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## **NEXT CHAPTER MEETING**

**11:30AM**

**SATURDAY  
April 19th**



**LET THOSE  
WHO RIDE  
DECIDE!**



ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.  
***PALM BEACH CHAPTER***

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& Safety Booth*

## **PRE-EVENT NOTICE**

# **1st Annual Palm Beach Rights Rally**

## **SATURDAY - JUNE 28TH**

### **The Ugly Mug**

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Delray Beach

(West of Military Trail on the right)

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All motorcyclists  
are invited to come  
and join us for a good  
time!!!!  
**Rain or Shine!**

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PRICES 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

**\$3/PERSON  
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**COLD IRON**

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PALM BEACH CHAPTER**

**MEETINGS ARE:**

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



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

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**P.O. Box 971073**

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All members receive with their paid membership, the Masterlink newsletter, membership card, State Abate event discounts and updates, voting privileges, free Masterlink classified ads and Chapter newsletter.



## President's Message

Brothers and Sisters,

I WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN BY THANKING EVERYONE THAT HAD CONTRIBUTED TO THE NEWSLETTER FUND. YOUR GENEROSITY AND COMMITMENT TO THE CHAPTER IS AN INSPIRATION TO ME AND I HOPE TO THOSE READING THIS NEWSLETTER. THERE SEEMS TO BE A CORE OF MEMBERS THAT HAVE COME TOGETHER TO TAKE ON THE CHALLENGES THAT ARE EMINENT WHEN STARTING AND MAINTAINING AN ORGANIZATION LIKE ABATE. THE COMMITMENT AND RESPONSIBILITY OF ITS MEMBERSHIP ARE WHAT WILL MAKE THIS SOMETHING THAT JUST EXISTED AND YOU BECAME A MEMBER OF, OR AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT CAN HAPPEN WHEN PEOPLE COME TOGETHER TO ACCOMPLISH A COMMON GOAL. I SALUTE ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND PARTICIPATION.

AT OUR LAST CHAPTER MEETING A MOTION WAS MADE TO CHANGE THE TIME AND DAY FOR OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS FROM SATURDAY AT 11:30 AM TO SUNDAY AT 11:00 AM. THE MOTION CARRIED 27 TO 1 ON THE FLOOR AND A POLL WAS TAKEN IN THE LATER PART OF MARCH TO GIVE THOSE NOT IN ATTENDANCE, AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOICE THEIR OPINION FOR OR AGAINST THE CHANGE. IT WAS TAKEN VIA EMAIL BUT THAT LEFT OVER 30 MEMBERS WITHOUT INTERNET ACCESS AND AN EMAIL ADDRESS OUT OF THE LOOP. WE WILL NEED THOSE MEMBERS TO RESPOND BACK TO US, AS WELL AS THOSE MEMBERS WHO RESPONDED THAT THEY RECEIVED THE EMAIL AND ONLY RESPONDED BY SENDING A RECEIPT, I'M GLAD YOU RECEIVED THE EMAIL BUT WHAT WE WANTED WAS YOUR OPINION, BASICALLY YOUR VOTE, BEFORE OR AT OUR NEXT MEETING.

ANOTHER QUESTION WAS TO THOSE MEMBERS WITH AN EMAIL ADDRESS AND INTERNET ACCESS IF THEY WOULD CONSIDER RECEIVING THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL OR ON LINE TO HELP THE CHAPTER MANAGE OUR LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES. WE ALSO ASKED THAT EVERYONE MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE NEWSLETTER FUND. WE WERE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE RECEIVED DONATIONS FROM LOYAL AND DEDICATED MEMBERS WHO GAVE GENEROUSLY AND MADE IT POSSIBLE TO HAVE THIS NEWSLETTER PRINTED AND DISTRIBUTED FOR THIS IMPORTANT APRIL ISSUE. I'M MENTIONING IT HERE BECAUSE WE NEED THE SUPPORT OF ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS, WE NEED THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE UNABLE TO RECEIVE EMAIL UPDATES AND ATTEND MEETINGS TO HELP OUT AS WELL. YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO HELP FUND THE NEWSLETTER IS A WAY OF PARTICIPATING IF YOU'RE UNABLE TO BE A PART OF OTHER ASPECTS OF THE CHAPTER FUNCTIONS. IT TAKES EVERYONE TO MAKE THIS A CHAPTER TO BE PROUD OF.

APRIL AND MAY ARE GOING TO BE EXTREMELY BUSY AND VERY IMPORTANT MONTHS REGARDING THE OPERATION AND FUNCTIONALITY OF OUR CHAPTER. CURRENTLY NOMINATIONS ARE BEING HELD AT THE MEETINGS FOR THE ELECTIONS IN JUNE. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR EVERY MEMBER TO

## President's Message - Cont'd

PARTICIPATE. WE HAVE AN EVENT BEING PLANNED, WE NEED PARTICIPATION FROM AS MANY MEMBERS AS POSSIBLE TO HELP TAKE SOME OF THE LOAD OFF OF THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN SO MUCH IN TIME, ENERGY AND MONEY (OUT OF THEIR OWN POCKET) TO SET UP OUR BOOTH AT BIKE NIGHTS AND EVENTS KEEPING THE CHAPTER VISIBLE AND SUPPORTING OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN THE MOTORCYCLE COMMUNITY IN HOPES OF GAINING THEIR SUPPORT FOR US.

AS MOST OF YOU KNOW WE HAVE OUR FIRST S.F.P.C. SANCTIONED CALENDAR EVENT COMING UP SATURDAY JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup>. THIS IS OUR FIRST REAL OPPORTUNITY TO ESTABLISH OUR CHAPTER AS A VIABLE AND ACTIVE PART OF THE MOTORCYCLE COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT AN EASY TASK BY A LONG SHOT. A COMMITTEE WAS FORMED AND A PLAN WAS LAID OUT FOR THE EVENT AND AGAIN BY A CORE OF PEOPLE THAT WANT TO SEE THIS EVENT BECOME SOMETHING MOTORCYCLISTS WILL MARK ON THEIR CALENDAR AS ONE OF THE EVENTS THEY DON'T WANT TO MISS. WE HAVE SELECTED THE UGLY MUG IN DELRAY BCH. FOR THE LOCATION, AND BECAUSE IT'S GOING TO BE HELD IN JUNE AND ON A SATURDAY WE THOUGHT WE'D HOLD IT LATE IN THE AFTERNOON ON INTO THE EVENING.

THE OWNER OF THE UGLY MUG, JIMMY, HAS BEEN A SUPPORTER OF OUR CHAPTER AS AN ADVERTISER AND NOW AS OUR PARTNER BY ALLOWING US TO USE HIS FINE ESTABLISHMENT TO PUT TOGETHER A GREAT PROGRAM, WITH A LITTLE SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY. WE HAVE SOME GREAT GAMES PLANNED, "IRON EAGLE" JEFF AND GATOR HAVE GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTED OUR REQUEST TO HOLD SLOW RIDE AND WEENIE BITE CONTESTS, AS ONLY THESE TWO GUY'S CAN. IF YOU HAVE EVER BEEN TO IRON EAGLE'S BIKE NIGHT ON TUESDAY'S YOU ALREADY KNOW IT'S ONE OF THE BEST AROUND. WE HAVE BEEN INCREDIBLY FORTUNATE TO HAVE LIVE MUSIC BY "COLD IRON" A PREMIER SOUTHERN ROCK BAND, DONATE THEIR TIME TO PERFORM AT THE EVENT. GREAT GUYS AND A GREAT BAND, THEY WERE ONE OF THE FEATURE BANDS AT THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FUN IN THE SUN TOY RUN.

THE POINT I'M TRYING TO MAKE HERE IS ALL OF THESE FINE FOLKS AND THOSE MEMBERS ACTIVE IN OUR DEVELOPMENT ARE DONATING THEIR TIME AND EFFORTS, TO HELP MAKE IT A GREAT TIME FOR ALL. WE NEED YOU! I KNOW, YOUR TIME IS LIMITED AND OF GREAT VALUE TO YOU, I CAN APPRECIATE THAT. THE FACT IS THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE GIVEN MORE THAN ANYONE COULD ASK AND MADE THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS ALL ALONG ARE JUST LIKE YOU AND I. WE ALL HAVE FAMILIES, JOBS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS. IT'S UNDERSTOOD, BUT IT REALLY MEANS A LOT TO THEM WHEN THEY SEE OTHERS GETTING INVOLVED IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE. IT MEANS A LOT TO US AS BOARD MEMBERS TO KNOW YOU ARE A PART OF THIS CHAPTER AND THAT WE CAN COUNT ON OUR MEMBERS TO KEEP THE CHAPTER STRONG.

WHAT WE DO AS A CHAPTER REQUIRES MANY DIFFERENT TALENTS AND ABILITIES. I BELIEVE EACH ONE OF US IS UNIQUE IN OUR OWN WAY AND POSSESS CAPABILITIES THAT SET US A PART

## President's Message - Cont'd

AS INDIVIDUALS. IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT EACH PERSON HAS SOMETHING TO CONTRIBUTE IN THEIR OWN WAY. WE ONLY NEED TO RECOGNIZE THE TALENTS WE HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH AND APPLY THEM TO WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR ABILITIES TO ACCOMPLISH OUR GOALS. WITHOUT TAKING ACTION AND WORKING TOGETHER WE ARE MISSING OUT ON A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN. NOT ONLY FROM THE ACTIVIST ASPECT BUT FOR PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS AND SHARING WITH YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN MAKING THIS CHAPTER AN EXAMPLE.

WE ALSO ARE IN THE PROCESS OF NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS OF THE LAST MEETING. THIS IS WHERE YOU, GET TO DECIDE WHO WILL STEER THE CHAPTER FOR THE NEXT YEAR. THE ELECTION IS IN JUNE IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU FEEL IS QUALIFIED AND WILLING TO MAKE THE COMMITMENT. BY ALL MEANS MAKE THE NEXT TWO MEETINGS AND BE SURE THAT PERSON OR YOU YOURSELF, IF YOU PLAN TO RUN, MAKE THE NEXT TWO MEETINGS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE NEXT CHAPTER MEETING.

YOUR BROTHER AT ARMS

RIDE FREE, RIDE SAFE

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## MANS BEST FRIEND

A DOG IS TRULY A MAN'S BEST FRIEND.

IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IT, JUST TRY THIS EXPERIMENT.

PUT YOUR DOG AND YOUR WIFE IN THE TRUNK OF THE CAR... WAIT AN HOUR.

WHEN YOU OPEN THE TRUNK, WHO IS REALLY HAPPY TO SEE YOU?

I REST MY CASE.

***SUBMITTED BY: BILL POINTER - ABATE LIFE MEMBER***



**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**

### **MARCH**

Trisha "Tushy" Leiti  
Martha "Roadkill" Ledford  
Kathi "Wheels" Culler  
Paul "Zing" McDonald  
Everett Curtis

Chip Haubner  
Art "Artmann" Ring  
Scott "Phoenix" Lipp  
Karen Podhurst Dem



### **APRIL**

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Ted Kimlin  
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Luis "Smiley" Correa

### **MAY**

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Richard "Pops" Caston  
Robert "Preacher Bob" Jordan  
John E. "Sandman" Wright  
Elizabeth "Iviza" Ranalla  
Kathy "Cookie" Cook  
Karen Brady  
Randy "Big Daddy" Sinclair  
Shari Ball  
Nancy "Red" Rutan

### **JUNE**

Athena 'The Vagabond Chickie' Ransom  
Bill 'Boca Bill' Welch  
Chuck "Mailman" Ennis  
Kelly "Boots" Cassel Heller  
Charles "Freeze" Housman  
Keryn Piersa  
Denis "Pepe" Lessard  
Bob Sykes  
Robbie "Smoke" Merritt  
Sandy Merritt

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## Vice President's Message

SHOULD YOU HAVE AN OPINION AND THE TIME TO WRITE, I'D REALLY LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU.

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!

FOR OVER A YEAR NOW I HAVE BEEN ENDING MY VICE PRESIDENTS MESSAGES WITH THAT STATEMENT. AT A CHAPTER MEETING A FEW MONTHS AGO, I ASKED THE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE IF THEY ACTUALLY READ THE MESSAGES WE WRITE AND THEY ALL RAISED A HAND TO SIGNIFY THEY ACTUALLY DO READ THEM. I HAVE EVEN GOTTEN TWO OR THREE E-MAILS WITH COMMENTS ON AN ARTICLE I'VE WRITTEN OR SOMETHING I'VE SAID AT A MEETING, BUT FROM WHAT I HAVE BEEN HEARING AND SEEING LATELY I'M NOT SATISFIED WITH THAT. THE THING THAT I AM HEARING MORE AND MORE IS THAT SOMETHING HAS TO CHANGE. I COULDN'T AGREE MORE!

IN THIS MESSAGE I AM GOING TO SHARE SOME OF MY VIEWS, THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS ABOUT WHAT ABATE IS, WHERE WE ARE AND HOW WE CAN MOVE FORWARD.

IF YOU ARE ONE OF OUR MEMBERS THAT TAKE THE TIME TO COME TO A CHAPTER MEETING OR RIDES WITH US YOU PRETTY MUCH KNOW ABOUT WHAT WE ARE DOING OR NOT DOING AS A CHAPTER. WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW IS WHAT IT TAKES TO ACCOMPLISH ALL THESE THINGS YOU HEAR ABOUT. A LOT OF HARD WORK GOES INTO MAINTAINING OUR CHAPTER, MUCH LESS CONTINUALLY ATTEMPTING TO HAVE US GROW.

FIRST LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE FACT THAT WE ARE AN ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEERS. PEOPLE WITH A LIKE INTEREST, NAMELY MOTORCYCLES, THAT CAME TOGETHER TO HAVE A STRONGER VOICE REGARDING MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS AND SAFETY. AT THE HELM OF OUR ORGANIZATION WE HAVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WHO ARE ELECTED TO COORDINATE THE OPERATIONS OF THE CHAPTER AND REPRESENT YOU. IN MY OPINION, ONCE YOU TAKE ON THAT RESPONSIBILITY, THE HYPOCRISY OF BEING A VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATION CEASES BECAUSE YOU HAVE MADE A COMMITMENT. PERSONALLY, I HAVE BEEN IN THIS POSITION FOR OVER TWO YEARS NOW, STARTING WHEN I STEPPED INTO THE VP ROLE WHEN MY PREDECESSOR CHOSE TO VACATE HIS COMMITMENT, THEN LAST YEAR YOU ELECTED ME TO CONTINUE.

THIS YEAR BOTH STRONGBOW AND I HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO RUN FOR BOTH PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT. WHEN FIRST NOMINATED, I ADVISED STRONGBOW THAT I HAD NO INTENT TO RUN AGAINST HIM FOR PRESIDENT OF OUR CHAPTER. HIS ADVICE WAS THAT IT WAS A GOOD THING TO HAVE OUR MEMBERS THINKING OF CHOICES AND I SHOULD NOT BE TOO QUICK TO DISMISS THE OPTION. I'VE GIVEN THIS A LOT OF THOUGHT AND FEEL THAT THERE IS STILL A LOT TO BE DONE IN CEMENTING THE

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## Vice President's Message - Cont'd

FOUNDATION OF OUR CHAPTER BY OUR FOUNDING MEMBERS. I AM HONORED TO HAVE BEEN NOMINATED AND ALTHOUGH IT WOULD DEFINITELY BE A CONSIDERATION IN THE FUTURE, I FEEL THAT THE STRENGTH OF OUR TEAM WITH STRONGBOW AS PRESIDENT IS BEST FOR THE CHAPTER. SO I WILL BE DECLINING THE NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT BUT I WILL AGAIN ACCEPT THE NOMINATION FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

WE HAVE ENJOYED SOME SUCCESS THIS YEAR IN THE POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP WE BUILT AND ARE CONTINUING TO STRENGTHEN WITH THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH. WE WERE ALSO RECOGNIZED BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA PRESIDENTS COUNCIL, WHO GRANTED US TWO DATES ON THEIR CALENDAR OF EVENTS. THESE ARE TWO IMMENSE ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT COULD BENEFIT OUR CAUSE GREATLY. THOUGH, THEY ARE VERY SEPARATE AND DIFFERENT ISSUES, AS WITH ANYTHING THAT CARRIES A SUBSTANTIAL REWARD, IT COMES WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF RETURNING THAT WHICH WAS GIVEN TO US. SPECIFICALLY WHAT I MEAN BY THAT IS THAT DELRAY BEACH IS NOW EXPECTING US TO BE AWARE AND CONSIDERATE OF THEIR NOISE PROBLEMS AND THE SFPC IS EXPECTING US TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OTHER EVENTS. SO AS YOU CAN SEE, WITH EVERY VALUE GIVEN TO US WE HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO RETURN THE SAME. I BELIEVE THIS TO BE RIGHTEOUS AND PROPER, BUT AGAIN TAKE SOME OF THE VOLUNTARY ASPECTS AWAY FROM OUR ASSOCIATION AS IT NOW PLACES RESPONSIBILITIES BACK TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS. WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT FOR OUR JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> SFPC EVENT, AS WELL AS A POSITIVE IMAGE WHEN RIDING THROUGH DELRAY BEACH.

AT THE LAST CHAPTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING I SUGGESTED THAT WE SHOULD CONSIDER MOVING OUR CHAPTER MEETING FROM SATURDAY TO SUNDAY MORNING. I SUGGESTED THIS IN AN ATTEMPT TO ALLOW MORE OF OUR MEMBERS WHO WORK ON SATURDAYS TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS AND IN THE HOPE THAT WE WOULD HAVE MEMBERS TOGETHER THAT WOULD RIDE WITH US TO THE SFPC CALENDAR EVENTS THAT GENERALLY OCCUR ON SUNDAYS. ALL BUT ONE MEMBER IN ATTENDANCE AGREED WITH MY SUGGESTION AND WE HAVE TAKEN IT A STEP FURTHER BY SENDING AN E-MAIL TO ALL MEMBERS CURRENTLY ON THE E-MAIL LIST FOR COMMENTS. SO FAR THERE IS OVERWHELMING SUPPORT FOR THE CHANGE.

THE NEXT THING I HAVE PLANS TO SUGGEST IS A MONTHLY SOCIAL EVENT FOR ABATE PALM BEACH CHAPTER. IT COULD EITHER TAKE THE FORM OF A MONTHLY BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR MEMBERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY DURING THAT MONTH OR POSSIBLY JUST A FUN RIDE. I'LL BE DISCUSSING INTEREST IN ANY MONTHLY SOCIAL ACTIVITY AT THE NEXT BOD AND CHAPTER MEETINGS. I HAVE TO ADMIT THAT YEARS AGO WHEN I FIRST JOINED ABATE SOUTHEAST CHAPTER IT WAS THE CAUSE THAT GOT MY \$20. NOW THOUGH I AM STILL FIGHTING FOR THE CAUSE, THE PEOPLE OF ABATE ARE WHAT KEEPS ME COMMITTED TO PROGRESSING. I GUARANTEE, THE MORE YOU GET INVOLVED WITH THE FANTASTIC PEOPLE WE HAVE IN OUR CHAPTER THE MORE YOU WILL RECEIVE IN RETURN. A GREAT WAY TO START WOULD BE GETTING INVOLVED IN ONE OF THE COMMITTEES WORKING ON THE JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> EVENT. JUST VOLUNTEER WHATEVER SPARE TIME YOU HAVE TO ASSIST US IN MAKING OUR FIRST IMPRESSION A LASTING POSITIVE FOUNDATION TO THE SFPC AND THE SOUTH FLORIDA MOTORCYCLE COMMUNITY.

## Vice President's Message - Cont'd

IN THE PAST, SEVERAL MEMBERS HAVE REQUESTED INFORMATION ON BECOMING CERTIFIED AS AN INSTRUCTOR IN OUR MOTORCYCLE SAFETY & AWARENESS PROGRAM. I AM DELIGHTED TO INFORM YOU THAT JUST LAST NIGHT I WAS ADVISED BY THE MSAP DIRECTOR FOR ABATE SOUTHEAST THAT THEY WILL AGAIN BE PROVIDING THE CLASSES FOR THE BROWARD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM THIS SUMMER. THERE WILL BE MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR MEMBERS TO GET THEIR CERTIFICATION BY ASSISTING THEM. YOU MUST PARTICIPATE IN THREE CLASSES TO BE CERTIFIED. I SHOULD HAVE THE INFORMATION AND LINK TO THE BCSD BY THE TIME THIS NEWSLETTER IS PUBLISHED, SO IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT ME AND I'LL BE GLAD TO FORWARD THE INFORMATION TO YOU. I HAD A GREAT E-MAIL FROM A MEMBER NOT TOO LONG AGO ABOUT MY INTEREST IN GETTING THE YOUNGER SPORT-BIKERS INVOLVED WITH US. HE SUGGESTED THAT WE CHANGE DIRECTIONS BY GOING TO THEM RATHER THAN ATTEMPTING TO HAVE THEM COME TO US. THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO START THAT.

EARLIER IN THIS MESSAGE I MENTIONED CHANGE. I AM ALWAYS GLAD TO LISTEN TO ANYTHING THAT A MEMBER OR NON-MEMBER HAS TO SAY, ALTHOUGH I HAVE TO ADMIT THAT I PREFER HEARING WHAT IS SAID DIRECTLY FROM THE PERSON WHO IS SAYING IT AND NOT THIRD, FORTH OR HOWEVER MANY PEOPLE IN-BETWEEN. LIKE I SAID EARLIER AND HAVE SAID MANY TIMES IN THE PAST; IT IS A VERY HARD JOB BEING ONE OF YOUR DIRECTORS. IF ANYONE HAS SOMETHING TO SAY I AM ALWAYS WILLING TO HEAR YOU. I WILL ALWAYS CONSIDER WHAT YOU SAY. MY DECISION WILL ALWAYS BE FOR THE GOOD OF THE CHAPTER AND NOT OF MY PERSONAL CONVICTIONS. I ASK ONLY THAT YOU COME IN AND BE HEARD. THEN IF I DO NOT REPRESENT YOUR INTENTIONS IN THE DIRECTION YOU BELIEVE BEST FOR YOU; TAKE MY JOB! STAND UP AND SAY, I THINK I CAN DO THIS BETTER AND I WANT TO TAKE US THE WAY I BELIEVE TO BE THE RIGHT WAY. NOW IS THE TIME TO BE HEARD. NOMINATIONS ARE STILL OPEN AND IF YOU CAN'T FIND SOMEONE TO NOMINATE YOU COME TO ME AND TELL ME YOU THINK YOU CAN DO MY JOB BETTER THAN I CAN AND I'LL NOMINATE YOU MYSELF. JUST PLEASE DO NOT WALK AWAY, BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT ONLY LETTING DOWN OUR CHAPTER, YOU'RE WALKING AWAY FROM YOURSELF.

SHOULD YOU HAVE AN OPINION AND THE TIME TO WRITE, I'D REALLY LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU.

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

[VICEPRESIDENT@ABATEPALMBEACH.COM](mailto:VICEPRESIDENT@ABATEPALMBEACH.COM)

# 2008 CALENDAR

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**SFPC**  
 MANDATORY MOTORCYCLE CLUB EVENTS ARE LISTED IN LARGER LETTERS  
 Call (954) 439-9597 or (954) 574-2600 for changes, deletions, additions or inquiries

## 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 - CANCELLED!!
- 25-27 Leesberg Bikefest

## MAY

- 4 - Southern MC Annual
- 18 - Black Pistons MC Keys Annual
- 28 - Wheels on the Road 'Try Again' Benefit Party at Nicky's
- 25 - SE ABATE Memorial Day Event

## JUNE

- 1 - Soldiers for Jesus MC Annual
- 7 - Alternative MC Run
- 8 - AOA MC Treasure Coast Annual
- 14 - New Attitudes MC Annual
- 14 & 15 - ARC / Toyota of Stuart Treasure Coast Bike Fest
- 15 - Peterson's North Shore 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 68th Annual Sturgis Bike Week
- 15, 16, 17 - 13th International South Florida Tattoo Expo
- 17 - AOA MC 41st Anniversary
- 24 - Wings of Gold MC Ft. St. Lucie Annual

## SEPTEMBER

- 7 - US Military Vets MC Pompano Annual
- 13 - Outcasts MC off annual
- 14 - States MC 15th Annual Key West Tunup Party
- 19-21 - Phil Peterson's 36th 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 Biketoberfest
- 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
- 7 - Heaven Cycles 31st Annual-31 FREE Kegs!
- 14 - 21st SFPC Christmas Toys in the Sun Run
- 20 - 9th Annual SFLCOC Christmas Party
- 20 - Drawing for the Toy Run bike at H-D of Miami
- 21 - Calvary Chapel Christmas Service

### 17th Annual Palm Beach Harley Owners Group CHILI COOK-OFF

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4TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL POKER RUN  
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 FIRST \$500  
 SECOND \$200  
 THIRD \$75

### THE WINGS OF GOLD MC STARS & STRIPES DICE RUN

Sunday April 20, 2008

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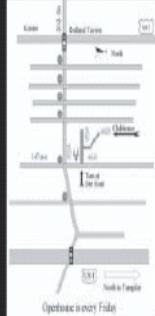
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**APRIL 13, 2008**

BENEFIT POKER RUN  
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## Sergeant-at-Arms

GREETINGS MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS, HOPE YOUR EASTER WAS PLEASANT AND ENJOYABLE.

I WANT TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE THAT SHOWED UP AT THE LAST MEETING, VOTED AND TRUSTED ME WITH THE SERGEANT AT ARMS POSITION WITHIN OUR ORGANIZATION. ALSO I'D LIKE TO THANK (I THINK) STRONGBOW FOR THE KIND WORDS HE SPOKE OF ME AND FOR NOMINATING ME AS SERGEANT AT ARMS FOR NEXT YEAR. WITH YOUR HELP I WILL DO MY BEST TO FULFILL THIS POSITION AND HOPEFULLY DISCHARGE MY DUTIES IN THE MANNER THAT WILL BRING HONOR TO YOU AND ABATE OF PALM BEACH.

NOW I HAVE A FEW THOUGHTS ABOUT OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC. HOW DO THESE TWO LINK TOGETHER? WELL IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE GENERAL PUBLIC JUST HAS A VERY BAD MISCONCEPTION OF BIKERS (50'S AND 60'S STIGMA) AND THE POLITICIANS RIDE THIS MISCONCEPTION AS FAR AS THEY CAN. WE ARE NOT LIKED AT ALL WHICH PUTS US AS A TARGET. A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THIS WAS DURING THE DELRAY FIASCO, WHEN THE NEWS PAPERS WERE RUNNING THEIR STORIES; THEY HAD A BOG SET UP FOR COMMENTS. I READ THESE COMMENTS AND MOST WERE HATE DRIVEN AGAINST BIKERS AND THAT WE AS BIKERS HAVE NOTHING TO GIVE TO SOCIETY.

I HAVE MET WITH A FEW REPRESENTATIVES SINCE I'VE JOINED ABATE AND MY LEARNED OPINION OF THEM HAS BEEN STEADFAST. THEY SMILE, GIVE POSITIVE RESPONSES TO YOUR COMMENTS, LOOK LIKE THEY ARE INTERESTED IN WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY, THEN THEY GO OFF AND DO WHAT THEY PLEASE. THE POLITICIANS HAVE ONLY ONE OBJECTIVE, WHICH IS TO GET RE-ELECTED.

AN EXAMPLE OF THIS IS REPRESENTATIVE BOGDANOFF. PAPA BEAR AND I RODE DOWN TO ABATE SOUTH EAST AND JIMMY LESNIAK (PRES. ABATE S. E.) TO MEET WITH REP. BOGDANOFF. SHE DID LISTEN TO US AND DID GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ABOUT THE ISSUES THAT ARE MOST IMPORTANT TO US. DURING OUR CONVERSATION, TWO THINGS SHE SAID ARE STILL RINGING IN MY EARS.

(1) WE NEED TO PASS LAWS TO PROTECT MOTORCYCLIST FROM THEMSELVES. \*\*

(2) SHE WAS ASKED ABOUT THE PROPOSAL TO OUTLAW THE USE OF CELL PHONES WHILE DRIVING, HER RESPONSE WAS NO, NO, NO.

YOU CAN IMAGINE WHAT I THOUGHT OF HER RESPONSES, NOOOO I'LL KEEP IT CLEAN. FOR THOSE WHO WOULD WANT TO DISCUSS THIS WITH ME IN PRIVATE, I CAN BE MORE DESCRIPTIVE AND COLORFUL IN GETTING MY POINT OF VIEW ACROSS.

NOW TO THE GENERAL CAGE PUBLIC THAT ONLY KNOWS A MOTORCYCLE BY LOOKING AT US AS THEY TURN IN OUR RIGHT OF WAY. AGAIN I'VE TALKED WITH THEM AND A NUMBER OF THEM ARE MY CLIENTS, BUT GENERALLY THEY THINK OF US AS MIDDLE AGE CRISIS, GOING THROUGH YOUR SECOND CHILDHOOD, LOOK AT ME I'M WEARING BLACK LEATHER SO I'M TUFF, ETC, ETC, ETC, PEOPLE. THEY DON'T KNOW THAT WE ARE PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE WITH FAMILIES AND CARE ABOUT OUR NATION AS A WHOLE, BUT AGAIN I DON'T THINK THEY REALLY CARE.

ONE OF MY CLIENTS WAS VERY SURPRISED WHEN I TOLD HIM THAT I WAS A BIKER AND BELONGED TO AN ORGANIZATION AND I SAW HIS ATTITUDE CHANGE EVER SO SLIGHTLY TO ME. HE CAME BACK AT ME WITH I WAS THE CAUSE OF HIS INCREASING INSURANCE RATES, HAVE TO WEAR A HELMET, AND A FEW OTHER THINGS. AFTER A DISCUSSION FOR APPROXIMATELY HALF AN HOUR I ASKED HIM IF HE WOULD READ ONE OF OUR NEWSLETTERS, SEPTEMBER ISSUE. HE AGREED AND I LEFT IT WITH HIM WITH THE PROMISE THAT HE WOULD SEND IT BACK TO ME, THIS ISSUE HAS OUR STATE REPS. INFO AND HAND SIGNALS IN IT. WHEN HE SENT IT BACK THERE WAS A NOTE ATTACHED, "VERY INTERESTING AND INFORMATIVE BOOKLET. I HAVE LEARNED A LOT". HIS WHOLE DEMEANOR CHANGED AND HE STARTED TO SEND ME ARTICLES CUT OUT OF THE NEWS PAPER ABOUT BIKES. A LITTLE EDUCATION WENT A LONG WAY WITH HIM.

SO TO SUMMARIZE THIS WHOLE THING, THE GENERAL PUBLIC DOESN'T LIKE US, THE POLITICIANS WILL FOLLOW THE GENERAL PUBLIC, NOT CARING IF THEY DO RIGHT OR WRONG AS LONG AS THEY GET THE VOTE, AND WE'RE LEFT WITH A BIG TARGET ON OUR BACKS BECAUSE WE RIDE BIKES AND WEAR LEATHER. DOES THIS SOUND ABOUT RIGHT?

OK, HEAR I GO NOW, WE NEED MORE RIDERS TO LET THE PUBLIC AND POLITICIANS KNOW WE ARE OUT THERE AND MUST BE COUNTED. YOU MEMBERS THAT HAVE SHOWN UP, I TIP MY HAT TO YOU, THOSE THAT HAVEN'T, COME ON OUT, YOU COUNT AND IT COULD BE FUN. WE HAVE TO BE STRONG IN OUR CONVICTIONS OR WE WILL HAVE OUR RIGHTS TAKEN AWAY, EXAMPLE HB 137. SO HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE NEXT RIDE AND MEETING.

KEEP IT VERTICAL, RIDE FREE, RIDE SAFE

*BWANA*

*ASST. SGT. AT ARMS*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>April 2008</h1>						
		1 Iron Eagle Bike Nite	2 Island Jack's - Bike Night- Margate & WPB - See Coupon Pg 22	3 Fuddruckers Bike Night	4 State's MC - Lake Worth - Open House  Lama - Open House	5
6	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	12 ABATE FREEDOM RUN TALLAHASSEE
13 AOA MC - W. PALM ANNUAL  BENEFIT CHARLOTTE BROOKS - PG 15	14 ABATE FREEDOM RUN RIDE TO CAPITOL	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
20 17 <sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-ff - Pg 13  Wings of Gold - Pg 13  LAMA - PG 13	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 LEESBURG BIKEFEST  
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<h1>May 2008</h1>						
				1 Fuddruckers Bike Night	2 State's MC - Lake Worth - Open House  Lama - Open House	3 CMA - 20 <sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PG- 14
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THIS IS A RESPONSE THAT HAD BEEN SENT TO ONE OF OUR MEMBERS, RAY EDWARDS, BY STATE REPRESENTATIVE SUSAN BUSER DIST. 88 REPLYING TO THE FORM LETTER HE SENT IN REGARD TO HB 137.

I HAD RECEIVED TWO LETTERS PERSONALLY AND RECEIVED "A RECEIPT CONFIRMATION" FROM OTHER MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE. IF YOU EVER WONDERED IF YOUR OPINION IS HEARD THIS SHOULD ANSWER YOUR QUESTION. THESE REPRESENTATIVES PAY ATTENTION TO RESPONSES TO THEIR POSITION ON THESE ISSUES AND THE ACTIONS THEY TAKE. WHEN YOU ARE CALLED UPON TO TAKE ACTION, IT IS INDEED IN YOUR BEST INTEREST AND THAT OF ALL MOTORCYCLISTS TO RESPOND.

WE AS AMERICANS ARE BEGINNING TO SEE HOW POWERFUL WE CAN BE WHEN WE UNITE UNDER ONE FLAG TO CALL FOR CHANGE OR IN OPPOSITION TO GOVERNMENT ACTIONS THAT WE FEEL ARE NOT IN OUR BEST INTEREST. YOU COUNT, YOUR OPINION COUNTS AND YOUR ALLIANCE WITH OTHER LIKE MINDED PEOPLE CAN HAVE AN EFFECT ON THE WAY THESE PEOPLE VOTE ON ISSUES. GET INVOLVED, LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD, ANSWER THE CALL AND JOIN THE FIGHT. IT CAN MAKE ALL DIFFERENCE.

**STRONGBOW**



Florida House of Representatives  
Representative Susan Bucher  
District 88

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March 28, 2008

Dear Ray Edwards:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding House Bill 137, Offenses Committed While Operating a Motorcycle. I realize you have several concerns regarding this legislation. The purpose of this bill was to address riders of high performance motorcycles that treat Florida's roads and highways as their own personal stunt track. I am sure you can agree that popping wheelies at high rates of speed or any other kind of stunt riding has no place on Florida's roads.

Originally, House Bill 137 was drafted in a way that would affect all motorcycle riders. I feel that the poor actions of a few riders should not punish all riders. Subsequently, the bill was amended to clearly address the valid concerns of several motorcycle organizations, the motorcycle industry and members of the Committee on Infrastructure.

The amendment that was adopted changes the language so that it applies to any motor vehicle, both cars and motorcycles, that is speeding 50 mph or greater over the posted speed limit. The amendment also included staggered penalties for first, second and third time offenders. First time offenders will face a \$1,000 fine. On the second offense, a person will face a \$2,500 fine and a one-year license suspension. A third time offender will lose their license for 10 years and have to forfeit their vehicle. Additionally, language has now been incorporated into the bill that will account for "wheelies" that are beyond the rider's control.

Thank you for expressing your concerns. Please be assured they will be taken into consideration. If I may be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

**Susan Bucher**

SUSAN BUCHER  
State Representative  
District 88

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## THE STELLA AWARDS

IT'S TIME AGAIN FOR THE ANNUAL 'STELLA AWARDS'! FOR THOSE UNFAMILIAR WITH THESE AWARDS, THEY ARE NAMED AFTER 81-YEAR-OLD *STELLA LIEBECK* WHO SPILLED HOT COFFEE ON HERSELF AND SUCCESSFULLY SUED THE McDONALD'S IN NEW MEXICO WHERE SHE PURCHASED THE COFFEE. YOU REMEMBER, SHE TOOK THE LID OFF THE COFFEE AND PUT IT BETWEEN HER KNEES WHILE SHE WAS DRIVING. WHO WOULD EVER THINK ONE COULD GET BURNED DOING THAT, RIGHT?

THAT'S RIGHT; THESE ARE AWARDS FOR THE MOST OUTLANDISH LAWSUITS AND VERDICTS IN THE U.S. YOU KNOW, THE KINDS OF CASES THAT MAKE YOU SCRATCH YOUR HEAD.

SO KEEP YOUR HEAD SCRATCHER HANDY.

7TH PLACE - KATHLEEN ROBERTSON OF AUSTIN, TEXAS WAS AWARDED \$80,000 BY A JURY OF HER PEERS AFTER BREAKING HER ANKLE TRIPPING OVER A TODDLER WHO WAS RUNNING INSIDE A FURNITURE STORE. THE STORE OWNERS WERE UNDERSTANDABLY SURPRISED BY THE VERDICT, CONSIDERING THE RUNNING TODDLER WAS HER OWN SON.

6TH PLACE - CARL TRUMAN, 19, OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA WON \$74,000 PLUS MEDICAL EXPENSES WHEN HIS NEIGHBOR RAN OVER HIS HAND WITH A HONDA ACCORD. TRUMAN APPARENTLY DIDN'T NOTICE THERE WAS SOMEONE AT THE WHEEL OF THE CAR WHEN HE WAS TRYING TO STEAL HIS NEIGHBOR'S HUBCAPS. GO AHEAD, GRAB YOUR HEAD SCRATCHER.

5TH PLACE - TERRENCE DICKSON, OF BRISTOL, PENNSYLVANIA, WHO WAS LEAVING A HOUSE HE HAD JUST BURGLARIZED BY WAY OF THE GARAGE. UNFORTUNATELY FOR DICKSON, THE AUTOMATIC GARAGE DOOR OPENER MALFUNCTIONED AND HE COULD NOT GET THE GARAGE DOOR TO OPEN. WORSE, HE COULDN'T RE-ENTER THE HOUSE BECAUSE THE DOOR CONNECTING THE GARAGE TO THE HOUSE LOCKED WHEN DICKSON PULLED IT SHUT FORCED TO SIT FOR EIGHT, COUNT 'EM, EIGHT, DAYS ON A CASE OF PEPSI AND A LARGE BAG OF DRY DOG FOOD, HE SUED THE HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE COMPANY CLAIMING UNDUE MENTAL ANGUISH. AMAZINGLY, THE JURY SAID THE INSURANCE COMPANY MUST PAY DICKSON \$500,000 FOR HIS ANGUISH. WE

SHOULD ALL HAVE THIS KIND OF ANGUISH. KEEP SCRATCHING. THERE ARE MORE...

4TH PLACE - JERRY WILLIAMS, OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, GARNERED 4TH PLACE IN THE STELLA'S WHEN HE WAS AWARDED \$14,500 PLUS MEDICAL EXPENSES AFTER BEING BITTEN ON THE BUTT BY HIS NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR'S BEAGLE - EVEN THOUGH THE BEAGLE WAS ON A CHAIN IN ITS OWNER'S FENCED YARD. WILLIAMS DID NOT GET AS MUCH AS HE ASKED FOR BECAUSE THE JURY BELIEVED THE BEAGLE MIGHT HAVE BEEN PROVOKED AT THE TIME OF THE BUTT BITE BECAUSE WILLIAMS HAD CLIMBED OVER THE FENCE INTO THE YARD AND REPEATEDLY SHOT THE DOG WITH A PELLET GUN. GRRRRR... SCRATCH, SCRATCH.

3RD PLACE - AMBER CARSON OF LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA BECAUSE A JURY ORDERED A PHILADELPHIA RESTAURANT TO PAY HER \$113,500 AFTER SHE SLIPPED ON A SPILLED SOFT DRINK AND BROKE HER TAILBONE. THE REASON THE SOFT DRINK WAS ON THE FLOOR: MS. CARSON HAD THROWN IT AT HER BOYFRIEND 30 SECONDS EARLIER DURING AN ARGUMENT. WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO PEOPLE BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN ACTIONS?

SCRATCH, SCRATCH, SCRATCH. HANG IN THERE; THERE ARE ONLY TWO MORE STELLAS TO GO...

2ND PLACE - KARA WALTON, OF CLAYMONT, DELAWARE SUED THE OWNER OF A NIGHT CLUB IN A NEARBY CITY BECAUSE SHE FELL FROM THE BATHROOM WINDOW TO THE FLOOR, KNOCKING

OUT HER TWO FRONT TEETH. EVEN THOUGH Ms. WALTON WAS TRYING TO SNEAK THROUGH THE LADIES ROOM WINDOW TO AVOID PAYING THE \$3.50 COVER CHARGE, THE JURY SAID THE NIGHT CLUB HAD TO PAY HER \$12,000...OH, YEAH, PLUS DENTAL EXPENSES. GO FIGURE.

1ST PLACE: (MAY I HAVE A FANFARE PLAYED ON 50 KAZOOS PLEASE)

THIS YEAR'S RUNAWAY FIRST PLACE STELLA AWARD WINNER WAS MRS. MERV GRAZINSKI, OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA, WHO PURCHASED A NEW 32-FOOT WINNEBAGO MOTOR HOME. ON HER FIRST TRIP HOME, FROM AN OU FOOTBALL GAME, HAVING DRIVEN ON TO THE FREEWAY, SHE SET THE CRUISE CONTROL AT 70 MPH AND CALMLY LEFT THE DRIVER'S SEAT TO GO TO THE BACK OF THE WINNEBAGO TO MAKE HERSELF A SANDWICH. NOT SURPRISINGLY, THE MOTOR HOME LEFT THE FREEWAY, CRASHED AND OVERTURNED. ALSO NOT SURPRISINGLY, MRS. GRAZINSKI SUED WINNEBAGO FOR NOT PUTTING IN THE OWNER'S MANUAL THAT SHE COULDN'T ACTUALLY LEAVE THE DRIVER'S SEAT WHILE THE CRUISE CONTROL WAS SET. THE OKLAHOMA JURY AWARDED HER, ARE YOU SITTING DOWN, \$1,750,000 PLUS A NEW MOTOR HOME. WINNEBAGO ACTUALLY CHANGED THEIR MANUALS AS A RESULT OF THIS SUIT, JUST IN CASE MRS. GRAZINSKI HAS ANY RELATIVES WHO MIGHT ALSO BUY A MOTOR HOME.

ARE WE, AS A SOCIETY, GETTING MORE STUPID...?

*SUBMITTED BY: BIG JEFF A.L.R. 268*

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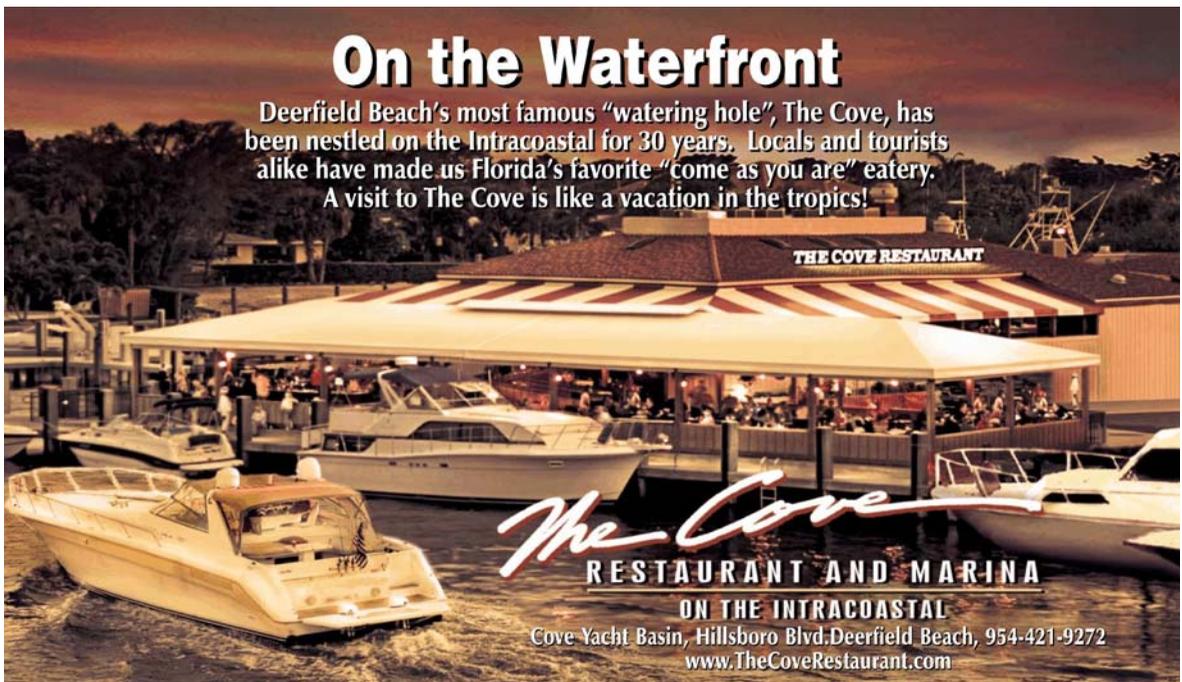
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IN THIS HURRIED AND OFTEN CONFUSING WORLD, IT'S VERY CRITICAL THAT WE SEEK THE LORD TO GAIN A SENSE OF HIS DIRECTION FOR OUR LIVES. ALSO, WE NEED TO LEARN HOW TO GET WHERE HE WANTS US TO BE. THANKFULLY, AS BELIEVERS, WE HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT TO GUIDE US.

THE THIRD PERSON OF THE TRINITY INTERPRETS GOD'S WORD FOR US AND REVEALS THE FATHERS WILL FOR OUR LIVES, ENABLING US TO CHART THE COURSE HE WANTS US TO FOLLOW.

THAT'S WHY FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST MUST SLOW DOWN ENOUGH TO RECEIVE DIRECTION FROM THE LORD. TIME SPENT IN PRAYER AND STUDY OF THE SCRIPTURES IS A DAILY LIFELINE FOR US. OUR SALVATION IS NOT JUST AN EVENT THAT HAPPENS THE MOMENT THAT WE RECEIVE HIM AS OUR REDEEMER AND SAVIOR. THIS MIGHT SOUND LIKE A CONTRADICTION TO WHAT WE HAVE HEARD, BUT IT ISN'T. YES, WE ARE SAVED FROM THE PENALTIES OF SIN AND ADOPTED INTO GOD'S FAMILY THE MOMENT WE TRUST IN HIM. BUT HIS GRACE IS SOMETHING WE SHOULD SEEK OUR ENTIRE LIVES. SANTIFICATION--THE PROCESS BY WHICH GOD MAKES US HOLY AND SETS US APART FOR HIM ALONE--COMES THROUGH A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM. (PHIL. 2:12)

OUR CLOSE CONNECTION WITH THE LORD MAY AT TIMES SEEM TOO DIFFICULT TO MAINTAIN AS WE ARE BATTERED BY COMPETING DISTRACTIONS. IT'S REALLY EASY TO DRIFT AWAY FROM HIS WILL WITHOUT EVEN KNOWING. BUT THE SMALLEST EFFORT GOES A LONG WAY WITH GOD-- AND THE GOOD NEWS IS, WE DON'T STAY ON TRACK MERELY THROUGH OUR OWN STRENGTH (PHIL. 2:13). JAMES 4:8 SAYS, "DRAW NEAR TO GOD AND HE WILL DRAW NEAR TO YOU." THE LORD JOYFULLY RESPONDS TO OUR EFFORTS TO SEEK HIM AND ENABLES US TO DO HIS WILL THROUGH HIS MIGHTY POWER (EPH. 1:18-20)

AS WE LISTEN TO HIM, WE LEARN HOW TO PRAY, AND THIS TWO-WAY COMMUNICATION IS VERY VITAL TO OUR GROWTH. WE READ THE BIBLE, AND WORDS THAT ONCE MEANT VERY LITTLE TO US NOW JUMP OFF THE PAGE, SPEAKING DIRECTLY TO OUR HEARTS; SUDDENLY WE BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THOSE WORDS REALLY MEAN.

SALVATION TAKES PLACE THE MOMENT WE ASK FOR FORGIVENESS AND ACCEPT CHRIST AS OUR SAVIOR. THE HOLY SPIRIT WANTS TO LIVE THE LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST THROUGH BELIEVERS. THIS INVOLVES PRAYER, GIVING AND SHARING THE FAITH, AND BELIEVING IN HIS PROMISES.

BUT TOO MANY OF US START OFF STRONG, THEN DRIFT AWAY FROM GOD BEFORE WE GROW DEEP AND EFFECTIVE IN OUR WALK WITH HIM.

UNLESS WE STAY ON COURSE, WE'RE GOING TO PAY THE CONSEQUENCES. THE BIBLE GIVES US A CLEAR WARNING ABOUT WANDERING AWAY FROM RIGHTEOUSNESS. NOW IS A GOOD TIME TO TAKE AN

HONEST LOOK AT YOUR LIFE. IF YOU ARE DRIFTING AWAY, SOME HOW GOT OFF COURSE, I PRAY THAT YOU WILL BE SMART ENOUGH TO STOP AND LET GOD PUT YOU BACK ON COURSE FOR HIS BEST ALL THE DAYS OF YOUR LIFE.

HERE ARE SOME WAYS TO GET BACK ON COURSE:

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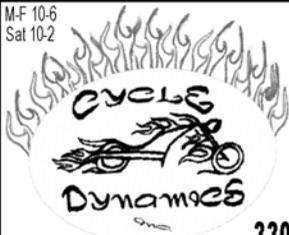
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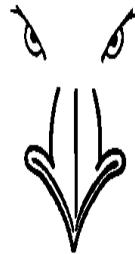


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**U.S. TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY LOBBIES FOR HELMET LAWS** THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PROMOTING HELMET USAGE AND ADVOCATING HELMET LAWS, AND U.S. TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY MARY PETERS MADE IT CLEAR TO CONGRESS THAT SHE PREFERS THE LATTER AS HER CORNERSTONE TO MOTORCYCLE SAFETY.

IN TESTIMONY BEFORE THE U.S. SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE ON MARCH 6, SECRETARY PETERS REVEALED HER DESIRE TO PROMULGATE NATIONWIDE HELMET LAWS; "I SUPPORT GIVING THE INFORMATION TO STATES SO THAT THEY CAN ACT ON THOSE LAWS," SHE TOLD SENATORS, ADDING "AND I CERTAINLY HAVE MADE MYSELF AVAILABLE TO A NUMBER OF STATES, AND, IN FACT, HAVE CALLED GOVERNORS WHEN I SEE SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES IN THE NUMBER OF MOTORCYCLE DEATHS IN A STATE, ESPECIALLY A STATE THAT HAS REPEALED A HELMET LAW."

CALLING UPON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO EASE LOBBYING RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED AT THE BEHEST OF MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, PETERS HAS REQUESTED LEGISLATION THAT WILL ALLOW HER TO DIVERT MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FUNDING TO CONVINCE STATES TO ENACT MANDATORY HELMET LAWS.

PETERS HAS SENT LETTERS TO HOUSE AND SENATE LEADERSHIP URGING LEGISLATION TO ALLOW STATES TO UTILIZE FEDERAL FUNDS INTENDED FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDER TRAINING AND AWARENESS PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE HELMET LAWS INSTEAD.

**SIKH SEEKS FREEDOM FROM CANADIAN HELMET LAW** BALJINDER BADESHA, A 39-YEAR-OLD FATHER OF FOUR WHO IMMIGRATED TO CANADA IN 1989 AND HAD BEEN AN AVID MOTORCYCLIST IN HIS NATIVE INDIA, DISPUTED A \$110 TICKET FOR RIDING HIS 2003 YAMAHA SHADOW MOTORCYCLE WITHOUT A HELMET IN 2005 AND IS NOW IN COURT FIGHTING ONTARIO'S MOTORCYCLE HELMET LAW ON RELIGIOUS GROUNDS.

WITH THE ONTARIO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION AT HIS SIDE, MR. BADESHA ARGUED THAT ONTARIO'S HELMET LAW VIOLATES HIS RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, SINCE SIKHIST BELIEFS PREVENT HIM FROM WEARING ANYTHING OVER HIS TURBAN.

BUT ONTARIO COURT JUDGE JAMES BLACKLOCK RULED THAT WHILE THE LAW PROHIBITING ANYONE RIDING A MOTORCYCLE WITHOUT A HELMET DOES VIOLATE HIS RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF RELIGION,

*Continued*

IT'S JUSTIFIABLE IN TERMS OF THE BENEFIT THAT SOCIETY GAINS IN POSSIBLE REDUCED HEALTH COSTS AND THE POSSIBLE LOSS OF PEOPLE'S LOVED ONES.

THE CROWN'S CASE CENTERED ON INCREASED COSTS TO THE HEALTH SYSTEM SHOULD HELMET-LESS SIKH MOTORCYCLE RIDERS END UP SUFFERING HEAD INJURIES, THOUGH BADESHA'S ATTORNEYS POINTED TO A STUDY THAT CONCLUDED THAT, ASSUMING HALF OF ALL SIKH MOTORCYCLISTS WEAR TURBANS, THE INCREASE IN SERIOUS INJURIES WOULD BE BETWEEN .43 AND 2.83 SIKH RIDERS A YEAR. THE STUDY ALSO PROJECTED THAT MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES WOULD INCREASE FROM \$151,700,000 TO \$151,834,685 — A .00005-PER-CENT OVERALL INCREASE IN THE PROVINCE'S ANNUAL HEALTH-CARE BUDGET.

BADESHA HAS ANNOUNCED THAT HE WILL APPEAL THE DECISION, AND BACKED BY THE LOCAL SIKH COMMUNITY HE NOW INTENDS TO CHALLENGE THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE LAW RATHER THAN FOCUSING HIS FIGHT SOLELY ON HIS TICKET. HE AND HIS SUPPORTERS WILL ALSO LOBBY POLITICIANS TO CHANGE THE LAW. FOLLOWING THE RULING, THE WORLD SIKH ORGANIZATION OF CANADA (WSO) ISSUED A STATEMENT EXPRESSING DISAPPOINTMENT AT THE COURT'S DECISION AND ASSERTING THAT WEARING A TURBAN DOESN'T SUBSTANTIALLY RAISE THE RISK EITHER TO THE RIDER OR TO OTHERS ON THE ROAD. THE ORGANIZATION POINTED TO THE SIKH MOTORCYCLISTS IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS WHO HAVE BEEN RIDING WITHOUT HELMETS FOR MANY YEARS. INDIA, HONG KONG AND BRITAIN EXEMPT SIKHS FROM WEARING MOTORCYCLE HELMETS, AS DO THE CANADIAN PROVINCES OF MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA, WHERE A HUMAN-RIGHTS CHALLENGE PRECIPITATED THE EXEMPTION. SIMILAR CHALLENGES HAVE FAILED IN THE UNITED STATES.

"WE ARE CONFIDENT OF WINNING THE BATTLE THIS TIME," BADESHA SAID. "WE DON'T BELIEVE A HELMET IS SAFE. EVERY DAY RIDERS WITH HELMETS DIE IN ROAD ACCIDENTS. IF I'M SUPPOSED TO DIE TODAY, I WILL DIE, AND NOTHING CAN SAVE ME."

**CYCLE SALES SLIDE** ECONOMIC PRESSURES, WEAKENING DOLLAR AND DECREASED DISCRETIONARY SPENDING HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE FIRST DOWNTURN IN THE MOTORCYCLE MARKET IN 14 YEARS, AND ACCORDING TO A RECENT LA TIMES ARTICLE, ESPECIALLY HARD-HIT ARE SMALL-DISPLACEMENT DIRTBIKES AND HARLEY-DAVIDSON.

ON THE UP SIDE, MOTORCYCLE SALES IN 2007 WERE OVER THE 1-MILLION MARK FOR THE FIFTH STRAIGHT YEAR, AND BATTERY AND TIRE SALES INDICATE THAT RIDERSHIP AND ENTHUSIASM FOR THE SPORT REMAIN HIGH.

ACCORDING TO THE TIMES ARTICLE, THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ESTIMATES A 2.2% SALES DROP IN 2007, BUT SOME MANUFACTURERS ARE ESTIMATING A SLIDE OF UP TO 8-10%.

IN A REGULATORY FILING, HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. SAID INDUSTRY WIDE U.S. SALES OF LARGE DISPLACEMENT MOTORCYCLES (OVER 650cc) FELL 5 PERCENT LAST YEAR. HARLEY'S LARGE-MOTORCYCLE DOMESTIC MARKET SHARE DIPPED TO 49.4% FROM 50%, WHILE THEIR CLOSEST COMPETITOR HONDA HAD A U.S. MARKET SHARE LAST YEAR OF 14.2%, DOWN FROM 15.1%.

BLOOMBERG NEWS SERVICES REPORTED RECENTLY THAT YAMAHA IS EXPERIENCING ITS FIRST PROFIT DROP IN EIGHT YEARS, KAWASAKI CLAIMS SALES ARE DOWN BUT LESS THAN THE INDUSTRY AVERAGE, AND HONDA AND SUZUKI EACH ADMIT LOSSES THAT PARALLEL THE INDUSTRY OVERALL; BUT THERE'S ALSO SOME BRIGHT SPOTS INCLUDING DUCATI, KTM, VICTORY, AND OVERALL SCOOTER SALES. ON ANOTHER POSITIVE NOTE, INDUSTRY MARKET RESEARCH GROUP FREEDONIA HAS PREDICTED AN EXPANDING GLOBAL DEMAND FOR MOTORCYCLES OF 6% ANNUALLY DUE PRIMARILY TO EMERGING MARKETS SUCH AS ASIA AND SOUTH AMERICA.

AND WHILE DECLINING MOTORCYCLE SALES INDUSTRY-WIDE HAS TAKEN A TOLL ON HARLEY-DAVIDSON'S STOCK PRICE, ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, CITIGROUP, HAS REMOVED THE MILWAUKEE MOTORCYCLE MANUFACTURER'S STOCK FROM ITS "RECOMMENDED TO SELL" LIST, CITING SALES TRENDS THAT HAD "STABILIZED SOMEWHAT".

**HONDA TO CEASE U.S. MOTORCYCLE PRODUCTION IN OHIO** AFTER NEARLY 30 YEARS, HONDA MOTOR CO. PLANS TO STOP PRODUCING MOTORCYCLES IN THE UNITED STATES NEXT YEAR, ENDING PRODUCTION AT ITS FIRST U.S. PLANT AND CONSOLIDATING THE MARYSVILLE MOTORCYCLE PLANT PRODUCTION AT A NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART MANUFACTURING FACILITY IN KUMAMOTO, JAPAN WHICH WILL BE CAPABLE OF PRODUCING 600,000 MOTORCYCLES A YEAR.

"THIS MOVE ALLOWS US TO IMPROVE THE COMPETITIVENESS AND APPEAL OF OUR PRODUCTS BY APPLYING THE LATEST TECHNOLOGIES AND PRODUCTION SYSTEMS AT ONE EFFICIENT LOCATION," AKIO HAMADA, PRESIDENT & CEO OF HONDA OF AMERICA, SAID IN A STATEMENT. "OBVIOUSLY, THE MOTORCYCLE PLANT HAS A LOT OF HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE," HE SAID. "IT WAS HONDA'S FIRST PLANT IN NORTH AMERICA. IT STARTED PRODUCING MOTORCYCLES ON NOV. 10, 1979. SO OBVIOUSLY, THERE'S A LOT OF EMOTION INVOLVED IN THIS KIND OF DECISION.

THE SPRAWLING PLANT, IN MARYSVILLE, OHIO, EMPLOYS 450 WORKERS. HONDA SAID THERE WILL BE NO LAYOFFS WHEN PRODUCTION ENDS IN SPRING 2009. "THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO FELT DISAPPOINTMENT," SAID PLANT MANAGER JAN GANSHEIMER, NOTING THAT MANY OF THE EMPLOYEES ARE MOTORCYCLE ENTHUSIASTS WHO HAVE SPENT MUCH OF THEIR CAREERS AT THE PLANT.

MIRRORING THE REST OF THE INDUSTRY, HONDA'S U.S. MOTORCYCLE SALES FELL IN 2007, BUT THE COMPANY SAID THAT ITS DECISION TO END OHIO MOTORCYCLE PRODUCTION WAS NOT BASED ON A SOFTENING AMERICAN MOTORCYCLE MARKET.

HONDA'S MANUFACTURING VENTURE IN AMERICA BEGAN AT THE MARYSVILLE PLANT IN SEPTEMBER, 1979, WHERE ITS FIRST PRODUCT WAS A MOTOCROSS MACHINE. OVER TIME, A \$165 MILLION CAPITAL INVESTMENT WAS MADE IN THE FACILITY, WHICH BECAME THE WORLDWIDE SUPPLIER OF SOME OF HONDA'S MOST POPULAR MODELS, SUCH AS THE LUXURY TOURING GOLD WING. THE MOTORCYCLE PLANT REACHED ITS PEAK PRODUCTION IN 1997 WHEN IT TURNED OUT 174,000 VEHICLES, INCLUDING ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES. IN 2005, ATV PRODUCTION WAS MOVED TO SOUTH CAROLINA. LAST YEAR,

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THE OHIO FACTORY BUILT NEARLY 61,000 MOTORCYCLES, 44,000 OF WHICH WERE GOLD WINGS AND VTX CRUISER MOTORCYCLES.

**HORSEPOWER VS. HORSESENSE** WHILE SPEED AND POWER TYPICALLY DOMINATE TWO-WHEELED TRENDS, A SAFETY MOVEMENT MAY BE AFOOT FEATURING SUCH HOT TOPICS AS AIRBAGS FROM HONDA, INFLATABLE VESTS FROM DAINESE, AND "UNCRASHABLE" BIKE CONCEPTS FROM BMW.

SO IT SHOULDN'T SEEM SURPRISING THAT "MOTORCYCLE NEWS" IS REPORTING THAT HONDA AND YAMAHA ARE WORKING WITH TWELVE CAR MANUFACTURERS TO TEST AND DEVELOP TECHNOLOGY INTENDED TO "...REDUCE REAR-END SHUNTS, HEAD-ON COLLISIONS AND DRIVERS WHO TURN RIGHT ACROSS A ROAD IN THE FACE OF ONCOMING TRAFFIC, A COMMON CAUSE OF MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS."

THE SYSTEMS, WHICH WILL BEGIN TESTING IN JAPAN THIS MONTH, ENABLE AUTOMOBILES TO COMMUNICATE SPEED AND ROAD POSITION TO OTHER VEHICLES, AND WARN OF POTENTIAL ACCIDENTS VIA VOICE ALERTS AND NAVIGATION SYSTEM MESSAGES.

FUELED BY GOVERNMENT FUNDED SAFETY CAMPAIGNS AND WORLDWIDE LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES, THESE TESTS COULD SIGNAL A GRADUAL REVOLUTION IN MOTORCYCLE SAFETY.

**MINNESOTA BIKERS FIGHT TICKETS FOR ROAD BLOCKING** A JUDGE HAS DISMISSED CHARGES OF OBSTRUCTING LEGAL PROCESS AND RUNNING A STOP SIGN AGAINST ONE OF ABOUT 60 BIKERS STOPPED LAST SUMMER NEAR ST. JOSEPH, MN FOR BLOCKING AN INTERSECTION DURING A RUN. THE RULING BY STEARNS COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE FRANK KUNDRAT COMES AFTER ONE OF THE OTHER BIKERS WAS FOUND NOT GUILTY OF A STOP SIGN VIOLATION AFTER A TRIAL.

SCOTT REICHERT RECENTLY TOOK HIS CASE TO COURT AND WAS ACQUITTED AFTER THE PROSECUTION HAD PRESENTED ITS CASE AND BEFORE REICHERT HAD TO PUT ON A DEFENSE. REICHERT, A MEMBER OF THE CLUB STREET LEGAL, ORIGINALLY CONSIDERED JUST PAYING THE FINE HE TOLD THE ST. CLOUD TIMES NEWSPAPER, BUT THEN HE SAW THE POLICE REPORTS THAT HINTED AT A POSSIBLE MOTIVE THAT POLICE WANTED TO TARGET SOME OF THE BPMs.

THE JULY 7 RUN FROM THE BPM CLUBHOUSE WAS INTERCEPTED BY AS MANY AS 19 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE STATE GANG STRIKE FORCE AND AN AGENT FROM THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES. THE BPMs HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A CRIMINAL GANG BASED ON CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE LEGISLATURE, SAID MINNESOTA GANG STRIKE FORCE COMMANDER RON RYAN IN DEFENDING THEIR ACTIONS THAT DAY, A REPORT FILED IN CASE BY THE GANG STRIKE FORCE CITES TWO EXAMPLES OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY TIED TO THE BPMs: ONE INCIDENT IS FROM 1971; THE OTHER IS FROM 1968.

REICHERT AND ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING THE DOZENS OF BIKERS STOPPED THAT DAY CONTEND THAT THE OFFICERS AND SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES WERE LOOKING FOR MORE. IF THAT'S THE CASE, A

BOX-SCORE REVIEW OF THE STOP COULD BE CONSIDERED A LOPSIDED DEFEAT: THE NINETEEN OFFICERS WROTE ABOUT 60 CITATIONS FOR RIDERS FAILING TO STOP AT A STOP SIGN AND TWO FOR RIDERS HAVING A SMALL AMOUNT OF MARIJUANA. THEY ARRESTED ONE BIKER FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT, BUT FOUND NO ONE WANTED ON WARRANTS AND NO ILLEGAL WEAPONS.

ABOUT FIVE DOZEN OTHER CASES COULD BE HEADED FOR SEPARATE TRIALS, ACCORDING TO LAWYER STEPHEN O'BRIEN, THE MINNESOTA AID TO INJURED MOTORCYCLISTS (A.I.M.) ATTORNEY REPRESENTING THE REMAINING BIKERS.

**WEIRD NEWS: MOTORCYCLES MAKE WOMEN'S CLOTHES FALL OFF** A NEW TREND IS DEVELOPING: MOTORCYCLES AND UNDRRESSING WOMEN, REPORTS CLUTCHANDCHROME.COM, CITING TWO RECENT EVENTS THAT HAVE THE MAINSTREAM PRESS LENDING SOME CREDENCE TO THIS POSSIBILITY.

FIRST, PAMELA ANDERSON MADE CELEBRITY HEADLINES AROUND THE WORLD WITH HER SOLD OUT VALENTINES DAY SHOW AT A FAMOUS PARISIAN GENTLEMEN'S CLUB CABARET HOUSE LE CRAZY HORSE. A CROWD OF OVER 500 FANS PAID \$300 TO WATCH THE FORMER BAYWATCH STAR GIVE A PERFORMANCE THAT FINISHED ON THE BACK OF A HARLEY-DAVIDSON MOTORCYCLE. A FEW WEEKS AFTER MS. ANDERSON'S UNIQUE VALENTINES PRESENT, POP STAR PRINCE THREW A POST-OSCAR PARTY IN HIS BEVERLY HILLS MANSION, WHICH FEATURED ROOM AFTER ROOM OF EXOTIC DANCERS DRESSED IN VARIOUS THEMES WITH ONE FEATURING A SCANTILY CLAD WOMAN ENTHUSIASTICALLY USING A MOTORCYCLE AS A PROP.

MANY INDUSTRY EXPERTS WOULD AGREE, IF THIS TREND OF WOMEN SHEDDING CLOTHING AT THE SIGHT OF A MOTORCYCLE BECOMES POPULAR, CURRENTLY STRUGGLING TWO-WHEELED SALES COULD SEE A MARKED IMPROVEMENT.

**QUOTABLE QUOTE:** "FOR THE SADDEST EPITAPH WHICH CAN BE CARVED IN MEMORY OF A VANISHED LIBERTY IS THAT IT WAS LOST BECAUSE ITS POSSESSORS FAILED TO STRETCH FORTH A SAVING HAND WHILE YET THERE WAS TIME." U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE GEORGE SUTHERLAND (1862-1942)

*AND THAT'S ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS!*

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