

I want to congratulate Frank Tomasek, who currently serves as President of the American Legion Post 321 Legion Riders,

for his uncontested election to the office of Road Captain of ABATE SE Chapter for the upcoming year. I am sure he will do an outstanding job. I will make myself available to him and assist him with whatever he may need my help with to provide for an orderly transition for that office.

My band, The Hoodoo Blue "All Star" Blues Band, will be playing at the American Legion Post 321 on Friday June 10th AND Friday July 8th. This ain't your old

fashioned sleepy blues. This is a\$\$ kickin', roadhouse, blues-rock. Ask anyone who's heard us play. We'd love it if you would come out to the Legion one or both nights for dinner and listen to some cool tunes. We also have a new Facebook Band page: www.facebook.com/hoodooblue

Please visit us there and click "LIKE" and we'll send you updates of shows.

MySpace folks can visit **www.myspace.com/hoodoo**blue and "FRIEND" us there. Thanks for your support!

If you have questions about how to properly ride with a group, please <u>speak up</u> so we can help you out. There

is no shame in speaking up on this matter; there is only shame if you do not. We can always place you in a certain spot in the group, perhaps next to an experienced rider, who can help you become a more proficient group rider. Also, not speaking up could jeopardize the safety of others in the group. We were all new at this at one time or another.

Remember; *always* check your bike out mechanically prior to any group ride. Look for loose bolts, cables, lights out, etc. Don't forget your tire pressures, oil levels and all around roadworthiness. *ALWAYS* arrive with your tanks *FULL*.

Please check Fern's excellent hotline, 954-310-4636,

for weekly updates as to what's going on and where we can ride to as a group. We will usually meet at the American Legion Post 321 as a starting point unless stated otherwise.

Some upcoming rides / events:

May 29 – Abate SE Chapter Memorial Day Event

June 5 – AOA MC Treasure Coast Annual June 11 – New Attitudes MC Annual June 12 – Wings of Gold MC West Palm Annual June 19 – ABATE SE Chapter Elections - COME AND VOTE June 19 – Peterson's North Store Father's Day Event

June 25 – Palm Beach ABATE Party

June 26 – Wings of Gold MC Ft. Laud. Stars & Stripes Annual

July 3 – USMVMC South Broward Party

July 16 - Wheels of Man Chili Cook-Off & party

Remember that **Mickey's Bar** has a bike night every Wednesday; **Lefty's Bar** has a bike night every Tuesday night and **Café 27** every Thursday night. These venues support Abate SE Chapter, so remember to support them whenever you can.

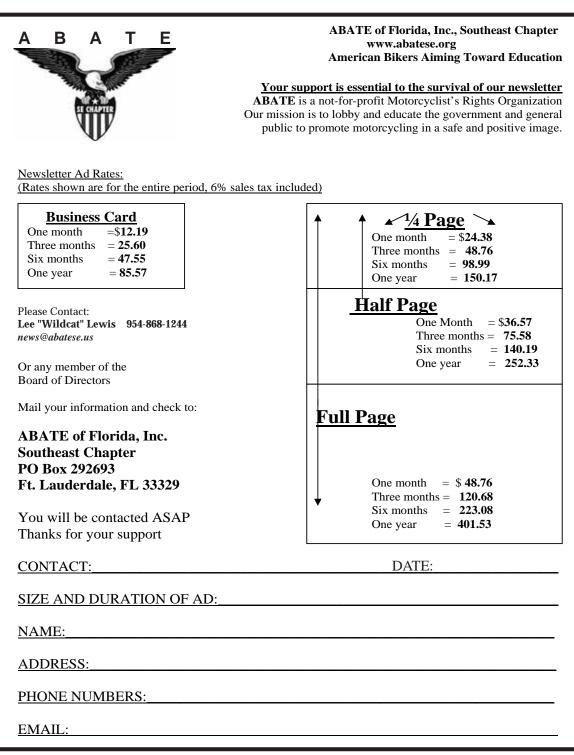
There's more to come and lots to do. Stay tuned and stay tuned up! Let's ride!

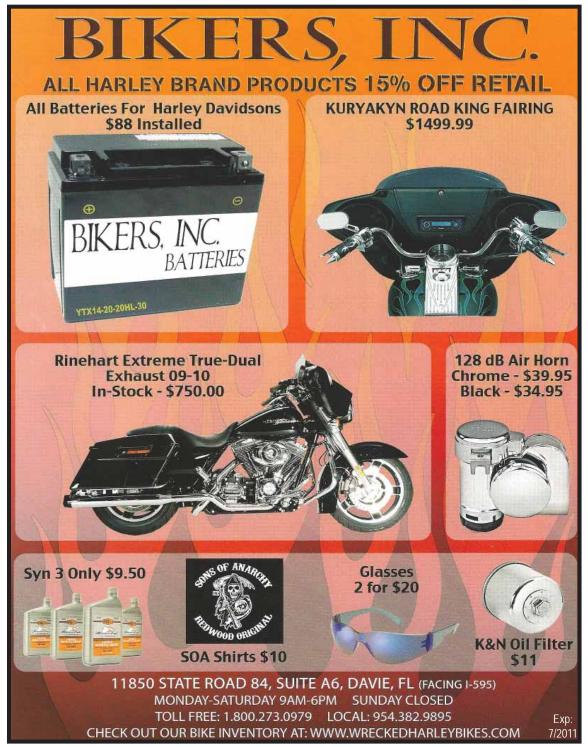
With Respect,

"Geo"



Abate of Florida, Inc.





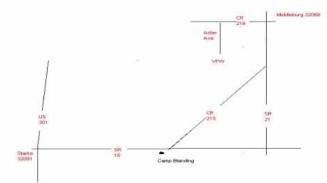


ABATE OF FLORIDA INC.

BLACK CREEK CHAPTER IS HOSTING JUNE STATE MEETING JUNE 11 2011

STATE BOARD MEETING JUNE 11, SATURDAY ** STARTS AT 12 NOON DELEGATES MEETING AT 2:00

LOCATION; VFW POST 8255 2296 ASTER AVE MIDDLEBURG FL 32068



Travel east on SR 16 aprox. 9 miles bear left on CR 215 for aprox. 6 miles turn left on SR 21 n for aprox. 1.5 miles turn left on CR 218 aprox. $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile to left on Aster Ave. to VFW on right

Starke FI 32091 Area Hotels

Econolodge 880 n Temple Ave 904-964-7357 59.00

Must call before 6/1/11 Ask for ABATE Rate

Other Area Hotels

 Budget Inn 739 n Temple Ave 904-964-7143
 69.00

 Red Carpet 744 n Temple Ave 904-964-5590
 86.00

KOA Campground 1475 S Walnut St 904-964-8484

For more info Kevin 904 477 3352

Donations to ABATE of Florida, Inc are not deductible for Federal Income Tax purposes. ABATE of Florida, Inc does not condone drinking and driving.

This Page Sponsored by Princess Sharon







Whore You Daniela

















S.E. Chapter





<u>Faith</u>

What do you have faith in?

The definition of faith is:

• Strong or unshakeable belief in something, without proof or evidence

belief that does not rest on logical, proof or material evidence.

Faith, the stuff we all have in our lives, like our family and friends, cars, motorcycles, homes, even jobs. All these things can and probably will either, get old, wear out, or fade away ,and some will disappoint you in one way or another.

The one thing you can always depend on is the Faith you can have in Jesus Christ's love for you!!! He will never leave or forsake you. Jesus Christ will always be there for you and will always fulfill all your needs whatever they are.

I ask this question because everybody has faith in something.

We all have faith that the sun will rise tomorrow, but are we positive it will? Will you wake up in the morning? is that for sure?

I tell you the truth that when Jesus Christ says "I will never leave you or

forsake you" you can have "Blind Faith" that He will stand by His word!!

Yet in Luke 18:8 when Jesus asks "when the Son Of Man returns Shall He find

faith on the earth? "Why would He ask that question?

I'm not sure, I think it's because at that time there was little faith in the fact that Jesus is the Son of God, the

Father, and that He is the one ,that was sent, to suffer and die for our sins and be resurrected from death on the third day, so that we can have everlasting life with Him in Heaven.

With what we now know through the teachings of the Holy Bible, there should be no doubt in our minds that Jesus Christ is Lord of all. In that we must have FAITH in Him.

As Always Your Chaplin Poppie



S.E. Chapter

CALEN © 2011 SOUTH FLORIDA PRESIDENTS COUNCIL ANNUAL CLUB EVENTS ARE LISTED IN BOLD ITALICS WITH* Call (954) 430-9697 or (954) 578-2900 for changes, deletions, additions or inquires

JUNE

*5 - AOA MC Treasure Coast Annual *11 - New Attitudes MC Annual *12 - Wings of Gold MC West Palm Annual 19 - Peterson's North Store Fathers Day Event 25 - Palm Beach ABATE party *26 - WOG MC Ft. Laud Stars & Stripes Annual

JULY

3 - USMVMC South Broward party 10 - AOA MC West Palm Beach <<< << CANCELED 16 - Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook-Off & party 17 - States MC Lake Worth party *24 - Black Pistons MC Ft. Laud. Annual 30 - Chrome Angels MC summer bash party

AUGUST

8-14 71st Annual Sturgis Bike Week 12 to 14, - 16th International South Florida Tattoo Expo 14 - AOA MC 44th Anniversary party *21 - Wings of Gold MC Port Saint Lucie Annual

SEPTEMBER

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

OCTOBER

*2 - Mystic Seven MC Annual 9 - AOA MC Treasure Coast party 16 - Keltics MC Miami party 22 - USMV MC Homestead benefit party 20-23 Daytona Biketoberfest 23 - SE ABATE 31st Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally 29 - Wheels of Man MC 38th Annual Halloween party *30 - Alternative Treasure Coast Annual NOVEMBER

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

DECEMBER

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





Date Change





S.E. Chapter

Abate of Florida, Inc.



HURSDAY NITE BIKES, BIKI

LIVE BANDS THURSDAY 7-11 SUNDAY 2-GPM

6/2 THURS - VIVA 6/5 SUN - VIVA 6/9 THURS - GYPSY ROAD 6/12 SUN - SOUTHERN ROCK SOCIETY 6/16 THURS - LIME ROCK 6/19 SUN - TOP PRIORITY 6/23 THURS - VIVA 6/26 SUN - GYPSY ROAD 6/30 THURS - JUST A HEAD

LETELY THEVE RUOY CLICH Chil rot ennice lied Open Monday-Thurs 7am-10pm Fri 7am-1am, Sat 9am-1am Sun 9am-8pm WE HAVE A

FULL FOOD MENU!!! ALSO ON THURSDAYS:

- LINGERIE GALS
- FREE DRINK RAFFLES
- BEER SPECIALS:
- \$10 DOMESTIC BUCKETS
- \$14 IMPORT BUCKETS

SUNDAY BBQ - Noon to 7 \$10 DOMESTIC BUCKETS \$14 IMPORT BUCKETS CHECK OUT THE "HOT" BIKINI CONTEST EVERY THURSDAY NITE!



 PUENTY OF PARAINE

 FILL UP ON CAS

 FOOD & DRINKS

 7/2011

 Online at: cafe27truckstop.net

HWY 27, at the truck stop just north of Griffin Road - East side of RT 27 - across from Holiday Park



WWW.JUSTICE4OURDROTHERS.COM

Exp: 11/2011



Classic/Southern Rock, Blues & more!! www.myspace.com/ringerzband 954-439-6862 • 954-240-1194 Email: datband@bellsouth.net

"THE PARTY BAND"

CHECK OUT OUR SITE FOR DATES, VIDEOS, SHIRTS & MORE tommy-gun, henry 'hank' and thomas j...... the "RINGERZ" band





SUPER TRI COUNTY

AUTO CONSULTANTS

FERN R CAMERON

OWNER/PRESIDENT





S.E. Chapter

Abate of Florida, Inc.

Luke's Place 3558 S University Drive, Davie Fl. 33328 954-476-1483 Facebook.com/LukesPlaceBar	
10% Off After 8pm With ABATE Membership ID (Excludes specials)	Saturday June 11th 50 th Birthday Bash for Tony Fellows of "The Storm" 9:30p-1:30p
Sundays and Mondays	Tuesdays
5 for \$10 Domestic Buckets Open Pool Tables All Day (Sundays Karaoke 7-11p)	2 for \$5 Calls All Day
Wednesdays	Thursdays
2 for \$5 Well Drinks Free Darts All Day	2 for \$5 Jose Cuervo Gold All Day
Fridays	<u>Saturdays</u>
Live Music 7:30-10:30pm	Live Music 9:30pm-1:30am
2 For \$5 Well Drinks	\$5 Martini Menu
Or \$5 Pitchers (Bud, Bud Light and Bud Select)	5 for \$10 Domestic Buckets (Noon-9pm)
Exp: 10/2011	

NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM)

WASHINGTON STATE ENACTS NATION'S FIRST ANTI-PROFILING LAW

Motorcycle riders routinely report being profiled by law enforcement, but a new law in Washington State is intended to prohibit police from singling out bikers for stops without clear and legitimate reason.

Modeled after a 2002 state law outlawing racial profiling by police, the nation's first "anti-profiling" bill passed unanimously through both the House and Senate, and was signed by Gov. Chris Gregoire on April 13. Sponsored by Rep. Steve Kirby (D-Tacoma), the new law will force local law enforcement agencies to adopt a written policy designed to condemn and prevent the profiling of motorcyclists, and it institutes training to address the problem.

Motorcycle enthusiasts presented compelling evidence to legislators, including a video of a state trooper crawling through bushes near the Legislative Building in Olympia two years ago and writing down motorcycle license plates while bikers were holding their annual "Black Thursday" legislative rally and lobby day.

Outsiders M/C member David "Double D" Devereaux, spokesperson for the Washington Confederation of Clubs and US Defenders of Washington State, testified in Olympia that almost every member of every club, and even motorcyclists who aren't in clubs, has been profiled. He said many lawmakers were unaware of the problem until they saw the video of police gathering information on the bikers as they were inside the Capitol building ironically seeking sponsorship for a bill that would stop motorcycle profiling.

Also lobbying on behalf of the bill was Donnie "Mr. Breeze" Landsman, Legislative Affairs Officer for ABATE of Washington, who told The News Tribune that he's been denied service at restaurants for wearing a bandana and a leather vest; "Motorcyclists aren't looking for special rights," Landsman told the newspaper. "We want the same rights that are afforded to every other section of the population as American citizens." Double D and his club brother Jeff "Twitch" Burns, who produced an 86-minute video that chronicles the growth of the emerging anti-profiling movement within the motorcycling community, reported their success at the Patch Holder Meeting during the recent NCOM Convention in Albuquerque, N.M., to the resounding approval of bikers rights activists and COC reps attending from all across America. "This is something that could be done in every state," Double D told the enthusiastic crowd...and should be.

STATES COMBAT MOTORCYCLE-ONLY CHECKPOINTS Calling motorcycle-only roadblocks discriminatory and unconstitutional, ABATE of California is pushing a bill that would ban state and federal funding of such so-called "safety checkpoints".

New York and Georgia have initiated roadside barricades under the auspices and guidance of NHTSA to coral motorcycle riders en route to major motorcycle events to check paperwork and equipment for violations, and for other illegal activity. AB 1047, authored by Kevin Jeffries, Vice Chairman of the Assembly Transportation Committee, would prohibit the CA Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) from issuing grants to law enforcement agencies to stage Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints and also require the OTS to conduct audits of the safety checkpoint grants to insure that law enforcement is complying.

Similarly, North Carolina is currently considering two bills (H375 & H381) aimed at preventing law enforcement agencies from establishing patterns for vehicle stops at checking stations based on a particular type of vehicle.

In Congress, Rep. Tom Petri (R-WI) and some of his colleagues have authored legislation to de-fund the checkpoints. US House Resolution 904 would prevent the US DOT from providing funds to states which would be used for motorcycle roadblocks.

Motorcyclists across the country are also awaiting a court ruling on the constitutionality of the New York checkpoints, being challenged by N.Y. Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) Attorney Mitch Proner, which could wind up on the docket of the U.S. Supreme Court.

MOTORCYCLE FATALITIES CONTINUE DECLINE Motorcycle fatalities declined in 2010 by at least 2%, according to a new state-by-state report released on April 19 by the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA).

Based on preliminary data, GHSA's motorcycle fatality report projects that deaths declined from 4,465 in 2009 to 4,376 or less in 2010. The projection is based upon data from 50 states and the District of Columbia for the first nine months of 2010. The decline comes on the heels of a 16% drop in 2009, which followed 11 straight years of steady increases in motorcycle deaths which mirrored annual increases in motorcycle sales and registrations.

GHSA is projecting declines in approximately half of the states, with notable declines in many. In Texas, for example, based upon data for the first nine months of 2010, motorcycle deaths are expected to be down 16%, while Oregon and Oklahoma are down 27% and 30%, respectively.

But fatalities had started to climb back up during the last

three months in the study, prompting fears that the improving economy and surging gas prices will lead to increased motorcycle travel and thus increasing exposure to risk. NHTSA UPDATES MOTORCYCLE HELMET STANDARDS The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has updated the federal motorcycle helmet standards (FMVSS 218) in an attempt to stop riders from wearing non-DOT approved "novelty" helmets. The new standard does not affect the construction of helmets directly, but changes the way they're labeled to make it more difficult to mimic DOT compliance certifications.

Effective immediately under the final rule issued May 13, helmets that conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 218 will carry a sticker with the manufacturer's name, the helmet model and the words "DOT FMVSS No. 218 Certified." The move to make non-compliant helmets harder to sell comes after the number of riders sporting novelty helmets increased dramatically in 2010 over 2009.

According to NHTSA statistics, in 2010, only 54% of motorcyclists wore a DOT-approved helmet. Around 14% wore a novelty helmet, and 32% rode without a helmet. In 2009, those numbers were 67%, 9% and 24%, respectively. In 2010, 75% of riders who did elect to wear a helmet wore a DOT-compliant one. In 2009, that number was 86%.

NHTSA says 5.2 million helmets are sold annually. Twenty states require all motorcycle riders to wear helmets, but only 13 states specify that the helmets must meet federal standards.

"DEAD RED" LAW ALLOWS RIDERS TO RUN STOPLIGHTS Motorcyclists in several states have been given a green light to run red lights, and now riders in Kansas can proceed with caution through a stuck signal if it has failed to change green within a reasonable amount of time because the signal has malfunctioned or failed to detect the cycle.

HB 2192, The Dead Red Law, has been signed into law by Governor Sam Brownback and goes into effect June 1 for intersections across the state with sensors. Traffic sensors imbedded in the roadway normally tell the light to change when a vehicle approaches, but motorcycles often aren't heavy enough to trigger it, argued ABATE of Kansas in support of the legislation.

The measure was packaged with a series of road-related measures, including provisions raising the state's maximum highway speed to 75 mph.

Nine other states currently allow motorcyclists to proceed through a signal that fails to detect their presence, and similar legislation is being considered in Illinois where HB 2860 passed the House 104-0 and is awaiting further action in the Senate.

MOTORCYCLE SALES STOKED BY GAS PRICES

Motorcycle sales in the U.S. rose 7.2% during the first quarter OF 2011, compared with the same period a year earlier, says the Motorcycle Industry Council.

In its retail sales report, which tracks sales among the 18 leading brands sold in the U.S., the industry trade group said scooters posted the biggest sales increase of nearly 50%. Sales of dual-purpose motorcycles, which are designed for highway and off-road use rose almost 25%, attributed in part to the segment's overall fuel efficiency.

In a separate but related report, a recent survey of Harley-Davidson dealerships suggests that retail sales improved in the first three months of the year. According to an analysis by Raymond James & Associates, 55% of the dealerships surveyed said they had a year-over-year sales increase in the quarter, and nearly all reported that inventories were "ideal" or "light". The MIC also reported that tire sales, which it says are an indicator of motorcycle use, also rose in the first three months of the year. Motorcycle and scooter tire sales increased 29%, while sales of tires for on-highway bikes rose 28% and scooter tires jumped 49%.

The industry council's owner survey estimates the number of motorcycle miles traveled rose 5% to 27.6 billion miles from 2008-09. The percentage of U.S. households with at least one motorcycle grew to 6.8% in 2009 from 5.4% in 2003. E-CYCLE GROWTH FORECAST

More and more motorcycles and scooters powered by electricity are hitting the road, and some experts predict that the number of electric two-wheel vehicles could swell to more than 100 million worldwide within the next 5 years.

Currently, there are about 17 million electric motorcycles and scooters on the road, but a new study by Pike Research shows that that the global market could expand to more than 138 million by 2017.

"Electric motorcycles and scooters have strong appeal for many consumers," says senior analyst Dave Hurst. "They are relatively low cost to own, do not take a lot of space, and are easy to maintain."

Electric motorcycles are becoming more capable every day. Chip Yates recently set a land speed record with his electric motorcycle, reaching nearly 200 mph, and the TTXGP racing series was just officially sanctioned by the FIM. VICTORY FOR INDIAN

America's oldest motorcycle brand now has a new owner. Polaris Industries Inc. (NYSE: PII) has announced the acquisition of Indian Motorcycle, adding one of motorcycling's legendary brands to its stable of Victory cruiser and touring bikes. Polaris, which has manufacturing plants in Roseau, Minn., and Spirit Lake, Iowa, will close down the Indian Motorcycle

S.E. Chapter

production facility in Kings Point, N.C., and move all production to Spirit Lake.

Polaris said it hopes to capture a bigger share of the \$11 billion heavyweight cruiser market by operating Indian as an independent business unit, combining Polaris' "engineering acumen and innovative technology" with Indian's "premium brand, iconic design and rich American history."

RIDE TO WORK, WORK TO RIDE

Every year more and more riders are finding cycles and scooters to be an economical, efficient and fun way to commute. Because of this, the 20th annual worldwide Ride To Work Day, scheduled for June 20, 2011 is expected to be one of the largest ever.

On Ride to Work Day, the practical side of riding becomes more visible as a large number of America's 8,000,000 cycles and scooters are ridden to work, which helps to demonstrate how these vehicles make parking easier and help traffic flow better. Studies have shown that across equal distances, commuting motorcyclists reach their destinations in less time than those using automobiles, and that motorcycles and scooters consume less resources per mile, and that they take up less space on roads.

For further information and promotional materials, visit <u>www.ridetowork.org</u>.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "One man can make a difference, and every man should try."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy (1917-1963), 35th US President

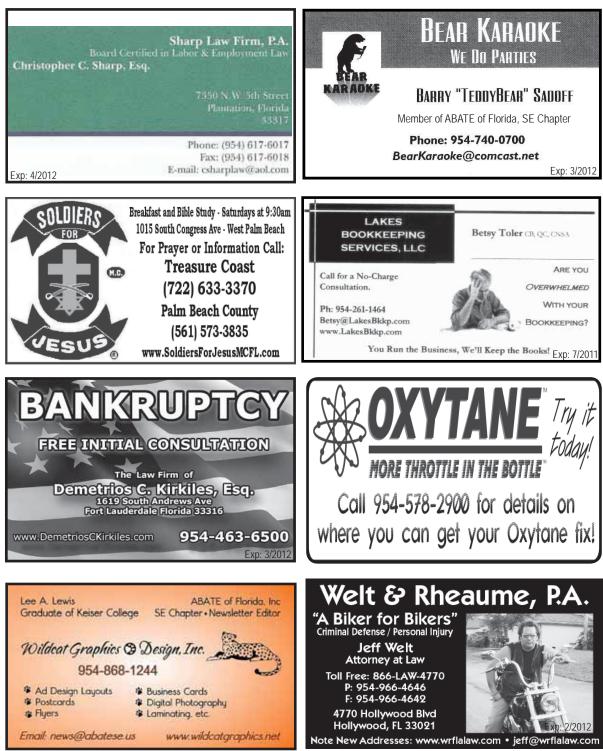


DEADLINE: 20th of each Month for Articles, Ads, Flyers, etc.









Abate of Florida, Inc.

Classifieds for members are run at "No Charge". Non-member classifieds are only \$5.00. Call any Board Member to place a classified ad. See page 2 for phone numbers

\$625/mo. 1br - *HOUSE 2 SHARE* (FT.LAUDERDALE) Nice 3/2 house in Dania Beach off of Griffin Rd, close to 441. Very private, share House with two straight guys. On canal at end of dead end street. {CUL-DE-SAC} (furnished or not) Rent includes electric, {cable?}, kitchen, washer-dryer, yard.....Boat dock AVAILABLE good fishing and sun bathing. **MIKE 954-297-5121** OR **DOUG 954-253-7433**

APEX 43" Rear Projection TV with remote. Works great. \$100. Call Joe at: 954-582-8138

'92 Harley-Davidson 1200 Sportster, all Chrome. Lots of extras and accessories \$3,500. Call Joey at: 954-587-2872

14' Old Town Canoe - with accessories. \$250.00 or Best Offer. Call "Bars" at: 954-567-5720

2008 Screaming Eagle 110in Dyna WideGlide 7000 mi. *Serious Inquires only* Test rides must have MC endorsement, helmet or Insurance waiver. Cash \$17,500. Please call John @ (954) 591-7912

2005 H.D. DELUXE SOFTAIL BLACK- \$14,995 O.B.O. 23,300 miles, new whitewall tires, serviced in April, radio mount kit and wiring, windshield, runs great, screaming eagle pipes and accessories. Sharp Bike. Call SHER SMITH 954-854-0120 or MARK SMITH 954-673-9392 or LEARGAL35@MSN.COM for pictures and more info!!!

Ford F-250 Super Duty 2009

31,000 - 4X4, XLT, Loaded, 4 Door Crew Cab, Tow Package, awesome condition, \$37,500. Kelly Blue Book at: \$39,600 Chris - 954-495-5698

For Sale: 2 Chrome HD 3/4 Helmets, 1 with M/C Radio, like new \$400.00 for both, 1 seat for Sportster new \$60.00. Call Hank 954-297-4737

FOR SALE:2006 HONDA VTX 1300R ROADSMITH TRIKE \$18,000:HAS TWO WINDSHIELDS, (1) TOURING (1) SPORTING,COMES WITH TOURING BAG WITH BACK REST,HAS AN ALL WEATHER COVER. THIS TRIKE RUNS INCREDIBLY WELL! IN MINT CONDITION. CONTACT: Virginia Westergren 954-249-5150 OR: Art Westergren 954-296-6354 - Email virginiawestergren@ comcast.net

Road King Leather Saddle Bags (New). \$500.00 Firm Contact Vas at: 954-492-5043

Moving Sale

Saturday & Sunday 8:30am - 5:30 pm Both Days Household, Auto & misc. items. 1910 SW 100th Ave Miramar-off Pembroke Rd 954-245-1714 (Princess Sharon) 954-540-5291 (Jimmy)





Please advise the editor by email (news@abatese.us) when your item is sold.





S.E. Chapter

Abate of Florida, Inc.

ABATE of Florida, Inc.



PO Box 292693 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33329-2693 STANDARD US POSTAGE **PAID** SO. FL. FACILITY PERMIT NO. 269

GOALS & PURPOSES OF ABATE

To print a newsletter to keep all bikers informed with regard to legislative actions and events around the state and throughout the country.

To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning all motorcyclists rights.

To provide a lobbyist to represent ABATE of Florida, Inc. on the state and national level.

To promote voter registration and motivate members to write their legislators.

To promote safe riding habits without infringing on individual rights.

To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.

What's Happening? Call The Hotline! 954.310.4636 24/7

UPCOMING SE CHAPTER MEETINGS

June 19, 2011 - Sunday 10 am July 17, 2011 - Sunday 10 am

at:

American Legion Post #321 Cooper City 9081 SW 51st St. 954-434-0965 From Griffin Rd. and SW 90th Ave. go South to SW 51st St. then west 1/8 mile.

Come & join the ranks of those who care to be involved!