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# Seasons Greetings from the SCMA



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

✓ Marks Travelers Events

## DECEMBER

## JANUARY 2009

No Meetings — HAPPY HOLIDAYS

- 10 SCMA General Membership Meeting 9-11 a.m. La Canada  
Conrad's Restaurant  
631 Foothill Blvd.  
818-790-2230
- 10 Three Flags Meeting 12-3 p.m. Glendale  
J's Maintenance  
3550 Foothill Blvd.  
310-387-3974 / 714-801-3931
- 11 ✓ SCMA Soup Run Anaheim/Pomona  
8-10 a.m.  
714-801-3931 / 310-387-3974
- 18 SCMA Soup Run (Rain Date)
- 24 Three Flags Classic Drawing Torrance  
12-3 p.m.  
Carson VFW Post #10166  
20820 S. Vermont Ave.  
714-801-3931 / 310-387-3974

### PHOTOS WANTED

Have you taken any good photos while on a recent ride?

If you would like to see them published, please e-mail them, along with pertinent information (location, name of ride, names, and photographer) to:

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Submit text as a Word Document.

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## S.C.M.A. MONTHLY MEETINGS

*The following meetings are open to all S.C.M.A. members and their guests:*

MONTHLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m.  
(Except in September and October, check date shown on calendar of events and annual calendar)

— CHECK CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR ADDRESSES OF MEETING PLACES —

Jan Staws 310-387-3974

## **FROM THE CHAIR**

Wow, what a weekend. I woke up 3:50 a. m. Saturday morning in a panic since I had completely forgotten to print the route sheets for the Turkey Ride on Sunday morning. I went back to sleep until 5:30 a.m. knowing I certainly had time to get the printing done. Wrong!

I printed the cover, printed the food coupons and then went to open the route instructions only to find I had evidently deleted them by mistake. It was only 6:45 a.m and in desperation I called Bob Masuzumi and of course got the answer machine. Left an apology for calling so early, explained that I needed Bob to call me ASAP and why. I then called Chuck Jones who was already at work.

I explained to him the problem and he was going to try to call Bob (Zumer) and get him to e mail me the route instructions or he would go home and mail them to me. Both ways I was screwed since when both of the guy's e mailed me the original instructions Zumer had not formatted them in Xcel and it came over as text gibberish.

Another panic phone call to Zumer (who is a fireman and was busy fighting fires) Bob called me to tell me he would go get his lap top out of his wife's car and reformat into Xcel and send it to me. Wrong! He called back in five minutes to tell me he was called back to the job and had to send me a hard copy, where could he fax it to? Well as luck would have it I had him fax it to H & H Industries (Holley Harrison) only to find out that Holley's router was down. What a nightmare I was going through. Holley called his wife, she was able to download it to Adobe pdf and then I had Holley clean it up since it was not useable the way it was.

I was suppose to pick up Jo Anne Gamble around two o'clock Saturday afternoon, didn't quite work out that way. Got to her house about 5:30 p.m. and then began the long tedious struggle to get to Beaumont, which is where we were spending the night. Four hours later, a ton of stopping and starting we reached out destination.

I had a genuine concern for our riders and what kind of turn out to expect for the Turkey Run with Southern California having major fires no matter where you looked or wanted to go. Would just have to wait and see what the morning would bring. Chuck Jones was going to do the ride in the morning just to make sure everything was okay. He got to the start a little after eight and the route was opened all the way. We had 31 riders sign-in and 27 made the ride with the other 4 working check points. Most of them completed the ride ending at Conrad's (where we have our general membership meetings) and enjoyed the food coupon provided to each rider. The participants had nothing but good things to say about the ride and were very pleased with the route. Good work Chuck, so good you get to do it again next year.

We were also able to say our goodbyes to Jo Anne Gamble. She will be leaving for Missouri around December 8th. if everything goes the way it should. The association showed their appreciation of Jo Anne by presenting her with a beautiful cobalt blue vase, inscribed as follows: Jo Anne Gamble, Many thanks for your love and dedication. You will be missed by all. Love from your SCMA family.

We will need to find someone to take over as Sunshine person, anyone interested let me know.

This was the last ride of the year and we were blessed by great weather and ending on a good note. Hope to see all of you on the Soup Run, January 11, 2009.

That's it for now; keep the rubber side down and the sunny side up.

**Jan Staws**

# Southern California Motorcycling Association *presents:*



**SCMA SOUP RUN  
2009**

**Sunday  
January 11, 2009**

Start time 7-8:30 a.m.

Harbor House Cafe  
714 N. Pacific Coast Hwy  
Oceanside, CA



Traveler's Award

SCMA Members ride **FREE**.  
\$10 for non-members.

AMA members receive \$1 discount



Santioned

**All riders must bring 2 cans of soup for entry**

*(Please do not bring outdated cans. One can will be donated to the MTA's Battered Women's Home, the other to be enjoyed by the riders at the end of the event )*

Soups will be mixed for your enjoyment at the finish from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Ride closes at 3 p.m.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:  
BLAKE ANDERSON 714-801-3931  
OR  
JAN STAWS 310-387-3974**

Rain Date is Sunday, January 18, 2008

## **SUNSHINE REPORT**

We send our condolences to the family of Harvey Tallman who passed away on November 4th. Services were held on November 10th at Westminster Memorial Park in Westminster with a gathering following at the Moose Lodge in Garden Grove. The chapel was a full house with many motorcycles parked in front which represented the Gold Wing Road Riders, California CA1-Q.

Harvey's two loves were the love for his country and his family. He retired from the Marine Corps with 21 years of service and then went on to work as a pressman for the LA Times for another 20 years. He was very involved with the Moose Lodge and VFW.

As the obituary stated "Harvey left us to take part in the Ultimate in Motorcycle Tour". Harvey was a long time member of the SCMA, completing the Four Corners Tour and being part of several Three Flags Classic Committees including Route Chairman.

Harvey is survived by his beautiful wife of 53 years, Jeanette, along with one daughter, three sons and his beloved 12 grandchildren. Harvey thought the world of his family and they were always number 1 in his life.

Harvey will be put to rest at Riverside National Cemetery in Riverside, Calif.

Harvey will be missed by many.

We all wish Kairon Budnick a speedy recovery as a result of her accident on Saturday, October 25th. She went down just outside of Big Bear, taken to Bear Valley Medical Center and later that evening she was airlifted to Loma Linda Medical Center in Loma Linda. She was in ICU for the first five days and then moved to a "step-down" unit for another eight days. She had four broken ribs and several breaks in her back, between the shoulder blades. She came home on November 7th. She is confined to a body brace when she is up and about, but can sleep without it. She is doing very well, but then, Kairon is tough as nails and nothing will keep her down. She has her follow-up appointments the middle of November and looks like she is getting stronger everyday.

Kairon, we wish you the best and may you have a very speedy recovery.

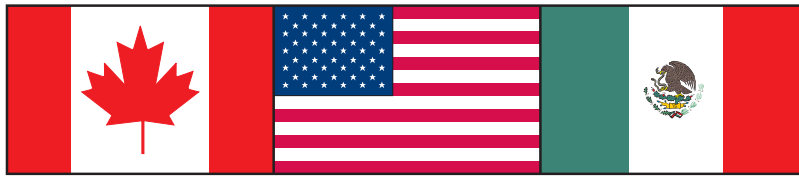
In the meantime, we hope you and your family had a very enjoyable Thanksgiving and the best to you and yours during the Holiday Season. Wishing everyone the best for the New Year.

**Sunshine Lady  
Jo Anne Gamble**

## **ATTENTION MEMBERS**

Beginning January, 2009 the newsletter membership is being raised to \$45.00 to cover the cost of printing and mailing, which is about \$3.17 per month.

Non-newsletter is being raised to \$25.00 per year.



**34TH ANNUAL**

# Three Flags Classic 2009

## LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA, CANADA

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EVENT DATE : September 4th - September 7th, 2009  
 START : Mexicali, B.C., Mexico  
 ENTRY FEE : \$280.00  
 DRAWING DATE : January 24, 2009 12:00pm  
 DRAWING LOCATION : Carson VFW Post #10166  
 20820 S. Vermont Ave., Torrance, CA 90502  
 1(310)328-6474  
 Breakfast from 9 am to 11 am  
 MAIL DEADLINE : Post Marked January 17, 2009  
 ENTRY DETAILS : Max. Two Entries per envelope, One Entry per person  
 MAIL ENTRIES TO : Three Flags Classic  
 P.O. Box 92945  
 Long Beach, CA 90809

More details will follow in mailers, flyers, Newsletters, magazines and the website.

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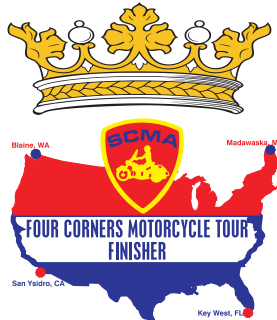


# SCMA's First Annual Triple Crown Banquet

## California Parks Adventure



## USA 4 Corners Motorcycle Tour



## Three Flags Classic



When : Saturday, February 14, 2009

- 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm      Meet and Greet
- 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm      Social Hour
- 7:00 pm                      Dinner - Buffet style dinner
- 8:00 pm                      Program

Where : Hotel Menage

1221 Harbor Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92805

1-888-462-7275

- Mention SCMA for special room rates @ \$99.00 + tax
- Cut off date for discount is February 1, 2009
- Motorcycles park for free, hotel guest parking \$10.00 daily
- 5 minute shuttle from Disneyland
- Web Site - [www.hotelménage.com](http://www.hotelménage.com) for directions and reservations

Banquet Cost : \$ 50.00 per person.

DEADLINE FOR BANQUET RESERVATION IS  
FEBRUARY 7th, 2009

Come one, Come all. Everyone is invited to enjoy an evening with fellow motorcyclists. No participation in these events necessary. No membership required.

For more information contact:

Phyllis Shaw / Ken Hatke @ 1-951-677-3644



# SCMA's First Annual Triple Crown Banquet Reservation

Please print clearly

\$ 50.00 Per Person

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone

E-Mail

Please make checks payable to: SCMA  
C/O Ken Hatke  
38685 Via Taffia  
Murrieta, CA 92563

If you have completed the Triple Crown only mark that box. If you have not completed the Triple Crown but have completed one or more of the other rides please mark the appropriate box.

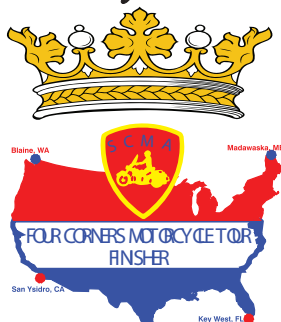
- Triple Crown
- California Parks Adventure
- Four (4) Corners Motorcycle Tour
- Three (3) Flags Classic

If you have an interesting story that you would like to share while on one of these rides please feel free to share in the space below. You can add additional paper if it runs over. This may or may not be used in the banquet.

## California Parks Adventure



## USA 4 Corners Motorcycle Tour



## Three Flags Classic



# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

I am writing you with a bit of history you can print in the next issue of the SCMA. It concerns the 30th Anniversary of the Turkey Run put on by SCMA. I was going through a collection of my "save and hide" items that I have collected throughout the years. I came upon a set of SCMA newsletters that are thirty years old. Here is some excerpts from the November 1978 issue.

## SCMA Turkey Run 1978

The SCMA Executive Board is sincerely grateful for all of your support at the Turkey Run. It makes all the work and worry worthwhile when we get the kind of response that we got this year. A special thanks must go to Seth Johnson, Newsletter Editor, who found the location to hold the event. We would like to thank the following clubs for their assistance; Ventura County Windchasers, Santa Barbara Coast Riders, Los Amigos, Oxnard Partytime MC and Semi Valley Road Runners. They only had two weeks to get "it" together and they did a great job, Thanks again for making us look good.

Statistics;

Total Sign-Ins	532 (A record for the Turkey Run)
SCMA Members	277 (Another record)
Non-members	255
Adults	95
Children	37
New Memberships Received	39 (very high for a run)
Renewals at the Run	10 (High for a one day run)

## SCMA TURKEY RUN AS SEEN FROM BEHIND THE SIGN-IN TABLE

For those whom attended the SCMA Turkey Run, there were 532 sign-ins and of those, 321 attended the optional FREE Poker Run that was set up by the Simi Valley Road Runners. The food was done by The Ventura County Windchasers, the games were done by The Santa Barbara Coast Riders and Los Amigos. Along with all this, there was a 50-50 drawing and a raffle. All game winners were presented with either a frozen turkey OR a Safeway Market gift certificate with the same value. All helpers and clubs with 6 or more participants received a specially painted ceramic turkey. Last, but surely not least, the Oxnard Party Time MC did the clean up. I would like to say thanks to each of you that attended the SCMA Turkey Run. YOU made it a big success!! SHERRY BABBITT, CORRES. SEC. "E" BOARD.

To give present day members an little idea of the size of the SCMA thirty years ago, I am including the names of many of the clubs who were members of the association back then and listed in the newsletters of 1978. They are listed in no order of importance;

Victor McLaughlin Motor Corps, Nuggets, Simi Valley Road Runners, Norwalk Centaurs, Valleysmen, Road Toads, Neverreadys, Eagles, Red Tops, San Diego Outriders, Sanguin Safari, Huntington Parks Elks 1415 Roadriders, Saber's MC, Taft MC, Golden State Fours, Murphy Canyon MC, Torrance Roadrunners, Gamblers MC, Loners of So Cal, Santa Barbara Coast Riders, Santa Maria Saddlelites, Black Hog Riders, Bakersfield Red Tops MC, the Family MC, Gypsy's of Long Beach, California Canyon Riders, Ventura County Windchasers, Los Amigos, Orange County Coast Riders, and the Glide Cruisers. Now, that gives you an idea of the size.

A brief idea of the magnitude of the runs in those days; We would go all the way to Santa Maria or Bakersfield or San Diego or anywhere local to LA and sign in on the run. We would then travel from 150 to 300 miles on the run and finish where ever they placed us. Then, we had to ride all the way back home that evening. Many were the times I would get up at 5 AM and get in a 600 mile day on a Sunday with upwards of 150 to 500 other riders signing in and traveling the same routes. Also, Poker Runs were real poker runs in those days. You got one card at the start, one card at three check points and the fifth card at the finish. Of course, we had many helpers in those days so it went much easier at the tables too!

Well, now that I have taken you on a nostalgic look at SCMA thirty years ago, I will sign off saying "I'll see you on the road at some of the rides in 2009."

PS: Now that I am old enough to win Oldest Rider at runs they no longer do that...LOL

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**Harbor Interfaith Services**

October 29, 2008

Mr. Steven Morris, Chairman  
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Torrance, CA 90505-2645

Re: Checks totaling \$307.39

Dear Mr. Morris and our friends at the Motorcycle Touring Association  
Chapter 3 ~

We received your gift of \$307.39 today and our heartfelt appreciation extends to you and all who were involved in the "Wacky Wabbit Wides Again" poker ride held on September 21, 2008. We are indeed grateful that you selected Harbor Interfaith Services to be the recipients of your wonderful efforts.

Your support helps individuals and families ~ our emergency food pantry and advocacy center assists well over 900 people each month. Our Family Shelter provides a temporary haven for 100+ families each year and our other programs provide job placement, transitional housing, education and a move forward to self-sufficiency and independence. We couldn't do it without friends like you!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, and especially our clients, thank you, again.

Sincerely,

Tahia Hayslet  
Executive Director

TH:ss

**S.C.M.A. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING****Saturday, October 4, 2008**

Meeting was held at Conrad's Restaurant, 631 Foothill Blvd, La Canada, CA 91011

Meeting was called to order at 9:08 AM by Jan Staws

Members and guests were welcomed

**Attendance**

**Executive Board:** **Chairperson** Jan Staws; **Vice Chairperson:** Blake Anderson - Absent; **Recording Secretary:** Phyllis Shaw; **Treasurer:** Jane Usatin/Jean Ballantine; **Corresponding Secretary/Membership:** Flavia Gullett - Absent and Vernon Lucero; **Referee:** Chuck Jones; **DLO:** Ken Baumgarth Absent

**Committee Chairs:** **AMA Insurance Information & Grand Tour:** Blake Anderson; **Blazing Saddles:** John Katics; **California Parks Adventure & Old Pin Ride:** Mitch Friedman, **Dog Days of Summer & Cemetery Tour:** Bob Masuzumi; **Newsletter:** Jan Staws; **Triple Crown:** Ken Hatke & Phyllis Shaw; **Sunshine Lady:** Jo Anne Gamble; **2008 TFC Chairperson:** Jane Usatin; **Turkey Run:** Chuck Jones; **Traveler's Award:** Dannie Fox – Absent, Barbara Fox made report ; **USA Four Corners Tour** David Johnson – Absent.

**Club Representatives:** **PMC:** John Katics, **SRR:** Dennis Even and Barbara Fox; **Red Hot Riders:** Dean Kaustadt.

**Executive Board and Committee Reports**

**Chairperson** -Jan Staws

Jan welcomed everyone and introduced our new Treasurer, Jean Ballantine. Jan asked those in attendance to identify themselves if they are AMA members as we should have a minimum of 10 AMA members for our charter.

**Vice-Chairperson:** Blake Anderson-Absent

Blake sent in a report. He has 17 on the Grand Tour Ride to date.

**Recording Secretary:** Phyllis Shaw

Minutes will be in the next Newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jane Usatin

No report today. Jane will transition the records to Jean.

**Membership/Corresponding Secretary:** Vernon Lucero

Vernon reports that his computer crashed but he does have the data on a CD. He will get up to date just as soon as gets a new computer.

**Referee Report:** Chuck Jones

Nothing to report, no rides lately.

**Newsletter:** Jan Staws

The Executive Board met after the last meeting and voted on the following: Effective January 1<sup>st</sup> membership will be \$25 without the newsletter and \$45 with a hard copy newsletter. It costs us \$36 a year to print and send one newsletter a month as we are now printing 100 newsletters.

**Sunshine Report:** Jo Anne Gamble

Everything is good right now. JoAnne recapped the memorial for Ziggy noting that it was well attended.

**DLO Report:** Ken Baumgarth - Absent

No report today.

**Insurance:** Blake Anderson - Absent

Jo Anne gave an update from AMA. The AMA Risk Management and Sanction Meeting will be in November and Blake will attend. The rate is \$150 per 2 day event.

### **Old Business**

**2009 Ride Calendar**-Chairpersons were to give Blake the ride information including dates and start locations prior to his meeting with AMA on November 6, 2008.

**TM/SM**-Deferred today

**Chairperson Guidelines**-Jane and Blake were thanked for the much needed guidelines for chairpersons. The chairpersons were asked to look it over and each was encouraged to develop a budget whether or not they turn in receipts for reimbursement. For example. SCMA needs to know what their pre-rides would have costs, so we know what actual costs should be budgeted.

### **New Business**

#### **Events**

**S.C.M.A. Triple Crown Banquet:** - Kenn Hatke & Phyllis Shaw

There will be a brief meeting today following the SCMA meeting. Jan's flyer was distributed for comment. Two designs were presented on acrylic which will cost us between \$130-\$150 for each Triple Crown plaque. John estimated that a rider spends \$3000-\$6000 to do the three rides. Right now we have 12 eligible.

**S.C.M.A. Three Flags Classic 2008:** -Jane Usatin

The final 2008 TFC Meeting will be today at noon at J's Maintenance. The TFC Treasurer is out of state at this time.

**S.C.M.A. Three Flags Classic 2009:** Jan Staws

Jan reported that the flyer is in the newsletter. There are five entries as of today. We have a P.O. Box for entries. Glacier school is being reserved for the draw.

**S.C.M.A CA Parks Adventure:** Mitch Friedman

Jan clarified that the word "National" should not be included in the name of this event. There are 24 parks. Mitch reported that 58 started and 20 have finished with 12 possible Triple Crown recipients. The riders still have until December 15<sup>th</sup> to finish the Parks Adventure. Jan will get the list of official TFC finishers.

**S.C.M.A. USA Four Corners:** General Membership discussion

Rule 12 was revised last meeting and it has to do with the inability to get credit for the hurricane corner. Riders were instructed to take a picture of where the police closed the road and get a gas receipt. If the weather prevents one from getting the corner designated, then the rider is to call the chair for instructions. Four Corners has a vendor in Arizona, samples received and look good. Once the invoice is received, we should pay one-half. The vendor will ship for \$100. Letting David ride to pick them up for the same \$100 fee may be ok, but the question of insurance coverage would be an issue.

**S.C.M.A. Grand Tour 2008:** Blake Anderson

The ride is set for October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

**S.C.M.A. Soup Run 2009:** Blake Anderson - Absent

No report today.

**S.C.M.A. Sweetheart Ride 2009:** Kenn Hatke

The Sweetheart Ride will be on February 22, 2009 and will end at Harveston Park in Temecula with a barbecue. A rain date is to be established. A permit requirement will be researched.

**S.C.M.A. Blazing Saddles 2009:** John Katics

John is working on a route and may start in Temecula.

**S.C.M.A. Cemetery Tour:** Bob Masuzumi (Zoomer)

The Cemetery Tour will start at Brown's Motor Works and finish at Redland's Honda. A flyer was passed around. The ride is Oct 25<sup>th</sup>. Chuck and Mitch will do the pre-ride. Jan will be at the start. Zoomer will relinquish chair for 2009 if Barb would like to be the chair.

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# **SCMA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

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## **S.C.M.A. Turkey Run:** (November) Chuck Jones

Chuck reported that the route is complete. The run will start at the Yamaha Shop in Beaumont and end in La Canada at Conrads. Riders will be given a coupon for pumpkin pie and coffee at the finish.

## **S.C.M.A. Traveler's Award:** Dannie Fox

Barbara Fox reported for Dannie. The next Traveler's ride is the Cemetery Tour. She estimates that 8 qualify at present.

## **Club Reports**

### **AVTS-Antelope Valley Touring Society**

No representative today.

### **BMW of Southern California**

No representative today.

### **MTA-Motorcycle Touring Association:** Jane Usatin

Jane reported that the Wacky Wabbit route was good. SCMA with other contributors contributed \$157. A member matched the donation so there was a total of \$300 for Safe Home.

### **PMC-Pasadena Motorcycle Club:** John Katics

The date of their poker run has been changed to March 2009. George Low is chairing this event. Nothing else to report until the Greenhorn Ride.

## **Outriders**

There is nothing new to report today.

### **SRR-Shamrock Road Riders:** Jo Anne Gamble

They had their second meeting this year. It was last week in Simi Valley. They memorialized Ziggy at the meeting. Nominations of officers were: Dale Brassfield - President, Dennis Even - Vice President, Barbara Fox - Secretary, Dave Hawker - Treasurer, Joel Briggs - DLO and Holley Harrison - Referee.

### **Victor McLaglen Motor Corps**

Not present today.

## **Member Communication**

The membership numbers affected by numerous other activities available to riders. It was suggested that riders buddy up and/or ride in groups for some social time.

## **The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM**

Minutes submitted by Phyllis Shaw, Recording Secretary, S.C.M.A.



*SCMA wishes  
Everyone a Happy  
Holiday Season*



## **INTERESTING STUFF**

**Texas:** Did you know that there is only one natural lake in Texas? All the rest are man-made. Alaska: More than half of the coastline of the entire United States is in Alaska.

**Amazon:** The Amazon rain forest produces more than 20 percent of the world's oxygen supply. The Amazon River pushes so much water into the Atlantic Ocean that more than one hundred miles at sea, off the mouth of the river one can dip fresh water out of the ocean. The volume of water in the Amazon River is greater than the next eight largest rivers in the world combined and three times the flow of all rivers in the United States.

**Antarctica:** Antarctica is the only land on our planet that is not owned by any country. 90% of the world's ice covers Antarctica. This ice also represents 70% of all the fresh water in the world. As strange as it sounds, Antarctica is essentially a desert. The average yearly precipitation is about two inches. Although covered with ice (all but 0.4 percent of it), Antarctica is the driest place on the planet, with an absolute humidity lower than the Gobi desert.

**Brazil:** Brazil got its name from the nut, not the other way around.

**Canada:** Canada has more lakes than the rest of the world combined. Canada is an Indian word meaning "Big Village."

**Chicago:** Next to Warsaw, Chicago has the largest Polish population in the world.

**Detroit:** Woodward Ave. in Detroit, Michigan, carries the designation M-1, because it was the first paved road anywhere.

**Damascus:** Damascus, Syria, was flourishing a couple of thousand years before Rome was founded in 753 BC, making it the oldest continuously inhabited city in existence.

**Istanbul:** Istanbul, Turkey is the only city in the world located on two continents.

**New York City:** The term "The Big Apple" was coined by touring jazz musicians of the 1930's who used the slang expression "apple" for any town or city. Therefore, to play New York City is to play the big time ~ The Big Apple. There are more Irish in New York City than in Dublin, Ireland, more Italians in New York City than in Rome, Italy, and more Jews in New York City than in Tel Aviv, Israel.

**Wilderness:** Percentage of Africa that is wilderness 28%. Percentage of North America that is wilderness 38%.

**Ohio:** There are no natural lakes in the state of Ohio, every one is man-made.

**Rome:** The first city to reach a population of 1 million people was Rome, Italy in 133 B.C. There is a city called Rome on every continent.

**Siberia:** Siberia contains more than 25 percent of the world's forests.

**SMOM:** The smallest sovereign entity in the world is the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM). It is located in the city of Rome, Italy, has an area of two tennis courts, and as of 2001 has a population of 80, 20 fewer people than the Vatican. It is a sovereign entity under international law, as is the Vatican.

**Sahara Desert:** In the Sahara Desert, there is a town named Tidikelt, which did not receive a drop of rain for ten years.

**St. Paul:** St. Paul, Minnesota was originally called Pigs Eye after a man named Pierre Pig's Eye" Parrant who set up the first business there (bootlegging).

**Roads:** Chances that a road is unpaved in the USA ~ 1 percent Chances that a road is unpaved in Canada ~ 75 percent.

**United States:** The Eisenhower interstate system requires that one mile in every five must be straight. These straight sections are meant to be usable as airstrips in times of war or other emergencies.

## **NCOM NEWS BYTES**

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### **NCOM BIKER NEWS BYTES Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM)**

#### **MYRTLE BEACH APPROVES HELMET LAW AND OTHER ORDINANCES TO DETER BIKERS**

Myrtle Beach City Council recently gave initial approval to more than a dozen city-wide ordinances specifically aimed to limit bike rallies and dissuade bikers from coming to town.

On Tuesday, September 9, the council unanimously approved all but one of 15 proposed new laws pertaining to two back-to-back May motorcycle rallies, though the restrictions would remain in place year round.

The proposed ordinances that were passed on first reading ranged from a ban on the operation of motor vehicles that do not have required EPA (federal) stickers on their mufflers, to prohibiting more than one vehicle parked in a single public parking space, to implementing a mandatory helmet law and eye protection requirement for anyone riding a motorcycle within city limits and authorizing authorities to impound their motorcycles. The helmet ordinance also outlaws the sale or use of any non-DOT compliant helmet in the city.

In June the City Council not only passed a property-tax increase dedicated to funding an anti-bike rally campaign, but also started the process to enact ordinances aimed at ending motorcycle-related vending within city limits.

Another vote on the approved anti-rally measures is required before they can become law, which may take place before riders arrive in Myrtle Beach for the "Pilgrimage" fall bike rally, giving local police agencies an opportunity to begin enforcing the new ordinances.

Former Myrtle Beach Mayor Mark McBride, who once said he'd like to use his car to "nudge" a biker who wore an offensive T-shirt, said he's all for the city strictly enforcing the laws and said the city should bring in as many police officers as it needs. "If they enforce the laws," McBride told the Sun News "people will not want to come back if their good time is curtailed."

#### **TOUGHER IN ALASKA — JUNEAU BIKER CULTURE SUBJECT OF MUSEUM**

Juneau has more motorcycles per capita than most places in the United States even though there are only 91 miles of road in the city shared by over a thousand motorcyclists, and is the only capital not accessible by road.

"That's pretty interesting," said Sarah Asper-Smith, guest curator of a museum exhibit on local biker culture, adding there were 1,025 registered motorcycles in 2006 in Juneau. "That's something that runs through the exhibit, is why do we have so many motorcycles in town when you can't drive out of town? I think it's that sense of freedom that Alaskans have in common."

"91 Miles to Ride: Juneau's Biker Culture" at the Juneau-Douglas City Museum highlights Juneau biker culture with memorabilia and photographs, some of which date to the 1930s, when there were a lot fewer roads. Also on display are four classic motorcycles, including a 1924 Henderson Inline IV, a 1936 Harley-Davidson Knucklehead, a 1946 Indian Chief, and a 9-foot-long 1975 customized chopper, all on loan from local bikers.

"The weather never really bothers us," said Craig "Oz" Rasmussen, who has ridden his '36 Harley from Dawson City, Yukon to Tijuana, Mexico and is a member of the Southeast Alaska Panhandlers Motorcycle Club, which is prominently featured in the exhibit along with the Southeast Alaska Tongass Chapter of H.O.G. (Harley Owners Group), Juneau Alaska Bikers Advocating Training and Education (ABATE), and other groups.

#### **NEW ZEALAND BARS BIKER PATCHES**

Biker patches are not welcome in central Timaru and club members will have to remove their colors before entering some businesses. "Businesses can now place stickers on their front doors stating that gang patches and colours are not permitted to be worn on the premises," reports the Timaru Herald. Increasing gang activity prompted the joint initiative from Safer Communities and the South Canterbury Chamber of Commerce, says the newspaper.

All businesses have the right to refuse entry as long as it is not seen as discrimination, and the stickers are not classed as discrimination, say officials.

The Chamber of Commerce designed and paid for the printing of 100 stickers and is assisting in the distribution. Chamber manager Dave Jack said more stickers will be printed if needed.

Timaru mayor Janie Annear said the stickers were just another tool to stamp out gang activity, adding that they weren't naive enough to think the gang problem was over and were always thinking of new initiatives; "The battle is never totally won."



## OKLAHOMA MAY OUTLAW GANGS

State Rep. Paul Wesselhoft (R-Oklahoma City) told the Tulsa World newspaper that he wants to outlaw gangs by passing a law to enable gang members to be charged with a misdemeanor, even though he admits that such a law might not pass constitutional muster.

Tim Hock, vice president of the Oklahoma Gang Investigators Association, said he strongly endorses Wesselhoft's efforts, and that allowing gang members to be charged with a misdemeanor would give officers the means to interrogate them about criminal activity in the community.

Tulsa Police Chief Ron Palmer said, "There are various types of gangs — outlaw motorcycle gangs, white supremacy groups, Asian, Hispanic and African American gangs." They can be identified by gang names, tattoos and, in some cases, the color of clothes they wear, he said.

But Andrew Spiropoulos, a law professor at Oklahoma City University, said lawmakers "have to be very careful when they legislate gang membership as illegal, because under the First Amendment, a person cannot be prosecuted because they are a member of a group."

He said a person can be prosecuted only for conduct. "Generally, what states and cities have done is that they usually attack some activity in addition to being a gang member," he said.

"This is very disturbing news," relayed Tiger Mike Revere, State Coordinator of ABATE of Oklahoma and member of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) board of directors, "We'll have to keep a very close eye on this one in Oklahoma, as this type of legislation passed in other states, as in California and Ohio, has been used to directly discriminate against and harass Motorcycle Clubs, and not just 1%ers."

## HEADS UP

If you tend to give gift cards around the holidays, you need to be careful that the cards will be honored after the holidays. Stores that are planning to close after Christmas are still selling the cards through the holidays even though the cards will be worthless January 1. There is no law preventing them from doing this. On the contrary, it is referred to as 'Bankruptcy Planning). Below is a partial list of stores that you need to be cautious about.

**Circuit City** (filed Chapter 11)

**Ann Taylor** 117 stores nationwide closing

**Lane Bryant, Fashion Bug, and Catherine's** to close 150 stores nationwide

**Eddie Bauer** to close stores 27 stores and more after January

**Cache** will close all stores

**Talbots** closing down specialty stores

**J. Jill** closing all stores (owned by Talbots)

**Pacific Sunwear** (also owned by Talbots)

**GAP** closing 85 stores

**Footlocker** closing 140 stores more to close after January

**Wickes Furniture** closing down

**Levitz** closing down remaining stores

**Bombay** closing remaining stores

**Zales** closing down 82 stores and 105 after January

**Whitehall** closing all stores

**Piercing Pagoda** closing all stores

**Disney** closing 98 stores and will close more after January.

**Home Depot** closing 15 stores 1 in NJ ( New Brunswick )

**Macys** to close 9 stores after January

**Linens and Things** closing all stores

**Movie Galley** closing all stores

**Pep Boys** closing 33 stores

**Sprint/Nextel** closing 133 stores - GOOD Riddance!

**JC Penney** closing a number of stores after January

**Ethan Allen** closing down 12 stores.

**Wilson Leather** closing down all stores

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**K B Toys** closing 356 stores

**Loews** to close down some stores

**Dillard's** to close some stores

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