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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.

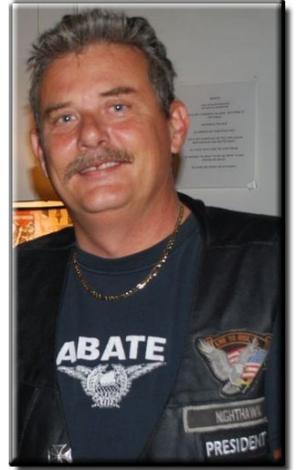
At the state level we have a paid registered lobbyist who regularly visits our state capital in Tallahassee to lobby our legislators on the issues concerning the motorcycling public in Florida. He also finds reliable House and Senate sponsors for the bills we support. On the national level we are aligned 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.

Memberships are open to anyone 18 years of age or older, no matter what type of motorcycle you ride, if any at all! We welcome all riders—in clubs, associations, independents, and sport riders to join us.

President's Message "Nighthawk"

Well May sure has been another busy month. In honor of May being Motorcycle Safety and Awareness month the Board decided it would be a good time to reach out to the local MC's. So for the month of May we ran a special for club members and riding association members here in Palm Beach County. \$10 memberships for new members! Some years ago this chapter had much more support from the MC's but when the chapter drama started, the support faded. Our sister Chapter, Southeast, has a large percentage of club members and has always maintained them. Well after two years of doing the job properly here, we thought it would be a good time to reach out. So in that spirit, Snooze and I attended open houses for 4 weeks straight only missing one night due to weather. On one weekend alone we attended 7 events, the whole time spreading the word on the May special. I haven't gotten the membership figures for the month of May, but I know I've gotten over 25 in my hand alone. I know some were also turned in to the safety table and a few more were mailed. All in all, we got an excellent response from many of the Club members and I'd like to personally thank you!



Well, have you heard the big news?! It's just about time for the June ABATE PBC "Freedom Rights Rally"! This year being held on June 28th at the Brass Monkey in Lake Worth, 7-11pm. Scar of the Tropics will be playing. You might remember them as Elegant Mess but either way they'll be rocking the house! They'll be vendors, food and drink specials and other things going on. I hope you'll mark the date and invite all your friends and family. Please help out and volunteer if you can, most importantly, just come out for a good time!

This month we have elections coming up. Today I received an email from Niblick withdrawing from the VP race. So Snooze will be our new VP (Don't worry, Slo Mo will still be doing his other 10 jobs!) and Runner will be our new Sargent at Arms. Those will be the only changes in the Board but there are a few trustee spot changes, such as Hamish as chapter Safety Director etc. I'd like to thank all those that give their time helping out. Thanks to Niblick as chapter Safety Director, who still has the State Safety Director position. I'd also like to thank those who show for the group rides. I'd also like to encourage more people to make the effort to make the group rides and help further our cause and strengthen the bond between chapter members. Oh yeah, and don't forget the open houses!

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

June 5 Thursday UBCPBC Bike Night at Renegades! Starts at 7pm ABATE PBC Safety and Info Table

June 14 Saturday AOA Jerry, Roger and Kenny 1%er Memorial Group Fun Ride

June 22 Sunday ABATE PBC Chapter meeting

ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting 11:30 AM at 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.

June 28 Saturday ABATE PBC Freedom Rights Rally!!!! Being held at the Brass Monkey 7-11 pm SEE FRONT COVER!

July 6 Sunday AOA WPB Annual Group Fun Ride ABATE PBC Safety and Info Table

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
- Thursday Night is BLACK PISTONS MC OPEN HOUSE
- Friday Night is AOA 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.

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!

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You get 1 point for Riding your bike or working safety table, 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!

-editor's Note: now that Snooze is VP no more points for him so now is your chance to catch up

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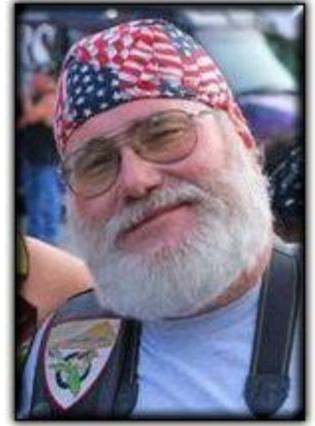
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Vice President's Message - Slo Motion

Here it is, the real, FINAL, lame duck Vice President report. So I guess if I want to speak my mind I'll have to do an Editor's column. Now will just have to wake up Snooze to get what's on his mind for the VP report.



While I haven't been up to many rides recently, I still have been representing us. I spent the whole Saturday at TattoMania. I got several more leads for advertisers as we really need more as some recently expired haven't renewed. I also attended the first Last Tuesday USMV MC Open House at the Smoke Inn Bike night. I had to leave as the smoke and drinks got to me. Not sure how the turn out was, a lot of the Vets, some of the Latinos, a couple of Lone Legion and others come before I left. This included our members Kris and Kim "Blondie" of the Post 268. Bob Arenth played some great guitar for us there. This is a bike event I know Niblick, Hamish and our other cigar smokers would enjoy. Photos from both these events can be seen on my BikerOnlineGuide.com site.

After this month's ABATE State meeting I will be getting my artificial shoulder. I really appreciate all the offers of help from members and the other bikers of our community. Thank you.

Now for what you have really been waiting for my Babes of the Month.



USRIDERNEWS.com

Motorcycle Fatalities Declined in 2013

Posted on **May 6, 2014** by **Scott Cochran**

Despite an increase in the number of states that give motorcyclists the option to ride without a helmet, fatalities resulting from motorcycle accidents declined in 2013.

The report by the Governors Highway Safety Association, due to be released later today, projected a 7 percent decrease in the number of motorcyclists killed last year. The final fatality total is expected to be 4,610, fewer than the 4,957 in 2012 and nearly identical to the 4,612 in 2011.

“It’s heartening that motorcyclist fatalities didn’t increase over the past couple of years, but they’re not decreasing either,” Kendell Poole, GHSA chairman, said in a statement. “Long-term gains in motorcyclist safety won’t occur because riders are deterred by bad weather, but from consistent use of proven countermeasures.”

Statistically, motorcyclists account for a disproportionate number of highway deaths as a percentage of overall vehicle registrations. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said motorcycle deaths accounted for 15 percent of highway fatalities in 2011, though motorcycles amount to just 3 percent of vehicle registrations.

Both the GHSA and NHTSA argue that safer crashing, (i.e. forcing motorcyclists to wear more safety gear such as helmets) is the best way to lower the numbers of fatalities, despite not having the statistics to back up that claim.

NHTSA Acting Administrator said that while helmets are important, other road users must drive safe. “Wearing a helmet on every ride is an important way for a motorcyclist to stay safe, but we all play a part. It’s up to all motorists and motorcyclists to make our roads safer..All road users need to share the responsibility of keeping the roadways safe.”

Victory Recalls 872 2014 models for crankcase Issue

Posted on **May 5, 2014** by **Scott Cochran**

Polaris Industries, Inc. (Polaris) is recalling certain model year 2014 Victory Cross Country, Cross Country Eight Ball, Hammer Eight Ball, High Ball, Jackpot, Judge, Ness Cross Country, Vegas Eight Ball, Vision, Boardwalk, and 2015 Victory Gunner motorcycles manufactured January 22, 2014, through April 25, 2014. The crankcase may have been machined incorrectly causing insufficient clearance between the crankshaft and crankcase, causing the engine to unexpectedly seize.

The Highball is one model recalled.

Engine seizure may cause the operator to lose control of the motorcycle, increasing the risk of a crash.

Polaris will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and correct the crankcase clearance, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on May 1, 2014. Owners may contact Polaris customer service at 1-888-704-5290. Dealers will stop sales and Owners are advised not to ride their motorcycle until the recall remedy has been performed.

Harley-Davidson Recalls 9,100 Breakout Models

Posted on **April 30, 2014** by **Scott Cochran**

Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc. (Harley-Davidson) is recalling certain model year 2013-2014 FXSB and FXSBSE motorcycles manufactured March 20, 2012, through March 10, 2014. Suspension variances may affect the gas tank mounting angle causing the fuel level sensor to read inaccurately. The gauge inaccuracy may cause the motorcycle to run out of fuel unexpectedly, possibly even before the Low Fuel Warning lamp illuminates. The lack of fuel would cause the motorcycle to stall, increasing the risk of a crash. Harley-Davidson will notify owners, and dealers will update the software to recalibrate the fuel level sensor signal, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in late April 2014. Owners may contact Harley-Davidson at 1-800-258-2464. 14V185000

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 Contact: Jeff Hennie, Vice President of Government Relations and Public Affairs

Obama Calls for Helmet Laws

This week President Obama released his ideal version of a transportation bill. The proposal has a specific provision that would allow the federal government to push a mandatory helmet law, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) reports.

Buried in the 350 page document is language that would amend current United States code, which provides the motorcycle safety money that would allow “the Secretary [of transportation] or the Secretary’s designee [to] engage in activities with States and State legislators to consider proposals related to motorcycle helmet use laws.”

This provision is unacceptable to the MRF, and it’s safe to say, the United States House of Representatives. Labeled as “Support Activity” in the draft legislation, it’s a thinly veiled stab at a mandatory national helmet law.

The draft is titled “Generating Renewal, Opportunity, and Work with Accelerated Mobility, Efficiency, and Rebuilding of Infrastructure and Communities throughout America,” or GROW AMERICA Act. You can read the whole document here:

http://www.dot.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/DOT_surface_reauth-FINAL.pdf

The draft legislation also has incentive grants for graduated auto licensing.

The MRF urges you to contact your Representative in the House and both of your Senators. You can reach the United States Capitol switchboard at (202) 224-3121. In addition, the MRF asks that you contact the White House directly and let them know you are not pleased with the helmet use provisions of President Obama’s GROW AMERICA Act. You can reach the White House several different ways from this website:

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/contact> .

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation urges you to join your fellow freedom fighters in Washington on May 15th to lobby Congress and help stop this legislation. Please register for the event on the MRF website. If you have any questions about attending this most important day for motorcyclists, please call the MRF Washington D.C. office.



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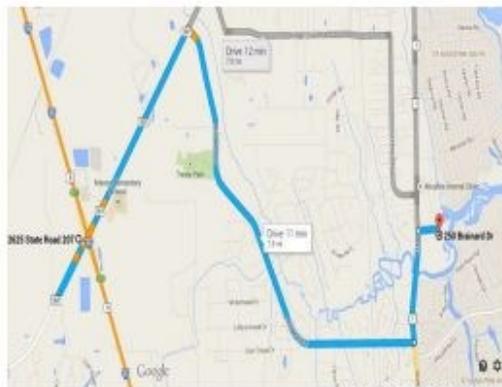
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This month the ABATE state meeting on the 2nd Saturday falls one day before the 3rd Sunday when we usually hold our chapter meeting. So with at least four of our board members gone for the weekend and Chapter elections, the chapter meeting was moved to the 4TH SUNDAY. Ken is going up to visit friends in the area. So I will be going alone up on Friday as plan on seeing some of the sites so will be my summer vacation before my shoulder surgery on Monday when I get back.

While I am not sure yet if the leadership meeting in July have been confirmed I did get the flyer on the next page. So I imagine we will discuss the trip at next meeting and hope many members will go to learn about offices for the future.

Slo Motion

ABATE of Florida, Inc.

Leadership Seminars



Saturday, July 12, 2014

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Sunday, July 13, 2014

At the Days Inn and Suites

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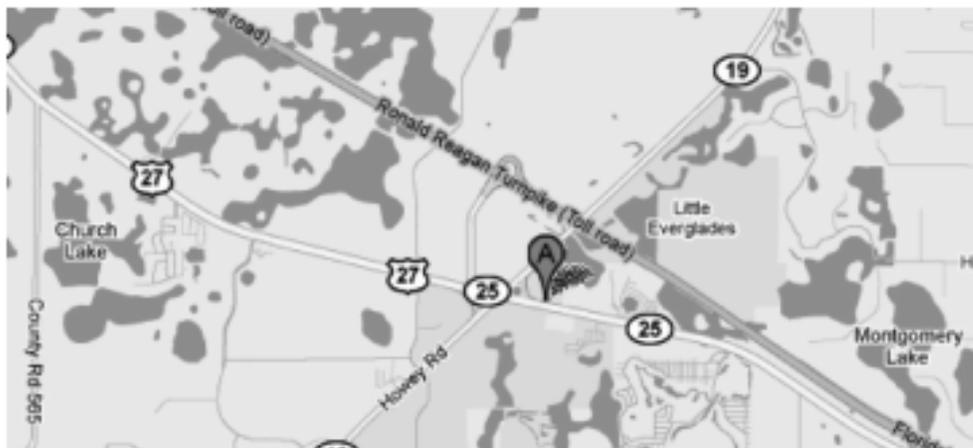
These seminars will offer a good overview of the duties and responsibilities of a Chapter Officer and will give attendees a chance to get answers to their questions on an individual basis.

SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2014

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8:00 - 9:00	Treasury (part 1)	Products	Legislative (part 1)
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11:00 - 12:00	Treasury (part 4)	Secretary/Insurance (part 2)	Websites (part 2)
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00	Safety (part 1)	Newsletter	PR/Communications
2:00 - 3:00	Safety (part 2)	Sgt-At-Arms	Membership

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2014

9am - 12 Noon Presidents/Vice Presidents Meeting



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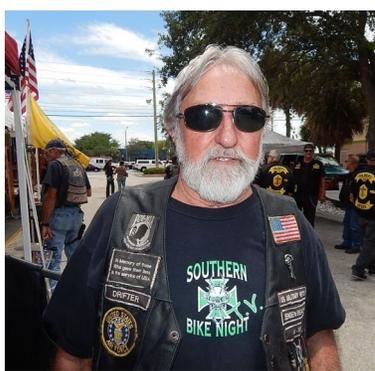
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Wed Island Jack's Bike Night

Wed States MC Lake Worth Open House 8pm

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

1st Thurs Renegades Bike Night

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

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 Fly-In Wheels MC WPB open house

Sat FREE hot dogs soda's H-D Palm Bch, 10-2

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Treasure Coast Presidents Council 2014 Calendar of Events

JUNE

1 AOA TC party
29 Alternatives MC annual

JULY

6 AOA WPB annual
12 Wheels of Man MC annual
27 Soldiers for Jesus MC annual

AUGUST

4-10 Sturgis bike week
8-10 S. Florida Tattoo Convention

17 Wings of Gold MC annual
23 Booze Fighters MC annual

SEPTEMBER

13 Alternatives MC off annual
19-21 Key West Poker Run
27 FLNY MC party
28 Fiasco Brothers MC off annual

OCTOBER

5 Rough Riders MC annual
16-19 Daytona Biketoberfest

NOVEMBER

2 AOA TC annual
30 USMV MC TOY RUN

DECEMBER

7 SFPC TOY RUN
20 SFLCOC Christmas party
21 Calvary Chapel Christmas Service

United Bikers Council of Palm Beach Co. Events

JUNE

28 Sat. ABATE PBC EVENT

JULY

06 Sun. AOA WPB Annual
27 Sun. Soldiers for Jesus MC Annual

AUGUST

10 Sun. AOA South Event UBCPB
Council Ride

SEPTEMBER

19-21 Petersons Key West Poker Run

OCTOBER

16 through 19 Daytona Biketoberfest
26 Sun. Alternative MC Annual

DECEMBER

09 2014 UBCPB Christmas Party
13 Outcast Event
20 Annual Sportsbike End of Year
Black and White Party

JUNE

8th NEW ATTITUDES MC - PARTY
14th AOA JERRY, ROGER, AND KENNY 1%er
MEMORIAL

22 **WINGS OF GOLD MC LAUD. ANNUAL**
29th **USMV MC S. BROWARD - ANNUAL**

JULY

12th ALTERNATIVE MC - PARTY
19th WHEELS OF MAN MC CHILI COOK-OFF

AUGUST

2nd WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI PARTY
4-10 74th STURGIS MOTORCYCLE RALLY
8-10 SOUTH FLORIDA TATTOO CONVENTION
10 AOA FT. LAUD. ANNIVERSARY PARTY

SEPTEMBER

7th SOUTHERN MC - TEDDY BEAR RUN
13th OUTCAST MC - PARTY
14th STATES MC - KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY
19th-21st PETERSONS KEY WEST POKER RUN
28th KELTS MC - PARTY

OCTOBER

4th **MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL**
11th **NEW ATTITUDES MC - ANNUAL**
12th **S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL**
16th-19th DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST
25 WHEELS OF MAN MC HALLOWEEN PARTY

NOVEMBER

8th **USMV MC CHAP 1 ANNUAL**
9th CMA - MEMORIAL EVENT
15th **HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL**

DECEMBER

7th **SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN**
13th PETERSONS TOY RUN BIKE DRAWING
13th HERMANDAD MC - ALFREDO MEMO-
RIAL AND TOY RUN
14th WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI - TOY
RUN
20th **SFLCOC - CHRISTMAS PARTY**
21 CALVARY CHAPEL - CHRISTMAS SERVICE

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3rd Sunday August 17
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	Ride to Work Turn 3 Jam Night with Stet&T3JB Mob of Brothers MC Open House	Lone Legion MC Open House	Island Jack's Bike Night States LW MC Open House	Palm Beach Harley Bike Night Black Pistons MC Open House Dinner States MC Pompano	AOA WPB MC Open House Pizza States MC Pompano	Fly-In Wheels MC PB Open House
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting Wings of Gold Lauderdale Annual	Turn 3 Jam Night with Stet&T3JB Mob of Brothers MC Open House	Lone Legion MC Open House USMVMC Open House @ Smoke Inn Bike Night	Island Jack's Bike Night States LW MC Open House	Black Pistons Open House Dinner States MC Pompano Turboz/Ralphs Bike Night Cycle Gear PB Bike Night	AOA WPB MC Open House Pizza States MC Pompano	ABATE Palm Beach Event Fly-In Wheels MC PB Open House
29	30	<p style="text-align: center;">Go to the Events page of 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.</p>				
S. Broward USMVMC Annual	Turn 3 Jam Night with Stet&T3JB Mob of Brothers MC Open House					

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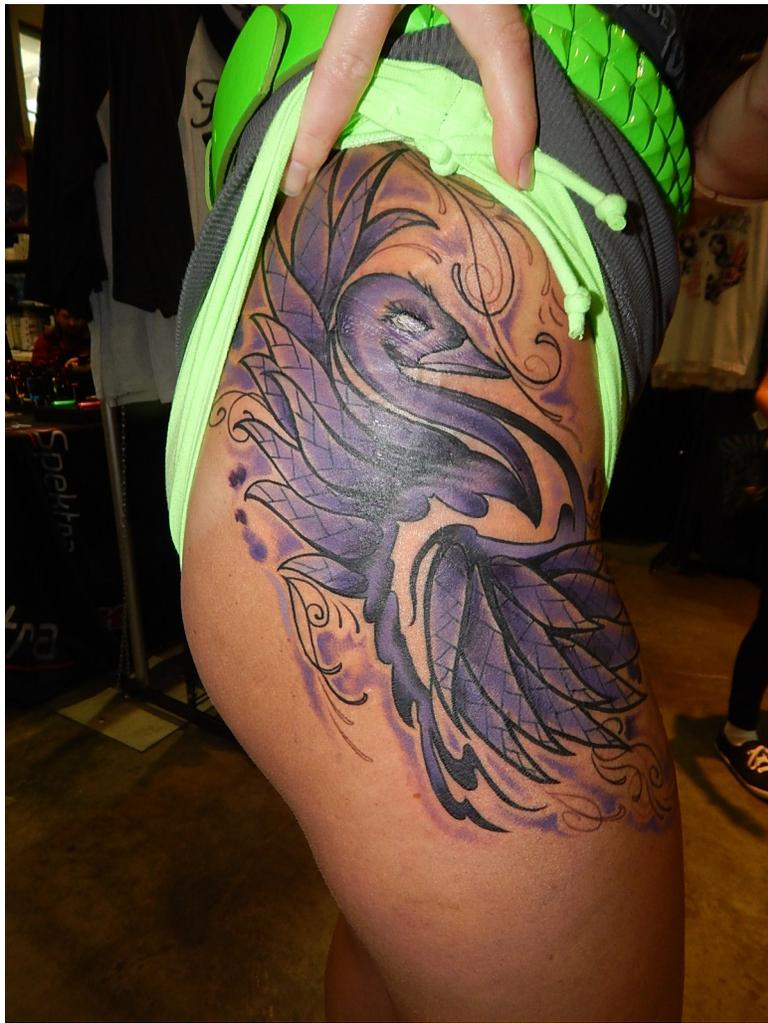
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LEGISLATIVE REPORT

DAN "SLOW-MOTION" HENDERSON

The Legislative Sessions are over for another year and the only thing we know is that the Transportation Committees again failed to do the job they were voted to, only a few bills. These slackers should be refunding their salaries to their districts. Next year I plan a campaign to get them doing their job as soon as the committees are set and I hope everyone joins me.

Now the re-election "session" has begun as seeing road signs.

There was a booth at Rock n Roll Sunday for Andrew Schaller

running for County Commission District 6 (<http://andrewschaller.com/>). I s poke to him a bit as he said he rode. Now is the time for us to be looking at the candidates worthy of our votes. While we might not support anyone we can take paid political advertisements.

Now for the reports of State Legislative Rep Darrin "Scribe" Brooks

The 2014 Florida Legislative Session ended Sine Die at 10:40pm last night. Here are some more of the highlights of basically the last few hours. Some complained about the late day they had to work "late into the night". But if they didn't take one whole week off in April, they wouldn't have had to cram the last day... (Scribe's thoughts---- Not ABATES)

SCOTT REVVING VETO PEN FOR FASTER HIGHWAY SPEED BILL

By JIM TURNER THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

THE CAPITAL, TALLAHASSEE, May 13, 2014.....Six days after a Florida Highway Patrol trooper gave an impassioned request against the proposal during the funeral service for a fellow trooper, Gov. Rick Scott said he will veto a measure that could increase speeds on state highways.

Scott told reporters after the state Cabinet meeting Tuesday that he will "stand with law enforcement" and veto the bill (SB 392), which has yet to be forwarded to his desk by state lawmakers.

"I'm going to stand with law enforcement and I want everybody to stay safe," said Scott, who noted he had heard a wide range of opposition to the bill that would have allowed the Florida Department of Transportation to consider hiking maximum speed limits by 5 mph.

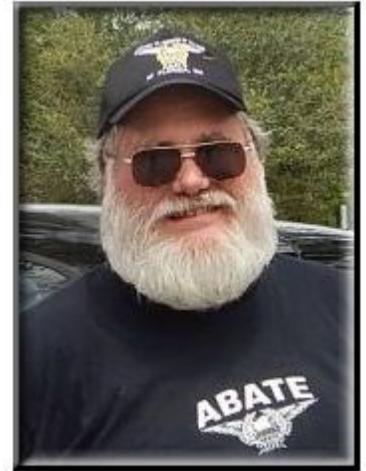
Scott added that comments last week against the bill by Trooper Tod Cloud were also "convincing."

During a May 8 funeral ceremony for FHP Master Trooper Chelsea Renee Richard in Ocala, Cloud used his comments to tell Scott, who was in attendance, that the legislation "wasn't a bright idea," according to the Gainesville Sun.

Cloud was "very concerned about troopers being out there on the highway and people driving too fast," Scott said. "By doing this we're doing the right thing for our troopers and the right thing for law enforcement. I've been to too many law enforcement funerals."

Richard was killed May 3 after being struck by a pickup truck while she was finishing up work on an earlier traffic accident on Interstate 75 near Ocala.

During the legislative session that ended earlier this month, the speed-limit proposal



faced opposition from lawmakers at every stop in the committee process before being passed by a narrow 58-56 vote in the House and a more comfortable 27-11 Senate vote.

Shortly after Scott's veto comments were reported, St. Petersburg Republican Sen. Jeff Brandes, one of the sponsors of the measure, tweeted he will bring the proposal back next year.

"I am proud of the bipartisan support we received on SB 392 and I look forward to continuing this discussion next year," Brandes tweeted.

Kevin Bakewell, vice president of AAA Auto Club South, which sought a face-to-face meeting with Scott to lay out their opposition to the bill, said the veto "will undoubtedly prevent injuries and save lives on our roadways."

"Speed-related crashes are a major contributing factor in traffic crashes including 30 percent of traffic fatalities," Bakewell said.

Sen. Jeff Clemens, a Lake Worth Democrat who also sponsored the bill, argued during session that a 5 mph increase is unlikely to impact road safety.

TAX, EDUCATION BILLS GO TO SCOTT

Bills that would slice taxes on a list of items and overhaul the state's school-grading system were among dozens of measures that the Legislature sent to Gov. Rick Scott on Thursday. The tax cut bill (HB 5601) features three sales-tax holidays, beginning with a May 31 through June 8 tax exemption on hurricane-preparedness supplies, as well as a slate of credits and permanent sales-tax exemptions. The \$105 million package is the other portion of Scott's proposed \$500 million in tax and fee cuts, following a rollback of vehicle registration fees that the governor signed earlier. The education bill (SB 1642), modeled on a blueprint developed by Education Commissioner Pam Stewart, would simplify the formula for grading schools. It would also do away with the penalties schools could currently receive for the grades assigned in the 2014-15 school year. That move is in part an effort to make up for the state switching from the FCAT, now in use, to an exam crafted by the American Institutes for Research. Scott is expected to sign both bills. Also sent to Scott was a measure (HB 755) that would allow an undocumented immigrant to be admitted to The Florida Bar. The issue stems from the case of Jose Godinez-Samperio, who was brought to the country at age 9 by his parents and remained with them after their visas expired, which meant the family was here illegally. Godinez-Samperio became an Eagle Scout, was valedictorian of his high school class, graduated from New College and attended law school at Florida State University before passing the Bar exam.

FOREIGN LAW, TEXTBOOK REVIEW BILLS SENT TO SCOTT

Bills that would prohibit the use of foreign law in Florida courts, give some parental input on school textbooks and rename a pair of state colleges were among 58 legislative measures sent to Gov. Rick Scott on Thursday. Scott has 15 days to sign, veto or let each bill become law without his signature. A controversial bill (SB 386), approved mostly along party lines, would codify existing law, declaring that any attempt to apply laws of a foreign country in state courts is void if it breaches the policy of Florida. The bill has been criticized as anti-Muslim, aimed at Sharia religious law followed in some Islamic countries. However, the bill doesn't mention Sharia or any other specific foreign law, which Senate staff believes strengthens the measure against legal challenges. The textbook proposal (SB 864) would allow each county school district to set up a process for parents to provide input on the choice of state-approved textbooks and other instructional materials. Initially, the proposal would have eliminated the state textbook-approval process and required each county to implement a local process. Less contentious was a bill (SB 236) that would rename Edison State College as Florida SouthWestern State College and Pasco-Hernando Community College as Pasco-Hernando State College. The change for the Fort Myers-based Edison State College is to avoid a possible trademark-infringement lawsuit from Thomas Edison State College in Trenton, N.J.

LONG FIGHT TO CONTINUE ON WORKER DRUG TESTS

Though courts have rebuffed Gov. Rick Scott's attempt to impose across-the-board drug testing for state employees, the legal battle appears far from over. U.S. District Judge Ursula Ungaro has appointed a special master to oversee the painstaking process of determining whether certain groups of state employees can be subject to drug tests. In a challenge filed by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees and the American Civil Liberties Union, a federal appeals court last year ruled that drug tests could not be justified constitutionally for many of the 85,000 workers who would be subject to a 2011 Scott executive order. The U.S. Supreme Court in April refused

to take up Scott's appeal of that decision. But the decision by the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals left open the possibility that the Scott administration could justify drug testing for some groups of employees, such as people who have "safety sensitive" jobs. That spurred Ungaro to appoint Miami attorney Lewis Brown as a special master to help determine which employees may be subject to testing. In an order dated April 25, Ungaro pointed to "extraordinary time and effort" needed to resolve the issues. "There remain over 23,500 employment positions in dispute, each within one of approximately 640 broadly defined employment 'class codes,'" Ungaro wrote. "Further, the parties foresee extensive discovery, as there remain substantial factual disputes regarding the duties and responsibilities associated with many of the employment positions in dispute." As an indication of the expected time involved, Ungaro this week ordered Brown to file a report Aug. 1 about the status of the case and to file similar reports every 90 days after that.

HAMMER: SHERIFFS GROUP HAS 'DECLARED WAR' ON 2ND AMENDMENT

The National Rifle Association intends to push in 2015 for a measure that would allow people to carry concealed guns without licenses during emergency evacuations, after the issue died in the state Senate this year. In a letter to members of the NRA and Unified Sportsmen of Florida, lobbyist Marion Hammer blasted the Florida Sheriffs Association for its opposition to the bill (SB 296) and senators from both parties who worked to kill the measure. "Be perfectly clear, this was a straight up Second Amendment issue in its purest form," Hammer wrote in the letter Saturday. "And the Florida Sheriffs Association opposed your fundamental individual right to keep and bear arms at a time when you most need to be able to protect yourself and your family." Hammer continued: "Make no mistake, the Florida Sheriffs Association has declared war on the Second Amendment. Their actions have made it clear their 2013 proclamation supporting the Second Amendment was nothing more than camouflage." Florida Sheriffs Association President Grady Judd, the sheriff of Polk County, said he was "disappointed" in Hammer's letter, which he described as "absolutely, totally untrue." Judd added: "We are the first and staunchest defenders of the Second Amendment and always will be. And for her to say those ugly mean things is just not acceptable." Sen. Jeff Brandes, R-St. Petersburg, scrapped this year's version of the bill as questions and amendments started to grind the Senate to a halt Thursday, the second to last day of the regular session. The end for the bill came after a lengthy discussion and a 23-15 bipartisan Senate vote to support an amendment backed by the sheriffs association. Brandes had opposed the amendment. Judd said the problem with Brandes' bill was that it failed to provide specifics about how long and where a person could continue to carry a concealed weapon without a license outside an evacuation area. Judd added that Hammer remained inflexible about allowing the bill to be altered to address the association's concerns. Under the bill, people who lawfully own firearms would have been able to pocket their guns during emergencies, regardless of whether they have concealed-weapon licenses. Judd noted state law doesn't prohibit people from transporting their weapons in carrying cases.

LAWMAKERS APPROVE BUDGET AND ADJOURN SESSION

Lawmakers passed an election-year budget of \$77.1 billion --- the largest state spending plan in history --- before closing out the 2014 legislative session and heading home to campaign. Lawmakers approved the budget by lopsided margins --- 102-15 in the House and a unanimous 40-0 in the Senate. Moments after the final votes, House Speaker Will Weatherford and Senate President Don Gaetz brought down the final gavels of the legislative session, ending the annual meeting at 10:40 p.m. Friday. Gov. Rick Scott praised the results of the session, his last before he faces voters in November. "Let's think about what we accomplished: \$500 million back in Florida families' pockets. Lower tuition for every Florida family," Scott said after the conclusion. "It doesn't matter what country you were born in, what family or what zip code. You will have your shot to live the American dream." Democrats were less impressed. "Florida's middle class deserves better than what's left over, after Tallahassee Republicans have finished giving the special interests big tax handouts," Florida Democratic Party Chairwoman Allison Tant said in a statement issued moments after the session ended. "Republicans refused to even vote on legislation to raise the minimum wage, guarantee equal pay for women, invest in public schools, and expand access to health care. They put the middle class last." The budget, lawmakers' only constitutionally required duty, spreads around a hefty surplus, adding new money to public schools, state colleges and universities, environmental projects and child welfare while leaving room for a \$500 million tax cut likely to serve as a centerpiece of Scott's re-election campaign..

'AWESOMER' \$105 MILLION TAX CUT PACKAGE HEADED TO SCOTT

A \$105 million tax cut "patchwork of awesomeness," filled with sales-tax holidays and discounts on pet foods, college meals and cement mixers, is headed to the governor. The House and Senate unanimously approved the remainder of a tax package that fills out Gov. Rick Scott's requested \$500 million in election-year cuts late Friday night, just before the regular session ended shortly after 10:30 p.m. Scott bragged about the tax cuts that include the sales-tax holidays that will "let Floridians better protect their families for hurricanes and better prepare our students for the classroom." Scott has already signed into law the centerpiece of his request, a nearly \$400 million rollback of vehicle registration fees that were increased in 2009. That change, expected to save motorists between \$20 and \$25 per vehicle, goes into effect Sept. 1. "This is an extraordinary year. Let's think about what we accomplished. \$500 million back in Florida families' pockets," Scott said Friday night.

VOUCHER BILL REVIVED, PASSES ON SESSION'S FINAL DAY

Little more than 12 hours after it was left for dead, an expansion of eligibility for the state's de facto school-voucher system was revived on the floor of the Senate, then quickly passed the Legislature on the session's final day. The second life for the bill marked a major victory for House Speaker Will Weatherford, R-Wesley Chapel, who had pushed for an even more sweeping overhaul of the Tax Credit Scholarship Program. The program provides tax breaks to companies that donate money to nonprofit entities that pay for children to go to private schools. Under the bill approved by the Legislature, a family of four earning up to \$62,010 a year would be eligible for at least a partial scholarship, a nearly \$20,000 boost from the current \$43,568 annual income limit. The value of each individual scholarship would also rise. In a concession to Senate President Don Gaetz, R-Niceville, the bill would also change how the state measures the learning of students in the voucher program. But those students would not be required to take the state test developed for public schools -- something that was a non-starter for voucher supporters, who said it would dictate curriculum to private schools.

LAWMAKERS GO HOME WITHOUT TRAUMA DEAL

Attempts by Florida lawmakers to resolve a long-running dispute about the state's trauma system crumbled Friday in the final hours of the annual legislative session.

The House and Senate sought to ensure that three disputed trauma centers in Manatee, Pasco and Marion counties remain open. But the issue became tangled in broader health-care bills, and lawmakers could not resolve their differences. Just minutes before the session ended, the House took up a health-care bill and approved a 115-page amendment that included the trauma issue and a grab bag of other proposals. The Senate did not take up the bill, but even House Speaker Will Weatherford joked about the massive amendment --- known as a legislative "train." "Can you say choo choo," Weatherford said to Rep. Jason Brodeur, a Sanford Republican who proposed the amendment. "That is a health care train, my friend." The issue focused on trauma facilities at Blake Medical Center in Manatee County, Regional Medical Center Bayonet Point in Pasco County and Ocala Regional Medical Center in Marion County that the Florida Department of Health approved to open in 2011 and 2012.

MAJOR JUVENILE SENTENCING BILL APPROVED

Trying to carry out U.S. Supreme Court rulings, the Florida House gave final approval Friday to a proposal that would make key changes in juvenile sentencing. House members voted 115-0 to pass the bill (HB 7035), which was approved by the Senate last week. It now goes to Gov. Rick Scott. The bill stems from a pair of U.S. Supreme Court decisions dealing with life sentences for juveniles. In a 2010 case, known as *Graham v. Florida*, the U.S. Supreme Court banned life sentences without a "meaningful opportunity" for release for juveniles convicted of non-homicide crimes. That was followed by a 2012 ruling, known as *Miller v. Alabama*, which barred mandatory life sentences for juveniles convicted of murder. Juveniles can still face life sentences in such cases, but judges must weigh criteria such as the offenders' maturity and the nature of the crimes before imposing that sentence. Florida lawmakers have struggled to agree on how to comply with the rulings. But the bill passed Friday was a compromise. It calls, in part, for judicial hearings and sentencing standards that would vary depending on the nature of the crimes.

LAWMAKERS BAN E-CIG SALES TO MINORS

Florida lawmakers passed a plan Friday that would ban the sales of electronic cigarettes to minors. The House voted 117-0 to approve the bill (SB 224), which had earlier passed the Senate. It now goes to Gov. Rick Scott. "Electronic cigarettes are becoming increasingly popular," Senate sponsor Lizbeth Benacquisto, R-Fort Myers, said in a prepared statement. "However, by putting age restrictions on these harmful nicotine devices we are taking the steps necessary to keep our impressionable children healthy and strong." Supporters of the bill contend that use of the trendy tubes, which deliver nicotine, can lead to young people smoking tobacco.

BUT ON FRIDAY**LAWMAKERS MOVE UP 2016 SESSION DATE**

Lawmakers, lobbyists and staff members likely will get to enjoy springtime in 2016. The House gave final approval Friday to a bill (HB 9) that would move up the starting date of the 2016 legislative session from March to January. Sessions typically last from early March to early May, except in redistricting years. But the bill calls for a one-time change to start the 2016 session on Jan. 12. Supporters of the change have said, in part, it will allow lawmakers to be home with their families for such things as spring break. But Rep. Alan Williams, D-Tallahassee, said he was worried about the effect on the capital city of moving up the date. He said he is worried that moving closer to merging the legislative session and football season could have an economic impact on the city. "We're concerned in Tallahassee --- we have two seasons, we have football and we have legislative," Williams said. House members voted 93-22 to approve the bill, which passed the Senate on Thursday. It now goes to Gov. Rick Scott.

FOUR INCUMBENTS HEADED BACK TO CONGRESS

With the end of qualifying for this fall's congressional elections, Republicans Gus Bilirakis, Mario Diaz-Balart and Ileana Ros-Lehtinen and Democrat Kathy Castor cruised without opposition to another term in the U.S. House, according to the state Division of Elections website. Qualifying ended at noon Friday, and all 26 incumbent House members signed up to seek re-election. The state's other district became vacant in January, when Southwest Florida Congressman Trey Radel resigned. A special election will be held in June to fill the Congressional District 19 seat. Meanwhile Friday, former Republican Congressman David Rivera qualified to try to regain a South Florida seat he lost in 2012 to Democrat Joe Garcia.

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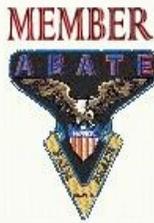
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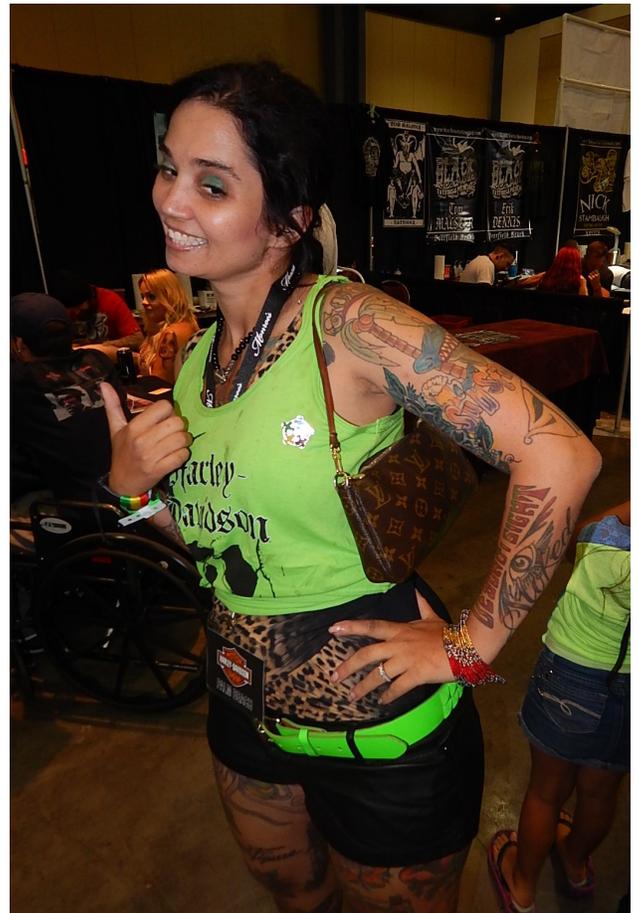


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OBAMA ADMINISTRATION'S "GROW AMERICA ACT" PUSHES HELMET LAWS

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has sent to Congress a \$302 billion four-year surface transportation reauthorization proposal, the "Generating Renewal, Opportunity, and Work with Accelerated Mobility, Efficiency, and Rebuilding of Infrastructure and Communities throughout America Act" – or GROW AMERICA Act; President Obama's blueprint for a model transportation bill, which happens to include a push for mandatory motorcycle helmet laws nationwide!

Specifically, buried in the Obama Administration's 350-page proposal, found under "Title IV -- Highway And Motor Vehicle Safety," in SEC. 4004: Amendment to Motorcyclist Safety Grant Criteria, the GROW AMERICA Act would amend Section 405(f) of title 23, United States Code by inserting the following: "SUPPORT ACTIVITY -- The (Transportation) Secretary or the Secretary's designee may engage in activities with States and State legislators to consider proposals related to motorcycle helmet use laws."

The time to act is NOW! This new highway bill is under immediate consideration as the current two-year "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act" (MAP-21) expires in September, but the Highway Trust Fund -- the main funding source for most state and local transportation projects -- is headed toward insolvency and is expected to run out of money as early as July. So contact your Congressional representatives today, and protect your rights for tomorrow!

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL WOULD PREVENT YOUR MOTORCYCLE FROM TESTIFYING AGAINST YOU Data collected from so-called "Black Box" devices can be used against you in a court of law, and most people don't even realize it.

That's why U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) is proposing to amend the language of the Driver Privacy Act to protect all information recorded by event data recorders installed on all "motor vehicles", including motorcycles. The way S. 1925 is currently written grants privacy only for data the government "requires" to be collected.

Currently the government does not require "black boxes" on motorcycles, only passenger vehicles, trucks and buses. But some current motorcycle models are equipped with the recording devices. A similar bill in the House (H.R. 2414) is worded that "any data recorded on any event data recorder in an automobile or motorcycle shall be considered the property of the owner of the automobile or motorcycle."

Under current law, insurance companies, law enforcement and auto rental agencies can access the data on the device and can use it as evidence against the driver/owner in legal proceedings. Data recorders collect a wide range of information on crashes, including whether the brakes were applied, the speed at the time of impact, the steering angle, and whether seat belt circuits were shown as "Buckled" or "Unbuckled" at the time of the crash.

Fourteen states have statutes that restrict access to the event data recorder or limit the use of recovered EDR information.

GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION NOTES REDUCED MOTORCYCLIST FATALITIES

A recent report by the Governors Highway Safety Association projects that the number of motorcyclist fatalities fell by 7% last year, the second decline in five years, despite an increase in motorcycle sales in 2013.

The report, "Spotlight on Highway Safety," based its findings on motorcyclist fatality counts reported to the GHSA by all 50 states and the District of Columbia for the first nine months of 2013, and indicated that motorcycle fatalities are projected up in 13 states, down in 35 states and D.C., and to remain the same in two states compared with the first nine months of 2012.

Noting bad weather the first six months of 2013, the association projects that the number of motorcyclists killed last year will total 4,610, down from 4,957 in 2012 and nearly identical to the 2011 figure of 4,612.

Meanwhile, new motorcycle sales ended the year with a 1.4% overall increase, up from 452,386 total units in 2012 to 458,972 last year, bringing total U.S. motorcycle registrations to a record 9 million nationwide.

The Governors association also noted that the use of helmets dropped to 60% in 2012 down from 66% in 2011, citing that only 19 states now require helmets for all riders.

GAS PRICES RELATE TO FATAL MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS

Researchers have found a strong relationship between gasoline prices and motorcycle fatalities: As gas prices rise, so do the number of fatalities, and falling gas prices tend to be mirrored by reduced numbers of motorcycle deaths.

An analysis by the National Safety Council showed a strong correlation between gasoline prices and motorcycle fatalities, charting the trend since 1976. Safety experts speculate that higher gas prices encourage people to use fuel-efficient motorcycles instead of cars.

With new unit sales increasing when gas prices go up, there are more people riding and potentially more inexperienced riders on the road.

NEW MICHIGAN LAW LIMITS TEMPORARY MOTORCYCLE PERMITS

Michigan Governor Rick Snyder has signed legislation that encourages motorcycle operators to apply for a full operating endorsement by limiting their ability to obtain temporary training permits. The move is aimed at improving motorcycle safety standards in the state.

Sponsored by Representative Bradford Jacobsen (R-Oxford), House Bill 4781 allows a motorcyclist to apply for a temporary instruction permit (TIP) only twice during a 10-year period, starting next January. Previously, there was no limit to the number of times a person could be granted a temporary permit, so many operators would apply every riding season as an alternative to obtaining their full cycle endorsement, taking advantage of the loophole in the law to avoid taking required testing or training.

"This bill will help prevent abuse of the current motorcycle permitting process, ultimately ensuring more motorcyclists are trained to operate their vehicles in the safest manner possible," the governor said.

NEW HAMPSHIRE SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS ANTI-POLICE LICENSE PLATE

The high court in the "Live Free or Die" state has ruled in favor of free speech on a personalized license plate that reads; "COPSLIE".

David Montenegro forced the issue by suing the New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) when it refused to accept his request filed four years ago for the personalized plate.

"A reasonable person would find COPSLIE offensive to good taste," a May 12, 2010 DMV ruling explained.

Montenegro filed for reconsideration and received the same response, so in August that year he decided to apply, in order, for COPSLIE, GR8GOVT, LUVGOVT, GOVTSUX, SEALPAC and GOVTLAZ. The pro-government license plate, GR8GOVT, was immediately approved. He used the approval of one message over another as evidence that his state and federal constitutional right to free speech was being trampled.

The state supreme court framed the question as an issue of private speech, the plate's message, on government-owned property, the license plate itself. The justices agreed with Montenegro that the regulation cited by the DMV was unconstitutionally vague because it was left up to the whim of employees to decide what messages were acceptable.

BIG-TIME NCOM CONVENTION IN BIG-D

Everything's bigger in Texas, and the Lone Star state recently hosted one of the largest gatherings of bikers' rights activists in the world as concerned riders from across the country attended the National Coalition of Motorcyclists annual NCOM Convention in Dallas. This yearly "coming together" of various segments of motorcycling, from M/Cs to MROs and from Christian clubs to sportbike riders, was hosted by the Texas Confederation of Clubs and welcomed all motorcyclists to attend various meetings and seminars on legal and legislative issues affecting today's motorcyclists.

For nearly three decades, over Mother's Day weekend the NCOM Convention has provided a platform for diverse factions of the motorcycle community to come together in unity and cooperation in pursuit of shared interests for the betterment of biking. Topics included Biker Anti-Discrimination and Profiling Legislation; Protecting Your Patch; the Legality of Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints; Know Your Rights during a Police Encounter; Freedom of the Road and Use of the Courts; as well as seminars on the Use of Social Media, Incorporate Or Not, the Art of Grant Writing, and featuring the Golden Hour - How to Save a Biker's Life by EMT Instructor Slider Gilmore.

Special Meetings were on the agenda in support of NCOM's many outreach programs for Women In Motorcycling; Clean and Sober Roundtable; National Sport Bike Association (NSBA); and Christian Unity Conference, in addition to the Confederation of Clubs General Patch Holders Meeting.

"It wasn't our biggest Convention ever, but I'm thrilled with the progress made here this weekend and proud to see the unity behind the SAVE THE PATCH effort to support the Mongols Motorcycle Club in their court battle to prevent authorities from seizing their club colors...which would endanger every clubs' rights to wear a patch," said NCOM Founder Richard M. Lester.

During the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet, several honorees were recognized for their contributions to "Improving The Image of Motorcycling", including; GOVERNMENT: Jerry Patterson, running for Lt. Governor of Texas; MEDIA: Darrell and Cheryl Briggs - Oklahoma Biker Magazine; COMMERCE: Steve Menneto - CEO of new Indian Motorcycle; LEGAL: Ray Pacia - AIM Attorney for Rhode Island; ENTERTAINMENT: Stan Ellsworth - "American Ride" BYU-TV history series; ICOM INTERNATIONAL AWARD: Michael Mosia - Motorcycle Movement of Quebec; SPECIAL RECOGNITION: 2 Million Bikers to DC; and NCOM's highest honor, the Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award, was presented to Bobbi Hartmann, Member of the NCOM Legislative Task Force and former MMA of AZ Lobbyist.

Next year's 30th Annual NCOM Convention will be held May 7-10, 2015 at the Denver Marriott Tech Center in Denver, Colorado. For further information, contact NCOM at (800) ON-A-BIKE or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com.

SAVE THE PATCH

"Bikers from around the nation are joining forces to support the Mongols Motorcycle Club to combat a lawsuit by federal authorities to take control of the Mongols trademarked logo," states a National CALL TO ACTION issued recently by the US Defenders National Office.

"They are trying to destroy the right of men to associate and indicate their association" said Joe Yanny, an attorney

representing the Mongols. In addition to being a violation of club members' freedom of speech rights, Yanny said, "more importantly, it's a due process issue."

If the Feds win this case and set a new precedent then no trademarked logo will be safe from being taken away.

In announcing that Texas clubs are "rallying for the Mongols and their legal representation," the CTA asks others to "join the fight to support the Mongols Nation with its trademark battle with the Feds" by educating yourself on this case by going to: <http://usdefender.net/cta-tdf.html> and go "LIKE" the National US Defenders Facebook page for future updates.

To donate to the Mongols Nation Lawsuit Defense Fund ("100% or every red cent goes directly to the Trademark Fund") send donations to: Joseph Yanny, Law Office of Yanny and Smith, 1801 Century Park East Suite 2400, Los Angeles, CA 90067

"We have no other fight as important as this fight to help the Mongols MC Nation win this case, the US Defenders will do all we can to assist them in every State," US Defenders National Office.

QUOTABLE QUOTE:
"They've (bikers) got the same rights as anybody. The day it becomes a crime to ride a motorbike down the street, by God that'll be a sad day for all of us."

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ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2014

The meeting was called to order by the President at 11:45 am with twenty three members in attendance. The Chapter recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and observed a moment of reverent silence.

President Ed "Nighthawk" Lattari - The Chapter rally will be at the Brass Monkey, and the band will be Elegant Mess (aka Scar of the Tropics). The rally will be from 7pm to 11pm. May is Motorcycle Safety Month. The membership drive is doing well, with 25 new members so far for May. Nighthawk stressed ride participation.

Vice President Dan "Slo-Motion" Henderson - Slo-Motion spoke about several upcoming legislative issues

Secretary Charles "CB" Barcellona - No report. Nominations for office will continue, and be concluded today. Chapter voting is during the June meeting.

Treasurer Deb "Foxybabe" Wenger - absent (illness). President Nighthawk reports the Chapter has paid its bills for the new trailer, and is solvent.

Sgt-at-Arms Pete "Petee" Carroll - The Chapter rally is upcoming, and volunteers are needed. The Chapter trailer needs a winch to be able to drag bikes inside if need be. Petee is continuing to plan the trailer interior.

Safety Trustee Charlie "Niblick" Wenger - Niblick briefly discussed several new legislative bills. Niblick also suggest the membership form printed on two sides so that people could identify it as a form when folded.

State Delegates Dan "Slo-Motion" Henderson and Ken "Snooze" Gerecke - Slo-Motion reports that the legislative session has ended, and also discussed several legislative representatives with the Chapter. Snooze had nothing further to add.

Newsletter Trustee Dan "Slo-Motion" Henderson - Still working to get more advertisers. There are a few more new Chrome Chronicles distribution venues. Tippy is the Chapter advertising salesman.

Old Business - ABATE State elections were discussed. The Chapter voted by show of hands, and will seek Doc Richenback as Lobbyist for ABATE statewide, and Mudder for ABATE State VP. CB asked about trailer modifications, Petee is working to finalize a plan for storage, working space, sleeping and motorcycle hauling.

New Business - The safety table setup was discussed.

Chapter Nominations - CB accepted his nomination for Secretary. Nighthawk and Bones, VFW Post 4143, accepted nominations for State Delegate. Petee withdrew his nomination for Sgt-at-Arms.

Good of the Order - Local events were discussed. Email updates were discussed - get on the email list! Bones discussed a documentary film being created. Davey Jones had the matching ticket selected in the 50/50 drawing, and donated his share back to the Chapter.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:20pm

This concludes the minutes of the May 18th, 2014 meeting of ABATE Palm Beach Chapter.

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