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*In Memory* of **Sons Of Silence Tusk** from our *Faribault, Minnesota* chapter who died in his sleep at the age of 58... R.I.P. Brother...  
*In Memory* of **Outlaw Jingles**, a 36 year member of the *Milwaukee* Outlaws. Pasted a way 9-18-08.  
 Jingles was a great brother and a great asset to the Outlaw nation and he will be deeply missed...  
*In Memory* of **BPM Fritz**, long time member of the *Duluth, Minnesota* Chapter... R.I.P. Fritz...

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**Message from the AzCMC Mailing List** -Hey All, On Thu 08/28/2008 in Kingman Az at the Sportsman Bar on Andy Devine a Hells Angels sponsored bike night was raided by a number of LEOs. Hells Angels, Desert Road Riders, Devils Disciples, A.R.M & many supporters have gathered at the Sportsman for Bike Night. Over the last few weeks DPS( AKA Gang Task Force) has been making there presence known by walk thru & searching participants of the event. On Thursday August 28, the matter escalated into a full on shut down of the event by state & local law enforcement. DPS, AZ Alcohol Board, Kingman PD, Mohave County Sheriff Dept. approximately 20 officers in armor & riot gear along with K9 officers, invaded the Sportsman blocking bikes & lining the alley ways & sidewalks in a manner as described by a Devils Disciple as Old Russia & SS type behavior. The owner of the Sportsman was detained in his office for more than an hour returning to the bar counter many times to retrieve paper work. As a Hells Angel asked the Kingman PD if

everyone has to leave the officer responded with you can stay but without your colors. The owner also has passed on that the bar is now a No Colors bar because of the threats made by Az Alcohol Board to shut down his license. No one was arrested even after K9s alerted officers on two bikes. The bikes were searched & nothing was found. An officer said that the K9 may have alerted them to the wrong bikes!! More to come on this soon. Danman, Pres Desert Road Riders MC Sec of the Board AZCMC

**RFID = Radio Frequency Identification** – Sept 15, 2008 – USA – By Becky Cakes, Classic Parts Hotline - My bank sent me a new VISA. It has an RFID chip. (They call it "Blink".) I've seen wallets for sale (>\$100) that block unintended RFID transmissions from credit cards, so I know that can happen. I called the bank & told them I don't want an RFID chip in my card, & they said they'll send me a new card right away.

**FBI Rules Could Target Innocent People** – Aug 20, 2008 – *Washington DC* - By Lara Jakes Jordan, Associated Press - Proposed rules to help the FBI catch terrorists could lead to innocent Americans being spied upon by Gov't agents or informants "all without any basis for suspicion," a group of Democratic senators said Wed. The rules, known as the atty general guidelines, have not been approved or even publicly released yet, but 4 Democrats joined a growing chorus of lawmakers raising concerns after being briefed on what the guidelines say. **Among their fears:** Americans could be targeted in part based on their race, ethnicity or religion - or free speech activities protected by the Constitution. "As you know, atty general guidelines were first implemented in the wake of the FBI abuses of the 60s & 70s, & serve as one of the most important bulwarks against future abuses," the senators said in a letter to Atty General Michael Mukasey. **The 4 Democrats** — Sens. Dick Durbin of IL, Russ Feingold of WI, Edward M. Kennedy of MA & Sheldon Whitehouse of RI - indicated they remained concerned even after assurances from officials during the Justice Dept briefings. The lawmakers asked Mukasey to hold off finalizing the rules to allow a public review. "Given the importance of these guidelines, providing a period of time for public comment would be a reasonable & responsible way to move forward & achieve the best possible end result," the Democrats wrote. Earlier this week, Senate Judiciary Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., & the panel's top Republican, Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, also called for delaying the guidelines. Justice spokesman Brian Roehrkasse said the Dept will review the requests. Citing remarks earlier by Mukasey about the new rules, the spokesman said an investigation would not be opened based solely on a person's race, ethnicity or religion. "The guidelines will require all activities to have a valid purpose," Roehrkasse said, adding that the rules will "include robust & effective oversight measures." The guidelines are expected to be finalized next week. They do not require congressional approval. 1<sup>st</sup> reported last month by AP, the rules are intended to update policies governing investigations as the FBI shifts from a traditional crime-fighting agency to one whose top priority is protecting the United States from terrorist attacks. Currently, the FBI must have evidence or allegations of wrongdoing before opening an investigation of U.S. citizens or legal residents from other countries. As described by some law enforcement officials, the new policy would let agents open preliminary terrorism investigations after mining public records & intelligence to build a profile of traits that, taken together, were deemed suspicious. The officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly about the rules, said factors that could trigger an inquiry would include travel to regions of the world known for terrorist activity & access to weapons or military training, along with the person's race or ethnicity. Following their briefings, the 4 Democrats said the guidelines would: Let the FBI use "a variety of intrusive investigative techniques" with no evidence of possible wrongdoing. The techniques could include: long-term FBI surveillance, interviewing neighbors & work-mates, recruiting informants & searching commercial databases for information on people "all without any basis for suspicion." "We are particularly concerned that the draft guidelines might permit an innocent American to be subjected to such intrusive surveillance based in part on race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, or on protected First Amendment activities," the senators wrote. Allow the Gov't to collect foreign intelligence info inside the USA without current legal protections for US citizens or legal residents. The senators noted that the broad term "foreign intelligence" would cover any information relating to the activities of a foreign Gov't, organization or person. Allow the

information gathered to be broadly shared among Gov't agencies. "We have serious questions about the scope of information sharing as it relates to U.S. persons who are under no suspicion of wrongdoing," the senators wrote.

**Terror Plan Would Give FBI More Power** - Sept 13, 2008 – *Washington, DC* - By Eric Lichtblau - The Justice Dept made public on Friday a plan to expand the tools the FBI can use to investigate suspicions of terrorism inside the United States, even without any direct evidence of wrongdoing. Justice Dept officials said the plan, which is likely to be completed by the end of the month despite criticism from civil rights advocates, is intended to allow FBI agents to be more aggressive & pre-emptive in assessing possible threats to national security. It would allow an agent, for instance, to pursue an anonymous tip about terrorism by conducting an undercover interview or watching someone in a public place. Such steps are now prohibited unless there is more specific evidence of wrongdoing. The plan is the latest in a series of steps by the Bush administration to extend key aspects of its counterterrorism strategy beyond the end of President Bush's tenure. An executive order from Mr. Bush in August rewrote the rules for the nation's 16 spy agencies, & an administration legislative proposal before Congress would reaffirm that the country "remains engaged in an armed conflict with Al Qaeda." The proposed guidelines combine several sets of procedures into a single document governing what FBI agents can & cannot do in criminal & national security investigations. The review of the guidelines generated intense interest & occasional criticism from lawmakers & others over the summer, & the Justice Dept took the unusual step on Friday of holding briefings for reporters & for civil rights advocates & showing them the draft plan. The draft is likely to be made final soon after Robert S. Mueller III, the FBI director, testifies on Tuesday before the House Judiciary Committee & on Wednesday before the Senate Judiciary Committee. Democrats have promised to question him closely about the new guidelines. After they were shown the plan, civil rights leaders said they were troubled that the new guidelines would allow the FBI to use racial & ethnic factors to focus on Middle Easterners & others. "Racial profiling by any other name is still unconstitutional," said Anthony D. Romero, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union. But Justice Dept officials insisted that the new guidelines would not change standards in place since 2003 for the use of race or ethnicity, which can be considered as a factor — but not the sole factor — in terror investigations. "It is simply not responsible to say that race may never be taken into account when conducting an investigation," Brian Roehrkasse, a spokesman for the Dept, said in a statement. "The reality is that a number of criminal & terror groups have very strong ethnic associations (e.g., the I.R.A. was Irish, La Cosa Nostra is Italian; Hezbollah is largely Lebanese). "If the FBI is charged with knowing whether there are elements of such groups present & operating within the United States, it cannot ignore those ethnic connections, any more than it would ignore the identification of a bank robber as a short white male when trying to solve the bank robbery." Under existing guidelines, FBI agents cannot use certain investigative tools in conducting so-called threat assessments as a precursor to a preliminary or full inquiry. The revisions would allow agents to conduct public surveillance of someone, do "pretext" interviews — pose as someone other than an agent or disguise the purpose of the questions — or send in an undercover source to gather information. Such steps are allowed in standard criminal investigations without specific evidence of wrongdoing, & officials say they want to authorize the same investigative steps in terrorism inquiries as well.

**How does one know** if their card contains the RFID chip or not? Answer provided By Becky Cakes, Classic Parts Hotline - To my knowledge, & I'm no expert, there are at least 3 ways to tell:

1. Call the issuer to ask if your card has an RFID chip.
2. Look for the RFID brand name "blink" symbol on the card. The symbol is 4 graduating (from right to left, from smaller to larger) parenthesis. ))))
3. Try to use it at any of the terminals that approve your sale by just bringing the card close to, or just touching. According to the literature, you can find such terminals at: 7/11, CVS, Best Buy, Office Depot, BP, BJ's, Sheetz, McDonald's, Arby's, & Wawa -- in addition to "new places" that are "popping up every day."

**That RFID stuff creeps me out.** The power source is in the reader / approval device. Somehow, it makes the chip emit your personal information thru code. The chip works in some ways like a crystal set; it has no power source, & it only "puts out" on one frequency. Maybe, if enough people decline, they'll rethink its deployment in non-secure environments. The Mexican Gov't already uses RFID implants to transmit identity info to enter certain high security rooms. I don't want anything like that around me. Creepy. By Becky Cakes...

**RFID chips** only transmit about 10 feet...

**Police on alert for Hells Angels** – Sept 13, 2008 – *California* - By Mike Martinez - A party planned by a Hells Angels MC has law enforcement officials on stand-by for a 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive weekend. The Hells Angels Nomads are holding their annual fall get-together on Sunday at the Mountain House Bar, which has a Tracy address but is in Alameda County. The event could double as a wake for Mark "Papa" Guardado, 45, the president of the motorcycle club's San Francisco chapter, who was shot & killed last week about a mile from the group's clubhouse. The annual Fall Ball, which features a ride-in bike show, horseshoe tournament & live music, has already sold 500 tickets & the numbers could swell with motorcycle riders from all over the county flocking to the Bay Area for Guardado's funeral arrangements on Sunday & Monday. It also comes days after police said a Modesto man was identified by witnesses as Guardado's killer. Authorities say 37-year-old Christopher Ablett is a member of the rival Mongols Motorcycle Club & was the man who shot Guardado in the San Francisco's Mission District. Investigators said Ablett & Guardado argued on the street before the shooting. Last weekend, the Super Bike Freaks motorcycle club had an event at the Mountain House Bar that was closely watched by the Alameda County Sheriff's Office & the California Highway Patrol. CHP Sgt. Trent Cross said they were monitoring the group to make sure they weren't causing any problems with traffic. He said only one citation was issued. "We just wanted to ensure they weren't doing anything reckless like popping wheelies or anything else excessive," Cross said. Cross said there currently isn't a special detail assigned to monitor Sunday's event, "but that could change." Tracy Police were aware of last weekend's event and, as a precaution, had their Traffic Section & Youth & Gang Services Section both on duty. "It's coincidental they're having big events on back-to-back weekends," Tracy police Captain John Espinoza said. "We'll have the resources to protect our community, but we don't anticipate any problems." Members of the Mongols, which have a Modesto chapter, & Hells Angels were involved in a fight at a Nevada casino in 2002 that claimed the lives of 3 club members & injured more than a dozen others.

**Police mobilize for Hells Angels funeral** - Sept 13, 2008 – *California* - By Steve Rubenstein, Chronicle - Police are bracing for what could be the longest 2-wheeled funeral procession ever to hit the Bay Area. No one knows exactly how many mourners in leather jackets are going to attend services Sunday & Monday for the slain president of the Hells Angels' San Francisco chapter, Mark "Papa" Guardado. Some say there could be 1,000 Hells Angels, some say more. "However many there are, we're going to be ready," said Officer Shawn Chase, spokesman for the California HP. Guardado, 46, was shot Sept 2 outside a bar at 24<sup>th</sup> St & Treat Ave after what police described as a "wrestling match" with the gunman, who fled on a motorcycle. Christopher Ablett, 37, of Modesto, a member of the rival Mongols MC, is wanted on suspicion of murder. Little is known about how the Hells Angels plan to mourn their beloved leader. There will be a vigil Sunday at 7 p.m. & a funeral Monday at 10 a.m. at Duggan's Serra Mortuary at 500 Westlake Ave. in Daly City, with interment to follow at Cypress Lawn cemetery in Colma. The two-wheeled funeral procession could be the largest in Bay Area history. The undertakers are expecting more people than the chapel can hold & plan to install loudspeakers in the parking lot to accommodate the overflow crowd, authorities said. Hells Angels members from around the country are expected to attend. "They're not telling us the route of the procession," Edwards said. "We're going to keep things as orderly as possible."

**Priest charged with selling coke from campus rectory** – Sept 13, 2008 – *Illinois* - A Catholic priest was charged this week with selling cocaine from his office & residence at the Univ of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, local news organizations report. The Rev. Christopher Layden, 33, was arrested Wed after police found "about 3 grams of powder cocaine & items of drug paraphernalia" while executing a search warrant on the campus, according to The Pantagraph. Layden pleaded not guilty to 3 charges, the paper says. The News-Gazette reports an informant told police that he has used cocaine with the priest "40 to 50 times" since 2007. "First Assistant State's Attorney Steve Ziegler said in court Thursday that the UI police monitored a cocaine purchase by the informant from Layden on Sept. 4," the paper says.

**Identification:** One morning a *blind bunny* was hopping down the bunny trail & tripped over a large snake & fell, kerplop right on his twitchy little nose. 'Oh please excuse me,' said the bunny. 'I didn't mean to trip over you, but I'm blind & can't see.' 'That's perfectly all right,' replied the snake. 'To be sure, it was my fault. I didn't mean to trip you, but I'm blind too, & I didn't see you coming. By the way, what kind of animal are you?' 'Well, I really don't know,' said the bunny. 'I'm blind, & I've never seen myself. Maybe you could examine me & find out.' So the snake felt the bunny all over, & he said, 'Well, you're soft, & cuddly, & you have long silky ears, & a little fluffy tail & a twitchy little nose. You must be a bunny rabbit!' The bunny said, 'I can't thank you enough. But by the way, what kind of animal are you?' The snake replied that he didn't know either, & the bunny agreed to examine him, & when the bunny was finished, the snake asked, 'Well, what kind of an animal am I?' The bunny had felt the snake all over, & he replied, 'You're cold, you're slippery, & you haven't got any balls... *You must be a Politician!*'

**Saugus Police log** – Sept 13, 2008 – *Saugus, Massachusetts* - An officer requested assistance at Tabu. He reported 3 Hells Angels came into Tabu, pushed bouncers & patrons out of their way & demanded free service. The officers removed the suspects without further incident, 12:43 am....

**Charge Dropped Against Iron Pigs Member** – Sept 15, 2008 – *South Dakota* - The Meade County State's attorney has dropped a charge against a Seattle police officer accused of shooting another biker at this year's Sturgis rally. The alternative Aggravated-Simple Assault charge had been filed against Ronald Smith. A law enforcement investigation established Smith was defending himself from a violent pre-meditated attack. Smith, a member of the Iron Pigs bike gang, fired at a Hells Angel biker. That man, Joseph McGuire of Imperial Beach, California, is charged with alternate counts of aggravated & simple assault. O'Neill said because Smith is no longer charged with a felony he should be able to return to work. He has been on administrative leave since the shooting. Seattle police spokesman Sean Whitcomb declined to comment today about Smith.

**Thousands mob funeral** - Sept 15, 2008 – *California* - By Evelyn Nieves - There can be no quiet goodbye for a slain Hells Angel leader. The funeral of Mark "Papa" Guardado, the 46-year-old Pres of the San Francisco chapter shot down after a barroom brawl, brought about 2,000 Hells Angels to Duggan's Serra Mortuary in Daly City, most driving the biggest, baddest, loudest Harleys ever. They came from chapters all over the country, not to mention Stuttgart, Germany, Alberta, Canada & Melbourne, Australia. An overflow crowd of hundreds of members sat or stood in the funeral home parking lot for 2 hours, creating a spectacle that attracted hundreds of gawkers, a full court press & police from 3 cities—San Francisco, Daly City & Colma. They then led what police say may have been the largest motorcycle procession ever in the San Francisco Bay area from Daly City to the Cypress Lawn Cemetery in Colma, creating a deafening uproar of engines & a spectacle that stopped traffic in its tracks on both sides of Interstate 280. Few mourners were in the mood to talk, especially not to reporters. "We don't get along with the press," said one member, guarding the parking lot. "And if you stick a camera in someone's face, you're asking for trouble." Sgt. David Macriss of the Daly City police said there were no incidents aside from minor accidents between motorcycles. Guardado was shot dead Sept. 2 outside a bar in San Francisco's Mission District around 10:30 pm, about a mile from the Hells Angels chapter clubhouse, where he lived. At the time of his death, he was facing assault charges stemming from a beating outside a bar in Petaluma in Feb. San Francisco Police are looking for a suspect in Guardado's shooting, Christopher Ablett, 37, of Modesto, a member of the rival Mongols MC.

**SF Police Investigating H-D Heist** – Sept 15, 2008 – *California* - South San Francisco police Sat are continuing an investigation into a Wed night robbery at a H-D motorcycle dealership. Officers on a routine shift patrol around 10:15 p.m. heard an alarm sounding at Dudley Perkins Company, a H-D motorcycle dealership on Corey Way, police said.

**States Restore Voting Rights for Ex-Convicts** – Sept 15, 2008 – *Florida* - "I can't vote because I got 3 felonies," Mr. Benton told Ms. Bell. He had finished a six-month sentence for possession of \$600 worth of crack cocaine, he said. But Ms. Bell had good news for him: The Florida Legislature & Gov. Charlie Crist, a Republican, changed the rules last year to restore the voting rights of about 112,000 former convicts. "After you go to prison — you do your time & they still take all your rights away," Mr. Benton said as he filled out a form to register. "You can't get a job. You can't vote. You can't do nothing even 10 or 20 years later. You don't feel like a citizen. You don't even feel human." "You're talking about incredible numbers of people out there who now may have had their right to vote restored & don't even know

it," said Reggie Mitchell, a former voter-registration worker for People for the American Way. In Florida, "we're talking tens of thousands of people," he said. "And in the 2000 election, in the state of Florida, 300 people made the difference." An Obama spokesman, Bill Burton, said via e-mail, "We are trying to register voters across the country & follow the state laws wherever we are." Last month, Obama campaign workers took down a sign at their headquarters in Pottstown, Pa., that said "Felons can vote," because it might have sent the wrong message.

**Ex-felon jailed on drug charges** – Sept 15, 2008 – *Pennsylvania* - By George Mattar; Bucks County Courier Times - A Bensalem woman was seriously injured in a mobile home explosion Friday in Bensalem & her boyfriend was sent to Bucks County Prison in lieu of \$500,000 cash bail on charges he was allegedly making methamphetamine in a clandestine drug laboratory. Alissa Fischer, no age given, was asleep about 9:50 a.m. inside a 14 foot by 60 foot mobile home at 6409 Fulton Ave., said Bensalem Public Safety Director Fred Harran. Volunteer firefighters found her standing outside with cuts to her arms, wrist, forearms & upper thigh. She told them she cut herself after climbing through a window. She had smelled smoke & had to break a window to get out. She was flown to Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia suffering mainly from smoke inhalation. Harran described her condition as not critical. Volunteer firefighters from the Newport, William Penn & Pennel companies were called to the property & doused the flames in 13 minutes. Newport Fire Chief Jim McDonough said the Bucks County Radio Room received numerous phone calls for smoke coming from the mobile home. Fischer's friend, Charles L. "Ruthless" Kulow, 44, who told police he has lived at 6409 Fulton Ave. his entire life with his mother, suffered a minor injury to his right hand. Kulow also was asleep in the mobile home when the fire started. He told police he normally sleeps at 6505 Fulton Ave. Both addresses are owned by his mother, Norma Kulow, according to court documents. Kulow is a reputed member of the Breed motorcycle gang, police said. After dousing the flames, firefighters found beakers, normally used to make illegal drugs. Police were called & obtained a search warrant from District Judge Daniel Baranoski at 6 p.m. Friday. Sgt. Robert Bugsch & Officer Adam Schwartz searched the mobile home & house. They recovered a .45 caliber Colt handgun; one gram of methamphetamine; numerous empty methamphetamine bags; a .32 caliber handgun; iodine; hydrogen peroxide; one gallon of Coleman fuel; muriatic acid; 3 quarts of liquid Drano; one pint of paint thinner, empty Sudafed packages & other items that are consistent with making methamphetamine, according to the search warrant. State police dressed in encapsulated suits entered the buildings & based on their investigation, they were convinced Kulow was allegedly operating a clandestine drug lab. By 8 p.m. Friday, Baranoski arraigned Kulow on charges of persons not to own a firearm, intent to manufacture a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance & possession with the intent to use drug paraphernalia. Baranoski sent the self-employed artist to Bucks County Prison in lieu of bail. Kulow is currently serving 4 years probation after pleading guilty in Oct 2007, on charges of altering a prohibited offensive weapon & possession of a firearm not to be owned by a felon, according to Bucks County court records. Kulow's preliminary hearing is scheduled for Wed before District Judge Joseph Falcone.

**Electile Dysfunction:** The inability to become aroused over any of the choices for President put forth by either party in the 2008 election year...

**Satan worshippers killed & ate** – Sept 16, 2008 – *Russia* - A gang of Satan worshippers killed & ate 4 Russian teenagers in a sickening ritual. The Satanists stabbed each of their victims a terrifying 666 times before dismembering their bodies & cooking them on a bonfire. Russian police discovered the teenager's limbs, hearts & scalps in a pit in the Yaroslavl region around 300 miles from Moscow, along with the dead body of a small rodent crucified on an upside-down cross. The victims, 3 girls & 1 boy, all aged 16 & 17, disappeared from their homes in June. But police only discovered the remains of Anya Gorokhova, Olga Pukhova, Varya Kuzmina & Andrei Sorokin last month. The 4 pals – described as “Goths” – were lured one by one to a country cottage & were allegedly forced to get drunk before the ritual began. Hair from the victims was apparently found in the embers of the bonfire. Cops arrested 8 alleged Satan worshippers in connection with the killings after finding out that all 4 victims had telephoned Nikolai Ogolobyak, the alleged leader of the Satan gang. His apartment lies just about 250 yards from where the remains were discovered.



**The Loss of Our Brother Tusk** – Sept 17, 2008 – *Faribault, Minnesota* - Brothers it is with a very Heavy Heart that I'm writing to let everyone know that the Faribault, Minnesota chapter has Lost a Brother. Bill “TUSK” Demmer Tusk was found dead today in his bed & had apparently passed in his Sleep. Tusk was 58 years old had been dealing with Diabetes for years. The coroner told me that he would bet that the Brother had died from a complication from his diabetes. I have no more details than that. I anticipate a Full Traditional Sons of Silence funeral. As soon as we get everything worked out with the Family I will pass along Funeral Information to everyone. SFFS Hawg

**From Vibes Magazine** – Sept 2008 - *Japan's* Top Harley Mag - Hello my friend Mike, Yes, I got the Dago's CD! And I reported & make Reader's present. Thank you so much! Today, I send you & Dago our magazine. I put your photo & Dago & his daughter's photo on the magazine. Maybe, you will receive the magazine in two or 3 weeks. Please wait a few weeks..... I feel the brotherhood (friendship) in you. I want to tell you again, Thank you very much! Your Friend From Far-East, Mino.  
**Editor's Note:** This will be about the 4 or 5<sup>th</sup> I have been in the Vibes Magazine... Lots of years ago, Vibes flew SOS Magoo to Japan for a Vibes celebration... Magoo has been in Vibes tons of times... Maybe someday, Vibes will fly me over there!!! Ha he  
**Editor's Note:** Vibes just printed 2 of Bingo's Poems...  
**Editor's Note:** Mino always sends me a copy when things like Bingo's poems or SOS or I am in it... There centerfolds spreads are pretty nice also!!! Ha he he...

**The factory foreman inspected** the shipment of crystal vases leaving the plant, & approached his new packer. He put his arm around the man's shoulder & said, “Well, Ole, I see you did what I asked. Stamped the top of each box, ‘This Side Up, Handle With Care.’” “Yes sir,” the worker replied. “And just to make sure, I stamped it on the bottom too.”

**ATF lost 76 weapons, hundreds of laptops** - Sept 17 - *Washington, DC* - By Lara Jakes Jordan, Associated Press - The ATF lost 76 weapons & hundreds of laptops over five years, the Justice Dept reported Wed, blaming carelessness & sloppy record-keeping. Thirty-five of the missing handguns, rifles, Tasers & other weapons were stolen, as were 50 laptops, the internal audit found. Two of the stolen weapons were used in crimes. The audit by Justice Dept Inspector General Glenn A. Fine found “inadequate” oversight of weapons & laptops resulted in “significant rates of losses” at the ATF. “It is especially troubling that that ATF's rate of loss for weapons was nearly double that of the FBI & DEA, & that ATF did not even know whether most of its lost, stolen, or missing laptop computers contained sensitive or classified information,” he added. In a Sept. 10 letter responding to the audit, ATF acting Director Michael J. Sullivan said his agency “agrees or partially agrees with most of the recommendations.” “We are revising our procedures of reporting losses of weapons or laptops,” Sullivan said. The audit looked at ATF's inventory of weapons, laptops, ammunition & explosives between Oct. 1, 2002 & Aug. 31, 2007. It found that ATF lost 3 times more weapons each month than it had in a similar 2002 audit by the Treasury Dept, which used to oversee the agency. It also lost 50 times as many laptops as reported in the earlier audit. Of the 76 weapons, 35 were reported stolen, 19 lost & 12 missing from inventories, investigators found. Of the 418 missing laptops, 50 were stolen, 8 lost & 274 could not be found during inventory. Another 86 laptops were unaccounted for because ATF had either destroyed or lost documents showing where they were, the audit concluded. Two weapons reported stolen were used to commit crimes. In one instance, a gun was stolen from an ATF car parked outside the agent's home & later used to shoot through the window of another residence, the audit found. In the other, a stolen ATF gun was taken from a burglary suspect. Additionally, ATF employees did not report 13 of the 76 lost weapons, or 365 of the 418 missing laptops, to internal affairs as required. ATF officials also did not report much of the lost equipment to the Justice Dept. Investigators could not conclude what was on 398 of 418 missing laptops — except that few were encrypted. That means any sensitive material on the laptops could have been exposed. Moreover, “we found that ATF did not regularly attempt to determine whether the lost, stolen or missing laptop computers contained sensitive or classified information,” the audit said. But few — only 18 of 7,500 — ATF laptops were authorized to hold classified information. Compared to weapons loss rates for the FBI & DEA, the ATF misplaced almost twice as many guns. The audit found that the ATF lost .52 weapons per 1,000 employees, compared to .29 at the FBI & .28 at the DEA. Fine's investigators concluded there were proper controls & oversight of explosives in ATF's possession, & good security for ammunition. However, nine of 20 ATF field offices surveyed did not have proper accounting methods for ammunition. In a statement responding to the audit, ATF Assistant Director W. Larry Ford said the agency disciplined employees whose carelessness or improper handling of equipment resulted in losses. “ATF is committed to safeguarding its inventory of weapons & laptop computers in the interest of public safety,” Ford said. “ATF agrees that rigorous & thorough internal controls will enhance its ability to account for, & most importantly prevent, thefts & losses of weapons & laptop computers.”

**People** want the front of the bus, the back of the church, & the center of attention.

**The Loss of BPM Fritz** – Sept 17, 2008 – *Minnesota* - Fredrick Howard “Fritz” Carlson, 62, passed away on Sept. 16, 2008. He served as a Merchant Marine on the Edmund Fitzgerald & worked for Allied Cab for many years. He is survived by son, Adam Fredrick Erickson; daughters, Krista (Andy Kucera) Erickson, Sunny Wiken & Jody Cannon; grandchildren, Dru Kucera & Morgan Cannon; sister, Bonnie (Greg) Dhaemers; brother, Bruce Carlson; & many nieces & nephews. Memorial: 11 am Sat, Sept. 20, 2008 with a visitation 1 hour prior to the gathering in Cremation Society of Minn, 4100 Grand Ave, Duluth.

**State Police ticketing bikers in Tuckahoe harassment** – Sept 18, 2008 – *New Jersey* – By Elaine Rose - There was a sizable police presence Wednesday night at the Tuckahoe Inn’s monthly motorcycle & car show, & some bikers said the troopers were harassing them & writing numerous tickets. Several troopers were working an Alcoholic Beverage Control detail in the area, according to State Police, Woodbine barracks. State Police commonly conduct such operations, & Wednesday night was the Woodbine station’s turn to conduct one. Troopers were stopping both motorcycles & cars for traffic violations, police said. But some bikers said the troopers went far beyond the call of duty. Anna Caulk, of the Marmora section of the township, said she saw the State Police cars as she was coming home from work at about 6 pm. As soon as the motorcycles arrived, the troopers started pulling them over. “You go out to have fun, & these guys hadn’t even gotten there yet, & they’re getting pulled over,” Caulk said. Caulk said she went to the Tuckahoe Inn & heard bikers saying they had been ticketed for infractions such as large handlebars, colored lights & failure to use a turn signal. At least 25 citations had been issued, she said. “I’ve been here all night, & they’re totally harassing everybody,” Caulk said. Tyson Merryman, one of the owners of the Tuckahoe Inn, said the tavern hosts a motorcycle & classic-car show the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed night of every month. People come to look at the cars & bikes, have dinner & listen to music. Members of several motorcycle clubs come to the monthly events, people have had a good time & there have never been any problems, Merryman said.

**Oakland City Council Hears From Biker Clubs** – Sept 18, 2008 – *California* - The Oakland City Council met for the first time in almost 2 months Tue night. Dozens of members of the city’s motorcycle clubs showed up to take issue with Oakland’s party policy. Club members said the policy makes it more difficult for them to hold large parties. The city requires special permits & extra police. The club members said they feel they are being singled out. The city has said the policy does not apply only to them, but that some of their large parties prompted the policy. Several speakers insisted they are not members of gangs but rather a brotherhood & sisterhood of motorcycle riders. They said they are members of the community, workers & homeowners. In addition, one speaker said they patrol their own parties & don’t need police. Police have said that some of the parties can get very large, drawing several hundred party-goers & creating a lot of noise & traffic. Club members said they want the city council to hold a special hearing on this issue. There was no decision on that request.

**Biker club files complaints against police** – Sept 18, 2008 – *California* – by Adam Ashton - Members of a mostly Latino Modesto motorcycle club have filed five complaints against the Police Dept since they approached the City Council in July with concerns about discrimination & rough treatment. Two of the complaints refer to incidents that took place in 2007, police spokesman Sgt. Brian Findlen said. The others stem from

incidents this year. Findlen said he could not provide details about the complaints while they are being investigated. Tony Hernandez, a leader of the Most Envied MC, said members of his group have been interviewed by police & city attys. He said the bikers have had trouble getting their own lawyers in the meetings. Members of the club also have filed complaints with the Stanislaus County Sheriff’s Dept, Hernandez said. The Dept’s spokesman couldn’t be reached late Monday. “We’re just waiting to hear from the Police Dept & the Sheriff’s Dept for it to all come out,” Hernandez said. Hernandez & about 100 other bikers packed the council’s July 1 meeting, where they told elected officials that police had harassed them over the previous year & a half. They said officers followed them to their homes, stopped them for insignificant traffic offenses & treated them roughly in their encounters. One Most Envied member said sheriff’s deputies manhandled him after the meeting, forcing him onto the hood of a car. Council members encouraged the bikers to formalize their complaints so the city could review them. Hernandez said the bikers in his club have been treated more fairly since they approached the council. “We’ve gotten relief out of it,” he said. “Nobody’s been messed with.” Police have said they kept a close eye on Most Envied members because officers believed the club was affiliated with the Hells Angels gang, a perception that was fed in part by Hells Angels attending two council meetings with Most Envied. The Police Dept received 67 complaints against its officers last year after more than 155,000 recorded arrests, citations & other reports, Findlen said. Those complaints can lead to discipline against officers. The Dept regards the low number of complaints as a sign of its officers’ fairness. “Their professionalism is clearly documented in the numbers,” Findlen said.

**Concerns over bike run** – Sept 18, 2008 – *Texas / New Mexico* – By Ashlie Hardway - An ABC-7 viewer e-mailed the newsroom, concerned over the sponsors for an upcoming bike run. She claimed Child Protective Services was sponsoring the run with the motorcycle group “Los Bandidos.” Los Bandidos have a reputation for being involved with crime. In fact, the El Paso Police Dept still considers the group a “criminal street gang.” However, one member says that isn’t true. “We’re good people. We’re humans. We got a big heart for everybody. But it’s too bad some people take us wrong out there,” said Tequila Gonzalez. Gonzalez is the grandfather of three-year-old Jacqueline Gonzalez who was found beaten to death & stuffed in her mother’s car last year. Her mother & stepfather are currently facing charges in the case. To raise awareness about child abuse, Los Bandidos are holding a motorcycle run on October 19th to raise money for two local charities. Frankie Carreon came up with the idea & contacted Gonzalez about participating. She says his status in Los Bandidos carried no weight in her decision. “I think it may be more of a stereotype also. It seems like anybody who rides a bike & has leather, it’s just a negative stigma,” she told ABC-7. The charity bike run will be held on Oct. 19th. Registration will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Uncle Paulie’s on the West side. The run will end at the Elks Lodge on Cliff Drive in Central El Paso.

**Quote for the day:** “Whatever you give a woman, she’s going to multiply. If you give her sperm, she’ll give you a baby. If you give her a house, she’ll give you a home. If you give her groceries, she’ll give you a meal. If you give her a smile, she’ll give you her heart. She multiplies & enlarges what is given to her. So - if you give her any crap, you will receive a ton of shit.” Love & appreciate all the women in your life.

**Can I get a witness?** – Sept 18, 2008 – *California* - Eva Royale, a candidate for supervisor in District 9, is making a big point of being an eyewitness to the murder of Mark “Papa” Guardado, the president of the San Francisco chapter of the Hells Angels MC. She said she saw the Sept. 2 homicide from her front window on Treat Street in the Mission, but didn’t go outside to talk to police because she was babysitting her 2 grandchildren. Royale, Mayor Gavin Newsom’s pick for supervisor in the district, has mentioned seeing the murder in debates, in interviews with reporters & is even having a news conference with Dolores Huerta today to decry the violence. And yes, the news release notes high up in big, bold letters that she was an eyewitness to the murder. But for some reason -- in a city where witness cooperation with police is a notorious problem -- Royale didn’t give her account to police for 13 days. Her campaign manager, Antonio Salazar-Hobson, said Royale called police Sept. 3 to say she’d seen the murder, but only gave a statement to homicide inspectors on Monday -- days after police had named a suspect. So why the delay? Salazar-Hobson didn’t have an answer. “It’s unclear,” he said. Uh, yeah. Police haven’t returned a call for comment.

**Life as a Hells Angel prospect** – Sept 18, 2008 – *Canada* – By Susan Lazaruk - Dozens of items seized during a 2005 raid on the Hells Angels’ east Vancouver clubhouse were introduced at the trial of 4 club members yesterday. Among the exhibits was a black binder detailing chores of Hells Angels wannabes called “hangarounds” & “prospects.” The binder detailed “things that need to be done around the clubhouse,” including fixing the dishwasher, repositioning the television satellite, cleaning out the bathroom cupboards, powerwashing the deck & “trimming the screwy tree.” Club aspirants were also expected once a month to clean the coffee machine, ice bins & gym & to “Pledge” the wood. They were also required to call in a cleaning lady once a month. The 4 Hells Angels -- John Punko, Ron Lising, Jean Violette & Randy Potts -- face a total of 28 counts including illegal firearms, extortion & uttering threats. Thirteen of the charges allege the crimes were carried out for the benefit of, at the direction of, or in association with a criminal organization, the East End chapter of the Hells Angels. Other evidence entered as exhibits included “world rules” that state no cops, ex-cops, boneheads or snitches could join the gang. Police also seized a black leather vest decorated with the distinctive Hells Angels insignia, including a winged skull known as the “death head,” & hundreds of patches. RCMP Const. Dave Brown, who was responsible for tagging & bagging the evidence seized, showed the jury a legal document that declared the death head & other insignia as trademarks of the Hells Angels MC, as well as a birthday & anniversary date list for members. Brown also read a note listing the names of members wanting tickets for a concert by heavy metal rockers Metallica, prompting B.C. Supreme Court Justice Selwyn Romilly to ask if Metallic (sic) was a band. “Fortunately, there’s no one on the jury as old as I am,” he noted.

**Hells Angels to the table** – Sept 18, 2008 – *Sweden* - Edited by Julian Isherwood - The Hells Angels biker group & criminal immigrant gangs appear to have laid down their weapons in favor of negotiations, says Thorkild Høyer, a lawyer previously used as a mediator in biker affairs, in an interview with Politiken. “I can confirm that the Hells Angels are attempting to resolve the conflict. I cannot say anything more concrete about it, but that is my clear understanding,” Høyer says. **On their own:** Høyer mediated between the Hells Angels & Bandidos biker groups in 1996-1997, but says that he is not currently mediating between the parties. “I am not involved, & anyway it’s best if the parties sort it out themselves,” he says. **Difficult partners:** Høyer says that

he is unaware of who is sitting opposite the Hells Angels at the negotiating table because the criminal immigrant environment involves de-centralised groups. “It must be difficult to mediate, & I don’t know whether a solution will last,” he says. **Tired of shootouts:** Høyer says that there is a will to reach a solution, however, as neither party benefits from the current conflict. “No-one wins anything from being shot at. The only thing you risk is being killed, & that your friends & family risk being killed. Everyone realises that. Police activities are a factor, but not a decisive one,” Høyer says. **Respect:** The content of a peace agreement is unclear, but Høyer says that the conflict is not just about the lucrative cannabis business. “I don’t think that the current conflict is about the cannabis market. No-one really knows what it’s about. I think it’s about what I would call ‘Street Power’ - about turf & about showing respect for each other,” says Høyer.

**90 Pounds Of Meth Seized** – Sept 18, 2008 – *California* - During one of the largest drug busts in Contra Costa County, 2 agencies worked together to seize 91 pounds of methamphetamine worth more than \$2 million. According to the Contra Costa County Sheriff’s Office Monday, the bust was made by sheriff’s narcotics detectives along with the Concord Police Dept at 2 San Pablo homes Friday. Search warrants were served at homes on MacArthur Avenue & on Connecticut Avenue. Besides the methamphetamine with a street value of more than \$2.3 million, five pounds of heroin worth about \$32,000 & \$240,000 in cash were also seized. “These types of seizures hit major drug trafficking organizations hard & as a result will disrupt the drug supply chain in this county,” sheriff’s investigation division Captain Daniel Terry said. San Pablo resident Gabriel Magana Valdez, 36, was arrested for various drug offenses including possession, manufacturing & transported & for evading arrest. He is being held in custody without bail. “This is an example of the type of impact we can have when agencies work as a team,” Concord police said.

**Alleged Hells Angel pleads not guilty** – Sept 19, 2008 – *California* - A Rancho Santa Margarita man accused of being involved in a biker brawl in a Newport Beach bar in July pleaded not guilty Thursday, & a second defendant also linked to the case postponed his arraignment until next month. Rodrigo Requejo, 34, pleaded not guilty Thursday & has a pretrial hearing scheduled for November on felony charges of assault & battery & street terrorism for his alleged involvement with the Hells Angels biker gang during a July 27 brawl inside Blackie’s by the Sea in Newport Beach. Requejo is one of eight men charged so far related to a fight involving the Hells Angels & members of the Set Free Soldiers, a group that considers itself a Christian ministry, but police call a gang like the Hells Angels. After Requejo threw the first punch, according to the affidavit, chaos ensued. One member of the Set Free Soldiers stabbed two men from the Hells Angels, & one Hells Angels member grabbed a cue ball from a pool table & smashed it into a Set Free Soldiers member’s face, police said. Witnesses said the fight was brief, & those involved left when they learned police were coming. Brian Heslington was also due to be arraigned Thursday because of his alleged involvement in the incident. He opted to push his arraignment back to Oct. 1. He faces felony charges of street terrorism & drug possession. Several members of the Set Free Soldiers are expected to be arraigned next week.

**A man boarded a plane with 6 kids.** After they got settled in their seats, a woman sitting across the aisle from him leaned over to him & asked, ‘Are all of those kids yours?’ He replied, ‘No. I work for a condom company. These are customer complaints.’

**ATF confirms explosives** – Sept 19, 2008 – *San Jose, California*

– By Karina Rusk - While police are reluctant to call the early morning explosions retaliation, the possibility is one aspect they are looking into. Neighbors described 2 or 3 loud explosions shortly after 3:30 Thu morning. The blasts damaged 2 cars at a home on Melannie Court in San Jose. One of the neighbors who called 911 spoke to ABC7, but was afraid to appear on camera. “There were 2 loud explosions & right away I woke up because my kids started screaming,” she said. Several explosive devices were found by investigators outside of a home. Police confirmed the targeted home is where the leader of the Mongols MC Santa Clara chapter lives. A member of the Mongols is a suspect in the murder earlier this month of Mark Guardado. Guardado was the leader of the Hells Angels San Francisco chapter. The memorial service held Monday in Daly City attracted more than 1,000 bikers. There is an immediate concern of an escalating war. “I just hard the Hells Angels leader got killed & hearing this the Mongols might be involved is, I’m just thinking it’s retaliation, which is a close call because it’s someone’s home,” Kassandra Jones said. Police are concerned but said they are not assuming Thursday’s incident & Guardado’s murder are connected. “We just don’t want people to think we are just looking at this one particular group we just leave it open so it could been any suspects that could have done something like this,” Officer Jermaine Thomas said. San Jose police are working with several other agencies in hopes of identifying a suspect.

**Police fear increase in gang violence** – Sept 19, 2008 - *Denmark*

- Police step up presence to quell further reprisals in ongoing gang turf wars Copenhagen Police are increasing the number of officers on the streets this weekend in a bid to prevent an escalation in violence between rival gangs. The move is coupled with the ongoing search zone, which covers almost the entire city. Per Larsen, head of the Copenhagen police, said they have prioritised their enquiries into the gang struggles & are increasing police visibility on the streets. ‘It has been quiet in Nørrebro in the past few days & we hope it will stay that way, but we’re staying alert,’ Larsen told Berlingske Tidende newspaper. The search zone, which runs until 30 September, allows police to stop & search anyone on suspicion of carrying weapons. One of the gangs implicated in the ongoing unrest is the Hells Angels bikers, its numbers swelled by the AK 81 support club. AK represents *Altid Klar* (Always Ready), with 8 & 1 numerically representing the letters H & A in the alphabet. The bikers’ club released a statement on Wednesday denying its involvement in the alleged conflict, but also rejected reports of a truce between them & certain immigrant gangs. ‘Hells Angels is a motorcycle club that doesn’t bother anyone, but if someone steps on our toes, we’ll stamp back heavily.’ The club is also involved in ongoing tensions with the Trillegård immigrant gang in Århus, Jutland. East Jutland Police have been tipped off by criminal sources that the Hells Angels plan to kill 3 Trillegård members. Police sources also told Jyllands-Posten newspaper that the Hells Angels have been evacuating their family members from the city. This follows the attempted shooting of two men connected to the Trillegård gang in a busy street on 4 August. On 8 Sept, 2 hand grenades were thrown at the Hells Angels clubhouse in the north of the city. No one was injured, but the club was not going to take any chances. Police arrested a Hells Angels supporter outside the clubhouse on Tuesday night with a bullet-proof vest & a loaded gun, apparently protecting the premises.

**Denmark’s rotten secret** – Sept 19, 2008 – *Denmark* - By Jakob Illeborg - Nørrebro, the neighborhood in Copenhagen where I grew up, has for years been plagued by criminal youth gangs

whose members are increasingly drawn from the Turkish, Pakistani, & Palestinian communities. It wasn’t always like this; indeed Nørrebro used to be seen as an example of how integration in Denmark was working – but that’s not the case any more. As competition for the lucrative drug trade has increased, there is a sense of fear & mistrust between the communities & integration is non-existent. To exacerbate matters, for weeks Copenhagen has witnessed an intensifying war between the notorious motorcycle group, Hells Angels, & the drug gangs. Bullets have flown & many residents are abandoning the troubled area. Compounding the drug turf wars is a nasty streak of racism. The Hells Angels are currently recruiting prospects to “rid Denmark of the Muslim menace”. Meanwhile, their opponents are seeking new members to “eliminate those who want to eliminate us”. A network of violent gangs is operating around town, directly targeting the “fortresses” where Hells Angels hang out. The Angels’ response is typically unrestrained: “Hells Angels are a motorcycle club that bothers no one, but if someone steps on our toes we’ll stamp back with a vengeance,” they said on a website. Despite these claims, the Angels are no angels. For years they fought an armed war with another motorcycle gang, the Bandidos, vying for control of Copenhagen’s criminal markets. Scores of dead later, the conflict cooled down. If the original motorcycle gangs consisted of misfits, this is even more true of their new enemies. Isolated from society, these kids’ only claim to self-esteem is violence. Several well-meaning local groups & individuals have tried to reach out to these youngsters, but all attempts have failed & many of those who tried have had to move out of the neighborhood, fearing for their personal safety. Copenhagen & Denmark has turned into a hotspot for racial tension. Immigration is the single most populist political issue. Affluent Denmark has dramatically failed when it comes to integration. With Europe’s most stringent immigration laws, an insistence on monoculture & assimilation, the once-pragmatic Danes have increasingly isolated themselves. The famous Danish photographer, Jacob Holdt, who in the 1970s documented racism in the US & said in today’s Politiken newspaper: “Denmark is today more racist than America.” Frightening indeed, & a largely self-created problem. The current centre-right Gov’t – supported by the nationalistic & right wing Danish Peoples party – has since 2001 marginalised & stereotyped immigrants. The troubles on the streets of Nørrebro can be traced back to that approach. This is not to defend or excuse the community’s violent response – parts of the area are now a total no-go area & even the Danish Broadcasting Corporation is staying away from certain trouble spots as journalists have been threatened with beatings if they film in the area. How did it come to this? Denmark has been through a decade of years of unprecedented economic growth. Our society is much fairer than the British with far fewer class divisions. As we say in Danish: “Why didn’t we fix the roof while the sun was shining?” The answer, unfortunately, is that there was no will to do so. An unwelcoming host will usually find he has impolite guests. This is the case in Copenhagen right now & it is hard to see how things will change.

**Psychopath test**.....One question. Read this question, come up with an answer & then turn check page 16 for the result. This is not a trick question. It is as it reads. A woman, while at the funeral of her own mother, met a man who she did not know. She thought he was ‘amazing.’ She believed him to be her dream partner so much, that she fell in love with him right there, but never asked for his number & could not find him. A few days later she killed her sister. Question: What was her motive for killing her sister? Give this some thought before you look.

**National Coalition Of Motorcyclists Board Of Directors & Region IV Meeting & Seminar; Ohio-Indiana-Michigan-Minnesota-Illinois-Wisconsin;** Sat, Nov 8, 2008 at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites - Columbus Airport; 750 Stelzer Road Columbus, Ohio 43219 (614) 237-6360 (Make Reservations Before Oct. 24 - Mention NCOM To Get \$79 Rate)  
Nov 8th/9AM -6:00PM -- Meetings & Seminars - Regional Meeting - Confederation Of Clubs Meeting  
Freedom Fighters Social -- 8:00PM - 11:00PM  
Christian Unity Regional Meeting -- Nov. 8 at 7:00PM

**THE AIM/NCOM MOTORCYCLE E-NEWS SERVICE** is brought to you by Aid to Injured Motorcyclists & the National Coalition of Motorcyclists, & is sponsored by the Law Offices of Richard M. Lester. Biker News Bytes Compiled by Bill Bish: **Myrtle Beach Approves Helmet Law** & other Ordinances to Deter bikers: Myrtle Beach City Council recently gave initial approval to more than a dozen city-wide ordinances specifically aimed to limit bike rallies & dissuade bikers from coming to town. On Tuesday, September 9, the council unanimously approved all but one of 15 proposed new laws pertaining to two back-to-back May motorcycle rallies, though the restrictions would remain in place year round. The proposed ordinances that were passed on first reading ranged from a ban on the operation of motor vehicles that do not have required EPA (Fed) stickers on their mufflers, to prohibiting more than one vehicle parked in a single public parking space, to implementing a mandatory helmet law & eye protection requirement for anyone riding a motorcycle within city limits & authorizing authorities to impound their motorcycles. The helmet ordinance also outlaws the sale or use of any non-DOT compliant helmet in the city.

**Can Rising Motorcyclist Fatalities** be Blamed on lack of Helmet Laws? Author Jacob Sullum begs the question in his article "Hit & Run" in Reason magazine's Aug 20<sup>th</sup> online edition, & goes on to answer those who blame the increase in rider fatalities on the repeal of helmet laws in several states. Citing Fed Gov't data that indicate the number of fatal motorcycle accidents rose in 2007 for the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, hitting 5,154, 7% higher than the 2006 total, Sullum writes that "the chief culprit recently seems to be higher gas prices, which have encouraged people to take advantage of motorcycles' vastly superior fuel efficiency: Motorcycle ridership appears to be rising even as the total miles for all vehicles drops....The highway safety authorities say that about 75% more motorcycles are registered today than 10 years ago. They suspect each motorcycle is ridden more miles, but the National Highway Traffic Safety Ad says it does not have a reliable measurement of use. The lack of such data makes it difficult to tell how much of an increase in fatalities following repeal of a helmet law results from less helmet wearing & how much results from more riding." "While wearing a helmet reduces the risk of certain injuries," continues Sullum, "research suggests the overall impact on fatalities is modest. The unimpressive numbers are one reason motorcyclists have been so successful at defending their right to decide what, if anything, to wear on their heads. 'We are the only industrialized country in the world where there is an organized effort to weaken or repeal motorcycle helmet laws,' complains Russ Rader of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. Is that a sign of backwardness or a point of pride?" Meanwhile, Forbes Magazine points out that a new study released recently by the U.S. Dept of Transportation found that "despite the relaxation of several state helmet laws, motorcycle helmet use in fatal crashes climbed from 55% in 1997 to 57% in 2006."

**Loud Pipes Save Lives!** Silent but deadly, a California lawmaker says electric & hybrid cars & motorcycles may be good for the

environment, but they're bad news for the blind. State Sen. Alan Lowenthal, a Long Beach Democrat, has pushed a bill through the legislature to ensure that vehicles make enough noise to be heard by the blind & visually impaired when they're about to cross a street. The state Senate approved the bill on August 20 on a 23-12 vote & sent it to Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, who according to the San Francisco Chronicle has not taken a position.

**Biker killed for hauling hamburger on his HOG:** Luckily, most bikers do not have to worry about being mobbed & killed over carrying some hamburger on their bike, but in India it is a different story. An angry mob lynched a man in an Uttar Pradesh village in May on suspicion that he was transporting cow meat on his motorcycle, a police officer told Thaindian newspaper. Riding a motorcycle in different countries carries different risks, but it appears that in India, surviving a bike accident is nothing compared to residents finding out that you are carrying cow meat, which is sacred. This type of incident shows that you should always research the laws or religious practices before you go biking around in other countries.

**New Zealand Bars Biker Patches:** Biker patches are not welcome in central Timaru & club members will have to remove their colors before entering some businesses. "Businesses can now place stickers on their front doors stating that gang patches & colours are not permitted to be worn on the premises," reports the Timaru Herald. Increasing gang activity prompted the joint initiative from Safer Communities & the South Canterbury Chamber of Commerce, says the newspaper. All businesses have the right to refuse entry as long as it is not seen as discrimination, & the stickers are not classed as discrimination, say officials. The Chamber of Commerce designed & paid for the printing of 100 stickers & is assisting in the distribution. Chamber manager Dave Jack said more stickers will be printed if needed. Timaru mayor Janie Annear said the stickers were just another tool to stamp out gang activity, adding that they weren't naive enough to think the gang problem was over & were always thinking of new initiatives; "The battle is never totally won."

**Quotable Quote:** "A Gov't big enough to give you everything you want, is big enough to take away everything you have." - Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826) Patriot & 3rd President of the United States

**Go Git Cha Momma:** A redneck family from the hills was visiting the city & they were in a mall for the first time in their lives. The father & son were strolling around while the wife shopped. They were amazed by almost everything they saw, but especially by two shiny, silver walls that could move apart & then slide back together again. The boy asked, 'Paw, what's at?' The father (never having seen an elevator) responded, 'Son, I dunno. I ain't never seen anything like that in my whole life, I ain't got no idea'r what it is.' While the boy & his father were watching with amazement, a fat old lady in a wheel chair rolled up to the moving walls & pressed a button. The walls opened & the lady rolled between them into a small room. The walls closed & the boy & his father watched the small circular number above the walls light up sequentially. They continued to watch until it reached the last number & then the numbers began to light in the reverse order. Then the walls opened up again & a gorgeous, voluptuous 24 year-old blonde woman stepped out. The father, not taking his eyes off the young woman, said quietly to his son... 'Boy... go git cha Momma...'

**Committee:** The unwilling, selected from the unfit, to do the unnecessary. - Margaret Thatcher...

**Tension between rival Hells Angels, Mongols biker gangs on the rise** – Sept 20, 2008 – *California* – By Denis C. Theriault; Mercury News - First came the gunshots that left a San Francisco Hells Angels leader bleeding to death on a sidewalk earlier this month, victim of a rival gangster, police say. Then, two days ago came a trio of pipe bomb blasts in a humble San Jose cul-de-sac, targeting a member of that rival gang, the Mongols MC. Whether the events are directly related remained an open question Friday as local & Fed investigators continued to pore over clues in the wake of Thursday's bombing. But experts & law enforcement officers say they are certain of at least one thing: The brazen attacks have shattered a relatively peaceful period for warring motorcycle gangs in the Bay Area. "We have not had a lot of tension between these outlaw organizations in the Bay Area," said Michael Gleysteen, acting special agent in charge of the ATF's San Francisco field division, which is helping San Jose police look into the bombing. "Obviously, recently, tensions have been on the rise," Gleysteen said. "We know, based on prior experience, that when there are tensions, there's an increased propensity for innocent people being caught in harm's way." Now, even as investigators vow to chase every lead in Thursday's bombing outside the Melannie Court home of known Mongol Robert Rios — even those who don't see the bombing, in which no one was injured, as revenge for Mark "Papa" Guardado's Sept. 2 killing — the rapid-fire succession of the two incidents has the Mongols' & Angels' hot-and-cold war facing scrutiny once more. "These boys have been feuding since at least 1977," said John R. Schlim, a former Oakland cop who now consults on biker gangs for police Depts across the country. "Just the fact that your victim is a Mongol you have to look at the Hells Angels. They certainly can carry a grudge." No doubt, Hells Angels have not forgotten how the upstart Mongols essentially seized control of Southern California from the Hells Angels in the 1980s. Or, in recent years, the very public explosion of violence between the two clubs at a Laughlin, Nev., casino in 2002. More than 70 bikers joined the frenzy, guns blazing & knives slashing, leaving two Hells Angels dead. An hour later, a third Hells Angel was found shot dead on a nearby highway. And what began as a feud over who could wear the patch "California" — back in the 1970s, Schlim said, only Hells Angels could do so — has slowly mushroomed into a pitched battle for California itself. Both gangs are competing for criminal influence over drug & weapon trafficking & other lucrative vice operations, experts say, over a precious territory that stretches all the way up the Pacific Coast into Canada. That violence has reappeared in the Bay Area — a place, says Gleysteen, that many top gang members call home & would traditionally keep clean — did not surprise Schlim. He said this month's spasms are the result of a decade-long boom in motorcycle gang recruitment & a northern push by gangs like the Mongols, primarily based in Southern California, into territories once traditionally held by their rivals. The San Jose chapter of the Hells Angels, established in the 1960s, Schlim said, has reluctantly had to share its turf in the past 10 years with the Mongols. "Like all of the other gangs, all of them, they have all spread dramatically in the last 10 years," he said. For the Hells Angels, said Timothy McKinley, a retired FBI agent who specialized in outlaw motorcycle gangs, this general expansion by rival clubs has meant war not just with the Mongols, but with other groups, even in places like Britain & Scandinavia, far from the dust & grit of the Central & San Fernando valleys. Some of the clubs, both Schlim & Gleysteen said, have turned to recruiting members of street gangs, Surenos & Nortenos & others, to serve as soldiers in these ongoing wars. Schlim said that's been especially true of the Hells Angels & Mongols. "Both have resorted to recruiting street gang members — some of them who

don't even own a motorcycle," Schlim said with a chuckle. "They need cannon fodder. If you can hire 3 guns & I can hire 3 guns, let them fight it out. But as much as turf wars might be motivating these gangs' clashes, Schlim said, it's the personal vendettas, the bad blood over fallen brothers & that now-ancient battle over the patch that provide the most potent fuel for bloodshed. "All those guys involved in those original shootings are still members," he said. "These guys are 24/7, 365 days — for life. They know they're at war."

**Harley owner outraged after IMPD seizes bike** - Sept 20, 2008 – *Indianapolis, Indiana* - Undercover police snatched the wheels of unsuspecting MotoGP fans over the weekend. It was a secret sting operation to seize & recover stolen motorcycles. But one Harley owner says police went overboard in his case. Briggs Blakemore just got his hog back - a 1981 H-D Electra Glide Classic. "The police told me the reason why they were confiscating the bike was because it was stolen. I said it's not stolen. He said yes it is. He said the motor & the frame don't match," said Blakemore. His bike sat locked up in the police impound for 3 days with 4 others. They were plucked off city streets during Indy's first MotoGP race weekend by officers on the hunt for stolen motorcycles. While hundreds of fans were enjoying the festivities & even the rain-soaked race, dozens of undercover Indianapolis police officers were scouring parking spaces. They were looking for VIN numbers on motorcycles. "There were literally tens of thousands of motorcycles here in Indianapolis at that time. Throughout the United States a lot of bikes are stolen because they're easy to transport. We only towed - my understanding is - seven motorcycles & those were primarily done because the VINs either appeared altered or scratched off or missing," said Lt. Jeff Duhamell. Altering VIN numbers is a crime. But Blakemore says he's done nothing wrong. He's armed with a title & service records to prove it. The VIN number on the neck of his bike clearly matches his paperwork from H-D Shops dating back to his purchase in 1989. "I called H-D & H-D told me that the neck number & the engine numbers do not have to match," said Blakemore. "It's just a situation where the detectives looked at it through their training it didn't look right as far as the VIN so that's why it was towed," said Lt. Duhamell. Metro police finally released Blakemore's bike on Tuesday night after calls to the offices of both Mayor Ballard & Governor Daniels & upon the recommendation of another officer. Still, Blakemore is furious that he not only missed out on Indianapolis' first MotoGP race, but more so because he believes his constitutional rights were violated. Metro Police now confirm they were mistaken about Blakemore's Harley. It is legal. The 27-year-old bike is among a rare production of Harley's that has unique-looking VIN numbers. IMPD did recover two stolen motorcycles & made one arrest. Under the law police can hold suspicious vehicles up to 72 hours. "This is enough info to tell you that I own this vehicle & leave me alone. I haven't done anything wrong," said Blakemore.

**A man boarded an airplane in New Orleans**, with a box of crabs. A female crew member took the box from him & promised to put it in the crew's refrigerator, which she did. The man firmly advised her that he was holding her "personally responsible" for the crabs staying completely frozen, & proceeded to rant & rave about what would happen if she let the crabs thaw out. Shortly before landing in New York, she announced over the intercom to the entire cabin, "Would the gentleman who gave me the crabs in New Orleans, please raise your hand?" Not one hand went up. So, she took them home & had a lovely dinner by herself. Men never learn.

**Florida House Bill 137 becomes Law on Oct 1, 2008** – Sept 20, 2008 – *Florida* - The bill that wanted to originally confiscate motorcycles for speeding & or stunt riding was contested by many during the Florida 2008 Legislative Session. During the hearings the bill sponsor stated that it had the endorsement of ABATE of Florida. Doc Reichenbach president of ABATE & paid lobbyist for the organization later said that was not true. The AMA sent out a call to action to their membership requesting they contact their legislators about not passing this bill. BOLT (Bikers Of Lesser Tolerance) had representatives at the hearings as did other motorcycle rights groups & some of the wording was changed though the bill did eventually pass. ABATE of Florida has taken credit for the changes in the bill. There were specifics in this bill about the front wheel of the motorcycle not leaving the ground & that the rider must have a leg on either side of the motorcycle while operating it. There was also a change that outlawed license plates from being mounted incorrectly. They must be mounted horizontally. Many people felt that this law was an attempt to get money & or property from the motorcyclist who some feel are wealthy & can afford it as opposed to a safety matter. The final bill appears to back up that as the stated fine for the license plate will be \$1,000.00 for the 1<sup>st</sup> offense with the 2<sup>nd</sup> violation being \$2,500.00 & 3<sup>rd</sup> being \$5,000.00. This is the same as if the violator was doing reckless & or stunt riding. Mike "Radar" Price who is ABATE of Florida's State Legislative Director has sent out a letter of explanation on this & says he has discussed his findings with Doc (ABATE Lobbyist) & they have begun a level of communication to correct this situation. In the mean time motorcycle riders in Florida Beware!!!!

**MC gives Vietnam memorial to Johnson County** - Sept 20, 2008 – *Iowa* -The Daily Iowan - Philanthropy isn't commonly associated with loud motorcycles & leather jackets. But this isn't your typical motorcycle club. Over the past seven years the Eastern Iowa chapter of the Vietnam Vets MC has donated more than \$14,000 to the Iowa City Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Now, it is donating another gift - the first Vietnam memorial in Johnson County, said Brad McGowen, a motorcycle club member. The Johnson County Board of Supervisors voted to accept the club's donation Thursday during its formal meeting. "We felt it was important for the people of Johnson County to remember there were a lot of people who served their country during the Vietnam War," club President Mike Berry said. "We just don't want people to forget." The 5-8 black granite memorial depicts North & South Vietnam. Etched into the stone are the words "Dedicated to the memory of the men & women of Johnson County who served their nation during the Vietnam War." And written along the bottom, underneath the dates of the war, is the phrase "All gave some, & some gave all." The group raised \$5,000 to donate the memorial. The memorial will be dedicated around Memorial Day next year, McGowen said. It is waiting in Montezuma, Iowa, to be delivered to the courthouse lawn. McGowen, who spearheaded the project, stressed the importance of Vietnam veterans seeing the memorial in their lifetimes. The initiative for the memorial began last fall after McGowen noticed there wasn't a memorial in Johnson County dedicated to the Vietnam War. He presented the idea to the club & received unanimous support. McGowen has been involved in fundraising efforts before, but this was by far the simplest, he said. "There are a lot of Vietnam vets in Iowa City," McGowen said. "The bulk of the money came from veterans groups & other organizations. People took a great deal of interest, & it was really welcomed with open arms." The motorcycling club has been active in Johnson County - doing what the members say only they can do. "Sometimes, only veterans can console other veterans,"

Berry said. "There have been a lot of veterans who have turned up homeless or resort to alcohol or drugs & can only talk to another veteran. So that's why we [do it]. We want to help other veterans." But why motorcycles? "A lot of veterans are a little on the wild side & always have been," Berry said. "Motorcycling is a big rush, a real feeling of freedom." And this love of riding is what unites the veterans. "First of all, I'm a veteran, & second of all, I'm a biker," Berry said. "I've tried all kinds of organizations & never found the right fit - the Vietnam Vets MC USA is definitely where my heart is."

**Man killed in Southern Ulster motorcycle crash** – Sept 21, 2008 – *New Jersey* - A Lakewood, New Jersey man, who was riding his motorcycle with other members of motorcycle club, was killed Sunday on Plattekill Road in Marlboro. Town Police said Marc Eber, 53, was riding with other members of "Hillel's Angels," a fraternal Jewish motorcycle club from New Jersey. They were on a day ride from New Jersey to New Paltz. Police said for unknown reasons, Eber's bike crossed lanes & struck a guide rail on the opposite side of the road early Sunday afternoon. It is unknown if a cardiac or other medical event may have led to the accident, police said. No other contributing factors are apparent currently, police said. The investigation is continuing pending the results of an autopsy. Two medical doctors who had been riding along with their own motorcycles provided CPR on Eber. Arriving officers provided the doctors with an Automated External Defibrillator & assisted with first aid until Mobile Life ambulance arrived. He was transported to St. Francis Hospital in Poughkeepsie where he was pronounced dead.

**Annual bike show, rodeo to benefit military club** - Sept 21, 2008 – *West Virginia* - The annual bike show & rodeo for the U.S. Military Vets MC is set to take place Saturday, Sept. 27, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9738 in Guyandotte. Registration lasts from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Admission costs \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. Cost includes food, bike show, field events & door prizes. The event also will include a slow race, balloon toss & "weenie bite" contest.

**Motorcycle Club Celebrates 40 Years** – Sept 21, 2008 – *Nebraska* - A local group revving up their engines for their 40th anniversary. Chapparral's MC celebrates its big birthday with some original members in attendance. The group has changed a little since it's start forty years ago, Ida Hartman would know, she's been with the club since the beginning. "Well, the motorcycles look a lot different & they ride a lot different, but they're still fun & there's still good people." Good people she says helped her through a very difficult time. "They do things for me & treat me great, since my husband died, they really helped me a lot." Comraderie keeps the 160 plus members coming back from as far away as, Wes Kloppendorg says, "Amarillo, Texas." He adds you can't beat the group of people that show up. "You have all types of people here, you've got very religious people, you've got rough riders, it's just a great group." But friendship is only half the reason these members take to the road, the other half, to give back. President Doug Mick explains, "We have given to Crossroads, Salvation Army & Goodfellow's for a lot of years & we're not going to quit those. Those are the ones who need just a bit. The club hosts two poker runs a year. The money raised goes straight to charity; they just don't know which one yet. Organizers hope to raise around \$1,500 this weekend. They say they'll give the proceeds to the charities connected with their members."

**Woman accused of bartending in the buff** – Sept 21, 2008 – *Illinois* - Sheriff's deputies doing a routine check this week at a southern Illinois bar say they discovered a not-so-routine sight. Authorities allege that 33-year-old Janet Brannon was naked while serving bar patrons at the Cabin Tavern in Delhi (DEL' -ee). Brannon was arrested & charged with misdemeanor public indecency. She was freed on \$8,000 bond. She was the only bar employee working at the time, so the tavern was closed Thu.

**Assault case takes hits** – Sept 22, 2008 – *Arkansas* – By Michelle Bradford - The case against 6 Hells Angels members charged with beating & stabbing rival bikers here last year is taking some hard hits. Last week, Carroll County Circuit Judge Alan Epley disqualified the lead investigator as a witness in the case because he mischaracterized statements given by a victim. Eureka Springs assistant police chief Morris Pate also didn't disclose there was an audiotape of his interview with the victim, Epley ruled Sept. 10. In Feb, Epley disqualified other evidence, ruling that a police photo array used to identify the defendants was suggestive. Attorneys for the Hells Angels said the rulings hurt the state's case. Trial is set for March 16. "It's looking pretty bad in terms of their ability to prove the charges," said Eureka Springs lawyer Tim Parker, who represents Derek Jeffrey Roy. "They've yet to say who supposedly did what, & their witnesses so far can't put 6 suspects at the scene." The July 29, 2007, attack on the 4 members of the Bandidos motorcycle group was brutal. Eureka Springs police described it as an ambush where the Hells Angels attacked the Bandidos with knives & bats. It happened about 2: 30 pm on a Sun as the Bandidos were riding out of town on US 62. They passed 3 Hells Angels who waved them into the parking lot of the Gingerbread Antique building. As the Bandidos pulled in, a pickup blocked the parking lot exit, & a man jumped out with a bat, a victim told police. Isidro Zerrata said the attack happened fast - in less than a minute. He was stabbed in the heart & lost a kidney. About 15 minutes after the attack, Berryville PD stopped a red pickup with a Massachusetts license plate & arrested its 3 occupants. Also arrested were 3 Hells Angels on motorcycles who were traveling with the pickup. Police seized knives from the pickup & found blood on the inside front passenger door, court records state. **Shaky Evidence:** After the attack, Pate interviewed Zerrata at Northwest Medical Center in Bentonville. Pate wrote in a report that was introduced as evidence at a later hearing that Zerrata definitively identified the attackers during the Aug. 4, 2007, interview. However, in an audiotape of the interview, Zerrata didn't give detailed descriptions of the attackers. He said two were wearing face masks, & he didn't describe them as wearing clothes indicative of membership in the Hells Angels, the court records state. Zerrata said he couldn't see clearly because he was wearing a motorcycle helmet. At the January hearing, Pate testified that Zerrata said he was waved over by at least two Hells Angels in a red truck, but in the audiotape, Zerrata never mentioned the truck being red, the records state. Prosecutors failed to tell the defense about the audiotape of the interview until it was mentioned at the January hearing, the defense claimed. Epley ruled Sept. 10 that the tape should have been turned over to the defense during discovery since it contained exculpatory evidence. Epley said he doesn't believe Pate or prosecutors intended to mislead the defense. "The tape was lost behind a file cabinet," Prosecuting Attorney Tom Rogers said last week. "It wasn't intentional." Pate didn't return a call seeking comment last week. The defense said Pate tipped off Zerrata during the Aug. 4, 2007, interview that the suspects were from Massachusetts & Maine. The defense said that information helped Zerrata later identify the suspects in a photo array. During the interview, Pate asked if he saw the license plate, but Zerrata

said no. Pate then told him the pickup had a Massachusetts license plate, court records state. The Arkansas State Police met with Zerrata after he was released from the hospital & showed him a photo array. He chose each of the 6 defendants in 6 photo arrays. The defendants challenged how Zerrata could identify the suspects although two of them wore masks. They said the photos of the defendants were taken at the location of the traffic stop. Each of the photos had the same background of grass & trees, suggesting they were photographed together after being stopped by police, the defense said. Epley in Feb ruled the photo procedure was defective for the main reason the only sharp, clear contrast photo in each array was the one showing a defendant in the case. **Still Confident:** Mark Miliotis, Robert Thomas Reynolds's attorney, said it hurts the state's case that they don't have witnesses identifying the 6 defendants as the assailants. "The state indicated their case will be circumstantial, & I'm not aware of any witness who can say, 'We saw this person whose height is this & who looked like this,'" Miliotis of Boston said. "They don't have any of that." Rogers said there is physical evidence in the case that is strong enough to overcome any setback from the rulings. "We've got physical evidence & crime lab evidence, & that will establish a clear link," he said, declining to give specifics. There are other witnesses who've given statements to police after the assault, records state. A clerk at a nearby business said she saw a red pickup with a Massachusetts license plate pull into the Gingerbread building parking lot before the assault. Other witnesses said they saw Hells Angels & Bandidos fighting in the parking lot. A motorist said a red pickup with a Massachusetts license plate sped past her on U. S 62 around the time of the attack, & that someone threw what looked like an aluminum bat out the window. Police found a bat nearby, records state. Parker said the defendants are reserving the right to claim self defense. He said one of the Bandidos victims wore surgical gloves during the assault. "It begs the question if the Bandidos were the ones who initiated the ambush," Parker said. Rogers said the defendants are charged as accomplices, meaning prosecutors don't have to prove they acted directly, only that they aided or encouraged the crime. "We're certain we have the right people, & we have the evidence to prove it in court," Rogers said.

**At 85 years of age, Wally** married Anne, a lovely 25 year old. Since her new husband is so old, Anne decides that after their wedding she & Wally should have separate bedrooms, because she is concerned that her new but aged husband may overexert himself if they spend the entire night together. After the wedding festivities Anne prepares herself for bed & the expected 'knock' on the door. Sure enough the knock comes, the door opens & there is Wally, her 85 year old groom, ready for action. They unite as one. All goes well, Wally takes leave of his bride, & she prepares to go to sleep. After a few minutes, Anne hears another knock on her bedroom door, & it's Wally. Again he is ready for more 'action.' Somewhat surprised, Anne consents for more coupling. When the newlyweds are done, Wally kisses his bride, bids her a fond goodnight & leaves. She is set to go to sleep again, but, aha you guessed it.... Wally is back again, rapping on the door, & is as fresh as a 25-year-old, ready for more 'action.' And, once again they enjoy each other. But as Wally gets set to leave again, his young bride says to him, 'I am thoroughly impressed that at your age you can perform so well & so often. I have been with guys less than a third of your age who were only good once. You are truly a great lover, Wally.' Wally, somewhat embarrassed, turns to Anne & says: '.....' You mean I was here already?' **The moral of the story:** Don't be afraid of getting old, senior moments have advantages.

**Message from SOS Kansas Tim:** To The Nation Big Ed's Mother passed away!

**Message From Sanders E. Brown Jr at MOCC - Sept 22, 2008 - Mt Olive, West Virginia** - The State or Gov't are implanting bio-chip/microchips in State Prisoners. When we make claim to it they deny our claims... Refuse to allow us to be tested with diagnostic tests to locate this type of technology... This shit has audio / video functions... 24/7 communications... I am sure you see what I am sharing with you. And in West Virginia inmates are not very educated when a man tells them he is implanted with electronic surveillance equipment in his physical body... Kick this message for me... And let others know about the sly moves the State & most likely the Fed Prisons are running on inmates...

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**Undercover Officers Leave Conference with New Tool – Sept 22, 2008 – Des Moines, Iowa** - The conference is over & the law enforcement officers from the **International Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Investigators Association** are nowhere to be seen. And they would like to keep it that way. As the officers take home their anonymity however, they're also taking home new tools & techniques to investigate the motorcycle gangs that plague our interstates, highways & city streets. More than 350 law enforcement officers from 31 states & 11 countries spent the last week, Sept 15-18, 2008, in Des Moines at the IOMGIA Annual Conference talking about the prevalence of motorcycle gangs in America & the world. The officers also shared new intelligence on the activity of motorcycle gangs like the Bandidos MC, Outlaws MC & the Hells Angels MC, & how to effectively investigate these groups & others across the globe. "Getting together like this is actually a little bit risky for us," said IOMGIA spokesman Terry Katz. "We had special security arrangements because a lot of the investigators who came to our Annual Conference are at high risk. But, we think this kind of collaborative effort is important, so we get together. Sharing information, learning & working together is the only way we're going to thin out these gangs." Currently in the United States motorcycle gangs range in size from single chapters with 5 or 6 members to hundreds of chapters with thousands of members. Primarily, outlaw motorcycle gangs in the United States focus their efforts on drug-trafficking; specifically marijuana & methamphetamine. However, the largest of the outlaw motorcycle gangs have all been identified as involved in weapons trafficking, prostitution, money laundering, assault, extortion, bombings & murder. These gangs are also known to be very territorial & fight against one another. For example, the Hells Angels & the Outlaws are at odds with one another as a result of the Outlaws' efforts to expand into territory controlled by the Hells Angels.

**Three men barge into Tabu, demand free service – Sept 22, 2008 - Saugus, Massachusetts** – By Dan O'Brien - Three men identified by police as "Hells Angels prospects" were booted from the Tabu nightclub Saturday after demanding free service, police said. An officer was working a detail called for back up from Saugus & state police when the incident occurred at about 12:45 a.m. Police said Shawn Hines, 39, of Lynn, Peter Karalekas, 34, of Saugus & a 3<sup>rd</sup> motorcycle gang member prospect barged into the Route 1 club, pushing bouncers & patrons before ordering free service. The 3<sup>rd</sup> alleged prospect left the area without being identified. Police were able to restore the peace & did not file any criminal charges.

**'Secret' police to use fake IDs – Sept 22, 2008 – Australia** – By Nigel Hunt - Police will have the power to create false identity documents for undercover operatives under new laws to be introduced in South Australia. And for the first time, the identities of the undercover police officers will remain secret during court processes to prevent reprisals from criminals they help to apprehend. Atty-General Michael Atkinson, who will introduce the legislation into Parliament this week, said the new laws would help police fight organised crime "from the inside". "These laws will help expose drug trafficking, money laundering, illegal weapons trading & gang violence – including murder," he said. "The work of undercover police officers is critical to stopping some of the most lucrative & dangerous criminal activity in this state." The Criminal Investigation (Covert Operations) Bill 2008 is aimed at facilitating the wider use of undercover police officers to combat organized crime in South Australia. It is also the 1<sup>st</sup> new law in the 2<sup>nd</sup> wave of legislative measures aimed primarily at combating motorcycle gang activities. The first wave included tighter firearms laws, riot & affray laws & measures to ban biker gangs & stop members from associating. The new legislation will allow police to create & use false identities – including driver's licenses & birth certificates – to investigate an offence or gather criminal intelligence. "These laws will cover how false identity documents are applied for & on which grounds it can be granted," he said. "The Bill also dictates punishments for the misuse of false identities. "It also provides greater legal certainty for covert operatives & agencies involved in undercover operations & delivers better police accountability than previous arrangements." A significant section of the Bill allows undercover police to give evidence in court without disclosing their true identities & potentially exposing themselves & their families to harm. Under existing laws, an offender often learns the true identity of the undercover officer during the court process, even though the officer's name is suppressed from publication. "Protecting our front-line fighters in the war against criminal motorcycle gangs is paramount," Atkinson said. "These brave & dedicated operatives need protection so that they can carry out dangerous but important investigations in the safest possible way". Under the new laws, false identities also will be recognised by interstate law enforcement agencies & cross-border recognition of witness protection certificates will be possible. "Criminal biker gangs don't behave themselves once they've crossed a state border," Atkinson said. "Sometimes they operate across different states to evade detection or capture. Cross-border recognition of South Australian undercover operations will make life easier for police & harder for criminals." The new legislation replaces & greatly expands the Criminal Law (Undercover Operations) Act 1995. Those laws primarily covered the approval for such operations & gave police officers legal immunity, but did not specifically authorize the measures now being introduced.

**A man died & went to heaven.** As he stood in front of St. Peter at the Pearly Gates, he saw a huge wall of clocks behind him. He asked, "What are all those clocks?" St. Peter answered, "Those are Lie-Clocks. Everyone on Earth has a Lie-Clock. Every time you lie the hands on your clock will move." "Oh," said the man, "whose clock is that?" "That's Mother Teresa's. The hands have never moved, indicating that she never told a lie." "Incredible," said the man. "And whose clock is that one?" St. Peter responded, "That's Abraham Lincoln's clock. The hands have moved twice, telling us that Abe told only two lies in his entire life." "Where's President Bush's clock?" asked the man. "Bush's clock is in Jesus' office. He's using it as a ceiling fan..."

**Deadly skirmish replayed** –Sept 22, 2008 – *New Zealand* - By Maike van der Heide - Furious men threw sticks, rocks & bricks over a tall gate in what turned out to be a deadly confrontation between a Blenheim family & a motorcycle gang. Both groups gave as good as they got until one group started to disperse down the street. Then the sinister shape of a sawn-off .22 rifle appeared through the mesh of the gate. The first shot jammed: The second didn't. A few hours later, one man died on the operating table while surgeons tried to remove a bullet from his stomach. It was a quick but intensely violent scene, which was caught on the Lone Legion MC's very own closed-circuit television cameras. The images would eventually be evidence at a trial for four of their own members who are charged with the murder of Blenheim man Carl MacDonald. The shooting happened outside the Lone Legion Gascoigne St headquarters on September 15 last year. The resulting murder trial got under way at the High Court at Blenheim yesterday.

**Former Fink Bakir a no-show** – Sept 22, 2008 – *Australia* - Former Gold Coast Finks biker Yassar Bakir was excused from attending court in Brisbane at the start of his committal hearing today on drug importation & violence charges. Bakir, 34, is charged with three other people with importing a border-controlled substance allegedly used to make the drug 'fantasy'. He is also charged with deprivation of liberty, robbery with violence, common assault & unlawful use of motor vehicle. The offences are alleged to have occurred in the lead-up to the shooting of man at The Spit in June 2006, allegedly over missing drugs. Bakir has already been committed for trial on a attempted murder related to the shooting. Co-accused Steven Milton Hill, 30, is also charged over the drug importation & same charges of deprivation of liberty, robbery with violence, common assault & unlawful use of a motor vehicle. Candice Ruth Gray, 25, Anthony Keith Broad, 36, each face one count of importing a commercial quantity of the precursor chemicals. The committal hearing is expected to continue all week.

**Man appears in court for stealing police briefcase** – Sept 22, 2008 - *Australia* - A Queensland roofer has appeared in court for allegedly stealing a senior police officer's briefcase from an unmarked car in Adelaide's southern suburbs. Brandon Manning, 37, formerly of Cairns, was arrested yesterday following a lengthy investigation by Sturt CIB detectives into the incident, which deeply embarrassed SA Police as it was the second theft in three months of confidential documents from an unmarked police car. The Adelaide Magistrates Court this afternoon heard Manning allegedly had broken into a number of vehicles before he forced his way into the boot of an unmarked Holden Commodore police car parked in the driveway of a Happy Valley home last Sept. The briefcase also contained a contact list of commissioned officers, which contained their private addresses & telephone numbers. This afternoon's court hearing heard Manning allegedly took the briefcase to the Marion Hotel where he gave it to an unidentified man in return for methamphetamine. The briefcase & its contents have never been recovered. The theft of the briefcase followed another security breach in May last year when secret police files were stolen from an unmarked police car at Sheidow Park, forcing the suspension of organised crime investigations & relocation of informants. A homeless Morphet Vale man, 28, later admitted he had stolen the documents before handing them to an associate of the Finks biker gang. They have never been found.

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**Shots fired at San Jose biker bar, no one hurt** – Sept 23, 2008 – *California* - By Sean Webby; Mercury News - San Jose gang investigators are trying to figure out who blasted bullets early Saturday morning into a bar known to be frequented by bikers. No one was injured at Checkered Flag Bar & Grill on Lincoln Avenue. Police declined to comment when asked if they believed the gunfire could be connected to the rising tensions between the Hell's Angels & Mongols motorcycle clubs, sworn enemies who some experts fear are on the cusp of a unprecedented war. "Right now, we don't know who did it," police spokesman Enrique Garcia said. "We're looking at many possibilities." But sources told the Mercury News that Hell's Angels & their associates the Henchmen were known to frequent the bar & detectives were probing the possibility the gunshots were the latest retaliatory action. On Sept, 2, Hell's Angels San Francisco chapter president Mark "Papa" Guardado was shot down by a suspected Modesto Mongol near the biker gang's clubhouse, according to authorities. Thursday, 3 pipe bombs exploded in the driveway of an upper echelon member of San Jose's Mongol Motorcycle Club. San Jose police have not attributed that bombing to the Hell's Angels, but they are looking into the possibility. About 1:05 a.m. Saturday, shots were fired at the San Jose bar, striking a window. One bullet went through the window of an apartment where someone was sleeping, police said. Bar owner Keith Scarboro said his drinking & dancing patrons didn't even know about the shots until a police officer came & pointed out the damaged window. "Good jukebox," Scarboro said. He said he didn't know anything about the biker gangs' conflict. He just wanted to replace his window & move on. "I have a motorcycle crowd," he said. "But just because they ride motorcycles don't assume anything." "I'm just trying to build a business here & so far it's been trouble free," the bar owner said "I'm so pissed."

**Dozens Of Harley-Davidsons Stolen** – Sept 23, 2008 - *Michigan* - Thieves are targeting H-D owners in Western Wayne County. The crooks stole dozens of H-D motorcycles over the past few weeks. "Motorcycle's are being taken from events, outside of bars, even in parking lots," said Sgt. Jeff Twardzik of the Inkster Police Dept. "Most Harleys you see average just over \$20,000." Bill Tucker had his Harley stolen outside of a restaurant in Redford Township. "I was in there just over an hour & when I came out, it was gone," said Tucker. "It's kind of devastating." Police found Tucker's motorcycle, but it had been stripped. Tucker said, "\$7,500 later, it will be repaired so it will be like it was." There are simple ways to protect your Harley. "Lock the fork & take the key. It will prevent the handle bars from moving," said Twardzik. If you can't afford something expensive, go buy a padlock & stick it through the brake. Police also recommend that you park near a building where there are often surveillance cameras. If you're at home, make sure it's locked up & parked inside your garage. Also, police say you should have all the necessary paperwork on you, not on the motorcycle, just in case it gets stolen.

**Sears Catalog:** Two Scandinavian young men from up in *Minnesooooota* were looking at a Sears catalog & admiring the models. Ole says to the Sven, "Have you seen the beautiful girls in this catalog?" Sven replies, "Yes, they are very beautiful. And look at the price!" Ole says, with wide eyes, "Wow, they aren't very expensive. At this price, I'm buying one." Sven smiles & pats him on the back. "Good idea! Order one & if she's as beautiful as she is in the catalog, I will get one too." Three weeks later, Sven man asks his friend Ole, "Did you ever receive the girl you ordered from the Sears catalog?" Ole replies, "No, but it shouldn't be long now. I got her clothes yesterday!"

**Harley-Davidson thrown by bumps in the road** – Sept 23, 2008 - *California* - By Susan Carpenter - Tight credit & costly gas are driving sales down for the big-bike maker. Hogs now share space with scooters. Owning a chromed or custom H-D is “not about transportation, it’s about an experience,” says the company’s chief executive, James L. Ziemer. That’s clear to even the most average of non-motorcycling Joes, who, on any given day, are likely to see T-shirts, leathers, window decals, cigarette lighters, bandannas & other paraphernalia emblazoned with the company’s trademark bar & shield. But there’s one H-D Motor Co. item that hasn’t been selling as well in the U.S. recently: the motorcycle itself. Sales of the heavyweight bikes were down 10.2% in the first six months of this year, & the Milwaukee Company is cutting back production as much as 40% to whittle its inventory. “For 15 years, H-D couldn’t make enough motorcycles for middle-class guys,” said leisure industry analyst Robert J. Simonson of William Blair & Co. “They couldn’t make enough of what was making them a lot of money, so they didn’t design product or market to other groups. Now they need to.” Many dealers are also feeling the pain, as the economy weakens, credit tightens & the motorcycle market becomes increasingly transportation-oriented. Some are even starting to offer products that would have been sacrilege in better economic times: They’re selling fuel-efficient, foreign-made -- even electric -- scooters on the same floor as Harley’s flag-waving, thunderous internal-combustion cruisers, also known as Hogs. It is, to be sure, a culture clash, but desperate times are calling for desperate measures at some dealerships, especially in CA & FL, the top 2 motorcycle markets, & other areas that have been more severely affected by the down economy. At Glendale H-D, sales are off about 20% this year, with high-priced touring models, “usually our lead products,” particularly hard hit, said Emily Vindeni, controller of the shop. Lately, Vindeni said, the bikes sold aren’t so much for leisure but necessity. People “are not going to spend \$15,000 to save gas. They’re going to spend \$10,000 or less.” What is selling at the Glendale shop is Harley’s smallest, lowest-end bike, the Sportster, as well as its entry-level sport bike, the Buell Blast. In the spring, that short list may include Asian scooters. “We’re looking into that because you’re seeing more & more of them on the road,” Vindeni said. “There are quite a few H-D dealerships that have already gotten into that business.” Even so, Chief Executive Ziemer frowns on the practice of selling inexpensive scooters. It’s not only because the profit margin on a \$28,000 motorcycle is much higher than it is for a \$4,000 scooter, but also because it dilutes the character of the brand. “I don’t think that it serves them well,” he said. “They’re selling to a different customer base. If someone’s looking for a very inexpensive product for transportation, that person was not going to buy a H-D anyway.” In spite of the current trend toward smaller two-wheeled vehicles, Ziemer said H-D would remain a recreational product. The drop in domestic sales, which account for 75% of Harley’s revenue, to \$1.9 billion in the first half of the year continues a downward trend. Sales in last year’s first six months were 5.7% lower than in the same period the prior year. The company’s net income slipped 4.5% last year to \$993.8 million from \$1.04 billion a year earlier & is on a slower pace this year, with \$410.4 million earned in the first half. The shares peaked at \$75.50 in November 2006 & have been heading south since. They closed Monday at \$41, down \$1.80 a share. The stock’s value has slid 12.2% so far this year & 46% from its peak two years ago. Things could be worse, Ziemer said. “Right now, I’d say our business is definitely doing better than most discretionary large-ticket items,” he said, pointing to declines of as much as 30% in such other motor sport categories as all-terrain vehicles, boats & RVs. Sales of motorcycles industry wide roared from 293,000 in 1993 to 1.2

million in 2006. Purchased predominantly for leisure use, motorcycles were ridden for the most part on weekends -- not for the weekday commute to work. But as gas prices rose & consumers curtailed spending, the market started shifting. Sales of expensive, large-displacement cruisers, the prototypical Hog, have been especially hard hit in the U.S., while sales of fuel-efficient scooters are higher than they’ve been in two decades. In 1998, cruisers made up 50% of on-highway motorcycle sales, & scooters were just 5%. Last year, cruisers accounted for 37% & scooters were 19%. That trend doesn’t faze Ziemer. “We’re not going to chase mopeds for the sake of selling units,” he said. Gasoline, he noted, is an insignificant cost of motorcycle ownership. He also pointed to the fact that motorcycles, even those with large, 96-cubic-inch motors that H-D makes, still get about 40 miles per gallon, which is far better than the average passenger car mileage of 27.5. The primary cost of motorcycle ownership is, of course, the bike itself. And increasingly, potential buyers who want to ride high on a Hog are having a difficult time obtaining the credit to do so. According to a recent survey, 63% of U.S. Harley dealers reported that their customers had found it more difficult to get financing. In Feb, only 28% of dealers reported feeling that way, according to the survey by financial research firm Robert W. Baird & Co. About 75% of motorcycle sales are financed, the firm says. Compounding the problem is the limited supply of bikes. In April, H-D decided to cut production of its motorcycles to align supply better with slowing demand. Harley plans to ship 203,500 to 207,500 motorcycles this year -- a drop of more than 40% from its 349,000 sales record in 2006. Besides the difficult economy, H-D faces challenges in international markets & in other demographic areas. Long associated with the macho of the U.S. male, the brand has found only a small audience among women & minorities, who make up 12% & 7% of sales, respectively. And as dentists, lawyers & other so-called rich urban bikers adopted Harley as their motorcycle of choice, the median age of a customer has gone up. 20 years ago, about half of Harley riders were under age 35; today the median age is 48. The company is responding with more lower-priced & lower-seated models that appeal to women & younger buyers. It markets those models in magazines that target women & in extreme-sports media & venues that appeal to young men. But many young riders are not buying cruisers, they’re buying sport bikes -- an area H-D hasn’t pursued vigorously. Its Buell Motorcycles unit sells a meager 5,000 bikes a year. In the summer, H-D bought premium Italian sport bike manufacturer MV Agusta. Harley would not discuss sales projections for the new unit, but Ziemer said the focus would be increasing MV’s European business first, then tackling the U.S. market. In the meantime, as H-D sales decline at home, the company is ratcheting up its efforts overseas. Typically, about 25% of the company’s sales are international, & it is trying to expand into China & India. Ziemer is confident the company will do well overseas. Having been around for 105 years, his company takes the long view. H-D, after all, doesn’t just sell motorcycles. As Ziemer said, “Our business is about freedom & independence.”

**A busload of politicians** were driving down a country road when suddenly, the bus ran off the road & crashed into a tree in an old farmer’s field. The old farmer, after seeing what had happened, went over to investigate. He then proceeded to dig a hole to bury the politicians. A few days later the local sheriff came out, saw the crashed bus, & asked the old farmer where all the politicians had gone. The old farmer said he had buried them. The sheriff asked the old farmer, ‘Were they all dead?’ The old farmer replied, ‘Well, some of them said they weren’t, but you know how them bastards lie.’

**Motorcycle Gang Activity High As We Prepare For Event –** Sept 23, 2008 – **Reno, Nevada** - Excitement for the upcoming Street Vibrations Motorcycle Festival, has been tainted for some, due to a violent gang war going on in some neighboring states. Chuck Norris is a local rider, who says the problem is, where there are bikers, sometimes, there can also be trouble. Norris says recent headlines about wars & retaliation should serve as a warning to us. He says there's bad blood between the two gangs, & they may be headed our way. "I think everyone should be worried a little bit. If you see a Mongol or a Hell's Angel, I would walk away if I were you. I would," he said. But not everyone agrees with Norris' concerns. Former Reno resident, & member of "HOG," or the "Harley Owners Group," Richard Hamilton, says if you're not in a gang, you're not at risk. "I think those kind of people will stay mainly to themselves or with other rival gangs. But for general HOG members or recreational riders, I don't think we have much to worry about," said Hamilton. Street Vibrations organizer, Randy Burke, says the event is safe & secure, no matter what may be happening elsewhere. He says 99% of motorcycle riders are good people...and bike gangs aren't his crowd. He says he doesn't know of any expected retaliation...and as always, security will be tight. "We are told we have the majority of Reno Police Department. We do every year. We pay for that & expect them to be here. We've never had a challenge," said Burke. The annual event is expected to bring in more than 30,000 bikers, & pump at least \$70-million dollars into our local economy. It's the 6th largest motorcycle event in the whole country.

**Chief defends rally costs –** Sept 23, 2008 – **California** – By Jeff Gatlin - Hollister Police Chief Jeff Miller estimated that the cost of law enforcement at the 2008 rally is around \$38,000 more than in 2007 - but he contends the money was well spent. Miller told the Free Lance that the "bulk of the increase" was due to California Dept of Justice personnel who worked out of the command center. He also noted how the police department this year took on some duties formerly overseen by the county sheriff's office, also contributing to the extra price tag. Miller said the command center in particular helped the effort in 2008, the cost of which rose from \$321,000 in 2007 to \$359,000 this year. Those extra costs add to the city's deficit on the rally as Hollister is set to owe \$119,000 for event security after licensing revenue, intended to offset that expense, is added into the formula. That doesn't include whatever the city might owe for potential losses on merchandise revenue, which stand at nearly \$100,000. "That center is a big part of the reason why we had a reduced number of incidents," said Miller, adding that there was a sizable increase in Hells Angels partying with Norton's this year. Miller noted how there were shots fired at one such party during rally weekend & that the command center enabled a speedy response, but he underscored the center's function of keeping incidents from reaching that level in the first place. In that instance, the suspected shooter or shooters fled before officers arrived. "There had just been a motorcycle gang shooting in Los Banos so you know anything can happen," he continued, referring to a confrontation between Hells Angels & Mongols - rival gangs - ending with six shots fired from a handgun & a victim being stabbed. San Benito County Sheriff Curtis Hill, who noted that his office participated minimally in the rally this year, agreed that gangs are a big concern & can add to the costs. "In a biker rally you have a small percentage of individuals there specifically to commit crimes - selling guns & narcotics, prostitution, money laundering," Hill said. "We passed on our intel responsibilities to the city, but in the past, we would get 75 to 100 plainclothes officers from local, state & national agencies that would work to watch that percentage."

**Answer:** She was hoping the guy would appear at the funeral again. If you answered this correctly, you think like a psychopath. This was a test by a famous American Psychologist used to test if one has the same mentality as a killer. Many arrested serial killers took part in the test & answered the question correctly. If you could not answer the question correctly, good for you. If you did answer correctly, please let me know so I can take you off my NCOM BBB Newsletter mailing list!!! Ha he he...

**Bank robber sentenced to more than 300 years –** Sept 23, 2008 - **Dallas, Texas** - One of the three Grand Prairie men convicted in several takeover-style armed bank robberies around the Dallas-Fort Worth area was sentenced Monday to more than 300 years in federal prison, the U.S. Attorney's Office said. Jason Montes, 21, was ordered to pay more than \$126,000 in restitution & serve 4055 months. Authorities say Montes was one of the "Grand Prairie Bandits," a crew responsible for nine robberies committed in 2006 in which assailants dressed in black & armed with large caliber pistols would take over the bank & threaten employees & customers. The robberies occurred in Arlington, Irving, Dallas, Grapevine & Cedar Hill & took less than one minute. Montes & Margarito Armijo, 20, were convicted in April on eight counts of conspiracy to commit bank robbery, eight counts of bank robbery & 16 counts of using a firearm during a crime of violence.

**Construction workers complain about nude skater –** Sept 23, 2008 - **Oregon** - Portland Police took a waterfront Lady Godiva down a notch this week. Barely. They were getting calls about a nude skater whizzing past tourists & rush-hour commuters. But you can do that in Oregon, where occasional nude bike rides draw police only for crowd control & shows featuring live sex acts are protected as free speech. The skater, Jennifer Moss, aka Earth Friend Gen, asked organizers for permission this summer to skate naked in the city of Ashland's Fourth of July parade. She didn't get it. Police told her to tone it down after construction workers complained. Moss donned a string bikini bottom for the nonce & skated on. Police say most callers are concerned about her safety.

**Boyfriend staged Anoka biker's death –** Sept 23, 2008 – **Minnesota** – By Lora Pabst; Star-Tribune - A red nylon strap looped around Natasha Waalen's body & arms when she was found near her wrecked motorcycle on an Andover street early Friday was one of a string of clues that led police to believe her boyfriend staged the accident to conceal the real cause of her death. The strap & other strange details prompted police to charge the 28-year-old mother's boyfriend with killing her & to jail his younger brother on suspicion that he was an accomplice. The boyfriend, Ryan Boland, 33, now charged with second-degree murder & aiding & abetting second-degree murder, is accused of faking the motorcycle accident to cover up how Waalen really died -- multiple blows to the head, according to the criminal charges. "It's not that unusual for a suspect to lie about what happened, but it's highly unusual for a suspect to concoct a whole other scenario," said Lt. Paul Sommer of the Anoka County Sheriff's Office. "I've never seen anything like that." When the discovery was made about 12:30 a.m. on a quiet street in Andover, the body was about 40 to 50 feet away from her motorcycle. She had on a tank top & jeans, but no shoes or socks. A crime lab official said it seemed odd that Waalen had no cuts or scrapes on the bottom of her feet, given that she had supposedly been on the motorcycle, which had sharp steel foot pegs, the charges said.

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