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**NEXT CHAPTER
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11:30AM

SATURDAY

October 25th



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ABATE PALM BEACH CHAPTER 3RD ANNIVERSARY

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***We Are Celebrating Our 3rd Year Anniversary
Saturday October 25th
At VFW Post 4143
2404 Boradway (US1)
Riviera Beach, FL***



***Our monthly meeting will be held at 11:30 AM and as
always our door is open to everyone***

September and October

A Great BBQ will be served



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PALM BEACH CHAPTER

MEETINGS ARE:

11:30 am THIRD SATURDAY EVERY MONTH



Membership Application

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

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

ABATE - Palm Beach Chapter

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President's Message

Brothers and Sisters,

WE ARE INTO THE FINAL STRETCH OF ONE OF THE MOST CONTROVERSIAL AND SIGNIFICANT ELECTIONS IN AMERICAN HISTORY. NEVER BEFORE HAVE WE SEEN CANDIDATES THAT HAVE STIRRED THE INTEREST AND IMAGINATION OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND CITIZENS OF THE WORLD AS WE HAVE SEEN IN RECENT MONTHS. WITH SO MUCH HANGING IN THE BALANCE WE NEED TO LOOK BEYOND THE SURFACE OF POPULARITY AND PARTY LINES IN DECIDING WHOM WE WILL SELECT AS OUR LEADERS. IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT THE MEDIA WAS INVOLVED IN A VERY ONE SIDED VENUE IN USING THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES TO BOOST THEIR RATINGS AND CREATING A FALSE SENSE OF HOPE IN A BARRAGE OF CAMPAIGN AD'S PROJECTING AN IMAGE OF THESE CANDIDATES AS THE LAST CHANCE TO SAVE AMERICA. THAT IS UNTIL THE REPUBLICAN PARTY PLAYED THEIR TRUMP CARD AND ANNOUNCED THEIR SELECTION OF A WOMAN TO RUN FOR VICE PRESIDENT. I WAS AMAZED BUT NOT SURPRISED AT HOW QUICKLY MEDIA SWITCHED THEIR ATTENTION TO FOCUS ON REPORTING EVERY MOVE MADE BY SARAH PALIN AND SENATOR MCCAIN. NEVER BEFORE HAS THE AMERICAN PUBLIC HAD ACCESS TO SO MUCH INFORMATION REGARDING THE CANDIDATES I THINK, TO THE POINT WHERE MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO BELIEVE. ONE CALLS FOR CHANGE THE OTHER FOR REFORM, IN MY OPINION CHANGE IS INEVITABLE AND REFORM IS NECESSARY.

THE POINT I'M TRYING TO MAKE IS THAT WE NEED TO LOOK BEYOND THE MEDIA FLASH CARDS, POLITICAL RHETORIC AND PARTISANSHIP TO ACHIEVE BALANCE WHEN CHOOSING THOSE WHO WILL LEAD US. WHEN IT COMES RIGHT DOWN TO IT AND GIVEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT PREVAIL, NO MATTER WHO WINS THIS ELECTION THEY WILL BE INHERITING SOME OF THE MOST CHALLENGING AND COMPLEX ISSUES THIS COUNTRY HAS EVER FACED. THE SHIP IS LISTING NOW, WITHOUT CORRECTING THAT THROUGH BALANCE IT WILL SURELY CAPSIZE.

WE ARE AT AN IMPASSE, THE WORLD HAS CHANGED AROUND US AND WE LIVE IN DANGEROUS TIMES. THE DECISIONS MADE NOW, NEED TO BE BASED ON WHAT'S GOOD FOR AMERICA AND PROTECTING OUR PRECIOUS FREEDOMS. IT APPEARS TO ME THAT THE WORLD IS LINING UP AGAINST US. IT'S TIME FOR US AS CITIZENS OF AMERICA TO TAKE BACK OUR COUNTRY AND GET RID OF THE POLITICAL PARTISANSHIP THAT HAS BROUGHT US TO THIS POINT IN OUR HISTORY. LEAVING IT UP TO GOVERNMENT TO MAKE OUR DECISIONS GOT US WHERE WE ARE TODAY. WE NEED LEADERS WHO WILL LISTEN TO WHAT THE PEOPLE SAY AND STOP MAKING DECISIONS TO APPEASE THEIR POLITICAL CONSTITUENTS AND DO WHAT'S RIGHT FOR US AS AMERICAN CITIZENS AND FOR AMERICA.

I BELIEVE MOST PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THAT YOU CAN'T BUY LOYALTY. PEOPLE WHO ARE SWAYED BY GIFTS AND FAVOR ARE AMONG THE MOST DISLOYAL, DECEITFUL AND CONTEMPTIBLE PEOPLE YOU WILL EVER KNOW. THOSE PEOPLE CAN NEVER BE TRUSTED THEY'LL SELL YOU OUT WITH OUT A SECOND THOUGHT FOR A BIGGER SLICE OF THE PIE THE MOMENT THE DOOR

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CONT'D

CLOSES BEHIND YOU. WE SAW IT HAPPEN MOST RECENTLY IN TALLAHASSEE REGARDING THE "STIFFER PENALTIES" BILL, A VERY SIGNIFICANT PIECE OF LEGISLATION. IT WAS ATTACHED TO THREE TRANSPORTATION BILLS AND REMOVED AT THE LAST SECOND BEFORE THOSE BILLS PASSED. AS I UNDERSTAND IT, AS AN ACT OF RETALIATION BY A REPRESENTATIVE TO GAIN FAVOR OF OTHERS. IT HAPPENS ALL THE TIME, FROM CITY HALL TO CAPITOL HILL. IT'S THAT KIND OF DIRTY POLITICS THAT CREATES HYPOCRISY AND DISSENTION AMONG THE PEOPLE, EVENTUALLY ERODING THE FOUNDATION AND WEAKENING THE STRUCTURE OF WHAT HAS BEEN BUILT.

WE HAVE PEOPLE IN OUR STATE GOVERNMENT THAT HAVE PROVEN TO BE LOYAL TO OUR CAUSE AND HAVE NOT GIVEN IN, TO THE BUSINESS AS USUAL ATTITUDE OF THE MAJORITY OF POLITICIANS, THESE ARE NOT NECESSARILY RIDERS THEMSELVES BUT CAN UNDERSTAND HOW THE DECK HAS BEEN STACKED AGAINST US AND ARE WILLING TO TAKE UP THE FIGHT.

THAT'S WHY IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW WHO THEY ARE AND SHOW OUR LOYALTY AND SUPPORT FOR THEM. THE BEST WAY TO DO THAT IS TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEM AND VOTE FOR THEM. ASK THEM WHO YOU SHOULD BE TALKING TO. THE MORE THEY GET TO KNOW US THE EASIER IT IS FOR THEM TO IDENTIFY WITH US. WE SAW IT HAPPEN IN DELRAY BEACH, WE HAD BREACHED A GAP OF MISCONCEPTION THROUGH LISTENING AND COMMUNICATING. IT CAN HAPPEN ANYWHERE. IF YOU MAKE CONTACT WITH THEM THROUGH A PHONE CALL OR A LETTER TO THEM OR AN EMAIL, YOU CAN CONTACT ME AND I'LL BE GLAD TO MEET WITH THEM, WE CAN MEET WITH THEM. IT IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE THAT WE REACH THOSE PEOPLE.

IN A GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION SUCH AS OURS IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE MAINTAIN UNITY, IT IS THE FOUNDATION ON WHICH ABATE CONTINUES TO BUILD. A BROTHERHOOD, AMERICAN BIKERS WORKING TOGETHER, STANDING UNITED WITH OTHER MOTORCYCLISTS FOR A COMMON GOAL. BELIEVING IN A CAUSE TO PRESERVE OUR FREEDOM AND PROTECT OUR RIGHTS BEGINS WITH COMMUNICATION. I BELIEVE THERE ARE MEMBERS OF ABATE WHO ARE ALSO MEMBERS OF OTHER RIDING ORGANIZATIONS WITH GREAT IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS, IF YOU ARE ONE OF THEM PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH ME OR COME TO ONE OF OUR MEETINGS.

IF YOU'RE NOT A MEMBER OF ABATE AND WANT TO ATTEND ONE OF OUR MEETINGS, OUR DOOR IS OPEN AND YOU'RE ALWAYS WELCOME. CONSIDER THIS TO BE MY PERSONAL INVITATION AND COME AS MY GUEST. OUR MEETING TIME AND DATE IS ON THE BACK COVER. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE.

KEEP THE SHINNY SIDE UP AND THE RUBBER SIDE DOWN.

STRONGBOW PRESIDENT

ABATE P.B.C.

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**MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS & SAFETY
DEDICATED TO
"FREEDOM OF CHOICE, FREEDOM OF THE ROAD"**

YOU MAY KNOW US AS THE MOTORCYCLE ORGANIZATION THAT GOT THE HELMET LAW REPEALED IN FLORIDA OR FROM OUR MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS AND SAFETY RALLY'S THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. ABATE OF FLORIDA IS NOT A CLUB, WE ARE A MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS & SAFETY ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO PROMOTING MOTORCYCLE SAFETY WHILE REMAINING EVER VIGILANT OF THE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES CONCERNING MOTORCYCLISTS' NATIONWIDE.

THERE ARE NO MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

BECAUSE WE ARE NOT A CLUB THERE ARE NO MANDATORY RIDES OR MEETINGS TO ATTEND. WE DO NOT REQUIRE OUR MEMBERS TO WEAR OUR PATCH. IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF A MOTORCYCLE CLUB OR ANY OTHER MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION OR ORGANIZATION WE WELCOME YOUR SUPPORT AS A MEMBER.

YOUR COLORS OR PATCH ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN OUR HOUSE

WE SUPPORT MOTORCYCLIST'S RIGHTS, SAFETY AND AWARENESS OF ALL MOTORCYCLISTS AND WELCOME THE SUPPORT YOUR CLUB OR RIDING ASSOCIATION AS WELL AS ALL INDEPENDENTS, REGARDLESS OF WHAT KIND OF MOTORCYCLE YOU RIDE.

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.

WE ARE CURRENTLY PREPARING FOR THE OPENING OF THE NEW LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS. OUR LEGISLATIVE AGENDA INCLUDES "STIFFER PENALTIES" FOR RIGHT OF WAY VIOLATORS (ROWV), STILL THE NUMBER 1 KILLER OF MOTORCYCLISTS. A BAN ON CELL PHONE USE WHILE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE OF ANY KIND AND MANDATORY DRIVERS EDUCATION COURSES AND CLASSES IN THE FLORIDA SCHOOL SYSTEM. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TO MAKE OUR VOICE HEARD AS MOTORCYCLISTS.

"FREEDOM OF CHOICE, FREEDOM OF THE ROAD"

THERE ARE OVER 7,800 MEMBERS OF ABATE IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA WITH OVER 35 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 MOTORCYCLISTS', PALM BEACH COUNTY CHAPTER CAN BECOME A VIABLE AND INFLUENTIAL VOICE IN RAISING MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS, SAFETY AND AWARENESS. THE CHAPTER BORDERS WILL BE PRIMARILY NORTHERN BROWARD COUNTY AND ALL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

EVENTS OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS HAVE ME TOTALLY CONVINCED THAT ABATE IS HEADED IN A MEANINGFUL AND RIGHTEOUS DIRECTION AND THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME! WITH THE EVER INCREASING NUMBERS OF MOTORCYCLES ON THE ROADS OF FLORIDA THE CAUSE OF ABATE IS MORE VITAL THAN EVER BEFORE. I KNOW THAT'S A PRETTY STRONG STATEMENT BUT I BELIEVE IT STRONGLY. I HAVE BEEN OUT IN THE BIKER COMMUNITY AT EVENTS, AS WELL AS WITH THE MOTORCYCLE CLUBS AND HEARD HOW THEY ARE NOW SEEING THAT OUR MISSION FOR SAFETY AND REPRESENTING THE RIGHTS OF ALL MOTORCYCLES IS NEEDED MORE THAN EVER BEFORE.

EVERY DAY I GET INTERNET ALERTS OF NEWS ARTICLES REGARDING MOTORCYCLES THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF FLORIDA. THE REPORTING OF MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS ALWAYS SEEMS TO BE NEWSWORTHY BUT NOW THE EDITORIALS, REPORTERS' COMMENTS AND READER COMMENTS ARE ON THE UP RISE AS WELL. THE MORE I READ THE MORE I CAN SEE THAT THE MEDIA AND GENERAL CITIZENRY ARE TOTALLY MISSING TWO VERY IMPORTANT FACTS; ONE THERE ARE MORE MOTORCYCLES THAN EVER BEFORE ON THE ROADS AND TWO, CARS ARE CAUSING A PREDOMINANT NUMBER OF THESE ACCIDENTS. THE FIRST COMMENTS ARE USUALLY WHETHER THE MOTORCYCLIST WAS WEARING A HELMET. WE SHOULD BE GETTING USE TO THAT BY NOW BUT IT STILL FRUSTRATES ME WHEN THE STORY IS SO CENTERED ON THE HELMET ISSUE THAT THEY TOTALLY IGNORE THE FACT THAT THE CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT WAS THE CARELESS ACTIONS OF OTHERS. WE RARELY HEAR ABOUT THE DRIVERS' DISTRACTIONS LIKE CELL PHONES, ANIMALS SITTING ON THEIR LAPS, READING WHILE THEY ARE DRIVING, AS WELL AS EATING, DRINKING APPLYING MAKEUP AND SMOKING!

EARLIER THIS EVENING, ON MY WAY UP TO SPEND A TUESDAY EVENING WITH SOME FRIENDS IN WEST PALM BEACH, I WAS RIDING NORTH ON US 44 I FROM BOCA. TRAFFIC WAS SNARLED BEHIND TWO CARS DOING LESS THAN 50MPH AND DRIVING RIGHT BESIDE EACH OTHER ON THE TWO LANE SECTION OF THE ROAD. WHEN THE ROAD OPENED UP TO THREE LANES AND I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PASS THESE VEHICLES I ALMOST COULD NOT BELIEVE WHAT I SAW. I SAW TWO YOUNG WOMEN IN THESE CARS WHO WERE TALKING TO EACH OTHER ON CELL PHONES COMPLETE WITH HAND GESTURES WHICH LEFT NO HANDS ON THE STEERING WHEEL! HAS ALL COMMON SENSE OR RESPECT FOR THE SAFETY OF OTHERS BEEN TOTALLY OBLITERATED FROM OUR SOCIETY? I AM GLAD TO SAY THAT OPERATOR DISTRACTIONS AND THE BAN OF CELL PHONE USE WHILE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE IS AGAIN IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE 2009 AGENDA FOR ABATE OF FLORIDA.

THE NEWS ALERTS ARE ALSO ALLOWING ME TO SEE THE NEED WE HAVE TO BE REACHING OUT TO THE YOUNGER SPORT BIKE RIDERS. I'VE BEEN ADDRESSING THAT AND ATTEMPTING TO DO THAT FOR YEARS. AT THE LAST MEETING I ADVISED THE MEMBERS PRESENT OF MY PLAN TO GET TO THEM—SO TO SPEAK—THROUGH THE BACK DOOR. I HANDED OUT DRAFTS OF LETTERS WHICH I HAD COMPILED OFFERING OUR MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND AWARENESS PROGRAM (MSAP) TO HOMEOWNER AND CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS. THIS PROGRAM IS NOT

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -CONT'D

ABOUT OPERATING A MOTORCYCLE SAFELY BUT WAS DESIGNED TO INSTRUCT NON-MOTORCYCLE RIDERS ON HOW TO SHARE THE ROAD SAFELY WITH MOTORCYCLES. MY HOPE IS THAT WE CAN GET TO THE PARENTS

AND NEIGHBORS OF THESE YOUNG AND IRRESPONSIBLE RIDERS IN THE HOPE THAT PARENTAL AND PIER PRESSURES WILL ASSIST IN GUIDING THEM. AS YOU ALL KNOW, THE MSAP IS FREE TO ANYONE, ALL WE NEED IS A TV/DVD PLAYER AND IT TAKES FROM 45 MINUTES TO AN HOUR TO PRESENT. IF YOU KNOW ANY OFFICERS IN YOUR ASSOCIATIONS PLEASE HAVE THEM CONTACT ME OR JUST GET THEIR INFORMATION AND I WILL BE GLAD TO CONTACT THEM. YOU MAY OR MAY NOT KNOW THIS BUT THIS PAST SUMMER WHILE I WAS INSTRUCTING THE MSAP CLASS AT A COCONUT CREEK HIGH SCHOOL, AN OFF-DUTY MARGATE POLICE OFFICER WAS KILLED ON HIS MOTORCYCLE A SHORT DISTANCE FROM WHERE I WAS INSTRUCTING THE CLASS. I ATTENDED HIS FUNERAL AND MY AUGUST VP MESSAGE CENTERED AROUND THE INCIDENT SO I WON'T TAKE THE SPACE HERE TO CONTINUE. JUST PLEASE REMEMBER THAT OUR PAST NEWSLETTER ISSUES ARE ON OUR WEB SITE: WWW.ABATEPALMBEACH.COM IF YOU WANT TO READ MORE ABOUT IT.

HB 137 HAS GONE INTO EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1ST AND AN INTERPRETATION OF A PENALTY SECTION OF THE BILL HAS CAUGHT THE EVER WATCHFUL EYE OF OUR ABATE OF FLORIDA STATE LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR MIKE PRICE. IT SEEMS THAT THE SECTIONS REGARDING VERTICAL MOUNTED LICENSE PLATES AND NOT RIDING WITH BOTH LEGS ASTRIDE YOUR BIKE HAVE BEEN TIED TO THE MOVING VIOLATIONS SECTION OF THE BILL ALONG WITH THE INCREASED FINES. TO SEE THE EXPLANATION OF THAT PLEASE GO TO: [HTTP://WWW.FLORIDAABATE.COM/LIBRARY/LIBRARY/HB137EXPLAINED.HTM](http://WWW.FLORIDAABATE.COM/LIBRARY/LIBRARY/HB137EXPLAINED.HTM). WE CAN ALL BE CONFIDENT THAT MIKE AND OUR ABATE OF FLORIDA LOBBYIST DOC RICHANBACH IS ON TOP OF THAT. ALSO, I'M NOT SURE YOU ARE AWARE OF IT BUT ANYONE CAN SIGN UP TO GET E-MAIL UPDATES FROM THE ABATE OF FLORIDA LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION CENTER JUST BY GOING TO: WWW.FLORIDAABATE.COM AND CLICKING ON THE LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION CENTER. THE SITE HAS A WEALTH OF USEFUL INFORMATION AND YOU CAN EVEN FIND OUT YOUR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES WITH JUST YOUR 9 DIGIT ZIP CODE. THAT COULD BE VERY HELPFUL WITH THE ELECTIONS SO NEAR.

A LOT WILL BE DECIDED FOR OUR FUTURE ON STATE, COUNTY, LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEVELS IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS. I HAVE VOTED IN EVERY ELECTION SINCE I WAS 18 WHEN I FIRST BECAME ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. I CAN'T RECALL AN ELECTION YEAR WHERE I FELT IT SO IMPORTANT TO BE INVOLVED AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MY RIGHT TO VOTE. AS A POLICY, ABATE DOES NOT BACK ANY ONE CANDIDATE FOR ANY OFFICE BUT AS PLAIN OL' PAPA BEAR, I SURE DO. SO ALTHOUGH I WON'T BE SHARING MY VIEWS HERE OR AT A CHAPTER MEETING, MY PHONE NUMBER AND E-MAIL ADDRESS IS IN EVERY NEWSLETTER AND ON THIS ONE VP MESSAGE I'VE EVEN INCLUDED MY PERSONAL E-MAIL. SO IF YOU'VE EVER SPOKEN TO ME IN THE PAST, YOU ALREADY KNOW I'M NOT SHY IN SHARING MY PERSONAL VIEWS ON JUST ABOUT ANYTHING.

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -CONT'D

IN THE BEGINNING OF THIS VP MESSAGE, I MENTIONED THAT BEING MEANINGFUL AND RIGHTEOUS WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME. TO ME THERE IS NO MEANING OR RIGHTEOUSNESS IN WHAT WE DO IF OUR LEADERS DO NOT HAVE RESPECT FOR OUR UNITED FRONT AND MOST OF ALL RESPECT FOR THE PEOPLE THEY SERVE. IN ANY POSITION OF TRUSTED LEADERSHIP THE PARAMOUNT CHARACTERISTIC I SEARCH FOR IN A LEADER IS THEIR LOYALTY AND RESPECT FOR THE PEOPLE THEY SERVE BECAUSE CASTING A VOTE IS MY SIGNATURE OF TRUST IN THEM AND THAT TRUST CAN NOT BE VIOLATED. I URGE ALL OF OUR MEMBERS IF NOT ALREADY REGISTERED TO VOTE TO DO SO! I FURTHER URGE ALL OF YOU TO INFORM YOURSELVES ABOUT THE PEOPLE RUNNING FOR OFFICE AND THE ISSUES. MOST OF ALL, I URGE YOU TO LOOK INTO YOUR HEART AND DECIDE IF IT IS IMPORTANT TO YOU TO HAVE YOUR VIEWS REPRESENTED AND UNDERSTAND THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN ACHIEVE THIS IS BY CASTING YOUR VOTE FOR A MEANINGFUL AND RIGHTEOUS PERSON THAT WILL RESPECT YOUR RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED!

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 VOTE!

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

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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
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 23 - CMA Memorial Event
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IF YOU WATCH ANYTHING ON FX YOU CAN HARDLY MISS ALL THE PROMOTIONS FOR THEIR NEW SERIES "THE SONS OF ANARCHY." I JUST SAW ONE AS I WROTE THIS. THEY COMPARE IT AS THE NEW "SOPRANOS". AGAIN THE LEATHER VESTED BIKER GETS BAD PRESS AS OUTLAW GANGS, THIS TIME AS GUN RUNNERS. SIMILAR TO 2002'S *THE LAST CHAPTER* CANADIAN TV MINI-SERIES WHERE THE BIKERS ARE DRUG RUNNERS. ACTUALLY I'VE SEEN SEVERAL EPISODES AND IT IS A WELL PRODUCED SERIES BUT IT DOES ONCE AGAIN GIVE A BLACK EYE TO THE BIKER IMAGE. YOU CAN LEARN MORE ON AT [HTTP://WWW.FXNETWORKS.COM/SHOWS/ORIGINALS/SOA](http://www.fxnetworks.com/shows/originals/soa) AND THEY SAY IN FUTURE WILL BE ABLE TO WATCH THE SHOW ON THE INTERNET, GREAT IF YOU DON'T GET THE FX CHANNEL (66 ON MY COMCAST). IT AIRS WEDNESDAYS AT 10 PM, SOMETIMES WITH AN 11 PM REPEAT.

HBO HAS JUMPED ON THE BANDWAGON WITH ITS' "1%ERS". ORIGINALLY TO AIR IN OCTOBER, I HAVEN'T HEARD MUCH ON THIS SINCE LAST APRIL. PRODUCTION MAY HAVE STOPPED DUE TO "THE SHOW, WHICH STARS DONAL LOGUE, WAS ABOUT TO START PRODUCTION ON ITS PILOT. BUT (SONNY) BARGER IS ARGUING THAT THE PILOT'S WRITER AND PRODUCER, MICHAEL TOLKIN, IS USING STORIES THEY DEVELOPED TOGETHER WITHOUT GIVING HIM CREDIT. TOLKIN WAS ONCE HIRED TO WRITE A SCREENPLAY BASED ON [BARGER'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY](#), AND BARGER SAYS HE ALSO TOLD TOLKIN ABOUT A NUMBER OF NOVELS HE'D WRITTEN BASED ON A FICTIONAL MOTORCYCLE CLUB. THE TWO APPARENTLY PITCHED THE IDEA FOR A SERIES TOGETHER, AND BARGER CLAIMS THAT AFTER HE OBJECTED TO A NUMBER OF DETAILS IN THE PILOT, HBO DECIDED IT WANTED NOTHING TO DO WITH HIM. ACCORDING TO THE SUIT, THE ORIGINAL PILOT USED BARGER'S NICKNAME (CHIEF), SOME ACTUAL PLACE NAMES (THE MAJOR SETTING OF CAREFREE, AZ, WHICH IS NEAR BARGER'S HOME), AND DETAILS OF HIS LIFE (THAT HE MOVED FROM NORTHERN CALIFORNIA) WITHOUT GIVING ANY CREDIT. ALL OF THOSE DETAILS HAVE SINCE BEEN CHANGED. BARGER NOW WANTS DUE CREDIT FOR HIS IDEAS — AND IT'S NOT CLEAR IF THIS WILL KEEP THE PILOT FROM GETTING OFF THE GROUND. THE THING IS, I'M PRETTY SURE NOBODY WANTS TO MESS WITH THE HELLS ANGELS." [HTTP://BUZZSUGAR.COM/1567408](http://BUZZSUGAR.COM/1567408)

ON THE POSITIVE SIDE THERE IS FOX REALITY CHANNEL'S "THE LONG WAY DOWN". ACTOR EWAN MCGREGOR AND HIS FRIEND CHARLEY BOORMAN TAKE A TRIP OF SEVERAL MONTHS ON MOTORCYCLES. THEY TRAVEL FROM THE NORTH OF SCOTLAND, DOWN THROUGH EUROPE, INTO AFRICA, FINALLY WINDING UP IN CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA. THIS IS ANOTHER DOCUMENTARY WITH SAME CREW AS 2004'S *LONG WAY ROUND* TV MINI-DOCUMENTARY OF THEIR "MOTORCYCLE TRIP AROUND THE WORLD. THE TWO FRIENDS WILL TRAVEL THROUGH SUCH PLACES AS SIBERIA, KAZAKHSTAN, MONGOLIA, AND ALASKA, BEFORE FINALLY ENDING THE JOURNEY IN NEW YORK" [IMDb](#). BOTH OF THESE ARE INTERESTING AS SEE BIKES IN ALL SITUATIONS — THE TRAVEL CHANNEL FOR BIKERS.

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SOMTHIN' TO MAKE YA SMILE, SOMETHIN' TO MAKE YA THINK

MY HUSBAND AND I DIVORCED OVER RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCES. HE THOUGHT HE WAS GOD AND I DIDN'T.

I DON'T SUFFER FROM INSANITY; I ENJOY EVERY MINUTE OF IT.

SOME PEOPLE ARE ALIVE ONLY BECAUSE IT'S ILLEGAL TO KILL THEM.

I USED TO HAVE A HANDLE ON LIFE, BUT IT BROKE.

YOU'RE JUST JEALOUS BECAUSE THE VOICES ONLY TALK TO ME

EARTH IS THE INSANE ASYLUM FOR THE UNIVERSE.

NYQUIL, THE STUFFY, SNEEZY, WHY-THE-HECK-IS-THE-ROOM-SPINNING MEDICINE.

GOD MUST LOVE STUPID PEOPLE; HE MADE SO MANY.

THE GENE POOL COULD USE A LITTLE CHLORINE.

EVER STOP TO THINK, AND FORGET TO START AGAIN?

BEING 'OVER THE HILL' IS MUCH BETTER THAN BEING UNDER IT!

WRINKLED WAS NOT ONE OF THE THINGS I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP.

PROCRASTINATE NOW!

I HAVE A DEGREE IN LIBERAL ARTS; DO YOU WANT FRIES WITH THAT?

A HANGOVER IS THE WRATH OF GRAPES.

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THEY CALL IT PMS BECAUSE MAD COW DISEASE WAS ALREADY TAKEN.

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THE ORIGINAL POINT AND CLICK INTERFACE WAS A SMITH & WESSON.

HAM AND EGGS...A DAY'S WORK FOR A CHICKEN, A LIFETIME COMMITMENT FOR A PIG.

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LEGISLATIVE REPORT SLOW MOTION

THERE HAS BEEN CONFUSION CONCERNING THE NEW MOTORCYCLE LAW HB 137 THAT IS SCHEDULED TO GO INTO EFFECT OCTOBER 1ST, 2008. WE NOW HAVE AN OFFICIAL INTERPRETATION AND IT IS NOT WHAT WAS EXPECTED... YOU CAN REVIEW THE REPORT AND THE PROBLEMS AT:

[HTTP://WWW.FLORIDAABATE.COM/LIBRARY/LIBRARY/HB 137EXPLAINED.HTM](http://www.floridaabate.com/library/library/hb137explained.htm)

OR USE THE LINK ON THE WHAT'S GOING ON SUBMENU OF OUR LEGISLATIVE PAGE. BELOW IS A SUMMARY FROM THERE.

AN ACT RELATING TO OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE; CREATING S. 316.1926, F.S.; CREATING ADDITIONAL OFFENSES REGARDING MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATION; AMENDING S. 316.2085, F.S.; REQUIRING AN OPERATOR OF A MOTORCYCLE OR MOPED TO MAINTAIN BOTH WHEELS ON THE GROUND AT ALL TIMES; REQUIRING THAT THE LICENSE TAG OF A MOTORCYCLE OR MOPED BE AFFIXED HORIZONTALLY; AMENDING S. 318.14, F.S.; PROVIDING ADDITIONAL PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES; PROVIDING FOR A SPECIFIED FINE AND REVOCATION OF THE PERSON'S PRIVILEGE TO OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW AFTER READING BOTH FILES IN THOSE LINKS AND WHAT MIKE "RADAR" PRICE (ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. STATE LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR) WHO DID PLENTY OF RESEARCH, I HAVE TO AGREE IT IS NOT WHAT WE EXPECTED. EVEN THE HORIZONTAL PLATE ISSUE BECOMES MORE SERIOUS AS A MOVING VIOLATION WITH SERIOUS RESULTS FOR REPEAT CITATIONS. I QUOTE MIKE ON THIS "THE RESULTS OF THESE TWO SECTIONS COMPLETELY CHANGES THE PERCEPTION THAT WE HAVE HAD OF THIS LAW AND PLACES UNREASONABLE PENALTIES ON THE LICENSE TAG PLACEMENT IN PARTICULAR. I PERSONALLY HAVE FAR LESS REMORSE FOR THE VIOLATORS OF LEG POSITION, BUT THE TAG POSITION IS TOTALLY OUT OF LINE."

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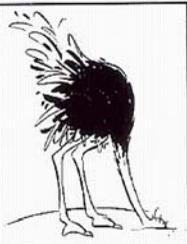
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AS A SIGN OF THE TIMES, WITH A RECORD NUMBER OF MOTORCYCLISTS ON THE ROAD AND INCREASING NUMBERS OF MOTORCYCLE REGISTRATIONS, RIDER TRAINING COURSES IN NUMEROUS LOCATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY HAVE BEEN BOOKED SOLID AND NOW OFFICIALS IN KANSAS HAVE REPORTED RUNNING OUT OF MOTORCYCLE LICENSE PLATES. THE HUTCHINSON NEWS REPORTED THAT THE PROBLEM IS BAD ENOUGH THAT COUNTIES WITH PLENTIFUL PLATES ARE BEING ASKED TO SHARE WITH OTHER COUNTIES. "WE ARE OUT OF MOTORCYCLE TAGS, AND WE DON'T KNOW WHEN WE'LL GET MORE," SAID RENO COUNTY TREASURER CLARK MILLER. "WE'VE BEGGED AND BORROWED FROM OTHER COUNTIES," HE TOLD THE NEWSPAPER, "BUT WE CAN'T GET MORE." WHEN THE STATE MADE ITS ANNUAL TAG ORDER, GAS PRICES HADN'T REACHED THEIR CURRENT LEVELS AND OFFICIALS DIDN'T ANTICIPATE THE RESULTING DEMAND FROM MOTORISTS SWITCHING TO MORE FUEL-EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION. AT LEAST ONE MOTORCYCLE OWNER COMPLAINED TO THE NEWSPAPER OF BEING SENT AWAY FROM THE DMV OFFICE THIS WEEK AND ADVISED NOT TO DRIVE HIS MOTORCYCLE UNTIL IT WAS PROPERLY TAGGED, WITH NO PROMISE OF WHEN TAGS MIGHT BE AVAILABLE.

MYRTLE BEACH APPROVES HELMET LAW AND OTHER ORDINANCES TO DETER BIKERS

MYRTLE BEACH CITY COUNCIL RECENTLY GAVE INITIAL APPROVAL TO MORE THAN A DOZEN CITY-WIDE ORDINANCES SPECIFICALLY AIMED TO LIMIT BIKE RALLIES AND DISSUADE BIKERS FROM COMING TO TOWN. ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, THE COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ALL BUT ONE OF 15 PROPOSED NEW LAWS PERTAINING TO TWO BACK-TO-BACK MAY MOTORCYCLE RALLIES, THOUGH THE RESTRICTIONS WOULD REMAIN IN PLACE YEAR ROUND. THE PROPOSED ORDINANCES THAT WERE PASSED ON FIRST READING RANGED FROM A BAN ON THE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES THAT DO NOT HAVE REQUIRED EPA (FEDERAL) STICKERS ON THEIR MUFFLERS, TO PROHIBITING MORE THAN ONE VEHICLE PARKED IN A SINGLE PUBLIC PARKING SPACE, TO IMPLEMENTING A MANDATORY HELMET LAW AND EYE PROTECTION REQUIREMENT FOR ANYONE RIDING A MOTORCYCLE WITHIN CITY LIMITS AND AUTHORIZING AUTHORITIES TO IMPOUND THEIR MOTORCYCLES. THE HELMET ORDINANCE ALSO OUTLAWES THE SALE OR USE OF ANY NON-DOT COMPLIANT HELMET IN THE CITY. IN JUNE THE CITY COUNCIL NOT ONLY PASSED A PROPERTY-TAX INCREASE DEDICATED TO FUNDING AN ANTI-BIKE RALLY CAMPAIGN, BUT ALSO STARTED THE PROCESS TO ENACT ORDINANCES AIMED AT ENDING MOTORCYCLE-RELATED VENDING WITHIN CITY LIMITS. ANOTHER VOTE ON THE APPROVED ANTI-RALLY MEASURES IS REQUIRED BEFORE THEY CAN BECOME LAW, WHICH MAY TAKE PLACE BEFORE RIDERS ARRIVE IN MYRTLE BEACH FOR THE "PILGRIMAGE" FALL BIKE RALLY, GIVING LOCAL POLICE AGENCIES AN OPPORTUNITY TO BEGIN ENFORCING THE NEW ORDINANCES. FORMER MYRTLE BEACH MAYOR MARK MCBRIDE, WHO ONCE SAID HE'D LIKE TO USE HIS CAR TO "NUDGE" A BIKER WHO WORE AN OFFENSIVE T-SHIRT, SAID HE'S ALL FOR THE CITY STRICTLY ENFORCING THE LAWS AND SAID THE CITY SHOULD BRING IN AS MANY

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POLICE OFFICERS AS IT NEEDS. "IF THEY ENFORCE THE LAWS," McBRIDE TOLD THE SUN NEWS "PEOPLE WILL NOT WANT TO COME BACK IF THEIR GOOD TIME IS CURTAILED."

CAN RISING MOTORCYCLIST FATALITIES BE BLAMED ON LACK OF HELMET LAWS? AUTHOR JACOB SULLUM BEGS THE QUESTION IN HIS ARTICLE "HIT & RUN" IN REASON MAGAZINE'S AUGUST 20TH ONLINE EDITION, AND GOES ON TO ANSWER THOSE WHO BLAME THE INCREASE IN RIDER FATALITIES ON THE REPEAL OF HELMET LAWS IN SEVERAL STATES. CITING FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DATA THAT INDICATE THE NUMBER OF FATAL MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS ROSE IN 2007 FOR THE 10TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR, HITTING 5,154, 7 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE 2006 TOTAL, SULLUM WRITES THAT "THE CHIEF CULPRIT RECENTLY SEEMS TO BE HIGHER GAS PRICES, WHICH HAVE ENCOURAGED PEOPLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MOTORCYCLES' VASTLY SUPERIOR FUEL EFFICIENCY: MOTORCYCLE RIDERSHIP APPEARS TO BE RISING EVEN AS THE TOTAL MILES FOR ALL VEHICLES DROPS...THE HIGHWAY SAFETY AUTHORITIES SAY THAT ABOUT 75 PERCENT MORE MOTORCYCLES ARE REGISTERED TODAY THAN 10 YEARS AGO. THEY SUSPECT EACH MOTORCYCLE IS RIDDEN MORE MILES, BUT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION SAYS IT DOES NOT HAVE A RELIABLE MEASUREMENT OF USE. THE LACK OF SUCH DATA MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO TELL HOW MUCH OF AN INCREASE IN FATALITIES FOLLOWING REPEAL OF A HELMET LAW RESULTS FROM LESS HELMET WEARING AND HOW MUCH RESULTS FROM MORE RIDING." "WHILE WEARING A HELMET REDUCES THE RISK OF CERTAIN INJURIES," CONTINUES SULLUM, "RESEARCH SUGGESTS THE OVERALL IMPACT ON FATALITIES IS MODEST. THE UNIMPRESSIVE NUMBERS ARE ONE REASON MOTORCYCLISTS HAVE BEEN SO SUCCESSFUL AT DEFENDING THEIR RIGHT TO DECIDE WHAT, IF ANYTHING, TO WEAR ON THEIR HEADS. 'WE ARE THE ONLY INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRY IN THE WORLD WHERE THERE IS AN ORGANIZED EFFORT TO WEAKEN OR REPEAL MOTORCYCLE HELMET LAWS,' COMPLAINS RUSS RADER OF THE INSURANCE INSTITUTE FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY. IS THAT A SIGN OF BACKWARDNESS OR A POINT OF PRIDE?" MEANWHILE, FORBES MAGAZINE POINTS OUT THAT A NEW STUDY RELEASED RECENTLY BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOUND THAT "DESPITE THE RELAXATION OF SEVERAL STATE HELMET LAWS, MOTORCYCLE HELMET USE IN FATAL CRASHES CLIMBED FROM 55% IN 1997 TO 57% IN 2006." IN AN AUGUST 25TH ARTICLE TITLED "EXPENSIVE GAS, DANGEROUS ROADS", FORBES WRITER WILLIAM PENTLAND SAYS, "ALTHOUGH HELMETS ARE UNDOUBTEDLY DECISIVE IN SOME MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS, THE FACT REMAINS THAT THE FATALITY RATE FOR HELMETED MOTORCYCLISTS HAS RISEN MORE RAPIDLY THAN IT HAS FOR UNHELMETED MOTORCYCLISTS IN THE PAST THREE YEARS. THIS SUGGESTS THAT FACTORS OTHER THAN HELMET USE HAVE FUELED THE RISE OF MOTORCYCLE FATALITIES. ENTER GAS PRICES." PENTLAND'S RESEARCH SHOWS THAT SINCE AT LEAST THE 1970s, MOTORCYCLE REGISTRATIONS HAVE TRACKED THE RISE AND FALL OF GAS PRICES. AS PRICES ROSE IN THE 1970s, REGISTRATIONS FOLLOWED. SIMILARLY, IN THE 1980s, AS GAS PRICES FELL, MOTORCYCLE REGISTRATIONS DID TOO. DURING THE 1990s, MOTORCYCLE REGISTRATIONS REMAINED LOW AND ONLY BEGAN RISING IN 2000 AND 2001. "LAST YEAR, THE NUMBER OF LICENSED MOTORCYCLISTS HIT AN ALL TIME

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HIGH OF 6,227,146," SAYS PENTLAND, "WHILE THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MILES TRAVELED FOR PASSENGER CARS FELL IN 2007 FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1994, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MILES TRAVELED FOR MOTORCYCLES NOT ONLY INCREASED, BUT REACHED A NEW RECORD HIGH."

LOUD PIPES SAVE LIVES! SILENT BUT DEADLY, A CALIFORNIA LAWMAKER SAYS ELECTRIC AND HYBRID CARS AND MOTORCYCLES MAY BE GOOD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, BUT THEY'RE BAD NEWS FOR THE BLIND. STATE SEN. ALAN LOWENTHAL, A LONG BEACH DEMOCRAT, HAS PUSHED A BILL THROUGH THE LEGISLATURE TO ENSURE THAT VEHICLES MAKE ENOUGH NOISE TO BE HEARD BY THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED WHEN THEY'RE ABOUT TO CROSS A STREET. THE STATE SENATE APPROVED THE BILL ON AUGUST 20 ON A 23-12 VOTE AND SENT IT TO GOV. ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, WHO ACCORDING TO THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE HAS NOT TAKEN A POSITION.

FIGHTER DIES AFTER RUNNING OUT OF GAS UFC STAR EVAN TANNER WHOSE BODY WAS FOUND IN CALIFORNIA'S MOJAVE DESERT APPEARS TO HAVE DIED FROM HEAT EXHAUSTION AFTER HIS OFF-ROAD MOTORCYCLE RAN OUT OF GAS. THE 37-YEAR-OLD FORMER ULTIMATE FIGHTING MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION WAS ON A "CLEANSING" EXCURSION AND SET OUT ON FOOT IN THE SCORCHING HEAT OF THE AFTER HIS BIKE LOST STEAM. "WHAT WE WERE TOLD IS THAT (SHERIFF'S OFFICIALS WHO FOUND HIM) BELIEVE HIS MOTORCYCLE HAD RUN OUT OF GAS, SO HE WENT TO WALK OUT IN, LIKE, 115- TO 118-DEGREE HEAT," SAID DOUGLAS VINCITORIO A MEMBER OF EVAN TANNER'S MANAGEMENT TEAM AT DRIVING SPORTS FORCE. "HE WAS MILES AWAY FROM HIS CAMP. THAT'S WHERE THE HELICOPTER FOUND HIM. RIGHT NOW, THEY JUST THINK THAT HE SUCCUMBED TO THE HEAT."

WEIRD NEWS: BIKER KILLED FOR HAULING HAMBURGER ON HIS HOG LUCKILY, MOST BIKERS DO NOT HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT BEING MOBBED AND KILLED OVER CARRYING SOME HAMBURGER ON THEIR BIKE, BUT IN INDIA IT IS A DIFFERENT STORY. AN ANGRY MOB LYNCHED A MAN IN AN UTTAR PRADESH VILLAGE IN MAY ON SUSPICION THAT HE WAS TRANSPORTING COW MEAT ON HIS MOTORCYCLE, A POLICE OFFICER TOLD THAINDIAN NEWSPAPER. RIDING A MOTORCYCLE IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES CARRIES DIFFERENT RISKS, BUT IT APPEARS THAT IN INDIA, SURVIVING A BIKE ACCIDENT IS NOTHING COMPARED TO RESIDENTS FINDING OUT THAT YOU ARE CARRYING COW MEAT, WHICH IS SACRED. THIS TYPE OF INCIDENT SHOWS THAT YOU SHOULD ALWAYS RESEARCH THE LAWS OR RELIGIOUS PRACTICES BEFORE YOU GO BIKING AROUND IN OTHER COUNTRIES.

TOUGHER IN ALASKA -- JUNEAU BIKER CULTURE SUBJECT OF MUSEUM JUNEAU HAS MORE MOTORCYCLES PER CAPITA THAN MOST PLACES IN THE UNITED STATES EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE ONLY 91 MILES OF ROAD IN THE CITY SHARED BY OVER A THOUSAND MOTORCYCLISTS, AND IS THE ONLY CAPITAL NOT ACCESSIBLE BY ROAD. "THAT'S PRETTY INTERESTING," SAID SARAH ASPER-SMITH, GUEST CURATOR OF A MUSEUM EXHIBIT ON LOCAL BIKER CULTURE, ADDING THERE WERE 1,025 REGISTERED MOTORCYCLES IN 2006 IN JUNEAU. "THAT'S SOMETHING THAT RUNS THROUGH THE EXHIBIT, IS WHY DO WE HAVE SO MANY MOTORCYCLES IN TOWN WHEN YOU CAN'T

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DRIVE OUT OF TOWN? I THINK IT'S THAT SENSE OF FREEDOM THAT ALASKANS HAVE IN COMMON." "91 MILES TO RIDE: JUNEAU'S BIKER CULTURE" AT THE JUNEAU-DOUGLAS CITY MUSEUM HIGHLIGHTS JUNEAU BIKER CULTURE WITH MEMORABILIA AND PHOTOGRAPHS, SOME OF WHICH DATE TO THE 1930s, WHEN THERE WERE A LOT FEWER ROADS. ALSO ON DISPLAY ARE FOUR CLASSIC MOTORCYCLES, INCLUDING A 1924 HENDERSON INLINE IV, A 1936 HARLEY-DAVIDSON KNUCKLEHEAD, A 1946 INDIAN CHIEF, AND A 9-FOOT-LONG 1975 CUSTOMIZED CHOPPER, ALL ON LOAN FROM LOCAL BIKERS. "THE WEATHER NEVER REALLY BOTHERS US," SAID CRAIG "OZ" RASMUSSEN, WHO HAS RIDDEN HIS '36 HARLEY FROM DAWSON CITY, YUKON TO TIJUANA, MEXICO AND IS A MEMBER OF THE SOUTHEAST ALASKA PANHANDLERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, WHICH IS PROMINENTLY FEATURED IN THE EXHIBIT ALONG WITH THE SOUTHEAST ALASKA TONGASS CHAPTER OF H.O.G. (HARLEY OWNERS GROUP), JUNEAU ALASKA BIKERS ADVOCATING TRAINING AND EDUCATION (ABATE), AND OTHER GROUPS.

NEW ZEALAND BARS BIKER PATCHES BIKER PATCHES ARE NOT WELCOME IN CENTRAL TIMARU AND CLUB MEMBERS WILL HAVE TO REMOVE THEIR COLORS BEFORE ENTERING SOME BUSINESSES. "BUSINESSES CAN NOW PLACE STICKERS ON THEIR FRONT DOORS STATING THAT GANG PATCHES AND COLOURS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE WORN ON THE PREMISES," REPORTS THE TIMARU HERALD. INCREASING GANG ACTIVITY PROMPTED THE JOINT INITIATIVE FROM SAFER COMMUNITIES AND THE SOUTH CANTERBURY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, SAYS THE NEWSPAPER. ALL BUSINESSES HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ENTRY AS LONG AS IT IS NOT SEEN AS DISCRIMINATION, AND THE STICKERS ARE NOT CLASSED AS DISCRIMINATION, SAY OFFICIALS. THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DESIGNED AND PAID FOR THE PRINTING OF 100 STICKERS AND IS ASSISTING IN THE DISTRIBUTION. CHAMBER MANAGER DAVE JACK SAID MORE STICKERS WILL BE PRINTED IF NEEDED. TIMARU MAYOR JANIE ANNEAR SAID THE STICKERS WERE JUST ANOTHER TOOL TO STAMP OUT GANG ACTIVITY, ADDING THAT THEY WEREN'T NAIVE ENOUGH TO THINK THE GANG PROBLEM WAS OVER AND WERE ALWAYS THINKING OF NEW INITIATIVES; "THE BATTLE IS NEVER TOTALLY WON."

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "A GOVERNMENT BIG ENOUGH TO GIVE YOU EVERYTHING YOU WANT, IS BIG ENOUGH TO TAKE AWAY EVERYTHING YOU HAVE." THOMAS JEFFERSON (1743-1826) PATRIOT AND 3RD PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

AND THAT'S ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS!



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11:30 am

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Riviera Beach, FL

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OF ABATE**

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

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

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

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

To promote safe riding habits without infringing on individual rights.

To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.