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In Memory of **El Forastero Dan** from *Minnesota* passed in May... R.I.P. Dan...

In Memory of **Legion of Doom Gioo** from *New York* passed in March... R.I.P. Gioo...

In Memory of **Devils Dicile Scotty** from *California* passed in March... R.I.P. Scotty...

In Memory of **Wheels Of Soul Eagle** from *New Jersey* earlier this year... R.I.P. Eagle...

In Memory of **Wheels Of Soul Butter Ball** from *Pennsylvania* passed in March... R.I.P. Butter Ball...

In Memory of **TheMadOne Nasty** from *Minnesota* died in motorcycle accident June 5th... R.I.P. Nasty...

Congratulations to **Warrior Blue** for your upcoming release...

Congratulations to **Pagan Snip** for your upcoming release on June 19th...

Congratulations to **Hellion Bear** for your upcoming release on July 9th...

Congratulations to **Mongol Berdoo** for your release to a ½ way house last month...

Congratulations to **Banshee Larry** for your release to a ½ way house on May 30th...

Congratulations to **Pagan Trucker** for your upcoming released to a ½ way house on July 29th...

Welcome **Mongol Chino** to the NCOM Brothers Behind Bars Newsletter Mailing List...

Welcome **Hellion RERE** to the NCOM Brothers Behind Bars Newsletter Mailing List...

Welcome **Pagan Scammer** to the NCOM Brothers Behind Bars Newsletter Mailing List...

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Welcome **Thunderguard Justice** to the NCOM Brothers Behind Bars Newsletter Mailing List...

Thanks goes to **Hells Angels** from *Minnesota* for their \$ 20.00 donation to this newsletter...

Special Thanks goes to **Iron Pirates (Disbanded '94) Sporty Dave (Florida)** for his \$ 25.00 donation to this newsletter... Thank you...!

Correction: Article titled: "Hells Angels banned from buses and beer" the country should have said "**Germany**" NOT "**Denmark**..."

Correction: The BBB nicknamed "Outlaw" is not from the Devils Diciples MC; He belongs to the Devils Disciples MC; with "S" in it...

Editor's Note: I would like to Thank my Wife "Kari" for getting these Newsletters ready to be mail...

Editor's Note: For *March* there was 1 issue, For *April* there was 1 issue, For *May* this is the 2nd issue ...

Editor's Note: Currently we are sending over 365 copies of this newsletter to members of **80** Motorcycle Clubs...

Disclaimer: The News Media does NOT always tell the Whole Truth... It tends to sensationalize the News to Sell Newspapers...

In Fact, Many Times the News Media gets the Facts Wrong!!!

Editor's Note: It is too hard to keep up with counts, But for your info here are the Clubs that are getting the Brothers Behind Bars Newsletter (**79 Clubs**) in Prison: Avengers, Bandidos, Banshees, Barons, Black Pistons, Boozefighters, BPM, Breed, Brother Speed, Brothers 8, Brotherhood Nomads, Brothers Of Wheels, Damned Deacon, D.C. Eagles, Death Squad, Derelicts, Devils Diciples, Diablos, El Forastero, Finks, Fly-In-Wheels, Forsaken Few, Free Souls, Galloping Goose, Ghost Riders, Grim Reapers, Gypsy Joker, Hellions, Hells Angels, Hells Lovers, Hells Outcasts, Hermanos, Hessians, Hidalgo's, Highwaymen, In Country Vietnam, Iron Coffins, Iron Horsemen, Invaders, Iron Wings, Iron Mustangs, Legion Of Doom, Liberty Riders, Long Riders, Marauder's, Misfits, Mohawk Valley Riders, Moloch, Mongols, Motopsychoz, Nomads, Outlaws, Pagan's, Peckerwood, Phantom's, Pharoahs, Reapers, Renegades, Sadistics, Salty Dogs, Satans Soldiers, Scorpions, Set Free Soldiers, Sin City Diciples, Sons Of Silence, Sovereign, Sundowners, Thunderbirds, Thurguards, Unforegiven, Vagos, Vietnam Vets / Legacy Vets, Y-Rohirrin, Warlocks Pa, Warlocks, Winos Crew And Wheels Of Soul... With newsletters going to Australia, Canada, England, France, Finland, Germany, Norway, Sweden, & Wales.

Editor's Note (For BBB Only): Being a Patch holder in Good Standings does have it privileges... And this is one of them... If you are a Patch Holder in Good Standings & contact me, include your Chapter too... If you are Not a patch holder of a MC in Good Standings, Don't write me & request that I add you to the mailing list. You will only get rejected, as I only make very few special exceptions.

Editor's Note: I would like to Thank all of the contacts from all of the **Motorcycle Clubs** that verify if requesting member is in Good Standing with their Club; & all of the other assistance that you give me, such as address changes, being released, & soliciting donations...

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Motorcycle Museum Owner On TV – May 5, 2014 – **North Carolina** – By Rex Hodge; www.WLOS.com - A local motorcycle museum owner will be back on television for a second season. Dale Walksler runs "Wheels Through Time" in Maggie Valley. He hosts the program, "What's in the Barn" on Velocity TV, traveling the country in search of rare & vintage motorcycles that might be stashed away in outbuildings or barns. "June 10th is the air date for season two, working on season three. We've got some really fun shows that are really a representation of really the romance of the American motorcycle," says Walksler. Beginning next month, 8 new episodes will air on Velocity TV at 10 pm.

In my many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, 2 is a law firm, & 3 or more is a congress.
- John Adams

To my Brother Jeff Smith 1%er: I have never met my Brother Jeff Smith, I would like to show my Love and Respect to Jeff. Ride on my Brother . . . Love and Respect from West Australia Mongol Cannibal 1%er

F.T.W

From the smell of high octane
To the sound of thunder
We come alone, or all together
From the looks And Stares of civilians
To the crooked cops rounding up their minions
All we want is to be left alone
So we can ride And party with our own
Some wearing denim, others in leather
We come alone but were all together
All the righteous views of life
Some to have kids and a wife
We ride hard And live fast
Always hoping that the days will last
But when we take that final ride alone
To our last destination we will soon call home
When we do, it will be to the people in denim And leather
To our Brothers, Forever Together Wherever!!!
R.I.P. Scotty D.D.M.C. California March 1, 2014

To my Brother Dino: Brotherhood – Few know the meaning of the word, Few can understand it, And even Fewer deserve it...
Iron Pirates (Disbanded '94) **Sporty Dave**

Williams says Thurguards claims don't add up – May 6, 2014 – **Delaware** - By Peter MacArthur; www.wdel.com - A Superior Court hearing comes on May 15th concerning attempts to oust the Thurguards MC from Wilmington. The state atty general is seeking a court order to have the group vacate its clubhouse & storage units on the 28 hundred block of N.E. Blvd. Wilmington Mayor Dennis Williams says club leaders have told him they're a unifying force in the neighborhood, but he hears of things going on that don't support that claim. "I can't tolerate nonsense where there's shootings, ruckus all night long until 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning, people being drunk, loud music, cars, & then they're telling me they're stabilizing the neighborhood. That's a bunch of crap, malarkey." Williams also says April's work by Licenses & Inspection to clean out 7 alleys in the city will be followed up by more of that work as they try to reclaim areas from crime & drug activity.

Explosion rocks Limburg Street – May 7, 2014 – **Netherland** – By Maxime Zech; www.NLtimes.nl - An explosive device has damaged several homes & one car on the Ruitersweg in Susteren, Limburg on Tue night. Mayor Jos Hessels announced this Wed. According to a neighbor, a member of the notorious Bandidos MC lives in one of the damaged homes. The mayor likens the explosion to the March attacks on the home of Harrie Ramakers, Pres of the Bandidos in Nieuwstadt. "But that doesn't say anything yet", his first reaction was. The mayor spoke to the community on the street Wed. He notes that they are shocked & full of disbelief. He hopes to be able to arrange their safety as soon as possible, the *Algemeen Dagblad* reports. Police say that 2 homes are damaged. The mayor claims these are five. Most damage is to walls & windows. The street has been blocked off & police are investigating. The **Explosive Ordnance Disposal** unit has also been called, the police says.

He uses statistics as a drunken man uses lamp-posts... for support rather than illumination. - Andrew Lang (1844-1912).

Mongol Jeff, Rest In Peace...

You deserve – for me – to pay my Respects openly. You were And are a Friend and a Brother from another. 1990 you gave me shelter when I had none. You gave me food when I was hungry, And when my Harley needed gas or repairs, you gave me work. Your friendship And acts of Brotherhood still have great effects on me, And are paid forward. Even when I became a member of the Rogues MC, you stayed the same. When my so-called Brother Rogues turned their backs on me for being too Roguish, you did not. You were and are a True Friend And a Brother from another! Much Love And Respect, Tramp from Kansas

No DNA or prints found to link Chalue to murders, witnesses say – May 7, 2014 – *Massachusetts* - By Andrew Amelinckx; www.BerkshireEagle.com - No DNA or fingerprint evidence linked David Chalue to the murder of 3 Pittsfield men, according to testimony Wed in Hampden Superior Court. Trooper Michael O'Neil told the jury in Chalue's murder trial that he was unable to get any fingerprints or only partial, unusable prints, from most of the evidence tested in the case. This included a gun cleaning kit taken from the Hells Angels clubhouse in Lee & a Jack Daniels whiskey bottle found at the Daniel Cole property in Becket, where the remains of David Glasser, Edward Frampton & Robert Chadwell were discovered, he said. The plastic bags in which the remains were found were covered in soil & other debris & were oily, said the witness, & he was unable to get any prints from them. According to O'Neil, there are several factors that can prevent fingerprint evidence from being obtained, from the presence of water to the type of surface that was touched. He said they were able to get usable prints from several water bottles found in the Jeep of Chalue's co-defendant, Caius Veiovis, which were matched to Chalue, Veiovis & the third defendant, Adam Lee Hall. Under cross-examination, it was revealed a fourth set of fingerprints matching those of Eric Fox, were found on a water bottle, also taken from the Jeep. Fox isn't facing charges, but was identified as being with Veiovis allegedly doing "counter surveillance" on the DA's Office & shopping with Veiovis at the Home Depot when it's alleged the men asked for directions to where the saws were kept. Jessica Hart, a DNA analyst at the state police crime lab, also testified Wednesday, telling the jury there was no DNA evidence linking Chalue, 47, or the other 2 defendants, to the crimes. She said in some cases there wasn't enough DNA present to test items, including a black tank top & a piece of floor mat from the dark blue Elantra that was connected to the case. The whiskey bottle also had too little DNA present to be tested while several firearms found during a search of the Hells Angels clubhouse didn't have any DNA of the defendants, she said. Hart said there were difficulties with some of the evidence tested because of their condition, especially those related to the victims' remains. She said they even had trouble getting a blood sample from 2 of the victims because there wasn't enough blood & had to resort to extracting DNA from their bones. In going through the case, there were difficulties, including degradation of samples, she said, with the DNA strands starting to fall apart. She told the jury that wearing gloves would help keep a person's DNA off of items they handled.

Police arrest 65 in major biker gang drug bust – May 7, 2014 – *Canada* – By <http://montreal.ctvnews.ca> - The Hells Angels & the Red Devils biker gangs were targeted in 49 police raids which saw 650 police officers arrest 69 suspects in Saguenay, the Laurentians & Laval Wed. Six suspects are still being sought in the roundup of the drug operation which dealt meth, cocaine, cannabis & cocaine. The raids were mainly directed in the Saguenay area where the network was also suspected of other

crimes, including extortion, arson, kidnapping & other crimes. One of the cells was suspected of producing marijuana for the Quebec market, while another was believed to have been exporting marijuana to the U.S.A. at a rate of 20 kilos per week, for a revenue of about \$1.2 million. Some of those arrested were Daniel Labrie, 41, of Terrebonne, Daniel Bouchard, 40, of Jonquière, Éric Bleau, 32, of Saint-Eustache, Pierre Chayer, 50, of Rawdon & Normand Girard, 60, of Laval.

John G. McDougall - May 8, 2014 – *Pennsylvania* – By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - John G. McDougall, Delaware County, Pennsylvania's first public defender & one of the most tenacious & dedicated defense attys who ever lived, died May 1 at an acute care facility in Havertown, Pennsylvania a month after injuring himself in a fall. McDougall's finest case was a 12-year-long battle to acquit Terence McCracken Jr., an 18-year-old high school senior who was arrested for & convicted of murdering a 71-year-old man named David Johnston during a robbery in a place called Kelly's Deli on March 18, 1983. McCracken became a suspect because he wore a red sweatshirt that day & because he was the son of a Warlocks MC patch holder named Terence "Screw" McCracken.

The McCracken Case: 2 weeks after the young McCracken was jailed a nearly identical robbery took place at a liquor store in a nearby town. 2 men named William Vincent Verdekal & John Robert Turcotte were arrested in connection with the second robbery & a .38 caliber handgun in Turcotte's possession proved to be the gun that killed Johnston. But because McCracken's father was a Warlock police assumed the young man must have been guilty of something & a local district attorney named William H. Ryan Jr. charged all 3 suspects with the murder & put McCracken on trial first. After a mistrial the young son of a notorious biker was convicted of second-degree murder, robbery & conspiracy. Astoundingly, charges against Verdekal & Turcotte were then dropped because no one could find any evidence that McCracken was connected in any way to the 2 guilty men. Even after Verdekal admitted that he had participated in the robbery at Kelly's Deli & that McCracken had not, the prosecutor refused to reopen the case. McCracken spent 4 years in prison before he was released while McDougall pursued his young client's appeals. McCracken was finally acquitted in 1995 when he was 31. At that retrial the prosecution's chief witness, a man named Michael Aldridge who had identified McCracken as being at the scene of the crime, recanted his testimony. After the acquittal District Attorney Ryan said the witness had changed his testimony because he had been intimidated by the Warlocks. "You cannot overestimate the fear factor in this case," Ryan said. The case is now frequently studied in law schools. It was merely the first of a very long list stunning defenses based on McDougall's distrust of the police & his sensitivity to prosecutorial malice & incompetence.

McDougall: McDougall was born in West Philadelphia, served in the Marine Corps, attended Drexel University on the GI Bill, & went to Temple University Law School at night. He is survived by his sons Sean & Jonathan, his daughters Kelly & Colleen, his wife Jean, his sister & 12 grandchildren. His buried Tuesday in a private ceremony. His family asks that any memorial contributions in his name be made to the Nat'l Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys Fund for Criminal Justice, 1660 L St. N.W., 12th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20036. John G. McDougall was a friend in need to many innocent men & proof that one man can make a difference. Requisite In Pace

Editor's Note

Over the last couple months or more, there have been Lots of letters for various requests... I appreciate All the letters (address changes / In Memory items / upcoming releases / and etc)... I got behind on them; which will happen... As of now I'm pretty much caught up on all of the mail; thus If I missed your letter and/or request; please write again... For requests that are specific to One Brother Behind Bars; It would be best to direct them to your Club to handle... Thanks, Mike Sons Of Silence MC Retired

Biker's Prayer by -Kelly-K

I pray for all the groups and Clubs,

I pray for the sport that all of us love.

No matter what style no matter what race,

Your soul has no color; your soul has no face.

We started out afraid to lean right or left,

And now we use speeds that could bring us death.

So turn back the throttle it might save your life,

You may have a husband, you may have a wife.

Think of your family and what they will miss,

Your touch and your smile, the warmth of your kiss.

Think of your loved ones when you turn the key,

God Bless all the bikers and also; God Bless Me...

The Good Ole' Days: "When I was a boy, my Momma would send me down to the corner store with a dollar, and I'd come back with 5 pounds of potatoes, 2 loaves of bread, 3 pints of milk, a pound of cheese, a box of tea, and a half a dozen eggs. You can't do that now. Too many fuckin' security cameras."

Yea, remember them well. If I had to do 5 minutes for every crime I ever committed, I'd be doing "life and 10." You may quote me on that fact in the BBB... Outlaw Flapper

Calvin Rickson, an engineer from Texas A&M University has designed a bra that keeps women's breasts from jiggling, bouncing up & down, & stops nipples from pushing through the fabric when cold weather sets in. After a news conference announcing the invention, a large group of men took Mr. Rickson outside & kicked the shit out of him.

Minnesota police can no longer keep seized property after an acquittal – May 6, 2014 – *Minnesota* - By Abby Simons; www.StarTribune.com - Minnesota police can no longer keep property & cash seized in drug cases when there is no criminal conviction under a bill signed into law Tue by Gov. Mark Dayton. Previously, police or sheriffs could keep property, vehicles & cash seized in drug cases or drive-by shootings — regardless of the outcome of the criminal case. If a suspect was found not guilty, they could still lose their property in civil court unless they were able to prove it was not involved in a crime. The new law, set to take effect Aug. 1, requires prosecutors to return the property if there is no criminal conviction associated with the seizure. The measure, authored by Sen. Dave Thompson, R-Lakeville, & Rep. Susan Allen, DFL-Minneapolis, was backed by the American Civil Liberties Union of Minnesota & the Institute for Justice. The bill passed the House 120-0 & the Senate 55-5, despite concerns of law enforcement groups that it could be ripe for abuse & potentially put seized firearms back on the street. Benjamin Feist, legislative director for the ACLU of Minnesota, said it was clear that a compromise would have to be reached with law enforcement. "The issue really came down to what would an admission of guilt include?" Feist said. An earlier draft of the bill said that either a conviction or admission of guilt in an underlying drug crime would count as a forfeitable offense. It initially wasn't clear how county attorneys could proceed in some programs

designed to keep people out of jail. As a result, Feist said, "conviction" includes not only a straightforward admission of guilt, but also stay of adjudications — when a conviction is deferred & later erased — & diversion programs. "At the end of the day we were comfortable with this compromise because the new law will make it very clear that someone who is acquitted in criminal court will not lose their property in a civil proceeding," Feist said. Advocates say the state was ripe for reform. The laws have become a growing source of cash for law enforcement agencies & were famously abused by the now-defunct Metro Gang Strike Force, which paid out \$840,000 in settlements to victims who had their property seized. "No one acquitted in criminal court should lose his property in civil court," said Lee McGrath, legislative counsel for the Institute for Justice. "This change makes Minnesota's law consistent with the great American presumption that a person & his property are innocent until proven guilty."

Amy's Biography - Arkansas - <http://AmyIreneWhite.com> - Amy Irene White was born in Arkansas, daughter of a southern Baptist deacon. She grew up painting cars, & accumulated an impressive background in body work, mechanics, & paint. Eventually she became a freelance biker journalist contributing to Easyriders, In the Wind, Biker, V-Twin, & more. In spite of being 90% deaf, she has done countless stories over a decade, traveling to most destinations by Harley. Amy has written celebrity profiles, bike show & rodeo coverage, & rallies nationwide. She rides a 1993 Heritage Softail Nostalgia & is the only person ever photographed with Elvis Presley's bike collection at Graceland. Amy is author of Wicked Bitch & contributing author to Biker Chicks by Venno & Winterhauler, available through Allen & Undwin. Amy recently traveled with Dr. Venno from N.Y. to L.A. to promote books. Diagnosed with Lupus in 2004, Amy is beating all odds in her fight against this disease with no known cure. She is an advocate for Lupus awareness, participating bike runs, walk-a-thons & radio interviews to raise money for several Lupus-focused organizations. She lives in Arkansas with her husband, Bob, & 2 dogs.

I Go Out Walkin' After Midnight - Jan 2, 2014 – *Arkansas* – By Amy Irene White; <http://AmyIreneWhite.com> - Tomorrow I am going to duct tape my brother-in-law to the wall & rip out his toenails with pliers. Rusty ones. This afternoon he says, "You need anything from town?" I say, "Yes, cigarettes." About 11:30, I go looking for them – to no avail. I call Chris & he groggily says. "Oh, I forgot... I'll do it sometime tomorrow. I'm going to bed now. Goodbye." WHAT? WTF? I am still amped up like a methhead on steroids from my Benlysta infusion yesterday & done drank about a half pint of Jäger, smoked pot all day, & had bad ass drugs pumped into me yesterday... well. I make it 2 hours & a joint later, & I decide fuck it, I'm going to the Day-n-Nite. So, in my Mickey Mouse pajamas & knee high purple boots, I gallantly stagger to my Mustang & very carefully & conscientiously get in, start the car, let it warm up, put on my seat belt, adjust the stereo & away I go, carefully zooming through the absolutely deserted streets two blocks to the Day-n-Nite. Well, I get there & guess what? There's a cop there. I lean over & pretend to get my purse & spray perfume in my hand & kinda rub myself, then waltz up into the store. It's not "just a cop." When you live in a town of approximately 12 people & a coon dog, you are gonna know at least one cop. Thankfully, the cop I know seems very nice, he is the K9 cop & he has had to come over a couple times with the EMTs when bob had a major diabetic episode. But he is still A COP. There is not one single solitary cop on earth who doesn't cause my insides to get all

fucked up when I have to interact with one. Well. I go into the store in my PJ's & of course he wants to talk. "Yes, Bob's doin' fine. He just turned 70." I'm talkin' to a cop, I reek of pot & Jäger, & there's pot in my purse. "Oh, yea, I still have my bike... I don't ride as much as I used to." I don't have on a bra & I am talking to a cop & I have pot in my purse... & fuck, the gun.

"Yes, I am getting along okay, thank you... yes; my dog is fine... yea... I see your girl remembers me... she's barking out the window... no, I didn't do the dog show this year..." The drug dog is going nuts & I have on no bra & I am talking to a cop & I have pot & a gun in my purse & nobody knows where I am but this cop. "Well thank you, Happy New Year to you too." I am being HUGGED by a cop with no bra on, while his dog foams at the mouth at the effervescence of marijuana that forms a cloud around me & I have pot & a gun in my purse..." Chris is SO going to get it. Soon as my colon ceases to spasm.

Stanky Ass People - Dec 20, 2013 - *Arkansas* – By Amy Irene White; <http://AmyIreneWhite.com> - The entire human race is on a steady crusade to completely eradicate the structural, subtle nuances that separate us from other living creatures. If you stand & watch a crowd, it becomes a circus of stupidity. Everyone is just too much too much. Young girls no longer dress kinda sexy. Now they have to have their ass cheeks hanging out & no bra & giant hair & more make up than Gene Simmons. Or what used to be the skaters or beatniks or grunge kids - depending how old you are – they now look like something out of "Rocky Horror Picture Show." Old ladies all have decided to be cougars with fake boobs & turkey necks in leopard print & fuck me heels. Young girls walk around in pajamas & crocs & doodoo ball hair. We are on a steady downhill plunge toward the total annihilation of any type of class whatsoever. Humans are gross & seem to be much more open with it than usual. I miss the days when big women wore caftans or loose fitting clothing. I am sick of seeing a muffin top under a baby doll t-shirt over a pair of Miss Mes that are screaming for help, sporting a camel toe where one could park a Buick Skylark. Then there are the bone thin ones chewing their jaws & twitching their fingers & looking around suspiciously from hollowed out eyes.. so yea, THAT'S a nice attractive healthy meth pallor you chicks got goin' on there. Men are walking around looking stanky too. Either their pants are sagging & their baseball caps are shaped stupid, or else they look like they haven't changed their styles since their mom bought their clothes for seventh grade. And when did camouflage become acceptable attire for all public occasions? What is going on with people? Does nobody CARE how they look anymore? Why is mankind as a whole just diving head first into the swineliness of the masses, wallowing about in graceless glee in their slovenly lifestyles? I would not be surprised if the entire world turns into grotesque Neanderthals with iPhones. "Who has time for a bath?! I need to finish this level of Angry Birds!" "So what if one could braid my armpit hair... I am kicking ass on Candy Crush!" Wake up & clean up your nasty selves, people. Seriously.

Butterfly Highways - *Arkansas* - By <http://AmyIreneWhite.com> - My Journey & Daily Battle With Lupus ~Amy Irene White, the Wicked Bitch I am a writer. I am a biker. I am a mother. I am a wife. I am a sister. I am an aunt... each of these things are all consuming, yet all consumed by something even larger. I am a woman who has Lupus. I want to say a million things, yet can't think of where to begin. I want to tell you to go be checked... to take care of your skin against the sun... to find out what Lupus is so that you can be aware of the symptoms. I would like to describe the tears I cry when I have to call & say "I am sick &

can't go,"... again. I wish I could describe the pain I felt when a childhood friend sent me a text the other day that said, "I have been diagnosed with Lupus." I wish I could explain what it's like to be 40 years old & have to be bathed by my husband.. to rely on someone else to lift me out of a chair. It isn't always that way, of course. There are days I throw my long red hair over my shoulder & my long leg over my motorcycle & become the girl I once was – for a little while at least. My body is eating itself from the inside. My liver has already quit once. People tell me all the time that I am their hero... that I am so strong... but I am not always strong. Sometimes I am but a wispy shadow of the woman I used to be. No one knows that I feel such a huge accomplishment by living to see my son graduate high school a couple years ago. No one knows the next goal I have set for myself is to maybe see my 13 year old niece do the same thing. I know it's a far-fetched goal, but why not? What do I have to lose? As hard as it is to have Lupus, let me tell you first hand, it's a billion times harder to be a biker with Lupus. That feeling of freedom that you feel when you work your way through the gears & lean into the curves becomes tainted with the knowledge that every heartbeat in the sun is eating away at your time on earth. The sweet abandon of leather clad miles becomes weighted with the fear of your body not being able to maneuver as safely as it should. Publishing my autobiography, Wicked Bitch, was a check mark on my bucket list. So was one last magnificent trip to Sturgis a few years ago... I puked the whole way because I was on chemo, but I made it. The way you survive with Lupus is the way you survive with any illness... you depend on God & you fight like hell.

Limburg mayor urges Cabinet to act on MCs – May 8, 2014 – *Netherlands* – By Maxime Zech; www.NLtimes.nl - The mayor of Echt-Susteren, Jos Hessels, says he's had it with motorcycle gangs, after the newest attack on a Bandidos member took place in his city, he tells Radio 1 Journal. The attack on Tue night surprised many residents, & angered Hessels. A hand grenade was thrown into the garden of a Bandidos member. It exploded, damaging 5 homes & 1 car. In an interview with Radio 1, the mayor explains that he has enforced several security measures to prevent another incident like this from happening. Mayor Hessels does not know who is behind the attack, but does say that this is the 3rd time in 6 or 8 weeks that this has happened in the area. There are now plans for permanent camera surveillance on the street where the Bandidos member lives.. "There will also be traffic regulations, whereby it will become difficult to ride through the street unseen, & you will be forced to moderate your speed as driver." The mayor has also introduced an emergency ordinance that means the area is restricted. People can be preventatively frisked or ordered to leave the area. Further, mayor Hessels has been in contact with the Cabinet in The Hague, who he thinks is not fully comprehending the impact that this activity has on people. He emphasizes that physical damage can be dealt with in such attacks, but is worried about the traumatic impact it has on families. Hessels proposes that MCs in the Netherlands be treated similarly to those in Germany. In diverse cities & states, motorcycles in Germany are registered as criminal organizations. "And that has persisted judicially as well. Not in the Netherlands. If you can do that, then you can take on the clubs as well as individual members much better. Separate the good seeds from the bad." Hessels says that this is one of the excuses that the Cabinet uses, that there some motorcycle riders are good people, & that you shouldn't lump them in with the bad seeds. He insists, however, that the safety & peace of his residents comes first. "We have to forget the nuance & take measures whereby people can sleep again."

Motorcycle Accident Turns Man's Heart Nearly 90 Degrees - May 8, 2014 - *Italy* - By Gillian Mohney; <http://abcnews.go.com> - A 48-year-old man is lucky to be alive after being in a violent motorcycle accident that temporarily shifted his heart. Italian doctors described the rare injury in the New England Journal of Medicine, writing that the man was found to have broken ribs & a build-up of air in his chest cavity after the accident. But an X-ray & CT scan revealed a more alarming problem: the man's heart had shifted nearly 90 degrees in his chest. Fortunately, the doctors were able to drain the air from the man's chest cavity - a move that allowed his heart to move back to its normal position within 24 hours.

Logan-based Hells Angels Motorcycle Corporation wins payout & apology from clothing chain - May 8, 2014 - *Australia* - By Josh Robertson; www.couriermail.com.au - Hells Angels bikies who risk jail for wearing their "death head" insignia in Queensland pubs have won a confidential payout from a Nat'l clothes retailer that used a similar logo on T-shirts. The Logan City-based Hells Angels Motorcycle Corporation (Australia) has also received a public apology from the corporate boss of Trade Secret, which has withdrawn the bikie-style shirts sold in 2012 & 2013. The Angels managed to press their intellectual property rights despite being declared a criminal organisation by the Queensland Gov't last year & being dumped by their longtime IP firm Rostron Carlyle in Feb. It is the second legal payout over a trademark dispute paid to the Hells Angels by Trade Secret owner Gazal Corporation, which settled with the outlaw club in 2009 over "Heaven's Angel" girls' T-shirts sold by its Mambo brand. It also follows a string of interNat'l law suits brought by the club, including against UK designer Alexander McQueen in 2010 for allegedly using the death head in his Autumn/Winter collection, & Toys R Us over a yoyo in 2012. The Trade Secret T-shirts featured an image of a Hells Angels bikie riding a bike in colors & mock "colors" of a fictitious bikie gang called "Journeyman MC" featuring a skull with wings. In a written apology, Gazal Corp director Richard Gazal said the Hells Angels "considered these images offensive" & threatened to sue for trademark infringement. Gazal said while Trade Secret denied these allegations, a lawsuit was avoided as the retailer & the bikie gang had "settled the dispute on confidential terms". "Trade Secret would like to publicly acknowledge the Hells Angels' intellectual property rights in its trademarks & the copyright in the images which are contained in those trademarks," he said. "In selling & manufacturing the 2 T-shirt designs, Trade Secret did not intend to infringe the Hells Angels' intellectual property rights or diminish its reputation & expresses regret for any offence taken by the Hells Angels as a result of that conduct. The Angels retained IP barrister Dimitrios Eliades for the negotiations.

Hells Angels garbage man fights city hall to get his job back - May 8, 2014 - *Canada* - By Sam Cooper; www.TheProvince.com - A well-known Hells Angel is fighting to get his Vancouver garbage-collection job back after being fired last fall. The grievance case of Ronaldo Lising - a notorious B.C. gangster hired with no checks into his extensive criminal record - is one of several important labour battles now underway between city hall & a local union, sources told The Province. Lising was dismissed by the city after The Province reported he had been hired as an auxiliary garbage collector last May, following his statutory release from an 11-year, nine-month jail sentence. City manager Penny Ballem promised a review into hiring in order to "look at best practice around issues related to organized crime." As The Province previously reported, Lising had assured parole officials who were concerned with his continued Hells Angels

membership that he would resign from the Angels "as soon as (he) could do so." But police sources told The Province they weren't certain Lising had cut ties with the Hells Angels while employed by the city. In the past month, a number of CUPE 1004 workers told The Province that Lising had challenged his dismissal in a three-step union grievance process, & finally was denied in a hearing with Ballem. The workers - who are not permitted to talk to the media under union rules - said that Lising is now working with CUPE 1004 lawyer Patrick Dickie, for an expected arbitration hearing. In a brief phone call, Dickie was asked several questions on Lising's case & said "no comment." B.C.'s human-rights code does not allow employers to discriminate against workers with criminal records unless the employer can prove the discrimination is justified. "I think Lising's case is huge," one source said. "I think Ronaldo's position is he has done his time, & you can't punish him now." Citing privacy laws, a spokeswoman said city managers "will not be commenting on any action the union may or may not be pursuing on behalf of Lising." As a result of the review into Lising's hiring last fall, the city "did revise our hiring process to enhance the skills of our manager & supervisors, & implemented mechanisms to better identify indications of affiliation with organized crime," the spokeswoman said. Meanwhile, CUPE 1004 sources said that the dismissals of Lising & Alex Bruse - a garbage-collection job steward who planned to run for Pres of the union - will be used to challenge city hall's grievance processes. Bruse was fired last week after facing allegations that a co-worker took a tip for removing extra garbage at a Vancouver business. Receiving small tips is not uncommon, workers say. Internal CUPE emails show some members believe Bruse was targeted by managers because he is a strong leader. "Alex is a battler who will fight for everyone's rights, & he had the support of the members," one worker told The Province. An internal CUPE 1004 email sent in April concerning Bruse's case says: "The problem developing for us is their side of the grievance procedure is being rubber stamped to arbitration ... they have gone up the ladder now, so do we expect (city managers Peter) Judd or Ballem to fairly hear the case?" A spokeswoman said the city can't comment on specific cases, but "strongly disputes any suggestion that any employee has been disciplined on the basis of union activity or leadership aspirations."

Amaro Found Guilty - May 10, 2014 - *Florida* - By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - About 11 p.m. local time last night a Florida jury found Victor Manuel "Pancho" Amaro guilty of the murders of Harold "Lil Dave" Liddle & Dave "Dresser" Jakiela. Under current Florida law Amaro faces a mandatory minimum sentence of 25 years in prison. There was never any question that Amaro killed the 2 men as they rode into the parking lot of a VFW Post in Winter Springs, Florida on Sept 30, 2012. His defense atty, a man named Junior Barrett, told jurors that Amaro had acted in reasonable fear for his life when he retrieved 2 hidden pistols, held one in each hand & lit up Liddle & Jakiela. Neither of Amaro's victims had time to turn off their motorcycles. Liddle died first. Jakiela, an Orlando architect, was shot in the head as he tried to hide behind his motorcycle & died 2 days later in a hospital. Barrett argued that Amaro "was scared. He was firing (because) he believed they were coming to hurt or kill" Amaro & his codefendants, David "Tin Man" Maloney, Robert William "Willy" Eckert & Paul Wayne Smith.

Previous Trials: It was Amaro's second trial on the same charges. His first trial ended in a mistrial after 4 days following a prosecutorial error that might have prejudiced his jury. Maloney was acquitted of the 3 murder charges & one count of attempted

murder in a trial that ended last month. The jury in that trial hung on whether Maloney was guilty of a second count of attempted murder. Prosecutors have not yet announced when or if they will retry Maloney on the unresolved count. Eckert was found guilty of 2 counts of manslaughter & sentenced to 27 years in prison last week by Judge Jessica Recksiedler, the same judge who will sentence Amaro. Smith will stand trial beginning May 21.

Bad Blood: The murders culminated a bizarre feud between an 8 member chapter of a Philadelphia area motorcycle club & a large & widely respected Orlando based motorcycle club. Both clubs call themselves the Warlocks. Members of the Philadelphia based club wear a Harpy patch. The Florida Warlocks wear a Phoenix which is often referred to as a "Warbird." About half the members of the small Harpy chapter were former Florida Warlocks who had been kicked out the big club. At least 3 of those disgruntled ex-members openly expressed bitter grudges against their former club. Maloney, the Pres of the Harpy Warlocks Florida chapter is a former Warbird Warlocks chapter Pres who shot & wounded a member of his old club outside a bar in Sanford, Florida a year before the VFW murders.

Motorcycle group member found guilty in fatal shootout – May 11, 2014 – *Florida* – By Steward Moore; www.Wesh.com - It took the jury until almost 11 p.m. Friday to convict Amaro of 2 counts of 2nd-degree murder. Amaro may spend the rest of his life behind bars after a jury convicted him on 2 counts of murder when gunshots erupted at a Winter Springs VFW. 3 members of the Warlocks, Harold Liddle, David Jakiela & Peter Schlette were shot & killed in late Sept 2012. Amaro wasn't convicted of 2 attempted 1st-degree murder charges & found not guilty on a third second-degree charge, but jurors didn't buy that he was defending himself when he shot 2 others. This was his second trial after the first was ruled a mistrial when prosecutors played a piece of audio they weren't allowed to play. The shooting landed several people behind bars & facing murder charges. David Maloney was acquitted on 4 murder counts & a jury could not decide on a fifth count. Prosecutors can still decide if he should be retried on the 5th charge, but for now he is a free man. Robert Eckert was convicted on 2 counts of manslaughter with a firearm & attempted murder with a firearm. He was sentenced to 27 years in prison. Paul Smith, the fourth Warlock charged in this shooting, will go on trial at the end of the month. He is facing 3 counts of 2nd-degree murder.

Thunderguards protest "unfair" gang label – May 11, 2014 – *Delaware* – By Margie Fishman; www.delawareonline.com - Roughly 200 revved-up bikers staged a deafening rally Saturday morning on the New Castle County courthouse steps in support of the Thunderguards MC's push to remain at their Riverside clubhouse. On May 15, representatives from the black MC will appear in county Superior Court on charges that the clubhouse in the 2800 block of N.E. Blvd. is a criminal hotbed, linked to 15 shootings – at least 4 of them deadly – over the past 8 years. Attorney General Beau Biden has requested an emergency injunction to force the group to vacate the property, attributing multiple killings, stabbings, assaults, drug dealing, gambling & prostitution to the "national outlaw motorcycle gang." City officials have seized 2 illegal gambling machines & cases of alcohol from an illegal bar operating in the clubhouse. But during the one-hour protest, Thunderguard members accused politicians of racial profiling, arguing that they should not be held responsible for street crimes committed nearby. The decaying white stucco building is located in front of the Riverside housing project in one of the city's most dangerous sections. "Not one

individual Thunderguard has been convicted or arrested for violence," said Pastor Kurtis Davis III, the national chaplain for the organization. He said motorcycle clubs from across the mid-Atlantic attended Saturday's rally. Wilmington police officers cordoned off the area. Davis also disputed the gambling charges, explaining that the games confiscated were similar to touchscreen bar video games. The clubhouse is open from midnight to 4 a.m. on Fridays & Saturdays & serves alcohol for social parties, he said. Patrons are searched for weapons & drugs at the door. Incorporated in 1995, the organization counts more than 1,000 members from Claymont to Seaford. A fixture in the community, Thunderguards have organized book drives, Halloween parties, backyard clean-up days & rides supporting research for Multiple Sclerosis & cancer treatments, Davis said. The group plans to rally Monday in Rodney Square before walking to the courthouse. A third rally is planned Thu at the courthouse before a hearing in the case.

Myrtle Beach Rally Rebounding - May 12, 2014 – *South Carolina* – By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - Myrtle Beach Bike Week, which for years was 1 of the 6 major biker rallies of the summer, began today. Realistic local businessmen expect the event may attract as many as 125,000 bikers. The event is the nation's 4th oldest biker rally. The annual rally in Laconia began in 1916 & became a stop on the official Gypsy Tour recognized by the forerunner of the American Motorcyclist Association in 1923. The rally in Daytona dates to 1937. The Black Hills Rally in Sturgis began in 1938. Myrtle Beach dates to 1940. The Myrtle Beach Rally was basically finished after the city of Myrtle Beach passed a series of draconian laws in 2008 that were intended to discriminate against bikers & drive them away. Those laws included ordinances that declared motorcycle rallies to be nuisances & authorized the police to sue to recover any costs they might incur as a result of those nuisances. Other ordinances held rally sponsors liable for the costs of arresting & jailing attendees; a law that made it illegal to loiter in a city park; a Myrtle Beach only helmet law that required those helmets to be provably DOT certified; a law that required Harley exhausts to be quiet as sleeping babies; a law that effectively made local cops judges; & another law that required all convenience stores to hire security guards. The most annoying of those was the helmet law. The South Carolina Supreme Court overturned all these laws after the 2010 rally that basically wasn't.

Business Prepare: Local television station WBTW ran a story last week that hoped "this may be the largest bike week since 2008." The station quoted Mike Foster, owner of the Crooked Floor Tavern, who said he was "really excited about the spring rally. We've got vendors coming in. We've got like 7 or 8 different vendors. We've also got entertainment." Several South Carolina news outlets have quoted Bill Barber who is the manager of a biker bar & barbeque joint called Suck Bang Blow. Barber's bar needs the rally business & he is optimistic. He told WBTW he was "anticipating this to be the best rally we've had since the early 2000s." He told the Sun News he thinks as many as 300,000 bikers may come to town for this year's event. The rally had 400,000 visitors in 2008. "Our phones have been ringing off the wall," he told the local paper. "Our Facebook went nuts." The rally officially ends next Sunday.

A pen in the hand of this Pres is far more dangerous than a gun in the hands of 200 million law-abiding citizens.

"Alcohol Tobacco & Firearms" should be the name of a convenience store chain, not a Gov't agency.

Woman killed by police connected to Gypsy Jokers biker club – May 13, 2014 – *Oregon* – By www.KGW.com - Four days after a woman was shot & killed by Salem police, the suspect's family are still looking for answers. Jacklynn Rashaun Ford, 25, was shot Friday after she ran from a traffic stop near the intersection of Watson Ave N.E., near Alameda St, police said. Ford was declared dead at Salem Hospital. Authorities said they found a gun at the scene of the incident. Sources confirmed Ford was associated with the Gypsy Jokers, a group known as an outlaw motorcycle gang. But Salem police still haven't said why Ford was pulled over or why police called for back-up before she ran. Ford's family has asked authorities for an explanation. Police said they're still investigating. Ford was caught by police at Eastgate Basin Park on Alameda St. That's where witnesses said they saw Ford & police struggle on the ground. Witnesses said they watched a police dog bite Ford while she yelled "Stop, it hurts, ouch." Her family said she's right handed. When the dog let go, witnesses said her right arm was dangling, with no weapon seen. Michael Shelley watched the incident his front porch. "I don't know her past," said Shelley. "Her mother said 'Yeah, she's made some mistakes,' does that constitute her being killed? I don't know. I wasn't in the immediate vicinity. I don't know if there was an actual weapon." Ford has convictions for burglary, menacing, theft & gun possession. The officer who shot her, Trevor Morrison, is a 12-year veteran now on paid leave while the shooting is under investigation. This is the 2nd officer-involved shooting for Salem police in 2 weeks.

The Last LOUD Ride for a Local Biker – May 13, 2014 – *Canada*- By www.INews880.com - It was a heavy metal thunder funeral procession with more than one hundred Harleys & Hells Angels bikers wearing their club colours in Edmonton last night. Dozens of Hells Angels & their biker associates gathered at a club house off 66th Street in north Edmonton before the rumbling ride to the Edmonton Cemetery on 107th Avenue near 118th Street. Police put the bike count at 110 or more & most of the riders were displaying Hells Angels or affiliated colours on their leather vests. The Harleys fired up & made their way into the heart of the city for the last ride of a man believed to be an influential local biker. A caller to iNews 880 claims the man was a member of the Syndicate support club but we have not independently confirmed the information. Police assisted the Hells Angels with traffic control as required at key intersections & as one officer says "they were respectful to us & we were respectful to them." The heavy metal procession caught the eyes of hundreds of people who saw & heard the bikers passing by.

Hells Angels MC Raided By San Francisco Police – May 14, 2014 – *California* – By www.NBCBayArea.com - San Francisco police raided a Hells Angels MC headquarters in the City's Dogpatch neighborhood early Wed morning in connection to the investigation of a 2013 assault... The police Dept's Gang Task Force blocked off the 1100 block of Tennessee St, where the "Frisco" local chapter of the club is based, while executing a search warrant about 5 a.m. The warrant was issued in connection with an incident in 2013, when several suspects wearing Hells Angels jackets allegedly assaulted someone in San Fran, resulting in serious injuries. Police were able to identify one of the suspects in the attack as Charles Nucci, 32, of San Fran. He was arrested Wednesday morning & taken into custody, San Francisco police spokesman Officer Albie Esparza said. Nucci was booked into the San Fran County Jail on aggravated assault charges. He was released several hours after his arrest on \$175,000 bail, the San Fran Sheriff's Dept said. The raid only involved the San Fran

police Gang Task Force, Esparza said. Following the arrest, police left the clubhouse around 8:15 a.m.

Frisco Angels Raided - May 14, 2014 – *California* – By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - There was another intelligence gathering raid on a Hells Angels clubhouse in the darkest hour before dawn today. This time it was the Frisco charter clubhouse located in a residential island mostly surrounded by industrial properties in the 1100 block of Tennessee St near Tubbs St. The Frisco charter was founded in 1954 & is the 2nd oldest in the club. It has been the object of numerous police searches in the last 15 years. Some of those searches have seemed to indicate that some San Francisco Hells Angels consume & enjoy illegal recreational drugs. So, naturally, today's enforcement action at about 5 a.m. featured a drug sniffing dog & a Swat team.

Nucci: The putative point of the raid was to locate & arrest Charles Nucci, 32, who police accuse of participating in an aggravated assault 5 months ago. Nucci was in custody by 5:05 a.m. but police lingered at the club house until 8:15, presumably enjoying the Frisco Angels world famous coffee. Helicopter footage broadcast on local television showed police carrying boxes of either club records or San Francisco treats from the location. As of 1:30 p.m. Pacific Time, Nucci had been booked into custody but had not yet made his initial appearance before a judge. San Francisco Police Chief Greg Suhr told television station KCBS that the whole point of the raid was to arrest Nucci & that it was carried out solely by the San Francisco Police Dept's Gang Task Force without the support or collaboration of the ATF, the FBI, the DEA or the Dept of Homeland Security. KCBS did not ask Suhr when or if those Fed agencies might be informed of the raid. According to published sources, police did say that an "investigation is active & ongoing."

Chronicle's Angle: Henry K. Lee of the San Francisco Chronicle reported that neighbors of the club were puzzled by the early morning raid. A man identified by the Chronicle as L. Perry complained about the repeated raids. "To me, it seems like a lot of police manpower wasted," Perry said. "We see these raids, but we never hear about any results." Perry also said the Angels were good neighbors. "I don't really see anything wrong with what they're doing down there. They shifted their entrance so they don't have to come down the residential part of the street, & I appreciate that. They really haven't been a problem," he said. Another neighbor named Stacia Wymen said, "I hear their bikes, but I've never seen anybody even hanging out in front. There's an urban legend in the neighborhood that they keep it clean there. I don't know if that's true or not, but I've never heard any wild parties or even seen anyone coming or going."

Portland raids target Gypsy Jokers biker gang – May 15, 2014 – *Oregon* – By Teresa Blackman; www.KGW.com - Police raided 3 locations linked to the Gypsy Jokers motorcycle gang as part of an ongoing firearms investigation Thu. Search warrants were served at 11818 Northeast Holladay St, 2907 S.E. 90th Ave & 3075 N.W. Front Ave. "At the Holladay address, investigators seized approximately 3 ounces of methamphetamine. Evidence of firearm possession was located but no guns were seized during these warrants," said Sgt. Pete Simpson with the Portland Police Bureau. Last Friday, Salem police shot & killed a woman known to be associated with the Gypsy Jokers. Jacklynn Rashaun Ford, 25, was shot & killed after she ran from a traffic stop near the intersection of Watson Ave N.E., near Alameda St, police said. Ford had past convictions for burglary, menacing, theft & gun

possession. Her shooting remains under investigation & Portland police have not said whether the raids were in any way connected to her case. Simpson said details about Thu's raid will be forwarded to the U.S. Atty's Office for possible Fed prosecution. Brian Steven Graham, 46, was arrested for a parole violation during one of the raids.

Berkshire Murder Case Lurches On - May 15, 2014 – *Massachusetts* – By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - In the way of American justice, the cases against the 3 men associated in the public mind with the Berkshire County charter of the Hells Angels MC simply will not end. In Aug 2011 3 men named Adam Lee Hall, David Chalue & Caius Veiovis allegedly murdered 3 other men named David Glasser, Edward Frampton & Robert Chadwell. It became a Hells Angels case because at the time of the murders Hall was the Sergeant at Arms for the Berkshire County charter. The case became sensational because Veiovis, who was born Roy Gutfinski, had a unique appearance accentuated by facial tattoos, an interesting nose piercing & implants in his forehead that were intended to resemble a demon's horns. Both Chalue & Veiovis were said to have aspired to membership in the Angels.

Hall: Glasser, Frampton & Chadwell were murdered because Glasser was about to testify in a case that could have put Hall in prison. Frampton & Chadwell were murdered because they were in Glasser's apartment when Hall showed up. Chalue & Veiovis were there because Hall allegedly portrayed the murders as being connected to Hells Angels business & they wanted to ingratiate themselves to the club. Hall was hardly a model Angel. In 2010, Hall tried to talk the FBI into letting him "take down" multiple East Coast charters of the Angels & the Feds turned him down because they thought he was a flake. He was convicted of armed robbery, kidnapping, assault & battery, witness intimidation & 3 counts of murder last Feb. It was not an easy verdict for Hall's jury to reach. The jurors were deadlocked for days. When they finally asked the judge, a man named Jeffrey Kinder, if they could give up & go home the judge told them to keep trying until they arrived at a verdict & then they could go home. So they found Hall guilty an hour later.

Chalue: Chalue's trial has followed that course. He is also being tried by Judge Kinder. His defense ended on Monday & today the jury returned guilty verdicts on similar charges as Hall. But in this case, nothing is ever simple. Through his attorney, Chalue asked that the individual jurors be polled. One female juror told Kinder that the verdicts were not unanimous. The defender asked for a mistrial. Kinder took a 5 minute recess & told the jury to get back to their room & try to agree some more. Kinder will also preside over Veiovis' trial beginning Sept 2. There is a motion hearing in that case scheduled for Aug 21, about 3 years after the dismembered bodies of Glasser, Frampton & Chadwell were discovered buried in a trench.

Ongoing Gypsy Joker Investigation - May 16, 2014 – *Oregon* – By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - There appears to be an ongoing ATF investigation of the Gypsy Jokers MC in Oregon & it appears to be coming apart at the seams. There are indications that the operation remains active but multiple incidents in the last week indicate it is nearing a conclusion. A policeman gunned down a woman named Jacklynn Rashaun Ford a week ago as she tried to avoid being bitten by a police dog in Salem one week ago. After she was dead, police accused Ford of associating with the Gypsy Jokers. Yesterday, a strip club & 2

homes in Portland were raided because police believed the locations were "associated" with the Gypsy Jokers.

Ford: Salem police have refused to say why Jacklynn Ford, 25, was pulled over by multiple police cruisers last week. They have announced that she is connected in some way to the Gypsy Jokers & that she had been convicted of burglary, menacing, theft & gun possession. According to eyewitnesses, Ford ran from a traffic stop near the intersection of Watson Avenue Northeast & Alameda Street. A pursuing officer caught her near Eastgate Basin Park on Alameda Street & a struggle ensued. She was then attacked by the dog, During that attack she yelled, "Stop! It Hurts! Ouch!" After police called off the dog Ford stood up & was shot. She was pronounced dead at Salem Hospital. An eyewitness said Ford was unarmed when she was shot. Police have said a gun was found at the scene.

Thursday Raids: Thursday morning at 5 a.m. police assigned to the Portland Police Bureau Gang Enforcement Team, Washington County Sheriff's Office & Multnomah County Parole & Probation raided the Front Ave Strip Club & 2 private residences on Southeast 90th St & Northeast Holladay St. The Aging Rebel has sought, but has been unable to obtain, the search warrant affidavits that authorized those raids. Police said they were looking for guns & drugs. Police also said the 3 locations were "associated" with the Gypsy Jokers. A resident of the Northeast Holladay Street address named Brian Steven Graham was arrested on suspicion of "delivery & possession" of 3 ounces of methamphetamine & violation of parole. Unnamed sources also told Portland news outlets that evidence gathered during the raids would be "forwarded" to the United States Atty for the District of Oregon.

MC donate blood in honor of injured biker - May 17 2014 – *Texas* – By www.news4sanantonio.com - Give the gift of life, & donate some blood. News 4 San Antonio's Drew Douglas went to the south side to find out what inspired dozens of bikers to donate blood today. San Antonio bikers know, donating blood saves lives. "Never knew how close it was gonna hit to home till with our brother Victor," said Jesse 'Cowboy' Lomas. Victor Velasquez, a fellow rider, was side swiped by a car on IH-10 on April 27th. The accident caused him to lose a leg, & a lot of blood. "He's in real bad condition, we thought we were gonna lose him, but he survived & he'll be back," said Benito Leija. Leija says the blood transfusions given to Velasquez are what saved his friend's life. "We were at the hospital & he needed a lot of blood & we just wanted to give back to the hospital," said Leija. So the Latin Skulls MC organized a blood drive, along with the South Texas Blood & Tissue Center Saturday on the south side. "That's what we're about, we're a brotherhood," said Lomas. Lomas says because someone bled to save their friend, they wanted to bleed for someone else. "It's a family, when one hurts we all hurt, when one bleeds we all bleed."

Positive Attitude: Last Thursday night I gradually woke up sore as hell in a hospital's ICU ward, tubes up my nose & down my throat, wires monitoring every function & all around my head, hell of a pain over my left ear, & a gorgeous buxom nurse hovering over me. It was obvious I'd been in a serious accident. She looked at me deep & steady & I heard her slowly say: 'You may not feel anything from the waist down.' I managed to mumble in reply: 'Can I feel your tits, then?'

Got a guitar in my left hand, a pistol in my right
And I don't give a good god damn if we play or if we fight.

Finger tattoos gave wanted Hells Angel away to alert Mounties' – May 17, 2014 – *Canada* – By Kim Bolan; www.VancouverSun.com - San Diego club member ordered deported from Canada to face U.S. charges... It was his tattoos that gave American Hells Angel & fugitive Troy Andrew Scholder away. An alert Mountie noticed H-A-M-C across the fingers of his right hand, for Hells Angels MC, & D-A-G-O across the left, for the San Diego chapter. Scholder, 33, was caught during a routine traffic stop near Langley's Willowbrook mall on May 8. He said he had arrived in Canada on May 6, despite being on the lam since Aug 2011. And he told the RCMP that he had hitchhiked here & crossed the border without identification documents while sleeping on the back seat of a stranger's car. On Fri, Immigration Board member Laura Ko ordered Scholder deported & told him he was inadmissible to re-enter Canada because of his own criminal history & because the San Diego Hells Angels qualified as a criminal organization under Canadian immigration laws. He is to be handed over to U.S. authorities to face charges related to kidnappings, assaults & robberies allegedly done for the Hells Angels. Ko accepted evidence by Canada Border Services Agency representative Becky Chan about a pattern of crimes linked to the San Diego Hells Angels dating back more than a decade. Former U.S. Drug Administration special agent Patrick Ryan testified at Friday's hearing on a speakerphone from San Diego. He described a litany of charges & convictions against San Diego HA members stemming from several investigations in which he was involved. A previous club Pres was convicted of conspiracy to commit murder after ordering a hit on the rival Mongol gang. Other members have convictions for trafficking methamphetamine & other drugs. Then there was the April 26, 2007 incident that led to charges against Scholder & several of his gang-mates, including chapter Pres Stephen Sanders. Ryan said a former club member tried to quit the Hells Angels on good terms only to be told at a weekly "church" meeting that he would only be allowed to leave in a weekly "bad standing." The man was beaten & had his Hells Angels tattoos forcibly blacked out on the spot by another member, "disfiguring him." He was then put into a truck & driven to his home where he was forced "under threat" to sign over his Harley. Scholder was part of the escort team, Ryan said. The man was then taken to a second location where Hells Angels members stole a television & other possessions. Ryan said several of Scholder's co-accused pleaded guilty, including to charges they committed the crimes for the benefit of a criminal street gang - the Hells Angels. Sanders, the former president, was handed a 25-year sentence for the 2007 attack, as well as another kidnapping, assault & robbery. Ryan said the San Diego chapter - dubbed Dago - is regarded highly within the 300 worldwide Hells Angels branches & is of strategic importance because of its proximity to the Mexican border. "They are the biggest & most organized criminal motorcycle gang in the world," Ryan said of the Hells Angels. The CBSA's Chan pointed to other Immigration Board decisions, as well as court cases across Canada where the Hells Angels have been found to be a criminal organization. But Ko said she didn't need to rule on the status of the broader Hells Angels group because she accepted that the 33-member San Diego chapter was a criminal gang. "I find that the minister has established all of the essential elements of the allegations that are made against you, that you are a foreign national that is inadmissible to Canada on grounds of organized criminality," Ko said. She asked Scholder several times during the two-hour hearing if he wanted to respond to any of the submissions by the CBSA or say anything on his behalf. He repeatedly declined. With a shaved head & light beard, Scholder looked completely different from the photo on his 2011 wanted

poster in which he has no beard & a head of hair. He wore red prison garb with the skull tattoos on his forearms visible, as well as the ones on his fingers. Chan asked that Scholder be held in custody until his deportation, which was expected to occur within hours. "Mr. Scholder is a fugitive from justice & has been since 2011," Chan said. "He arrived in Canada with no identity documents. He was initially evasive with police." Ko agreed to hold Scholder in custody until he is deported.

Rival gangs band together to cook up drugs - May 17, 2014 - *New Zealand* - Rival motorcycle gangs are working together to cook & supply millions of dollars worth of methamphetamine across the country. Police believe they have uncovered a partnership between the Red Devils & the Head Hunters during a major organised crime investigation dubbed Operation Genoa. Investigators have also seized a custom-made mobile meth lab near Auckland, which they believe was being used by rival gangs to manufacture & supply drugs. "Our intelligence indicates they [gangs] are sharing cooks, they are sharing muscle, they are sharing chemicals & they are sharing portable clan [clandestine] labs," Detective Senior Sergeant Lloyd Schmid said. Drugs, cash & assets worth more than \$12 million have been seized as a result of the nine-month inquiry, which spanned Auckland, Waikato & the top of the South Island. That figure includes a \$400,000 haul of methamphetamine & chemicals used to make the drug in Nelson, which is a record find for the region.

Rebels MC rolls into Bendigo – May 18, 2014 – *Australia* – By Maddie Wines; www.BendigoAdvertiser.com.au - Two hundred members of the Rebels MC rolled into Bendigo at the weekend. Bendigo Police Sergeant Mark Bell said the club had caused no problems. "They drove along Barnard Street & there was a minor traffic accident," he said. "They didn't cause any dramas. "We went down to check that everything was okay & they moved on." He said the group was in Bendigo to play card games & spent time at a club house in East Bendigo. It follows a similar visit in August last year. Police monitored the group but said the riders were largely well behaved.

Nigerian bikers to embark on epic trip – May 19, 2014 – *Nigeria* – By Tom Walsh; www.MotorbikeTimes.com - A group of Nigerian entrepreneurs are aiming to change perceptions about their country with an epic motorcycle journey. Members of the Eagle MC are teaming up to cover 17 nations across North & West Africa, Europe & North America in the Out of Nigeria Round The World Motorcycle Adventure, Business Day reports. The close knit group of friends are avid motorcyclists & are teaming up with UK adventure film company Tanglewood Productions to film their epic adventure. Planning is well underway & once the race starts it will be streamed on the internet with organizers estimating around 40 to 50 million people will tune in. The Eagle MC wants to give people around the world a different view of Nigeria following the abduction of 276 girls from a boarding school in Chibok by Boko Haram. Members want to put the country in a more positive light & move away from the terrible incidents the nation has gone through of late.

People can't say that you have absolutely nothing!
After all, you have inferiority!

You're the best at all you do;
And all you do is make people hate you.

I bet your brain feels as good as new;
Seeing that you've never used it.

The Thunderguards Flap - May 19, 2014 – *Delaware* - By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - In a world where reality is an ever more elusive concept, image is everything. What is happening to the Thunderguards MC in Wilmington, Delaware exemplifies our brave, new world of lies & flickering shadows. The Thunderguards are a black MC founded during the Vietnam war which maintains cordial relations with the Pagan's MC & whose members recognize & live by a masculine code shared by every man who wears a 3 piece patch. They are hardly antisocial. Mostly they are old fashioned. But they are a motorcycle club & because what happens in motorcycle clubs is largely secret they are easily portrayed as stock villains. It doesn't help that individual members of these clubs often adhere to attitudes about recreational drugs, about the relationship between citizens & police & about individual liberties & responsibilities that date to the Johnson Administration & that are increasingly at odds with current attitudes about who men should be.

Wilmington: The Thunderguards were founded in a city that was never particularly appealing & that has grown much worse since Vietnam as America as a whole has declined. All categories of Wilmington, Delaware's crime rate are multiples of the national average. Nationwide, there are about 4,500 major crimes in any year for every 100,000 people. Wilmington has about 10,500 crimes per 100,000 residents. The murder rate is triple the national average & the robbery & assault rates are more than 6 times the national average. There is some anecdotal evidence that suggests that much of this misery is connected to youth gangs & particularly to young men who have never been mentored by older men. Crime in Wilmington can be appallingly sensational & sordid. Example, last Sept 2 women aged 24 & 32 were gang raped in a city park by a dozen black teenagers aged 12 to 16. "The new criminal we're seeing, they're bold, they're brazen, & they have a total disregard for life," a city councilwoman remarked to CBS about the attack. Of course, that crime has never been solved. Wilmington police are not very good at solving crimes in general. Crime clearance rates lag behind the national averages in every category. Rape is one of the crimes local police are comparatively good at solving. Police make an arrest in about a quarter of all sexual assaults. The overall clearance rate for all major crimes is 18%. Obviously, Wilmingtonians are afraid & looking for someone to rescue them. And that's where a couple of politicians named Beau Biden & Dennis Williams enter the story.

Biden: Joseph Robinette "Beau" Biden III was born a couple of years after the Thunderguards & he is now Delaware's Atty General. His father is the V.P. of the United States & he was born with a silver spoon in his mouth. He went to an exclusive school called Archmere Academy. He graduated from an Ivy League University & he followed his father's footsteps to Syracuse Univ College of Law. Then he became a Fed prosecutor in Philadelphia. It is unthinkable that he doesn't have national political aspirations so, in cooperation with his father, he has carefully cultivated his public image. Unlike the V.P. who successfully avoided service in Vietnam when his contemporaries who would join the Pagans & the Thunderguards could not, the younger Biden has frequently been portrayed as a "warrior" & a "hero." The younger Biden does serve as a lawyer in the Delaware National Guard so he has been frequently photographed in camouflaged fatigues with the sides of his head shaved in the manner of airborne rangers. He was deployed to Iraq as an Army lawyer in a signal brigade where he was visited by his Dad. The elder Biden spoke as if his son might actually be making a sacrifice that at some point could put him in danger rather than simply adding a few lines to his political resume. "I don't want

him going" the V.P. said as if Beau was about to jump out of an airplane over Normandy. "But I tell you what, I don't want my grandson or my granddaughters going back in 15 years, & so how we leave makes a big difference." Beau Biden initiated the current campaign to vilify the Thunderguards & while it might be theoretically possible that he is acting in what he sees as the public's interest his life so far suggests that he is acting on behalf of himself.

Williams: Biden's ally in the campaign to vilify the Thunderguards is Dennis P. Williams, a former state representative who for the last year & a half has served as Wilmington's mayor. Williams' path to politics couldn't have been more different from Beau Biden's. He graduated with a degree in criminal justice from Delaware Technical Community College & then became a Wilmington cop. Eventually he worked in homicide. His clearance rate is unknown. After leaving the police force he ran for the state legislature as a Democrat & defeated his Republican opponent by the astounding vote of 1757 to 897. When he ran for mayor in 2012 he promised to reduce crime in the city & he boasted about his police background. He was endorsed by the Police & the Firefighters' unions, won the Democratic primary & was unopposed in the general election.

The Thunderguards: Motorcycle outlaws make dandy scapegoats. Critics of the club culture never see these clubs as a traditional way of being a man. Politicians & police usually portray this culture as pathological rather than honorable & tenets of this lifestyle – like a stubborn refusal to cooperate with police or to back down from a physical confrontation, like sexism & a shared contempt for drug laws & the Panopticon state – are increasingly at odds with contemporary social orthodoxy. As Williams was being elected mayor the Delaware State Police carried out a public relations stunt called Operation Thunder Clap. Five members & associates of the club along with one woman & 2 white men were arrested for having in their joint possession 2 kilos of cocaine, 5 ounces of marijuana & \$42,000 in cash. This law enforcement coup culminated an inherently shady, three-month-long undercover investigation. Operation Thunder Clap did not make Delaware a place in which women might sit in a park without fear but it did generate a lot of headlines that were intended to make it appear that the police were accomplishing something. Citizens do fear motorcycle clubs because their members rarely back down from physical confrontations & when they fight they often fight dirty. And once the Thunderguards were identified as public enemies no one with a public voice rose to their defense. Little by little, the Thunderguards mother chapter clubhouse in a decaying & crime infested neighborhood began to be seen as the reason the neighborhood was decaying. The truth was the opposite of that. The neighborhood around the clubhouse had changed for the worse in the last 45 years. And it is likely that the mere presence of the Thunderguards made that piece of Wilmington safer – as clubhouses throughout the world always make neighborhoods safer. It was a place that belonged to the Thunderguards so to prey on the club's neighbors was to attempt to prey on the MC itself.

Politicians Spring Into Action: About 5 weeks ago, on April 11, the impeccably public spirited Biden & Williams filed a civil suit to close the Thunderguards clubhouse & a couple of neighboring locations under Delaware's Criminal Nuisance Abatement Act. The suit argued that the clubhouse was the scene of "ongoing & violent criminal activity." "No resident of Wilmington or visitor to our city should be at risk from the ongoing pattern of violence that has been occurring on this property," Biden said. "Today's

action accomplishes our first goal of immediately closing the property to protect the safety of the public. Over the next several weeks we will closely monitor this property in order to hold the defendants accountable to their obligations & we'll continue to prepare for a hearing later this year to determine the permanent status of the site." "For years, violent crimes, including multiple shootings & homicides, have been committed at the Thunderguards MC clubhouse, The closure of the clubhouse is not only good for the City, it is also good for the citizens living in or near the neighborhood," said Mayor Dennis P. Williams. "We are pleased this property is now closed, & the City's Law Dept will continue to support the Atty General's Office in the Nuisance Abatement Complaint court proceedings."

The Nuisance Abatement Suit: The lawsuit complained: "The Property is generally known in the surrounding community as the main clubhouse & social gathering area for the Thunderguards, a motorcycle gang. This activity has been ongoing & continuous since at least 2006." "The Defendants use the Property as a site for illegal drug transactions. On Oct 22, 2006, following a shooting on the Property, L.E. officers executed a search warrant at the property. During their search, they observed illegal drugs & drug paraphernalia in the Clubhouse (in addition to locating 9 firearms)." "On Oct 27, 2007, an individual was shot in the parking lot adjacent to the property. The victim was in the parking lot attempting to purchase drugs." "In 2012, Delaware State Police officers conducted an investigation into the illegal activities of the Thunderguards MC.... On Oct 11, 2012, police officers intercepted a telephone communication between 2 Thunderguards members for the purchase of 5 ounces of cocaine.... Police officers conducted surveillance & followed the seller to the buyer's residence. After the drug transaction took place, police officers followed the buyer to the Thunderguard's clubhouse." "On Dec 27, 2008, a Thunderguards member physically assaulted his girlfriend at the property." "On Mar 10, 2012 an individual attending an event at the property attempted to enter the clubhouse while unlawfully carrying a concealed firearm." "On Nov 4, 2012, the Wilmington P.D. received a complaint that an individual was displaying a firearm in the clubhouse. When officers arrived, they discovered 2 individuals with gunshot wounds. One individual died from his wounds." "On Feb 2, 2007 a 17-year-old male with mental disabilities filed a report with the Wilmington P.D. alleging his foster father paid a woman to engage in sexual intercourse with him at the Thunderguards' clubhouse. The case was closed due to lack of evidence." "On Aug 11, 2007, an individual was standing in the parking lot of the Property when gunfire broke out. As he attempted to flee he was struck in the knee by a round. No suspects were identified." "On Oct 27, 2007, an individual shot & killed a person in the parking lot used by individuals frequenting the Thunderguards' clubhouse. He also wounded 2 other people. The 3 individuals were in the area to 'meet females.' One of the victims wounded by the gunshot was in the parking lot attempting to purchase illegal drugs." "On May 10, 2008, an individual visiting the Thunderguards' clubhouse was shot at when he exited his vehicle in front of the property. The victim stated an unknown person approached him, & shot at him from a distance of 5 feet. As the victim ran away from the suspect, he heard additional gunshots. A member of the Thunderguards flagged down a police officer who had also heard the gunshots. No suspects were identified." *There are 24 pages of that.*

Fighting The Suit: The Thunderguards tried to fight back publically. Hoping to attract sympathy from local news media, the club & a few of its supporters held a rally outside Wilmington

City Hall on May 10. Spokesmen for the club complained that it was unfair to blame the Thunderguards for their neighborhoods deepening woes. They told the cameras that the club was being made a scapegoat for problems that were beyond the Thunderguards control & spoke about "safe" parties given for neighborhood children, turkey giveaways at Christmas & Thanksgiving, toy drives & other donations the club made to enrich the neighborhood. Nat'l club V.P. Edwin O. Mitchell complained, "The area that we're in is full of violence.... Control the city, Mayor. Control it.... You keep looking at the messenger because we ride bikes...and because there are mothers of the neighborhood that think we don't know what we are talking about. Stop looking at the messenger & listen to the message." Several speakers called Wilmington the "the most dangerous small city in America." But the most insightful comment may have been made by a minister named Derrick Johnson. "We believe the city of Wilmington has missed & is trashing an opportunity" Reverend Johnson said. "The Nation of Islam has been received & respected all over the country because of their ability to go into the war zone & be effective. Well in Wilmington the Thunderguards are the ones who have that kind of credibility & ability & they do have a history of helping the community. The politician's were unmoved. A spokesman for Biden named Jason Miller told the Wilmington News Journal, "There can be no question that persistent & sustained violent criminal activity has taken place over a period of several years on this property, & that activity triggers our ability to use this law by asking a court to order the property shuttered in order to protect public safety."

The Club Gives Up: Without the resources to fight the nuisance law suit, the Thunderguards gave up last Wednesday. The club agreed to voluntarily vacate the clubhouse they have occupied since 1968 by this Thu. Of course it didn't end there. Biden resent his original press release to the papers & let them quote from that. "No resident of Wilmington or visitor to our city should be at risk from the ongoing pattern of violence that has been occurring on this property. Today's action accomplishes our first goal of immediately closing the property to protect the safety of the public." Having learned a little about how the game is played, the Thunderguards attorney, a man named George Evans, spun reality back at the Atty General & the Mayor. "They (the Thunderguards) want to take this timeout to make renovations on their property & at the same time they want to follow through with a dream that they've had for some time...to establish a boys' aftercare arena," the lawyer said, "which would consist of tutoring for young males, table games & also hopefully to open up the avenue of some community policing relationships with the neighborhood." Despite all this political theater, Wilmington remains horrifyingly dangerous.

I used to think that you were a big pain in the neck.

Now I have a much lower opinion of you.

You used to be arrogant & obnoxious.

Now you are just the opposite. You are obnoxious & arrogant.

Any friend of yours -- is a friend of yours.

You're a habit I'd like to kick; with both feet!

If you were twice as smart, you'd still be stupid.

You will never be able to live down to your reputation!

Don't you have a terribly empty feeling -- in your skull?

You've never been outspoken; no one has ever been able to.

Before you came along we were hungry. Now we are fed up.

Muscatine County's attorney is heading to court to stop a bike club's party! - May 19, 2014 - *Muscatine, Iowa* - By Jason Liegois... <http://muscatinejournal.com/> - It's under control. That's the message a member of a local motorcycle club had Monday morning for the Muscatine Board of Supervisors about an event club members want to hold from May 30 to June 1 at the club's headquarters, located at 2097 U.S. Highway 61 South. Muscatine County's attorney, however, isn't so sure. As a matter of fact, he's going to court to get an injunction to stop the event. Last week, Muscatine County Attorney Alan Ostergren requested a parking restriction for the area, which would cover the Old Highway 61 roadway from the U.S. Highway 61 intersection just south of Muscatine Municipal Airport for 0.7 mile & onto Access Road for approximately 0.1 mile. Ostergren previously said he was concerned about the possibility of large numbers of motorcycles parked around the area for the Eastern Iowa: We Ain't Playing Possum Party that the Sons of Silence club is hosting. At the Monday meeting, club member Cyle Geertz, who also serves as mayor of Nichols, said the event in Muscatine is intended to be far smaller than other area motorcycle events, such as Thunder in the Sand near Conesville, which have run on Memorial Day & Labor Day weekends. "Conesville is not having a motorcycle rally, so some of the folk that we normally associate with at their party would like to attend & so we thought we'd just host one on our property," Geertz said. Geertz said the group will have parking at the nearby House of Atlas business, & will also have some shuttle vans to take party-goers to area hotels. Donations at the party will go toward funding club expenses, such as property & tax payments. Geertz noted that one of the ways the group was trying to keep attendance down was to not have the event on Memorial Day weekend. In addition, the club is making efforts to keep noise down during the event, such as setting up a stage for musical acts that has the speakers facing away from neighboring homes & not having music played after midnight. The group is expecting 150-200 people to attend, as opposed to past events in Conesville that reached attendances in the thousands. "Those are our neighbors down there, & we want to be courteous to our neighbors," Geertz said. "We're not trying to cause any problems out there. We've been there 10 years & we haven't had any problems yet, & we're not anticipating any & we plan to stick around for a while." "We certainly appreciate you coming here today," Board Chairman Bob Howard said in response. While suggesting it might have been helpful for the group to come before the board sooner regarding the event, Howard did say that he was happy to see it had planned for the parking situation. Supervisor Kas Kelly said that she had contacted several neighbors of the group & said they had raised some concerns about the event to her, including noise in the area, such as motorcycles & gunshots, the possibility of alcohol being served at the event, & possible drag racing in the area. She also noted that neighbors were also concerned that the 3 acres of the property would be too small to host the event. "Historically, there have been issues [with the club]," said Kelly, who advised the group to keep in contact with their neighbors about the event. Geertz said the Sons of Silence had never drag raced in the area, although they did do target shooting on their property. Muscatine County Sheriff Dave White said his Dept had not had to cite anyone for racing in the area, & that the group generally appeared to be good neighbors. "Our concern is how many people show up," White said. Supervisor Scott Sauer, the only supervisor not to vote in favor of the temporary parking rule last week, noted that he'd received more public comments on this issue than any issue he'd dealt with in the nearly year & a half he'd been in office, & those comments were overwhelmingly in favor of his vote. "I think it sets a bad precedent," he said of the vote to restrict

parking. The other supervisors later noted that they had all received at least some public comments on the issue, as well. Ostergren, who was at Mon's meeting, asked Geertz how alcohol sales would be handled at the event. Geertz said attendees could bring their own alcohol to the event or get some from coolers which would be monitored by event security, although he admitted the group did not have liability insurance in the event of damage caused by drunk driving. Ostergren said it would be illegal for the group to accept donations for alcohol, but Geertz countered that the donations were for attending the event, not for the alcohol. Ostergren said his office planned to file an injunction against the gathering in district court on Thu, citing concerns about possible zoning violations. The board took no other action on the matter Mon.

Local motorcycle shop to appear-Discovery Channel - May 19, 2014 - *North Carolina* - By Thomas Brennan; www.jdnews.com - What started as a vision will end on television... Combat Cycles, a Jacksonville-based motorcycle shop that does everything from oil changes to custom-building motorcycles, will face off against 2 other motorcycle shops from across the country on Monday night on the Discovery Channel at 9 p.m. in hopes of being crowned the best bike builder. Combat Cycles owner Jim Moran said that his version of a 1932 Board Tracker has some modern flare but pays tribute to the motorcycles of yesteryear. "I think our chances of winning are pretty good," said Moran, 47, of Jacksonville. "We built something pretty different, & it's definitely not a normal motorcycle. Every part was hand built from used parts. We just recycled a whole bunch of parts & grabbed stuff out of scrap piles & made something pretty awesome." When the Discovery Channel approached Moran, they offered him \$15,000 & 5 weeks to build the motorcycle. One of the biggest challenges, he said, was building a motorcycle with a camera crew present. With the majority of the work done by 3 people, Moran enlisted the help of Shawn Curtis, of Painters, to paint the motorcycle & Carolina Auto Upholstery of Jacksonville to construct the seat. What makes the bike stand out, he said, are little touches like a grenade as a taillight. Moran admitted that he did not take the build as seriously in the beginning as he should have, but he couldn't be happier with the finished product. If Combat Cycles wins the competition, Moran said they will then build a second motorcycle for an additional challenge, & he already has ideas milling in his head for what they will do, but doesn't want to ruin the surprise. "Win or lose, we won because people are going to be talking about our bikes," Moran said. "The build itself was very stressful, trying to run a business & build a bike at the same time. Stuff you could normally do in 2 to 3 hours took 5 or six. It was fun & interesting but definitely stressful." The winner of the contest will be announced at the end of the show & live-voting via Twitter will determine who rides away victorious. Keeping his fingers crossed for victory, Moran said he wants to win so he can build some motorcycles he's wanted to build since 1985. The current bike, he said, is not a "trailer queen" & already has more than 100 miles on it. "There is not a thing I would change," Moran said. "It came out exactly how I envisioned it. The layout, the way it rides, it's all just amazing. We built the bike to ride, not to put it in a show. We've been riding it since it was finished. We actually built a rider even though it's crazy looking, it rides great." Shawn Curtis, a business partner with Prestigious Paint & Body of Jacksonville, said that the 65 to 70 hours it took to paint the motorcycle was a challenge because of the tight timeline. Other projects, he said, had to be put to the side so that the timeline could be met on the competition's motorcycle. The best part for Curtis, he said, is the sense of accomplishment he feels for producing a product that can

stand against anyone in the country. Having painted show-winning vehicles in the past, he said it never gets old putting out a product that competes with any painter. Because of the high caliber of work the team put into this build, Curtis said that he thinks the team has an “outstanding” chance to win the entire competition. “It’s nice to put a product out there that will get national recognition,” Curtis said. “It will also show that the east coast is building stuff generally seen on the west coast. There really is a lot of talent out here & I hope that this shows that.”

MC Defends Its Reputation – May 20, 2014 – *Arizona* - By Alexis Bechman; www.PaysonRoundup.com - A MC rumbled into the Payson Town Council meeting last week to set the record straight on its reputation. Members of the Payson Wolves MC took up nearly every seat in the normally empty council hall, causing quite a stir. Just 2 bikers spoke during the public comment period, Pres Jimmy Johnson & member Ed 'Hollywood.' Johnson said he was compelled to visit after learning "that a member, or members of, the Payson Town Council are speculating publically that our club is affiliated with criminal enterprises associated with drug dealing & other illegal acts. Nothing could be further from the truth," he said. The Wolves recently moved into a building off the Beeline Hwy, north of Chasin' A Dream Outfitters. The town initially shut down renovations when Johnson failed to get permits, but those issues have since been addressed. The Wolves say they will use the building as a private clubhouse for its members, all of them employed, drug-free & past the 1-year probationary period. No food or alcohol will be sold at the clubhouse. The group says it will raise funds for various nonprofits, including those benefiting children & animals, just like the Tucson Wolves branch. Recently, the Tucson Wolves raised \$31,000 for the Humane Society of Southern AZ, according to the humane society. Johnson said the Wolves represent growth in the community & asked the council to end rumors. Hollywood said the Wolves are not an outlaw club & community members have nothing to fear.

Mongol motorcycle gang member charged over head butt outside city nightclub – May 21, 2014 – *Australia* – By www.HeraldSun.com.au - A Mongol motorcycle gang member will face court for allegedly headbutting a patron outside a city nightclub. Serious & Organized Crime Branch officers arrested the man earlier this month over the over the alleged incident at about 1.20am on May 12. The Moana man, 25, was charged with affray & barred from entering licensed premises in the CBD for 6 months. He has been bailed to appear in the Christies Beach Magistrates Court on June 24.

'Hells Angels' Feature Rides Over To Writer-Producer Rob Weiss - May 21, 2014 – *California* - By Anita Busch; www.deadline.com - Writer-producer Rob Weiss (Entourage) is taking over Fox 2000's Hells Angels feature about legendary member Sonny Barger, who has long been considered the undisputed godfather of the motorcycle club. Barger helped found the Oakland chapter in 1957 when he was only 18 & became instrumental in its rise as an international organization. Weiss will co-write with Jeff Santos & direct the story of Barger's life, which has been a controversial one so he has a lot of material to draw on ... 60 years' worth. Weiss said he is looking to tell the story about the beginnings of Hells Angels. “We’re approaching this as a genesis story of the motorcycle club culture,” Weiss said. “I’ve wanted to do something in the biker space for a long time.” He said they are going to focus on Barger's entry into Hells Angels from the late 1950s & follow his story into the 1970s. He calls it “a period piece that explores the early days of the club, the

philosophy of the formidable, most loyal brotherhood that started it & what drove Sonny, who had the leadership & the vision to expand the club. And he did so amid almost unsurmountable obstacles like rival clubs & law enforcement.” Weiss is drawing on the books Barger wrote himself as well as input from the Hells Angels legend. “His life is a metaphor for the wild ride that is set against a very shifting America,” Weiss said. Of course, the project will include the 1969 Altamont concert in Northern California where the Hells Angels provided a barrier to make sure that the crowd didn't come onto the stage when the Rolling Stones played. As the story goes, their “payment” was in beer. The Angels got into brawls with the fans & a pregnant woman ended up with a skull fracture & another young man was stabbed to death. It was total chaos. After that, the Hells Angels were persona non grata, & public opinion about the club changed for the worse. The Hells Angels project previously had been with director Tony Scott, who tragically took his own life 2 years ago by jumping off the Vincent Thomas Bridge in San Pedro. They plan to keep Scott's name on as producer. (In true Hells Angels form, once in their “family,” you're in.) Scott had been developing the film with writer Scott Frank as a Donnie Brasco-type story about cop who attempts to infiltrate the club to investigate alleged criminal activities. The studio bought the rights to Barger's memoirs more than 10 years ago. Weiss, obviously, is not going that direction at all. The newly imagined project also will be produced by Ben Myron & Fritz Clapp, who reps Barger. WME & Leverage Management reps Weiss, who is currently writing & exec producing Ballers at HBO. This is not the first time, Barger's life would be made into a film. Last year, the indie Dead In Five Heartbeats was made by Barger & Santos Films based on the book of the same name he wrote with Keith & Kent Zimmerman. The film hilariously advertised itself as being rejected by the Sundance Film Festival & every other film festival it submitted to. The Hells Angels MC became a symbol in America, a feared gang that also made an great impact on this country. “They were incredibly influential & powerful,” said Weiss. “They were a huge part of the 1960s Calif counterculture. From what they wore to the way they chopped their bikes, which changed the design of motorcycles forever as H-D would later adopt their styles.” They were, indeed, renegades who mixed very well with the 1960s culture, but the symbol of the Hells Angels meant very different things to different people. The Angels began in 1948 & grew quickly. In fact, in the 1950s, an army of motorcyclists — disenfranchised youth & other returning from the military — would ride into town in so-called gypsy tours & basically take over the town. The Wild One, which starred a young Marlon Brando, was based on one of those “takeovers.” The Hells Angels would become known as one of the toughest gangs (they called it “clubs”) in the country, a busonnybarger_selfedge_forweb-1nch of sh*tkickers, basically, who had a code & set of rules that had to be followed. They are a very organized group & highly territorial. They are considered an organized crime syndicate by the Dept of Justice, though clearly not everyone who belongs to the club is a criminal. They have, in fact, been infiltrated in the past by the ATF. Barger himself served 2 stints in prison. He was released from Fed custody in Nov 1992 after being arrested for conspiracy to violate Fed firearms & explosives laws in murder plots to off 2 members of the notoriously dangerous rival motorcycle gang, the Outlaws, by blowing up a bar in Chicago. Barger also had served time in state prison for possession of heroin & cocaine & served time in Folsom. Barger himself has said that most of the members at one point were “card-carrying felons.” The infamous Barger has hundreds of thousands of fans as Hells Angels has chapters now all over the world.

Soldier Vagos Acquitted - May 21, 2014 – *California* – By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - Two soldiers stationed at Fort Irwin, Captain David Moore & First Sergeant Richard Rivero, were acquitted last week of stabbing a civilian named Ali Joseph III in a fight outside a bar in Barstow, California in April 2011. The case is noteworthy because both soldiers are members of the Vagos MC & according to sources with knowledge of the case, the Dept of Defense intended to make examples of them. Moore & Rivero were charged with assault with a deadly weapon causing great bodily injury & a gang enhancement claiming the felony assault was committed for the benefit of the “Vagos Criminal Street Gang.”

The Altercation: Witnesses at the trial said Joseph became loud & belligerent after Moore spoke to his date. According to the witnesses Joseph told the defendants that he “wasn’t afraid of the Vagos & that he had beaten up a Vago in the past.” Joseph followed the 2 defendants outside Mollie’s Pub & claimed he was attacked by Moore with a knife & by Rivera who used his fists. Joseph was slashed across the stomach & stabbed in the back. As is common in cases involving members of motorcycle clubs, the prosecution presented testimony from a “gang expert” named Jeff Moran. Moran is a California H.P. Officer who was featured in a now defunct television called Gangland in an episode about the Vagos called “Snitch Slaughter.” The 2 soldiers were represented by Los Angeles attys Jeff Voll & Mike Scaffidi. During cross examination by the defenders Joseph admitted to punching Moore & knocking the accused man down. Joseph also admitted that Rivero never stabbed him. Neither Moore nor Rivero testified. The trial lasted 2 weeks.

Verdicts: Moore’s atty, Voll, told the jury in closing arguments that Joseph stabbed himself as he ran from the 2 men into & along a nearby jagged fence. The jury found Rivero innocent of both charges last Thu & found Moore innocent of the gang allegation last Fri. This week the jury told the judge they were unable to reach verdict on Moore’s assault charge & the case ended in a mistrial. There will be a hearing June 30 on a defense motion to dismiss the case.

Judge issues a preliminary injunction against MC party - May 22, 2014 – *Iowa* – By Jason Liegois; <http://muscatinejournal.com> - Plans for a local motorcycle club's weekend-long party at the end of May have been nixed by a District Court judge. On Thu afternoon District Court Judge Stuart Werling sided with the county in the case, Muscatine County vs. Edward Zeman & the Sons of Silence, putting a preliminary injunction against the event, known as the "Eastern Iowa: We Ain't Playing Possum Party." The party was scheduled to run May 30 through June 1 at 2097 Old U.S. Hwy 61. This is the clubhouse for the group, which club members in court Thursday morning described as the Eastern Iowa chapter of the Sons of Silence. At the hearing, Muscatine County Atty Alan Ostergren said the club's plans would be a violation of county zoning ordinances for the property. The club & their atty, Pete Leehey of Cedar Rapids, argued that the group had planned extensively for the party, & that previous events on the property had not had problems. Leehey also suggested that the group might have been singled out for attention by authorities, claiming that other common events in the area, such as graduation parties, could be considered technical zoning violations. In his ruling, Judge Werling said that the club's intention to use the party as a fundraiser for club expenses was a violation of existing county zoning ordinances.

Party ain't playing possum: It really is dead after court rules against bike club's local fundraiser – May 22, 2014 – *Iowa* – By Jason Liegois; <http://muscatinejournal.com> - To party or not to party? That was the question before the Muscatine County District Court Thu morning, & the final decision ended up being ... not to party. Muscatine County Atty Alan Ostergren petitioned the court for an injunction on a party that members of a local MC want to hold from May 30 to June 1 at the club's headquarters, located at 2097 Old U.S. Hwy 61 South, located just south of the Muscatine Municipal Airport. The ruling in the case, Muscatine County vs. Edward Zeman & the Sons of Silence, puts a preliminary injunction against the event, known as the Eastern Iowa: We Ain't Playing Possum Party. Zeman is the owner of the property & a member of the club, which Zeman identified in court testimony as the Eastern Iowa chapter of the Sons of Silence MC. Zeman & Cyle Geertz, the chapter's Pres, testified that the club had decided to host the event as a fundraiser to meet club expenses, such as property taxes, on their clubhouse. For the past several years, the group had raised funds at an event near Conesville, Thunder in the Sand, which had typically been held on Memorial Day & Labor Day weekends. However, since that event is no longer allowing motorcyclists to ride into the event, the club decided to host a smaller event at its property & hoped to have had 150-250 guests at the event.

In his arguments before District Court Judge Stuart Werling, Ostergren said the club's plans would be a violation of county zoning ordinances for the property. Currently, the property owned by Zeman is zoned as R-3 residential & C-1 commercial. Under questioning by Ostergren, Zeman & Geertz said they had not looked into the zoning status of the property before planning the event & had not applied for any special use permit for the event. C.J. Ryan, chief Deputy for the Muscatine County Sheriff's Office, also testified regarding the property's official zoning designation & the office's concern that the three-acre property would not be big enough for the party. "It's still not in compliance with the [zoned] use down there," Ostergren said.

Under questioning by Ostergren & their atty, Pete Leehey of Cedar Rapids, Geertz & Zeman outlined the group's planning for the party, which would have included:

- Portable toilets
- Security
- Off-property parking at the nearby House of Atlas motorcycle shop
- Efforts to keep the noise at the event down, such as arranging recreational vehicle campers & vendors around the edge of the property & facing the stage away from nearby neighbors.

Ostergren asked Geertz what would happen if more than 250-300 people showed up to the event, which Geertz said was the max number of visitors he thought could fit on the property. "If it gets to that point, we're going to have to turn people away," Geertz replied. Ostergren also asked Geertz & Zeman about the presence of alcohol during the party. Geertz & Zeman said the event would be a "bring your own beer" event, although alcohol would be available on the property. They said the donations were not specifically for the alcohol, but for attending the event.

Leehey also suggested that the group might have been singled out for attention by authorities, claiming that other common events in the area, such as graduation parties, could be considered technical zoning violations. "Then the question is, why are we picking on these guys?" Leehey said. However, Werling sided with the county on the matter, writing in his ruling that the club's

intention to use the party as a fundraiser for club expenses, a party which would include live music & the presence of alcohol, was a violation of existing county zoning ordinances. "Further... the County has no other sufficient remedy to protect the quiet enjoyment of the properties by the surrounding homeowners other than an injunction," Werling wrote, adding that the rights of the surrounding property owners overrode the property rights of Zeman & the club. "The club was naturally disappointed by the ruling on the injunction," Leehey said in an email to the Journal after the ruling. "The club will respect the injunction, & at the same time research other options within the letter of the law." "I'm pleased with the court's ruling," Ostergren said Thu afternoon. "I believe it's supported by the facts & the law." He said the ruling also worked to protect the rights of nearby property owners to enjoy the use of their property.

There is a possibility that the club could appeal the ruling to a higher state court, Ostergren said. It also could seek out a special use permit from the Muscatine County Zoning Board of Adjustment, but Ostergren said such a permit couldn't be given in time to meet the May 30 start date for the party.

CHP Chooses Harley - May 23, 2014 – *California* – By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - The California H.P. is replacing the BMWs in its patrol fleet of 415 motorcycles with H-D Electra Glides. At the turn of the millennium the CHP was riding Kawasaki KZ1000s. The police force replaced the Japanese bikes with BMW R1100s. That BMW model is the choice of more than 450 American police forces including the Los Angeles P.D., the Los Angeles Sheriff's & the San Diego P.D. BMW will begin selling a new model, the BMW R1200 RT-P K-59 to police this July. In California, Kawasaki still supplies motorcycles to police Depts in San Francisco, San Jose, Oxnard & Ventura. The CHP last bought Harleys in 1989 & until the recent purchases Patrol officers haven't ridden American motorcycles since 1997.

Oakland HD: The Highway Patrol is buying all the bikes from Oakland H-D, a Bay Area dealership that has carved out a niche with police sales. The dealership has 2 mechanics who work full time at customizing Electra Glides for police Depts & has delivered 121 bikes to the CHP so far. The dealership is customizing about 4 bikes each week. The mechanics install a new wiring harness & electronic gear in the police bikes, upgrade the suspension & add details like a clipboard that fits over the gas tank. A standard Electra Glide has a base price of \$24,239. The H.P. is paying Oakland Harley about \$4,100 to customize each of the bikes.

Harley And Police: Steve St. Thomas, Director of fleet & police sales for Harley told the L.A. Times that the motor company sells between 4,000 & 5,000 police bikes each year. "We started selling police bikes in 1908," St. Thomas said. "Our very 1st customer, 5 years after the company started, was the Detroit P.D. We've been at it ever since." St. Thomas said the sales are more important than the numbers might indicate. "It's a very strong brand representation when the general public sees a police officer riding a Harley," he said. "It influences customers' purchases."

Memorial Day 2014 - May 23, 2014 – *U.S.A.* - By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - As even President Obama may eventually understand, the full cost of war is never paid until decades after the shooting stops. The true cost of America's wars is what one scholar has called the "Republic of Suffering." Soldiers suffer. Survivors suffer the longest. And the point of Memorial Day has always been to acknowledge & pay respect to that suffering. There are places in America where it is impossible

to ignore the misery war brings. Some are fields where battles were once fought. And there are America's expansive national cemeteries. And there are the little churchyards in New England with graves that date to the Colonial Era, & where locals are still interred, & where as many as a third of the graves are marked with simple, grey stones & the stones are carved with the dates 1862 or 1863 or 1864 or 1865. Memorial Day, first called "Decoration Day," began as an acknowledgment of the virtually unimaginable suffering that accompanied America's worst war.

The Numbers: Nobody knows how many soldiers died in the Civil War. A conservative & reliable number is 620,000. Less reliable estimates range as high as 850,000. In comparison, 405,399 Americans died in the Second World War & 58,209 in Vietnam. Fifty-one thousand Americans died in 3 days at Gettysburg alone. Something like 7,000 unclaimed corpses littered the fields around the town of Gettysburg. The task of collecting those bodies fell to the dead men's suffering families. Or the bodies rotted & the fates of the souls who once inhabited them became mysteries. Four-hundred-seventy-six thousand men were wounded in the Civil War – a war without anesthesia or antibiotics. One in 13 soldiers returned home missing at least one limb. Virtually the entire student body of the University of Mississippi, 135 of 139 young men, died in the war. Most of them died within the same brief span of minutes in Pickett's Charge. Four hundred thousand men simply disappeared. At least 100,000 died of camp diseases; particularly Yankees who died of malaria; particularly the Yankees who had recently immigrated from Germany & Ireland & who were drafted to take the places of prosperous & cowardly men.

Remembering: Decoration Day began spontaneously in both the North & South – probably in the Spring of 1864, the Spring after Gettysburg – as a day to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. One of the first, verified observances was in Columbus, Mississippi on April 25, 1866 where a group of local women gathered to decorate the graves of the local men who had died at Shiloh. The Confederate dead were buried near an untended patch that held the remains of the despised Yankee dead & the suffering & compassionate women of Columbus decorated the Yankee graves as well. There were at least 25 Decoration Day observances that Spring. The next year Decoration Day had its own hymn titled "Kneel Where Our Loves are Sleeping." The year after that the dead were remembered in 183 cemeteries & General John Logan, the head of a Union Veteran's group called the Grand Army of the Republic, asked his veterans to decorate the final resting places of both the Union & the Confederate dead at Arlington National Cemetery. Logan wrote that the graves should be decorated "with the choicest flowers of springtime." He told his Northern veterans: "We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance.... Let pleasant paths invite the coming & going of reverent visitors & fond mourners. Let no neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people the cost of a free & undivided republic." The name Memorial Day appeared in 1882 & the bitterness between the North & the South continued for almost a century after that. There are still separate days to honor the Confederate War dead in Texas, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana & Tennessee. Memorial Day became a national holiday & the culmination of a 3 day weekend in 1971. And, our nation is still at war. And it seems there will be never be an end to the suffering.

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