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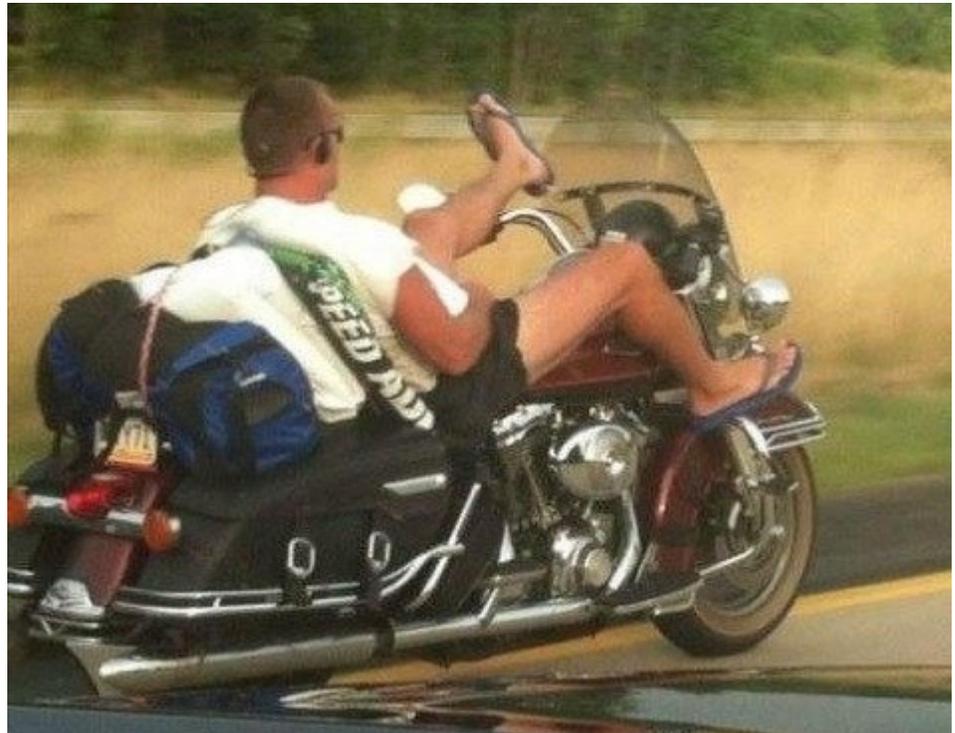


**NEXT  
CHAPTER  
MEETING  
11:30 AM  
FIRST  
Sunday**

**CHECK TWICE  
FOR MOTORCYCLES**

**OCT. 6  
LET THOSE  
WHO RIDE  
DECIDE!**

**What's Wrong With This Picture?**



Well if you ask Nighthawk and =CB= they would say they wanted a sexy woman on bike for the cover. Sorry guys I wasn't able to get out for any photos like that this month. I didn't have any releases/permissions for any of my old photos or risk copyright use of standard shots. I promise to do some photo shots for future. Thanks to Bill "Hamish" for sending this photo. So what is wrong with this guy? Can't even start to count all the wrong things I see here. Seeing this poster boy for stupidity, I can't blame the citizens for wanting us riding in a suit of armor.

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## **OUR GOALS**

To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning the motorcyclist.

To promote the safe riding habits without infringing on individual freedoms.

To motivate the bikers to write letters to legislators before, during, and after the legislative session.

To furnish a newsletter to keep all bikers informed in regards to upcoming legislation.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

When you become a member of ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. you are helping make a difference in the ongoing mission to protect your right to ride and enjoy the motorcycle of your choice, your choice of riding apparel, and when and where you can ride a motorcycle. These are issues that are real and present in today's "protect yourself from yourself" political environment. This holds true for all levels of government. There will always be those who see our love for motorcycling as a negative and will try any means to control and if possible prohibit motorcycle use.

On the local level our members get out the vote and support candidates who are sympathetic to our issues. We also will endeavor to lobby local governments whenever there are issues that need to be addressed, affecting local motorcycle use, ownership, and any discrimination that may result from said use of ownership.

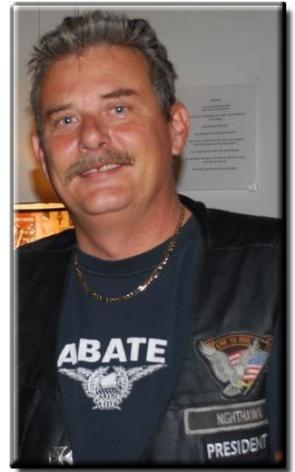
At the state level we have a paid registered lobbyist who regularly visits our state capital in Tallahassee to lobby our legislators on the issues concerning the motorcycling public in Florida. He also finds reliable House and Senate sponsors for the bills we support. On the national level we are aligned with Motorcycle Riders Foundations (MRF), and the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM), along with several other international motorcycle rights organizations (MRO's).

As one can see we have our ear to the ground and our resolve tempered like steel. As Americans we have had it demonstrated to us time and again the vigilance is armor of free men and women. We shall not let the armor rust or weaken. With your support we can re-enforce and strengthen the armor for now and generations to come.

What else do you get with your membership? All members receive with their paid membership, the Masterlink Newsletter, Membership Card, Event Discounts and Updates, Voting Privileges, Free Masterlink Classified Advertisements, a Chapter Newsletter, and a free \$4,000 Accidental Death or Dismemberment Insurance Policy from the American Income Life Insurance Company.

# President's Message "Nighthawk"

Once again another month has passed and it's time for me to write my Presidents message. Last month I did some bitching about the heat, the rain, and the poor rider participation we've been having lately. As always I'm pushing for participation in the group rides for all the reasons I give you at the meetings and here, while I get to stand on my soap box. Also I had recently announced the ABATE PBC Road Dog competition to help in that cause. This month though I find myself writing this after what turned out to be an awesome weekend for the chapter. We had a double header booked on Saturday. First we had attended the Celebration of Life for Duck at Johnny Q's followed by Steak Dinner at the Lone Legion Brotherhood MC. This by the way was the best steak dinner I ever had for \$6! Anyways though, this was the best turnout we had in a while with 15 people participating from ABATE PBC. This is respectable and I was told that we looked good rolling in. After the steak dinner I suggested we take a ride down to South Beach in Miami to see all the eye candy walking the street and a stop at the point. So a bunch of us did just that. It turned out to be a fun ride with some stops and unexpected entertainment and a very late night. Riding late at night is a favorite of mine and how I got my road name. While we were in S.B., I asked the group why they thought we had such a good turnout today, when it had been kind of crappy lately. Their answer was steak! Well I guess all I need now is a steak, a stick and some string and I'll hang it off the back of my bike to get everyone in the chapter to follow me to all the events!



Sunday was Breakfast at the States MC and once again we had a good showing. Once again we took another ride when we left, this time heading out to the lake. We had a smaller group and picked up 2 independent couples on their bikes at the breakfast to join us. More really nice people who I hope will also become new members. We rode to Okeechobee and stopped at Butch's Fish Camp a new place that just opened a couple weeks ago. It's a small place but nice. The staff was friendly and welcoming to our group. We then rode over to J and S fish camp for a bit before heading back.

This weekend was the first in a while that had no rain predicted and temperatures under 90 degrees. My point is this, hopefully it was the good weather, and that I don't need to hang a steak off my bike! The ride to South Beach and Okeechobee were a bonus. The kind I like best, pick a spot to head to and just start riding. To me it's more about the journey than the destination. Ken "Snooze" Gerecke is currently way ahead in this quarters ABATE Road Dog Competition. He hadn't missed one Group Fun Ride since the competition started and during these crappy weather weekends, sometimes he's the only one there with me representing our chapter. So I give a HUGE Thanks to Kenny, and you should too when you see him. WE need more Kenny's! To those that attended the rides this first weekend of fall I thank you and it was good to ride with you. Hopefully this is the beginning of what this chapter is capable of. I'd also thank the members of the board that make the rides. It's always important the board lead by example and should make extra effort in attending.

In other news our VP Dan "Slo Mo" Henderson is currently suffering from kidney stones. As I'm sure many of you know, this is a very painful thing to go through. Let's hope he can make a speedy recovery and he can join us in the wind soon.

Don't forget we have tickets available for the ABATE of Florida \$10,000. cash drawing to be held during bike week. Our event will be coming up in December after the Bill's Bikes Memorial Toy Run. There's also a possibility of "Nighthawks 4TH annual Pot Luck BBQ and Social" happening Thanksgiving weekend, another group fun party for members only. Confirmation on that will come down the road. As always, make sure you're on the email and text alert systems to know what's happening. Well until next month, ride safe and watch your asses out there.

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# UPCOMING Group Fun Rides/Event Schedule

October 4 Friday BOD meeting. Meeting to be held at the Wenger's 11385 57th Road WPB 33411. All members are welcome to attend. Starts at 8pm. BYOB!

October 5 Saturday Group Fun Ride Sebring "Ride to the Heartland" Meet spot will be Cumberland farm store Blue Heron and Military trail 9am KU 9:15am

**October 6 Sunday ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting** 11:30 AM (DATE CHANGED DUE TO BIKETOBERFEST) at VFW 4143 starts at 11:30 come early for Breakfast \$5!

October 9 Wednesday Confederation of Clubs Bike Night Group Fun Ride Meet spot is Shell gas Station Lantana Rd one Block East of I-95 7:15pm KU 7:30pm

## October 12-13 State Meeting Spooks n' Scoots

October 13 Sunday ABATE SOUTHEAST CHAPTER EVENT Group Fun Ride! Meet spot is Shell gas Station Lantana Rd one Block East of I-95 11:45am KU Noon OR Meet at Deli Inn for Breakfast (one block north of Forest Hill Blvd on Military Trail) at 10am

October 17-20 BIKETOBERFEST DAYTONA BEACH

October 19 Saturday States MC Rotten Ralph Memorial Event Group Fun Ride Meet spot is Shell gas Station Lantana Rd one Block East of I-95 4:15pm KU 4:30pm

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Wednesday Night is STATES MC OPEN HOUSE

Thursday Night is BLACK PISTONS MC OPEN HOUSE

Friday Night is AOA MC OPEN HOUSE

Saturday Night is FLY-IN WHEELS MC OPEN HOUSE

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CHECK CALENDAR FOR ALL EVENTS GOING ON

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8/17-12/14/13 (as of 9/23/13)

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You get 1 point for Riding your bike, ½ point for Caging or Riding back seat. 2 points for riding in the rain. Designated Group Fun Rides only and you must wear an ABATE patch or shirt.

If your name is not on this list and you're not a board member YOU need to make some rides and show you care about your chapter!

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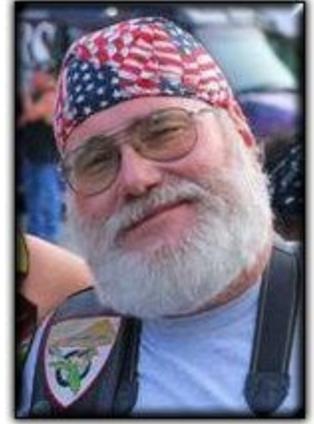
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## Vice President's Message - Slo Motion



It is clear that snowbird season is here! Since September I've been seeing more and more bad and stupid drivers on the road. I've have several close encounters, and those were in my CAGE! So if they can't even see that, be extra alert on your bike! This is why our major goal is for highway safety. Since I really doubt these types of drivers are familiar with laws, I'm beginning to really believe in the slogan "Educate don't Legislate". After the lack of action in last year's Transportation Committees and talking with our Legislators like Senator Clemons, I truly think education is the solution.

I have missed few chapter meetings, sorry to have missed the September one. Like the one I missed before I was in the hospital during this one. I had been having some stomach pains and then some back pains. When it goes to my kidney areas I was worried and went to Doctors. Started some meds for infection but day later the pain got extreme so when finally went down some I took myself to hospital. Found it was infection in kidneys due to kidney stones. I did pass some minor particles but the stone was 7 mm so wasn't able to pass that! Released late Sunday, it was too later for our meeting. Spend week visiting Doctors and getting by some flair ups. Back to work now as will have the operation to break up the stone October 1 Tuesday night. So that is how my October is starting.

October is a very busy bike month. There is something big EVERY weekend so **we had to move our Chapter meeting to the FIRST SUNDAY OCT. 6.** The first week of 2nd to 6th is the 13th Thunder Beach Autumn Rally in Panama City Beach. Someday I would like to do that one, maybe the Spring one will be better time. October 4 –6 is the Tenth Sebring Run to the Heartland. I can remember when this was just in the planning stage 12 years ago. Sorry to miss this one. Over in Daytona the same weekend is the 1st Annual Ladies Hear Us Roar or Ladies bike Weekend. Seen two Iron Horse Saloon flyers for this event. Locally we have Palm Beach Harley's Demo weekend, and that Saturday the 5th more events—Chit Chat to Flossie's Biker Babes for Breast Cancer Awareness run, Mystic Seven MC Annual at Mickey's, American Legends Rally Rick Case Honda in Davie, the 1st Lady's Freedom Ride Crystal River Harley to Florida Breast Cancer Foundation in Miami, another Breast Cancer run in north Florida, the Fiasco Brothers MC annual in Vero, and ABATE events for the Putnam County and Black Creek Chapters. On Sunday 6th we have our chapter meeting, the Rough Riders MC Annual and two more ABATE chapter runs Inerstate Frisco Memorial and West Coast Can You See Me Now rides. So can't complain nothing to do.

The 2nd weekend is also very busy. The State meeting is up in Brooksville at Spooks n Scoots by the Hillsborough chapter. Is is a fun party with camping and lots of onsite fun and food. It would be great to have members join us. Hoping Kenny will be able to attend as he has jury duty on call then. They also have a memorial ride on Sunday. For those staying local, many events for Nighthawk to lead. Saturday the 12th is the New Attitudes MC party. Sunday is the southeast chapter of ABATE event down in Pembroke Pines, and NES car and bike show in North Miami Beach.

Thursday the 17th is Palm Beach Harley's Bike Night. Palm Beach Harley is having an Open House in store Poker Run on Saturday the 19th which sounds like an interesting event. That weekend is Biketoberfest in Daytona Beach and the American International Motorcycle Expo in Orlando. I hope to be able to attend that. Locally there is the standard 3rd Saturday Customer Appreciation Day at Treasure Coast Stuart Harley.

Thursday the 24 is Cycle Gear Bike nigh. Saturday the 26 has the Palm Beach Alternative MC annual at 3pm in Delray. And at that night is the Wheels of Man MC Halloween Party in Pompano. Saturday and Sunday is the Grand Opening of the new Indian dealership 5111 North Federal Highway in Pompano.

Turboz Bike Night at Ralph's Stand-Up Bar in Jupiter closes out the month of events on Thursday the 31st.

Sure hoping I will be able to ride and get out to some of these events—local and statewide.

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**Stops to include:**

- \*Sand Bar, Crescent Beach
- \*White Eagle, Korona
- \*OutPost Saloon, DeLeon Springs (Formerly Art's Junkyard)
- \*Last Stop with Free Food:

Parker House, Crescent City

Event Ends at 6 p.m.

Contact Putnam County VP Mark "Rooty" Jolley if more info needed  
386-684-0923



## ABATE of Florida, Inc. Black Creek Chapter

**"Bears-4-Bears"**  
**Run 2013**  
**October 5, 2013**



Everyone is invited to join us. Motorcycle or not, ABATE of Florida, Inc. is for everyone.

These Bears are for traumatized children or those in need encountered by first responders, local law enforcement, fire and rescue, and other charity organizations for distribution.

Registration Fee: ONE NEW 8" to 10" stuffed teddy bear (or other stuffed toy) from each rider and each passenger, or a \$10 donation for each rider and passenger.

Poker Hand—\$10.00 Donation to Black Creek Chapter, ABATE of Florida, Inc. Winner to share in cash proceeds.

Time: Registration from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.



- START: Kickstands up at 10:00 A.M. -
- Leave Middleburg VFW Post 8255, (2296 Aster Ave., Middleburg, FL 32068)
- Buffalo's on Youngerman Circle, Jax., FL.
- Green Cove Springs VFW Post # 1988
- Palatka VFW Post # 3349
- AM Vets Keystone Heights
- STOP: Whitey's Fish Camp (2032 County Road 220, Orange Park, FL 32068)
- Last bike in at 5:00 P.M. Event Ends at 5:30 P.M.

**50 / 50  
Tickets**

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Safety/membership information available.

Point of Contact: Herb Hilderbrand: (904) 704-5501  
(blackcreeknews@gmail.com)

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## 1st Annual Lady's Freedom Ride

October 5th, 2013

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# Motorcycle Storage Tips

By Kapitan Bill <http://www.ivesdairyselfstorage.com>

The weather in Miami, FL can sometimes be unfriendly to motorcycles. One moment it's hot, the next it's raining; if not freezing. Motorcycle storage in this context should be taken seriously. Otherwise, your bike may not be as functional as when you first rode it.

There are different motorcycle storage units that match the needs of your bike. These storage entities are made up of powder coated galvanized steel, polyethylene covers that are resistant to UV rays and fire, and wind brace supports so that your motorcycles are protected against rust and other corrosive elements brought by Mother Nature.

One of the most popular ways of storing motorcycles in Miami, FL, however, is by renting a climate-controlled unit in a motorcycle storage facility. These units are professionally maintained and provide good shield and protection against vacillating weather conditions. However, they do not provide the following services so it is best to have this done before storing your bike.

Before you place your bike away in its hibernating sleep, give it a good bath. Remove your seat first, especially if it is made from leather. Wash all of the dirt and grime that has built up over with a 'cage' wash soap. Use warm water in a bucket or a spray hose. Avoid directly spraying any electronic parts when using a hose.

Change oil. Ordinary motor oil freezes during the winter. Cold winter grade oil helps motorcycle engines to easily start despite the very cold weather.

Add drain carbs and fuel stabilizers. Refill your tank before storing your motorcycle. Be careful of overfilling, though, as fuel expands with changes in temperature.

Lubricate motorcycle cylinders. Applying lube is very important especially when storing motorcycles for long periods of time. It helps prevents rusting in the motorcycle parts.

Thoroughly clean and lube your chain. If your bike does not use a chain and instead uses a driving belt – check your belt's condition.

Remove the battery. A small current drain still runs in the engine even if they are just stored. So to prevent your battery from discharging, remove it. Most storage facility in Miami, FL reminds their customers to do this.

Take care of the exhaust and mufflers. Exhausts and mufflers rust quickly when they are not in use. Protect these parts by using appropriate cleaning materials.

Lastly, place your bike on its center stand. Slide a piece of foam or an old pillow underneath the front tire. This helps protect your bike's tires from deflation or warping.

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**"FRISCO'S MEMORIAL POKER RUN"**





**HRA'S RUN TO THE HEARTLAND**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2013**  
SIGN UP 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM  
at the Circle in Sebring

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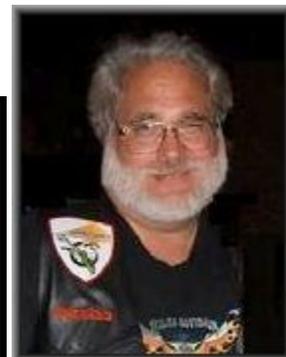

Ken "Snooze" Gerecke

Dan "Slo Motion" Henderson

# DELEGATE REPORT



Kenny has got jury duty for this time period and will have to call in every day. Hopefully he will get through it and be able to attend.



It would be great to have a large group attend this state meeting and event. Camping and the party are fun and a great way to build up friendships with members. Charlie and Deb will be taking up their toy hauler on Friday so can take camping gear for those riding. I hope to get off on Friday and Drive so have my gear, bar supplies and site decorations. Zeke from Jupiter might be there with more members so have to check. Let us now if you are interested in going

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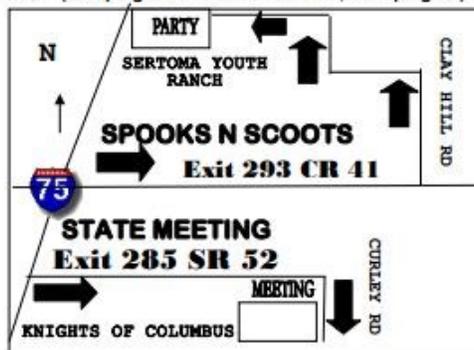
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## STATE MEETINGS

### 2013 - Host Chapter

October 11-12 Hillsborough Spooks n Scoots  
Dec. 14 Treasure Coast

### 2013 - Host Chapter

Feb. 8 Lake Chapter  
April 13-14 Tallahassee & Ride to Capital  
June 14 Vintage St. Augustine  
Oct. 11 Hillsborough—Brooksville Spooks and Scoots  
Dec. 13 Treasure Coast

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Hillsborough County Chapter**

# 33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL SPOOKS 'N SCOOTERS<sup>®</sup> MEMORIAL RUN

Hosted By the Hillsborough County Chapter & the  
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Christian Band 9 AM  
Bike Blessing & Devotional done by CMA 10 AM  
Run Line up at the Pavillion at 10:45 AM

11 AM Sunday, October 13, 2013  
Run time approximately one hour



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OCTOBER 17-20, 2013

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3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL PINK BRA POKER RUN  
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\$10 PRE-REGISTRATION FEE per rider

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"PINK BRA" COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRT or TANK TOP

RUN STARTS @ HARLEY OF PALM BEACH 8:30AM LBD @ 10:00AM

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RUN ENDS @ RENEGADES WITH LBI @ 2:30PM

You can pre-register online at:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/pink-bra-poker-run-241033755943941>, [ticketsday.com/pink-bra-poker-run](http://ticketsday.com/pink-bra-poker-run)



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# OPEN HOUSE

• IN-STORE POKER RUN

SATURDAY OCT 19, 11-3  
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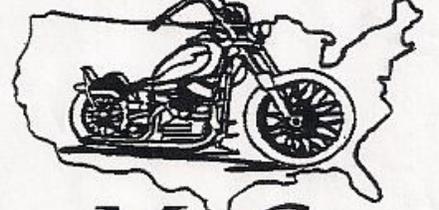
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Dedicated to all brothers who have passed

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# WEEKLY EVENTS

**Mon** Jam Night at Turn 3  
with Stet & T3JB

**Tues** Lone Legion MC  
Brotherhood Open House

**Wed** Island Jack's Bike  
Night

**Wed** States MC Lake  
Worth Open House 8pm

**Wed** Chit Chat's bike nite  
7pm Free BBQ, music

**3rd Wed** South Florida  
Confederation of Clubs  
bike night at Mickey's

**1st Thurs** Renegades  
Bike Night

**3rd Thurs** H-D Palm Bch  
Bike Nite 5-10PM

**Every Thursday** Mickey's  
Jam Nite 9-1

**Thurs** Dinner 6:30 States  
MC Pompano Clubhouse

**Thurs** Black Pistons MC  
WPB Open House

**Fri** Outlaws MC WPB Open  
House at 7PM

**1st Fri** Soldiers for Jesus  
Open House 7-10PM

**1st Fri** Enforcers MC  
Party

**Sat** Wings of Gold MC  
West Palm open house—  
1st Sat Open House Party

**Sat** Fly-In Wheels MC  
WPB open house

**Sat** FREE hot dogs & so-  
da's H-D Palm Bch, 10-2

**Sun** Bucket Specials, Free  
Food, music at Mickey's

**Sun** Flossie's Famous Tiki  
Hut Biker Sunday

**3rd Sun** USMVMC Palm  
Bch Open House



## 2013 CALENDAR UNITED BIKERS COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

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*Every Thursday, Dart Grab Bag*

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**2013 CALENDAR**

MANDATORY ANNUAL CLUB EVENTS ARE LISTED IN BOLD

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SOUTH FLORIDA PRESIDENTS COUNCIL  
of Motorcycle Clubs and OrganizationsFOR CHANGES EMAIL:  
INDIAN (WOM MC)  
Indianwommc@yahoo.com  
SFPC CHAIRMAN**OCTOBER****5 - MYSTIC SEVEN MC Annual**

- 12 - New Attitudes MC Party
- 13 - SE ABATE Annual Party
- 18-20 Biketoberfest
- 26 - Wheels of Man Deerfield Halloween Party

**NOVEMBER****9 - USMVMC CH 1 Annual**

- 9 - CMA Memorial Event
- 16 - Soldiers for Jesus MC Party

**DECEMBER****8 - SFPC Toys in the Sun Run**

- 14 - Toy Run Bike Drawing at Peterson's Harley
- 14 - Hermandad MC Alfredo Pena Memorial Run
- 15 - Wings of Gold MC Mia Wild Santa Toy Run
- 21 - SFLCOC Christmas Party
- 22 - Calvary Chapel Christmas Service

**Treasure Coast Presidents Council 2013**

Sun Sept 14, Alternatives TC Party

Sun Oct 6, Fiasco Bros MC Party

Sun Oct 13, Rough Riders Annual

Sun Nov 3, AOA Treasure Coast Annual

Sun Nov 24, USMVMC Martin Toy Run

Dec 22, Calvary Chapel Christmas Service

**AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL MOTORCYCLE EXP****OCTOBER 16-20, 2013 • ORLANDO, FLORIDA**

“The American International Motorcycle Expo will cover 300,000 square feet of indoor exhibit space and 400,000 square feet of outdoor test-drive space at the Orange County Convention Center... .

The AIM Expo is the first motorcycle and all-terrain-vehicle event to combine a public expo with an industry trade show, said its organizer, Marketplace Events LLC. The first half of the five-day show, which begins Oct. 16, will be limited to motorcycle dealers and media, while the consumer expo opens to the public the afternoon of Oct. 18. ....

More than 375 motorbike and aftermarket parts manufacturers have signed on as exhibitors, and nearly 6,000 dealers have registered to attend the trade show.

Admission to the AIM Expo is \$15 a person; tickets are available online at [aimexpousa.com](http://aimexpousa.com).”

Read the complete story at <http://www.orlandosentinel.com/business/os-motorcycle-expo-orlando-debut-20130911,0,6459475.story>

**The Walking Dead: Daryl Dixon Action Figure Gets A Motorcycle**

By: Scott Johnson on September 20, 2013

McFarlane Toys has already produced a couple of Daryl Dixon action figures, but now they are taking it a step further. In their first vehicle set for The Walking Dead, McFarlane Toy is producing a Daryl Dixon Figure & Motorcycle Deluxe Box Set.

The deluxe box set features Daryl Dixon in his angel wings stitched biker vest, along with his trusted chopper. The bike includes the lightning-bolt insignia on the tank, skull decal, and saddlebags. Other accessories will include Daryl's hunting knife and updated crossbow.

The Daryl Dixon figure will have 20 points of articulation and is being done in the authentic likeness of actor Norman Reedus. The 5-inch tall figure's exact likeness is created using a full 3D scan of the actor himself.

The Daryl Dixon Figure & Motorcycle Deluxe Box Set is scheduled to be released in March 2014. Image courtesy of Entertainment Earth, where the figure can be pre-ordered.

<http://comicbook.com/blog/2013/09/20/the-walking-dead-daryl-dixon-action-figure-gets-a-motorcycle/>

<http://mightymega.com/2013/09/24/the-walking-dead-daryl-dixon-figure>



# October 2013

Sun

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<p>Oct. 2 – 6 <b>Thunder Beach Autumn Rally Panama City Beach</b> Oct. 4 – 6 <b>Run to the Heartland Sebring</b></p>		<p><b>1</b> Lone Legion MC Open House</p>	<p><b>2</b> States LW MC Open House Island Jack's Bike Night</p>	<p><b>3</b> Renegades Bike Night Black Pistons MC Open House Dinner States MC Pompano</p>	<p><b>4</b> AOA WPB MC Open House Soldiers for Jesus Open House Pizza States MC Pompano</p>	<p><b>5</b> Fly-In Wheels MC Open House Mystic Seven MC Party Palm Bch Harley Demo Days</p>
<p><b>6</b> <b>ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting</b> Rough Riders MC Annual Palm Bch Harley Demo Days</p>	<p><b>7</b> Turn 3 Jam Night with Stet &amp; T3JB</p>	<p><b>8</b> Lone Legion MC Open House</p>	<p><b>9</b> States LW MC Open House Island Jack's Bike Night</p>	<p><b>10</b> Black Pistons MC Open House Dinner States MC Pompano</p>	<p><b>11</b> AOA WPB MC Open House Pizza States MC Pompano  Spooks n Scoots</p>	<p><b>12</b> Fly-In Wheels MC Open House New Attitudes MC Party ABATE State Meeting Spooks n Scoots</p>
<p><b>13</b> Southeast ABATE Party  Spooks n Scoots</p>	<p><b>14</b> Turn 3 Jam Night with Stet &amp; T3JB</p>	<p><b>15</b> Lone Legion MC Open House</p>	<p><b>16</b> States LW MC Open House Island Jack's Bike Night</p>	<p><b>17</b> Black Pistons MC Open House Palm Bch Harley Bike Night  <b>Biketoberfest Daytona Beach FL</b></p>	<p><b>18</b> AOA WPB MC Open House Pizza States MC Pompano</p>	<p><b>19</b> Fly-In Wheels MC Open House</p>
<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b> Turn 3 Jam Night with Stet &amp; T3JB</p>	<p><b>22</b> Lone Legion MC Open House</p>	<p><b>23</b> States LW MC Open House Island Jack's Bike Night</p>	<p><b>24</b> Black Pistons MC Open House Cycle Gear Bike Night Dinner States MC Pompano</p>	<p><b>25</b> AOA WPB MC Open House Pizza States MC Pompano</p>	<p><b>26</b> Fly-In Wheels MC Open House Alternative MC PB Annual Wheels of Man Halloween Party</p>
<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> Turn 3 Jam Night with Stet &amp; T3JB</p>	<p><b>29</b> Lone Legion MC Open House</p>	<p><b>30</b> States LW MC Open House Island Jack's Bike Night</p>	<p><b>31</b> Black Pistons MC Open House Turboz/Ralphs Bike Night Dinner States MC Pompano</p>		

# November 2013

Sun

Mon

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Go to the Events page of [ABATEpalmbeach.com](http://ABATEpalmbeach.com) and use the calendar towards the bottom to get more information on these events and you can download the event to your own calendar .

1

AOA WPB MC  
Open House  
Soldiers for  
Jesus Open  
House  
Pizza States MC  
Pompano

2

Fly-In Wheels  
MC Open House

3

Palm Beach  
Harley  
Anniversary  
Party

AOA Treasure  
Coast Annual

4

Turn 3 Jam Night  
with Stet & T3JB

5

Lone Legion MC  
Open House

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States LW MC  
Open House  
Island Jack's  
Bike Night

7

Renegades Bike  
Night  
Black Pistons  
MC Open House  
Dinner States  
MC Pompano

8

AOA WPB MC  
Open House  
Pizza States MC  
Pompano

9

CMA Memorial  
Event  
USMVMC Chp 1  
Annual  
Fly-In Wheels  
MC Open House

## ROSCOE'S CHILI CHALLENGE

10

Turn 3 Jam Night  
with Stet & T3JB

12

Lone Legion MC  
Open House

13

States LW MC  
Open House  
Island Jack's  
Bike Night

14

Black Pistons  
MC Open House  
Dinner States  
MC Pompano

15

AOA WPB MC  
Open House  
Pizza States MC  
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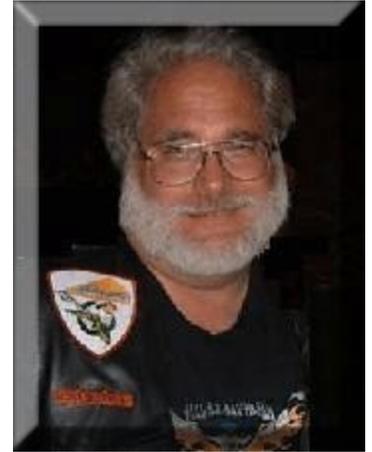
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# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

## DAN "SLOW-MOTION" HENDERSON

.With the legislators return to session my attempts to meet the m have ended for the moment. I will continue to try to set up local meeting with them when they are back in our area, especially with MY Representative Slosberg. One I did have chance to meet and have a good chat with was Mark Pafford who made the news emails from Darrin "Scribe" Brooks. Good luck to him! Darrin's emails are below .



### PAFFORD, WILLIAMS VIE FOR DEM LEADERSHIP POST

Two lawmakers filed paperwork Tuesday to try to become the next House Democratic leader, part of a 48-hour rush to fill the role after the caucus ousted its first choice in a dramatic meeting Monday night. **Rep. Mark Pafford of West Palm Beach** and Rep. Alan Williams of Tallahassee said they would seek the position, while Rep. Mia Jones of Jacksonville declined to make another bid. Jones narrowly lost a February election that led to Rep. Darryl Rouson of St. Petersburg being named leader; Williams was initially in that race, but dropped out. Pafford is perceived to be the front-runner, with an ability to heal ties with the Florida Democratic Party, trial lawyers and teachers after complaints that Rouson had alienated those groups. Pafford, a progressive, could also help soothe grass-roots activists uneasy with the idea that former Gov. Charlie Crist, once a Republican, is the party's likely gubernatorial nominee in 2014.

### ANGRY LAWMAKERS COULD HAVE 'MANY BILLS' ON SEXUAL PREDATORS

With the state under fire for failing to stop sexually violent predators from committing repeated attacks, outraged Florida lawmakers Tuesday held hearings to get the facts and develop legislative solutions. The wide-ranging discussions took in plea deals, sentencing guidelines, risk assessment, state contracting, treatment evaluations and the monitoring of offenders after release. "This will not be one bill," said House Criminal Justice Chairman Rep. Matt Gaetz, a Fort Walton Beach Republican whose subcommittee held one of the hearings. "This will be many, many bills."

### PROPOSAL WOULD END WINNER-TAKE-ALL IN PREZ ELECTIONS

A Republican lawmaker filed a bill (HB 75) Tuesday that would end the practice of giving all of Florida's electoral votes to the presidential candidate who carries the state. Rep. Ray Pilon, R-Sarasota, wants to elect one presidential elector from each congressional district and two at-large electors. Those at-large electors would cast their ballots based on the presidential candidate who receives the highest number of votes in a majority of the congressional districts. The bill comes after Democrat Barack Obama won Florida's electoral votes during the 2008 and 2012 elections. In 2008, that meant 27 votes for Obama; in 2009, it meant 29 votes. The bill is filed for the 2014 legislative session.

**BILL: LET HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CATCH MORE ZZZS**

Rep. Matt Gaetz, R-Fort Walton Beach, wants to let high-school students sleep a little later in the morning. Gaetz filed a bill (HB 67) Monday that would prevent school boards from starting high-school classes before 8 a.m. Early start times have been an issue in places such as Gaetz's home county, Okaloosa. Fort Walton Beach High School, for example, starts classes at 7 a.m., according to its website. Gaetz's bill is filed for the 2014 legislative session.

**EARLY SESSION START GETS EARLY BOOST**

Sen. Anitere Flores hasn't had much luck in the past getting her colleagues to agree to start the legislative session earlier. But her attempt this year was the first piece of legislation to get a vote in any committee as the Legislature on Monday kicked off meetings leading up to the 2014 session. Flores, R-Miami, wants legislative sessions to begin in January instead of March. Under her proposal (SB 72), sessions in even-numbered years would begin on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in January. The Florida Constitution mandates that sessions in odd-numbered years begin on the first Tuesday in March but gives the Legislature the authority to set dates in even-numbered years. The Senate Ethics and Elections Committee signed off on the bill with an 11-2 vote, despite concerns that having different start dates in different years could create confusion. But Flores argued that lawmakers would actually get more work done because they usually take up to a week off mid-session because of Easter and Passover. And, Flores said, completing the budget and other legislation in March instead of May would give local governments and others more time to prepare before the bills go into effect. "I really think this is a win-win for everybody," Flores said.

**LATVALA: INTERNET CAFÉ BAN NEEDS TO BE REVISITED**

A ban on Internet cafes has created problems for bowling alleys and spawned lawsuits against kiddie game parlors, according to Sen. Jack Latvala, R-Clearwater. Latvala complained Monday that the Internet café ban prompted the owner of a "claw" machine business to remove the arcade-style games from more than 100 Wal-Mart stores. The law also includes a "cause of action" clause that has led to lawsuits against family arcade centers Dave and Busters and Chuck E. Cheese, Latvala said, although lawmakers were assured when the bill passed that games at those centers would not be impacted by the ban. Latvala accused the Department of Business and Professional Regulation of threatening criminal action against a bowling alley in his district unless arcade games that had been in use for years were immediately removed. Latvala said he asked questions about such issues during floor debate on the ban and received assurances those businesses would not be affected but "that just hasn't been the way it's been implemented." Latvala said he intends to file amendments to fix the issues.

**GAETZ: LAWMAKER RESIDENCY WILL PASS 'STRAIGHT-FACE TEST'**

Making sure lawmakers live in their districts will be among Senate President Don Gaetz's top priorities this session, the Niceville Republican told a bipartisan group of Senate leaders Monday. Gaetz said he and House Speaker Will Weatherford, R-Wesley Chapel, may pass a joint rule that would require lawmakers to live in their districts, after reports that some members of the House and Senate appear to reside outside the areas they represent. The reports have primarily focused on Democratic lawmakers. "That residency won't be defined by legal hair-splitting," Gaetz told Senate committee chairmen at a meeting, but instead will rely on "a straight-face test Floridians expect that we would impose on ourselves and be proud to hold up to public scrutiny." Senate Ethics and Elections Chairman Jack Latvala, R-Clearwater, said later he intends to sponsor legislation that will address at least part of the issue and is unconcerned about a possible backlash from House Republicans, some of whom are purported to live outside their districts.

**RAIN DRIVES ARMY CORPS TO INCREASE LAKE O RELEASES**

Recent heavy rains in South Florida have caused the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to increase the amount of water released from Lake Okeechobee into the Caloosahatchee River and the St. Lucie Estuary. "The above-average rainfall so far this month is a sharp contrast to the drier conditions experienced last month," Lt. Col. Tom Greco, the Army

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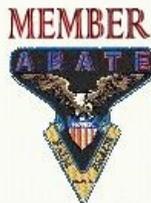
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### **BRANDES PROPOSES PROHIBITION ON VEHICLE TRACKING**

Sen. Jeff Brandes, R-St. Petersburg, wants to make it illegal to put tracking devices on vehicles without the owners' consent. Brandes filed a bill (SB 180) Friday that would expand the definition of stalking in Florida law to include the prohibition against installing devices that can record, store and transmit the locations of vehicles. Violating the prohibition would result in a second degree misdemeanor. The proposal would also require law enforcement to get search warrants to place tracking devices on people's vehicles.

### **SINK BOWS OUT BEFORE SHE BEGINS**

Ending months of speculation, former Florida Chief Financial Officer Alex Sink said Friday she will not run for governor against incumbent Republican Rick Scott in 2014, further fueling "will he or won't he" chatter about Democrat Charlie Crist. Sink, who narrowly lost a bid for governor to Scott in 2010, said she plans to focus on the non-profit foundation she created to help young entrepreneurs. "After careful consideration, I have decided that the best way for me to make a positive and lasting impact on our state is to continue the work we've started together," Sink, 65, said in an e-mail. "I plan to continue my involvement with the Florida Next Foundation, working to build a state of innovation and inspiring the next generation of young Florida leaders. And of course I am going to be supporting candidates who I believe share my vision that Florida can be a state of opportunity for all of its citizens."

### **UNEMPLOYMENT RATE DOWN DESPITE FEWER HOLDING JOBS**

The state's jobless rate dropped slightly in August after three months standing pat, even though the overall number of Floridians with jobs has decreased. The August 7.0 percent unemployment mark, announced Friday by the state Department of Economic Opportunity, is down from 7.1 percent in July and represents the lowest rate since Florida was at 7.0 percent in September 2008.

### **CITIZENS PROPERTY EXPECTS TO DROP BELOW 1 MILLION POLICIES**

The state-backed Citizens Property Insurance Corp. may drop below 1 million policies for the first time since 2005, while its employees could start to occupy fewer buildings in the coming year. Citizens, which stood at a bloated 1.5 million policies a little more than a year ago, could be around 600,000 policies before the next storm season approaches. However, Citizens President and CEO Barry Gilway said Friday a more reasonable number would be just over 900,000. Gilway credited the pending reduction to recent takeout efforts by private companies and to the anticipation of using a new clearinghouse to help direct what are expected to be many of the least-risky policies into the private market.

### **NELSON SEEKS CYBERBULLYING CRACKDOWN AFTER FLORIDA SUICIDE**

U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., used the suicide of a Lakeland girl to urge his colleagues to pass federal anti-cyber bullying legislation caught up in a quagmire over reauthorization of the "No Child Left Behind" education law. In a speech Thursday on the Senate floor, Nelson shared the story of 12-year-old Rebecca Ann Sedwick, who killed herself Sept. 9. Sedwick had been bullied for more than a year-and-a-half by more than a dozen girls, according to Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd. Florida is among states that already have anti-cyber bullying laws on the books. But Nelson said federal law is necessary because the laws "lack consistency and enforcement mechanisms."

**DRUG DATABASE DISCUSSED IN HOUSE, SENATE**

Amid questions about the release of names and prescription-drug histories of more than 3,000 people, House and Senate panels next week will discuss the state's prescription-drug database. The House Health Quality Subcommittee and the Senate Health Policy Committee are slated Tuesday to receive presentations from Rebecca Poston, who oversees the drug-database program at the Florida Department of Health. An agenda says the Senate committee's focus will be a demonstration and discussion of data security in the database program. The database is designed to help prevent "doctor shopping" by prescription-drug abusers who seek to amass large supplies of drugs. But the program has come under scrutiny after records of about 3,300 people were released to defense attorneys in a Daytona Beach-area drug-fraud case. Few of those people were actually involved in the drug case.

**JUSTICES ASKED TO UNPLUG FPL RATE HIKES**

The state Supreme Court took up a challenge Thursday to hundreds of millions of dollars in rate increases approved last year for Florida Power & Light after the utility reached an agreement with major electricity users. The state Office of Public Counsel, which by law represents consumers in utility issues, contends that the Florida Public Service Commission approved the increases without going through the proper process. Also, the Office of Public Counsel takes issue with a settlement that set the stage for the hikes --- a settlement that the public counsel vehemently opposed.

**ACLU SUES STATE OVER SUSPENDED LICENSES**

The American Civil Liberties Union of Florida has filed a lawsuit challenging a state practice of suspending driver's licenses of people who fail to pay court costs and fees after criminal convictions. The ACLU, on behalf of named plaintiff Reginald B. Foster, filed the suit against the state Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. It argues that Foster's constitutional due-process and equal-protection rights have been violated and that the state discriminates against low-income people who can't afford to pay the costs. Foster, of Fort Lauderdale, lost his driver's license after failing to pay \$5,450 in five felony cases, the lawsuit says. "Because the DMV's suspension and continued suspension of Foster's driver's license discriminates against Foster on the basis of economic status, the DMV's suspension and continued suspension of Foster's driver's license violates his equal protection rights secured the by Florida Constitution," one part of the lawsuit says..

**COURT: SICK CAT NO EXCUSE FOR DRUNKEN DRIVING**

After a Hillsborough County sheriff's deputy clocked him going 84 mph and veering across three lanes of traffic toward a highway exit ramp, Christopher Brooks (NO RELATION) was arrested for drunken driving. But Brooks argued he had a legitimate reason: His friend's cat was sick, and he was the only person available to take the pet to an all-night veterinary clinic. A state appeals court Wednesday, however, swatted down Brooks' attempt to use what is called a "defense of necessity." The court said such a defense could be used, in certain circumstances, for people charged with driving under the influence --- though those circumstances would involve people, not cats, being in danger of serious injuries.

*The judge must have been a dog person—Slo Mo*

**FLA COLLEGE PRESIDENTS: CONGRESS SHOULD PASS IMMIGRATION REFORM THIS YEAR**

Florida college and university presidents are calling on Congress to pass immigration reform this year, saying it would be better for the state's economy if foreign students could stay after graduation, instead of being forced to take their diplomas and leave. The "brain drain" of U.S.-educated foreign students is worrying economic and education leaders who say the students soon become competitors.

**JUSTICES WRESTLE WITH LEGISLATIVE PRIVILEGE**

A coalition of voting-rights groups trying to get lawmakers to testify about the 2012 redistricting process asked a

skeptical Supreme Court on Monday to rule that legislators should not be shielded from speaking in court. Those challenging new district maps under the anti-gerrymandering "Fair Districts" constitutional amendments are appealing a 1st District Court of Appeal ruling that prevents the legislators who drew the districts from having to testify about "objective" facts about the redistricting process. A lower court had initially ruled that the lawmakers should have to testify, though the trial court didn't order lawmakers to testify about "subjective" issues, like why they made certain decisions.

### **DETZNER: NEW VOTER ROLL PURGE DOCUMENTATION WILL COME**

Providing supervisors of elections with the documentation they want before removing potential non-citizens from the voting rolls shouldn't be a problem, Florida Secretary of State Ken Detzner said Monday. Detzner will be traveling the state next month to meet with local elections officials before resuming a controversial voter purge that spawned lawsuits and sparked an outcry from civil and voting rights groups because the majority of the flagged voters were minorities. Detzner announced last week that he is holding meetings in five cities beginning in Jacksonville on Oct. 3 to get their input on what he calls "Project Integrity." The voter purge tour and the chat with supervisors is part of preparing for the 2014 elections, Detzner said Monday.

### **GUNTER TO FACE MURPHY IN HOUSE SPECIAL ELECTION**

With the backing of House leaders, Pasco County minister Bill Gunter easily won a Republican primary Tuesday in the special election to replace former Rep. Mike Fasano, R-New Port Richey. Gunter will face Democrat Amanda Murphy, who did not have a primary opponent Tuesday, in the Oct. 15 general election in House District 36. Only 10.3 percent of registered Republicans cast ballots in the primary, but Gunter captured 62.5 percent of the vote, while James Mathieu received nearly 20.3 percent, and Jeromy Harding got 17.2 percent, according to the state Division of Elections.

### **HUDSON TO TESTIFY ON OBAMACARE**

Florida House Health Care Appropriations Chairman Matt Hudson, R-Naples, is scheduled to testify Wednesday before a joint meeting of two congressional subcommittees about the federal Affordable Care Act. Hudson, a critic of the law better known as Obamacare, will testify at a meeting of the House Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care and Entitlements and the House Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation, and Regulatory Affairs, according to the state House majority office. Hudson is expected to discuss issues such as Florida's decision against expanding Medicaid, insurance premium increases and health-insurance exchanges.

### **ST. LUCIE BACKS CALL FOR EMERGENCY DECLARATION ON LAKE O RELEASES**

St. Lucie County commissioners Tuesday joined their neighbors to the south in Martin County in approving a resolution that asks Gov. Rick Scott to declare a state of emergency to help businesses impacted by polluted waters released into the St. Lucie Estuary and Indian River Lagoon. Scott was in Stuart on Tuesday to attend an Agency for Persons with Disabilities town hall event, but didn't respond to questions from Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers reporters regarding the emergency declaration request. Martin County commissioners issued their own resolution for Scott on Sept. 10. In August, state Surgeon General and Department of Health Secretary John Armstrong advised people to avoid portions of the St. Lucie Estuary impacted by potentially toxin-producing algae blooms. Last Thursday, the state Legislative Budget Commission earmarked \$2.77 million so the South Florida Water Management District could improve pump stations that reduce the flow of polluted waters that have negatively affected the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee rivers, and to build a channel to aid the flow of water from the Florida Everglades across the barrier of the Tamiami Trail in Miami-Dade County.

### **APPEALS JUDGES QUESTION CHALLENGE TO 'NO FAULT' INSURANCE LAW**

A three-judge appeals panel expressed skepticism Tuesday about a challenge by acupuncturists, massage therapists and chiropractors to key parts of the state's 2012 landmark reform of the personal-injury protection auto insurance. The 1st District Court of Appeal judges questioned how the changes to the decades-old no-fault insurance system reduced individual medical coverage or access to courts as the Florida PIP Defense Fund, which has challenged the law, contends. Judge T. Kent Wetherell hit on the use of an unnamed "Jane Doe" as a means by the Defense Fund to

qualify for standing in the case and to represent individuals injured by motor-vehicle collisions. The fund also named acupuncturist Robin Myers, chiropractor Gregory Zwirn and massage therapists Sherry Smith and Carrie Damaska as plaintiffs in the suit.

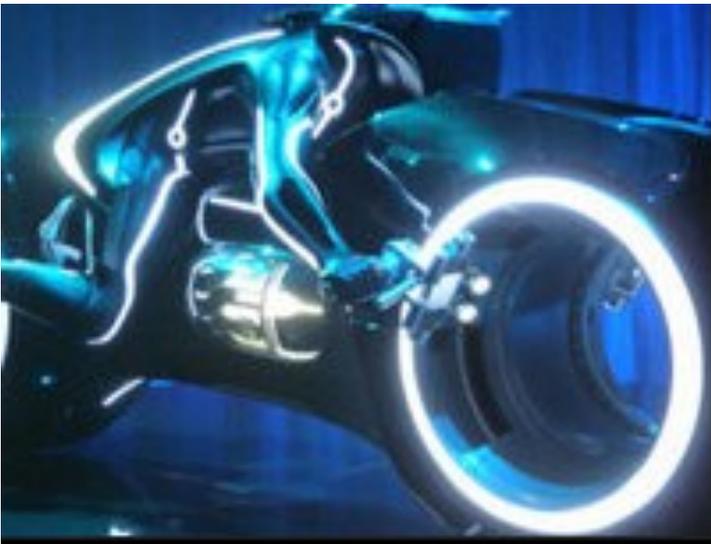
### PANEL TO DISCUSS RESIDENCY, SESSION DATES

The Senate Ethics and Elections Committee on Monday will wade into a discussion about residency requirements for elected officials. Committee Chairman Jack Latvala, R-Clearwater, has raised questions about whether some lawmakers are living outside the districts they were elected to represent. The discussion, which will come as lawmakers start holding committee meetings in advance of the 2014 session, will focus on state laws and court decisions related to residency requirements. Also during the meeting, the committee is expected consider SB 72, which would move up to January the start of some legislative sessions. The bill, sponsored by Sen. Anitere Flores, R-Miami, would lead to sessions starting in January in even-numbered years. Sessions currently start in March, except in redistricting years.

Darrin "Scribe" Brooks, State Legislative Trustee, ABATE of Florida, Inc.

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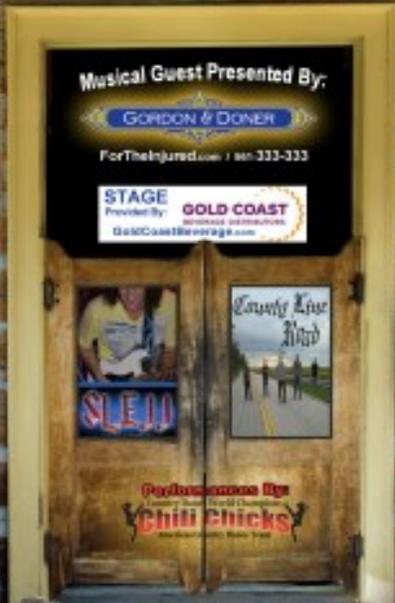
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## NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES

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### “2 MILLION BIKERS TO DC” TRUMPS “MILLION MUSLIM MARCH”

A few dozen demonstrators attending a rally on the National Mall, once billed as the “Million Muslim March”, were vastly outnumbered by hundreds of thousands of motorcycle riders from across America participating in the “2 Million Bikers to DC” ride to honor September 11 victims and to counter the pro-Muslim rally that many said was inappropriate for such a solemn day in U.S. history.

The American Muslim Political Action Committee scheduled the rally to draw attention to what it said is an unfair and ongoing fear of Muslims after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Among the bikers, however, the provocatively scheduled rally was considered an insult to the nearly 3,000 people who died on Sept. 11, 2001, when Islamic terrorists hijacked three commercial jets and crashed them into the World Trade Center buildings in New York and the Pentagon in Arlington. Another hijacked plane headed for Washington, D.C. crashed near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

Though the biker gathering fell short of 2 million strong, some estimates ran as high as 880,000 riders, and “What began as an idea on Facebook quickly turned into a national movement thanks to social media and dedicated bikers from around the nation,” wrote the Examiner.com; and as bikers from as far away as the west coast began their journey to D.C., Twitter lit up with photos and videos showing thousands of bikes overflowing out of rest stops and parking lots as the hastily organized ride gained momentum.

So many turned out that plans to have them ride through the streets of the Capital had to be changed, particularly in light of the fact that local authorities denied a permit that would have provided the riders a police escort through traffic --- a sore spot with organizers who believe the denial was for political purposes.

“We didn’t need a permit in the first place,” National Event Organizer Belinda Bee told a local Fox News station, citing D.C. law; “it shall not be an offense to assemble or parade on a District street, sidewalk, or other public way, or in a District park, without having provided notice or obtained an approved assembly plan.” So the event went on -- legally -- without the permit, although the group apologized to the public that “What could have been a one or two hour ride through” tied up Beltway traffic from early morning into the afternoon.

Co-founders Belinda Bee and “Top Fuel” Bill Williamson credited everyone who helped with the unprecedented success of this year’s ride, and promised another ride next year, “and every year for September 11.”

“Sending out a BIG Thank You to all who supported and cheered on the 2 Million Bikers to DC ride,” e-mailed Angel Richardson, a member of the NCOM Board of Directors who attended the hugely successful event; “We have a kick ass bunch of patriots!”

### CHRISTIAN AND VETERAN BIKERS SUE OVER BEING THROWN OUT OF FAIR

Motorcyclists who were thrown out of the Florida State Fair for displaying their love of America and Christianity on their vests must amend their lawsuit, a federal judge has ruled.

According to Courthouse News, Mark Denico, Thomas Griswold Jr., Timothy Newberry and Dennis Walsted had arrived at the Florida State Fair on Feb. 7, 2010. Denico and Griswold are members of the U.S. Military Vets Motorcycle Club, while Newberry and Walsted belong to the Spirit Riders Motorcycle Ministry. Walsted said he was planning to “lead all the motorcyclists in prayer once inside the fair,” but he and the others were escorted out once they paid for admission. Fair rules ban gang colors or signs, and members of the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office told the quartet that they could not enter the fair while wearing vests with the patches indicating motorcycle club membership.

Tampa Bay Times reported that approximately 50 bikers from numerous clubs were turned away that day. In

their subsequent lawsuit, the four accused law enforcement and fair officials of violating their First Amendment rights to freedom of association and religion.

U.S. District Judge Virginia Hernandez Covington nevertheless dismissed the complaint without prejudice because it failed to specifically indicate claims under the federal civil right law Section 1983, which creates a private right of action for civil damages. The fair demonstrated that the "plaintiffs' naked reference to § 1983 is insufficient for defendants or this court to assume that they intended to bring [counts one through nine] under its rubric," according to the ruling. "Plaintiffs may have identified constitutional rights alleged to have been violated, but have failed to allege causes of action associated with those violations," Covington added.

The judge also declined to give the plaintiffs an injunction restraining the defendants from "ordering, compelling, bullying, requesting, coercing, or threatening a member of a motorcycle club or motorcycle ministry to remove their vests with 'patches' on them signifying membership within a particular organization." Injunctions are appropriate only if plaintiffs can show they will continue to be harmed during the course of litigation, according to the ruling. "Conspicuously absent from the operative complaint is any allegation that the plaintiffs intend to return to the Florida Stair Fair wearing their prohibited patches or that the plaintiffs face specific future harm at the hands of the defendants," Covington wrote. Vaguely alleging that "the Florida State Fair Authority will continue to selectively exclude certain motorcyclists from the fair" is not sufficient to reach the standard for an injunction, the court ruled, and so the club members must amend their complaint before moving forward with the lawsuit.

### **MOTORCYCLIST FINED FOR TIRE TREADS**

A New York rider who set out for a Friday the 13th motorcycle trip to Port Dover, Ontario told local CTV News that he was unfairly ticketed and pulled off the roads by Waterloo Regional Police in Canada. Jeff Selby of Elmira, NY claims the officers were excessive in their punishment after a routine roadside check found the tread on his motorcycle tires was point five millimeters under code.

Selby says he offered to drive his bike straight to a repair shop to have the tire replaced but the officers said no. "He goes it doesn't matter. Your bike will be off the road as of today. We're gonna take your plate, we're gonna charge you and you're gonna have to get a tow truck."

Selby told the news station that he understands the safety concerns but says he has a clean driving record and deserves a warning first, and that the five hundred or more dollars he's now facing in fines, relicensing fees and towing cost is exorbitant. Police there say the law is the law and you can't put a price on safety, adding that when it comes to safety there's no room for warnings or second chances and it's their responsibility that's on the line.

The legal regulation for tires on any motorized vehicle is that they have to have at least 1.5 millimeters of tread on the majority of the tires circumference.

### **SIHK-ING HELMET EXEMPTIONS DOWN UNDER**

On April 23, 2013, Queensland became the fourth Australian province to exempt bicyclists from the Sikh community from wearing a helmet. Calling it a "common-sense approach," Queensland transport minister Scott Emerson said, "By amending the Queensland Road Rules, we will join Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia which also have this exemption."

Now, Sikh motorcycle riders are seeking exemption from helmet laws as well. Harpreed Singh, who is originally from New Delhi, told ABC News that he has not ridden a motorbike since moving to Tasmania in 2008 because of the legal requirement to wear a helmet. Members of the Sikh faith wear turbans for religious reasons and do not want to remove them. "I have ridden motorbikes all my life and in India it is allowed and even in the UK, Canada and the US, Sikhs can ride a bike with a turban on."

Anti-discrimination commissioner Robin Banks says it would be better to exempt the entire Sikh religion, in order to avoid the situation where every Sikh has to apply for an exemption and then prove they have one if they are stopped by the police. She too points to other parts of the world where similar changes have been made: "In Canada there's been human rights cases that have decided that instead of having to wear a motorbike helmet, or even a safety helmet on building sites, [they] are permitted to wear their turbans."

The Tasmanian Government says the transport commissioner has the power to exempt individuals from wearing a helmet.

In Tasmania, the fine for not wearing a helmet is \$140 and three demerit points.

### **ACCIDENTS POSSIBLY LINKED TO BRAIN MISCALCULATIONS**

Incidences of cars pulling out in front of motorcyclists run regularly in headlines -- locally, statewide and throughout the nation -- and there could be a scientific reason. Recent research by a Texas Tech University psychologist suggests that the regularity of this problem isn't necessarily a case of poor driving or carelessness, but may be related to a basic human judgment error.

Pat DeLucia, the coordinator of the Human Factors Psychology Program, said her results show that small, near objects can appear farther away than larger, farther objects. The study is published in the peer-reviewed scientific psychology journal "Current Directions in Psychological Science."

An interest in softball prompted DeLucia to study how the human brain perceives objects, their size and motion and an object's time to impact. Her finding -- that an object's size affects distance perception -- may be the basis explaining why car drivers miscalculate motorcyclists' distance and speed.

Many times, the brain interprets objects with a larger retinal image as closer. Since motorcycles are smaller than cars, DeLucia said the brain may use this shortcut to judge a smaller motorcycle farther away than it actually is.

This size-arrival effect can lead drivers to misjudge when a vehicle would arrive at an intersection and could be considered a contributing factor in motorcycle/vehicle accidents.

DeLucia hopes to find funding from the Texas Department of Transportation to create an educational program to inform drivers of her findings and reduce the incidents of these types of accidents.

### **HONDA TOUTS TECHNOLOGY TO CUT MOTORCYCLIST FATALITIES**

Honda North America executives announced that the Japanese automaker hopes two experimental safety technologies it is testing could help reduce pedestrian and motorcycle deaths by the end of the decade. By equipping a car and smartphone with wireless dedicated short range communications technology, Honda said it can alert both a driver and pedestrian, or motorcycle rider, of an impending collision.

Vehicle-to-Pedestrian and Vehicle-to-Motorcycle technologies are still in the early development and testing stages, but Honda intends to integrate the advanced collision sensing and predictive technologies into their vehicles through a special licensed radio band that allows cars to send and receive messages from surrounding vehicles. The system that might be an app one day on a smartphone is capable of alerting drivers that a pedestrian or motorcycle is near, even if the driver can't see them, in time to avoid a collision.

Jim Keller, chief engineer for Honda R&D Americas, Inc. said connected vehicle technology could be on the road by 2020, and the technology would be much cheaper than implementing cameras and other safety systems equipped on vehicles today.

Honda is one of eight automakers involved in a federal vehicle-to-vehicle communication study which began a year ago in Ann Arbor with the help of the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute and has been extended six months.

### **WEIRD NEWS: BLIND DISABLED MOTORCYCLIST SETS SPEED RECORD**

The dangers of riding a motorcycle are obvious even to able-bodied operators, yet blind, disabled Scottish biker Stuart Gunn threw caution to the wind by setting a new world record by clocking 167.1 mph.

Gunn is a real world Daredevil, and with a little help from his father, Geoff, the pair ride together and dad cheerfully informs his son if he's drifting or should brake, assisting his blind and paralyzed-from-the-waste-down son to beat world speed records.

"I hope this proves to people that just because you are blind or have a disability, doesn't mean it should change or limit your life," says Gunn, the World's Fastest Blind Motorcycle Rider.

"The natural progress of things is for liberty to yield, and government to gain ground."

~ Thomas Jefferson to Edward Carrington, Paris, May 27, 1788

## Could You Be Sued For Sending A Text To Someone Who Is Driving?

By Audrey Nesbitt on September 5, 2013 in [Motorcycle Accident Info](#)



After a motorcycle accident, there could be many parties responsible for your crash and your injuries. If the driver of the other vehicle was texting while driving, the person sending/responding to those texts could also be held responsible. A New Jersey appeals court disagreed with a lower court and found that a person could have a legal duty to avoid texting someone who they know is driving.

The case before the court involved a New Jersey motorcycling couple that was sideswiped by an 18 year-old texting pickup truck driver. The couple each lost a leg in the accident and settled their claims with the teenager. They also filed a lawsuit against the 17-year-old friend who was texting the driver before the accident, but the lower court dismissed those claims. While the appeals court did not find the friend liable (she did not know he was driving), they did set precedence for future lawsuits against texting individuals.

According to the court, “When the sender knows that the text will reach the driver while operating a vehicle, the sender has a relationship to the public who use the roadways similar to that of a passenger physically present in the vehicle.”

If the texting individual on the other end knew that their texts were being sent to an individual driving, then he or she could be held liable. They must know that the driver is both on the road and would read their messages. While some responsibility does lie with the texting person, it is ultimately the driver’s responsibility to pick up the phone or not.

At Russ Brown Motorcycle Attorneys, we have been fighting for motorcyclists’ rights for over 35 years. We also created a safety campaign against distracted driving to help increase awareness about the dangers of driving distracted. Our “Keep Me Alive—Don’t Text & Drive” campaign is in full swing and you can help raise awareness yourselves by grabbing some of our complimentary stickers at [www.killabikergotojail.com](http://www.killabikergotojail.com). You can also learn more about BAM or our law firm at 1-800-4-BIKERS or visit us on the web at [www.russbrown.com](http://www.russbrown.com).

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# ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting Minutes

## September 15, 2013

The President's gavel sounded the meetings call to order at 11:40am, and the twenty-five persons present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, then observed a moment of reverent silence. There were no guests present.

**President Ed “Nighthawk” Lattari** – Nighthawk reminded the Chapter that the next meeting would be on October 6th, 2013, its date change due to conflict with other events in the month of October. Several new members were recognized. Nighthawk informed the Chapter that Dan "Slo-Motion" Henderson was absent from the meeting, due to his recent medical issues. Local news from the United Bikers Council of Palm Beach County was discussed. The ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Road Dog competition was also discussed, and Ken "Snooze" Gerecke is currently in the lead. Nighthawk informed the Chapter that Chapter member "Zim" is asking Chapter members to participate in the local "heart walk" event on Sept 28th, 2013. There will be a sale on some of the old Chapter t-shirts today.

**Vice President Dan “Slo Motion” Henderson** – Absent, excused due to illness

**Secretary Charles “CB” Barcellona** - No report

**Treasurer Debbie “Foxybabe” Wenger** – Foxybabe gave a summary financial report, indicating that the Chapter was solvent. It was noted that the month's expenses were greater than revenue, but that the Chapter remained financially solvent. Foxybabe also informed the Chapter that ABATE of Florida cash drawing tickets remained available.

**Membership Trustee Debbie “Foxybabe” Wenger** – Foxybabe presented a summary membership report, citing 239 members.

**Sgt-at-Arms Pete “Petee” Carroll** – Petee discussed upcoming events and urged the Chapter's participation in the same.

**Safety Trustee Charlie “Niblick” Wenger** – Niblick discussed an incident in Ohio in which a police officer rear ended two motorcyclists on a public highway. There will be a meeting of various safety organizations one day after Spooks 'n Scoots in Tampa. Nighthawk will ask for permission to set up the Chapter safety booth at the events of local United Bikers Council member organizations, in order to show a greater amount of support for those organizations and the United Bikers Council.

**State Delegates Dan “Slo Motion” Henderson and Ken "Snooze" Gerecke** – Snooze informed the Chapter that the next ABATE of Florida state meeting will be held during Spooks 'n Scoots on October 13, 2013.

**Product Trustee Pro Tem Lisa “Pookie” Miller** – Pookie held up some of the most nasty smelling and moldy shirts imaginable, and before the stench overcame her, she announced that those shirts would be on sale at blow out prices. The shirts on sale were those that got wet from rain during the Chapter's June fund raising event.

**Newsletter Trustee Dan “Slo Motion Henderson** – absent, excused. CB added, with Nighthawk's agreement, that Dan will be reminded to add a prominent pretty face on the the cover, and some cheesecake on page three. Foxybabe reminded the Chapter that products can be purchased on member's credit cards.

**Old Business** – The South Florida Confederation of Clubs is beginning a bike night at Mickey's in Pompano, on the third Wednesday of each month.

**New Business** – Various local events were discussed, including the Key West poker run, Lone Legion Brotherhood M/C steak dinner, States Lake Worth M/C breakfast, and the ABATE Southeast Chapter Annual. Nighthawk is evaluating the possibility of getting the Chapter's December 2013 event changed to December 15th, in order to coincide with the toy run.

**Good of the Order** – Niblick announced that the Palm Beach Harley Davidson bike night will benefit the Chapter on October 18th. Big Bad Fred's ticket was selected in the 50/50 drawing, and he selflessly donated his share back to the Chapter.

At 12:45pm the President's gavel sounded the meeting adjournment.

This concludes the minutes of the September 15th, 2013 meeting of ABATE Palm Beach Chapter.

## ANOTHER WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?

Found on a Google Motorcycle Alert story is this motorcycle cop texting with BOTH hands. Wonder if texting while driving is illegal in his state? Should he arrest himself or is he open to citizen's arrest?



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**Join for the cause.** Everything is voluntary, we understand work and family comes first. We hope you can help in any small way, vote and spread the word. \$20 for Year or \$150 Life which is split between chapter and state.

**BENEFITS** Your money is used to provide a lobbyist to the state and federal government to watch for our rights and freedom. You get a State *MasterLink* newsletter every 2 months. The chapter newsletter is available online [abatepalmbeach.com](http://abatepalmbeach.com) so is in color and with Internet links. We print black and white copies for the general public to be informed available at various establishments. Members get free classified and reduced ad rates.

**INSURANCE** As an active member in good standing you have a \$4,000 Accidental Death and Dismemberment policy from American Income Life. You will get a card in the mail from state office to register your beneficiary for ADD insurance. Do NOT mail it, just be sure your family knows about the policy. If you send it in and they try to meet to sell you more, contact State Office to have it stopped. You can mail to the office as Registered letter to have it done when you family notifies. be sure to renew in time so are always covered! It does not have to be a motorcycle accident.

**PRIVACY** Your email, address and phone are never given out to anyone except State and Chapter executive members. You We have stopped listing the expiring members in newsletter, you do get letters letting you know. No full names will appear in newsletter nor website without your permission. Photos are included to help promote Brotherhood.

## CLASSIFIEDS

Anybody a card collector of motorcycle cards? Slo Motion has sets to sell. Complete set plus of Harley-Davidson series 2, InLine Classic Motorcycle Cards series 1, and Champs American Vintage Cycles Series 2. Bargain prices. I got extra sets when in Daytona at the Eustis International Vintage Bike show. Slo Mo 561-702-9929

These ads are free to members so send in your items. Waht NO one else has something to sell? How about looking for—like:

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You may also order Patches at this time **MEMBERSHIPS FEE** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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Come early, enjoy a good breakfast deal and socialize with other members.

## GOALS & PURPOSES 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.