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President's Message

Ken "Snooze" Gerecke

WOW August already! And as you know its been extremely hot this summer so hot that we have had to refrain from doing rides during the day. Hopefully we will be doing some night time group fun rides so look for those coming up. So if you are not on our group text list come to our next meeting and let me know you want to be added and I will add you so you don't miss some fun rides.

ABATE of Florida is doing another Christmas drawing for a \$5.00 donation you could win one of two different rifles 1st prize is a new Henry .30-.30 lever action rifle. 2nd prize is a new 12 gauge O&U shotgun. For tickets contact me or any of our board members we will also have them at our monthly meetings. The drawing for the guns will be held at our state December meeting in Vero Beach.

On another note we need to increase our membership so please when you are out and about with other motorcyclist let them know you are an ABATE member. Also let them know what we do. Try to get them to come to our next meeting who knows maybe they will join us and want to help us fight for our rights as motorcyclists. Remember the more members we have the louder our voice is in Tallahassee. We still have our \$4000 Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance for \$20 year membership, a great benefit

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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 NOR 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, it is up to you to decide.

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.

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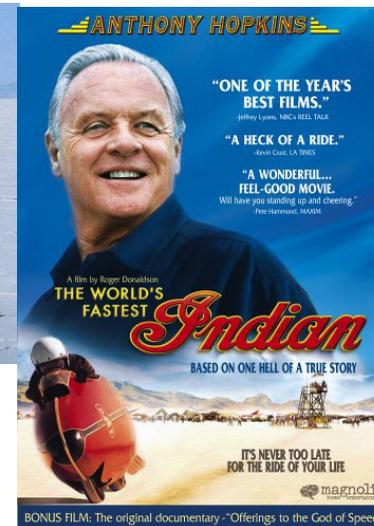
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<http://www.indianmotorcycle.com/en-us/burt-munro>



Burt’s story was the subject of *The World’s Fastest Indian* movie which I consider one of the best motorcycle movies. On the DVD the documentary is included. - Dan Slo Motion Henderson



UPCOMING Event Schedule

Monday July 31 Mob of Brothers MC Open House 2590 Commerce Park Dr. Unit F5 Boynton

Thursday August 3 Black Pistons MC Open House 3648 E Industrial Way Riviera Bch 8-12

Friday August 4 Ink Link Bike Night 691 N. Military Trail, WPB

Friday August 4 Soldiers for Jesus MC Open House 1015 S. Congress Ave. WPB

Friday August 4 Classic Cruiser's Bike Show at Tom Sawyers 3208 Forest Hill Blvd WPB

Tuesday Aug. 8 Lone Legion Brotherhood MC Open House 2590 Commerce Park Dr. Unit F5 Boynton

Thursday Aug. 10 Vintage Iron Bike Night Jupiter

Friday August 11 AOA WPB MC Open House

Aug 11-13 South Florida Tattoo Convention

Aug 11-14 Startke Bikefest

August 12 ABATE of FL inc State Meeting Tavares FL

Wednesday August 16 States MC Lake Worth Open House 3570 Boutwell Rd. Lake Worth

Saturday August 19 Motor Madness Gin Mill Jensen Beach

Saturday August 19 Los Cocquis MC Smokey & Diesel Birthdays Party

Sunday August 20 Palm Beach Chapter Meeting ABATE of FL. Inc. 11:30 am

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Thursday August 24 Palm Beach Harley Hot Rods& Harley bike Night

Friday August 25 AOA WPB MC Open House

Saturday August 27 Outcast Annual

Saturday August 26 PBHD Bikini Bike Wash & Ice Cream

Monday August 28 Mob of Brothers MC Open House 2590 Commerce Park Dr. Unit F5 Boynton

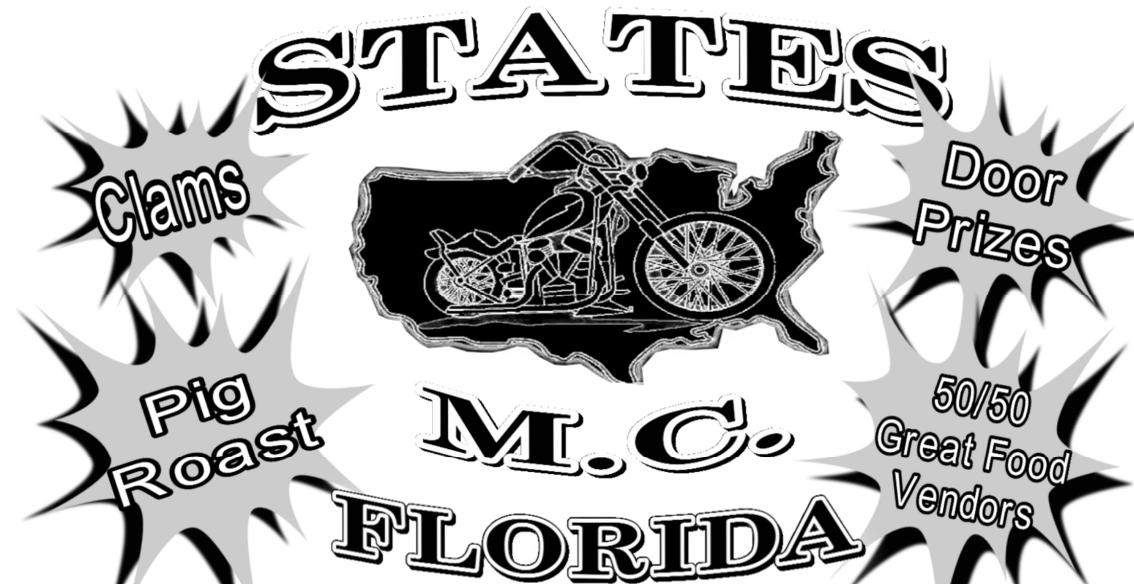
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Thank you for all the support of ABATE of Florida, Inc. and the Palm Beach Chapter.

Motorcycle safety's many factors

Most accidents caused by other vehicles; helmets big issue

By Cody Neuenschwander | CNHI News Indiana Jul 4, 201

KOKOMO – Eleven motorcyclists were revving their engines in a designated parking lot in Kokomo, ready to start riders' training exercises in a controlled environment.

The training was offered by American Bikers Aimed Toward Education (ABATE), a nonprofit organization that since its inception in 1975 has been involved in motorcycle education, charity and lobbying efforts to dismantle motorcycle legislation – perhaps most prominently mandatory helmet laws.

Indiana falls in line with a majority of states when it comes to mandatory helmet laws. Only three states – Illinois, Iowa and New Hampshire – have no regulation on helmet use, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. Twenty-eight states, Indiana included, require some riders to wear helmets. For Indiana, it's riders 17 years old and younger.

ABATE led a charge to repeal mandatory helmet laws in Indiana in 1976, according to the organization's website. It's a stance that the organization maintains.

"Let those who ride decide," said Justin Kennedy, site coordinator for ABATE's Kokomo training and assistant regional director for ABATE Region 3. "Our primary goal now is really awareness and education – both of motorcycles and the general public."

ABATE's motorcycle education courses teach a curriculum called Basic Rider Skills (BRS). It's the first year ABATE has used it, and Kennedy said it's more challenging, teaching riders to adapt to their surroundings. It teaches individual skills, like turning from a stop and negotiating corners, and then builds on each skill as the class goes on.

Michelle McCauley, ABATE rider coach, said she always teaches new riders to stay within their comfort zone while riding – to "ride their own ride."

She also encourages people to practice skills in large, open areas, much like ABATE does with its training.

Ride with bright colors, she said, in order to be visible. She said she's heard of many accidents where a motorcycle is struck by a car, and the driver claims to have not seen the motorcycle.

One day of the course, she said, focused on braking, stopping and shifting.

"If you can't stop, you might end up in the back of someone's pickup truck," said McCauley.

Many more accidents are caused by improper "negotiating" of a corner, she said, adding that learners shouldn't practice driving in straight lines.

During one ABATE course, the students formed a line, while one rider would take an arching turn around one end of the parking lot. Then, they would drive toward the other end, make one more arching turn and then go back to the end of the line.

"You're not accomplishing anything if all you're learning to do is ride in a straight line," McCauley said during the exercise. The skies were starting to get dark, as rainy weather approached. McCauley added that practicing in the rain can be a useful thing.

"Unless you're going to be a fair-weather rider, you're going to get caught in the rain sometimes, more than likely," she said.

Helmet recommended

She also mentioned she wears a helmet when she rides, although not every instructor does the same.

"That's their choice," she said. "Because we have that choice in the state of Indiana. From an inexperienced beginner's standpoint, I personally would push that helmet."

Yacky Byers, ABATE representative for Howard County with 42 years of involvement in the organization, said riders must keep their heads on a swivel. Keep an easy pace, practice in a parking lot, keep tabs of the surroundings and maintain a safe distance to other vehicles.

For Kennedy, he encourages people to take ABATE courses – where riders will be taught all these skills.

Of course, many accidents are caused by the driver of a more conventional, four-wheeled vehicle. With that in mind, Kennedy said ABATE works to increase motorcycle awareness. They do that with signs and billboards, bumper stickers and even introducing kids to motorcycles during fairs and festivals with their small,

enclosed Tiny Tots motorcycle course.

“People don’t realize when they do it that it’s an awareness thing,” said Kennedy. If kids keep an eye out for motorcycles on the road, he said, that can often spread to the parents.

As for mandatory helmet law, Byers said the choice should be up to the rider, and he stressed education for riders as a way to avoid injury or fatal accidents. He also stated one argument against mandatory helmets is that it provides a “false sense of safety.”

“A lot of young riders get overconfident because, ‘Well, I’ve got my helmet on, I’ve got my gloves on, so if I get knocked down, I’ll just bounce back up and I’ll be all right,’ but that’s just not the way it works,” said Byers.

Samuel Nunn, professor emeritus at the School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, said Indiana falls in with a majority of other states when it comes to mandatory helmet laws. Meaning, Indiana, like most states, has limited mandatory helmet legislation – for Indiana that means riders under the age of 18 must wear helmets. Nineteen states and the District of Columbia require all motorcyclists to wear a helmet, according to Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Nunn doesn’t believe the laws in Indiana are about to change. He has researched traffic statistics since 2007, he said, and in that time, he hasn’t been made aware of any significant push for mandatory helmet laws.

Many states have rolled back mandatory laws in decades passed, he said, providing researchers a chance to look at the difference in statistics in states that do and do not have such laws in place.

“It’s a pretty standard notion, well-accepted and scientifically validated, I would say, that helmets do save lives and reduce serious injuries in motorcycle crashes,” said Nunn. He believes there will always be a “baseline” difference between states that do and do not have mandatory helmet laws, with states that don’t have such laws seeing more fatal motorcycle accidents.

Nunn credits organizations like ABATE and the American Motorcycle Association (AMA) for rolling back mandatory helmet laws.

“I chalk it up to the power of ABATE and the power of the AMA to sort of mobilize quickly when any state talks about it,” he said.

Crash stats studied

Nunn has authored fact sheets and studies on crash statistics in Indiana, looking at numerous variables.

On average, Nunn said, in a crash between a motorcycle and four-wheeled vehicle, it usually isn’t the motorcycle driver’s fault.

Using databases and police reports, Nunn said researchers look at what’s called the “primary factor” contributing to the crash. The primary factor can be something like a failure to yield. Additionally, they look at each driver and, based on reports, whether a driver contributed to the primary factor. Both vehicles can be considered contributable.

“The short answer on this is, on average, the other vehicle tends to be at fault more than the other motorcycle, but that varies a lot depending on what the circumstance was,” said Nunn.

According to a fact sheet from 2016, motorcycles tend to be more attributable in accidents that have unsafe speed and improper passing listed as a primary factor.

For Dawood Dalaly, trauma surgeon and assistant director of the surgical ICU at Parkview Health in Fort Wayne, the difference between patients who do and do not wear protective gear is a simple one.

“For the patients that are wearing protective gear are the patients that probably do well, and the patients that don’t wear protective gear don’t do well,” said Dalaly.

At Parkview, a level 2 trauma center, Dalaly said last year, during what he called “trauma season” – roughly late May through September – the hospital saw 69 motorcycle accident patients. For the first half of 2017, it has seen 65 patients total.

He said he commonly sees traumatic brain injuries.

“These motorcycle riders in Indiana who don’t wear helmets, which is most of the motorcycle riders that we see, have traumatic brain injuries. They have bleeding in their head, and significant concussions,” he said.

“This is the message that I tell everyone: If you don’t drink and drive; if you don’t ride power sports, motorcycles and jet skis; if you’re at home in bed by 11 p.m., you’re going to live a long life,” he said.

http://www.heraldbulletin.com/news/motorcycle-safety-s-many-factors/article_1a7fd2f4-6050-11e7-a2de-fb70973df3b8.html

“Bad Looking Biker” Heroes Save Police Officer’s Life

It was a regular Friday afternoon in Kingston. A police officer was on bicycle patrol, around 2:00 PM. That is when, he apparently spotted a man at loose from the law.

Like any good police officer would, Cst. Wisniak went to the man and alerted him about his arrest warrants, in a bid to make a no-drama arrest of the wanted man. The wanted man, however, was in no mood for jail. He immediately tried to flee.

When the Police Officer tried stopping him, the man allegedly grabbed the police officer, and a confrontation ensued. Meanwhile, bystanders just stood by and shot the incident on their smartphones. Nobody stepped up.

Not far away from the incident, two “bad looking bikers” were riding on their “big bad Harleys”, donning jackets that spelled out J.E.R.K.S. Nobody had yet stepped up to the aid of the police officer.

Now, one might think these guys would come to the aid of the wanted man. But quite the opposite happened. The bikers freed the police officer, and held the wanted man, till more police arrived.

As it turned out, the bikers weren’t ordinary civilians. They were retired officers of the military police. Both of them have even served in duty tours to Afghanistan.

And ironically, the J.E.R.K.S here are not the Jerks one might think they are. But instead, it stands for “Just Every Riders’ Known Soldiers”. And we must say, that these two guys really lived up to the name.

The Kingston Police, in a press release on following Thursday, hailed the two men as heroes. We salute them as well!



<http://www.lifeofarider.com/2017/07/09/you-would-be-surprised-to-know-what-these-j-e-r-k-s-harley-riders-did-when-they-saw-a-police-officer-being-attacked/>

COPS PULL BIKER OVER FOR DECIBEL TEST AND OVERHEATS THE BIKE IN THE PROCESS!

While most cities and towns actually have noise ordinances and laws restricting how loud vehicles can be, it seems they're rarely enforced unless a driver is being an outright nuisance or a vehicle is obnoxiously loud and warrants special attention.

Sometimes, however, there are officers or even whole municipalities that keep a tighter reign on the volume levels in within their borders, and it seems this biker happened to find one of those officers.



The policeman pulled out his decibel meter and placed it the required distance from the bike's pipes and started it up, taking a reading at idle before moving on to the second part of the test, getting a reading at 2000 RPM. This posed a bit of a problem, as the officer found it impossible to get either of his devices to give him a reading on the bike's engine speed, leaving him dead in the water as far as completing the test, although he did let the bike run long enough that it began to overheat toward the end.



The officer, clearly miffed that he wasn't able to carry out the test, had no choice but to let the biker go without a citation, ending this video on a positive note.

<http://bikersstory.com/cops-pull-biker-decibel-test-overheats-bike-process/>



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Your Weekly Biker Bulletin from Inside the Beltway

Your Motorcycle Riders Foundation team in Washington, D.C. is pleased to provide our members with the latest information and updates on issues that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. Count on your MRF to keep you informed about a range of matters that are critical to the advancement of motorcycling and its associated lifestyle. Published weekly when the U.S. Congress is in session.

NEWS FROM THE HILL – Discussion on E15 Bill **PLUS Passage of Driverless Car Bill**

Remember a few weeks ago when we informed MRF members about a new bill from Senator Deb Fischer (R-Nebraska) regarding ethanol? ICYMI (in case you missed it) the bill would allow year-round sale of 15 percent ethanol. And it got some attention this week when Senator Jim Inhofe (R-Oklahoma) took to the Senate floor to call on Republicans to work together on the issue of ethanol – very divisive among Republicans depending on where they hail from. There is discussion that he may introduce amendments that would expand Sen. Fischer's bill into a broader package. This broader package would include a host of Republican priorities, including altering Clean Air Act standards, and other EPA/ motorcycle emissions issues. Our sources say he also is considering setting up a sunset provision for the conventional biofuels part of the Renewable Fuel Standard. There is talk that a Senate Committee may markup the E15 bill (giving Inhofe his chance to introduce his amendments). This markup could occur next week or possibly after the August recess. My personal opinion is that Republicans may accept

Fischer's bill as a bargaining chip for broader changes to ethanol and maybe even other things like the RPM Act....also in the jurisdiction of the Committee. Stay tuned.

This week, Congress took its most significant action to date on driverless cars. A House panel approved a draft bill that would expand the ability of automakers to get driverless cars on the road - and curtail the ability of states and localities to stop them. Democrats - especially the delegation from California, are skittish about taking so much power away from cities and states, whose remaining powers to regulate drivers' licensing and education don't mean much when there are no drivers. Large parts of the bill are still in brackets, meaning the language is still under discussion. The bill heads to the full committee for a vote next week, but some Democrats are asking what the rush is, while Republicans want to get the bill done by August recess.

[Read the bill by clicking HERE](#)

And over in the Senate, this week your MRF had a private closed-door meeting to discuss "imminent" legislation which also would regulate the self-driving cars. I'm happy to report that the identification and responsiveness to motorcycles is a top priority there. Though the House is taking a narrower piece-meal approach by passing individual bills instead of comprehensive legislation, its concerning that "motorcycle" appears nowhere in the text. Not so in the Senate. We'll communicate more on the Senate bill as the process moves forward.

EXECUTIVE & REGULATORY UPDATES – Relief for Harley, NHTSA Turns to Marijuana Impairment

As we all know, [under the Obama Administration, Harley-Davidson was fined](#) \$15 million after allegedly selling aftermarket devices that allowed motorcyclists to cheat U.S. emissions standards. Under the originally proposed deal, Harley-Davidson would have paid a \$12 million fine and given \$3 million to the American Lung Association. However, the Trump Administration announced this week that the company would NOT have to pay a portion of the settlement. Attorney General Jeff Sessions declared an end to such third-party settlements, like the portion that was set to go to the American Lung Association, in which companies pay for projects not directly related to their violations. The announcement comes as Harley-Davidson plans to cut dozens of jobs in coming months in an effort to cope with slowing motorcycle sales. News outlets reported that about 180 jobs are on the chopping block in Milwaukee and Kansas City.

Though out of the jurisdiction of the MRF, we thought it pertinent for our members to know about activity at NHTSA to address driving under the influence....of marijuana impairment. Now that a number of states have legalized marijuana, this week your MRF attended a meeting of the House Highways and Transit Subcommittee. NHTSA Acting Deputy Administrator Jack Danielson told lawmakers that they are trying to figure out how to set a scientific threshold for marijuana impairment over which people shouldn't be allowed to drive - and perhaps more importantly, they're working on a way for police to measure it. Marijuana is tricky because it's detectable in urine for up to 30 days. Danielson said they would be looking to detect and measure impairment, not use - so having days-old marijuana in your system wouldn't get you busted for a DUI. We'll continue to keep an eye on this one.

WEEKLY EVENTS

One Mon Mob of Brothers MC Open House @ Lone legion Pompano Clubhouse

Once a Month Tues Lone Legion MC Brotherhood Open House

3rd Wed States MC Lake Worth Open House 8pm

Wed Island Jack's Bike Night with Gorilla Motors

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

Wed Tilted Kilt Bike Night Boca

Thurs Once a month UBCPBC Council Ride Night

Thurs Once a month Black Pistons MC WPB Open House

2nd Thurs Vintage Motorcycle Night Double Roads Tavern Jupiter

3rd Thurs Treasure Coast Harley Bike Night

4th Thurs Palm Beach Harley Davidson Bike Night 5-9 PM

Last Thurs Turboz/Ralph's Bike Night Jupiter

Fri Twice a Month AOA MC WPB Open Houses

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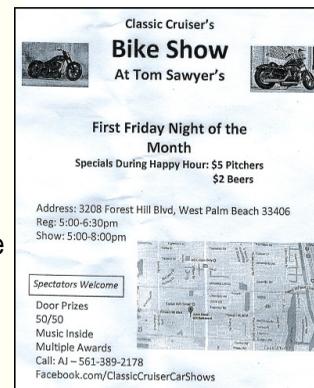
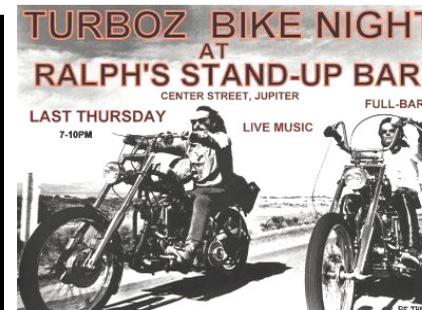
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 13th: AOA South House Anniversary Party
 September
 10th: AOA Legal Defense Fund Party
 October
 9th: UBCPBC Meeting Location to be announced 2018 Calendar setting
 22nd: Alternative MC Annual
 November
 5th: AOA Party
 December
 3rd: Toys in the Sun Toy Run
 5th: UBCPBC Christmas Party LLBMC

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11:30 AM V.F.W. Post 4143 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.

3rd Sunday Aug. 20
 3rd Sunday Sept. 17
 3rd Sunday Oct. 15
 3rd Sunday Nov. 19
 3rd Sunday Dec. 17



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AUGUST

6: WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI - PARTY
 7-13: 77th STURGIS MOTORCYCLE RALLY
 11-13: S FLORIDA TATTOO CONVENTION
 13: AOA LAUD. 50th Anniversary Moldy's B-DAY
 19: LOS COQUIS MC - Smokey & Diesel B-DAY
 26: OUTCAST MC PARTY

SEPTEMBER

3: SOUTHERN MC - TEDDY BEAR RUN
 10: STATES MC - KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY
 15-17: PETERSONS KEY WEST POKER RUN
 24: KELTICS MC - PARTY

OCTOBER

1: MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL
 7: NEW ATTITUDES MC - ANNUAL
 8: S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL
 19-22: DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST
 21: WHEELS OF MAN MC - Halloween Party
 28: ALTERNATIVE MC - PARTY
 29: CMA - MEMORIAL

NOVEMBER

4: HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL
 11: USMVMC CH 1 - ANNUAL F
 SFPC 2017 CALENDAR CONTINUED
 18: Leathernecks MC Annual

DECEMBER

10: SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN
 16: TOY RUN BIKE DRAWING
 16: Hermandad MC - MEMORIAL TOY RUN
 17: WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI - TOY RUN

THIRD SATURDAY



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 Gin Mill Jensen Beach 1 PM - 6 PM
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August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sturgis Black Hills 77th Rally Aug. 4-13	Aug 11-13 Starke Bikefest S FL Tattoo Convention	1	2 Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	3 Black Pistons MC Open House	4 Ink Link/ &Tom Sawyer Bike Nights Soldiers for Jesus MC Open House	5 Fly n Wheels Open House
6 Great American Biker Bash Peggy's Corral Palmetto FL	7	8 Lone Legion MC Open House	9 Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	10 Vintage Iron Bike Night	11 South FL Tattoo Convention AOA WPB MC Open House Starke Bikefest	12 ABATE of FL State Meeting South FL Tattoo Convention Starke Bikefest
13 South FL Tattoo Convention Starke Bikefest AOA Laud. Anniversary/ Moldy's Bday	14	15	16 States LW Open House Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	17	18	19 Los Coquis MC Smokey & Diesel Party Fly n Wheels Open House MotorMadness Gill Mil
20 Palm Bch ABATE Chapter Meeting	21	22	23 Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	24 Palm Beach Harley Bike Night Hot Rods & Harleys	25 AOA WPB MC Open House	26 Palm Beach Harley Bike Wash Night
27 Outcast MC Party	28 Mob of Brothers Open House	29	30 Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	31 Turboz/Ralphs Bike Night	Aug. 31 to Sept. 2 Milwaukee Rally	

September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Ink Link/ &Tom Sawyer Bike Nights Soldiers for Jesus MC Open House	2 Fly n Wheels Open House
3 Southern MC Teddy Bear Run	4 Labor Day	5	6 Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	7 Palm Beach Harley Bike Black Pistons MC Open	8	9 Fly n Wheels Open House
10 Key West Tune Up Party States Pompano House	11 Patriot Day	12 Lone Legion MC Open House	13 Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	14 Tilted Kilt Bike Nights Vintage Iron Bike Night	15 Peterson's Key West Poker Run AOA WPB MC Open House	16 Peterson's Key West Poker Run Fly n Wheels Open House Motor Madness Gill Mill Jensen
17 Palm Bch ABATE Chapter Meeting Peterson's Key West Poker Run	18	19	20 States LW Open House Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	21 Palm Beach Harley Bike	22	23 Fly n Wheels Open House PBHD Bikini Bike Wash & Ice Cream
24 Keltics MC Party	25	26	27 Island Jack's, Chit Chat's, Tilted Kilt Bike Nights	28 Turboz/Ralphs Bike Night	29 AOA WPB MC Open House	30 Fly n Wheels Open House

DELEGATE REPORT

Dan "Slo Motion" Henderson

I left on Friday for the Leadership Seminars in Ocala / Silver Springs. I wanted to visit Ocala Harley as I hadn't been there since 2003. It is now named War Horse Harley. Using Google navigation going through country sides of horse ranches and tree tunnels. But when it said I was there, it wasn't anywhere there. So I remembered I have an app on my phone to find Harley dealerships and it said I was 7 miles south of it. Following those instructions I went by it as they said it was a mile north and on the other side left side. So after a usual ABATE u-turn I got there. Adding the poker chip to my collection they just had me throw some money into a jar to benefit vets. Talking with one of the sales ladies about being in ABATE she said to be sure to keep the helmets off our heads, not what you usually hear from Healey! Next morning I attended the PR/Communication seminar for my new position. I did see Laura and Deb at the Treasurer sessions. Next I did my presentation on web design for other chapters, I saw Bill "Hamish" going the Delegate meeting which I decided to skip as done many times before. Snooze and LB came later that afternoon for Sunday's President/VP meeting. I decided to get on the road as I wanted to stop at Seminole Harley in Sanford for an event there on way home. The app took me there with more enjoyable back roads. But the rain caused the event to close up some, so got more poker chips there and back on the road. Once on I95 got caught in a storm where vision was very poor but I drove through that to sunny skies and stopped at Space Coast Harley off 95. Then home to take care of my cat.

So you might want to add that Locate Harley app to your phone if case need a dealership for bike problems or just to visit.

After app is on Bikers Welcome USA (next page) to keep up with events on the road or on Facebook

STATE MEETINGS

Host Chapter & Location

August 12, 2017 Lake - Tavares FL

October 14, 2017 Peace River -

December 9, 2017 Treasure Coast -





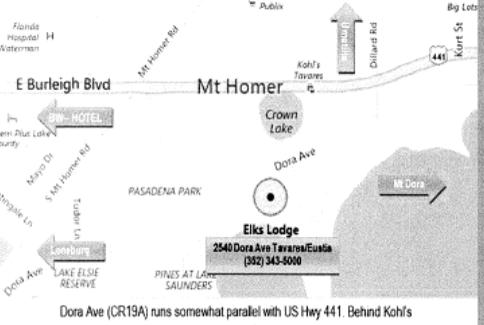
Lake County Chapter

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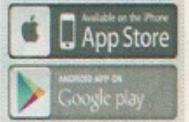
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LEGISLATIVE REPORT

DAN "SLOW-MOTION" HENDERSON



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Most of the news coming out from our State Office is about the upcoming elections. January begins the new session and things will be off to a quick start. I've edited Scribes emails for more interest to our area.

SLOSBERG SEEKS TOUGHER LAW ON TEXTING WHILE DRIVING

By NATHALIE SCZUBLEWSKI
THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA
BOCA RATON, July 26, 2017..State Rep. Emily Slosberg appeared Tuesday night at a Boca Raton City Council meeting as she tries to build local-government support for the Legislature to make **texting** while driving a primary offense.

Florida is one of four states where **texting** while driving is a secondary offense, meaning that law enforcement cannot pull over motorists for **texting** at the wheel. Other states are Nebraska, Ohio and South Dakota. Motorists in Florida can only be cited for **texting** while driving if they are stopped for other reasons such as speeding or failing to wear seat belts.

The change to a primary offense would allow police to pull over motorists for violating the state's ban on **texting** while driving.

"Currently, they can see a 17-year-old looking on Google Maps, **texting**, Snapchatting or Instagramming, and they cannot pull that driver over," Slosberg, D-Boca Raton, said. "Every other state in the country enforces this as a primary offense. Distracted driving fatalities and distracted

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driving injuries are increasing. This is preventable. Our law should be addressing this.”

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teenagers in the United States. In 2015, 2,333 people ages 16 to 19 were killed and 221,313 were treated in emergency departments for motor vehicle injuries, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Traffic fatalities in Florida increased nearly 18 percent in 2015, while teenage driver fatalities increased close to 30 percent.

Slosberg fought in the past to make **texting** while driving a primary offense for drivers under 18 and in school zones, but the Legislature did not approve the bills. She is now seeking local-government support for a resolution urging lawmakers to make **texting** while driving a primary offense, which she hopes would save lives and end distracted driving.

While discussing Slosberg's proposal, Boca Raton City Council member Scott Singer implored the audience to not text and drive.

“Please don't drive distracted,” Singer said. “Put your phone away. That one text message? It can wait.”

Slosberg's persistence for safer roadways is personal. On Feb. 23, 1996, Slosberg and her twin sister Dori, got into a car with friends. The driver, 19, was speeding 90 mph in a 50 mph zone when the car struck a median and crashed into a car heading east. Emily Slosberg survived the crash with a punctured lung and several broken bones. Dori was killed along with four other teenagers. Slosberg's father, former Rep. Irv Slosberg, D-Boca Raton, also spent years urging lawmakers to improve Florida's roadways and traffic laws.

“I don't want anybody else to go through what I've been through,” she said. “That is why I'm here.”

Tuesday evening ended in a victory for Slosberg as Boca Raton became the first city to pass Slosberg's resolution in a 5-0 vote.

“I have a lot of emotion with it because this is my hometown,” she said. “My twin sister was killed in Boca Raton, so it really means a lot to me that the city supports public safety.”

Slosberg plans to try to get all 67 counties to pass resolutions supporting the proposal to make **texting** while driving a primary offense. She hopes the change will pass in the House and the Senate and be approved by Gov. Rick Scott.

“I've written letters and called every single county commissioner,” Slosberg said. “I'm not going to stop.”

STATE GRAPPLES WITH INCREASE IN CARD SKIMMERS

By LLOYD DUNKELBERGER THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

THE CAPITAL, TALLAHASSEE, July 25, 2017..... Credit-card skimming devices at Florida gas stations and stores are on a dramatic rise this year.

State figures show 315 skimmers had been discovered at Florida gas pumps through July 18, compared to 120 skimmers discovered through the first seven months of 2016.

That represents a 160 percent increase in the illegal devices used to collect consumers' credit- or debit-card information.

This year's seven-month total already far exceeds the 219 reported devices in all of 2016 and the 169 skimmers found in 2015, according to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

At a press conference in Orlando this month highlighting the problem, Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam noted that his inspectors and law-enforcement officers have documented a continued rise since 2015 in the devices, which are typically placed inside gas-pump cabinets.

“Since that time, we have seen a steady trend upward, an increase in the number of skimmers being found around the state on these gas pumps,” Putnam said.

If undetected, each skimmer is capable of collecting credit- or debit-card data from 100 consumers, with each losing an average of \$1,000 to electronic theft, according to Putnam's agency., which is

responsible for gas-station inspections.

Palm Beach County has the most reported skimmer locations this year with 58, followed by Broward County with 57, Miami-Dade County with 26 and Pinellas and Volusia counties, each reporting 12 devices.

Although there appeared to be a correlation between larger counties, with more cars and gas stations, and the detection of skimmers, that isn't always the case. Brevard County, with 11 skimmer locations, had more than the combined totals of Duval County, with five, and Hillsborough County, with four. In the majority of cases, one skimmer device was reported at each location. But some had multiple skimmers, including a New Smyrna Beach gas station where four skimmers were found on July 11, records show.

Putnam has been working with the Legislature, the Florida Retail Federation and the Florida Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association the past few years to curb the illegal activity.

In 2016, the Legislature passed a law that toughened penalties for credit-card fraud and required security devices on gas pumps, including the use of security tape to alert store employees and consumers about pump tampering.

This year, the Legislature passed another law making it illegal to possess skimmer-device equipment.

“As the third-largest state with 10,000 convenience stores and more than 100 million tourists visiting each year, Florida presents significantly more opportunities for skimming devices to be used,” said Scott Shalley, president of the Florida Retail Federation, after Gov. Rick Scott signed the latest anti-skimming legislation (HB 343) last month.

Putnam said the industry has taken steps to protect gas pumps from tampering, including moving away from a universal key system that allowed access to pumps in different locations. He said the newest stores and gas stations are deploying technology that will shut down pumps if they are opened without authorization.

But Putnam said skimmer criminals are growing more sophisticated, with some now using devices where credit-card data can be downloaded remotely, eliminating the need to retrieve skimmers from inside the pumps.

“Unfortunately, like many forms of criminal activities, the bad guys continue to evolve just like the laws continue to evolve,” Putnam said.

But Putnam also said “there are some very simple things that the traveling public can do during this summer traveling season to protect themselves.”

Among the recommendations are using cash to pay for gas; using credit cards, which typically have more consumer protections than debit cards if fraud occurs; using pumps closer to the stores, as skimmer criminals are more likely to target remote pumps; and avoiding pumps if the cabinets are open or if security tape is broken or appears altered.

“This is not a crime limited to Florida, but unfortunately it is a crime that we are seeing growth in and an increasing number of these devices are being found,” Putnam said.

7-25-2017 **Sen. Jeff Clemens, a Lake Worth Democrat who will become his party's Senate leader after the 2018 elections**, sent out a fundraising email after the polls closed describing the Taddeo-Diaz general election as a “huge race” and saying Democrats “have the right candidate with the right policies at the right time.” “If we win this election --- and we certainly can --- we will take an important step to securing the Senate and making sure that a Democratic agenda is represented in our state's governing,” Clemens said in the email.

7-21-2017 SCOTT COMMITTEE CONTINUES RAKING IN MONEY

After starting the month with nearly \$2.9 million on hand, Gov. Rick Scott's "Let's Get to Work" political committee raised \$85,000 during the first six days of July, according to finance information posted on the committee's website. The money came in four chunks: \$25,000 from Amscot Financial Inc.; \$25,000 from JM Family Enterprises; \$25,000 from Charter Communications; and \$10,000 from the legal and lobbying firm Greenberg Traurig. Political committees face an Aug. 10 deadline for filing reports with the state showing finance activity from throughout July.

LATVALA COMMITTEE TOPS \$225,000 IN JULY

With Senate Appropriations Chairman Jack Latvala weighing a run for **governor**, a Latvala political committee has raised more than \$225,000 in July, according to the committee's website. Latvala, R-Clearwater, is expected to announce next month whether he will run in 2018 to try to succeed term-limited Gov. Rick Scott. The Latvala political committee, known as the "Florida Leadership Committee," raised \$225,500 from July 1 through Tuesday, a list of contributions on the website shows. Among the large contributions were \$50,000 from Sterling Diversified, LLC, a Destin real-estate firm; \$25,000 from a Florida Transportation Builders Association PAC; and \$25,000 from The Vestcor Companies, a Jacksonville real-estate firm. Political committees face an Aug. 10 deadline for filing reports with the state showing finance activity for all of July. But as of June 30, the Latvala political committee had nearly \$3.55 million in available cash. If Latvala runs for governor, he would face Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam in a Republican primary. Putnam's political committee, known as "Florida Grown," raised \$61,500 during the first two weeks of July, according to its website. Florida Grown had about \$10 million in cash on hand as of June 30, state campaign-finance records show.

7-14-2017 CALDWELL, GRIMSLEY TOP \$100K FOR AGRICULTURE RACE

Preparing for a Republican primary in the race for agriculture commissioner, state Rep. Matt Caldwell, R-North Fort Myers, raised nearly \$162,000 in June for his campaign and political committee, while Sen. Denise Grimsley, R-Sebring, raised about \$102,000, according to newly filed finance reports. Caldwell collected \$123,049 for his campaign account and \$38,500 for the committee "Friends of Matt Caldwell." He had about \$214,000 in cash on hand in his campaign account as of June 30 and about \$617,000 available in the committee. Grimsley, meanwhile, raised \$81,829 for her campaign account in June and \$20,000 for her "Saving Florida's Heartland" political committee, according to the reports posted this week on the state Division of Elections website. Grimsley had \$309,000 in cash on hand in her campaign account and nearly \$420,000 available in the committee. Caldwell, Grimsley, former Rep. Baxter Troutman, R-Winter Haven, and Orlando businessman Paul Paulson are vying for the Republican nomination next year to succeed Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam, who is running for governor. Troutman reported last week that he put \$2.5 million of his own money into the race in June. Paulson also put \$250,000 of his money in the race during the month, according to the Division of Elections website. Democratic candidate Michael Christine of Miami did not report raising any money in June.

7-12-2017 EVEN WITHOUT ANNOUNCEMENT, SCOTT RUNS FOR SENATE

By BRANDON LARRABEE THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

THE CAPITAL, TALLAHASSEE, July 12, 2017..... Calling Gov. Rick Scott's likely bid for the U.S. Senate an "open secret" would be a misnomer --- there's no secret there, open or otherwise. Scott continues to sprint across the state for official events that easily double as campaign swings --- this week alone, he's done a pair of ceremonial bill signings and two events to highlight law-enforcement pay raises he signed into law last month.

The only mystery is when the governor will make his 2018 plans official. Observers say there's no hurry. "Because he's potentially the biggest name in that race on the Republican side, he can take his

time, really," said Aubrey Jewett, a political science professor at the University of Central Florida. Scott has repeatedly brushed off questions about when he might run, saying the public is "tired of long campaigns."

He also has personal experience to draw on: Scott announced his first run for governor as a virtual unknown in April 2010 before beating Attorney General Bill McCollum in an August GOP primary and Democrat Alex Sink in the general election that November.

This time, Scott would probably need to start a little bit sooner. "He can probably push it into late in the fall. Obviously, he is running already," said Rick Wilson, a Republican strategist.

The governor began laying the groundwork for a possible campaign months ago. He has kept intact his first fundraising committee, "Let's Get to Work," which has raised more than \$11.5 million since Scott won re-election in 2014.

At the federal level, Scott has announced he would chair the "New Republican" super PAC, saying the goal of the committee "is to make the Republican Party Great Again" --- part of an overall Scott theme of tying himself closely to President Donald Trump.

In addition to trips across the state, Scott has traveled to Washington, D.C., and continues to raise his profile on national issues.

On Monday, Scott held a "Venezuelan Freedom Rally" in Miami to slam the authoritarian regime of President Nicolas Maduro.

"Today, as hundreds of people rallied together, a clear message was sent to Maduro and his gang of thugs: the movement will not be silenced --- freedom and democracy will thrive in Venezuela," Scott said in a statement released by his office Monday.

"Basically, his actions and his words have made it pretty clear that he intends to run, and his bank account makes it clear that he intends to run," Jewett said.

Democrats have also shown they have no doubt that Scott is running. The Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee has hammered the governor repeatedly over the past few months. On Wednesday, they slammed "Self-Serving Scott's self-promotional press tour" on law-enforcement pay raises, saying Florida officers still make less than many counterparts in other states.

"Rick Scott's self-serving agenda has taken Florida to the bottom of the nation in household income and wages --- and under Scott even Florida's brave law enforcement officers make less than almost anywhere else in the country," said David Bergstein, a spokesman for the committee.

U.S. Bill Nelson, the Democratic incumbent who Scott would face next year, has also taken a few subtle and not-so-subtle jabs at the governor.

Still, no formal announcement seems to be in the works.

After being governor since January 2011, Scott also lacks one of the key reasons for an early announcement --- making sure voters, and particularly campaign contributors, know a candidate's name.

"He's already run statewide twice," Wilson said. "He's already got a lot of name ID."

Scott has held off longer than his predecessor, former Gov. Charlie Crist, who announced in May 2009 that he would seek a U.S. Senate seat the following year.

But Crist also faced something Scott does not, so far: a credible primary challenger. In the 2010 U.S. Senate race, former state House Speaker Marco Rubio drummed Crist out of the Republican Party and then went on to win a three-way general election campaign.

For now, no other high-profile Republican has made serious noise about challenging Scott for the Senate nomination if he wants it.

"I don't know that him announcing earlier is going to scare anyone off who's not already scared off," Jewett said. Still, Wilson said, even Scott can't wait forever.

"You have to put your toe in the water at some point," he said, "or you attract other people into the game."

PUTNAM SETS PACE AS CANDIDATES SEEK CAMPAIGN CASH

By LLOYD DUNKELBERGER THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

THE CAPITAL, TALLAHASSEE, July 11, 2017..... While Adam Putnam raised another \$2 million in June for his gubernatorial campaign, the three leading Democratic contenders hoping to succeed Gov. Rick Scott could not even match half of that total.

Putnam, the Republican agriculture commissioner, raised more than \$1.3 million for his "Florida Grown" political committee last month, while he collected another \$795,000 for his regular campaign account, new financial reports show.

His Democratic opponents raised a combined \$690,000 last month, according to the state Division of Elections.

Putnam, a two-term Cabinet member and former congressional leader, had raised a total of \$15.7 million for his campaign account and committee through June 30, with \$11.6 million in cash on hand.

His largest contributions in June were \$250,000 from political committees linked to Associated Industries of Florida, a major business lobbying group, and \$100,000 from a Texas investment firm headed by William Farish, ambassador to the United Kingdom under President George W. Bush. Heritage Insurance Holdings of Clearwater also gave \$100,000 last month.

While the Democrats struggled to keep pace with Putnam, the June reports suggested an ongoing FBI investigation of the city of Tallahassee might be causing a slowdown in Mayor Andrew Gillum's efforts to raise money for his gubernatorial campaign.

Gillum, who has said he has been told he is not a target of the federal investigation, raised only \$25,000 for his political committee, "Forward Florida," from three donors. The largest was \$15,000 from GMHETC, a Miami company.

With \$98,000 in contributions to his regular campaign account, Gillum raised \$123,000 last month. He had raised a total of \$1.3 million for the campaign account and committee through June 30, with \$732,000 in unspent cash.

Last week, Gillum's campaign announced the departure of his campaign manager and finance director.

But despite those challenges, Gillum spokesman Geoff Burgan said the campaign is building support with "small-dollar contributions" and by organizing supporters.

"The mayor entered this race because he fundamentally believes regular people must take this state back from the special interests and the powerful who have made this state their personal playground," Burgan said.

Former U.S. Rep. Gwen Graham of Tallahassee had the strongest fund-raising month among the Democrat candidates, collecting \$363,000 including \$137,000 for her "Our Florida" political committee. She also raised about \$226,000 for her regular campaign account. Her largest contributions included \$50,000 from Stephen Graham, a New York investor, and \$25,000 from Lawrence Dubow of Jacksonville. Emily's List, which has endorsed Graham, gave \$5,000.

Graham has raised a total of \$2.6 million for her campaign account and committee, with about \$2.1 million in unspent cash.

Chris King, a Winter Park businessman, raised \$202,000 last month to support his Democratic gubernatorial bid, including \$146,000 for his "Rise and Lead" political committee. He raised \$56,000 for his campaign account.

King's June contributors included \$50,000 from ABS Capital Partners in Miami and \$25,000

from Morg Personal Holdings of Altamonte Springs.

King had raised a total of \$2.2 million for his campaign account and committee through June 30, with \$1.7 million in unspent cash.

“For a first-time candidate, we're pleased we're able to keep pace with politicians who have 20 years of relationships with political donors,” said Zach Learner, King's campaign manager.

But the June campaign reports also showed the 2018 governor's race is far from settled, with other potential candidates for both parties raising money for possible bids.

A political committee linked to House Speaker Richard Corcoran, R-Land O' Lakes, brought in more than \$2 million in June, although the speaker has yet to declare his candidacy.

The largest contributions to Corcoran's newly formed “Watchdog PAC” were \$250,000 each from political committees headed by House Rules & Policy Chairman Jose Oliva, R-Miami Lakes, and House Judiciary Chairman Chris Sprowls, R-Palm Harbor.

Corcoran's committee also received a \$100,000 contribution from a committee led by House Appropriations Chairman Carlos Trujillo, R-Miami. Miami auto dealer Norman Braman and the Fontainebleau resort in Miami Beach also gave Corcoran \$100,000 each, according to the report.

On the Democratic side, Miami Beach Mayor Philip Levine reported raising nearly \$2.1 million last month for his political committee.

Levine, who has said he will make a decision on the race by the fall, has raised more than \$4 million for his “All About Florida” committee since March, while spending only \$62,000, the report showed.

His major June contributors included \$250,000 from Robert Kotick, a California gaming company executive and \$200,000 from Access Industries, a New York conglomerate run by Len Blavatnik.

Senate Appropriations Chairman Jack Latvala, R-Clearwater, another potential GOP contender, raised more than \$410,000 in June for his political committee. His “Florida Leadership Committee” had nearly \$3.55 million on hand as of June 30.

A committee created by political supporters of U.S. Rep. Ron DeSantis, another potential Republican candidate, raised \$408,000 in June for a total of \$943,000. The “Fund for Florida's Future” committee had only spent \$16,000, with DeSantis saying he will make a decision by fall on the governor's race.

7-11-17 CHALLENGE TO OPEN-CARRY LAW GOES TO U.S. SUPREME COURT

Attorneys for a man arrested in 2012 in St. Lucie County asked the U.S. Supreme Court on Monday to take up a challenge to the constitutionality of a Florida law that bars people from openly carrying firearms in public. The petition to the U.S. Supreme Court came slightly more than four months after the Florida Supreme Court, in a 4-2 decision, upheld the longstanding law. Monday's 35-page petition contends the law violates the Second Amendment and conflicts with U.S. Supreme Court rulings about gun rights. “The issue is whether a prohibition on peaceably and openly carrying a lawfully-owned handgun infringes on ‘the right of the people to . . . bear arms’ protected by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution,” said the petition, posted on the website of the group Florida Carry, which has helped represent Dale Norman, the man arrested in St. Lucie County. A majority of the Florida Supreme Court, however, upheld a 4th District Court of Appeal ruling against Norman. “(We) agree with the 4th District and are satisfied that the state's prohibition on openly carrying firearms in public with specified exceptions --- such as authorizing the open carrying of guns to and from and during lawful recreational activities --- while still permitting those guns to be carried, albeit in a concealed manner, reasonably fits the state's important government interests of public safety and reducing gun-related violence,” the March 2 majority opinion said. Norman, who had a concealed-weapons license, was arrested for carrying a gun openly in a holster. A jury found Norman guilty of a

second-degree misdemeanor, and a trial judge imposed a \$300 fine and court costs.

SCOTT COMMITTEE COLLECTS \$146,000 IN JUNE

Gov. Rick Scott's "Let's Get to Work" political committee collected \$146,000 in June, with most of the money coming in contributions from three companies, according to a finance report filed before a Monday night deadline. The committee, which has played a key political role for Scott, received \$50,000 from TECO Energy, \$50,000 from Magellan Health Services and \$25,000 from Jacksonville Kennel Club, Inc. The committee also spent \$71,559 during the month and had \$2.88 million in cash on hand as of June 30, said the report filed with the state Division of Elections.

FANT TOPS \$68,000 FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL RACE

Jacksonville Republican Jay Fant, a two-term state House member, raised \$68,240 in contributions in June, his second month running for Florida attorney general, according to numbers posted late Monday on the state Division of Elections website. Fant, whose money came predominantly from Jacksonville and Tallahassee, had raised an overall total of \$147,815 for his campaign account as of June 30, while spending \$2,260. A report for Fant's political committee known as "Pledge This Day" posted a single \$1,000 donation in June from Gate Petroleum Co. of Jacksonville. The other Republican who has announced a bid for attorney general, Ashley Moody, a former Hillsborough County circuit judge, posted \$603,376 in her first month of fundraising. Moody raised \$490,376 for her campaign account and another \$113,000 for her political committee known as "Friends of Ashley Moody." Meanwhile, Democrat Ryan Torrens, an attorney from Hillsborough County, reported raising \$17,935 in June, bringing his overall total to \$21,552. Most of Torrens' June money came from the Tampa region, including \$3,000 from the Consumer Protection Firm in Tampa, a law firm that specializes in fighting "robo-bullies."

GOVERNOR HOPEFULS GIVE BOOST TO DEMOCRATIC PARTY

With an infusion of hundreds of thousands of dollars from gubernatorial candidates' political committees, the Florida Democratic Party raised nearly \$1.68 million from April 1 through June 30 --- far outpacing the amount raised by the state Republican Party, according to newly filed finance reports. The Democratic Party brought in \$1,678,112 during the period. That included \$210,000 from the political committee "Florida Forward," linked to gubernatorial candidate Andrew Gillum, and \$210,000 from the committee "Our Florida," linked to gubernatorial candidate Gwen Graham. The party also received \$145,000 from the committee "Rise and Lead Florida," linked to gubernatorial candidate Chris King. The Republican Party, meanwhile, collected \$338,942 during the three-month period, according to the reports posted late Monday on the state Division of Elections website. Contributions included \$50,000 from Disney Worldwide Services, Inc. and \$50,000 from the health insurer Florida Blue.

CFO CANDIDATE RINGS UP NEARLY \$44,000 FOR CAMPAIGN

Democrat Jeremy Ring, the only announced candidate for state chief financial officer, raised slightly less than \$44,000 for his campaign in June, a newly filed finance report shows. Ring collected \$43,997 and had \$35,818 in cash on hand as of June 30. Ring, a former state senator from Broward County, opened a campaign account to enter the race May 30. Republican Jeff Atwater stepped down as state chief financial officer last month and was replaced by Republican Jimmy Patronis, who was appointed by Gov. Rick Scott. Patronis, a former lawmaker and former member of the state Public Service Commission, has not announced whether he will run for a full term in 2018.

MOODY TOPS \$600,000 FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL BID

Ashley Moody, a former Hillsborough County circuit judge running for Florida attorney general, posted \$603,376 in her first month of fundraising. Moody, a Tampa Republican who has the backing

of term-limited Attorney General Pam Bondi, posted \$490,376 in her personal campaign account and another \$113,000 in her political committee known as “Friends of Ashley Moody,” according to new finance reports. Moody filed paperwork June 1 to begin formally running for attorney general. The majority of the donations to her personal campaign account in June were from the Tampa region. Among the contributions to Friends of Ashley Moody were \$10,000 from Carlos Beruff, a real estate developer appointed by Gov. Rick Scott to chair the Constitution Revision Commission; \$10,000 from Tampa-based TECO Energy; \$10,000 from a political committee headed by Senate Majority Leader Wilton Simpson, R-Trilby; and \$10,000 from Michael Corcoran, a lobbyist and brother of House Speaker Richard Corcoran, R-Land O’ Lakes. June reports had not been posted on the state Division of Elections website Mondayafternoon for the other announced candidates for attorney general --- state Rep. Jay Fant, R-Jacksonville, and Democrat Ryan Torrens, an attorney from Hillsborough County. A report for Fant's political committee “Pledge This Day” posted a single \$1,000 donation in June from Gate Petroleum Company of Jacksonville. Fant's committee also spent \$7,192 last month. The committee sent \$1,000 to the campaign of Sen. Aaron Bean, R-Fernandina Beach, and spent the rest on consulting services.

LEVINE COMMITTEE RAISES MORE THAN \$2 MILLION

As he began a weeklong bus tour of Florida on Monday, Miami Beach Mayor Philip Levine reported raising nearly \$2.1 million last month for his political committee. Levine, who is contemplating a run for governor in 2018, has raised more than \$4 million for his “All About Florida” political committee since March, while spending only \$62,000, according to the Florida Division of Elections website. Among the largest contributions to his account in June were \$250,000 from Robert Kotick, a California gaming company executive; \$200,000 from Access Industries, a New York conglomerate run by Len Blavatnik; and \$100,000 from Scott Robins, a Miami Beach developer who is a former business partner of Levine. Levine also contributed \$300,000 to his committee, which is funding his bus trip that began Monday in Miami and will head to other areas of the state including Tampa Bay, Orlando and the Panhandle. Levine, a Democrat, said he will decide on the governor's race later this year, while also indicating he could run as an independent candidate.

7-10-17 HOUSE LEADERS GIVE FINANCIAL BOOST TO CORCORAN

House Speaker Richard Corcoran's political committee is getting help from other House leaders. A committee led by **House Rules & Policy Chairman Jose Oliva, R-Miami Lakes, sent \$250,000** to Corcoran's “Watchdog PAC” in June, according to a newly filed report by the Oliva committee known as “Conservative Principles for Florida.” Oliva is a top lieutenant to Corcoran and is slated to become House speaker after the 2018 elections. Meanwhile, a committee led by **House Majority Leader Ray Rodrigues, R-Estero, contributed \$25,000** to Corcoran's PAC last month. Political committees face a Monday deadline for filing updated finance information. As of early Friday evening, a report for Corcoran's PAC had not been posted on the state Division of Elections website. But reports posted for Oliva's committee and the Rodrigues committee, known as “Free Markets for Florida,” showed the contributions. Watchdog PAC was formed in May amid widespread speculation that Corcoran, R-Land O’ Lakes, could run for governor in 2018.

CORCORAN COMMITTEE TOPS \$2 MILLION IN JUNE

Amid speculation that **House Speaker Richard Corcoran, R-Land O' Lakes**, will run for governor next year, his political committee brought in more than \$2 million in June, according to a newly filed finance report. Corcoran's Watchdog PAC reported contributions of \$2,045,922 and expenditures of \$20,129 during the month and got a major boost from other House leaders. The largest contributions, at \$250,000 each, came from the political committee “Conservative Principles for Florida,” which is headed by House Rules & Policy Chairman Jose Oliva, R-Miami Lakes, and the political committee

“Floridians for Economic Freedom,” which is headed by **House Judiciary Chairman Chris Sprows, R-Palm Harbor. Corcoran also shifted \$112,066** to Watchdog PAC from a closed committee he had chaired, known as “Florida Roundtable.” Watchdog PAC also received **\$100,000 from the committee “Conservative and Principled Leadership for Florida,” which is led by House Appropriations Chairman Carlos Trujillo, R-Miami.** Other large contributions to Watchdog PAC included \$100,000 from Miami auto dealer Norman Braman and \$100,000 from the Fontainebleau resort in Miami Beach, according to the report posted Monday on the state Division of Elections website.

LATVALA COMMITTEE CONTINUES PILING UP CASH

A political committee linked to **Senate Appropriations Chairman Jack Latvala, R-Clearwater,** raised more than \$410,000 in June, as Latvala could be setting the stage to run for governor next year. The “Florida Leadership Committee” raised \$410,649 during the month and had nearly \$3.55 million on hand as of June 30, according to a finance report posted Monday on the state Division of Elections website. Latvala has been mulling a possible campaign to succeed Gov. Rick Scott, who cannot run again for the post in 2018 because of a two-term limit. Among the contributions to the Florida Leadership Committee in June were \$40,000 from Sen. George Gainer, a Panama City Republican who owns auto dealerships in Northwest Florida. Other contributions included \$25,000 from Eastern Shipbuilding Group of Panama City and \$25,000 from TECO Energy, the report shows.

TROUTMAN SEEDS CAMPAIGN WITH \$2.5 MILLION

As he began campaigning last month for agriculture commissioner, **former state Rep. Baxter Troutman, R-Winter Haven,** put \$2.5 million of his own money into the race. A finance report filed with the Florida Division of Elections shows Troutman's contribution made up almost all of the money collected by his campaign in June, with four other donors providing a total of \$1,750. Troutman launched his bid for the Cabinet position on June 12, and his campaign said at the time that he would contribute \$2.5 million. State candidates face a Monday deadline for filing updated campaign-finance reports. Troutman is part of a crowded Republican field in the race to replace Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam, who is running for governor next year. **Sen. Denise Grimsley, R-Sebring, Rep. Matt Caldwell, R-North Fort Myers, and Orlando businessman Paul Paulson also are seeking the Republican nomination for agriculture commissioner.** As of early Thursday evening, Grimsley, Caldwell and Paulson had not filed June finance reports, according to the Division of Elections website.

7-6-17 SIMPSON COMMITTEE TOPS \$200,000 IN JUNE

A political committee led by **Senate Majority Leader Wilton Simpson, R-Trilby,** continued to rake in cash in June, raising \$207,500, according to a newly filed finance report. The “Jobs for Florida” committee had more than \$1.26 million in cash on hand as of June 30. Along with being majority leader, Simpson is a key player in the Senate because he is in line to become the chamber's president after the 2020 elections. Among the contributions to the committee in June were \$50,000 from Publix Super Markets, \$25,000 from the insurer Florida Blue, \$25,000 from Disney Worldwide Services and \$25,000 from Costa Nursery Farms LLC, according to the report posted on the state Division of Elections website. The committee also spent \$139,210 during the month, including sending \$25,000 to the Republican Party of Florida and \$10,000 to “Friends of Ashley Moody,” a committee backing Republican attorney-general candidate Ashley Moody. State political committees and candidates face a Monday deadline for filing updated finance reports with the state.

7-5-2017 BAXLEY, MAGAR DRAW GOP CHALLENGERS

Incumbent Republican lawmakers **Dennis Baxley** and **MaryLynn Magar** have drawn GOP challengers as they run for re-election in 2018. Palm City Republican Judson Epperly has opened an account to challenge **Magar, R-Tequesta,** in House District 82, which includes parts of Martin and Palm Beach counties, according to the Division of Elections website. Magar, who is seeking to be elected to a fourth term next year, had raised \$37,873 for her campaign as of June 3rd.

ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting Minutes July 17, 2017

Meeting Called to order at 11:32 AM 18 Members Present 2 Guest Present

Meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence

PRESIDENT: Our A.D.D insurance is still in effect. If anyone is interested in buying insurance, they should consider buying from them. Membership is down and we need to have more social events. Maybe this will help increase membership and participation. We still need a products trustee. Motorcycle safety course was discussed by State.

VICE PRESIDENT: Attended Presidents/Vice Presidents meeting. Nothing else to report.

SECRETARY: Asked if anyone had any objections to last month's meeting minutes as published in chapter newsletter. There were none.

TREASURER: Working on transition Chapter is in good standing.

MEMBERSHIP: We have a few new members.

SARGENT AT ARMS: Thanked those that helped at the event.

SAFETY: Trying to get with the schools on safety education. Hamish is helping out. Not many events happening now.

DELEGATE: Attended leadership seminars. Nothing really new.

LEGISLATIVE: Legislation is out of session but starting early this year. Dan would like to see Drivers Ed here in Palm Beach county.

PR/COMMUNICATIONS: Went to leadership seminar. Dan having issues with bulk mailing so using chapter Facebook account to post info there.

PRODUCTS: We still need a products person.

NEWSLETTER: We need more advertisers. Going to try to increase distribution.

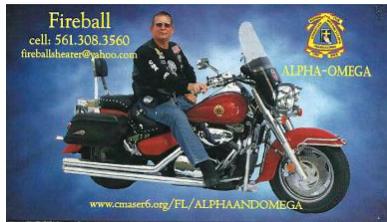
OLD BUSINESS: Mailing address was discussed. (*new address now*) Event was successful.

NEW BUSINESS: Need to start planning December event.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: BIG THANKS to Uncle Ron for donating \$200 to the chapter. Lighthouse chapter was kicked out by Treasure Coast Harley Davidson at an event for handing out flyers. Earls Hideaway will no longer allow colors or Leather vests with back patches including ours! Gun raffle tix are still available. 50/50 was won by Foxybabe.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 12:20 pm _____

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