

# state newsletter

Promoting motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty

**A.B.A.T.E.**  
of

**Oregon, Inc.**

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"Riding free"

Let those who ride, decide

**March 2014**

## Spring Swap Meet Postponed Until October

Given the unsettled weather we've had so far this year, the swap meet that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* normally holds in spring has been postponed until the lingering calm warmth of autumn. That's the spin we're putting on it.

Yer crusty ol' editor is not a spin doctor.

Real spin doctors get paid a lot more than nothing.

Yet it has fallen to c.o.e. to massage the keen disappointment experienced by state board members and chapter representatives upon learning that

another swap meet has had to be canceled.

That's two in a row, folks.

Yer crusty ol' editor used part of his remaining time on this planet to research the number of swap meet coordinators we've had from 2002 until 2014. Eight people in a dozen years. (Part of that time, the position was vacant.)

This is a critical position for the entire organization. The swap meets are used to help generate funding for state activities, thereby reducing financial

burdens on chapters. We need people in this position for two or three years so they know what they are doing. The rest of us need support and encourage them in their efforts, offering suggestions and help when or where needed.

Our present swap meet coordinator, Randy Phipps, stepped up to take on the swap meet duties because no one else out of our 1,986 members would volunteer to do the job. He relies on public transportation and has had health issues. Yet

despite all that, he has been willing to do far more than younger, more energetic, healthy members of our organization.

Scolding hasn't done any good.

It's your turn to serve.

Folks who have done it before are here to show you how.

But it's *you* who needs to gulp, take a deep shuddering nervous breath, then reach into the core of your very being to summon up the courage you need in order to step up and say, "I'll do that job."

-- Rot Path, c.o.e.

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### MISSION STATEMENT

*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.*

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

15 February 2014 ( *Ciddici's Pizza*— Albany, Oregon )

**Call to order, welcome:** The meeting was called to order by Allan Nichols at 12:05 p.m. with nine of twelve chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Absent, unexcused: *Douglas County*.

Excused Chapters: *Jackson County, Central Oregon*.

**Pledge of allegiance:** Led by Randy Phipps (Sergeant-at-arms—north).

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

**Guests and first time attendees:** Darren and Barb Tuers.

**Reading, approval of minutes:** Any corrections?

Motion made by Randy (*Southeast Portland Chapter*) to adopt January minutes as printed in the February state newsletter/paper.

Seconded by Lynn DeSpain (*Salem Chapter*).

Motion passed by voice vote.

## Old Business

- Tabled motion from October planning session concerning on-going change to sanctioning guidelines:

Motion made by Bob Terrill (*Central Oregon Chapter*), seconded Brian Stovall (*River City Chapter*):

*“Every chapter submit their list of runs for the following year with estimated attendance to the sanctioning officer by or at the December state board of directors meeting. If any runs are submitted after that date the chapter submitting*

*the run will be required to pay any additional costs above the sanctioning fee.”*

Motion originally tabled until December state board of directors in accordance with *A.B.A.T.E.* by-laws and operational procedures.

**Passed** 9-0.

## \* \* \* Executive Board \* \* \*

**Coordinator's comments:** Allan Nichols wanted to request that all officers please keep the organization in mind when their term is over. Pass along all equipment and help train new officers for the position. We are only as good as our weakest link and if we are constantly starting from scratch, we can never learn to be a better, more efficient team.

**Secretary report and correspondence:** Laura Botkin reported no correspondence.

**Vice-coordinator (north):** Paul Hering stated that he will be making chapter meetings soon.

**Vice-coordinator (south):** Terry Nugent < Absent >

**Vice-coordinator (east):** Rick Prentice was able to acquire used poles up to 50 foot long and along with help from Gene and others from *River City Chapter* was able to get them to Bear Hollow near Fossil. They will be turned into a semi-permanent roof for the stage. He is requesting help though and will bring more information to the next state board of directors

meeting. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Rick or Allan.

**Treasurer:** Karen Tolle reported the following account totals:

Checking account \$8,114.41

Savings account \$3,506.60  
PayPal \$200.00

- Kay prepared the usual profit and loss report and copies were handed out to all chapters. Karen received the treasurer's computer and all the files today. In the future, in addition to the profit and loss report, Karen would like to present to the chapters the expenses and the income for the month since the P&L is accumulated. This would give the chapters a better idea of exactly where the money is coming from and where it is going.

- Rick presented a check from *River City Chapter* from profits of their candy sale for the amount of 384.93.

- Karen said that *Josephine County Chapter* donated \$500 to the state.

**Membership secretary:** Veta Holscher reported that we have 1,313 members.

- Veta also said she has been working with *American Life* and our accidental death policy has gone up to \$4,000.

- She also had an idea about an *A.B.A.T.E.* flyer that would be similar to the doorknob flyers we always get on our front doors, but ours would hang from motorcycle handle bars. The idea was well received by everyone.

- Renewal notices will be

going out by Tuesday.

**Sanctioning officer:** Robert Terrill < Excused >

Due to the date change and prior obligations, I can not attend today's meeting. I had someone lined up to cover for me, but they backed out last second.

Robert reports that insurance is up and running.

- *Lower Columbia Chapter's Crab Feed* insurance certificate sent.

- The other events I have received I will start getting certificates out shortly.

- I still have not received sanctioning paperwork for *Hub City Chilly Buns Run* and need that as soon as possible.

- Karen Tolle requested a

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(Same as them *Harry Potter* books.)

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Liz Schillinger

## A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting – 15 February 2014 ( continued from previous page )

list of dates for every event that has been submitted so we all know what events are going on.

### \*\*\* Officer's Reports \*\*\*

**State auditor:** Cindy Witmer reported that she was having issues transferring from *Quicken* to *Quick Books* every month. It was suggested that everyone go to *Quick Books*, but the question of price came up. So she will research waiting until the end of the year to transfer information to *Quick Books*.

If any treasurers would like to fax their information, the fax phone number is: (360)–414–3299

**Newsletter/paper editor:** Rot Path stated that there were no reports from *Central Oregon*, *Douglas County*, *Jackson County*, *Lower Columbia*, or *Southeast Portland* chapters.

- Even though we are doing an on-line newspaper, the deadline is still the 10th of each month.

- Rot Path wanted to remind everyone that if you do not turn in a report for three months, your chapter will not be eligible to vote.

- If any chapters are planning to do any events during *May Motorcycle Awareness* month, now is the time to get the information out there.

- In closing Rot Path asked if anyone else has noticed that governor Kitzhaber looked tired?

**Legislative director:** Paula Leslie stated that *BikePAC*

had narrowed their focus to five main issues and put them in a questionnaire.

- She met with Bruce Kuff and he accepted an invitation to come speak at the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*.

- Allan will meet with Tim Carr. Meetings with other candidates will be set up soon.

- The voter guide will be posted on-line as information comes in.

- Looking into legislation for 2014 to address the issue of motorists violating right-of-way for other motorists and not being issued a citation. (The *Milkman Mike Bill*.)

- Paula has found a lobbyist who is willing to help us with our lane sharing bill.

**Sergeant-at-arms (north):** Randy Phipps had nothing to report.

**Sergeant-at-arms (south):** Lance Tolle reports that the southern Oregon swap meet is in April.

- Southern Oregon's *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* will be at the Josephine county courthouse, same time as last year. [Noon until 2 p.m.]

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

**Products director:** Councilman Dave Meeker was holding a raffle for a small sword. Tickets contributions are \$1 or six for \$5.

- Dave will not be able to make it to Fossil and asked for volunteers to help with the merchandise there.

**Education director:** < Vacant >

**Public relations director:** < Vacant >

**State run coordinator (Fossil):** Lynn DeSpain

reported that *Fossil* shirts are taken care of. No pre-orders, pay as you go, made on-site. We ordered 700 shirts and what's left over will roll over to next year.

- Band contracts are done, sound equipment contracts are done.

- Lynn has the copy of the map and flyers and will be sending them to the chapters to make copies and distribute them.

- He is also going to check on getting tickets made as no *Fossil* tickets have been printed yet.

- Lynn has asked for volunteers to haul the trash cans to *Fossil*, people to work the admission booth, emptying trash cans a couple times a day, and someone to work a barista booth (espresso).

- He has requested that all sergeant-at-arms attend and help with security.

- The city of Fossil is having a bike show and scavenger hunt. They will be held in town, as usual.

- Trophies are being made for the different events.

- It was suggested to Lynn that he change the wording from "RV sites", which suggests there will be hook ups and water to "RV parking only".

**State swap meet coordinator:** Randy Phipps reported that after discussions with the Troutdale site fell through and not getting any vendors to respond and commit, Randy suggested that the spring swap meet be canceled and that we focus our efforts on the fall swap

meet.

- After much discussion a motion was made by Paul (*Washington County Chapter*), seconded by Rick (*River City Chapter*) to cancel the spring swap meet.

Motion passed 8-0-1.

- Fall swap meet will be one-day event on Sunday, 12 October 2014.

- It was noted that we are making it harder on ourselves by not having a swap meet, but everyone agreed that without proper advertising and a good location, we would be setting ourselves up for failure and we are not financially strong enough for that.

**Historian:** Teresa Hepker < Excused > Teresa is still waiting for the records and files that were previously in the state connex to be returned to *A.B.A.T.E.* Allan has been in contact with previous officers and will get them back as soon as we can get an enclosed trailer to retrieve them. Currently looking for members that may have access to a trailer.

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

**Quartermaster:** Paul Hering stated that we are in possession of the canopy for the stage, but it has been in the weather since *Run-21*. The top will need to be professionally dried and cleaned. Paul said that he would be able to hang and clean the side panels at his shop though.

- The state stage is at Allan's house, but needs to be moved. If there are no chapters that

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want to take possession of it, we need to decide what to do with it. There was discussion of selling it to another organization.

- Paul reminded us that we owed for 2014 rent on the Connex 48 foot trailer storage. Karen will get together with Paul on this.

- It was discussed whether or not we really need the Connex. Most of our equipment / supplies fit into the smaller enclosed trailer. Paul and Allan will look into this and report next month.

**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative:** Brian Stoval < Excused >

Brian attended the *BikePAC* meeting in February, but hopes Don and Paula will have more to report on this.

- To Cindy (*Lower Columbia Chapter*), the *BikePAC* secretary has no record of receiving a check, but Brian said he will search further and report back.

**M.R.F. representative:** Allan Nichols reports that Washington D.C. is back in full swing again. The transportation committee is discussing the highway bill and are figuring out that we don't have the money. ( lol )

- Three more states are trying to pass helmet bills. More are pursuing red light bills that would allow motorcycles to proceed when a red light fails to turn.

- CDC responded to letter sent to them asking that they concentrate on diseases and viruses while leaving the issues of motorcycle apparel to the departments that are responsible for those issues.

They more or less said "no".

- No *Beast of the East* this year because the *M.R.F.* will be going to alternate years for *Beast of the East* and *Best of the West*.

- *Meeting of the Minds* will continue to be held annually. This year's event will be in Kansas City, Missouri on 28 September.

- *Best of the West* will be June 6th through 8th in Frisco, Colorado. ( About 45 miles west of Denver.)

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

### Unfinished Business

**• State officer vacancies:**

- Education director
- Public relations
- Sergeant-at-arms (east)

**• Budget committee report:**

Goal of the committee is to set a budget and to set priorities for the year.

Committee met at about 11:15 a.m., prior to the state board of directors meeting on 15 February 2014.

There was some discussion of ways to make money.

Laura brought up the possibility of having a chili cook-off at the swap meet. Chili cook-offs are very popular and would bring visitors who might not usually come to a motorcycle swap meet. There could be an auction as well as donation drawings and door prizes. We could solicit prizes from motorcycle shops all over the state. This is a good idea, but feasibility would partly depend on where we hold

the swap meet and having a committee who would organize it.

We need to find out if the ads in the newspaper could be made to pay for the newspaper. Rot Path believes that the current ads we have are priced for the current market. Classified ads are offered to members for free for three months. The easiest ads for him to place in the paper are the business card size. He has more flexibility for placement.

Lynn mentioned that his chapter is working with a local scooter shop to host a poker run with them. This will help promote *A.B.A.T.E.* to the scooter riders. Other chapters should look for other riders to work with to do events. This will promote *A.B.A.T.E.* to other groups. In the long run, the results might result in more *A.B.A.T.E.* members.

Chapters could hold events at least once a year that would benefit the state treasury. Many organizations purchase a larger item (such as a gun safe) at a discounted price (or getting it donated would even be better), then have a donation drawing and make lots of money. It would be really great if a chapter would donate the item and then all the chapters could sell tickets and the drawing could be at the swap meet.

All the members need to remember that we are all members of *A.B.A.T.E.* and we need to support the state events and needs as much as we do our chapter events. This is not chapter vs state. This is about *A.B.A.T.E.* of

*Oregon.*

Karen will review all the expenses from last year and try to come up with a bare bones budget for next month's committee meeting discussion.

All representatives need to go back to their chapters to discuss the above ideas and figure out what might work and what won't.

We also need to get volunteers to step up to the plate and volunteer to make these things happen, not just keep talking about them.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Next meeting will be at 11:15 prior to the March state board meeting.

### New Business

- Randy Phipps brought up the possibility of of a four-panel handout that would fold down to tri-fold size. Chapters could print out their own copies on plain or glossy legal-size paper. (8-1/2" x 14")

- It was suggested that we print up an advertising rate sheets for newsletter ads. It could be laminated and given to each chapter for the purpose of having more advertising in an effort to get the newspapers to pay for itself.

### Announcements

- 08 March 2014, 11:15 a.m.: Financial committee meeting prior to state board. *Ciddici's Pizza* in Albany, Oregon.

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- Saturday, 08 March 2014 at noon. State board of directors meeting. *Ciddici's Pizza* in Albany, Oregon.
- *Lower Columbia Chapter* is selling raffle tickets for a gun safe. The winner will be drawn on the

*Fourth of July.*

**Upcoming Events**

- Saturday, 26 April 2014: *River City Chapter Teddy Bear Parade and Poker Run.* The Dalles, Oregon. 9:30 a.m. registration
- ~~Sunday, 27 April 2014~~

~~A.B.A.T.E. state swap meet.~~ (Postponed until fall when weather is better.)

- Saturday, 03 May 2014: *May Motorcycle Awareness Rallies* – Salem state capitol and Grants Pass county court house.

- 23 to 26 May 2014: *A.B.A.T.E. Fossil Campout* at Bear Hollow south of Fossil, Oregon.
- Sunday, 12 October 2014: *A.B.A.T.E. state fall swap meet.*

**Adjourned:** 2:49 p.m.

**State Coordinator**

March is upon us and before you know it summer will be here.

I personally am looking forward to getting the bike out and seeing this awesome state of ours as soon as mother nature allows.

We all should be making preparations for getting back out on the roads. Now is the time to look over the bike and make sure everything is safe and good to go for the riding season ahead. Are the tires, brakes, cables, and electronics all good?

Now is the time to make sure we as riders are prepared to get on the bike again. Are we not only physically fit, but mentally prepared as well?

After spending all winter behind a windshield it is easy to become complacent and not be as aware of our surroundings as we should be. Does it usually take getting the crap scared out of you to get your mind back in two-wheel mode every year?

Now is the time to get together with our riding partners and make plans

for the coming year. Are we all ready to ride in a group?

Lots of things to think about, but could be fun events if you think about it. We can put on a shop night like a couple of chapters already do, and gather at a garage or shop and do minor repairs and maintenance as a group. We can all get together for a riding class or clinic in the spring to help get our skills and minds back up to speed. And of coarse we all need to educate *everyone* on the roads we ride on. That includes car drivers. They also are not used to us being on the road, so maybe some kind of community

event to get the public aware of motorcycles again.

All of these things are not just what we do and what we as *A.B.A.T.E.* are about, these are our responsibilities as riders and if we don't take these precautions seriously, we are asking for trouble because no one else is going to do it for us.

- Ride safe.
- Ride free.
- Ride with respect.

Respectfully,

Allan Nichols

- state coordinator  
*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*
- Oregon representative  
*Motorcycle Riders Foundation*

**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**

**Central Oregon**

Greetings from *Central Oregon,*

Between the large amounts of snow, the large amounts of cinders spread on the roads, and now the quick melt with water running over the roads, riding is exceptionally poor right now. Now we

are getting lots of rain. We need the rain to refill the reservoirs for irrigation next summer, but is keeping most of us off our bikes.

We are starting to put together the plans for this year's runs and it looks to be a great year with some new officers to refresh and give new ideas to revitalize

the chapter .

Big thanks to all the outgoing officers for their hard work and contributions. Without their hard work we would not have had a successful year last year. We are looking forward to another great year.

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**CENTRAL OREGON**  
*meeting time and place*

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

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## Central Oregon ( continued from previous page )

Remember this year is an election year. Please look at the issues that are important to you and vote

accordingly, not just on party lines. And remember if we ever want to be able to ride without a bucket on

our heads, we need Dr. No out as governor because he has stated he would never approve a helmet optional

bill. Dr. No has to go. Vote early and vote often.

Bob Terrill  
chapter coordinator

## Hub City

I hope everyone is enjoying the weather!

I know I'm suffering from cabin fever. Oh well, this gives *Hub City* more time to plan for the *Chilly Buns Run*. We've been looking forward to the event, and by the time you read this article . . . we hope you enjoyed the *Hub City*-style of Don Nash's original ride.

As we get into the new year, we have several new officers at the reigns for *Hub City*. It's great to see those new faces alongside those who are continuing their roles from last year.

One of our returning officers is Bob Thomas (public relations). In

his role, Bob leads the effort for the *Hub City* billboards. The billboards are one of our main focus areas for public awareness, education, and safety each year. Bob has already secured our slots with the billboard company and we are well on our way to presenting our theme this year, which is "distracted drivers".

The distracted drivers theme was one that hit close to home for our chapter and one of our beloved members. We are thankful that she survived the distracted driver. She

will tell you that it was her training through *Team Oregon* that helped her react and manage through the incident to be able to walk away from it.

Watch for our billboards in the May timeframe, as we coordinate their placement with *Motorcycle Awareness Month*.

Back to cabin fever. Once our weather improves, be sure to give your bike a well-deserved checkup after being cooped up in the garage. This will ensure you are ready to enjoy those crisp winter riding days yet to come.

Keep the shiny side up,

Dolly

### Hub City

#### meeting time and place

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

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## Josephine County

This will be a short report as there is not much to report about.

Winter weather has kept us from riding much. Staying home, taking care of family matters.

We are still working on the final event dates for 2014. Sanctioning has been turned in, but a few dates might change in the next few weeks. We are still looking at other

events around the state before we go to press on our flyers with final dates.

This Sunday [16 Feb] will be an *S.O.S.* committee meeting to make a final decision on that date and next week our swap meet committee will get together and make final arrangements.

We have sadly heard about the cancellation of *Run-21*. *JoCo* sympathizes with your

decision. If the economy and general interest in these bigger events don't pick up this year, other events may go the same way.

Looking forward to a great and wonderful 2014.

See you all down the road,  
-- Karen Tolle  
treasurer/secretary  
*Josephine County*

### Josephine County

#### meeting time and place

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.  
Fruitdale Grange  
1440 Parkdale Drive  
Grants Pass

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## Lincoln County

Winter has come and gone again on the Oregon coast. What a surprise waking up to snow again this winter. The coast seldom gets snow once a year, but we have had it twice this winter.

I'm sure everyone is polishing and tuning on their rides in anticipation of better weather.

Jack, our state board representative, came back all fired up and wanting to get things going while trying to look calm. It's hard for him to look calm though.

It was nice seeing John and Angie out again. It's

a long road to recovery after a crash, but they are working on it.

We are setting up for a poker run in April. It would be nice to see some of you come over the hill for this. Some of our riders do make it to the Willamette valley for events when we can. Not having to work on *Beaver Creek* anymore, we are making it to more runs and events.

Our members are enjoying the new format of the state newsletter. It is different, yet gets the word out that things are happening. Rot Path you are awesome. It's nice

getting it before the end of the month so we are able to see what is coming up instead of taking notes and sticking them around to remind those of us who have passed the age of remembering it all.

We do hope that you all are keeping warm and cozy. I do miss seeing all of you, but realize that health issues do exist for many of us. Stay healthy if you can and take care.

Until next month, we will hope for clear skies and not too much wind on the coast.

Keep the rubber side

down and be safe,

Millie  
secretary  
*Lincoln County*  
*A.B.A.T.E.*

### **Lincoln County**

**meeting time and place**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7 p.m.  
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## North Coast

Hello from the *North Coast*,

Like the rest of Oregon, the north coast has been experiencing the rainless days that mother nature has extended us. I just wished she could have offered a rise in temperatures for those days. Most of us are still in hibernation up here.

Our transition from the old team to the new team of officer's has gone smoothly and we are putting our heads down and preparing for the new year.

We have had our first bowling night this last month and we are working on setting up our *North Coast A.B.A.T.E.* booth

for the *Clatsop Classic Car Club* swap meet at the Clatsop county fairgrounds on Saturday, March 8th.

Our *Annual Spring Fever Run* is coming up in April. See the flyer in the state newspaper.

Our Washington counterpart and sister chapter across the river, *Pacific County Chapter* from *A.B.A.T.E. of Washington* is having their *Pigout Charity Run* Saturday, April 19th.

These are kick-off runs for us up here at the *North Coast* and we invite you to join us.

For information on *North Coast A.B.A.T.E.* activities, contact Don Kelly at: **(503)-325-3566** or visit our web page at:

**[http://www.](http://www.northcoastabate.com)**

**[northcoastabate.com](http://www.northcoastabate.com)**

Thank you and ride safe,

Don Kelly  
coordinator  
*North Coast*

### **North Coast**

**meeting time and place**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.  
Moose Lodge  
420 17th Street  
Astoria, Oregon  
Children are welcome

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## River City

**January 21, 2014**

Ten of us met tonight with all in good spirits.

Folks are starting to feel some cabin (or is that garage) fever. Talk about long rides in short times.

We sent off some money to the state treasury.

The 50/50 game was won by Brian at \$11/10. He donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Brian.

The membership game for \$40 would have been won by John Huteson if he had been present. It will be \$45 next time.

Shaggy correctly identified the picture on the agenda as a 1910 FN 410 cc, in-line four.

**February 4, 2014**

We had a very small meeting on this cold and inhospitable evening. There

were eight people present. We talked about winter things and the future of good weather and lots of riding.

The 50/50 game was won by Lee at \$12/12. He donated \$7 back to the chapter. Thanks, Lee.

The membership game for \$45 was not held.

### Upcoming Meetings

**March 04, 2014**

**March 18, 2014**

### River City

#### meeting time and place

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Shiloh Inn

The Dalles

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The Dalles, OR 97058

## Salem

**03 Feb 2014**

Flag salute.

Moment of silence for fallen bikers and our soldiers fighting abroad.

Discussed the *Fossil Camp Out*. Still need ticket booth people to man the booth. The one person who had been manning it before will no longer be doing it, as he did it alone, with no relief!

Discussed the need for three people to run the espresso booth. Barista types who know what they are doing. They will get free camp admissions.

Decided that we will cover the expense of

bringing copies of the flyer and maps to the board meeting for each of the chapters, to make copies for their own areas to cover, and any events their members may be going to attend.

Decided to furnish Gene Mortimer with 50 flyers, maps, and 25 posters for his attendance at Clatskinine.

Discovered that many members had not received their membership cards and will be asking why.

I explained the improvements of the camp grounds at Bear Hollow and the debt owed to both Howie and Gene for the many hours they've put in.

Also talked of the

potential of the race track for ATVs and scramble bikes. God knows we desperately need new blood in *A.B.A.T.E.* We are all working, including Gene and others, to find a promoter to put up the insurance and run the track. The town is all for it. It is just a couple of blocks from first street, where the bike show is held. We are hoping that this is held on a Sunday, and along with the bands playing then, *A.B.A.T.E.* will have more staying through until Monday, and bring in some new vendors, geared for the track users, and day pass people.

Meeting ended and we all went home with hope,

Lynn DeSpain

coordinator

*Salem Chapter A.B.A.T.E.*

### Salem

#### meeting time and place

1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 7 p.m.

Almost Home

Restaurant

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## Washington County

Well, this last week has certainly not been riding weather here in our area. Hopefully everyone navigated the snow and ice safely!

I am going to get on my soapbox just a little and complain about the fact that *WaCo's* membership is dropping just like a lot

of other chapters. I have difficulty with a nearly 200 person membership and we are lucky on normal nights to have 15-20 people attending meetings. The officers attend these meetings each time

and when it comes time to be involved with runs and events, it's always the same few people doing all the work.

I have been involved in enough groups to know this

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## Washington County

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is usually what happens, but nothing changes for the better if new people aren't willing to step up and get involved. The more people we have helping, the smoother things will run and the less burned out people will become.

When there are issues that need to be voted on, the majority of people aren't having any input since they aren't attending the meetings.

Hopefully everyone is reading the on-line state newspaper articles and checking the chapter web site or you could be missing out on some important chapter issues.

Denise Darneille  
chapter secretary  
*WaCo*

### Washington County meeting time and place

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at  
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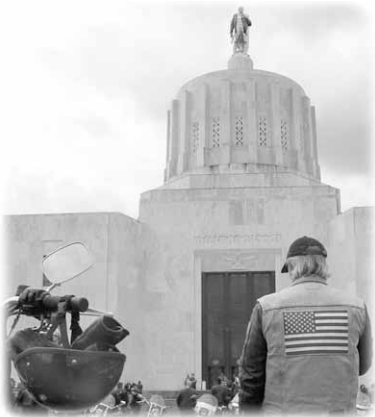
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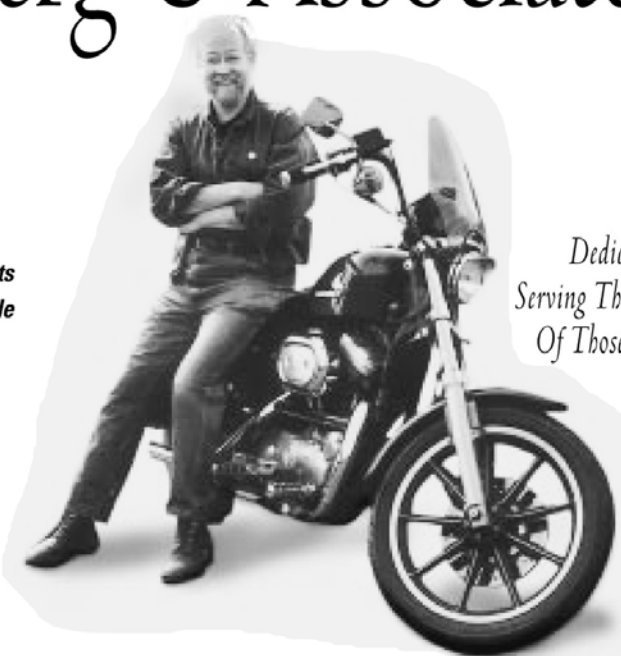
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( boldface indicates state-sanctioned Oregon A.B.A.T.E. events )

PR = Poker Run  
BN = Biker Night

date:	event / chapter or sponsor:	location:	contact number:
<b>19Apr 2014</b>	<b>Biker Night / Hub City</b>		
<del>27 Apr 2014</del>	<del>Spring Swap Meet / Oregon ABATE</del>	<del>[Postponed until autumn ]</del>	
<b>03 May 2014</b>	<b>Motorcycle Awareness Rally/ABATE</b>	<b>Salem</b>	
<b>03 May 2014</b>	<b>Motorcycle Awareness Rally</b>	<b>Grants Pass</b>	
08-11 May 2014	29th Convention / NCOM	Dallas, Texas	
<b>May 2014</b>	<b>Fossil Campout / ABATE</b>	<b>Fossil</b>	
<b>Jun 2014</b>	<b>Poker Run / Salem</b>		
<b>Jun 2014</b>	<b>Father's Day Run / Douglas Co.</b>		
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<b>July 2014</b>	<b>Thundering Waters Run / Douglas Co.</b>		
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