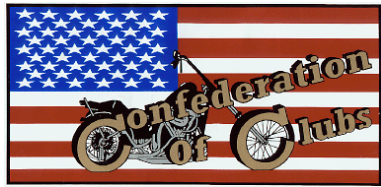


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Editor's Note: For August there were 4 issues, For September there were 3 issues, For October there is 2 issues so far...

Comments about Book written by John Hall – Oct 2008 – USA
– By Pagan Ronnie – John Hall was simply a member of the Club from 1967 - 1969. The book is interesting arm chair reading based on police reports, news paper articles & one individuals obviously incorrect memories. However it is not factual & has many misleading untruths in it. Over half of the persons that John Hall makes reference to are still living, regardless of his statement that they are not & they are not thrilled about the book. In 2006 John Hall through his literary agent contacted the Club & was informed by the Club that John Hall did not have any authority or approval on the part of the club to publish anything about the Pagan's MC. John Hall's book is nothing more than the work of an individual attempting to make money off a nationally known Motorcycle Club that he was fortunately a part

of for a very brief period of his life. His description of inner workings & procedures are in correct & misleading. John Hall's boastful attempt to come across as a tough guy with remarks such as he considers himself a outlaw & he is not afraid of anybody etc.. is nothing more than Hollywood / media rhetoric & the statement of a unrealistic individual. There is an old saying for idiots in the kitchen "Don't play with fire, you will get burned".

Nick, the Belts arrived...

No arsenal, or no weapon in the arsenals of the world, is as formidable as the will & moral courage of free men & women.
- Ronald Reagan

Suspects in custody after standoff – Oct 1, 2008 – *Louisville, Kentucky* - Two men were arrested early Tue after barricading themselves inside a home in Buechel overnight. Police surrounded the building in the 3900 block of Bardstown Road about 11:30 Monday night after a woman called police & said she was being held at gunpoint. The victim was OK except for a cut on her arm. The men surrendered after about 2 hours. The apartment where the men holed up is in the same building used by the Iron Order MC, but club ombudsman Michael Harmon says the club is completely separate from the tenants. Both men face numerous charges.

Here, kitty – Oct 1, 2008 – *Wyoming* - A police officer didn't think much of a call to shoo off a bothersome "kitty cat" at a Casper home on Monday. But after the officer arrived at the home, he ran for cover after seeing a male mountain lion weighing 80 to 90 pounds. Beverly Hood said she was inside when she first saw the mountain lion lying on her porch Monday. Hood said the lion hissed at her, but she wasn't scared. She called 911, animal control & the Wyoming Game & Fish Dept & reported that she had a bothersome "big cat." A dispatcher told Officer Mike Ableman that it was a house cat. A game warden tranquilized the mountain lion & the animal was relocated.

Gang strike force leader decides to hang up his badge - Oct 1, 2008 - *Minnesota* - By David Chanen; Star Tribune - A simple walk in the woods recently gave birth to an epiphany for Ron Ryan: After 40 years it was time to hang up his gun & police shield. For the past 11 years, Ryan has been commander of the state & metro gang strike force. If there is a high-profile murder involving gangs, an officer from the strike force is sent to the crime scene. "When I first started working as an officer, I would come home & tell my wife at night everything I did during the day," Ryan said. "Now, I come to the office & the officers tell me what they did the night before. I'm living vicariously through them." The strike force started in 1997 after Minneapolis was setting record numbers for homicides. When Mike Hatch was elected Minnesota attorney general in 1998, Ryan said, all the candidates had campaigned on the issue of gang violence. It was acknowledged the state acted too slowly in developing a gang strike force, he said. The strike force receives praise for successfully bringing together multiple law enforcement agencies & prosecutors to work on a single case. Ryan is quick to credit his officers in reducing gang violence. In 2005, several law enforcement officials wanted to combine the strike force with the state's drug task forces. Ryan opposed the move, & eventually the strike force was allowed to remain independent, but with a focus on metro gang issues. He currently has 34 officers representing 14 agencies. "It's been a rewarding situation & I've had a lot of good fortune to make it work," he said. While he takes great satisfaction in his long career, Ryan still deals with the pain of losing his son Ron Jr. in the line of duty in 1994. Like his father, Ron Jr. was a St. Paul cop. "I still get cards & letters from people on the anniversary of his death," he said. "It reminds you how many good people are out there." At 67, Ryan has no big retirement plans -- maybe to work on some projects at his lake home. "We will see how long my wife of 42 years can put up with me," he joked. "I might be getting a new job in two weeks."

Hells Angels' business-like operation – Oct 1, 2008 – *Canada* - The Hells Angels MC is a highly structured criminal organization that's better run than many multinat'l corporations, says a Toronto judge. Justice McMahon of Ontario Superior Court ruled yesterday that the outlaw biker organization has a "vertical corporate structure" that "would be the envy of many internat'l

corporations." He made the comments in the trial of Kenneth (Wags) Wagner, 43, of the Hells Angels Niagara chapter, who was found guilty of trafficking drugs & a pistol for a criminal enterprise. The judge's finding that the Canadian Hells Angels are a criminal organization supports a landmark ruling in Barrie, Ont., by Justice Michelle Fuerst during a 2005 extortion trial.

Niagara Hells Angels member awaits sentencing – Oct 1, 2008 – *Canada* - By Karena Walter - A Niagara Hells Angel says he wants to retire from the club labeled a criminal organization Tuesday, but it's frowned upon. "If I quit the club in jail, it looks like I'm blaming the club," Kenneth Wagner, 43, said from the prisoner's box in Superior Court in Toronto. "The club didn't put me in jail, I did that myself." On Tue, Wagner's club - of which he was an executive in the Niagara chapter - was found to be a Nat'l criminal organization by Judge John McMahon. McMahon said he based his decision on the organization's structure, colors, membership rules, fortified clubhouses & criminal activities. The ruling is expected to have implications for other Hells Angels members on trial disputing criminal organization charges, including Niagara chapter leader Gerald Ward. Although Ward's case is being dealt with separately from Wagner's, the same judge will be reviewing almost identical evidence to reach a verdict. That verdict is scheduled for Nov. 21. On Tuesday, Wagner was found guilty of instructing four people to commit drug trafficking & transferring of a firearm in association with a criminal organization. He had pleaded not guilty to the charge earlier this month, but guilty to trafficking cocaine & possession of \$150,675 in proceeds of crime. He will be sentenced on all counts Oct. 7. Wagner has agreed to forfeit the cash, his truck, motorcycle & house, which has no equity. Wagner's charges were based on 5 transactions in which he directed others to deliver 4 kilograms of cocaine & a gun to police informant Steven Gault, a member of the Oshawa Hells Angels chapter.

Bikers for Christ mistakenly tied to Set Free Soldiers – Oct 1, 2008 – *California* - On Sept. 25, the Michael Savage website linked to a San Francisco Chronicle story about the "Set Free Soldiers" motorcycle club & the problems it is having with law enforcement after being involved in the stabbing of two Hells Angels members. The Chronicle story mistakenly included a link to the website of Bikers for Christ, & the Michaelsavage.com website accompanied its link with a photograph of a Bikers for Christ member. The following statement needs to be made: Bikers for Christ is a bona fide Christian ministry with chapters all over the U.S. & overseas, & does not have any affiliation to Set Free Soldiers whatsoever. The ministry of BFC was started in 1990 by Pastor Fred Zariczny, or Pastor Z., as he is known. This international ministry has over 3,500 members. It is biblically sound & has received dozens of excellent reference letters from pastors of different denominations all over the country. BFC also puts on rallies across the U.S. to raise funds for special causes, including Saint Jude's hospital, young people suffering from diseases or disabilities, veterans groups and, most recently, "Downed-Biker Rallies," for bikers who suffer from a crash. BFC's headquarters in Oceanside, Calif., also houses "Rushing Wind Ministries" Biker Church. Pastor Z's teaching & preaching style is a cross between Billy Graham & comedian Robin Williams. As an evangelist, Pastor Z. also preaches at churches & rallies across the U.S.

I would remind you that extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice. & let me remind you also that moderation in the pursuit of justice is no virtue. -- Barry Goldwater...

Man who shot up Outlaw CH – Oct 2, 2008 – *Daytona Beach, Florida* - By Jay Stapleton - An Ormond Beach man who shot up the Outlaws clubhouse with an AK-47 semiautomatic rifle pleaded guilty & was sentenced to five years in prison Wed, prosecutors said. Matthew Shane Lane, 33, was arrested shortly after 3 am July 13 after a police officer heard the gunfire -- a total of 30 rounds -- in the 600 block of South Segrave Street, police said. Lane tried to take off in a white minivan, but was stopped in Ormond Beach when a tire went flat. According to early accounts, Lane told an officer his ex-wife had been raped by members of the Outlaws MC. But his ex-wife denied that claim when asked about it by a reporter. In court Wed, Lane pleaded to shooting into a building, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, aggravated fleeing & driving with a suspended license. A judge then sentenced him to prison. Lane has an extensive criminal record. He spent a year & a half in prison for aggravated assault several years ago, court records show.

Horry council group takes on bike rally rules – Oct 2, 2008 – *South Carolina* - By Mike Cherney - A committee of Horry County Council members met for the first time Wed to begin talks on what the county should do, if anything, regarding motorcycle rallies held in the area annually. The meeting comes shortly after Myrtle Beach passed a set of ordinances aimed at curtailing the fall & spring rallies, which some residents say bring unwanted crime, noise & congestion to the area. No final decisions were made at Wed's meeting, although some proposals were discussed, including moving vendors west of the Intracoastal Waterway. Councilman Kevin Hardee, the committee's chairman, asked county staff to come back to the committee in two weeks with specific rally proposals. Myrtle Beach Mayor John Rhodes asked that the county not turn its back on the city's effort to rein in the rallies, but County Council Chairwoman Liz Gilland said the county could not mimic those actions.

Motorcyclist injured by rope tied across street – Oct 2, 2008 – *Wisconsin* - By Amie Jo Schaezner - A 12-year-old Oshkosh boy caused a crash that seriously injured a motorcyclist last Friday after the boy strung a rope across Winnebago Drive. "The motorcycle was not traveling at a high rate of speed when he hit the rope. And that knocked the driver off the motorcycle," said Sgt. Steve Kaiser of the Oshkosh PD. Gary Andrashko, 44, was taken by ambulance to Theda Clark Medical Center in Neenah for treatment of head injuries following the crash, which occurred at 7:17 p.m. Kaiser said. Andrashko was treated & later released. The accident occurred after the 12-year-old boy tied a rope to a bicycle on one side of the street in the 900 block of Winnebago Drive & then to a "voting poll sign" on the other side of the road, Kaiser said. Andrashko was traveling west on Winnebago when he hit the rope. Kaiser said authorities did not think the boy meant to harm the motorcyclist & had just been playing in the area at the time with kids from the neighborhood. "They saw the motorcycle coming & tried to untie the rope," Kaiser said.

New laws Oct 1st – Oct 2, 2008 – *Florida* – Speeding law: If drivers are caught exceeding the speed limit by more than 50 miles per hour they will pay a hefty fine. A new state law that takes effect Wed will impose a \$1,000 fine on the first offense. That fine will jump to \$2,500 with a one-year revocation of your license on a second offense. If someone is caught exceeding the speed limit by more than 50 miles per hour a third time, the fine goes to \$5,000 & you lose your license for 10 years.

Florida ID card law: People will be required to show proof of their Social Security number when they apply for an initial Florida driver's license or to renew their Florida driver's license

or a Florida identification card. The state will no longer accept Social Security numbers verbally. This proof can be: - Social Security card; - W-2 form; - Pay check; - DD-214; - School records
New gang law: The law beefs up witness protections in gang cases & prevents known gang members from being released from jail before their 1st court appearance to give prosecutors time to argue for higher bonds. It also would make it a felony punishable by life in prison for a convicted felon who is a gang member to be in possession of a gun, among other provisions. Florida has more than 1,000 gangs with an estimated 65,000 active members.

Police Describe Gang Problems In West Pasco – Oct 2, 2008 – *Florida* - Street gangs are doing their best to instill fear in area residents, New Port Richey Police Chief Martin Rickus said during an appearance last week before the West Pasco Chamber of Commerce. Lt. Jeffrey Harrington, Sgt. Steve Kostas & Det. Christopher Trapnell of the Police Dept joined Rickus during the appearance before the business leaders. A local unit of the Valentine Bloods is the largest street gang by far in the area, Trapnell remarked. The Bloods is a gang that traces its origin back to Los Angeles of the 1960s. Its traditional rival is the gang known as the Crips. The local Valentine Bloods have an estimated 150-plus members, while most other area gangs usually count 15 to 30 among their ranks, according to Trapnell. "They are a huge impact on our community," he said of gangs. So authorities try to keep them on as tight a leash as possible. The gangs usually carve out a sphere of influence. The Lazy Boyz, for example, hang out mostly around Hudson & Port Richey. Other gangs set up shop in Holiday or Tarpon Springs. The Pasco chapter of the Latin Kings gang developed a reputation around the state as the "enforcers," Trapnell reported. "They not only prey on us, they prey on each other," the detective said, referring to a recent murder. Authorities believe the death was an act of retaliation after the clubhouse of a motorcycle gang burned down. Some gangs are set up like business organizations with a president, vice president & chairmen of committees, police pointed out. Five motorcycle gangs with intimidating names such as Outlaws, Black Pistons & Iron Coffins have also set up shop in the area. Graffiti often is a preferred form of communications, & police try to respond quickly to it. Graffiti that is removed within 24 hours isn't replaced about 90% of the time, law enforcement officials say.

Jury to be sworn in – Oct 2, 2008 – *United Kingdom* - A jury is expected to be sworn in to try seven defendants accused of murdering a biker who was shot dead on the M40. The trial of the men, who all deny murdering 35-year-old Gerry Tobin, is expected to last for up to eight weeks at Birmingham Crown Court. Sean Creighton, 44, & Karl Garside, 45, pleaded not guilty to murder during a previous hearing in February, while Simon Turner, 41, Dane Garside, 42, Malcolm Bull, 53, Dean Taylor, 47, & 46-year-old Ian Cameron entered their not guilty pleas last Dec. The addresses of the defendants, who are formally accused of killing Tobin on August 12 last year, cannot be published for legal reasons. Tobin, from Mottingham, south-east London, was returning from the Bulldog Bash bikers' festival when he was gunned down near junction 12 of the M40 in Warwickshire. A post-mortem examination found that the mechanic died from a single gunshot wound to the back of his head.

There is the story of a pastor who got up one Sunday & announced to his congregation: "I have good news & bad news. The good news is we have enough money to pay for our new building program. The bad news is it's still out there in your pockets."

Biker Gangs Coming To Mesquite? – Oct 2, 2008 – *Nevada* -

By Morris Workman - The Hell's Angels are coming to Mesquite this weekend. Or maybe it's the Mongols, a rival motorcycle gang from California. Perhaps SAMCRO, the Sons of Anarchy? Rumors have been swirling around Mesquite for the last week, with the name of the biker gang changing with each iteration. But is it true? Actually, yes. Sort of. This weekend is Bike Fest in Las Vegas, a gathering of motorcycle enthusiasts of every stripe & persuasion. And of course, what would a biker convention be without biker gangs? Due to Mesquite's proximity to Vegas, a number of Bike Fest participants have made reservations at Mesquite hotels. It is believed that some of those visitors may be members of biker gangs. Fortunately, the Mesquite PD is on top of it. In fact, MPD has requested additional assistance from the Las Vegas Metro PD for the weekend to help maintain the peace in this quiet little border community. "We've been in close contact with a Lt from Las Vegas Metro & they will be sending some officers up as a precautionary measure to assist us, in case gang members do appear," a police spokesman said. "A number of our guys will also be out & visible as a deterrence. We are planning, but hope not to need either Metro or additional personnel, but we are going to try to be prepared just in case. We don't want to wait till something happens & be reactionary. " Talk of biker gangs in this growing casino town has resurrected memories of the brawl between bikers from the Hell's Angels & Mongols motorcycle gangs in April of 2002. The brawl erupted in the Harrah's casino in Laughlin during the annual "River Run" motorcycle event. The battle involved a variety of weapons, including knives & guns. Security video showed that shots were fired both inside the casino & in the parking lot. When the smoke cleared, 3 people were dead, with 13 more injured. While dozens of motorcycle gatherings have been held in California & Nevada since then without a repeat of the violence, tensions are a little higher this year. On Sept. 3, the president of the San Francisco branch of the Hell's Angels MC was gunned down outside of a bar. According to reports in the San Francisco Chronicle, police named a member of the Mongols as a suspect in the killing of Hell's Angels chapter president Mark "Papa" Guardado. On Sept. 19, three bombs exploded outside the home of the Mongols Santa Clara chapter president in San Jose. The Chronicle reported that police & Fed ATF agents fear a turf war has erupted. While it has been confirmed that Bike Week participants have registered at local hotels, there is no indication that any of them are members of the warring gangs. Meanwhile, the Mesquite PD continues to be vigilant but calm. "As of right now, we do not know of any known gang members registered. That's the bottom line," the MPD spokesman said. "It isn't something we let go & not consider at all. We want to be prepared, but at the same time not overreact & cause hysteria within Mesquite." Bike Fest in Las Vegas ends on Sunday.

Policeman sues for \$1m for trauma – Oct 2, 2008 – *Australia* –

By Tanya Chilcott - A Policeman caught in a bikie gunfight on the Gold Coast is suing the State Gov't for more than \$1 million because of the alleged slow response. He is suing after he allegedly waited 20 to 30 minutes for armed back-up, fearing for his life & those of others. A claim filed in the Supreme Court of Queensland registry states Andrew Leslie Paul, who retired from the force last month, may never be able to work again because of trauma he suffered after the infamous fight between the Hells Angels & Finks on the Gold Coast. Three men were shot & three more stabbed when a fight broke out between the rival gangs at a kickboxing event at the Royal Pines Resort, where Mr Paul & another officer were providing crowd control on March 18, 2006. The claim states: "The plaintiff's co-worker called for urgent

police back-up when the gun battle started but armed assistance did not arrive for at least 20 to 30 minutes following this request by which time the battle was over.

Mayor backs ban on patches – Oct 2, 2008 – *New Zealand* – By

Eleanor Woods - Whangarei Mayor Stan Semenoff is in favor of putting an end to gangs showing their patches in the city centre. The mayor is backing a new law, currently making its way through Parliament, which would ban gang insignia from certain public areas in Wanganui. It was something the district council might also consider, he said. "Gang patches can intimidate members of the public & we want our CBD to be a welcoming place, not a threatening one." Gang members were welcome in town as long as they didn't dress to intimidate, Semenoff said. "It is not asking much to expect there to be parts of the city where citizens can go about their business without feeling threatened by gang members. The mayor said giving police the power to act against people wearing gang patches would be a useful tool in making Whangarei a safer & friendlier place. Nat'l MP Borrows, who is promoting the bill, said Wanganui was one of the only cities in N.Z. to admit it had a gang problem & was doing something about it. "We are expecting the legislation will limit intimidation & allow people to go about their business." The ban would mean anyone displaying gang insignia in designated areas of Wanganui could be removed by police. The law would cover only symbols relating directly to "known" gangs such as Black Power, Hells Angels, Magogs, Mothers, Mongrel Mob, Nomads or Tribesmen. Gang-related tattoos would also be covered by the ban, but police would only arrest someone who was causing trouble, Borrows said. "It's only if they're being intimidating. You can't exactly remove a tattoo." Under the bill, anyone displaying gang insignia could be fined up to \$2000. Borrows said one of the reasons the bill was taken to Parliament was to give police the power of arrest & to confiscate gang patches.

Probation ordered in motorcycle club beating – Oct 3, 2008 –

Wisconsin - By Jennifer K. Woldt of The Northwestern - An Oshkosh man who followed orders & beat up another man at an Oshkosh motorcycle clubhouse in 2007 was placed on probation after agreeing to terms of a plea agreement. Brock R. Henke, 24, pleaded no contest to substantial battery & burglary as a party to a crime Friday during a hearing before Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge Karen Seifert. In exchange for his plea, charges of intimidating a victim, false imprisonment, first-degree recklessly endangering safety & numerous burglary & theft charges were dismissed & read into the court record. Seifert placed Henke on probation for 5 years & ordered him to serve six months of conditional jail time. According to the criminal complaint, Anthony K. Gazzana, 29, ordered Brock Henke & his brother Justin Henke, 26, to beat up a man at the Zodiac Club, 2824 Fond du Lac Road, on Sept. 6, 2007. The man needed 21 stitches to close chin & lip wounds after he was punched & kicked. The burglary charge stems from a Jan. 23 burglary at Mr. Cinder's. Gazzana pleaded no contest to a charge of substantial battery & guilty to a charge of felony bail jumping last month. He will be sentenced Nov. 4. The Winnebago County reissued substantial battery charges against Justin Henke on Thu. Original charges were dismissed in June because of the length of time it was taking the state crime lab to process evidence. Justin Henke will make his first court appearance on the new charges on Oct. 22.

By three methods we may learn wisdom: first, by reflection, which is noblest; second, by imitation, which is easiest; & third, by experience, which is the most bitter. - Confucius

How Fugitive Nearly Became Vt. Prison Guard - Oct 3, 2008 - *Newport, Vermont* - Four weeks into a 5-week course at the Vermont Corrections Academy, Dept officials learned one of the trainees shouldn't be there, or in Vermont period. Daren Gragg, 31, was about to graduate from the academy & take a job as a guard at the state prison in Newport, where he was living. It turns out he's a fugitive from New Hampshire; a suspected leader of a Derry-based gang, & he was convicted of shooting at a teenager in Manchester. "It was thankfully caught before this person was on their own in a correctional facility," said Rob Hofmann, Vt. Corrections Commissioner. Gragg was caught after photos appeared in the Caledonian-Record newspaper & he was identified. His wife, Toni, who was wanted on drug charges, was also arrested. How could this happen? A fugitive from justice just one week away from becoming a corrections officer. The Corrections Dept says Gragg had assumed an entirely new identity with a new driver's license, social security number, & a new address. He even provided references for the job. And he passed a criminal background check. "This is the first time to our knowledge that someone has gone to this length of creating a fictitious alias to get through the system," Hofmann said. "We also do a national criminal background check, which came up negative." Asked about fingerprinting, Hofmann replied, "Some of our facilities do fingerprints. This one doesn't." Gragg used the name Michael Finney. It's unclear if that identity was stolen or if it was concocted. Officials find three possible reasons why he'd try to pull this off: He was trying to start a new life & new job. He was trying to find a way to sell contraband at the prison. Or, because of his alleged street gang ties, he wanted to establish a gang on the inside. "The value of tobacco or drugs on the inside is quite high & so one could make a substantial amount of money illegally by bringing in drugs," Hofmann said. "Gangs are looking to infiltrate law enforcement & corrections."

Man pleads guilty to killing Hell's Angel Gerry Tobin - Oct 3, 2008 - *United Kingdom* - By Russell Jenkins - A man faces a life sentence after he pleaded guilty to shooting dead a biker who was riding home from a Hell's Angels festival. Sean Creighton, 44, from Coventry, had been due to go on trial at Birmingham Crown Court for killing Gerry Tobin, a 35-year-old mechanic, but altered his plea to guilty. The trial of 6 other men for the murder of Mr Tobin, who was killed on the M40 motorway near Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, on Aug 12 last year, is due to start on Mon. Tobin, from Mottingham, southeast London, was shot in the back of the head as he returned home from the Bulldog Bash biker festival at Long Marston airfield in Warwickshire. More than 100 Hells Angels, some wearing denim & leather jackets emblazoned with the outlaws insignia, descended on the court last week. Some wore masks & one hid his face behind sunglasses & beneath a hoodie & black bowler hat. Creighton, who also admitted two firearms charges, has been remanded in custody & will be sentenced at the end of the trial, which is expected to last for up to six weeks. His change of plea could not be reported until the trial judge, Justice Treacy, lifted the legal restrictions. After a jury was sworn in the judge warned them not to begin conducting their own investigations into the killing of Tobin. During the selection of potential jurors, the judge asked whether any of them had ever been a member of, or knew members of, any organized bikers' group. Prospective jurors were also asked whether they had ever attended the Bulldog Bash bikers' festival or a similar event organized by a group known as the Outlaws.

Troubled Detroit police Crime lab - Oct 4, 2008 - *Michigan* - Worthy is expected to meet with Wayne County Circuit judges today to discuss what she called "appalling findings." "If we have

even one person in prison on evidence that was improperly done, that's a huge problem," Worthy said. "As prosecutors, we completely rely on the findings of police crime lab experts every day in court & we present this information to juries. And when there are failures of this magnitude, there is a ... betrayal of trust." The audit warned that if the error rate holds, "the negative impact on the judicial system would be substantial, with a strong likelihood of wrongful convictions & a valid concern about numerous appeals."

4 Nevada teens arrested - Oct 5, 2008 - *Fallon, Nevada* - Four Nevada high school students have been arrested after one of them refused to adhere to the dress code. Churchill County High School Principal Robbin Pedrett says a 17-year-old refused to turn over his bandana to a staff member Friday. Officials say the student turned aggressive when a police officer asked for the article. Three other students stepped in & were arrested on suspicion of interference with a public officer. The 17-year-old was charged with resisting arrest & assault on a peace officer. The school was locked down for more than an hour.

Hells Angels likely regrouping - Oct 5, 2008 - *Canada* - Manitoba's Hells Angels chapter is down but not out in the wake of two elaborate undercover police stings that jailed several members or associates & has others awaiting trial. The double-whammy of projects Defence & Drill -- targeting drug trafficking & other crimes -- was a considerable hit to local members & associates of the world's most notorious biker gang. "They've pulled in their horns a bit. They're obviously licking their wounds, but they haven't stopped," said Staff Sgt. Mike McTaggart of the Winnipeg RCMP criminal intelligence section. "Will they resurrect? Without a doubt. There's always people who want to join the Angels." In all, 31 people were arrested in Project Defence in Feb 2006 & Project Drill last Dec.

Ride to Gettysburg raises \$11,500 - Oct 6, 2008 - *Pennsylvania* - The Alliance of Bikers Aimed Toward Education raised approximately \$11,500 for PA monuments at Gettysburg & the historic Daniel Lady Farm during its annual ride this year. ABATE of PA held its ride Sept. 27. More than 100 motorcycles & 157 participants from around the state braved the wet weather to ride from Harrisburg to Battlefield H-D in Gettysburg. The money raised included a \$1,500 contribution from Jennifer & Dave LeVan of Battlefield H-D. To date, the annual Ride to Gettysburg has raised more than \$75,000. Police Depts along the route escorted the ride. The Operation God Bless America Color Guard led the parade, followed by the parade marshal, state Supreme Court Justice Seamus McCaffery & former House member Teresa Forcier. The group was joined in Gettysburg by state Rep. Dan Moul. This year's ride was dedicated to Lt. Gov. Catherine Baker Knoll, a strong supporter of the Gettysburg effort, but unable to lead the ride because of illness.

Muldoon lived alone in the Irish countryside with only a pet dog for company. One day the dog died, & Muldoon went to the parish priest & asked, 'Father, my dog is dead. Could ya' be saying' a Mass for the poor creature?' Father Patrick replied, 'I'm afraid not; we cannot have services for an animal in the church. But there are some Baptists down the lane, & there's no tellin' what they believe. Maybe they'll do something for the creature.' Muldoon said, 'I'll go right away Father. Do ya think \$5,000 is enough to donate to them for the service?' Father Patrick exclaimed, 'Sweet Mary, Mother of Jesus! Why didn't ya tell me the dog was Catholic?'

1 biker dies during last night of Myrtle Beach rally - Oct 6, 2008 – *South Carolina* - By Mike Cherney - An N.C. motorcycle rider became the 1st fatality on Myrtle Beach roads during the area's fall bike rally after his bike collided with a car over the weekend, marking the end of an event that LEOs said otherwise went smoothly. Clarence Potter, 59, of Kenansville - about 60 miles northwest of Wilmington - died early Sun morning. The effort, bikers & vendors said, meant fewer people came to the area for this year's event. Kevin O'Brien, who drove up from Charleston for the rally, was disappointed. "The May rally was good, but there's not many people out here at all." Myrtle Beach police held 2 checkpoints during the event, and, on Sat, one at Farrow Parkway became the site of a biker protest against the new laws, which include decibel limits for bikes. "Obviously, we're happy that there weren't more fatalities," said Sgt. John Bertang of the Myrtle Beach PD. "Considering the amount of people & how many bikes were in town, there were a relatively low number of collisions." Bruce Kligman, the owner of Klig's Kites, found his own way to protest the new laws at the vendor booth he set up at Broadway at the Beach. A toy rat was caught in a mousetrap, mechanically writhing next to a sign that said: "Myrtle Beach City Council." Kligman said business was relatively good this year, despite worries that the city's new laws would discourage bikers from attending the rally & decrease sales. "Everybody was concerned with what was going on," he said. "I think it's crazy to chase money out of this town."

High-tech ID cards at ports - Oct 6, 2008 - *Maryland* - By Brian R. Ballou - Devices aid security at sensitive areas - New England's ports will become the first in the nation to phase in high-tech identification cards for port workers, adding another layer of security to areas once considered this country's most vulnerable to terrorism. "The concept itself provides a great level of assurance that the people who have unescorted access to our ports have met Fed standards," said George Naccara, the Boston-based Fed security director for the Transportation & Security Administration. Those standards include an extensive background check carried out by the TSA. While the Transportation Worker Identification Credential card is in use in ports in Louisiana, Florida, & other parts of the country, New England's ports have the earliest compliance deadline, Oct. 15. Beginning that date, workers who don't carry the card will either be turned away or escorted to their destinations, officials with the TSA & the Massachusetts Port Authority said last week. The scannable card serves as proof that a background check has been performed & it contains features aimed at preventing misuse. In addition to a photograph, the card contains a smart chip that carries a copy of the holder's fingerprint. Port & delivery workers, cargo handlers, & other employees who must venture into sensitive or secure areas will be required to submit to a fingerprint scan before entering those locations. The scanning machine will automatically perform a match analysis with the fingerprint embedded in the smart chip. But it may take several months before the scanning system is operational at the region's ports, cruise terminals, & other coastline facilities such as scrap metal yards. Naccara said the TSA, an agency under the Dept of Homeland Security, is working to get the system operational across the country by April 15, the national compliance deadline. The cards cost \$132.50, a fee that in most cases will be paid by the employer, Naccara said. Jim McNamara, spokesman for the International Longshoremen's Association, which represents about 45,000 cargo loaders & other port workers from Maine to Texas, said concerns raised by union workers about the cards have been "hammered out" in talks with Homeland Security officials. We wanted "to make sure that there was a limit in the number of years that the background checks

would involve, that someone would not be barred from working at a port because of something they did 20 years ago in college, like a DUI," McNamara said. "We also wanted to make sure there was a fair appeal process if someone was denied, & that the background searches would not be used to target certain people."

Biker's death result of gang rivalry, court hears – Oct 6, 2008 – *United Kingdom* - A Canadian biker, who was a member of the Hells Angels, appears to have been killed as a result of a gang rivalry, a British court heard Monday. Gerry Tobin, 35, was riding from a Hells Angels-sponsored festival in a motorcycle convoy on the M40 motorway, about 200 kilometres north of London, when he was shot in the back of the neck in August 2007. The murder trial began in the Birmingham Crown Court on Monday. Tobin was gunned down by a revolver shot that was fired from a vehicle that was travelling at about 144 kilometres per hour, the court heard. The car allegedly used during the shooting was later found burnt-out farther down the highway. "The incident was, you may come to think, thoroughly ruthless, executed with great skill, precision & great timing & ultimately the product of a great deal of planning & attention to detail," Crown attorney Timothy Raggatt said, according to the Birmingham Mail. Tobin was a senior member of a London-based chapter of the Hells Angels but was a hardworking man with no criminal record, the court heard, according to BBC News. In his opening statement, Raggatt told the court the death may have been a result of a gang rivalry between the Hells Angels & the Outlaws. The seven men allegedly connected to Tobin's death make up the entire membership of the South Warwickshire chapter of the Outlaws, the court heard. There may have been a dispute about whether the festival Tobin was attending was occurring in Outlaw territory, Raggatt told the court. There is no evidence that any of the man charged in the shooting knew Tobin, Raggatt said. Tobin was not "targeted for who he was but because of what he was," Raggatt said, according to the Birmingham Mail. Six of the men have pleaded not guilty to firearms & murder charges. A seventh man, Sean Creighton, pleaded guilty to the shooting death of Tobin as well as firearms charges. Tobin, who was born in London, immigrated to Canada at the age of two & settled with his family in Calgary. He returned to Britain about 10 years ago & lived in Mottingham, southwest of London, where he worked as a mechanic at a H-D dealership. The trial is ongoing.

No sex since 1957: A crusty old Marine Sergeant Major found himself at a gala event hosted by a local liberal arts college. There was no shortage of extremely young, idealistic ladies in attendance, one of whom approached the Sergeant Major for conversation. "Excuse me, Sergeant Major, but you seem to be a very serious man. Is something bothering you?" "Negative, ma'am. Just serious by nature." "The young lady looked at his awards & decorations & said, "It looks like you have seen a lot of action." "Yes, ma'am, a lot of action." The young lady, tiring of trying to start up a conversation, said, "You know, you should lighten up a little. Relax & enjoy yourself." The Sergeant Major just stared at her in his serious manner. Finally the young lady said, "You know, I hope you don't take this the wrong way, but when is the last time you had sex?" "1957, ma'am." "Well, there you are. You really need to chill out & quit taking everything so seriously! I mean, no sex since 1957! She took his hand & led him to a private room where she proceeded to "relax" him several times. Afterwards, panting for breath, she leaned against his bare chest & said, "Wow, you sure didn't forget much since 1957!" The Sergeant Major, glancing at his watch, said in his matter-of-fact voice, "I hope not, it's only 2130 now."

Man accused of killing Hells Angels leader arrested – Oct 7, 2008 – *Oklahoma/California* - By Tim Hudson - A 37-year-old man wanted in connection with the murder of a Hells Angels leader has turned himself in to Bartlesville police. Christopher Ablett of Modesto, Calif., surrendered to police Sunday afternoon, Police Chief Tom Holland told the Examiner-Enterprise earlier today. “Ablett showed up at the police Dept, said to dispatchers, ‘I am not armed but I am a fugitive & I’m here to surrender, so if you could call some officer in to take me into custody,’” Holland said. Two officers responded & Ablett reportedly told them the same thing. “He was then frisked & found to have no weapons,” Holland said. Holland said a short time later authorities realized who they had in custody. Ablett has been wanted in California in connection with the slaying of 46-year-old Hells Angels leader, Mark “Papa” Guardado, who was shot outside a San Francisco bar on Sept 2. Police have not said what the motive for the killing may have been but note that Ablett was a member of a rival gang, Mongols MC. According to AP, the Mongols & Hells Angels have a long-standing feud that erupted in an April 2002 fight at a casino in Nevada. The fight resulted in the deaths of 3 bikers & injured numerous others. “When we contacted San Francisco police, they indicated that they were interested in coming to get him this week,” Holland said. “Ablett refused to speak to detectives, (and) said he would take the 5th if he were questioned.” Holland said Ablett wouldn’t say how he got to the police Dept, but police believe someone drove him there. “We know he was dropped off,” said Holland. When asked if Ablett had been staying with area Mongols, Holland said, “We don’t have a clue who he was with, he’s not talking.” Holland said police have transferred Ablett to a “more secure facility.” “We have had no threats or indications that there will be any problem,” he said. He said he thinks Ablett will be transported to California quickly. “He was at all times courteous & cooperative,” Holland said. Ablett is being held on \$5 million fugitive of justice warrant.

Suspect in Hells Angels killing gave up – Oct 7, 2008 – *Oklahoma* - It was Sunday afternoon in Bartlesville, OK; population 35,000 - when a disheveled man with a tattooed neck walked into the police station & pressed the buzzer to summon a dispatcher. “He said, ‘I am not armed, but I am a fugitive & I’d like to turn myself in,’” recalled Bartlesville Police Chief Tom Holland. “Actually, nice young guy; conducted himself very politely with us.” The man would not say why he was wanted. But the Bartlesville police were quickly able to establish that he was Christopher Ablett, 37, an alleged member of the Mongols Motorcycle Club sought in San Francisco on charges that he killed Mark “Papa” Guardado, the head of the Hells Angels’ “Frisco” chapter. Holland said today that he had run Ablett through the FBI’s National Crime Information Center & quickly linked him to the San Francisco case. “Got a hit out of San Francisco for murder, \$5 million bond,” Holland said. “He said, ‘Yeah, that’s me.’” Bartlesville police confirmed Ablett was unarmed, then photographed him, including a profile shot of his neck tattoo: “MFFA” - initials that stand for, “Mongols Forever, Forever Mongols” - & the figure “1%”. Holland said it was his understanding that Ablett was fighting extradition to California, though neither his court-appointed attorney. Why Ablett would be in Oklahoma - nearly 1,800 miles from San Francisco - is unknown, Holland said. Surveillance video shows a dark-color pickup truck dropping Ablett off at the station, Holland said, but it failed to capture its license plate. Investigators do not know who brought the Mongol to town. “It’s probably going to just remain a mystery,” the chief said.

Bikers Vow Not to Return – Oct 7, 2008 - *South Carolina* - Some motorcycle riders are vowing not to return to Myrtle Beach after protesting a traffic checkpoint set up by police at the latest rally. Former Myrtle Beach mayor Mark McBride wore a sandwich board to protest the checkpoint & called for a compromise between bikers & officials. McBride also said actions such as checkpoints won’t work during May rallies. One man said his friends in Philadelphia won’t visit Myrtle Beach & won’t spend any money there.

Hell Angels boss gets 11-year sentence – Oct 7, 2008 – *Canada* - By Sam Pazzano - The “quarterback” of a Hells Angels drug dealing operation was sentenced today to the equivalent of an 11-year prison sentence. Justice John McMahon imprisoned Ken Wagner, a founding member of the Niagara chapter of Hells Angels, for directing 3 henchmen in delivering cocaine to a police agent, who was a former Oshawa chapter member. “If you’re a member of the Hells Angels acting for the benefit of this criminal organization, you’ll be going to the penitentiary for a long time,” McMahon said in sentencing the burly 43-year-old full-patch member who was sporting a closely-shorn Mohawk haircut in court. Wagner worked under the supervision of Gerald “Skinny” Ward, 60, another founding Niagara chapter member. It is believed to be the first sentence meted out for the offence of directing others for the benefit of a criminal organization in Ontario. The Welland used-car dealer, who had no prior convictions, also forfeited \$150,000 in cash, a H-D motorcycle & his truck. His tax returns showed meagre incomes of about \$20,000 per year in the last few years, but his criminal activity of trafficking almost 90% pure cocaine yielded lucrative returns. “Gerald Ward was no doubt the No. 1, while Wagner quarterbacked the deliveries,” McMahon said. He gave Wagner credit for 4 years & 4 months for pre-trial custody but handed him 6 years & 8 months additional prison time. “This sentence sends a clear message that it doesn’t pay to be a biker & subscribe to a criminal organization. The judge is punishing the bosses,” Crown attorney Tom Andreopolous said. Wagner & Ward are among the last of men snared in “Project Tandem”, a massive 2006 police operation involving 500 officers from 11 forces. Stephen Gault, a former member of the Oshawa Hells Angels, became a police agent who bought the cocaine from bikers, including Wagner or his associates. Wagner’s underlings sold four kilograms of cocaine in 5 deals to Gault - totaling \$156,400 plus a Harley - & a handgun between Aug 2005 & Aug 2006. Project Tandem targeted chapters in Oshawa, Windsor & Niagara regions. The total street value of the drugs seized in the operation was approximately \$3 million, including 2 kilograms of pure crystal meth, 10 kilograms of cocaine, 50,000 Ecstasy pills, 8 kilograms of marijuana & one kilogram of hashish. Twenty four people were charged, 15 of them members of Hells Angels. The most serious offenders were sentenced to the equivalent of 5- to 8-year prison terms before Wagner’s sentence today.

Bikers pose no threat – Oct 7, 2008 – *Canada* - By Chris Kitching - A new Rock Machine MC whose members turned up in Manitoba has no connection to the defunct group that waged a deadly war with the Hells Angels in Quebec, top gang experts say. RCMP Sgt. Mike McTaggart said the Rock Machine’s Canadian chapter was formed by ex-Bandidos but isn’t considered a threat right now because it’s not large or organized enough. “We believe they’re in their initial start-up stages,” said McTaggart, a member of the Winnipeg RCMP criminal intelligence section.

If we ever forget that we’re one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under. - Ronald Reagan

Living in Hells' shadow – Oct 7, 2008 - *Canada* – By Rob Lamberti - Fearful witness helped put 6 outlaw bikers behind bars. Sylvain helped shut down the Hells Angels chapter in Thunder Bay. But the man, who didn't want his full name used to protect himself, says he has nothing to show for being a police agent who helped close down the clubhouse. He's now relocated somewhere in Canada under Ontario's witness protection program. "To be honest, right now at this moment, I'm shaky, I'm a bit scared. In fact, right now, I'm a lot scared," Sylvain says. He says he received about \$300,000 for working with the Biker Enforcement Unit in Project Husky, a two-year probe that ended in 2006 & arrested six members, 21 of their associates & shut down an alleged \$2.3-million drug distribution network that linked Ontario, Quebec & Alberta. Prison terms ranged from 4 months to 6 1/2 years for a wide range of offences. The man who made it happen, Sylvain, has little left after buying vehicles for his work as a driver & says his cover has been blown. Everyone in the small undisclosed town he's living in knows he worked for the police & are too scared to hire him. He turned down the program's last offer to relocate him, covering expenses & \$29 a day for six months. "You think I made something? I made (nothing)," he says. He wants a better deal & police are threatening to cut him off now that he's spoken to the Sun. Sylvain was urged to go to police by an ex-girlfriend after he got himself jammed with the Italian mob in Montreal. The rig driver admits to bringing in large loads of cocaine in tractor-trailer shipments from Miami, including one of 200 kilos in the 1990s, sins that police are aware of, he says. He says he was wrongly accused of taking four kilos by his underworld bosses & was beaten savagely. "The first beating I had was just practice," he says. Sylvain was later targeted with death & while in New Jersey hiding from the mob, he turned to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, who in turn set up a meeting with the RCMP in Miami. What Sylvain wants now since he's too well known in Canada is to move to the U.S., hopefully to work for American law enforcement. But the only recent job offer he got from police was another attempt at the Hells in Canada, who now know what he looks like. "You can change your name as much as you want to, but you can never change my face," Sylvain says. In Project Husky, the truck driver provided what police dubbed the "Trojan Horse," a tractor-trailer used on the gang's runs & advertised a motorcycle shop. Since then, Sylvain has been on the move. His first relocation was a bug-infested fishermen's shed "and they moved me to another place, & then another place. At that time, I could not work or nothing because they were changing the name & the SIN number. "How can you go to work if you don't have a SIN number? At the last relocation, the RCMP wanted me to work for them somewhere in the country. When I got there, it was to work the Hells Angels again. I cannot work the Hells Angels in the same country," Sylvain says. In July, he says he befriended a man who stayed at Sylvain's home. The friend, he says, is a Hells hang-around from Quebec. "I didn't know at the time, I let him stay at my house for a few days & this is where I found out what he was," Sylvain says. "When I informed the BEU, they made a threat assessment right away." The emotional strain hit then when the man who finally was able to build up a new family, had to give them up & start over. "So the man I called dad & the guys I called brothers, the RCMP told them they are not going to see me ever (again), that I was working for them & I did an excellent job," he said. "They put me in a motel & then they wanted to move me" to a place in Canada with chronic high unemployment. Sylvain admits to being hard to handle. As an agent, he did what he believed was right rather than what the cops told him, making for a rocky relationship. The program is not meant to be a permanent

source of income. Crawley says it doesn't provide rewards or benefits in return for testimony, but covers expenses involved in moving, rent, utilities, food, education or upgrading job skills, medical expenses, security systems & changing identities. "The goal of the program is to help people relocate, get re-established & get on with the rest of their lives."

Biker Gerry Tobin shot in "military style operation" – Oct 7, 2008 – *United Kingdom* - A Motorcyclist was shot dead by a revolver fired from a car as he sped along a Midland motorway in a "military style operation," a court heard today. Gerry Tobin, aged 35, who died in a split second was "targeted" not because of who he was but because of what he represented, it has been alleged. Timothy Raggatt, prosecuting at Birmingham Crown Court, said the incident happened on a sunny Sun afternoon, Aug 12 last year, on the M40 near Warwick Services. "The incident was, you may come to think, thoroughly ruthless, executed with great skill, precision & great timing & ultimately the product of a great deal of planning & attention to detail," he said. "That incident was the shooting of a man called Gerry Tobin. He was shot dead that afternoon by a single shot fired at him." Raggatt said the shot was fired from a moving vehicle travelling at something like 88 to 90 mph which had approached the victim, who was riding in convoy with two other motorcyclists, from behind. He said that a second shot had also been fired at the motorcyclist as "insurance" which hit his mud guard & was designed to make him fall off his machine. Raggatt said the car containing Tobin's killers carried on for a short while along the motorway before turning off towards Coventry & that those involved were careful to dispose of incriminating evidence including guns & vehicle itself which was burnt out. He said those who planned the victim's death were complete strangers to him & that there was no personal motive involved in the killing. "This was a man who was targeted, not because of who he was but because of what he was. You may come to the view that in one sense Gerry Tobin was a random victim." he said

Hells Angel Gerry Tobin 'killed by strangers in biker turf war' – Oct 7, 2008 – *United Kingdom* - A mechanic who was murdered on the M40 as he rode home at 90mph from a biker festival last summer was shot for being in the "wrong" motorcycle gang, a court heard today. Gerry Tobin, a member of the Hells Angels, was killed by a single bullet to the head as he rode his H-D home after the Bulldog Bash in Warwickshire. Birmingham Crown Court was told today that the men responsible for his murder had no personal animosity for Mr Tobin & had never met him. Timothy Raggatt QC, prosecuting, said that the shooting was carried out because the rival Outlaws motorcycle gang felt Tobin was riding through their territory. "This wasn't a case of a man being killed for any personal motive or any personal reason," Raggatt told the jury. "This was a man who was targeted not because of who he was, but because of what he was. In one sense, Gerry Tobin was a random victim. Gerard Michael Tobin, who was shot dead on the M40 in Warwickshire on Sun afternoon as he left the motorcycle festival, Bulldog Bash.

During chemo, you're more tired than you've ever been. It's like a cloud passing over the sun, & suddenly you're out. You don't know how you'll answer the door when your groceries are delivered. But you also find that you're stronger than you've ever been. You're clear. Your mortality is at optimal distance, not up so close that it obscures everything else, but close enough to give you depth perception. Previously, it has taken you weeks, months, or years to discover the meaning of an experience. Now it's instantaneous. - Melissa Bank

Bikie control powers sought – Oct 7, 2008 – *Australia* - Police want to shackle bikie gangs with control orders limiting their movements & communications. They also want to force bikie crime figures to regularly disclose their financial interests for up to 15 years. Australian Crime Commission chief Alistair Milroy told the Herald Sun the powers would help fight the rising bikie threat. “By constantly tracking their wealth & assets, law enforcement would be able to identify quickly & investigate unexplained wealth,” he said. The ACC has appealed for the hardline powers through a Fed parliamentary committee on organised crime. It comes as Melbourne’s bikie gang war heats up. A Preston man, 41, was shot in the leg outside the Bandidos’ Sunshine clubhouse on Mon. Armed Crime Taskforce detectives are investigating. Shares restrained from bikie gangs & other crime groups have topped \$20 million in Victoria alone in recent years. The ACC wants British-style serious crime prevention orders, which allow a court to limit a person or an association’s business dealings, working arrangements & communications for up to 5 years. The orders can also dictate whether a person is allowed on particular premises, such as a bikie clubhouse or nightclub. The ACC is also lobbying for financial control orders on those convicted of organised crime-related offences such as people trafficking, money laundering & drug running. The orders force a person or group to lodge returns showing their property holdings & income sources. If they appear to be living an extravagant lifestyle beyond their disclosed means, the luxury items would be seized. “Outlaw motorcycle gang members continue to represent a significant criminal threat to Australia,” Milroy said. Liberty Victoria vice-president Michael Pearce compared the proposal with anti-terrorism laws. “The potential for abuse of these sorts of powers we’ve already seen, & they need to be curtailed rather than extended,” he said. “If current laws restraining their activities are not effective perhaps it’s because police are not using them properly.”

Vets support lost Digger - Oct 7, 2008 – *Australia* - A Brisbane Vietnam veterans club has vowed to help bring home the belongings of a holidaying Digger feared taken by a crocodile north of Cooktown. Vietnam Veterans MC Queensland Chapter committee member Steve Rojek said Arthur Booker, who served in the army’s 1st Armoured Regiment in Vietnam from 1968 to 1969, did not belong to the club but members were determined to help. “Some of the blokes knew him & they are trying to contact the family about helping to bring their stuff home,” Rojek said. “If necessary, we’ll organize someone to go up there & bring it all home.” Booker’s neighbor in the Brisbane suburb of Carbrook, Don Cairns, said the Bookers had only left their Cooberrie St home a few weeks ago. “They often went off on trips around Australia. Last year they went to Alice Springs,” said Cairns, who has lived next door to the couple for 3 years. “This time they were just going to play it by ear.” Cairns described the Bookers as “very friendly, nice” people who loved caravanning & the outdoors. The couple were also social club members at the Beenleigh Bowls & Recreation Club. David Manning, president of the Bribie Island Vietnam Veterans Association sub-branch of which Mr Booker was a member, was shocked at the news of his disappearance. “It’s terrible to think that he was over (in Vietnam) as a young man, dodging bullets & then he gets taken by a croc,” Manning said. “How sad is that?”

Gang wants three HA supporters – Oct 7, 2008 – *Denmark* - The leader of one of the larger groups in gangland demands punishment & blood money to stop the current conflict with the Hells Angels. The gang warfare between the Hells Angels & immigrant gangs has taken a surprising turn. The leader of Den

Internationale Klub (The International Club) has demanded that the Hells Angels hands over three members of its support group, & provides financial compensation. Den Internationale Klub’s Leader Danny Abdallah has demanded that the three named members of the AK81 group be handed over for punishment, & that the Hells Angels pays four million kroner in blood money for the death of 19-year-old Osman Nuri Dogan who was killed outside a pizza bar in Aug. The killing caused a heated armed conflict to erupt between the Hells Angels & immigrant gangs. A member of the AK81 group, which is a support group for the Hells Angels, has been charged with the killing but police have not had enough evidence to have him jailed. “What I’m saying is that we can find a solution. The Hells Angels must hand over the three people who were involved in killing Osman. Over & above that they must pay four million kroner in damages to Osmand’s family. That is hardly a big sum for a club such as Hells Angels,” Danny Abdallah told B.T. “If you do something like that, you have to pay for it,” he says.

Second Season of Sons of Anarchy – Oct 7, 2008 – *California* - FX has decided to keep the motor of its new bad-boy biker drama Sons of Anarchy running for a second season. The Fox 21- & FX-produced series received a 13-episode second season order Monday after only the first five episodes of its current run. During those five weeks, the newbie drama has averaged 5.4 million viewers weekly & 3.5 million adults 18-49, making it FX’s most successful series since Rescue Me. The show’s success is no doubt a relief to the FX execs who are soon bidding adieu to the The Shield, the series that put the network’s original programming on the map. “It’s incredibly gratifying to everyone at FX [that The Shield’s] audience has embraced Sons of Anarchy & made it a success,” John Landgraf, pres & general Manager of FX Networks, said in a statement. The remaining eight episodes of Son of Anarchy’s first season air each Wed night at 10 pm until Nov. 26. Are you excited for more leather-clad biker action?

‘Bra Bandit’ strikes again – Oct 7, 2008 – *Florida* - There’s a bra bandit on the loose in southwest Florida. The Lee County Sheriff’s Office was searching for an individual they say stole 160 bras valued at nearly \$6,000 on Thursday from a Victoria Secret store, the latest in a string of bra burglaries in the area. Since Feb, authorities say 452 bras valued at nearly \$19,000 have been stolen from 2 of the chain’s southwest Florida locations. Six different bra thefts at the stores have been reported during that time. Investigators said a female customer walked into the store Thursday & immediately went to a four-drawer cabinet with new bras of the PINK brand name. The store manager told deputies the woman waited until employees were busy helping customers & then thrust the bras into a bag & exited the store.

State witness list for Custer gunfight - Oct 8, 2008 – *South Dakota* - Prosecutors have listed more than 200 potential witnesses in the upcoming trial of 2 Hells Angels bikers charged with injuring 6 rivals in a 2006 gunfight. Chad Wilson of Lynnwood, Wash., & John Midmore, of Valparaiso, Ind., are to stand trial Nov. 3 in Sioux Falls on five counts of attempted 1st-degree murder & one count of commission of a felony while armed. The 5 Outlaws MC members who were shot & wounded are: Thomas Hass, Al Mathews, Danny Neace, Claudia Wables & Susan Evans-Martin. Another woman, Crystal Schuster, suffered injuries unrelated to a gunshot. The shooting happened Aug. 8, 2006, at Legion Lake Resort in Custer State Park, where the Outlaws gathered for the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally 70 miles away.

Beware of the enemy from within!!!

Man Riding Motorcycle Shot, Killed on 210 Freeway – Oct 8, 2008 – *California* - Fox 11 News - A motorcycle crashed on a freeway connector road in La Canada Flintridge Wed, & the rider, who appears to have been shot, was killed, according to reports from the scene. Los Angeles County firefighters were dispatched around 2 a.m. in response to a call reporting a shooting on the connector road linking the eastbound Foothill (210) Freeway to the southbound Glendale (2) Freeway, a Los Angeles County Fire Dept dispatch supervisor said. The Glendale Fire Dept also responded, the supervisor said. Firefighters & California HP officers at the scene discovered the motorcycle in the bushes alongside the connector road & its deceased rider nearby, a video crew reported. Also at the scene was a shirtless motorcyclist with a large tattoo on his back that said “Mongols” -- likely referring to the Mongols MC, a motorcycle gang founded in Montebello in the 1970s. CHP Officer David Porter said the connector road would be shut down until at least 6:30 a.m. while deputies from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept's Crescenta Valley Station conduct an investigation. Neither fire or LEOs immediately commented on the status of the rider of the downed motorcycle.

Motorcyclist Killed in SoCal – Oct 8, 2008 – *California* – KTLA News - A motorcyclist was killed this morning along a major freeway connector road in a possible gang-related shooting, authorities said. Firefighters & California HP officers at the scene discovered the motorcycle in bushes alongside the road & its deceased rider nearby. Lorenz said the victim is associated with the Mongols MC -- a motorcycle gang founded in Montebello in the 1970s. “We don't know if, in fact, the gang affiliation has anything to do with the situation,” Lorenz said (Glendale PD). Other members who were riding with the victim at the time of the shooting were cooperating with police. Police said they know the victim's identity; however, they were not releasing that information at this time. No arrests have been reported.

Motorcyclist Killed in Mystery Freeway Shooting – Oct 8, 2008 – *California* - Was the early morning death of a motorcyclist in California gang related? Or was he just an innocent biker caught up in a horrible act? That's what investigators are trying to figure out. But the unidentified biker was the only one to go down, his motorcycle veering off the road & crashing into nearby bushes. His body was discovered a few feet away. Officers investigating the death believe it's possible that the man was targeted by a gang because of his association with the Mongols MC. His cause of death is also a mystery. Detectives are still not sure whether he died of a gunshot wound or if he was distracted by the shots & lost control of his bike.

Motorcycle club denied rezoning – Oct 8, 2008 – *North Carolina* - The Granville County Commission majority on Monday eve-ning approved an August Planning Board recommendation rejecting a rezoning request by members of the Intimidator Bike Club. The organization wanted to use a former country store at 2080 U.S. 158 in the western part of the county as a meeting place. And organizers cited the association's goodwill mission in participating in a wide range of civic-related & volunteer activities. The club asked for the site to be reclassified as a highway business so the members could meet in the building. Most of the land is classified as a neighborhood business for what had been the former Tommy Huff store. And there were problems with the rezoning request in August anyway. The land, at just over three-quarters of an acre, includes the former store & a piece of property zoned agricultural-residential for an adjoining residence. The minimum lot size for a neighborhood businesses or a highway business is just over nine-tenths of an acre. During

Monday eve-ning's County Commission meeting, property owner Joe Jensen of Roanoke Rapids approached the panel after saying he received a call from the club asking him to represent them. Jensen said he did research & learned he could legally have a store with gasoline pumps – with unsightly exterior storage tanks – & run the risk of flammable liquid on sight – along with cash in the building, creating the possibility of crime. And Jensen recalled that when he bought the property, there were a pair of 1,500-gallon storage tanks in deplorable condition, with a 250-gallon kerosene tank in front of the building, plus a fractured overhead sign & tires all over the ground.

ABATE Of CA, Inc. – Oct 8, 2008 – *California* – By Tim Tennimon, Executive Director - ABATE of California Inc., is resolute in our commitment to move forward & stand strong in the motorcycle rights movement. With mounting pressure from state & federal agencies we are facing motorcycle smog laws, low noise ordinances, a motorcycle safety summit that is working in conjunction with the CHP & NHTSA to impose more restrictions on riding your motorcycle, helmet laws & cities that want to limit gatherings by motorcyclists. In order to strengthen our position we are committed to working with all MRO's including NCOM, MRF, AMA, MMA & any state motorcycle rights organizations that strengthens our lobby on legislative issues & on motorcycle safety. Our united front with these other MRO's make us better prepared to attack issues on a broader scope by having access to legal assistance, promoting the sharing of information among the SMROs & different groups, supporting & increasing political & legal effectiveness through free assistance with legislative strategy, safety projects, public awareness, information updates & assistance in both the legislative & judicial arenas. We are proud of our alliance with these organizations & look forward to the success that this collective effort is sure to bring.

Bikers describe motorway shooting – Oct 8, 2008 – *United Kingdom* - Two men travelling with a biker who was shot dead on a motorway as he rode home from a festival have described how they saw a weapon being pointed from a car. Gerry Tobin, 35, was killed while riding in Warwickshire in Aug last year. Prosecutors allege Tobin, a Hells Angel, was killed by members of a rival gang, the Outlaws. Six men deny murder & firearms charges. A seventh has admitted murder. Pawel Lec, speaking through a Polish interpreter, told Birmingham Crown Court he moved into the middle lane to allow a speeding Rover car to pass. “I thought it was some kind of joke or something” Witness Marcin Cichocki “I saw hands holding a pistol or some other kind of weapon. “There were two shots fired...the car drove off & it looked like nothing had happened to Gerry.” Two or three seconds later, he saw Tobin let go of his bike handles & fall underneath Lec's bike. The shots were fired one after another, with a short time lapse & from a weapon being held by two hands, he added. His pillion passenger Marcin Cichocki said he noticed the car even out its speed alongside Tobin. “From the left-hand side window a hand appeared holding what looked like a weapon. “I am not 100% sure but I think he made some small movements with his hand - I thought it was some kind of joke or something,” he said through an interpreter. He then described how the hand went back into the car & Mr Tobin fell to the ground. The full addresses of the defendants, who are from Coventry, Nuneaton & Milton Keynes, cannot be published for legal reasons. Sean Creighton, 44, of Coventry, has admitted murder & firearms offences & will be sentenced later.

Never attribute to malice that which can be adequately explained by stupidity. - Robert Heinlein

Non-Partisan thinking – Oct 8, 2008 – *USA* - A President's pension currently is \$191,300 per year, until he is 80 years old. Assuming the next president lives to age 80. Sen. McCain would receive ZERO pension as he would reach 80 at the end of two terms as president. Sen. Obama would be retired for 26 years after two terms & would receive \$ 4,973,800 in pension. Therefore it would certainly make economic sense to elect McCain in November. How's that for non partisan thinking???

M40 killers 'waited for victim' – Oct 8, 2008 – *United Kingdom* - The killers of a biker shot dead as he rode home from a festival lay in wait until a target came by, a court has been told. Six men are accused of murdering Gerry Tobin. Tobin, a Hells Angel, was targeted by members of rival gang, the Outlaws. Prosecuting, Timothy Raggatt QC, said Tobin was first spotted by his killers as he rode along the A46, while making his way home from the Bulldog Bash, a Hells Angel festival held in Long Marston, near Stratford-upon-Avon. The car closed up on Tobin & there were 2 shots. The jury was shown CCTV images of a Rover saloon, said to have been used in the shooting, & Raggatt said the car, containing those who killed Tobin, lay in way in a layby for a suitable target to come along. "The evidence shows plainly that the Rover car... had positioned itself quite deliberately & waited in that layby. "They waited until a target came by," he said. The jury also saw records of mobile phone calls made between the alleged killers minutes after Tobin's death. Raggatt said the calls were made to notify gang members that the job was done & they could stand down.

Jury sees photos – Oct 8, 2008 – *Canada* - The jury hearing evidence in the trial of a Hells Angel accused of murdering prison guard Pierre Rondeau was shown crime scene photographs yesterday that illustrated the force & extent of the surprise attack. The photos were taken by Montreal police crime scene technician Robert Schanck after the ambush was carried out the morning of Sept. 8, 1997. Rondeau, at the wheel of a bus used to transport inmates, was on his way to a detention centre. His colleague Robert Corriveau was in a passenger seat. The bus came to a stop on Tricentenaire Blvd. in Pointe aux Trembles at a railway crossing when bullets started flying. Paul Fontaine, 40, is accused of killing Rondeau & attempting to kill Corriveau, who narrowly escaped being hit.

Man weeps at jail term over date-rape drug raid – Oct 8, 2008 – *Canada* – By Peter Small - A Hells Angels associate has been sentenced to six years in prison after police made what is described as Canada's largest seizure of the date rape drug GHB from his garage. Mark Figueiredo, 30, wept as he hugged his wife, sister & niece before he was led away in handcuffs. The Toronto man has no previous criminal record, but he chose to do business with the Hells Angels, found by judges to be a criminal organization, said Ontario Superior Court Justice Ian Nordheimer. The drug GHB has legal purposes, but the fact that Figueiredo dealt with the Hells Angels leads to the inescapable conclusion that the liquid "was not for legitimate or benign" purposes," Nordheimer said. GHB is one of at least three "date rape" drugs that can render victims physically helpless & unable to remember events afterward. Figueiredo pleaded guilty in July to conspiring with 6 other men, 5 alleged to be Hells Angels members, to traffic in 600 litres of GHB, worth \$1.2 million. Police found 350 litres in Figueiredo's garage on Crawford St., in west Toronto, described by prosecutor Hugh O'Connell as the largest seizure of the drug in Canada. Figueiredo was arrested as part of Project Develop, which charged alleged Hells Angels members in April

2007 following a series of police raids across southern Ontario. He is not a Hells Angels member.

Hells Angel charged with smuggling cars – Oct 8, 2008 – *Canada* - A member of the Hells Angels who runs a Niagara Region car dealership was charged today with smuggling high-end cars & trucks from the United States. Timothy Andrew Panetta, 39, of Wainfleet, faces 14 charges, including 3 for uttering forged documents & three for fraud. The charges follow four police raids, including one at 2065 Allanport Rd. in Thorold, at Advantage Auto Sales & Leasing, which Panetta operates. The charges follow a 5-month investigation by the Ontario Provincial Police Auto Theft Team, the Biker Enforcement Unit & the Provincial Organized Crime Enforcement Team. Panetta's arrest comes a day after Kenneth (Wags) Wagner, 43, also of the Niagara Hells Angels chapter, was sentenced to 11 years in prison after he was found guilty of trafficking cocaine & directing others to commit crimes for the benefit of a criminal organization. Gerald (Skinny) Ward, 60, of Welland, the president of the Niagara chapter of the Hells Angels, is in custody awaiting sentencing on drug trafficking charges & charges of directing others to commit crimes for a criminal organization.

Princes Set For African Adventure – Oct 8, 2008 – *United Kingdom* - Princes William & Harry are set to go off-road on a charity motorcycle adventure. The challenging rally later this month lasts eight days & will be no easy ride. Sky News' Royal correspondent Sarah Hughes said it will suit the princes well. "Two years ago Prince William bought a 175 mph superbike & it's understood Prince Harry recently underwent intensive training to gain his licence ahead of the charity ride," she said. "Both of them have been riding motorbikes around their father's Highgrove estate for years. "This trip allows William & Harry to combine three of their greatest passions: charity work, Africa & adventure." A spokesman for Global Enduro who are running the Enduro Africa event said the company was looking forward to riding with royalty. "As they are both in the Armed Forces, I'm sure they will have the grit to get through because it's not easy."

Blonde sues over brown dye – Oct 8, 2008 - A *Connecticut* judge has given the brush-off to a blonde woman's lawsuit claiming L'Oreal Inc. ruined her social life when she accidentally dyed her hair brunette with one of its products. Charlotte Feeney of Stratford says she can never return to her natural blonde hue, a shock that left her so traumatized she needed anti-depressants. She says she suffered headaches & anxiety, missed the attention that blondes receive & had to stay home & wear hats most of the time. A Superior Court judge dismissed Feeney's 2005 lawsuit Monday, saying she never proved her allegation that L'Oreal put brown hair dye in a box labeled as blonde. The company also had disputed the claim.

Court orders new sentence for gang member – Oct 9, 2008 - - *Cincinnati, Ohio* - AP - A Fed appeals court in Cincinnati is ordering a new sentence for a motorcycle gang member convicted of racketeering & taking part in a killing at a Dayton strip club. The Sixth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the conviction of Allen Lawson in a ruling released Thu. But the court says Lawson should be re-sentenced because there was no evidence that he killed another man at Spanky's Dollhouse in Dayton in 2001. Lawson had been sentenced to 19 years in prison. He was 1 of 13 members of the Outlaws MC convicted in 2004 on charges including racketeering & conspiracy to distribute drugs.

Of the four wars in my lifetime, none came about because the U.S. was too strong.' - Ronald Reagan

New leads in motorcyclist shooting – Oct 9, 2008 – *California* - Police are searching for a dark-colored car that may have been involved in the shooting death of a motorcyclist. An autopsy was performed on the victim Thursday, but the results were not available, authorities said. Manuel Vincent Martin, 30, suffered a bullet wound in the chest but had no other major visible injuries, according to Los Angeles County Dept of Coroner spokesman Craig Harvey. Police confirmed Thu that another motorcyclist riding with Martin was wearing a Mongols MC T-shirt. The Mongols, a biker gang that originated in Montebello in the 1970s, has been warring with the Hell's Angels. Gang involvement is being investigated as a possible motive in the slaying, according to Glendale PD Sgt. Tom Lorenz. Several people showed up to the crime scene following the shooting, Lorenz said. "The apparel that they were wearing indicated an association with the Mongols," he said. "There was one individual with a Mongol tattoo." "The Police Department has not ruled out any outlaw biker activity that may have caused this event," he added. The second rider was described as a friend of the victim by police. He called 9-1-1 & attempted to render aid. Police are not releasing the man's name at this time, Lorenz said. Martin's had tattoos "all throughout his body," according to coroners, including "MHM" on one knee & "H13" on his abdomen. Empty shell casings & other evidence was recovered from the scene & is being examined by a forensics team, Lorenz said. Based on evidence, police believe the shooting was done with a handgun.

Oneida County Sheriffs Deputies assist FBI in Hells Angels case – Oct 9, 2008 – *Utica, New York* - By Pat Bailey - Two Oneida County Sheriff's Investigators were honored Thu, for their role in assisting the FBI with the arrest of several Hells Angels members. An FBI official says the investigation started in 2005, when a potential Hells Angels member walked into the FBI office, in Syracuse, saying he had some information they wanted. Three years later five people have been arrested, & lives have been saved. FBI agent Robert DeSantis says a Hells Angels potential member, who was going through the initiation process, became the bureau's best source in cracking down on potential crimes. "In this case this man was a trusted friend, & we were able to get him in the induction process of the Hells Angels club," said DeSantis. The once trusted friend informed the FBI, the group was planning to take out a rival biker group in Fulton. The plan was to shoot as many people as possible at the bar they gathered at. DeSantis said on the day & time of the planned attack about 30 people were at the bar. Aside from that attack, there were more plans, & more group activities the FBI was interested in. For help they called upon the Oneida County Sheriff's Dept, who uncovered some key evidence in what appeared to be regular illegal activity. "They had videotaped what looked like an extortion plan with 2 members of the Hells Angels, which was David Lust & another gentleman," said DeSantis. That video was taken at a 2006 biker night gathering at Sylvan Beach. David Lust, & that other gentleman was Dominick Bonanno, a member of a mafia family in New York City. In all 5 people were arrested & 2 will serve a life sentence. The names of the 2 Sheriff's Investigators, who assisted the FBI, are being withheld by the Dept for their safety. They were recognized Thu during a private ceremony.

Biker-Gang Members Head to Palm Springs – Oct 9, 2008 – *California* - A rash of violence between biker gangs has Palm Springs Police worried. Two members of 2 rival biker gangs have already died. One in San Francisco & 1 in Los Angeles. Now, members of both biker gangs could be in Palm Springs for the annual biker weekend. The city's American Heat Motorcycle

weekend is this weekend. In a few days, hundreds of bikers will fill Palm Canyon. Police plan on adding extra officers & enlisting businesses to help keep the weekend safe. Shops, Restaurants, & Hotels will take part. "The ones that identify themselves with gangs, where they might be staying that sort of thing. So, we keep our offices appraised of that & focus on those areas," says Sgt Mitch Spike, Palm Springs PD. Palm Springs is no stranger to biker violence. In 2005, the event moved away from downtown after a shooting the year before. After a few years of low revenue, the weekend is back in the heart of the city. "Obviously the majority of merchants want it on Palm Canyon & that's why the city council agreed to send it back there," says Palm Springs City Manager David Ready. Police say most who attend the event don't want any trouble. And, they will keep an eye on those who do. "We're aware of it ahead of time & we try & keep it in consideration & address it as it comes," says Sgt Spike. The 3-day event will be held Oct. 10-12 & Palm Canyon Drive.

Bandidos bikie "Uncle Al" member dies – Oct 9, 2008 – *Australia* - A Sydney member of the Bandidos was killed today when he was thrown from his motorcycle in Melbourne. The 47-year-old man was exiting the Hume Highway on to the Western Ring Rd in Melbourne's outer north about 2.40pm when he lost control of his machine, police said. He hit the curb & struck a guard rail, the impact throwing him from the bike, which continued on about 400m down the road, police said. The man died at the scene. Police spoke to other members of the bikie gang who arrived at the scene shortly after the collision. The death takes Victoria's road toll to 245, two more than at the same time last year.

Motorcycle group banned from bar, veterans post after brawl – Oct 10, 2008 – *Tombstone, Arizona* - By Bill Hess; Herald /Review - A group of motorcyclists has been banned from a couple of establishments in this Old West town after disrupting the community last weekend. And the Tombstone Marshal's Office is investigating the incident & considering pursuing charges. R.J. Herrig, co-owner of Crystal Palace Saloon in Tombstone, describes the events leading to the severe beating of 2 men by the Legacy Riders MC last Sat night. Members of the Legacy Riders, a group made up primarily of sons of Vietnam War veterans & some younger veterans, are accused of starting a bar brawl about 11:30 p.m. on Sat night in the Crystal Palace Saloon on historic Allen Street. R.J. Herrig, one of the owners of the bar, said the incident looked like a "bad biker gang movie." The saloon is one of the establishments to ban the Legacy Riders. Two local men in their early 20s who were standing at the bar talking with the waitresses were victims of the fight, Herrig said. In the saloon's 2nd-floor office, he showed security video of the incident. The footage shows the fight from three different angles. Panning on the two young men, whom Tombstone Marshal M.J. Smith identified as Michael Molina & Richard Ramirez, Herrig pointed out a member of the Legacy Riders who was watching the duo. The unidentified biker eventually walked up to the pair & a conversation began. What was said could not be heard because the system does not record sound. One of the victims is seen lowering his head & cupping an ear in his hand as if he was trying to hear what the biker was saying when the assailant struck out at the younger man, hitting him in the side of the face knocking him to the floor. "He was cold-cocked," Herrig said before showing the video. In no time, other bikers began to gather around the pair as fists flew, driving the other victim to the floor. Soon they were being kicked & stomped on. "There were 20 to 30 people beating them," Herrig said. Molina & Ramirez were dragged out of the bar as the confrontation spilled over on to Allen Street. As

members of the biker group left the establishment, they pushed aside an elderly patron & were hitting women, Herrig said. Members of the Cochise Ghost Riders, another motorcycle group, tried to help the two victims, but they too were overwhelmed, he said. In the 6 years he, his mother Kim, & another person have owned the Crystal Palace Saloon, there has never been such a fight in the establishment, Herrig said. "We should have known something might have happened, because there was a small fight Fri night (in the bar)," Herrig remarked, adding that incident also included Legacy Riders. Kim Herrig said she was concerned about the men being beaten. They have always been polite customers. As the two were being dragged outside the establishment, one of them grabbed on to the front door, trying to stop being taken out of the bar, according to what was seen on the video taken by one of the security cameras. The two victims are not bikers. The bar's security man could not stop the event because of the group's size, R.J. Herrig said. When his mother went outside, she saw one of the beaten young men prone in the street, "and I thought Danny was dead," Kim Herrig said. She said she called out for someone to call 9-1-1 after seeing the man wasn't moving & that there was a lot of blood. Ramirez & Molina were taken to a hospital in Tucson, where they were treated & released the next day. Kim Herrig said during Helldorado Days, which is Oct. 17-19, there are many biker clubs that come to Tombstone, & they are usually well behaved. The Herrigs said they are bothered that it appears the Marshal's Office was delayed in responding & that no arrests were immediately made. Smith said the two deputy marshals who went to the scene knew the best thing to do was to diffuse the situation & not start arresting people immediately. Another man, whom the marshal said he only had a first name of "Justin," was hit in the face by a folding baton. Although that man declined medical treatment, he will have to have some facial surgery. Although he has the names of two Tucson men who allegedly assaulted the local residents, Smith said the investigation is continuing & charges of rioting, aggravated assault & other criminal citations are pending. All the hotels & motels in Tombstone have been asked to provide guest lists of those who were from the group, the Tombstone marshal said. The Herald/Review was unable to locate a point of contact for the group. Based on info he has already obtained from other jurisdictions, Smith said this group of Legacy Riders have been banned from some bars in Yuma, & the American Legion post's officers in Tombstone voted Wed to ban the group. Jeff Sweet, the bar manager of American Legion Post 24 in Tombstone, said the bikers had been in the veterans' service organization facility in conjunction with a Vietnam Veterans group & caused problems last week. The marshal said there will be extra security during Helldorado Days. R.J. Herrig said the biker group's sergeant-at-arms failed in his oversight responsibilities & even justified what happened Sat night in the Crystal Palace Saloon by saying the bikers are all brothers & had to protect one another. "30 against 2 isn't protecting one another. That was disgusting," he said.

No victim identified – Oct 11, 2008 – *Texas* - A motorcycle gang member was sentenced Fri to 25 years in prison by the Kerr County jury that earlier convicted him of attempted murder based largely on the defendant's own account of a Feb 24, 07 shooting in Kerrville. Antonio Marquez, 39, told investigators in taped interviews that he shot at an unidentified man after the man pulled a knife on him - & was quickly disarmed - at the Bandidos clubhouse on Water St. Jurors deliberated 4 hours Thu before rejecting self-defense claims & convicting Marquez, & 4 more hours Fri on his punishment. A juror who didn't want to be named said the inability of prosecutors to identify or produce the victim at trial "was not a big issue." Marquez's statements that

he chased the victim & a video of him beating a man at a McDonalds restaurant on another date weighed heavily against him, the juror said. "We wanted to send a strong message that we don't want them here," she said of club members. "We don't want to be scared."

Bandidos bikie gang gets VIP police escort for family weekend

– Oct 11, 2008 - A Motorcycle gang has brought a major city street to standstill as the group arrives in town for the weekend. Traffic was corralled into one lane on City Rd, with a line of cars & trucks crawling along from as far back as the Swan St Bridge to past Southbank. Traffic was also diverted from surrounding streets to allow the smooth arrival of more than 200 members of the Bandidos bikie gang, who have descended on the city this afternoon in a bold show of defiance. Police today revealed the gang will be bringing their wives & children with them for the weekend. Superintendent Steven Lean this morning said police had negotiated with the bikies about their conduct & had arranged a police escort when they arrive. "This is purportedly a family event & they are not looking for trouble from police & they won't be actively visible around the city other than the functions they are going to have," he told 3AW Radio. "We expect that they will observe limits, we expect that they will respect other road users & we expect when they make it to Melbourne they will behave the same way we expect anybody else to behave."

Brumby supports police escort for bikies – Oct 11, 2008 -

Australia - Victorian Premier John Brumby says he supports the Victoria Police decision to escort the Bandidos bikie gang into Melbourne. Around 2.15pm Fri, the West Gate Freeway, one of Melbourne's busiest arterials, emptied to make way for the leather-clad convoy on their national run. The 200-strong bikie mob took a full minute to pass any given point. They were led by a police van, with motorcyclists blocking on-ramps & keeping stray motorists at bay. About 150-200 police officers were involved in the escort operation, having been redirected from suburban & regional areas to Melbourne. Police will work 400 shifts monitoring the bikies. Brumby said the arrangements were up to the police to decide. "It's a matter for Victoria Police & they've made that decision & therefore it's one I support," he said. Brumby also said much tougher standards were in place in the inner city King St district where the bikies will be on Sat.

A must read for Grandparents. At one point during a game, the coach called one of his 9-year-old baseball players aside & asked, 'Do you understand what cooperation is? What a team is?' The little boy nodded in the affirmative. 'Do you understand that what matters is whether we win or lose together as a team?' The little boy nodded yes. 'So,' the coach continued, 'I'm sure you know, when an out is called, you shouldn't argue, curse, attack the umpire, or call him a pecker-head. Do you understand all that?' The little boy nodded again. He continued, 'And when I take you out of the game so another boy gets a chance to play, it's not good sportsmanship to call your coach 'a dumb ass' is it?' Again, the little boy nodded. 'Good,' said the coach. 'Now go over there & explain all that to your grandmother.'

Impossible is just a big word thrown around by small men who find it easier to live in the world they've been given than to explore the power they have to change it.

Some people try to turn back their odometers.

Not me, I want people to know "why" I look this way.

I've traveled a long way & some of the roads weren't paved.

‘Brain fingerprinting’ could be breakthrough in law enforcement – Oct 12, 2008 – *Seattle, Washington* - Science is becoming a more important part of catching a killer or terrorist & keeping the innocent out of jail. A Seattle neuroscientist is leading the way with technology based on a simple fact: your brain can't lie. An odd looking headband, flashing words on a computer screen, & a couple clicks of a mouse could be the secret to putting a murderer behind bars. "It's a game changer in the field of global security," said Dr. Larry Farwell, Chairman of Brain Fingerprinting Labs who developed "brain fingerprinting" - a lie detector test for the 21st century. While polygraph tests rely on emotional responses, brain fingerprinting records how your brain reacts to words & images related to a crime -- ones only the killer would recognize. "If the person was there, they get 'ah ha!' response in the brain waves," he said. "The brain says 'Ah ha!'" And that "ah ha" moment can't be covered up. "This is an involuntary response that happens very quickly; it's not something you can control," he said. Dr. Farwell has worked with the CIA, FBI & law enforcement agencies around the country. His cases include an innocent Iowa man finally freed after 23 years, & a serial killer in Missouri who eventually confessed. Its technology Farwell says is fool proof. And unlike polygraphs, these can be admitted in court. There's still resistance from some law enforcement agencies. "It took some time, it always takes time," Farwell said. "It took time for fingerprints, for DNA & now for brain fingerprinting." But Dr. Farwell says his guarantee will help more people accept it. "I can't beat it, & I invented it." He has even offered \$100,000 to anyone who can fool the system, & so far nobody has.

Police investigate possible bikie shooting – Oct 12, 2008 - *Australia* - Police are investigating what is believed to be a highway shooting involving rival motorcycle gangs in Western Australia. Last week police were notified The Finks motorcycle gang was making a move into WA.

Biker sentenced to 25 years – Oct 13, 2008 – *Texas* -By Caleb Chapman - Kerr County jurors spent a total of 8 hours in deliberation to convict & sentence a Kerrville Bandido motorcycle gang member to 25 years in prison. Antonio Marquez, 39, was found guilty of attempted murder for a Feb 2007 shooting incident at the gang's former clubhouse on Water Street. Marquez fired a gun at a man, who fled the scene & was never located. Despite no identified victim, prosecutors used Marquez's own statements to law enforcement in which he admitted to shooting a man. The defense argued self-defense. During the sentencing phase, jurors were told that Marquez has a history of violent behavior, including multiple assaults that involved Marquez beating victims with a flashlight. Officers from the San Antonio gang unit testified about Marquez's involvement with the Bandidos. Defense attorney Perry Cortese sought probation for Marquez. "This conviction is pivotal for the citizens of Kerr County," said 198th Asst District Atty Amos Barton. "As we grow, our community will have to address the same problems faced by larger cities, but we still have small-town values & big justice." Marquez was arrested for deadly conduct & failure to identify in the early morning hours of Feb. 24, 2007, at the Bandidos clubhouse after the owner of a neighboring business called Kerrville police. The business owner said he witnessed 2 men fire several rounds at a man. According to police, the victim ran away & no one appeared at local hospitals with gunshot wounds. The Bandido clubhouse has since been closed. Marquez was the VP & sergeant at arms of the gang & currently is awaiting trial on San Antonio charges of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver - a 1st-degree felony.

Man charged – Oct 13, 2008 – *Tennessee* – By Tavia D. Green - A Clarksville man was arrested & charged for allegedly threatening two people with a gun on Saturday. Danny Lloyd Hayes, 54, who gave a 1099 Cumberland Heights Road address, was charged with aggravated assault & aggravated domestic assault. Hayes was booked in the Montgomery County Jail on Saturday on a \$100,000 bond. Hayes is identified as being a consultant for the Outlaw Biker Gang. According to arrest warrant, Hayes is accused of pointing a handgun at a victim outside of her home on Yarborough Road at about 5:40 p.m. Sat. Hayes allegedly drove up next to the victim in his car & pointed the gun out the sunroof of the car. The victim ran inside her home & when she came out the gun was pointed at her again. Hayes is also charged with pointing a gun at another victim who was walking down Yarborough Road. The victim ran after seeing the gun, the warrant said.

WA Police Minister concerned over possible bikie war – Oct 13, 2008 - *Australia* - The WA Police Minister Rob Johnson says he is very concerned about the potential for open warfare between bikie gangs in Western Australia. A member of the Finks motorcycle group was shot in the shoulder at Wooroloo, on the outskirts of Perth, yesterday. He remains in hospital under police guard. Police say they are aware of attempts by the South Australian based-Finks gang to set up a chapter in WA. Johnson says he will consider giving police more powers to crack down on the groups. "I certainly believe that should the police need extra laws to be brought in to assist them in fighting against organised bikie gangs then certainly I would be very receptive to listening to what they have to say," he said. The Minister also says he will consider the success of new laws introduced in South Australia, before introducing anything similar here. "If we need to bring in more laws to help our police deal with any organised crime then we will do so," he said. "But certainly I want to keep an eye on what's going on in South Australia, to see how their laws are progressing, to see the outcomes that they have there."

St. Mary's to honor a different Cross - Oct 13, 2008 - *Australia* - By Dylan Welch - The Pope & a Kings Cross bikie may seem an unlikely pair but both will soon have been the centre of attention at Sydney's largest Catholic Church. The funeral for the murdered Kings Cross identity Todd O'Connor will be held in St Mary's Cathedral tomorrow. During World Youth Day, the Pope held a three-hour mass at St Mary's for 3400 pilgrims & priests. Afterwards he lunched with members of the papal entourage at St Mary's Cathedral House. But tomorrow's affair will attract a considerably different crowd, with O'Connor's Kings Cross colleagues - as well as members of bikie clubs such as the Nomads - expected to attend. O'Connor was shot dead during the rugby league grand final on October 6 in a quiet street in Tempe. He was found dead, lying on his back, blood running from his head & a set of car keys in his hand. A one-time strip club bouncer, O'Connor spent more than 2 decades associating with many of the Cross's most colourful identities. He joined the Parramatta chapter of the Nomads MC in the early 2000s but left the club when the chapter disbanded last year. In newspaper funeral notices on Saturday, his family grieved for the 41-year-old father of 3: "You have left us suddenly & broken hearted," it read.

Vampires have their stakes & werewolves have their silver bullets, but there is nothing man has yet devised that can kill a Gov't program. - Bob Krumm

Hand over your guns – Oct 13, 2008 – *Australia* - Gun owners will be asked to hand in illegal, unwanted & unregistered weapons as part of an amnesty proposed by Police Minister Mike Wright in the wake of last week's Gouger St shooting. Wright said yesterday he would raise the plan this week with Police Commissioner Mal Hyde amid calls for tougher action from business owners & victims of crime. A Gov't document obtained by The Advertiser shows police have failed to make a significant dent on gun crime, despite taking thousands of guns off the streets in the past five years. The document, a seven-page briefing prepared by police for Wright in August, shows there have been 1498 crimes against the person – involving shootings, attempted shootings & armed robberies – in the five years to June 30 this year. Yesterday, Wright said while the amnesty was ultimately a decision for the Police Commissioner he wanted to make a “significant dent in the illegal use of firearms here in South Australia”.

Gang recruiter teenagers - Oct 13, 2008 - *Denmark* - Police report that gangs are looking to young teens to 'do their dirty work'. As more shots were fired in the Nørrebro district on Sunday evening, one of the groups involved in the on-going gang dispute is looking to fill its ranks with young people. The Hells Angels biker gang is supported by AK81, standing for *Altid Klar* (Always ready) & the numerical representations of the letters H & A. The support group is recruiting members under the age of 18, contrary to what the Hells Angels posted on their website on Sun.

No body, no weapon, but trial starts in biker's death – Oct 14, 2008 – *Washington* – By Levi Pulkkinen - Don Jessup's killing was a near-perfect crime. Jessup, a 60-year-old motorcycle gang boss, disappeared Dec. 16, 2004, slipping away without notice or explanation. No body was found. No murder weapon. No substantive forensic evidence recovered. Still, on Mon, a King County jury was introduced to John Price, the 37-year-old biker charged with 1st-degree murder. Sheriff's deputies investigating Jessup's disappearance narrowed in on Price following the chance arrest of Jason Rebman, a White Center drug dealer who traded information on Jessup's killing for leniency after being found with 2 ½ pounds of methamphetamine, according to court documents. Rebman connected police with two women who say they were in the Ravensdale home when Price shot Jessup to death over a dispute about a motorcycle. Addressing the jury Monday, Senior Deputy Prosecutor Scott O'Toole focused on a smattering of letters & phone calls Price made to the would-be witnesses against him. In O'Toole's view, the statements -- “I will get off on this whole thing” & “the more your story changes, the better it is for me” -- make the case against Price. While he stopped short of admitting to the killing, Price encouraged the women to lie to investigators & refuse to testify against him. Price, an acknowledged member of the Ghost Riders motorcycle gang, also sent fellow gang members to speak with the witnesses in what prosecutors say was an attempt to silence them. In letters & phone calls, Price subtly asserted that there was no evidence left against him. “Don Jessup's body was never found,” O'Toole told the jury, “just as predicted by the defendant.” In court documents, prosecutors accuse Price of shooting Jessup in the face during an argument at a Ravensdale home where Price was living with his 19-year-old girlfriend. Jessup, a past president of the Gypsy Jokers motorcycle gang, arrived at the home for dinner with Price. During the meal, witnesses told police, Jessup taunted Price by offering to sell Price a motorcycle that had been stolen from the home weeks before. Enraged, Price left & returned with a handgun. Prosecutors say he attacked Jessup with an ax handle, then shot him in the mouth as he sat on the floor. Relaying conversations they'd had with Price, witnesses told King County

sheriff's deputies that two other Ghost Riders gang members helped Price clean the house & dispose of Jessup's body. One of the men, William Renner, has since pleaded guilty to two counts of harassment for threatening & offering a \$500 bribe to one of the witnesses. Making her opening statement, defense attorney Julie Gaisford assailed the state's case against Price as weak. “There is no crime scene. There is no forensic evidence,” Gaisford told the jury. “And, as Mr. O'Toole told you, there is no body in this case.” Gaisford also impugned Rebman, the witness who first connected Price with Jessup's disappearance. Rebman, Gaisford said, came forward only when he was facing a severe penalty for drug possession. Repeatedly referring to him as “the drug dealer Rebman,” Gaisford told the jury he'd also had contact with Jessup shortly before his disappearance. Prosecutors previously objected to defense efforts to include information about Rebman's criminal convictions, as well as crimes to which Jessup was connected. Though he was not charged in either case, Jessup was considered a person of interest in a 2001 Benton County killing, & witnesses in Price's case told the defense that Jessup may have been involved in a second slaying. Price's trial is expected to last three to four weeks. The trial will resume Tuesday at the Norm Maleng Regional Justice Center in Kent.

Biker on trial; murder case – Oct 14, 2008 – *Washington* - By Jennifer Sullivan - A South King County man accused of beating a member of a rival motorcycle club with an ax handle, then shooting him in the face, is on trial for first-degree murder in a case where authorities never found the body of the victim. A South King County man accused of beating a member of a rival motorcycle club with an ax handle & then shooting him in the face is on trial for first-degree murder in a case where authorities never found the body of the victim. John Price, 37, is facing a possible life sentence if convicted of killing Donald Jessup inside a Ravensdale home in December 2004. King County sheriff's deputies say Price believed that Jessup stole his Harley-Davidson & was trying to sell it back to him for \$800. King County Senior Deputy Prosecutor Scott O'Toole said in his opening statement Monday that deputies searched unsuccessfully for DNA & other evidence linking Jessup's slaying to the Ravensdale home. O'Toole said that witnesses heard Price claim to have rolled Jessup up in a rug & buried him “up north.” “Call it what you will, call it retribution,” O'Toole said to the jury at the Norm Maleng Regional Justice Center in Kent. “But call it what it is, murder in the first degree.” In the nearly four years since Jessup disappeared, his family & friends haven't heard from him, O'Toole said. Without physical evidence, O'Toole is relying on the statements of Price's ex-girlfriend & the woman he lived with, who both said they heard a gunshot inside the home on the night of Dec. 19, 2004. O'Toole read to jurors excerpts of letters Price sent his ex-girlfriend from the King County Jail; in many of the letters he asked the woman to lie to authorities about what she knew. Defense attorney Julie Gaisford told jurors that the testimony by many of the witnesses O'Toole plans to present should be discounted because of their drug addictions, criminal histories & anger at Price. “There is nothing of probative value to link John Price with the death of Donald Jessup,” Gaisford said in her opening statement. Channel Ridley, the 23-year-old mother of Price's three children, took the witness stand Monday as the state's key witness. She told deputies that she saw Jessup dead inside the Ravensdale home & heard Price call someone to say that “garbage had to be disposed of.”

Gov't is the great fiction, through which everybody endeavors to live at the expense of everybody else. - Frederic Bastiat, *Essays on Political Economy*, 1872

Guns & drugs found – Oct 14, 2008 – *Denmark* - By Julian Isherwood - A search of the Hells Angels clubhouse on Lindegrens Allé in Amager has turned up a pumpgun, ammunition & drugs. “We found some cannabis & another substance which we are investigating,” a police spokesman said adding that the decision to search the clubhouse came after a patrol found ‘joints’ in a car. Shots As police were about to enter the premises in Amager, shots rang out at another clubhouse on Svanevej. It is not clear whether any of the shots actually hit the clubhouse. No arrests have been made in connection with the shooting.

Wounded bikie – Oct 14, 2008 - *Australia* - A bikie shot in Woorloo, east of Perth, on Sunday has been released from hospital. Authorities say the man is a member of the Finks bikie gang & was shot in the shoulder as he rode down Great Eastern Highway. Police have been told the Finks motorcycle group, based in South Australia, is attempting to set up a club in Western Australia.

News from the Outlaws MC USA Website:

Oct 2008: Congratulations to Ardmore Oklahoma on becoming a full chapter & welcome to our new Tulsa Oklahoma chapter.

September 2008: Anyone attending Biketoberfest or going to Florida should know that a new law in Florida goes into effect Oct 1, 2008 that has severe penalties for the following: front wheel loosing contact with the ground, 50 MPH over the speed limit, & License Plates Mounted in any way other than Horizontal & on the Fender. The first offense is \$1000 fine, second offense is \$2500 & third offense is a third degree felony.

September 2008: Deepest Condolences to the brothers, family & friends of Jingles OFFO (Milwaukee) GBNF

August 2008: Ft. Smith Arkansas (New Chapter)

July 2008: Deepest Condolences to the brothers, family & friends of Big Nose OFFO (Nashville Tennessee) GBNF

July 2008: Deepest Condolences to the brothers, family & friends of Boston Scott OFFO (Boston Massachusetts) GBNF

June 2008: Deepest Condolences to the brothers, family & friends of Just Gino OFFO (Cross Bayou Florida) GBNF

April 2008: Deepest Condolences to the brothers, family & friends of Sampson OFFO (Dayton Ohio) GBNF

March 2008: Deepest Condolences to the brothers, family & friends of Tommy OFFO (East Boston) GBNF

March 2008: Outlaws MC Norway - Fredrikstad (New Chapter) - Jessheim (New Chapter)

February 2008: Outlaws MC Russia - Deepest Condolences to the brothers, family & friends of ZZ Top - RIP - G.B.N.F.

- Deepest Condolences to the brothers, family & friends of Jay (Columbus/Ohio) - Rest in peace - G.B.N.F.

January 2008: Outlaws MC Norway - Nomads (New Chapter)

A woman was having a passionate affair with an inspector from a pest-control company. One afternoon they were carrying on in the bedroom together when her husband arrived home unexpectedly. ‘Quick,’ said the woman to the lover, ‘into the closet!’ & she pushed him in the closet, stark naked. The husband, however, became suspicious & after a search of the bedroom discovered the man in the closet. ‘Who are you?’ he asked him. ‘I’m an inspector from Bugs-B-Gone,’ said the exterminator. ‘What are you doing in there?’ the husband asked. ‘I’m investigating a complaint about an infestation of moths,’ the man replied. ‘And where are your clothes?’ asked the husband. The man looked down at himself & said, ‘Those little bastards!’

Once you choose hope, anything’s possible. - Christopher Reeve

Forever Chapter

We ride side by side,
Day after day,
Never knowing if we’ll see each other
When we go on our way.
We are True Brothers
In Oath & In Creed,
We ride with true hearts,
Brother’s in deed.
But now we must go
Somewhere without you,
To ride with these Brothers,
Someday you will too.
For as we lay on our backs,
Charlie covers our face,
We know in our hearts
We have found our place,
For our Rocker now reads: Forever.
Outlaws Forever Forever Outlaws
In Memory Of Our One-Percenter Brother’s
G. B. N. F.
Written by Sturgis OFFO

To The Forever Chapter. In Memory of My Brothers Gone But Never Forgotten.

Harley-Davidson Is My Shepherd,
I Shall Always Have.
It Maketh Me Ride On Dark Highways.
It Restoeth My Soul.
It Taketh Me On The Path Of
Righteousness For My Own Sake.
Yea Thought I Ride Through The Valley Of
Rats, Feds And Prison, I Shall Fear
No Evil For My Brothers Are With Me.
Their Knife And Gun Protect Me.
They Will Kill If Necessary.
They Prepare A Full Membership
In The Presence Of My Enemies.
They Fill My Tank With Gas.
My Tank Runneth Over. Surely Troubles
And Jail Shall Follow Me All The
Days Of My Life For I Shall Dwell In
The Clubhouse Of
The Sons Of Silence M.C. Forever.
No Biker Shall Inherit The
Kindom Of Heaven.
They Shall Continue To Ride
For Fuckin’ Ever and Ever.
Amem.

J.W. To The Core & More... November 2006...
(SOS J.W. has been released from Prison – Taft, CA)

‘When I was younger, I hated going to weddings. It seemed that all of my aunts & the grandmotherly-types used to come up to me, poke me in the ribs & cackle, telling me ‘You’re Next!’ They stopped that shit after I started doing the same thing to them at funerals.’

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