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I watched the flag pass by one day, It fluttered in the breeze. A young Marine saluted it, & then he stood at ease. I looked at him in uniform so young, so tall, so proud, With hair cut square & eyes alert He'd stand out in any crowd. I thought how many men like him Had fallen through the years. How many died on foreign soil How many mothers' tears? How many pilots' planes shot down? How many died at sea How many foxholes were soldiers' graves? No, freedom isn't free. I heard the sound of Taps one night, When everything was still, I listened to the bugler play & felt a sudden chill. I wondered just how many times That Taps had meant "Amen," When a flag had draped a coffin. Of a brother or a friend. I thought of all the children, Of the mothers & the wives, Of fathers, sons & husbands With interrupted lives. I thought about a graveyard At the bottom of the sea Of unmarked graves in Arlington. No, freedom isn't free. *Enjoy Your Freedom & God Bless Our Troops*

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Our Flag does not fly because the wind blows against it, it is moved instead, by the dying breath of our patriots in uniform. Our Freedom is not free; it's been paid for many times over

President & Vice President Reports



Hey all, First off, thanks to Tuna for his service as VP & thanks to Russ for stepping up to fill the position. It sometimes takes a good bit of personal time & dedication to do the job & it is greatly appreciated. Thanks to you both. The June state mtg has come & gone. It was hosted by Vintage & they went all out. We lost a chapter, Interstate in Sebring & we got a new one. It will be called "North Orlando" I wish them luck in getting it going. The seminars are just around the corner.

If interested see Vera or me if you have any questions. Last off, our chapter will be hositing the Aug State Mtg. Lake Cnty got it's charter in Aug 1987. We will celebrate 30 yrs as a chapter. Hope everyone can come out. Lot's of cool things on the calendar for the next few months. Ck emails for events. Hope you have a safe & Happy July 4th. See ya at the next mtg, till then – **Ride Safe, Ride Free** "Griz



I appreciate everyone's confidence in me and look forward to your support with the events we are planning for the year. We are going to need everyone to help

with the State Meeting and
Anniversary party in August. Y'all
know how much I love to ride and I
will be looking for you to ride with me.
Thanks - RUSS

When the people fear the government, there is tyranny. When the government fears the people, there is liberty. T Jefferson STRONG VIEW "The Founders believed that there was a God who brings down the mighty & lifts up the poor. They relied upon this belief.... As you might expect, this belief shaped their understanding of morality & character, as well. They did not make the distinction between private & public conduct that we do. ...If this seems hard to understand, the problem lies with us, not our Founders. Our culture has forgotten what the Founders knew...: The American experiment is a moral, not just a political, exercise. And as such, it assumes certain things to be true about human nature & ... about the authority of the God of the Bible. But these beliefs run contrary to our culture's worldviews. And that's why the ordered liberty envisioned by the Founders has degenerated into a demand for personal autonomy that asks nothing of its citizens, not even their virtue. ...[P]rivate virtue, rooted in biblical faith, is essential for the American experiment to work as the Founders intended. &, it's vital that Christians understand this often-ignored 'wing' on which our way of life depends. The wing that teaches us that, without virtue, there can be no greatness." --Charles Colson



Independence Day, July 4th, is the most important holiday in the United States. It celebrates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. The day has always been the occasion for parades & patriotic speeches & for every variety of noisy jubilation. In fact, the firing of cannon & fireworks caused so many injuries, by the early 1900's, ordinances forbidding private pyrotechnics were passed in many cities. Today, Fourth of July fireworks are largely handled by professionals.

"The patriotism we celebrate on the 4th of July is more than an expression of love for our country & pride in its achievements. An appreciation of the origins of the blessings we enjoy is essential for preserving those blessings for ourselves & our children & grandchildren. ...Patriotism is more than a sentiment. It is a necessity." --Thomas Sowell

What is the meaning of the 4th of July --To many it's just pretty lights in the sky When I see those pretty lights in the sky I think of bombs bursting of days long gone by So very many have served the Red, White & Blue ask others what it stands for & many have nary a clue. Many have fallen for our country's flag, To others it is merely a rag. The Pledge of Allegiance is no longer allowed in our schools then we are angered when our young break the rules. To this I say "who are the fools?" I thank God each & every day that I was born & served proudly our U.S. of A. ~Doc 98

LAKE COUNTY ABATE JUNE '17 GEN MTG

June 4, 2017

Griz called meeting to order at 12:05, DR lead the Pledge, moment of silence, Pilgrim prayed, remembering Lil' Bit & PaPa Boob.

PRESIDENT: Will "Griz" Deaver: The Can U C Me Now run was good, Griz apologized for not attending; Forrest Chapter's Seafood Boil was a good time; Lunatic thanked all for coming out to Lil' Bit's fund raiser, there's other runs coming up for her. Next weekend is the St Mtg in St. Augustine-Russ/Joyce leaving Burger King on 19 at 8am. July 8-leadership seminars in Ocala-all should go, a small refund to participants spending the night. Elections today-need to be a current member & Lk. Co. is home chapter. Nov is benefit for VOORH, V has donation jar @ every mtg. Aug 12-St Mtg @ Best Western across from Waterman, our 30th birthday party-any ideas/contribution welcomed.

<u>VP:</u> Robbie "Tuna" Jones: Can U C Me Now run was a wash out, but a good ride. He thanked all for support him as VP.

SECRETARY: Charlotte "Hotcakes" Meyer: Please sign in; minutes motioned by Vicki, 2nd by Russ, all accepted.

TREASURER: Ron Sonner: Gave his report, including Can U C Me Now & campgrnd expenses/income.

SGT AT ARMS: Roy "DR" Stanard: Encouraged all to go to seminars.

MEMBERSHIP/PRODUCTS: Linda "Mother Boob" Cram: has a few t-shirts from run available; discussed her son & others forming new chapter.

NEWSLETTER: Vera "V" Deaver: nothing.

LEGISLATIVE: Ken "Steele" Braden: Scott voted down our safety \$. Discussed donating \$ to St Mtg for news service.

STATE REPS: Griz & V: Next St Mtg in St. Augustine.

<u>WEBMASTER</u>: Don Breckenridge: Updating pics from run & added June newsletter. PR/BLOOD CHAIRMAN: Joyce Sharpe: Has a sign-up sheet for desserts for St. Mtg.

SAFETY DIRECTOR: Mickey "Pilgrim" Meyer: Has 250 bumper stickers & will order more, maybe magnets. Discussed billboard possibilities & emergency cards & ICE. Did MSAP in prison; Ragdoll's grandson's school wanting MSAP & is willing to go to any group that members find. Received a proclamation from Sumter Co.

RD CPT: Mike "Painter" Enko: Ride to Fat Catz for pool tournament. Word of the day: percipient

COMM/SAFETY: Tracy "Brat" Whitehurst: Absent BILLING: Open HOSPITALITY: Vicki Athorne: Card for Jim OLD BUSINESS: Annaroow-Sell gun tickets & turn them in; planning member appreciation party-Oct; need someone to sign up for food at Sept mtg. Annaroow declined as VP nominee. Election results-Pres: Will "Griz" Deaver; VP: Russ Sharpe; Sec: Charlotte "Hotcakes" Meyer; Treas: Ron Sonner; Sgt of A: Roy "DR" Stanard. Motined by Bubbles/Cowboy-all accepted.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussed 2018 St Mtg, Cancun motioned we do Aug every yr, Bubbles 2nd, failed. Bubbles motion to do St Mtg in June or Aug if no other chapter hosts, Shortcake 2nd, approved.

Marcus discussed what is all involved to host mtg.

INTERVIEWER: "WHAT DO YOU MAKE AT YOUR CURRENT JOB?"

ME: "MOSTLY MISTAKES AND INAPPROPRIATE COMMENTS."

GOOD OF ORDER: Toy run mtg-2nd Thurs @ month at American Legion, Mt. Dora, 7pm, need sponsors. Thanked Junk Yard Hank, Ragdoll, Norma for donating food. Steele motioned to move mtg date if it falls on a holiday, Shortcake 2nd, failed. Presented Lloyd with check for VOORH. June 24-Lil' Bit's fundraiser @ JJ's Lounge, noon. John-every Wed, 6-9 bike nite @ Graffiti Junction by Biker Dollz. 50/50 won by Ragdoll, prizes won by Diane, Sheryl, Robin, Pilgrim. Meeting adjourned at 1:50pm, motioned by Crazy-T, 2nd by Russ, Pilgrim prayed. 60 members, 1 guest present.

Respectfully submitted by your secretary, Hotcakes

Our Stuff

An old man & a little boy on a donkey were on their way to town. They passed by a group of people who said, "What a shame for that old man to be walking while that perfectly able-bodied boy rides that donkey." So the boy got off the donkey & the old man got on. They later passed by some more people who said," Why should that little boy have to walk when they have a donkey to ride on". So the little boy got on the donkey & they both rode it. After a while, they passed some more people. They overheard the people say, "That poor donkey must be worn out from carrying both of them." The moral is- you just can't please everyone all the time & if we try we end up carrying a heavy burden.



Marcus "my bottom lip is sticking out cuz I came in 2nd in the pool tournament" Pilgrim "it's okay buddy, you can have my winning certificate, even though I whooped you on the table & came in first place"

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People will hate you, rate you, shake you, and break you. But how strong you stand is what makes you ...

JULY - Happy 4th July ---- Tuesday

2nd - General Mtg 12 @ Eagles Okahumpka 8th -9th – Leadership Seminars - Ocala 20th CTST mtg, 9am BRAT & Toy Run mtg, GRIZ 24th - 7:30 board mtg Moose Minneola Looking for a place to have a mbr party, an afternoon of fellowship. Ideal would be a clubhouse. The place should be in LK Co, no charge to rent – BYOB allowed – swimming pool would be great –Lunch will be provided. Bring ideas to -Annaroow AUGUST 4th – RSVP to V for Boat Day – let me know if you have a boat you can take out.
6th general mtg
10th Lake Cnty school starts
11th 12th –Lake to host state mting at Elke's lodge
19th Boat Day
28th board mtg



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MAY: PAINTER - Allen Epps

JUNE: Steve Burgart – Jim Cram – John Flynn & Delay –

Carol Flynn—Michelle Grainer – Wayne Kovarik – Chrissy land – Bruce Suther – Bob Trotto – LUGGAGE

<u>JULY</u>; Patty Bennett – John Bergholt – Nancy & Ron Fordley – FOXY – Joe & Wanda Kowaleviocz – Dee F & Hank – Steve Santini John Steinman –

<u>AUG:</u> Patti & Norm (CANADA) – MARTIE – BUD-LYTE - 2-STEP <u>SEPT:</u> Tom DeRoas – Jim Gaff – MEATBALL – By renewing you keep the \$4,000 accidental death & dismemberment ins



ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER? The kind who would be missed, or are you contented that your name is on the list? Do you attend the meeting & mingle with the flock? Or do you stay at home & criticize & knock? Do you take an active part to help the work along? Or are you satisfied to be the kind who just belongs? Do you ever work on committees to see there is no trick. Or leave the work to just a few & talk about the clique? Do you come to the meeting often & help with hand & heart? Don't be just a member, but take an active part.

OUR GOALS To become a powerful & viable political force in legislative matters concerning the motorcyclist. To promote the safe riding habits without infringing on individual freedoms. To motivate the bikers to write letters to their legislators before, during, & after the legislative session. To furnish our members with a newsletter to keep all bikers informed in regards to upcoming legislation.

SCOTT VETOES MAJOR HIGHER ED BILL Scott vetoed a bill

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that would have made wide-ranging changes in FL's higher-education system, rejecting a top priority of Senate Pre J Negron. Negron has focused heavily on revamping state universities, & the bill (SB 374) included issues such as moving to "block" tuition. But in a veto message, Scott focused on parts of the bill dealing with the 28 state colleges, saying the legislation "impedes the State College System's mission by capping the enrollment level of baccalaureate degrees & unnecessarily increasing red tape"

LOTTERY, WIRELESS BILLS HIT SCOTT'S DESK Measures to place warnings on state lottery games & to give wireless providers a boost in dealing with local-government regulations were among 63 bills sent to Gov Scott. The bills are the last of 241 approved by the House & Senate during the regular legislative session to go to Scott. He has until June 29 to act on each of the 63 proposals. The lottery measure (HB 937) would require warnings about the addictive nature of the games to be posted on lottery tickets, as well as on all print & electronic advertisements issued by the Dept of the Lottery after Jan1. The wireless proposal (HB 687) would limit the ability of local govs to regulate types of equipment known as "small wireless facilities" in public rights of ways.

HISTORIC VEHICLE REGISTRY A federal bill has been introduced in the 115th Congress "to establish a program to accurately document vehicles that were significant in the history of the US." The National Historic Vehicle Register Act of 2017 (S.966) was introduced April 27, 2017 & would require the US Dept of the Interior to create a register housed in the Library of Congress to preserve examples of historically significant autos, motorcycles, trucks & commercial vehicles. This project is the first of its type to create a permanent archive of significant historic vehicles that would include short narratives, photographs & engineering drawings of each vehicle. To be eligible for the register, vehicles must be connected to a significant person or event in American history, have a unique design or be a rare model



State Meeting – Aug 12, 2017 - Lake County FL

State Board Meeting starts noon --- Delegates Meeting at 2:00

Meeting: 2540 Dora Ave, (CR 19A) Tavares 32778 · (352) 343-5000 Elks Lodge #1578 (1.5 miles from Best Western)

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