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# So Long, Indian Creek

State board motion ends A.B.A.T.E. member-at-large group



( See state board minutes on page 10 under "New Business". )

## State board attendees:

- Brainstorm funding solutions
- Set state swap meet date
- Check *Fossil Campout* progress
- Prepare for legislative session
- Decide to let *Indian Creek* group fade away.

*Albany, Oregon* — Concerned *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* members arrived an hour early for January's state board meeting to discuss the organization's budget. Attendees were able to determine the approximate minimum amount of funding required to sustain operations, then concentrated on finalizing the spring state swap meet date so publicity could begin. If attendance by vendors and the public is great enough at the swap meet, printing of the state newspaper could resume in time for the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*.

*Salem Chapter* is progressing nicely in their preparation for the *Fossil Campout* over Memorial Day weekend. New bands have

been lined up and *Hub City Chapter* is handling the bike games. It looks to be a great long weekend, so *A.B.A.T.E.* members are encouraged to publicize the heck out of the event to increase attendance and the fun factor.

The Oregon legislature convenes this month for its regular session. *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* members need to remain aware and vigilant for legislation that directly affects motorcyclists or for bills with unintended consequences that affect us.

A motion was made and passed at the state board giving our *Indian Creek* group members until April to transfer to a regular chapter or they will be assigned to the chapter closest to them.

Yer crusty ol' editor can't help but wonder what harm it did our organization to maintain a haven for those who are interested in our efforts, but who may be initially gun-shy about large organizations and meetings. (Veterans easing back into civilian life after experiencing war comes to mind.)

It was a tempting thought to transfer into the *Indian Creek* group until forced back into a chapter in April. (What if lots of members did that?)

Ah well, c.o.e. will just get to the February meeting early and buy an *Indian Creek* rocker from our products director as a memento.

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# Welcome to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

## What We're About

### A.B.A.T.E. is a not-for-profit organization

In Oregon, A.B.A.T.E. stands for *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments*, which isn't nearly as subversive as it sounds. It means that we act as legislative watchdogs to help ensure that any legislation affecting motorcyclists is fair and that elected officials are fully informed regarding motorcycle issues.

- A.B.A.T.E. is a not-for-profit motorcycle organization devoted to raising member and public awareness about motorcycle issues and safety through education and community involvement. We also raise money for organizations that represent motorcyclist's concerns such as *BikePAC*.

- It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride. We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

- You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to A.B.A.T.E. Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working with are important to their community.

So scan through our newspaper. If you like what you read, check out the chapter meeting listing on the back cover. Drop in on a meeting and see what we're about. You just might find a new family in A.B.A.T.E. And as Melinda says: "Bikers give great hugs."

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

## A Brief History of A.B.A.T.E.

by Bill Bish (A.B.A.T.E. of California ; executive coordinator, *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*)

*"You have to know where you've been to know where you're going!"*

*Easyrider*s magazine editor Lou Kimzey issued a plea in issue #3, October 1971, for bikers to come together to fight impending restrictions from the *National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* by joining a new national biker's rights organization called the *National Custom Cycle Association*. But because of a conflict with the acronym, the name was changed in February 1972 to *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments (A.B.A.T.E.)*

*Easyrider*s began granting state charters around 1974, and Keith Ball was the original national coordinator. The biggest threat was that the U.S. *D.O.T. (Department of Transportation)* was investigating ways to restrict modified or customized "choppers" which they deemed unsafe, especially extended forks.

As the rights movement grew, Don Pittsley, a member of the *Huns Motorcycle Club* in Connecticut convinced his congressman, representative Stewart Mckinney, to introduce HR-3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet requirements.

In July of 1975, Rob Razor of the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*, Ron

Roloff of the *M.M.A.* of California, and Ed Armstrong from *A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago* presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

Later that year, with California being sued by the *D.O.T.* because governor Ronald Reagan refused to comply with the federal helmet requirement mandate, Roloff helped convince California senator Alan Cranston to offer the language of the bill as an amendment to the *1975 Federal Highway Act*, which passed with overwhelming support from the California delegation because of the impending lawsuit, and was signed by president Gerald Ford on May 5, 1976.

Not bad for a rag tag bunch of bikers with little or no previous political ambitions.

As a result of our newfound political clout, motorcyclists have successfully approached congress twice over the past few years.

First to grant federal protections against insurance discrimination based on mode of transportation because many companies were denying medical benefits to employees injured in motorcycle accidents.

Then, [in the 1998] session, motorcyclists united to put together a pro-active agenda for

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

The roots of A.B.A.T.E. and biker's rights run deep in the hearts of those of us who have accepted and, in turn, passed on the torch of freedom of the road.

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### A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

Promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

### BikePAC of Oregon

A non-profit political action committee formed to advocate for the rights and interests of Oregon's motorcyclists.

*BikePAC* works within the political process.

### Association for Motorcyclists of Oregon (A.M.O.)

Family-based and dedicated to family values, family events, riding freedoms, and safe, responsible, fun riding through education. Welcomes

all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

### Oregon Motorcycle Riders Association, Inc. (O.M.R.A.)

Member-run sanctioning body for off-road motorcycle events for the state of Oregon.

### Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) national/international

Acts as advocate before national, state, and local legislative, executive, and judicial bodies and with private or public entities regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

(based on information supplied by Brian Stovall—River City Chapter)

### American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

Premier defender of motorcyclists' rights in the United States. Ferrets out bad laws and anti-motorcycling discrimination at the local, state, federal, and corporate level.

### National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)

Produces conferences, information pieces, and a web site. Has also sponsored the *Confederation of Clubs*, a legal rights organization.

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A	A	Single entity.
B	BROTHERHOOD	The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association
A	AGAINST	In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.
T	TOTALITARIAN	Of or relating to a political regime based on subordination of the individual to the state and strict control of all aspects of the life and productive capacity of the nation by coercive measures.
E	ENACTMENTS	To make into regulation; the passing of a bill into ordinance; a decree; a regulation.
	MEANS	FREEDOM

## officers at work

## State Coordinator

Another new year and another set of challenges placed in front of us.

As many of you are aware, we went to an on-line version of the state newspaper in January, but something that hasn't got the same attention is the fact that there is a downloadable newsletter version meant for the chapters to download for their members or as recruiting tools for possible new members.

We did this because *ABATE* membership and attendance at the state events has declined and so we have found ourselves in a financial hardship. It is not a problem felt only at the state level, but at the chapter level as well.

It is up to us to figure out how to overcome this hardship.

At the state level, we have made cuts in spending to allow only the bare minimum to operate.

- We will not be sending anybody to conferences this year to represent Oregon.
- We have asked all state officers request travel reimbursements from their chapter instead of the state
- A motion was passed to raise the chapter tithing to 20 percent.

Although this isn't enough to get our state newspaper back in circulation, it is definitely a good start.

What really needs to happen isn't about money though. What really needs to happen is we need to get off our rears and get involved again. We need to get back to basics and start standing up for what we as *ABATE* are supposed to be doing.

If we start getting involved again and get back to work for motorcycles and motorcyclists, we can ensure our future as a motorcycle rights, safety, and education organization.

We are here to make sure that we are not looked upon by other motorists as the red headed step-children of society.

We are here to ensure that no matter what we ride or what we wear or even what is sewn on our clothing, that we are treated with the same regulations, rules, and respect as any other motorist.

That's why we are here.

Its okay to contribute to the community, but we should never lose focus on what our mission statement is and who we are really

here to represent.

If we can do this, if we can get back to focusing on motorcycle issues, I believe that the money part will work itself out. I believe our fellow riders will see that we are becoming *ABATE* again and will be willing to jump back into the battle.

In closing, I want to print our mission statement and challenge every one of you to ask yourself what part of this statement applies to our current slate of runs and rallies. I think you will be surprised that an organization that is built on four pillars has found a way to balance on just one pillar, but that pillar is becoming weak and if we don't get back to balance on all four pillars, our future is pretty bleak.

*ABATE of Oregon promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.*

Thank you.

Ride safe, ride free, ride with respect.



**Allan Nichols**

state coordinator  
A.B.A.T.E.  
of Oregon

Respectfully,

Allan Nichols

- state coordinator  
*ABATE of Oregon*
- Oregon representative  
*Motorcycle Riders Foundation*

### A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

## Central Oregon

Greetings from *Central Oregon*,

We have a bunch of new officers for the new year. Thank you all who stepped up to take on the responsibilities of running the chapter. And thank you to all the officers who served last year for all your hard work.

The weather has limited the riding time for all but the hardest riders. I have been holding out for a little warmer temperatures but will probably have to go for a short ride shortly to cure my motorcycle withdrawal symptoms.

We will be having our *Rocks, Lakes, and Bridges Run* in June to benefit the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* and our *Teddy Bear Run* to deliver teddy bears to the four area hospitals in September as well.

We will have a poker run at the end of July or early August. (Details are yet to be determined.)

We will be doing our roadside cleanup in May, as usual. (More details will be coming as the particulars are decided.)

Remember our mission statement, "*To promote motorcycle awareness, safety, education, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.*"

As a group and as individuals, we need to walk the walk. It is an election year and if we want to accomplish our goals we need to get the bums out and people who will support our causes in.

Hope to see you on the road,



Bob Terrill  
chapter coordinator

### **CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.)  
*Izzy's Pizza*  
810 SW 11th street  
Redmond, Oregon

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

## Douglas County

Report not received



**Douglas County**

**MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
Elmer's Restaurant  
1440 NW Mulholland drive  
Roseburg  
(541)–673–0021

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Hub City**

We hope everyone had a great Christmas and a great new year. Out with 2013 and in with 2014!

At our run committee meeting, we talked about what we wanted on our billboards. We are looking for ideas.

We have also been asked to take over the *Chili Bunn's Run*. This run was started by Don Nash and some friends as a kind of dare a little over twenty years ago. It has traditionally been held on the last Sunday in February and started at the Stayton *Bi-Mart*. This has been a "follow the leader" ride in the past with only a few knowing where it ends. In the last four years there have been over 100 riders and as far as I know has only been postponed one time due to rain. The one change we have decided to do this year is to turn it into a poker run with the proceeds going toward our safety billboard program. We will end it at the Albany *American Legion* hall. They have decided to have their annual chili cook-off the same day. We hope to see some of our other *ABATE* chapters come join us for the ride.

From Paula Leslie:

*"I attended the house transportation committee hearing at the capitol. Their main topic of discussion revolved around future infrastructure planning that is happening now.*

*The theme of the issues stressed the importance of multi-modal road users to involve themselves in these discussions at the local level, in order to address citizen concerns and ensure the safety of all Oregon's road users.*

*This is our chance to address specific safety issues that affect motorcycle riders on their daily commute. (i.e. Road paint that's slippery when wet,*

*partial road patching running down either sides of a lane, and wire highway barriers.)*

*Motorcycle riders have a chance to have a voice in this planning, to make Oregon's roads more motorcycle friendly. Please go to your next local bikelped commission and remind your city leaders that motorcycle riders are part of the multi-modal road user puzzle. Remind them that motorcycle riders also require certain considerations as they expand our infrastructure."*

**How To notify ODOT Regarding Dangerous Road Conditions**

-- Michele O'Leary  
G.A.C.M.S.

Here are some tips:

1. *ODOT* governs the **state** highways, so local road conditions are best reported directly to those agencies. *ODOT* and *GACMS* can assist if needed, so feel free to include me on any reports you make. It is best to make reports by e-mail so you have a copy of who/what/where/when, etc.

2. Exact locations are super important, including mile post markers before and after. Keep in mind that what you report will involve someone getting in a truck and driving to where you reported. For example, if you say I-5 south of Drain you are less likely to get a thorough investigation. No one wants to drive to an ambiguous location. Think about what information you would need to find a specific road location.

3. Pull over, get out your phone and snap a couple of photos. I had a recent case where the initial report didn't seem so bad and then I saw the photos ... oh my!



4. Exact details on the problem. For example, only the lanes have been repaved, or only the ruts, or the arrow paint is slick when wet.

5. State what the problem is so the person who is investigating understands what your issue is. We all need to make the non-motorcycling community aware of what the issues are and it is best when they hear it directly from citizens. We understand it within our community but it is our responsibility to help them understand why it's a problem for us. For example, explain why it is an issue when only the ruts are paved.

6. You may submit issues to me at my e-mail: [michele.a.oleary@odot.state.or.us](mailto:michele.a.oleary@odot.state.or.us) especially for state highways. I will likely send the request to our *ODOT* region coordinators. It will speed up a response if you know which region your issue is in.

7. I attempt to work reported issues internally first for a resolution. The results are shared with the *GACMS*. Sometimes I need *Team Oregon's* expertise for a consultation. Issues may be related to a person's skill level, so many times they step in and help out with this area.

Remember, your request for resolution will not happen quickly. It will involve using resources to investigate whether it needs a resolution.

I assure you I will keep you informed on the status of reports so full contact information is helpful.

Now how many of you have almost gone down because of "snakes" (oil put down on cracks in the roadway) like I almost did the morning of the *Albany Veterans Day Parade* south of Albany?

Check on your local city council or county road advisory meeting times and dates and attend.

-- Bob Wiro

**Hub City**

**MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)  
*Ciddici's Pizza*  
133 SE Fifth avenue — Albany

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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Jackson County**



**Report  
not received**

**Jackson County  
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1830 ( 6:30 pm )  
American Legion (downtown)  
Jackson & Front streets  
Medford, Oregon  
(541)–

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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

## **Josephine County**



**Report  
not received**

**Josephine County  
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1830  
(6:30 p.m.)

Fruitdale Grange  
1440 Parkdale Drive  
Grants Pass

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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Lincoln County**

Lincoln County welcomed December in with snow. We had four inches in Newport, which is not a record for snowfall. It was a surprise and was lovely but sure made it cold on the coast.

We will be having a poker run in April, so keep an eye out for more information.

We have gained a few new members, but when we chartered we had more members than we have now. We are happy to welcome new people but are wondering what we will do to keep them active.

We are still meeting only on the third Tuesday of each month. It makes it tough to try and plan things since we get our report from our state representative the following month. We will work this out, I am sure.

Bob and I took the bikes out and rode to Waldport for lunch on new years day. It was cool but we enjoyed the time out and I got to have lunch

and not cook. January will be a busy month for us as I have oral surgery and also a chemo treatment.

John and Angie are doing better. They came out for dinner at the Legion post. It was good seeing them in a social setting.

I keep hoping that I will be able to make it to a state board meeting to see everyone, but our schedule for the next couple of months looks pretty busy.

We hope that everyone had a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Ride safe and keep the rubber side down,

-- Millie  
secretary  
*Lincoln County ABATE*



**Lincoln County  
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1900 (7 pm)  
American Legion Hall, post 116  
424 W. Olive Street  
Newport

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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --****Lower Columbia**

Hello from Lower Columbia

The holidays are over and I for one am charged about that. We are looking at a new year now with some new officers in place. I am looking for a productive year and I think our new officers will be very productive.

We have our annual crab dinner just ahead of us on the 22nd of February. Just after that we will be getting our spring run in order and then comes the 4th of July and our community heritage days celebration which we take part in with various fund raisers. (We are looking at maybe raffling off another gun safe this year. That always generates some funds.)

That's all I've got for now,

Dave

**Lower Columbia****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays at 1900 ( 7 pm)  
Colvin's Pub & Grill  
123 N. Nehalem  
Clatskanie, Oregon  
(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- River City**

December 17, 2013

January 7, 2014

Irregular meeting.  
**We partied!**

Our first meeting of the year found us catching up on things. We reelected all of last year's officers and added Debra Lutje as assistant ways and means officer.

Our candy sale was a great success. We have again increased our treasury even after all the bills have been paid! More thanks to all who helped.

Six people participated in the new year's day ride, two from Goldendale.

We have a new member, Shaggy Slenning. Welcome.

The 50/50 game was won by Lorraine at \$5/4. She donated her \$5 back to the chapter. Thanks, Lorraine.

Joe raised the subject of the upcoming *Friends of the NRA* event which we have participated in before. We {Joe} will put together a helmet full of goodies to give away as a prize from us.

**River City****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900 ( 7 p.m. )  
Shiloh Inn  
The Dalles

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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *North Coast*

Hello and happy new year from the *North Coast*!

We have all of our new officers in place and for the next few weeks we will be busy lining up our activities for the new year.

Along with our yearly activities, our goal this year is to make *North Coast ABATE* a chapter that welcomes all riders, young and old, cruisers, sport, dirt, and all others not mentioned. The health of any organization is fresh blood and new ideas. We are going to work hard for that goal.

Most of us up here at the *North Coast* have our bikes put away for the winter. But if you are tempted to go for a ride when the sun does make an appearance, watch those shady spots. Elk and deer are very active this time of year, another hazard.

Three years ago our chapter was on the ropes. No leadership and dwindling membership. *North Coast ABATE* was almost a goner. I want our new officers to think about this: One man stood up and met the challenge to turn our chapter around

and made it what it is today. I want to thank Al Jaques and his dedicated group of officers for a job well done.

Thank you,

Don Kelly



### **North Coast**

#### **MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1730 ( 5:30 pm )  
Moose Lodge  
420 17th Street  
Astoria, Oregon  
Children are welcome

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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *Salem*

Opened the meeting with flag salute

Previous minutes passed.

Got right down to discussing *Memorial Day Fossil Campout*. So far we have a good beginning for the poster to be sent and handed out everywhere, plus the logo/patch/t-shirt/hoodie thing.

We also have *Hub City Chapter* volunteering to run the games. And we have the poker runs and bike shows under control

We have the okay from the city and county for an ATV/scramble race. We are just looking for someone to sponsor that and provide the insurance. This should bring in more of a variety of people.

We also have an espresso site, covered, with tables and chairs, all for *ABATE*.

We have two great bands lined up and are just nailing down the sound equipment contract.

This year, as no one can promise anything about what kind of weather there will be, anyone wanting to haul their bike(s) in on a trailer with a pickup/camper or van, can pay the tent site price, and park there with the trailers parked and secured outside the camping zone.

The best sites are reserved for the tents. The RV sites are the same.

E-mails, phone calls, and letters are starting to go out to vendors.

As a chapter, we talked about which of us are willing to provide lodging for those who have to come from afar for the May 3rd rally at the capital for Friday and Saturday nights. It was then proposed that this being a *BikePAC* event, it would be best to have Paula handle the making of a list for publication for our news letter so members can be aware of it being available.

Not much more happened, except we learned that the *Legion Riders* are



planning to do the same thing, and thus having more bikes attending too.

We are all looking forward to warmer weather!

Lynn DeSpain  
coordinator  
*Salem Chapter*



### **Salem**

#### **MEETING TIME and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 1900 ( 7 p.m. )  
*Almost Home Restaurant*  
3310 Market street, Salem

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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Southeast Portland**

It's the beginning of the year. Hope everyone had a great holiday season.

Being with family during this time of year reminds us of what we have. On to the new year.

New officers have taken over for the old ones.

I would like to welcome all of the new officers. Thank you for stepping up.

I would also like to thank all of the outgoing officers and the officers who stayed in their previous positions.

Our chapter filled most of the positions, although we are still in need of a recording secretary and an education director. If you are a *Southeast Portland Chapter* member, please consider stepping up for one of these positions.

The membership of our chapter has slowly been declining. Our meetings since *Run 21* have barely been 20 to 30 people in attendance. We seem to have an abundance of people show up at meetings two to three months before *Run 21* so they can become event staff and get into the run for free.



We need help more than for just *Run 21*. We need it all year long.

We all need to get out and promote *ABATE* or there will be no *ABATE* meetings to go to. So get out and get involved with your chapter and bring people in.

There will also be other changes this year for our chapter.

**Run 21** – Due to the issues we had at Birkenfeld, we had to relocate to another venue. The attendance was way down. **We will not be having Run 21 in 2014.** We will be having other fund raisers. Keep an eye out for what they will be.

Our annual *Anniversary Party and Canned Food Drive* will be coming up on March 15th. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy some good music

from *Steve Lockwood and Haymaker*. You are all also invited to ride down with us to deliver the food to the homeless shelter in the morning of that day. Check the *Southeast Portland* web site for more details.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the *May [ MOTORCYCLE ! ] Awareness Rally* on May 3rd. The more motorcycles that show up at the capital the better. This is a very important part of our motorcycle legislation. So don't forget to mark that date on your calendar.

Everyone ride safe out there,

Vicki L O'Donnell

### **Southeast Portland MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1200  
(noon)  
*M&M Restaurant & Lounge*  
137 N. Main -- Gresham

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<http://www.abatetoyrun.com>

## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Washington County**

Happy new year everyone!

Hopefully everyone had a fun, safe, and happy holiday season and maybe even got some new riding items as gifts.

*WaCo's* last meeting on December 9, 2013 saw us electing (and reelecting) officers for 2014. We still have several open positions, so if any members would be willing to step in to fill them, things would all go much smoother.

Our first meeting of the year is on January 13th, so we will kick off the year then.

Ride and drive safely, all,

Denise Darneille  
chapter secretary  
*WaCo*



### **Washington County MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 1930  
( 7:30 p.m. )

*Prime Time Restaurant*  
4450 Pacific avenue  
Forest Grove

### **POINT of CONTACT**

(503)-643-4725

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P.O. Box 202  
Cornelius, OR 97113



## Our Officers at Work

## A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes

11 January 2014 ( *Ciddici's Pizza*— Albany, Oregon )

**Call to order, welcome:** The meeting was called to order by Allan Nichols at 12:10 p.m. with nine of twelve chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

**Absent, unexcused:** ( None )

**Excused chapters:** *Central Oregon, Jackson County, Josephine County.*

**Pledge of allegiance**

**Moment of silence:** For downed brothers and sisters, service men and women.

**Guests and first time attendees:** Mike Friend, Terry Nugent ( *Douglas County* representative ), Rhonda Thornly ( *Hub City* representative ).

**Reading, approval of minutes:** Motion made by Lynn Despain (Salem) to adopt as printed in the state newspaper, seconded by Jack Winfield (Lincoln County). Motion passed 6 yea, 0 nay, 3 abstained.

[ **c.o.e. note:** No board meeting was held in December 2013 due to poor weather conditions. ]

**Old business:** None.

### Executive Committee Reports

**Coordinator's comments:** Allan Nichols welcomed everyone to the new year and stated that this will be a defining year for *A.B.A.T.E.* With state elections for governor and other representatives, it is up to us to get involved and get behind the candidates who will help us with our issues and needs, liberty and education, two key parts of our mission statement.

Allan also welcomed the new state representatives and expressed the importance of their job. After all, it is the chapter representatives who run the show at the state level, not the state officers. Communication, respect, and an open mind are key to working with others and in turn making our organization stronger.

He also reminded everyone that if we want to get the state newspaper back in circulation, it is up to us to find a way to make money in order to support it. We shouldn't dwell on what happened in the past that didn't work and point fingers. Rather use the information to focus on what



we can do different to make it work.

Allan closed by saying that he is looking forward to working with everyone this year and challenged all representatives to go back to their chapters to discuss what worked for them last year and bring back ideas to the state.

**Secretary report and correspondence:** Laura Botkin said she is still unpacking from her recent move and should be operating at 100 percent soon.

No correspondence.

**Vice-coordinator (north):** Paul Hering also welcomed everyone to 2014 and is looking forward to getting out to a few of the northern chapter meetings.

**Vice-coordinator (south):**

< Vacant >

**Vice-coordinator (east):** Rick Prentice said that after attending runs and rallies last year, he felt inspired to take the position of vice-coordinator (east). He is happy and proud to be here. Looking forward to an awesome year.

**Treasurer:** Karen Tolle sent an e-mail:

I am sorry I was not at the board of directors meeting on Saturday. But mostly I apologize for not providing a treasurer's report. Kay and I are still transferring files. I understand that Kay sent in the regular reports, but here are the account balances as of today, January 14, 2014:

Checking account = \$7,293.72

Savings account = \$3,423.45

I don't know the balance on the *PayPal* account, but believe it is probably still around \$200.

**Membership secretary:** Veta Holscher said she has been working very hard to get the computer updated with current members and deleting members who have passed away or no longer exist. ( Almost 12,000 names. ) She said it will take time to get it straightened out and should be a smoother operating system when she is done. Please be patient and she will get caught up soon.

**Sanctioning officer:** Robert Terrill was excused. (Bad weather and road conditions on the pass.) He said with the recent weather he has not been able to get the insurance paid for 2014 yet, but will get to it as soon as possible and get certificates out as soon as he gets them.

### Officer's Reports

**State auditor:** Cindy Witmer reported that *Lower Columbia* and *Southeast Portland* are the only chapters with the December reports turned in. Please get them in as soon as possible.

She also asked for help from previous officers in order to understand our procedures a little better.

**Newspaper editor:** Rot Path asked for feedback from chapters on the new state newsletter sent out to the chapters for circulation. Please contact him if your chapter did not



**Laura Botkin**

*acting state recording secretary*

receive it. It was sent to the person who usually turns in the monthly report.

He also wanted to remind everyone that reports are still due by the 10th of every month.

**Legislative director:** Paula Leslie handed out a list of 13 issues that we should be keeping an eye on, federally and state: Liberty, right-to-repair, lane sharing, and E-15, to name a few.

She is trying to talk to different candidates running for office to see where they stand on some of our issues.

She has talked with Dennis Richardson and has found he stands with us on most issues and promises to keep an open mind on things he may not agree with.

She also attended a *Capitol Club* training conference ( for lobbyists ) and came away with a possible new friend who said will work with us on the lane sharing bill.

**Sergeant-at-arms (north):** Randy Phipps noted that state events are approaching fast and he will need the help from all chapter sergeant-at-arms. Please set the dates aside.

**Sergeant-at-arms (south):** Lance Tolle <Excused>

**Sergeant-at-arms (east):** <Vacant>

**Products director:** Councilman Dave Meeker <Excused>

**Education director:** <Vacant>

**Public Relations director:** <Vacant>

**State run coordinator (Fossil):** Lynn DeSpain stated that plans for *Fossil* are coming along ahead of schedule.

Friday will be a meet-and-greet type of atmosphere where we can all socialize and get to know each other.

Two bands have been signed for Saturday and Sunday.

The committee came up with a

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# A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting

01 January 2014 (continued from previous page)

new idea to possibly help save a little money. Instead of buying shirts and hoodies and possibly having a lot of left overs, they have talked to a vendor who sells shirts and hoodies who will set up a booth and sell them. We will order the patches and logos that she will put on whatever people buy and *A.B.A.T.E.* will get a portion of the proceeds.

Lynn also said that with the weather being so unpredictable, they will open up some of tent sites to people who drive.

Rigs and RV space is very limited and some sites may not support rigs and trailers. They may have to park closer to the highway. (Shelton RV park is five minutes away.)

If anyone knows a club that would like to insure an ATV/off-road motorcycle event, there is space available and the owner is willing to work with them. It will *not* be an *A.B.A.T.E.*-sanctioned event.

**State swap meet coordinator:** Randy Phipps stated that he had been out of town for the holidays and has not been able to connect with the owner of the Troutdale property, but said he will visit the location on Monday to try and solidify a date and amount. He also priced a walk behind commercial vacuum for rent to help with clean up at the Troutdale location.

He has backup plans in place for the Columbia county fairgrounds.

The event will be Sunday, April 27th.

**Historian:** Teresa Hepker is looking forward to seeing what we have stored as soon as Allan can get it from the previous officer.

**Web page editor:** Carl Earl  
<Excused>

**Quartermaster:** Paul Hering is still trying to get some equipment from previous officer.

**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative:** Brian Stoval told us that back when *BikePAC* was formed, it was *A.B.A.T.E.* who formed it in order to be more effective in the legislature since *A.B.A.T.E.* has limitations for what it can do legally.

He also expressed how important *BikePAC* is and how it and *A.B.A.T.E.* need to work together in order for



both to work effectively.

Everyone who can be a member of *BikePAC* should.

**M.R.F. representative:** Allan Nichols said that Jeff Hennie, the *M.R.F.* lobbyist, testified at a recent *E.P.A.* renewable fuels hearing to encourage them to stop the sales of E-15 until more in-depth testing can be done on smaller and air cooled engines.

He also said that the *M.R.F.* was instrumental in helping to defeat a proposed *E.P.A.* motorcycle exhaust stamp bill in New York.

The *M.R.F.* also has a long list of issues that they will be following this year as well as following and helping candidates running for office.

**Confederation of Clubs representative:** <Vacant>

## Unfinished Business

### Officer Vacancies:

- Vice coordinator (south) – Terry Nugent was elected.
- Education director –
- Public relations –
- Sergeant-at-arms (east) –

### Budget Committee Report:

With the absence of the treasurer, Allan chaired the meeting to help narrow down what *A.B.A.T.E.* has been spending and what is necessary to operate.

With the help from Teresa Hepker and a host of others, it was found that without the state newspaper *A.B.A.T.E.* needed around six thousand dollars a year in order to operate.

Event location fees for swap meet and *Fossil*, postage, internet web site fees, and supplies were among the few items deemed necessary.

With an income of only fifteen thousand dollars from membership last year and the possibility of less this year, the committee was tasked

with finding new ways to bring money in and to possibly resurrect the state newspaper.

The committee will meet again before the next board of directors meeting.

## New Business

**Motion 1** – Made by Brian Stoval (*River City*) for Mike Friend, seconded by Paul Hering (*Washington County*).

*“To abolish Indian Creek Chapter and to notify current Indian Creek members by mail of change and solicit their choice of chapter. Place all members who have not so chosen by the April board of directors meeting into the nearest chapter geographically.”*

Motion passed 9-0.

## Announcements

- Budget committee meeting: 11 a.m., Saturday, 08 February 2014 at Ciddici's Pizza in Albany, Oregon.
- Next state board of directors meeting: Noon, Saturday, 08 February 2014 at Ciddici's Pizza in Albany, Oregon.

## Upcoming Events

- 22 February 2014, Saturday – *Annual Crab Dinner* by *Lower Columbia Chapter* at Clatskanie American Legion, 1 to 6 p.m.
- 23 February 2014, Sunday – *Chillie Buns Poker Run* by *Hub City Chapter* in Stayton.
- 27 April 2014, Sunday – State swap meet, location TBA.
- 03 May 2014, Saturday – *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* at state capitol, county courthouses.
- 23 – 26 May 2014, Friday to Monday – *Fossil Campout*.
- No *Run-21* this year. (*Southeast Portland Chapter*)

**Adjourn:** [ 2:30 p.m. ? ]

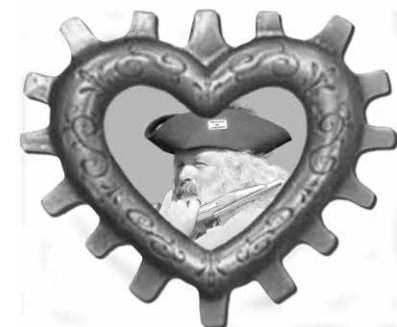
## Oregon Turns 155



If you happen to be in Billville (Salem) on Valentine's Day, drop into our state capitol for a bit of free cake. It won't be as big as the one from five years ago (above) and you may have to endure short politician speeches (unless your timing is really superb), but the frosting will be worth it.

Take some time to wander and wonder around the capitol, becoming familiar with the state building that belongs to we, the people.

## Happy Heart Day



## It's Never Too Early To Mardi Gras Party



Even though Mardi Gras doesn't officially take place until early next month (04 March), that doesn't mean you and your chapter can't start practice partying this month.

Motor on over to yer local party supply store for some green, purple, and gold deccos. And don't forget the king cake.

From yer . . .



. . . yet again

There is an ebb and flow in the lives of rivers, oceans, or organizations.

Sometimes rivers overflow their banks while at other times they merely trickle along.

Waves, tides, and air pressure cause the sea levels to vary, second-to-second, hour-to-hour, day-to-day.

People come or go, get involved or withdraw their participation in outside events.

So it is with the world, so it is with ABATE of Oregon and its chapters.

Some chapters and the state are going through rough patches just now, but it is not the end of the world. (That involves large yellow construction space ships invisible to RADAR.)

Members willing, we can bounce back, like the first ride of early spring after a rough winter.

There seems to be strong support for bringing back the printed version of the state newspaper. Please realize that the January changes in news distribution were never meant to be permanent. They were always intended to carry us over until our usual state money streams could be reestablished.

A budget and membership meeting took place before the January state board meeting in which nearly two dozen members exercised their collective brain cells searching for solutions.

Although yer crusty ol' editor missed the first part of the pre-meeting, he heard enough to know that members really want to have a physical newspaper rather than something that has to be read off a screen. (Evidently, the abbreviated newsletter format that was available just wasn't enough.)

# Group Tides

If you though N.S.A. was bad . . .

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Which means that every one of us has to publicized the heck out of our state swap meets and the *Fossil Campout* so that lots of enthusiastic attendees are met by lots of enthusiastic members and venders.

Seeing as how 2014 is both a state legislative and election year, it's doubly important that we use as many forms of communication as possible to maintain awareness of what is going on and what we can do to prevent erosion of rider rights and privileges. That includes our state newspaper.

Although the state board minutes may seem like the perfect reading material for nights when one can't get to sleep, they're worth scanning through each month because that's where state board action that affects you and your chapter is recorded. (The *Indian Creek* group was voted out of existence at the January meeting.)

At least scan the legislative report along with old and new business for motions that affect you and your chapter.

How quickly the light recovers.

Less than three weeks after the winter solstice and the days were already perceptively longer. Even more so now.

Before we realize it, the riding season will slosh its way back into Oregon.

## I.R.S. + Google Analytics ≠ No Privacy

Lately yer crusty ol' editor has begun monitoring more closely the cookies generated by web sites visited by his various computational devices.

Cookies are small data files holding information about you that are stored

on your computer. They are intended to make revisiting web sites easier.

Like so many well-intentioned objects, when corporations greedy for greater profit latch on to them, they often get turned on the very people they were supposed to help.

A company that began as a way to help people find information on the web (*Google*) now has a subdivision (*Google Analytics*) who's mission is to find out as much as they can about web users, then sell that information to marketeers. Part of the way they do that is to plant cookies on web users' computers to record web activity.

But it's not just *Google Search* that users have to worry about.

*Google* has managed to get its analytic cookie coding incorporated into web development software so that other web sites unintentionally create *Google* cookies that collect information on U.S. citizens using computers in their homes, then upload that information to the parent company without the user's direct knowledge or consent.

Most web browsers will let the user view the source code for any web page they are visiting and the cookies. their content and expiration dates for that page.

"\_\_utma", "\_\_utmb", "\_\_utmac", and "\_\_utmz" are the main *Google Analytics* cookies used to track user actions or movement around the web. Profiles of user interests and purchases can be built up using such cookies. The information can then be sold to companies who target advertising at web users.

Even if users know nothing about web page coding (HTML), they can look



## Rot Path

crusty ol' editor

(big enough to be seen from space)

c.o.e.'s web site (such as it is)

<http://www.otoolevideomagic/RotPath/>

through the source code for anything that says "Google", "<!--googleon: all-->", or "GA". (Which stands for *Google Analytics*.)

From examining the cookies and source code for the United States Internal Revenue Service official government web site, yer c.o.e. has learned that the I.R.S. has extensive *Google Analytics* coding and tracking sections on its official government web site.

Here is some of the HTML that appears near the end of the I.R.S. source coding:

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<!-- Start GA AutoTracker Code -->
<script type="text/javascript"
src="/static_assets/js/reporting/
AutoTracker.js">
</script>
<script type="text/javascript">
addLinkerEvents();
</script>
<!-- End AutoTracker Code -->
```

The question here is:

Why is an official government agency (the I.R.S.) allowing a private company (*Google*) to extract citizen information for profit without the direct knowledge or consent of those trusting citizens?



**Happy Birthday,  
Oregon (1859)**

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## FEBRUARY Cryptogram

W E D L O V U W P R J D O A I N , V P U D I E D R P C E I ,  
Z T S V Z A F V D W W S V P B D W O R F W I O Y Y N W U P D W ,  
O R F O V V I E O I ' W J D W I Z T F O Y U O R F J Y P C E I ,  
B D D I P R E D Y O W K D S I O R F E D Y D N D W .

– V Z Y F J N Y Z R

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".) Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skullduggery.

( Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like on page 17 )

Lower Columbia A.B.A.T.E.



Annual Crab Dinner

Fund Raiser

February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 1:00 – 6:00 pm  
 Clatskanie American Legion Hall  
 \$20.00 or \$25.00 at the door  
 Call Eva @ 503-308-2061 for tickets

- A 50/50 Pot will be offered as well



Menu includes - one whole crab, ear of corn, salad, and French bread,  
 With soft drink or coffee.

Menu may have substitutions due to availability.

Sanctioned by ABATE of Oregon Inc. Proceeds go to Lower Columbia Chapter of ABATE & College Scholarship fund  
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All Motorcycle

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Sunday, April 27, 2014

(Location being finalized)

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(503)-347-0524 (c)

SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net

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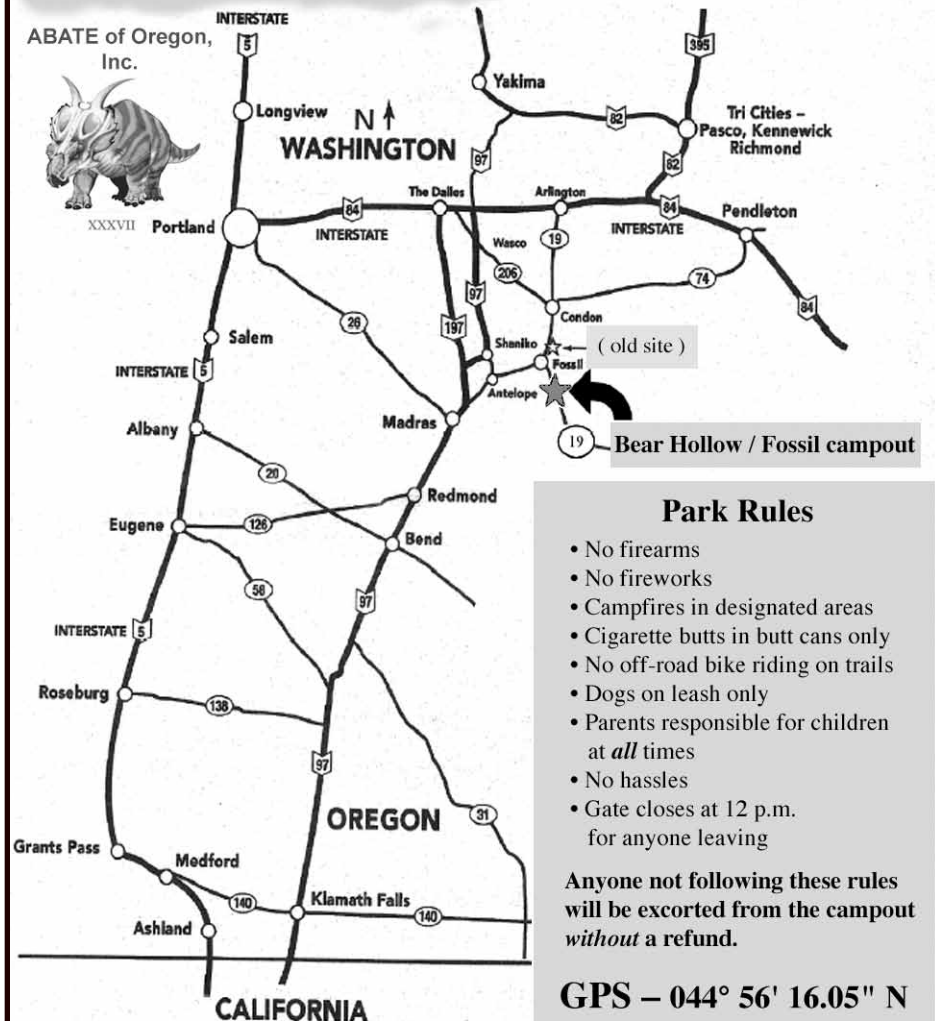
NEW! Tent sites now allow pickup/camper, or Van with  
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- No fireworks
- Campfires in designated areas
- Cigarette butts in butt cans only
- No off-road bike riding on trails
- Dogs on leash only
- Parents responsible for children at all times
- No hassles
- Gate closes at 12 p.m. for anyone leaving

Anyone not following these rules will be escorted from the campout without a refund.

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Please circle main course preference: Chicken Beef Vegetarian  
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You will also receive your Banquet ticket(s) if your pre - registration included the Silver Spoke Award Banquet on Saturday evening. You will need your banquet ticket to be admitted into the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet.

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**Legislative Action**



**Motorcycle Awareness**

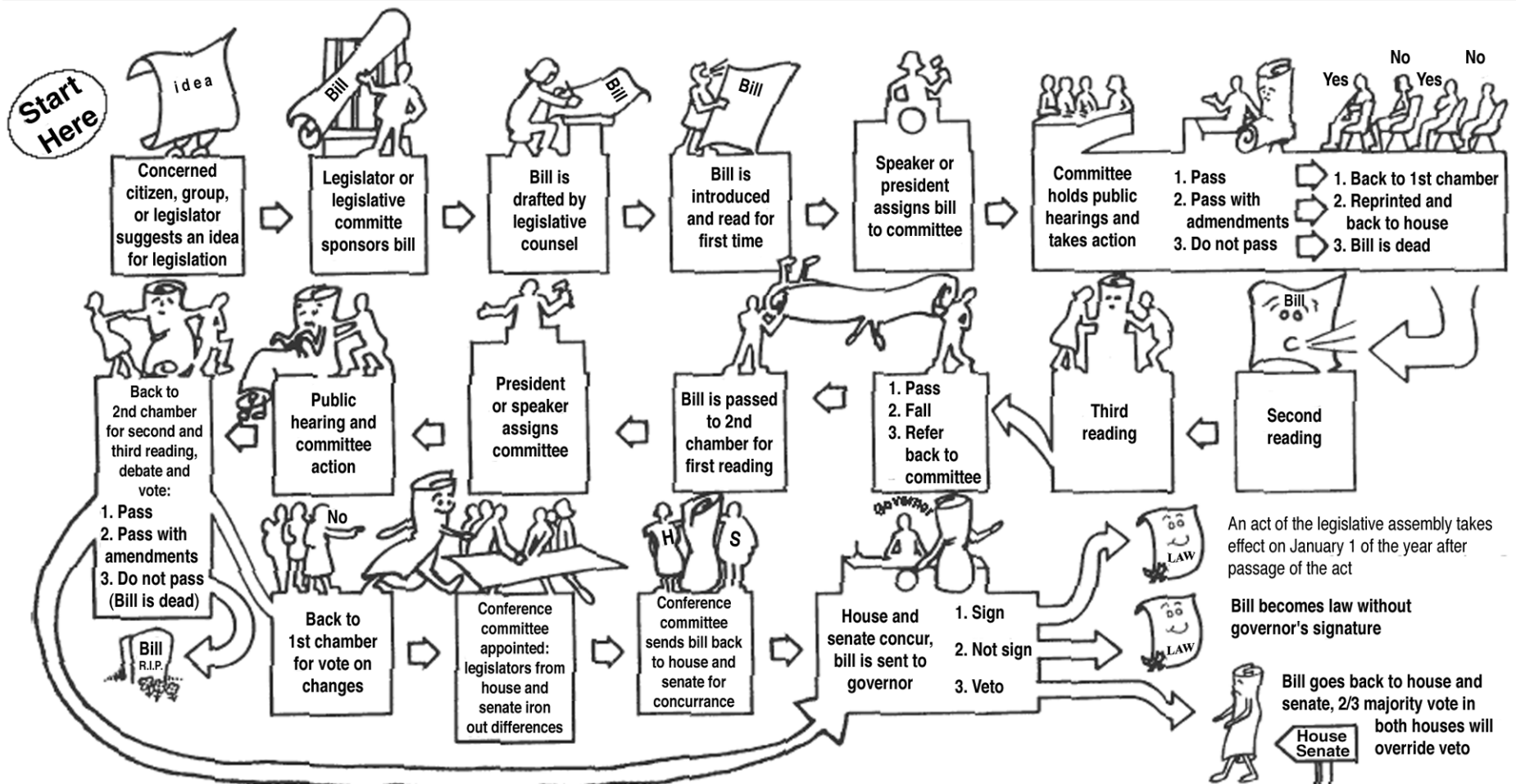


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<b>Central Oregon</b>	2nd Sunday – 2 p.m.	<b>Izzy's Pizza</b>	Redmond
<b>Douglas County</b>	3rd Thursday – 7 p.m.	<b>Elmer's Restaurant</b>	Roseburg
<b>Hub City</b>	3rd Thursday – 7 p.m.	<b>Ciddici's Pizza</b>	Albany
<b>Jackson County</b>	3rd Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.	<b>American Legion</b>	Medford
<b>Josephine County</b>	3rd Wednesday – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Fruitdale grange</b>	Grant's Pass
<b>Lincoln County</b>	3rd Tuesday – 7 p.m.	<b>American Legion</b>	Newport
<b>Lower Columbia</b>	2nd Sunday – 7 p.m.	<b>Colvin's Pub</b>	Clatskanie
<b>North Coast</b>	3rd Tuesday – 5:30 p.m.	<b>Moose lodge</b>	Astoria
<b>River City</b>	1st and 3rd Tuesday – 7 p.m.	<b>Shiloh Inn</b>	The Dalles
<b>Salem</b>	1st Monday – 7 p.m.	<b>Almost Home</b>	Salem
<b>Southeast Portland</b>	1st and 3rd Sunday – noon	<b>M&amp;M Restaurant</b>	Gresham
<b>Washington County</b>	2nd and 4th Monday – 7:30 p.m.	<b>Pine Time</b>	Forrest Grove

# How An Idea Becomes Law

*A Simple View of the Oregon Legislative Process*





**Concord, New Hampshire:** House bill 1324, sponsored by representative Neal M. Kurk (R-Weare), would prohibit access to information recorded or transmitted by any motor vehicle recording device (event data recorder or “black box”) by anyone without the vehicle owner’s permission, except to comply with a court order, to facilitate an emergency medical response, or to comply with subscription services covered under state statutes. The bill creates a new misdemeanor for violations of confidential information and would continue to treat violations as an unfair or deceptive act under the *Consumer Protection Act*.

### Lala Land Ride Required “Q” Ticket

**Los Angeles, California:** The city council has agreed to pay nearly \$6 million to a group of police officers who accused their superiors of imposing a secret traffic ticket quota

system. The settlement, approved unanimously, brings to more than \$10 million the amount of taxpayer money spent on payouts and legal fees from the ticket quota cases. But that number could grow because one more officer’s case is still pending.

The lawsuits alleged that starting in 2006, officers were required to write at least 18 traffic tickets each shift and that 80 percent of the citations had to be for major violations. Officers who failed to meet the alleged ticket minimums or raised concerns were reprimanded, denied overtime assignments, given undesirable work schedules, and subjected to other forms of harassment. In a few instances, managers allegedly tried to remove officers from of the motorcycle unit, the lawsuits claim.

The officers testified that they were ordered to scrap regular patrol assignments and sent instead to specific streets where they were more likely to catch motorists committing moving violations. Though not

illegal, being sent to those so-called orchards or cherry patches, they said, reinforced the belief that hitting ticket targets trumped other aspects of the job.

### Wheelie Bill Wheeled Out In New York

Senate bill 6180, sponsored by senator Adriano Espaillat (D-New York City), would define an “illegal maneuver” on a motorcycle as any maneuver performed by the operator that requires the front or rear wheel of the motorcycle to leave contact with the road.

It provides that any motorcycle operator who causes property damage or bodily harm of another would be punished by a fine not to exceed \$2,500 and an automatic revocation of the operator’s license and registration for one year.

A second or subsequent conviction within 18 months would result in forfeiture of the operator’s motorcycle and automatic revocation of the

operator’s license and registration for two years.

### A.M.A. Doctors Vintage Motorcycle Days

**Lexington, Ohio:** In a move that will help midwestern motorcyclists get more out their summer events, the *A.M.A.* and *Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course* have worked together to change the date of the 2014 edition of *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days*, the country’s premier celebration of vintage motorcycling.

*A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days 2014* will be held **July 11-13**, one week earlier than previously announced. Advance tickets are available to the general public at (800)–262–5646

The new dates prevent a conflict with the *A.M.A. Pro Racing* event held in Wauseon, Ohio. (July 19-20)

[ Headlines by Rot Path, c.o.e. ]

## Motorcycle Riders Foundation

### Washington Wrap-Up

20 Dec. 2013



Congress reached a two-year budget deal.

This is the first time the U.S. senate has passed a budget in over three years.

This deal will allow the government to operate for two years without fear of shutdown. This also marks the end of the first session of the 113th congress.

Congress resumed on January 6th.

This session I expect for the house to continue to push fiscal restraint at every possible opportunity with the senate focusing on domestic legislation, most importantly immigration reform.

Speaking of the senate, I have to

give you a little teaser: It is likely that we will have a senate companion bill to H.R.–1861, the bill to end federal funding of motorcycle checkpoints. (It’s not a done deal. That is why I can’t give specifics. But it looks good for 2014.)

The retirements just keep coming.

We lost a good friend to retirement this week: Tom Latham (R-IA) is stepping down.

Senator Max Baucus, a former motorcyclist, is going to be nominated as ambassador to China.

I was at the *A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania* leadership and legislative seminar January 24th to 25th, then with *A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois*

January 17th to 19th.

Happy new year,

-- Jeff

### New York City Motorcyclists Avoid E.P.A. Stamp Fines

In a sweeping piece of legislation addressed by the New York city council last month, there was a small provision that would have allowed New York city police to issue fines to motorcycles not displaying the *Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.)* exhaust stamp.

This stamp is currently required by the *E.P.A.* on all new motorcycles

certifying that the level of sound coming out of the tailpipe meets the federal limit of 80 decibels according to the *Federal Noise Control Act* of 1972.

Should the stamp not be easily visible, and most of the time they are not, the New York police department would be able to issue noise violations for a motorcycle that was not even running.

This was not the first time this has been proposed by the New York city council. A similar provision was put forth a few years back at which time the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*

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was very involved with having the proposal shelved.

It was explained to the *M.R.F.* that this is a last ditch effort by the outgoing New York city mayor Michael Bloomberg to force a massive piece of air quality legislation. Counsel at New York city Department of environmental protection informed the *M.R.F.* about

the language. The *M.R.F.* mobilized with the politically active bikers of New York city to have a presence at the council meeting. New York city councilman and motorcyclist Peter Vallone, joined the bikers. At that time Vallone was the chair of the public safety committee and backed up what the other motorcyclists were saying.

The *M.R.F.* source with the department of environmental protection told the *M.R.F.* that this language was absolutely mayoral and in no way a part of the normal council business.

Bloomberg has since stepped down.

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### N.C.O.M. COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists



## Congressman Demands Anti-Motorcycle Explanation From C.D.C.

U.S. representative Tim Walberg (R-MI), a member of the *Congressional Motorcycle Caucus*, has sent a letter to the director of the *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (C.D.C.)* demanding answers concerning a recent *C.D.C.* report that aims to discourage motorcycle use while ignoring the positive economic benefits for motorcycle riding.

"As an avid and experienced motorcycle rider, I believe government should be in the business of promoting the recreational, economic, and environmental benefits of responsible motorcycle riding, not discouraging it," stated congressman Walberg in the letter. "During difficult fiscal times, the American people would be better served by your continued efforts to address widespread societal health matters such as virus prevention, cancer, and heart disease."

Representative Walberg was prompted to action by a presentation given by the helmet law review team of the community preventative services task force in late October 2013 which concluded that mandatory helmet requirements would "produce substantial economic benefits."

Walberg is troubled by the fact that potential negative impacts on nationwide motorcycling are not addressed and questions whether the *C.D.C.* should be tasked with researching and making recommendations regarding transportation safety. The Michigan representative has also been prompted to ask *C.D.C.* director Thomas Frieden, "is it the goal or strategy of the *C.D.C.* to reduce the use of motorcycles ( a legal mode of transportation) by recommending and pursuing a federal helmet [legislation]?"

### U.S. Traffic Deaths Rise For First Time Since 2005

For six years through 2011, highway crashes and related fatalities declined each year. Improvements in vehicles and other safety education efforts were credited for that downward trend.

But for the first time since 2005, that streak ran out, according to figures released recently by the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*.

Last year, 33,561 people were killed in highway crashes, up 3.3% from 2011. The increase was reflected across many of the categories that researchers follow, but motorcycle and pedestrian fatalities reflected the highest increases, up 7% and 6% respectively.

There are currently more motorcycles in use in the U.S. than ever before. 452,386 new on- and

off-road motorcycles were sold nationwide in 2012 according to the *Motorcycle Industry Council (M.I.C.)*, up 2.6% over 2011.

In addition to the deaths, the *N.H.T.S.A.* data showed that nearly 2.4 million people were injured in crashes last year, a 6.5% increase from 2011, although miles driven remained about the same.

Despite these increases, the new numbers are still far below the crash rates of the 1970s and 1980s.

*N.H.T.S.A.* preliminary data for the first six months of 2013 show that 15,470 people have died in crashes so far this year, a decrease of 4.2% compared with the same period in 2012.

### Motorcyclists Safer Behind The Wheel

Evidence suggests that roads would be safer if more drivers rode motorcycles, as motorcyclists are safer behind the wheel of a car than non-motorcyclists, according to a leading U.K. insurer.

*Equity Red Star* compared car drivers to car users who also have an insured motorcycle, and found the

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latter 23% less likely on average to make a claim on their car policy.

The firm also adjusted the figures to take into account the different typical ages of car drivers and motorcyclists, and still found the riders to be 21% better behind the wheel. The results showed motorcyclists were 20% less likely to make a bodily injury claim on their car policy.

The insurer examined 200 million policies between 2007 and 2012.

Rob Clark, *Equity Red Star's* head of retail motor, said: "A motorcyclist could, behind the wheel of a car, be said to be 23% better."

Clark presented the data during a conference organized by the *Motorcycle Industry Association* at the department for transport in London to examine evidence that increasing the number of motorcyclists on the road could actually improve safety.

### Motorcycle Thefts Decline Slightly

Your motorcycle could be stolen in a New York minute, especially if you live in New York city, which is the nation's capital of motorcycle thievery (903 thefts), followed by swingin' Las Vegas (757), the *National Insurance Crime Bureau* reports. Next comes San Diego (633), Indianapolis (584), and Miami (535).

Overall, just like when it comes to car thefts, motorcycle thefts have been dropping. In 2012, the year in which the *N.I.C.B.* bases its analysis, they amounted to 46,061 ripped-off bikes, down 1% from the year before.

Based on *National Crime Information Center (N.C.I.C.)* motorcycle theft data for 2012, *Honda* was the motorcycle brand stolen most often, with 9,082 for the year. (Representing 20% of all motorcycles stolen.) It was followed by *Yamaha* (7,517=16%), *Suzuki* (7,017=15%), *Kawasaki* (4,839=11%), and *Harley-Davidson* (3,755=8%).

When it comes to states, thieves appear to prefer warm weather, just like motorcycle riders.

California was first (6,082 thefts), followed by Florida (4,110), Texas (3,400), North Carolina (2,574), and Indiana (2,334). More than

twice as many bikes were stolen during summer months than in the winter.

Unfortunately, fewer stolen motorcycles are recovered than cars.

While 53.9% of stolen cars were returned to their owners, only 39% of motorcycles found their way back. The *N.I.C.B.* says that's because it's easier to "chop" bikes for their parts, hide them in barns or garages, or ship them out of the country in giant containers.

[ **c.o.e. note:** The following *N.H.T.S.A.* article cannot be confirmed. It may be a hoax. ]

### N.H.T.S.A. Set Up Roadblocks To Harvest D.N.A. Samples

Federal contractors have been setting up roadblocks in cities across the country with the purpose of collecting D.N.A. samples from passing motorists.

The multi-million dollar federal program has been disturbing drivers and alarming civil libertarians.

The checkpoints consist of uniformed agents blocking a public road and flagging drivers into a testing area or a parking lot. There, the drivers are requested to submit a saliva or blood sample to the federal government. The roadblocks were part of a study orchestrated by the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*. (*N.H.T.S.A.*)

The program costs taxpayers \$7.9 million over three years, according to *N.B.C. News* Dallas-Fort Worth. The agency confirmed that the operation is currently being launched in thirty different U.S. cities.

"How voluntary is it when you have a police officer in uniform flagging you down?" asked Susan Watson, executive director of the Alabama chapter of the *American Civil Liberties Union*. "Are you going to stop? Yes, you're going to stop."

"Although this was voluntary, it was not voluntary that you stop and hear the D.N.A. for cash pitch," said one Alabama resident after experiencing a checkpoint in June.

Drivers are offered cash for surrendering D.N.A. samples.

The going rate is \$10 for a cheek-swab and \$50 for blood drawn from the vein.

The goal, according to the *N.H.T.S.A.*, is to decrease impaired-driving crashes by analyzing raw bodily fluids fresh off the street.

### L.A.P.D. To Pay \$10 Million In Ticket Quota Controversy

The Los Angeles city council has agreed to pay nearly \$6 million to a group of police officers who accused their superiors of imposing a secret traffic ticket quota system.

The \$5.9 million settlement resolves a pair of lawsuits filed in 2010 by eleven L.A.P.D. officers assigned to a motorcycle unit. In the lawsuits, the officers detailed what they claimed were strict demands to write at least eighteen traffic tickets each shift and that 80% of the citations be for major violations.

Officers who failed to meet the alleged ticket minimums or raised concerns about them were reprimanded, denied overtime assignments, given undesirable work schedules, and subjected to other forms of harassment, including being kicked out of the motorcycle unit, according to the *L.A. Times*.

The settlement, approved unanimously, brings to more than \$10 million the amount of taxpayer money spent on payouts and legal fees from the ticket quota cases. But that number could grow because one more officer's case is still pending.

The ticket controversy has been a black eye for the Los Angeles Police Department, because ticket quotas are against state regulation.

### Australian Recreational Motorcyclists Protest Anti- Bikie Regs

Recreational motorcyclists are protesting across Australia to show solidarity against Queensland's tough new anti-bikie regulations. Queensland organizer Gabriel Buckley told the *Australian Associated Press (A.A.P.)* that the new regs, aimed at criminal "bikie" gangs, have resulted in the harassment of regulation-abiding motorcyclists.

Rallies were planned in major capital cities, with the biggest

rally in Brisbane where over a thousand independent riders rallied with patch-wearing bikers at parliament house. According to Buckley, a primary concern is that the regulations reverse the onus on proof for people accused of links to prescribed criminal gangs. "Some people are being pulled over three times on their way to work," he told *A.A.P.*

*Freedom Riders Victoria* spokesman Dale Maggs said Queensland's anti-association regulations unfairly affected all motorcyclists and scooter riders, allowing police to stop and question groups of three or more riders.

*Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.)* member Stuart told *The Leader* newspaper that anti-bikie regulations targeted 0.3% of Australian crime, referring to research presented by *Victoria University* adjunct professor, Dr Arthur Veno. "Every time you want to ride with three people it's a gang? That's ridiculous. There's the Ulysses clubs, there's H.O.G. clubs, there's christian movement clubs, there's even scooter clubs and we're all tarred with the same brush and it's just not right."

Police and the Newman government have previously asked recreational riders for patience amid the bikie crackdown, but concede there will be disruptions for regulation-abiding motorcyclists.

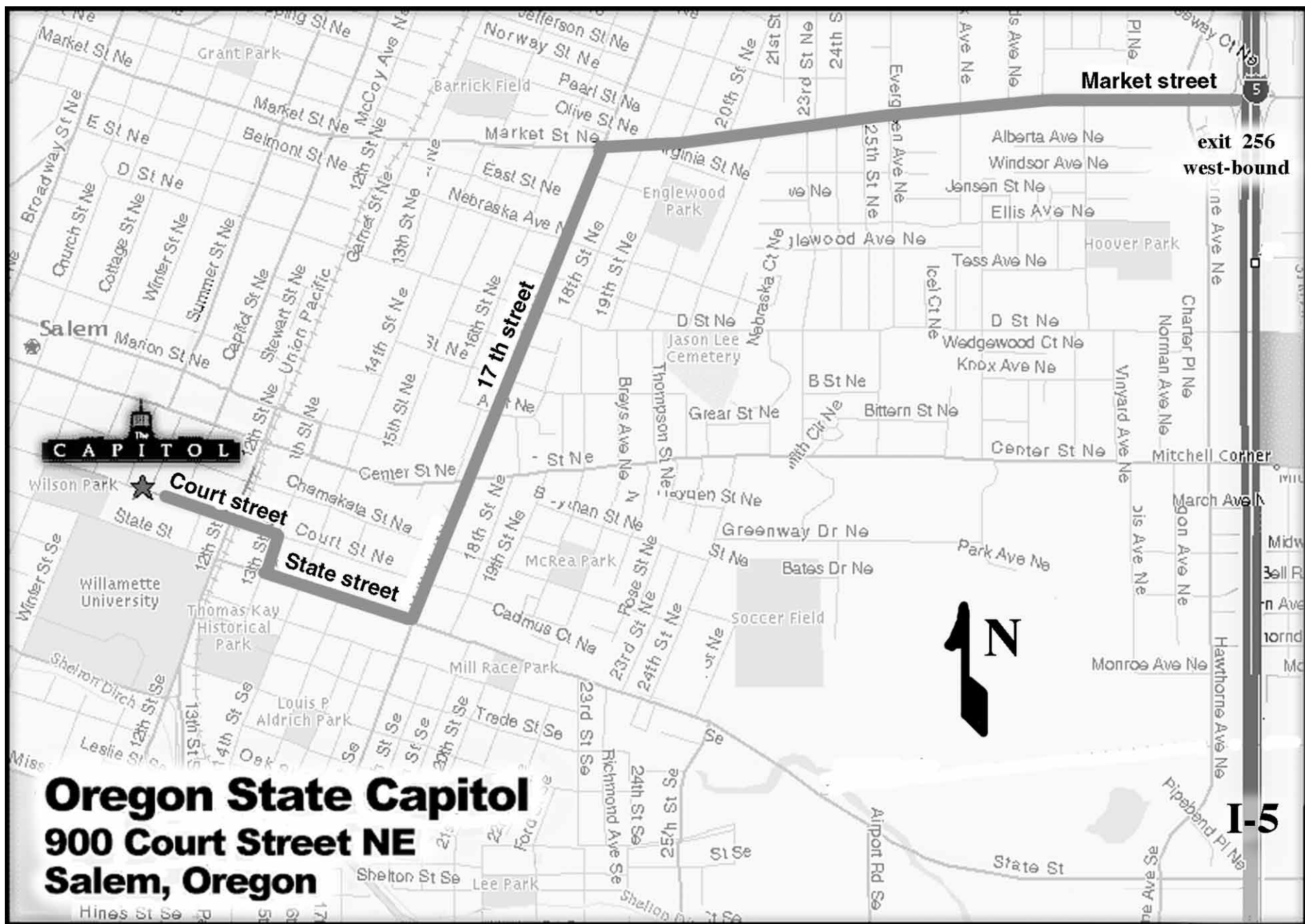
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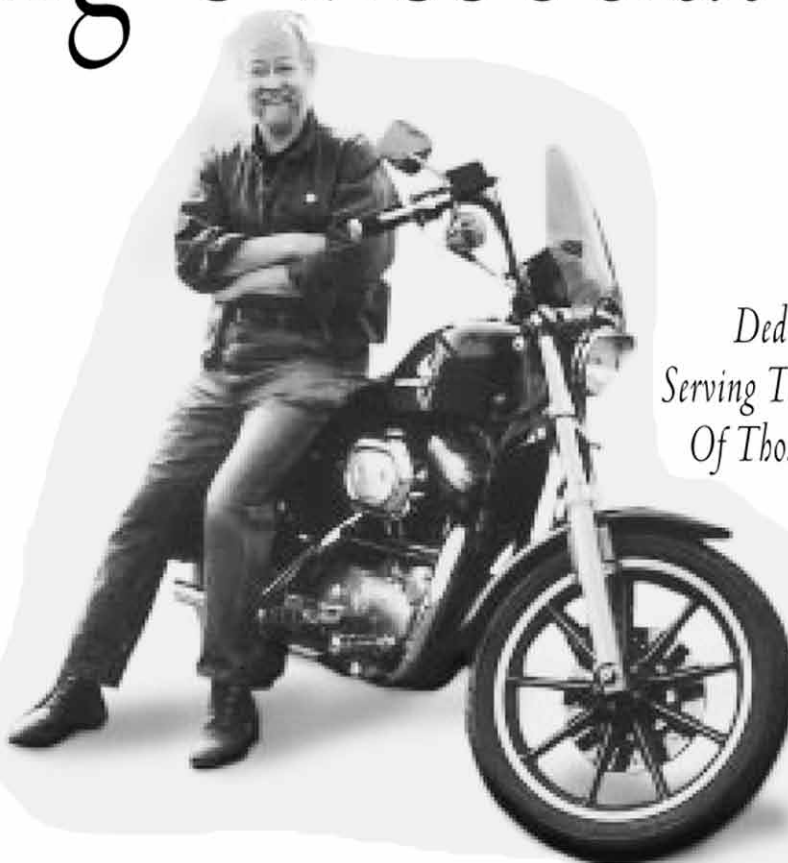
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Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille		X	X		X	X		
Bill, Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/ Myrtle Point						X		
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay						X		
<b>Washington County area</b>										
Mike Darneille				X	X				X	
Paul Hering			X	X	X				X	X
Chuck Jeffcoat	(503)-649-7344			X					X	
Allan Nichols	(503)-341-6157				X					X
Gordon Sahnaw			X	X	X				X	
Ted and Jill Tracy	1-(503)-819-8113		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ed, Tina Vaughn	(503)-nnn-nnnn		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Roger Yarnell	(503)-810-0625			X					X	
<b>Portland area</b>										
Lee Austin	(503)-760-9015	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Steve Baton	(503)-761-3362	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Rich Colwell	(503)-519-0727	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
B. Davenport	(503)-668-7810	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Dick Emmonds	(503)-654-9498	Milwaukie	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Dan Hein	(503)-xx7-4826	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Emmett Hurd	(503)-631-35xx	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-366-2636	St. Helens	X	X		X	X	X		
Dave Janca	(503)-730-6998	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Roy Kirk	(503)-653-0183	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Ken Mortallero	(503)-860-2793	Portland		X			X	X	X	
B. Skinner	(503)-665-5063	Portland	X	X			X	X	X	
Scott Tuthill	(503)-630-2419	Estacada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Geoff White	(503)-774-7558	Portland		X			X	X		

**Chapters**  
Please ensure your area  
listings are up-to-date

**Is Your Road List Entry Correct?**  
Please call  
**(503)-838-6893**  
if your information changes.

name:	phone number:	location:	P	T	G	P	I	M	G	L
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<b>Salem area</b>										
Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X		X					
Terry Edwards	(503)-856-9281	Salem	X	X	X					
Michelle Fitzhenry	(503)-588-4149	Salem				X	X	X		
Tylor Johnson	(503)-856-9180	Salem	X	X	X					
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	Independence				X	X			
L.R. Schroeder	(503)-873-2492	Silverton						X		
<b>Willamette Valley area</b>										
Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City	X					X		X
Michael Boggs	(541)-367-9728		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X			X	X	X
Ron Budde	(541)-343-6447	Eugene	X	X	X					
Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X		X	
Michelle FitzHenry	(503)-390-4292	Stevens		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X					X	X	
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X			X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X					X		X
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X						X	X
<b>Southern Oregon area</b>										
Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Judi Berglin	(541)-272-7505	Medford			X			X	X	X
Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X					X	X	X
Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Central Oregon area</b>										
John Baunmann	(541)-382-6146	Bend	X				X	X	X	X
Bird Dog	(541)-420-2062		X	X				X		
Steve Chakar	(541)-410-0389	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X			
Scott Greene	(541)-420-7526	Bend		X	X					
Greg Has-Ellison	(541)-280-9375	Tumalo		X	X			X	X	X
Dale Hix	(541)-548-1633	Redmond	X	X	X			X		
David Miller	(541)-420-6134	Redmond		X	X			X		X
Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Rob Mitchell	(541)-280-3228	Bend	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aaron, Bonnie Myhra	(503)-901-1816	Bend	X	X	X			X	X	X
Larry Ramos	(541)-923-3809	Redmond	X	X	X			X	X	X
Richard Shurley	(541)-549-8180	Bend	X	X	X	X				
Slim	(503)-349-9540(c)	Culver	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike Smith	(541)-588-0204	Bend	X		X			X		X
Alan Wenzel	(541)-820-4694	Prairie City	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>other areas</b>										
Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rod "Reckless" Runyon	(541)-993-6413	The Dalles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Oregon Road Maintenance – Phone Numbers for State and Interstate Highways**

Region 1	Portland and metro area	(503)-731-8200
Region 2	Salem and northwest Oregon	(503)-986-2600
Region 3	Roseburg and southwest Oregon	(541)-957-3500
Region 4	Bend and central Oregon	(541)-388-6180
Region 5	LaGrande and eastern Oregon	(541)-963-3177

For street maintenance and signal problems associated with safe motorcycle operation in your *local* community, check in your telephone directory for the city, county, or state maintenance section in charge of the street with a safety problem that you have identified. Ensure that you have the names of the streets or roads and give accurate information about the safety problem.

Road and weather information: 1-(800)-977-6368 (O.D.O.T.)

web site: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT>

## Member's Classified Advertisements

**For Sale**

**Travel**

**Found**

**Losing**

Gift memberships to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Only \$30 for an entire year. What a great way to introduce folks to our fine organization while increasing membership. Use convenient form on inside of back page.

"I now live in Las Vegas, and it would be a good stop on the way to Laughlin or other points south. I have a spare bedroom, food, garage, and tools, for anyone coming this way to stop here and get a good night's rest before continuing on. Also have a couple of camp cots to set up. All you have to do is call and get directions. (From the north only from the I-95 Lake Mead boulevard exit.)"

-- Elaine Devone  
(formally Gary and Elaine)  
7521 Sea Spray Ave  
Las Vegas, NV 89128  
**edevore38@ymail.com**  
**(702)-636-0828**  
**(503)-559-4250 (cell)**

Cell phone at *Fossil Campout*. Call Dave Meeker at **(503)-985-0233** from a different phone to identify and claim.

... funding for state newspaper. Help out by purchasing gift memberships for non-*A.B.A.T.E.* family and friends. Thank you.

### Hub City Gnomettes



These advertisements are for personal items only and are free to *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* members. Each ad will run for three months. (Date in parenthesis is the last issue in which the ad will appear.) Please limit ad length to 50 words so everyone can play. Business and services will need to place **paid** advertisements.  
**Note:** *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.* is not responsible for any items appearing in these advertisements. (Deadline is the 10th of each month for following month's publication.)

**news@abateoforegon.net**

Contact: **(503)-838-6893 (V)**  
or  
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.  
att. Member Ads  
P.O. box 4504  
Portland, Oregon 97208

### **Police Stop Form ( Help us track why motorcyclists get pulled over - prevent profiling and harassment )**

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or D.O.T. administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone **1-800-347-1106** or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for chief of staff. Thank you for your cooperation. Please send to: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 5603 SW Hood avenue; Portland, OR 97239 ATTN: chief of staff

The form can be filled out on-line at: <http://www.abateoforegon-se.org/stopreportforma.html>

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? **(YES) (NO)**

#### WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ a m / pm

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ID NO: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

CITATION? **(YES) (NO)** IF SO FOR: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

CITE # \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance date: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: \_\_\_\_\_

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: \_\_\_\_\_

IF THERE WERE ANY CRIMINAL CHARGES (not infractions), SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_

**You should IMMEDIATELY obtain LEGAL ADVICE if you were charged with a crime.**

Did officer follow normal traffic laws in making the stop? **(YES) (NO)**

If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? **(YES) (NO)** If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? **(YES) (NO)** If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN \_\_\_\_\_ VERBAL \_\_\_\_\_ BOTH \_\_\_\_\_

If verbal, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

#### WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

Have you gone to court? NO: When is court Date? YES : How did you plead? \_\_\_\_\_ If you pled guilty what was the fine? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone to trial? **(YES) (NO)** If no when is your court date? \_\_\_\_\_

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? \_\_\_\_\_

FINE : \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ASSESSMENT: STATE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \$ \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \$ \_\_\_\_\_

WORK TIME LOSS HRS: \_\_\_\_\_ LOST WAGES: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the evidence you presented at your trial (or include a copy) \_\_\_\_\_

#### DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_

When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES NO Label permanently fastened inside? **(YES) (NO)**

Was helmet modified? **(YES) (NO)** If modified describe: \_\_\_\_\_

You may request copies of all reports and materials, including video and audio tapes, within 72 hours of a traffic stop.

## Oregon A.B.A.T.E. State Officers For Calendar Year 2014

[ EB = executive board ]

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

Position/Name:	Phone #:	E-mail:	Notes:
<b>Coordinator [EB ]</b>			
Allan Nichols	(503)-341-6157	coordinator@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Secretary [EB ]</b>			
Laura Botkin	(503)-nnn-nnnn	secretary@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Vice-coordinator (north) [EB ]</b>			
Paul Hering	(503)-nnn-nnnn	VCN@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Vice-coordinator (south) [EB ]</b>			
Terry Nugent	(541)-	VCS@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Vice-coordinator (east) [EB ]</b>			
Rick Prentice	(503)-nnn-nnnn	VCE@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Treasurer [EB ]</b>			
Karen Tolle	(541)-nnn-nnnn	Treasurer@abateoforegon.net	
<b>State auditor</b>			
Cindy Witmer		auditor@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Membership secretary [EB ]</b>			
Veta Holscher		Membership@abateoforegon.net	"877" number discontinued (unused)
<b>Run sanctioning [EB ]</b>			
Robert Terrill	(503)-887-3032	Sanctioning@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Newspaper editor</b>			
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	news@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Legislative director</b>			
Paula Leslie	(541)-nnn-nnnn	legislative@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Sgt-at-arms (north)</b>			
Randy Phipps	(503)-347-0524	SergeantNorth@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Sgt-at-arms (south)</b>			
Lance Tolle	(541)-	SergeantSouth@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Sgt-at-arms (east)</b>			
<Open>	(541)-	SergeantEast@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Products director</b>			
Dave Meeker	(503)-985-0233	P.O. box 563; Gaston, OR 97119	
<b>Education director</b>			
<Open>		Education@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Public relations</b>			
<Open>	(360)-949-0069	pr@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Fossil coordinator</b>			
Lynn DeSpain	(503)-nnn-nnnn	Fossil@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Swap meet coordinator</b>			
Randy Phipps	(503)-347-0524	SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Historian</b>			
Teresa Hepker	(541)-965-2701	Historian@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Web page editor</b>			
Carl Earl		webmaster@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Quartermaster</b>			
<Open>	(503)-nnn-nnnn	Quartermaster@abateoforegon.net	
<b>BikePAC representative</b>			
Brian Stovall	(541)-340-9442	BikePAC@abateoforegon.net	
<b>M.R.F. representative</b>			
Allan Nichols	(503)-341-6157		
<b>Confederation of Clubs representative</b>			
<Open>	(541)-nnn-nnnn	CoCNorth@abateoforegon.net	

(Return address )

**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.**  
**att. MEMBERSHIP**  
**P.O. Box 4504**  
**Portland, Oregon**  
**97208**

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 NEW ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Membership Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Members in Same Household:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

How would you like to receive your state newspaper?  
 Print version mailed to your address.  
 Download PDF version from state web site at:  
<http://www.abateoforegon.net>

Chapter: _____	
New member ? Yes _____ No _____	Renewal ? Yes _____ Membership # _____
Patch Received ? Yes _____ No _____	

Membership Rates:					
number of members	type	one year	two years	three years	five years
_____	Single	\$ 30	\$ 55	\$ 80	\$125
_____	Couple	\$ 35	\$ 65	\$ 95	\$150
_____	Family	\$ 40	\$ 75	\$110	\$175
_____	Club/Org.	\$ 40	\$ 75	\$110	\$175
_____	Sustaining	\$100			
	Lifetime	\$300			

( please circle desired duration of membership. )

( revised Jan 2011 — Rot Path )

Total members: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date paid: \_\_\_\_\_







Please send completed application to:

**Membership Secretary**  
**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 4504**  
**Portland, OREGON**  
**97208**

How did you hear about *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*?

Comments:

# February 2014 A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events . . .

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<b>9</b> Jello Week begins  Central Oregon 1400 ( 2 p.m.) ----- Lower Columbia 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>10</b> Washington County 1930 ( 7:30 pm)	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  Lincoln's birthday	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  quikening moon   Valentine's day ( birthdays of Oregon and c.o.e.)	<b>15</b>  Susan B. Anthony birthday																																																	
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## STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 08 Feb 2014

1200 ( noon )

Ciddici's Pizza  
133 SE Fifth avenue  
Albany, Oregon  
11 a.m.

• Budget, membership meeting

Romance was all she ever dreamed of,  
She being born on a day of love,  
Younger, the world she roamed,  
Yet now was all alone,  
So take this romantic day and shove.

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## Have A Smart Phone?

QR code for Oregon  
A.B.A.T.E.'s web site:



(If your cell phone  
can't handle things like  
QR codes,  
reassure it that it's  
just as good as other  
phones in its own  
special way.)

## 2014 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

( boldface indicates state-sanctioned Oregon A.B.A.T.E. events )

PR = Poker Run  
BN = Biker Night

date:	event / chapter or sponsor:	location:	contact number:
— 2014 Events —			
22 Feb 2014	<b>Crab Dinner / LoCo</b>	Clatskanie	(503)-308-2061
23 Feb 2014	<b>Chilly Buns Ride / Hub City</b>	Stayton	
19 Apr 2014	<b>Biker Night / Hub City</b>		
27 Apr 2014	<b>Spring Swap Meet/ Oregon ABATE</b>		
03 May 2014	<b>Motorcycle Awareness Rally/ABATE</b>	Salem	
03 May 2014	<b>Motorcycle Awareness Rally</b>	Grants Pass	
08-11 May 2014	29th Convention / NCOM	Dallas, Texas	
23-26 May 2014	<b>Fossil Campout / ABATE</b>	Fossil	(503)-463-6340
	<b>Fall Swap Meet / ABATE</b>		
June 2014	<b>Poker Run / Salem</b>		
June 2014	<b>Father's Day Run / Douglas Co.</b>		
July 2014	<b>Poker Run / Salem</b>		
July 2014	<b>Thundering Waters Run / Douglas Co.</b>		

## CHAPTER MEETINGS — A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

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Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Izzy's Pizza; 810 SW 11th; Redmond	(541)-504-1678
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Elmer's Restaurant; 1440 NW Mulholland drive; Roseburg	(541)-673-0021
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SE Fifth avenue; Albany	(541)-928-2536
Indian Creek (IC)	6th Friday	2359 (11:59 pm)	( Going . . . )	
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Tuesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	American Legion; Jackson & Front streets; Medford	(541)-
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-nnn-nnnn
Lincoln County (LinCo)	3rd Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	American Legion Hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)-265-9017
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	2nd Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)-728-4122
North Coast (NC)	3rd Tuesday	1730 (5:30 p.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)-298-5502
Salem	1st Monday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)-390-4292
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-665-2626
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3684