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**NEXT
CHAPTER
MEETING
11:30 AM
3RD
Sunday**

**CHECK TWICE
FOR MOTORCYCLES**

**Nov. 17
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WHO RIDE
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1st American International Motorcycle Expo Orlando
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Freedom Chapter's
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Saturday November 2, 2013
All Vehicles Are Welcome!!!

IN HONOR OF OUR VETERANS

Sign-ups 9:30 am - 11:00 am
at American Legion Post #99
208 E Ft Dade Ave,
Brooksville
Dice Run \$10 per card,
additional card \$5,
\$20 per riding couple.

Kick Stands Up - 11:00 am -
Last Bike In - 4:00 pm
Dice run winners will be
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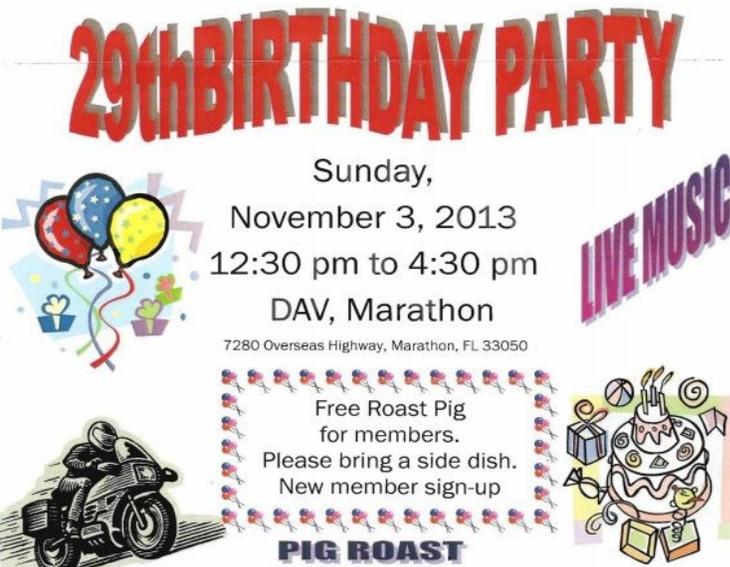
Sunday,
November 3, 2013
12:30 pm to 4:30 pm
DAV, Marathon

7280 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL 33050

Free Roast Pig for members.
Please bring a side dish.
New member sign-up

PIG ROAST BY KEITH!

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ABATE of Florida, Inc Mission Statement

WHO WE ARE

We are a non-profit organization of motorcycle enthusiasts from all walks of life. We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image. We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM. We promote motorcycle safety, training, & political awareness. We ARE NOT A CLUB OR A GANG. We fund our work through events, toy runs, poker runs, campouts, and other motorcycle activities. We are your neighbors & friends who work, pay taxes, and get involved with our community. We serve and support our country and believe in freedom. We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others. We are Pro-choice NOT anti-helmet

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"

This month's Presidents message starts off with the tragic news of the loss of Derrick Raymond Thomas. He was better known by his road name 'Loose Change'. Loose Change is a member of Zero Tolerance MC. Zero Tolerance MC is also a member of the United Bikers Council of Palm Beach as are we. There was a Council ride to show our support to the family of Loose Change and his Brothers of Zero Tolerance MC. There was a large turn out by the members of the Council. My thanks go to those who came out for the council ride. It's important to be there for our fellow bikers during good times and bad. My condolences go out to the Thomas Family and Zero Tolerance MC.



Since last Presidents message we made the following rides; Fatman's Birthday Party at States MC Lake Worth, Ride to Sebring, Confederation of Clubs bike night at Mickey's in Pompano (which seems to be temporarily if not permanently closed now), AOA MC GBNF Memorial, ABATE SE Chapter event, Steak Dinner at the Lone Legion Brotherhood MC, and the States MC Pompano Rotten Ralph memorial. Plus BOD and Chapter meetings! I get to add U.B.C.P.B. and C.O.C. meetings too! So this past month was pretty busy with rides going just about every Saturday and Sunday. Turn out for the rides has been good, so my thanks for those who've been making it. As for the ABATE Road Dog Competition, Snooze is still kicking ass with Hamish currently in second. November looks like it might have a lighter schedule. One stand out for November is the Fly-In Wheels MC Annual Party on the 23rd. I hope you'll join me for that one. It's usually a good time with good chow! As always keep an eye on the email and text alerts for the latest happenings.

Now for the BIG ABATE PBC NEWS! The big news is, are you ready? THE MIGHTY QUINN!!! That's right folks THE MIGHTY QUINN will be performing at OUR ABATE PBC Chapter Annual Freedom Right's Rally being held at Renegades December 15th from 2-7pm. This is shaping up to be the party of the year! You're not going to want to miss this one! So mark it on the calendar and tell all your friends and family! So remember after you're done at the Bill's Bikes Memorial Toy Run, head on over to Renegades for the ABATE PBC Party

Don't forget we have tickets available for the ABATE of Florida \$10,000. cash drawing to be held during bike week. If you have tickets, please turn them in at the next meeting. "Nighthawks 4TH annual Pot Luck BBQ and Social" will be happening Saturday night Thanksgiving weekend at the Hawk's nest, another group fun party for members only. 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.

Ed "Nighthawk" Lattari

President ABATE Palm Beach president@abatepalmbeach.com [561-309-5412](tel:561-309-5412)

UPCOMING Group Fun Rides/Event Schedule

November 3 Sunday 6TH Annual Poker Run Benefiting Renaissance Learning Center ending at **Palm Beach Harley Anniversary Party** Meet spot is Cumberland Farm store Blue Heron and Military 9 am KU 9:15. First Poker Stop is Suzy Q's Hometown Diner for Breakfast, then PB Kennel Club, Jack's Grumpy Grouper Lantana, Ink Link WPB then ending at PB Harley Davidson

November 15 Friday Night BOD meeting. At the Hawks Nest. All members are welcome to attend. Starts at 8pm. BYOB!

November 16 Saturday Group Fun Ride! STEAK DINNER at the Lone Legion Brotherhood MC. Only 6 bucks per plate! Meet spot is Shell Gas Station Lantana Road just East of I-95 4:00 pm KU 4:15

November 17 Sunday ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting 11:30 AM

V.F.W. Post 4143 located at 2404 Broadway, Riviera Beach 561-844-5718. From I 95 exit Blue Heron Blvd. go east to Broadway (Federal Hwy., US- 1) turn right, go south 1 block the V.F.W. is on the east side. Look for the flag. Breakfast will be served at V.F.W. Post 4143 9:00 AM 'til Noon. \$5.00 per plate

November 17 Group Fun Ride AFTER MEETING TO: AOA WPB Birthday Blowout at their clubhouse.

November 23 Saturday Fly-In Wheels MC Annual Group Fun Ride!

November 30 Saturday Nighthawk's 4th Annual Pot Luck BBQ and Social Group Fun Party! This is a private party for members only at the Hawk's nest.

December 8 Sunday Group Fun Ride Toys in the Sun Run

December 15 Sunday Bill's Bikes Memorial Toy Run starts at the South Florida Fairgrounds

December 15 Sunday ABATE PALM BEACH FREEDOM RIGHTS RALLY at Renegades 2-7pm with the MIGHTY QUINN!

REMINDER: EVERY

Monday Night is MOB OF BROTHERS MC OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday Night is LONE LEGION MC OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday Night is STATES MC OPEN HOUSE Lake Worth

Thursday Night is BLACK PISTONS MC OPEN HOUSE

Friday Night is AOA MC OPEN HOUSE

Saturday Night is FLY-IN WHEELS MC OPEN HOUSE

PLEASE ATTEND THE OPEN HOUSES FOR A GOOD TIME AND SHOW OF SUPPORT WHEN POSSIBLE.. CHECK CALENDAR FOR ALL EVENTS GOING ON

Schedule subject to change. Stay up date with the text alert system! Get meeting spots and last minute updates! Text "Name and "add me" and your name to 561-309-5412 now!

ABATE ROAD DOG COMPETITION 8/17-12/14/13 (as of 10/23/13)

Snooze 13pts, Hamish 6pt, Ladyhawk 5 1/2pt, Treva 2 1/2pts, Sarge 2pts, Cary 2pt, Charlie (Mrs. Hamish) 2pt, Phil M. 1pt, Laura J. 1pt, Bill 1 pt, Go T Dan 1pt, Joe N 1pt, Quiet Dan 1, Tippy 1, Kruzen 1. Zim 1, Brit Bike Mike 1pt, You get 1 point for Riding your bike, 1/2 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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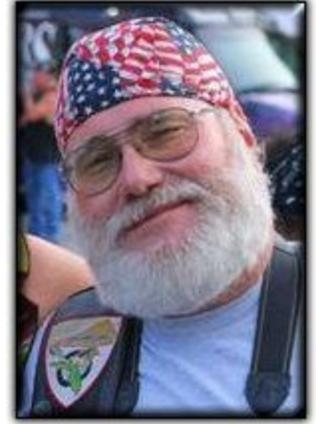
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CLASSIFIEDS These ads are free to members so send in your items.

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

Vice President's Message - Slo Motion

Well it was another awful month of dealing with the kidney stones. I had the operation where they sonically broke up the large stones. It took almost two weeks to get that rare machine to do the job. I guess I must have passed most of them while out in recovery. I had a lot pain afterward thinking might still have more to pass but now I think it was all due to the stent they put in to help them to pass. Another three weeks before seeing the Doctor again to get the stent out. He tried in his office but that was hell pain, bet could hear my screams in the next town! NEVER let them do that without being put under! I missed a lot of work and events over this. I thought I might have been able to make the Oct. 26th Alternatives MC event, but I was feeling well enough to go. So was another week, back in hospital to get it out under the drugs. This time was success and since very little pain and blood in relieving myself. I want to thank ALL of you for your concern, ESPECIALLY Nighthawk who continued to check on me via phone and text and got me home after the second surgery.



It is that time of year again. One of the benefits of ABATE of FL membership is the \$4000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance. Our ABATE State Office reported that they will be mailing the beneficiary cards soon. They do it so nobody else has access to your address. **YOU DO NOT NEED TO RETURN THESE CARDS TO THE INSURANCE AGENCY.** If you do then they do have your information and likely a salesman will attempt to call and sell you more insurance. So if you do not want to be bothered **DO NOT** return the card to them. Fill it out and put with your personal records that family would access if needed. Even better make a copy for that and return the original filled out to the ABATE of FL office to store. They need to be contacted anyway if something happens, so just be sure it is family knowledge to contact them if needed. And accidents do **NOT** even have to be motorcycle, just accidents

WHATS WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?



Seems I started something with last month's cover. Nighthawk snapped this one and sent in. She is definitely doing better than that guy last month, she only has two safety issues to deal with.

1) She does have great legs but they will never be pretty if she goes down dressed like this. Jeans do offer at least some protection against road rash.

2) **FILP FLOPS.** How can anyone wear those riding a bike? Going down without boots could really damage her feet. And how can she shift?? It hurts me to change gears even wearing sneakers so boots are a must for me.

Keep the photos coming but don't take them while driving - don't need that distraction while driving!

- Dan "Slo Motion"

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For more info. contact Jim Finochi at 772-581-0837 E-mail - jpf248@aol.com



ABATE of Florida, Inc. Peace River Chapter

Holiday Toy Run

Sunday, November 10
12 noon - 6:00 pm



Charlotte County Fairgrounds

Food Live Music Vendors



We will be leaving the Charlotte County Justice Center in Punta Gorda (350 E. Marion Ave) promptly at 1:00pm.

We will have a police-escorted ride straight to the Charlotte County Fairgrounds (2333 El Jobean Road, Pt. Charlotte)

Toys for Tots will be on hand to accept your unwrapped toys!!



Decorate Your Bike! - Prize for best decorated!

Event Info:
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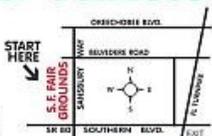
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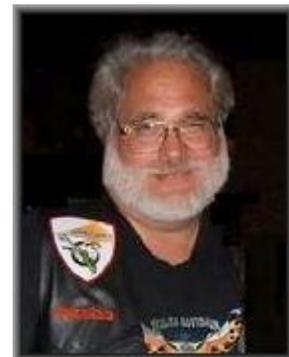
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“Slo Motion”

DELEGATE REPORTS

Hello everyone.

Well as you know October is one of the busiest months on our calendar, so much to do so little time. October 4-6th was the 10th Sebring Run to the Heartland. We had a ride up and back on Saturday the 5th. What a great ride! The weather was perfect and the festival wasn't bad either. The very next weekend it was time to go to our State Meeting again. This time it was in Brooksville at Spooks n Scoots, one of my favorite state meetings. We camped out two nights with our ABATE brothers and sisters. What a blast, mark this one on your calendars for next year! The State is again focusing on Bike Week 2014. I hope everyone is planning on attending and also staying in the ABATE campground in Deland. By doing so it greatly benefits ABATE of Florida Inc. and our cause.. Also like last year, we have drawing tickets—\$10,000 dollar grand prize to be drawn the last day of Bikeweek. If you are interested ther \$5.00 each, contact your local chapter and get some before they are gone! The next State Meeting is in December by the Treasure Coast Chapter in Vero Beach. Since this one is fairly close to us I hope more of our members will attend this one.

Ken “Snooze” Gerecke



October State Meeting Notes

Doc Fish stressed the importance on how to properly communicate with legislators. Membership can be denied or revoked if detrimental to State's message. Always document and do get photographs of accidents/incidents at events. Do best for a positive image and take care of each other. VP Emory Griffis was covered under Bikeweek news.

Boots of State Office told us of the mailing of the ADD cards and how best to handle that. The drawing tickets will have prize of \$100 to the seller of the winning ticket and \$50 to the chapter that sells the most. All sold tickets and money need to be turned in at December State meeting. ALL tickets, sold or unsold, need in February.

Membership wanted us to remind Life members that cards may take up to 3 months to be delivered via State meetings so be patient.

If problems with *Masterlink*, report address issues to local membership to get corrected. Good idea to carry issue when you travel if need help, contact local chapter. AIM is supposed to have a phone app for that but I haven't found it.

PR/Communication talked about the “NYC Sportbike gone wild”, best to say no comment as ABATE is neutral and should be putting out a press release. Rhonda is working on the May is Motorcycle Month Proclamation and hope to get out in time for us to do something local.

Guess I forgot to make notes of Safety, was hoping Charley might write a report - hint

Products has been looking into new ideas and source for hats. A I know several asked about them I told him to talk with Lighthouse as they have a lead. I'd like to see one with the bike shaped logo Southeast has. He did show us a nice leather card case with the wide eagle logo.

October State Meeting (cont)

I would like a couple of those at \$10.50 has seem to hold quite a few.

A lot of what Scribe had in his Legislative report are in his emails included in my legislative report here. Our interests are Drivers Ed is schools, first time drivers, Safety Funding and stiffer penalties. All all invited to join the Think Tank to consider future goals. I did include a recent discussion on lane splitting bill in this issue but these are just thoughts, nothing official the State is considering at this time.

Lobbyist reported that House bill 55 was just like our past "stiffer penalties" but I just checked and here is update - Aaron Cohen Life Protection Act; requires driver of vehicle involved in crash that results in serious bodily injury to person to immediately stop vehicle & remain at scene of crash; provides penalties. Last Action: 10/15 Withdrawn prior to introduction. Also on getting back our Safety Funding, the House is with us but the Senate....

Legal council told us the COC vs State Fair case is going to Trail. Larry Crow also announced his running for the US Senate Seat of now decease Bill Young.

Bike Week 2014 has the Bikes, BBQ and Bikinis festival in the works. Paperwork for the Boondocks Run have been submitted.

Tallahassee State Meeting, Rally and Ride to the Capital is set for April 13th and 14th

Old Business Treasurer announce the 501c3 application has been submitted to the IRS.

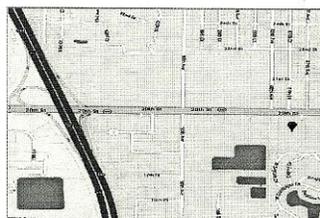
New Business. Motion to remove Lock-down as State Webmaster as nont attending and complains of no help to help to chapters. State is taking action. They spoke to me of the position but as I have not hard anything more, I am still considering it. Would rather have someone with more hosting experience doing with me and I an attempting to locate a old riding friend to see if he might be interested as had some interest in ABATE last we spoke.

These are my notes on what I thought were interesting. As always the complete official minutes will be in the next *Masterlink*.

Dan "Slo Motion" Henderson

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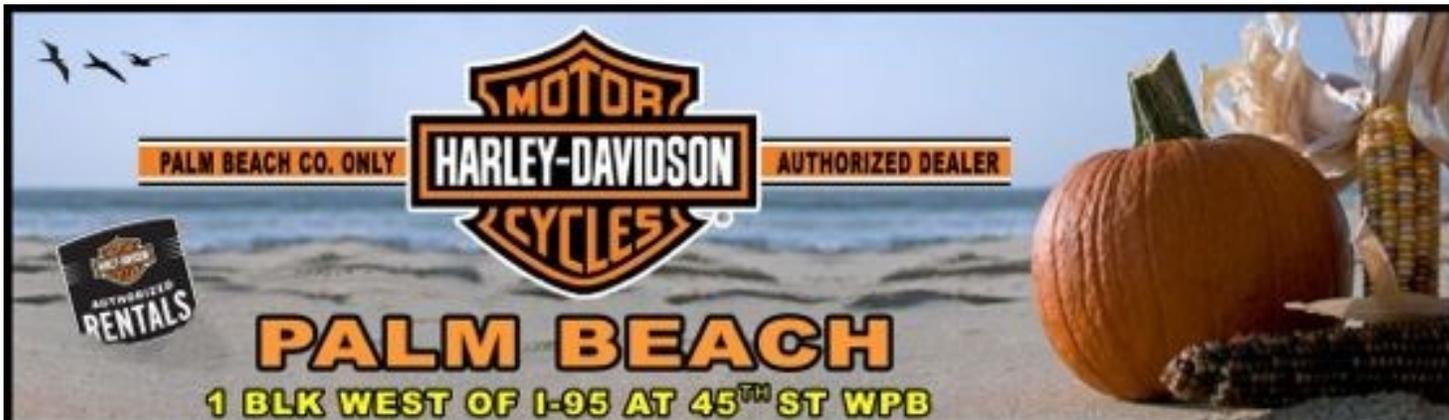
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MANHATTAN MOTORCYCLE MAYTHEM MADNESS

By now I am sure everyone is aware of this incident in NYC between the bikes and the SUV. It has been all over the media, the Internet and YouTube. It had dominated my Google Motorcycle Alerts for quite awhile and still surfaces now and again. It was talked about at our chapter meeting and at the ABATE state meeting. Remaining neutral ABATE of Lauderdale was to put out a press release but have yet to see. Basically from what was said at October State meeting - We neither condone nor tolerate such behavior. Dennis, aka Date, sent me this: Regarding the NYC biker vs SUV incident, the AMA came out with this statement: Summary: "We neither condone idiots on motorcycles nor hit and run drivers." But lets not forget this similar incident that happened here in FL.... Where a motorcyclist was struck by a hit-and-run driver in Sunrise <http://www.wsvn.com/news/articles/local/22004319765262/>. I had debated how I might handle this in the newsletter. Then Data send me another one of his thoughtful articles, ran it by Nighthawk so the following are some thought by MYSELF and his article. So with this disclaimer.....

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I do not think we will ever know the real truth of this incident. I think neither the riders nor the driver are innocent. Note that I call them riders, they have not earned the right to be bikers or even motorcyclists in my eyes. The real victim here has been the image of the motorcyclist as if we needed more bad press. Once again I believe the press media has over stepped the boundary of free speech and just doing it for sensationalism. - Dan Henderson

Road Rage in NYC - Prejudice at Work

I'm sure most everyone has heard about the September 29, 2013 road rage confrontation between an SUV and several bikers in New York City. If you haven't heard about it, you can probably already guess who won. The cager always wins. And if you have heard about it, then probably half of what you heard are lies made up by the media.

What's going on here is the media taking advantage of people's prejudices in order to sell papers. Not so much racial prejudice, but prejudice against bikers. What makes this interesting is that its not just about cagers being prejudiced against bikers, but also bikers being prejudiced against other bikers. We say "I'm a good biker, but those guys are ALL *bad* bikers."

To give you an example of how prejudice can influence your opinion on a situation, lets examine the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. In the story, Goldilocks is a cute little girl with blond hair that goes into a house that belongs to a family of bears when they aren't home. While there, she eats their food, breaks their furniture and passes out in their bed. Because of our prejudice that little girls are good and bears are bad, we hear the story as children and conclude that Goldilocks is the good guy and the bears are the bad guys. However, if Goldilocks broke into YOUR home, ate your food, smashed your furniture and passed out in your bed, then you can see Goldilocks for what she really was - a home invader.

Prior to the road rage incident, we see a video of hundreds of bikers speeding, running red lights, and

popping wheelies. In the media, they were already being labeled as "Vicious bikers" even though none had committed any act of violence. There was an incident with a Prius that tried to go through an intersection while bikers were running it and she was blocked by several bikers. While this was not exactly legal, neither the Prius nor its owner were injured.

However interesting, what happened hours before the road rage attack is not relevant, but what happened just prior to the start of the video of the road rage attack is very relevant. The media is claiming the opposite.

The speed limit on the Henry Hudson Parkway where the incident started was 50 mph and the bikers were all doing approximately that or less. The black Range Rover SUV, driven by Alexis Lien, wanted to go faster than that. According to eye witnesses, Lien tried to push his way through the bikers, changing lanes recklessly, and eventually found himself in the far right lane. Suddenly, he swerves left and knocks down a rider who was in the middle lane. After the accident, Lien did not stop and continued as if the downed rider was no more important than a cockroach.



This was the first hit and run. According to legal sources, the most likely reason people hit and run is because they are afraid of getting caught because they have been drinking. Lien admits he was celebrating his wedding anniversary just prior to the incident.

After about two more miles, the infamous video starts and we see numerous bikers honking and trying to get Lien to stop the SUV. One rider, Christopher Cruz, cuts off Lien and accidentally decelerates causing Lien to bump his rear tire. Lien can be seen in the video looking forward, but he chose not to brake when he saw he was approaching Cruz with his SUV. Despite what the media said, Cruz was not injured and was able to stay on the bike.

This time, Lien stops. Cruz approaches the SUV to exchange information and knocks on the window. The press claims that at this time **all** of the bikers swarmed the SUV with switchblades and hammers and attacked the SUV by denting it and slashing its tires. That was a lie. The bikers never did any such thing. The undamaged SUV can be seen later in the video.

Now comes the nasty part. Instead of going straight, Lien cuts the wheel to the right, guns the engine and runs over several bikers. One biker, Edwin Mieses, is critically injured with a crushed rib cage, two broken legs, a broken back and is paralyzed. As the SUV ran over the motorcycles, its right front tire was punctured. Lien later claimed that it was his right to do this in self defense because he was afraid of the bikers.



Here is where prejudice comes in. Coupled with the media's claims that the bikers attacked the SUV when it was stopped (something that didn't really happen), a lot of people accept Lien's "Afraid for my life" claim as gospel even though **the facts prove that he wasn't afraid at all - he was pissed.**

A short time later, the tire that was punctured when Lien ran over the motorcycles came completely off the rim and Lien stops again. This time, another biker runs up and opens the driver's door and Lien speeds off hitting yet another biker, Reginald Chance.

If the SUV's door was not opened at that time, then we wouldn't know the truth about Lien. Here's why. When people are in their cars and become afraid of something outside their car, the VERY FIRST thing they do is lock the doors. **If Lien was truly in fear for his life, he would have locked the doors** as soon as Cruz approached his SUV. Yet, several miles later, we see for a fact that the doors are still not locked. In short, Lien ran over the bikers because he was pissed and not because he was afraid. Other evidence is that Lien gunned the engine rather than slowly moving forward so that the bikers would have time to get out of the way. This shows that he intended to hurt the bikers and is further evidence that he was pissed not scared.

Later in the video, we see the SUV stopped in traffic and one of the bikers he hit previously, Reginald Chance, smashes his expensive chrome helmet against the driver's window. This is actually further evidence that Lien was not in fear for his life prior to running over Mieses. Had Chance not smashed his helmet against the window, we may never have known that the glass was actually made from safety glass, the nearly unbreakable stuff that windshields are made from. Normal car door glass is made from tempered glass. One blow from Chance's helmet would have shattered it to bits. Yet we see in the video that even after several blows, the glass was still not penetrated when the video ends. Subsequent photos of the SUV show that the door glass is still in one piece dangling from the opening. So even if the bikers had actually attacked the SUV prior to Lien running over Mieses, Lien knew that they could not easily get at him. The lack of broken glass as Lien passes says that they didn't even try.

Yet because of prejudice against the bikers, the media and police have largely ignored the clear evidence that Lien was not actually in fear for his life when he ran over Mieses. The cops are arresting nearly every biker in the group ride that they can identify, including several undercover police officers, and charging them with gang assault on Lien. Again, the media falsely reports that Lien was "Brutally and savagely attacked and beaten to a pulp by a gang of outlaw bikers", but if that was true, why did the hospital send Lien home with only minor bruises and abrasions? Seems to me that if someone was really beaten to a pulp that they would get to stay at least overnight for observation. Here is a photo taken of Lien several days later that shows no injuries to his face.



Meanwhile, as I write this, Lien has not yet been charged with any crime. The first downed rider, prior to the start of the video, has not come forward presumably because of fears that he too would be arrested. While the bikers have all been honest and forthcoming with their public statements about the events, Lien continues to exercise his 5th Amendment right not to speak. As far as the riders being in a "Gang" as the press reports, it was actually just a group ride organized by a web site to commemorate the end of the New York riding season. The vast majority of the riders did not know each other.

The bikers in this incident were not angels by any means. You can't continue to piss people off and not expect somebody to snap - especially when alcohol is involved. In this case, Lien snapped, condemned a

rider to a wheelchair for the rest of his life, and the police, the media and much of the public are OK with that.

What we can learn from all of this is to ride respectfully of other motorists and to ALWAYS back down in a road rage situation with a car – even when the other guy is clearly in the wrong. A motorcycle will always lose that fight.

Ride safe and ride smart,

Dennis "Data" Hawkins.

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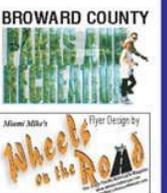
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 14 - Hermandad MC Alfredo Pena Memorial Run
 15 - Wings of Gold MC Mia Wild Santa Toy Run
 21 - SFLCOC Christmas Party
 22 - Calvary Chapel Christmas Service

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 Sun Nov 3, AOA Treasure Coast Annual
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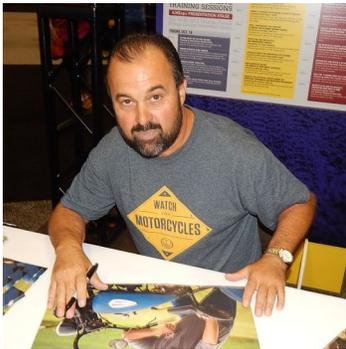
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1st AIMEXPO HELD IN ORLANDO FLORIDA

So what were you doing on October 19th 2013? Most motorcyclist might say were doing something about Biketoberfest, but I choice to attend the first American International Motorcycle Expo in Orlando Florida. This was a five day event with the first part for the industry and media, while the weekend was open to consumers. So there were many manufactures there and many items not yet on the market. It was truly was International as met people form Sweden, Denmark, India, Asia, and a many companies in the Italian Pavilion. There were motorcycles of all types, scooters, 4 wheelers with companies like Kymco, Yamaha, Suzuki, Eric Buell Racing, and Parker Brothers Concepts with Tron like bikes including one outfitted with machines guns for Brevard County Sheriff! I heard talking of Victory and Indian might attend next year. Trikes were represented by Trike Traders with Rewaco USA made in Germany, and Yelvington conversion kits. There were so many vendors of all kinds of items.

The groups I saw there included DMA, AMA with their E15 petitions, Women's Coalition of Motorcyclists, Vintage Japanese Motorcycle Club. And Ride Smart Florida.

Now what would I show be without celebrities? I did see builder Jesse Rookie briefly at his booth. The big draw was Frank Fritz co-star of History Channel's American Pickers. I enjoy watching it as he and Mike



Wolf are both into motorcycles and often find some interesting items. Frank spoke for about half hour answering questions, even mine. He has been a motorcycle enthusiast since a kid, still has his first bike! He brought 3 from his collection of 80-90 bikes. He likes all kinds but said they have to be low as he is short, some thing familiar to a lot of riders. I didn't know it but he is not in business with Wolf, has his own site FrankFindsIt.com. He has an upcoming book, *How to Pick Collectible Motorcycles*. I wish he was selling them so could have an autographed copy, I had to settle for signed poster. As he was wearing a watch for motorcycle shirt, had to ask if he knew about ABATE - he is a low numbered Iowa LIFE member. Said had been very active in the Safety Program and local district. I really

liked him when he preferred taking an easy ride on back roads with no need for speed, he'd get there when he got there. I love how he described that riding a motorcycle in traffic is like the male anatomy, there is always an asshole behind you and a dick in front of you!

There were several things I was looking for myself. Everyone knows my love for cameras and mounting one on my bike is ultimate. I have an early GoPro but not 100% happy with it. So I was interested to see what else is out there. There were show specials on the new Hero 3 models but I still would like something better. I saw the ion shoot/share camera but still wanted more.. SENA Blue tooth is a company that makes helmet communication headsets. They had a new camera that looked very promising but not yet released so little about it is available yet. Then I found the ISAWusa camera. This might be the one I found once on Internet but lost the bookmark. It has the viewfinder I have wanted and the quality is great. So that is on my Christmas list or hope to get the media deal on it as really want to compare all of them.

Another thing I was looking for was a way to move my Low Rider turn signals further back for throw over saddlebags. I'd gotten some ideas at Haley. Cycle Gear did have a show special on the license plate frame that had ALL the lights. But not want I really would like the electrical connection booth had more want I wanted, a replacement unit like want I have with the turn signals connected to it. Sweet especially if can get it all for around \$100. Didn't really see the same thing on their site but have the number to call to get it. Another cool item was the Impulse Jacket that has the brake and turn lights IN the jacket, connected to the bike by wireless technology. One of the guys there remembered me from the old West Palm Beach days of Saddletime magazine crew. Jacket is a bit pricey, they are working on a Velcro patch unit.

One of the coolest things I saw was the Peet Dyer. Ever been on a trip, caught in the rain and with soaked boots? I've used hair dryers and shop vacs to dry. This device dries your boots, gloves whatever. Even have a portable version for the road trips!

There were many helmet companies there. Often legislators ask if better helmets were made would more riders wear them. As for me finding one that fits and is comfortable is difficult. So I thought I'd try them out. Most companies do not make extra large helmets and I learned not many small ones either. I did find a cool helmet in the Italian Pavilion, GPA France. They had this carbon Aircraft model I really liked. Their 2X felt a little loose on top but great around the ears as I felt would be a great wind blocker, something that recently started to bother me with my half shell. Thinking of using ear plugs. But what really got me was the visors. You could slide down the clear one and then inside bring in the sunscreen. Just what I would love. I might have tried to buy the orange one if they had it in 2X but I couldn't afford the \$600 price tag. Santa?? But I did find a half shell that really fit well. She wasn't a distributor but sold me the floor model for \$40.



Now the shields could use some sun protection. Maric Performance has InVision Inserts that are anti-fog and anti-glare. They seem to be helmet/vision specific but they had a \$5 special Speed Tint that goes on any vision on the top like the standard car tint. Another company that makes a full shield easy on tint shield is AKARI Clear Ride Anti-Fog. They will be introducing the AX.11 Electronic Visor Inserts in the near future. These are light sensitive changing with a sensor that can also be manually triggered. Things like these making wearing a helmet more desirable I have do like the shield to protect my eyes since bike windshields are not my style.

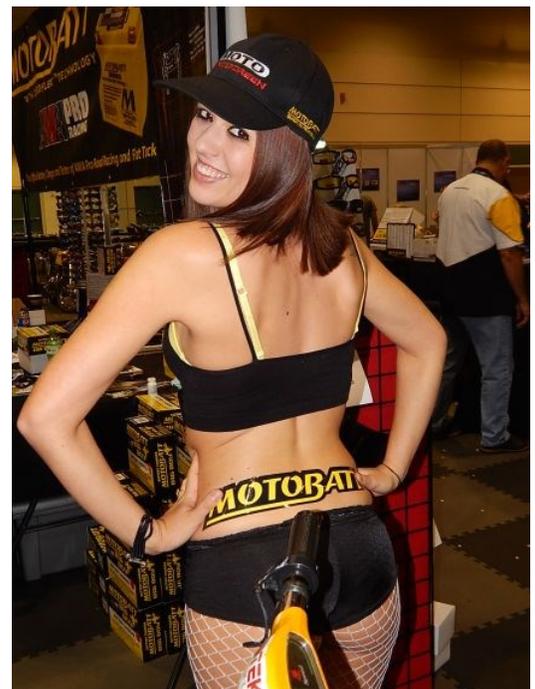
There were so many vendors of parts, battery technology, cables gears, some clothing, art, and I even saw a scooter with sidecar. Oxford Essential Rider Equipment had a wide source of stuff. I like some of the bike luggage but I liked the Wolfman Motorcycle luggage more and hope to be able to get some at discount yet. There was one company with hard saddlebags that wrapped around the back.. I have a photo of that on BikerOnlineGuide on the show photos. Seem to have misplaced their business card.

There was a Café Racer & Vintage Motorcycle show area. I didn't make to the outside test tracks and whatever else was out there. I was too exhausted after 7 hours of walking the show even with the seating break to watch Frank Fritz. I regret not taking more photos was thinking of getting more on next walk about but I was tuckered out. For a show there wasn't many "booth bunnies" to photograph but I did get one lovely lady for the cover.

As I left they already had the banner for next year with similar dates October 15-19, 21014 in Orlando. I will be back and plan on doing several days now that I have media credentials. Might make a week out of it doing the show earlier in week then off to Biketoberfest. Saw Orlando Harley had something going on. I thought I got a good hotel deal a bit away from the convention center but heard some great deals closer. So will have to book earlier to get them

Check their site <http://www.aimexpousa.com> and maybe I'll see you there next year.

Riding a motorcycle in traffic is like the male Anatomy, there is always an asshole behind you and a dick in front of you!



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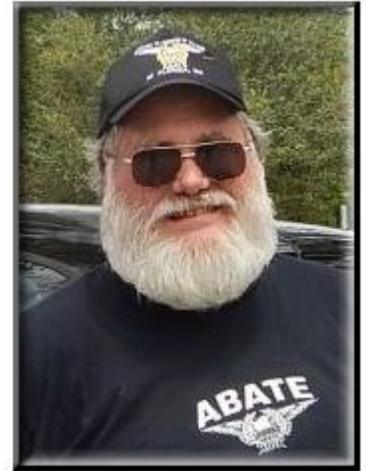
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LEGISLATIVE REPORT

DAN "SLOW-MOTION" HENDERSON

.You can tell it will be an election year as Darrin Scribe"Brooks has been relaying news of campaign fund collections. I have only included those in our area to let you know what is happening.—Slo Mo



THURSTON BACKS PAFFORD FOR DEM LEADER

House Minority Leader Perry Thurston, D-Fort Lauderdale, endorsed **Rep. Mark Pafford, D-West Palm Beach**, on Wednesday in the race to lead the Democratic caucus after the 2014 elections. "I was happy to see that he was prepared to step up and take on the challenge, and what we need to do is come together and have unity within the caucus, and I think that Pafford's the man to make that happen," Thurston told reporters Wednesday afternoon. Thurston's comments came just hours before House Democrats were scheduled to gather in the Capitol and choose the next leader. Pafford is running against Rep. Alan Williams, D-Tallahassee. Pafford is seen as the front-runner, but Williams is arguing to House members that he has a stronger fund-raising track record, something that could be significant given that the next leader will spearhead Democrats' efforts to gain seats in the House. Pafford counters that he has not been in a competitive race that requires him to raise large amounts of money. The leadership position became open Monday when House Democrats voted 24-17 to oust Rep. Darryl Rouson, D-St. Petersburg. Rouson had been designated earlier this year as the next Democratic leader, but he was removed after setting up a controversial campaign account to pay for House races without the knowledge of Florida Democratic Party leaders or members of the caucus. *Slo Motion: Good luck to Mark Pafford as he impressed me whne I met with him this past summer. As a cyclist, he understands the dangers we face on the road.*

TEXTING WHILE DRIVING BAN TAKES EFFECT TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2013:

Numerous new laws will take effect Tuesday, including a long-debated measure that will allow motorists to be ticketed for texting while driving. The law will be enforced as what is known as a "secondary" offense, which means drivers will only be ticketed for texting if they are stopped for other infractions. *Slo Motion: I've been seeing a lot of notice on the highway signs on I95 and the Turnpike to bring this to the attention of drivers.*

SACHS WANTS TOUGHER BAN ON TEXTING WHILE DRIVING:

Sen. Maria Sachs, D-Delray Beach, and Mike Jackson, chairman and chief executive officer of AutoNation, Inc., will held a news conference to announce the filing of a bill that would seek to strengthen a texting-while-driving ban that takes effect Tuesday.

BILL WOULD TIGHTEN TEXTING WHILE DRIVING BAN

Just months after state lawmakers approved a ban on texting while driving, a South Florida senator filed a bill Friday to try to strengthen enforcement. The measure (SB 322), filed by Sen. Maria Sachs, D-Delray Beach, would allow police to stop motorists for texting while driving and give them citations. The law passed earlier this year only allows enforcement as what is known as a "secondary offense." That means motorists can only be cited for texting while driving if they are pulled over for other reasons. The new law took effect Oct. 1, and Sachs indicated at the time she would file a bill for the 2014 session to try to strengthen enforcement.

JUSTICES WEIGH CELL PHONE TRACKING BY COPS

Grappling with privacy rights amid fast-changing technology, the Florida Supreme Court on Monday heard arguments in a challenge to police using "real-time" cell-phone information to track a suspect in a drug case. Justices pointed to courts across the country trying to sort out how far police can go in using technology that adds to old-school techniques such as wiretaps. "Everyone's struggling --- including us," Justice Barbara Pariente said during an exchange with one of the attorneys in Monday's case. "Everyone's struggling." The case stems from the 2007 arrest in Broward County of Shawn Tracey, who was later found guilty on cocaine-possession and other charges, including fleeing and eluding police. In lower courts, Tracey's attorneys argued unsuccessfully that evidence should be suppressed because of law officers using cell-phone technology to track his movements across the state. Broward County detectives received a warrant to obtain information about Tracey's cell-phone usage, including "historical cell site" information that would help show the locations of his calls. But a key question in the case is whether that allowed police to conduct what is described as "real time" tracking of Tracey in a red GMC Envoy --- eventually leading to a search that discovered a kilogram brick of cocaine underneath a spare tire, according to a brief filed in the case.

BILL WOULD TURN OFF RED LIGHT CAMERAS

A House Republican has filed a bill that would repeal state laws that have authorized red-light cameras at intersections across Florida. Rep. Frank Artiles, R-Miami, filed the bill (HB 4009) last week, taking aim at the cameras that have been used to issue tickets to owners of vehicles that run red lights. The bill is similar to a measure filed earlier by Sen. Jeff Brandes, R-St. Petersburg (SB 144). Both proposals would repeal the state's primary red-light camera law, the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act of 2010. The law, signed by former Gov. Charlie Crist, is named after Mark Wandall, who was killed by a red-light runner in 2003. When Brandes filed his bill last month, he indicated he thinks red-light cameras have become a revenue source for local governments. "We have had red light cameras in Florida for over three years. They were initially sold as safety devices, but I have come to firmly believe that they are now being used as backdoor tax increases," Brandes said in a news release.

JUSTICES READY TO TURN ON RED-LIGHT CAMERA DEBATE

In cases stemming from Orlando and Aventura, the Florida Supreme Court will hear arguments next week about the legality of local red-light camera ordinances. Justices, who are scheduled to take up the issue Nov. 7, will consider different positions taken by two appeals courts. The 5th District Court of Appeal rejected Orlando's ordinance because it said the measure conflicts with state traffic laws, while the 3rd District Court of Appeal upheld Aventura's ordinance.

U.S. SENATORS DEBATE FLORIDA'S 'STAND YOUR GROUND' LAW By MARGIE MENZEL

A panel of U.S. senators Tuesday dissected Florida's controversial "stand your ground" self-defense law with the help of the mothers of two young black men shot to death in the state last year. "The person who shot my son is walking the street today," said Sybrina Fulton, mother of Trayvon Martin, who was 17 when he was killed in Sanford in a case that roiled the nation. "This law does not work." "I face the very real possibility that my son's killer will walk free, hiding behind a statute that lets people claim a threat when there was none," said Lucia McBath, whose son, Jordan Russell Davis, also 17, was killed while sitting in a car during a dispute over loud music in Jacksonville. Fulton and McBath addressed the Senate Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights, which took up the implications of "stand your ground" laws at the behest of Chairman Dick Durbin, D-Ill. The hearing focused almost completely on Florida. Durbin said Florida had adopted the first "stand your ground" law, which was used as a model by the National Rifle Association and the American Legislative Exchange Council to get approval of similar measures in other states. "The gun lobby wanted to spread Florida's law across the nation," Durbin said. Now, at least 22 states have similar laws, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures, and Durbin said the laws go too far in sparking confrontations that lead to deadly violence. Ranking Republican Ted Cruz of Texas questioned whether the scrutiny of "stand your ground" was part of a broader "political agenda" and said it is a longstanding principle that Americans have the right to protect themselves. "Self-defense is a bedrock liberty of every American," Cruz said. The 2005 Florida law expanded the traditional "Castle Doctrine," which gives people the right to use deadly force to defend themselves in their own homes. It removed the duty to retreat for those who believe their lives are in danger and provided immunity from criminal prosecution or civil lawsuits.

PRAGMATIC DEMOCRATS BACK CRIST By DARA KAM

Hundreds of Florida Democrats fawned over former Gov. Charlie Crist this weekend at their annual conference as the onetime "Reagan Republican" campaigned relentlessly, receiving a hero's welcome more than a week before he officially announces his candidacy for governor. The Florida Democratic Party's conference gave Crist, who wasn't an official speaker, a platform to do what he seems to love best --- pose for photographs, whisper words of encouragement and linger long enough with admirers to create a logjam wherever he went. "Whatever issues people want to bring up about Charlie Crist, he is a consummate politician. He knows his people. As a Democrat, I will say that I think he did a lot of fair things for the state of Florida in terms of education. I think we would be way farther ahead in health care in Florida if he were governor. And I think he can beat Rick Scott. And we need a candidate who can beat Rick Scott," Bonnie Sklaren of Gulfport said.

GOVERNOR'S RACE POSES QUANDARY FOR DEMOCRATIC WOMEN By DARA KAM

Nan Rich often riffs that she has an unfair advantage over Charlie Crist in the quest to oust incumbent Gov. Rick Scott. "I'm a woman, a mom and a grandmother. Those are powerful things to be today in this state," Rich told Democrats gathered in Orlando for their state conference over the weekend. Rich may have exaggerated her edge over Crist, a former Republican who will formally enter the race on Monday. But she isn't overstating the importance women voters have in determining who wins elections across the country, and especially in Florida. And the match-up between lifelong-Democrat, female Rich and new-to-the-party, celebrity Crist poses a quandary for Democratic women whose chief objective is a Scott purge. "It's a real conundrum for everybody," said Ruth's List Florida co-founder and CEO Ellis Robinson whose organization, a statewide version of the national Emily's List, raises money for progressive women candidates. Women outnumber men among registered Democrats in the state. And for many women, Rich is the obvious choice in the governor's race. The former state Senate minority leader has a long record of supporting issues often identified with women voters, including abortion rights, education and health care.

DEMOCRAT RANKIN OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCES FOR CFO

Another Democrat has jumped into the race for state chief financial officer, two months after a candidate touted by the party quickly flamed out. William Rankin, a retired Army veteran and former director of asset management for the Ohio State Treasury, officially announced late Tuesday that he would run for the nomination to challenge Jeff Atwater, the Republican incumbent. "This campaign is about us, the people of Florida, and bringing the voice of the people back to Tallahassee," Rankin, 53, said in his announcement. "We must promote ideas and actions that benefit our economy and restore public trust in our government." Rankin opened a campaign account for the race earlier this month. The first Democratic candidate for CFO, Allie Braswell, dropped out in August after less than a week in the race, following reports in The Florida Times-Union that Braswell had filed for bankruptcy three times in South Carolina and Orlando, though he said the second filing in South Carolina was related to the first.

RICH RAISES \$55K IN THIRD QUARTER

Former Senate Minority Leader Nan Rich, the only prominent Democrat who has formally entered the 2014 gubernatorial race, collected \$55,065 in contributions between July 1 and Sept. 30, according to the state Division of Elections website. Rich has struggled to raise the large amounts of money that will be needed next year to try to unseat Republican Gov. Rick Scott. In all, she reported raising a total of \$215,924 in cash since opening a campaign account, while spending \$152,902. Former GOP Gov. Charlie Crist, who is now a Democrat, is widely expected to enter the gubernatorial race in the coming weeks.

BONDI PICKED UP NEARLY \$140,000 ON SEPT. 10

The campaign for Attorney General Pam Bondi listed \$139,076 in contributions, collected from 334 individuals and businesses, on Sept. 10, the day of her waterfront campaign kickoff in Tampa that was the basis of a controversial request to delay the execution of convicted murderer Marshall Lee Gore. Another \$26,600 in contributions, including a \$3,000 in-kind donation for consulting from the Republican Party of Florida, was listed on Sept. 11. Bondi, who does not have an announced challenger, has repeatedly apologized for asking Gov. Rick Scott to reschedule Gore's execution from Sept. 10 to Oct. 1. Gore was put to death Oct. 1. Another \$55,764 was listed on Sept. 10 by "And Justice for All," a type of political committee known as an electioneering communication organization, set up for Bondi. The Sept. 10 totals include \$764 for food and beverages from the Columbia restaurant in Tampa. The committee, registered on Aug. 6, has received \$809,500 in contributions. For the year's third quarter, Bondi's campaign account recorded \$404,910 in cash donations and another \$219,787 through in-kind assistance. While the contributions were dated Sept. 10, filings with the state do not make indicate whether the money was received at the kickoff event.

APPEALS COURT TOSSES CHALLENGE TO PIP REFORM By JIM TURNER

A three-judge appeals panel Wednesday put the brakes on a challenge to a 2012 state law aimed at reducing fraud in the personal-injury protection auto insurance system. The 1st District Court of Appeal in Tallahassee ruled that an acupuncturist, a chiropractor, two massage therapists, a hypothetical "John Doe" representing health-care providers and a hypothetical "Jane Doe" representing motorists lacked standing to bring the case to court. "The real parties in interest --- injured motorists whose ability to sue tortfeasors has been impermissibly limited --- are absent from this case," said the opinion by judges Brad Thomas, T. Kent Wetherell and Stephanie Ray. Instead of a "hypothetical claim," the plaintiffs failed to offer a "factual" motorist who is harmed by the law, the judges wrote. The order reverses a March ruling by Leon County Circuit Judge Terry Lewis that said the law illegally prevented accident patients from using PIP claims to pay for treatment by acupuncturists and massage therapists and limited services from chiropractors.

BILL WOULD REQUIRE FLORIDA TO BUY, FLY U.S.-MADE FLAGS

U.S. and Florida flags purchased for public use by the state and local governments would have to be American-made, under a proposal by Rep. Ritch Workman, R-Melbourne. The measure (HB 201), filed Monday, would require the U.S. and Florida flags to be made from materials grown, produced and manufactured in the United States. If approved, a person found violating the requirement would face a second-degree misdemeanor. No Senate companion has been filed to the bill, dubbed the "All-American Flag Act." A similar measure has previously been proposed in the U.S. House with the intention of stopping the federal government from buying and flying American flags made outside the country. The federal measure was initially filed in 2012 after the Los Angeles Times reported that in 2011 there were \$3.6 million in U.S. flags imported into the United States, most from China.

SHUTDOWN SLOW TO AFFECT STATE AGENCIES

For now, Florida's state agencies appear to be avoiding the worst of the partial shutdown that has caused a good deal of the federal government to grind to a halt. Of course, the state budget passed months ago by lawmakers won't change because of the disagreement between congressional Republicans, who want to tie continuing funding for the federal government to changes in the national health-care law, and President Barack Obama, who rejects that connection. But that state spending plan draws more than 35 percent of its funding from federal sources, some of which could be imperiled if the shutdown drags on. For now, though, state agencies appear to be situated to ride out a short closing. A spokeswoman for Gov. Rick Scott didn't directly respond to a question about whether his office has a list of state programs that could be affected by a shutdown, but said the state is keeping an eye on the situation. "We are working closely with our agencies to monitor any potential state impact," spokeswoman Jackie Schutz wrote in an email. Some state services aren't affected at all. Secretary of State Ken Detzner used reports that federal historic sites and parks were closing to point out that Florida's remain open.

SEAPORT COUNCIL SETS LEGISLATIVE FUNDING REQUEST

The Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council on Wednesday recommended state lawmakers allocate \$15 million for 10 separate port projects. The request would have to be approved by the Legislature as part of the Florida Department of Transportation's work program for the next budget year. The money would contribute to the cost of projects at Port Canaveral, Port Everglades, Port Miami, **Port of Palm Beach**, Port of Fernandina, Port of Jacksonville, Port of Key West, Port Manatee, Port of Tampa, and Port Panama City. The projects collectively have been estimated at \$520 million. The council, which includes directors of Florida's 15 seaports, the FDOT and the state Department of Economic Opportunity, also backed \$48 million for the FDOT's Strategic Port Investment Initiative. The initiative, created by the Legislature in 2012, requires that at least \$35 million a year be invested in priority port projects.

ELECTION PURGE CASE GOES TO APPEALS COURT

An appeals court is scheduled to hear arguments next week in a battle about Florida's controversial efforts to rid voting rolls of non-citizens before the 2012 elections, with a coalition of groups contending the state violated a federal law. The case centers on whether the state violated part of the National Voter Registration Act by trying purge the voting rolls within 90 days of elections. A federal district judge ruled against the groups, which appealed to the 11th

U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. "Congress enacted the 90-day provision (of the National Voter Registration Act) to protect the rights of eligible voters," the groups said in an appeals-court brief. "It recognized that systematic purges inevitably remove eligible, as well as ineligible, voters, and that, if such purges are implemented on the eve of a federal election, states might not be able to return those eligible voters to the rolls in time for the voters to exercise their fundamental right to vote." But the state argued in a brief that the appeals court should rule in its favor on a number of grounds, including that the National Voter Registration Act allows the removal of invalidly registered non-citizens at any time. "As a purely textual matter, the NVRA either permanently bans Florida from excluding from the rolls improperly registered non-citizens, or allows Florida to exclude such improper registrants at any time," the state's brief said. The appeals court is scheduled to hear arguments Oct. 10 in Miami.

STATE PURSUES VOTER PURGE WITH CAUTION

Saying they learned from last year's mistakes, Florida's top elections officials released a revised non-citizen voter purge process to elections supervisors Thursday, even as Democrats accused Gov. Rick Scott of trying to keep minority voters from casting their ballots. Secretary of State Ken Detzner met with more than a dozen Northwest Florida supervisors of elections in Panama City during the first stop in a five-day "Project Integrity" tour in a preemptive attempt to calm fears about the purge scrapped last year after supervisors discovered the data they received from the state was flawed. "It's going to start very slowly. It's going to be deliberative," Detzner said. "We want to make sure that you're confident that the information we are giving you is the kind of information you demand from the Division of Elections." Detzner is pinning hopes for a smoother process on the Department of Homeland Security's Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements, or SAVE, system, comprised of data from several federal agencies including U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the U.S. Coast Guard. SAVE does not include information about undocumented immigrants or people who were born in the United States.

From THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA and AMA—AMA shifts into higher gear to prohibit E15

In an effort to prohibit the availability of E15, a gasoline formulation that contains up to 15 percent ethanol by volume, the American Motorcyclist Association supports U.S. Rep. Bob Goodlatte's (R-Va.) H.R. 1462, the RFS Reform Act of 2013. The bipartisan bill would amend the Renewable Fuel Standard to recognize market conditions and realities. It would also prohibit the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from allowing the introduction into the marketplace of gasoline containing greater than 10 percent of ethanol by volume. In other words, E15 would no longer be permitted if this legislation becomes law.

SENATE BILL WOULD LEGALIZE FIREWORKS IN STATE

Sen. Jeff Brandes, R-St. Petersburg, on Tuesday joined Rep. Matt Gaetz, R-Fort Walton Beach, in filing legislation that would lift a fireworks ban in Florida. Brandes filed the proposal (SB 314) nearly two months after Gaetz filed the House version (HB 4005). Gaetz has argued that Floridians are already buying fireworks online or bringing fireworks back from other states. State law limits sales to relatively innocuous devices such as sparklers, while banning sales of such things as bottle rockets. But a loophole also has allowed the sale of fireworks to people who sign statements saying they have exemptions from the law.

DEMOCRATS JUMP INTO HOUSE RACES

Four Democrats have filed paperwork in recent days to run for the state House next year, with three of them targeting open seats, according to the Florida Division of Elections website. **Port Salerno Democrat Mary Higgins opened an account to challenge incumbent Rep. MaryLynn Magar, R-Tequesta, in House District 82, which includes parts of Martin and Palm Beach counties.** Earlier last week, Fort Lauderdale Democrat Bobby DuBose filed paperwork in House District 94, which will be vacated next year by House Minority Leader Perry Thurston, who is term-limited. DuBose joined Democrats Levoyd Williams, Eric Fowler and Jimmy B. Witherspoon, who opened accounts earlier for the Broward County race.

MAGAR, TRUJILLO, ARTILES TOP \$30K

Incumbent Republican Reps. **MaryLynn Magar**, Carlos Trujillo and Frank Artiles each collected more than \$30,000 in contributions between July 1 and Sept. 30 as they prepare to run for re-election next year, according to the state Division of Elections website. **Magar, R-Tequesta, raised \$38,850 during the quarter, giving her an overall total of \$52,600. She does not have a challenger in House District 82, which includes parts of Martin and Palm Beach**

counties. Trujillo, R-Miami, collected \$36,150 during the quarter and reported an overall total of \$53,800. Trujillo is unopposed in House District 105, which includes parts of Broward, Collier and Miami-Dade counties. Meanwhile, Artiles, R-Miami, collected \$31,700 during the quarter, bringing his total to \$57,693. Artiles does not have a challenger in Miami-Dade's House District 118.

CW 'BILL' YOUNG, IN CONGRESS SINCE '71, DIES AT AGE 82

By DARA KAM and DAVID ROYSE THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

U.S. Rep. C.W. "Bill" Young of Pinellas County, the longest serving Republican in Congress, died Friday, according to his family. Young, who had recently announced this would be his last term in Congress, was 82. Young, was a political icon in the Tampa Bay area, having been elected to represent Pinellas County in Washington in 1970. He was chairman of the House Appropriations Committee in the late 1990s and early 2000s, a position he used to steer hundreds of millions of dollars to Florida and his district and to boost defense spending. Young's son family announced his death, and Young's chief of staff, Harry Glenn, told The Associated Press that Young died at Walter Reed Medical Center, where he had been for nearly two weeks. Young was suffering from back pain that has plagued him since a plane crash in 1970. *NOTE : ABATE of FL. Inc legal council Larry Crow announced his return to politics running for this seat at the October State Meeting and with a press conference after the meeting—Slo Mo*

DOT REMOVING HIGHWAY MOTORIST CALL BOXES

By JIM TURNER THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

Other than along the Sunshine Skyway Bridge, Florida's highways will no longer have the telephone call boxes by the end of January. The state Department of Transportation is removing all but a few of the 2,752 push button call boxes from along its highways as personal cell phones have reduced the need for the roadside phones. "With cell phone use it was decided to save the department some money," said DOT spokesman John O'Brien. The removal, estimated to cost around \$200,000, has already started. By not having to maintain the system, including the interconnecting consoles at Florida Department of Highway dispatch offices and base stations, the state is expected to save \$1 million a year. The boxes along the Sunshine Skyway Bridge will remain - they are connected to a crisis counseling system, and the bridge in the past has been a common place for suicidal people to contemplate jumping.

GUARD'S STORM PREPARATIONS AFFECTED BY SHUTDOWN

As the Panhandle prepares for a tropical storm that could dump rain on the region, the Florida National Guard says preparations have been affected by the partial shutdown of the federal government. The National Guard has about 2,000 full-time federal employees, and half of them are furloughed. "We will be affected," National Guard Capt. Melissa DeLeon said Thursday. "Our maintenance guys have been furloughed, so they are currently not here. In normal operations we would be maintaining equipment right now, and we can't do that, since those soldiers have been furloughed." State emergency managers are working with the National Guard to fund the positions in the short-term with state money, and later apply for reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Parts of the Panhandle were placed under a hurricane watch after Tropical Storm Karen formed Thursday morning off the coast of Cancun, Mexico. The storm is expected to become a hurricane, before making landfall as a tropical storm this weekend, possibly in Alabama, Mississippi or Northwest Florida. Gov. Rick Scott on Thursday declared a state of emergency in 18 counties, stretching from Madison and Taylor counties on the east to the Alabama border on the west.

SENATORS CONSIDER WITHDRAWAL FROM FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

State lawmakers continue to consider how they can protect homeowners covered by the National Flood Insurance Program from a planned hike in rates, with a focus now on possibly altering regulations so private insurers can have more flexibility in offering the coverage. And absent a private solution, the state may need to consider establishing a state agency as a last resort for the roughly 270,000 Florida homeowners who could face unaffordable insurance under the national program, said Senate Banking and Insurance Chairman David Simmons, R-Altamonte Springs. "I don't think it's their fault, they bought a home under a national flood insurance program that has now changed the rules on them, in the middle of the game," Simmons said. Lawmakers continued to express concern Tuesday about the anticipated end of federal flood-insurance subsidies that Realtors claim could devastate Florida's economy. State lawmakers have called on Congress to postpone implementation of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act,

which phases out subsidies on older properties in flood zones. The 2012 act calls on the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other agencies to make a number of changes to the way the National Flood Insurance Program is run, including raising rates to reflect true flood risk and to make the program more financially stable. With Florida accounting for about one-third of the policies in the federal program, Simmons said hopefully the threat of Florida's withdrawal from the program will spur the federal government to take action. "We can provide leverage to get a solution to this, and if we don't provide the leverage we'll have a solution of our own," Simmons said. "But I don't think our remedy is to leave these homeowners without some help."

HOUSE CONSIDERS OPTIONS AS HIGHER FLOOD INSURANCE COSTS LOOM

A state House subcommittee received a number of options Wednesday to help homeowners fend off an expected end to federal flood-insurance subsidies that Realtors claim could devastate Florida's economy. The proposals ranged from lifting state laws and regulations to attract more private insurance companies into the market to setting up a state-backed agency --- similar to the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund --- to back coverage. House Insurance and Banking Chairman Bryan Nelson, R-Apopka, said the immediate need is to get Congress to postpone implementation of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act, which phases out subsidies on older properties in flood zones. The postponement would give the state time to review the impacts of the change, Nelson said. "We want to look at anything, we just need to take care of the citizens of Florida," Nelson said. "The easiest and quickest would be for them to delay it and give us some options."

VEHICLE-REGISTRATION FEE CUT CRUISES IN SENATE

The drive to remove about half the unpopular 2009 hike on vehicle-registration fees quickly got a green light in its first Senate committee Wednesday. The Senate Transportation Committee wasted little time in unanimously backing the proposal (SB 156) by Sen. Joe Negron, R-Stuart, to provide an average \$12 in savings for each vehicle registration. "This bill is very simple," Negron said. The simplest part is that the bill doesn't carry the baggage a similar measure had last session that led to its demise. Rather than the Senate's earlier plan to pay for the reduction by eliminating a tax break that has been enjoyed by the politically influential insurance industry since the 1980s, the revised proposal now takes the money from general revenue. Florida Chamber of Commerce President Mark Wilson said that by not seeking to eliminate the insurance tax credit, which covered about 15 percent of salaries paid to Florida-based employees of insurers, the proposal is a lot more palatable to business. "Forget that it was insurance, when you tell an entire industry that after you move your jobs here, you can't use it after they're all here, we didn't think it was good policy to change the policy midstream," Wilson said. The tax credit has been estimated as providing the insurance industry with \$3.34 billion in tax breaks since 1987.

FALLEN OFFICERS TAG GETS FIRST SENATE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT

After failing to pass during the 2013 legislative session, a license plate to honor fallen law-enforcement officers cleared its first Senate hurdle Wednesday. The Senate Transportation Committee unanimously backed the proposal (SB 132) by Sen. Jack Latvala, R-Clearwater, to create the Fallen Law Enforcement Officers license plate. To reach the Senate floor during the 2014 legislative session, the proposal must go before the Transportation, Tourism and Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee and the Appropriations Committee. No timeline has been set for the House companion (HB 65) to appear before any of its three assigned committees. The tag would include the words "A Hero Remembered Never Dies" across the bottom. Money from the plate would assist the Police and Kids Foundation, Inc. Latvala introduced a similar proposal (SB 712) during the 2013 session, but it did not pass. Florida currently offers 120 different specialty tags, and backers of four others are trying to meet a requirement that they get 1,000 pre-orders before their plates can be made. Those four are plates for Lauren's Kids, the American Legion, Big Brothers Big Sisters and Freemasonry. As of Oct. 3, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles said 242 had been sold for Lauren's Kids, 12 for the American Legion, and 8 for Big Brothers Big Sisters. Also, the Freemasonry tag, which became available Oct. 1, had 320 pre-orders.

MOST TEACHERS STILL WAITING ON PAY RAISES

Fewer than one in five Florida school districts have reached agreements with local unions clearing the way for them to dole out Gov. Rick Scott's much-touted teacher pay raises, according to a state survey. Only 13 school districts had completed the collective bargaining necessary to award the raises as of last week, according to a presentation before

House subcommittee Wednesday. That represents about 19 percent of Florida districts. As a result, more than three months into the budget year, only about \$26.2 million of the \$480 million set aside for the raises has been distributed. Linda Champion, a deputy commissioner at the Florida Department of Education, said her agency believes that teachers having returned to the classroom over the last several weeks could eventually prompt districts and unions to reach agreements. "We would expect that you would see quite a few wrap up soon," she said. "Let's hope," replied Rep. Erik Fresen, a Miami Republican who chairs the House Education Appropriations Subcommittee. The teacher raises were Scott's top budget priority during the 2013 legislative session. The governor had originally pushed for the raises to be across the board, while lawmakers instructed school districts to tie them to merit. But state officials also recognized that collective bargaining rights would have to be respected.

GAMBLING STUDY RAISES DOUBTS

A massive expansion of gambling throughout Florida could boost state coffers by \$1 billion a year instead of a \$22 million loss previously estimated, authors of a gaming study told a Senate committee on Monday. The variance between the original number and the latest ballpark estimate, still not finalized but confirmed by state economist Amy Baker at the Senate Gaming Committee meeting, raised more questions about the integrity of a Spectrum Gaming Group study. Lawmakers paid the gaming industry analysts nearly \$400,000 for the study, due Oct. 1 but delayed for a month after Baker raised questions about the findings. "Instead of (a) \$20 million impact, you're looking, at depending on the scenario, \$1 billion or more. The numbers aren't complete," Baker told the committee in a room packed with gambling lobbyists. Legislative staff sent back at least two previous drafts of the report, including one first obtained by The News Service of Florida and released to the public last week that showed that 33 casinos and six destination resorts would cause the state to lose \$22 million a year. But that same scenario --- in which more than 90 percent of Floridians would live within a two-hour drive of a destination resort or pari-mutuel with blackjack and slots --- is now expected to reap more than \$1 billion, with estimates going as high as \$1.4 billion or \$1.5 billion. About half of the state now resides within a one-hour drive of an existing pari-mutuel or tribal casino, according to Spectrum. An economic model failed to include indirect impacts of turning Florida into a major gambling state, Baker and the hired economists told the panel.



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August 30, 2013

ABATE Palm Beach Chapter
Mr. Dan Henderson
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Dear Mr. Henderson;

I would like to thank you for taking the time to meet with me on Thursday, August 22nd during my Constituent Corner. Not only do I enjoy meeting with organizations like yours, but I would not be able to do my job without your input.

I understand that we are not always able to find favorable resolutions to your issues, and sometimes we don't always agree, but as your Representative it is important to me that you feel your issues and thoughts have been heard.

Again, I appreciate you taking the time to speak with me about motorcycle and transportation concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of service in the future.

Best Regards,

Kevin Rader

Committees:

Agriculture and Natural Resources Subcommittee (*Ranking Member*)
Insurance and Banking Subcommittee
Healthy Families Subcommittee
Health Quality Subcommittee

BILLS WOULD TWEAK LOBBYIST GIFT BAN

House and Senate Democrats have filed bills to ease the state's lobbyist gift ban by creating exceptions for food and drinks at certain types of events. Rep. Hazel Rogers, D-Lauderdale Lakes, filed the House version of the bill (HB 133) on Wednesday, after Sen. Oscar Braynon, D-Miami Gardens, recently filed the measure (SB 192) in the Senate. The proposal, in part, would allow lawmakers to accept non-alcoholic drinks from lobbyists or the lobbyists' clients during meetings. Also, it would allow lawmakers to accept meals, beverages and registration fees if they are speakers at meetings of membership organizations. The change would involve organizations that have lobbyists but whose members are not primarily lobbyists. Also, lawmakers would have to file reports about accepting such meals, beverages or registration fees.

WORKMAN: SCOTT TAX CUTS SHOULD DIRECTLY BENEFIT FLORIDIANS

The House Finance and Tax Subcommittee will take public input next month on Gov. Rick Scott's push to cut \$500 million in taxes and fees. Subcommittee Chairman Ritch Workman, R-Melbourne, said he would favor proposals that directly provide savings to Floridians. Scott has not provided details of the taxes and fees he would like to cut. Workman's subcommittee is next scheduled to meet Oct. 10. "If I lower the tax on your cell phone, that's money in your pocket," Workman said after the panel met Wednesday. "My gut is I'd like to see this Legislature put money in individual pockets directly, not indirectly. But that may not be where we go. There may be something someone says that's better for the economy, and that may be the route we go." Bills have already been proposed (SB 156) to roll back vehicle-registration fees that were increased in 2009, and to cut sales taxes on rentals of commercial property (SB 176 and HB 11). Workman said he may also revive a proposal from the 2013 session that would exchange revenue generated from collecting sales taxes on Internet purchases for an extended back-to-school sales tax holiday. Rather than a three-day tax holiday on clothing and school items, Workman said the number of days would depend upon the amount of revenue collected through the tax on Internet purchases. The more money collected, the longer the holiday. Lawmakers for years have looked at online sales as a possible source of tax revenue --- noting that the taxes are supposed to be paid, but aren't because there's no enforcement mechanism, particularly with out-of-state sellers. "It's purely a fairness issue to me, honestly it's not about the 6 percent advantage," Workman said. "What is fair to one should be fair to all." Workman's 2013 bill died before the Appropriations Committee.

Oct 1 SENATE PANEL TO TAKE UP GAMBLING STUDY

The Senate Gaming Committee on Monday will receive presentations about a long-awaited study that could play a key role in a debate in the coming months about the future of gambling in Florida. The News Service of Florida on Monday obtained a draft of the report, which was scheduled to be released in a final version Tuesday. The draft, by Spectrum Gaming Group, said that an expansion of casino-style gambling would have a minimal impact on the state's economy. Spectrum officials are slated to go before the Senate Gaming Committee on Monday to discuss economic projections based on a variety of scenarios. Also, they are expected to discuss impacts of expanded gambling on communities in other states.

BILL WOULD BLOCK ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES FOR MINORS

Senate Majority Leader Lizabeth Benacquisto, R-Fort Myers, filed a bill this week that would ban the sales of electronic cigarettes to minors. The electronic devices, which deliver nicotine and simulate cigarette smoking, would be added to part of state law that prohibits the sale of tobacco products to people under age 18. The bill (SB 224), which was filed Monday, also would make it illegal for minors to possess electronic cigarettes. The proposal is filed for the 2014 legislative session.

SENATE PANEL TO CONSIDER NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH CHANGES

After the acquittal of George Zimmerman in the shooting death of teen Trayvon Martin, a Senate committee next week will consider two bills that would provide more oversight of neighborhood-watch programs. Sen. David Simmons, R-Altamonte Springs, is sponsoring SB 130, while Senate Minority Leader Chris Smith, D-Fort Lauderdale, is sponsoring SB 122. Both measures, which will be heard Oct. 8 in the Judiciary Committee, call for local law-enforcement agencies to set guidelines for neighborhood-watch programs and would seek to prevent neighborhood-watch volunteers from confronting or trying to apprehend people suspected of wrongdoing. Zimmerman was a

neighborhood-watch volunteer in Sanford when an altercation led to Martin's death. The case drew international attention. Smith's bill also would make changes in the state's controversial "stand your ground" law, such as prohibiting people from using the law as a defense if they leave places of safety to initiate confrontations.

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

THINK TANK TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Note that these are NOT official policies of ABATE of FL, Inc. – just ideas discussed by members

Huntley Nordberg the Legislative trustee at Duval County chapter has offered this to the think tank....

Please weigh in on your thoughts... I have been kicking around a idea with my chapter for the last couple of months and I wanted to get everybody's thoughts..... What about the possibility of finding a sponsor for a bill on lane splitting (sometimes know as lane sharing) ??? California is the only state that currently has this. I read a article in the September issue of RIDER magazine from one of the safety experts who helped work on the lane splitting guidelines that are used in California. It seemed to be pretty positive on the safety issues with this practice. There is more info and data found on the website <http://lanesplittingislegal.com/>

This is a good topic for discussion, and I thank Huntley for the sharing his thoughts. – Darin Brooks

I lived and rode in California for several years in the mid eighties, and did lane splitting numerous times. It was helpful in heavy traffic especially with an air cooled motorcycle. I do support lane splitting, all though it is not for the novice rider. A lot of cage drivers get upset, and intentionally turn into your pathway, or I have had them actually open their doors right in front of you. Food for thought

Jim Rumschlag (Schlag) ABATE Florida At large life member

My response. I am not in favor with anything that gives someone a better chance of failing to yield. But I will discuss it with my chapter

Satch Gulf Coast Legislative Trustee

Lane splitting is like turning right at a red light it was design to move traffic in a safe and legal way The problem with a lot of bikers WE SOMETIME DO NOT REMEMBER THE LAWS it would have too be a very clear and simple law I am afraid of how in Florida car driver would react I know my dresser would not fit between too many car in Orlando

Frenchi Orange County

I don't know if this is good or bad. But, something to think about is: how will it effect a stiffer penalties bill? If we give them something that seems more dangerous while trying to get stiffer penalties, they may not go for either. Personally, I think we should do one per year. That way they aren't seen together, and counterproductive to each.

Just my 2cents,

Flag Dave Legislative Trustee Lake County Chapter

Introducing this in Florida, with all of the old people now here, could be dangerous. I foresee panicked older drivers causing accidents. I will bring it up at the next meeting.

unknown sender

ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2013

The President called the meeting to order, by sounding the gavel three times, at 11:45am. The thirty one Chapter members present all stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and then observed a moment of reverent silence.

President Ed “Nighthawk” Lattari – Nighthawk thanked the new members for attending the meeting, and noted that the better weather should allow more riders to attend functions and events to support the local motorcycling community. The next ABATE State Meeting is during Spooks 'n Scoots in October. Nighthawk mentioned that The Chrome Chronicles is becoming a valuable resource for the motorcycling community in Palm Beach County, through the ads placed by various motorcycling organizations, and through the publication of the monthly calender of events. The Chapter's annual Freedom Rights Rally will be held on December 15th. The Confederation of Clubs Bike Night is at Mickey's was announced, as well as an encore presentation of the Lone Legion Brotherhood M/C's steak dinner.

Vice President Dan “Slo Motion” Henderson – Slo Motion thanked everyone for their support during his recent serious illness, and reminded the Chapter about details of Spooks 'n Scoots. Slo Motion also announced a Halloween party at his house.

Secretary Charles “CB” Barcellona - CB asked that the photo's on the Chapter's webpage be kept up to date, and correctly show only current members.

Treasurer Debbie “Foxybabe” Wenger – Foxybabe presented a report of the Chapter's financial status to the Chapter members present. The Chapter is financially solvent. Expenses for the previous month exceeded income by a small amount, yet the status of the Chapter's solvency remains excellent. A status report on sales of the ABATE State cash drawing was given.

Membership Trustee Debbie “Foxybabe” Wenger – Foxybabe informed the Chapter that there are currently 245 members, up from the previous month's 239 members. Life membership cards were distributed to new life members.

Sgt-at-Arms Pete “Petee” Carroll – Petee spoke at length regarding local rides and attendance at upcoming local events. Also, Petee will need volunteers to help run the Chapter's Freedom Rights Rally in December.

Safety Trustee Charlie “Niblick” Wenger – Local motor vehicle accident issues were discussed, followed by a discussion with the Chapter regarding the recent "bike vs SUV" confrontation in New York. The Chapter members had a variety of mixed feelings on the latter issue, with no consensus of opinion.

State Delegates Dan “Slo Motion” Henderson and Ken "Snooze" Gerecke – Chapter delegates noted that legislative sessions have resumed. After years of legislative work, the State of Florida has finally passed a "no texting while driving law", which began on October 1, 2013. The law also covers other types of use by electronic devices while driving, but is currently a secondary offence. There was a brief presentation by Slo Motion regarding several individual legislator's stances on issues important to ABATE.

Product Trustee Pro Tem Lisa “Pookie” Miller – Pookie was absent

Newsletter Trustee Dan “Slo Motion Henderson – The inclusion of some pretty faces on the cover and page three of the Chrome Chronicles was brought to Slo Motion's attention by CB. The subject of front cover pre-approval by the Executive Board of Directors was the subject of discussion started by Niblick. Nighthawk reminded the Chapter that

if they have an idea for the front cover, to bring it to his attention so that he could inform the newsletter editor, and that pre-approval of covers was not needed by the Executive Board of Directors.

Old Business – Top dog in the Road Dog competition is Snooze. Burger asked about the status of the change in the ABATE State organizations tax exempt status. The treasurer responded that it was approved, and the change process is in progress.

New Business – The Chapter meeting in December will be December 22nd

Good of the Order – Niblick announced that the Palm Beach Harley Davidson bike night will benefit the Chapter on October 18th. Local events in the motorcycling community were discussed. Several group fun rides were announced. Nighthawk's annual Pot Luck Dinner and Social was announced. Trucker had the winning ticket on the 50/50 drawing and donated his share back to the Chapter.

At 12:55pm the President's gavel sounded and the meeting adjournment.

This concludes the minutes of the October 6th, 2013 meeting of ABATE Palm Beach Chapter.

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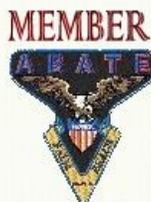
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