



Newsletter



ABATE of OREGON, Inc.

*Let Those Who
Ride Decide*



*Dedicated to
Freedom of the Road*

JANUARY 1982

DO YOU CARE?

Do you care? That is a question that has crossed many minds on many different occasions since this organization was started. Look around during your next local meeting and when people start talking about planning an event or function, check and see who volunteers for the work involved. Now that you have checked it out, which class do you fall into, the workers or the watchers.

This organization isn't any different from any other in the respect that there is always a few doing all the work and a large group doing absolutely nothing. Those that work all the time finally start to tire of it and start complaining and who can blame them after all its no fun working all the time and not being able to enjoy what your working for. Now then, lets talk about the do-nothings. This group is usually the loudest when it comes to complaining about how something is put on, or organized or anything else that they can find to bitch about. After all isn't that all they have to do? Just sit, watch, do-nothing and bitch. Oh, I forgot to mention undermining and helping our organization to deteriorate because that is all this type of person contributes to this or any other organization, and to those people I say thanks for nothing because that is just what you've done for us. "NOTHING"

If you feel as a member that something isn't quite right or you have ideas that might help us, don't hesitate to stand up and make yourself heard. Thats what keeps this organization moving ahead. Become involved at both the local and state levels. Don't think well, somebody else can do it, because if you do, nothing well ever get done. Don't say, "I paid my dues isn't that enough?" because it damn well isn't. It is time now to become involved. If you don't want to work, don't join or as far as I am concerned don't bother to renew your membership, because it just makes more of a work load for those of us that care, and the load is heavy enough.

All of you that worked your tails off this last year have a helluva lot to be proud of and from those of us that care, you have our respect and heartfelt thanks. (Hope you aren't to burnt out.)

And now to all of you that fell in the other category. If you're offended by this article, GOOD, because that was my intention, to make you mad enough to get you off your butts and onto the bandwagon. There is a lot of work to be done and we need a few more people than we have had to do it. We all know who the workers and the drones are. Do you? Which group are you in? Become a worker and show that you care, I do. DO YOU CARE?

Mike Button
State Chairman

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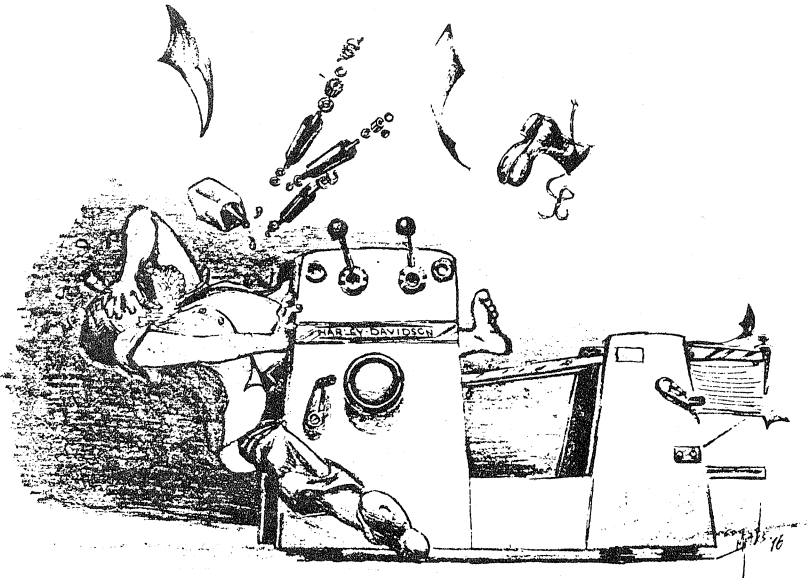
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NEWS FROM NE PORTLAND CHAPTER

December was a busy month for the NE Chapter starting with gathering Christmas trees for the YW on the fifth, a combined NE-SE Spaghetti Feed on the 13 and a Toy Run on the 19.

The Christmas tree gathering is part of our public service contribution. The YW has come to rely on ABATE for help when they need it. The Spaghetti Feed netted us money for our treasury and the opportunity to spread the ABATE word among a lot of people. We also signed up some new members.

The Toy Run to the Shriners Hospital, again gained us a lot of publicity. This is the second year that we have had one for the Shriners Hospital.

NE Chapter Meetings First and Third Wednesday of the Month
8:00 at Gino's Pizza 10845 NE Halsey, Portland

Chapter Officers: Preacher Jim - Coordinator
Tim Taylor - Treasurer
Carolyn Meerzo - Secretary
Don Miller - Membership Secretary
Rotten Roger - State Board Representative
Choke - Sargent-at-Arms

For information about the chapter call Don at 255-7793 or Roger at 287-2795

YOUR BASIC EVERYDAY MOTORCYCLE

"T E S T"

INSTRUCTIONS: For every question answered with a "YES!", give yourself the points as indicated after the question. Keep track and add up your score at the end of the test. Base your abilities by the category in your point range.

1. Ever forget to turn gas on? (2)
2. Ever forget to push choke in? (2)
3. Ever forget to put your foot down? (2)
4. Ever forget to put kick stand down? (2)
5. Ever run out of gas? (2)
6. Ever get high centered? (2)
7. Ever run over somebody's foot? (2)
8. Ever run over somebody's tent? (2)
9. Ever run without oil? (2)
10. Ever let clutch out and stall? (2)
11. Ever loose old lady off the back? (10)
12. Ever forget to tighten axle nut? (25)
13. Ever forget to turn off lights? (2)
14. Ever put helmet on back wards? (2)
15. Ever leave keys in ignition? (15)
16. Ever leave starter switch on off position while trying to start scoot? (2)
17. Ever forget to turn gas off? (2)
18. Ever loose your pack? (2)
19. Ever miss or skip a gear? (2)
20. Ever knock scoot over while trying to kick start it? (5)
21. Ever run into a curb? (2)
22. Ever get stopped by cops for speeding? (15)
23. While puttin, turn your head back, and loose your glasses? (2)
24. Ever get stopped by cops for indecent exposure? (5)
25. Ever try to start bike and it's not in neutral? (2)
26. Ever stall at lights, while showing off in front of car full of young girls (or guys) next to you? (20)
27. Ever loose the keys? (15)
28. Ever run over cat? (5)
29. Ever run over dog? (10)
30. Ever run over cop? (100)
31. Ever run off road into ditch? (2)
32. Ever loose muffler? (10)
33. Ever smoke cig, while puttin and start beard on fire? (20)
34. Ever loose nut on handle bars? (2)
35. Ever burn leg on pipes? (2)
36. Ever get your leg in belt drive or chain? (5)
37. Ever have hand grip come off while puttin? (10)
38. Ever run into parked car? (50)
39. Ever have kick start snap back and hit you in the leg? (5)
40. Ever fall off motorcycle? (50)
41. Ever been puttin down the road and forget where your going? (50)
42. Ever forget where your parked at? (15)
43. Ever breakdown in Cowboy Town, U.S.A, at midnight? (20)
44. Ever use street as dirt bike, and dump it? (2)
45. Can't see and forget you have sunglasses on? (2)
46. Ever race for pink slip and lose? (50)
47. Ever tell a girl if they can start it, they can ride it, and they do? (25)
48. Ever have to be bungied on back of scoot? (20)
49. Ever have to have someone start your scoot, cuz you can't? (25)
50. Ever loose your scoot? (100)

POINT SYSTEM:

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|----------------|---|
| 0-50 Points | Your cool, ya oughta be working for ABATE on the Motorcycle Riders Course! |
| 51-150 Points | Stop by the Drivers Examination Station and pick up the motorcycle "How To" manual. |
| 151-250 Points | Buy a three wheeler or put training wheels on your scoot, you'd be safer! |
| 251-350 Points | Ask someone to teach you how to ride or pack on the back. |
| 351-450 Points | Do you still have your motorcycle? If so, insure it! |
| 451 and Over | Sell your motorcycle, rent a moped, and stay off the streets.....PLEASE!! |

(Compliments of "Flame" from ABATE of Nebraska)

WE RIDE TOGETHER

They call it Brotherhood,
 An alliance of men-
 Those who stick together
 From beginning to end.
 But it seems to me
 That somewhere we've failed,
 For the bonds have been broken
 And the system prevails.
 Oh, there are those that are true-
 Those who live to ride
 Who practice the Brotherhood
 And gain from the pride.
 These are the righteous
 With all that it means-
 All men are brothers
 Who ride these machines.
 Some run as loners,
 Others in packs
 Some ride as clubs
 Flying colors on their backs.
 There are one percenters
 And dirt bikers, too-
 Tell me, my friend,
 Are they different than you?
 Ask this of yourself-
 For what do I ride?
 The answer's the same-
 For all those who've died.
 It's not the bike
 That makes a man
 Or patch that he flies
 Or the ring on his hand.
 It's not the path he chooses
 The direction he takes
 Not the course that he follows
 Or the friends that he makes.
 It's true these things
 May be different in men
 But the talk of Brotherhood
 What of it then?
 Well it's something shared
 Between us, you see
 For we all ride in common-
 We ride to be free.

	Special License	Helmet	Eye Guards	Lights on 24-hours
Alabama	No	Yes	No	No
Alaska	Yes	Yes1	Yes	No
Arizona	Yes	Yes2	Yes	No
Arkansas	Yes	Yes	Yes3	Yes
California	Yes	No	No	Yes6
Colorado	Yes	No	Yes3	No
Connecticut	Yes	No	Yes	No
Delaware	Yes	Yes1-4	Yes3	No
Florida	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	Yes	Yes2-4	Yes	No
Idaho	Yes	Yes2	No	No
Illinois	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Indiana	Yes	No	No	Yes
Iowa	Yes	No	No	Yes6
Kansas	Yes	No10	Yes	No
Kentucky	Yes	Yes	Yes3	No
Louisiana	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Maine	Yes	No	No	Yes
Maryland	Yes	Yes2	Yes	No
Massachusetts	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Michigan	Yes	Yes	Yes7	No
Minnesota	Yes	Yes2	Yes3	Yes
Mississippi	No	Yes	No	No
Missouri	Yes	Yes	No	No
Montana	Yes	Yes2	No	Yes
Nebraska	Yes	No	No	No
Nevada	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
New Hampshire	Yes	Yes2	Yes	No
New Jersey	Yes	Yes4	Yes	No
New Mexico	Yes	Yes2-4	Yes	No
New York	Yes	Yes4	Yes	Yes
North Carolina	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
North Dakota	Yes	Yes2-4	No	No
Ohio	Yes	Yes2	Yes3	No
Oklahoma	No	Yes2	Yes	No
Oregon	Yes	Yes2	No	Yes
Pennsylvania	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Rhode Island	Yes	No	Yes3	No
South Carolina	Yes	No9	No	Yes
South Dakota	Yes	No	Yes	No
Tennessee	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas	Yes	Yes2-4	No	No
Utah	Yes	Yes2-5	No	No
Vermont	Yes	Yes4	Yes	No
Virginia	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Washington	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	Yes	Yes4	Yes	Yes
Wisconsin	Yes	Yes1	Yes	Yes
Wyoming	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
District of Columbia	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

1 Under 19, 2 Under 18, 3 Required even if bike has windscreen, 4 Helmet must be reflectorized, 5 Helmet for both rider and passenger, 6 Lights on if bike is made after 1977, 7 Required for speeds above 35 mph, 8 Bikes of 1970 or newer, 9 If over 21, 10 If over 16 This chart is accurate as we send out this newsletter, but keep in mind that laws are constantly changing.

Credit belongs to the Modified
 Motorcycle Association of California.
 Submitted by Rotten Roger
 N.E. Chapter-Portland ABATE

JACKSON COUNTY ABATE NEWSLETTER

SANTA RIDES A HONDA - The first annual Toy Ride was held December 6 and led by the man, Santa himself. Over 150 bikers showed up in and on various vehicles to donate toys to the needy children in the area. It was an awesome sight to see motorcycles with teddy bears riding shotgun and dolls sitting on seats. We had participants from Royal Riders, Choosey Beggars, Nuggets and Gypsy Jokers. The toys were given to the Naval Reserve for distribution. The fellow that was at the Jacksonville Fire Dept. to meet us was overwhelmed by the turn out. Billie Bo, you and Burgie done GOOD! We would also like to send out a special thanks to Big Bear Shopper in White City who donated \$25.00 worth of toys and the Weiss Krofts from Klamath Falls who also donated \$25.00. This event covered a lot of territory. Riders from the local area as well as Grants Pass and Kfalls came in spite of the rain that morning. But the sun was shining as we paraded through town! There were also representatives from Merlin, Cave Junction and the local Rogue Valley Road Riders. Doc and Robin 'rode' crash at the back of the pack. And of course Mr. Santa our own Joe Grooms played his part very well. What a day! Next year should be even better.

BANNER - We now have our own chapter banner. Medford has out done himself as an artist this time! The banner was on display for the first time at the toy ride and will be at the next meeting. Billie Bo and Sudy did the coloring.

CPR TRAINING - Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation training is going to be offered to us by Mike White's mother. We need at least 10 people and the charge will be \$5.00 per person. It will involve two Saturday mornings for about four hours each day. You will receive a certificate if you complete the training. There will be a sign up sheet at the next meeting or you can call Mike-772-4880

WOOD CUTTING - We are still cutting wood if you want to get involved. Call Mike at 772-4880. Thanks to Steve Stevens and Greg Schmidt for organizing this worthwhile project. Thanks to Vern donating wood from his property. Joe Grooms and his children, Kelly, Medford, Mike White, Mike and Penny Kielman, and many more have all donating their time, gas and muscles.

STATE MEETING - Next state meeting will be in Eugene on Coburg Road at the Pappy's Pizza Parlor. January 10.

OFFICERS MEETING - We had a guest at our officers meeting, Terry from Abate in Washington. Terry had a lot of good ideas for fund raisers and publicity. Events for 82 were discussed and two events decided on; Pat Graham Memorial ride in March around his birthday and Abbott Campground Campout the last weekend in July.

NEXT MEETING - Will be at Triple Tree. Due to some new rules at The Jubilee the officers decided to make the change. Sunday January 3 at 11:00 a.m.. We will have the usual beer to give away and also a raffle for a couple of items.

DOUGLAS COUNTY CHAPTER REPORT

Fund raising events were talked about at our last meeting. We had several suggestions which will be discussed at the January meeting. We had a good time and accomplished a few things this past year. If there's any energy left well do it again next year.

Many thanks to the couple of hands-full of people that worked so hard for our organization last year. This year maybe we can get more people involved and accomplish even more.

Have a good year
Belva Button

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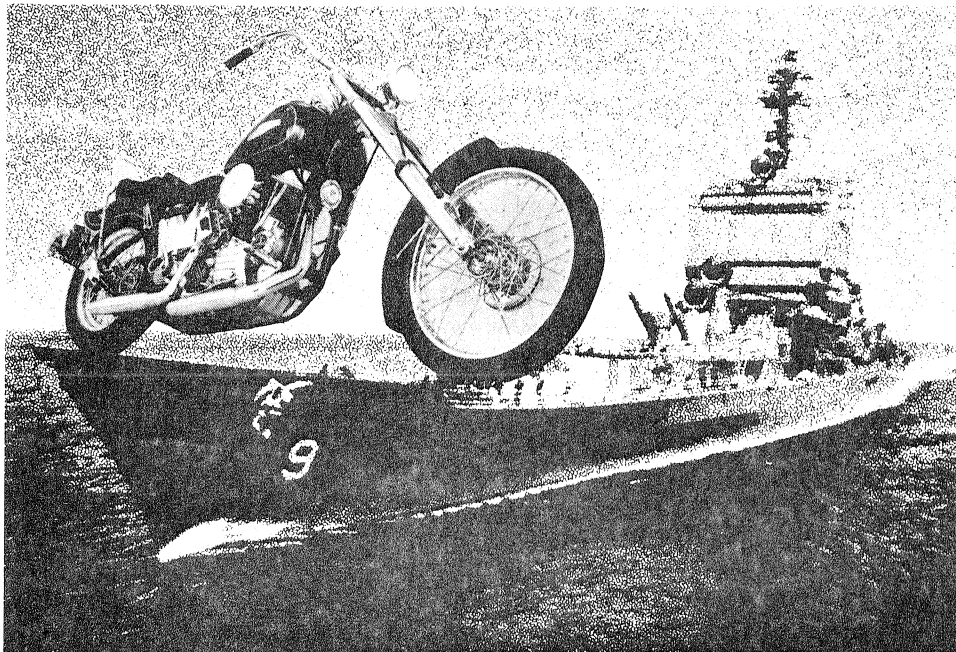
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An article in an earlier newsletter included a list of some of our supporters in the 1981 legislative session, but it was not complete by any means. I'll take this opportunity to list them all, and say "thank you" for all of their help: for their votes, comments, advice, willingness to listen, and often much more. I also want to thank all those nameless aides and secretaries who helped us out in too many ways to list. There isn't enough space to go into all the details, but each person knows what he or she did for us, and ABATE sure does appreciate it!

RIDER EDUCATION BILL

Every Senator except two who were excused, voted in favor of the rider ed. bill!
(Senators Fadeley and Bullock did not vote.)

Those representatives who voted in favor of the rider ed bill are marked with a ✚ .

those who voted against it are marked with a — .

Representatives Fawbush, Grannell, B. Roberts, Schoon, Throop, and Trahern were excused and did not vote.

1981 State Senate

- Brown, Walter-D, #13**
- Bullock, Richard-D, #11**
- Burbidge, Keith-D, #17**
- ✚ Day, L.B.-R, #16**
- ✚ Fadeley, Edward-D, #21**
- Gardner, Jim-D, #10
- Groener, Dick-D, #14**
- Hallock, Ted-D, #5**
- Hanlon, Charles-D, #1**
- ✚ Hannon, Lenn-R, #26**
- Hartung, Tom-R, #3**
- Heard, Fred-D, #27
- Isham, Dell-D, #2
- ✚ Jernstedt, Ken-R, #28
- Kitzhaber, John-D, #23
- Kulongoski, Ted-D, #22**
- McCoy, William-D, #8
- McFarland, Ruth-D, #12
- ✚ Meeker, Anthony-R, #15
- Monroe, Rod-D, #7
- ✚ Potts, E.D. (Debbs)-D, #25
- ✚ Powell, John-D, #19**
- Ripper, Jack-D, #24
- Roberts, Frank-D, #9**
- Simmons, Jim-R, #4
- ✚ Smith, Robert F.-R, #30
- Thorne, Michael-D, #29
- Trow, Clifford-D, #18**
- ✚ Wingard, George-R, #20**
- Wyers, Jan-D, #5

1981 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ✚ Anderson, Verner-R, #45 | —Katz, Vera-D, #8 |
| ✚ Bauman, Rick-D, #11 | ✚ Kennedy, Bob-R, #53 |
| ✚ Bellamy, Billy-R, #55 | ✚ Kerans, Grattan-D, #39 |
| ✚ Bradbury, Bill-D, #48 | ✚ Lindquist, Ed-D, #26 |
| ✚ Brogoitti, Robert A.-R, #58 | ✚ Lombard, Ben, Jr. (Kip)-R, #52 |
| ✚ Bugas, Ted-R, #2 | —Magruder, Caroline-D, #1 |
| ✚ Burrows, Mary McCauley-R, #41 | ✚ Markham, Bill-R, #46 |
| ✚ Campbell, Larry-R, #43 | ✚ Mason, Tom-D, #9 |
| ✚ Cease, Jane-D, #18 | ✚ Meyer, Vern-R, #42 |
| ✚ Cherry, Howard-D, #14 | ✚ Myers, Hardy-D, #19 |
| ✚ Chrest, James-D, #15 | —Otto, Glenn-D, #23 |
| ✚ Cohen, Joyce-D, #24 | ✚ Parkinson, Fred-R, #28 |
| ✚ Courtney, Peter-D, #33 | —Priestley, Wally-D, #16 |
| ✚ Davis, Drew-D, #20 | —Riebel, Al-R, #31 |
| ✚ DeBoer, Rebecca-R, #50 | ✚ Rijken, Max-D, #38 |
| — Farmer, Annette-D, #22 | —Roberts, Barbara-D, #17 |
| — Fawbush, Wayne H.-D, #56 | ✚ Roberts, Lonnie-D, #21 |
| ✚ Ford, Mary Alice-R, #6 | ✚ Rutherford, Bill-R, #39 |
| ✚ Gilmour, Jeff-D, #30 | ✚ Ryles, Nancy-R, #5 |
| ✚ Gold, Shirley-D, #12 | —Schoon, John-R, #34 |
| — Grannell, Bill-D, #47 | —Simpson, Max-D, #59 |
| — Hamby, Jeanette-R, #4 | —Smith, Norm-R, #7 |
| ✚ Hanneman, Paul-R, #3 | ✚ Springer, Dick-D, #10 |
| — Harper, Robert-R, #57 | —Throop, Tom-D, #54 |
| ✚ Hendriksen, Margie-D, #40 | —Trahern, George-R, #49 |
| ✚ Hooley, Darlene-D, #27 | —VanLeeuwen, Liz-R, #37 |
| — Johnson, Eldon-R, #51 | ✚ Van Vliet, Tony-R, #35 |
| — Jolin, Peggy-D, #44 | ✚ Whallon, Glen-D, #25 |
| — Jones, Denny-R, #60 | ✚ Yih, Mae-D, #36 |
| ✚ Kafoury, Gretchen-D, #13 | —Zajonc, Donna-R, #32 |

All elected for two-year term, expiring January 1983

HELMET BILL

Senators who voted against the helmet bill are marked with a ✚ .

Those who voted in favor of it are marked with a — .

Representatives Cease, Bradbury, Brogoitti, Kennedy, L. Roberts, and Whallon all opposed passing the helmet bill out of Transportation Committee, and strongly supported ABATE's position on mandatory helmet laws and rider education. The House Transportation Committee and staff deserve warm appreciation for their willingness to deal with us fairly and above-board! Many other representatives indicated that they would support our position if the bill came to a floor vote, but it did not leave the committee. Our thanks go to all those folks! And we will remember who our friends were, when election time comes around next November.

Teresa

17 WAYS TO KILL MOST ANY ORGANIZATION!

1. Don't attend meetings, but if you do, arrive late.
2. Be sure to leave before the meeting is closed.
3. Never have anything to say at meetings; wait until you get outside.
4. When at meetings, vote to do everything - then go home and do nothing.
5. The next day, find fault with the officers and members.
6. Take no part in the organization affairs.
7. Be sure to sit in the back, so you can talk it over with a friend.
8. Get all the organization will give you, but don't give the organization anything.
9. Never ask anyone to join the organization.
10. At every opportunity, threaten to resign, and try to get others to do the same.
11. Talk cooperation, but don't cooperate.
12. If asked to help, say you haven't the time.
13. Never read anything pertaining to the organization.
14. Never accept an office, as it is easier to criticize than to do things.
15. If appointed to a committee, never give any time or service to this committee.
16. If you receive a renewal notice, ignore it.
17. Don't do any more than you have to and when the others willingly and unselfishly use their abilities to help the cause, howl because the organization is run by a clique.

"GUILTY ANYONE?"

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM NEW RENEWAL DATE _____

NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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- \$10 enclosed--full membership (includes newsletter)
 \$ 5 enclosed for each additional member at same address, paid at same time as full membership (no newsletter)

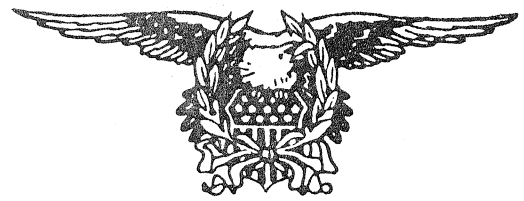
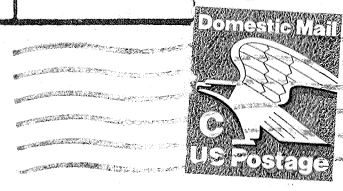
List full names of additional members:

Hello!
from
Mike
and
Belva

meeting calendar

MONTH JANUARY YEAR 1982

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 NEW YEARS DAY	2
3 DOUGLAS COUNTY ----- JACKSON COUNTY	4 RIVER CITY	5	6 N.E. PORTLAND ----- LANE COUNTY	7	8	9
10 STATE MTG. EUGENE	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 N.E. PORTLAND ----- LANE COUNTY	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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HAS YOUR MEMBERSHIP EXPIRED???