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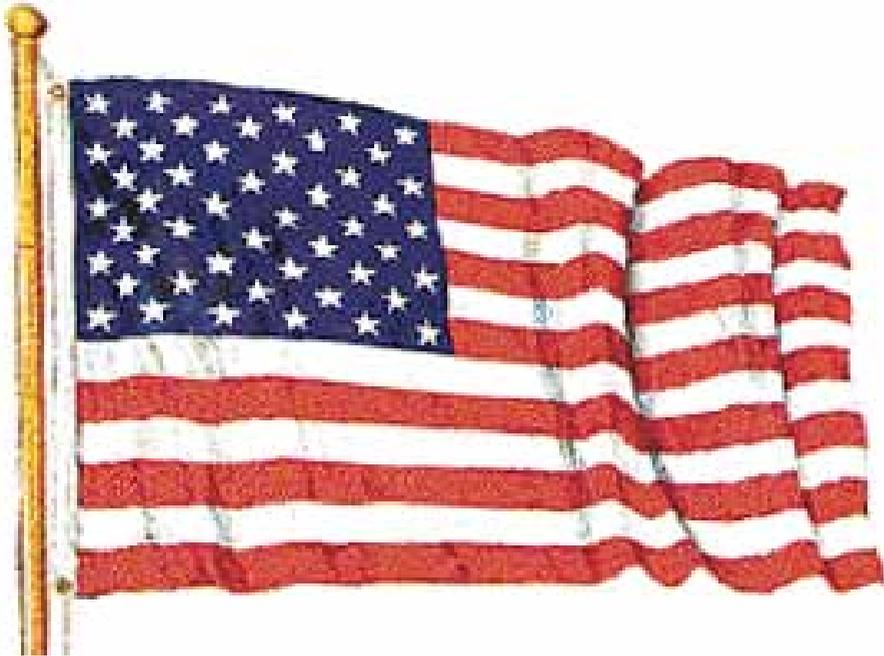
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Lobbyist's Legislative Report

by James Lombardo Sr, Lobbyist

— it's a **HUGE HELP TO CANDIDATES**. That saves them **BIG** bucks instead of having to pay people to do it. It's better than a campaign contribution. Just call and volunteer — that's how our power killed the **SMOGGING** of motorcycles in the Senate, this year! Give me the tools to keep motorcycles on the road, so we can continue to have a little fun!



Assembly Minority Leader Martin Garlick, a good friend of motorcyclists, proud owner of seven Harleys plus a couple of other bikes, and speaker at our last Freedom Rally at the state capitol just put the brakes on those creeps trying to steal our bikes. As of January 1, 2011, anyone near bikes with



a set of piglets (and not a repair tech) can be arrested for the attempted theft of a motorcycle. The loophole in the law was the person had to be sitting on the motorcycle with the piglets. You could not prosecute the thief who was crouched next to it, hooking the piglets on the ignition wires! **Thanks again, Martin, from your fellow riders!**

The Governor's plan to allow the expansion of red light cameras for speed enforcement, so LEOs can write more tickets to raise \$400 million dollars for cities and counties out of our checkbooks, is still being considered as a revenue source in this year's State Budget that has yet to be enacted, much less negotiated. So stay tuned. I am still lobbying hard against this. We, the AAA Auto Clubs and the CHP Union are all fighting on the same side against this one — politics makes strange bed fellows, indeed.

Update on SB 435: Due to the efforts and testimony of the California Motorcycle Dealers Association, and an exhaust system manufacturer rep, Senator Pavley amended SB 435 for the 8th time to extend until 2013 the effective start date for enforcement of the EPA matching labels on motorcycles.

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What is ABATE?

ABATE is a motorcyclists' rights organization (not a club) dedicated to preserving freedom of choice and freedom of the road, with emphasis on education and safety. Our members are active in programs for public awareness and motorcycle safety, and in supporting many types of charity events.

Included with an ABATE membership are a sew-on patch, membership card, and our monthly newsletter THE BAILING WIRE. There are no special requirements for joining aside from an interest in promoting motorcyclists' rights and safety with payment of the appropriate fees.

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Executive Director's Report

by Anthony Jaime

Greetings ABATE Brothers and Sisters: As Americans, we are guaranteed the right to freely assemble and to petition for a redress of grievances. Unfortunately, there are many in various levels of local, state, and federal government who seem to feel that it is no longer the right of the people to question the actions of the government. There is a pernicious, growing attitude of "if you're not with us, you're against us" that is beginning to permeate the halls of power in this nation. We have only to look at the manner in which legislation is targeted at specific groups to understand that there are severe problems just over the horizon for individuals who do not fit into the mold that corporate influenced government wishes to force us.

And let's not discount the fact that government today views with grave suspicion and distrust any group or organization seeking to curb or reform such governmental abuses or advocating a return to the constitutionally based form of government this nation once enjoyed. The profiling and stereotyping of various citizen's groups and organizations comprised of civil libertarians and activist groups seeking a return to a constitutionally based government have led to increased surveillance by law enforcement, and we must never forget that as bikers we are a prime target for unconstitutional searches and seizures simply as a result of our manner of dress and chosen lifestyle. We are discriminated against in many ways that affect us differently than folks not associated with the biker lifestyle and that is wrong. Nationwide, we are increasingly subjected to motorcycle only checkpoints, prevented from wearing any article of clothing that is deemed unacceptable attire, forced to wear helmets whose substantive protective value is questionable, and we are constantly under the prying eyes and overzealous monitoring of law enforcement.

The great turnout at the Board meeting in Camarillo in January also provided a couple of officers from a local law enforcement agency. We must have been doing something right and having too much fun doing it because the cops showed up to see why so many bikers were gathered in one spot. As they were trying to grasp the situation, they were gently reminded that we were gathered at an American Legion and the great majority of us present were all veterans. Nevertheless, they were tak-

ing photographs of individuals, bikes, and license plates, but in what must have been a bit of a surprising twist for them, some of our people returned the favor and photographed them as they were photographing us.



My principle concern with this unjustifiable visit is that for many of us who ride motorcycles and wear leather and Levis, this type of behavior by law enforcement is becoming far too commonplace across America. The simple fact is there was no valid reason for law enforcement to be there other than to just satisfy their unwarranted curiosity. Ask yourselves if law enforcement would have become involved in such a manner if the parking lot had been full of soccer mom vans and people wearing polyester pant suits and Adidas? The underlying issue here is not what type of clothes you're wearing or what type of vehicle you are driving. The real issue at stake here is one of our First Amendment rights, which clearly state "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of Speech, or of the Press, or the right of the people to freely assemble and petition the Government for a redress of their grievances." As ABATE members attending a duly constituted business meeting of a politically active group for the express purpose of protecting our rights we were engaged in the exercise of our First Amendment rights to freely assemble and petition the government for a redress of our grievances.

While this incident was resolved amicably, the potential for increased harassment and abuse exists. Like all other organizations, law enforcement groups are comprised of individuals whose likes, dislikes, and levels of tolerance come in varying degrees. Had one of these officers been an individual with an extreme degree of anti-biker bias this situation could have taken another di-

rection leading to a call for increased back-up officers solely to harass and intimidate a group of people whose lifestyle they view as a threat to law, order, and public decency. Or, they simply could have staked out the local area waiting for people to leave and stopped them one at a time hoping to find any violation and issue citations. And, I was recently made aware that the American Legion Post in Camarillo was threatened with exactly that type of response from local law enforcement unless ABATE was no longer allowed to hold meetings there. As unfortunate as it is, the fact is if you're riding a motorcycle, wearing Levis and leather with any type of insignia at all you are going to fall under increased suspicion in the eyes of many law enforcement officers.

Compounding matters, with the support of many law enforcement organizations, motorcyclists are portrayed to civic leaders in local communities nationwide as trouble-making scofflaws and outlaws who ride in packs, engaging in speed contests, acts of drunkenness, public nudity, and just generally creating a public nuisance. While these incidents may happen occasionally, they are the exception and not the rule, and are mostly the stuff found in Hollywood movies, which began its lucrative but unfortunate stereotyping of the biker culture several generations ago. The recent spate of local ordinances enacted by Myrtle Beach attest to this growing wave of anti-biker sentiment fueled by law enforcement and civic leaders in many communities throughout America.

The Washington state legislature recently passed a bill out of committee to outlaw the profiling of motorcyclists by the Washington State Patrol who allegedly have been operating under a non-published set of guidelines known as Biker 101 which begins by stating that "Bikers are dangerous" and goes on to describe how to surreptitiously gather information on them during a traffic stop. It is also a concern in California, where checkpoints targeting motorcycles have begun to crop up, and it is another reason to keep up the pressure against SB-435. As amended, it offers law enforcement increased powers of inspection to check for exhaust and emissions system that may have been tampered with under the flimsiest of pretexts and look them over under the guise of protecting society from smog.

In conclusion, I will simply reiterate the words of Milton Friedman who said, "Eternal vigilance is required and there have to be people who step up to the plate, who believe in liberty, and who are willing to fight for it."

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This was done so that the motorcycle manufacturers will have enough time to locate the labels on new motorcycle mufflers in a more visible place and for the aftermarket muffler manufacturers to federal EPA noise certify their replacement mufflers, and label them accordingly.

I was called by Senator Pavley office's to make sure that we were OK with the date extension amendment, at which point I suggested that 2020 might be a better date. They declined! If the bill reaches the Governor's desk, he may sign it, veto it or let it become law without his signature. Which means, if he does nothing, it wouldn't become law until January 1, 2013. At that time, it will continue to be a \$25.00 fix-it ticket. All fees included, no add-ons by the courts!

Please sign up for our **ACTION ALERTS**. We won't flood you with senseless e-mails — just important information about **WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO SAVE OUR FREEDOMS!** That why we call them **ACTION** alerts — so you can do something. Ride safe always.

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by Lee 'Sporty' Milligan, Membership Chairman

This month's membership report will address the need to retain your renewals. Things going on in your members' lives change at a constant pace. With that said, it is extremely important that you at least keep in e-mail contact with your members. For those who don't always show up to your meetings, at least keep them in the information loop with the goings on of the Local. When you do this it will add up to the members being considered as important and when the renewal time comes they will again consider and probably renew.

How the membership officer does his or her job depends on the ability to stay positive and up-beat even when the chips are down. When members renew reward them with a thank you trinket from your trinket stash. Renewal trinkets come in many forms such as bike raffle tickets, coupons to a local eatery, membership

Mission Statement

ABATE of California is committed to protect and promote the interests of the motorcycle community. ABATE exists to preserve and safeguard the individual rights and liberties of all riders thru political and legislative action. ABATE promotes motorcycle safety through education, training and public awareness.

Membership Report

stickers. etc. You can be creative. I was giving out Local 1 travel mugs as my renewal trinket till we ran out of cups. ABATE key chains and ABATE flag decals are also good renewal trinkets. The list of renewal trinkets is endless and the rewards shout that we give a hoot about you as a member and appreciate your continued support.

OK, enough of the lecture, I will focus on the membership drive briefly. Hopefully you will be obtaining new members for the drive. New members and the renewals will go a long way to keeping this organization the best it can be. Again do your best to get us new members.

Also it's not too early to start planning for next year's membership drive. I welcome new ideas on ways to spice up the drive. So send your new ideas on how to better do the membership drive to mrsportyiii@yahoo.com and let's get this ball rolling.

Remember there is unity and strength in numbers of members. Regards, Sporty.

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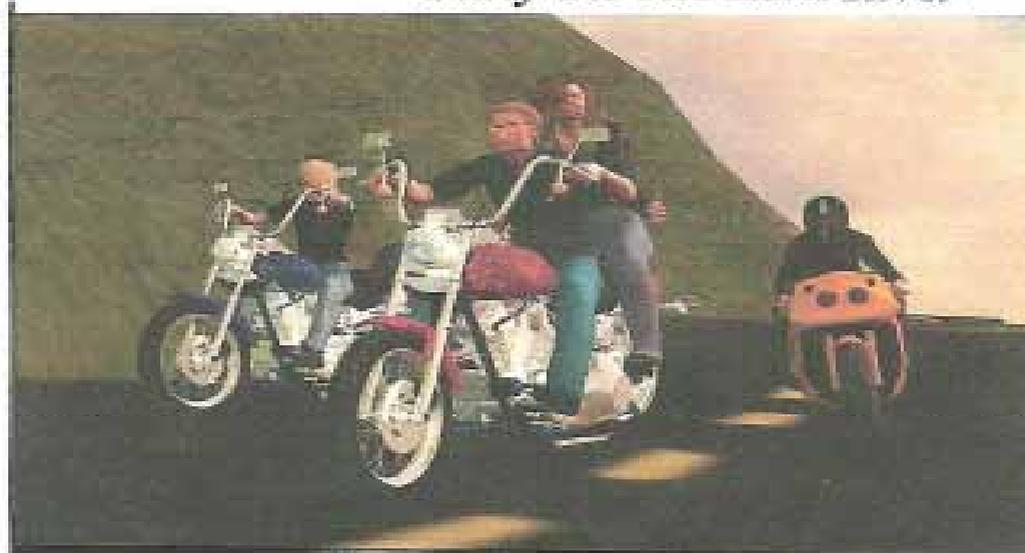
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LOCAL NEWS

Local #01 Los Angeles



Local 1 is alive and kicking and this am we had our monthly meeting. I had done my meeting prep work with e-mail reminders and post card reminders. As per usual we did the opening flag pledge.

I gave the opening president's remarks which included an invite to go to the State Run next month at the Frandy camp grounds in Kernville. We sold tickets to the bike raffle - and that was positive.

Since Mr. Peter Daniels was unable to attend the meeting due to personal stuff, I gave the PAC report on SB435, the Pavley noise bill. It was amended *again* - see the ABATE web site for details.

Jim N, our publicity guy, had little to report on publicity. I said we had money in the treasury. I talked about the invite we received to visit Dennis DeYoung at the Sagebrush Cantina on August 22 from noon to 2 pm. He is running for the California state Assembly against Assemblyman Bob Blumenfeld in District 40.

Sarge asked us to be cautious in who we support as candidates. We should support those candidates that fill out good questionnaires.

Since our September meeting falls darned the State Run, I have told the group (and will alert the other members) that instead of the September meeting we will be at the State Run playing hooky.

We had a cock and bull session with inquiries from the members, and then adjourned for the fine breakfast the Elks Lodge provides. Regards, Sporty.

Local #02 Simi Valley



Well we did it! Our Sweaty Buns Run is officially over! This was a very positive

organized effort! Double thanks to all the Local 2 Volunteers!!! I can't wait for the next one. Thanks to Paul Shell for letting us have our "happy ending" at his establishment, SLINGERS, in Agoura Hills. We were able to bless ABATE and that's what the Sweaty Buns Run is all about, besides having a great time!

Our President, Ray, got us going again, back to the business as usual explaining in detail the ups and downs about our run. VP Scott talked about upcoming runs and events. Our Secretary, Jane, read the minutes, Linda, our PAC person, talked PAC stuff, and our Treasurer, Stephanie, explained our finances. Pat, our membership person, said we need more members; something we all know. Guy, our merchandize guy, talked about the goods he sold at our run; this is one hard working guy! JP, our safety coordinator, gave us some good words; thanks for stepping up! Norm, the PR person, talked about us setting up an ABATE booth at the 9th annual Blessing of the Bikes at the Live Ride Church in Simi Valley on August 14. (Which we did - see article elsewhere in this BW.)

Thanks to the volunteer cooks Steve and Guy - great food as usual! We serve a killer meal for \$5 bucks at 6:45 pm on the second Tuesday of the month at VFW Post 10049 located at 4242 Los Angeles Ave in Simi Valley. Our meeting starts at 7:30 pm and lasts for an hour or so. The VFW Post has a full bar and compliments our great meal. We had our 50/50 drawing that was won by Jim Kibbe and our membership drawing was won by a no show, so it rolls over. If you want to win the big bucks, come to our meetings! Speaking of our meetings, we miss all that could not attend. Our officers give out some great information about ABATE and then there is the camaraderie!

All of us officers and volunteers work hard in providing all who attend our meetings with an abundant amount of information about ABATE and all the other things that affect us, and non-members as well. This is some great dedication that happens every month for our members as well as guests and soon to be members. From my standpoint I thank all of us because I know how important our rights are and the information helps me to spread the word to non-members who, hopefully, will become future ABATEers or will support our movement! Ride with Respect, PTL Norm e. New

Local #08 Orange County

Greetings from Local 8! It's been a super summer so far and I'm looking forward to having more fun this fall! This month we had a great meeting. We had good discussions about Bills SB 435, AB 1952, & AB1848. We even had four people get excited about attending the State Run this year. We also spoke about getting a larger group together to attend the state run.

Ryan and I stopped by Local 20's meeting on a Tuesday to visit and to talk about the upcoming 5th annual Trick or Treat Poker Run event put on by Local 8 and 20. This year's event is going to be a lot of fun. The vibe is positive! We might have a few new stops on the poker run. The games and events always go great and we are currently discussing the idea of having a new Tattoo contest this year at Cooks. We will have Trophy's and Run Buttons for the events. Also we are going to have a great band and drawings.

So mark your calendars for Saturday, October 30, and join us for our Trick or Treat Poker run at Cooks Corner in Trabuco Canyon in Orange County. Until then, see you at the State run in Kernville. Daniel.

Local #13 Ventura County



Greetings! Our Local attended a Memorial Ride for Paul Fletcher (Fletch) a long-time ABATE Local 13 member. Paul served as Sergeant at Arms and Road Captain.

Reflecting on this past month finds me reminiscing about why I joined ABATE Local 13. About 18 years ago, my husband and I were at a motorcycle event at Lake Casitas. A guy next to us in the crowd says "Hey now, are you all ABATE members?" Paul told us what ABATE was doing for motorcycle rights. He mentioned that ABATE had a great group of diversified riders and invited us to the next meeting in Ventura.

So we rode our Shovelheads 28 miles down the road. Paul introduced us to the members, the room was packed and we joined that night!

We attended many Regional and State rallies with Paul and he would always meet and greet new people with a "Hey now!" ABATE Local 13 will really miss Paul and his sense of humor.

Our Local 13 meetings are now being held at Port Hueneme VFW Post 3935, 300 South Surfside Drive on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm. Come join us. Luci.

Local #19 Pomona Valley

Summer is almost gone and I don't know where it went. We are finally getting some weather that feels like summertime but it has been pretty mild this year. I hope you are out there having some fun. It seems like every weekend there is a lot of things to do. All you need is a Bailing Wire, Thunder Press or something like that to see there is more going on than you have time for. Pick your fun (ABATE runs/events first) and go enjoy what you picked out.

August had the 70th anniversary Sturgis event. The folks I talked to said it was packed but they really enjoyed themselves. Some folks went on cross-country rides and came back with some great stories. Locally, there was so much happening it was hard to keep up with it all.

September has several things coming up that may interest you. Of course our own ABATE State run in Kernville. Then there is the Nuggets Poker Run to benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation to fight cancer. There are more things coming up in October and November.

One I want to also mention that is coming in December is the ABATE Local 19 and Pomona Valley HOG Toy Run. This will take place the first weekend in December (5th) with the proceeds going to Santa Claus Inc., so some kids will have a Christmas that would otherwise be impossible.

Please keep up the fight for or against the issues ABATE continues to work on. There are candidates out there that need our support as well. November is just around the corner and we need to get out there and vote. Please remember that ABATE supports candidates that support us and the issues that concern us even if we don't agree with every issue they support. When you are in the voter's booth, always vote your conscience. You must vote for what you feel is right, but please get out and vote.

Please take time to attend your Local's meetings. That is the best place to obtain information about what is happening in your area. It's also a great chance to spend some time with the other members of your Local.

LOCAL NEWS

It is perfect for making plans to attend functions, work on various projects or just have a bite to eat with people from your area.

Local 19 always meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month at B's on Benson and Holt. Come and join us. And please be safe out there on the roads. I look forward to seeing you out there on the road. In the meantime, keep the shiny side UP! Ed.

Local #20 Orange County



We had a very short meeting with 21 people in attendance. Our guests were Whitey, Jerry, Billy and Ryan and Daniel from Local 8. Steve and Linda Burr are our newest members - welcome to Local 20!

The big topic was the Smog Bill - SB 435. It won't take effect until 2013. Other issues discussed were baffles and loud pipes. Any tickets received for ANYTHING, get a copy of it to Gill or Spike so it can be documented. If you get a ticket/case dismissed, keep a copy of the document in your saddle bag for proof. Slam's ticket was dismissed in court when he got his ticket a few months back. Power in numbers.

Gill is starting a campaign to get motorcycle parking at all state, municipal, county and city parking structures. There is no parking for the bikes. If you attend any city council meetings, let your voice be heard and let them know you are with ABATE.

Spike gave a quick overview of what happened at the Board meeting in Ontario in July. The main topic again was SB 435.

The Halloween committee had its first meeting. Linda B joined up with the group. She has some great ideas. Meetings will be emailed as needed. We need raffle prizes. Local 8 and 20 work together on this.

Carl lost out on \$95. The treasure chest keeps getting richer! Squirt.

Local #21

Daryl says "hi" - they weren't close to the fires up there (Lancaster) and he sent the funds in from the Local!

Reminiscenced a bit about the BIG Move from Ventura to the High Desert (come this Labor Day it will be 5 Years!!!) - Wow, how time flies!!



Local #22 South Bay

Hi, Everyone! We had our regularly scheduled meeting this month at our meeting place, Walkers, in San Pedro. I had sent out emails and made contact with our Local members to let them know we were going to discuss amping up donations and participation.

We had a good turn out and our most important news is that we have a new member! Welcome Steve! Many members that I contacted said they were going to up participation. I also asked our members to call, email and fax the Assembly members regarding SB435. I am happy to say I got a lot of confirmation emails and calls from people who did it.

Johnny spoke about the importance of getting to know the "Powers that Be" regarding our politics and letting them know who we are, regardless of their political affiliation. And he, Johnny O'Kane, got congratulated on his new position, Legislative Director of ABATE!!! Yippee!

We also talked about the State Run. It is important to support it by attending, but if you can't, at least buy entry tickets. We are doing the President's Challenge and are still trying to sell those bike tickets.

There will be no official meeting in September as several of us will be out of town due to the holiday. Suzanne

Local #23 San Bernardino

Is everyone enjoying the summer so far? Those of us here in Southern California have been experiencing record low tempera-



tures, with the mercury hitting triple digits only a few times so far this year. This has led to some great two and three wheeled adventures for folks, I am sure. But we're not here to talk about the weather, so on to the important news and happenings of Local 23.

First, a correction to last month's L23 news regarding next year's leadership nominations - nominations will be taken for next year's L23 leadership positions during this coming October's meeting; not this past month's meeting, as I reported in last month's Bailing Wire.

Elections, for next year's L23 leadership will take place during the November meeting. If you wish to be a part of the nomination and election process, please be sure to attend both of these very important meetings. Remember, if you don't get involved with the election process, you've got little room to complain about the outcome of any election.

The ABATE State Run is going to be here before you know it, so start making plans to attend. If you haven't gone in the past, try and make this your first. I promise you will not be disappointed. Kernville, the site of the State Run, is a great place to gather, camp, ride and even play in the Kern River. Several L23 members are planning to attend and I am sure meet up spots and departure times will be discussed at the forthcoming meeting, so be sure to attend.

Until next month, ride safe and keep protecting your freedoms. Russ.

Local #24 Fresno

About 40 members gathered at Cedar Lanes in HOT Fresno. The air conditioning sure felt good. At Ed's request, VP Scott ran the meeting, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Update on the latest with SB 435, it now seems the start of this will be pushed out a year. We have not received a copy of the current "official" bill, but all looks favorable so far. There are still many steps before the bill becomes law. Jim Lombardo is watching this closely. Many thanks for his work for ABATE.

Lots of runs in our area in the next month or two. Please attend those that will help out ABATE and our local area.

Local 24's next BIG run is the End of Summer Run to Santa Cruz and dates have been set. On Saturday, October 9, we will meet at Denny's (Jensen and 99) at 0830 for sign ups. On Sunday, October 10, we plan a Day Ride through the Santa Cruz Mountains. Those that went last year know how much fun this run is. For more information contact Ed at [559] 647-6153 or Scott at [559] 801-7248.

Phil reported we have 130 current members and 14 business members. The current economic conditions in Fresno are causing major problems for all.

Lots of donated items were raffled off. The 50-50 pot of \$111.00 was won by Ed. He split the pot in half for two members that have no jobs. Chuck won the \$50.00 membership drawing and also split the winnings.

On a final note, the Local 24 family has two members facing serious health problems. We ask all ABATE members to pray for the Pat Holmes family and Dallas and Mama T.

Local #25 Sacramento



Our June and July meetings had a low turn out. Hope everyone is enjoying their summer. In June we talked about the then upcoming Assembly Transportation committee hearing on SB-435. In July we discussed the outcome of SB-435 from the hearing.

To all the negative people who think ABATE rolled over by going neutral on the bill they need to think again. The Senator didn't have to amend the bill and could have still got it out of committee. Feedback that I got from my shop in the Capitol prior to the hearing from the committee staff, ABATE was the ONLY organization to come in or contact their offices opposing SB-435. They never heard from any other organizations. BRAVO ABATE.

LOCAL NEWS

So the other MROs turned in a few petitions. 36,000 total signatures is just a drop in the bucket out of 830,000 registered motorcycles in a state with 17.3 million registered voters. The fight is not over, it still is going to take 41 Assembly votes to get to Arnold and he can veto it. ABATE can't oppose the bill but everybody as an individual still can and those other MROs can also. Tell the governor to veto SB-435. Go to the ABATE web site for the latest info on SB435. Gary.

Local #27 Riverside



Greetings All! This will serve to inform the members of Local 27 that at our monthly Membership meeting on Tuesday, July 6, our President, "HR" Ray Fleischman stepped down from the position for personal reasons.

Among the important issues discussed at the meeting was the decision to mail a check to the General Fund of ABATE of CA. The money was from the proceeds of the Bare Necessities Run held in March of this year.

At the Event Committee Meeting, held on Tuesday, July 13, the vacant position of President was filled by the Treasurer of Local 27, Greg Covell. He then appointed Ida Snyder as Treasurer. They will both serve as Interim Officers until the next Local 27 Elections on Tuesday, November 2. Nominations will be held at the Membership meeting on Tuesday, September 7.

In Ontario on Saturday, July 24, Local 19 hosted the quarterly meeting for the Locals' Presidents, Political Action Committee (PAC) and the Board of Directors (BOD) for ABATE of CALIFORNIA. Greg C attended as President of Local 27. Ida S was there on behalf of the Southern Regional Rally Committee to present a check from the proceeds of the recent Southern Regional Rally to the BOD. The 3 day camp-event is traditionally held in May, over Mothers Day weekend. This year the event was held at Canyon RV Park in Anaheim.

The next Local 27 fundraiser will be the 2nd annual Poker Run or Not on Sunday, September 12 - flyer in this issue of the BW.

Retention of members in Local 27, as well as throughout the entire organization,

continues to need work. E-mails are sent out monthly as reminders, but, "If we don't have yours, you won't get ours." Local 27 has a website at www.abatelocal27.org. Check it out!

The monthly Membership meetings for Local 27 are always held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm at Flo's Farmhouse Café, 5620 Van Buren Blvd in Riverside. C'mon down and join us for supper! The food's good and reasonable and the staff is great!! Geep.

Local #38 Imperial Valley

How's everyone doing in Local 38? Hope all of you are having a great summer. Sorry to have to mention this, but one of our newest members passed away last month. Danny Gelvin passed away on July 13, 2010 from complications with leukemia. I had known Danny for quite a while and always asked him to join ABATE. Well this last January he finally joined. He certainly will be missed and our sympathy goes out to his family. He's certainly in a better place now. May God be with him.

Remember our events coming up: Anniversary Poker Run October 2, Turkey Run November 20, and our Christmas Toy Run on December 18. Take care and ride safe. Your president, Steve Mitosinka.

Local #40 Bakersfield



Thank you Robert (Sleepy), for taking the time to give us an update on helmet law citations. Motorcyclists are being targeted on a number of different angles. Motorcycle safety checks that lead to noise tickets and helmet tickets! Officers specifically ordered to randomly pull over all who ride a motorcycle for a safety check. What!? In America that is called DISCRIMINATION regardless of how you sugar coated!

For all who may encounter an officer in the near future here is a helpful way to Assert your Rights: Officer, please understand:

I have the right to have an attorney present if you want to question me or conduct any search of my body or personal effects. I am not giving my consent to any type of search. If I am under arrest, I wish to invoke and exercise my Miranda Rights. I want to speak with an attorney now. I do not want my personal property impounded, nor do I consent to any impoundment. I request the opportunity to secure my personal effects. If am not under arrest, please tell me immediately so that I may leave.

I read this on the back of Attorney Richard M. Lester's business card. There have been a few times in my past I wish I would have asserted my rights in this manner. Thank you Godfather!

The ABATE State Run begins on September 17 at Frandy Campground in Kernville. All who where there last year, and all who were not, know that was the weekend we lost our beloved Jim and Debbie Harmon. On Saturday, September 18, the Widow Makers MC, friends and family will be placing an Iron Cross on the place of their passing. The lineup will start at 8 am and the ride will leave at 9:30 am. The lineup will be at the campground entrance. The memory of Jim and Debbie will live on in my heart and the hearts of many. Jim, Debbie save some grace for me! Omar

Local #44 High Desert



Sorry I missed last month's deadline but I was a little "under the weather" but all is well now!

First off, Local 44 held it's first street clean up of our section of "adopt-a-street" on Sunday the 15th and had a very good turnout of "worker bees"! A big "Thank You" to Cindy, John, & Stephen Demel, Glenice Hatfield, Don McAfee, Jeff Ozanne, Gary Witthans, Carol Cromwell, Tina Sanders, Gary Woods, and of course, my lovely

wife Carol. We managed to pick up 22 large trash bags of debris and left our section of Hesperia Road in much nicer condition with about 2 hours of work! I have scheduled our next clean-up day for October 9th and will keep you informed as the date approaches as I know many of you wanted to help but already had other events scheduled for our last date. Bottom line, we had plenty of workers, they did a great job, and hopefully it will be even easier the second time around!

The State Run in Kernville is rapidly approaching (September 17th - 19th) and our new 2010 Harley Davidson Super Glide Custom raffle winner will be drawn during the event. Please plan on attending and supporting ABATE. The campground is right on the Kern River and in the middle of town, so we have easy access to food, drink, and lots of fun. Kernville is a very pretty, walkable, and friendly little town, full of antique shops, so come on up, even for just a day, if that's all you can spare, and party with the Local 44 Motorhome Queens! It's a beautiful location and who knows you may even have to figure out how to get your brand new Super Glide home! Sell those tickets and make sure your name is on some too - you can't win unless you buy at least one for yourself.

Ride safe and ride often, remember it's just miles and smiles! Dave H.

Local #47 Barstow



Howdy All! Well here it is time for (last call) ABATE State Run this month. I hope everyone has made plans to attend. Take advantage of the 4 tickets for \$50 offer being made. Good run, good time, good for ABATE.

Speaking of good times, get out and campaign for our biker friendly politicians. It will ensure we get people in Sacramento to help us. Have fun helping them and helping us.

It's summer, do something for ABATE and get out and sell the Bike Raffle Tickets! Yermoeddy.

ABATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION TIME

It's that time of the year – Bob Blatz replaced Lady Kay and Nominations for the 2011 & 2012 Dave Hastings served out the Board of Directors. SHOULD have thought of this LAST MONTH!

It's tiered elections, so for the odd numbered year – that means that 5 Board positions are to be filled. Either by re-electing those that are already on the Board, or nominating someone else to run for the two-year commitment to serve the members of this organization.

The 5 Board member positions to be filled are currently held by Lori Adams, Bob Blatz, Gill Mellen, Lil' David Morena and Dave Hastings. You might be thinking when you read a couple of the names, "Whaddya mean? Bob Blatz and Dave Hastings were just appointed to the Board in 2010." You are right, but they were appointed to complete the term of the person they replaced.

balance of Tim Tenimmon's term – both terms would have been up at the end of 2010.

Qualifications to run for the Board are:

- YOU must be an ABATE of California Member for one year; and,
- Be a current member of ABATE Of California; and,
- You must reside in the State of California; and,
- Be nominated by another current ABATE Member (either in your Local, State Officer or a Board Member).
- Nomination is to be seconded by another ABATE member in good standing. (email this

information to the State Office – carol@abate.org)

Okay, so now you have met all the qualifications above, as the **Nominee** you will need to submit a "bio" or "why am I volunteering" (500 words or less in a Word document) and a picture of yourself (in a jpg file) and email it to: Bailing.Wire@abate.org by the **15th of September** to be put into the October Bailing Wire.

The November Bailing Wire will have the Ballot to vote for the Board of Directors – and it must be received (a date to be determined) in December. No matter how many candidates will be on the ballot – you can ONLY VOTE FOR 5 people.

We need your nomination, and for you to write up a brief reason of why other ABATE Members should vote for your nominee; we also need a picture of your Nominee. Word document (500 words or less) and the picture in a jpg file emailed to Bailing.Wire@abate.org. We need it by the **15th of September**.

This one is a tough one to determine. YOU can only **pick one** and the hardest part is that every Local has an outstanding Freedom Fighter they would like to honor for the 2010 year.

This will be included with the Ballot for the Board of Directors.

Be sure your Membership is current or your votes will not be counted!

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Sporty's Rides

by Lee 'Sporty' Milligan

Just sit right back and hear the tale of a faithful trip that started on the tiny..... Sporty here on Milligan's Island aka Sporty's Rides. Well welcome to my world chocked full of adventure and mayhem.

The Northern Regional Rally was July 16, 17th & 18th. Because the Local 1 meeting was on the 18th I had my best friend, Mr. Peter Daniels, sub for me as acting Pres. Of course any trip that is of this great magnitude I would need to leave the day before the event started so I could be there in time for the rally. So loaded up with gear, I was off. I am going on everyone's favorite route, Interstate 5, yea baby. It use to be stops for gas and cigs; now since I don't smoke anymore, it's gas and water BECAUSE IT WAS HOT.

Riding all day to some where is fun. The miles pile up and it's a test to see how far you can get before you stop to rest, especially if it's hot. Well after a day of stop and go, I finally called it a day in the town of Williams, which is off Interstate 5 and Hwy 20. Stayed at the local Motel 6 and it was cheaply priced. Ate at Denny's - dinner and breakfast. Williams is one of those Calhoun Hee Haw towns where you get to poke fun at the locals. Well I did, just being me - smart ass that I am sometimes. To prove my point, at the Chevron gas station a pick up truck pulled in while I was getting gas and low and behold two of the guys in the pick up truck were in their finest Hee Haw outfits - bib overalls. So to Williams, population about 5 thousand, a big Hee Haw salute.

I left the town and proceeded to my final destination, Kelly's Family Kamp ground in Upper Lake, CA. On the way there, off route 20, I stopped and checked for phone reception. There was none. Thank goodness I had called my best one and let her know that fact. She doesn't like to ride on the bike, so these trips are my away time so our marriage will work. For those who have to know, so far over 20 good years of marriage.

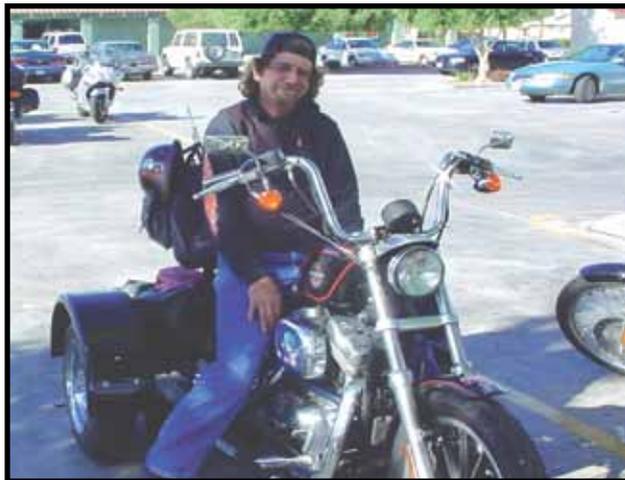
Finally got there and they had things going fairly well. Not too many folks there when I arrived, but things were progressing somewhat. After setting up the tent (that was easy enough), I was hot so after some small talk I went for a dip in the water hole they have there. It was refreshing to say the least.

OK, I had to figure out what to have for dinner - that damn diet - but well OK it's necessary to keep me sorta healthy. I bought roasted chicken from the Chevron Travel plaza. Nice. That took care of Friday night. Saturday I had breakfast at an eatery called Judy's (I think that was the name) and I had a pork chop breakfast that was reasonable. Later that morning I went on the poker run, which was a

tour guide of the area Clear Lake. This was fun and the stops provided us with refreshments, which was nice. No, I did not win the poker run, but had fun just the same.

When I got back I again went for a swim; sweet, just what the doctor ordered. No, I did not participate in the bike games this year. Dinner was very nicely done tri-tip for those folks who can eat this stuff. Lori went out of her way, bless her, and made me chicken with carrots and baby new potatoes - really nice. They had a band and it played ok music. I had a great time. It's just too bad that more of the ABATE members from up north, and for that matter down south, didn't show up. (That is a matter for another time.)

Thanks to Lori for a good time and those who helped her provide fun for those that cared to show up. A big Sporty thanks.



Since I had a long ride home, I left early Sunday morning as I wanted to get back to Williams and call Glen C and let him know what was up - a sorta report from the road. No dice, he musta forgot. Long ride home, but was back home by 4 pm tired but refreshed.

The following weekend was the Board meeting in Ontario that Local 19 hosted. They arranged for discount at a nice hotel for our pre-Board meeting Friday night. This is done so we can proceed with the business of ABATE at the meeting in a timely fashion. Meeting went well and my Membership report went well. The winner of the \$250 cash prize to help fund the drive was from our Executive Director's Local 58 and that made them happy. By the way, thanks to all that helped sell those raffle tickets. Once again the drive cost nothing. However there is only enough money to cover the drive completely, no trinket purchases this time however.

Ok, Board meeting was done by 3 pm. I guess in my haste to leave the meeting I forgot to get my tank bag and once again panic set in. For the next 2 hours I was in panic mode. However, it turned out that Sarge had taken it to his house and I got it back when I got home. Gotta stop having brain farts, crs, afs, ams, you older folks know what I am talking about. Yeaks!

The next day I went on Local 2's Sweaty Buns run. The only ones to go with me were Bob Warren and his friend. We had a great time and I almost won the high hand. Sweet time had by me from the Local 2 crew. I like this run very much. Thanks to Steamer and the folks at Local 2. They do this poker run nice. I especially like the mystery bag's raffle prizes. They put prizes in brown bags and it's a mystery as to what you will get. Again thanks Local 2.

I had a little problem at my job with the county in weed abatement. Seems the safety committee deemed my little fender bender cause to require me to take a refresher course at the Pomona Fair grounds class given by the Sheriff's department. Problem was I musta been too nervous and messed up two of the exercises and they took my driving privileges for county vehicles away. So for the past month I have been working in Glendora and sometimes in Southgate instead of Malibu/Topanga. However, August 11, I had a retest on the exercises I messed up on so I was given a passing grade - yea baby! I should get the official reinstatement shortly and then I can drive the county vehicles again.

The last of this month's mayhem is the Blessing of the Bikes provided by the Live Ride Church. There are members of Local 2 in this group and Norm and Richard invited me there. Local 2 provided an ABATE booth because Norm said he would ask Sporty (me) to set up a booth if Local 2 could not do it. But they could and they put up the booth. It was fun as well as educational seeing all the church bike groups. I enjoyed myself and sold a bike raffle ticket.

OK, we have finished my three hour tour of my recent adventures. Be advised to look me up on the e-mail site for all your membership needs. Till next time, like Red Skelton use to say, "Bye-bye and may God Bless." Regards, Sporty

Pac/Lobbyist Report

by Dave Hastings, Treasurer

Part of my job description is to keep accurate records and report all of the income and expenditures related to our Political Action Committee (PAC) and also do the same for our Lobbyist Account for Jim Lombardo. Well the good news is we have paid Jim through the 3rd quarter of this year, but I have had to deplete the Lobbyist Fund to do so. I realize we are in the midst of some very tough financial times but ABATE of California has a contract to abide by and we still have another payment due to Jim on October 1 for the last quarter of this year. So this is always the part of my job that I dislike and that is beating up on our Locals to fulfill their obligation to the Lobbyist fund and assist in paying "their" bills.

Every Local statewide should either be paying Lobbyist shares monthly or sending in a lump sum check annually for "their" obligation. This system was enacted by ABATE to ensure that we had the funds to fulfill our signed Lobbyist contractual obligation and evenly spread the cost statewide between the Locals. Please help us by paying "your" bill for "our" Lobbyist! I don't think anyone can deny we get our money's worth out of Jim, especially this year. So ask your Local if they have paid their shares and if not figure out a way to do so. It's your responsibility and each of our Locals contractual burden.



ABATE is the only motorcycle organization in the state that has a "full time" representative in Sacramento working to inform, advise, guide, and protect us from legislation that would adversely affect our motorcycles and our right to ride. Other organizations may come and go occasionally, but we are there 24/7, tirelessly doing a sometimes thankless job, protecting every rider's right

in California to the best of our ability. Maybe we are too polite, too understanding, or too embarrassed to ask other riders to pay their fair share when we tell them about ABATE and the job we do for "free" for them. Maybe it's time that we start to "demand" that they pitch in. We get requests for help constantly from non-members, everyone always needs information about tickets, helmets, noise, runs, smog, etc., but where are they when we try to pay the bills?

Should 10% of the riders always have to carry the other 90%? Has ABATE become just a welfare agency for the riders of California? Have some of our Locals opted out of contributing and chosen to collect our benefits just like the non-members do? Let's all contribute to our dedicated funds the best that we can and "demand" that the rest of the riders in our state contribute also.

Freedom is not "free" and if we don't fight for our liberties, we will surely lose them. Step up, work your butt off for ABATE, pay your fair share, and start demanding everyone else does too. Our ABATE journey has never been an easy one, but if we work together we can make it a fun one!

THANKS TO ALL THAT DO, AND THOSE THAT DON'T, PLEASE TRY TO! I "demand" it! Dave H.

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Tech Tips by Craig Griswold

Pre-Ride Inspection

In July's issue we covered a few highlights on tires, a good opening topic for discussion on pre-ride inspections. A full-on axle to axle safety inspection probably isn't practical before every ride. That type of detail could be saved for, and should be conducted with, every service. That said, a cursory look around the bike can reveal potential problems.

We covered tires. So what's left? Take a quick look at the brakes. How are the pads? Any fluid leaks? Take a few seconds now and then to just grab and twist fasteners. This is no substitute for the periodic torque check of critical fasteners, but you'd be surprised how often you'll catch a loose axle cap nut or shift lever fastener. Always better to find it on the bike.

Check the oil level, AFTER the bike is warmed up. The oil level will typically

read lower when the engine is cold. There are two reasons for this. The oil will expand as it is heated and displace more volume. Secondly, some oil may sump into the lower end, especially after the bike sits for prolonged periods. This is more common with the pre-Twin Cam oil pumps on models with the oil tank above the bottom end of the engine (Softails, older FLT's, etc.). Once the bike is started, that oil is scavenged back into the tank. If you add oil and then start and warm up the bike, the overfilled system has little to no room for venting, and that will almost always end up on the outside of the bike. Also remember that some models require the bike to be level, while others on the kickstand. In almost all cases, if your oil cap has a swivel type dipstick, it is checked on the kickstand. If the dipstick is rigid, it usually requires the bike to be level. Check your owner's or service manual.

Whether you're conducting a quick look-see or a full blown safety inspection, you'll benefit greatly by keeping a copy of the maintenance checklist that's in the front of the service manual. This check list outlines all the items that are covered for every mileage based service. If you do your own maintenance, this will help you catch some of the most overlooked maintenance checks like lubing clutch and throttle cables and checking spokes. Even if you don't spin your own wrenches, ask your shop for a copy of that list. It's good info to have handy. Ride safe!

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2010 ABATE Events

September 12 – ABATE Local #27 – 2nd Annual Poker Run - Sign-in 9am – 10:30 am \$15/person (includes Lg or XLG Tee-shirt to first 100 at sign-in) American Legion Post #79; 2979 Dexter Dr.; Riverside. More Info: Ken at Kennuttall@aol.com or 951/377-5772 OR Greg at gmcvl@yahoo.com (Flyer this issue)

September 16 - ABATE Local 27 & Jay Gordon and the Penetrators – Party in the Park – American Legion Post #79 at 2979 Dexter Dr; Fairmont Park; Riverside 6pm – 11pm \$10.00 Cover charge/person (Flyer this issue)

September 17, 18 & 19 ABATE State Run – Kernville. (Flyer on page 4)

September 18 – ABATE Bike Raffle Drawing - Frandy Campground, Kernville.

Hope YOU have Bought YOUR Bike Raffle Ticket(s)!!!

Someone is going to Win and It could be YOU!!

October 2 – ABATE Local #38 Imperial Valley – Poker Run (flyer this issue)

October 3 - ABATE Local 17's – Solano & Napa Counties - Annual Memorial Run join us in paying tribute to our ABATE brothers and sisters who have passed on.

We will meet at Miss Darla's, 110 Peabody Rd., Vacaville, at 11 am and ride to the Road Trip Bar & Grill in Capay where we will share our memories and celebrate the lives of our friends and loved ones. Contact Frank Guzzo at [707] 449-0652 or Mike at [707] 688-4550. www.abate17.org

October 9 - ABATE Local 17's - Solano & Napa Counties - Biker Bingo Fun Run join us for Biker Bingo. 5 stops, 5 games, \$5 donation/card, no limits, payouts at each stop. Starts at 9:30

am at Miss Darla's, 110 Peabody Rd., Vacaville. Contact: Mike [707] 688-4550, mfsouthward@comcast.net; or Scooter [707] 688-8874. Web: www.abate17.org

October 16 – ABATE Local 29 Morongo Basin – Annual Laughlin Run. (Flyer this issue)

October 16 - ABATE Of California, Inc. Quarterly Meetings – Hosted by ABATE Local 25, Sacramento. La Quinta Inn, 200 Jibboom St; Sacramento 95811; For Reservations 916/448-8100

October 30 - ABATE Local 8 & 20's - 5th Annual Trick or Treat Poker Run @ Cooks Corner in Trabuco Canyon in Orange County. More info? Ryan 714/785-8384 or Gill 949/632-9787

November 14 – Totally Kids – “One More From the Heart” – Loma Linda Info – Honda Ray 951/279-4370

November 20 – ABATE Local 38 Imperial Valley – Turkey Run (Flyer this issue)

December 5 - ABATE Local 19 & Pomona Valley HOG – Annual Toy Drive

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COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

LOUD BIKES LOSE RIGHTS: Municipalities from coast to coast are giving motorcycles the silent treatment, and riders rights groups and industry analysts fear that a wave of ordinances aimed at muffling noisy bikes will create a confusing patchwork of laws nationwide and could turn frustrated riders away from the \$12 billion motorcycle marketplace.

Laws restricting motorcycle noise have been around for years and come in many forms; some are against certain types of products such as a New York City ordinance that subjects riders to a minimum \$400 ticket for having an exhaust system that can be heard within 200 feet, while others are aimed more at the intent of the operator such as a Lancaster, Pennsylvania, ordinance that makes it illegal for riders to over-rev their engines.

In Denver, which passed a unique muffler law three years ago that requires EPA labeling to be displayed on pipes to prevent bikers from installing louder after-market exhausts, Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (AIM) attorney Wade Eldridge was recently quoted in a local CBS-4 story investigating the controversial attempt to reduce noise emissions.

Eldridge, who specializes in representing motorcycle riders in accident and insurance law cases and who is a rider himself, was quoted in the July 23 interview as saying: "I think it (the Denver loud noise law) was something the city council passed that they knew was unenforceable," and suggested that to fight back "those who receive tickets should demand trials."

Though rarely enforced since Eldridge won a key case against the Denver noise ordinance, with only 46 tickets handed out to date, police in Golden, citing state law, have issued 81 noise violations in the last 6 months. The city is using a Colorado state statute, C.R.S. 42-4-225 that requires that vehicles be equipped with an "adequate" muffler, and outlaws any "excessive or unusual" noise. According to Eldridge, "the law lends itself to arbitrary and discriminatory enforcement -- the police can stop you for whatever reason."

"The powers that be in the City of Golden have apparently made a political decision that they don't want us in their city," observed Eldridge, adding that, "The police department will continue stopping us, and writing these tickets, until enough people PLEAD NOT GUILTY AND INSIST ON A TRIAL... when the court is backlogged with these cases, we will see some official pressure to stop them."

In the meantime, further information on fighting such tickets can be found on the website of the Colorado Confederation of Clubs (www.colorado-coc.com), of which Eldridge serves as legal counsel.

MINNESOTA CLAIMS VICTORY FOR CUSTOM MOTORCYCLE BUILDERS:

The state patrol in Minnesota, like many other police agencies, use license plate scanners in their patrol cars that can read up to 1,000 plates per minute, but they are unable to read the vertical plates on some custom motorcycles. "It didn't take too much to sneak a new law through and after the 2008 session vertical plates were illegal," said Todd Riba, ABATE of MN Legislative Director, "but not for long."

ABATE of Minnesota's lobbying team and State Coordinator started to work on the problem, and State Senators Amy Koch and Ray Vandever stepped forward to carry their bill.

The state patrol didn't want to give up its ability to read motorcycle plates, but ABATE didn't want the custom bike folks to lose the right to trick out their rides. It took a lot of creative thinking to come up with a solution, but in the end that's what happened. The bill passed and the Governor signed it into law, becoming effective August 1.

Here is how it works: the DVS will offer vertical reading license plates. You will be able to mount these plates in vertical license plate brackets and law enforcement's scanners will still be able to read them. The plates can be ordered just like vanity plates and riders will have to pay an extra fee, but these new vertical reading plates should keep you out of trouble and if you sell the bike you can keep the plate for your next custom ride.

HABITUAL OFFENDER HELD WITHOUT BAIL IN CYCLIST'S DEATH:

A Westerly, Rhode Island woman has been ordered held without bail on charges that she struck and killed a motorcyclist with her car. Laura Reale, 27, did not enter a plea at a July 22 arraignment in Washington County Superior Court on an indictment of driving to endanger, death resulting.

According to an NBC-10 news report, a judge ordered her held without bail after a prosecutor said Reale had been hiding marijuana use by submitting another person's urine samples. She will be held until her lawyer can find her a drug treatment program.

Reale is accused of running a red light in Westerly on May 16 and crashing into a motorcycle driven by 27-year-old Colin B. Foote. Reale has a history of violations, with 27 moving-vehicle violations on record.

Foote's death led to a new state law aimed at preventing habitual traffic offenders from driving.



KEYSTONE MOTORCYCLE SAFETY CAMPAIGN:

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation has announced a free online program celebrating the freedom of motorcycling called the "Live Free Ride Alive" program. "The campaign reminds riders to take it easy out there and accept personal responsibility for their actions," said a PennDOT spokesperson. "It addresses issues of drinking and riding, speeding, and being properly trained and licensed to operate a motorcycle."

Pennsylvania riders can enhance their operating skills and safety awareness by taking free training offered through Pennsylvania's Motorcycle Safety Program. The live courses are free to Pennsylvania residents and are held from March through October at approximately 70 sites across the state. Motorcycle permit holders who successfully complete the course will be issued a motorcycle license.

NEW JERSEY LAWMAKERS INTRODUCE FEDERAL GANG LEGISLATION:

According to information recently circulated by ABATE of the Garden State, New Jersey congressional representatives are pushing new federal legislation to deter gang activity.

In early August, U.S. Sen. Robert Menendez (D-N.J.) introduced one bill in the U.S. Senate while Rep. Frank Pallone (D-6th Dist.) introduced a version in the House of Representatives. The legislation claims to address "criminal street gang problems" from several angles.

It would fund billions of dollars in programs for at-risk youth, including \$5.5 billion in grants for state and federal programs. Menendez and Pallone also want \$3.5 billion in grants over five years for police departments to fight gangs.

The legislation would also create or increase federal penalties for gang activities. For example, engaging in a "pattern of criminal gang activity" - meaning committing two or more crimes related to gang membership - could send someone to prison for up to 30 years.

AGING ROAD WARRIORS AT HIGHER RISK:

Continuing to ride a motorcycle may keep some senior citizens young at heart, but as the riding population grows older they are more likely to be injured or die as a result of a mishap when compared to their younger counterparts due to factors associated with aging.

Researchers at Rochester University Medical Centre in New York released findings earlier this spring indicating that half of all motorcyclists needing emergency treatment in 2005 were over 40, double the number in 1993, and accidents involving riders in that age group were twice as likely to be fatal as those involving younger bikers.

Of all injured riders included in the study, those aged 50 to 59 were the fastest-growing group, while those between 20 and 29 were the most rapidly declining group.

Age-related changes, such as decreases in bone strength and brain size, may make older riders more susceptible to injury. Other factors associated with aging, such as impaired vision, delayed reaction time, and altered balance contribute to motorcycle crashes in this population.

In the study, which was published in the March issue of the American Surgeon, researchers using the National Trauma Databank reviewed the records of 61,689 motorcyclists aged 17 to 89 years involved in a motorcycle crash between 1996 and 2005.

The average age of motorcyclists involved in crashes steadily increased over the study period, which is consistent with published statistics from the Motorcycle Industry Council which report that the average age of motorcycle ownership rose from 33 years in 1998 to 40 years in 2003.

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WEIRD NEWS: PYRAMID POWER USED TO STOP TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS: Since the days of ancient Egypt, pyramids have been credited with supernatural or paranormal properties, and now their putative powers are being harnessed by Indian police to reduce road accidents.

After meeting with an expert in Vastu, an ancient Hindu system of construction similar to Chinese Feng Shui, traffic officers in Nagpur are strategically installing small pyramids at accident-prone sites in the city in hopes their claimed positive energy can stop deadly crashes.

Vastu expert Sushil Fatehpuria, who offered his services free of charge, said that each 30 centimetre tall pyramid will have a copper bottom and five smaller pyramids inside. "I think the accidents are caused by negative energies. So we need to minimize or convert the negative energy into positive ones," he said. "I will energize the pyramids. I will transfer my positive thoughts into the pyramids."

A combination of an increase in drivers, many of them untrained, poor road planning and lax law enforcement have made India's roads the most dangerous in the world, with more than 114,000 fatalities each year. Good Luck!

EDUCATION CYCLES: The United States has donated 115 motorcycles worth \$524,398 to an African educational center that coordinates tutors in the Uganda cities of Lango, Acholi and Teso.

The motorcycles were handed over by the U.S. Agency for International Development to Uganda team leader, Elise Ayers, at Asuret Core Primary Teachers College in Soroti in May. Ayers said the motorcycles would enable the tutors to make a minimum of three visits to each school in a term to mentor and provide professional support to teachers.

INDONESIAN CAPITAL LIMITS MOTORCYCLE TRAFFIC: City officials in Jakarta are mulling over schemes to limit the number of motorcycles allowed in certain areas during peak hours to help unsnarl the city's acute traffic jams. The Indonesian Motorcycle Industry Association estimates there are about 35 million motorcycles in usable condition in the country, and in the capital city of 8.5 million people there is nearly one motorcycle for every person and growing by nearly a thousand new bikes every day.

This extraordinarily high number of motorcycles has exacerbated the city's already awful traffic, especially during rush hour, and plans are in place to begin banning bikes from a number of main thoroughfares in this mostly Muslim nation after the holy holiday of Ramadan, requiring riders to continue their journeys by public transportation.

Motorcycle numbers have been increasing for six years throughout the country, driven by affluence and affordable credit schemes. Today, a new motorcycle can be purchased with an initial down payment of Rp 500,000 (US\$50).

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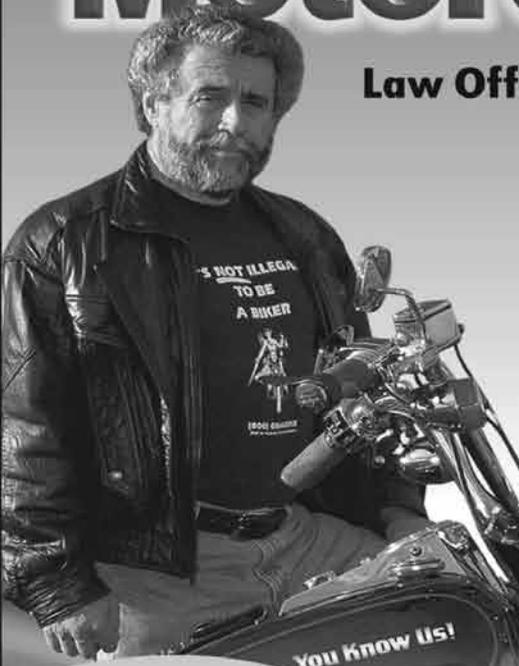
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by Norm e New

ABATE Local 2 was on the move again. On August 14 we were blessed to have a booth at the Live Ride Christian Churches 9th annual Blessing of the Bikes; our second one in a row that I know of. This was a packed event with over 200 bikes and many more people, more than I could count, this was a very organized event and we got to be a part of it! Our VP, Scott Burton, and I set up the booth on Friday, the day before the event, and we had a great location. The many, many Local 2 volunteers helping out with the booth throughout the day were President Ray, VP Scott, Stephanie, Pat, Linda, Pattibock, Guy, Norm, Kevin and I'm sorry if I missed anyone! The exposure we got was priceless considering this was a "free event"!

Free is a great thing considering the state of our economy and, whatever is thrown into our faces daily, I saw our members at our booth and pounding the turf all day, I talked to quite a few people and told them about our rights and the accomplishments that ABATE does for ALL. Some didn't even know what we did, so I hope they will get involved down the road. We had a table full of great literature and the right personal to give out any information needed. In fact I saw (no surprise) Sporty working there for ABATE, selling raffle tickets and talking, and talking. I talked to him for a while, too. Thanks Sporty! He's one hard working volunteer. If you looked up 'ABATE volunteer' in the dictionary, you would see a picture of Sporty. Thanks, again!

This was a great day, with free BBQ and free raffle prizes as well as great music, the emcee was Mickey Jones and he thanked ABATE throughout the day for the prizes we donated. Talk about free exposure! It was great! This was a great situation for us because it's in our own backyard (city, county) even though there were a lot of people from out of town. So I hope that the awareness leads to new members throughout our region. This is the second time in as many years that we got to do this with Sporty from Local 1. As I talked to Sporty (he was still talking!) as he was leaving, we talked about hooking up again and sharing a booth or? We agreed that our numbers could make an impact at any event, especially if it's free as in "Freedom". Thanks to ALL.



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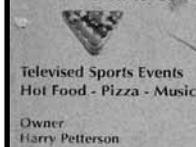


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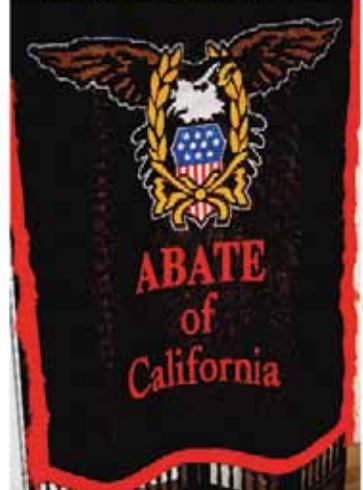


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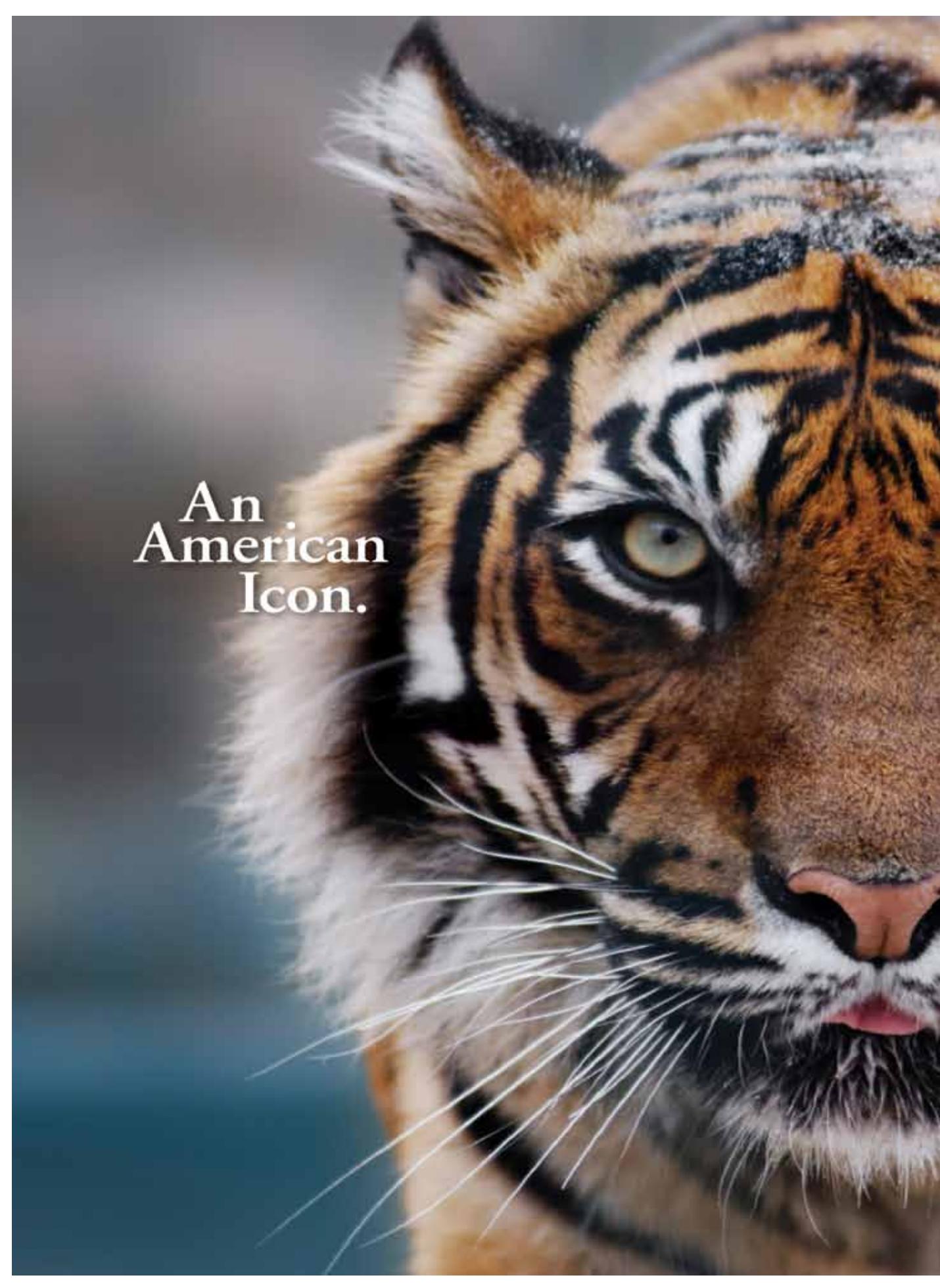
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suzpalmiere@aol.com
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Cedar Lanes
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760/367-1694
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51572 29 Palms Hwy
Morongo Valley 92256

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Last Sun. 9:30 AM
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San Jose

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American Legion
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El Centro

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Hesperia

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Trine Howell
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Cathedral City 92234

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Meet with Local#58

West San Fernando - Local#54-Reg#8

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