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### **NEXT CHAPTER MEETING**

**11:30AM**

**SATURDAY  
January 19th**



**LET THOSE  
WHO RIDE  
DECIDE!**



Valentine's Day

# POKER RUN

Feb. 9, 2008



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**ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.**

**PALM BEACH CHAPTER**

**MEETINGS ARE:**

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



**Membership Application**

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## President's Message

Brothers and Sisters,

I TOOK SOME TIME TO SIT BACK AND REFLECT ON THE PAST YEAR AND PONDER THE POSSIBILITIES OF THE NEW YEAR. I MUST SAY, WHEN I THOUGHT ABOUT THE WAY OUR CHAPTER HAS GROWN AND WHAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED, I FELT A STRONG SENSE OF PRIDE AND GRATITUDE FOR HAVING BEEN GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK AS A TEAM MEMBER WITH A GREAT BOARD OF DIRECTORS. I WAS HUMBLLED BY THE SUPPORT I PERSONALLY RECEIVED AND EVEN MORE SO IN THE FACT THAT I ALSO SAW AN EMERGENCE OF PRIDE AND PERSONAL COMMITMENT FROM MEMBERS OF OUR BOARD AND THE MEMBERSHIP ITSELF.

THANKS TO THE EFFORTS AND COMMITMENT OF OUR MEMBERS THAT SET UP A TABLE AT BIKE NIGHTS EVERY WEEK WE ARE NOW EXPECTED TO BE THERE BECAUSE MORE PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT OUR MISSION IS. THEY SEE THAT THIS IS A CONCERTED EFFORT TO STAND UP TO POLITICIANS THAT HAVE BECOME SO ENTRANCED IN THEIR OWN PURPOSE THAT THEY THINK THE SOLUTION TO EVERY PROBLEM IS PASSING WORTHLESS AND UNENFORCEABLE LEGISLATION SO THEY CAN PURSUE PERSONAL AMBITIONS RATHER THAN DEAL WITH REALITY AND ADDRESS THE ISSUES THAT EFFECT PEOPLE EVERY DAY. THEY LOOK TO US FOR INFORMATION AND ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS REGARDING OUR RIGHTS AS MOTORCYCLISTS. AND, THAT'S WHAT WE DO, IT'S WHAT WE ARE ALL ABOUT.

OUR NEWSLETTER HAS BECOME VERY POPULAR READING, THANKS TO CREATIVE, INFORMATIVE AND INTERESTING ARTICLES AND WRITING. IT'S POPULARITY, IS ALSO DUE TO OUTSTANDING LAYOUT AND DESIGN AND EDITING. EACH MONTH OUR NEWSLETTER IS CIRCULATED WE RECEIVE REQUESTS FOR MORE COPIES TO BE DROPPED OFF IN ALL KINDS OF BUSINESSES AND ESTABLISHMENTS. THOSE NEWSLETTERS HAVE TO BE DISTRIBUTED, IT'S A BIG JOB AND I AM GRATEFUL AND VERY PROUD OF THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE MADE THAT COMMITMENT AND STUCK WITH IT. THIS IS PROBABLY THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT FUNCTION WE HAVE TO ATTRIBUTE TO OUR SUCCESS. I SALUTE ALL OF YOU AND THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE.

IN BECOMING BETTER ORGANIZED I ALSO FEEL WE HAVE BECOME MORE FOCUSED ON THE CHALLENGES WE'LL FACE IN THE COMING YEAR. THERE ARE STILL SOME OLD GHOSTS OUT THERE THAT WILL SURELY APPEAR. THE HELMET LAW PROPONENTS ARE STILL LURKING IN THE SHADOWS THREATENING TO PUSH FOR A FEDERAL MANDATE. WHICH IN FACT BROUGHT A RENEWED AND STRONGER ALLIANCE BETWEEN THE MRF, NCOM AND ABATE. THE CELL PHONE LEGISLATION AND DRIVERS EDUCATION IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE AT THE

## President's Message - Cont'd

FOREFRONT OF DISCUSSION AND DEBATE. TWO SUBJECTS I FEEL ARE SERIOUS THREATS TO OUR SAFETY AND NEED TO BE VIGOROUSLY ADDRESSED AND SUPPORTED.

ON THE LOCAL LEVEL WE WILL NEED TO ACT IN RESPONSE TO MUNICIPALITIES LIKE DELRAY BEACH THINKING THEY CAN PASS ORDINANCES THAT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST US AND FURTHER INFRINGE ON OUR RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS. THIS ISSUE IS BY NO MEANS OVER. AS A MATTER OF FACT I PREDICT IT WILL BE INTENSIFIED WITH NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES LIKE OCEAN RIDGE AND HIGHLAND BEACH BECOMING INVOLVED IN WHAT APPEARS TO BE A COORDINATED EFFORT TO RESTRICT MOTORCYCLE TRAFFIC ON A1A BY HANDING OUT TICKETS FOR LOUD PIPES WHETHER THEY ARE OR NOT. WHICH SHOULD PROVE TO BE INTERESTING AS THESE CASES ARE BROUGHT BEFORE JUDGES.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE OUR MOTORCYCLE SAFETY COURSE IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM BECOME ACTIVATED. IT MIGHT JUST OPEN A FEW EYES WHEN EDUCATORS REALIZE HOW LITTLE PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT RESPONSIBLE DRIVING PRACTICES. AS IT STANDS NOW YOUNG PEOPLE ARE LEARNING TO DRIVE BY THEIR PARENTS AND PEERS. SOME OF WHICH CAN BE CONSIDERED PART OF THE PROBLEM RATHER THAN THE SOLUTION. IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, YOUNG PEOPLE ARE REALLY ONLY LEARNING THE MOST BASIC OF SKILLS AND A WHOLE LOT OF BAD HABITS.

MOST PARENTS ARE NO WHERE NEAR QUALIFIED TO TEACH RESPONSIBLE DRIVING WHEN THEY THEMSELVES ARE TALKING ON CELL PHONES, READING, EATING AND A DOING EVERYTHING BUT PAYING ATTENTION TO WHAT THEY ARE DOING. THEIR PEERS ARE LEARNING FROM THEIR PARENTS AS WELL AND THAN DEMONSTRATING THEIR OWN PROWESS IN STREET RACING AND STUNTS, TALKING ON CELL PHONES, TEXT MESSAGING AND MORE OFTEN THAN NOT UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS, ALCOHOL OR BOTH, STEROIDS AND SUPER ENERGY DRINKS THAT CAN PUT THEM IN AN AGGRAVATED AND AGGRESSIVE STATE TO THE POINT WHERE THEY CAN'T SIT STILL AT A LIGHT OR STOP SIGN WITHOUT JUMPING OUT OF THEIR VEHICLE TO CHANGE DRIVERS OR PULL OUT OF A TURN LANE BACK INTO TRAFFIC APPROACHING ON THEIR BLIND SIDE BECAUSE THE ON COMING TRAFFIC DOESN'T ALLOW THEM TO MOVE FAST ENOUGH. THREE LANE CHANGES AT THE LAST MINUET CUTTING ACROSS TRAFFIC TO MAKE A TURN ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE ROAD BECAUSE THEY WERE DISTRACTED DOING SOMETHING OTHER THAN PAYING ATTENTION TO TRAFFIC CONDITIONS. THESE ARE JUST EXAMPLES OF THE REASON WE NEED TO GET INVOLVED IN TEACHING SAFETY. WE HAVE THE MEANS AND WE NEED TO USE IT.

THE SOUTH FLORIDA PRESIDENTS COUNCIL HAS GRANTED US TWO DATES JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> AND DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> TO HOLD EVENTS. THESE ARE VITAL TO OUR SURVIVAL AS A CHAPTER. THERE IS SO MUCH TO BE GAINED FROM THESE EVENTS IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE BEGIN PLANNING

## President's Message - Cont'd

FOR THESE EVENTS IMMEDIATELY. IT IS ALSO ESSENTIAL THAT WE ALL PARTICIPATE IN THE FUNCTION ITSELF. IT TAKES THE CHAPTER WORKING TOGETHER TO SHOW SOLIDARITY AND A GENUINE PRESENCE BROTHERHOOD THAT HELPS TO GAIN THE RESPECT OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND TO HAVE THEIR SUPPORT WHENEVER WE HOLD EVENTS AND FUNCTIONS.

THEIR SUPPORT IS ALSO VITAL WHEN IT COMES TO ADDRESSING LEGISLATIVE ISSUES, IT TAKES THE ENTIRE MOTORCYCLE COMMUNITY COMING TOGETHER TO BRING ABOUT CHANGE AND TO PREVENT LEGISLATORS LIKE FRANK LAUDENBERG AND NOW MARK V. ROSENKER, CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FROM GIVING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THE FINAL WORD IN REGARD TO OUR RIGHTS AN FREEDOMS AS MOTORCYCLISTS BY USING EXTORTION TACTICS AGAINST THE INDIVIDUAL STATES THAT CHOOSE TO MAKE THEIR OWN DECISIONS. LET'S NOT FORGET THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR, WE NEED TO KNOW WHO'S WITH US AND WHO ISN'T. WE AS ABATE MEMBERS NEED TO WORK HARDER THEN EVER TO STAY ON TOP OF THE ISSUES AND INFORM OTHERS SO THEY CAN MAKE AN INTELLIGENT CHOICE WHEN CASTING THEIR VOTE.

IN CLOSING, I WANT TO WISH EVERYONE A VERY SAFE AND HAPPY NEW YEAR, MAY IT BRING YOU GOOD HEALTH, WEALTH, HAPPINESS AND PEACE.

RIDE FREE, RIDE SAFE

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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.

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## **MEMBERSHIPS DUE**

### **DECEMBER**



Kenneth "Pladoe" Nola  
Paul "Rowdy" Dombroski  
Juan Rincon  
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Leslie Slaasted

### **JANUARY**

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Glenn "Capt Glenn" Rosenberger  
Donna "Mom" Rosenberger  
Jimmy Cash  
John "Cat" Catalano  
Joseph Patrick  
Louis "Scratch" Bencini  
Lance E. Bradford

### **FEBRUARY**

Paul "Razor" Herrington  
Ernest Bocchino  
Dee Boutin  
George Bello  
William "Bill" Power  
Joey "Uncle Joey" Wiseley  
Tom "2 Blades" Kirkham  
Gene "Geno" Fallon  
Allen "Fireball" Shearer  
Cynthia "Hotfoot" Shearer  
Larry "Wrench" Rivera  
Joe Nellegar  
Frank "Boston" Allen  
Arthur "Wizzard" Peffer

### **MARCH**

Ramona "Mona" Reynolds  
Trisha "Tushy" Leiti  
Thomas "Top Cat" Cullen  
Martha "Roadkill" Ledford  
Kathi "Wheels" Culler  
Ed "Nighthawk" Lattari  
Paul "Zing" McDonald  
Everett Curtis  
Chip Haubner  
John McIntosh  
Kenneth "Porkchop" Reese  
Robert "Goose" Frum  
Art "Artmann" Ring  
Scott "Phoenix" Lipp  
Ira Winters  
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## Vice President's Message

EVER SEE ANYONE IN A CAR JUST WAVE AT ANOTHER MOTORIST, WHERE THEY USED MORE THAN ONE FINGER THAT IS? ME NEITHER. THEN WHY DO MOTORCYCLE RIDERS GREET OTHER RIDERS WITH A WAVE ALL THE TIME? I REALLY HAVE NO FACT BASED ANSWER TO THAT SO I GET TO KICK-START MY OPINION AND CONJECTURE MODE INTO THE REASON.

IT COULD BE THAT WE MIGHT JUST NEED TO ACKNOWLEDGE A SHARED INTEREST IN BEING OUTSIDE THE REALM OF WHAT MOST PEOPLE IDENTIFY AS NORMAL. SO I GUESS I'M SAYING THAT WE ALL ACCEPT THE FACT THAT WE COULD BE SAFER, COOLER/WARMER, MORE COMFORTABLE, DRYER OR WHATEVER IN A CAGE AND WE WAVE AT EACH OTHER TO SAY, "IF YOU'RE DOING THIS TOO I MUST NOT BE SUCH AN A-HOLE".

PERHAPS WE ALL JUST NEED TO LET GO OF THE GRIP FOR A MINUTE AND SHAKE SOME FEELING BACK INTO OUR HANDS? JUST AS ANOTHER MOTORCYCLE IS PASSING... I GUESS NOT.

COULD IT BE THAT YOU REALLY DO MEET THE NICEST PEOPLE ON A HONDA? NAH, REALLY GRASPING HERE...

HOW ABOUT THE OTHER GUY WAVED FIRST AND WE'D FEEL LIKE A DICK IF WE DIDN'T WAVE BACK?

MAYBE WE ARE REALLY NICE, NORMAL PEOPLE THAT RECOGNIZE EACH OTHER FOR SHARING A COMMON INTEREST AND WE ARE SHOWING A MUTUAL RESPECT FOR THE ROAD WE TRAVEL ON TWO OR THREE WHEELS? I LIKE THAT BEST, BUT WHO REALLY KNOWS.

I'M GETTING THE IMAGE OF ANDY ROONEY WHINING ABOUT SOMETHING ON 60 MINUTES SO I'M GOING TO GET AWAY FROM THIS REAL QUICK BY SAYING THAT I WAVE TO OTHER PEOPLE ON BIKES BECAUSE IT MAKES ME FEEL GOOD. SO DROP ME A QUICK E-MAIL AND LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU THINK.

NOW AS LONG AS WE'RE, ACTUALLY I'M, TALKING ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE ON BIKES, LET ME BRING UP SOMETHING I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT WRITING ABOUT FOR A WHILE. COURTESY AND ETIQUETTE TOWARDS OTHER BIKERS WE DON'T KNOW WHEN WE'RE RIDING.

## VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CONT'D

SEVERAL WEEKS AGO I WAS RIDING ON MY WAY TO WORK IN BOYNTON BEACH. I WAS ON A TWO LANE ROAD THAT WAS ONE LANE EACH WAY. A YOUNG MAN ON A SPORT BIKE WAS RIDING BEHIND ME FOR A WHILE AND I GUESS I WAS JUST NOT GOING FAST ENOUGH FOR HIM SO HE PASSED ME ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE SAME LANE I WAS IN. NOW, I KEPT MY COOL AND DIDN'T TRY TO CHASE HIM DOWN, NOT THAT MY ROAD KING COULD HAVE CAUGHT THAT "BIKE", BUT AS FATE WOULD HAVE IT SEVERAL MILES DOWN THE ROAD WE HIT THE SAME LIGHT. I SMILED AT HIM, ADMIRED HIS BIKE AND MOTIONED HIM TO THE SIDE OF THE ROAD TO "TALK". I THINK THAT AFTER OUR, "CONVERSATION", HE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD WHAT HE DID WAS UNACCEPTABLE, UNSAFE, STUPID AND THAT HAD HE DONE THAT TO A PERSON LESS TOLERABLE THAN I HE WOULD HAVE HAD A VERY DIFFERENT "CONVERSATION".

NOW, I'LL SHARE A RIDE INTO HELL WITH MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF ABATE, SOME INDEPENDENTS AND THE FRIENDS I FREQUENTLY RIDE WITH. I'LL ALSO SHARE A LANE WITH MANY OF THE MC'S AND ASSOCIATIONS WE RIDE WITH ALSO, BUT IF I DON'T KNOW YOU PLEASE DON'T TRY TO RIDE UP ALONG SIDE ME IN A TRAFFIC LANE. TO ME, THAT'S JUST THE COMMON COURTESY OF WAITING TO BE INVITED THAT CLOSE TO ANYONE.

SHOULD YOU HAVE AN OPINION AND THE TIME TO WRITE I'D ALSO LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU ON THIS TOO,.

JUST REMEMBER...

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO TO BE HEARD IS SHOW UP!

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO TO HAVE WHAT YOU SAY TO COUNT IS SHOW UP AND VOTE!

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO WRITE ME WITH YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS ARTICLE OR ANY OTHER ISSUE YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS!

JOHN "PAPA BEAR" OLSEY

YOUR, VICE PRESIDENT

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# 2008 CALENDAR

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**SFPC** MANDATORY MOTORCYCLE CLUB EVENTS  
 ARE LISTED IN LARGER LETTERS  
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**JANUARY**  
 6 - States MC 12th Annual Blessing of the Bikes  
 13 - Wings of Gold MC Appreciation Day  
 20 - SE ABATE Semi Annual Rights Rally  
 27 - Der Krieger MC Annual

**FEBRUARY**  
 2 - Alternative 4th Annual  
 3 - Third Tradition MC Annual  
 10 - AOA MC Ft. Laud Annual  
 17 - States MC Lake Worth Annual  
 23 & 24 H-D Miami's 12th Anniversary Party <date change>  
 23 - Wheels of Man MC Deerfield Annual

**MARCH**  
 Feb 29 - March 9 - 67th Annual Daytona Beach Bike Week  
 16 - Keltics MC Annual  
 23 - CMA Annual  
 30 - Fiasco Brothers Annual

**APRIL**  
 5 - Outcasts MC Annual  
 6 - States MC Pompano Annual  
 12 - Mystic 7 Mojo's Birthday  
 13 - AOA MC West Palm Beach Annual  
 12 & 13 - Peterson's South Anniversary Weekend  
 20 - Wings of Gold MC Stars & Stripes Run  
 27 - Nam Knights Broward Annual  
 25-27 Leesberg Bikefest

**MAY**  
 3 & 4 - Ft. Laud., Air & Sea Show  
 4 - Southern MC Annual  
 18 - Black Pistons MC Keys Annual  
 25 - SE ABATE Memorial Day Event

**JUNE**  
 1 - Soldiers for Jesus Annual  
 7 - Alternative MC Run  
 8 - AOA MC Treasure Coast Annual  
 14 - New Attitudes MC Annual  
 15 - Peterson's North State Fathers Day Event  
 22 - Wings of Gold MC Palm Beach Annual  
 28 - ABATE Palm Beach event  
 29 - Wings of Gold MC Miami Annual

**JULY**  
 6 - USMV MC Chapter 2  
 13 - States Lake Worth off annual  
 19 - Wheels of Man Chili Cookoff  
 20 - AOA West Palm Beach off annual  
 27 - Black Pistons MC Ft. Laud Annual

**AUGUST**  
 4-10 58th Annual Sturgis Bike Week  
 8, 9, 10 - 13th International South Florida Tattoo Expo  
 10 - AOA MC 41st Anniversary  
 17 - Wings of Gold MC Pt. St. Lucie Annual

**SEPTEMBER**  
 7 - US Military Vets MC Pompano Annual  
 13 - Outcasts MC off annual  
 14 - States MC 15th Annual Key West Turnup Party  
 19-21 - Phil Peterson's 35th Key West Poker Run  
 27 - Black Pistons MC Key Largo off annual  
 28 - Southern MC. Teddy Bear Run

**OCTOBER**  
 5 - Mystic 7 MC Annual  
 12 - AOA Treasure Coast off annual  
 16-19 - Daytona Bikecaberfest  
 25 - 34th Annual Wheels of Man MC Halloween Party  
 26 - SE ABATE 28th Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally

**NOVEMBER**  
 2 - Alternative MC Annual  
 9 - USMV MC National 21st Annual  
 16 - Wings of Gold MC Palm Beach off annual  
 23 - CMA Memorial Event  
 30 - Keltics MC Charity Fund Raiser Event

**DECEMBER**  
 7 - ABATE Palm Beach event  
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WHAT I DO HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IS THE DISTRIBUTION OF MY TAXES TO PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE TO PASS A URINE TEST. SHOULDN'T ONE HAVE TO PASS A URINE TEST TO GET A WELFARE CHECK BECAUSE I HAVE TO PASS ONE TO EARN IT FOR THEM?

PLEASE UNDERSTAND, I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH HELPING PEOPLE GET BACK ON THEIR FEET. I DO, ON THE OTHER HAND, HAVE A PROBLEM WITH HELPING SOMEONE SITTING ON THEIR ASS, DOING DRUGS, WHILE I WORK. . . . CAN YOU IMAGINE HOW MUCH MONEY THE STATE WOULD SAVE IF PEOPLE HAD TO PASS A URINE TEST TO GET A PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CHECK?

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## DRIVERS ON PHONES SLOW TRAFFIC, STUDY SAYS

BY SETH BORENSTEIN,  
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WASHINGTON (JAN. 2) - DRIVERS TALKING ON CELL PHONES ARE PROBABLY MAKING AMERICANS' COMMUTE TIME EVEN LONGER, CONCLUDES A NEW STUDY.

MOTORISTS YAKKING AWAY, EVEN WITH HANDSFREE DEVICES, CRAWL ABOUT 2 MPH SLOWER ON COMMUTER-CLOGGED ROADS THAN PEOPLE NOT ON THE PHONE, AND THEY JUST DO NOT KEEP UP WITH THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC, SAID STUDY AUTHOR DAVID STRAYER, A PSYCHOLOGY PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH.



DANIEL HULSHIZER, AP

A STUDY ON DRIVERS WHO TALK ON CELL PHONES SUGGESTS THAT THEIR DISTRACTED STATE OF MIND MAY ADD HOURS TO COMMUTES OVER THE SPAN OF A YEAR.

IF YOU COMMUTE BY CAR AN HOUR A DAY, IT COULD ALL ADD AROUND 20 HOURS A YEAR TO YOUR COMMUTE, STRAYER SAID.

"THE DISTRACTED DRIVER TENDS TO DRIVE SLOWER AND HAVE DELAYED REACTIONS," SAID STRAYER, WHOSE STUDY WILL BE PRESENTED LATER THIS MONTH TO THE TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES. "PEOPLE KIND OF GET STUCK

BEHIND THAT PERSON AND IT MAKES EVERYONE PAY THE PRICE OF THAT DISTRACTED DRIVER."<sup>11</sup>

STRAYER'S STUDY, BASED ON THREE DOZEN STUDENTS DRIVING IN SIMULATORS, FOUND THAT DRIVERS ON CELL PHONES ARE FAR MORE LIKELY TO STICK BEHIND A SLOW CAR IN FRONT OF THEM AND CHANGE LANES ABOUT 20 PERCENT LESS OFTEN THAN DRIVERS NOT ON THE PHONE.

OVERALL, CELL PHONE DRIVERS TOOK ABOUT 3 PERCENT LONGER TO DRIVE THE SAME HIGHLY TRAFFIC-CLOGGED ROUTE (AND ABOUT 2 PERCENT LONGER TO DRIVE A MEDIUM CONGESTED ROUTE) THAN PEOPLE WHO WERE NOT ON THE PHONE. ABOUT ONE IN 10 DRIVERS IS ON THE PHONE SO IT REALLY ADDS UP, SAID STRAYER, WHOSE EARLIER STUDIES HAVE FOUND SLOWER REACTION TIMES FROM DRIVERS ON THE PHONES AND COMPARED THOSE REACTION TIMES TO PEOPLE LEGALLY DRUNK.

COMBINE THOSE FACTORS AND STRAYER FIGURES DISTRACTED DRIVERS ARE ADDING AN EXTRA 5 TO 10 PERCENT OF TIME TO YOUR COMMUTE.

IT IS SIMPLY A MATTER OF BRAIN OVERLOAD. YOUR FRONTAL CORTEX CAN HANDLE ONLY SO MANY TASKS AT ONE TIME, SO YOU SLOW DOWN, STRAYER SAID.

GENERALLY THE STUDY MAKES SENSE, BUT WHAT HAPPENS TO STUDENTS IN A SIMULATOR MAY NOT TRANSLATE TO REAL WORLD CONDITIONS, SAID ANNE MCCARTT, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE INSURANCE INSTITUTE FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY. FURTHER, SHE SAID THE STUDY ITSELF POINTS OUT HOW DISTRACTED DRIVERS ARE SLOWER, BUT IS SHORT ON CALCULATIONS ON JUST HOW IT AFFECTS OTHER DRIVERS.

WIRELESS PHONE COMPANIES ENCOURAGE PEOPLE NOT TO TALK ON THE PHONE IN BAD TRAFFIC, SAID JOE FARREN, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CELLULAR PHONE INDUSTRY'S TRADE ASSOCIATION. BUT HE SAID HE COULDN'T COMMENT ON THE STUDY BECAUSE HE HAD NOT HAD A CHANCE TO GO OVER IT.

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<h1>January 2008</h1>						
		1	2	3	4 State's MC - Lake Worth - Open House  Lama - Open House	5
						
6 States Blessing Bikes	7	8 Iron Eagle Bike Nite	9 Island Jack's - Bike Night- Margate & WPB - See Coupon Pg 22	10 Fuddruckers Bike Night	11 State's MC - Lake Worth - Open House  Lama - Open House	12
13 Wings-of-Gold MC	14	15 Iron Eagle Bike Nite	16 Island Jack's - Bike Night- Margate & WPB - See Coupon Pg 22	17 Fuddruckers Bike Night	18 State's MC - Lake Worth - Open House  Lama - Open House	19 ABATE-PBC MEETING 11:30  <hr/> Black Pistons- Pg 12
20 S.E. ABATE SEMI- ANNUAL - Pg 12	21	22 Iron Eagle Bike Nite	23 Island Jack's - Bike Night- Margate & WPB - See Coupon Pg 22	24 Fuddruckers Bike Night	25 State's MC - Lake Worth - Open House  Lama - Open House	26
27 Der Krieger M/C - Pg 13	28	29 Iron Eagle Bike Nite	30 Island Jack's - Bike Night- Margate & WPB - See Coupon Pg 22	31 Fuddruckers Bike Night		

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>February 2008</h1>						
					1 State's MC - Lake Worth - Open House  Lama - Open House	2 Alternative MC - 4 <sup>th</sup> Annual
3 Third Tradition MC - Annual	4	5 Iron Eagle Bike Nite	6 Island Jack's - Bike Night- Margate & WPB - See Coupon Pg 23	7 Fuddruckers Bike Night	8 State's MC - Lake Worth - Open House  Lama - Open House	9 ABATE State Meeting - Pensacola  <hr/> VFW Poker Run - Cover
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### THREE THINGS TO PONDER:

1. Cows
2. THE CONSTITUTION
3. THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

#### COWS

IS IT JUST ME, OR DOES ANYONE ELSE FIND IT AMAZING THAT DURING THE MAD COW EPIDEMIC OUR GOVERNMENT COULD TRACK A SINGLE COW, BORN IN CANADA ALMOST THREE YEARS AGO, RIGHT TO THE STALL WHERE SHE SLEPT IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON? AND, THEY TRACKED HER CALVES TO THEIR STALLS. BUT THEY ARE UNABLE TO LOCATE 11 MILLION ILLEGAL ALIENS WANDERING AROUND OUR COUNTRY. MAYBE WE SHOULD GIVE EACH OF THEM A COW.

#### THE CONSTITUTION

THEY KEEP TALKING ABOUT DRAFTING A CONSTITUTION FOR IRAQ. WHY DON'T WE JUST GIVE THEM OURS? IT WAS WRITTEN BY A LOT OF REALLY SMART GUYS, IT HAS WORKED FOR OVER 200 YEARS, AND WE'RE NOT USING IT ANYMORE.

#### THE 10 COMMANDMENTS

THE REAL REASON THAT WE CAN'T HAVE THE TEN COMMANDMENTS POSTED IN A COURTHOUSE IS THIS:

YOU CANNOT POST "THOU SHALL NOT STEAL," "THOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY," AND "THOU SHALL NOT LIE" IN A BUILDING FULL OF LAWYERS, JUDGES AND POLITICIANS...IT CREATES A HOSTILE WORK ENVIRONMENT

#### SUBMITTED BY:

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WEST PALM BEACH-- Mr. and Mrs. Claus for this year's event were Diane Busch (left) and David "Santa Dave" Marchewka both of Jupiter.



ONE OF ABATE PALM BEACH'S NEWEST MEMBERS - WELCOME "SANTA DAVE"

WEST PALM BEACH-- David "Santa Dave" Marchewka (left) greeted volunteers Jeff (center) and Gloria Rastin (right), of West Palm Beach, on Sunday.



## *Reverend "Rocky"*

### MONTHLY ENCOURAGER

WELL THE HOLIDAYS ARE BEHIND US. (LITERALLY) I KNOW EVERYONE PUT ON A FEW NEW POUNDS AND LOOSENED THE BELTS A NOTCH OR TWO. NOVEMBERS TURKEY AND ALL THE FIXINS, THEN CHRISTMAS WITH THE HAM AND TURKEY AND ALL THE FIXINS. MMMMMMM GGGOOOOD Now WE PAY!!!! PERSONALLY, I LOST 11 POUNDS. I HAVE TO TELL YOU THOUGH, IT TOOK A LOT MORE THAN JUST PRAYER. I LEARNED HOW TO "PUSH AWAY". WHEN YOU EAT AND START TO FEEL LIKE YOU HAVE HAD ENOUGH, THEN STOP EATING AND PUSH AWAY FROM THE TABLE. AFTER AWHILE IT BECOMES A HABIT AND YOUR STOMACH ACTUALLY SHRINKS AND YOU'RE FULL. OF COURSE NO POTATOES, BREAD, CANDY OR OTHER SWEETS. THE FACT THAT I DON'T DRINK LIKE I USED TO HELPED A LOT TOO. BUT I'M ON THE ROAD TO LOOKING AND FEELING SO MUCH BETTER. I REALLY WANTED AND NEEDED A CHANGE IN MY HABITUAL LIFE.

I DID AN ARTICLE NOT TOO LONG AGO ON CREATURES OF HABIT. THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE ARE. WE DO SOMETHING A CERTAIN WAY EVERY TIME AND IT FEELS COMFORTABLE, SO WE DO THAT SAME THING OVER AND OVER, THE EXACT SAME WAY EVERY TIME. NOT EVEN THINKING ABOUT THE HARM WE MAY BE DOING. WELL, LIFESTYLES ARE PART OF WHO WE ARE, AND HABITS DEFINE WHO WE ARE.

NOW THAT IT'S A BRAND NEW YEAR, HOW ABOUT TAKING A REAL CLOSE LOOK AT YOURSELF. DO YOU REALLY LIKE WHAT YOU SEE? LOSING WEIGHT IS EASY. CHANGING THE WAY YOU DRESS OR THE WAY YOU WEAR YOUR HAIR IS A PIECE OF CAKE. TRY LOOKING WAY DOWN DEEP INSIDE OF YOURSELF. ANYTHING YOU WANT TO CHANGE, FOR THE BETTER? IF YOU DO THEN LISTEN UP. YOU CANNOT DO IT BY YOURSELF. YOU ARE GOING TO NEED A SUPPORT GROUP. I HAVE THIS REALLY CLOSE FRIEND, WHO IS A MASTER AT CHANGING PEOPLES LIVES. THIS MAN HAS BEEN HELPING PEOPLE WITH THEIR PERSONAL LIFE, JOBS, FAMILY LIFE, EVERY ASPECT OF YOUR LIFE FOR A REALLY LONG TIME. NOT ONE OF THEM HAS EVER SAID, HE COULD NOT HELP THEM. LIVES HAVE BEEN DRAMATICALLY CHANGED WITHIN A VERY SHORT TIME. CAREERS HAVE BEEN SHAPED, LIFE IS HAPPIER AND A LOT MORE PROSPEROUS. IF THIS SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE IN YOUR HABITUAL LIFE THEN ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SPEAK TO MY FRIEND.

YOU DON'T NEED TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT, NO OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES. ALL HE REQUIRES IS FOR YOU TO SPEAK TO HIM FROM YOUR HEART. "ASK, AND THOU SHALL RECEIVE." START A

PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM TODAY. THIS IS THE BEST NEW YEARS RESOLUTION YOU CAN EVER MAKE. MY FRIEND CAN BE REACHED ANYTIME, DAY OR NIGHT. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS ASK. HIS NAME IS JESUS CHRIST . IF YOU NEED ANY MORE INFORMATION ON THIS SUBJECT, I CAN BE REACHED BY PHONE, ( 561-951-6887) OR E-MAIL: [KAROLGNO @AOL.COM](mailto:KAROLGNO@AOL.COM) PLEASE MAKE THAT CHANGE RIGHT NOW. START ENJOYING YOUR NEW LIFE TODAY. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU.

I WISH ALL OF MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS, A PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU SAFE. LOVE EACH OTHER. ALSO, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE NAM KNIGHTS AND THE AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS, FOR THE GREAT RIDE TO ARCHIES ON NEW YEARS DAY. I HAD A GREAT TIME. LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT RIDE.

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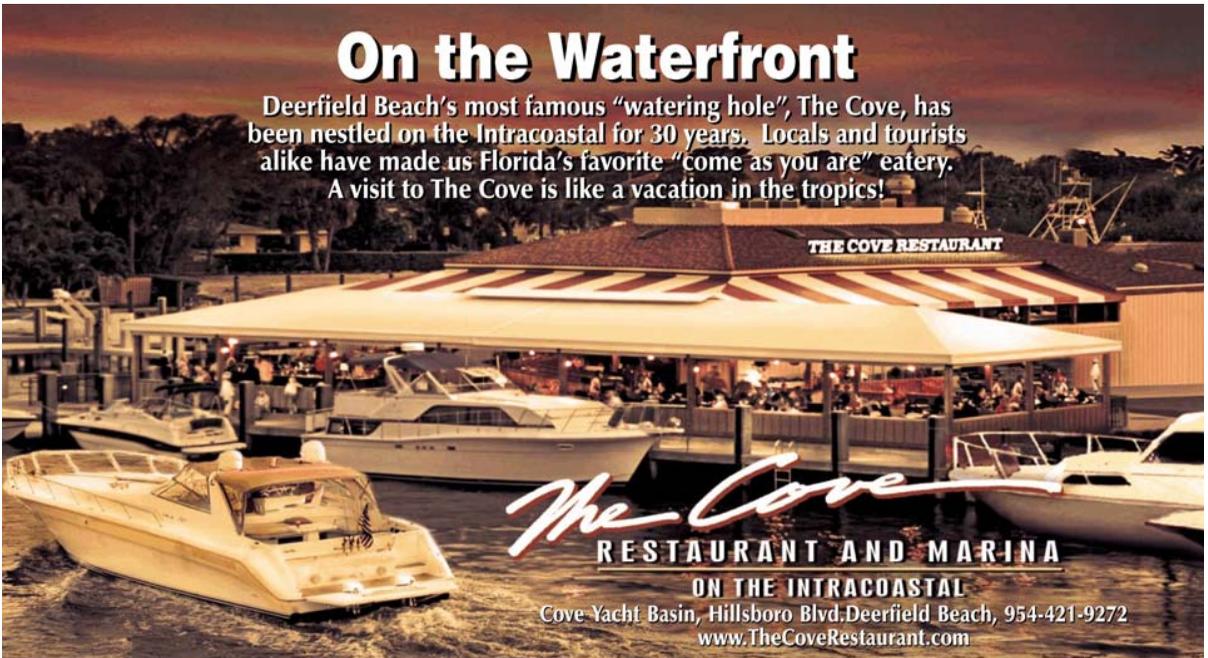
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## THE TRUTH ABOUT SELF DEFENCE

TO ALL YOU OLD LAW DOGS NOW JUST LYIN' IN THE SHADE, CURRENT PISTOLEROS AND OTHER FERVENT SECOND AMENDMENT BELIEVERS: I WOULD RATHER BE YOUR FRIEND, BUT IF YOU ARE NOT INTERESTED IN THAT, I AM PREPARED TO BE A CAPABLE AND EFFICIENT ENEMY.

THIS IS THE LAW: THE PURPOSE OF FIGHTING IS TO WIN. THERE IS NO POSSIBLE VICTORY IN DEFENSE. THE SWORD IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE SHIELD AND SKILL IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EITHER. THE FINAL WEAPON IS THE BRAIN. ALL ELSE IS SUPPLEMENTAL. AS JOHN STEINBECK ONCE SAID.

1. DON'T PICK A FIGHT WITH AN OLD MAN. IF HE IS TOO OLD TO FIGHT, HE'LL JUST KILL YOU.
2. IF YOU FIND YOURSELF IN A FAIR FIGHT, YOUR TACTICS SUCK.
3. I CARRY A GUN CAUSE A COP IS TOO HEAVY. (GOTTA LOVE THIS ONE!!)
4. WHEN SECONDS COUNT, THE COPS ARE JUST MINUTES AWAY. (YEP, TIME IS SOME TIME, BUT SHOOT FIRST, THEN CALL 911)
5. A REPORTER DID A HUMAN INTEREST PIECE ON THE TEXAS RANGERS. THE REPORTER RECOGNIZE THE COLT MODEL 1911 THE RANGER WAS CARRYING AND ASKED HIM "WHY DO CARRY A .45?". THE RANGER RESPONDED WITH, "BECAUSE THEY DON'T MAKE A .46."
6. AN ARMED MAN WILL KILL AN UNARMED MAN WITH MONOTONOUS REGULARITY.
7. THE OLD SHERIFF WAS ATTENDING AN AWARDS DINNER WHEN A LADY COMMENTED ON HIS WEARING HIS SIDEARM. "SHERIFF, I SEE YOU HAVE YOUR PISTOL. ARE YOU EXPECTING TROUBLE?" "NO MA'AM. IF I WERE EXPECTING TROUBLE, I WOULD HAVE BROUGHT MY RIFLE." (WINCHESTER MODEL 94 30-30 CAL. AND LOADED WITH WINCHESTER SILVER TIPS, NO DOUBT).
8. BEWARE THE MAN WHO ONLY HAS ONE GUN. HE PROBABLY KNOWS HOW TO USE IT!!!

TO THIS I WILL ADD MY COMMENTS. I WAS ONCE ASKED BY A LADY VISITING IF I HAD A GUN IN THE HOUSE. TO WHICH I SAID I DID. SHE SAID "WELL I CERTAINLY HOPE IT ISN'T LOADED!" TO WHICH I SAID, "OF COURSE IT IS LOADED, *CAN'T WORK WITHOUT BULLETS..*" SHE THEN ASKED, "ARE YOU THAT AFRAID OF SOME ONE EVIL COMING INTO YOUR HOUSE?" MY REPLY WAS, "NO NOT AT ALL. I AM NOT AFRAID OF THE HOUSE CATCHING AFIRE EITHER, BUT I HAVE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS AROUND, AND THEY ARE ALL LOADED."

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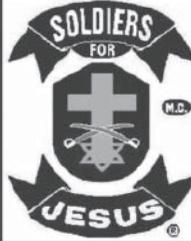
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THIS, THE 27TH ANNUAL EVENT SPONSORED BY ABATE AND BRUCE L. SCHEINER, IS A WONDERFUL COMMUNITY OUTREACH TO THOSE FAR LESS FORTUNATE. I HAD THE PLEASURE AND HONOR OF BEING INVOLVED; HOWEVER, A FEW CONCERNS AROSE FOR ME DURING AND SINCE OUR CHARITY RIDE.

AS OUR PROCESSION TRAVELED EAST ON COLONIAL BOULEVARD AND APPROACHED THE I-75 OVERPASS, I NOTICED A MAN WITH A CAMERA HANGING OVER THE RAILING, PRESUMABLY TO PHOTOGRAPH THE EVENT.

THIS FELLOW HAD EXITED HIS VEHICLE ON THE BUSY, HIGH SPEED INTERSTATE AND EXTENDED HIMSELF OVER THE RAILING TO GET A CAMEO SHOT. IN MY ESTIMATION, THIS WAS A VERY DANGEROUS POSITION AND ONE THAT LIKELY BORDERS ON A BREACH OF THE LAW.

FORTUNATELY, THE PHOTOGRAPHER ESCAPED INJURY AND SECURED THAT CAMEO SHOT, WHICH APPEARED ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE NEWS-PRESS THE FOLLOWING DAY. I WONDER IF THAT PHOTOGRAPHER WORKS FOR THE NEWS-PRESS?

THIS MORNING, I WAS ENJOYING A FUDGE STRIPE COOKIE AND A GLASS OF ORANGE JUICE WHILE PERUSING THE NEWS-PRESS ONLINE. IMAGINE THE COMFORT I TOOK READING THEIR EDITORIAL CASTIGATING ME FOR NOT WEARING A HELMET DURING THE MOTORCYCLE TOY RUN.

THE IMPLICATION THAT I HAD SET A TERRIBLE EXAMPLE IN TERMS OF SAFETY CAUSED ME TO WONDER WHY THEY CHOSE TO ALLOW THAT FRONT PAGE, COLOR STATUS IN THEIR PAPER.

AFTER ALL, THE NEWSPAPER WOULD NOT WANT TO CONTINUE SUCH A BAD EXAMPLE...OR WOULD THEY?

COULD IT BE THAT THEY REVIEWED ALL THE PHOTOS TAKEN THAT DAY AND ELECTED TO PRINT ONE THAT MIGHT GENERATE CONTROVERSY?

AS AN AVID BOATER, I AM PUTTING THE NEWS-PRESS ON NOTICE THAT I WILL LIKELY PARTICIPATE IN A CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE OR TWO.

I AM LETTING THEM KNOW AHEAD OF TIME THAT I WILL CHOOSE NOT TO WEAR A LIFE JACKET.

I AM DOING THIS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THEIR PHOTOGRAPHER IN CASE HE APPEARS ON ONE OF OUR LOCAL BRIDGES TO CAPTURE THE EVENT AS HE DID LAST SUNDAY.

IN THAT HE DID NOT WEAR A HELMET THAT DAY DESPITE A POSSIBLE FALL ONTO COLONIAL BOULEVARD, OUR NEWSPAPER MIGHT WANT TO FIT HIM WITH A PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE IF HE INDEED TAKES PICTURES OF THE BOAT PARADE.

ONE LAST SUGGESTION FOR THE SAFETY-MINDED NEWS-PRESS. YOU MIGHT WANT TO RECONSIDER THE USUAL COVERAGE YOU PROVIDE THE MARION COUNTY MOTORCYCLE DRILL TEAM EACH YEAR FOLLOWING THE EDISON FESTIVAL PARADE.

STANDING ON A MOTORCYCLE AND DRIVING DOWN A STREET LINED WITH PEOPLE DOES NOT PORTRAY THE IMAGE YOU ARE APPARENTLY SO CONCERNED WITH.

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**BIKER LOBBYISTS MEET WITH NTSB** A MEETING WAS ARRANGED WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD ON NOVEMBER 28, 2007 BY JAMES D. "DOC" REICHENBACH II, STATE PRESIDENT OF ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE NATIONAL COALITION OF MOTORCYCLISTS. NCOM AND ABATE INVITED THE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION'S LOBBYIST AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS JEFF HENNIE TO ATTEND THE MEETING ALSO TO DISCUSS THE NTSB'S RECENT RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ALL STATES ENACT MANDATORY HELMET LAWS, AS WELL AS FUTURE AND PAST DEVELOPMENTS IN MOTORCYCLE SAFETY.

THE LOBBYING TEAM MET WITH MARK V. ROSENKER, NTSB CHAIRMAN, AND ROBERT SUMWALT, NTSB VICE CHAIRMAN. "NCOM, ABATE AND THE MRF EXPLAINED OUR VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT WITH EXTREME PREJUDICE THAT HELMETS ARE NOT SAVING LIVES," SAID REICHENBACH. "FACTS AND FIGURES WERE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR THEIR REVIEW."

THE GIST OF THE 3-HOUR SUMMIT IS THAT THE NTSB WILL LOOK INTO THE DISCREPANCIES THAT NHTSA HAS BEEN PUTTING OUT IN THEIR STATISTICS AND WILL REPORT THEIR FINDINGS TO THE MOTORCYCLING COMMUNITY. WHILE THERE WAS AGREEMENT ON CERTAIN ISSUES, THE HELMET ISSUE IS VERY FAR APART AND NO HEADWAY WAS MADE ON EITHER POINT OF VIEW.

"THE FACT REMAINS THAT THE NTSB STANDS BEHIND THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUPPORTS THEM ENTIRELY," REPORTED HENNIE. "THE MRF, NCOM AND ABATE OF FLORIDA MADE IT CLEAR THAT WE WOULD CONTINUE TO OPPOSE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT CALL FOR PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT LAWS AND CRASH MITIGATION."

ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. AND THE NATIONAL COALITION OF MOTORCYCLISTS WANT TO THANK THE MRF AND JEFF HENNIE FOR ACCEPTING OUR INVITATION TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND WORK TOGETHER ON A UNITED FRONT.

**LETTERS TO TROOPS RETURNED OR DESTROYED** HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF HOLIDAY CARDS AND LETTERS THANKING AMERICAN TROOPS FOR THEIR SACRIFICE AND WISHING THEM WELL NEVER REACH THEIR DESTINATION. THEY ARE RETURNED TO SENDER OR THROWN AWAY UNOPENED.

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SINCE THE SEPT. 11 ATTACKS AND THE ANTHRAX SCARE, THE PENTAGON AND THE POSTAL SERVICE HAVE REFUSED TO DELIVER MAIL ADDRESSED SIMPLY TO "ANY WOUNDED SOLDIER" FOR FEAR TERRORISTS OR OPPONENTS OF THE WAR MIGHT SEND TOXIC SUBSTANCES OR DEMORALIZING MESSAGES.

MAIL MUST BE ADDRESSED TO A SPECIFIC MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES - A RULE THAT PAINS MANY WELL-MEANING AMERICANS THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

LAST SEASON, DESPITE THE RULE, OFFICIALS SAY AS MANY AS 450,000 PIECES OF MAIL NOT ADDRESSED TO ANYONE IN PARTICULAR MANAGED TO REACH WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER IN WASHINGTON. BUT THEY WERE RETURNED OR, IF THEY HAD NO RETURN ADDRESS, WERE THROWN OUT ALTOGETHER, BECAUSE THE HOSPITAL LACKED THE MANPOWER TO OPEN AND SCREEN ALL THE UNSOLICITED MAIL.

USO SPOKESMAN JOHN HANSON SAID THAT LIKE THE MILITARY, THE NONPROFIT SERVICE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT DELIVER UNOPENED MAIL TO UNSPECIFIED RECIPIENTS. HE SAID THE USO WORRIES ABOUT SECURITY AS WELL AS HATEFUL MESSAGES FROM WAR CRITICS.

THE USO IS ONE OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THE MILITARY IS ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO SUPPORT WITH DONATIONS AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO SENDING CARDS TO UNSPECIFIED SOLDIERS. THE MILITARY IS ALSO REFERRING PEOPLE TO THE AMERICAN RED CROSS AND A DEFENSE DEPARTMENT WEB SITE WHERE SUPPORTERS HAVE POSTED THOUSANDS OF MESSAGES TO TROOPS.

**IS YOUR MOTORCYCLE GIVING YOU CANCER?** AUTHOR RANDALL DALE CHIPKAR HAS PUBLISHED A BOOK CALLED "MOTORCYCLE CANCER?" IN WHICH HE SPECULATES THAT RADIATION FROM MOTORCYCLE ENGINES COULD BE A MODERN DAY "BLACK PLAGUE".

SAYING THAT THE PROSTATE IS ONE OF THE CLOSEST DELICATE GLANDS INVADDED BY THE RADIATION ALONG WITH THE COLON AND NEIGHBORING ORGANS, CHIPKAR A FEW YEARS AGO WAS GOING TO BUY HIS DREAM CYCLE, BUT HE PLACED HIS EXTREMELY LOW FREQUENCY (ELF) ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD (EMF) GAUSS METER OVER ONE OF THE SEATS OF AN IDLING BIKE AND WAS SHOCKED TO SEE THE EXTREMELY HIGH RADIATION READINGS.

"IT'S A PARADOX THAT THOUSANDS OF MOTORCYCLE RIDERS PARTICIPATE IN FUNDRAISER RIDES FOR CANCER AWARENESS WHEN THE EVENT ITSELF MAY BE CAUSING CANCER...I HAVE MET COUNTLESS AVID MOTORCYCLE RIDERS DIAGNOSED WITH SIMILAR FORMS OF CANCERS AND DISORDERS. ALL OF THESE RIDERS HAD A TYPE OF EXTREMELY LOW FREQUENCY ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD RADIATION SHOOTING UP FROM THEIR MOTORCYCLE SEATS...THE MOTORCYCLE INDUSTRY NEEDS TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THIS EM DANGER AND IMPLEMENT

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PROTECTIVE MEASURES TO MINIMIZE RIDER RADIATION EXPOSURE...PEOPLE SHOULD NOT HAVE TO GAMBLE WITH THEIR HEALTH BECAUSE THEY LOVE RIDING MOTORCYCLES...HISTORICALLY, ORGANIZATIONS CLAIMED 'INCONCLUSIVE PROOF' CONCERNING ELECTROMAGNETIC HEALTH ISSUES. HOWEVER, INCONCLUSIVE PROOF DOES NOT MEAN THAT SOMETHING IS SAFE," SAYS CHIPKAR.

BUT CRITICS OF PEOPLE SUCH AS CHIPKAR CLAIM THAT THESE DOOM-AND-GLOOM CONCEPTS REGARDING RADIATION HAVE BEEN HEARD BEFORE AND HAVE BEEN CONJURED UP SINCE THE 1950s, WHEN ATOMIC ENERGY HAD FIRMLY BECOME EMBEDDED IN AMERICANS' PSYCHES, AND THEY NEVER AMOUNT TO ANYTHING OTHER THAN CONSPIRACY THEORIES.

THE CRITICS SAY THAT IT IS TOO EASY TO SCARE PEOPLE ABOUT EXPOSURE TO RADIATION BECAUSE THOSE WHO CAN GAIN FROM THE FEAR MONGERING FAIL TO MAKE DISTINCTIONS BETWEEN DIFFERENT KINDS AND LEVELS OF RADIATION EXPOSURE.

**FLORIDA BILL TARGETS "THRILL RIDERS"** AFTER AN EYE OPENING RIDE-ALONG WITH THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL AND WITNESSING MOTORCYCLISTS POP WHEELIES, RACE ALONG OVER 100 MPH AND DANGEROUSLY DISREGARD ROAD RULES, STATE REP. CARLOS LOPEZ-CANTERA FILED A BILL IN TALLAHASSEE THAT WOULD TOUGHEN PENALTIES ON SPEEDING, STUNT DRIVING AND HIDING OR FLIPPING LICENSE PLATES.

"THEY'RE JUST BLATANTLY RIDING IN EXCESSIVE SPEEDS, PUTTING THEMSELVES IN DANGER AND PUTTING OTHER MOTORISTS IN DANGER," LOPEZ-CANTERA SAID. "IT'S JUST TOO MUCH."

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SAID THEY ARE POWERLESS TO PURSUE THEM AND ARE FRUSTRATED AS THEY WATCH THEIR TACTICS, LIKE FLIPPING THE BIKE'S LICENSE PLATES SO THEY CAN'T BE TRACED. "THAT TAG NEEDS TO BE PERMANENTLY ATTACHED TO THAT MOTORCYCLE," ONE FHP TROOPER SAID. "THE PROBLEM HAS GOTTEN WORSE. THE LAWS NEED TO BE CHANGED. THE PENALTIES NEED TO BE STIFFER."

REP. LOPEZ-CANTERA IS TRYING TO DO THAT. "SOMETHING HAS TO BE DONE. THEY HAVE TO ACTUALLY FEAR THE LAW BECAUSE RIGHT NOW THEY DON'T," HE SAID, EXPLAINING THAT IF HIS BILL BECOMES LAW "THEY'LL LOSE THEIR BIKE. THEIR MOTORCYCLE LICENSE WILL BE REVOKED FOR 10 YEARS, AND IT'S A MANDATORY ARREST SO THEY WILL GO TO JAIL." THE BILL COULD COME UP FOR A VOTE NEXT YEAR.

**UNEASY RIDERS: HORSES RISKIER THAN MOTORCYCLES** HOUR-PER-HOUR IN THE SADDLE, MORE RIDERS ARE SERIOUSLY INJURED RIDING HORSES THAN MOTORCYCLES. THAT IS THE SURPRISING REVELATION OF A NEW STUDY FROM RESEARCHERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY, CANADA.

THE HOSPITAL ADMISSION RATE ASSOCIATED WITH HORSE-RIDING INJURIES IS 0.49 PER 1,000 HOURS, COMPARED TO A RATE OF 0.14 PER 1,000 HOURS OF MOTORCYCLE RIDING, ACCORDING TO THE STUDY PUBLISHED IN THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF SURGERY.

FROM 1995 TO 2005, THERE WERE 7,941 TRAUMA PATIENTS AT FOOTHILLS, INCLUDING 151 WHO WERE SEVERELY INJURED WHILE HORSEBACK RIDING. SEVEN PER CENT OF THE RIDERS DIED OF THEIR INJURIES AND 45 PER CENT REQUIRED SURGERY, THE STUDY SAID. ALMOST HALF OF ALL RIDERS WHO WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED (48 PER CENT) SUFFERED HEAD INJURIES, AND 54 PER CENT SUFFERED CHEST INJURIES. MOST RIDERS WERE HURT BY FALLING OR BEING THROWN FROM THE HORSE, FOLLOWED BY BEING STOMPED OR KICKED.

THE REASON THIS HAPPENS, SAID ROB MULLOY, AN ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY AND CO-AUTHOR OF THE STUDY, IS THAT "HORSES ARE INDEPENDENT BEINGS WITH THEIR OWN AGENDA." NOT TO MENTION THAT HORSES WEIGH UP TO 500 KILOGRAMS, MOVE AT A SPEED OF UP TO 65 KILOMETERS AN HOUR, ELEVATE RIDERS UP TO THREE METERS ABOVE GROUND AND KICK WITH A FORCE OF NEARLY ONE TON.

DR. MULLOY, WHO IS ALSO A TRAUMA SURGEON, SAID HE DOES NOT WANT TO DISCOURAGE PEOPLE FROM RIDING, BUT HOPES THE STUDY WILL SERVE AS A WAKE-UP CALL ABOUT THE NEED TO USE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT, ESPECIALLY HELMETS. "YOU KNOW, COWBOY HATS ARE PRETTY USELESS," HE SAID, ADDING THAT HE TAKES COMFORT IN THE FACT THAT ABOUT HALF OF RODEO RIDERS NOW WEAR HELMETS AND A LARGE NUMBER OF COWBOYS WHO DRIVE CATTLE OUT OF THE HILLS ARE ALSO HELMETED.

**AUSTRALIAN STATE OUTLAWS "BIKIE GANGS"** SOUTH AUSTRALIA ANNOUNCED INTENTIONS TO BAN SO-CALLED "BIKIE GANGS" SUCH AS THE HELLS ANGELS AND THE BANDIDOS IN WHAT THE GOVERNMENT SAID WOULD BE THE WORLD'S TOUGHEST CRACKDOWN ON "TERRORISTS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY."

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN PREMIER MIKE RANN NAMED EIGHT MOTORCYCLE CLUBS HE SAID WERE INVOLVED IN MURDER, DRUG TRAFFICKING, PROSTITUTION, EXTORTION AND WEAPONS SMUGGLING. "THIS IS AN EVIL WITHIN OUR NATION AND WE IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA INTEND TO LEAD AUSTRALIA IN THE FIGHT AGAINST BIKIE GANGS," HE RECENTLY TOLD REPORTERS.

THE AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION'S 2006 REPORT FOUND THERE WERE 35 OUTLAW MOTORCYCLE GANGS IN AUSTRALIA, WITH 3,500 MEMBERS IN ALL SIX STATES LAST YEAR. RANN SAID THE BAN WOULD INVOLVE AROUND 200 CLUB MEMBERS, AS WELL AS ASSOCIATES. OUTLAWED BIKERS WOULD BE PROHIBITED FROM MEETING OR COMMUNICATING, OR RISK FIVE-YEAR JAIL TERMS. "WE CANNOT FIND ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD WHERE THIS LEVEL OF RESPONSE TO BIKIE GANGS HAS BEEN TAKEN," HE SAID.

POLICE WOULD ALSO BE EMPOWERED TO DISMANTLE CLUB HEADQUARTERS AND FORCE MEMBERS TO ACCOUNT FOR ANY UNEXPLAINED WEALTH OR INCOME. "WE ARE COMING AFTER THEM AND WE WILL HIT THEM WHERE IT HURTS BY TAKING AWAY THEIR ILL-GOTTEN GAINS, THEIR HARLEY-DAVIDSONS AND THEIR LIBERTY," SAID STATE ATTORNEY-GENERAL MICHAEL ATKINSON.

### **WEIRD NEWS: BLIND PEDESTRIANS FIGHT AGAINST "SILENT" DEADLY HYBRIDS**

CAN HYBRIDS AND ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES BE DANGEROUS? TO BLIND PEDESTRIANS, THE ANSWER IS "YES," BECAUSE THEY CAN BE SILENT KILLERS.

AS MANUFACTURERS LOOK FOR WAYS TO IMPROVE THE FUEL EFFICIENCY OF THEIR VEHICLES, ALTERNATIVES TO RELYING SOLELY ON GASOLINE ENGINES ARE BEING ADOPTED FOR BOTH CARS AND MOTORCYCLES. COMPANIES ARE LOOKING TO GASOLINE-ELECTRIC HYBRIDS, DIESEL ENGINES, ALL-ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND FUEL CELLS.

BUT ONE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF SUCH VEHICLES IS IN REGARDS TO THEIR NEAR-SILENT OPERATION IN CITY DRIVING. SINCE MOST HYBRIDS TURN OFF THEIR GASOLINE ENGINE DURING LOW-SPEED CITY DRIVING AND RELY ON ELECTRIC MOTORS FOR PROPULSION, THE MOST NOISE THAT MANY PEOPLE MAY HEAR FROM THE VEHICLES ARE A SLIGHT ELECTRIC WINE AND A HINT OF TIRE NOISE. DEEMED TOO QUIET, SOME ELECTRIC AND FUEL CELL MOTORBIKES NOW EVEN COME EQUIPPED WITH AN ARTIFICIAL AUDIO "VROOM" WITH ADJUSTABLE VOLUME CONTROL.

BLIND PEDESTRIANS HAVE TAKEN THIS ISSUE TO HEART AND ARE GOING AFTER HYBRIDS AS THEY FEEL THE SILENT VEHICLES POSE A SERIOUS SAFETY THREAT, AND THE U.S. NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND (NFoB) IS PUTTING THE ISSUE BACK TO THE FOREFRONT.

THE NFoB HAS WORKED WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL AUTO MANUFACTURERS (AIAM) AND THE SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS (SAE) TO LOOK INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF FORCING AUTOMOBILES TO EMIT RECOGNIZABLE SOUND AT ALL TIME. THE AIAM IS EVEN LOOKING INTO "THE POSSIBILITY OF SETTING A MINIMUM NOISE LEVEL STANDARD FOR HYBRID VEHICLES," ACCORDING TO SAFETY DIRECTOR MIKE CAMISSA.

THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION AND THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION HAVE EXPRESSED LITTLE INTEREST IN THE IDEA.

1.3 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES (OUT OF A TOTAL POPULATION OF 303,036,973 PEOPLE) ARE LEGALLY BLIND.

**BRITNEY SPEARS HITS MOTORCYCLIST** ON TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 13TH, TROUBLED ENTERTAINER BRITNEY SPEARS HIT AND HOSPITALIZED A MOTORCYCLE-RIDING MEMBER OF THE PAPAZZI AS SHE WAS TRYING TO EVADE PHOTOGRAPHERS AT A BEVERLY

HILLS HOTEL. THE RIDER SUSTAINED SERIOUS INJURIES AND WAS TAKEN TO CEDER-SINAI MEDICAL CENTER.

THIS CAME AS SPEARS IS ALREADY FACING HIT-AND-RUN CHARGES AS WELL AS CLAIMS THAT SHE RAN A RED LIGHT WITH HER KIDS IN THE CAR WHILE ON A CELL PHONE," SAID A NEWS REPORT BY ENTERTAINMENT HOLLYWOOD. BRITNEY'S DRIVING HAS TAKEN A BAD TURN – THE 25-YEAR OLD SINGER HAS RUN OVER PEOPLE THREE TIMES IN NEARLY A MONTH, ONE OF WHOM WAS A SHERIFFS DEPUTY AND TWO WERE PAPARAZZI.

SPEARS APPEARED IN COURT THE FOLLOWING DAY AT AN EMERGENCY CUSTODY HEARING WITH KEVIN FEDERLINE. K-FED'S ATTORNEY CONVINCED LA SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER SCOTT GORDON TO BAN SPEARS FROM DRIVING WITH THEIR KIDS. FEDERLINE HAS TEMPORARY CUSTODY OF SEAN PRESTON, 2, AND JAYDEN JAMES, 1, BECAUSE SPEARS HAS DEFIED COURT ORDERS.

**QUOTABLE QUOTE:** *"IT'S THE CONSTANT AND DETERMINED EFFORT THAT BREAKS DOWN ALL RESISTANCE, SWEEPS AWAY ALL OBSTACLES."*

--CLAUDE M. BRISTOL (1891-1951) AMERICAN AUTHOR

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