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**Could Oregon Become  
A Keystone State ?**

*The first western state with helmet choice will become a floodgate for motorcyclists to access the Pacific coast*

Many first-time visitors to Oregon become returning guests when they discover the beauty and diversity of the landscape. And when they find that Oregon has no sales tax, they make it a point to return with larger shopping bags. (Witness all the Washington and British Columbia license plates in the northern part of our state.)

Imagine what would happen to the established visitor base if motorcycle helmets became an optional choice.

Oregon would become a funnel for motorcyclists seeking to ride lid-free along the coast. They would ride from the middle of the country to get here. They would pour in from adjoining states. Even Washington and California riders would flock to Oregon.

All those new riders wouldn't confine themselves to coastal highway 101. They would explore and spread out, discovering blue highways leading through lush valleys to mountain passes and high desert.

Once riders have established riding patterns and enjoyable experiences in Oregon, coastal states to either side of us would be hard-pressed to win them over, even if they passed their own helmet choice legislation after Oregon blazed the way.

Conversely, if either Washington or California legalizes helmet choice before Oregon does, they will gain tourist momentum over our state and Oregon would end up trying to play catch up. (Always a losing proposition.)

Let's work to make Oregon a winner in adult helmet choice legislation while revitalizing our economy in the process.

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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!"*

*Easyriders* 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.)*

*Easyriders* 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.

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### 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

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

regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

### 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.

**A** = Single entity.

**B**ROTHERHOOD = The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association

**A** GAINST = In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.

**T**OTALITARIAN = 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**NACTMENTS = To make into regulation; the passing of a bill into ordinance; a decree; a regulation.

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# State Coordinator

Welcome to spring everyone !

The days are getting longer\* and warmer.

Everyone knows what that means: riding season is just around the corner.

Have you started to check your bike for riding yet?

Check your tires, your brakes, lights, and all the fluids.

Change your engine oil and filter.

Your bike will thank you for it.

Please make sure you check the list of flyers later in this newspaper for upcoming events.

If you have upcoming events, make sure to submit your flyers with your sanctioning forms so that we can get it in the newspaper.

A few events that I hope you will

consider attending would be:

- State swap meet - April 9th at the Hillsboro *Elks Lodge*.
- *May Motorcycle Awareness Day* at the state capital on May 7th.
- Then of course one of the biggest events is the *Fossil Campout* May 27th through 30th.

Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan to attend.

These events and others are what help raise awareness and money to support our mission statement.

Each of us can choose to help make a difference.

Will you choose to help?

I hope to see you at an event soon, or maybe on the road.

Yours in the brotherhood of *A.B.A.T.E.*,

-- Paul Hering



**Paul Hering**

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\* [ *c.o.e. note*: Okay, we all know the days don't get significantly longer as we approach summer, only the amount of daylight increases.]

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

## Central Oregon



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**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**

We had a super good turnout for the January *Douglas County (D.C.) A.B.A.T.E.* chapter meeting with seventeen members in attendance, *albeit* we had great support with state members and *Josephine County (JoCo) A.B.A.T.E.* members supporting us. A hearty thanks to *JoCo* and Spanky.

We continue to reach out to the sport bike community and are working on getting some of those riders involved in *Douglas County A.B.A.T.E.*

We discussed the dead red bill that will allow motorcyclist to go through red lights after they cycle through a couple time without turning green. A suggestion was made that if you are going to go through the red light to



turn on your flashers.

Spring is almost here (I like to dream) so it's time to start checking out our bikes. We all do a form of **T-CLOCS** (Tires, Controls, Lights, Oil, Chassis, and Sidestand) before we get on the bike.

If you haven't ridden a lot this winter, spend some time checking your tires for condition and air pressure and take a look at your rims.

It might be time to do some lubrication of our clutch and brake cables, and check the fluid in the brake

reservoir.

Take a look at your headlight and ensure both high and low beam are working. Check your turn signals and emergency flashers to validate they are working properly.

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**Douglas County****MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
**The Loft ( Del Rey Cafe )**  
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Jackson County**

Hello riders!

So we are all getting itchy to be on the road. As warm weather approaches, remember to be safe and watch out for each other. Consider what we said last month about taking the *Team Oregon* class and how that may affect your insurance rates. ( Check with your insurance company for additional reductions for additional classes you are interested in taking.)

Our goal is motorcycle safety and awareness. So support local *A.B.A.T.E.* rides and plan to attend the *May Motorcycle Awareness* event in Salem on the 7th. Help us get our voices heard regarding what helps keep us safe on the road.

*A.B.A.T.E.*'s state spring swap meet is coming up April 9th in Hillsboro. Check out the flyer in this newspaper.

This is a great time to meet new people and fellow riders. Come and have a good time.

Lots of rides happening, starting with the *Chilly Buns Poker Run* put on by *Hub City* on the 21st of February. Again, be sure to read the flyers in the newspaper and see if there is an event near you to come out and support.

*Jackson County* has several bike nights, an historical run in May (to benefit the *Butte Creek Mill*), the *Jackson County* swap meet planned for September 10th and 11th at *Champion Raceway* in White City, Oregon, and our *Second Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Run* on October 22nd this year. Everyone is invited to be a part of the happenings, from planning to vendors to party goers.



Meeting night for *Jackson County A.B.A.T.E.* is the fourth Friday of the month at *Witham's Restaurant* on Biddle road in Medford, Oregon.

**Jackson County****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

4<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 1800 ( 6 pm )  
**Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant**  
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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *Hub City*

Hello out there,

It's been a long, wet winter so far. Today is a beautiful day. Hope you were able to take a little advantage of it. I, at least, was able to ride to work. It is probably a false spring, normal for this time of the year.

Here at *Hub City* we just had our first event, the *15th Annual Don Nash Chilly Buns Run* on February 21. What a success it was! We had lots of people come out to ride a great route. There were lots of awesome door prizes to be won and don't forget about the 50/50 too. If you did not make it to it this year, put it on your list for next year as it always a lot fun, rain or shine.

It is always fun to get out, see people

you have not seen for awhile and go for a ride when you have been cooped up most of the winter, hibernating.

We are now getting ready for our biker night on May 21, time and location to be determined.

On June 4th we will have our annual poker run. This should be another great route with more awesome door prizes. We will keep you posted as on the where and when. It is always a great time seeing old and meeting new friends on the road, so be on the look out for more great *A.B.A.T.E.* events and go support the local chapters.

Last but not least, thank you to everyone who has stepped up to take an officer position this year at the



state and local chapter levels. This group would not be what it is without our wonderful volunteers.

So be careful out there, keep the rubber on the road, and keep on truck'n'.

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### *Hub City* **MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)  
*Ciddici's Pizza*  
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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

# Josephine County

Good evening *A.B.A.T.E.* members and visitors to our newspaper,

So it begins.

Our events have all been scheduled. Now we work to make them successful.

The last weekend in April is also the first weekend in May.

April 30 and May 1 will be the *18th Annual Southern Oregon Motorcycle Swap Meet & Bike Show*.

New location: 545 California avenue in Grants Pass/Merlin. Southern Oregon's premier motorcycle swap meet and free bike show hosted by *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

All bikes welcome.

Over forty vendors signed up last year.

Only \$5 per day or \$8 for a two-day pass. Kids free.

New and used parts, leathers and accessories, food, music, and a beer garden.

Bike show Saturday 12 – 3 p.m.  
Registration at 10 a.m.

### **Upcoming JoCo events:**

Apr 30-May 1 Swap meet  
May 7 *Grants Pass Motorcycle Awareness Day*  
Aug 6 *Run to the Coast*  
Aug 12-14 *S.O.S. Run*  
Oct 1 Grants Pass toy run

The last two weeks has been great riding weather. [Early February.] Foggy and overcast every morning, but warm and clear every afternoon. We've had some awesome sunsets, great rainbows, and just



overall wonderful outdoor southern Oregon scenery. Hope you have all been out getting some wind.

See you down the road,

-- Karen in Grants Pass

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### *Josephine County* **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1830  
(6:30 p.m.)

Fruitdale Grange  
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Grants Pass

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

Good news bad news.

We had a few more people at our monthly meeting. But the reason they were there was to help make some decisions about what to do about the equipment left over from the *Beaver Creek Run* that *Lincoln County Chapter* put on for several years.

Discussions have risen about reviving the run, but it always ends up at the same dead end: Prep work on the site took most of the early summer and fell to being the responsibility of a declining membership that ain't getting any younger!

Rest in peace, *Beaver Creek*. Life moves on.

In between rain storms some of us have managed to get together to ride up the coast to one of our favorite soda parlors for refreshments and stirring

and life changing conversation. Bob, our fearless leader, gets the credit for calling and rousting us out.

I'm writing this beside the pool in a little village on the Pacific coast of Mexico.

There were a couple of *Harley-Davidsons* parked on the street outside a casa that I walked by. So kind of like dogs that have to sniff each other, I walked over and started up a conversation.

The roads in the countryside down here are a mess. And the traffic in a city of any size is worse than when I rode through downtown Phoenix.

But the twist I hadn't thought about until I talked with them, is the banditos. (To be clear, *real* banditos. Not the ones getting screwed over by the court in Waco, Texas.)



They explained that there are certain stretches of road between here and Puerto Vallarta that they make sure that they have plenty of fuel and go like hell to get through as quickly as possible. These guys were sun-burned, pretty tough looking hombres who didn't strike me as the timid type. Maybe I'll stop grousing about the rain so much!

ride safe,

-- skid more

### **Lincoln County** **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1900 (7 pm)  
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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **North Coast**

Chapter member Al Jaques was surprised when the former mayor of Astoria, Willis Van Dusen, came into the room yelling his name. Willis was followed by seven other community leaders. They came to honor Al for his part in building *Astoria High School's* new football field.

Al was project manager and had to coordinate with all parties involved to get the project done.

They presented Al with the *E.P.A. Region 10 Phoenix Award* for the Astoria landfill redevelopment project.

We were very proud to be asked to host this presentation and proud of Al. He truly shows what it means to be involved in our community.



Left to right: Fred Stemmler (*Western Recology*), Jeff Harrington (city of Astoria), Ken Cook (city of Astoria), Craig Hoppes (Astoria school district), Brett Estes (city of Astoria), **Al Jaques** (project manager for *C.M.H.* field, recipient of the *E.P.A. Region 10 Phoenix Award* for the Astoria landfill redevelopment project), Erik Thorsen (*Columbia Memorial Hospital*), Willis Van Dusen (former Astoria mayor), Howard Rub (Astoria school district).



### **North Coast**

### **MEETING TIME and PLACE**

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

Children are welcome

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

# Lower Columbia

Greetings from the *Lower Columbia A.B.A.T.E.*,

Spring is right around the corner. Time to get your bikes ready for the summer.

We will be looking forward to seeing you at the spring swap meet next month.

One of our members has accepted a new job in another state. We just want to say thank you to Matt Casey for all the work and support you have given *LoCo* and *A.B.A.T.E.* through the time you were here. We will miss you and hope to see and ride with you again. We wish the best for you and your family. Thanks again for

being a friend and brother.

Ride safe and ride free,

-- Phil



**Lower Columbia**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 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**

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**January 19, 2016**

**February 02, 2016**

It was a cold, wet night. No breath of wind disturbed the sullen unstopppable rain. The lights from the headlight disappeared away into the night.

So, we had a meeting to liven things up a bit!

It worked.

No surprise then when talk turned to places to ride and things to see.

Yes, the days are indeed getting longer and we may soon see and feel the sun on our eager faces.

I want to thank Steve, in advance, (and later, too) for taking over my duties as chapter secretary while Teresa and I venture into the southwest. Sunny (I hope) Arizona awaits. We will be back by the February state board meeting. This probably won't even be published by then.

Oh, well.

I was gone at our recent meeting and Steve Bishop did the secretary job for me. Many thanks for all your support, Steve.

Our poker run is now in our sights and we will make progress soon. Gotta get out and find a good route.

We will have a poker run committee meeting at 6 p.m. on February 16, before the regular meeting. No games were held at this meeting.

There were serious discussions about the Hildreth children and related issues.

Eloise Mortimore has been chosen to be the grand marshal of the *Wheeler County Fair and Rodeo* for this year. Congratulations to Eloise.



**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****Southeast Portland**

Hello there fellow bikers,

We had our elections and the following dedicated *Southeast Portland* members were elected:

Coordinator – Phil Jones  
 Vice-coordinator – John Botorf  
 Secretary – James Niece  
 Treasurer – Tina McDowell  
 State board representative – Randy Phipps  
 Membership secretary – Craig Blair  
 Legislative director – Randy Phipps  
 BikePAC representative – Phil Jones  
 Web master – James Niece  
 Historian – < Open >  
 Public relations – Bill Cameron  
 Education director – Geoff White

Chapter chaplain – Mike Friend  
 Ways & means - Dick Edmonds  
 Sgt-at-Arms – Aaron Manning  
 Road captain – Mike Harris

We have been busy with the 2016 *A.B.A.T.E. / Shriners Toy Run*. A new 2016 *XL883N Iron 883* was purchased.

The necessary raffle application, parade permit application, raffle ticket design, flyer, and sanctioning form are being worked on.

We are going to have the *Yer Mother's Poker Run* on May 8th. It will be an 85 mile jaunt with five pleasing stops.

One of the stops is in Mt. Angel where there will be some tasty bratwurst available for munching. Yummmm!

Plan on joining us for this fun run.



Please visit the *Southeast Portland Chapter Mini-Mall*. There is a lot of stuff on sale.

We have a large chapter trailer (8' x 24') that was used for *Run 21* purposes.

2015 toy run t-shirts are on sale too. \$15 or \$20 will get you into some new threads.

2014 toy run shirts are on sale for \$5. These are really good shirts.

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**Southeast Portland MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1200 (noon)

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**Washington County MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

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

Prime Time Restaurant  
 4450 Pacific avenue  
 Forest Grove

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**Our Officers at Work**

Fine folks attending = 35 ; Bikes ridden = 0

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

13 February 2016 (*Ciddici's Pizza*— Albany, Oregon )

**Call to order, welcome:** The meeting was called to order by Rick Prentice at 12:08 p.m. with ten of eleven chapters represented. All represented chapters eligible to vote.

*Lower Columbia* was excused.

Pledge of allegiance.

Moment of silence for downed brothers or sisters and service men or women.

**Guests and first time attendees:**

Lorraine Umbarger (*River City*), Michelle McKinney (*Douglas County*), Jim and Betty Engel (*Hub City*), Henry Fields (*Central Oregon*), Derald Stafford (*Josephine County*), Christopher Slater (*A.I.M./N.C.O.M.* attorney), Vincent Schweiger (*Lincoln County*), Tonia Judd (*Douglas County*), John Kamlonik (*Douglas County*), Louise Davies (*Josephine County*)

**Reading, approval of previous minutes:** Nic Oliver moved to adopt the January minutes as printed in the state newspaper, Todd Sahlberg seconded. Passed unanimously.

## Executive Board Officers' Reports

**Coordinator's comments:** Paul Hering was excused for a family emergency. Rick Prentice chaired the meeting.

**Secretary report, correspondence:** Teresa Hepker reported receiving chapter officer contact information from all but *Douglas County* and *Central Oregon*. She distributed an updated contact list for state officers.

In January we received a personal property tax notice from Wasco county for our new assumed business

name, *A Brotherhood Aiming Toward Education*. Teresa visited the Wasco county tax office, where a clerk was surprised that we only received a notice for that county, and not all thirty-six counties.

*A.B.A.T.E.* is eligible to apply for an exemption to this tax, and Teresa will try to find out if there is a way to do it for all counties and chapters at once. Even if we can, it looks like all chapters would be required to have an inventory list of the things we own, with a description, cost and purchase date. Teresa will report next month.

**Vice-coordinator (north):** Dave Witmer expressed thanks for all the riders who showed up for the police funeral procession held recently.

**Vice-coordinator (south):** Pat "Spanky" Allen reports that *Jackson, Josephine* and *Douglas County Chapters* are working on events.

The southern swap meet site and organizing are going well, and *S.O.S.* is in planning. He noted that lots of veterans events are scheduled, too.

**Vice-coordinator (east):** Rick Prentice reported that *River City Chapter* has a *Facebook* page, which has already gained *A.B.A.T.E.* a couple of members in Hermiston. Discussion ensued.

**Treasurer:** Karen Tolle distributed a sheet showing 2015 actual and 2015 proposed budget, and the profit and loss statement for January.

Checking	=	\$ 5,199.84
Savings	=	\$22,945.54
PayPal	=	\$ 200.00
U.S. postmaster	=	\$ 130.41
<b>Total</b>	=	<b>\$28,475.79</b>

**Membership secretary:** Kathy Sahlberg thanked chapter membership secretaries for doing a great job, saying that she received more renewals in January than any month before.

She removed expired memberships that had not renewed after several months of notices and chapter efforts, and will remove more next month.

Expired	=	126
Associated	=	237
Family	=	290
Lifetime	=	85
Newspaper	=	421
<b>Total</b>	=	<b>1,159</b>

**Sanctioning officer:** Todd Sahlberg has been having trouble with the *InsureEvents* web site, and has not been able to reach Bob Terrill.

(**Note:** Todd & Teresa met after the meeting and managed to submit a request for a coverage quote for 2016. Todd should have a response within 24 hours.)

*Southeast Portland* submitted an event list but sanctioning forms have not been received except for one event.

Todd is also missing sanctioning application for *River City's* poker run.

## Officers' Reports

**State auditor:** Cindy Witmer said that Paul Hering is talking to his accountant about doing the *A.B.A.T.E.* taxes. To be ready to process 2015 taxes, she still needs:

- December bank statement and check register from *Josephine County*.
- December bank statement from *Southeast Portland*.



**Teresa Hepker**

state recording secretary

**Newspaper editor:** Rot Path was pleased with the great turnout at today's meeting. He said he has a short deadline this month, and has to send the paper to press on 19 February.

He is missing reports from *Central Oregon, Jackson County, and Southeast Portland*. [ c.o.e. note: It was really *Washington County's* report that was missing, not *Southeast Portland's*.]

He brought some books from *Arcadia Press*, which focus on history and photos of towns or regions, and encouraged others to check them out as sources for runs and events.

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

**Sergeant-at-arms (south):** Lance Tolle was excused.

**Sergeant-at-arms (east):** Steve Bishop had nothing to report.

**Products director:** Ted Tracy finally managed to order some life member patches at a good price through *U.S.A. Productions* owned by Helen Wesson, who he met at one of the *Meetings of the Minds*. The patches are made in the U.S.

He has sold twelve big car magnets, still has some left at \$10.

He will order 400 year bars for 2016.

**Education director:** Geoff White reminded everyone to bring him any *Motorcycle Awareness Program*

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(M.A.P.) materials, videos, keychains that are not being used.

He met with a chapter of the *Red Knights*, who are interested in partnering in motorcycle awareness class presentations.

Gene Mortimore reported he is working with *Condon High School* this year to make a presentation before the *Fossil Campout*. Last year he presented to the school in Fossil.

**Public relations director:** < V a c a n t >

Tonia Judd spoke about using *Facebook* to promote *Douglas County Chapter*. Had some problems, but thinks she is getting past those.

**State run coordinator (Fossil):** Rick Prentice reported having bands, sound system, mistress of ceremony, and vendors arranged. (Still one band to finalize.)

He reminded chapter sgts-at-arms that they are expected to help with security.

*Jackson County Chapter* offered to manage the poker run on Saturday.

*Lincoln County Chapter* probably will manage the games.

Jimmer and Betty of *Hub City Chapter* will manage the daily garbage tasks

Teresa Hepker will manage gate volunteers.

Jack Wingfield voiced his chapter's objection to last year's large areas being roped off before the event even started. It makes it hard to convince people from smaller chapters to attend and participate.

**State swap meet coordinator:** Todd Sahlberg reported flyers and packets have gone out. He has many more vendors spaces to fill, and vendors will be both inside and outdoors.

Ted Tracy called the *Elks* during the meeting, and confirmed that we have the *Elks Lodge* reserved for both April and November.

Spring swap meet setup is Friday,

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

13 February 2016 (continued from previous page)



April 8 and the swap meet is Saturday, April 9.

**Historian:** Teresa Hepker had nothing to report.

Tonia Judd brought an album from *Douglas County Chapter*, which was on display during the meeting. Teresa then took it for historian records.

**Web page editor:** Carl Earl reports the web site is up to date. Be sure to let him know if you find something that needs fixing.

**Quartermaster:** Paul Hering and Gene Mortimore.

Gene brought a number of big signs advertising *Fossil Campout*, which he offered to chapter representatives to put up in good locations.

The seamstress reports that progress is being made on the new tarp covers for the Fossil booth.

**Legislative director:** < V a c a n t >

Doug Tiller reported that *BikePAC* has no bills in the 2016 short session.

They are working to strengthen relations with other lobby groups, with the goal of converting opposition to neutrality.

*BikePAC* is also looking at ways to improve public relations to educate both the public and motorcyclists about legislative issues.

**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative:** Brian Stovall spoke about Christopher Slater's offer to help send an *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* representative to the *N.C.O.M.*

national convention in Atlantic City.

Christopher also spoke, offering to pay registration, hotel, and banquet costs for two people from Oregon. *A.B.A.T.E.* would be responsible for air travel. The individuals would be responsible for their own food and other costs. A proposal will be offered under "New Business."

Brian said, "Join *BikePAC*!"

**M.R.F. representative:** Brian Stovall said, "Join *M.R.F.*" and check out

<http://www.mrf.org/>

for up-to-date federal information.

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* is our representative in Washington, D.C. and is also our international watchdog.

**Confederation of Clubs representative:** Pat "Spanky" Allen reported not much news.

## Unfinished Business

None

## New Business

• **Motion 1:** By Chuck Miller, seconded by Jack Wingfield:

"To cancel the April state board meeting due to conflict with the spring state swap meet."

Yes = 10

No = 0

**Passed**

• **Motion 2:** By Brian Stovall, seconded by Randy Phipps:

"To pay for transportation (air) only

for Mel Yeager to attend the N.C.O.M. convention in Atlantic City. Estimated cost \$400."

Yes = 10

No = 0

**Passed**

• **Motion 3:** By Brian Stovall, seconded by Randy Phipps:

"To send a second person to the N.C.O.M. conference in Atlantic City. (Mike Friend was suggested.)"

Yes = 10

No = 0

**Passed**

(**Note:** Rick will see Mike later this evening and will check with him about his availability.)

• A motion offered, then withdrawn by Paula Leslie. The issues will be discussed in the future.

## Announcements

• Next state board of directors meeting: Saturday noon, March 12, 2016 at *Ciddici's Pizza* in Albany, Oregon.

• Tonia Judd would like to enter a motorcycle-themed Christmas tree in the Douglas county casino's *Festival of Trees*. She is asking for people from other chapters to join her in this project.

• *North Coast Chapter* changed their April event to the 30th to avoid conflict with *River City Chapter's* poker run.

## Upcoming Events

The *One Oregon Motorcycle Show* continues tonight and tomorrow at 831 SE Salmon. (13-14 February)

**Adjourned:** 2:17 p.m.

**Note:** After the meeting, Karen Tolle and Cindy Witmer conducted a treasurer's training session that was well attended. Participants felt it was worth while to do this training.



From yer ...



... for the final year

# Thar's Gold In Them Tent Cities

looking back into the future

c.o.e. – 170

Back in the mid-nineteenth century gold rush era, canvas tent cities would spring up where and whenever a new strike was discovered. (Think, *Paint Your Wagon*, which was set in northern California, but was filmed in southern Oregon.) Horses and mules stirred up dust or bogged down in muddy streets lined with cloth-fronted stores, saloons, and camp sites. If the gold find was substantial, the wooden buildings replaced tents and a town was born. Otherwise the occupants moved on to the next strike, leaving the site to revert to nature.

Motorcycle runs and campouts often reflect those earlier times, except our tents are ripstop nylon, our riding critters are made of metal and rubber, and our gold is comradary and friendship.

A tent city springs up on the first day of the campout, vendors arrive and set up, byways appear, hoards

descend on the site seeking to enrich their lives with fun and friendship. For the length of the run, life echoes a bygone time.

And when it's over, the tents are taken down, vendors depart, no town is established, and the open space reverts to birdsong and grazing deer.

Yet we take away something more enduring than element 79 of the periodic table – our warm memories along with feelings of well-being.

March is a jarring month for yer c.o.e., primarily because of the switch from standard (real) time to daylight (dillusional) time.

This is also a time when we begin to lose our winter vistas to the reemergence of foliage.

*Ah,  
the spring equinox,  
when darkness  
begins becoming  
lightness*

[ Here's a little blast from the past, since c.o.e. has used up all hs editorial words for the month.]

### A.B.A.T.E. Is For Swingers c.o.e.– 50 March 2006

Remember the way swings work?

You straighten and fold your legs at just the right time and that little action causes you to go higher and higher. It's all in the timing of your leg positions.



**Rot Path**  
crusty ol' editor

(big enough to be seen from space)

Science fans might call it physical reinforcement at resonant peaks.

We just called it fun.

Our motorcycle rights activities need to reflect this same basic principle.

We start with small actions such as writing letters, making phone calls, stuffing envelopes, putting out candidate signs, and keep doing them consistently. Before we realize it, we've gained some momentum.

We increase our action by attending meetings and rallies, visiting office holders. We keep doing this consistently and before we realize it, we've gained more momentum.

We volunteer for local council positions, we become precinct ommittee persons in political parties, we guide party platforms. We're consistent and we've gained even more momentum.

We are elected or appointed to political offices.

Now we can use all that momentum we've built up to guide and shape policies for the people of this nation.

Just as the framers of our constitution intended.

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*Note:* Photos and copy-ready artwork should be stiffened with cardboard to prevent folding, spindling, or mutilating. Include a self-stamped addressed envelope if you want your material returned. (Otherwise the c.o.e. has a woodstove and your unclaimed contributions may end up keeping his toes warm.)

**MARCH Cryptogram**

**LE SHB DOW DC EZDBW NHFKZ THJB,  
 SZWO EZW BGO BZLOWB ZDE,  
 HOT EZW SLOT IMDSB KDMT,  
 SZWO LE LB BGNNWF LO EZW MLVZE,  
 HOT SLOEFW LO EZW BZHTW.**

**-- KZHFMWB TLKPWOB**

Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like on page 18 )

**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 fer 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.  
 Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.



## A.B.A.T.E. OF OREGON SPRING MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET

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

(All proceeds go to support the mission of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon)

**APRIL 09, 2016**

**HILLSBORO ELKS LODGE  
21865 NW QUATAMA RD, HILLSBORO, OREGON  
8:00 AM UNTIL 4:00 PM**

**ENTRY FEE: \$5 AT THE GATE OR 4 CANS OF FOOD  
FOR HILLSBORO ELKS LODGE CHRISTMAS BASKET PROGRAM**



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## A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Josephine County Chapter 17th Annual Southern Oregon Motorcycle Swap Meet And Bike Show

**Free** Bike Show  
All-Bikes (American & Metric Classes)  
Registration 10-noon, Show 12noon - 3:00 pm

### NEW LOCATION

545 California Ave, Grants Pass - Merlin Exit 61 off I-5  
Empty lot at the end of California Ave off Monument Dr

Great Food, Music, new/used  
parts, leather goods, clothing,  
gift items, drawings

Blessing of the bikes  
Sunday morning biker church

Entry Fee: \$5.00/day  
\$8.00/2-day pass  
Children under 12 free

VENDOR SPOTS INFO  
Pat @ 541-832-2219

For general information:  
Spanky @ 541-659-8715 or  
Karen @ 541-660-8730

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## Cell Phonies . . .

**OMG!  
ran n2  
mtrcycl!**

**u ok?**

**shkn**

**car?**

## Motorcycle Awareness Rally

May 7th 2016  
12:00 noon



Front steps, Josephine County Courthouse  
500 NW 6<sup>th</sup> St, Grants Pass

The public is openly invited to attend this free event to be conducted in the interest of public safety about issues pertaining to motorcycles, motorcyclists, and public safety.

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month. Similar rallies will take place in Grants Pass and in Salem. Lives can be saved by becoming more aware of all vehicles on the road. "Look twice, save a life." Come out and learn more about motorcycle safety, motorcycle legislative issues, and what is happening in Salem. Help us tell Salem what you are concerned about.

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

### Rider Education



### 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>The Loft (Del Rey Cafe)</b>	Winchester
<b>Hub City</b>	3rd Thursday – 7 p.m.	<b>Ciddici's Pizza</b>	Albany
<b>Jackson County</b>	3rd Tuesday – 6 p.m.	<b>Witham's Restaurant</b>	Medford
<b>Josephine County</b>	3rd Wednesday – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Fruitdale grange</b>	Grants 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>Southeast Portland</b>	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

**hedlite  
broke  
grill smshd  
paint scrchd  
- dadll kill  
me!**

**Hang up and  
drive, damnit!**



# A.M.A. Club 1924 Connects With Riders

Free local touring maps from RoadRunner magazine

The *American Motorcyclist Association* (A.M.A.) will greet current and future members at 2016's most iconic motorcycling events, including *Daytona Bike Week*, *Americade*, *Laconia*, *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days*, and *Sturgis*.

*A.M.A. Club 1924*, named in honor of the A.M.A.'s founding year, is the association's presence at these events, celebrating the fun of motorcycling, connecting with riders, and looking back on the history of motorcycling in America.

"The A.M.A. includes people who just love to ride motorcycles, and that love of riding and community is why the A.M.A. was created," said A.M.A. chief operations officer Jeff Massey.

"Our A.M.A. Club 1924 locations are the latest opportunity for the A.M.A. to connect to its members and future members and to showcase the great heritage of motorcycling in America."

Throughout 2016, the A.M.A. will be collaborating with partners to enhance members' experience at A.M.A. Club 1924 locations.

*RoadRunner* magazine, which offers A.M.A. members an exclusive subscription discount on its touring magazine, has created motorcycle travel maps for the rallies on the A.M.A. Club 1924 calendar.

The maps, created by *RoadRunner's* *RoadMaps* subsidiary, feature the best roads in the rallies' state. The maps are large, water-resistant and tear-



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proof. They include six self-guided routes, each with information on local history, nearby points of interest, and lunch stop suggestions.

The A.M.A. will distribute the maps for free to visitors of A.M.A. Club 1924 at each rally. The maps also will be for sale in the *RoadMaps* on-line shop following each event.

The A.M.A. Club 1924 schedule includes:

- *Daytona Bike Week* – Daytona Beach, Florida: 04-13 March
- *Rolling Thunder* – Washington, D.C.: 27-30 May
- *Americade* – Lake George, New York: 07-11 June

- *Laconia Motorcycle Week* – Laconia, New Hampshire: 11-19 June
- *Thunder in the Valley* – Johnstown, Pennsylvania: 23-26 June
- *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days* – Lexington, Ohio: 08-10 July
- *The Buffalo Chip* – Sturgis, South Dakota: 08-14 August
- *Ray Price Bike Fest* – Raleigh, North Carolina: 23-25 September

The Florida *RoadMaps* to be distributed at the A.M.A. Club 1924 location are sponsored by Ohio's *Windy 9*, *Bridgestone Motorcycle Tires*, *Rally Time Trailers*, *Blue Rim Tours*, and *Americade*.

## Douglas County ( continued from page 4 )

It might be worth while to check you oil and fuel if the bike has been sitting awhile.

Also, this would be a good time to go over the chassis on you scooter. Check your suspension also.

For more detailed information check out:

<http://www.americanmotorcyclist.com/riding/street/resources/threeminutecheck.aspx>

We finalized our bike nights for the summer and set the date for the *Whistler's Bend Poker Run*. All runs and events are sanctioned by the state. Everyone is welcome to show up. As a plug, the ride to The Narrows is very nice.

Douglas County A.B.A.T.E. bike nights:

Date:	Time:	Location:
Apr 14	1700	<i>Del Rey Cafe</i> – 5669 NE Stephens st Winchester
May 15	1700	<i>Scoreboard</i> – 920 SE Stephens st. Roseburg,
June 4	all day	<i>Whistlers Bend</i> – 2828 Whistlers Park rd. Roseburg
June 18	1700	<i>Rose Garden</i> – 413 Umpqua highway 99 Drain
July 15		<i>Narrows Tavern</i> – 21608 N. Umpqua Glide
Aug 19	1700	<i>Sunset</i> – 4818 NE Stephens st Roseburg
Sept 16	1700	<i>Kodiak Bar &amp; Grill</i> – 929 SE Stephens st. Roseburg

Our chapter will assist *Josephine County A.B.A.T.E.* with the state swap meet and with *Fossil Campout*.

-- Bill Sebers, secretary, D.C.-A.B.A.T.E.

## Wise Words



As an Oregonian, you have an opportunity to influence your legislature that choice is important.

But more than that, as freedom-loving Americans we have a responsibility to safeguard and promote our precious liberties for future generations. If we fail in that task, those liberties will be extinguished and our children and our grandchildren will never get them back.

Get involved,  
Make a difference,

-- Rotten Roger

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists



# New Year Brings New Legislation

Along with the new year comes an onslaught of new legislation, as new legislative sessions across the nation consider a myriad of motorcycle regulations such as helmet legislation in **Arizona** that would charge riders a fee to ride without one.

- Pre-filed on 06 January 2016, HB-2052 introduced by state representative Dr. Randall Friese (D-Tucson) would modify their under-18 helmet regulation to read:

*“An operator or passenger of a motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, or motor-driven cycle who is at least eighteen years of age is exempt from the helmet requirement if the owner pays a (as yet undetermined) fee when registering their vehicle. A person who violates this section is subject to a civil penalty of five hundred dollars,”* and a portion of the fees collected from the pay-to-play p-pot plot would be *“deposited in the spinal and head injuries trust fund.”*

- Meanwhile, in **Indiana**, SB-157 would *“eliminate the portion of the motorcycle registration fee that is currently distributed to the spinal cord and brain injury fund.”*

- **Missouri** is considering numerous motorcycle-related bills, including seven helmet bills:

One would repeal the requirement for anyone 18 or over. (HB-1663)

Another would exempt motorcyclists 21 or older from wearing a helmet if they have appropriate health insurance coverage. (HB-1464)

One *“prohibits enforcement from stopping a motorcycle for failing to wear protective headgear.”* (HB-1957)

HB-1371 treats the infraction as a secondary offense, requiring another reason to pull a rider over.

Four separate bills concern autocycles and primarily exempts certain operators of motorcycles and motortricycles from wearing protective headgear. (SB-659, SB-694, SB-851, and SB-1732)

- Three-wheelers are of concern in several states, as legislatures struggle with defining and regulating “autocycles”. In **Kansas** house bill 2436 would allow persons to take a motorcycle license driving exam on a three-wheeled motorcycle and would restrict such licenses to trikes.

- In **New Hampshire**, as in some other states, the state legislature will consider HB-1308 to allow motorcycles to travel between lanes of traffic in certain instances. (*a.k.a.* lane-splitting.) HB-1347 would *“establish a committee to study sharing the road with bicycles and motorcycles.”*

Also in the Granite State, senator Andrew Hosmer, a democrat from Laconia, has introduced SB-360 to repeal the statute restricting handlebar height and legalize so-called “ape-hangers”. New Hampshire is currently among more than thirty states that limit the height of motorcycle handlebars.

Since 1967, existing statute prohibits handlebar grips *“higher than the shoulder level of the driver when in the seat or saddle”* and also prohibits riding a motorcycle with *“improvised, defective, or repaired handlebars.”*

*“I applaud senator Hosmer for sponsoring this bill,”* said Charlie St. Clair, executive director of the *Laconia Motorcycle Week Association*. *“I have never heard the height of handlebars presented as a safety issue,”* he told the *Laconia Daily Sun*. *“There is no history*

*of [crashes] caused by high bars.”*

Without a federal standard, the regulation of handlebars on motorcycles rests with the states.

Currently, twelve states limit the height of handlebars to 15 inches above the saddle. Five others require the handlebars to be below the height of the shoulder.

Last summer, South Dakota, which hosts the annual *Sturgis Rally* became the most recent state to repeal its shoulder level statute.

### Share What’s Happening In Your State

*“At our annual N.C.O.M. board meeting in November, the board discussed what information would be beneficial to share with attendees at our annual N.C.O.M. convention in May,”* says N.C.O.M. board and legislative task force member, Annette Torrez, who is also chair of the *New Mexico Motorcycle Rights Organization (N.M.M.R.O.)*, adding that *“We decided on a session on state legislative victories and defeats. We all face similar and different issues in each state during our legislative sessions, and by sharing the outcomes on bills that were sponsored, passed, failed, and the details, we can learn from each other. By the sharing of information we may be able to advance many of the same victories or avoid the pitfalls faced.”*

The *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)* welcomes your input, and encourages you to share your information with:

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**(505)-730-0435**

or

N.C.O.M. board member John

Bilotta

Operations director of *A.B.A.T.E. of Virginia*

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The *31st Annual N.C.O.M. Convention* will be held Mother’s Day weekend, 05-08 May 2016 at *Harrah’s Resort*, located at 777 Harrah’s boulevard in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Reserve your room now for the special N.C.O.M. rate of \$109 by calling 1-**(888)-516-2215**.

To pre-register for the 2016 N.C.O.M. convention, contact the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* at 1-**(800)-525-5355** or visit:

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### N.C.O.M. Conference Convenes In Unity, Cooperation and Respect

The chill air in Kansas City, Missouri reverberated with the thunder of dozens of motorcycles as riders from a six-state area converged on the holiday inn Kansas City international airport November 21, 2015 for the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)* region 2 conference, which comprises Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa.

This year, the conference was hosted by the newly-formed *Missouri Confederation of Clubs and Independents*, and chaired by N.C.O.M. region 2 co-directors “Tiger Mike” Revere (president of *Central Oklahoma District A.B.A.T.E.* and liaison to the *Oklahoma Confederation of Clubs*) and Tony Shepherd (*A.B.A.T.E. of Missouri*).

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The following is a conference report submitted by Tiger Mike:

“Riders from the region 2 member states were both excited and thirsty for information on important issues, especially hoping for an update on the horrific Waco, Texas event of May, 2015. Bikers were also apprehensive about whether the Waco tragedy might negatively impact attendance.

As it turned out, the opposite was true, featuring a standing-room only crowd!

The conference convened off with “Tiger Mike” Revere and Tony Shepherd, N.C.O.M. region 2 directors, welcoming attendees and addressing *Freedom Of The Road Throughout The Nation*, followed by N.C.O.M. executive coordinator “Sarge” Matthews covering *Discrimination Among Ourselves, Outlawing Our Existence As We Know It*.

N.C.O.M. attorney Joey Lester covered court case updates, including judicial victories regarding “no-colors” policies at fairgrounds where bikers are ejected because of their patch insignia.

After lunch, attendees participated in a forum dealing with *The Tragedy of Waco*, featuring Joey Lester, TXCOC&I chairman “Gimme Jimmy”, and Louie Nobs and Dwayne Gryder from N.C.O.M. *Christian Unity*. A lot of accurate updates were shared to combat the disinformation advanced by the media and enforcement. The program to raise funds to assist Waco victims and their families was outlined.

Go to <http://www.onabike.com> or contact N.C.O.M. *Christian Unity* for more information.

N.C.O.M. *Christian Unity Texas* will be getting a special award for their

hard work at this year’s N.C.O.M. convention in Atlantic City. *Christian Unity* liaison to the N.C.O.M. board, Louie Nobs, is receiving the 2016 *Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award* for his considerable efforts on behalf of bikers everywhere over a lot of years.

Also featured at the conference was “Gimme Jimmy” talking about the importance of the U.S. *Defenders* program in the light of the Waco shootings.

“Double-D” and “Twitch” from the *Washington Confederation of Clubs* spoke on *Anti-Profilng [Regulations] and How they Affect your State*. This was an important topic, since several CoCs are very interested in getting this type of legislation passed in their states.

The conference continued with the regional meeting, where motorcycling rights representatives spoke of legislative and legal issues in their respective areas, the *Confederation of Clubs* regional meeting where CoC officers and representatives in attendance spoke of legal and lifestyle challenges and accomplishments.

The N.C.O.M. regional conference concluded with the *Christian Unity* seminar and meeting for spiritual riding groups. Following the spiritual service and blessing of the bikes on Sunday morning, riders went their separate ways refreshed, informed, and resolved to vigorously continue the defense of biker liberty into the new year.”

### More Airbag Bikes Coming

While automotive airbags first appeared in the 1970s, it took decades for the technology to spread to motorcycles. And now ten years after the introduction of *Honda’s* airbag-equipped *Gold Wing* comes another airbagger from the Japanese giant.

While the *Gold Wing* remains the only bike currently on the market equipped with airbag technology, *Honda’s* latest inflatable is revealed in a new patent and demonstrated with an airbag fitted to the firm’s *NC750S*, which isn’t sold in the U.S. marketplace.

The main difference from the *Gold Wing* bag is the shape and size, with the new design gaining a long, vertical extension above the balloon-shaped main part of the airbag to help counter the fact that most bikes will pitch forward in a frontal collision, throwing the rider upward as well as straight ahead. The idea is that the lower part of the airbag will cushion the rider’s chest and stomach, slowing him down before his head impacts the extended upper section.

As on the *Gold Wing*, the new system is specifically aimed at frontal impacts and is therefore triggered by a sensor in the bottom of the fork. Highsides, lowsides, or any other crash where the impact is not directly from the front will not engage the airbag system.

Airbags are never likely to be as effective on bikes as they are in the confined space of a car, where drivers can be surrounded by them on all sides. *Honda* hopes that the combination of modern safety gear, including airbag-equipped leathers and airbags fitted to bikes themselves, will hold some promise of reduced injuries in the future.

### E-Motorcycle Tax Credit Reinstated, Retroactive

The E-motorcycle federal tax credit, also known as the two-wheeled plug-in tax credit for electric motorcycles, was included in the “last minute” tax extenders bill approved by congress and signed into effect by president Obama on December 18, 2015. It

covers 10% of the purchase price up to a maximum of \$2,500, with an additional tax credit approved which covers electric motorcycle chargers with a 30% tax credit up to \$1,000.

The credit only applies to street legal motorcycles that can go over 45 mph. The federal tax credits are available in all fifty U.S. states and apply to electric motorcycles and electric vehicle chargers purchased in both 2015 (retroactive) and 2016.

### Motorcycle Theft Statistics

[ *Nine Out Ten Readers Eyes Glaze Over Reading Statistics* ]

The *National Insurance Crime Bureau (N.I.C.B)* has released its latest bike theft report. While much of their annual report is predictable (such as most thefts occur in the summer) some statistics reveal interesting nuggets of information.

Nationally, the *N.I.C.B.’s 2014 United States Theft and Recovery Report For 2014 and 2015* is better than in 2013.

There were 42,856 motorcycle thefts recorded in 2014 (17,757, or 41% of motorcycles were recovered) which is a 6% decrease from the year prior. Considering motorcycle sales have increased 4% from 2013 (465,783) to 2014 (483,526), this is good news.

The number of thefts decreased is a sign of steady decline in motorcycle thefts since 2011, with 8% fewer thefts in 2014 compared to three years prior.

The top three states for motorcycle theft last year were California (6,355), Florida (3,981), and Texas (3,274).

The state with the fewest thefts was Wyoming, with a total of 23 last year.

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increase in the number of motorcycle thefts in 2014 compared to 2013, with D.C. having the highest increase. (54%)

There are thirty-five states that saw a decrease in the number of motorcycle thefts in 2014 compared to 2013, with Wyoming having the highest decrease. (-43%)

### Weird News

#### Rider Learns Hard Lesson In Jurisprudence

A California man who lost a lawsuit over an erection has had his hopes for justice deflated once again, as a state appeals court in San Francisco affirmed an earlier judgment against him in a 2012 suit he brought against two motorcycling companies.

The plaintiff biker claimed an acute case of priapism, or painfully prolonged erection, due to seat vibrations, and sued both *B.M.W.* and seat maker *Corbin* for product liability seeking damages due to negligence and infliction of emotional distress.

The biker lost his case but decided to appeal, which turned out to be a

big mistake, as the appellate court ruled that he failed to demonstrate any new intelligible argument and failed to comply with the rules of appellate procedure and ordered him to pay the defendants' costs on appeal, a sum likely to be in the tens of thousands of dollars.

### Quotable Quote

*"If it can be destroyed by the truth, it deserves to be destroyed by the truth."*

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(1934-1996)

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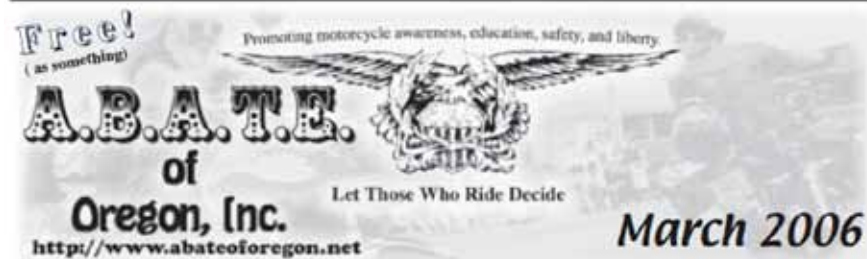
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*February Seminar To Educate And Motivate Is A Great Success*



*Attendees listen as guest speaker, Sputnik, explains Texas biker political methods.*



*S.T.E.A.M. organizers Patricia Carner and Geoff White.*

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# Treasurer Training Report

Following the February state board of directors meeting, chapter treasurers, state treasurer, state auditor, and several chapter representatives hung out for the *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* annual treasurer's meeting.

We had nine out of eleven chapters represented. Only two out of the nine were new treasurers, so we tried to make the meeting interesting and not repetitive to everyone.

First order of business was to discuss duties of the state treasurer and auditor and what we don't do.

Referring to the bylaws and financial policies, we reviewed the process of balancing check books, preparing reports, and who gets copies of what. The state auditor gets copies of all reports mailed or delivered directly to her and not to the state post office box.

All treasurers were given mailing labels for Cindy, our state auditor.

The state treasurer performs the same duties as the chapter treasurers. She/he writes checks, pays bills, deposits money, and makes reports.

The state treasurer and the state auditor are not people to be afraid of. They are not here to be the money police, to tell chapters what they can or can-

not do with their chapter funds.

Our goal is to all talk the same language, to categorize similar accounts into similar "buckets."

Chapters need to be consistent in the way we report expenses and income so that filing our taxes at the end of each year will be smooth and effortless.

All treasurers were encouraged to put in their two cents during the meeting. When it came to discussing "accounts" and "categories", everyone chipped in and we were able to come up with a list that worked for chapters as well as the state. We defined the difference between fundraising expenses vs operating expenses.

Each chapter went home with a flash drive that includes a copy of the bylaws, operations manual, and the sanctioning guidelines. It also includes copies of event reconciliation report form, expense form, membership form, sanctioning application form, bank resolution letter, and a list of tax identification numbers.

All of these documents can be found on the *A.B.A.T.E.* website.

Many of the forms have been turned into interactive forms so they can be filled in and then filed on-line.

During the meeting, we discovered that there are several bylaws that are not being followed.

We need to have a study to see if we need to change our procedures so they match our bylaws, or if we need to have some by-law revisions to match our procedures.

Sometimes we fall into habits out of need, sometimes out of convenience.

As an organization, we should follow the rules or change the rules to meet our needs.

I know that having annual meetings may seem to be redundant and sometimes unnecessary, but I hope that everyone was able to take away some new knowledge or understanding.

It was good to hear everyone contribute to the conversation. Some gave new information and some took away new information. And the pizza was good.

Cindy and I are available by phone or e-mail. Any member who has a question is welcome to ask and we will do our best to answer or to find an answer.



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Larry Ramos	(541)-923-3809	Redmond	X	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

**other areas**

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>

If you're out riding around our beautiful state and you have trouble on the road, you can call someone on the road list who is close to where you are and ask for help. The X marks in the columns indicate what kind of help is available. This is a wonderful service provided by folks who care about motorcycles, so please don't abuse their kindness. (Yeah, that means you, telemarketers.) If you would like to participate, phone (503)-838-6893, e-mail to [statemwng@abateoforegon.net](mailto:statemwng@abateoforegon.net), or send your information to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.



# Member's Classified Advertisements

**For Sale**

• New trailer axle 3,500 lb torque flex 6'-4" frame perch width, Ford 5-hole wheel pattern. \$250 or best offer.  
 • New *Ultima* six-speed transmission. (200 miles) Pulled out of 1998 *Softail*. (Sold the bike to buy a bagger.) \$600 (503)-706-7158 (If no answer, leave a message and I will get back with you.) Wilsonville area.  
 (Mar 2016)

**For Sale**

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.

**Wanted**

Retiring, need parts for my *Knuck-Pan-Flathead* restorations. 1916 *Indian* parts for the *Cannonball Run*. Help! Help! Arthur (503)-351-5054.  
 (May 2016)

**Lost**

... my way riding through rainbows.

**Found**

... gold at the end of my ride.

**Help Wanted**

**Accountant To Help Us File Our Taxes**

*Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* is looking for an accountant who is familiar with not-for-profit organizations and knows how to file *I.R.S.* forms as well as Oregon state forms.

Interested?  
 Call Cindy at (503)-728-3908 or Karen at (541)-660-8730

These advertisements are for personal items only and are free to *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* members. Business will need to place *paid* advertisements. 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.

news@abateoforegon.net

**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.)

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 2016

[ EB = executive board ]

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

Position/Name:	Phone #:	E-mail:	Notes:
<b>Coordinator</b> [EB ]			
Paul Hering	(503)–313–7129	coordinator@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Secretary</b> [EB ]			
Teresa Hepker	(541)–965–2701	secretary@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Vice-coordinator (north)</b> [EB ]			
Dave Witmer	(360)–560–6403	VCN@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Vice-coordinator (south)</b> [EB ]			
Pat Allen	(541)–659–8715	VCS@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Vice-coordinator (east)</b> [EB ]			
Rick Prentice	(541)–980–4230	VCE@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Treasurer</b> [EB ]			
Karen Tolle	(541)–660–8730	Treasurer@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Membership secretary</b> [EB ]			
Kathy Sahlberg	(541)–890–9042	kmsabate@gmail.com	"877" number discontinued (unused)
<b>Run sanctioning</b> [EB ]			
Todd Sahlberg	(541)–821–2252	Sanctioning@abateoforegon.net	
<b>State auditor</b>			
Cindy Witmer	(360)–560–6403	auditor@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Newspaper editor</b>			
Rot Path	(503)–838–6893	news@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)–474–5599	SergeantSouth@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Sgt-at-arms (east)</b>			
Steve Bishop	(541)–980–7017	SergeantEast@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Products director</b>			
Ted Tracy	(503)–819–8113	products@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Education director</b>			
Geoff White	Education@abateoforegon.net		
<b>Public relations</b>			
< Position open and available for you >	(aaa)–ppp–nnnn	pr@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Fossil coordinator</b>			
Rick Prentice	(541)–980–4230	Fossil@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Swap meet coordinator</b>			
Todd Sahlberg	(541)–821–2252	SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Historian</b>			
Teresa Hepker	(541)–965–2701	Historian@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Web page editor</b>			
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<b>Quartermaster</b>			
Paul Hering, Gene Mortimore	(503)–313–7129	Quartermaster@abateoforegon.net	
<b>Legislative director</b>			
< Position open and available for you >	(aaa)–ppp–nnnn	legislative@abateoforegon.net	
<b>BikePAC representative</b>			
Brian Stovall	(541)–340–9442	BikePAC@abateoforegon.net	
<b>M.R.F. representative</b>			
Brian Stovall	(541)–340–9442		
<b>Confederation of Clubs representative</b>			
Pat Allen, Mike Friend	(541)–659–8715	CoCNorth@abateoforegon.net	



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

(Return address)

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

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STAMP

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>

**Membership Rates:**

number of members	type	one year	two years	three years	five years
_____	Single*	\$ 30	\$ 55	\$ 80	\$125
_____	Family* <small>(Includes couple. Additional family members \$5 each per year.)</small>	\$ 45	\$ 80	\$120	\$200
_____	Associate** <small>(Includes name printed in state newspaper.)</small>	\$100	\$190	\$280	\$450
_____	Sustaining*	\$100			

\_\_\_\_\_ Life\* \$400  
(Individuals only. Join second chapter for \$5 per year.)

(please circle desired duration of membership.)

(revised Jan 2015)

Total members: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date paid: \_\_\_\_\_



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

Please send completed application to:  
  
**Membership Secretary**  
**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 4504**  
**Portland, OREGON**  
**97208**

**Notes:**

- \* **Single, family, sustaining and life member benefits:**
  - Patch (first year), card
  - Accidental death or dismemberment insurance for named members
  - Discounted admission to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* events
  - Qualify for *Team Oregon* tuition reimbursement offers as may be set by the board.

- \*\* **Associate member benefits:**
  - Certificate of membership for group
  - Associate cards for each listed member
  - Accidental death or dismemberment insurance for named members
  - Discounted admission to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* events.

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

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>  4th quarter moon <b>River City</b> 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>BikePAC</b> noon - Salem library
<b>6</b> <b>Southeast Portland</b> 1200 (noon)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>  new moon 	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Lirpa 2016 chapter reports due at newspaper	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>ABATE B.O.D.</b> noon Ciddici's Pizza Albany, Oregon 11 a.m. - Fossil meeting <b>Girl Scouts' Day</b> ( buy the cookies ! )
<b>13</b> <b>Central Oregon</b> 1400 ( 2 pm) <b>Lower Columbia</b> 1900 ( 7 pm) DST begins-common sense ends	<b>14</b> <b>Washington County</b> 1930 ( 7:30 pm)	<b>15</b>  1st quarter moon <b>Lincoln County</b> 1900 ( 7 pm) <b>North Coast</b> 1730 ( 5:30 pm) <b>River City</b> 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>16</b> <b>Josephine County</b> 1830 ( 6:30 pm)	<b>17</b> <b>Douglas Co.</b> 1900 ( 7 pm) <b>Hub City</b> 1900 ( 7 pm) <b>St. Paddy Day</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> <b>Southeast Portland</b> 1200 (noon) spring equinox	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>  storm moon	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Jackson County</b> 1800 ( 6 pm)	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> egg and bunny day	<b>28</b> <b>Washington County</b> 1930 ( 7:30 pm)	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>  4th quarter moon		

**STATE BOARD MEETING**  
**Saturday, 12 Mar 2016**  
 1200 ( noon )  
 Ciddici's Pizza  
 133 SE Fifth avenue  
 Albany, Oregon  
**1100 = Fossil committee meeting**

**Have A Smart Phone?**  
 ( Or a reasonably intelligent communications device ? )

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



**2016 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS**  
 ( boldface indicates state-sanctioned Oregon A.B.A.T.E. events )

PR = Poker Run  
 BN = Biker Night

<b>Mar 2016</b>	<b>Chapter Dinner and Food Delivery / SE-PDX</b>		
<b>09 Apr 2016</b>	<b>Spring State Swap Meet</b>		
<b>23 Apr 2016</b>	<b>Biker Night / WaCo</b>		
<b>30 Apr 2016</b>	<b>(North Coast event)</b>		
30Apr-01May 2016	Southern Oregon swap meet	Grants Pass	(541)-659-8715
<b>07 May 2016</b>	<b>May Motorcycle Awareness Rally</b>	<b>Salem</b>	
<b>07 May 2016</b>	<b>May Motorcycle Awareness Day</b>	<b>Grants Pass</b>	
<b>May 2016</b>	<b>Yer Mother's Poker Run / Southeast Portland</b>		
<b>May 2016</b>	<b>Fossil Campout</b>	<b>Fossil</b>	
<b>July 2016</b>	<b>possible chapter swap meet / SE-PDX</b>		
<b>06 Aug 2016</b>	<b>Coast Run / Josephine County</b>	<b>Grants Pass</b>	
<b>12 -14 Aug 2016</b>	<b>S.O.S /</b>	<b>Wolf Creek</b>	
<b>Aug 2016</b>	<b>Soltice Dice Derby / SE-PDX</b>		

She got up early, already late,  
 Clocks jumped ahead on that morning's date,  
 More daylight's an illusion,  
 Someone's else's delusion,  
 The same mindsets we fight in A.B.A.T.E.

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

>> Location <<

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.)	The Loft ( Del Rey Cafe ); 5669 N.E. Stephens st.; Winchester	(541)-672-1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 ( 7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SE Fifth avenue; Albany	(541)-928-2536
Indian Creek (IC) [members-at-large]	( individual members agree on where and when they meet )			
Jackson County (JackCo)	4rd Friday	1800 ( 6 p.m.)	Witham's Restaurant; 2339 Biddle road; Medford	(541)-
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 ( 6:30 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-659-8715 Spanky
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
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sunday	1200 ( noon )	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-723-6013 chapter
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 ( 7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3684