

ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. Forest Chapter

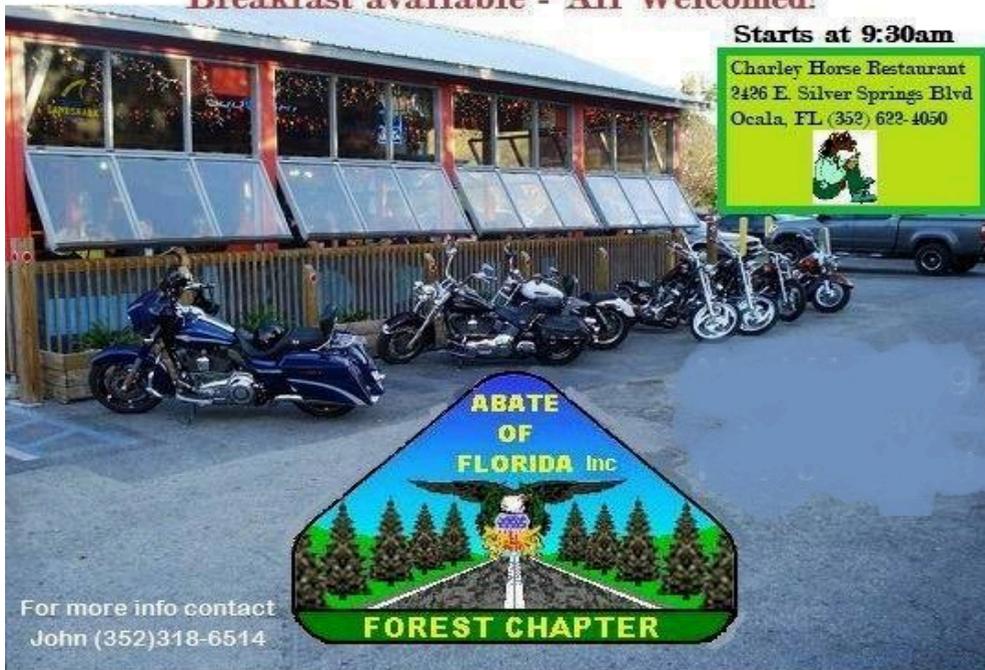


Meeting 1st Saturday of the Month
Breakfast available - All Welcomed!



Starts at 9:30am

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MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Next meeting will be at Charlie Horse on April 7th

2425 East Silver Springs Boulevard in Ocala

First Saturday of each month at 9:30 AM

The rotating meeting location has ended. We will meet at this location through 2018



CHAPTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS & TRUSTEES

President: John Melin - forest.abate@gmail.com - (352) 318-6514

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WHY ARE WE HERE?

The purpose of this Corporation shall be:

- A) Promote motorcycle safety through education.
- B) Elimination of unfair motorcycle-related legislation.
- C) Protection of personal rights of all motorcyclists.
- D) Improve the image of motorcyclists to the general public.
- E) To provide for a Lobbyist to represent ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC., and to work with
- F) Legislators in the interest and protection of all motorcyclist rights on the State and National levels.

-HELP WANTED-

We still have several vacancies on our board. We are still seeking motivated people to fill these key positions in our organization. Secretary is vital position in our organization. We are currently relying on volunteers at each meeting to record minutes then I am transcribing these into our format for publication. Thanks to Al, Tammy, Adam, Bridgette, and Joe; we have filled some positions and kept the chapter afloat. The chapter is coming together and progressing thanks to your efforts, but our chapter members deserve more. We need someone to manage our membership, be our webmaster, track legislation, and manage our products.

President's Message

WOW! That about sums it up. We made a lot of progress in a short time. Thanks to all of you that are making things happen. Congratulations to Al Riccio, our new Vice President. The newsletter is up and running, our website has been updated and is online, membership is growing, and the Chili Cook Off kicked a\$\$\$. Forest Chapter is on track and gaining speed.

The cooler drawing is also underway. Drawing will be on May 5th. Pickup tickets to sell at the meeting or see a member to buy tickets.

Ride Safe,

John

Safety

Bike Week ushers in the riding season for most. I hope we all survived Bike Week and all the traffic it brings. As the weather warms up we will spend more time on our bikes. More time on the bike equates to more time in the sun. One of the most important pieces of protective equipment for us in Florida, is sun protection. Whether it be helmet, do-rag, sunscreen, long sleeves, etc; make sure you use it. Skin cancer and other problems are real. For more information see: https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/skin/basic_info/prevention.htm



ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. - FOREST CHAPTER'S STAY COOL FOR MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH RTIC 45 Cooler Drawing

We are a non-profit organization of motorcycle enthusiast from all walks of life. We lobby and educate the government and the public, to promote motorcycling in safe and positive manner.

Donation \$5.00 or 5 for \$20.00

Contact John Melin (352) 318-6514

Drawing May 5, 2018

Need not be present to win.

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ABATEOF FLORIDA, INC.
FOREST CHAPTER
Membership Meeting Minutes
3 March 2018

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 9:30 AM

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: John Melin

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Held a moment of silence for fallen, injured and sick members and families. Informed chapter of the death of Life Member, Tom Macke 14 Oct 17 and Scott, owner of Baseline Bar.
3. Informed chapter we still have vacancies on the board. Al Riccio volunteered for VP. Motion by Bridgette to accept, second by Dan. Unanimous vote in favor.
4. John shared information from State Meeting and Ride to Capitol.

VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Al Riccio (new)

New VP stated we need to continue moving forward.

SECRETARY’S REPORT: vacant

Motion by Bill to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter, second by Al, unanimous vote in favor.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Tammy- working

1. John read Financial Report
2. Motion by Bill to accept Treasurer’s report, second by Al, unanimous vote in favor.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Adam- working

John said that Adam will not be able to attend the Chili Cook Off and we will need someone to perform duties of SA. VP Al volunteered.

MEMBERSHIP: Vacant

1. John gave an estimated membership. Stressed that we need a dedicated membership person to ensure accuracy.
2. Membership booth will be at Chili Cookoff – Bridgette made motion for new members joining at Chili Cookoff to receive patch with membership, second by Rebel. After discussion, motion was amended to extend period from today’s meeting to May drawing. Unanimous approval.
3. Membership drive still underway.

NEWSLETTER: Joe

1. Opting in or out for mailed copy was discussed. John stated that extra copies will be available for distribution to sponsors and other uses.
2. John asked members to send in submissions for Meet a member, Ride reports, etc

PR/COMMUNICATIONS: Bridgette**WEBSITE:**

1. Submitted for access and editing files for new format, membership updated
2. Will need webmaster

SAFETY:

1. Ask member to find audiences for MSAP
2. We can host without insurance, John will check with FT McCoy library.
3. Bike Week will increase traffic and number of bikes on the road. Watch out and be safe.

PRODUCTS:

1. T-shirt and patch special underway until current supply is gone.
2. State and chapter need products person

LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

Was given with state meeting report

OLD BUSINESS:

1. May drawing cooler and tickets are here. Tickets passed out after meeting
2. Chili Cookoff information was given by Greg
3. Motorcycle Safety Month reminder by John.

NEW BUSINESS: None**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

1. Bike nights in the area: Tilted Kilt, Mojo,
2. Ocala Bike Fest
3. Leesburg Campground
4. Webster booth with Freedom Chapter
5. Bill won 50/50 and donated money back to chapter

MEETING AJOURNED: Motion by Nichole, second by Bridgette at 10:55

Meet A member

LEONARDO MAZZARA



Leonardo is also known as Lenny or “Cheeseman” and was born in Detroit, Michigan in 1936 to Sicilian parents. While growing up, Lenny worked with his father and brothers in their family business. Lenny joined the National Guard in 1955 and left the National Guard with an Honorable discharge to join the US Marines in 1958 and received an Honorable discharge from the Marines in 1961

During his time in California in the Marines he was selected to be an extra in the movie The Gallant Hours.

Once Lenny returned to Detroit, he joined a Motor Cycle Club “Vigilante’s”, he is a 45 year member of the club and served as president for four years.

While living in Michigan, Lenny joined Abate of Michigan, the Coalition of Michigan and Affiliated with the National Confederation of Clubs.

He is a Life member of the Marine Corps League in Ocala and is currently the Chaplin. He is also a member of the American Legion, Moose and Eagles.

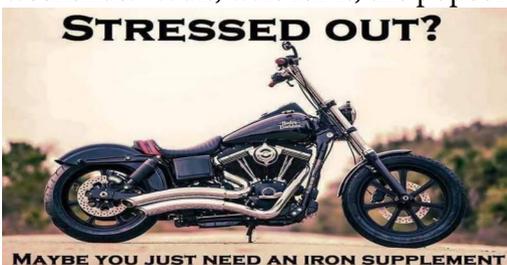
Lenny enjoys old movies, super hero movies, movies that depict cartoon characters and Star Wars. His hobby is putting together models of cars, plains and aircraft.

With three children living in Michigan and one in Canada and ten grandkids Lenny enjoys visiting them during the summer months. He also has three step children and a wife, Carol, living in Ocala.

Lenny says he enjoys keeping busy and is looking forward to a great future being retired and enjoying life.

Your Favorite Restaurant, Bar, Event or Hangout...

Have you ever had homemade tacos for a mere \$1.25 or the best, big burger in town? Oh, No, I just tripped into Good Times Bar and Grill just off of Hwy441 and C25, you cannot miss the new sign. The bartenders the best of the best and the cooks make the best bar food. They also have pool, darts and you can find your friends hanging every Wednesday and music on the weekends. Wait, wait for it, the popcorn is never stale...Marion



Know your motorcycle safety weight. Pop quiz.

How many pounds can your motorcycle safely carry? Don't know? Your life could be in danger, literally. Exceeding motorcycle weight limits is often blamed for deadly tire failures, yet some manufacturers make it hard to determine what these weight limits are. In our experience, most dealers either don't know or don't explain this to customers. Weight limit information is buried in your owner's manual and often hard to find or interpret.

Riding season is fast approaching. Many are going to be making extended road trip. Know the capacity of your bike. Over loading can be extremely dangerous. Know you GVWR. Its in your owners manual each bike is different.

WHO YOU GONNA CALL?

A List of State Senators and Representatives for Marion County

Senators

District 5.....	Rob Bradley
Capitol Office	(850) 487-5005
District Office	(904) 278-2085
District 8.....	Keith Perry
Capitol Office	(850) 487-5008
District Office	(353) 264-4040
District 12.....	Dennis Baxley
Capitol Office	(850) 487-5012
District Office	(352) 750-3133
Capitol Office	(850) 717-5033
District Office	352-315-4445

House of Representatives

District 20.....	Clovis Watson Jr.
Capitol Office	(850) 717-5020
District Office	(352) 264-4001
District 22.....	Charlie Stone
Capitol Office	(850) 717-5022
District Office	(352) 291-4436
District 23.....	Stan McClain
Capitol Office	(850) 717-5023
District Office	(904) 278-2085
District 33.....	Don Hanfeldt (Deceased) -PENDING SPECIAL ELECTION

- MEMBERSHIP -

Our membership is rising, thanks to all of you who are making that happen. Remember to add your name as a referring or sponsoring member to qualify for the membership drive T-shirt prize. New members joining before May drawing will receive a free Forest Chapter patch along with all other membership benefits. Welcome new members; Joe Adcock, Mary Whited, Dwaine and Edna Hodge, Tara Bleau, Robert Linda, Walt Lewis, James Dalke, Billy Martin, Shelley Chiquina, and Brian and Christine Denham.

The people listed below are due for renewal or coming up for renewal. If you see or talk to them, remind them to renew. Many others have expired without renewal.

Remember when your membership expires, so does the \$4,000 AD&D policy

Grace Dunlap	Jan 18	Glenn Myers	Feb 18
Tina Myers	Feb 18	Ann Barrows	Feb 18
Adam Carlisle	Feb 18	Subie Marvin	Jan 18
Tammy Carlisle	Feb 18	Kristin Frizzle	Jan 18
Leslie Pace	Feb 18	Nick Howell	Feb 18
Shawn Turner	Feb 18	Rodney Howell	Feb 18
Bryan Doherty	Mar 18		
Bryan Dunlap	Mar 18		



**ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.
FOREST CHAPTER
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**
P.O. BOX 2409
SILVER SPRINGS, FL 34489



NAME (Please Print Legibly) _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIPCODE+4 _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ (Please Include Area Code)

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

MAY WE USE YOUR PHONE NUMBER FOR OUR PHONE TREE YES NO

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER YES NO

PLEASE LIST YOUR VOTING DISTRICTS FROM YOUR REGISTRATION CARD

_____ FL HOUSE _____ FL SENATE _____ US CONGRESS

NAME OF CHAPTER YOU WISH TO JOIN _____

If you are a member of more than one chapter, please designate your home chapter _____

CHECK ONE BOX THAT APPLIES TO YOU:

- NEW ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (\$20)
- RENEWAL OF CURRENT MEMBERSHIP (\$20)
- LIFE MEMBERSHIP (\$600)
- TRANSFER MEMBERSHIP TO :

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

All members receive with their paid membership, a membership card, our electronic bi-monthly Masterlink magazine, a chapter newsletter (electronic or hard copy), chapter voting privileges, a \$4000.00 Accidental Death or Dismemberment policy and personal involvement in statewide motorcycle safety and legislative concerns and their freedom to ride.

ALL APPLICATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

FOR ABATE OFFICE USE _____ CHAPTER MEMBER

MEMBERSHIP DUES PAID BY: CASH CHECK MONEY ORDER CC

MAILED DATE _____ MEMBERSHIP CARD _____ COPY OF BYLAWS _____

MEMBER EXPIRATION DATE _____

Chili Cook Off:

The Fox Crossing 5th Annual Chili Cook Off in Support of Forest Chapter was a great success for the chapter. Thanks to John Lennon and his staff at Fox Crossing, the contestants, all of those who donated to our drawings and silent auction, all the volunteers, and attendees. You all made it an awesome day to be out at Fox Crossing. Bo Hamilton won 1st Place for the third time in a row. He made some killer chili. Bridgette Pace's chili took 2nd Place and Greg Smale's took 3rd. To tell the truth they were all good except entry number 13. I had to try them all a couple of times before voting.





STOP



SLOW DOWN



SPEED UP



FOLLOW ME



SINGLE FILE



YOU LEAD/COME



PULL OFF



DOUBLE FILE



FUEL STOP



HAZARD IN ROADWAY



TURN SIGNAL ON



REFRESHMENTS



HIGHBEAM



COMFORT STOP



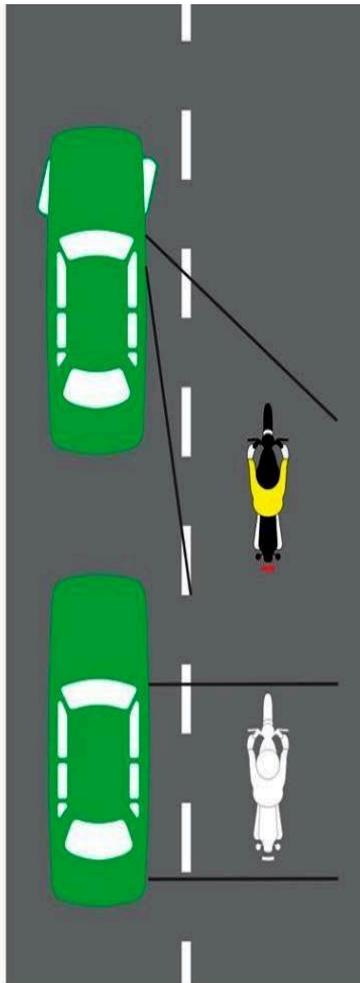
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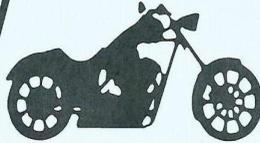


4TH ANNUAL AUTISM AWARENESS WEEKEND

PROCEEDS BENEFIT



HUNTERS RUN
April 7th



HAY DAY
April 8th

Donation Breakfast
Nowhere bar 10am

1st stop
Mic's 19th Hole Pub

2nd stop
County Line
Smokehouse & Spirits

3rd stop
Kool Kats Saloon

Final stop
English Dart Tavern

Open Jam
hosted by
Delbert Britton
and the *Country Hustlers*
6-10

Mugs Scramble for Autism
The Country Club
at Silver Springs Shores



Sign ups
@ Noon

Sponsorships
\$100.00

Players \$50 or

Team of 4 &
sponsorship together
only \$250.00

All funds raised on this day
will be donated in the name of

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LIVE MUSIC
RAFFLES!
DOOR PRIZES
50/50
FOOD!!!



ABATE of Florida, Inc... *Lake County Chapter's* Campground- Open to the Public for Leesburg BikeFest™



Campground is off of Hwy 27 & CR 48 –6 miles S from downtown LSBG. Coming from N on 27 pass CR 33 & Turn Right- onto CR 48. at gas station, by light. Riding south on 27, turn left at the light onto CR48, look for signs.

RVs Welcome \$20 & Trailers \$10 one time Fee
NO hook ups- NO Reservations- **Cash Only**

***24 Hr Security**

***Hot Showers**

***Bike Blessing**

***50/50 & Prizes**

***Blood Mobile**

***NO PETS**

***VENDORS**

DATES: April 26, 27, 28, 29th --- -2018

WHERE: 27150 Haywood Worm Farms Rd
Okahumpka 34762 *Eagles Aerie # 4273*

TIME: gates open Thurs 7 am **NO Early arrivals**

Gates close Sunday at noon.

COST: \$15. pp, per nite -Includes Tax

Kids 10 & under FREE –

Can NOT accept reservations – CASH ONLY

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***Live Bands**

Thur: OPEN

Fri: Spit Fire

**Sat: Pete Hunt &
Southern Branded**

*** Tiki Bar**

***Sat Poker Run**

***Food available**

@ Eagles Aerie

ABATE OF FLORIDA, Inc. Lake County Chapter and its affiliates of the Leesburg BikeFest ABATE campground will not be held responsible financially or otherwise for any adverse weather conditions that may affect, delay or cancel any scheduled performance-event described herein this promotional flier. Join ABATE of Florida, Inc & receive \$4,000 accidental death INS.

Our rights as motorcyclists are constantly being challenged at an alarming rate; every motorcycle enthusiast should belong to a Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO).

Take-A-Break Poker Run - Saturday

Sign up outside of ABATE campground from 9:30-11. Last bike back to campground 4:30, Plaques awarded—\$10 pp. *About 100 mile ride.
A percentage to benefit VORRH, the homeless Vets www.vorrh.org

NO site fires
NO Weapons
NO Pets
NO Attitudes
NO EXCEPTIONS

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DATES TO REMEMBER



8-18 March - Daytona Bike Week



15 March American Flat Track TT



17 March Daytona 200



17 March Sons of Speed Antique Motorcycle Races



1 April– Easter Sunday & Webster Swapmeet



1 April– Easter at the Ranch, Umatilla



6 April– MUGS Autism Awareness Weekend



7 April- Chapter Meeting @ Charlie Horse 9:30AM

26-29 April– Leesburg Bike Fest



May– Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

5 May Chapter Meeting



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