

# Bikers hit the road for March of Dimes

The Southwest Coast Division of the March of Dimes is hosting its eighth annual law-enforcement escorted motorcycle ride Sunday, Nov. 2, in conjunction with the Harley-Davidson Dealerships in Fort Myers and Naples. More than 2,500 bikers are expected for the ride. The full weekend of events includes:

Friday Night Fright Night, Friday, Oct. 31, from 6 to 10 p.m. There will be a costume contest and live music by Backlash & Yazgars Farm. Bikers can also register for the Sunday ride.

Rumble Ride & Bike Night, is Saturday, Nov. 1, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Registration for the ride is Sunday, Nov. 2, from 9 to 10:45 a.m. at North Collier Regional Park. The cost is \$30 and \$20 for a passenger. The 35-mile Law-Enforcement Escorted Ride leaves North Collier Park promptly at 11 a.m. and arrives at Harley-Davidson, Fort Myers for a celebration featuring food,

awards and live entertainment.

All proceeds from the Bikers for Babies events will benefit the March of Dimes in its fight to save babies from birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. Last year's ride attracted more than 2,300 motorcyclists and passengers (more than 11 miles of bikes) who raised nearly \$170,000. Bikers for Babies 2008 is expected to draw more than 2,500 riders and passengers from all over the state with the goal of raising \$200,000. Terrific incentive prizes will be given for money raised. Registration forms with all the details of this popular, fun-filled event, may be picked up at Harley-Davidson of Fort Myers or Naples, at any Fort Myers or Naples Bob Evans Restaurant, or at any area Clear Channel Radio Station. Registration can be done easily online at [www.bikersforbabiesflorida.com](http://www.bikersforbabiesflorida.com). Call the March of Dimes at 433-3463 for more information. ■

# Company increases Florida insurance policy base

HomeownersChoice, Inc., a Florida-based insurance holding company, announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Homeowners Choice Property & Casualty Insurance Company, Inc., has assumed approximately 45,000 homeowners' policies from Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, Florida's state-created insurance company.

The policies are assumable under the state's "take-out" program, designed to reduce the state's risk exposure by encouraging private insurance companies to assume policies from Citizens.

Citizens, which began as Florida's home insurer of last resort, has become the state's largest homeowners' insurance provider. Under the take-out rules, affected

policy holders are entitled to opt out before and after the assumption and remain with Citizens. By not opting out, approximately 45,000 policy holders chose to leave Citizens for Homeowners Choice.

Homeowners Choice announced in September that it had approximately 18,000 policies. The assumption of these policies represents more than a three-fold increase in the company's policy count.

"We are pleased to significantly increase our policy base," said the company's chief executive officer, F. X. McCahill. "This shows a real vote of confidence in Homeowners Choice on the part of Florida consumers. We look forward to serving our new customers." ■

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