

ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.
Southernmost Chapter Meeting – 11:00am
June 5, 2016 @ D.A.V. - Marathon

The meeting was called to order at 11:05am. Pledge of Allegiance was performed. The invocation was given by Ricco.

Roll Call - the board was present with the exception of Anna Baird/Editor, Rupert Staudner/Safety and Coco-Cola Annie/Products (excused).

President & State Delegate Sandy MacLaren:

President report: JUNE Elections TODAY !!!! – Skip Wirth, Supervisor of Elections, results will be announces at the end of our meeting.

Elected Board Members – Upcoming Leadership Seminars – July 9 & 10, 2016 in Vero Beach

Stay for our 2nd annual Father's Day Spaghetti Dinner immediately following our Election process. Also we have a table of Bake Sale items offered for a donation.

State Delegate report:

Next State Meeting – June 11, 2016 Interstate Chapter
Sandy leaving Layton Friday 6/10/16 – 8IS

UPCOMING STATE EVENT, October 8th – 9th, 2016 - Arcadia, Florida - "Fall State Biker Bash" Party Peace River Campground. The State is having this party for two reasons: to bring some serious money to State and to party! The more \$30 advance sale tickets we sell the sooner State will get money and it will help tailor the event. This is not just an ABATE party. Everyone is welcome.

This year ABATE of Florida, Inc. is holding a firearms raffle. 4000 tickets have been printed. We have tickets available for the December 10, 2016 raffle \$5.00 each. One of the items being raffled is a 12 gauge over/under shotgun which was graciously donated by Steve Knee, this is brand new in the box and comes with 5 chokes and a choke wrench. The other is a 30/30 Henry which is at the dealer. Winner must be eligible under law and pass the background check. The Henry must be picked up at the dealer.

2016 STATE MEETINGS:

- August 13, 2016 Forest
- October 8, 2016 Peace River & State Party
- December 10, 2016 Gator Alley

VP & Web Master Marty Baird:

VP report: Several proposals regarding the Membership Dues were presented to the STATE. Will keep everyone updated on the results, once we hear anything.

Web Master Report: As always, you can get your copy of the Master-link from the STATE ABATE web page.

Secretary Susan Anisko: Ask for motion to accept the minutes as printed in the last newsletter.

Motion: 1st /Bonnie, 2nd /Garry

Treasurer Kyle Rizzo: Chapter is financially sound. Any member in good standing who has questions regarding chapter finances can contact the treasure and/or president to make an appointment for review.

Legislative Trustee Byron Agababian: At the capitol there has been a lot of discussion regarding "Gun Control" - Universal Background Checks, This bill proposal needs to be scrutinized thoroughly. It has the intent to require a background check for every sale, gift, loan, etc.

Membership Diane Gaffield: (excused) Southernmost has 320 active members. Life cards available for pick up, see Diane to get them. As always, reminds us to keep her updated with your current contact information. If anyone and/or everyone could receive their newsletter electronically we could save money on postage.

Membership drawing was won by Sandy Wagner

Editor Anna Baird: (excused) July newsletter deadline is Thursday 6/10/16 and the folding will be Wednesday 6/15/16 - DAV in Marathon 7 pm, as always everyone invited to come participate.

Products Coca-Cola Annie: (excused) *** NEW merchandise **** along with our usual products offered, we have a lot of new shirts in stock, check them out and buy a few.

Ad and Event Coordinator Garry Finch: - Because of the 4th of July Holiday our Regular Chapter Meeting will be held at 11:00 am on Sunday June 26th @ Mangrove Mama's - MM20

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Father's Day - 6/19/16
- 4th of July

Public Relations Julie Johnson: UPCOMING STATE EVENT:

October 8th – 9th, 2016 - Arcadia, Florida - "Fall State Biker Bash" Party Peace River Campground Food, Beverages, Vendors, Motorcycle Games, Live Bands and 50/50's, also, Scavenger Hunt & Swap meet.

This 3 day ADULT party is for ages 18 and over. Event will be roped off and children cannot go in. Date is 10/7-10/9/2016. Prepaid tickets will be \$30, \$35 at the door and includes primitive tent camping. Day passes are \$15. People wanting to camp with RV's or trailers must go through the campground. Call 863-494-9693 for RV camping options and/or more info.

Safety Director Rupert Staudner: (excused) May – Motorcycle Awareness Month - Proclamations were received from all municipalities, Wish we had a better Southernmost showing.

Sgt. at Arms Mike Mathews: Memorial Day Ride May 29th – Nice turn out, beautiful weather. Thanks to everyone who was involved. I would like to thank everyone for the many years of holding the ABATE Sgt-at-arms position; it has been a wonderful experience. I will still be available to assist in any way I can.

Old Business: 2016 SOUTHERNMOST ABATE ELECTION RESULTS

Supervisor of Elections - Skip Wirth: 2016/2017 Election results:

President: Sandy MacLaren

Vice President: Marty Baird

Secretary: Susan Anisko

Treasurer: Kyle Rizzo

Sargent-at-Arms: Dean Keith

Membership: Diane Gaffield

(new) Web Master: Jim Baker

Public Relations: Julie Johnson

Ad/Event Coordinator: Garry Finch

(new) Products: Mary Micire

(write-in) Safety Director: Rupert Staudner

Legislative Trustee: Byron Agababian

State Reps: Sandy MacLaren & Byron Agababian

Alternates: Sandy Wagner & Bill Kelly

New Business: Suggestion for ABATE to have more events that specifically support the “Keys”

Good of the Order:

Thank you to all past and present and future Board members, we appreciate everybody’s time and effort to maintaining our Southernmost Chapter of ABATE

Happy Birthday to Carol MacLaren!

Rich/ALR - wants to have a Poker Run in August and would like ABATE to assist the legion riders, split the profits.

CMC, Dennis extends an Invitation to attend the CCS races in Homestead 6/19-20/2016, has posters and tickets available, please see him after meeting

Adjourn – 11:43pm Motion: 1st /Marty, 2nd /Mike Mathews

Summarized and Submitted by Susan Anisko, Secretary

