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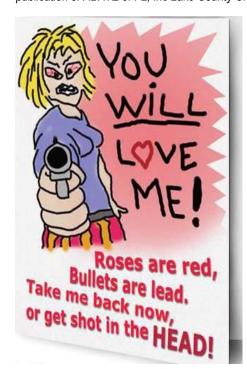
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President & Vice President Reports



Hey all, first off, I need to apologize for not getting a report in the last N/letter. No excuse other than procrastination & letting time get away. No one's fault buy my own. That being said, I want to say thank you for your thoughts & generosity at the Dec mtg. It's not very often I'm at loss for words, but I was literally left speechless. Choking back tears I managed a heartfelt thank you. I will say it again, thank you! The past holidays were filled with lots of fun things to do. Renee did a great job providing lots of fun at

the Christmas party. I think everyone had a blast. Shortcake planned us a nice ride for Christmas Day --with a fabulous breakfast by Annaroow. Lots of good food at her & Ron's house. Then New Year's hospitality at Mama Boob & Jim's house—lots of fun. Thank you to all that worked & also those that participated. Lots of stuff coming up. Our Tallahassee trip is just around the corner. Soon behind that is Daytona Bike Wk. Than LSBG Bikefest will be here before we know it. The trip to Tally is our most important event we do. It's also on the list of must do's. It's an amazing experience, I think, that everyone should do. You will never forget it. This year will make the 21st year, riding to the Capitol, for Vera & I. It is still awesome. With LSBG coming please mark your calendars. It takes everyone to make it work, like it has in the past. Hope to see you there. One last thing, I hope everyone's holidays were filled with joy & fun. See you in Tally-- — Till then Ride Safe, Ride Free "Griz"

I hope everyone had a great holiday season. Looking forward to our Tallahassee trip. We will be leaving on Sat Feb 10, State Meeting on Feb 11 and ride to the Capitol on Feb12. Several people are taking vehicles and can carry bags. Check with Vera for rooms. We would like to see as many members as possible attending.

Be Safe & Have Fun - RUSS





When the people fear the government, there is tyranny. When the government fears the people, there is liberty. T Jefferson

2018 State Mtgs, are held, the 2nd weekend of every even month:

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Ride to the Pizzeria after Feb Mtg

LAKE COUNTY ABATE JANUARY '18 GEN MTG

January 7, 2018

Griz called the meeting to order at 12:05, DR lead the Pledge, moment of silence, Pilgrim prayed.

PRESIDENT: Will "Griz" Deaver: Discussed the tragedy shooting of the Outlaw president; thanked all for the \$ gift, his truck is up & running; thanks to Renee for doing a really good job with the Christmas party; thanks to Shortcake for the Christmas ride; thanks to Annaroow for the Christmas breakfast; thanks to Mother Boob for the New Year's Eve party; was glad to see all the new faces at the meeting.

VP: Russ Sharpe: Discussed state mtg in Tally, leaving on the 10th, mtg the 11th, going to the Capital on the 12th. **SECRETARY:** Charlotte "Hotcakes" Meyer: Shared the thank you note from the AmVet Auxillary for the donation; reminded all to sign in; minutes motioned by Tramp/Shortcakes, accepted by all.

TREASURER: Ron Sonner: Gave his report.

SGT AT ARMS: Roy "DR" Stanard: LSBG Bikefest campground coming up, needs lots of help; Crazy-T up North.

MEMBERSHIP: Ron "RonJon" Knab: Nov-18 new members, 1 renewal, Dec-11 new members, 1 renewal; membership drive-Shortcake leading, Tramp has the most under 40 yrs; asked mbrs to update their info, especially voter info; invite people to meetings; reminded new members to check out products; commended Renee on the classy Christmas party.

PRODUCTS: Linda "Mother Boob" Cram: Has warm weather gear & texting gloves; she can do personal embroidery on items for members.

NEWSLETTER: Vera "V" Deaver: Let her know if you're not getting her FYI's; e mail her if you have a name of a member that passed in 2017, for the bell ringing on the capitol steps.

LEGISLATIVE: Joyce Sharpe: Encouraged members to be prepared to talk to your reps in Tally; discussed bills & subjects to be discussed this session; she encouraged all to receive Scribes e mails; hoping that ABATE receives the safety money from the state of Florida. Griz reminded all that the ABATE safety products cannot be sold & to confiscate any that are found for sale.

STATE REPS: Griz & V: Discussed the last state mtg at Vero Beach: accidental death policy; Doc says this is his last year, nominations for state board is in Feb; state office is closed, eventually the office will move to Pensacola; print/sign wavers need to be signed at the bottom; insurance doesn't want the word "rally" on flyers; NCOM-May '18, in Alabama; Marcus needs flag carriers & road guards in Tally.

WEBMASTER: Don Breckenridge: Updated the Web site with pictures & the NL.

PR: Renee Johnson: Spoke on what ABATE stands for; has letters for members to carry to their representatives proclaiming May as motorcycle safety month.

SAFETY DIRECTOR: Mickey "Pilgrim" Meyer: Has safety products available for members, has some on order; Asua trial set for Feb; wants to connect with the Village riders; setting up MSAP classes at schools.

ROAD CAPTAIN: Mike "Painter" Enko: Ride after the meeting to Our Sports Bar; word of the day: turgescence-**COMM/SAFETY**: Tracy "Brat" Whitehurst: Absent.

BILLING: Sheryl "Cancun" Mertz: Absent.



HOSPITALITY: Vicki Athorne: Absent.

OLD BUSINESS: Shortcake has 2 calendars available.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Fallen Few, Orange Co.-open house every Wed, Fallen Few, Lake Co-bike night every Tues; Marcus-Vintage Chapter's Chili Cook-Off is Jan 27, noon at VFW, KSU at Kangaroo 19/21-look for FYI; John-Pub in the Days Inn, 27/19 grand opening Jan 17, 4pm-11; Lloyd-thanks for our support. 50/50 won by Billy, donated it back to safety......prizes by Big Smo, Flag Dave, Rick & Red. Pilgrim prayed; mtg adjourned at 1:50 motioned by DR/Dragon Fly. 56 members, 3 affiliation/guests.

Respectfully submitted by Hotcakes 🔾

Tallahassee Freedom Rights Rally Tentative Schedule Super 8 --- 850-997-8888 Monticello, by I-10 2018 FEB 10 Sat: Leaving Astatula 8am sharp. Stopping at the TA truck stop in Wildwood, leaving at 10 am.

No Scheduled lunch stops. GROUP ride is about 230 miles, from Astatula, back roads, stopping around 50-70 miles.

Should arrive between 3-4. By this time, all rooms should be reserved under your name for easy check in. Rooms with tax are about \$\$141.68 for, 2 nights. 18 rooms reserved. **Sat bike nite**, in the circle..... Lazy Lizard Pizza Co 850-997-0818. Meet in the parking lot, leaving hotel at 6 to ride. **Sun 11**th: Leaving hotel at 10:30 for a canopy ride (TBA), weather permitting. Be back in town by 12:30, for lunch & then to the state meeting starts at 2 pm, all members are encouraged to attend. **Mon 12**th: Ck out & be ready to leave the hotel at 8:40. Line-Up for the ride to the capitol is at the hotel. We ride together for line leaving. Ride leaves at 9, police escorted, 25 miles, downtown, to capitol. After the rally & your appointments, we will meet on capitol steps at 11:10 for a group picture. Ride to lunch, TBA, back to hotel & ride home. I will keep a hospitality room; you can store your stuff there after you check out of your room. Some members will be riding in vehicles, ask me & if you need for them to haul your stuff, I will let you know who is

1. Will "Griz" & Vera Deaver	2. Treasure Coast ABATE Steve
3. Jane & Gene Smith	4. Treasure Coast ABATE Steve
5. Hank Roberts & Dee Flake	Treasure Coast ABATE Steve
7. Tramp & Terrie Rodgers	8. Sheldon Cooper
9. Tramp's son	Vintage ABATE – Marcus Hoteling
11. Cowboy & DragonFly	12. Seminole – Lana & Frenchie
13. M TeMeer	14. Polk Cnty Tim
15. Joyce & Russ Sharpe	16. Barry & Clicket
17. DR & Spanky	18. Renee Johnson

driving. Rain or shine, this event is on (or cold weather)

Pilgrim/Hotcakes & Fred/Bubbles are going. No Knives at the capitol.
Karban, Sgt@Arms is going this year, he will be sweeper, always the last one out of the parking lot. Try to remember to keep a tight pack, please, don't want no cars getting into the group.



2017 April 10th, Tallahassee Freedom Rights Rally, for years, before the helmet bill became into effect, ABATE rode onto the capitol, 25 miles police escorted. Since 2000 we have made this ride to show our support for our reps, thank them, talk to them about our issues, etc. Lake Cnty has been a bit weak in participation, but look at us this year!! Huge thanks goes to the 26 members that rode from Lake Cnty in support of this most important event... thank you!!!

Mission Accomplished. I have many pictures on my personal FB page from the wkend.



Wow what an experience to be with great ABATE family & to be a part of showing respect to the helmet laws. The bell ringing & reading of our fallen members, most being Veterans-- I lost it when I heard Ronnie (Shautgun) Shaut Thank you ABATE for a beautiful time. **HELEN**





Had a fantastic ride to the Capital on Sat – beautiful weather all weekend. I must admit the attendance was a little short on Mon at the Capital but we were able to meet with Senator Baxley's aid and expressed our concerns re the money that should be allocated to the biker's safety fund. Shortcake & Gene



This year's Tally Ride Showed true Abate Pride. So glad we participated, was more than anticipated. The camaraderie et all was so clear, be sure not to miss it next year.

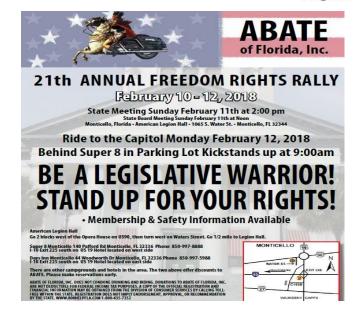
Changed to Feb in 2018. Annaroow & Ron



It was a fine trip up to Tallahassee this year! Besides good news about HB6009, we had some fine times of riding, fellowship, & in general, just a greattime spent with new friends, old friends, as we all gathered up to share our thoughts with our legislators. Be sure to plan on going next year if ya missed this trip!!



What a great time this wkend with Lake Cnty ABATE in pursuit of victory over the Helmet law as well as the fellowship of other riders that are as passionate about motorcyclists rights, Lake rocks, thank you for allowing us to be a part of it. Gunny & Tina, FOREST ABATE



TALLAHASSEE --- An effort to eliminate the state's "no-fault" auto ins system got rolling in the Senate, amid concerns the change would not significantly lower rates. Also, guestions continue over the fate of the Senate proposal (SB 150) because of medical coverage requirements that are not included in a similar measure (HB 19), which is teed up for a vote by the full House. The Senate Banking & Ins Committee voted 10-1 to support the bill. It would repeal the no-fault law, which requires motorists to carry \$10,000 in PIP coverage to help pay medical expenses after accidents. The proposal must still go before 2 more committees before reaching the Senate floor. Since a 2012 effort to reform the no-fault system --- championed by Gov Scott & then-state Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater --- efforts have increased in Tallahassee to replace it with a tort-based system. The 2012 law, in part, required people involved in crashes to seek treatment within 14 days, put a \$2,500 cap on coverage for non-emergency conditions, eliminated massage therapists & acupuncturists from getting paid for medical coverage & set new requirements for chiropractic visits. The 2012 changes were considered a last-ditch effort to maintain the no-fault system after rates increased because of fraudulent claims. Lee's measure would require motorists to carry \$5,000 in what is known as medical payments coverage, or MedPay, & minimum amounts of bodily-injury coverage that would increase over time. "Ins rates will go up for those that have just PIP policies," Garcia said. "So, that means that a lot of us in the minority communities, for a lot of us that live in South FL, some of those rates for those that have ins just PIP-only policies, their rates will go up." Under Lee's MedPay rules, people would be required to seek medical attention within 14 days of injuries occurring. Through an amendment, Garcia was able to attach language to the bill that would allow MedPay to also cover chiropractic & dental costs.

Lee's proposal is estimated to initially raise rates about \$4 a yr, as the savings from the elimination of no-fault would be offset by increases in premiums for bodily-injury liability coverage & uninsured-motorist coverage. "You could lower ins premiums, if that was our solitary goal, by gutting ins coverage & having people drive around with almost no coverage," Lee said. "The question is what is the most efficient system." The House measure sponsored by Rep. Erin Grall, R-Vero Beach, faces opposition from some insurers, business groups & medical providers. It has been projected to save motorists on average about \$80 a year. Grall's proposal, which was backed by the House Commerce Committee in an 18-7 vote last month, would eliminate the system's limits on lawsuits. Drivers at fault in accidents would be fully liable for damages, with the minimum bodily-injury coverage under Grall's proposal being \$25,000 for damages for injury or death of one person & \$50,000 for injury or death of two or more people. Lee's proposal, starting Jan. 1, 2019, would set a minimum of \$20,000 for bodily injury protection that includes coverage for the injury or death of one person & \$40,000 for injury or death of two or more people. Individual premiums would be expected to increase as the minimum coverage would grow to \$25,000 & \$50,000 two years later & to \$30,000 & \$60,000 on Jan. 1, 2023.

-----ABATE of Florida, Inc. To All Chapter Public Relations Trustees (PLEASE SEE RENEE, CHAPTER PR) My Fellow Freedom Fighters: It's time once again to start contacting your local governments to have May declared Motorcycle Safety & Awareness month. I have attached a letter from the state website, abateflorida.com/forms/, that you might find useful. Some government entities have their own form for you to fill out. You will find those on their websites. Please take the time to work with your chapter's President, Safety Director, Legislative Trustee & membership to phone & visit your elected representatives. If you need help please don't hesitate to call me. Simply mailing a letter is fine, but visiting those you elected into office puts a more personal face on our issues, as well as showing them that ABATE of Florida's membership is a viable & strong force in every community. There are a nu of past Proclamations available for download on the state website Public Relations page. Download a few of them, & feel free to extract any language to make your proclamation individual to your community. Once you have successfully gotten your proclamation signed, please Give to chapter PR Person, Renee....... who will scan & email to the state & also mail the hard copy to the state office. <u>flabatestatepr@gmail.com.</u> Any proclamations received will be posted on the state website for all to see. If you take any photographs of chapter mbrs while the proclamation is being presented, send the pictures as well. Thanks with any help you & your chapter members put forth in this endeavor. This is an important part of the Public Relations/Communications Trustee position. Thank you again, Scribe



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A message from our membership Rep: During the general meeting-. I would like to proposed a membership drive that would start Sept & end at April general meeting. However, I would like to do something different. We need young blood involved to carry our Organization into the future. The idea is to talk to younger people about their motorcycle rights & legislation. My suggestion would be 20 new members for 2nd place. The incentive \$50 towards Abate products. For 1st place & \$75

towards Abate products, half of those new members need to be under the age of 40. My 1st thought, was those under the age of 30? All we need to do is ask for birth date on application & a sponsor. – Let's see if we can't get folks to participate.

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Queen Elizabeth, Vladimir Putin & Barack Obama died & went to hell. While there, they saw a red phone & asked what the phone is for. The devil told them it was for calling back to Earth.

Putin asked to call Russia. He talked 5 minutes. When he finished the devil said the cost is \$1,000,000, so Putin wrote him a check. Next Queen Elizabeth called England & talked for 1/2 hr. When she finished the devil said "The cost is \$6,000,000. She too wrote a check. Finally Obama got his turn & talked for 4 hrs. When he is finished the devil informed him that the cost is \$5. When Putin heard this he went ballistic & asked the devil why Obama got to call USA so cheaply. The devil smiled & replied, "Since Trump took over, the country has gone to hell, so it's a local call."