



## Â A Ride to RememberÂ -- 1500-Mile Pilgrimage of 500 Jewish Bikers for the Holocaust Memorial

*In Memoriam of Yom Hashoa, the global day of recognition of the Holocaust on May 6th, Jewish motorcyclists will simultaneously make a 1,500 mile pilgrimage, Â A Ride to RememberÂ. This pilgrimage will be the first-ever international event in memory of the Holocaust. It is spearheaded by the Jewish Motorcyclists Alliance (JMA), a loosely knit association composed of the most well-known and best organized Jewish motorcycle clubs in the United States and Canada. The JMA have more than 500 motorcycle enthusiasts that will actively mobilize for the activity.*

Miami, FL ([PRWEB](#)) April 1, 2005 -- A Ride to Remember will be an almost one week activity in order to complete the 1,500 mile pilgrimage, starting on May 1, 2005, Sunday until May 6, 2005, Friday. May 6 will mark the 60th anniversary of the Holocaust. The pilgrimage will commence with one group to leave the Miami Beach Holocaust Memorial. They will ride up the east coast to the Washington Holocaust Memorial.

Meanwhile, another group will leave the Toronto Holocaust Memorial and ride south to Washington, D.C. All groups will convene in Washington D.C. in a never before been done Jewish Biking event in order to commemorate the Holocaust. As a demonstration of solidarity to mark this occasion, the group will be picking up bikers, Jewish and non Jewish alike, to join portions of the ride to Washington, D.C.

JMA is comprised of 5 motorcycle clubs, the four clubs in the United States primarily located in the Northeast. The other one is in South Florida. In Toronto, Canada, one club exists. When combined, the membership of all groups totals to approximately motorcycle bikers and enthusiasts. Please see the table below for reference:

Club Name:

Location:

King David Bikers Southern Florida  
Chai Riders

Greater New York, (NYC, LI, Westchester, NJ, Conn.)  
Hillel's Angels

New Jersey  
The Tribe

Northern VA., DC and parts of MD  
Yids on Wheels (YOW) Tronto, Canada

King David Bikers, the South Florida contingent is the group to conduct the formal departure event at the Miami Beach Holocaust Memorial on Sunday, May 1st, commencing at 9:30 AM. After the commencement activity, they will depart for its 1100-mile pilgrimage.

Their first stop will be on Jacksonville, Florida to meet with Rabbi Zachery Betesh, the spiritual leader of King



David Bikers (KDB) and an Associate Rabbi with Chabad Lubavitch Synagogue of Fort Lauderdale. Rabbi Batesh will be bringing with him a recently procured sacred Sefer Torah that was written in 1929. This was used secretly during the Holocaust and was successfully preserved and delivered to Jerusalem in the late 1930's. The Torah will now make the "A Ride to Remember" with the Rabbi on his Harley Davidson mitzvah motorcycle to the Holocaust Memorial.

Each club will also make their own journey in order to meet on Washington D.C. On Friday, May 6th, from 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM, the motorcyclists from all over the country will converge in a staging area at East Coast Harley Davidson - 17975 Main Street, Dumfries, VA 22026 (703) 221-6855, located about 25 miles outside of Washington. At approx. 11:30 AM all bikers will depart and ride as a group to the National Holocaust Memorial.

Each participants of the ride will be charged with registration fee of \$30. This will be used as expenses for the event and the remaining will be donated to the Holocaust Memorial Museum and to the Friends of the Israeli Defense Force.

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