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**NEXT CHAPTER  
MEETING**

**11:30 AM**

**SATURDAY**

**MARCH 20<sup>th</sup>**



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**15th ANNUAL FREEDOM RIGHTS RALLY**

**April 16 - April 19, 2010**

**State Meeting Sunday April 18th at 2:00 pm**

State Board Meeting Sunday April 18th at Noon

Monticello, Florida - American Legion Hall - 1065 S. Weber St. - Monticello, FL 32344

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**from Monticello KOA Campground at 9:00am**

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American Legion Hall

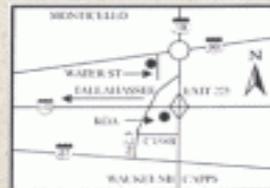
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BROTHERS AND SISTERS,

*WE HAVE COME TO THE CROSSROADS THIS IS WHERE WE MUST COME TOGETHER LIKE WE NEVER HAVE BEFORE. WE HAVE TO LOOK DEEP INTO OUR INDIVIDUAL CONSCIENCE AND DECIDE IF WE ARE READY TO DO SOMETHING OUR FOREFATHERS PROBABLY NEVER IMAGINED US, AS AMERICANS WOULD HAVE TO DO, TAKE BACK OUR COUNTRY. I FOR ONE HAVE A DIFFICULT TIME UNDERSTANDING HOW THINGS EVER GOT SO FAR, BEING BORN IN THE FIFTIES AND GROWING UP IN WHAT WAS IN MY OPINION THE GREATEST TIME IN OUR HISTORY. WHAT WE DID AND MORE IMPORTANTLY WHAT OUR PARENTS HAD DONE A DECADE BEFORE PUTTING BEFORE US A ROAD MAP AND A CHALLENGE. THEY WERE AND STILL ARE THE GREATEST GENERATION. THEY TAUGHT US VALUES AND RESPECT FOR OURSELVES AND FOR OTHERS, YOU BOW YOUR HEAD DURING A PRAYER AND YOU STOOD AT ATTENTION AND COVERED YOUR HEART WITH YOUR RIGHT HAND WHEN YOU MADE YOUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE OR WHEN THE FLAG PASSED BEFORE YOU. WE LEARNED COMMON SENSE THAT TOLD US YOU NEVER THROW A BULLET INTO THE CAMPFIRE OR SPIT INTO THE WIND. THEY HANDED US THE MOST INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITIES TO SUCCEED AND TAKE THE TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION THEY DEVELOPED TO THE MOON AND BEYOND, THEY WERE STILL THERE FOR US, THEY FLEW THE MISSIONS. THEY GAVE US FREEDOM WITHOUT BOUNDARIES; THEY GAVE US EVERYTHING WE NEEDED TO CARRY ON WITH THEIR LEGACY, TO LIVE AND DIE TO KEEP OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AND TO KEEP AMERICA THE GREATEST NATION ON EARTH AND WE DID. THEY WANTED US TO HAVE A BETTER LIFE THAN THEY HAD, AND WE DID. MANY STILL LIVED WITH THE MEMORIES AND HORRORS OF WW II AND KOREA, THEY WERE STILL WITH US WHEN YOUNG MEN WERE BEING CALLED UPON TO FIGHT YET ANOTHER WAR, WE WERE THEIR SONS. THEY WERE THERE WHEN WE RETURNED, ONLY THEY WOULD UNDERSTAND.*

*IT'S OUR TURN TO SHOW THOSE THAT ARE STILL WITH US; THEIR SACRIFICES WERE NOT IN VAIN. ARE WE BRAVE ENOUGH AND COMMITTED ENOUGH TO DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE, TO TAKE BACK OUR COUNTRY FROM A "DYSFUNCTIONAL CONGRESS," FROM OUR SO-CALLED LEADERS IN GOVERNMENT? "SENATOR EVAN BAYH (D) OF INDIANA ANNOUNCED LAST WEEK HE WOULD NOT RUN FOR REELECTION. "EVEN THOSE IN OFFICE KNOW THE TRUTH OF OUR MESSAGE. HE WENT ON TO SAY, "...WE NEED TO VOTE OUT THE PARTISANS WHO CARE MORE ABOUT THEIR POLITICAL FORTUNES THAN THE COUNTRY." THIS COMES BUT DAYS AFTER A [NEW YORK TIMES / CBS NEWS POLL](#) THAT SAYS, "JUST 8% OF AMERICANS WANT THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS REELECTED." I CAN'T FOR THE LIFE OF ME FIGURE OUT WHOM THOSE 8% ARE OR WHO THE 15% ARE WHO SAY THEY APPROVE OF THE JOB CONGRESS IS DOING.*

*SO, WHAT WILL WE DO? WILL WE WHINE, BITCH AND CRY WHILE OUR COUNTRY IS BEING SOLD OUT FROM UNDER US AND WATCH OUR CONSTITUTION BE TRASHED BY ANTI-AMERICAN SOCIALISTS WHO HAVE THE AUDACITY TO TELL US WE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PRAY TO GOD IN WHATEVER MANNER WE CHOSE, BY WHATEVER FAITH WE FOLLOW. TO REMOVE THE CROSSES FROM THE GRAVES OF OUR FALLEN HERO'S AT ARLINGTON, TO REMOVE "IN GOD WE TRUST"*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CONT'D

*FROM EVERYTHING IT GRACES AND LEAVE THE FUTURE OF OUR CHILDREN AND OUR CHILDREN'S CHILDREN TO LIVE AS SUBJECTS. ARE WE READY TO REMOVE THOSE PARTISANS WHO DO NOTHING FOR AMERICA AND IF ANYTHING AT ALL ONLY TO PROTECT THEIR OWN INTERESTS? ARE WE READY TO HOLD THESE PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS OR IN MOST CASES NON ACTION; DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS ALIKE, THEY PUT THEMSELVES UP ON A PEDESTAL AND LET THE BANKS AND INSURANCE COMPANY'S SCREW AROUND WITH YOUR MONEY, YOUR LIVELIHOOD, YOUR PERSONAL LIVES IN GENERAL AND DON'T EXPECT SOMEONE WOULD DARE PITCH A STONE AT THEM SOONER OR LATER, THEY'RE LUCKY SOMEBODY HASN'T BECAUSE IT WOULDN'T BE A STONE.*

*THIS COUNTRY WAS NOT FOUNDED BY TWO PARTIES. IT WAS NEVER INDENTED TO BE A TWO PARTY SYSTEM AND OUR CONSTITUTION WASN'T WRITTEN BY MEMBERS FROM TWO PARTIES. THOMAS JEFFERSON STATED " IF IT WAS THAT I HAD TO GO TO HEAVEN WITH A PARTY, I WOULD NOT GO AT ALL." PARTISANSHIP, BREEDS CONTEMPT, CONTEMPT HALTS PROGRESS AND NON-PRODUCTIVITY SPELLS ECONOMIC DISASTER, DEPENDENCY ON OTHERS AND WILL EVENTUALLY TURN US ALL INTO SLAVES OF THE STATE. WE HAVE INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES THAT HAVE HAD REAL ANSWERS AND REAL SOLUTIONS TO WHAT HAS BEEN DRAGGING THIS COUNTRY DOWN TO THIRD WORLD STATUS. THEY WERE UNSUCCESSFUL IN CONVINCING PEOPLE THAT YOU DON'T NEED TO BE A DEMOCRAT OR A REPUBLICAN TO SERVE YOUR COUNTRY. AS YOU CAN SEE, THOSE LEAST QUALIFIED ARE ALREADY THERE. ONLY 8% OF CONGRESS HAS ANY SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS EXPERIENCE. WOULD YOU ALLOW 8% OF THE ENTIRE POPULOUS OF AMERICA MAKE ANY DECISIONS ON HOW TO RUN THIS COUNTRY, MORE IMPORTANTLY OUR LIVES?*

*WE HAD CANDIDATES THAT HAVE SPOKEN AT OUR STATE MEETINGS FOR BOTH STATE AND U.S. CONGRESSIONAL SEATS, ONE WHO IS RUNNING FOR GOVERNOR, I GOT TO ADMIT TWO OF THEM HAD ME IN THEIR CORNER UNTIL ONE WAVED OFF A SIMPLE QUESTION AS TO WHETHER THEY WOULD SUPPORT LEGISLATION TO REINSTATE MANDATORY DRIVERS EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN THE FLORIDA SCHOOL SYSTEM. Ms. DOCKERY'S RESPONSE WAS "OH, I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE WOULD BE ABLE TO FIND THE MONEY TO PAY FOR THAT" AND IMMEDIATELY TOOK ANOTHER QUESTION ABOUT SOMETHING TOTALLY REMOVED FROM ANYTHING TO DO WITH MOTORCYCLES AND WHY WE WERE THERE. I REALLY WANTED AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK ANOTHER QUESTION AND POSSIBLY OFFER AN ANSWER AS TO WHERE THERE SUPPOSEDLY EXISTED A SOURCE OF REVENUE. WASN'T THE FLORIDA LOTTERY STARTED TO FUND EDUCATION IN FLORIDA? WHY ARE THERE SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND BUDGET CUTS, DISCONTINUED PROGRAMS AND TEACHERS OUT OF WORK THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF FLORIDA WHEN THE FLORIDA LOTTERY IS GENERATING \$18,000,000,000 THAT'S \$18 BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR. THE OTHER CANDIDATE IS RUNNING FOR A SEAT IN THE U.S. SENATE. I HAD SEEN HIM AT ANOTHER MEETING PRIOR AND HE MADE THE SAME SPEECH TWICE. IT SOUNDED GREAT THE FIRST TIME, BUT THE SECOND TIME IT SOUNDED LIKE A PITCH. THE OTHER THREE REMINDED ME OF BILLY MAYS.*

## *PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CONT'D*

*"NO MAN'S LIFE, LIBERTY, OR PROPERTY IS SAFE WHILE THE LEGISLATURE IS IN SESSION."*

*THAT IS OF COURSE UNLESS YOU'RE STANDING OVER THEM WITH A BAT IN ONE HAND AND A COPY OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION IN THE OTHER. MAYBE THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED TO DO; THIS IS NOT A TIME IN HISTORY TO ALLOW BACKROOM DEALS AND LEGISLATION TO PASS WITHOUT BEING REPRESENTED. WE'VE ALREADY SEEN THE RESULTS OF THAT IN ONLY ONE YEAR, WE SIMPLY CANNOT ALLOW THIS TO CONTINUE, WE HAVE THE CHANCE OF A LIFETIME TO DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE AND PRESERVE THE RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS AS THEY WERE WHEN THEY WERE PASSED DOWN TO US. THEY CALL US "BOOMERS" BUT WE ARE INDEED THE ONE'S THE GREATEST GENERATION ENTRUSTED TO CARRY ON WITH WHAT AMERICA STANDS FOR AND THAT DAMNED SURE ISN'T SOCIALIZED ANYTHING. IN MY OPINION THE MASK IS OFF AND THE CON IS OVER, IT'S TIME TO TAKE BACK AMERICA. DON'T COUNT ON THE TWO GENERATIONS THAT PRECEDE US TO DO ANYTHING; THEY'RE JUST OK WITH SOMEONE ELSE DOING EVERYTHING FOR THEM REGARDLESS OF THE PRICE. BY THE TIME THEY'RE FACED WITH THE HARSH REALITY OF WHAT OUR CURRENT GOVERNMENT IS TRYING TO DO WE'LL ALL BE WALKING AROUND WEARING UNIFORMS, HERDED INTO GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIZED HOUSING AND STANDING IN RATION LINES FOR EVERYTHING FROM FOOD TO MEDICAL CARE.*

*THE FIRST THING WE NEED TO DO IS VOTE THE MAJORITY OF CONGRESS OUT AS A SHOT ACROSS THE BOW, SECONDLY, WE NEED TO START DEMANDING THAT OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS ARE ACCOUNTABLE TO THE PEOPLE THAT PUT THEM THERE, US. THE THIRD THING IS TO DOPE SLAP THESE SPOILED BRATS THAT THINK THE WORLD OWES THEM SOMETHING BY CUTTING OFF THEIR ALLOWANCE, BY THAT I MEAN STOP GIVING THEM EVERYTHING THEY WANT TO STOP THEM FROM WHINING AND CRYING, AFTER ALL THEY ARE THE ONE'S WHO VOTED THESE PEOPLE INTO OFFICE. WE MAY NOT HAVE HAD ALL THE TECHNOLOGY THEY HAVE BUT LET'S NOT FORGET WE INVENTED IT FOR THEM. OBVIOUSLY THE EXPERIMENT WENT TOTALLY WRONG, INSTEAD OF RAISING THE BAR THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION STANDARDS WE GAVE THEM A PAT ON THE TUSHY AND TOLD THEM IT'S OK TO FAIL, WE'LL MAKE IT ALL BETTER FOR THEM. WE NEED TO GIVE THEM A GLIMPSE OF THE FUTURE BY SHOWING THEM WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE PAST. BECAUSE OF THEIR COMPLETE LACK OF UNDERSTANDING HISTORY THEY DON'T REMEMBER HITLER, STALIN, MAO SE TONG OR SADDAM HUSSEIN AND WHAT HAPPENS TO A SOCIETY THAT ALLOWS THE GOVERNMENT TO RUN THEIR LIVES, THEY HAVE NO IDEA HOW CLOSE WE ARE TO LOSING EVERYTHING OUR FOREFATHERS HAD FOUGHT AND DIED FOR. IT'S TIME FOR SOME TOUGH LOVE AND A LESSON IN PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY. IT NEEDS TO HAPPEN NOW.*

*LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS HAVE JUST OPENED IN TALLY AND THERE ARE SOME BILLS WE HAVE BEEN WATCHING CLOSELY, THE STIFFER PENALTIES BILL HAS BEEN REVISED AND IS IN COMMITTEE, THERE ARE 16 VERSIONS OF THE CELL PHONE BILL THAT WILL EVENTUALLY BE ROLLED INTO ONE. THERE IS A MOVEMENT CALLED "FOCUS" BEING SPEARHEADED BY THE MOTHER OF A CHILD THAT WAS KILLED IN AN ACCIDENT INVOLVING A TRACTOR TRAILER AND A*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CONT'D

SCHOOL BUS WHERE THE DRIVER OF THE SEMI WAS ON A CELL PHONE, APPARENTLY SHE AND FOCUS HAVE THE ATTENTION OF SOME KEY LEGISLATORS AND WILL PROBABLY BE BETTER RECEIVED. I WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE EVERYONE A BETTER IDEA OF WHERE WE STAND IN NEXT MONTHS ISSUE. MEANWHILE CHECK OUR WEB SITE FOR UPDATES AND PRESS RELEASES AS WE RECEIVE THEM.

I HOPE EVERYONE WILL CONSIDER ATTENDING OUR FREEDOM RIGHTS RALLY IN TALLAHASSEE APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH THE 19<sup>TH</sup> WITH THE RIDE TO THE CAPITOL BEING MONDAY THE 19<sup>TH</sup>. THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING WE CAN DO AS MEMBERS OF ABATE OF FLORIDA DURING THIS PIVOTAL AND CRITICAL MID TERM ELECTION YEAR. IT'S UP TO US, WE MUST HELP TO TURN THIS COUNTRY AROUND OR QUITE POSSIBLY LOSE EVERYTHING OUR COUNTRY WAS FOUNDED ON AND THE AMERICA WE KNOW AND LOVE.

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**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.

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## VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DEAR FELLOW ABATE MEMBERS,

*THIS MONTHS MESSAGE STARTS WITH MY THANKS TO ALL THOSE THAT ATTENDED OUR BIKER APPRECIATION PARTY AT TURN 3. I'D ESPECIALLY LIKE TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE BROTHERHOOD WHO ATTENDED, YOUR SUPPORT IS TRULY APPRECIATED. EVERYONE HAD A GREAT TIME, SO IF YOU WEREN'T THERE, YOU MISSED A GOOD TIME!*

*WE HAD A GOOD BUNCH OF US RIDE FROM UP IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTY DOWN TOGETHER FOR THE PARTY. I'D LIKE TO SEE MORE OF US RIDING TOGETHER. I THINK PART OF THE PROBLEM IN GETTING OUR GROUP TOGETHER FOR RIDES IS DISTANCE. PALM BEACH COUNTY IS VERY LARGE. IT CAN TAKE AN HOUR TO RIDE FROM ONE BORDER TO THE OTHER AND OUR MEMBERS ARE EQUALLY SPREAD OUT. THIS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT WE HAVEN'T RECOGNIZED IN THE PAST. WE HAVE RECENTLY SET UP A TEXT ALERT SYSTEM FOR ANY OF THE RIDES ROCKER OR MYSELF ARE ATTENDING. WE GIVE INFO ON MEETING TIMES AND PLACES. MOST TIMES ITS TO MEET UP WITH OTHER MEMBER GROUPS SO THAT WE MAY ALL RIDE IN TOGETHER. I THINK WE NEED TO EXPAND ON THIS BY ALSO HAVING SOMEONE IN SOUTH COUNTY DOING THE SAME AND COORDINATING WITH ROCKER OR MYSELF. SHOWING THE SUPPORT SHOWN TO US BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IS VERY IMPORTANT. I SUGGEST THAT THOSE OF US IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTY TRY TO MAKE AN EFFORT TO BE AT THE EVENTS IN THE COUNTIES JUST TO THE NORTH. THE SAME FOR THOSE DOWN SOUTH, TO GET TO THE BROWARD AND DADE EVENTS.*

*WELL SPRING IS ALMOST HERE AND I FOR ONE CAN'T WAIT! I'M TIRED OF THIS UNUSUALLY COLD WEATHER THAT WE'VE BEEN HAVING AND WILL BE HAPPY TO RIDE WITHOUT ALL THE EXTRA CRAP. AS I WRITE THIS, BIKE WEEK IN DAYTONA HAS JUST GOTTEN UNDERWAY. OH AND IT'S GONNA BE COLD AT NIGHT. SO DON'T FORGET ALL THAT EXTRA CRAP! YOUR GONNA NEED IT. I HOPE WE HAVE SOME MEMBERS HELP OUT UP AT THE CAMPGROUND THIS YEAR. FOR THOSE RIDING UP, RIDE SAFE AND REMEMBER. THERE ARE A LOT OF INEXPERIENCED RIDERS, INTOXICATED RIDERS AND MORONS IN CAGES BUSY TEXTING ON THEIR CELLPHONES. ALL UNINTENTIONALLY GUNNING FOR YOU! PAY ATTENTION ON THE ROAD AND RIDE SAFE. KNOW YOUR LIMITATIONS AND KEEP WITHIN THEM. MOST OF ALL, WATCH OUT FOR THE OTHER GUY AND NEVER ASSUME THEY SEE YOU.*

**NIGHTHAWK**

**VICE PRESIDENT ABATE PALM BEACH**

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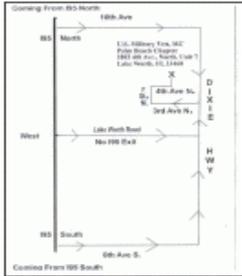
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CALENDAR EVENTS

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## MARCH

**change**

Feb 26-March 7, 69th Annual Daytona Bike Week

**\*14 - Keltics MC Broward Annual**

**\*21 - Fiasco Brothers Annual**

21 - BBRA 3rd Annual Smiles Charity Ride

**\*27 - Outcast MC Annual**

**\*28 - States MC Pompano Annual**

## APRIL

**\*4 - CMA Annual Easter Service**

3 & 4 - Peterson's South Anniversary Weekend

**\*11 - AOA West Palm Beach Annual**

17 - Mystic Seven MC & Mojo's Birthday Party

**\*18 - Hermandad MC Annual**

24 - USMV Martin County party

**\*25 Wings of Gold MC Ft. Laud Stars & Stripes Annual**

23, 24, 25 - Leesberg Bikefest

## MAY

**\*2 - Southern MC Annual**

8 & 9 - National COC Convention Orlando

**\*15 - USMVMC West Palm Annual**

**\*16 - Wings of Gold MC Miami Annual**

22 - Wings of Gold MC Pt St. Lucie party

**\*23 - Soldiers for Jesus MC West Palm Beach Annual**

30 - SE ABATE Memorial Day Event

## JUNE

**\*6 - AOA MC Treasure Coast Annual**

**\*12 - New Attitudes MC Annual**

**\*13 - Wings of Gold MC West Palm Annual**

20 - Peterson's North Store Fathers Day Event

26 - Palm Beach ABATE Annual Event

27 - Wings of Gold MC Miami party

## JULY

3 - USMVMC South Broward Party

11 - AOA MC West Palm Beach party

17 - Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook-Off & Party

18 - States MC Lake Worth party

**\*25 - Black Pistons MC Ft. Laud. Annual**

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Last bike in by 6:00pm

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**1<sup>st</sup> Annual**  
**POSSUM DODGER ADVENTURE RUN**  
Sunday, March 14, 2010

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\$10 registration includes food

First Bike out: 10:00am      Last Bike out: 11:30am

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Last Bike in: 3:30pm @  
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**12TH ANNUAL**  
**POKER RUN**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2010

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SFLCOC      SPMC AND SFLCOC 3 - 5

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March 20, 2010  
4:00 - 6:30 pm

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Italian  
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Dinner

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# March 2010

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2 Iron Eagle Bike Nite	3 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB	4	5	6
DAYTONA BIKE WEEK - CHECK OUT ABATE CAMPGROUNDS - VOLUSIA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS						
7 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">DAYTONA BIKE WEEK ENDS</div>	8	9 Homerun Biker Appreciation Party	10 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB	11	12	13 Stuart VFW 4194 Dart Run
14 Keltics MC Annual	15	16	17 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB 	18	19	20 ABATE-PBC MEETING 11:30  CMA RUN FOR THE SUN
21 Fiasco Brothers - Annual	22	23	24 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB	25	26	27 Outcasts MC Annual
28 States MC - Pompano Annual	29	30	31 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB			

# April

2010

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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4 CMA EASTER SERVICE 	5	6 Iron Eagle Bike Nite	7 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB	8	9	10 ABATE-PBC MEETING 11:30 - (temporary change)
11	12	13 Homerun Biker Appreciation Party	14 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB	15	16	17 RIDE TO TALLAHASSEE
18 Hermandad MC - Doral  Chili Cook off - P.B. Harley  ABATE STATE MEETING 04/18 - RIDE TO CAPITAL 04/19	19	20	21 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB	22	23 LEESBURG BIKE WEEK	24 US MILITARY VETS - Stuart
25 LEESBURG BIKE WEEK ENDS	26	27	28 Island Jack's - Bike Night-WPB	29	30	



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STRONGBOW, PRESIDENT, ABATE PALM BEACH CHAPTER

AND A JOKE RECENTLY SENT TO US BY:

AGOSTINO "GUS" TULLIO - ABATE PALM BEACH CHAPTER



### "CHILI"

I WENT TO HOME DEPOT RECENTLY WHILE NOT BEING ALTOGETHER SURE THAT COURSE OF ACTION WAS A WISE ONE. YOU SEE, THE PREVIOUS EVENING I HAD PREPARED AND CONSUMED A MASSIVE QUANTITY OF MY PATENTED 'YOU'RE DEFINITELY GOING TO SHIT YOURSELF' ROAD-KILL CHILI. TASTY STUFF, ALTHOUGH HOT TO THE POINT OF BEING PAINFUL, WHICH COMES WITH A WRITTEN GUARANTEE FROM ME THAT IF YOU EAT IT, THE NEXT DAY BOTH OF YOUR BUTT CHEEKS WILL FALL OFF.

HERE'S THE THING. I HAD AWAKENED THAT MORNING, AND EVEN AFTER TWO CUPS OF COFFEE (AND ALL OF YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN) NOTHING HAPPENED. NO 'WATSON'S MOVEMENT. DESPITE THE CHILIES SWIMMING THEIR WAY THROUGH MY INTESTINAL TRACT, I WAS UNABLE TO CREATE THE USUAL MORNING SYMPHONY REFERRED TO BY MY DEAR WIFE AS 'THUNDER AND LIGHTNING'.

KNOWING THAT A TIME OF RECKONING HAD TO COME, YET NOT SURE OF JUST WHEN, I BRAVELY SET OFF FOR HOME DEPOT, MY QUEST BEING PAINT AND SUPPLIES TO REFINISH THE DECK. UPON ENTERING THE STORE AT FIRST ALL SEEMED NORMAL.. I SELECTED A CART AND BEGAN PUSHING IT ABOUT, DROPPING ITEMS IN FOR PURCHASE. IT WASN'T UNTIL I WAS AT THE OPPOSITE END OF THE STORE FROM THE TOILETS THAT THE PAIN HIT ME.

OH, DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. I'M REFERRING TO THAT 'UH OH, SHIT, GOTTA GO' PAIN THAT ALWAYS SEEMS TO HIT US AT THE WRONG TIME. THE THING IS, THIS PAIN WAS DIFFERENT. THE CHILIES FROM THE NIGHT BEFORE WERE STAGING A REVOLT. IN A MAD RUSH FOR FREEDOM THEY BULLIED THEIR WAY THROUGH THE SMALL INTESTINES, FORCING THEIR WAY INTO THE LARGE INTESTINES, AND BEFORE I COULD TAKE ONE STEP IN THE DIRECTION OF THE TOILETS WHICH WOULD BRING SWEET RELIEF, IT HAPPENED. THE CHILIES FIRED A WARNING SHOT.

THERE I STOOD, ALONE IN THE PAINT AND STAIN SECTION, SUDDENLY ENVELOPED IN A TOXIC CLOUD THE LIKES OF WHICH HAS NEVER BEFORE BEEN RECORDED. I WAS AFRAID TO MOVE FOR FEAR THAT MORE OF THIS VILE ODOR MIGHT ESCAPE ME. SLOWLY, OH SO SLOWLY, THE PRESSURE SEEMED TO LEAVE THE LOWER PART OF MY BODY, AND I BEGAN TO MOVE UP THE AISLE AND OUT OF IT, JUST AS AN ORANGE APRONED CLERK TURNED THE CORNER AND ASKED IF I NEEDED ANY HELP.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT MADE ME DO IT, BUT I STOPPED TO SEE WHAT HIS REACTION WOULD BE TO THE TOXIC NON-VISIBLE FOG THAT REFUSED TO DISSIPATE.. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TORN IN TWO DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS EMOTIONALLY? HERE'S WHAT I MEAN, AND I'M SURE SOME OF YOU AT LEAST WILL BE ABLE TO RELATE. I COULDN'T WARNED THAT POOR CLERK, BUT DIDN'T. I SIMPLY WATCHED AS HE WALKED INTO AN INVISIBLE, AND APPARENTLY INDESTRUCTIBLE, WALL OF ODOR SO TERRIBLE THAT ALL HE COULD DO BEFORE GATHERING HIS SENSES AND RUNNING, WAS TO STAND THERE BLINKING AND WAVING HIS ARMS ABOUT HIS HEAD AS THOUGH TRYING TO WARD OFF ANGRY BEES. THIS, OF COURSE, MADE ME FEEL TERRIBLE, BUT THEN MADE ME LAUGH. ....BIG MISTAKE!!!!

HERE'S THE THING. WHEN YOU LAUGH, IT'S HARD TO KEEP THINGS 'CLAMPED DOWN', IF YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN. WITH EACH NEW GUFFAW AN EXPLOSIVE ISSUE BURST FORTH FROM MY NETHER REGION. SOME WERE SO LOUD AND ECHOING THAT I WAS LATER TOLD A FEW FOLKS IN OTHER AISLES HAD DUCKED, FEARING THAT SOMEONE WAS ROBBING THE STORE AND FIRING OFF A SHOTGUN. SUDDENLY THINGS WERE NO LONGER FUNNY. 'IT' WAS COMING, AND I RACED OFF THROUGH THE STORE TOWARDS THE TOILET, LAYING DOWN A CLOUD THE WHOLE WAY, PRAYING THAT I'D MAKE IT BEFORE THE GRAND EXPLOSION TOOK PLACE. LUCK WAS ON MY SIDE. JUST IN THE NICK OF TIME I GOT TO THE JOHN, BEGAN THE INEVITABLE 'OH MY GOD', FLOATING ABOVE THE TOILET SEAT BECAUSE MY ASS IS BURNING SO BAD, PURGING. ONE POOR FELLOW WALKED IN WHILE I WAS IN THE MIDDLE OF WHAT IS THE TRUE MEANING OF 'SHOCK AND AWE'.. HE MADE A GAGGING SOUND, AND DISGUSTEDLY SAID, 'SON-OF-A-BITCH!, DID IT SMELL THAT BAD WHEN YOU ATE IT?', THEN QUICKLY LEFT.

ONCE FINISHED AND I LEFT THE RESTROOM, REACQUIRED MY PARTIALLY FILLED CART INTENDING TO CARRY ON WITH MY SHOPPING WHEN A STORE EMPLOYEE APPROACHED ME AND SAID, 'SIR, YOU MIGHT WANT TO STEP OUTSIDE FOR A FEW MINUTES. IT APPEARS SOME PRANKSTER SET OFF A STINK BOMB IN THE STORE. THE MANAGER IS GOING TO RUN THE VENT FANS ON HIGH FOR A MINUTE OR TWO WHICH OUGHT TO TAKE CARE OF THE PROBLEM.'

MY SMIRKING OF COURSE SET ME OFF AGAIN, CAUSING RESIDUAL GASES TO ESCAPE ME. THE EMPLOYEE TOOK ONE SNIFF, JUMPED BACK PULLING HIS APRON UP TO COVER HIS NOSE AND, POINTING AT ME IN AN ACCUSING MANNER SHOUTED, 'IT'S YOU!', THEN RAN OFF RETURNING MOMENTS LATER WITH THE MANAGER. I WAS UNCEREMONIOUSLY ESCORTED FROM THE PREMISES AND ASKED NONE TOO KINDLY NOT TO RETURN.

HOME AGAIN WITHOUT MY SUPPLIES, I REALIZED THAT THERE WAS NOTHING TO EAT BUT LEFTOVER CHILI, SO I CONSUMED TWO MORE BOWLS. THE NEXT DAY I WENT TO SHOP AT LOWE'S.



**Christian Motorcyclists Association  
Annual Easter Service  
Sunday, April 04, 2010**



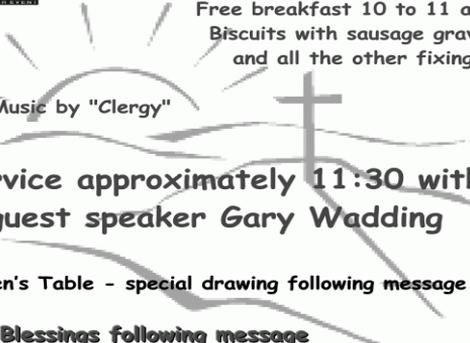
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*"GOOD NEWS EVERYONE THE FLORIDA SENATE JUST FILED OUR STIFFER PENALTIES BILL AND IT IS NUMBER SB 1918."*

*"A HOUSE PANEL TOOK ON CELL PHONES WEDNESDAY – SIFTING THROUGH A HALF-DOZEN BILLS AIMED AT CRACKING DOWN ON DISTRACTED DRIVING.*

*THE PUSH TO REGULATE TEXTING OR GENERAL CELL PHONE USE HAS BECOME ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR ISSUES ADVANCED BY LAWMAKERS HEADING INTO THE SPRING SESSION. BUT CENTRAL TO THE DEBATE: WHETHER POLICE SHOULD BE ABLE TO ISSUE CITATIONS SOLELY FOR BEHIND-THE-WHEEL CELL PHONE USE, OR WHETHER TICKETS COULD BE ISSUED ONLY IF DRIVERS ARE STOPPED FOR OTHER TRAFFIC OFFENSES.*

*ONCE A SINGLE BILL COMES FORWARD I WILL PASS IT ON TO YOU."*

*"HERE ARE TWO MORE UP-DATES ON A COUPLE OF BILLS THAT WE ARE WATCHING.*

*HB 97 **STREET RACING** CREATES "LUIS RIVERA ORTEGA STREET RACING ACT"; REVISES PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING PROVISIONS PROHIBITING CERTAIN SPEED COMPETITIONS & EXHIBITIONS. ABATE SUPPORTS THIS BILL HAS BEEN PASSED AS FAVORABLE WITH CS BY ROADS, BRIDGES & PORTS POLICY COMMITTEE ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2010 12:00 PM*

*CS/HB 297 **VEHICLE CRASHES INVOLVING DEATH** REQUIRES THAT DEFENDANT ARRESTED FOR LEAVING SCENE OF CRASH INVOLVING DEATH MUST BE HELD IN CUSTODY UNTIL BROUGHT BEFORE JUDGE FOR ADMITTANCE TO BAIL. LAST EVENT: NOW IN CRIMINAL & CIVIL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2010 9:21 AM"*

*DARRIN "SCRIBE" BROOKS, STATE LEGISLATIVE TRUSTEE, ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.*

*SO THE BILLS CONTINUE TO GO THROUGH COMMITTEES. CHECK THE ABATE STATE FOR STATUS OF ALL BILLS OF INTEREST. I'M SURE OUR MEN IN THE CAPITAL WILL BE WATCHFUL OF ANY HELMET LAWS SLIPPING IN. WE NEED NOW TO START WRITING THE SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO BE SURE TO VOTE FOR THE BILLS WE WANT. WHILE WE WAIT FOR THE VOTE, NOW IS THE TIME TO PREPARE FOR OUR VOTE.*

*I'M WORKING ON UPDATING OUR LEGISLATIVE PAGES AND GETTING THE CANDIDATE INFORMATION FOR YOU TO USE. WORK IS COMING ALONG BUT GETTING HARD TO FIND MORE ABOUT THE CANDIDATES SO I'M*

*GLAD FOR ANY HELP WITH THIS MATTER. WE WILL BE LOSING TWO LOCAL FRIENDS IN STATE SENATORS JEFF*

*ATWATER (DIST 25) AND DAVE ARONBERG (DIST 27) AS THEY GO FOR HIGHER OFFICE. WE HAVE A LOT FO WORK TO DO. SO BE SURE TO VISIT ABATEPALMBEACH.COM AND GET INVOLVED! AND VOTE!*

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## FROM THE CATCH ALL DESK

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**To: PALM BEACH CHAPTER MEMBERS**  
**DATE: MARCH 2010**

*A FEW REMINDERS....*

*THE NEXT STATE MEETING IS ON APRIL 17-19 IN TALLAHASSEE. IF YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN AND YOU LIKE TO RIDE, THIS IS THE RIDE TO TAKE. IF YOU THINK THE RIDE UP MIGHT BE TOO MUCH, TALK TO OTHER CHAPTER MEMBERS, THERE IS A GROUP THAT ARE TRAILERING THEIR BIKES UP SATURDAY AND STILL DOING THE RIDE INTO THE CAPITAL ON MONDAY. IT IS SOMETHING THAT EVERY MEMBER OF ABATE SHOULD EXPERIENCE ONCE. THE RIDE, THE CEREMONY IN THE ROTUNDA AND OF COURSE SEE ALL THE LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES FOR OUR AREA. THE MORE THAT STAND IN THE ROTUNDA, THE MORE EVERYONE SEES THAT BIKERS DO CARE AND DO HAVE A VOICE, NUMBERS TALK!*

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: DUE TO ABATE STATE MEETING IN TALLAHASSEE AND LEESBURG, THE APRIL MEETING HAS BEEN CHANGED TO APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, SAME TIME, SAME PLACE.**

*DUE TO THE EFFORTS OF MANY, WE HAVE SOME NEW ADVERTISERS AND RENEWALS OF SOME ADVERTISERS THAT HAVE BEEN WITH US FOR A WHILE AND I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND MY APPRECIATION FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THE CHAPTER; NEW ADVERTISERS - **US MILITARY VETS, FLA MC PALM BEACH COUNTY** HAVE AN OPEN HOUSE EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AT THEIR NEW CLUBHOUSE, STARTS AT 12:30 PM. IF YOUR OUT FOR A RIDE, OR HAVE NOTHING TO DO, STOP BY AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT AS THEY ARE SUPPORTING US. **BMG CYCLE** IN BOCA, AND ALSO A MEMBER OF ABATE PALM BEACH CHAPTER, HAS SHOWN HIS SUPPORT BY RENEWING HIS AD AND HE HAS A GREAT BIKE WASH ON SATURDAYS WITH LADIES CLAD IN BIKINIS, (NO MATTER WHAT THE WEATHER) THEY ARE OUT THEIR TO WASH YOUR BIKE. RENEWALS OF: **LEGION RIDES POST 268, TURN 3, AND DYNASTY CYCLE**, WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE CHAPTER.*

*AS MENTIONED IN THE LAST CHAPTER MEETING, I AM LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO HELP WITH THE PRODUCTION OF THE NEWSLETTER. MY CURRENT JOB POSITION IS CHANGING AND I WOULD LIKE TO BE PREPARED. ANYONE INTERESTED PLEASE FEEL FREE TO E-MAIL ME AT : [NEWSLETTER@ABATEPALMBEACH.COM](mailto:NEWSLETTER@ABATEPALMBEACH.COM) OR CALL ME AT 561-445-4874.*

*DUE TO CALENDAR EVENTS PICKING UP, DAYTONA, ETC. WE DON'T HAVE A BIKER APPRECIATION PLANNED FOR THIS MONTH, BUT DON'T FORGET TO COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR CHAPTER ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT **HOME RUN'S** BIKE NITE. IF YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN, IT'S A GREAT TIME. AL, THE OWNER OF HOME RUN PUTS OUT A NICE FREE BUFFET, THE MUSIC IS GREAT AND THE CHAPTER RUNS A 50/50. COME OUT AND HAVE SOME FUN WITH US! COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR CHAPTER.*

AS EVENTS PICK UP, THIS GIVES US MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO SET UP OUR MEMBERSHIP/SAFETY TABLE AND GET THE WORD OUT ABOUT ABATE, UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE ISSUES, ETC. WE HAVE MANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE STEPPED UP AND TAKEN A BOX SO THAT WE CAN DO THIS, BUT THESE PEOPLE WILL ALSO NEED HELP. IF YOU HAVE AN HOUR TO SPARE FOR ONE OF THESE EVENT TABLE SET-UPS PLEASE NOTIFY RIO AT THE NEXT MEETING. WE SHOULD BE HAVING A TABLE AT THE "CHILI COOK-OFF" AT WEST PALM HARLEY, AND NAM KNIGHTS "ROCK-N-ROLL" EVENT IN MAY. THESE ARE EVENTS THAT MANY OF YOU ATTEND. STOP BY THE TABLE AND OFFER TO GIVE SOMEONE A BREAK.

AS MENTIONED IN THE VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE IN THE SOUTH PART OF THE COUNTY WITH A HIGH TECH PHONE THAT CAN DO THE TEXT MESSAGE SYSTEM FOR RIDE UPDATES. THIS SYSTEM HAS BECOME VERY USEFUL TO KEEP THOSE INTERESTED ON GOING ON RIDES UPDATED AS TO ANY UPCOMING RIDES AN/OR CHANGES DUE TO WEATHER, ETC.

ALSO COMING UP IN ON MAY 5 & 6<sup>TH</sup> IS THE **NCOM CONVENTION** IN ORLANDO. THIS IS SOMETHING AGAIN, LIKE TALLHASSE THAT EVERYONE SHOULD EXPERIENCE. YOU WILL SEE THAT IT IS NOT ONLY ABATE OUT THEIR FIGHTING FOR OUT RIGHTS. IT IS A VERY INFORMATIVE EVENT FOR THE BIKER COMMUNITY.

FOR THOSE THAT MISSED THE LAST MEETING, WE INTRODUCED OUR NEW SHIRTS AND I HAVE TO SAY THEY SOLD LIKE HOTCAKES. THESE SHIRTS, AS THEY ARE NOT CHAPTER SPECIFIC, SOLD EXTREMELY WELL AT THE **TURN 3** BIKER APPRECIATION PARTY THAT EVENING. I STILL HAVE SOME LEFT, SO SEE ME AFTER THE MEETING TO GET YOURS.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEND OUT MY PERSONAL PRAYERS AND ASK THAT ALL OF YOU SAY A PRAYER TO A MEMBER AND ADVERTISER THAT WENT DOWN THIS MONTH. KAREN FROM DYNASTY CYCLES WENT DOWN AND THANKFULLY IS NOW RECOVERING AT HOME. DUTCH, ALSO OF MILITARY VETS WENT DOWN AND ALSO IS RECOVERING AT HOME. I WISH THEM BOTH A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

**IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup> - MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING CHANGE - SAME TIME, SAME PLACE**

**APRIL 17-19<sup>TH</sup> - ABATE STATE MEETING IN TALLHASSEE**

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**BIKERS SUPPORT BROWN IN HISTORIC SENATE VICTORY**

Scott Brown captured the national spotlight in his bid to replace the late Senator Ted Kennedy of Massachusetts, and he is a modern American success story, rising from relative obscurity to be the first Republican in decades elected to the U.S. Senate in the most liberal Democratic state in the country.

Paul Cote of the Massachusetts Motorcycle Association joined newly-elected Senator Scott Brown at his victory celebration at the Park Plaza Hotel in Boston following his shocking election upset. The MMA worked with Sen. Brown's campaign in gratitude for his support of motorcyclists' legislation over the many years he has served in the state legislature.

"Since last September, when the Massachusetts Motorcycle Political Action Committee (MMPAC) supporters started gathering signatures to get Scott Brown on the ticket for the US Senate Special Election, we have knocked on doors, stood outside grocery stores and even 'hung out at the landfills' to get Scott elected," said Rick Gleason of MMPAC.

Not only is Brown a biker-friendly politician, but he rides a Victory motorcycle!

**S.C. SUPREME COURT HEARS MYRTLE BEACH HELMET LAWSUITS** South Carolina's highest court heard oral arguments Wednesday, February 3 over whether a city can require motorcycle riders to wear helmets, despite the lack of a state law requiring the practice. State law doesn't require riders 21 and older to wear helmets, but in an effort to get rid of two bike rallies held there each year, the Myrtle Beach city council voted unanimously in 2008 to pass 15 ordinances intended to dissuade bikers from coming to town, including the controversial mandatory helmet law for motorcycle riders and passengers of all ages.

Justices peppered an attorney for the city with questions over what they seemed to view as the intent of the ordinance -- not to make Myrtle Beach's roads safer for bikers, as had been argued, but to drive the bike rallies away from the Grand Strand.

Representing his brother Bart, who leads a pro-bike rally group of business-owners and is challenging a ticket he received for not wearing a helmet, State Representative Thad Viers argued to the five justices that a state law governing traffic ordinances spells out what local governments are allowed to do regarding traffic laws. Viers filed more than 30 pages of briefs containing multiple sections supporting his various legal arguments against the city helmet ordinance.

But Virginia-based A.I.M. Attorney (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) Tom McGrath, who argued before the court representing 49 helmet law protesters who were ticketed, filed a much shorter brief, saying, among other things, that most of the arguments don't matter because the city's ordinance is at odds with state law, and for that reason alone it should be tossed out.

"The gist of the city's arguments is that it has the right to do whatever it wants to do as long as it declares something to be a public nuisance and decides to abate it," McGrath's brief begins. "...If the

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ordinances conflict with state law, the ordinances are void. If the ordinances are void, their underlying merits are irrelevant."

Now it remains up to the State Supreme Court to decide the issues, and it may take months to render a ruling. McGrath has his hopes up; "Based on the questions the Justices asked the attorney for the City it seems the Court likely will render a favorable opinion for freedom. Hopefully, we won't be disappointed."

**MOTORCYCLE CLUB WILL SEND PATCH INTO SPACE** The South Houston chapter of the Los Carnales / La Familia law enforcement motorcycle organization has been given the opportunity to send items into space on the Space Shuttle Mission STS-134 on July 29th this year.

It will be the first motorcycle club represented in space. The club has developed a special patch for the occasion. It has Los Carnales / La Familia Nation with both the state of Texas and California on it.

**INDUSTRY REPORTS BAD YEAR FOR CYCLE SALES** 2009 was a bad year for bikes, with the Motorcycle Industry Council reporting the lowest sales in a decade. The MIC noted a 40.8% drop in sales from the 2008 season, with roughly 520,502 bikes sold in 2009 compared to 880,000 that were sold in 2008.

The MIC reports monthly sales of most major motorcycle manufacturers, including: BMW, Harley-Davidson, Buell, Honda, Kawasaki, KTM, Triumph, Yamaha, Suzuki, Victory, and the Piaggio Group. The MIC also creates estimates on all non-reporting manufacturers.

With non-reporting sales included, the total sales for 2008 was 1.1 million according to the MIC, and though last year's total hasn't been tabulated yet, it is expected that 2009 will break a six-year streak of sales above the 1 million mark.

The biggest drop in sales occurred in the scooter category. Scooters boomed in 2008 as gas prices reached record highs.

As the economy begins to stabilize again, the MIC predicts that motorcycle sales will begin to increase.

**TENNESSEE "LEMON LAW" MAY SOON INCLUDE MOTORCYCLES** Tennessee's "Lemon Law" may soon be extended to include motorcycles, if the legislature takes action on a measure sponsored by Representative Vince Dean, of East Ridge.

Dean says motorcycle buyers should have the same rights as people buying cars and trucks that don't perform properly. He says any mechanical and structural problems can be more dangerous for motorcycle riders.

The measure moved forward in a House Committee in early February, and a companion bill is awaiting consideration in the Senate Transportation Committee.

**WASHINGTON BILL ADDRESSES BIKER PROFILING** In a monumental and historical vote, the Washington State House of Representatives passed HB2511 - a bill addressing "Motorcycle Profiling" - by a margin of 96 to 2. This landslide vote provides an indication that legislators are

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actually getting the idea that profiling is real and needs legislative relief, while the lack of opposition was seen as a silent show of support from Law Enforcement.

During the legislative process, "It was remarkable to hear the legislators mention the organized and well presented information from the motorcycle community," reports Donnie "Mr. Breeze" Landsman, Legislative Affairs Officer for ABATE of Washington.

"Motorcyclists aren't looking for special rights," Landsman said. "We want the same rights that are afforded to every other section of the population as American citizens and as citizens of Washington State. We aren't being given that."

The group found a champion in Rep. Steve Kirby (D-Tacoma) who introduced a bill that would force local law enforcement agencies to adopt a written policy designed to condemn and prevent the profiling of motorcyclists and to institute training to address the issue.

It's illegal to profile minorities, it should be illegal to profile motorcycle riders, the bikers said. The Washington State Patrol uses a training brochure called "Basic Biker 101" that starts with the statement "Bikers are dangerous" and gives instructions on how to gather information about them during traffic stops, according to David Devereaux of the Outsiders Motorcycle Club. To further substantiate their claims of harassment, Devereaux said that when bikers showed up en masse last year their annual "Black Thursday" lobbying day to find sponsors for the anti-profiling bill, state troopers surreptitiously took down all their license plate numbers.

Next, the bill goes over to the Senate for consideration and will be assigned to a hearing committee, most likely Judiciary.

"This has been a very good year for ABATE of Washington and the US Defenders of Washington," said Landsman. "We have worked together to make this happen, and are truly on the same page."

**OREGON RIDERS CONVERGE ON CAPITOL** Motorcycle club members, independent riders and even non-riders alike came together in solidarity in Portland to protect rights specific to bikers. The first "call to action" by the US Defenders motorcycle group brought out over 70 bikes to the Oregon State Capitol recently, making a positive statement of unity between clubs and independent riders. Quiet Mike, the Information Officer for US Defenders said he was pleased with the show of bikes, "It was an excellent turnout, the most motorcyclists we've had here for a long time."

US Defenders is a movement formed from within motorcycle clubs from individual states to implement and support motorcycle rights. The grass roots organization is supported through the Confederations of Clubs across the country, and is composed of state "citizen biker manpower" from Motorcycle Clubs and Coalition of Independent Riders (C.O.I.R) representatives.

Quiet Mike, who also serves as Vice-Chairman for the Oregon Confederation of Clubs said this was a well-planned event. "We set up in the capitol so people could come and meet with their state representative or state senator. Several people set up appointments in advance, and they were able to express their concerns about how bikers' rights are being affected."

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Many people were there to discuss helmet laws, others for civil rights where profiling motorcycle club members is concerned, and some brought up that motorcyclist fatalities caused by car drivers should carry more serious charges than just a traffic fine.

**ADULTS IN KANSAS COULD BE FINED FOR KIDS RIDING WITHOUT HELMETS** Adults could soon be fined in Kansas for allowing minors to go without wearing helmets while driving or riding a motorcycle.

It is already illegal in Kansas for anyone under 18 to operate a motorcycle without wearing a helmet, but currently it is the youngster who gets a ticket. Under provisions of the new Senate bill, it would become illegal for owners of a motorcycle or motorized bicycle to permit a person under 18 to drive or ride on their vehicle without wearing a helmet, so the adult would receive a citation too.

Use of motorcycle helmets has been on the rise nationally, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), which reported that 67% of motorcyclists wore a helmet in 2009, compared to just 48% in 2005.

### SAVE THE DATE - MAY 6-9, NCOM CONVENTION

The 25th annual NCOM Convention will be held Mother's Day weekend, May 6-9, 2010 at the Orlando Airport Marriott, 7499 Augusta National Dr., Orlando, Florida. This annual gathering will draw bikers' rights activists from across the country to discuss topics of concern to all motorcyclists, so reserve your room now for the special NCOM rate of \$89.00 by calling (800) 380-6751.

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**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)

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