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## ***PALM BEACH CHAPTER***

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FREEDOM OF THE ROAD*

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# ABATE

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### **NEXT CHAPTER MEETING**

**11:30AM**

**SATURDAY  
August 18<sup>th</sup>**



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# BIKER APPRECIATION

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## NIGHT

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## ***Saturday August 25, 2007***

**6:00 PM 'TIL...**

LIVE MUSIC WITH  
ROB ARENTH ON GUITAR 6:00pm-9:00 pm  
FEATURING...

COLD IRON - 10:00pm-2:00am  
Southern Rock Band

Cold Iron is the official ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Band  
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**ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.  
PALM BEACH CHAPTER**

**MEETINGS ARE:**

**11:30 am THIRD SATURDAY EVERY MONTH**



**Membership Application**

**Membership Dues: \$20.00 per person for 1 year or \$150 for Life Membership**

Fill out form, print, sign, and attach your check or money order and mail to:

**ABATE - Palm Beach Chapter  
P.O. Box 971073  
Boca Raton, FL 33497-1073**

or Credit Card Information (below) and fax to:  
561-883-2678

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **New Member** \_\_ **Renew** \_\_ **Inactive** \_\_ **Address Change** \_\_ **Transfer** \_\_

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**How can you best help ABATE? (Time, Labor, Money, ETC.)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD AND/OR PATCH WILL BE MAILED WITHIN TWO WEEKS**



## President's Message

Brothers and Sisters,

“LOUIS WAS TRAVELING AT A HIGH SPEED WHEN HE HIT THE WINDSHIELD OF A WHITE ACURA THAT WAS MAKING A LEFT TURN ONTO SOUTHWEST 54TH AVENUE, SAID PLANTATION POLICE SPOKESMAN DETECTIVE PHILIP TOMAN. LOUIS FLEW SEVERAL FEET AND HIT A NEARBY BENCH. HE DIED AT THE SCENE.

TOMAN SAID LOUIS WAS WEARING A HELMET”.

LET ME JUST ASK YOU TO STOP AND READ THIS PARAGRAPH AGAIN. THINK ABOUT THE THREE THINGS THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THIS MANS DEATH.

DETECTIVE PHILIP TOMAN'S STATEMENT. “LOUIS FLEW SEVERAL FEET AND HIT A NEARBY BENCH”. HE DIED AT THE SCENE.

***TOMAN SAID LOUIS WAS WEARING A HELMET”.*** WHAT KIND OF MORON COVERING THIS STORY WOULD EVEN ASK A STUPID QUESTION LIKE “WAS THE RIDER WEARING A HELMET”? GIVEN THE DETAILS OF THE INCIDENT, IF YOU HIT THE WINDSHIELD OF A VEHICLE TURNING LEFT IN FRONT OF YOU AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED AND STOP BY HITTING A BENCH THAT'S PRETTY MUCH IS GOING TO BE YOUR LAST RIDE.

THE PARAMEDIC'S HAVE TO ASK THAT QUESTION ON THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT REGARDLESS OF THE CONDITION OF THE RIDER. BUT, WHAT IDIOT WOULD EVEN THINK A HELMET WOULD HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE OR SAVED THIS PERSONS LIFE. WHY WAS IT A QUESTION AT ALL? IF THIS IS THE MENTALITY OF THE PEOPLE WE DEPEND ON TO KEEP US INFORMED, WE ARE IN SERIOUS TROUBLE. THE PUBLIC HAS ONLY THIS KIND OF DELUDED AND DISTORTED CRAP TO FORM THEIR OPINIONS AND MAKE DECISIONS. THEY VOTE BLINDFOLDED.

THE FACT IS THE ACCIDENT HAPPENED BECAUSE TWO PEOPLE WERE ACTING IRRESPONSIBLY. I DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING REGARDING WHAT THE DRIVER WAS DOING WHEN THEY MADE THE CONSCIENCE DECISION TO MAKE THAT TURN AND WHY THEY DIDN'T SEE ANOTHER VEHICLE IN THEIR PATH. IT WAS HOWEVER NOTED THAT THE RIDER *WAS* WEARING A HELMET.

**THE UNDENIABLE FACT IS THE VEHICLE VIOLATED THE RIDER'S RIGHT OF WAY.**

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## President's Message - Cont'd

THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN ADDRESSED AND THE "STIFFER PENALTY ACT" WAS PASSED LAST YEAR AND I STILL HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND ONE INCIDENT WHERE THE DRIVER HAS BEEN PROSECUTED. WHY IS IT THAT THESE INCIDENTS NEVER GET PAST THE "ACCIDENT IS UNDER INVESTIGATION" STAGE? OR IS IT THAT WE JUST NEVER HEAR ANY MORE ABOUT THE INCIDENT BECAUSE THE MEDIA DOESN'T THINK IT'S WORTH REPORTING? MY GUESS IS THE LAWYERS CUT A MONETARY DEAL OR BURY THE INCIDENT BY REQUESTING A CONTINUANCE OF THE CASE UNTIL IT'S FORGOTTEN BY EVERYONE EXCEPT THE VICTIM.

I HAVE BEEN RECEIVING A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF INFORMATION REGARDING INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS WHERE CELL PHONES, BLACKBERRY'S AND BLUE TUBES WERE IN USE AND CONTRIBUTED TO THE CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT. THE MOST RECENT BEING A STORY ON THE FIVE CHEERLEADERS KILLED IN NEW YORK STATE WHICH RECEIVED NATIONAL MEDIA COVERAGE.

THIS TRAGIC ACCIDENT IS PROBABLY THE FIRST TIME I PERSONALLY HAVE EVER SEEN OR HEARD ANYTHING REPORTED WHERE CELL PHONE USE WAS ACTUALLY A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR. FOUR YEARS AGO I BEGAN A PERSONAL CAMPAIGN TO TRY TO GAIN SUPPORT FOR BANNING THE USE OF CELL PHONES WHILE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE OF ANY KIND INCLUDING "HANDS FREE" USE AS WELL. HAVING BEEN THE VICTIM OF AN ACCIDENT INVOLVING A MOTORIST THAT VIOLATED MY RIGHT OF WAY BY MAKING A LEFT TURN IN FRONT OF ME WHILE TALKING ON A CELL PHONE. THE DRIVER ADMITTED "HE DIDN'T SEE ME" (WHILE STILL TALKING ON HIS CELL PHONE). THESE TWO FACTORS KILL MORE MOTORCYCLISTS THEN ANY OTHER KIND OF ACCIDENT INVOLVING A SINGLE MOTORCYCLE OR A MOTORCYCLE AND ANOTHER VEHICLE.

NOW THAT A BILL HAS BEEN PROPOSED IT BECOMES MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER THAT THIS BILL INCLUDES "HANDS FREE AND BLUE TUBES" AS WELL. TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE "TEXT MESSAGING" HAS BECOME MORE POPULAR AND REQUIRES TWO HANDS AND VISUAL ATTENTION TO PERFORM. "HANDS FREE" HAS NEW MEANING, "HANDS FREE" OF THE STEERING WHEEL AND THE TERM "INATTENTIONAL BLINDNESS" HAS BEEN ADDED TO OUR VOCABULARY.

[HTTP://MOTORCYCLISTS-AGAINST-DUMB-DRIVERS.COM/CELL-PHONES-AND-DUI-DRUNK-DRIVING.HTML](http://motorcyclists-against-dumb-drivers.com/cell-phones-and-dui-drunk-driving.html)

STUDY AFTER STUDY HAS CONCLUDED THAT THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN "HAND HELD AND HANDS FREE" THEY BOTH CONTRIBUTE EQUALLY TO "INATTENTIONAL BLINDNESS". THE CURRENT PROPOSED BILL INCLUDING BILLS SB620, SB1944 AND SB2372-- TO BAN THE USE OF CELL PHONES WHILE DRIVING EXCLUDES HANDS FREE USE. I HAVE SENT A LETTER TO

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## President's Message - Cont'd

FLORIDA'S SENATOR ATWATER TO ASK THAT HE WILL CONSIDER WORKING WITH HIS CONSTITUANTS TO HAVE THIS PROPOSED BILL INCLUDE "HANDS FREE" CELL PHONE USE AND TO SUPPORT MANDATORY DRIVERS EDUCATION IN FLORIDA SCHOOLS.

WE AS MOTORCYCLISTS AND AS MEMBERS OF ABATE NEED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS TIME PERIOD TO GET OUT THERE AND EDUCATE THE PUBLIC AS TO THE REAL FACTS ABOUT THE ISSUES THAT EFFECT ALL MOTORISTS AND HOPEFULLY GAIN THEIR SUPPORT UNTIL LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS RESUME NEXT YEAR.

REMEMBER ABATE IS FOR EVERYBODY REGARDLESS OF WHAT KIND OF MOTORCYCLE YOU RIDE. WE INVITE YOU TO STOP IN FOR ONE OF OUR CHAPTER MEETINGS, OUR DOOR IS OPEN TO EVERYONE, INDEPENDANTS, RIDING ASSOCIATIONS AND CLUB MEMBERS. WE INVITE ALL MOTORCYCLE RELATED BUSINESSES TO SHOW THEIR SUPPORT BY TAKING OUT AN AD IN OUR NEWSLETTER AND BECOME MEMBERS OF OUR CHAPTER. ABATE OF FLORIDA HAS SUPPORTED THE MOTORCYCLE COMMUNITY FOR OVER 25 YEARS, WE NEED TO HAVE YOUR SUPPORT TO CONTINUE TO REPRESENT YOU AND PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

Support your local ABATE Chapter.

Ride Free Ride Safe

**Strongbow - President**

**ABATE P.B.C.**

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**MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS & SAFETY**

**DEDICATED TO**

**"FREEDOM OF CHOICE, FREEDOM OF THE ROAD"**

**You may know us as the motorcycle organization that got the helmet law repealed in Florida or from our motorcycle rights and safety rally's throughout the year. ABATE of Florida is not a club, we are a motorcycle rights & safety organization dedicated to promoting motorcycle safety while remaining ever vigilant of the legislative issues concerning motorcyclists' nationwide.**

**THERE ARE NO MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS**

Because we are not a club there are no mandatory rides or meetings to attend. We do not require our members to wear our patch. If you are currently a member of a motorcycle club or any other motorcycle association or organization we welcome your support as a member.

**YOUR COLORS OR PATCH ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN OUR HOUSE**

Our most recent victories include the passing of Bill HB1697 requiring stiffer penalties for a motorist turning left in front of another motorist, one of the leading causes of injury and death to motorcyclist'. A reformed bill regarding "Ape Hangers" has also been passed, handlebars are now to be measured from the riders shoulders rather than the seat. We also helped beat down legislation proposed by Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) on an amendment to the transportation, reauthorization bill (SAFE-TEA) that would re-institute a federal helmet law for all riders by denying federal transportation and safety dollars to that state

**WE ARE NOT ANTI-HELMET, WE ARE ANTI-HELMET LAW**

One of the most popular misconceptions about ABATE is that we are anti-helmet. Nothing could be further from the truth. We are "anti-helmet law" if you chose to ride with or without a helmet it's your choice, it is your right to decide whether wearing a helmet is right for you. ABATE is an organization fighting to protect your rights.

**"FREEDOM OF CHOICE, FREEDOM OF THE ROAD"**

There are over 7,000 members of ABATE in the state of Florida with over 30 active chapters. We feel Palm Beach County has huge potential in becoming one of the largest chapters in the state. With its large expanse and thousands of motorcyclist', a Palm Beach County chapter would become a viable and influential voice in raising motorcycle rights, safety and awareness. This chapter borders will be primarily Northern Broward County and all of Palm Beach County.

**For more information contact Strongbow President ABATE P.B.C. 561-483-4283  
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**ABATE of Florida, Inc.  
Palm Beach Chapter  
American Bikers Aiming Toward Education**

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## **MEMBERSHIPS DUE**

### **JUNE**

Ray Edwards  
Sara Edwards  
James McGill  
John "Honda John" Preston



### **JULY**

Jimmy "2 EZ" Malecki  
Darrell "Wildthing" Magee  
Francky McGowan  
Jesus "Deuce" Nieves  
Kathy Olsey

### **AUGUST**

Darlene "Stiletto" Kessariss  
Steve "Lum" Sizemore  
Leo Pedraza  
Lars E. Bergstrom

### **SEPTEMBER**

Denise "Muffin" Pacitti  
Mike "Tomcat" Thomas  
Michael "Zim" Zimmer  
Maurice Clark

### **OCTOBER**

Frank "Frankie Fire" Baudo  
Dario "DeeMan" Gaitan  
Gina Gaitan  
Arthur "Bushwacker" Hebert  
Lenny "Uncle Fester" Hironimus  
Dean R. "Snapper" Hunter  
Kelly "Moonshine" Hunter  
Juan "Juan Roberto" Iglesias  
Suzanne P. Keen  
Mike "Surfer" Kenney  
James "Jimmy Les" Lesniak  
J.F. Levi  
Monique Levi  
Karen Lowe  
Michael "Freebird" Lowe  
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Michael "Sailor" McDonald  
Robin Lee "Ohio" McDonald  
Jim "Cutter" Peters  
Christopher Sharp  
Jim "Jimbo" Sherrow  
Axel "Axman" Wojnar  
Vicky "Spin Girl" Wojnar

*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 change of address to continue receiving your newsletter and Masterlink*



## Vice President's Message

YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE "PERKS" OF BEING AN ELECTED OFFICER IN OUR ORGANIZATION IS YOU GET TO SWAY FROM WHAT YOU ARE REALLY SUPPOSED TO DO FROM TIME-TO-TIME AND SNEAK ON SOME OF YOUR PERSONAL VIEWS AND OPINIONS. NOW, BEING THAT I AM ONLY THE VICE PRESIDENT I DO HAVE TO SUBMIT MY ARTICLES TO STRONGBOW, OUR PRESIDENT, FOR HIS APPROVAL, BUT SEEING THAT HE IS A WOUNDED VIET NAM VETERAN I THINK THAT I JUST MIGHT GET THIS ONE THROUGH, EVEN THOUGH IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MOTORCYCLES.

FOR YEARS, OR ACTUALLY FOREVER, SINCE THE END OF THE VIETNAM "CONFLICT", WHICH WE ALL CONSIDERED A WAR, I THOUGHT OUR GOVERNMENT HAD FORGOTTEN ABOUT OUR LOST COMRADES AS MIA AND THAT WAS IT. THEN MY NIECE, USAF STAFF SERGEANT ELIZABETH "LIZ TO ME" FEENEY (MAIDEN NAME PATON OF LANTANA) WAS ASSIGNED TO JPAC. I HAD NO IDEA WHAT THE HELL THAT WAS BUT LEARNED THAT IT WAS THE JOINT POW/MIA ACCOUNTABILITY COMMAND. WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT?

WELL IT TURNS OUT THAT I REALLY DON'T KNOW EVERYTHING(HARD FOR ME TO ADMIT) AND THAT OUR GOVERNMENT REALLY IS DOING SOMETHING TO ACCOUNT FOR AND RECOVER OUR FALLEN MIA HEROES AND NOT ONLY FROM VIET NAM, BUT FROM EVERY WAR AND CONFLICT FROM WWI TO THE FIRST GULF WAR!

MY FIRST EXPOSURE TO WHAT SHE WAS DOING WAS WHEN SHE SENT ME AN E-MAIL WITH PHOTOS OF HER IN A CEREMONY HONORING THE REMAINS OF A SOLDIER FROM THE VIET NAM ERA BEING WELCOMED AND HONORED BACK IN OUR COUNTRY AFTER HE HAD BEEN RECOVERED. DAMN, MY EYES WELLED AND MY HEART FILLED AND MIND SWELLED WITH PRIDE TO SEE HER BEING A PART OF OUR COUNTRY DOING WHAT I ALWAYS FELT THEY SHOULD BE DOING AND NEVER KNEW THEY WERE! THE US MILITARY IS ACTUALLY DOING SOMETHING TO BRING OUR MIA'S HOME! SURPRISE... SURPRISE... SURPRISE...

THEN SHE CAME HOME AND STARTED TO REALLY TELL ME THE STORY. JPAC, STATIONED IN HAWAII, HAS 600 HAND PICKED ENLISTED MEN, WOMEN AND OFFICERS FROM ALL OF OUR ARMED FORCES, AS WELL AS THE LARGEST AND BEST EQUIPPED FORENSIC LABORATORY IN THE WORLD. IN FACT, THE TV SHOWS CSI (AND IT'S SPIN-OFFS) AND NCIS LABORATORIES ARE

## Vice President's Message - Cont'd

MODELED AFTER THE ACTUAL JPAC FORENSIC LABORATORY IN HAWAII. THEY RECOVER ON AN AVERAGE OF 6 TO 8 FALLEN HEROES A MONTH. NO MATTER HOW SMALL THE REMAINS ARE (TOOTH, BONE, FRAGMENT OR WHATEVER) IF THEY CAN IDENTIFY IT, OUR SERVICE MEN COME HOME, ARE RECEIVED WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS AND ARE ENTERED AS THE HEROES THEY ARE. PLEASE UNDERSTAND THIS: FOR MANY OF THESE FALLEN HEROES IT IS THE FIRST TIME IN DECADES THAT THEY HAVE BEEN HOME! I STARTED TO THINK WHAT THAT MIGHT MEAN TO THEIR FAMILIES AND THEN THOUGHT WHAT IT ACTUALLY MEANS TO ME AND FELT PROUD THAT MY NIECE WAS A PART OF THAT AND EVEN MORE PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN.

IF YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT JPAC TRY OUT THEIR SITE AT:

[HTTP://WWW.JPAC.PACOM.MIL/](http://www.jpac.pacom.mil/) OR CONTACT ME THROUGH OUR SITE AT:

[HTTP://WWW.ABATEPALMBEACH.COM/INDEX.HTML](http://www.abatepalmbeach.com/index.html) AND BELIEVE ME I'LL BE GLAD TO BRAG ABOUT WHAT THEY (SHE) IS DOING! BY-THE-WAY, LIZ AND HER HUSBAND, A USAF IRAQ WAR VET THAT, THANKS TO GOD, CAME HOME SAFE AFTER MORE THAN A YEAR IN-COUNTRY, ARE MAKING ME A GREAT-UNCLE SOME TIME IN SEPTEMBER.

SO, FORGIVE ME FOR PERSONALIZING THIS VICE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE, BUT CAN YOU REALLY BLAME ME?

GOD BLESS ALL, RIDE SAFE AND RIDE FREE.

**JOHN "PAPA BEAR" OLSEY**

YOUR, VICE PRESIDENT

# ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.

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PRESENTS

## West Coast Chapter

STATE MEETING — Saturday, AUGUST 11, 2007

DELEGATES  
MEETING 2 PM

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS—POST 8118

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MEETING NOON

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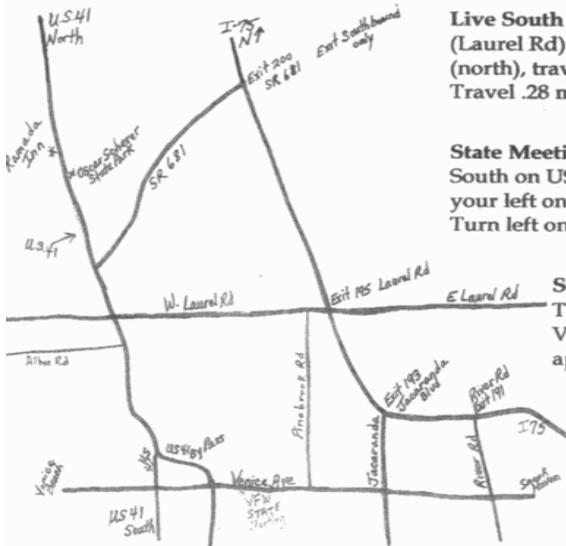
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**Hotel/Camping Direction:** Live North of Sarasota/Venice: Travel —South on I-75 to Exit 200 (SR 681) , at end of SR 681 bear to the right and exit onto US 41 North; Travel 1.43 miles -Oscar Scherer State Park is on your right; Travel .28 miles further north and the Ramada is on your left.

**Live South of Sarasota/Venice:** Travel —North on I-75 to Exit 195 (Laurel Rd) and go West on Laurel Rd. At US 41 turn right (north), travel 2.51 miles—Oscar Scherer State Park on your right; Travel .28 miles further north and the Ramada is on your left.

**State Meeting: From Ramada or Oscar Scherer State Park:** Travel South on US 41 (Tamiami Trail) approximately 4.74 miles and bear to your left on US 41 By-Pass. Travel 1.28 miles to Venice Avenue. Turn left on Venice Avenue and travel 2 blocks to VFW on your right.

**State Meeting from I-75:** Exit 193—Jacaranda Blvd — Travel south on Jacaranda Blvd approximately .79 miles to Venice Avenue. Turn right on Venice Avenue travel approximately 2.6 miles and the VFW will be on your right.



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# 2007 CALENDAR

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**SFPC** MANDATORY MOTORCYCLE CLUB EVENTS  
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 SOUTH FLORIDA PRESIDENTS COUNCIL  
 OF MOTORCYCLE CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS  
 CALENDAR EVENTS Call (954) 430-0997 or (954) 574-2000  
 for changes, deletions, additions or inquiries

## AUGUST

- 3-12 67th Annual Sturgis Bike Week
- 10-12 - 12th International South Florida Tattoo Expo
- 12 - AOA MC 40th Anniversary
- 26 - Wings of Gold MC Stuart Annual

## SEPTEMBER

- 2 - US Military Vets MC Pompano Annual
- 9 - Stetler MC 14th Annual Key West Turnup Party
- 14-16 - Phil Peterson's 35th Key West Polar Run
- 23 - Southern MC Teddy Bear Run
- 30 - Black Pistons MC Ft Keys off annual

## OCTOBER

- 7 - Mystic 7 MC Annual
- 14 - AOA Treasure Coast off annual
- 14 - Bobby B's "Boss" Hilly's Grand Octoberfest Party
- 18-21 - Daytona Bikerfest
- 27 - 33rd Annual Wheels of Man MC Halloween Party
- 28 - SE ABATE 27th Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally

## NOVEMBER

- 4 - Alternative MC Annual
- 11 - USMV MC National 20th Annual Party
- ~~17 - Nat's Toy Run Bike Drive~~ **CANCELLED!**
- 18 - CMA Memorial Event
- 25 - 3rd Annual Ketties for Kids Fun-Raiser

## DECEMBER

- 2-Heaven Cycles 30th Annual-30 FREE Kegs!
- 9 - 20th SFPC Christmas Toys in the Sun Run
- 15 - 8th Annual SFLCOC Christmas Party
- 15 - Drawing for the Toy Run bike at H-D of Miami
- 23 - Calvary Chapel Christmas Service

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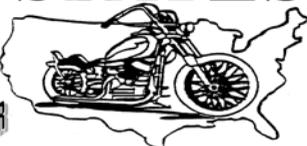
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HE CAME UP TOUGH IN AN ITALIAN AMERICAN NEIGHBORHOOD. HE WASN'T POOR, NOR DID HE HAVE ONLY ONE PARENT. HE KNEW ALL ABOUT JESUS AFTER ALL HE WAS CATHOLIC. HE WAS OUTSPOKEN, SPOILED, NO APPRECIATION OF WHAT THE REAL WORLD HAD IN STORE FOR HIM.

AFTER HE WAS DISCHARGED FROM THE U.S. MARINE CORPS. HE WAS A PRETTY ANGRY VIETNAM VET. 19-YEARS OLD AND HAS A GIRLFRIEND WHO WAS PREGNANT, AND ONLY GOT THAT WAY TO ESCAPE HER BROKEN HOME.

BOB FOUND OUT WHAT BIKER CLUBS AND FREEDOM FROM " WHATEVER " WAS ALL ABOUT. NEGLECTING HIS SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF HIS WIFE AND NOW THREE CHILDREN. BOB LIVED AND BREATHED THE RESPECT AND FREEDOM OF BEING A BIKER.

EVENTUALLY BOB WOULD BE SO CONSUMED IN THIS BROTHERHOOD THAT IT WAS ON HIS 52ND BIRTHDAY, HE TOOK A STEP IN A WHIRLWIND TERRIFYING DIRECTION THAT SCARED HIM HALF TO DEATH. ONE OF BOB'S " SO CALLED BROTHERS " DECIDED TO GIVE FALSE STATEMENTS AGAINST BOB TO THE LOCAL REIGNING CLUBS. THIS SLIME BALL KNEW IF HE SUCKED UP TO THE 1%ER CLUB RUNNING THINGS, MAYBE THEY WOULD TAKE KINDLY TO HIM AND HELP HIM MOVE UP IN RANKS. THE PLAN WAS DRAWN THE DEED WAS DONE. BOB WAS CORNERED, AND WAS BEATEN DOWN. RIBS BROKEN, TEETH KNOCKED OUT, AND 14 STITCHES IN HIS HEAD, HE WAS BEATEN DOWN BECAUSE OF LIES DECEIT, AND SELFISHNESS. SATAN DANCED IN THE STREETS THAT NIGHT.

TWO YEARS LATER HE WAS SICK AND TRIED OF BEING SICK AND TIRED. HE GOT HIS GUN AND PROCEEDED TO THE WORST SIN. BOB HAD NO ONE. THE OTHER BIKERS EVEN THE INDEPENDENTS DIDN'T WANT TO BE IN THE LINE OF FIRE, SO THEY KEPT AWAY FROM BOB. SLEEPING WITH A NINE MILLIMETER, IF HE COULD SLEEP AT ALL, DECIDED TO END IT ALL. BUT, BEFORE HE COULD COMMIT THIS SINFUL OF ALL SINS, BOB WAS LED TO ONE OF GOD'S ANGELS. HE FOUND PEACE IN THE WORDS OF JESUS CHRIST.

BOB ACCEPTED JESUS CHRIST AS HIS SAVIOR, AND HIS NEW LIFE BEGAN. NOT ONLY DID THE HOLY SPIRIT MOVE IN AND CHANGE BOB COMPLETELY, BOB WAS BLESSED WITH THE FORGIVENESS OF HIS CHILDREN. BOB LEARNED HOW TO ASK FOR FORGIVENESS AND THROUGH FAITH KNEW IN HIS HEART THAT HE WAS INDEED FORGIVEN.

HOW HE FOUND JESUS, AND WHY HE WANTED TO BE SAVED CAN BE FOUND OUT WITH JUST A FEW MINUTES TALKING WITH ONE OF THE MANY CHRISTIAN BIKERS THAT ARE OUT THERE FOR YOU. BOB FOUND A TRUE BROTHERHOOD WITH ALPHA & OMEGA. PALM BCH CHAPTER CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLIST ASSOCIATION. SIX YEARS OF RIDING WITH AND LEARNING FROM THESE DEDICATED PRAYER WARRIORS HAS TAUGHT BOB HOW TO BE HAPPY, AND ALSO REGAINED THE LOVE AND ATTENTION FROM HIS THREE CHILDREN AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. THE LORD HAS A HUGE ERASER. LEARN HOW SIMPLE IT IS TO BE SAVED.

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*(MATTHEW 6:34)*

*HAVE YOU EVER WORRIED ABOUT A PROBLEM IN YOUR LIFE THAT JUST DROVE YOU UP THE WALL EVENTUALLY COME TO FIND OUT THE PROBLEM WORKED OUT AND YOU WORRIED YOURSELF FOR NOTHING? WORRY IS LIKE A ROCKING CHAIR, YOU CAN ROCK ALL YOU WANT BUT IT WONT GET YOU ANYWHERE. GOD WANTS YOU TO BE FULFILLED AND WHOLE, TO LIVE A TRUSTING AND HOPEFUL LIFE OF JOY AND PEACE. YOU MUST LEARN HOW TO SLOW DOWN AND ENJOY LIFE MORE BY REFUSING TO WORRY. YOU MUST LEARN TO LIGHTEN UP AND LAUGH, BECAUSE LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO LIVE IN DEPRESSION AND WORRY. BEGIN EACH DAY WITH A PROMISE TO MAKE IT A JOY FILLED WALK ON YOUR JOURNEY TO FAITH.*

*A PRAYER FOR TODAY:*

*GOD, I KNOW THAT YOU LOVE ME AND WILL PROVIDE FOR ME. HELP ME NOT TO WORRY OR SPEND MY LIFE IN ANY WAY OTHER THAN JOYFUL SERVICE. IN JESUS' NAME, AMEN.*

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## THE LAST WORD

# COPS EYE ROLE OF TEXT MESSAGES IN CRASH

CHEERLEADERS KILLED IN FIERY HEAD-ON COLLISION

BY BEN DOBBIN,

ABC NEWS

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(JULY 14) - TEXTING WHILE DRIVING MAY HAVE PLAYED A ROLE IN LAST MONTH'S CRASH THAT KILLED FIVE RECENT FAIRPORT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES IN NEW YORK.

"CELL PHONES ARE A DISTRACTION AND COULD BE A CONTRIBUTING CAUSE IN THIS ACCIDENT," SAID ONTARIO COUNTY SHERIFF PHILIP POVERO.

THE TEENS WERE ON THEIR WAY TO A KEUKA LAKE COTTAGE WHEN THEIR SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE SWERVED INTO THE PATH OF AN ONCOMING TRACTOR TRAILER.

BAILEY GOODMAN, 17, WAS DRIVING AND SARA MONNAT WAS IN THE FRONT PASSENGER SEAT. BOTH WERE WEARING SEAT BELTS. MEREDITH McCLURE, HANNAH CONGDON, AND KATIE SHIRLEY WERE IN THE BACK SEAT AND NOT WEARING SEAT BELTS. ALL OF THE TEENS DIED ON IMPACT.

THE CRASH HAPPENED JUNE 26 ON ROUTES 5 AND 20 IN EAST BLOOMFIELD, ONTARIO COUNTY. SHERIFF POVERO SAID BAILEY OVERCORRECTED AFTER PASSING ANOTHER CAR. SPEED MAY HAVE BEEN A FACTOR, AS THE SUV WAS GOING 60 MILES PER HOUR ON IMPACT. THE SUV WAS PUSHED 138 FEET BY THE FORCE OF THE CRASH.

SECONDS BEFORE THE CRASH, BAILEY RECEIVED A TEXT MESSAGE ON HER CELL PHONE.

HER PHONE WAS USED TO SEND A TEXT MESSAGE TO A FRIEND WHO LIVES IN THE CANANDAIGUA AREA AT 10:05:02. THAT FRIEND TEXT MESSAGED HER BACK AT 10:06:29. THIRTY-EIGHT SECONDS LATER, AT 10:07:07, THE FIRST CALL CAME INTO 911 REPORTING THE ACCIDENT.

"THE RECORDS INDICATE HER PHONE WAS IN USE. WE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO CLEARLY STATE SHE WAS THE ONE DOING THE TEXT MESSAGING," SAID SHERIFF POVERO.

THE AIRBAG MODULE WAS DESTROYED BY FIRE. IT IS A BLACK BOX-TYPE DEVICE THAT WOULD HAVE SAID HOW FAST THE SUV WAS GOING AND WHETHER BAILEY APPLIED THE BRAKES BEFORE THE CRASH.

THERE WERE NINE EYEWITNESSES TO THE CRASH -- THE TRACTOR TRAILER DRIVER, THE DRIVER OF THE CAR BAILEY PASSED AND HIS PASSENGER, FOUR OF THE TEENS' FRIENDS IN A CAR FOLLOWING THEM, AND TWO PEOPLE IN A CAR FOLLOWING THE TRACTOR TRAILER.

THE SHERIFF IDENTIFIED THE DRIVER OF THE MERCURY SABLE BAILEY PASSED AS MICHAEL SHORT, 21, OF HONEOYE FALLS. SHERIFF POVERO SAID HE SLOWED DOWN AND PULLED TO THE RIGHT TO ALLOW HER TO SAFELY PASS. THE PASS BEGAN IN A LEGAL PASSING ZONE, BUT ENDED IN A NO-PASSING ZONE.

ALCOHOL HAS BEEN RULED OUT. THERE IS NO INDICATION OF DRUG USE, BUT A FINAL TOXICOLOGY REPORT HAS NOT BEEN PREPARED.

SHERIFF POVERO SAID A COMBINATION OF SPEED, DRIVER ERROR, DRIVER INEXPERIENCE, AND DRIVER DISTRACTION CAUSED THE TRAGEDY.

"AS WE DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE, WE NEED TO CONSTANTLY REMIND OURSELVES THAT THIS IS OUR MAIN AND ONLY RESPONSIBILITY," HE SAID. "THIS TRAGEDY POINTS OUT SOME BASIC TRAFFIC SAFETY PRINCIPALS THAT APPLY TO ALL OF US IN OUR EVERYDAY LIFE."

*THIS STORY WAS REPORTED BY ABC NEWS AFFILIATE WHAM-TV IN ROCHESTER, N.Y.*

*SUBMITTED BY: JOHN "PAPA BEAR" OLSEY*

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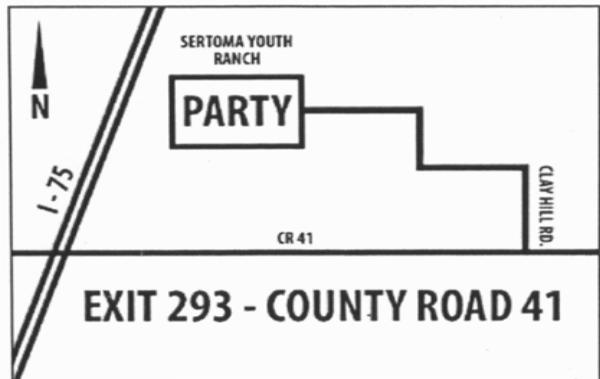
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**THIS IS SICK****DEMOCRATS MAKE BILLION DOLLAR CUT IN VETERANS BENEFIT**

IMMEDIATE RELEASE: TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2007 CONTACT: SHERIE GROVE (202) 225-3527

**DEMOCRATS MAKE BILLION DOLLAR CUT IN VETERANS BENEFIT**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** IN A PARTY LINE VOTE OVER THE OBJECTIONS OF REPUBLICAN MEMBERS, HOUSE VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE DEMOCRATS VOTED TO CUT NEARLY A BILLION DOLLARS IN PENSION BENEFITS FOR WARTIME, ELDERLY, INDIGENT, SEVERELY DISABLED OR HOUSE-BOUND AMERICAN VETERANS TO FUND UNPRECEDENTED BENEFITS FOR WORLD WAR II FILIPINO VETERANS.

RANKING MEMBER STEVE BUYER (R-IND.) OFFERED AN AMENDMENT TO DEFEND THE WARTIME, ELDERLY, INDIGENT, SEVERELY DISABLED OR HOUSE-BOUND AMERICAN VETERANS. THE SPECIAL MONTHLY PENSION PROVIDES AN ADDITIONAL \$2,200 PER YEAR TO THE MOST SEVERELY DISABLED VETERANS. A 2006 DECISION BY THE COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS REQUIRED VA TO BEGIN PAYING BENEFITS TO THESE VETERANS.

IT IS UNCONSCIONABLE THAT THE DEMOCRATS VOTED TODAY TO DENY ELDERLY, INDIGENT, SEVERELY DISABLED OR HOUSE-BOUND AMERICAN VETERANS THE SPECIAL MONTHLY PENSION IN ORDER TO FINANCE A NEW ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM TO BENEFIT FILIPINO VETERANS, BUYER NOTED.

FOR MORE NEWS FROM HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS REPUBLICANS, PLEASE GO TO [HTTP://WWW.REPUBLICANS.VETERANS.HOUSE.GOV/](http://www.republicans.veterans.house.gov/)

THEY ALL SERVED, THEY ALL SACRIFICED AND GAVE OF THEMSELVES, AS DID ALL AMERICAN TROOPS SINCE WW I. THEY FOUGHT AND DIED AND CAME BACK TO UNCERTAIN TIMES AND A BLEAK LOOK AT WAS TO BE THE REST OF THEIR LIVES IN THE COUNTRY THEY FOUGHT TO DEFEND. ONLY TO FIND THAT THEIR COUNTRY, OUR COUNTRY US THE USA HAS DECIDED THAT BENEFITS TO THE FALLEN FILIPINO VETERANS IS MORE IMPORTANT AND THAT THEY GAVE MORE AND DESERVE MORE FOR SOMETHING THEY COULDN'T DO THEMSELVES. THEY COULDN'T DEFEND THEIR OWN COUNTRY. THEY WERE SLAVES TO THE JAPANESE. THE JAPANESE SLAUGHTERED HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF FILIPINO'S BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T DEFEND THEIR OWN COUNTRY.

WE FOUGHT AND WON THAT WAR AND WOULD HAVE WITH THEM OR WITHOUT THEM. THEY OWE US! THEY OWE US FOR EVERYTHING WE HAVE DONE FOR THE UNGRATEFUL BASTARDS WHO NOW HOST AND SUPPORT TERRORIST'S ORGANIZATIONS FANATICALLY COMMITTED TO OUR DESTRUCTION. WE FOUGHT FOR THEM, ALONG SIDE OF THEM, DIED FOR THEM, LIBERATED THEM AND HELPED THEM REBUILD. IN MY OPINION WE DON'T OWE THEM SHIT! THEY OWE US, AND NOW THEY HAVE LINED UP AGAINST US.

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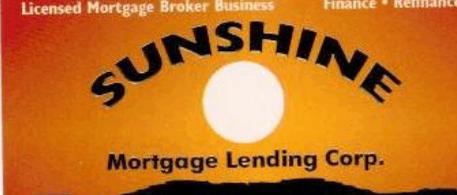


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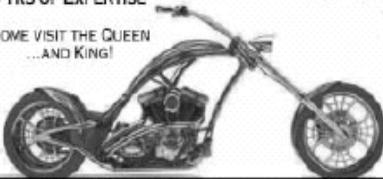
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## A SENIOR MOMENT

IT'S TOUGH TO GET OLD! BUT OLD PEOPLE WITH GUNS, THAT'S SCARY! KEEP SMILING!

THIS IS A TRUE ACCOUNT AS RECORDED IN THE POLICE LOG OF SARASOTA, FLORIDA...

AN ELDERLY FLORIDA LADY DID HER SHOPPING AND, UPON RETURNING TO HER CAR, FOUND FOUR MALES IN THE ACT OF LEAVING WITH HER VEHICLE. SHE DROPPED HER SHOPPING BAGS AND DREW HER HANDGUN, PROCEEDING TO SCREAM AT THE TOP OF HER VOICE, "I HAVE A GUN, AND I KNOW HOW TO USE IT! GET OUT OF THE CAR!"

THE FOUR MEN DIDN'T WAIT FOR A SECOND INVITATION. THEY GOT OUT AND RAN LIKE MAD. THE LADY, SOMEWHAT SHAKEN, THEN PROCEEDED TO LOAD HER SHOPPING BAGS INTO THE BACK OF THE CAR AND GOT INTO THE DRIVER'S SEAT. SHE WAS SO SHAKEN THAT SHE COULD NOT GET HER KEY INTO THE IGNITION.

SHE TRIED AND TRIED, AND THEN IT DAWNED ON HER WHY... FOR THE SAME REASON SHE DID NOT UNDERSTAND WHY THERE WAS A FOOTBALL, A FRISBEE AND TWO 12 PACKS OF BEER IN THE FRONT SEAT! A FEW MINUTES LATER, SHE FOUND HER OWN CAR PARKED FOUR OR FIVE SPACES FARTHER DOWN. SHE LOADED HER BAGS INTO THE CAR AND DROVE TO THE POLICE STATION TO REPORT HER MISTAKE.

THE SERGEANT TO WHOM SHE TOLD THE STORY COULDN'T STOP LAUGHING. HE POINTED TO THE OTHER END OF THE COUNTER, WHERE FOUR PALE MEN WERE REPORTING A CAR JACKING BY A MAD, ELDERLY WOMAN DESCRIBED AS WHITE, LESS THAN FIVE FEET TALL, GLASSES, CURLY WHITE HAIR, AND CARRYING A LARGE HANDGUN. NO CHARGES WERE FILED.

REMEMBER...

"IF YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A SENIOR MOMENT, MAKE IT A MEMORABLE ONE!"

***SUBMITTED BY: SMOOTHIE***

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## NEWS FLASH

CHAVEZ IS NOW GETTING A RUSSIAN WEAPONS FACTORY BUILT BY PUTIN. THE RUSSIANS ARE BUILDING AN AK-47 KALASHNIKOV ASSAULT RIFLE FACTORY IN VENEZUELA , TO GIVE ARMAMENT SUPPORT TO COMMUNIST REBEL GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE AMERICAS.

CHAVEZ NOW HAS IRANIANS OPERATING HIS OIL REFINERIES IN VENEZUELA FOR HIM. IT IS LIKELY ONLY A MATTER OF TIME, IF NOT ALREADY, BEFORE CHAVEZ HAS IRANIAN BUILT LONG RANGE MISSILES, WITH A VARIETY OF WARHEAD TYPES AIMED AT: GUESS WHO?

CITGO IS NOW IN THE PROCESS OF CHANGING ITS NAME TO PETRO EXPRESS DUE TO THE LOSS OF GASOLINE SALES IN THE USA DUE TO THE RECENT PUBLICITY OF OWNERSHIP BY CHAVEZ OF VENEZUELA.

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# MOTORCYCLES IN MOVIES

BY SLO MOTION



WHILE THE BIKER FILM GENRE STARTED IN THE 1950s WITH THE WILD ONE, IT WAS THE ACTUAL POST WAR USE OF MOTORCYCLES BY EX-SERVICEMEN AND FORMATION OF CLUBS THAT WAS THE SEED. THE CHANGES IN SOCIETY AT THIS TIME BROUGHT OUT THE CHANGES IN FILM. THE 1950s BIKERS WERE MILD REBELS OR DELINQUENTS. THE

PSYCHEDELIC SIXTIES BROUGHT EVEN MORE CHANGES INTO OUR CULTURE, SUBCULTURES, AND FILM MAKING. MOVIES GOT MORE VIOLENT, SEXY, WITH DRUGS, JUST LIKE AMERICA. THE MAJOR STUDIOS CHANGED AND MORE INDEPENDENTS GOT INVOLVED WITH LOW BUDGET FILMS FOR DRIVE-INS AIMED AT THE YOUTH. MANY REVIEWERS SAY THE BIKER FILM TOOK OVER THE WESTERN GENRE WITH SIMILAR PLOTS. WE HAVE BIKER GANGS, FEW OK BUT MOSTLY PSYCHOS WITH IN-FIGHTING, VIOLENCE, SEX, DRUGS, RAPE, TOWN TERRORIZING, REVENGE, AND ROCK N ROLL. ALSO HAVE TOWN FOLKS OR COPS THAT ARE SCARED OR PREJUDICED. LOTS OF DRUG USE AND SLANG, OFTEN THE BIKERS ARE GIVEN HIPPIE CHARACTERISTICS – HOW TRUE WAS THAT? BUT THE HIPPIES ARE OFTEN INCLUDED. THESE FILMS HAVE MUCH MUSIC/VIDEO MONTAGES TO PAD THE STORY, ESPECIALLY THE FALLING IN LOVE SCENES. THE BRITISH ALSO HAD THERE BIKER FILMS BUT WITHOUT THE “WESTERN” BACKGROUND MORE SOCIAL COMMENT OR SciFi/HORROR EDGE.

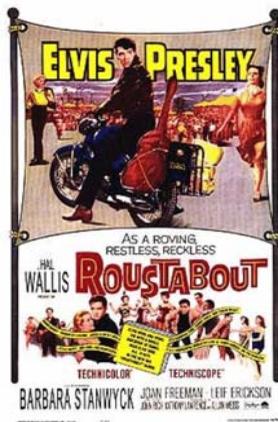
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL PICTURES MADE SEVERAL BIKER MOVIES & BEACH MOVIES WITH THE BUMBLING ERIC VON ZIPPER ([HARVEY LEMBECK](#)) AND HIS RATS AND MICE MC. *BEACH PARTY* 1963, *BIKINI BEACH* JULY 1964, *PAJAMA PARTY* Nov 1964, *BEACH BLANKET BINGO* APR 1965, *HOW TO STUFF A WILD BIKINI* JULY 1965, AND *GHOST IN AN INVISIBLE BIKINI* APR 1966. GOOD MINDLESS FUN AND ONE OF FEW TIMES BIKERS ARE HUMOROUS.

1963 JULY 4 *THE GREAT ESCAPE* STEVE MCQUEEN IT MAY BE A STRETCH TO CONSIDER THIS GREAT FILM A “BIKER MOVIE” BUT IS INCLUDED AS HAS GREAT STEVE MCQUEEN MOTORCYCLE ESCAPE SCENE BY BUD EKINS. I REMEMBER AS KID THIS MOVIE AIRING YEARLY

AND SURE THAT MIGHT HAVE INFLUENCED MANY OTHERS TOO. I SEE A RECENT DVD RELEASE NOW HAS COVER WITH STEVE MCQUEEN ON THE BIKE.

1964 Nov 11 *ROUSTABOUT* “ELVIS IS A LEATHER-JACKETED BIKER WHO’S FIRED FROM A SINGING ENGAGEMENT AFTER GETTING INTO A FIGHT WITH A GROUP OF COLLEGE TOUGHS. WHILE RIDING HIS CYCLE TO THE NEXT GIG, AN IRATE DAD RUNS HIM OFF THE ROAD WHEN HE FLIRTS WITH HIS DAUGHTER.” IMDB.COM ELVIS WAS A BIG HARLEY FAN BUT THEY HAVE HIM ON A HONDA TO SHOW ONE OF THE “NICE PEOPLE”, NOT A BIG BAD BIKER.

1964 *SCORPIO RISING* “AN ARMY OF GAY/NAZI BIKERS MAKE THEIR ENGINES ROAR AND RIDE THE WAY TO PAIN/PLEASURE AS SEXUAL AND



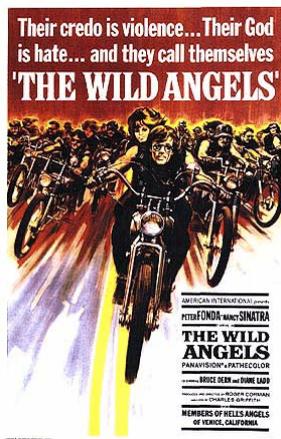
SADISTIC SYMBOLS ARE INTERCUT INTO THE DAZING CHAOS AND RHYTHMIC EXPERIENCES OF THIS UNDERGROUND FILM.” IMDB.COM

1965 AUG *MOTOR PSYCHO* DIRECTED BY RUSS MEYER “THREE BAD BOY MOTORCYCLISTS GET KICKS RAPING OTHER PEOPLE’S WOMEN AND GENERALLY BEING A NUISANCE. WHEN THEY RAPE A VETERINARIAN’S WIFE, HE TAKES EXCEPTION AND PURSUES THEM,” IMDB.COM

1966 *THE GIRLS FROM THUNDER STRIP* WILLIAM BONNER, CASEY KASEM “A VICIOUS GANG OF MURDEROUS BIKERS GOES UP AGAINST A TRIO OF BEAUTIFUL BOOTLEGGING SISTERS.” IMDB.COM

1966 *THE LOVE MERCHANT* “KENDALL HARVEY III IS A WEALTHY AND JADED PLAYBOY ... CLICK IS A BIKER WHO WANTS TO MAKE A FAST BUCK ... CLICK SPOTS HARVEY IN A GO-GO CLUB; HOPING TO MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION WITH THE WEALTHY SOCIALITE, CLICK OFFERS TO INTRODUCE HIM TO SOME ATTRACTIVE AND WILLING WOMEN,” ALLMOVIE.COM SOUNDS LIKE JUST ANOTHER USE OF A BIKER AS A VILLAIN

1966 JULY *THE WILD ANGELS* “PETER FONDA PLAYS ‘HEAVENLY BLUES’, THE LEADER OF HELL’S ANGELS CHAPTER FROM SAN PEDRO, CALIFORNIA WHILE BRUCE DERN PLAYS ‘LOSER’, HIS BEST PAL. WHEN THEY BOTH BOTCH THEIR ATTEMPT TO RETRIEVE LOSER’S STOLEN BIKE, LOSER ENDS UP IN THE HOSPITAL. WHEN THE ANGELS BUST HIM OUT, HE DIES, AND THEY BURY HIM. NANCY SINATRA PLAYS MIKE, BLUES’ “OLD LADY” AND DIANE LADD PLAYS LOSER’S WIFE (DERN’S REAL-LIFE WIFE AT THE TIME).” IMDB.COM OKAY THIS IS ONE OF THE TOP BIKER MOVIES PEOPLE THINK OF. ONE JUST ABOUT ALL BIKERS ARE FAMILIAR WITH. IT WAS MADE BY ONE OF THE KINGS OF LOW BUDGET FILMS – ROGER CORMAN.



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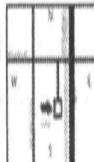
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RIGHT TO REPAIR BILL INTRODUCED IN US HOUSE

THE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION (MRF) REPORTS THAT THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS RE-INTRODUCED LEGISLATION THAT WOULD RETURN THE RIGHT TO REPAIR TO THE VEHICLE OWNER INSTEAD OF THE ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER.

THANKS GO TO REP ED TOWNS, D-NY WHO INTRODUCED THE MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS' RIGHT TO REPAIR ACT (HR 2694) INTO THE 110TH CONGRESS. JOINING REP TOWNS AS ORIGINAL CO-SPONSORS WERE REPS G.K. BUTTERFIELD, D-NC; ANNA ESHOO, D-CA; STEVEN LATOURETTE, R-OH; GEORGE MILLER, D-CA AND JAMES MORAN, D-VA.

THE NEED FOR RIGHT TO REPAIR LEGISLATION HAS BECOME APPARENT DUE TO THE INCREASING USE OF COMPUTERS AND ELECTRONICS THAT CONTROL NEARLY EVERY MOTOR VEHICLE FUNCTION FROM FUEL DELIVERY, BRAKING, LIGHTING, AND EMISSIONS TO ENTERTAINMENT. ALTHOUGH COMPUTERS PROVIDE MANY BENEFITS TO MOTORISTS THROUGH IMPROVED FUEL EFFICIENCY, COMFORT AND SAFETY, THEY ALSO PROVIDE INCREASING OPPORTUNITIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLE MANUFACTURING COMPANIES TO LOCK OUT ACCESS BY CAR OWNERS AND THE INDEPENDENT REPAIR SHOPS WHERE OWNERS CHOOSE TO OBTAIN SERVICE FOR THEIR VEHICLES. HR 2694 WOULD REQUIRE THAT CAR COMPANIES PROVIDE FULL ACCESS TO ALL TOOLS AND SERVICE INFORMATION NEEDED TO REPAIR MOTOR VEHICLES, THUS LEVELING THE COMPETITIVE PLAYING FIELD BETWEEN DEALERS AND INDEPENDENT REPAIR SHOPS.

HR 2694 IS SIMILAR TO LAST YEARS MEASURE (HR 2048); HOWEVER SOME DIFFERENCES EXIST BETWEEN THE TWO BILLS. THIS YEAR'S LEGISLATION HAD TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT SEVERAL FACTORS, INCLUDING THE NEW LEADERSHIP IN CONGRESS AND COMMITTEES. IN ADDITION, ALTHOUGH SPONSORED BY THE SITTING ENERGY AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JOE BARTON (R-TX) LAST CONGRESS, HR 2048 BARELY LIMPED OUT OF SUBCOMMITTEE AND FAILED TO BE TAKEN UP BY THE FULL COMMITTEE OR THE HOUSE FLOOR.

DEALING WITH THE NEW CHAIRMAN JOHN DINGELL (D-OH), WHO HAS BEEN EXTREMELY OUTSPOKEN AGAINST THIS BILL, IS CERTAINLY A CHALLENGE. DINGELL, WHO HAS DEFENDED DETROIT MANUFACTURING AGAINST THE ENVIRONMENTAL LOBBY FOR DECADES, HAS HAD A CHANGE OF HEART. NOW THAT THE MOTOR CITY ISN'T THE VAST FIELD OF SMOKE STACKS IT

ONCE WAS, THAT CHANGE MAY BE SINCERE. AS THE NEWEST ENVIRONMENTALIST, PERHAPS DINGELL CAN UNDERSTAND THAT A WELL-TUNED AND MAINTAINED VEHICLE GETS HIGHER MPGS, IS THEREFORE BETTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, AND WE SHOULD BE REMOVING BARRIERS TO CONVENIENT AND PROPER VEHICLE MAINTENANCE.

HR 2694 NOW HAS ELEVEN CO-SPONSORS AND HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE HOUSE ENERGY AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE. NO SENATE LEGISLATION HAS BEEN INTRODUCED AS OF PRESS TIME. THE MRF ENCOURAGES YOU TO CONTACT YOUR FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE AND ASK THEM TO CO SPONSOR HR 2694. AS ALWAYS, THE MRF WILL KEEP YOU POSTED ON ANY DEVELOPMENTS.

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NATIONAL COALITION OF MOTORCYCLISTS (NCOM)

**ELECT A BIKER FOR PRESIDENT** IOWA WILL ONCE AGAIN BE IN THE NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT THIS AUGUST AS THE FIRST PRESIDENTIAL STRAW POLL WILL HELP DEFINE THE UPCOMING RACE TO THE WHITE HOUSE,

AND TOMMY THOMPSON IS HOPING HIS BIKER FRIENDS WILL KICKSTART HIS CAMPAIGN INTO FULL GEAR.

THE REPUBLICAN IS THE FORMER FOUR-TERM GOVERNOR OF WISCONSIN AND PAST FEDERAL SECRETARY OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, BUT TO MANY HIS MOST ENDEARING QUALIFICATION IS THAT HE RIDES A MOTORCYCLE. IN FACT, HE BEGAN RIDING UNDER THE TUTELAGE OF FORMER WISCONSIN STATE SENATOR DAVE ZIEN, ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S MOST WELL-KNOWN AND BELOVED MOTORCYCLING ADVOCATES WHO IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COALITION OF MOTORCYCLISTS LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE (NCOM-LTF).

THOMPSON HAS TOURED HIS HOME STATE IN THE SADDLE OF A HARLEY-DAVIDSON TO PROMOTE BUSINESS AND TOURISM, AND EVEN HOSTS HIS OWN ANNUAL MOTORCYCLE RIDE. HE HAS SIGNED MANY PRO-MOTORCYCLING PIECES OF LEGISLATION INTO LAW IN WISCONSIN, AND IS ON RECORD AS OPPOSING HELMET LAWS. IN AUGUST 2002, THOMPSON WAS INDUCTED INTO THE MOTORCYCLE HALL OF FAME IN STURGIS, SOUTH DAKOTA.

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST GEORGE WILL RECENTLY WROTE OF THOMPSON'S CANDIDACY IN THE WASHINGTON POST, AND REFERRED TO THE "STURGIS FACTOR" IN GAUGING HIS CHANCES FOR SUCCESS IN A FIELD OF MORE WELL KNOWN AND BETTER FUNDED GOP PRESIDENTIAL HOPEFULS.

WILL WAS REFERRING TO THE FACT THAT THE IOWA STRAW POLL LANDS ON AUGUST 11, DURING THE ANNUAL STURGIS BIKE RALLY THAT DRAWS OVER HALF A MILLION RIDERS TO THE NEIGHBORING STATE (AUG 6-12). THOMPSON HOPES THAT SOME OF THOSE IOWA BIKERS WILL TAKE THE TIME DURING THEIR TRAVELS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL STRAW POLL. A GROUP OF NATIONALLY KNOWN BIKERS' RIGHTS ACTIVISTS HAVE FORMED "TEAM TOMMY" AND ARE INVITING ALL MOTORCYCLISTS TO SHOW THEIR SUPPORT FOR A FELLOW RIDER.

YOU CAN FIND OUT MORE, OR MAKE A DONATION, AT [WWW.TEAMTOMMY.ORG](http://WWW.TEAMTOMMY.ORG).

**BIKERS TAKE CARE OF THEIR OWN** AS DETAILED DURING THE CONFEDERATION OF CLUBS OF TENNESSEE'S REPORT AT THE NCOM CONVENTION EARLIER THIS YEAR, A CLINIC RECENTLY

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OPENED IN SPRINGFIELD, TN THAT OFFERS FREE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO ITS PATIENTS EVERY SATURDAY, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THEY HAVE MEDICAL INSURANCE. THERE'S JUST ONE CATCH -- IT'S A BIKER CLINIC.

IT WAS OPENED AS PART OF COVENANT CONFIRMERS, A MOTORCYCLE MINISTRY FOUNDED SEVEN YEARS AGO BY PASTOR RON BAPTISTE. SINCE MARCH, VOLUNTEER DOCTORS AND NURSES HAVE BEEN TREATING PATIENTS, MOSTLY BIKERS, WITH MINOR MEDICAL PROBLEMS SUCH AS THE FLU, COLDS, HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AND SCRAPES. ANYONE WITH SERIOUS MEDICAL PROBLEMS IS REFERRED TO A HOSPITAL.

THE CLINIC IS OPEN EVERY SATURDAY FROM 10 A.M. UNTIL 4 P.M. BECAUSE IT IS STILL FAIRLY NEW, THE PATIENT TURNOUT HAS VARIED FROM TWO TO 25 PATIENTS IN A DAY.

"IT'S JUST SOMETHING THAT I KNEW WAS NEEDED IN THE BIKER WORLD," BAPTISTE TOLD THE TENNESSEAN NEWSPAPER. HIS MOTORCYCLE MINISTRY WAS FEATURED RECENTLY ON THE 700 CLUB.

BAPTISTE SAID THE MINISTRY STILL SUPPORTS THE CLINIC FINANCIALLY BUT, WITH DONATIONS COMING FROM MEDICAL MANUFACTURERS, BIKE CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS, THE CLINIC IS WELL ON ITS WAY TO SUPPORTING ITSELF. EVENTUALLY, HE WANTS TO OFFER DENTAL AND CHIROPRACTIC CARE FOR PATIENTS AND IS EVEN LOOKING AT ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE.

**HOLY COMMUTE** THE VATICAN RECENTLY HANDED DOWN ANOTHER 10 COMMANDMENTS; THIS TIME FOR DRIVERS AND MOTORCYCLISTS.

THE DOCUMENT, "GUIDELINES FOR THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE ROAD" EXTOLS THE BENEFITS OF DRIVING — FAMILY OUTINGS, GETTING THE SICK TO THE HOSPITAL, ALLOWING PEOPLE TO SEE OTHER CULTURES; BUT IT LAMENTS A HOST OF ILLS ASSOCIATED WITH AUTOMOBILES: DRIVERS USE THEIR CARS TO SHOW OFF; DRIVING "PROVIDES AN EASY OPPORTUNITY TO DOMINATE OTHERS" BY SPEEDING; DRIVERS CAN KILL THEMSELVES AND OTHERS IF THEY DON'T GET THEIR CARS REGULAR TUNEUPS, IF THEY DRINK, USE DRUGS OR FALL ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL.

IT ALSO POINTS THE FINGER AT TRAFFIC PROBLEMS PARTICULAR TO ROME: "DANGER ALSO DERIVES FROM CITY CARS, WHICH ARE DRIVEN BY YOUNGSTERS AND ADULTS WHO DO NOT HAVE (FULL) DRIVING LICENSES, AND THE RECKLESS USE OF MOTORBIKES AND MOTORCYCLES."

IT CALLS FOR DRIVERS TO OBEY SPEED LIMITS AND TO EXERCISE A HOST OF CHRISTIAN VIRTUES: CHARITY TO FELLOW DRIVERS, PRUDENCE ON THE ROADS, HOPE OF ARRIVING SAFELY AND JUSTICE IN THE EVENT OF CRASHES. AND IT SUGGESTS THAT PRAYER MIGHT COME IN HANDY.

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CARDINAL RENATO MARTINO TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE THAT THE VATICAN FELT IT NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE PASTORAL NEEDS OF MOTORISTS BECAUSE DRIVING HAS BECOME SUCH A BIG PART OF CONTEMPORARY LIFE. "WE KNOW THAT AS A CONSEQUENCE OF TRANSGRESSIONS AND NEGLIGENCE, 1.2 MILLION PEOPLE DIE EACH YEAR ON THE ROADS," MARTINO SAID. "THAT'S A SAD REALITY, AND AT THE SAME TIME, A GREAT CHALLENGE FOR SOCIETY AND THE CHURCH."

THE "DRIVER'S TEN COMMANDMENTS," AS LISTED IN THE DOCUMENT, ARE:

1. YOU SHALL NOT KILL.
2. THE ROAD SHALL BE FOR YOU A MEANS OF COMMUNION BETWEEN PEOPLE AND NOT OF MORTAL HARM.
3. COURTESY, UPRIGHTNESS AND PRUDENCE WILL HELP YOU DEAL WITH UNFORESEEN EVENTS.
4. BE CHARITABLE AND HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR IN NEED, ESPECIALLY VICTIMS OF ACCIDENTS.
5. CARS SHALL NOT BE FOR YOU AN EXPRESSION OF POWER AND DOMINATION, AND AN OCCASION OF SIN.
6. CHARITABLY CONVINCING THE YOUNG AND NOT SO YOUNG NOT TO DRIVE WHEN THEY ARE NOT IN A FITTING CONDITION TO DO SO.
7. SUPPORT THE FAMILIES OF ACCIDENT VICTIMS.
8. BRING GUILTY MOTORISTS AND THEIR VICTIMS TOGETHER, AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME, SO THAT THEY CAN UNDERGO THE LIBERATING EXPERIENCE OF FORGIVENESS.
9. ON THE ROAD, PROTECT THE MORE VULNERABLE PARTY.
10. FEEL RESPONSIBLE TOWARD OTHERS.

**CALIFORNIA DUCKS SMOG CHECKS FOR MOTORCYCLES** As reported in the August 2007 issue of "Motorcycle Consumer News," there are no immediate plans to require motorcycles to submit to regular smog checks in California, similar to emission tests that cars and other vehicles must undergo.

Under the news item, "No Smog Checks for California Motorcycles" it was announced that "The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has decided against adding motorcycles to the list of vehicles that must undergo periodic emissions

TESTING. REPORTEDLY, PRESSURE FROM THE CALIFORNIA MOTORCYCLE DEALERS ASSOCIATION, ABATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND OTHERS CAUSED THE CARB TO DROP THE PROPOSAL."

ARIZONA IS CURRENTLY THE ONLY STATE THAT REQUIRES EMISSIONS TESTING FOR MOTORCYCLES, AND TESTING IS LIMITED TO ONLY MARICOPA COUNTY, IN WHICH THE CITY OF PHOENIX IS LOCATED. A MOTORCYCLISTS COALITION LED BY ABATE OF ARIZONA, THE MODIFIED MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION (MMA) OF ARIZONA AND THE ARIZONA CONFEDERATION OF MOTORCYCLE CLUBS (ACMC) WERE RECENTLY SUCCESSFUL IN LOBBYING TO END EMISSION TESTS FOR MOTORCYCLES IN PIMA COUNTY. THE KENTUCKY MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION (KMA/KBA) SUCCESSFULLY REMOVED MOTORCYCLES FROM THEIR STATE'S EMISSIONS TESTING SEVERAL YEARS AGO.

**NORTH CAROLINA PASSES RED LIGHT LEGISLATION** THE NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATURE HAS VOTED TO GIVE FRUSTRATED BIKERS A BREAK AT RED LIGHTS. RECOGNIZING THAT SOME TRAFFIC SIGNAL SENSORS DO NOT RECOGNIZE AND TRIP FOR MOTORCYCLES, THE SENATE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY FOR THE MEASURE AND THE HOUSE THEN VOTED 61-55 TO SEND THE BILL TO GOVERNOR MIKE EASLEY'S DESK. IF HE SIGNS IT, THE LAW WILL TAKE EFFECT DECEMBER 1ST, ALLOWING MOTORCYCLE RIDERS TO PROCEED THROUGH A RED LIGHT IF THEY'VE WAITED THREE MINUTES FOR THE LIGHT TO CHANGE, AND IF NO OTHER VEHICLES AND PEDESTRIANS ARE IN SIGHT.

**VIRGINIANS FACE THREAT OF \$3,000 TICKET** VIRGINIA IS FOR LOVERS, OR SO THE STATE SLOGAN HAS DECLARED SINCE 1969. STARTING JULY 1ST, VIRGINIA ALSO WILL BE THE HOME OF THE \$3,000 TRAFFIC TICKET. IN AN EFFORT TO RAISE MONEY FOR ROAD PROJECTS, THE STATE WILL START HITTING RESIDENTS WHO COMMIT SERIOUS TRAFFIC OFFENSES WITH HUGE CIVIL PENALTIES.

EXORBITANT FEES RANGE FROM \$750 TO \$3,000 AND WILL BE ADDED TO EXISTING FINES AND COURT COSTS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE CIVIL PENALTY FOR GOING 20 MPH OVER THE SPEED LIMIT WILL BE \$1,050, PLUS \$61 IN COURT COSTS AND A FINE THAT IS TYPICALLY ABOUT \$200.

VIRGINIA'S NEW TRAFFIC PENALTIES ARE EXPECTED TO RAISE \$65 MILLION A YEAR AND ARE PART OF AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE STATE'S ROADS WITHOUT RAISING TAXES. SOME OTHER STATES IMPOSE EXTRA CIVIL PENALTIES FOR TRAFFIC OFFENSES, BUT THE COST IS USUALLY \$100 OR \$200.

THE CIVIL PENALTIES APPLY ONLY TO VIRGINIA RESIDENTS, NOT OUT-OF-STATE DRIVERS, AS THE STATE LEGISLATURE DIDN'T THINK IT COULD ENFORCE THE EXTRA PENALTIES IN OTHER STATES.

AAA MID-ATLANTIC SUPPORTS THE NEW PENALTIES, CLAIMING THE LAW WILL HELP REDUCE TRAFFIC FATALITIES.

**CHARLESTON PARKING GARAGES BAN BIKES** A NEW ORDINANCE PROHIBITS MOTORCYCLE PARKING IN ALL ELEVEN CITY PARKING GARAGES OPERATED BY REPUBLIC PARKING SYSTEM IN CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, SEVERELY LIMITING DOWNTOWN PARKING AVAILABLE FOR MOTORCYCLISTS.

"THE NEW POLICY IS IN RESPONSE TO THE INCREASED LIABILITY THAT THE CITY FACES WITH MOTORCYCLES NOT ALWAYS BEING DETECTED ON THE LOOPS AND THE POTENTIAL OF THE GATE COMING DOWN AND INJURING THE RIDER," STATES A NOTICE WHICH FORBIDS MOTORCYCLES FROM ENTERING THE FACILITY, A VIOLATION NOW PUNISHABLE WITH A FINE.

MOTORCYCLISTS ARE ALLOWED TO PARK IN REGULAR METERED SPACES, BUT THE TWO-HOUR TIME LIMIT ON CITY STREETS MAKES THAT UNFEASIBLE FOR MANY RIDERS, AND OTHER COVERED PARKING STRUCTURES ARE SEVERAL BLOCKS AWAY.

CITING MOTORCYCLISTS' CONTRIBUTION TO ALLEVIATING TRAFFIC AND PARKING CONGESTION AND THEIR LOW FUEL CONSUMPTION, "FAST FRED" RUDDOCK, STATE COORDINATOR OF ABATE OF S.C., COMPARES THE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THE RIDING MINORITY TO THE JIM CROW LAWS OF THE SEGREGATION ERA. "THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION IN PUBLIC FACILITIES," RUDDOCK TOLD THE CHARLESTON CITY PAPER. "ALL NEW TRAFFIC SENSORS INSTALLED BY SCDOT NOW DETECT MOTORCYCLES, SO THE WEAK EXCUSE GIVEN IN THE NOTICE HOLDS NO WATER."

HE'S CONTACTED BEAUFORT-BASED ATTORNEY JOHN DAUGS, A LAWYER FOR AID TO INJURED MOTORCYCLISTS (AIM). "MOTORCYCLISTS HAVE THE SAME RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS AN AUTO CAR OR PICKUP TRUCK UNDER S.C. LAW," SAID DAUGS, WHO IS CURRENTLY FORMULATING A LETTER TO THE CITY IN HOPES THAT THEY'LL RESOLVE THE ISSUE OUT OF COURT.

IF LETTERS AND DISCUSSION AREN'T ENOUGH, RUDDOCK HASN'T RULED OUT A LAWSUIT OR CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE. CHARLESTON'S PUBLIC GARAGES WERE BUILT TO ACCOMMODATE MOTORCYCLES, AND RUDDOCK SAYS HE'LL GLADLY COLLECT A FEW PARKING TICKETS TO CHALLENGE THE RULE FORCING THEM OUT.

"THE PARKING GARAGES' FEARS SEEM SOMEWHAT UNFOUNDED," SAYS CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY RICHARD LESTER, FOUNDER OF THE NATIONWIDE AIM PROGRAM AND THE NATIONAL COALITION OF MOTORCYCLISTS (NCOM) A BIKER ADVOCACY GROUP. HE SAYS THAT WHIPLASH IS THE WORST INJURY THAT'S BEEN REPORTED TO AIM FROM A FALLING GATE. "NOT ALLOWING THEM IN THERE SEEMS A LOT WORSE THAN ANY INJURY THAT COULD POSSIBLY COME FROM IT."

**WEIRD NEWS: AUSTRALIAN POLICE ACCUSE CHARITIES OF MAKING BIKERS LOOK GOOD** THE QUEENSLAND POLICE MINISTER JUDY SPENCE HAS ACCUSED HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES OF GIVING "BIKIE GANGS" A "VENEER OF RESPECTABILITY" BY ACCEPTING THEIR DONATIONS FROM CHARITY RUNS. "SHE BRANDS ALL MOTORCYCLE CLUBS AS OUTLAW GROUPS," READ THE ARTICLE.

THE AUSTRALIAN MOTORCYCLE RIDER ASSOCIATION RESPONDED BY COMMENTING THAT NOT ALL CLUB RIDERS WERE IN CRIMINAL GANGS, AND SHOULD NOT BE PAINTED WITH THAT BRUSH.

**QUOTABLE QUOTE:** "AVOIDING DANGER IS NO SAFER IN THE LONG RUN THAN OUTRIGHT EXPOSURE. LIFE IS A DARING ADVENTURE, OR NOTHING."

HELEN KELLER (1880-1968), BLIND AND DEAF ACTIVIST

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