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# NEWSLETTER



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\* SEPTEMBER 1984 \*

Ever hear of "writer's block"? I have a good dose of it this month - brought on by an excessive amount of overtime at work, summer weather, a week-end at McNeil, and burn out. It's a real effort for me to do ANYTHING except stare at the boob tube. But enough of this - let's see what I got.

This month there's supposed to be a mail-in Oregon voter's registration form stapled onto this page, but as you can see, it ain't there. I called the Multnomah County elections office, and the woman there was kind of unhappy that I wanted to get 700 of the things - why, they cost a whole nickel a piece!! Horrors!! She allowed as how she expected that the majority of them would be round-filed by our members who are already registered and that I should call the office of the Secretary of State to ask them to ship 700 forms up from Salem for me to pick-up in Portland. Well, thanks very much, but I think I'll pass. You see, "THEY" would just love it if we never, ever voted again!! "THEY" complain about "voter apathy", but in reality, "THEY" prefer the status-quo. People who vote are exercising their rights, and "THEY" don't want us to have ANY rights!! It's so much neater if people don't have any rights - that way, "THEY" can do what they damn well please, 'cause "THEY" don't have to answer to anyone. What I'm saying in a roundabout way is this: if YOU want to exercise YOUR right to choose (and isn't that what ABATE is all about anyway?), yer going to have to get up off yer duff, go to yer local Post Office, and find yer own registration form, fill it in, and mail it!! If you've moved since the last elections, you have to re-register. The November general elections are ONLY TWO MONTHS AWAY!!! You have to act fast!! Don't let it slip by you this time - VOTE! It's your right, and as a citizen, it's your duty!!

How's that for writer's block? Pretty heavy? Well, I'm not really interested in having some jackass getting elected on a law-n-order platform and then making it so expensive to own and drive a motorcycle that it becomes a province of the very rich, like yachting or collecting Rolls-Royces. Think it can't happen here? Why not? John Q. Citizen drives a cage everywhere - why shouldn't everyone? The ONLY way we have of staying free is to keep bad politicians out of office, and bad laws from getting on the books. Once they're there, it's much more difficult to get them out.

I'm going to try to have a list of who's running for office this fall and who is or is not friendly towards motorcyclists. It's also important to know what the candidates do for a living; I'll give you an example: Last session, a P.I.P. insurance bill was introduced that would have put the price of scooter insurance out of reach of the majority of us. At that time I felt it was a "back-door" attempt to force us to wear helmets - "If you don't wear an approved helmet while riding, your insurance will cost \$1500 a year." The Senator who was most for the PIP bill was Dell Isham - when he's not trying to pass laws that'd cost us more money, he's engaged in the business of selling INSURANCE!! Bit of a conflict, don't you think?

Enough on that. I don't really have a Board Report for you this month but I do need to tell you Chapter Treasurers out there that the quarterly report that was due in JULY was the FOURTH quarterly - it's VERY important that they are in so Louise can close the books for fiscal year 1983-84. The FIRST quarterly treasurer's report for the 1984-85 fiscal year will be due at THE OCTOBER BOARD MEETING. The months covered will be JULY, AUGUST, and SEPTEMBER. Hope that's plain enough. Help us out! Have 'em in on time!



**\*\* CHAPTER REPORTS \*\*****\* BEND CHAPTER \***

Hello again! By printing time our Better Biking Class will be over for this year. We're trying two classes back-to-back on August 25th & 26th. I have my fingers crossed that we can train the maximum of 16 people per class.

Don Riggins, our newly elected "Money Project Person" is trying to come up with some brand new ideas. That's the easy part - he also has to come up with some bodies to carry out those ideas! Good Luck, Don!

Pat & I recently took a trip on the Harley - we drove to Crane (30 miles the other side of Burns) to add another piece to our collection. The trip was great - we brought back the new piece with no problem. Our collection - snakes; our new one is a three-foot rattler called Goliath. He enjoyed the ride as much as we did, but I'm beginning to wonder if the 95° weather isn't starting to effect us.

In the future the newsletter report from Bend is supposed to be written by Vernitta Robinson, our Membership Secretary. I wish her luck, and in closing, I want to say to everyone - RIDE SAFE & LIVE LONG! -Louise

**### CENTRAL OREGON CHAPTER ###**  
(no report received for the fourth month)

**\* DOUGLAS COUNTY CHAPTER \***

Our Windy Creek Run held in July was a big success. Those of you who didn't make it really missed a great time! I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people that did such a great job of putting the run together. Larry & Paulette Adams did most of the work with help from Mike & Betty Blair. Of course, lots of people helped at the run - too many to be mentioned by name, but their help was greatly appreciated. Thanks to Kris Shorb for the terrific trophies. My apologies if I left out anyone who should be mentioned by name.

With Windy Creek behind us, our chapter is busy planning for our second Better Biking Program class. We hope to hold it in October if we can tear Ed away from his busy schedule helping the rest of the chapters put on their programs. As a member who watched the class from the sidelines, I would like to encourage ALL members of ABATE to take this class, regardless of your experience!! It's a class that EVERYONE can learn from, and remember, it's put on by ABATE. We should support our organization's efforts not only by taking the class ourselves but by helping sign up other riders to go through the program. If we don't meet our goal of 150 students, we may not get this funding again!

It is with sadness that I report the death of one of our members - Terry Cooper died while working in the woods this past July. Our chapter will be getting patches in his memory. Anyone wishing to buy one should attend our chapter meeting. Another member of our chapter, Tony Walker, was recently run off the road by a cager. He suffered a mild concussion and road rash. Hope you're feeling better by now, Tony. GET WELL SOON!! In last month's Newsletter I reported that Mike & Betty Blair had an accident involving a deer. They both are doing much better and even made it to Windy Creek for a few hours. Another GET WELL SOON wish goes out to Jerry Seay, who is recovering from a heart attack suffered in early June.

On a happier note, I am pleased to announce the birth of a daughter to Mike Boster, one of our State Reps, and Julie Stegar. CONGRATULATIONS to both of you! We'll be looking forward to seeing our "new member" at a meeting real soon.

Everyone enjoy what's left of summer, and RIDE SAFE!

-Joy

**\* EMERALD VALLEY CHAPTER \***

First, I'd like to thank Gary for the fine coverage in the Newsletter. Emerald Valley Summer Run '84 will be history by the time you read this - and we WILL make history!

Now for a little more history. Our officers were presented to the State at the Board Meeting in Newport on July 14th. Most of us went to Beaver Creek, where we held our 2nd monthly meeting on Sunday the 15th. Some of our members made it to Windy Creek, and quite a bunch made it to the Abbott Run. We did alright at the run raffles and games. At Beaver Creek I won two raffles - a fifth of whiskey and a pair of goggles. Dave & Sandy won the weenie bite at Beaver Creek, and John and Betty won it at Windy Creek. At Abbott Larry won a new chain, Gail won a necklace, and I won a gift certificate. We really made out this summer!

Here's what's going on the next couple of months:

August 18th is a work day at the run site, and our 2nd monthly chapter meeting will be held on the 19th at the run site. Our run will be held on the 25th & 26th of August. The September 2nd meeting is canceled due to the holiday. On the 16th of September we'll have a Better Biking Program class at the Cottage Grove Fire Hall at 10am. Looks as if it'll be a big success. We'll have a wood raffle and a Toy Run to keep us busy this winter.

I'd like to welcome our new members - John, Leroy, Maurice, Steve and Gail, Rick and Mary, and Don and Janet. -Doc

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**\* JACKSON COUNTY CHAPTER \***

Abbott is once again a happy memory; it was a nice turn-out and lots of fun. We would like to give Dr. Dave a special big thanks - he was busy and very much appreciated! We had one bad down, but Allan and Ambria are both doing okay now. They both send their thanks to all the Brothers and Sisters who showed love and concern - it helped a lot! They especially want to thank Dr. Dave and Mike White for their help and love.

We're still missing our chapter banner - it was lost at Fossil, and we'd really appreciate hearing from anyone who has it or knows where we misplaced it!

On a brighter note, we have a new State Representative Alternate - his name is Fuzz. South Umpqua Falls Run is coming up on September 8th and 9th. The committee is busy making sure it'll be lots of fun, so come join us! Ride Safe! -Maria (Ed. note: I have to point out that there's a Board Meeting in Bend on the 8th, and everyone's reps are expected to attend.)

**\* KLANATH FALLS CHAPTER \***

A good time was had by all at our Surveyor Springs Run! Not only did everyone comment on having a great time, we made money too!! Wish more of you could have attended. Our band, Black Dove, played almost non-stop and did a terrific job of providing entertainment. We want to thank Red, Kim, & Chris, as well as Fuzz from Jackson County Chapter and Marge from Salem Chapter for all their help! Hope to see more of you at our run next year.

On August 30th we'll have our First Annual M.D.A./ABATE Pool Shoot with 75% of the proceeds going to "Jerry's Kids".

We have a new meeting place and time - 11:30am at STAGE-COACH PIZZA, 5235 S. 6th Street - still the first and third Sundays of each month. -Ride Safe! Connie

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**\* LINCOLN COUNTY CHAPTER \***

The first point of interest is that our September 7th meeting will be held in Lincoln City - we will not be at Moby's in Newport.

Our Poker Run set for September 8th has been finalized. The starting point is in Waldport, which is 15 miles south of Newport. Start time is from 9-11am at Family Federal Savings & Loan on Hwy. 34. Hope to see you there. There will be a dance at Moby Dick's starting at 9pm that evening. Come on over and join us!

We have scheduled a Better Biking Program class for Lincoln County on September 23rd. We have a maximum class size of sixteen people, so ANYONE from Lincoln County who missed our recent meetings had better get in touch if to take the class.

Glad to report that my motorcycle and I have had only one small mishap. They say that every good rider goes down at least once. It sure makes me lean a little further going into a corner.

Hope that you are all taking advantage of the good weather to visit around the state and country, and that all of you who attended our Beaver Creek Run had a good time - we enjoyed having you there, and are looking forward to seeing you all again next year. We have several projects lined up for the fall, about which I'll tell you as more info becomes available. 'Til next month, Ride Safe!

(Ed. Note: "Glad to report . . ."?! Millie, I'm glad too - glad you didn't get hurt, but I'm certainly not "glad" to hear of your mishap! You didn't say, but I certainly hope you're planning to take the BBC also - one can't EVER know enough about safe riding. None of us are replaceable, so take the BBC, and be CAREFUL out there!!) -Millie

**\* NORTHEAST PORTLAND CHAPTER \***

Hi from NE Portland! Everyone here is getting ready for our Summer Run on Mt. Hood August 18th & 19th. By the time you read this even the hangovers should be history. We hope that everyone who showed up had a great time.

I've been trying to get some information on an organization called Bikers Against Manslaughter (BAM) and I'll let you know as soon as I get something set up.

Congratulations to Charlie and Brenda; they're going to be married on the 25th of August. Hope you guys ride together for a long time. Also, congratulations to Don Miller - his picture made it into BIKER LIFESTYLE MAGAZINE (Sept. '84) as part of their fine coverage of the Fossil/State Run. South-east Portland member Gary Thompson shot the photos and wrote the story.

That's about all I have for this month. Hope we saw a lot of you at McNeil this year! Ride Free! -Leslie

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\* RIVER CITY CHAPTER \*

Hi! The Mystery Run was a success - the weather was good, the park was perfect, and the food and beer were plentiful. Compliments to the Chef, and special thanks to Mark, Brian, and Kelly for all the extra effort, and thank you Al Blackford for the donation!

Another reminder - the Better Biking Program will be in The Dalles September 29th. Talk to Teresa (298-1317) for details or to pre-register. The Community Resource Center will be co-sponsoring a class in Hood River at 10 am, September 30th. Call their office (386-2055) to pre-register. This program can benefit everyone who rides. It's important to show our support for it by filling the classes and helping out. See you there!

Our September meeting has been moved to the second Monday of the month at 7pm in Sorosis Park to avoid Labor Day. The October meeting will be in Hood River - date & time will be announced.

The Chapter is happy to welcome Pete Droesh to the area! See you all at McNeil! 'Til then, drive careful!

-Vernon

\* SALEM CHAPTER \*

Greetings to one and all! Not a whole lot of news from the Salem area. We've been working real hard on the Better Biking Program - by the time you read this we will have held our scheduled class, with big hopes for a large turnout.

Our Chapter hosted a get-together after the State Board Meeting, and we had a lot of fun events, such as a slow race, horseshoe tossing, raffle drawings, and of course free hot dogs & beer while they lasted. We hope all who made it had a great time and a safe journey home. Thanks for coming!

-Barb

\* SOUTHEAST PORTLAND CHAPTER \*

Well folks, McNeil '84 is history. I think the dust was worse this year than in the two previous years I attended, and I'm sure that everyone who attended will agree that the sand traps on the access road were most effective at preventing the well-lubricated from making good their escape. It appeared to me that everyone had an excellent time, and I want to thank you all for observing the rules prohibiting fireworks and campfires. It wouldn't have taken much to have had a major conflagration in those woods, dry as everything was.

This is a bit of an anniversary for me - it was at McNeil last year that I got the chapter reports from Vicky, and you first saw this style of typing in the September '83 issue of this Newsletter. Since then, I haven't had chapter reports from 100% of the chapters!! There's always at least one chapter report that's missing, although it's not always the same chapter each month. In any event, I'm beginning to feel a shade burnt out, especially since I'm also my chapter's secretary. I think I can understand why people join ABATE, participate for a year or so, then drop out. New members tend to be enthusiastic volunteers, and the tendency is to say "yes" to everything asked of them. They feel that they're letting the organization down if they refuse a job. The reason I'm talking about all this is to point out that there seems to be two distinct types of people in our chapter - those that almost always volunteer, and those that almost always look at those who did it before, expecting them to volunteer again. Thanks, Woody! You did your "as usual" excellent job of helping to make McNeil a great party! Thanks, Shiela & Marv! Whether or not people express their appreciation, your efforts WERE appreciated!! Thanks, McNeil Committee!! Everyone did a fantastic job of pulling together, and the party was a huge success!

That's about all for this month. Time to start thinking about our Toy Run! 'til next month . . .

-Gary

\* ST. JOHNS CHAPTER \*

Hello again. Hope everyone is enjoying the great summer we're having. First, and most important, is to tell everyone that St. Johns Chapter has a Post Office box - we'd enjoy getting correspondence from any chapters wanting to inform us of any newsworthy events, or just to say "Hi!" The address is: St. Johns Chapter of A.B.A.T.E., P.O. Box 03506, Portland, 97203

The yard sale some members had went well - there was \$129 donated to our treasury. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard on it!

We would like to have 6 more members sign up for the Better Biking Program class - at this writing, the class will be held later than September due to a lack of sign-ups. At only \$10, it's a good price for a good cause!

(St. Johns Chapter report continues on next page)

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(St. Johns Chapter report, continued from previous page)

It seems quite a few chapters are having problems with members attending meetings. Maybe the heat has gotten to them and they don't remember their fellow brothers and sisters. Scooter runs are great for getting all those vaguely familiar faces together, but the meetings can be also. We should all pack up and attend a meeting at one of the chapters enjoying an increase in membership to see what they're doing right and we're doing wrong.

Until next month, don't forget to stop for those yellow school busses when they're flashing their red lights. It only holds you up for a few minutes, and could save the lives of lots of kids. -Martha Whiting

**\* WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAPTER \***

Hello again from Washington County! A big THANKS go out to Lincoln County for one fine run and super party. I got to meet so many of you there but darn if I can remember any names - one too many beers or something. We're really looking forward to Beaver Creek next year! Another big THANK YOU goes out to the Screaming Eagles M/C Workshop at OSP. The Bike Show & Toy Run on July 21st was fantastic and yours truly had a great time. You guys are doing a great job - keep up the good work!

Our Legislative & Education Director, Paul "Doc" Clifford, has set up September 8th & 15th for the BBP classes in our area - they'll be held at P.C.C.'s Rock Creek Campus. Anyone interested can see Doc at our meetings to find out more info or to register for a class.

Our fundraiser committee is planning good times faster than I can get them into the newsletter. Hope you all got the word in time to attend our picnic at Haig Lake on July 29th. It was a success and enjoyed by all there.

Word of caution: BEWARE of irate citizens that throw full garbage bags at you while riding through a residential area. It seems funny now but it made for an unfunny situation when it happened to us recently. This is dangerous and against the law! (Ed. Note: Seems to me a complaint should have been lodged with the local or county fuzz and the people responsible arrested for criminal mischief, at the least!)

Have you seen our beautiful Washington County banner hanging proudly at the runs this summer? Credit goes to two of our members, Mary "Mom" Brown and Tom Krise, who did an excellent job of making our banners. Thanks to both of you for all the time and work you contributed in making our banners.

Welcome to two new members - Katie & Mitch. Let's all work on getting new members signed up. Remember the membership drive? Until next month, ride safe and free! -Ladybug

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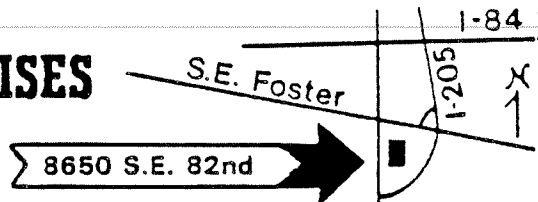
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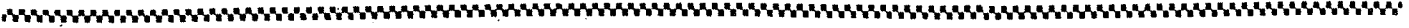
Greetings! Since I have a little extra time on my hands I thought I'd try writing this report. West Portland has it's eye set on winning the membership drive, and we're recruiting some good new members. New blood helps keep an organization dynamic and full of vitality; without it, it's too easy to become stagnate.

Laura is doing a great job as our new Coordinator, in spite of the serious physical complications she underwent right in the middle of the officer change-over.

Our B.B.P. class is set for September 22nd at Tigard Methodist Church, and we expect it to be a successful learning experience. I can't say enough about how important these classes are to our organization; they're not just the first phase of a long term hard worked for goal, but also our alternative to the helmet law.

Speaking of laws, the November elections are almost upon us and I hope all the other chapters are active in this democratic process. Remember, the people elected in November are going to be making the laws we will be expected to live by.

-John B.



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Dear Gary:

In the course of my job as research assistant and librarian for the Motorcycle Safety Foundation I come across quite a few newsletters from A.B.A.T.E. organizations around the U.S. My reason for writing to your newsletter is a letter written by Stan and Dorothy Johnston about grated bridges in your June edition.

From my personal experience on these deadly bridges, and also from the updated curriculum in the Motorcycle Rider Course (MRC) offered by the Foundation, a new technique of riding across these has come about. As you well know, if you remain upright on a grated bridge you begin to get a distinct wobble from the front end. However, should you perform a slight weaving pattern across these bridges the wobble will disappear. The only point where you will incur a wobble is when you are at the point between weaves.

Should anyone be interested in learning more about this or other road hazards, please call 900-447-4700 for the rider program nearest you.

And, on a personal note (and as a member of A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania), thanks for your time and space to an "out-of-stater".  
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Upon satisfactory completion of the course, the student is given a Team Oregon course completion card which may entitle him or her to discounts on motorcycle insurance.

Cost of the course is \$10. Range classes are restricted to 16 students.

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\* MISCELLANIA \*

As mentioned on the front page, I ran into some difficulty trying to obtain "mail-in" voter registration forms. The efforts of several other people in as many other chapters may bear more fruit - there's a possibility we'll have forms in time to include them in the October Newsletter.

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The schedule at right lists the dates and places of ABATE's BETTER BIKING PROGRAM classes. I was asked to appeal to all of you - TAKE THE CLASS! It costs very little in time or money to become a better educated, more aware rider. Your motorcycle endorsement fee partially contributes to the program; in effect, you've already paid for part of your schooling thru the fee. Why not pay the balance and take the course - it just may keep you with us longer! There's

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a possible bonus to your successful completion of the course - it may lower your insurance rates a bit! It's something like the rate reduction you earn for taking Driver's Ed in high school. The success of our BBP is going to depend on the number of riders who SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE COURSE! It's not enough to have people sign up to take it - they have to complete it. We need to successfully train 150 people this year, or our grant for future courses may be in jeopardy! Help us out, and help yourself at the same time! It's our alternative to the helmet law, and it makes a lot more sense!

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The September State Board meeting will be held at Elmer's Pancake House, 415 N.E. 3rd Street, in Bend at 1pm. This will probably be the last "on the road" Board of the year - in October, the monthly meeting is due to resume in Eugene at Gatehouse Pizza.

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On October 25th, a new magazine will debut; it'll be called "OUTLAW BIKER", and will be designed as a reader written magazine - ALL the stories and photos will be coming from the international biker brotherhood and not from professional sources. The editor, Casey Exton, is looking for party photos, tattoo photos, ol' lady photos, dog photos, kid photos, and of course, reader's rides. He's also in need of true stories of biker adventure and biker art. They pay \$10 for B&W prints and \$15 for color slides. They ask that you don't bother to send color PRINTS, 'cause they cannot use them. Name and address must be on the back of the photos (or border of the slides) if you want credit in the magazine and want them returned. Stories should be typewritten and double spaced, on one side of the page, and from five to twenty pages long. They pay \$20 to \$200 per story, depending on length. They should tell about real adventures involving riding, freedom, brotherhood, getting even, being locked down, battles with the folks who try to keep others from being free, etc. They also are interested in gripes, tips, bike news, personal ads, etc. Look for the mag on the stands in October. Their address is: OUTLAW BIKER MAGAZINE, J.A.F. BOX 2048, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10116. Phone number is (212) 564-0112.

(Ed. Note: The above announcement is excerpted from a letter received from Casey. Sounds like an interesting magazine, but I'd like to see a copy before I send 'em any photos.)

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This month, there will be only a very few corrections in peoples' mailing addresses - Al Cole had some pretty heavy surgery (last I heard he made it thru and was recovering), and I didn't get a list of additions, corrections, and deletions.

A little birdie (several of 'em, actually) told me that Dave Ruby was seen at the August Board wearing tennis shoes, after puttin' down from Portland. Now Dave, it would certainly seem that one would feel a bit more protected by encasing one's feet & ankles in heavy leather boots. As Editor of this thing, I must strive for objectivity, so I have to add to the report from the birdies that NOT ONE of the little feathered friends said one peep about the fact you were also riding bare-headed - ya don't suppose that means they think you have all yer brains in yer feet, and that's why they need protecting, do you??!!

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If you'll look at the ad form elsewhere in this newsletter, you'll notice (or maybe you won't) that I've revised it a bit. I added a request that all ads received be "camera ready". That means I'd like to receive ads that need NO ADDITIONAL WORK - they're ready to be copied. I recently received two ads (one won't appear 'til next month) that had (have) to be completely laid out by me in order to get them ready to be copied. My mistake - I should have included the request when I did the form a year ago. I wouldn't mind doing all the artwork for advertisements, but it is tremendously time-consuming to do a decent job for someone that's paying hard earned money for an ad, and I really feel that it's better all 'round if I receive camera ready stuff ONLY. Keep in mind that business cards, if they're on white or nearly white paper, are camera ready already. It's the 1/4, 1/2, and full page ads that are problems to deal with. Thanks for your understanding! Now see if ya can promote us some ads!!

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Some words of caution! First, it's September. First day of fall arrives this month, along with ever later sunrises and earlier sunsets. Have ya ever seen the remains of an animal killed on the freeway? I once saw what HAD been a large dog that must have been hit at night, 'cause he was spread about 30 feet down the lane. I'm not trying to make everyone sick - just want to point out that if you ride the freeway at night, be careful! A blow-out can put ya down real quick, and once your scoot is down, so's yer lights!! Cages coming up from behind can see you even less than during the day (is that possible!?) and are bound to run over you and your scooter if you happen to be down in a traffic lane. If you go down, it's in your best interest to be up and running for the shoulder as fast as possible. Better yet, avoid the freeways at night if at all possible.

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As mentioned above, it IS September. The curtain climbers are back in school again, and that means you're going to be seeing a lot of those big ugly yeller things called school busses running around town. Be careful when yer passing 'em - things come flying out windows sometimes, no doubt thrown by some kid who's been brought up to have no respect fer bikers! Seriously, busses make a lot of stops, and you HAVE to stop when the red lights are flashing no matter the direction yer approaching from. The only exception is when you're on a divided highway and the bus is in the opposite lane. Still, it's best to be alert for kids in the bushes when you see a school bus - he or she may dart out in front of you without looking, and I don't know about you, but running a kid down on my bike is not something that would make MY day!

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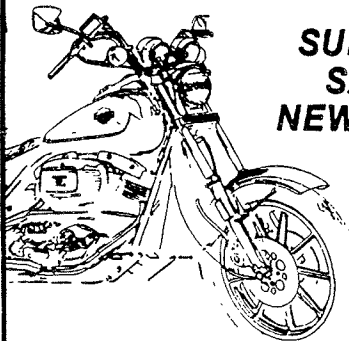
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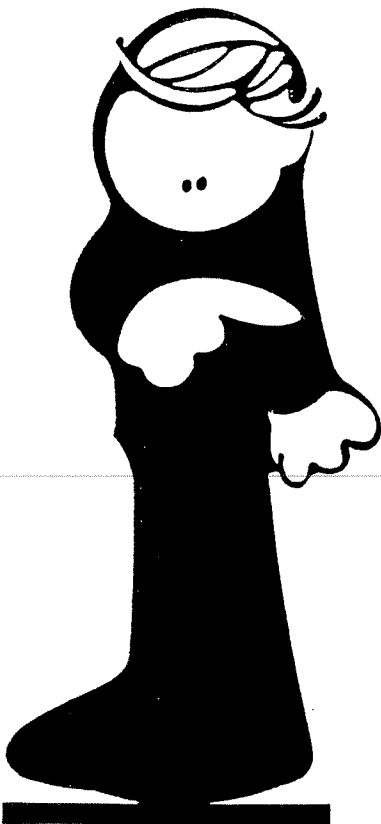
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— A. B. A. T. E. of Oregon —  
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- ATTENTION - JERRY GRAHAM - Please call Laura Pratt @ 285-4699 (10-84)

(If any of the above ads can be dropped or changed, PLEASE let me know. As promised, I dropped everything that's been on the page for three months or more. The numbers in parenthesis indicate the LAST month the ad will run, UNLESS it's RESUBMITTED in time to make the following month's newsletter. If you've sold it or found it, let me know, otherwise it'll be dropped after the date indicated. -Gary)

As much as I hate to, I find myself having to use a portion of this page for a display advertisement. Display ads are paid for by people, whether or not they're members of ABATE. I want to urge you to patronize the advertisers in this newsletter - they're helping to support ABATE, and deserve our support; and mention their ad when you go to see them - they have to know the ad has been seen, or they won't want to repeat it. Thanks.



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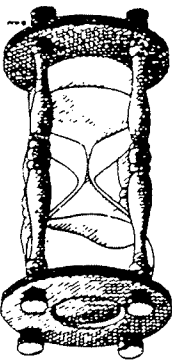
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