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March 2018



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- Concho Clink
- John Helm

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*Randy Phipps
sergeant-at-arming*



*Karen and Mel
played tug-of-war
with a check*



*Geoff White
engineered the
return of S.T.E.A.M.*



A satisfied participant



"But honey . . ."



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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.

We also do business as (DBA) *American Bikers Aimed Toward Education*.

• 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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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.

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

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

Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)

national/international

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

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

American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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

A = Single entity.

BROTHERHOOD = 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.

TOTALITARIAN = Of or relating to a political regime based on subordination of the individual to the state and strict control of all aspects of the life and productive capacity of the nation by coercive measures.

ENACTMENTS = To make into regulation; the passing of a bill into ordinance; a decree; a regulation.

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State Coordinator

Well, hello to all,

We had S.T.E.A.M. and it was successful. As an added bonus got to see some friends we hadn't seen for a while. Put S.T.E.A.M. on your calendar for next year.

If you have some ideas for S.T.E.A.M., talk to Geoff White.

We are soon to have spring peeking around the corner, so now is the time to get your service done on the motorcycle before the riding season really starts.

I'm hoping for another warm ride to *Fossil Campout* on Memorial day weekend. (It *has* happened.)

We have a *Fossil Campout* meeting at 11 a.m. before the monthly state board meeting. If you have some ideas or can help, Yukon would love to hear from you

We have a busy year so check the calendar in the back of the *A.B.A.T.E.* newspaper for event listings.

It is also painfully obvious that costs are going up. We will need to raise fees or increase attendance just to cover costs. No, we didn't kick prices up. But it may not be far off.

The strength of an organization is based on its membership and their participation. Without both, success is difficult, if not impossible to achieve.

So find a friend and bring them to a meeting.

If you have a talent, we can use you.

If you just want to watch, hopefully you will have shade and a comfortable place to sit.

(Theory: If you have six people watching, usually at least one will get inspired or bored and get up to do something. I know, it has happened to me.)

By the way watch out for leprechauns. It's rumored they may be about

Let's have a banner year for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*,

-- Jack Wingfield
state coordinator
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon



Jack Wingfield

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

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

Central Oregon

Another month has passed and everyone is surprised at the lack of snow in central Oregon. We've had a few riding days mixed in with lots of freezing fog.

We welcomed the Dale family who moved from California to central Oregon.

The chapter secretary and I attended S.T.E.A.M. on 03 February 2018. It was very informative and nice to hear how other chapters work within their communities. We met a lot of experienced members and officers. We came away with some ideas on how we can improve our chapter.

Everyone is looking forward to spring and getting out and riding.

Central Oregon has some beautiful scenery, so when you're in the area, give us a call and we'll go for a ride!

Later on,

-- John



CENTRAL OREGON MEETING
TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.)
Round Table Pizza
11 th street
Redmond, Oregon

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

Douglas County

Dear rider's in the wind,

We had a great turnout of people who came to our last meeting. Members are starting to come back! We want to thank the *Riders for Christ, Brother Speed, Leathernecks*, and other clubs for coming to the *Douglas County Chapter A.B.A.T.E.* meeting. Thank you folks.

We are moving the *Douglas County Chapter A.B.A.T.E.* meeting to *Roundtable Pizza* at 2040 Stewart parkway in Roseburg. As a reminder, we meet on the last Thursdays of the month at 7 p.m.

We are still in need of chapter officers. Do you know anyone who might be interested?



Please come to our next meeting and bring a friend, on Thursday, February 22nd, 2018 at 7 p.m.

We are also seeking sponsors for our upcoming 2018 events. Please spread the word for us.

See you at our next meeting.

Ride free in the wind,

-- Joy Reyes
secretary
*Douglas County Chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*

Douglas County on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1521250574871175/>
or
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**Douglas County
MEETING TIME and PLACE**

4th Thursday at 1800 (6 pm)
Roundtable Pizza
2040 Stewart parkway
Roseburg
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

Jackson County

So, I was invited to join *S.T.E.A.M. 2018* in Newport, Oregon.

I did not know what it was, what it stood for, or why I should forego a beautiful spring weekend (during winter none-the-less) with plenty of bike riding opportunities in my neck of the woods.

But I went.

First of all, I learned what *S.T.E.A.M.* stood for: *Seminar to Educate And Motivate.*

And oh boy (and girls, of course), was I motivated!

I ride.

I feel I matter.

And I want my voice heard.

I don't like decisions being made about me without my at least having a voice.

Well, if that's how *you* feel, *A.B.A.T.E.* is for you.

A.B.A.T.E. is about helping to let our (motorcyclists, bike or trike) voices be heard and to aid in education as well as legislation.

I have been around for a little over a year. So you might ask, "*Why do I care what you have to say?*"

That is completely understandable. I used to be that person until I got involved.

Between *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC*, my voice is heard as long as I am willing to share it. I have the opportunity to meet legislation influencers, share my point of view, and ultimately make the roads safer for myself and fellow riders.



-- Steffanie D Wolf
treasurer
Jackson County A.B.A.T.E.

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**Jackson County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3rd Thursday at 1800 (6 pm)
Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Hub City**

Well, here we all are another year older, another year wiser.

I would like to say thank you to all my new friends who I have made throughout this last year. To all my old friends all I is say is, “*Let’s keep riding along those back roads and byways, stay off those highways.*”

This year will be another busy year for all of us on our journey in A.B.A.T.E. as we have a lot planned for this year.

Hub City had our first poker run on February 18th. (*Chilly Buns Run*) It was a “roll & ride” with three stops starting at the *Bottle Factory* in Stayton. Last bike in at *Front Street Bar & Grill*. This ride was a short 75 miles or so. There were door prizes, a 50/50 drawing along with \$200 for high roll, and

\$50 for low roll.

There were a lot of opportunities for riders to make stops along the way for pictures. On riders’ travels to each stop, they could visit many covered bridges along the way. This was an opportunity for us to meet new friends and hang out with old ones. (Not that we are old.)

Let’s start making our riding plans for this year.

Hub City A.B.A.T.E. is planning another poker run on Saturday, June 2nd for those who missed our *Chilly Buns Run*.

October 27th to 28th we will be hosting a bike show open for all members of A.B.A.T.E. at the *Heritage Mall* in Albany. Don’t worry, it’s not outside in the wet and



cold, it’s inside of the mall.

We will also be helping stage all the motorcycles at this year’s *Veterans Day Parade* on Sunday, November 11th. Last year we had a record breaking turnout with over 450 bikes. Let’s try to make it even bigger and better than last year.

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Hub City

MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Ciddici’s Pizza
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

Josephine County

Hello from Josephine county where if you don’t like the weather, wait five minutes and it will change. (Or just cross the street. You’ll get the same effect.)

We have our 2018 chapter board members leading us off into a wonderful, fun year. The chapter board looks like this:

- Coordinator:** Patrick “Spanky” Allen
- Vice-coordinator:** James Bergstad
- State board representative:** Pat “Spanky” Allen
- Secretary:** Cherie Colon
- Treasurer:** Karen Tolle
- Membership Secretary:** Karen Toole
- Sergeants-at-arms:** Derald Stafford, Billy Silva
- Historian:** Karen Silva

Our upcoming events for the year: April 28th through the 29th (Saturday and Sunday) is the *Southern Oregon*

Swap Meet. It will be held at Pottsville in Merlin, Oregon again this year. We are hoping for a much larger area this year as we were overwhelmed by the show of venders and riders last year.

August 4th (Saturday) is the *Run to the Coast*. We start at *J.D.’s Sports Pub* and end in Brookings, Oregon where there will be a barbecue and music.

August 31st through September 3rd is the *Southern Oregon Summer Run (S.O.S.)* in Wolf Creek, Oregon at the park where there is plenty of camping space among the trees. We can hope for more *Harley–Davidson*-painted rocks to be hidden within the park this year.

Our next meeting is March 21st at the *Fruitdale Grange*, corner of Rogue River highway and Parkdale in Grants Pass.

This month is a potluck that starts at 6 p.m. with the meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m. Come on out to chat with old



friends and meet some new ones.

Everyone ride safe and watch out for the cagers because they may not be watching for you!

-- Cherie Colon
secretary

Josephine County Chapter

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Josephine County

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1830
(6:30 p.m.)

Fruitdale Grange
1440 Parkdale Drive
Grants Pass

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

Hello again!

Spring is on its way. Looking for warmer weather.

Here in *Lincoln County Chapter*, we are still working on the new county ordinance, hoping to win the battle and be able to have *Beaver Creek* again. Can't advertise at all until we jump yet another hurdle.

But just so *you* know, we're stroking for the same time, same place.

Also hoping for a *Long John Poker Run* next month. (Can't advertise it either.)

Welllll, hopefully good news in the near future.

Ride safe,

--- Shirley



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

3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 p.m.)
American Legion Hall, post 116
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *North Coast*

Howdy everyone,

During our January chapter meeting we approved our 2018 budget, handed out some renewal notices, and talked about other things.

On Saturday, January 27 we met at the *Moose Lodge*, then headed out to the Greenwood cemetery to dedicate the headstone for Leland Stewart.

Thank you to all who donated your time and money for this very special cause. Pastor Bob lead us in prayer and as always, gave great words of wisdom. Bob also informed us of a fundraiser for his church at the *Hayshaker Grange* near Cullaby Lake the weekend of 16 and 17 February from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

We had a very special visit from a former chapter coordinator, Don Smack, who reminded us of some of our history and dropped off a couple of items from days-gone-by.

Our membership drawing was won by Candy Hunter for \$75, but she wasn't there to collect. Sorry. Our next membership drawing will be for \$80 big

ones, so come on by and see if you're the lucky one in March.

The annual superbowl party at Carl and Laura's house was held on 04 February.

The new style of t-shirts have been ordered.

To find out more, come join us for our monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the *Astoria Moose Lodge* on 17th avenue at 5:30 p.m. We'd love to see old faces as well as new.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon is evolving with the times. We no longer are just the "old fat guys on *Harleys*". Our riders are riding sports bikes, off road bikes, *Can Ams*, *Slingshots*, and yes, even scooters.

You see, we don't care what you ride or even if you ride.

We just care that you care enough to help us help others.

We do toy runs to provide children with toys who may not have gotten anything for Christmas. We help food



banks and holiday food basket programs to feed the hungry. Rides for warming centers to help the unfortunate. And sometimes we just ride for the fun.

Please come help us help others.

Not to mention a group of friends and family cruising the roads on beautiful sunny days, winding through the landscape of Oregon.

Every organization needs new blood to grow. Come join our family. Come help us evolve. It's easy.

Are You Up For The Challenge?

Signup at <http://ABATEoforegon.net>, find us on *Facebook*, or attend our local chapter meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the *Astoria Moose Lodge* located on 17th at 5:30 p.m.

Hope to see you there,

-- Chuck Miller
coordinator

North Coast Chapter

Facebook:

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North Coast ***MEETING TIME and PLACE***

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

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

Lower Columbia

Salutations!

Lower Columbia A.B.A.T.E. and Turning Point made it possible for nine families and twenty-one children to have a great Christmas this past season. Thank you everybody for a job well done.

What happens during the holiday season is great. We come together as a group through our love for motorcycles and friendship.

It's important not to forget the rest of the year or when we are by ourselves. Pay it forward by paying for that stranger's cup of coffee in line. The reward is worth it.

Spring is coming and it's time to tune up those bikes and get them ready to ride. Remember, be careful for pea gravel this time of year on the road. It is very slippery and dangerous.

Lots of things coming up, so stay tuned. You all have a good month and we'll see you later on down the road.

-- Brandy Johnson
secretary, membership
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Pictured left to right are, Angie Koljonen, Laura Brown, Justin Brown, and Kris Indergard, who all did the shopping to buy food and gifts for the christmas families in the community.

**Lower Columbia
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2nd 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

Greetings from River City Chapter,

Winter has been quiet, but spring is arriving and boy, is everyone ready for it.

Spring also means planning for the year's events.

The Cherry Festival Parade is Saturday, April 28 and we have submitted our A.B.A.T.E. sanctioning to do our poker run that day.

The local hospital has a new volunteer coordinator. We hope to meet with her soon to coordinate the Teddy Bear Parade as part of the regular parade.

If you plan to come, please bring a **new** stuffed toy, **small or medium** size. (The large and giant ones look great on your bike, but can't be used in the hospital program. Families dealing with a sick kid have enough to do without trying to also take care of a giant toy. Large

and giant toys end up being routed to a day care center or a thrift store.)

The chapter has been discussing Fossil Campout. We have had some ideas about how we can contribute to the success of the event. We're waiting for final details to be announced.

Our first February meeting was very small. Yours truly forgot to send an e-mail reminder and it definitely affected attendance. We are all so busy that a little memory boost helps.

Enjoy the better weather and keep your head up,

-- Teresa Hepker
secretary



**River City
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

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

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

Hi fellow A.B.A.T.E. members,

We are doing our usual things at this time of the year.

In March, we are going to have a chapter planning session where we will look at what we are doing now and have been doing in the past. We are looking to evolve the *Southeast Portland Chapter* back into the “big gorilla on the block” status.

Our second event of note is our food drive delivery to *City Team Ministries* on March 10th. We are going to deliver a load of food and sundries to them. Everyone is invited to ride with us.

We will gather at the *M&M Restaurant & Lounge* in Gresham at 11 a.m. and we will depart at 11:30

a.m.

Our next event of note is our *Yer Mother's Poker Run* on May 12th. The route and stops will be the same as last year's poker run because we did not actually have a poker run last year due to really poor weather. It will be a ride or drive event and everyone is welcome to join us.

We will have our toy run display at the *Rose City Gun Show*, which happens on March 17th to 18th at the *Portland Expo Center*. Drop by and say “Helloooooo!”

Visit the *Southeast Portland Chapter* and toy run web sites, and our *Facebook* pages to get up-to-date information on what we are doing or

what is happening.

Come to a chapter meeting and join us in making *A.B.A.T.E.* more successful in our dedication to freedom of the road.

With respect and good wishes,

-- James Niece

secretary

Southeast Portland Chapter

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Southeast Portland
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200
(noon)

M&M Restaurant & Lounge
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<http://www.abatetoyrun.com>

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

It's been pretty quiet so far this year.

I'd like to give a call of attention to our *Spring Biker Kick-Off* party on Saturday, 14 April at the *Hillsboro Elk's Lodge*. (See the flyer in this edition of the newsletter *paper* or on our web site at: <http://wacoabate.info>)

I think I would like to use the remainder of our space here this month to honor our fallen friend David “New York Dave” Weiss who lost his life when his motorcycle was struck by a drunk driver on 13 January. He had only recently joined our chapter but had already left his mark amongst us. Be at peace, New York Dave.

And, we send our thoughts,

prayers, and well wishes to his passenger companion who is still fighting with the injuries sustained that fateful day. We are with you Nancy Jo “Gigi” Ludwig.

Ride safe,
Ride smart,
Ride!

-- Goat

recording secretary
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our officers at work

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

10 February 2018 (Ciddici's Pizza— Albany, Oregon)

Meeting Highlights

- S.T.E.A.M. feedback
- Douglas County Chapter looking better
- SE-PDX receives certificate
- Newspaper-only subscriptions considered
- Fossil budget increased
- Lobby Day a success



Call to order, welcome: The meeting was called to order by Jack Wingfield (state coordinator) at 12:05 p.m. with eleven chapters represented.

Eleven of eleven chapters present were eligible to vote.

Excused chapters: (None.)

Absent, unexcused: (None.)

Pledge of allegiance

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

Guests and first time attendees:

Reading, approval of minutes: Motion made by Chuck Miller (*North Coast*) to adopt previous month's minutes as printed in the state newspaper, seconded by Karen Tolle (*JoCo*).

Motion passed by voice vote.

Executive Board

Officers' Reports

Coordinator's comments: Jack Wingfield welcomed everyone, noting that we are back here again.

Fossil Campout meetings will be held at 11 a.m. before the regular state board meeting for the next three months.

It is time to check your tires as we

are getting closer to riding season.

Secretary report, correspondence: Cindy Witmer still needs chapter information from *Douglas County*, *Josephine County*, *North Coast*, *River City*, *Southeast Portland*, and *Washington County*.

Vice-coordinator (north): Dave Witmer just wanted hit a few things:

- Like Jack said, it is time to check over your bikes.

- *Harley* has a recall for 2008-2011 models, concerning brake failure.

- Geoff did a great job with S.T.E.A.M. last Saturday. It was a great time to come together and brainstorm on moving forward with the new "us".

Vice-coordinator (south): Pat "Spanky" Allen said that things are putting along.

- Southern swap meet flyers are here.

- *Douglas County* had eighteen people at their last meeting.

- He suggesting called everyone on your chapter's membership list and get more people involved.

Vice-coordinator (east): Rick Prentice had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Karen Tolle noted that

chapter reports were in their box.

- List of all paid chapters sanctioning.

- We have a little buffer for insurance.

- Good treasurers training at S.T.E.A.M. last weekend.

Checking – \$ 6,375.87

Savings – \$40,753.98

PayPal – \$ 200.00

U.S. postmaster – \$ 129.77

total = **\$47,459.62**

Membership secretary: Linda Cline gave a membership summary.

She sent a letter to each expired members.

Each chapter has a separate list of their expired members for them to contact. (Separate lists of members and expires.)

Southeast Portland was presented with certificate for having the most life time members.

Sanctioning: Todd Sahlberg stated that all sanctioning forms are in, but we still need information for two different runs. Please get them in as soon as possible so we are caught up.



Cindy Witmer

state recording secretary elf

Officers' Reports

State auditor: Karen Tolle covered the auditor information in the treasurer report.

All chapters have everything in for 2017 tax year.

Karen will have a more detailed report next month.

Newspaper: Rot Path noted that chapter reports are due today.

- When sending in reports via e-mail, please do *not* send in ".docx" format. Just copy from word processing program, then paste into body of e-mail.

- We are considering newspaper subscription for those people who would like the newspaper, but do not want to be members. Take back to the chapters to discuss.

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

Sergeant-at-arms (south): Diana Nicolay

< Absent, unexcused >

Sergeant-at-arms (east): Dustin Hawkins < Absent, unexcused >

Products director: Dave Meeker said that new stickers have been made. [Rot Path suggested a small change the next time they are reprinted: "*Untied we ride, divided we walk.*"] Every chapter representative will receive a sample of the stickers. They will be \$1 each when they go on sale.

- In 2006 we created a pin for the *May Awareness Rally*. We still have year rocker bars to add, if wanted.

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

10 February 2018 (continued from previous page)



- Each chapter needs to send him a list of products desired.

- All officer rockers are available.

Education director: Geoff White thanked everybody who went to S.T.E.A.M. It came off really well.

He will start working on next year's S.T.E.A.M. early so that we can have a bigger one and more education.

Have chapters bring back ideas on how to do outreach to get new riders.

Geoff thinks that we reach a common interest with all riders, that we have a calling on how to make changes to involve new riders. We must evolve.

Public relations director: Chuck Miller agreed that we need to keep evolving and moving forward.

He has been okaying things for the state. If chapters can just run things by Chuck for outreach by e-mail, that would be great.

There is a member in Hub City who developed *Hotmail* and is making ads on *Facebook* for *Hub City Chapter*. Chuck is going to contact him.

State run coordinator (Fossil Campout): James "Yukon" Rhoden stated that prices have gone up. Things are costing a little bit more. \$10,000 is not going cover expenses for *Fossil Campout* this year.

Discussion went on about Wheeler county and what they should be responsible for, such as mowing the park lawns and garbage pickup, etc.

Bands have been contacted.

Rick contacted Sassy about the t-shirts.

Paula is going to contact people about the park.

Bishop Sanitation will come closer to our budget amount for

Porta-Potties, as they do not want to lose this account. They have been doing it for several years.

State swap meet coordinator: James Niece noted that we are making the initial moves for the spring swap meet.

The sanctioning form and the flyer were submitted last month.

The state web site has updated links for each 2018 swap meet.

Public relations information has been submitted to Chuck Miller.

New swap meet traffic control signs have been ordered.

James is going to have the flyers printed soon.

In addition to the full size flyers, we are going to have quarter-page flyers which are easier to hand out at bike shows, car events, etc.

Jim's intent is to make our swap meets well known and popular with the motorcycle community.

Historian: < Vacant >

Web page editor: Carl Earl has everything is updated. All e-mail addresses of state officers have been connected to their personal e-mail and are ready to receive e-mails.

Web page is updated for events etc.

Quartermaster: Gene Mortimore had nothing to report.

Legislative director: Don Mason noted that even years are Oregon's short legislative sessions, lasting only thirty days. It is not the mayhem

of 7,000 bills, like in the odd years.

There is only one bill that concerns us: hit and run. There is no guidance on the books if a person hits somebody and does not know that they did it.

We are watching the bill's progress. If legislatures mention motorcycles in the hit and run bill, then we will become involved.

Lobby day was last Friday. [09 February.] We would like to have a representative from each chapter to participate in future lobby days.

This is an election year, so try to make it to the town meetings or coffee hours that the candidates will be putting on.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Jimmer Engel < Excused >

M.R.F. representative: Paul Hering < Excused >

Confederation of Clubs representative: Pat "Spanky" Allen, Mike Friend. Clubs and groups need to get out in the community so that we are not viewed as just bikers.

Unfinished Business

< None >

New Business

- Door prizes for *Fossil Campout*: Each chapter need to donate at least five items.

- **Motions:**

1. Motion made by Chuck Miller (*North Coast*), seconded it by Gordon (*Washington County*):

"To vote on the Fossil Campout coordinator thirty days after Fossil Campout has ended. That way it gives him or her a year to put it together and also to get flyers out for that summer."

Action: Tabled

2. Motion made by Bob Highfill (*Lincoln County*), seconded by Chuck Miller (*North Coast*):

"To increase the Fossil Campout [annual] expense budget to \$15,000."

Ten in favor

One against

Passed

Announcements

Several things are happening. Make sure and check the newspaper for flyers.

Adjourned: 2:10 p.m.



From yer ...



Being Our Own Heroes

Will motorcycling evolve ?

c.o.e. – 194

(Personal views of the editor. Not to be confused with reality or endorsement by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.)

Kudos to state education director Geoff White and others for helping relaunch *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon's S.T.E.A.M.* program in early February. (Photos from the event are featured on this month's cover.)

From the enthusiastic responses at last month's state board meeting, it's obvious that we've needed *S.T.E.A.M. (Seminars To Educate And Motivate)* to come back into our lives.

Members from all over the state converged on Newport's *American Legion* hall for a day of learning, sharing, and laughing.

Such events help folks from relatively rural areas of the state to feel a part of something bigger while reminding urban dwellers that there is more to our state than curbs and traffic signals.

Attendees came away under-

standing a bigger picture of why *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* exist, what we can do, and how we can go about do it, fulfilling the purpose of grassroots involvement in our government at all levels, as envisioned by the founders of our nation.

We don't have to wait for elected officials or legislators to come to us. We have the power to seek them out and remind them that they work for us and what it is we want them to do. (Respectfully, of course.)

Sometimes we have to become our own heroes.

...

March is a month of change, no matter which hemisphere you happen to live in. In the north mid-lattitudes, winter's chill is giving way to spring, while in the south, summer's heat is yielding to autumn.

Times of change are marked by unsettled circumstances. Seasonally, it's the weather; politically it's lack of partisanship; socially it's unrest; financially it's income versus taxation coupled with interest rates; and so it goes.

For motorcyclists, we're poised astride our bikes, feet down, engines idling, looking at possible roads we could ride stretching out before us towards unknown destinations.

Some lead to the continuation of motorcycling, others to its demise.

How we decide to ride those roads will affect where we arrive.

Times of change open up possibilities.

There are at least three ways presently open for the near-future of motorcycling:



Rot Path

crusty ol' editor

(big enough to be seen from space)

- Maintain present dependence on finite resource for power. (Petroleum-based fuel.) This is a dead end that will lead to the extinction of motorcycling by fuel starvation.
- Develop biological or other renewable fuel source. (Plant-based biogas or biodiesel.)
- Electric-power. (Becomes a more viable option as battery technology matures.)

There may be breakthroughs in power technology coming that we haven't imagined yet. Such advances could result in lighter motorcycles that don't have to support heavy engines and transmissions. With enough power available, it may be that motorcycles of the future will have levitation pads instead of wheels.

If motorcycles are to survive as more than a concept or a memory, we need to be ready to recognize and embrace newly emerging technologies, then apply them to motorcycling so that our grandchildren's grandchildren can feel the same wind on their faces as we feel on our's.

MARCH Cryptogram

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 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.

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

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A. B. A. T. E. of Oregon



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2018 Southern Oregon Swap Meet

28 April
9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
29 April
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Merlin

Exit 61

California street

SWAP MEET site

S. Monument drive

Merlin road

Exit 61

Grants Pass

Hub City

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I have been blessed to be able to attend other motorcycle events like ours. In 1988 I attended the first *Rolling Thunder* demonstration in Washington, D.C. It had about 2,500 attendees. In 1989 it had just over 5,000. My last participation was in 1990 and they had over 10,000 attendees that year.

This last year in 2017 they had over 200,000 attendees. After the 1990 *Rolling Thunder*, I felt like I was a part of something bigger than anything I have ever seen. So when I returned to my home town of Albany and watched the *Veterans Day Parade*, I then realized that we here can also be like *Rolling Thunder*. Albany has the biggest veterans day parade west of the Mississippi, so let's make it the biggest one-day motorcycle event west of the Mississippi also. Let's get out there and show everyone that motorcycles and motorcyclists are a part of this community.

Let's not forget those friends who we have lost throughout this last year. Be it from the caged driver's who don't see our motorcycles, to the depression of feeling alone and lost or other causes. Please don't forget we are all here for each other.

Ride safe my brothers and sisters, *ride safe*,

--Troy Stevens
Sgt.-at-arms
Hub City Chapter

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Loco's Annual Spring POKER RUN

Date: May 19th, 2018 @ 10:00 am

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One half will be divided as follows for payout ,

1st place 55%
2nd place 30%
Worst hand 15%

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Fossil Campout

2018

41st

Friday, May 25th – Monday, 28th

Bear Hollow Campground

This is an "old-school" motorcycle campout in beautiful Eastern Oregon.
45260 Highway 19, Fossil OR, about 7 miles SE of Fossil

Bike Show • Live Music • Food and Merchandise Vendors • Contests
Bike Games on Saturday • Poker Run on Sunday

ABSOLUTELY NO Crossing Fences! • NO Firearms! • NO Fireworks! • ALL Dogs on leashes!

Breakfast and showers available thanks to Fossil High School • Firewood for sale too

Groups of 10 or more are allowed one support vehicle up to 20 feet long at campsite.

LIMITED RV parking by reservation only!

Gates open Friday at Noon. Campsites are first come, first serve.
Member: Advance \$30/Gate \$35 • Non-Member: Advance \$35/Gates\$40 • Day Pass \$25

For more information: Yukon 928-273-9431 or <http://www.fossilcampout.com/>
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COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

compiled and edited by Bill Bish,
National Coalition Of Motorcyclists



Save the date:

N.C.O.M. Convention In Mobile

The 33rd Annual N.C.O.M. Convention will be held Mother's Day weekend, May 10-13, 2018 at the Renaissance / Riverview Plaza Hotel located at 64 south Water street in Mobile, Alabama. Reserve your room now for the special N.C.O.M. rate of \$114 per night by calling (251)-438-4000.

The largest gathering of motorcycle rights activists in the world, this year's N.C.O.M. convention will draw hundreds of concerned motorcyclists from across the United States to "the port city" to address topics of concern to all riders.

All motorcyclists are welcomed and encouraged to participate in the many meetings, seminars, and group discussions that focus on legislative efforts and litigation techniques to protect our riders' rights and preserve freedom of the road.

Agenda items will cover legal and legislative issues, with special meetings for veterans affairs, women in motorcycling, clean & sober roundtable and world of sport bikes, as well as the Christian Unity Conference and Confederation of Clubs Patch Holders Meeting.

N.C.O.M. has successfully outreached to numerous segments of the motorcycling community in an effort to unite for our rights, in both the courthouse and state house, and has become a unifying voice amongst north America's motorcycle rights organizations (M.R.O.s), motorcycle clubs,

women riders, religious riding organizations, touring groups, trikers, sport bikers, and minority motorcyclists.

For more information, or to register for the 2018 N.C.O.M. Convention, contact the National Coalition of Motorcyclists at:

(800)-ON-A-BIKE

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Waco Biker Rejects Plea Deal

Following a hung jury in the first of 171 *Twin Peaks* cases to go to court, resulting in a declared mistrial, the second defendant set for trial on charges stemming from the deadly May 17, 2015 shooting has rejected a plea deal.

Dallas trucker George "Scooter" Bergman declined a deal in court to plea to a misdemeanor with one year probation with the district attorney dropping murder charges, but he instead demanded his day in court by pleading not guilty to engaging in organized criminal activity resulting in deaths and injuries.

Nine bikers were killed and twenty injured in the 2015 shootout involving police and bikers at the *Twin Peaks* restaurant in Waco, Texas.

Describing how he was on his way to the bathroom when the first shots rang out, and how he ducked for cover until the firing stopped, Bergman says "How can I say I am guilty for something when that is what I did?" Defense attorney

Clint Broden says the state has no evidence against his client "other than he was present at Twin Peaks and was wearing a motorcycle jacket."

The prosecutor's office has since sought a continuance of the case until July, after the upcoming March 6 election primary, in a move many believe is so the D.A. doesn't suffer a loss or another mistrial before facing local voters.

Last November, *Bandidos Motorcycle Club* leader Christopher "Jake" Carrizal was the first biker to face trial. The jury in that case told the judge that even after several hours of deliberation they could not reach a unanimous verdict, which forced the judge to declare a mistrial.

Study Urges Motorcycle Awareness Training In Driver's Ed

Motorcycle awareness should be included in all driver training and increased in safety campaigns, according to the authors of an *Australian National University (A.N.U.)* study which found that drivers are twice as likely to miss seeing a motorcycle compared with a taxi and admit they do not expect to see motorcyclists.

Referred to it as "inattentional blindness" resulting in "looked-but-failed-to-see" (L.B.F.T.S.) crashes, these are the most common type of collision involving motorcycles, according to the 2017 *U.S. Motorcycle Crash Causation Study*.

Now, a new *Australian National*

University study, "Allocating Attention to Detect Motorcycles: The Role of Inattentional Blindness", has found that drivers are overloaded with more sensory information than the brain can handle. "So our brain has to decide what information is most important," the study reports.

Researchers showed photographs of "safe" or "unsafe" situations involving a motorcycle and a taxi, and 65% did not detect the motorcycle while only 31% did not notice the taxi.

In other experiments, drivers modulated their attention to accommodate motorcycles when necessary, suggesting that motorcycles are given the least amount of attention.

Participants said they believed a motorcycle was just as likely to be on the road as a taxi, but admitted they would be far less likely to notice the motorcycle. However, participants who have a motorcycle license were more likely to notice the motorcycles.

"Motorcycles appear to be very low on the priority list for the brain when it is filtering information," university researcher Kristen Pammer says. Co-authors say their study highlights the need to encourage drivers to be more motorcycle-aware with special training for novice drivers to "put motorcyclists higher on the brain 'radar' of the driver."

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N.C.O.M. NEWS (continued from previous page)

Pammer notes many ways drivers can be made rider-aware, including advertising campaigns. “I would put it into driver training programs where everyone who drives must also experience what it is like to ride a motorbike,” she says, adding that “If we could have everyone pass a simulator motorbike riding test, I bet it would make a big difference.”

Traffic Stop 101 Required Learning

A legislative trend has started amongst states that involves passing regulations requiring driver licensees be taught the basics of being pulled over. By knowing what to do, drivers can avoid negative interactions with police enforcement during traffic stops.

Since the new year, three more states have introduced such legislation:

In Kentucky, HB-104 would require that a driver’s education program includes “instruction regarding a driver’s conduct during interactions with enforcement officers” and amend the state’s driver manual to contain the information needed for an operator’s license examination. It also requires driver training schools to include it in the course of instruction for new drivers. House bill 104 was introduced January 2nd and referred to the house judiciary committee.

House bill 1244 in Missouri “Requires driver’s license examiners to demonstrate to applicants what he or she is likely to experience during a traffic stop and requires driver’s education providers to include curriculum on traffic stops.”

Likewise, S-7239 in New York would mandate “driver education

courses to include a description of enforcement procedures during traffic stops and the actions a motorist shall take during such stop including appropriate interactions with such officers.” It was introduced January 5th in the senate and referred to the transportation committee.

G.M. Self-Driving Cars By 2019

General Motors has filed a petition asking the federal government permission to deploy self-driving cars on U.S. roadways without backup drivers or any manual controls.

The U.S. auto manufacturer announced it will mass produce vehicles without steering wheels or pedals, and that it plans on rolling them out in 2019. Some other autonomous cars allow human drivers to take control if something goes wrong.

All vehicles that are allowed to operate on public roads must meet the federal motor vehicle safety standards, sixteen of which include human-driver-based requirements.

G.M. is asking N.M.A. to allow the company to meet those safety standards through alternate means, a process that the U.S. house of representatives intends to include in a self-driving bill that was recently passed.

G.M. is facing competition from Google, which started testing driverless cars on public roads late last year.

The petition is the latest step toward the company’s goal of deploying a commercial robotaxi service. G.M. wants permission from federal regulators to begin testing driverless robo-cabs on public roads, starting in 2019, a move that could position the Detroit automaker as one

of the leaders in the development of autonomous vehicle (AV) technology.

“We believe this is a pretty notable milestone on the journey to AV deployment where we’re talking about a real production car with no manual controls,” said G.M. president Dan Ammann, adding that, “this technology will have a huge impact on the world.”

G.M.’s announcement came on the same day the Boston Consulting Group issued a new report looking at the impact technologies like autonomous driving and electrified vehicles will have on the auto industry over the next two decades. Among other things, the study forecast that about 20% of the miles Americans travel by automobile in 2035 will be in robo-cabs operated by ride-sharing services.

Motorcycle Racing Airbag Suits Now Mandatory

Motorcycle suits with airbag technology have been used voluntarily by most of the world’s fastest riders for nearly a decade, though they were never mandatory.

But that has now changed for all classes across the 2018 *MotoGP* World Championship races.

Thanks to a new official ruling by governing body, *Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme* (F.I.M.), the high-tech devices are becoming mandatory across the board in *MotoGP*, *Moto2*, and *Moto3* for the 2018 season.

The F.I.M.’s new mandate states that all full-time riders must wear leathers fitted with an airbag system at all times during every session.

The new regulations also require that every airbag system pass a series of rigorous tests which each manufacturer is responsible for self-

certifying that its respective suit passes all regulations and standards.

“These regulations mark yet another step towards increased rider safety, with the F.I.M., I.R.T.A., and Dorna all committed to making sure *MotoGP* is as safe as possible and always evolving,” according to *MotoGP*.

Quotable Quote

“We may have all come on different ships, but we’re in the same boat now.”

-- Martin Luther King, Jr.
(1929-1968)
civil rights leader



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Sanctioning Report

-- Todd Sahlberg
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Good year to all,

We have our insurance quote and now we can start with the sanctioning of the events.

Some of the chapters have not turned in their sanctioning forms yet or still have not e-mailed in the list of events for the year.

If you could, please get with your persons who will be doing the events and have them get a list in so I will be able to track them.

Right now I only have 16 of the 43 that have been listed.

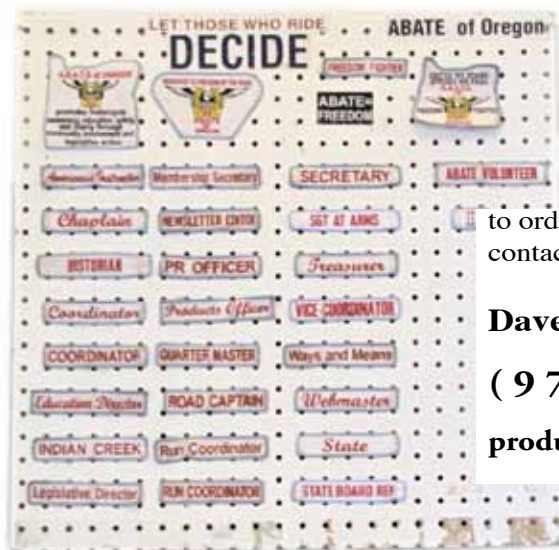
The insurance certificates will go smother with the contact information. If each chapter will send me the name, phone number, and e-mail for a point of contact, I can reach out to that contact with any questions. I will also be able to follow up with that contact after sending the certificate to you.

Thank you,

-- Todd

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A.B.A.T.E. Membership Winter Quarterly Report

The line-by-line audit of the membership rolls for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* has been completed.

However, it is a slow process simplifying the data and bringing entries into categories which make sense in our global look at how *A.B.A.T.E.* is doing.

For example, if I filter the data by chapter, our data base tells us that there are a total of 1,152 members which includes 748 active and 384 expired.

If however, I filter by only the word “expired”, the total is 446 with a total of 1,181 in the data base.

I was curious about the discrepancy, so I scrolled through the columns, looking for differences. I found many entries from 2014 and 2015 which had no chapter identified, which would explain why the chapter counts were not picking up these old expireds.

In thinking about “usable” data, I am not sure we want to pick these up, given how old these entries are.

We are also “capturing” data by preserving the information of our fallen brothers as well as entries coded as “prospect”, “honorary”, and “canceled”. These categories really give us no

meaningful “live” data with which to measure the health of our organization. It would then make sense to only pay attention to the specific chapter counts, so from now on, the reports will reflect only “live usable data”.

As we establish a baseline for measuring our growth, we will call this our first quarterly report. Of course from day-to-day, the numbers will fluctuate as members renew and members join or the record slips past the member’s end dates, making them expired. We are able to capture a picture of *A.B.A.T.E.*’s membership status by pulling data at relatively the same time each month, similar to weighing ourselves once a month, ignoring the daily fluctuations. This gives us the overall progress of membership without confusing things by paying attention to those day-to-day fluctuations.

The membership data, reported for this first quarter is simply a baseline. Additional quarterly reports will make more sense as we see the changes in membership over time.

As of February 4, 2018, *A.B.A.T.E.* has a total of 1,152 chapter-identified

members.

Out of those, 748 of them are active, meaning their dues are paid-to-date and they are entered in our system as members to a chapter.

Now, a disclaimer must be made in that some members affiliate with more than one chapter, so yes, they are being counted twice in the total number of identified members.

Out of the 1,152 total, 384 are expired. This number is a combination of recently expired (within the last year) and what I would call, extended expired which means expirations which are at least two years old.

Also, out of the active members of the 1,152, we have 96 lifetime members and we have 65 sustaining.

If we take a snapshot between the first part of January and the first part of February, we see a general climb in active memberships, a decline in expired memberships, and small gains with new memberships. In the last thirty days, *A.B.A.T.E.* gained eleven new members and we brought eleven expired members into current active status.

If we keep working hard at keeping



Linda Cline

state membership secretary

members active and recruiting new members, we will see *A.B.A.T.E.* flourishing.

Letters are being sent out to members whom have been significantly inactive, saying that they are missed and encouraging them to reengage with the organization.

Each chapter can give a similar message by contacting the members on your list of expireds, and reaching out to personally invite them to a run, or update them on what’s going on at your monthly meetings. Getting someone “jump-started” again, takes individual contact. Let’s see this is a job for each of us as state and chapter representatives and as co-riders, to encourage those members who have become less active to get excited again about *A.B.A.T.E.* and the great things we can do as a group, as a chapter, and as an organization.

Southeast Portland Chapter Anniversary Party

The goal of the party was to honor and celebrate our Portland-area members, past and present.

It turned out incredible. You would have sworn you had stepped into a time machine! Members from twenty to thirty years ago reminisced about the blood, sweat, and tears we’ve shared with each other.

The party kicked off with a moment of silence for the members we’ve lost over the years.

J.R. Sims and the Texas Special rocked the house. Later J.R. played a song he’d written in honor of Michelle Hobbs. It was important for us to get together to celebrate paths crossed.

We also honored those who had ever

served as an officer of our chapter with certificates of appreciation. A special appreciation went out to Art and Francine West who donate thousands of dollars every year to the *Shriner’s Hospital* on behalf of the toy run. Many others were recognized for their outstanding contributions to *A.B.A.T.E.*

We gained four members and I think we’ll soon be seeing some of those *Indian Creek* members.

John Botorf won the 50/50, taking home \$51.50 of the \$102.00.

Newest annual and life members also got prizes from the table.

We had a beautiful turnout and a steadfast work crew. The good news is, we didn’t lose money at the fundraiser.

The *Cabin Fever (Northeast Portland) / Sweetheart Dance (Columbia River) / Anniversary (Southeast Portland) Party* was planned to create some winter **fun** while reminiscing about all of our past Portland-area chapters.

Again, we invite you to check out the phoenix known as the *Southeast Portland Chapter* rising above the ashes.

Here’s the list of *A.B.A.T.E.* chapters we honored:

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And sometimes, we just ride for the fun.

Please come help us help others. (Not to mention a group of friends and family cruising the roads on beautiful sunny days winding through the landscape of Oregon.)

Every organization needs new blood to grow. Come join our family. Come help us evolve. It’s easy.

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S.T.E.A.M 2018 Report

Newport, Oregon

We talked about *A.B.A.T.E.* and the overall motorcycle community in Oregon.

A.B.A.T.E. membership is steady, but not growing. Motorcycle use is. So why is that? We took a deep dive. Let’s start with all the things we share:

1. We love to ride, feel the wind, smell the smells. (Anything that’s different than being in a car.)
2. We love our ride. (We chose our two wheels for a reason.) We appreciate the bike. We love our bike. They might have nicknames. We might refer to them as the third or fourth person in our household. They matter.
3. We love to share what we do: we enjoy rides, activities, fundraisers, and a simple ride to grab a burger. We just love to feel the wind, the freedom, the experience.
4. We enjoy similar things. (Back to number 3.) We just want to go on a ride to enjoy the ride without prejudice, for whatever we believe in, and chill, talk, share.

So why is it that despite increasing numbers of riders in Oregon as well as increasing crashes involving motorcyclists (many of them severe) we do not get more younger riders interested in *A.B.A.T.E.*?

We took a simple poll in our room starting at 50 years of age.

When only people in their 30s were standing up in the room, we were down to three people. Two of them were female.

So, there is our new potential generation of *A.B.A.T.E.* members. Two of the people standing were even officers in their chapter.

Back to the question at the beginning of the paragraph: Why are there so few people interested in getting involved?

We brainstormed to come up with the perceived difference between the existing *A.B.A.T.E.* member generation and the potential new generation of members. We came up with the following:

- They are younger. (Some of them way younger.)
- They have more stamina. (They go and go and go.)
- They are more into technology. (Gadgets, phones, accessories.)
- They talk differently. (Short texts, abbreviations.)

- Their attention span is different. (Need short, concise information.)
- They ride different bikes. (Dual sports, imports, sport bikes, touring bikes.)
- They ride differently. (Race track riding, off road trips.)
- Their interpretation of respect is different.
- They talk different towards long term riders.
- They ride different in a group with long term riders.
- Their overall behavior in a group is different.
- They have different schedules. (Monday through Friday, 8-5? Nooooo. Odd schedules, weekend, grave yard, split shifts.)
- Multiple jobs to pay bills.
- Single family with kids. (Availability depends on baby sitter)
- Their interpretation of values is different.
- What is important to them is different.
- They are apathetic. (They assume that someone else is responsible to take care of that.)
- The regulations have always been there, so they don’t know them any different.
- They don’t want to get involved in politics.
- They have a different perception of safety.
- Available gear is different. (Helmets, jackets, vests, pants, boots.)
- They have different activities that interest them.
- Run to an attraction or view point versus wanting to take a ride to a pub.

So how do we overcome these differences to get them involved?

The first thing we need to realize: It’s *not* them and us, it is just *us*.

So how does the new us interact differently with the new generation?

- Show appreciation for their bikes.
- Ask them about their bikes.
- Learn about the new styles of bikes to be able to have a conversation.
- Meet up with new groups and join the activities.
- Discover new destinations.
- Discover what new interests are exciting to the new generation rider.
- Mingle.
- Don’t stand off in our own comfort zone.

- Join the conversation.
- Meet new people.
- Don’t stereotype.
- Don’t assume just because the person is a sport bike rider, that they are an outlaw riding at 100 miles per hour.
- Exercise the “*Four Rs*”: **Recognition** (who they are, what they ride), **Respect** (don’t assume that they don’t know anything), **Relationship** (work on building relationships with new people), **Responsibility** (act responsibly and share what responsibilities we have as riders).
- Diversify our activities and prizes.
- Include imports.
- Include dual sport.
- Include ladies riders.
- Include gift certificates to new activities.
- Understand that the risks we take when getting on our bike are universal. We are all equally vulnerable.

Bottom line: ***We are all family!***

Once we all realize that we are in this together, the new generation will understand the important work we do and want to join to help us making a difference for all of us on the road on with two or three wheels.

-- Steffanie D Wolf
Jackson County A.B.A.T.E.

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1992 GL 1500 *Interstate Honda Goldwing* with *Oliver* trike kit. Raked triple-tree steering for easy handling. 87,193 miles, original owner. *Hooker Header* custom exhaust. Two gas tanks, eleven gallons total. New universal in driveline, newer front brake pads, brand new battery, radio/CD player with eighty watt amplifier, CB radio, trailer hitch, bike cover. **\$10,500** Contact Rotten Roger at (503)-285-4329
(Apr 2018)

... that crock of gold.

Found

... beauty in its rainbow.

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Please limit ad length to 50 words so everyone can play.

news@abateoforegon.net

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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: Christopher A Slater (A.I.M. attorney) - 2314 NW Savier St. - Portland, OR 97210 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 2018

[EB = executive board]

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

Position/Name:	Phone #:	E-mail:	Notes:
Coordinator [EB]			
Jack Wingfield	(541)–272–0769	coordinator@abateoforegon.net	
Secretary [EB]			
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Vice-coordinator (north) [EB]			
Dave Witmer	(360)–560–6403	VCN@abateoforegon.net	
Vice-coordinator (south) [EB]			
Pat “Spanky” Allen	(541)–659–8715	VCS@abateoforegon.net	
Vice-coordinator (east) [EB]			
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Treasurer [EB]			
Karen Tolle	(541)–660–8730	Treasurer@abateoforegon.net	
Membership secretary [EB]			
Linda Cline	(541)–961–9641	membership@abateoforegon.net	
Run sanctioning [EB]			
Todd Sahlberg	(541)–890–9047	Sanctioning@abateoforegon.net	
State auditor (pro tem)			
Karen Tolle	(541)–660–8730	auditor@abateoforegon.net	
Newspaper editor			
Rot Path	(503)–838–6893 (c)	news@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (north)			
Randy Phipps	(503)–347–0524	SergeantNorth@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (south)			
Diana Nicolay		SergeantSouth@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (east)			
Dusty Hawkins	(SergeantEast@abateoforegon.net	
Products director			
Dave Meeker	(971)–400–6100	products@abateoforegon.net	
Education director			
Geoff White	(503)–774–7558	gswhite@petersoncat.com	
Public relations			
Chuck Miller	(503)–739–0439	mchuck916@gmail.com	
Fossil coordinator			
James “Yukon” Rhoden	(Fossil@abateoforegon.net	
Swap meet coordinator			
James Niece	(503)–775–2203	swapmeet@abateoforegon.net	
Historian			
< Position open and available for you >	(541)–965–2701	Historian@abateoforegon.net	
Web page editor			
Carl Earl	(503)–325–6932	webmaster@abateoforegon.net	
Quartermaster			
Gene Mortimore	(503)–313–7129	Quartermaster@abateoforegon.net	
Legislative director			
Don Mason	(541)–990–2884	legislative@abateoforegon.net	
BikePAC representative			
Jimmer		BikePAC@abateoforegon.net	
M.R.F. representative			
Paul Hering	(503)–313–7129	MRF@abateoforegon.net	
Confederation of Clubs representative			
Pat Allen, Mike Friend	(541)–659–8715	CoCNorth@abateoforegon.net	

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att. MEMBERSHIP
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon
97208

(Return address)

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAME: _____

NEW ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP CODE: _____

NAME OF CHAPTER: _____

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
_____	Couple* <small>(Includes couple. Additional family members \$5 each per year.)</small>	\$ 45	\$ 80	\$120	\$200
_____	Sustaining** <small>(Includes name printed in state newspaper.)</small>	\$100	\$190	\$280	\$450
	_____ Life* <small>(Individuals only. Join second chapter for \$5 per year.)</small>		\$400		

(please circle desired duration of membership.)

(revised Jan 2015)

Total members: _____

Date paid: _____



(state membership secretary notes)

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, OR Oregon 97208

Membership Benefits

*** Single, couple, and life member :**

- 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.

**** Sustaining member :**

- Certificate of membership for group
- Sustaining 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: _____

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STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 10 Mar 2018

1200 (noon) – Ciddici's Pizza
133 SE Fifth avenue–Albany, Oregon

1100 = Fossil committee meeting

Green day on her bike she was astride,
A leprachan behind her she spied,
The wee cute fellow said,
“Don't ye worry yer head,
Faith, I am just along for the ride.”

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Have A Smart Phone?

(Or a reasonably intelligent communications device ?)

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



2018 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

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

PR = Poker Run

BN = Biker Night

Date:	Event / sponsor:	Location:	Contact phone:
Apr 2018	Spring Fever / North Coast		
14 Apr 2018	Spring Kick-Off / WaCo	Hillsboro Elks	
Apr 2018	Poker Run / River City		
Apr 2018	Southern Oregon Swap Meet / JoCo		
May 2018	Motorcycle Awareness Rally	Salem	
May 2018	Motorcycle Awareness Rally / JoCo	Grants Pass	
May 2018	Yer Mother's Poker Run / SE-PDX		
May 2018	Spring Run / Lower Columbia		
May 2018	Fossil Campout / Oregon ABATE		
08 June 2018	Spring State Swap Meet / Oregon ABATE	Milwaukie	
16 June 2018	Roll-N-Ride / WaCo		
June 2018	Around Saddle Mountain / North Coast		
21 July 2018	Scavenger Hunt / WaCo		
25 Aug 2018	End Of Summer Run / WaCo		

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.)	Round Table Pizza; 11 th street; Redmond	(541)–699–4921
Douglas County (DC)	4th Thursday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Round Table Pizza; 2040 Stewart parkway; Roseburg	(541)–ppp–nnnn
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)	3rd Thursday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant; 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	1830 (6:30 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