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Newsletter



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ABATE OF OREGON, inc.

State Board Report

The January State Board meeting was held on the 10th, at the Gatehouse Pizza in N. Springfield, Oregon. The meeting was called to Order at 1:01pm by Deacon. There were 28 voting reps. present & all but two State Board Officers were present.

TREASURER REPORT was given by Patty, ask your State Reps. for more info. Patty received a check of \$50 from Jackson Co. Chapter to help send Butch to Lobbyist School.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Carolyn; stated that as of Jan. 1st we have 730 paid members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Patty; a motion was made to put the info. in the newsletter about A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc. joining NCOM. You'll find more info. in this issue.

PARAPHERNALIA: Barb; she is adding to the State T-shirts logo "of Oregon Inc." And there is a complete run down on all paraphernalia that you can purchase and where you can get it in this issue.

FOSSIL: Barb; Fossil will be on May 23, 24 & 25th. The price will be for card carrying A.B.A.T.E. members is \$15.00 and \$20.00 for non-A.B.A.T.E. members. The extra \$5.00 can be applied to joining A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc. Carolyn will have a booth so people can join at Fossil.

LEGISLATIVE: Butch; Dr. Dave had to resign at the meeting because of personal reasons and Butch will take over as Legislative Director on a temporary basis for now. The legislative session starts on Jan. 12th. Butch will stay on top of things in Salem and he would like everyone to pay attention on what is happening in your area to let Butch know about it. Butch is going to set up a recorded message at his home for the legislative information to call on Wednesday & Thursday evenings after 6pm at 1-363-6106 every week. There is also an list of all the State Representatives in the 1987 Legislature included in this issue.

ADJOURN: 4:42pm

Ride Defensively - Ride Free - Mike Rosu.

Dedicated to Freedom of the Road.

** A.B.A.T.E. - A BROTHERHOOD AGAINST TOTALITARIAN ENACTMENTS **

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LEGISLATIVE ISSUES:

On January 12th, 1987 the 64th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY began its 1987 Regular Session in Salem. 1-800-332-2313 is the number for Legislative update information.

As of this point in time (1-25-87) there has not been a HELEMET Bill introduced. Senate Bill (S.B.) 87 has to do with a mandatory seat belt law for everyone - more on this next month - when I have more information on it (S.B. 87).

Below is a break down on the first three (3) bill's that A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. will be supporting this legislative season.

House Bill (H.B.) 2160 and H.B. 2161 were filed at the request of Traffic Safety Commission, and Governor's Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee. A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc. has a VOICE on the GMSAC - Yea Teresa !!!

Oregon Revised Statute (O.R.S.) 807.170 read's in part, upon original issuance and renewal of motorcycle indorsements a fee of \$2 will go to the Motorcycle Safety Sub-account. H.B. 2160 will raise the ammount to \$3, not \$2. The extra \$1 will go the Motorcycle Safety Sub-account also.

H.B. 2161 is for the first time placing a \$3 fee on moped indorsements - the \$3 will go into the Motorcycle Safety Sub-account - just like O.R.S. 807.170.

H.B. 2210 was filled at the request of Joint Interm Committee on Transportation. From reading through this bill, it is going through 13 old laws and dotting all the eyes and crossing all the T's and making some of the passages more readable and understandable.

There is a section that deals with the Fuel Conservation Maximum Speed Limit. A change on page 5 of this bill is most interesting. How does this sound ? - if a person commit's the offense of violation of the Fuel Conservation Maximum Speed Limit and if the State has a law (yes we do - 810.180) making it illegal - now this is the good part - O.R.S. 811.110 reads in part - in NO event shall the division suspend or revoke a persons driving privileges in this State solely on the grounds that the person has incurred one or more convictions of a violation of the Fuel Conservation Maximum Speed Limit. Interesting no - we can't lose our driving privilages for over 55 mph tickets, it would still be a class C traffic infraction.

O.R.S. 811.180 could possibly make a driving while suspended or revoked defense a little, to a lot easier. The judge can take into account if there was an emergancy or some other very important reason, for your having to drive.

O.R.S. 811.275 is a easy one to explain, it states that a person entering an intersection at an unlawful speed shall forfeit any right of way the person would otherwise have had. In easy to understand words - if you are speeding when you have the right of way - you think - you don't.

Now to O.R.S. 814.200 - they are trying to make it more understandable. It would be ammended to read; (1) a person operating a moped or motorcycle commits the offense of unlawful moped or motorcycle operation if the person does any of the following; (a) Fails to set on a permanet and regular seat attached to the moped or motorcycle. (b) Fails to set astride the moped or motorcycle seat facing forward and with one leg on each side of the moped or motorcycle. (c) Carries a package, bundle or other article which prevents the person from keeping both hands on the handlebars. (2) The offense discribed in this section, unlawful moped or motorcycle operation, is a Class B traffic infraction - same as last year.

This section goes on to read - (1) A person commits the offense of unlawfully carrying a passenger on a motorcycle if the person does any of the following; (a) Carries on a motorcycle a person who is not on a permanet and regular seat, if the motorcycle is designed to carry more than one person or upon another seat attached to the motorcycle at the rear or side of the operator's seat. (b) Carries a person in a position that interferes with the operation or control of the motorcycle or the operator's view. (c) Carries a person, other than in a sidecar or inclosed cab, on a motorcycle with no footrests for that person.

Now to moped's and passengers, O.R.S. 814.330 read's - (1) A person commits the offense of carrying a passenger on a moped if the person operates a moped on any highway of this State with a passenger, other than in a sidecar or inclosed cab, on the moped. (2) The offense described in this section, unlawfully carrying a passenger on a moped, is a Class D traffic infraction.

You the members can H E L P by writing your elected reps and VOICING your support of H.B. 2060, H.B. 2061 and H.B. 2210. If WE (you and I) don't tell these people that WE would like to see thes House Bills pass, no one else will, don't delay, do it now.

Ride Free...DEACON If anyone has questions on any of these bills call 359-9364.

Legislative Affairs Report

Definition:

Legislative Affairs Dept. Helps the Organization by obtaining government info., keeps track of bills and molds the organization into a working group. Primary purpose of any chapter shall be to Help to improve the effectiveness of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon in obtaining its goals by providing funds and assistance to the Legislative Affairs Dept. to keep inform and stay on top of events.

Responsibilities:

Subscribe to receive Legislative Publications be sent to training and education classes, join the National Coalition of Motorcyclists, join the American Motorcyclist Association attend seminars - like "Meeting of the Minds", attend conventions - like NCOM in Atlanta, Georgia on May 7-10, be at the State Capitol 8:30am every morning to check TV screens to follow bills and pick up and read the day's bills.

Why:

NCOM: has other organizations, Legislative info and strategy, federal lobbyist, grant and loan money, newspaper, public awareness tapes that can be custom made for A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon to use as part of a membership drive. Cost to join - free - no cost - no release of your mailing list, no signing of papers to join.

AMA: More Legislative info and strategy, federal lobbyist, referee school and "Insurance for Events" Cost to join AMA is \$20.00 AMA Club Chapter, \$10.00 Ore. Dist. 28 Charter, \$20.00 AMA Sanction - put in national magazines, Free Ore. Dist. 28 Sanction - put on calendar (1st one free - add't \$10.00). Need a Min. of 10 current AMA members, President, Secretary, Club Legislative, Referee and six other club members, \$20 Full membership for indiv. and \$5 AMA Ore. Dist. 28 for indiv. A.B.A.T.E. of Florida has join NCOM and received a \$10,000 grant for their fight again the helmet law and join AMA so they can obtain insurance for their events. For the chapters to provide funds you need to raise funds. Raise entry fees at runs, 50-50 at meetings and events, ride for rights run or sell fund-raising products.

"ATTENTION ALL BIKERS"

Governors Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee

Show Your Support - February 12th.

By supporting your Legislative Affairs Dept. financially and thur personal assistance, A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon can start introducing favorable legislation along with fighting unfavorable Legislation. Monday Jan. 12 the Oregon 64th Legislative Session starts in Salem - who will be there at 8:30 ? Can we have an answer on joining NCOM and AMA by the next State Board meeting.

It is very important to attend this meeting because the insurance groups will be there to answer your questions. Your Legislative Affairs Dept. needs your support & help. Call Butch at 1-363-6106 for more information.

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session. Riding Free & needs your
support - Butch & Sue Gifford.

SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OREGON

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STATE TREASURER INPUT FOR FEBRUARY '87.

I wish to thank the 10 chapters who turned in their quarterly reports before or at the January State Board meeting. "The report is in the mail" is what 2 chapters told me. (I hope so!) The other 3 chapters have been in contact with me and they received extended time on the due date.

I also want to thank Jackson County Chapter for the \$50.00 donation to help cover the cost of the Lobbyist Seminar Butch attended. (Dr. Dave was unable to attend but we did get his tuition fee back.) Thanks again, Jackson County Chapter!!

I sent out information to each chapter coordinator or legislative officer that is to be passed out to their members. If you (as a member) don't know what I'm talking about ..ASK..either your coordinator or legislative officer if you can't make a meeting in February. (Call them if you need to!!)

A revised Quarterly report form was mailed out to each chapter treasurer. I know it will be easier for us.

Until next month, I hope I don't drown in paperwork.....

Ride Free..Ride Safe...Patty, State Treasurer...

Parliamentary Comments

Will be going thur the Rules of Operation to clarify & change any rules. These changes will be presented to the State Board at our Annual meeting for revising our Rules of Operation. Also in the works are a complete list of chapter guidelines & Officers duties for each chapter. These will be enclosed in Officers manuals & the same through out the state. Barbara Gallaher.

Paraphernalia

The remaining Inventory of T-shirts will go on sale for \$5.00 - S, Lg., XLg are \$7.00 first come, first serve basis. A new revised logo is being made to include of Oregon Inc. under the Eagle. Sweat shirts are \$13.00, XXLg \$15.00, Long-sleeve T-shirts are \$9.00 & XXLg \$11.00 are available with the new logo. The paraphernalia listing is a partial as soon as the remaining chapters turn in their lists. It will be completed. I still have several legislative patches left. The sale of the patches is to support our legislative expenses forth coming. Come on guys & gals. We can't fight if the funds aren't there to help us. Order from your State Reps or directly from State Paraphernalia Officer. Barbara Gallaher.

STATE PARAPHERNALIA

T's S,L,XL	SALE	\$ 5.00	ABATE Courtesy cards 100	\$ 6.50
XXL	SALE	7.00	Year Pins 2 to 10	2.00
LONGSLEEVE T'S			ABATE logo pins, gold,silv,pew.	5.00
S,M,L,XL		9.00	ABATE Eagle Pins gold,silver	5.00
XXL		11.00	ABATE wing pin silver	5.00
SWEATSHIRTS			ABATE wing pin uplifted	5.00
S,M,L,XL		13.00	ABATE oval pin black,gold	3.00
XXL		15.00	ABATE #1 sm.pin 3 color	3.00
Oregon Legislative			ABATE pewter belt buckle	
Patches.		6.00	Freedom of the Road	15.00
Fossil Pins		1.50	ABATE Leather belt,silv goncho	15.00
10th Anniv Pins	SALE	1.00	ABATE uplifted wing hat	
Year Bars 83 - 86		1.00	ABATE glass beer mug 5 color	5.00
orders of 10 or more		.55	Helmet laws suck sticker sm.	.50
Indian Creek Rockers		2.75	Helmet laws still suck sm.	.50
State Para.Officer			Let those who ride decide sm.	1.00
Barbara Gallaher				
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T's Beaver Creek	\$ 8.00		
Lincoln Co.	8.00		
Tanks Beaver Creek	6.00	Independence Run Patches	\$ 3.00
Long sleeve T's B.C.	9.00	Wash.Cu Toy Run Patches	3.00
Sweatshirts Hooded	16.50		
Sweatshirts Crewneck	11.50	Lloyd Harris Washington County	
T'S Harley Wine Cooler	7.00	2416 15th Ave	
Harley Cooler Hats	5.00	Forest Grove, Oregon 97116	

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ABATE scarfs 4.00
Liscense plate brackets 5.00
Jackson Co.
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Chapter for the Deaf

It's time to get a membership drive going. Lets invite some friends to see our new video, you'll be proud of our Chapter when you see it. The 1987 A.B.A.T.E. Calendar are in now. If you want one get a hold of Debbie Kappel on the TTY 761-0007. Come to the meetings and learn about the new helmet law. Learn the truth.

I want to say welcome to Patsy Gilfillian to our chapter and a thanks to Mike Walker for paying his dues. The next two meetings are Sat. Feb. 7th at 1:30 at Pizza Baron on 122nd & Division in Portland, Sat. March 7th at 1:30 at Pietros Pizza on Market St. in Salem. Happy Valentines Day - Eagle Power - Joe De Camp.

Douglas County

We're planning a Casino Night for Feb. 14 at the Union Gap. Starting time will be 8:00. If there is anybody willing to donate any white elephants - please contact Judy. Look for more info in Feb's. issue.

Our next A.B.A.T.E. meeting will be held at Round Table Pizza on Feb. 1 at 11:00. We are getting ready to discuss some very important legislative issues coming up in '87. We urge members to attend meetings. Officers meeting will be held at Marla's house on Feb. 30 at 7:00. We are looking forward to see the run schedule and preparing for a fun summer. Douglas County's New Year's ride turned out with about 25 people - with a total of 11 bikes and what a ride - it poured. This raps it up for now. Marla.

Emerald Valley

Hello from Emerald Valley. We are planning a pool tournament for Emerald Valley members only. It will be on Feb. 15, 1987, at the Sundown Station in Creswell at 1:00pm. Snacks will be provided. There will be first & second place trophies. Also a 100% return money drawing plus other drawing prizes. Renewals and new members will be eligible after they pay their dues.

This is your chance to come down and get involved and have some fun. We need to get things going in this chapter. Janet still has several T-shirts left if you haven't got yours yet. Ride Safe - Larry.

Jackson County

Jackson County Chapter is looking forward to another Casino Nite Jan. 24. We have currently got a membership drive going with a trip to the coast as the prize to the lucky winner. Our Valentine Potluck & Dance is coming up on Feb. 14 at Corky's JDE's in Phoenix. There will be a Drawing for a leather jacket too. Patty.

Klamath Falls

We would like to thank all our members who participated in our get together at the Timber Inn and those who made the trip from Jackson Co. We are happy to see people at the meetings again & since more people are showing up, you may want to call before making a meeting since our Coordinators living is small & we need a bigger place. For information call 882-7070 or 884-0479. Thanks again, ride free - Marge Gunter.

Lane County

Not much new at Lane County Chapter. We had a good Christmas get together and are planning a membership drive for January.

I was asked, "Why we started this Chapter?" We felt that there was a need for a place where everyone could feel wanted and welcomed no matter who they are or what they ride. The true meaning of the word "Brotherhood" to us is one brother helping another instead of harassing each other. There is too much prejudice in this society. It's like a cancer, that can and does destroy a good thing. Let's all hope that it doesn't take over A.B.A.-T.E. Until next month. Ride Safe and Free! Honda Bob.

By **Bob Thornton** Reprinted from the AIM Newsletter

Well it finally happened! After over a decade of lip service to a national coming together of all motorcycle groups to give motorcyclists a strong united national voice, the time has arrived. Long overdue—and stalemated many times by group rivalries, bickering and a lack of finances—The National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) was formed and is functioning.

On January 27th through 29th, 1986, ten leaders of various motorcycle groups from different states and geographic locations, flew into Las Vegas, Nevada. The mood was positive with attitudes and egos being replaced by agreement on the great need for a national voice to protect our lifestyle and right to ride.

AIM will supply complete financing for NCOM through legal fees (a way to recycle money from motorcycling into motorcycling), and will not accept any outside funding or donations, thus guaranteeing NCOM's absolute neutrality.

All motorcycle groups will be invited to participate, regardless of what they ride, the patch they carry, or the biker rights organizations they belong to. One of the largest voiceless minorities in America is about to speak in one thunderous voice!

The goal and purpose of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists is to assist ALL motorcycle organizations and individual riders with legal, legislative and other motorcycling issues. The new generic coalition will not tell any organization what to do regarding motorcycling issues, but will be available to assist and advise NCOM organization members. The coalition will not get involved in group politics.

AIM, the Board of Advisors and member organizations pledge to initiate and accomplish these services to achieve the goals and purposes of The National Coalition of Motorcyclists.

LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANCE

Information Data Bank:

- (a) Legislative information involving motorcycling will be available to NCOM members at no charge.
- (b) Information regarding products liability, lab tests, statistics, etc., will be available.
- (c) Information will be requested from NCOM members for the data bank which can be shared with other NCOM groups.
- (d) Information to assist in educating NCOM members on how government works at all levels and how to access a particular entity.
- (e) A free newsletter for NCOM members regarding legislative matters and other key issues.

Qualified Legislative Advocates:

- (a) Lobbying for our interests on the federal level.
- (b) Available to go to NCOM member states to assist and advise members on strategy regarding state legislation.

COMMUNICATIONS

Develop a communications "network" among and for all motorcycle groups.

Exchange information regarding motorcycling issues.

Assist NCOM members with geographic NCOM advisors to keep on top of key issues in their area.

Promote NCOM member organizations' meetings or special events via the newsletter.

GRANT PROGRAM

Limited funds will be available to NCOM member organizations for worthwhile motorcycle projects.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/PUBLIC AWARENESS

Develop a nationwide public awareness program (Share the Road, etc.)

Develop and maintain a comprehensive mailing list of all motorcycle organizations and key persons to assist in developing an effective communications network.

Attend key motorcycle-related meetings and events.

Promote motorcycle organizations and key persons to work together for the betterment of motorcycling.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

Provide financial and technical "start-up" assistance, regardless of the generic name, to assist in organizing groups where needed.

Assist with rider training and education.

Recognize, understand and assist in solving motorcycling problems before they become major problems for the rider.

Promote unsafe product awareness and lab testing.

STRUCTURE

A Board of Advisors, geographically located across the United States, will:

- (a) Assist NCOM members.
- (b) Be knowledgeable of motorcycling issues in their geographic area and keep the NCOM office informed.
- (c) Assist in market the NCOM and A.I.M.
- (d) Assist in meeting the goals of the NCOM.
- (e) Attend NCOM meetings.
- (f) Assist in hosting and facilitating the national conference each year.

Qualified Legislative Advocates available on an as-needed basis for each member organization.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The National Coalition of Motorcyclists will sponsor a national conference each year for the purpose of training and educating NCOM members on key issues; hold meaningful workshops; and, cause an exchange of information critical to all areas of motorcycling.

A.I.M. is very proud to be the financial vehicle for this exciting effort to give voice to one of the largest minorities in the United States. As you can see this is a new chapter in the continuing effort of the Law Offices of Richard M. Lester to help you and every biker.

NCOM REPORT

By Carolyn Meerzo
State Membership Secretary

I was asked at the January State Board Meeting to submit an impartial report for the newsletter. At this time, I have not been able to contact NCOM for more information because the staff is out of town at a convention.

After you have read the article, at the left, by Bob Thornton which was reprinted from the AIM newsletter, let your State Reps know how you feel about joining NCOM.

A national clearing house for information is an important consideration for every organization. A national helmet law is a strong possibility and we need a national alliance to fight it.

The objections your State Board had to joining NCOM in the past seem to be resolved.

The possibility of receiving a grant or loan to help us with our legislative efforts would be a strong incentive to join this organization.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. is again considering the pros and cons of joining NCOM.

Further information will be available at the State Board Meeting, February 14, 1987 and your State Reps will have it to include in their State Board Meeting report at your first meeting after the February Board meeting.

Lincoln County

December 31st was the end of our current membership contest. Many of the members worked very hard signing up people, but at final tally, Bob Kitterman was the winner with 16 members. Rich Rau was close behind with 10. Of course, the real winner is the organization with more participation and interest.

Our anniversary party is in the planning stages, but mark the date and location on your calendar. The party will be March 7th at Mody Dick's Restaurant in Newport, with music, food & a fun time. Hope to see everyone there. Vicki.

Mt. Hood

We all hope to have a good new year. We are planning some runs this year and hope to see you there. We will all try to make it to all of your runs.

A few of us went to Ralph's Memorial. It was really nice. Those who knew Ralph will miss him. Lets not forget about his family. Thank You.

N.E. Portland

No newsletter report for the first time. Your chapter is now on probation.

River City

Hi, Kim was too busy to write this one. So I am temporarily taking over. Not much going on with the chapter lately. We've been having meetings and wondering where everybody is. We are about to start planning for this years rodeo so come to a meeting if you chapter members are interested. Other than that all I have to say is lets make A.B.A.T.E. strong we are going to need it! Ride Free - Chris Vieira.

Salem

No newsletter report for the first time. Your chapter is now on probation.

S.E. Portland

No newsletter report for the third time. Your chapter charter may be up for review at the next State Board meeting.

St. Johns

Shivers & Shakes from the far North. It's anniversary time & our annual bash is March 7th. Hope you all can attend. Congratulations to John B. of West Portland on winning the Harley Rocker. Congrats again & thanks to all who purchased tickets.

We're all gearing up for a busy year, legislative wise. Lots of paper, pens, envelopes & stamps. Lets all work together to let our legislators know where we stand on issues, good & bad. Sure would like to see more of our members at the meetings. Up-coming events that we are working on are the St. Johns Parade, May 9th, a booth at the St. Johns Jazz Festival in June, which is held in Cathedral Park and Silver Falls on Sept. 25, 26 & 27th. Till next month - Ride free - Barb.

Washington County

Our Toy Run went great. Everyone had a good time. We are having a larger turn out every year. The weather was great for riding. I was hoping to tell everyone about our Open House, but we are slow getting started. Seems like everyone wants to party, but not help with the work of getting it set up. Scotty resigned as secretary because of work and higher education. So I am back for the rest of the term. Until next month. Ride warm. Hilda.

West Portland

Well, February has rolled around and being the short month that it is, it's only a hop, skip and a jump till May. You can never start too early for the up-coming riding season when it comes to proper maintenance insuring a safe ride. Remember Safety is no accident. John B.

This Months Puzzle

Motorcycles A to Z

A lot of motorcycles have come & gone with the years. Can you think of a name of a bike for each letter of the alphabet? We're stumped on 3, have you got one? ANSWER:

- X Yamaha, Zundapp.
- Suzuki, Triumph, U
- Norton, Ossa, Penton, Q
- Indian, Jawa, Kawasaki, Laverda, Matchless,
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These two motions were made at the January State Board meeting. This is an amendment to our Rules of Operation, so it must appear in the newsletter for one month before it can be voted on.

Motion #3. To print in the next newsletter clarification of Article 5 - Section 1 Para. C. That any chapter office may not be up for review until the third meeting. Comments: 2nd meeting does not end till the gavel goes down. If a officer is late due to whatever, as it reads, he could be ousted from office before he shows up.

Motion #5. A charge of \$5.00 as a fine for a chapter going on probation. For every month they are on probation for each offense.

In Memory of Roadside Ralph

My brother is gone.
I think of the things we talked about,
but mostly I think of the things we could
have talked about.
If we'd had more time.
I think of the rides we went on,
but mostly I think of the rides we could
have gone on.
If we'd had more time.
People ask me now, did you know Roadside
Ralph? Yes I did,
But I could have known him better,
If we'd had more time.
My brother is gone and I am sad,
because now, when it's too late,
I find I had the time.

Trash.

To All the Brother and Sisters:

A fellow brother went down and was killed December 17, 1986. Roadside Ralph was a beautiful man with a heart of gold. He has been dubbed many names, but I think the one that best described him was Gentle Giant. He was a quiet man who kept mostly to himself, but if you ever needed help, he was there. He was the one that you expected to live forever.

Well, he's riding free now, keeping watch over the rest of us. He will be missed by a great number of people, but I like to think that he's still with us, only in a different way. His ol' lady Debi, would be very grateful for any letters, cards or donations to help. Times like these are hard for everyone, especially the one's that were the closest. If you would like to contact her, her address is: Debbie Beardon P.O. Box 384 Gresham, Ore. 97030. It's times like these that you get the true meaning of the word "BROTHERHOOD." Ralph will always be with us in our hearts. "RIDE FREE RALPH," you're in a place with no cops, hassles or bad weather.

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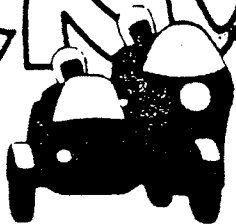
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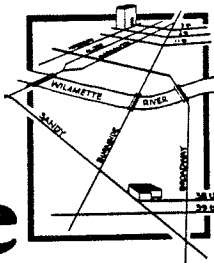
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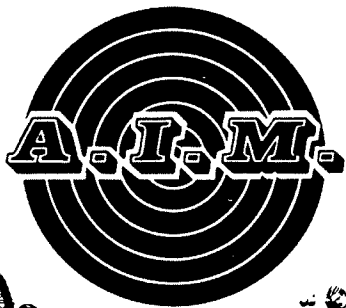
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- 1) Open with "Dear Senator" or "Dear Representative".
- 2) Close with "Sincerely".
- 3) Be brief, business like, and specific.
- 4) Be reasonable.
- 5) Support your arguments with examples from your riding, personal or business experience.
- 6) Be yourself.
- 7) Tell exactly where you stand on an issue.
- 8) Be polite (Be nice to him if you expect him to be nice to you).
- 9) Be appreciative of his efforts. ("Thank you for taking time to read my letter", or something of that nature)
- 10) Include your return address.
- 11) Make sure that you spelled all of the words correctly.

No legislator would be impressed by a sloppy letter. If you plan on making a phone call, do the following:

When he answers, give your name, town, and legislative district. State your opinions just as you would in a letter. You should prepare your comments according to the list above so that you get your point across in a convenient amount of time.

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- 2) You're too lazy and would rather sit back and complain.
- 3) You're too busy and have more important things to do.
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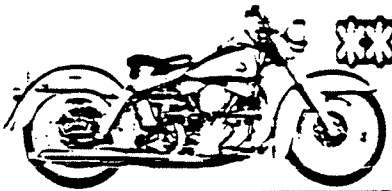
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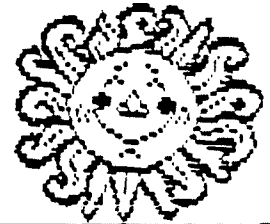
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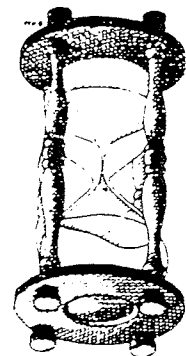
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- DOUGLAS CO. meets 11 at Round Table Pizza in Roseburg.
- LANE CO.: call Honda Bob at 688-8309 or Limey Curt at 688-5471 for more info.
- ST. JOHNS meets 12 noon at Prefetto's Pizza: 4857 N. Lombard.
- EMERALD VALLEY meets 4pm at the Sundown Station in Creswell.
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- RIVER CITY meets on the first Monday at Lucy's in the Dalles at 8pm & the third Monday at Vernon Wades house in Hood River at 8:45pm.
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