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AB51 SF EVENT

James Lombardo Sr, Assemblymember Quirk, James Lombardo Jr.



October 8th, 2016: With a Turnout of over 150 Motorcyclists, CityBike's "Lane Splitting is Officially Legal in California" (January 1st, 2017) Celebration was a Success.

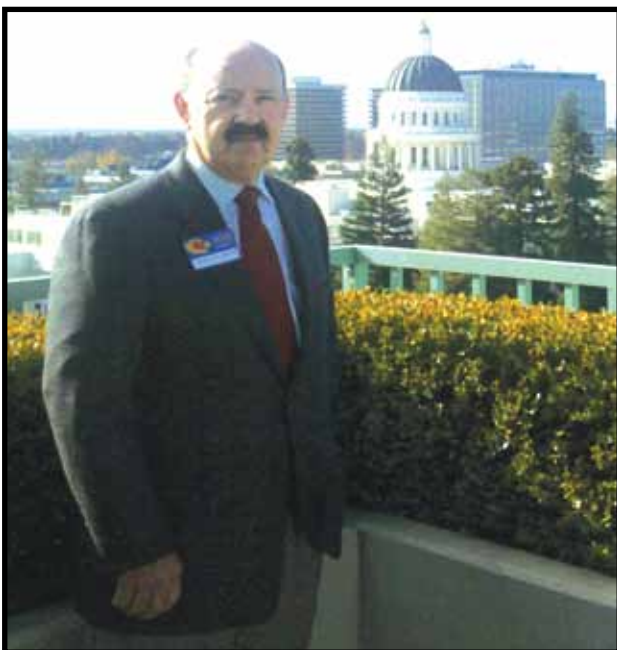
Among the selected Speakers, Lobbyist James Lombardo Sr. spoke on behalf of ABATE noting the early support of its members for 15mph/50mph guidelines in AB51. He spoke of Legislation sponsored by ABATE - HOV Access for Motorcyclists, AB 1932 a Motorcycle specific Traffic School and other successes.

A Thank You to Assemblymember Quirk, who spoke of the need for more Motorcyclists to ease congestion on Roadways, and Tomasa Duenas (Chief of Staff) who was in Attendance.

We spoke with attendees about ABATE's "Educate not Legislate" Motto, handed out Bailing Wires and finished with some Pictures and Interviews.

Much appreciation to Surj Gish (www.citybike.com) for organizing this event.

Lobbyist's Legislative Report



by James Lombardo, Lobbyist

Governor Brown signed our Bill AB 1932 Obernolte on September 24th (this information was released past deadline to make the October Bailing Wire article). Therefore, starting January 1st riders who receive a moving violation will have the choice to take a current Traffic School Program to avoid a point on their DMV record or take a new Motorcycle Specific Traffic School as a component of the CMSP Safety Training Program.

Motorcycle riders who do not have a current Motorcycle Class M endorsement and receive a ticket, may take the beginner CMSP class and get their DMV DL 389 waiver. (Some insurance companies give a discount for having completed the CMSP Class.) After taking the waiver to DMV, and passing the written test, they will receive their motorcycle endorsement and avoid a point on their DMV record. This is a major win for motorcycle riders in California!

I attended the California Motorcycle Advisory Board semiannual meeting at the CHP headquarters on October 5th. As a Voting Member representing ABATE, many issues were discussed and voted on. Assistant Chief Chris Costigan spoke on the implementation of AB 51 Quirk Lane Splitting (which was not voted on as it is not Law yet). He told us the plan was to have the former guidelines of 10/30 mph when Lane Splitting starts January 1st, 2017. The CHP will monitor the Lane Splitting for a few months to see if there is a need to call a Meeting of the CMSP Advisory Committee to review and make suggested changes. Stay tuned!

The election is November 8th - Please VOTE and be ready for another busy year in the Capital fighting for our Motorcycle Rights!

Thank you to all those supporting the dedicated Lobbyist Fund, keeping me in the State Capital protecting OUR freedoms and our Right to Ride!!

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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



Executive Director's Report by Dave Hastings, Executive Director

Someone said a long time ago that the only things guaranteed in our lives were death and taxes and I've had to deal with both. Unfortunately for me, they forgot to also mention that the 15th day of every month is the deadline for the next Bailing Wire article. Seems to me I just wrote one of these, but it's already due again and our Editor and staff can get pretty grumpy if you miss their deadline. So here is my best shot at a few words of wisdom in a timely manner for our November issue.

ABATE has been around for a long time and we have, like all volunteer organizations, lost many good members along the way. Sadly for me, and many others that knew him even better than I, we lost a giant of a man on October 9th of this year. Paul Thomas did not possess a particularly large stature, and was a very quiet man by your usual biker standards, but his passing has left a huge void in our organization. Paul was just always there, quietly working, taking care of the details, tying up any loose ends, and doing his best to make sure our organization was the best it could be, day in and day out.

I met Paul at my first Regional Rally and worked with him until his last. He, like so many others in ABATE, did his job without seeking any type of public recognition or accolades. Over the years he held many different positions and always seemed to be someone who gave us 100%, even when his tired young body was only working at 50% - and that was on a good day. Some say he cheated death because he lived much longer than his doctor's diagnosis. I like to think he

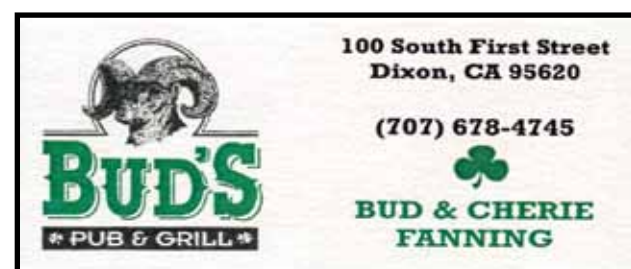
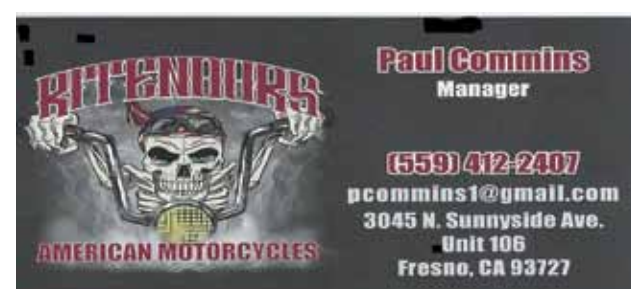
treasured every day of his life, chock full of love for his family, his friends, and even his ABATE brothers and sisters.

Paul, like so many others we have lost before him, will always be on my mind, and with me when I'm out on the road. Rest in peace my friend, and know that my thoughts and prayers are with your family. You will never be forgotten and you will never be replaced. You were unique, gifted, and truly one of a kind. ABATE has lost an irreplaceable asset. Your presence made everyone who knew you a better person in some way. It simply doesn't get any better than that.

ABATE will survive, we always do. Now it's your turn to step up and fill a niche in our organization. Most of our work is still done by people just like you and Paul. People that really don't care if they leave a legacy, or if they receive accolades and recognition, just people that see a need and step up to fulfill that need. ABATE succeeds when you do your best to allow us to do so.

We are all volunteers, we give of our time and we stand up for what's right. I really do feel every ABATE member wants to "make this country great again". You can vote for whomever you choose on November 8th but those five words fit perfectly into our biker outlook on life and country. We will always stand tall, strong, and fight to the end, to preserve and protect our motorcycle rights and lifestyle.

ABATE may never see another Paul Thomas or any of the other names that just as quietly left their mark on our organization in the past. But, we do have you. You are the future and the next hidden asset of our organization. Let your strengths become intertwined with ours and every rider in California will become stronger. The choice is up to you, think about it.



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.

ABATE of California now has their off road division up and running!

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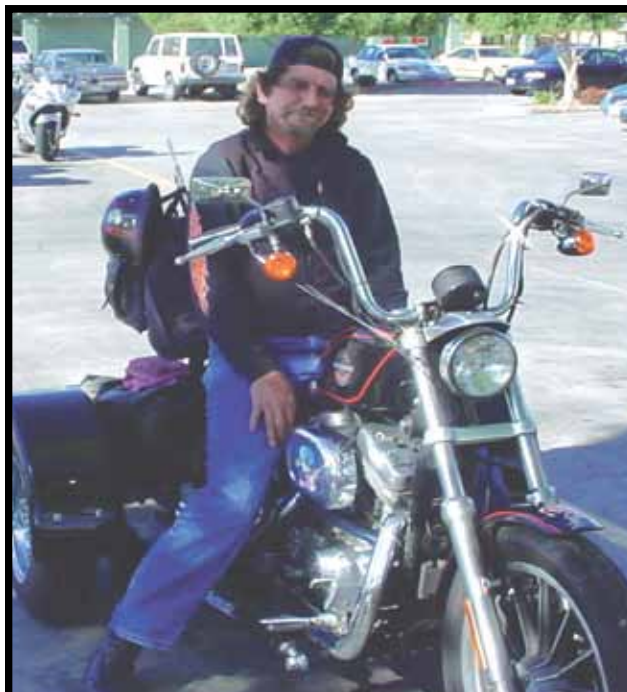
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MEMBERSHIP REPORT



by Sporty Milligan, Membership Chairman

Hello all ABATE members! It's that time of the year when you start attending

the Christmas toy runs. With that said, remember to bring with you the ABATE membership application cards. There are two major successes that you can hit up the perspective new member with - AB-51 the Lane Splitting bill authored by Assemblyman Bill Quirk and co-authored by Assemblyman Lackey and AB-1932 the Motorcycle Specific Traffic School bill authored by Assemblyman Jay Obernolte. Both these bills were supported by ABATE of California. You can also tell them that next year we will be working on an anti- profiling bill. Again, the plea goes out to get younger members.

Please keep the members of your Local happy and content by getting important motorcycle related items to them via the internet.

If we all work together, we can sign-up more members, keep our renewals and make ABATE grow. Remember there are only a couple of months left in the 2016 Membership Drive. Remember that there is unity and strength in number of members.

If you have ideas about recruiting new members, by all means share your thoughts with the group and email me at williammilligan285@yahoo.com.

Regards, Sporty Milligan, Membership Chairman

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LOCAL REPORTS

Local #01 Los Angeles



Yes we still exist. Meetings are kind of small. We have money to run the business of Local 1. There is a limited amount of Local 1 t-shirts available - large and extra-large.

We have a Toy run on December 12th, flyers are out now.

30th annual Polar Bear run scheduled for February 26th, 2017.

ABATE's Voter's Guide is now on line for the election.

Members, please continue to sign-up members for the Membership Drive.

Keep the faith, Sporty, Local 1 President

Local #02 Simi Valley



Thanks to ALL who could make it to our meeting tonight and to those who couldn't make it hope we will see you at our next meeting. It's that time of the year to vote for the officers for the 2017 year!

Well the BBQ was roaring when I got there. We serve a great \$5.00 meal of burgers, hotdogs and all the fixin's you could want. Thanks to our volunteer cooks, Frank and Jim, great job! We serve our fantastic meal deal from 6:45 until 7:20 and our hosts have refreshments available.

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at VFW Post 10049 located at 4242 East Los Angeles Ave. Our meeting starts promptly at 7:30 and averages around 1.5 hours of great information and camaraderie. Thanks to our host for providing us with a great meeting place every month. This has been happening for so many years, I couldn't tell you exactly how many.

VP Jim opened up with our Pledge of Allegiance. Pres Guy started the meeting and talked about a lot of stuff regarding Local 2. Secretary Jane read the minutes, Pat, our treasurer, gave us an accounting of our finances and we are doing good. Frank, our membership coordinator, gave this report. We had 1 renewal. PR coordinator Norm talked a little bit about this new technology in cars and driverless cars in California and talked about reading the Bailing Wire on line. VP Pattibock talked about Rips Bad Ride being re-scheduled for Wednesday, November 9th at the famous Red's BBQ and Grillery restaurant in Simi Valley. I'm going!

Bob 'PigFace' Phillips our run coordinator talked about Local 2's run to some hot sauce fac-

tory and adventures after the ride. He also talked about this month's ride. We had 2 guests from Local 3/13 sharing their runs with us and Bob said that will be the group ride for this month. Ken, the Merchandise guy, was not at the meeting.

We all talked about many things this meeting. It was a good talk from everybody. Pres Guy and Secretary Jane talked about the nominated officers that will be elected next month.

We are preparing for our Christmas party and need participation from all members. I'm sure we will figure it out at the next meeting - we always have a great party! It's potluck with Frank's super-duper tri tip! I always encourage our members to attend this party/meeting buffet and hope they all are able to attend!

We had plenty of good prizes and drawings and Steve won the membership drawing.

Check your tire pressure, the seasons changing and so is your tire pressure!

Ride safe, PTL norm e.

Local #11 North San Diego



Hi All! We had another great meeting on Sunday at the Escondido Moose Lodge. Lydia Perez started us with the Pledge of Allegiance. The President then went on to talk about various information, but kept it short. Tim Clark, our treasurer, gave us an update.

We had 2 new memberships, Richard Gruber and Adio Diloreto - yay, and thank you! Also, 2 renewals, Rick Wilson and a couple membership from Dick & Sherry Beckton. Thank you all!

Great to see Stephen Schmitt, Sarge Matthews and others at our meeting. Dick Beckton gave the COC report. Mark "Dogman" Castillero gave us a report on the ABATE Board of Directors meeting. He talked about ABATE event insurance.

Our 50/50 was won by Lydia Perez and the consolation prize won by Sarge Matthews. Make sure to attend next month's meeting on November 13th (Dan Buse and myself will be out of town). Go Ride!!! Have fun but be safe!!

Cheers, Robin Buse

Local #17 Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano & Napa Counties



Hello all members and their families - Happy Holidays! Please mark your calendar for Saturday, December 3rd, for our Annual Holiday Party 6 pm until 10:30 pm at the Moose Lodge, 6585 Gibson Canyon Road in Vacaville. Dinner served

at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$30.00 for a single and \$50.00 for a couple. There will be door prizes and DJ Ron Landaker. Come enjoy time with friends, both old and new. Dinner served and catered by the Buckhorn BBQ of Vacaville.

Please call me if you need tickets or come to our monthly meetings on October 16th and November 20th at Judy's Wild Wrangler at 10 am to get your seats for the Holiday Party! You can also call Glenn at (707) 624-6310 to get tickets.

We have had a great year at Local 17 with our membership continuing to be the largest Local in California! Please come and let your Officers and Coordinators thank you for your support and time you have contributed to our success! Let us look forward to another great year ahead.

Our 29th Annual Toys for Tots run is the following morning, Sunday, December 4th, starting at the Moose Lodge at 10 am with a moderately priced breakfast provided by the Moose Lodge to get us going. We then head to downtown Vacaville at 11:30 with our unwrapped toys. Please see the flyer for our Toy Run.

Local #20 Orange County



29 people with 3 guests attended the September meeting. Spike covered many points from the quarterly Board of Directors meeting held in Fresno last month. We need UNITY in amongst all bikers. MRO and MRF need to be stronger. Spike and Rick are talking about starting a chapter in the near future. CA is not well represented in this.

If stopped don't give out any information because the cop will make his own notes. The notes will go into the fusion center which isn't manned by a human. This will stay with you forever.

Boomer spoke about the Lobbyist fund and would like to see more money go to it in 2017. Gill presented a \$500 check from Local 20 to the Lobbyist fund. Steve Howe, Local 8 president, presented another \$500 from their Local. Well done.

Local 20 is well represented on the Board with Spike, Boomer and Gill. Should you need any information on bills, etc., you can contact Spike or Gill.

Sharon Quirk-Silva came by to speak about her campaign for Assemblywoman for Sacramento. She has been a 3rd/4th grade teacher for 30 years. Sharon has been instrumental in getting the Vets Cemetery at El Toro Marine Base or the Great Park as it's known today. Sharon, Jose Solorio and Tom Daly have backed our ABATE bills. Doreen, Spike and Gill support Sharon. Doreen and her WIN women (Women In Networking) help many people throughout the communities they are involved with.

October's bike night is dedicated to ADA Rip's Bad Ride. The Totally Kids Run is Sunday, 13 November. A house (similar to Ronald McDonald house) is now on the grounds so that family can stay to visit. Let's ROCK this run as we have in the past.

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Annual Christmas party will be held and details, etc. TBA. Andy won the treasure chest winnings of \$83.

Non Politically Correct Gill Secretary Squirt

Local #23 San Bernardino



Our Local meeting for October was full of change and mixed feelings for us. We lost some longtime friends on September 24, 2016. Jack and Annette Howell, who we see at many of the motorcycle events and functions around SoCal, died in a motorcycle accident.

Jack was an active member of Local 27 Riverside for many years then became part of the FTW Riding Club. I knew Jack for a long time. He was one of the first ABATE members I ever met. We had a moment of silence in their honor.

A few of us attended a candlelight vigil at the place where the accident occurred and there were a lot of people there, Jack touched a lot of lives. A memorial is planned at the Riverside Salvation Army that some of us are attending.

As for other changes, Ed Pelton and Tammy, our now former President and Secretary-Treasurer, are engaged – Congratulations! - and moving to Oregon. So we are working with new officers for the next year. Ron Morris will be the Local 23 President and I'm still around to handle our PR and social media.

Until next Time, Donald Kline, ABATE Local 23 San Bernardino

Local #27 Riverside



As most of you were aware, long time ABATE Life Member Jack Howell and his wife, Annette, were killed in a motorcycle accident recently. Over the years, Jack was instrumental with the recruitment and somewhat success of Local 27. Jack's most recent efforts were with his motorcycle riding club FTW (Fukawee Tribe Warriors). Jack and Annette's services were held Saturday, October 15th at The Salvation Army in Riverside, CA.

While we were on the memorial "Turkey Run reenactment" for Jack and Annette, (October 9th) we heard the sad news of another long time ABATE Supporter and Life Member Paul Thomas' passing. Paul died of medical complications that he had been battling for many years. Paul will be remembered by many as a staple of The Regional Rally. Paul's services were held October 25th in San Bernardino, CA.

Two tremendous losses for the southern California motorcycling community. I'm sorry, but I am at a loss for much else to say.

On a lighter note: The Turkey Run reenactment in honor of one of its founding fathers, Jack Howell, was a success - as far as I'm concerned. We had 8 bikes with the "guest of honor" Ray Thomas included. Ray was one of the "original" riders some 20 plus years ago. He rode out here all the way from Kansas to pay his respects to Jack and Annette Howell. Now that's brotherhood!

A little history: The first Turkey Run, in the early '90s, we, ABATE Local 27, provided 13 turkeys and a small amount of fixins' to the Salvation Army for them to feed the less fortunate. Over the years it grew with the support of the local motorcycling community, and the DRIVE and PERSISTENCE of folks, especially Jack. Last year, the 20th annual run, supported by FTW, ABATE, and other local groups, the Salvation Army was provided with around 1,000 turkeys, fixins', AND toys to distribute.

This year's other "original" riders from the 1st run were Honda Ray, Ida Snyder, and Kenny Nuttall. The rest of the gang were Frank Beatty,

Rick Burns, Mike and Mary Falls and son, Russ Howard, Jerry Snyder, Randy and Pam Anderson, Kevin Sorrell and Bea, Ronda Larsen, Art Rubio, Tom Keyworth, and Ratchet Ron. Thanks Local 23 for the support.

We were greeted by Major Keith Bottjen and Lieutenant Juan Oregel and delivered 28 turkeys to them. They told us this was the FIRST holiday donations that they have received so far this year! After the run several folks enjoyed a meal and B.S. session at Flo's Diner.

Now here is my challenge to ALL of you. The Major said they have over 800 families to provide Christmas dinners to! We started with 28! IF WE CAN DO IT AGAIN AS GROUPS, OR IF IT TAKES 800 OF US AS INDIVIDUALS, let's do it!

Grant Godron, by not being at the October Local 27 membership meeting you did not collect any money when your name was drawn for the membership drawing. BUMMER!

CHEERS, Kenny Nuttall, President ABATE Local 27



Local 3/13 members/booth at Exile Cycles Event, Paramount Ranch, 10/09/2016.



FREEDOM FIGHTER NOMINATIONS FOR 2016

We have received the following nominations for the 2016 Freedom Fighter, and WE do Need our Members to VOTE. Please see the ballot in this issue and send it in to the State Office by November 15th, so the Winner can be announced in the December Bailing Wire.

Geno Hamrick, ABATE Local 17 Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano & Napa Counties

With great pleasure I nominate Geno for Freedom Fighter of the Year. Geno has been in ABATE for 24 years. Geno originally joined to fight the helmet law that was



passed by Floyd. He became interested in being part of the group helping to work toward the rights and freedoms for Motorcyclists. Geno is always there for us when we need him.

Geno's first Officer position was as run coordinator. He found out, like so many others, that position is a lot of

hard work. Sometimes you had to just get the work done yourself. One of the difficulties is putting together a committee to help you organize a function. Everyone has different ideas and like work, it requires a lot of communication and listening. Geno didn't mind he would just keep pushing forward to get it done. He said that it felt good to start a project and see it through to the finish. Geno spent a few years being a run coordinator then he got a bug to try being Vice -President. He worked alongside Steve Fallon who was President. That was a fun year, a good time of growth.

Geno started working with putting out a printed Newsletter after the Vice President position. In the early stages of its existence we were trying to keep the Newsletter small but informative. There was always a crush to get it printed and sent out to the people in the Local. Often we would put it out at the regular Meeting for all. There was cost for mailing that seemed to get in the way.

Geno has always been willing to jump into projects and help others in office and at different functions. You get to see all the participating members and grow within the group. Actually we, Local 17, are a "Community".

Geno also got the bug to work on setting up a Website for Local 17. At first, we couldn't get anyone interested in having a Website. After some struggling with the site for a while, Geno offered to get involved and finished putting the site together and got people to pay attention to how it could be used.

The next point of interest for Geno was to pick up the Newsletter and is continuing to build on the format and sending the Newsletter out to all the members that have email.

Geno Likes to make projects come together and carry them through to a finish and know that he has made it work.

Submitted by Glenn Phillips, President Local 17 and ABATE Board Chairman

Nick Benson Sr., ABATE Local #44/47, High Desert, Barstow



I would like to nominate Nick Benson for Freedom Fighter of the year. He has been instrumental in his ability to put out ABATE blasts in a timely manner. Plus he is going to be responsible for doing the final preparations for our Voters Guide. He was also able to be available to provide insight on legislative matters when Chuck was taking care of other life changing matters.

For the many things he has done for ABATE, I nominate Nick Benson Sr. for this year's Freedom Fighter.

Respectively submitted by Sporty Milligan, ABATE Board member

MAIL-IN BALLOT

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NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES

Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish,
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ROAD TO ZERO MOTORCYCLES: For decades, motorcycle rights advocates have warned the riding community that advances in Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) and the advent of autonomous (self-driving) vehicles could signal the end of motorcycles on public roadways. Indeed, "Vision Zero" has been under development primarily in Europe to remove human interaction from the operation of vehicles in public transit, therefore eliminating human error that results in traffic accidents...and since motorcycles require human operation they do not fit into the Vision Zero scenario.

Now, the U.S. Department of Transportation has unveiled plans for a new initiative called "Road to Zero" in concert with other federal agencies and the National Safety Council with the lofty goal of eliminating all traffic-related fatalities by the year 2030, and although bicyclists and pedestrians are taken into account, their plan makes no specific mention of motorcycles.

Citing increases in traffic deaths nationwide, accounting for more than 35,000 lives lost mostly due to human error and behaviors such as distracted and drowsy driving and driving under the influence, Road to Zero will focus on proactive vehicle safety, advances in automotive technology and cultivating human behavior.

But the new federal safety initiative, announced October 5, 2016 completely ignores a significant portion of America's road users, as Road to Zero apparently makes no accommodation for millions of motorcyclists vying to survive in an increasingly automated traffic mix.

FUTURE MOTORCYCLES WON'T REQUIRE HELMETS: BMW claims that motorcycles in the future will be so smart, it could eliminate the need for protective gear. To mark its 100th birthday, BMW recently unveiled a Motorrad Vision Next 100 concept motorcycle so advanced that the German auto and cycle-maker says riders won't require a helmet because its self-balancing system keeps the bike upright both in motion and even at a standstill.

BMW touted the motorbike's futuristic features, saying it would allow for riders of all skill levels to "enjoy the sensation of absolute freedom." Since the Vision Next 100 will liberate riders from the need to wear a helmet and protective clothing, BMW says the rider can be in touch with his/her surroundings, which will mean 'perfect synthesis between human and machine'.

Another traditional feature is also missing: a control panel. Instead, helmetless riders will wear a visor that acts as a smart display, although such information would not be needed all the time because the vehicle is equipped with self-driving technology and can sense the road ahead and react so that it theoretically can't get into accidents.



The futuristic motorcycle is also "zero emissions," because BMW said it believes the future of transportation is electric.

The Vision Vehicle celebrated its world premiere in Los Angeles on October 11 at the "Iconic Impulses: The BMW Group Future Experience" exhibition, and the bike was developed to address mobility issues some three decades down the road: "A time when mobility is yet more diverse and interconnected; a time when digitalization takes on a shape which we today perceive to be surreal; a time when motorcycling becomes an analogue and at the same time extraordinarily emotional experience."

A HELMET THAT CALLS FOR HELP: We've previously reported that BMW is planning to introduce an automatic system to call emergency services installed on some of its motorcycles next year (an "SOS" button), but now a Thai innovation is looking to achieve similar results from a newly-designed helmet.

While still under development, the HELPMET concept is to automatically call medics only if it's subjected to impacts hard enough to result in unconsciousness.

It incorporates the basics of a smartphone, including a SIM card, GPS, and a connection to the phone network, as well as impact sensors and a rechargeable battery. The system is only set off after impacts of 95g or higher, so accidental knocks or even a light crash shouldn't have ambulances appearing, but they will come looking if you're lying unconscious in a ditch and they'll have the precise coordinates to find you.

Another element is that users of the system will be registered to a website where they can input various personal details, so not only will the HELPMET call emergency services, it will also be able to provide information about the rider's name and address. It can also warn of allergies or pre-existing medical issues, the sort of information that could be the difference between life and death for an unconscious rider.

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY EFFORTS IN NEW MEXICO: Board members from the New Mexico Motorcycle Rights Organization (NMMRO) recently met with a representative of the state's Department of Transportation along with safety advocates of the bicycling community to discuss the LOOK FOR ME - WE'RE ALL GOING SOMEWHERE safety awareness campaign. This campaign is designed to help make the streets safer for everyone, and while the campaign is geared toward pedestrian and

bicycle safety, the NM DoT did incorporate pictures of motorcycles in their advertising, which is displayed on city and school buses.

An important message relayed to roadway users is; "Please pay full attention. Don't talk, text, or use cell phone while driving. Remain sober and alert and obey the rules of the road." During their meeting, the DoT rep listened to motorcyclists' concerns and said they would incorporate more about motorcycle safety for the year 2017 and will include NMMRO in future meetings.

In addition, the NMMRO recently sent a list of 20 motorcycle high crash locations to the city of Albuquerque to put up "Watch Out for Motorcycles" signs in those areas, and the group also teamed up with Santa Fe Harley-Davidson to bring awareness to distracted driving with a Bash a Bike event, wherein folks paid to wield a sledgehammer on a bike with messages scrawled across it. "With today's technology it's become easier to get distracted with texts, emails, phone calls and even on-screen maps for directions," said Annette Torrez, NMMRA Co-Chair and a member of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) board of directors. "The bashing was a good way to not only get out frustrations for riders, but it showed drivers just how susceptible to danger a motorcyclist is when metal comes in contact with a motorcycle."

HIT-AND-RUN BILL VETOED BY CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR: In response to an "epidemic" of hit-and-run accidents in California, citing nearly 79,000 such collisions in 2014, Assemblyman Eric Linder (R-Corona) introduced AB 2088 "as an effort to reduce the number of hit-and-runs and bring justice to the victims by ensuring that offenders face consequences for their reckless decisions."

On behalf of such victimized motorcycle riders, ABATE of California supported the measure, and the legislation to mandate a six month license suspension or community service for leaving the scene of an accident causing injury or death, received strong bipartisan support and overwhelmingly passed the state Assembly 78-2 and was unanimously voted on in the Senate 39-0.

But despite strong support from a coalition of law enforcement and victims' advocates, Governor Jerry Brown disagreed with them all, and on September 27, 2016 he returned Assembly Bill 2088 without his signature along with the following veto message: "The prescriptive mandates contained in this bill dealing with one specific plea bargain scenario unnecessarily constrain judicial discretion," and added that "each sanction contemplated by this measure is already available to the court."

NEW LAW IN FRANCE MANDATES RIDING GLOVES: French law now requires that motorcycle riders wear gloves, and according to the website motofire.com, "Riders caught without hand protection will face a fine of \$76 and have a point added to their license."

France already requires motorcyclists to carry a hi-viz reflective jacket or vest in case of a roadside emergency, and wear a helmet that displays "at least 18 square cm of reflective material," a violation that carries a \$152 fine.

According to the report, France also requires

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riders to carry spare bulbs and an alcohol breath-testing kit, a rule widely ignored since a violation carries no fine.

Of course some riders have taken offense at the perceived violation of their civil liberties, and the FFMC, “Fédération Française des Motards en Colère (“French Federation of Angry Bikers”) has released this statement: “It’s not that we are against the gloves, the problem is that we’re forced to wear them under the threat of fines and losing points. There’s no lives at stake here, and if we don’t wear gloves then we aren’t threatening other people’s integrity.”

May we have a show of hands on this matter?

GERMANY WANTS TO BAN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES: Germany’s top legislative body, the Bundesrat, has voted to ban all internal combustion engines by the year 2030. According to Der Spiegel news magazine in Hamburg, the legislation calls on the European Commission to “evaluate the recent tax and contribution practices of Member States on their effectiveness in promoting zero-emission mobility,” effectively asking for a ban on the lower level of tax on diesel fuel within the EU.

It also calls on European vehicle manufacturers to “review the current practices of taxation and dues with regard to a stimulation of emission-free mobility.”

“If the Paris agreement to curb climate-warming emissions is to be taken seriously, no new combustion engine cars should be allowed on

roads after 2030,” said Greens party lawmaker Oliver Krischer. BMW Motorrad’s head of development Karl Viktor Schaller told Britain’s Motorcycle News publication, “It may be 10 or 15 years away, but urban traffic will be electric in the future. Maybe eventually electric vehicles will reach a range of 200km.”

While the resolution is non-binding, it may not come to fruition, but the statement of intent carries strength, especially given that German regulations have historically shaped many EU regulations.

HISTORIC MOTORCYCLES MAY SOON REPOSE AT THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS:

Historically significant motorcycles could soon be documented and have their details preserved for posterity in the Library of Congress. The National Historic Vehicle Register Act was introduced on September 22, 2016 by longtime motorcyclist U.S. Senator Gary Peters (D-MI), and is intended to help preserve the legacy of American cars and motorcycles and the vital role they play in American culture and history.

If passed, the Act would authorize the U.S. Department of Interior to establish a federal register of historic vehicles to document and preserve records of American automotive and motorcycle history.

The Historic Vehicle Association has been working with the Interior Department on the registry proposal since 2013, and the project would create a permanent archive of significant historic vehicles within the Library of Congress. The Library of Congress is the research

library that officially serves the United States Congress and is considered the de facto national library of the United States.

This method of documenting notable motorcycles in history was inspired by what’s been happening for nearly every other part of American society. Since the 1930s, the Department of the Interior has been working to document historic buildings and other historic sites throughout the United States. These efforts were bolstered by the National Historic Preservation Act in 1966, and since then the National Register of Historic Places has grown to include a multitude of buildings, landmarks, ships, aircraft, etc.

Although the National Historic Preservation Act made it possible for automobiles to be included in this database, none have yet been documented. The National Historic Vehicle Register will help document historic vehicles as they exist now, preserving their information for future generations.

There are standards and qualifiers for a motorcycle to be registered. Vehicles must be connected to a significant person or event in American history, or have a unique design or rarity, to be eligible for the register.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: “For the saddest epitaph which can be carved in memory of a vanished liberty is that it was lost because its possessors failed to stretch forth a saving hand while yet there was time.” ~ Justice George Sutherland (1862-1942), U.S. Supreme Court



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Pac/Treasurer's Report

by **Dave Hastings,**
PAC Treasurer

I'm assuming this article will be released after the November 8th election, so I'm hoping you voted and our motorcycle friendly candidates will be in office in 2017.

ABATE PAC has been evaluating and working to establish our legislative agenda for next year and at this time an anti-profiling/motorcycle discrimination bill seems to be one of the highest interest items on our list. We are establishing a discussion/study group to evaluate the best plan of action for a new bill and the procedures required to set it in motion.

ABATE PAC knows this will be a hard sell to our legislative members and everyone watched the last bill go down to defeat because of the perceived expense of ad-



ditional law enforcement training requirements. We will be working on that argument and many others that we are sure will be used against the bill. Our goal is to be better prepared to show a specific need for this legislation and be ready to counter any and all arguments that may arise as the bill moves through the legislative process on its way to the Governor's desk. No time line has been established for the introduction of this bill but we will keep

you updated on our process and the bill's progress.

If you have not already become an active ABATE PAC member I encourage you to do so soon. Much of the discussion regarding pending legislation is not openly communicated to the general public because of privacy and strategy concerns, so to keep current you need to be present at our PAC meetings. Make plans now to be involved with your ABATE PAC legislative agenda in 2017. We value and actively request your individual input and you will also become a voting member of our PAC. You will then have an active voice in the direction ABATE PAC travels down the hallways of our California state legislature.

So don't delay. Join ABATE PAC today, actively participate and become part of our process, and help us guide ABATE PAC to additional success in 2017!

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December 4th – ABATE Local 17 – 29th Annual Toy Run – (See flyer this issue for details.)

December 11 – ABATE Local 1 & Glendale Harley-Davidson 29th Annual Toy Run (See flyer page 7 for details.)

December 17 – ABATE Local 38 – 25th Annual Los Niño's Toy Run (Details TBA).

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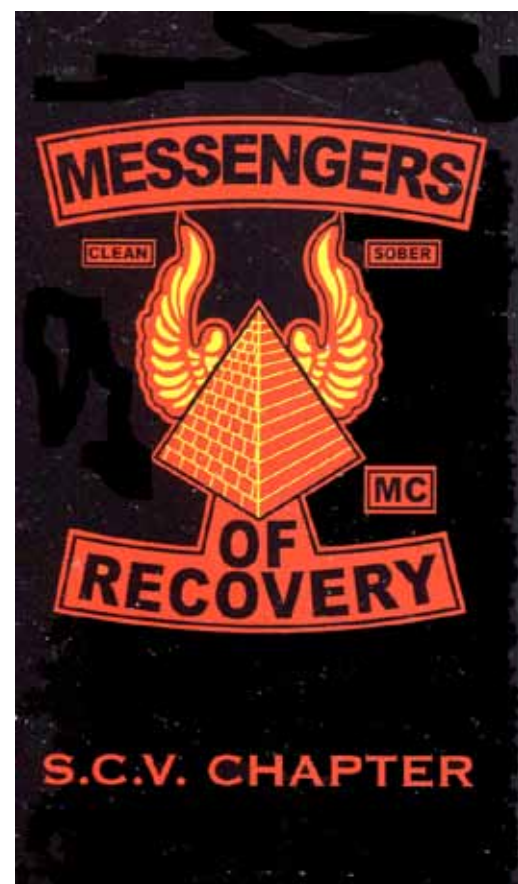
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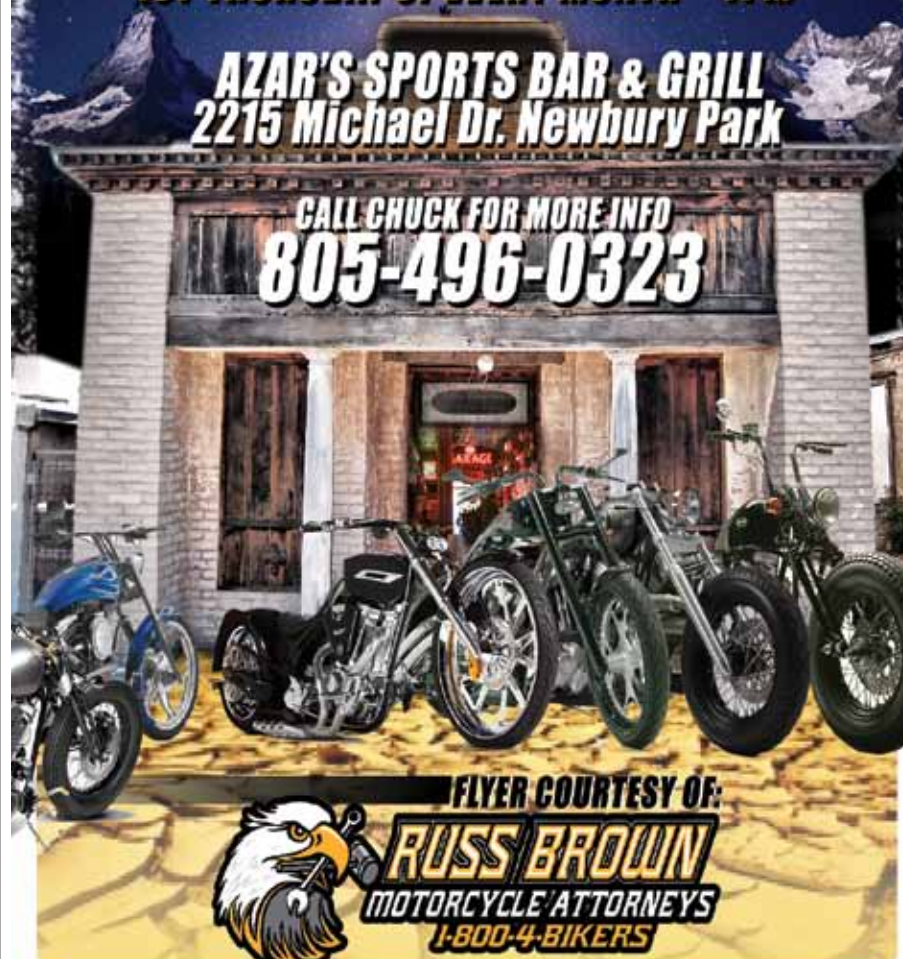
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Benefit for Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

by Robert Nadler, ABATE Local #01

Exile Cycles had their 20th anniversary party at the Paramount Ranch in Agoura on October 9th. It was a great event to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

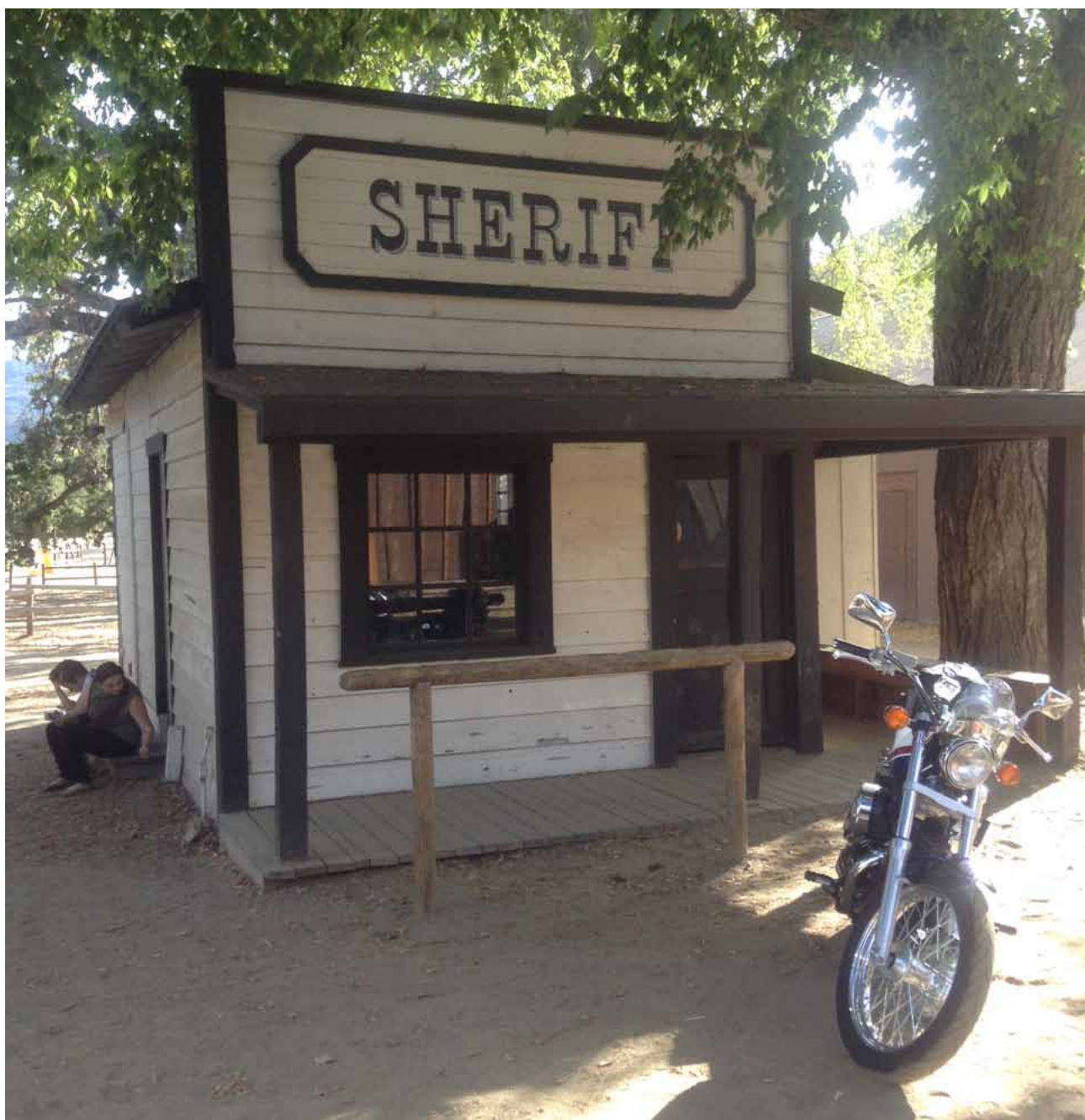
The Paramount Ranch is an amazing location. A lot of television shows and movies have been filmed at this location. There is even an oval track where James Dean once raced.

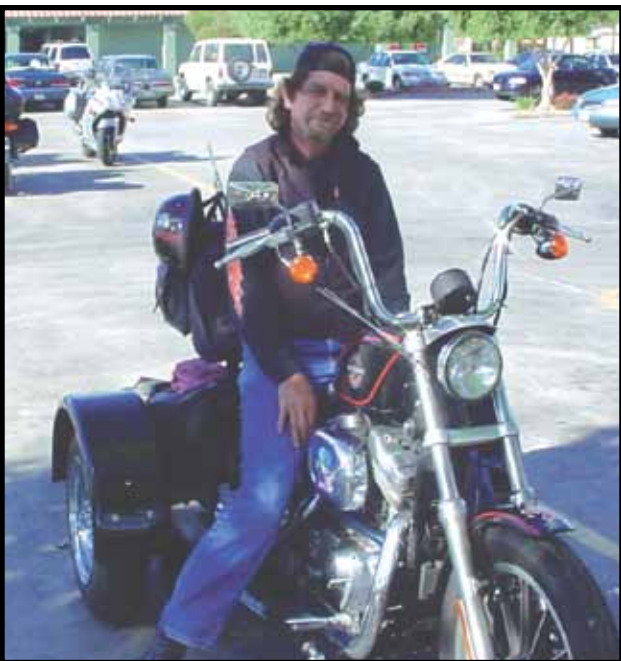
It was a great setting for a biker event. A lot of space for vendors, food trucks, and a large covered area with plenty of seating to enjoy a hard driving classic rock band. There were great bikes and trikes on display and even a Vincent Black Shadow next to one of the vendor's booth.

Quite a few ABATE members were there letting folks know about the issues that affect us as motorcyclists. A lot of the attendees were very interested in the lane splitting success we all recently shared.

The owner of Exile Cycles, Russell Mitchell, funded this party and there was no charge for admission. Russell has been featured on television and many magazines regarding his innovative and unique approach to custom motorcycles and he is a great guy who greeted just about everyone that attended. He had endless energy and a constant smile on his face and was the ultimate host for the event. The ladies also enjoyed his good looks - he is a former model.

All in all a great day to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. See you next year!





by Sporty Milligan

Greetings all! I will start out by saying this edition of Sporty's Rides is being written after I have done my morning walk. I do a morning walk because I have to get my body healthy. So at least 6 times a week I do a power walk of about 45 minutes to 1 hour. I usually take a different route every day so as to not get bored. I also try to work up a sweat so I can maintain my weight. I would like to get down to at least 185, but so far I am maintaining a weight of 194. So goes the life of a retired one.

I have been able to attend many of my special meetings that I was not able to attend when I was working at my job with the county. They help me get a better perspective on life. That cannot be a bad thing, right?

September 17th was the Board of Directors meeting in Fresno. I had made arrangements for lodging at the Piccadilly Airport Inn in Fresno. I also took my 2002 883 which I had turned into a 1200 and it was the first long trip since the conversion. The trip was ok. I stopped a few times along the way to rest.

When I got to Delano, I filled my tank up (actually overfilled it) then I got lunch. I also called my best one to see if I could get a phone signal. Connection established, call was short as my wife was busy. So I pressed on.

Shopped at the Phil Raine CalTrans rest stop off Hwy 99 a few miles before Tulare. I wanted to see if their coffee machine's decaf had improved in taste. Answer to that burning question a big YES.

However I had a problem. When I was walking back to my bike my prosthesis developed a crack in the metal part of the foot area that holds my fake foot in the boot. This caused me to walk like I had a severe limp. I had to be very careful the rest of the trip up there so I would not lose my ability to walk.

Finally arrived at the hotel, checked in, got my room then ate dinner at the hotel bar with ABATE members of the Board. The Board of Directors meeting went OK. In fact the meeting was over by 3 pm. That was good because I had to scam home as September 18th was the Local 1 meeting.

The ride home was uneventful, which is always good. The bike ran smooth and strong.

I am busy again and had a Regional Director meeting Local 19 on Wednesday, September 28th at their meeting spot in Ontario. It is always a good meeting, small but informative. They had elections and Jeff Bassler is still President. They treat me well there and that is good.

Rest of the month I was dropping off flyers to the various shops for Honda Ray's favorite charity, One From The Heart, which is November 13th. Also had flyers for Local 19's toy run, which is December 3rd. We finally got an LA toy run, which is on December 11th, so I am also passing out flyers to the shops on that one, too. There were also flyers for Local 3/13's Trivia run and a run put on by the Elks Tujunga Lodge. October 2nd I was at the Rock Store putting out more flyers.

I had requested, via email, a booth for the 20th anniversary Exile Cycles event at the Paramount

Ranch in the Agoura-Malibu hills area. I had to bring all my stuff to run the booth. I had Odie and Mark Cobin meet me at the Park & Ride off Victory and Winnetka across from Pierce Jr. College. Jim Nickla joined our booth later in the morning at the event. Our booth was next to Local 3/13's booth. We had a good day getting out Bailing Wires and flyers and we collected \$60 in donations for the Lobbyist fund.

Russell Mitchell's shop, Exile Cycles, has withstood the test of time. They make neat custom bikes and bike parts. They were occasionally on the biker build shows in the late 1990s early 2000s. We might do this event again next year.

This concludes this month's Sporty's Rides. Thanks to you all for reading these columns! Be good to yourself and ABATE by going to ABATE events.

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Motorcycle Safety Report

by **Norm e. Newiger,**
Safety Officer

Reality is Real

Good bye summer! It was a fast, long hot season! I hope everyone got to ride accident free and had great adventures. Whether you like to ride with a group or as a soloist, riding is what's important. I do both or it's me and a friend. Over the years I did it all. Riding with an agenda, and when I talk about agenda I mean what was the ride about, this was usually a weekend thing.

As I aged unscathed I matured in what I did when I was younger and let me tell you I was one lucky dude. For example, I rode with certain people that had bar routes that was a part of their ride. We all knew that we could ride good enough to get home safely no matter how much we drank. I used to ride with the stoner group. We thought getting high and cruising was much more enhanced than riding sober. We always made it home safe even if we were still buzzed.

Sometimes my excuse was that it was boring because of lack of scenery or an empty highway and therefore we needed to change our brain cell structure, it was just a temporary thing! I wasn't an alcoholic or stoner, I was just a young man that didn't care about what could happen if the poop hit the fan, as long as it wasn't me or someone I was with. It was like we'd say tough luck dude and move on. We would always stop and help out if there wasn't anyone there, whether emergency services or good Samaritans. What we wanted was to escape the realities of the work week or whatever crap that was in our lives and riding was the reality we wanted to be in. We just thought we could enhance our surroundings if we were drunk or buzzed, I know now that that was a lie to myself, but at the time that was my excuse and I stood by it. Fast forward to today - give or take approximately 45+ years - and I have changed. It was a slow maturation process, but I grew out of being young minded.

The behavior I'm talking about started back in the early 70s, as teenage legal riders all we needed was booze and girls, but mostly booze. It was good to have an older brother or sister to purchase the goods, true story! For me the good thing about these alleged facts that I have stated was that all the bros I rode with never crashed or got pulled over for an evaluation of sobriety when I rode with them. You could say we were very lucky. One of the big things was there were a lot less vehicles on the roads back then including motorcycles. I remember drunk driving was a slap on the hand, but nowadays you are forced to change your life for a while.

If it's your first time and there were no accidents, injuries or deaths involved, the minimum is fined \$390 and over \$1,000 in ordinary penalty assessments, plus additional DUI-only assessments for a total of approximately \$1,800, 48-hour jail sentence or a 90-day license restriction allowing you to drive to and from your work and for work if required, and to and from an alcohol treatment program. If the 90-day restriction is imposed, it begins after your DMV four-month suspension or 30-day suspension followed by a five-month restriction.

You must attend and complete a \$500 (approx.), three-month alcohol treatment program and it's 9 months if your blood alcohol level was 0.20% or higher (the law for a DUI is 0.08% or higher). Completing the program is a requirement for ever being able to drive or ride again following a "per-se" DMV license suspension and for minimizing that suspension to 30 days (plus five or eight months of restricted driving) instead of the six- or ten-month flat suspen-



sion that would otherwise be imposed. Loss of your driver's license for at least 30 days, followed by either a five-month restriction to drive to, from, and for work and to and from an alcohol treatment program, or an additional two-month restriction that allows you to drive only to and from the program.

What I just have written is the minimum fine for a misdemeanor DUI conviction. The maximum penalties for a misdemeanor first DUI conviction in California is a \$1,000 fine plus over \$2,600 in penalty assessments, six months imprisonment in the county jail, a six month license suspension, ten months for blood alcohol level of 0.15% or more, having your vehicle impounded (stored at your expense) for 30 days, and being required to attach an "interlock breath" device to your vehicle that will not allow the car to start if there is any alcohol on your breath, this will cost you approx. \$800. These fines I'm talking about are the ones that involved you just driving or riding with no accidents, injuries or death. If you have an accident and cause injuries, then you better call a lawyer when you're sober!

Here's some really important information for you as well: In a simple nut shell, mitigating factors and aggravating factors. The two are an east to west kind of thing, mitigating factors reduce the punishment because they may explain or excuse the behavior, on the other hand, if there are aggravating factors present, prosecutors and courts are less likely to provide a lenient sentence.

The mitigating factors is the first offense goody two shoe guy that barely was at 0.8% and had a good driving record and voluntarily completed a substance abuse program. The aggravating factors mean you're a bad boy. There are many reasons to be labeled aggravating, 2nd offense, reckless driving, speeding, suspended license, causing an accident, injuries, even if you had a child in the vehicle etc. This list goes on and on and the fines and punishments are based per case rather than what the minimum mitigating cases are. In either case they say you should consult a lawyer especially if you're tagged in the aggravating factor. It only gets worse if you're a second, third or fourth violator. It can become a felony with serious ramifications.

In the state of California in 2015 there were 214,828 arrests for DUI. That's a crazy number and let me tell you, they were only the ones that were caught! California led the nation and the second most state was Texas with 90,066. As a nation we are at 1,500,000 for 2015. The age group that led to these statistics was 18-24-year olds at 25.3% and in my age group 55-65 was 9.3%. Beer at 54% led the most common alcohol and wine was last at 2%.

As a nation there are 28 people killed each day and 720 injured each day. In America the annual drunk

driving cost to the U.S. is \$199,000,000,000. There are more statistics to this, but I won't get into it. It's an amazing quiet problem we have and I can see the money it generates. This cost does not include money spent on everything that's not specific to the law but the victim's and other things that one has to spend, just think about the grieving family etc.

We are entering another huge problem on the road as well - it's called drugs. With the new marijuana freedoms and other drugs that are legal and illegal this will just add to the pot of money we all spend. Even over-the-counter drug arrests are up. Yep, they say cough syrup mixed with a little alcohol is on the rise. I know people use alcohol and drugs to escape reality or whatever their problem is but it's got to be something that we need to re-focus on. In California alone there are 589 arrests for DUI everyday 24/7/365! These are real scary numbers because I know what I used to do and it hasn't changed probably since day one when we were falling off of horses.

It's been a graduating problem and in recent years it has escalated to the point where we are MADD! Actually MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers) started because of our drunk driving plague. I'm all for it because I've had friends and family killed because of drunk drivers. From all the statistics I've read, I'm sure most Americans have had a friend or family member injured or killed or even knew the person who was the drunk driver. I truly believe that once marijuana is legal in our state we'd get another spike in arrests and accidents of all vehicles. It's illegal to ride a bicycle drunk or stoned, and boats as well and dare I say, airplanes! I know that we all live in our reality and sometimes escaping from it is healthy, but the drawbacks could be not only devastating to one's self, but it could also have serious ramifications that we never intended it to have.

As a rider I think about how close we are to each other while riding or driving. Sometimes we are less than a yard from opposing traffic doing 60+ mph and that's real close to injuries or death in a heartbeat if one's mind is not there. I love to ride and accept these realities, but it's kind of making me think about what to do. Lobbying and continual education sticks out mostly in my mind, but it's not just about the few who do this. We need compliance from every one on our roads these days and if you think otherwise then you could become a statistic in a heartbeat! A DUI conviction stays on your record for 10 years and each conviction before your 10 years are up only adds fuel to the fire that's against you.

If bar hopping is on your agenda for the day or weekend just remember our local government is out there to get you off the streets not only for your safety, but for everyone else who loves freedom of the road. Please stay on the right side of statistics and remember, it's not us who says we are drunk or loaded when caught, it's the law enforcement enforcing the law. Ride sober and free, it's a great reality to be in. I'm grateful for the last 30+ years of riding sober!

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND REGION I SEMINAR

REGION I: CALIFORNIA - HAWAII - IDAHO - OREGON - WASHINGTON

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REGION I: CALIFORNIA - HAWAII - IDAHO - OREGON - WASHINGTON

Agenda-November 12th, 2016

- 10:00-12:00PM NCOM Board of Directors Meeting
All Attendees Invited
- 12:00-1:00PM Lunch
- 1:00-1:30PM Freedom of the Road Throughout the Nation
"Doc" Reichenbach - Chairman NCOM Board, ABATE of FL
- 1:30-2:30PM Legal Issues in Our Region
Chris Slater AIM Attorney, Oregon & Washington
Joe Lester AIM Attorney, California
Frank Martin AIM Attorney, California & Idaho
- 2:30-2:45PM Break
- 2:45-3:30PM Regional Meeting - Legislative Problems in Our Region
Moderators: Robert Smith - ABATE of Washington, NCOM Board
Jeff Rabe - MMA of CA, HAMC, NCOM Board
- 3:30-4:15PM The Tragedy of Waco Update
Sarge - NCOM Board & Louie Nobs - NCOM Board
- Patch in the Court House
Annette Torrez - NCOM Board
- 4:15-5:00PM Confederation of Clubs Meeting
Moderator: Tombstone - Chairman COC of So. California, Vagos MC
Reports from Representative of Each Confederation Present
- 5:00-6:00PM Christian Unity Seminar and Meeting
Moderator: Louie Nobs - NCOM Board

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Ed Aranda Last Thurs - 6:30 PM
Edward_A12@yahoo.com
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Bakersfield - Local#40-Reg#6

Robert Zamora 3rd Tues. 7:00 PM
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5430 Olive Dr
Bakersfield 93308

High Desert Local 44/47-Reg #13

Dave Hastings 2nd Sat. 9:30 am
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