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Congratulations to **Outlaw Iggy** from *England* on your release...

Congratulations to **Diablo Shane** from *Connecticut* for your release to a Half-Way House... Congratulations to Pagan Pop Up for your upcoming release to a Half-Way House in September...

Welcome Vago Joe to the NCOM Brothers Behind Bars Newsletter Mailing List...

Welcome **Bandido Woody** to the NCOM Brothers Behind Bars Newsletter Mailing List...

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Special Thanks goes to Devils Diciple SA who at FCI Milan in *Michigan* for his \$25.00 donation to this newsletter. Thank you! Special Thanks goes to Tramp who is at El Dorado Corr Fac in Kansas for his \$40.00 donation to this newsletter... Thank you! Special Thanks goes to Pagan Rodent who at E.J.S.P. in *New Jersey* for his \$ 20.00 donation to this newsletter... Thank you...! And Congratulations to Pagan Rodent who on June 6th became a 20 year member of the Pagan's MC...

Happy Birthday **Southern 13 Crazy** on July 29th...

Happy Birthday **Outlaw Yankee** on August 3rd...

Happy Birthday **Sons Of Silence Tattoo Joe** on August 10th...

Happy Birthday **Mongol Peg-Leg** on August 16th...

There's a clear cause & effect here that is as neat & predictable as a law of physics; as Gov't expands, liberty contracts. – Ronald Reagan

*** Editor's Note: I have a lot of Thank you(s) which will be in Issue 2 for July... Example: Thank you(s) from the N.D. BBB Run...

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

Editor's Note: For May there were 2 issues, For June there were 2 issues, For July this is the 1st issues...

Editor's Note: Currently we are sending *over 365 copies* of this newsletter to members of **82 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 (82 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, Estedes, 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 Deciples, Sons Of Silence, Sovereign, Sundowners, Thunderbirds, Thunderguards, Unforegiven, Unforgiven, 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 **MC**s 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...

Editor's Note: I produce this National Coalition of Motorcyclists Brothers Behind Bars Newsletter which is a non-partisan newsletter for Bikers by Bikers. Information from the Newsletter contains News Articles & other information that may be of interest to a biker behind bars. Financial support for this Newsletter comes mainly from NCOM, Motorcycle Clubs, And Confederations Of Clubs...

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In Memory Of Iron Horsemen Nomad Hutch 1%er who died in a Bike wreck running Hard & Fast passing a car on the left & the car made a left turn – Wham... That was the Hutch I Know and Love... We all called him Mister Iron Horsemen... He was a Damn Good Brother, Stand with you No matter what... With Love & Respect, Iron Horsemen Backwards Bob 1%er

In Memory Of "Chico 1%er" Detroit chapter Devils Diciples... We love ya bro, see you in the Forever Chapter... Love, Loyalty, Honor, Respect, Devils Diciple SA 1%er 44 DFFD PV

In Memory Of Devils Diciple Scotty Pomeroy 1%er from California who passed away in March... Scotty was a Devils Diciples member for 32 years... Scotty was 71 years young & was my adopted pops & sponsor. Love & Respect, Devils Diciple Guapo 1%er

Families Against Mandatory Minimums - June 23, 2014 -U.S.A. - By FAMM; www.FAMM.org - Dear Mr. Davis, Have you written to the U.S. Sentencing Commission yet to tell them to lower drug sentences for Fed prisoners? There's still time! We have 2 weeks left to inundate the Commission with letters & emails urging them to "make Amendment #3 retroactive, without limitations!" Amendment #3 would give 51,000 Fed drug prisoners a chance to apply for lower sentences - almost 2 years lower, on average. Over 4,000 people would be eligible for immediate release from prison if this happens! And 394 people would be released instead of dying in prison! This opportunity exists because the U.S. Sentencing Commission decided to lower drug sentences by 2 levels for everyone who gets sentenced After Nov 1st. FAMM believes that everyone in prison also deserves the benefit of the new drug sentencing guideline. Justice shouldn't be based on what day you are sentenced! We also don't believe any drug prisoner should be excluded from retroactivity, even though the Dept of Justice wants to exclude certain prisoners.

That's why we need you & your family & friends to write to the U.S. Sentencing Commission Now! Tell them to "make Amendment #3 retroactive without limitations!" Your letter must be in the Commission's hands by July 7th.

By Mail: U.S. Sentencing Commission
Attn: Public Affairs-Retroactivity Public Comment
One Columbus Circle NE
Suite 2-500
Washington, DC 20002-8002

Let's make our voices heard! We want thousands of letters of support for Amendment #3 to reach the U.S. Sentencing Commission by July 7th. The stakes are so high – 51,000 people could gain freedom early!

Thank you for helping us fight for liberty! Best, Julie Stewart, Pres & Founder; **F**amilies **A**gainst **M**andatory **M**inimums - 1100 H Street NW; Suite 1000 Washington DC, 20005

Sample Letter: Subject: Please make Amendment #3 retroactive, without limitations! Dear Judge Saris & Commissioners, I am writing to urge you to make the drug guidelines amendment retroactive — without the exceptions, conditions or carve-outs proposed by the Dept of Justice. However well-intentioned these exclusions are, they are a form of one-size-fits-all justice. They will sweep way too broadly & deny relief to truly deserving prisoners. Judges have demonstrated that they are in the best position to evaluate whether an individual poses a threat to public safety. It's their job. They are ready to do it. They have done it before & we ask that you let them do it again.

Thank you for voting to lower drug sentences. The reasons you cited for reducing drug sentences starting Nov 1 also support making this change retroactive. Justice should not depend on the date someone was sentenced. When the new drug guideline goes into effect on Nov 1, no one will be excluded based on enhancements or criminal history. Rather, you leave to judges the task of enhancing sentences for prisoners who deserve additional punishment. We ask you to treat prisoners already sentenced under the guidelines in the same way. Those who received enhancements will still be forced to serve them. The judge can only reduce the drug portion of the sentence and, no one will be able to leave prison unless a Fed Judge is satisfied that the prisoner poses no threat to public safety.

In fact, allowing judges, not categories, to decide who is released early will enhance public safety: Prison overcrowding threatens public safety when it takes scarce dollars away from the important crime fighting work of the DOJ. Retroactivity will reduce the costs of over-incarceration & the burden of prison overcrowding without harming public safety. Many people serving drug sentences could be eligible to leave prison nearly 2 years early, saving hundreds of millions of dollars & thousands of sentence years.

We know that retroactive guideline amendments don't mean more crime: people who benefited from your retroactive "crack minus two" guideline change in 2007 did not reoffend more often than those who served their full crack sentences.

What you do matters to me because: [add personal story here if you'd like] Thank you for considering my views.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions about Drugs Minus Two - May 2, 2014 - U.S.A. - By FAMM; www.FAMM.org

What are sentencing guidelines? Sentencing guidelines are recommended rules for judges to follow when determining a sentence for a conviction in Fed court. The guidelines look at the facts that led to the conviction. In the case of drugs, the guidelines look at 2 factors: the type & quantity of drugs, to come up with a starting point. Then the guidelines tell judges to consider other features, including enhancements or sentence reductions based on a defendant's role in the offense & other circumstances. Once the judge has used the guideline manual to come up with a recommended guideline sentence, the judge then consults a Fed law to test whether the guideline sentence is enough but not too much to punish, deter, incapacitate & rehabilitate the defendant. If the judge finds the recommended guideline sentence is greater than necessary (or in some cases, not sufficient), he or she is free to "vary" below or above the recommended sentence.

What will "drugs minus 2" do to change the sentencing guidelines? Drugs minus 2 will lower the recommended guideline sentences for most drug defendants by 2 levels in the sentencing guideline "table" of recommended sentencing ranges for drug crimes. This means that, starting on Nov 1, 2014, the sentencing guidelines will advise judges to start the job of calculating a sentence 2 levels below the current one. That means they will use as the starting point a lower recommended sentence that the current recommended sentence.

Does drugs minus 2 affect mandatory minimums? No. Mandatory minimums are established by Congress & are unaffected by changes to the sentencing guidelines. The drug mandatory minimums require certain fixed sentences for fixed amounts of drugs. For example, the mandatory minimum for trafficking 28 grams of crack cocaine is 5 years. The Sentencing Guidelines in turn are the recommended sentences for drug crimes when the drug amounts are lower or higher than the precise drug amounts that trigger mandatory minimum sentences. For example, right now the recommended guideline sentence for 115 grams of crack cocaine is 78-97 months.

So the guidelines aren't mandatory? Yes, they are advisory; they provide recommendations to judges.

If the guidelines aren't mandatory, why does it matter what they say? The guidelines, though advisory, continue to exert a strong influence on the ultimate sentence a judge imposes. Judges follow the guideline sentence (or follow the Gov'ts recommendations for a lower sentence) in roughly 80% of cases.

Who's affected by drugs minus two? Approximately 70% of drug defendants subject to the sentencing guidelines will be affected by drug minus two. Among those not affected are defendants with the highest & lowest drug quantities.

I read somewhere that this change will reduce prison sentences by 11 months. Is that true for everybody? No, that is an average sentence reduction. How much lower the sentence will be will depend on the starting point, which in turn is based on 3 things: the type & quantity of drugs & the amount of criminal history the defendant is found to have.

Why doesn't this apply to prisoners? Drugs minus 2 is a change to the sentencing guidelines & the guidelines are used when sentencing a defendant. When guidelines are reduced, those reductions do not apply to people already in prison. But, the Sentencing Commission has the power to make lowered guidelines "retroactive." The Commission has decided to consider making drugs minus 2 retroactive & is accepting public comment on retroactivity until July 7, 2014. The Commission will also be holding a hearing about the issue on June 10, 2014 & will vote on it on July 18, 2014. If the Commission does make drugs minus 2 retroactive, prisoners will be able to ask the court that sentenced them to reduce their sentence by 2 levels just like people who will be sentenced after the lower guideline goes into effect on Nov 1.

What does this mean for other reforms, like the smarter sentencing act, & clemency? The Sentencing Commission, just like members of Congress & the Dept of Justice, is doing what it can to reduce the overburdened Fed prisons while at the same time working to reset criminal penalties to make them more fair & proportionate to the crime. The Commission's work to reduce all drug sentences by 2 is a modest reform that puts the Commission at the criminal justice reform table with the legislative & executive branch actions.

These Quotes were reportedly taken from Actual Fed Employee Performance Evaluations:

- 1. "Since my last report, this employee has reached rock bottom & has started to dig."
- 2. "I would not allow this employee to breed."
- **3**. "Works well when under constant supervision & cornered like a rat in a trap."
- **4**. "When she opens her mouth, it seems that it is only to change feet."
- 5. "He would be out of his depth in a parking lot puddle."
- **6**. "This young lady has delusions of adequacy."
- 7. "He sets low personal standards & then consistently fails to achieve them."
- **8**. "This employee is depriving a village somewhere of an idiot."
- 9. "This employee should go far, & the sooner he starts the better."
- **10**. "Got a full 6 pack, but lacks the plastic thing to hold it all together."
- **11**. "A gross ignoramus 144 times worse than an ordinary ignoramus."
- 12. "He doesn't have ulcers, but he's a carrier."
- 13. "I would like to go hunting with him sometime."
- 14. "He's been working with glue too much."
- 15. "He would argue with a signpost."
- 16. "He brings a lot of joy whenever he leaves the room."
- 17. "When his IQ reaches 50, he should sell."
- **18**. "If you see 2 people talking & one looks bored, he's the other one."

Biker Dies Of Road Rage - June 16, 2014 – Wisconsin / Illinois – By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - Joshua Deford, a 23-year-old member of the DC Eagles MC, died as a result of a road rage incident in Chicago June 10. A 27-year-old woman named Chiquita Stevenson (photo above) is charged with 2 counts of attempted murder. The incident began on the afternoon of June 7 when Stevenson cut into the middle of a pack 70 motorcycles near the intersection of the 294 Toll Road & Archer Ave in Southwest Chicago. The DC Eagles were paying their respects at area cemeteries as part of a "Rest In Peace Ride." The intersection is near Resurrection Cemetery, Bethania Cemetery & the Lithuanian National Cemetery.

Bikers Say: Police say that after almost hitting one of the motorcycles, Stevenson began throwing objects at the pack from inside her car. Police have not said whether the bikers made any defensive gestures at or took any defensive gestures toward the driver. But the confrontation escalated & Stevenson began chasing members of the pack up Archer. It is unclear whether she pursued members of the DC Eagles or friends of the club. Deford pursued Stevenson & her would be victims. The chase reached 80 miles per hour & Deford crashed as he entered the suburb of Bedford Park. The chase ended when Stevenson hit one of the bikers she was chasing as he tried to escape her by pulling into the driveway of the Bedford Park police station. She has not yet made a \$500,000 bond. Stevenson pled guilty to misdemeanor battery in 2012 & was sentenced to 18 months of supervised release.

Stevenson Says: Chicago television station WMAQ reported that Stevenson claims to have been a victim of an unprovoked biker attack. Stevenson's boyfriend, a man named Nicholas Williams, told the television station that members of the pack tried to break her windshield & that she only pursued one of the riders in order to get his license plate number. According to Williams she was surrounded by motorcyclists and, fearing for her own safety, called 911. "She's 120 pounds," Williams told WMAQ. "Who in their right mind would do that?" Williams did not offer an explanation of why Stevenson pursued & ran over one of the bikers in the police station parking lot.

Lawmakers want more Veterans Treatment Courts – June 16, 2014 - Pennsylvania - By Melissa Nardo; http://Fox13.com -Pennsylvania has one of the largest veteran populations in the country. Tuesday lawmakers held a hearing to stress the need for more Veteran's courts throughout the state to help vets. "70% of the incarcerated veterans are serving time for nonviolent offenses. Veterans of Iraq & Afghanistan are about 3 times more likely to have combat-related Post Traumatic Stress disorder than other incarcerated veterans," said Representative Ryan Bizzarro, (D) 3rd Legislative District, who sponsored House Bill 2180. The legislation would establish a veteran's treatment court in Penn counties that do not have one. "We have 17 counties that offer a veterans treatment court. Every county has the opportunity to establish their own veteran court but unfortunately some haven't at this point," said Rep. Bizzarro. "It's time for us to stand up for our veterans who may have seen the unthinkable, or had to make tough decisions, that us civilians couldn't even imagine."

Legislation: Currently there are 2 bills, in the House (HB 2180) & in the Senate (SB 1411) that aim to set up veterans treatment courts across the state. The voluntary program helps veterans struggling with conditions like addiction or mental illness. Vets charged with nonviolent crimes plead guilty to their charges & then receive rehabilitative treatment, under the supervision of specialized judges & probation officers. "These men & women served their country & they have been injured. They're willing to

lay their life on the line for their country, we as a society have an obligation to treat them. We must leave no veteran behind," said Rep Marty Flynn, (D) 113th Legislative District. Lawmakers say the treatment courts make financial sense. According to a press release, in 2013, treatment courts saved York County alone over 24,000 jail days & \$981,000, veteran's treatment courts included. At the press conference the group urged other lawmakers to move the 2 bills, get them out of committee, & up for a floor vote.

Did The Iron Order Do It Again - Jun 18, 2014 - New Hampshire - By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - Each & every member of the Iron Order MC, a kind of anti-MC, should regularly pray a prayer of thanks that this is no longer, oh say, 1979. You know. Back in the day. Before CSI & DNA. The club seems to delight in provoking the members of other motorcycle clubs that wear a 3-piece patch. It may simply be that the club attracts men who are flamboyantly neurotic, as Richard Simmons & Perez Hilton are flamboyantly gay. It is also possible that the Iron Order is a club of agents provocateur acting on behalf of the ATF, & that the club exists largely to create some future RICO case. Maybe these guys have just gotten a bad rep. This page mostly ignores the Iron Order because they are not really members of the motorcycle club world & they don't make much news. But sometimes the club does something, or appears to have done something, that The Aging Rebel can't ignore This week, club pres Ray "Izod" Lubesky may have, in anticipation of this week's Laconia motorcycle rally, sent Laconia, New Hampshire Police Chief Christopher Adams the following email. The email has been slightly edited to eliminate the most annoying syntax & grammatical errors.

Mommy! Dear Chief Adams Laconia PD, I represent a lawabiding motorcycle club called the Iron Order MC. I would like to inform you that we will be attending Bike Week in your city this week. We do not support any outlaw motorcycle clubs (1%ers) or abide by their protocol which has caused many problems for our club. We just ask, as free Americans, to be able to ride & be left alone. This is why I am contacting you. I am requesting your assistance. While there, if we encounter any problems with other clubs, can you assist us when we call upon you? Just keep an eye out for the protection of our members. We do our best in security but 1%ers are lowlife, dirty scum who will do anything to harm us. We will cooperate with all L.E. Unlike traditional clubs, we will testify when called upon. We will stay only in populated areas where there are witnesses. If you would like we can have our legal Dept contact you. The person in charge of our legal Dept is John Whitfield. Our local person in charge is Craig Carbal. His road name while in Laconia will be Playboy. Once again, we thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Izod – Internat'l Pres of the IO MC

Hoax? The email seems to have first appeared publically on a Facebook page titled IOMC Sucks World Wide II. Copies of the email have been sent to this page by members of brand name MCs who seem to take the letter seriously & are alarmed by it. That makes the email newsworthy whether Izod Lubesky wrote it or not. Some widely respected people think he did. The Aging Rebel thinks the email is probably a hoax. But, it is a plausible hoax. This page has seen other documents verifiably written by Lubesky including a memorandum written to members in 2011 following a dustup between the IO & the Bandidos in which the IO Pres stated "We will cooperate with L.E. & we will prosecute. We will take all steps necessary to protect ourselves & go on down the road." Whoever wrote the email to Chief Adams seems to have seen that memo, too.

Cops Cannot Push Drug Dog into Open Car Door – June 20, 2014 - Utah / U.S.A. - http://TheNewspaper.com - Fed appeals court allows woman with religious license plate to sue cops who made a drug dog alert on a drug-free car... Utah state troopers who used a drug dog as a pretense to search a car belonging to an innocent woman are in legal trouble. The US Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit on Fri ruled that the victims could sue the troopers for spending 2 hours rifling through their vehicle without finding anything unlawful, in violation of their constitutional rights. Utah State Trooper Brian Bairett had been running a speed trap on I-15 when a Jeep driven by Sherida Felders passed through. Bairett said he developed probable cause during the traffic stop because she was nervous, had an air freshener & her license plate holder said "Jesus." Trooper Bairett accused Felders, a 54-year-old, of transporting cocaine. She denied the accusation & refused his request to search the car. After a drug dog was called in, Trooper Bairett explained the situation to its handler, Iron County Sheriff's Deputy Jeff Malcom. "This lady -you know, I walk up to the car & I see air fresheners in the center console and... I start talking to her, you know, just 'So where, you heading to?' 'Oh going to Colorado,' blah, blah, blah," Trooper Bairett said. "To me, I've got probable cause to search the vehicle without her permission or not, so I figured the dog would be the best route to go right now." Trooper Bairett ordered 2 teenage passengers out of the Jeep, along with the Chihuahua that was riding in the back. Deputy Malcom explained he intended to leave the door open when the teenagers got out. Dashcam footage recorded what happened. "Nice of them to leave the door open for you," Deputy Malcom said. "Yeah it was, wasn't it?" Trooper Bairett responded. Then the drug dog, named Duke, walked around the car & jumped right through the open door without alerting. Once inside, the dog alerted to the center console. It had 2 packages of beef jerky. The dog next alerted on the driver's door, which contained nothing. The lower court found the search improper & refused to grant immunity, so Deputy Malcom appealed. "We agree with the district court that Malcom did not have probable cause to search the car prior to Duke's alert & that the law was then clearly established that, absent probable cause, facilitating a dog's entry into a vehicle during a dog sniff constitutes an unconstitutional search," Judge Timothy M. Tymkovich wrote for the appellate panel. "Taking the facts in the light most favorable to Felders, we conclude that fact questions exist regarding the timing of Duke's alert & Malcom's possible facilitation prior to an alert. As a result, we affirm the district court's decision to deny Malcom summary judgment on qualified immunity grounds." The court rejected Deputy Malcom's attempt to argue that he was just working on his fellow officer's claim that there was probable cause. The appellate judges said the deputy should have known better. "The facts Malcom knew -- Felders's nervousness & unwillingness to look at Bairett, possible inconsistencies in travel narratives, a single air freshener, & a religious license plate frame - could justify no more than reasonable suspicion to conduct an investigative stop," Judge Tymkovich wrote. "A reasonable officer would not conclude that Felders was hauling drugs based on the statements or behavior of either Felders or her 2 teenage passengers."

0 to 180 in 4 seconds! A couple had debated a new car purchase for weeks. He wanted a new truck to haul stuff; she wanted a sporty car to zip through traffic. He would have settled on a beat up old truck; she wanted anything that was out of their price range. "I've got a birthday coming up. Surprise me with something that goes from 0 to 180 in less than 4 seconds!" So he bought her a bathroom scale. He's dead now, but he died a legend.

Australian motorcycle gangs encroaching Europe: Europol sounded the alarm in Dec 2012 – June 22, 2014 – Europe – By www.Independent.com.mt - This week's news that Maltese expatriate Alex Vella, the head of Australia's notorious Rebels motorcycle club has been denied a return visa by Australia has made the headlines, but back in Dec 2012 Europol had raised the alarm on the Rebels' increasing presence in Europe. But while Vella is a Maltese citizen & it only stands to reason that his presence in Malta could very well be familial-related, Europol had issued a harsh warning about Australian biker gangs encroaching European territory a year & a half ago. This newspaper had reported in Dec 2012 how senior members of Australian outlaw motorcycle gangs (OMCGs) are travelling to Malta, Sweden, Spain, The Netherlands, Britain & Thailand to establish chapters using existing contacts or "patching over" local clubs. Australian biker gangs, according to the European law enforcement agency Europol, are aggressively expanding overseas & creating havoc for international authorities who fear violent inter-group conflicts & a boost in drug & arms trafficking. A memo, circulated at the time by Europol, said the arrival of Australia's Rebels, headed by Vella, & rival gang the Comancheros is causing tension with established outlaw motorcycle gangs - 'OMCGs' - in Europe. Europol said, "The main driver for OMCGs to expand is feared to be the desire to increase their role in particular criminal markets by opening chapters in strategic locations, for instance along the trafficking routes for drugs, weapons & human beings. Merely establishing a chapter on the 'turf' of another OMCG is interpreted as an act of provocation & is likely to result in violent confrontations & retaliation. The 'Nordic Biker Wars' of the 1990s serve as a compelling example of the capacity for extreme violence resulting from an increased concentration of OMCGs in Europe." The main threat to public safety associated with OMCGs, Europol said, stems from their propensity to use extreme forms of violence. This includes the use of automatic rifles like Kalashnikovs, & explosive devices such as grenades, & the indiscriminate nature with which this violence is often used in open conflicts between rival groups. "In general, the use of intimidation & violence is intrinsic to the OMCG subculture & serves to exert control over group members & others such as victims of extortion. In displaying their 'colours' & identifying symbols - or 'patches' - members of these groups exploit the reputation for violence associated with their particular OMCG to affirm their individual roles in local criminal markets. present, the majority of violent incidents are reportedly occurring within the context of territorial disputes between different OMCGs, as well as rivalries with local organised criminal groups & street gangs." The increasing concentration of gangs in Europe has the potential to escalate into extreme violence akin to the Nordic Biker Wars of the 1990s in which 11 people were murdered & 96 were wounded, the extensive briefing warned. The head of Australia's Nat'l anti-biker gang taskforce, Detective Superintendent John De Candia, said it was a "big problem" for police at home because gangs were opening chapters in strategic locations along drug, arms & human trafficking routes. "They're not going over there to simply ride their bikes, they're going to open up opportunities to get drugs & firearms back," he said. "They engage & conduct their business just like any other criminal organization – they look for whatever weaknesses exist in the law enforcement of Gov'ts & exploit those through violence & extortion," Superintendent De Candia said. One senior NSW officer said police were powerless to stop the spread of gangs overseas. "There's certainly a network that is expanding & we've got evidence of high-ranking Rebels going overseas to open club chapters," the source said. "But we can't prevent them travelling over there unless they've done something to keep them

here." Alex Vella's 'Rebels' are thought to have about 1,500 members in Australia & dozens are kept busy establishing outposts overseas. The Comancheros have also developed strong ties in Spain. Its former boss relocated there in 2010 & it is believed the alleged drug smuggler Hakan Avik, who is closely aligned to the gang, has been hiding in Spain since fleeing Australia in 2010 while on bail for importing 224 kilogrammes of heroin into Sydney. Ayik has also been accused of setting up a "super" drug lab in India. An associate of his, Hakan Arif, reportedly travelled to Spain this year while on bail for drugs charges. Europol said the number of biker gang chapters in Europe has risen at a "significant rate" in the past 2 years with more than 700 chapters. The arrival of gangs from Canada & the U.S. has added to tensions. "Merely establishing a chapter on the 'turf' of another OMCG is interpreted as an act of provocation & is likely to result in violent confrontations & retaliation," Europol said. However, a senior member of the Rebels denied the club had an "expansion plan". He said members were not necessarily moving overseas; it was more a case of foreigners wanting to join their club. "Other clubs overseas have got in touch with us & want to patch over; a few blokes have got away cause they like the lifestyle overseas, but really there's no big expansion plan," he said. Even bikers needed a holiday, he said. "I'm a family man with 4 kids & we do like to get away sometimes, too. And of course, you want to catch up with your mates if you're overseas." Vella, however, denies any wrongdoing & says he is merely a motorcycle aficionado who made his money through prudent investments. He had his visa cancelled while on an overseas trip to his native Malta. Immigration minister Scott Morrison personally made the decision not to allow the 60-year-old gang Pres, also known as the Maltese Falcon, to re-enter Australia.

Qld bikies' legal challenge back in court – June 23, 2014 – Australia - By AAP; www.SBS.com.au - A Hells Angels challenge to Queensland's anti-bikie laws could be heard by the High Court later this year. Gang member Stefan Kuczborski is the face of a bikie challenge to the laws, arguing they undermine the institutional integrity of the state's courts. Kuczborski & his backer, the United Motorcycle Council of Qld, also say the laws deny people the rights of freedom of speech & natural justice. At a directions hearing in Brisbane on Monday, High Court Justice Patrick Keane indicated he would like the case heard in the first week of the court's September sittings. If the estimated 3-day hearing doesn't take place then it probably won't happen until next year, the court heard. Solicitor Zeke Bentley, for Kuczborski, told AAP he was confident the challenge would succeed. "I think it's bad law & it's important to the institutional integrity of the courts that it's set aside, & I hope that the High Court agrees," he said. The Newman Govt's Vicious Lawless Association Disestablishment laws introduced last year ban motorcycle gang members gathering in public or at clubhouses. Members also face an extra 15 years' imprisonment for serious crimes, or 25 years for office-bearers.

One fatal during Laconia Motorcycle Week – June 25, 2014 – *New Hampshire* – By www.SeaCoastOnline.com - State Police say there was one fatal motorcycle crash during Laconia Motorcycle Week, & nearly 1,100 vehicle stops. Between June 13 & June 22, police issued 262 citations for speeding & 591 warnings. There were 72 other citations issued, 6 of them for driving with a suspended license. Police said they 19 arrests on charges of driving while intoxicated.

It's not what you have done or who you are, it's where you are going that counts. - Cal Farley

Hells Angels bikie Peter Zervas has nose bitten off in Leichhardt attack - June 25, 2014 - Australia - By Megan Levy; www.SMH.com.au - The man whose nose was bitten off in a vicious attack in Sydney's inner west has been identified as Hells Angels member Peter Zervas. The 38-year-old has undergone surgery to have his nose reattached after he was attacked at his home in Leichhardt on Tue afternoon. The attack is believed to have been captured on CCTV camera. Zervas, whose brother Anthony was killed in a violent brawl between rival bikie gangs at Sydney Airport in 2009, was at his Norton Street unit about 5pm on Tuesday when an unknown man confronted him. Inspector Naomi Moore, from the Leichhardt local area command, said the offender bit off part of the man's nose before fleeing down Norton St. "I would say that approximately half of his nose was bitten off," Inspector Moore said. "He was able to salvage it & took it off to hospital, believe it or not." Inspector Moore said it was not clear whether the men knew each other or why the attack occurred. But Fairfax Media understands detectives are investigating Zervas' bikie links as they continue to hunt for his attacker. Inspector Moore said detectives hoped to retrieve CCTV footage of the assault & review it on Wed. "We're in the very early stages of the investigation, & hopefully today we will be reviewing footage," she said. "We know that the victim lived there in a unit on Norton St, & the other person came to his premises. "The detectives are hoping to speak further to [the victim] today at some stage." It is not the first time Zervas has been targeted. In 2009, his brother & Hells Angels associate Anthony was killed in front of shocked travelers at Sydney Airport during a violent brawl between rival bikie gangs. Anthony was bludgeoned with a bollard during the brawl & stabbed in the chest & abdomen. The only man found guilty of Anthony's murder, former Comanchero bikie boss Mahmoud "Mick" Hawi, had his conviction set aside last month & will face a retrial. Hawi was granted bail this week following amendments to the Bail Act that came into effect a month ago. A week after the airport brawl, Zervas was shot multiple times while getting out of his car in front of his mother's house in Lakemba. The previous year, a tattoo parlor Zervas had opened in Brighton-le-Sands was firebombed, after it was targeted in a number of driveby shootings. Police set up a crime scene at the Leichhardt unit complex on Tue afternoon & forensic officers examined the area.

When you get run over by a car,

It shouldn't be listed under accidents. **You have no** trouble making ends meet.

Your foot is always in your mouth!

These Quotes were Reportedly taken from Actual Fed Employee Performance Evaluations: (<u>Continued</u>)

- 19. "A photographic memory but with the lens cover glued on."
- 20. "A prime candidate for natural de-selection."
- 21. "Donated his brain to science before he was done using it."
- **22**. "Gates are down, the lights are flashing, but the train isn't coming."
- 23. "Has 2 brains: one is lost & the other is out looking for it."
- **24**. "If he were any more stupid, he'd have to be watered twice a week."
- 25. "If you give him a penny for his thoughts, you'd get change."
- 26. "If you stand close enough to him, you can hear the ocean."
- 27. "It's hard to believe that he beat out 1,000,000 other sperm."
- 28. "One neuron short of a synapse."
- **29**. "Some drink from the fountain of knowledge; he only gargled."
- **30**. "Takes him 2 hours to watch 60 minutes."
- **31**. "The wheel is turning, but the hamster is dead...!"

Bikies tell why they've been lured to join Australia's growing ranks of outlaw motorcycle gangs – June 26, 2014 – Australia – By Blanche Clark; www.TheAustralian.com.au - They are the one-percenters, the hard-core outlaws striking terror in the suburbs as they roll across the country with apparently no-one to stop them. Now, insiders tell why they've signed up... Steve Utah made his first bomb at the age of 8 in the backyard of his Frankston home. That same year he cut off the head of his brother's pet mouse as retribution for a schoolyard fight. His first run-in with police came at the age of 10 after he assaulted a boy he believed had sexually molested his friend's sister. By 15, he was packed off to Turana Youth Training Centre in Parkville. Not surprisingly, by his late 20s he was cooking drugs & arranging security for the Bandidos MC in the mid-1990s. "His initial involvement with the gang wasn't an uncommon story," says former policeman Duncan McNab, the co-author of a book about Utah called Dead Man Running. "Lousy childhood, minor crimes, first girlfriend was Roberta who later married Carl Williams, & time in a boys' home." But Utah delayed his inevitable pathway to crime by joining the Australian Army, & it was the skills he developed here as ammunitions technician that helped him become a trusted confidante of the Bandidos. "He was also a very skilled chemist, which means you have the capacity to safely make the amphetamine products, which is the driving force of the bikie gangs' business," McNab says. McNab, who also wrote Outlaw Bikers in Australia, says the booming drug trade has changed the nature of bikie gangs. He says Utah's recruitment is an example of how outlaw motorcycle gangs have become skills-based rather than passion-based. "While there are still lots of blokes who are attracted by that brotherhood, by that notion of being a group of men standing outside society & having a thoroughly good time, drugs have changed all that," McNab says. Utah now lives in exile overseas after turning informer & lifting the lid on alleged club violence, including claiming in Dead Man Running that the Bandidos killed Geelong father-of-four Earl Mooring in 2000. Australian Crime Commission statistics show there are more than 40 outlaw motorcycle gangs operating in Australia. The ACC estimates that there are 6000 "patched" members who make up the 1 per cent of bikies who operate outside the law. McNab says the largest club is the Rebels, which has been about since the late 1960s & has about 2500 members. "One of the weird things about bike gangs, which has always struck me as odd, is in the year after the Milperra Massacre in 1984 (firearm battle between Comancheros & former members that had formed the Bandidos MC) the enthusiasm to join bikie gangs spiked; they were queuing at doors to get in," he says. McNab says bikie clubs provide a structure of trust, brotherhood & loyalty, & are run like quasi-military operations. Members don't even need bikes anymore as the "one percenters" fight among themselves for a bigger share of Australia's drug trade, as well as interests in security, tattoo, brothel, car wash & debt collection businesses. Melbourne youth crusader Les Twentyman is seeing the bottom-feeder recruitment. "Recently a bikie gang were pressuring this kid. What they did was feed him some methamphetamine & he thought he was getting it for nothing that people were just looking after him. And when he had a substantial debt, they then turned to him & said, 'Where is the money?" "He said, 'I haven't got a job.' (They said) 'OK, you're going to have to start dealing." "So he gets hooked in because he has a major methamphetamine debt. This is another way these kids are being recruited." Twentyman says young people are gravitating towards gangs because of homelessness, family breakdown & "massive youth unemployment". "That's why these bikie gangs have become so popular because, if you are disconnected & can't find a job, you're going to be protected

because you're in this group & they are going to watch your back." In recent months, police have launched an unprecedented crackdown on Melbourne's bikies & underworld figures: raiding the Mongols' clubhouse & seizing weapons, intercepting an alleged Red Devils MC drug deal outside Crown Casino, & banning dozens of bikies & associates from Crown casino & the state's racetracks. But former Outcasts member Russell "Camel" Wattie is determined to counteract the disturbing picture of rampant crime & violence that prompted Queensland's controversial anti-association laws. "In the past 5 to 6 years there has been a strong propaganda campaign against bike clubs, patch clubs," Wattie says. He likens the average outlaw motorcycle clubhouse to a "men's shed", a place to grab a spanner & have a tinker on a bike, or hang out with like-minded people & watch the footy on a Friday night. "Certainly the clubs that I was involved in, there was absolutely no requirement to commit any crime," says Wattie, an independent lobbyist for bikies. "I have a criminal record, but there were guys in the club that were exmilitary. We had one guy join when he was 67. He'd retired, he was an electrician & he had become a nuisance to his family because he was home all the time. They said go & get yourself a bloody hobby, but they didn't expect him join a bike club." Wattie says he joined the Outlaws & still rides with clubs because members know how to ride in tight formations. "You know nothing is going to go amiss," he says He believes motorcycle clubs — outlaw or otherwise — provide the structure to help men change their lives for the better. "The club doesn't turn you into a smarter criminal. What it does is it gives you a focus that actually away from that criminal side of your life, where you can be yourself without judgment,' he says. He also downplays the violence. "In 20 years of drinking in clubhouses I've seen 2 blokes get hit & in both cases they absolutely, thoroughly deserved it," he says. But there is plenty of evidence that if members break club rules, they cop a violent bashing, & lose their bike & anything associated with the club. In 2009, the Herald Sun reported that Christopher Wayne Hudson, who is serving 35 years for killing lawyer Brendan Keilar & shooting Dutch backpacker Paul de Waard in June, 2007, was punished for bringing shame on the Hells Angels. Senior members reportedly chained him up & used a blowtorch to remove a Hells Angels tattoo from his arm. Researcher Mark Lauchs says there hasn't been any rigorous academic, psychological work on why men join outlaw motorcycle gangs. "From the autobiographical material & the other material that's popped up, the conclusion is that people become bikies because they like it. They are attracted to the lifestyle. Pure & simple," says Lauchs, a senior lecturer at the Old Univ of Technology's School of Justice. "Similar research has been found about some people who participate in terrorist groups. They love the lifestyle." He says it's ultimately about masculinity & mateship. "It sounds very touchy-feely & it is on a psychological level. They are very violent, quite aggressive individuals. It's a type of blokiness, but you know that you have absolute certainty that the other members of this group will support you," Lauchs says. "And that's pretty rare. The only other group that I know that have that kind of guarantee is the police. "Their profiles are exactly the same. It's just that one has legal support & a justice focus & the other has an outcast focus. Otherwise it's about masculinity, brotherhood & support."

Don't you realize that there are enough people to hate in the World already without your working so hard to give us another?

The thing that terrifies me the most is that someone might hate me as much as I loathe you...

Big bikie joins Berrimah guest list – June 25, 2014 – Australia - by Ellie Turner; www.HeraldSun.com.au - A Fully-patched Hells Angels outlaw motorcycle gang member joined the Berrimah jail "guest list" when police allegedly found \$250,000 worth of methamphetamine, 4 guns, manuals titled Murder Inc & Silent Killing, explosives & a guide to bomb-making, in a rural Darwin sting. Darryl Paul Milton, 40, was charged with 24 crimes & briefly appeared in the dock at Darwin Magistrates Court yesterday. Defence lawyer Gerard Maley asked for the case to be held until next week when his client would seek bail. Milton, suspected to be a senior member of the Hells Angels Darwin chapter with strong links to outlaw motorcycle gang members in Sydney, was arrested at an industrial business shed in Humpty Doo. Detective Superintendent Peter Schiller said police began Operation Navistar to dismantle the syndicate - running drugs from Sydney to Darwin - in Jan. He said cops were sick of bikies whining that their good names had been tainted by a "couple of rotten eggs". "I'd suggest most of the egg carton is rotten & we should kill the chook as well," Supt Schiller said. "It's disappointing (bikies) sometimes get support in the public "Once a year they strap a teddy bear to their bike & everybody loves them. "But drugs & weapons are their core business." Supt Schiller said the number of bikies with guns was on the rise, with Milton's arrest - early on Mon morning - part of the fourth big drug & weapons raid since 2012. He hinted more gang members were marked to spend time behind bars & expects the war on bikie crime to continue for at least 2 more years. "None of them are very keen to spend time in our detention centre," Supt Schiller said. "We make no apology. "Police will target them until we can wipe out this behavior. "We don't want to see Darwin in the situation Sydney's in." Milton was allegedly found in possession of a loaded .45 handgun - hidden in a shed wall - 2 military assault rifles, a shotgun, explosives & detonators. Police didn't find any constructed bombs. But they allegedly uncovered manuals on making bombs & murder, along with a booklet called Silent But Deadly: More homemade silencers from Hayduke the Master.

Retired US soldier shot dead in Cebu – June 27, 2014 – *Philippines* – By Jude Torres; www.ABS-CBNnews.com - A retired American soldier was shot dead outside his home in Sitio Poo, Barangay Balod, Dalaguete on Thursday afternoon. The victim was identified as Stephen Ray Gornto. According to Gornto's wife, Dahlia, they were outside their home waiting for a mechanic to fix their car when the shooting occurred. Dahlia said a motorcycle-riding man wearing a helmet suddenly stopped in front of them & shot her husband. Police are investigating if the killing of Gornto was related to the fight that he had with a British national last Saturday. Police said they went to the house of the British national, but the latter was nowhere to be found.

Editor's Comments: <u>Cebu</u> is an island province in the Philippines, consisting of the island itself & 167 surrounding islands...

Steve was a member of the Sons Of Silence MC Germany for about 8 years (Was X-member for last 2 years)...

Did you know that I rode in 5 countries with Steve...? It was Klaus & Peter up Front - then Steve & I... There were 4 of us... Germany, France, Euro Tunnel, England, Whales, 4 hour Ferry Ship, to Ireland... <u>L&R</u>, Mike

I think Mother Nature really hates you because you remind her so much of all her mistakes!

I've had many cases of love that were just infatuation, but this hate I feel for you is the real thing.

Former bikie boss Mick Hawi released - June 26, 2014 -Australia - By www.SkyNews.com.au - Accused murderer & former Comanchero boss Mick Hawi has walked free from prison overnight. The 34-year-old was sentenced to 28 years behind bars for the murder of a rival during an infamous public brawl at Sydney Airport in 2009, but had his conviction quashed earlier this year. Hawi left Lithgow Prison in a white Mercedes Van last night. Mahmoud 'Mick' Hawi applied for release under the new Bail Act after his conviction for the murder of a Hells Angel was quashed in May & a retrial ordered. On Thu, the NSW Supreme Court heard he would pose an unacceptable risk if released as he still had links to outlaw gangs. But to the jubilation of Hawi's supporters, Justice Ian Harrison on Mon decided to grant Hawi conditional bail. 'It's party time,' a man said as they left the court's public gallery smiling. 'The disco!' Hawi, 34, was jailed for at least 21 years in 2012 for the 2009 murder of rival HA assoc Anthony Zervas at the airport. Zervas, 29, died after being bashed with a bollard; members of the 2 gangs began brawling. Justice Harrison explained the 'unacceptable risks' posed by Hawi could be 'mitigated by the imposition of appropriate conditions'. Under the strict bail conditions, Hawi must report to police daily & adhere to a curfew. He must not associate with or contact certain people, not apply for a passport or go within a kilometre of an airport. Two people had to provide surety to a total of \$700,000. Justice Harrison said the NSW Gov'ts changes to the Bail Act had attracted a great deal of public & media attention. When considering granting bail, it was important to balance the presumption of innocence with society's expectation for protection, he said. Pauline Wright, from the Law Society of NSW, said media commentary that the bail rules had been 'relaxed' by the NSW Govt's changes was wrong. Instead, the reforms had made bail rules much clearer while assuring the system was still 'tough but fair'.' Our criminal justice system is based on the principle of presumed innocence,' she said.' Unless there is something to suggest that you're going to be a risk to the community, or that you're going to be a risk of not going to court to answer the charges ... then you're entitled to bail.'

Nearly 50 Gov't employees in motorcycle gangs – June 27, 2014 – Netherlands - by Britt Slegers; http://www.NLTimes.nl - Firing members of criminal motorcycle gangs who work for the Gov't is not always as easy as it sounds. Parliament discussed this topic previously but there are still a dozen of Gov't officials who are members of such gangs. Coalition parties VVD & PvdA insisted on a sharper approach or policy today. There are about 48 Gov't officials who have been spoken to regarding their membership with a motorcycle gang, according to Minister of Security & Justice, Ivo Opstelten. It can be understood that there will be consequences for their job, or in the worst case they can get fired. So far, 13 outlaw bikers quit their jobs or have left the bikers club at own initiative. Opstelten & his colleagues at defense & civil services will discuss the possibilities on how handle the concerning officials.

Grandma & Grandpa were visiting their kids overnight. When Grandpa found a bottle of Viagra in his son's medicine cabinet, he asked about using one of the pills. The son said, "I don't think you should take one Dad; they're very strong & very expensive." "How much?" asked Grandpa. "\$10. a pill," answered the son. "I don't care," said Grandpa, "I'd still like to try one, & before we leave in the morning, I'll put the money under the pillow." Later the next morning, the son found \$110 under the pillow. He called Grandpa & said, "I told you each pill was \$10, not \$110. ""I know," said Grandpa. "The hundred is from Grandma".

Police Need Warrant to Search Phone. But Guess What? They Get to Keep Your Phone While They Get One. - June 27, 2014 - U.S.A. - By Jeffrey Hamlin; www.JDSupra.com - Will cops still get access to cell phone data post arrest? You bet. Today's Supreme Court decision just means they need to get permission from a judge before they start searching who you have been texting. And odds are very good, that permission will be granted. In a unanimous decision authored by Chief Justice Roberts, the United States Supreme Court held that law enforcement officers may not conduct warrantless searches of cell phones that are seized incident to an arrest. But just because police cannot immediately search mobile phones, doesn't mean they cannot immediately seize them in connection with an arrest. Indeed, the benefit of today's decision by our country's highest court may be limited to the 2 defendants who brought the case (and of course any similarly situated defendants). The named defendant in Riley v California is David Riley. After Riley was stopped for a traffic violation, he was arrested & the police officer seized his cell phone incident to that arrest. When the officer accessed the data on the phone (without a search warrant), he noticed the repeated use of an identifier associated with the Bloods street gang. Later, a detective reviewed the cell phone records & noticed gang-related content, including a photo of Riley standing in front of a car that was used in a shooting weeks earlier. Riley was convicted of multiple crimes related to that shooting & received a sentence of 15 years to life. The 2nd case resolved today involved Brima Wurie, who had been arrested in connection with a drug sale. After Wurie's arrest, police took him to the police station where officers confiscated his flip phone. A few minutes later, Wurie's phone showed an incoming call from "my house." The officers opened the phone, accessed the call log to determine the number of the incoming call, & then traced the number back to Wurie's apartment, which they secured. After obtaining a search warrant, the officers searched the apartment & seized drugs, a gun, ammunition, & cash. At trial, Wurie was convicted on 3 drugrelated counts & sentenced to more than twenty years in prison. The key here to note is that in neither case did law enforcement obtain prior permission to search the cell phones belonging to Riley & Wurie. The narrow question presented to the Court therefore was whether it is permissible for law enforcement to search cell phone data incident to an arrest where no court has authorized such a search. In holding that such a search violates the Fourth Amendment of the US Constitution, the Court considered but rejected as not relevant prior cases where so-called "warrantless" searches passed constitutional muster. For example,

- *In Chimel v. California*, the Court recognized that the 4th Amendment permits warrantless searches of the arrestee & areas within his immediate control if necessary to protect officer safety or to preserve evidence.
- In Arizona v. Gant, the Court held that officers may search a car incident to arrest if the arrestee is unsecured & within reaching distance of the passenger compartment or if the officer reasonably believes evidence of the crime of arrest may be found.

Because there were no such exigent circumstances present in Riley or Wurie's arrest, the Court concluded that the need for cell phone data searches does not outweigh the corresponding intrusion on individual privacy, & thus a warrant was required. This of course is the right result. Digital cell phone data does not, by itself, of course, threaten officer safety. And a warrantless search of cell phone data is not necessary to preserve evidence. The Court recognized an individual's privacy interest in digital cell phone data is considerable: cell phones have immense storage

capacity, collect many types of records in one place, & often contain years' worth of data. In this regard, today's decision is a victory for privacy rights. Law enforcement officers will not be permitted to conduct warrantless searches of cell phones for digital evidence. But if you are arrested, don't assume law enforcement will let you keep your phone. Today's decision may not allow for a warrantless search of your phone, but there is nothing prohibiting law enforcement from securing a phone postarrest & seeking permission from a court to search it. And the chances that a court will grant such a request are close to 100%.

Police Need Warrant to Search Phone. But Guess What? They Get to Keep... - June 27, 2014 – *U.S.A.* – By Tony Pan Sanfelipo - This is absolutely true. I read the decision & the 2 cases referred to plus some other case law. While this does afford some 4th Amendment protections, the cell phone data is still subject to search via a warrant. It does make it more difficult for the police & they have to exhibit compelling evidence that the phone holds information about a crime or the judge shouldn't issue a warrant. Normally, they'll keep the phone, maybe in one of those special protective bags to avoid accidental erasure, until a warrant is issued. If not, good luck in a timely return of your property. We all know how that works. Tony Pan Sanfelipo; Investigator; Hupy & Abraham, S.C. 1-800-800-5678

Man charged with firebombing rival biker gang – June 27, 2014 – *Ohio* – by Carrie Blackmore Smith; www.Cincinnati.com - Ricky Fields has been indicted by the Kenton County grand jury for firebombing & shooting up a Covington home used as a clubhouse by a chapter of a biker gang known as the Iron Horsemen. Authorities say Fields is member of the Detroit Highwaymen, a rival biker gang, & that on a weekend in Feb he & another man allegedly threw an incendiary device & fired into the building on Pleasant St, between Garrard & Greenup streets. People were in the building -- which is surrounded by other homes -- but no one was hurt. Fields is charged with arson & wanton endangerment. Kenton County Commonwealth's Attorney Rob Sanders said the grand jury is still considering charges against Emmert Earls, who also was allegedly involved. "This is the first issue we've had involving either of the motorcycle clubs," Sanders said, noting that the Iron Horsemen have had a presence in Covington for quite some time, while the Detroit Highwaymen arrived more recently. Some scuffles between the groups have been reported across the river in Cincinnati as well as an incident in 2010 when Cincinnati police killed a member of the Iron horsemen in a shootout in a bar in Camp Washington.

4 Worms In Church: Four worms & a lesson to be learned..! A minister decided that a visual demonstration would add emphasis to his Sunday sermon. Four worms were placed into 4 separate jars. The 1st worm was put into a container of alcohol. The 2nd worm was put into a container of cigarette smoke. The 3rd worm was put into a container of chocolate syrup. The 4th worm was put into a container of good clean soil. At the conclusion of the sermon, the Minister reported the following results: The 1st worm in alcohol Dead. . . The 2nd worm in cigarette smoke. . . Dead... 3rd worm in chocolate syrup. Dead... 4th worm in good clean soil. ... Alive... So the Minister asked the congregation, "What did you learn from this demonstration?" Maxine was sitting in the back, quickly raised her hand & said. "If you drink, smoke & eat chocolate, you won't have worms!" That pretty much ended the service!

Never be ashamed to unlearn an old habit.

Iron Order Murder - June 27, 2014 - Florida - By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - An Iron Order MC prospect shot & killed a Black Pistons patch holder in the parking lot of a Jacksonville Beach, FL restaurant named Nippers Beach Grille at about 8:15 last night. The murder appears to be the latest incident in an escalating conflict contrived by the Iron Order between that club & multiple one-percenter motorcycle clubs in the Southeast. According to witnesses, the Iron Order prospect was involved in a fight with Black Piston Zachariah J. Tipton. After Tipton bloodied the prospect's nose, the bloodied man pulled a gun & shot Tipton 4 times in the face. According to Jacksonville Beach Police Chief Patrick Dooley, the inciting altercation involved "5 or 6 men." Tipton was pronounced dead at the scene.

Bike Night: A witness named David Johnson who was interviewed on camera by television station WJXT said, "It is a bit surreal, because I did actually see the guy die. I saw his face. I saw him turning purple. I saw him convulsing. I saw the gunshot wound & the blood coming out. It was not expected, especially for this area." "There wasn't a lot of yelling or fighting or screaming or chaos. Everyone was calm. The guy who shot the individual there was in an altercation because his nose was bloody but he surrendered peacefully & when someone asked who shot the guy he said 'I did' & didn't try to run away or anything." Police took the prospect into custody at the scene but have not announced his name or if charges will be brought against him or if he has been released from custody. Police have said that there may be as many as 30 witnesses to the murder. The shooting occurred midway through Nippers' "Bike Night." Nippers co-sponsors the Thursday night event with Adamec H-D. The event promises halfpriced wings & 2 dollar Budweisers. The restaurant markets itself as "family friendly." It was previously owned by Kenny Gilbert who was a contestant on the Bravo reality show Top Chef.

The Iron Order: The Iron Order describes itself as a "law abiding MC." Numerous members of the club are sworn peace officers & reliable sources have said that at least some Iron Order patch holders are ATF agents. The ATF has been in the forefront of the ongoing federal war on MCs. Club president Ray "Izod" Lubesky has frequently urged his club's members to cooperate with police. Following a confrontation between members of the Iron Order & the Bandidos MC in 2011 Lubesky told his club, "We will cooperate with LE & we will prosecute. We will take all steps necessary to protect ourselves & go on down the road." In 2012, Iron Order members from 4 states gathered to buzz by the American Outlaws Association clubhouse in Statesville, North During that incident, the Iron Order pack was shadowed & protected by unmarked police cars from at least 4 police Depts. Earlier this month, a letter, attributed to Lubesky, asked Laconia, New Hampshire Police Chief Christopher Adams to "assist us when we call upon you" "if we encounter any problems with other clubs" during the annual Laconia Motorcycle Week event. That letter continued, "Just keep an eye out for the protection of our members. We do our best in security but 1%ers are lowlife, dirty scum who will do anything to harm us. We will cooperate with all law enforcement. Unlike traditional clubs, we will testify when called upon. We will stay only in populated areas where there are witnesses."

The graveside service just barely finished, when there was a massive clap of thunder, followed by a tremendous bolt of lightning, accompanied by even more thunder rumbling in the distance... The little old man looked at the pastor & calmly said, 'Well, she's there.

Charges stayed against farmer who spent more than 3 years in jail – June 27, 2014 – Canada – By Andrew Seymour; http://OttawaCitizen.com - A judge has stayed charges against a dairy farmer who spent more than 3 years behind bars insisting he was innocent of allegations he conspired with a senior member of the Hells Angels to traffic cocaine. The stay came after a more than 4-year legal odyssey that saw 49-year-old Ian Conklin charged along with Ontario Nomads member Mario "5-Cent" Sincennes & several others in Jan 2010 as part of a large-scale covert police operation dubbed Project Beckenham. investigation by the Biker Enforcement Unit of the Ontario Provincial Police resulted in the seizure of a quarter of a million dollars' worth of drugs, a machine gun & silencer, multiple handguns & tens of thousands of dollars in cash & property. It resulted in lengthy prison sentences for Sincennes & his top lieutenants after they pleaded guilty. But Conklin steadfastly refused to plead out to charges of conspiracy, possessing property for benefit of a criminal organization & possession of cocaine for the purpose of trafficking. And on Friday, after more than 3 years in the Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre & another 9 months under house arrest while on bail, Conklin's determination was rewarded when the federal Crown abandoned the prosecution just 3 months before Conklin was finally set to stand trial. Prosecutor Bill Boutzouvis didn't say why the charges were being stayed, although Conklin had alleged an abuse of process stemming from police conduct during the investigation. A police interview with Conklin had earlier been tossed out of evidence after police failed to record at least 16 minutes of the interrogation. Despite his joy that the criminal charges are gone, Conklin was disappointed he didn't get to tell a jury his side of what happened. Conklin, who said he was shot during a 2007 home invasion & had his barns burned down, said he was targeted by the drug traffickers. "I just can't believe I've been denied the trial to prove I'm not guilty," said Conklin. "It's like, 'You're guilty, you do your time & we're sorry, maybe you didn't do it," he said. "You know you are automatically convicted when you are charged, in a sense. People say, 'Yeah, he's guilty, he's a big bad biker,' & all this stuff & they don't even know me. It's just crazy." A father of 7 children ranging in age from 13 to 26 years old. Conklin said he lost his 500-acre farm between Prescott & Brockville, a herd of cattle & his houses during his lengthy battle with prosecutors. In court on Friday, he asked the judge whether the Crown would be returning \$50,000 in proceeds from the sale of property that he says was seized & sold after he was charged. "I've lost everything. I've got to start life over again," he said. "I got a pair of boots & jeans & here I go." Conklin said his time in jail was awful. He lost 2 teeth, knocked out when he was attacked in a holding cell at the Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre minutes before he was to be interrogated by police. Conklin said his damaged teeth were never treated properly at the jail, leading to a serious infection that shut down his pancreas & sent him on a stretcher to a hospital intensive care unit. He was in hospital for a week.

Dear Abby: She was at a Loss to answer the following Questions: **Dear Abby**, I was married to Bill for 3 months & didn't know he drank until one night he came home sober.

Dear Abby, I have a man I can't trust. He cheats so much, I'm not even sure if the baby I'm carrying is his.

Dear Abby, I've suspected that my husband has been fooling around, but when confronted with the evidence, he denied everything & said it would never happen again.

Dear Abby, What can I do about all the sex, nudity, foul language, & violence on my DVD?

Dear Abby, My 40-year-old son has been paying a psychiatrist \$50 an hour every week for 2 & a half years. He must be crazy.

Huge German motorcycle gang eyeing Danish chapter – June 27, 2014 – *Denmark* – by CW; http://CphPost.dk - According to the Danish police, the German motorcycle gang Gremium MC is preparing to open its first chapter in Denmark. According to Michael Ask, the head of the Nat'l police investigation centre, Politiets Nationale Efterforskningscenter, the Germans have held meeting with leading individuals from motorcycle gangs in Denmark. "It's something that we are aware of, but right now we will take it easy, because it is one thing is to talk about it, & it's another thing getting it done," Ask told BT tabloid.

Dutch allies: Established in Mannheim in 1972, Gremium MC claims to Germany's largest MC with 73 chapters in Germany & 71 chapters in other countries around Europe. The gang has been linked to criminal activities such as violence, human trafficking & drugs, & it allegedly has a solid relationship with the Dutch motorcycle club Satudarah, which recently established its first chapter in Denmark in Bagsværd. The gang's relationship with the Hells Angels & Bandidos, however, is less friendly. Previous confrontations have led to violence & spilt blood.

Rebels bikies from around the country & world descend on Sydney to farewell Sergeant-at-Arms - June 27, 2014 -Australia - By Ashlee Mullany; www.DailyTelegraph.com.au -First came the spray-painted coffin, then the thumping sound of H-Ds, then the haka. The funeral for one of Australia's bestknown bikie bosses was anything but a typical farewell. Inside a Christian church in Western Sydney, more than 1,500 mourners, including dozens of patched Rebels bikies, farewelled their sergeant at arms Simon Rasic to Amazing Grace yesterday. A Haka at the end sent their comrade on his way. It was a record turnout for Australia's biggest outlaw motorcycle gang, drawing members from around Australia & from New Zealand, Fiji & Malta. Members from other clubs, -including patched Bandidos, also attended the send-off. But the Rebels' leader, Nat'l Pres Alex Vella, was noticeably absent - locked out of the country on The "Maltese Falcon" paid -tribute to his character grounds. right-hand man with a poem about Rasic's family, the bikie "brotherhood" & drinking whisky. Rasic, the 43-year-old son of former Socceroos coach Rale Rasic, died at his home last -Sunday from a suspected heart -attack after holding the high-ranking position with the gang for more than a decade. NSW police kept a close eye on the mourners yesterday, following the procession of motorbikes from the Rebels Bringelly club house to the Hoxton Park church. Behind the casket came a string of limousines, hot rods, a Lamborghini & Rolls-Royces for Rasic's relatives.

Alex Vella's ode to Simon Rasic

Good morning ladies & gentleman, Simon was a staunch man & a Rebel with pride. Our condolences to the Rasic family, Rebels & friends. We will never know how our lives will end. Today, to all of us, it is a very very sad day. He loved his sister, his mum & his dad. It was a blow to my stomach when I heard this sad news. In Malta with my brothers, we were very upset & confused. Our brother Simon was born on the 03/03/1970. Simon went to Fairfield Christian Brothers School. He always worked hard & he was nobody's fool. Simon loved his kids, he was a father of four. He was always there to give a hand & open a door. His kids Aimee, Alex, Malibu & young Jet, Simon was a family man. A man of respect. The 16/06/2014 is when Simon passed away. He loved his kids & with them he wanted to stay. A great friend & a good brother we all lost. He loved life & didn't care of the cost. To all Rebels, Simon was a true brother. Simon was the best man you could ever meet. He worked in floor sanding & also doing concrete. In his drag racing he travelled from state to state. He won races & he was totally great. In the club he was with us

for 21 years. With the rebels he drank plenty of whiskey & beers. Peacefully, Simon passed away in his sleep. All of the good times & memories & treasures we should keep. We all know he is in heaven, he doesn't need the keys. May God look after our brother & let him rest in peace. God Bless, Alex Vella

Arlington Hts. wake for motorcyclist draws police, road closures - June 28, 2014 - Illinois - By Katlyn Smith; www.DailyHerald.com - At first glance, Douglas Peters was a sturdy biker... But at heart, the Algonquin 43-year-old, who handled security for the Dekalb chapter of the Outlaws MC, was a "big teddy bear," members say. "He was a good brother," said one member who identified himself as "Westside Dan." Peters was killed last week in a motorcycle accident in Marseilles shortly after riding in the Illinois Motorcycle Freedom Run, a show of support for military families ending at the Middle East Conflicts "He lived hard, & he went out hard," the War Memorial. Hampshire man said. Peters' wake in Arlington Heights Sat drew hundreds of mourners & a sizable police presence who enforced road closures. While some club members welcomed the traffic control, others were offended by Illinois State Police, who were wearing bulletproof vests & taking pictures of motorcycle license plates. Arlington Heights officers watched the Lauterburg-Oehler funeral home quietly from across Forrest Ave. "It is a motorcycle gang here," said Capt. Mike Hernandez, calling the crowd orderly. "We want to make sure we address all the safety issues." Police shut down a westbound lane of Northwest Hwy in front of the funeral home & parts of Gregory St. Hernandez said the patrols were a precaution for the safety of the club & the neighborhood. "Most people in Arlington Heights are not used to seeing this display," he said. The club plans to hold a memorial ride honoring Peters starting in Genoa July 12. Members hope it becomes an annual tribute to the Mount Prospect native.

Motorcycle gang member sought by task force - June 29, 2014 - *Indiana* - By http://PostTrib.SunTimes.com - Robert L. Ofcky Jr. is the fugitive of the week. The U.S. Marshals Service Great Lakes Fugitive Task Force in Hammond is looking for Ofcky, who is wanted by LaPorte County police for possession of a destructive device. Ofcky, 54, is 6 feet 1 inches tall & weighs 235 pounds. He has brown hair & green eyes. Ofcky has been known to live throughout Northwest Indiana & has ties to LaPorte, Michigan City, Hobart & Gary. Ofcky is a handyman by trade & specializes in deck restoration & roofing. Ofcky often advertises his services on Craig's List in Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin & Michigan.

He is a documented Outlaws motorcycle gang member.

My Twilight Years ~ Clint Eastwood: As I enjoy my twilight years, I am often struck by the inevitability that the party must end. There will be a clear, cold morning when there isn't any "more." No more hugs, no more special moments to celebrate together, no more phone calls just to chat. It seems to me that one of the important things to do before that morning comes, is to let every one of your family & friends know that you care for them by finding simple ways to let them know your heartfelt beliefs & the guiding principles of your life so they can always say, "He was my friend, & I know where he stood." So, just in case I'm gone tomorrow, please know this. I voted against that incompetent, lying, flip-flopping, insincere, double-talking, radical socialist, terrorist excusing, bleeding heart, narcissistic, scientific & economic moron currently in the White House! Participating in a gun buyback program because you think that criminals have too many guns is like having yourself castrated because you think your neighbors have too many kids. Regards, Clint

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Biker Newsbytes: Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish, NCOM

Motorcycle Bill Aims to bring Equal Treatment: South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley recently signed a Motorcycle Equal Access Bill that mandates equal treatment toward motorcyclists across the state in all public areas. This legislation, sponsored by Rep. Todd Atwater (R-Lexington), amends the Code of South Carolina to keep local law enforcement agencies from denying access to motorcyclists on public highways, bridges, parking garages & essentially any publicly funded areas. A lot of local motorcycle groups supported this bill, many feeling that law enforcement has not treated them right for a long time & they say they're ready for a change. "There's few municipalities, in particular, that want to stop motorcycles from parking in publicly funded taxpayer areas," said one ABATE spokesperson. "If tax payers are paying for a garage, then they should not be allowed to tell us we can't park there." Under the bill, cities & counties have to make reasonable accommodations for motorcycle parking in lots & garages. "All this bill is about is equal access, this is making sure that when you go to any city in this state that if you have a motorcycle you have a place to park," said the governor who is also an ABATE member, adding; "As long as I have been in office, ABATE has been my friends, & that's because they fight for all the right things; they've always fought for safety, they've always fought for individual rights, they've always fought to make sure that people have the liberties they should have."

Missouri Lifts Ban on Sunday Cycle Sales: Due to so-called "Blue Laws" influenced by early religious edicts, vehicle sales are prohibited on the Sabbath in several states, but Missouri recently joined a growing list of states that are repealing these outdated bans. Governor Jay Nixon signed HB1735 on Mon, June 23rd that will lift a ban on Sunday sales of motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles, personal watercraft & other items typically sold by The legislation was championed by power-sports dealers. motorcycle riders & at least one Harley-Davidson dealer from the Kansas City area, who told lawmakers that he was losing Sunday business to a competitor in Kansas. When the measure takes effect August 28, Missouri will join Indiana, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York & Maryland in removing their Sunday sales bans over the past few years. Other states that currently prohibit the Sunday sales of motorcycles & automobiles are Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Oklahoma, North Dakota & Wisconsin. The Missouri legislation does not repeal the state's ban on Sunday sales of cars & trucks.

Utah Lawmakers Urged to "Get Ahead" of Outlaw Bikers: A perceived proliferation of outlaw motorcycle "gangs" in Utah has led a veteran police officer to warn lawmakers that they need to get ahead of the curve. "There's been a 300% increase in the members of outlaw motorcycle gangs in Utah, compared to what we experienced 5 years ago," Utah County Sheriff's Sgt. Lane Critser told members of the Legislature's Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice Interim Committee on Wed, July 16. Critser, who has worked in gang enforcement since 2008, said the proliferation of gangs & gang members could be attributed to multiple factors. Utah is an "untouched" state, meaning no gang has claimed territory as its own. Also, law enforcement in Utah is unaccustomed to dealing with outlaw motorcycle gangs on a

regular basis, he said. "It's like a gold rush. Everybody is trying to get here & establish dominance in the state so they can run a variety of their criminal activities & make their money in the state," Critser testified to the committee. The state also is becoming increasingly attractive to members of outlaw motorcycle clubs because Utah is largely rural, said Rep. Paul Ray (R-Clearfield), pointing out that a number of clubs have hosted runs in Utah, including one where several members racked up citations for multiple violations in numerous counties en route to Weber County, & "By the time they got there, they just turned around & went home. They didn't want to deal with it anymore," Ray said. "Really, you've got to make it expensive & uncomfortable for these guys & they won't want to stick around." While he offered no details, Ray said he intends to introduce a gang initiative during the 2015 legislative session.

Berlin Bans Hells Angels Logo: Outlawing the motorcycle club's symbols represents the latest weapon in a fight to stop Germany's 'rocker wars.' In the latest salvo of a battle to rein in outlaw motorcycle clubs, authorities in Berlin are hitting the global Hells Angels brand where it hurts most: the logo. Last month, the signature winged death's head & "Hells Angels" label featured on the motorcycle club's "cut," or leather vest, were banned in the capital as the symbols of a criminal organization. According to GlobalPost, a Hamburg judge outlawed Germany's first Hells Angels charter in the city in 1983, but the Hells Angels as an organization have never before been banned across Germany. Now the prohibition of the iconic logo has come about through an ironic twist. When a former member of the banned Hamburg charter appealed to the court in April to be allowed to wear the club's "colors," the judge interpreted the original ruling to mean that the Hells Angels logo is illegal not only in Hamburg, but throughout the country. "Now, all the other regions in Germany are thinking about that judgment," said detective superintendent Matthias Frohn, deputy head of the Berlin police division responsible for curtailing the city's motorcycle gangs. Frohn says it remains to be seen whether the broader ban on the club's logo will be enough to finally scatter the gang.

Mongols Refused Incorporation: The Mongols MC has been formally refused permission to become a registered incorporated body in South Australia. Despite claims by the club that it hosts recreational & charity events & that it was only formed because of its members' interests in American motorcycles, Acting Liquor Licensing Commissioner Dini Soulio has refused their application. Senior legal sources told the Herald-Sun newspaper that they believe the Mongols' move was largely tactical & aimed at thwarting the provisions of the Serious & Organized Crime (Control) Act should police obtain association or control orders against any members in the future. SA Attorney-General John Rau has endorsed the decision, made on public safety grounds, to reject the Mongols' incorporation application. A Mongols source said the club was considering a legal challenge to the ruling "in the same successful way as two previous legal challenges" involving anti-bikie legislation.

NCOM Region 1 Meeting & Seminar, October 25th in Portland, Oregon: The National Coalition of Motorcyclists will host an NCOM Region 1 Meeting & Seminar on Sat, Oct 25 at the Holiday Inn - Portland Airport, 8439 N.E. Columbia Blvd in Portland, Oregon (503) 256-5000. NCOM Region 1 comprises the states of Alaska, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Oregon & Washington, & this annual Coming Together will feature a seminar on the Defender Program & Freedom of the Road Throughout the Nation talk by Paul Landers, U.S. Defender Lt

Commander & Liaison for COCs Texas; "Profiling the Big Win in Washington" by "Double D" & Twitch - Outsiders M/C, Washington State COC; & a seminar on Legal Issues by Washington Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) Atty Marty Fox & Oregon A.I.M. Attorney Sam Hochberg. A Regional Meeting will include discussions from participating state organizations, & continue with a Confederation of Clubs Meeting with reports from representatives of each Confederation present, & conclude with a Christian Unity Seminar & Meeting. For further information, contact NCOM at 800-ON-A-BIKE or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com

Save the Patch (Excerpted), by Spike: The familiar rumble & roar of a pack of bikes, which is music to our ears, may be a faintly distant tune in the future. The loudest noise on the streets right now is the buzz & the buzz on the streets is "Save The Patch". 'Save The Patch' is the culmination of many factors including decades of ever increasing discrimination & persecution to Bikers, their organizations & their lifestyle in general. We as bikers have widely been subjected to unwarranted highway stops, refused admittance into establishments & misrepresentation by law enforcement & the media. The U.S. Dept of Justice last year filed a lawsuit seeking to seize control of the trademarked logo of the Mongol Nation MC LLC, arguing that the Mongols are a criminal organization & that the mark is used for intimidation; but the Mongols & their attorneys argue that the government is overstepping its bounds with the lawsuit, which they said would infringe on the rights of club members. "They're trying to destroy the right of men to associate & indicate their association," said Joe Yanny, an atty representing the Mongols. "It's absolutely ridiculous. In addition to being a violation of club members' freespeech rights, more importantly, it's a due-process issue." The lawsuit breaks new ground in terms of trademark law, the attorney said, adding that it may end up at the Supreme Court. Unlike a business trademark controlled by a single entity, the Mongols' logo is a "collective membership mark," & "It's legally owned by one entity, but held in trust for the members. It's the votes of club members that ultimately determined who is allowed to wear the club's patch." Bikers throughout the state & nationwide identify with the message being sent out & the ramifications, if the patch is lost, it will affect us all. In southern California, widely respected members of all major clubs have met to discuss ways to save the patch. A Facebook page "Save the Patch" has been set up since Oct & it states: "It has become time to further protect & defend our rights to ride, associate, & enjoy our lifestyle for all motorcycle riders & enthusiasts. To wear our respective clubs membership insignia, which have been trademarked, copyrighted, & incorporated by these organized entities. Representatives from a few of these clubs in Southern California have come together to make the initial steps in presenting & organizing the support of all motorcycle clubs & riders to stand up & work to prevent the freedoms we all value & enjoy from being eroded further, by an ever more intrusive government apparently bent on tyrannical control, we all need to become involved & work to defend that which we all enjoy about our lifestyle, be it as a club member or independent riders." The good news is, the passion to ride, the passion for freedom & the passion to preserve the life style is more than enough to unite the Biker world in whatever stance it takes to **Save The Patch**. To contribute, make checks payable to "Trademark Defense Fund" & mail c/o NCOM, 7334 Topanga Canyon Blvd, Suite 200, Canoga Park, CA 91303.

Weird News: <u>What's A "Biker"?</u> Do you identify yourself as a "biker," a "motorcyclist," or a "rider"? To some motorcycle riders, the terms are fairly interchangeable. To others, the terms

are more finely nuanced, as the people behind the Oxford English Dictionary recently discovered. Last Feb, the online edition for the Oxford English Dictionary rewrote its definition for "biker" after receiving complaints from motorcyclists. Riders took exception to the old definition which read: "a motorcyclist, especially one who is a member of a gang: a long-haired biker in dirty denims." In a poll of 524 motorcycle riders, nearly threequarters of them said the definition was inaccurate, while 60% said it was "dated & irrelevant." Another 21% had a more passionate reaction, saying they were "outraged & offended." In response, the Oxford University Press, which publishes the OED, updated the definition to read: "a motorcyclist, especially one who is a member of a gang or group: a biker was involved in a collision with a car." We're not sure that's much better, but then we don't represent ourselves to be the "most comprehensive dictionary of the English language."

Quotable Quote: "Let us form 1 body, 1 heart & defend to the last warrior our country, our homes, our liberty, & the graves of our fathers." ~ Tecumseh (1768-1813) Shawnee leader, folk hero

Onetime Pagan's MC 'enforcer' prison-bound on gun charge - June 30, 2014 - Florida - By Patty Ryan; www.TampaBay.com - A man once known to law enforcement as the Florida "enforcer" for the Pagan's MC is headed back to federal prison to serve piggyback sentences for gun crimes. Kenneth DiFranco, 57, soured his Fed probation last summer by getting caught with a .380-caliber semi-automatic pistol at a crash scene in Hudson. As a felon several times over — with five New Jersey convictions on charges that include burglary & aggravated assault — DiFranco can't legally own guns. On Monday, U.S. District Judge Virginia Hernandez Covington sentenced him to 21 months. The clock won't start until he first serves 27 months for violating the terms of his supervised release, stemming from a 2002 Fed case out of Ocala that also involved possession of a weapon. The combined 4 years will be followed by another 3 years of supervised release. The rules for that eventual release have already been written & included in court records, most notably, these 14 words: "The defendant shall not possess a firearm, destructive device or any other dangerous weapon."

Wonderful Church Bulletins! Thank God for the church ladies with typewriters. These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced at church services:

- -The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
- *Scouts* are saving aluminum cans, bottles & other items to be recycled Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
- *The sermon* this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water. 'The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'
- Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands
- Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- For those of you who have children & don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
- *Irving Benson &* Jessie Carter were married on Oct 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

Think, Do, Make a Difference... **Thinkers**, Doers, And Difference Makers...

Police investigate MC, stolen vehicles - July 1, 2014 - Missouri - By Stephen Herzog; www.News-Leader.com - A Springfield police investigation into stolen vehicles has officers looking at a local MC. According to a search warrant affidavit, police have been investigating a home at 1005 N. Eldon Ave. for more than a month, & officers have documented reported stolen vehicles parked at the address. Police say they've also seen members of the Galloping Goose & Midwest Drifters MCs at the address. Police consider those groups "outlaw motorcycle clubs," according to the affidavit. On June 1, officers observed a red 1998 Chevrolet Blazer & a red 2000 Dodge Neon being dismantled in the driveway of the home on Eldon Avenue. Cars matching those descriptions have been reported stolen in Springfield, according to the affidavit. Police say a stolen 1992 Ford F-150 was recovered from the home in May. Around that time, police interviewed a "known criminal" about an unrelated crime. That person said there was a stolen H-D, which was being hidden & taken apart, at the home. Police reported there were 9 vehicles in the driveway of the home on June 3, with 2 of those being dismantled & 2 with no license plate being displayed. Police say they've seen "known criminal characters" at the address during the investigation. This information was all used by police to request a warrant for the home, but when the warrant was served in early June, no evidence was seized. None of the people named in the search warrant have been charged in relation to the investigation. Attempts by the News-Leader to reach people named in the document were not successful. This isn't the first time Springfield police have investigated members of the 2 motorcycle clubs. In 2012, police were keeping an eye on an event called Hellbound Boogie, which included members of the 2 clubs, plus the Hells Angels. Police had information that the Hells Angels were in town to "address problems" with a rival group, the Vagos Motorcycle Club. Police Chief Paul Williams said at the time that police monitor outlaw motorcycle clubs "all the time."

Hollister 2014 – July 1, 2014 – *California* – by The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - Sixty-six years ago, on July 6 1948, the Los Angeles Times editorialized: "Just a year ago, the town of Hollister was taken apart by 4,000 roistering motorcyclists who drove their vehicles into bars & restaurants, hurled bottles out of windows & into streets, fought, rioted & destroyed, until they were dispersed with the threat of teargas." Sounds like fun, doesn't it? Actually, it probably wasn't that good. Actually the Times depended on an account written by a towering figure of American journalism named C. I. Dourghty Jr. Dourghty wasn't actually there when any of this took place but there are strong indications that he did interview some people who were. Dourghty called the weekend an "outburst of terrorism" & he reported "wrecking of bars, bottle barrages into the streets from upper story windows & roofs & high speed racing of motorcycles though the streets." He also said peace was restored only after 40 California H.P., armed with the threat, but not the actual deployment, of teargas, "herded the cyclists into a block on San Benito street, between Fifth & Sixth Streets, parked a dance band on a truck & ordered the musicians to play." Isn't that a wonderful story? Wouldn't this be a better world if hardworking reporters with deadlines to meet could just make up stuff like that & get down the street to the nearest reporters' bar?

Biker Menace: The Times believed Dourghty. The world believed Dourghty. "Even in a country where almost anything is rather more than likely to happen," one of Norman Chandler's fine editorialists sagely observed, "the motorcycle raid is a startling development. It gives Californians in peacetime the hair raising experience of guerilla warfare. Police have a strange, new

problem, dealing with mobile, mounted hoodlums, thousands strong. It is not the fault of the police that they can't cope with the problem." It's like the voice over narration of an episode of Gangland isn't it? All it needs is some stock footage & an interview with Steve Cook. And so was born the biker menace & the war on outlaw bikers. And, of course "It is not the fault of the police that they can't cope with the problem." Steve couldn't have put it better himself. The police need more overtime, much more overtime, & better body armor & machine guns & tanks! Or the bikers will drive their vehicles into your bars!

Meanwhile In Sundance: Like that time that Hamster rode into the Dime Horseshoe on 3rd Street in Sundance & put his front wheel against the bar & did a burnout right there. Inside. Ruined the bar floor. Took days to air out that stink. The Hamsters paid for the damage. No arrests were effected. But that momentous event in biker history is still commemorated annually during Sturgis week with the Sundance Burnouts: Which basically is like money falling from the clouds for the enterprising residents of Sundance, Wyoming. Much as the enterprising residents of Hollister have learned to make money fall from the sky during that town's annual commemoration of the Hollister riot. Of course, the biker menace is still very real, even more real than pixie dust & unicorns. So public safety concerns must be addressed lest all the good burghers of Hollister find themselves in another, thrilling, guerilla war.

Safety And Water: The annual Hollister celebration was actually cancelled for a few years because the police just didn't feel the public would be safe unless the merchants who make the most money from this historic event paid an army of sworn peace officers \$120,000 a day to save Hollister once again. One hundred twenty large per day & not a penny less. "Cutting back on law enforcement costs," City Manager Clint Quilter proclaimed, "could potentially result in police officers being manned around the downtown perimeter until the event's completion when they would deal with the aftermath." In other words, if the merchants didn't pay up the police would retreat to a safe location & leave the townsfolk on their own to explain to the biker horde why a plastic bottle of warm tap water cost 6 dollars. "For 6 dollars Mongo want cold Perrier!"

Welcome To Panopticonia: Fortunately this year, thanks to the many wonders & miracles of the modern Panopticon police state, the historic reenactment of the rape of Hollister will be more profitable & safer than ever. Just last week the Hollister installed 36 brand new surveillance cameras. "We can't have an officer standing on every corner," Carlos Reynoso, captain "but if we have these cameras up they're an independent witness as to what happened & it's a tool we can use in the future to solve crimes or find out what really happened in certain situations." "Most of the cameras are located in the downtown area which hosts the annual 4th of July biker rally. This year's rally is expected to draw more than 100,000 people during the three-day weekend. The rally & the large presence of biker gangs was the reason the cameras were approved, despite some concerns that they're an invasion of privacy." The cameras cost Hollister \$318,000 so the price of water may be going up this year. Wouldn't it be great if C. I. Dourghty Jr. emerged from a cave somewhere & got a job at Action News 8? The rally starts this Friday. Bring extra cash because it can get hot in Hollister in July & you might get thirsty. And if you find yourself in a public place be sure to look as harmless as possible. The cameras will be constantly monitored during the rally. So try to remember to smile constantly. Happy, happy, happy! Harmless, harmless, harmless!

Two men found in trunk of biker gang car - July 2, 2014 -Norway - By www.TheLocal.no - Norwegian police on Wed found 2 men in the boot of a car which was being escorted by members of the Outlaws biker gang who had stopped traffic in order to secure their speedy passage. Romarike police discovered the men alive & unharmed in the boot of the vehicle. The officers concluded that the men were not being transported against their will & had not been the victims of any criminal offence. "We carried out a check. In the car there were 4 people. There were only 2 seats, so 2 guys were lying in the luggage compartment. It was a voluntary transfer, but not approved transportation," said Øyvind Strømsborg at Romarike police to the Romarikes Blad daily. Police became involved in the matter after have receiving calls from other road users at 9am on Wed morning. "The call went out on that the motorcycle entourage had stopped other cars & moved on in their place, so they escorted their own vehicle through the traffic," Strømsborg said. The unorthodox journey occurred on a stretch of road between Fetsund & Ræling tunnel near Lillestrøm. A total of 9 motorcycles escorted the car. The driver, a man in his 20s, had no valid driver's license & as none of the other men were qualified to drive, the vehicle was subsequently towed away. Police found no legal reason to take any action against the team of motorcyclists escorting the car.

Saddle Tramps Pres; local woman sentenced on drug charges - July 3, 2014 - Missouri - By http://DailyJournalOnline.com -The Pres of the Saddle Tramps MC & a local woman have been sentenced to prison for Fed charges of conspiracy to distribute meth. On Wed morning, Judge Catherine D. Perry sentenced Arvil B. Matthews, 50, of Imperial, who has been identified as the president of the Saddle Tramps MC, to 96 months in prison followed by 6 years of supervised release. He was ordered to pay a \$100 fee. On Tue afternoon, Judge Perry sentenced Amber Scism, formerly of Bonne Terre, to 30 months in prison followed by 2 years of supervised release. She was ordered to pay a \$100 fee. The judge recommended each be evaluated for participation in the Residential Drug Abuse Program, mental health treatment & Occupational/Educational programs. The charges stemmed from a 25-person indictment in Sept of 2013. The case was a joint operation of the FBI, DEA, ATF, Missouri State H.P., St. Charles & Jefferson County sheriff's offices, St. Louis Metro P.D. & multiple local law enforcement agencies including the St. Francois County Sheriff's Dept. It involved several members of the Saddle Tramps motorcycle gang. The case also involved a murder investigation. Two of the 25 - Brent Tyler Bouren, publisher & editor of Full Throttle Midwest Magazine, & Melvin Scherrer of St. François County - have been charged in connection with the murder of tattoo artist Sam Francis, his body found in a septic tank outside Bonne Terre. Bouren has already pleaded guilty to his Fed charges of conspiracy to distribute cocaine & conspiracy to distribute meth. Sentencing is scheduled for Aug. 12. Scherrer still has Fed charges pending for conspiracy to distribute/possess with intent to distribute more than 500 grams of a meth mixture; felon in possession of a firearm; & possession of a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking. His next court date is scheduled for July 9. Neither Bouren nor Scherrer have trial dates set for the murder case in St. François County. Jorge Lopez, of Corinth, Texas, has been sentenced to 10 years in prison followed by 5 years of supervised release for conspiracy to distribute meth. Alan Adler pleaded guilty to conspiracy to distribute meth. Sentencing had been scheduled for July 1 but was continued. Jerami Westenberger has been sentenced to 12 months in prison & fined \$200 for distribution of a controlled substances. Terri Fox was sentenced to 70 months in prison followed by 3 years of supervised release for conspiracy to distribute meth. Amy Horrell Plass has been sentenced to 27 months in prison & 1 year of supervised release & fined \$100 for withholding info about a crime. Marler Scism has an active warrant in St. Francois County for failure to appear for a misdemeanor of 3rd-degree assault.

Hundreds gather to farewell slain biker Sean Leslie Trigg -July 3, 2014 - Australia - By www.News.com.au - Hundreds of friends, relatives & fellow bikers from across Australia overflowed from a funeral service for a man killed at Bridgewater last About 500 people, including 100 fellow Outlaws MC members, poured into the New Town service for Sean Leslie Trigg yesterday. Trigg, 48, of St Mary's, died of stab wounds last Friday. His father, John Trigg, said it was a "senseless, tragic & heartbreaking" end for a man who was loved by many. "He was a wonderful guy," Mr. Trigg, of Hobart, said. "He touched many people's lives. He was a very generous man, as straight as a die, a loving father & a wonderful son." Sean Trigg, also known as "Trigger", leaves 3 daughters & 1 grandson. The Outlaws MC sent representatives from all over Australia to the funeral. Members of other bike clubs were also among the mourners, with a variety of club patches in the crowd. A chartered bus was used to transport people to the funeral, & Tasmania Police manned roundabouts to help traffic from the Outlaws' Bridgewater club rooms to the New Town service. John Trigg said the funeral attracted people from all walks of life because his son had been so generous & supportive for people in need. "He was so many things. He'd been a jackaroo, a fisherman, a coal miner," he said. He said his son had been well supported by the Outlaws, whose members had offered him camaraderie & brotherhood. Sean Trigg moved to Tasmania when he was 19, following his family who moved from Queensland. John Trigg said he & his wife Anne had grown to respect the Outlaws MC since their son's association with it. "They have shown him a lot of love & care, & we are privileged to share this [funeral service] with them," he said. "We are proud of our relationship with the Outlaws MC". A man has been charged with the murder of Sean Trigg & is due to appear in the Hobart Magistrates Court on July 10.

A *jackaroo* is a young man (feminine equivalent jillaroo) working on a sheep or cattle station, to gain practical experience in the skills needed to become an owner, overseer, manager, etc. The word originated in Qld, Australia in the 19th century & is still in use in Australia & New Zealand in the 21st century.

These are actual comments by 10 *Police Officers*. They were taken off actual police car videos around the country:

- 1. "You know, stop lights don't come any redder than the one you just went through."
- 2. "Relax, the handcuffs are tight because they're new. They'll stretch after you wear them a while."
- 3. "If you take your hands off the car, I'll make your birth certificate a worthless document."
- 4. "If you run, you'll only go to jail tired."
- 5. "Can you run faster than 1200 feet per second?

 Because that's the speed of the bullet that'll be chasing you."
- 6. "You don't know how fast you were going? I guess that means I can write anything I want to on the ticket, huh?"
- 7. "Yes, sir, you can talk to the shift supervisor, but I don't think it will help. Oh, did I mention that I'm the shift supervisor?"
- 8. "Warning! You want a warning? O.K, I'm warning you not to do that again or I'll give you another ticket."
- 9. "The answer to this last question will determine whether you are drunk or not. Was Mickey Mouse a cat or a dog?"
- 10. "Fair? You want me to be fair? Listen, fair is a place where you go to ride on rides, eat cotton candy & corn dogs & step in monkey poop."

Motorcycle gang establishes foothold in Saskatoon - July 3, 2014 - Canada - By Amber Rockliffe; http://GlobalNews.ca -According to Saskatoon police, a faction of the Outlaws MC has now moved into the city. Det.-Insp. Jerome Engele said at least seven Outlaws members have been seen driving around the city in their full colours. "They have a clubhouse also within the area of Saskatoon. And so with that information, it tells us that they're here to stay," he explained. Engele said our province's economic boom can be a big draw for international gangs. "We have an area where people are quite affluent, there's more money available, & jobs available. As a result, I think they're looking to prosper," he speculated. The gang has set up shop in provinces like Ontario & Quebec. Their main rivals are the Hells Angels. "History tells us they don't get along that well, especially in Ontario," Engele explained. "Our Hells Angels have not had any competition at all in the area ... it's concerning, however we're well prepared," he said. André Poilievre is the founder of STR8 UP, an organization that helps young people transition out of gang life. He said there are currently about five major gangs in Saskatoon & with little space to spread out, territoriality is a big problem. "There definitely is space for conflict. The same people work in the same area, doing the same job," Poilevre explained. "It's competition for the bucks, & whoever is the strongest gets most of the money," he said. The Outlaws MC was established in Illinois in 1935. In 1978, the group founded its first foothold in Canada, when members of Montreal's Satan's Choice gang changed allegiance & set up shop. Saskatoon police say there are no public safety concerns at this point. The investigative division continues to monitor the Hells Angels & the Outlaws, & prepare for any issues that arise.

The Iron Order Code - July 6, 2014 - U.S.A. - By The Aging Rebel; www.AgingRebel.com - In 2 conversations recorded earlier this year, Mike "Cgar" Crouse of Fayetteville, North Carolina, the Internat'l Sgt at Arms of the Iron Order MC, made multiple statements indicating that Iron order members were encouraged to provoke confrontations with members of other MCs because in Crouse's words, such confrontations were a "free ticket" to "destroy." The Iron Order is alone among all 3 piece patch MCs in encouraging its members to gain a strategic advantage in disputes with other clubs by tattling to police. In multiple instances, Iron Order Pres Ray "Izod" Lubesky has told his club's members in writing, "We will cooperate with L.E. & we will prosecute." There is a massive amount of evidence that indicates that the Iron Order feels free to provoke fights & even use deadly force against other MCs with the foreknowledge that the Iron Order's victims will not cooperate with police.

Honor Code: Most motorcycle clubs subscribe to a code of honor that includes precepts similar to the following. "If you ever get arrested never make a statement of any kind. Don't make the stupid mistake of trying to talk your way out of jail. All you'll end up doing is telling on yourself or implicating Brothers or someone else. Always say you have nothing to say & you want to speak to an attorney." "If subpoenaed or questioned as a possible witness, never say anything adverse that would cause anyone to go to jail, even if it's not a Brother." "If a local Law Enforcement Task Force wants to talk to you for any reason always take at least one other Brother with you. If you are wanted or questioned for possible criminal charges, take your lawyer & don't tell them shit." "Remember, if you can save a member from doing a large amount of time by doing a small amount of time, then do it without hesitation. You may need someone to do it for you someday." "Never press charges on anyone. If you get in a street fight & a citizen calls the man, & you happen to be the victim you do not press charges. Never testify in court or a parole hearing as an adverse witness. You may testify as a friendly witness only."

Iron Order Code: In a conversation about 4 months ago, the IO Internat'l Sgt at Arms said: "I know our club has the advantage. 1%ers won't call the cops. So what the fuck, destroy any fucker that confronts you. It's a free ticket!" The MC honor code is based on the premise that clubs will "handle their own business" when 2 clubs have a dispute. One nationally known member of a brand name MC has described biker justice as "swift & primal." The American Outlaws Association has a proverb that describes biker justice as inevitable - "God Forgives Outlaws Don't." The IO has decided as a club that the threat of extra-judicial justice is hollow. In a conversation about 3 months ago Crouse bragged, "These people & clubs talk shit on the internet but they are like crickets. As soon as we come around they shut the fuck up."

The Tipton Murder: The IO has blatantly adopted a strategy of claiming territory & dominating clubs that "handle their own business." That is what happened in the June 26 murder of Black Pistons MC member Zachariah Tipton outside Nippers Beach Grille in Jacksonville Beach, Florida. An unnamed former police officer who was an Iron Order prospect & an unnamed accomplice awaited the arrival of Tipton & either 2 or 3 other members of the Black Pistons in order to intentionally provoke a dispute about the Iron Order's insignia. When the argument became a fist fight, 1 of the 2 IO members drew a pistol & fired 4 shots. At least 2 of the shots struck Tipton in the face & another shot struck Tipton in the temple. Tipton was pronounced dead at the scene. His companions refused to cooperate with police. The police accepted the IO members' account without question & the IO members were immediately released. Jacksonville Beach P.D. have stonewalled the press about the shooting ever since & the IO appears to have gotten away with murder.

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- 1. "Yeah, we have a quota. Two more tickets & my wife gets a toaster oven."
- 2. "In God we trust; all others we run through NCIC."
 (Nat'l Crime Information Center)
- 3. "Just how big were those 'two beers' you say you had?"
- 4. "No sir, we don't have quotas anymore. We used to, but now we're allowed to write as many tickets as we can."
- 5. "I'm glad to hear that the Chief (P.D.) is a personal Friend of yours. So you know someone who can post your bail."
- 6. "You didn't think we give pretty women tickets? You're right, we don't... <u>Sign here</u>."

Dear Abby, You told some woman whose husband had lost all interest in sex to send him to a doctor. Well, my husband has lost all interest in sex, & he is a doctor. Now what do I do? **Dear Abby**, A couple of women moved in across the hall from me. One is a middle-aged gym teacher & the other is a social worker in her mid-20s. These 2 women go everywhere together, & I've never seen a man go into or leave their apartment. Do you think they could be Lebanese?

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- We don't accept applications. We accept commitments...
- If we all do a little bit, Then no one has to do a lot...
- There can be no "I", there has to be "We"...
- One heart, One Voice...

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