


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## COORDINATOR'S CORNER

"WISE MEN THAT REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE AFFAIRS OF GOVERNMENT ARE PUNISHED  
BY HAVING TO LIVE UNDER THE RULE OF FOOLS...." Plato 448-437 B.C.

What do you do now?!?! Write letters to the Reps on the Committees pertaining to the appropriate bills. Be sure you call and check out which Committee the bill is in. They do move around. Certain Reps will be in your District that are also on the Committees. You need to contact the ones in your District. Following my report is a separate list of those Reps and Districts.

Be sure you write to your Senators and Reps also. They vote on the bill in the end. Ask for a reply to your letter.

We need input from individuals about specific medical conditions that Dr. Robert Brown may use in his testimony on HB 2801, which "authorizes exemption from motorcycle helmet requirement for persons with medical certificate." Persons with physical conditions that might provide useful information for Dr. Brown, may contact him at:

Dr. Robert M. Brown, M.D.  
Physicians and Surgeons  
6234 N Greeley Ave  
Portland, OR 97217  
Phone: 283-0191

This should be done IMMEDIATELY to allow Dr. Brown time to prepare his testimony for the Committee Hearing.

The toll-free Legislative Hotline number is 1-800-332-2313. Use this number to order copies of bills and to find out the current status of a bill, committee assignments, votes taken, hearing schedules, etc. The following are the bills we need support in. We need phone calls made and letters written on these bills. After my report, there is an outline that Brian Stovall provided, showing the proper way to write a letter. Address your letter to the Committee that is listed (depending on which bill) and to the Chairperson/Chairman, Vice-Chairperson/Vice-Chairman or Representative listed, at the following address: STATE CAPITOL, SALEM, OREGON 97310.

SB 401: "Extends lemon law coverage to motorcycles."

Has moved to: Business and Consumer Affairs  
Dave McTeague, Chairman  
John Schoon, Vice Chairman  
Gene Derfler  
Norm Gershon  
Mike Nelson  
Hedy Rijken  
Gene Sayler

SB 724: "Imposes assessment on certain traffic violation funds. Establishes a specific injury fund. Specifies distribution and use of fund for services to people with disability. Requires commission for handicap to appoint State Task Force on head injury to study programs and present requirements to legislative assembly. Defines "Independent Living Program" and "Independent Living Service."

Assessment shall be as follows:

DUI:	\$25 in addition to regular fine.
RECKLESS DRIVING:	\$ 5 in addition to regular fine.
FAILURE TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY:	\$ 5 in addition to regular fine.
IMPROPER TURNING:	\$ 5 in addition to regular fine.
SPEEDING:	\$ 2 per mile in excess of speed limit, in addition to regular fine.

Senate Ways and Means on Human Resources  
Bill Bradbury  
Larry Hill  
Frank Roberts

SB 917: "Requires motor vehicles to have windshields. Punishes violation by maximum fine of \$100. Also includes motorcycles."

Telecommunications and Consumer Affairs  
Peg Jolin, Chairperson  
Grattan Kernas, Vice Chairman  
Peter Brockman  
Shirley Gold  
Bill Kenmer

HB 2080: "Punishes offense of failure of motorcycle passenger to wear protective headgear by fine of up to \$100. Declares emergency, effective on passage."

Human Resources  
Rick Kotulski, Chairman  
M. A. Ford, Vice Chairman  
Beverly Clrno  
Sam Dominy

HB 2080: (continued)  
Human Resources  
Norm Gershon  
Eldon Johnson  
Hedy Rijken  
Bob Shiprack  
Beverly Stein  
Greg Waldon

HB 2120: "Increases Motorcycle Safety Subaccount fee upon original issuance of motorcycle endorsement to \$3."

Ways and Means Sub Committee on Transportation and Regulation  
Tom Hanlon, Chairman  
D. E. Jones

HB 2121: "Requires evidence of completion of motorcycle rider education course by persons 16, 17 or 18 years of age who apply for motorcycle endorsement. Adds \$4 to motorcycle and moped registration fee, to be paid to Motorcycle Safety Subaccount."

Ways and Means Sub Committee on Transportation and Regulation  
Tom Hanlon, Chairman  
D. E. Jones

HB 2122: "Requires applicant for registration or renewal of registration of motorcycle to show proof of valid driver license for motorcycle operation."

Senate Transportation Committee  
Joan Dukes, Chairperson  
Mae Yih, Vice Chairperson  
Peter Brockman  
Jane Cease  
Glenn Otto  
Paul Phillips  
Eugene Timms

HB 2515: "Requires only persons under 18 years of age to wear protective headgear while operating or riding on motorcycles or mopeds."

Human Resources  
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Beverly Clrno  
Sam Dominy  
Norm Gershon  
Eldon Johnson  
Hedy Rijken  
Bob Shiprack  
Beverly Stein  
Greg Waldon

HB 2801: "Authorizes exemption from motorcycle helmet requirement for persons with medical certificate."

Human Resources  
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M. A. Ford, Vice Chairman  
Beverly Cirno  
Sam Dominy  
Norm Gershon  
Eldon Johnson  
Hedy Rijken  
Bob Shiprack  
Beverly Stein  
Greg Waldon

HB 2802: "Eliminates Class 5 driver license. Authorizes person with Class II motorcycle endorsement to operate moped."

House Transportation Committee  
Jim Witty, Chairman  
Chuck Norris, Vice Chairman  
Tom Brian  
Cedric Hayden  
Randy Miller  
Mike Nelson  
Lonnie Roberts

The bills that we are NOT in support of are:

HB 2250: "Expands circumstances under which a police officer can stop a person."

Senate Judiciary Committee  
Joyce Cohen, Chairperson  
Jim Hill, Vice Chairman  
John Brenneman  
Peter Brockman  
Ron Grensky  
Bob Shoemaker  
Dick Springer

HB 2539: "Extends required personal injury protection benefits to motorcycle and moped insurance policies. Requires all costs of arbitration regarding disputes between insurers and beneficiaries about amount of personal injury protection benefits to be borne by insurer. Expands definition of "costs." Puts burden of proof on denied benefits on insurer."

Note: They ammended it to delete motorcycles and mopeds but it still affects autos. So check it out if you are interested.

## L A T E   B R E A K I N G   N E W S   O F   I N T E R E S T !!!

HB 2938 proposes to make a class C felony of owning a gun with a magazine capacity of over 10 rounds.

Call the toll-free number and find out what Committee it's in. Now on for more news...The Coalition for Petition Rights is an organization, composed of many diverse groups, intent on preserving the right to petition. The issue is centered on current activities of shopping mall owners to prevent petitioners from gathering signatures there because it is private property. The Coalition for Petition Rights contends that petitions is a constitutionally protected right and should be allowed in the public access areas of such malls. The issue could be an important one in our future, as we probably will be pursuing initiative petitions ourselves. I am now a member of their executive committee.

Things are slow moving right now, but there will be a news conference around the first part of April to kick off signature gatherings.

When we pursue the initiative petitions ourselves to get the helmet law on the ballot in 1990 so it can go before the people to get voted on, we need to help the Coalition for Petition Rights to gather signatures to protect our rights.

Well, that's about it for this month....Remember to keep writing those letters. Following my report is the outline Brian Stovall set up as a guideline. Use it, and make those calls!!

## A T T E N T I O N !!!

What laws will be next? No sport bikes? Mandatory windshields for all motorcycles? No modifications? No motorcycles?!?!?!? If you care, join ABATE of Oregon today!! See the membership application and the end of the newsletter.

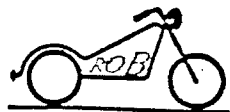
See ya around the corner next month.....Rotten Roger

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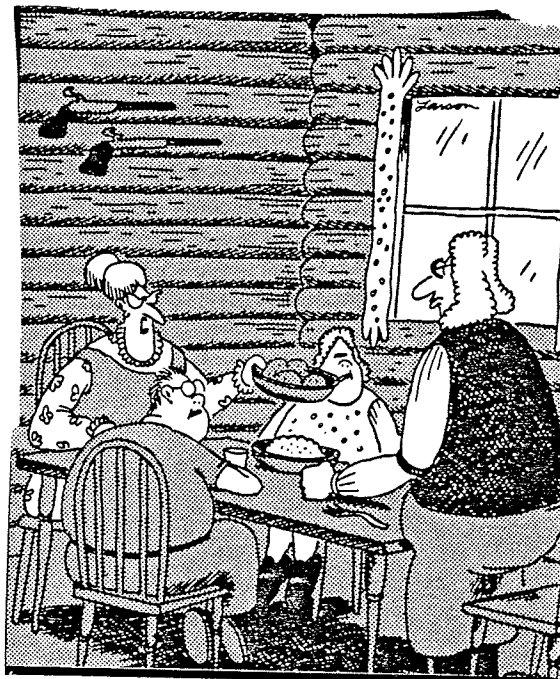
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"For crying out loud, Patrick—sit down. ...  
And enough with the 'give me the  
potatoes or give me death' nonsense."

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!! GET INVOLVED!!!

We still need volunteers to help us on the following Committees during our 1989 Legislative Session. Please help. We need you!!

### Special Committees:

Legislative Bill Writing:	Mel:	1-928-9939
	Teresa:	1-298-1317
Fund Raising:	Ed:	1-673-6120
	Julie:	1-466-5767
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Publication and Media Contact:	Roger:	289-0153
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To the Editor;

We know from other organizations in other states as well as our own experiences here in Oregon that the personal letter is still the most powerful tool of influence we have at our disposal. Legislators take the time to read personal letters and take them as indications of more than one person's opinion.

Many people think that since they don't have a typewriter, or aren't used to writing letters, or they misspell some words that their letter is unimportant or will be disregarded by legislators. This is untrue! Legislators count votes and they feel certain that anyone who writes to them is going to vote, whether their spelling or penmanship is perfect or not.

The next problem in writing to a legislator is how to go about making your point clearly and quickly. This article is intended to be of help to you in doing just that. What follows is, first, an outline for a letter, and second, a sample letter. If you use the sample, try some word changes that fit your usual talk (and keep it clean), or change the order of some of the parts. This is so legislators won't think they are seeing the same letter over and over again. If they think this they will discount the letter's value and we will be defeating our purpose.

## OUTLINE

- I. Return address
- II. Greeting with the person's title (Governor, Senator, Representative, etc.)
- III. Identify yourself (give a piece of information which communicates why you are interested in the topic)
- IV. State the topic (specific Bill number and title) and your agreement or opposition in the same sentence
- V. Give one clear reason for your opinion
- VI. Ask for a reply (this will give you something to refer to if you need to write this person again)
- VII. OPTION: Repeat item IV in slightly different words as a closing

sentence.

EXAMPLE (words in parenthesis are some possible words for that place; dare to use your own words)

Norm L. Biker  
123 Some Street  
All Over, Oregon 97???

Representative \_\_\_\_-name-\_\_,

I am a resident of \_\_\_\_-city-\_\_ and I have been riding motorcycles for \_\_\_\_-number-\_\_ years. I am writing to \_\_\_\_-verb-\_\_ (urge, ask, influence, convince) you to \_\_\_\_-verb-\_\_ (support, pass, vote yes on, oppose, reject, vote no on) \_\_\_\_-specific Bill-\_\_ (SB or HB ???), \_\_\_\_-Bill title-\_\_. \_\_\_\_-reason for opinion-\_\_ (statistics show . . . , freedom of choice . . . , I believe . . . , or any of many reasons).

I would like to know where you stand on this issue, please reply to my letter. Informed voters can help informed legislators make effective decisions.

Please vote (yes, no) on (SB??? or HB???).

Respectfully,

*Norm L. Biker*

Remember to make each letter a little different. Think about including items that might increase your influence, like a good driving record, or being registered to vote for a long time. Even if you have registered for the first time you can make the point that you are voting now and looking at who to support.

If even one person uses this to write, who hasn't done so before, we will all be closer to our goal of freedom for motorcycle riders everywhere.

Power to the Pen,

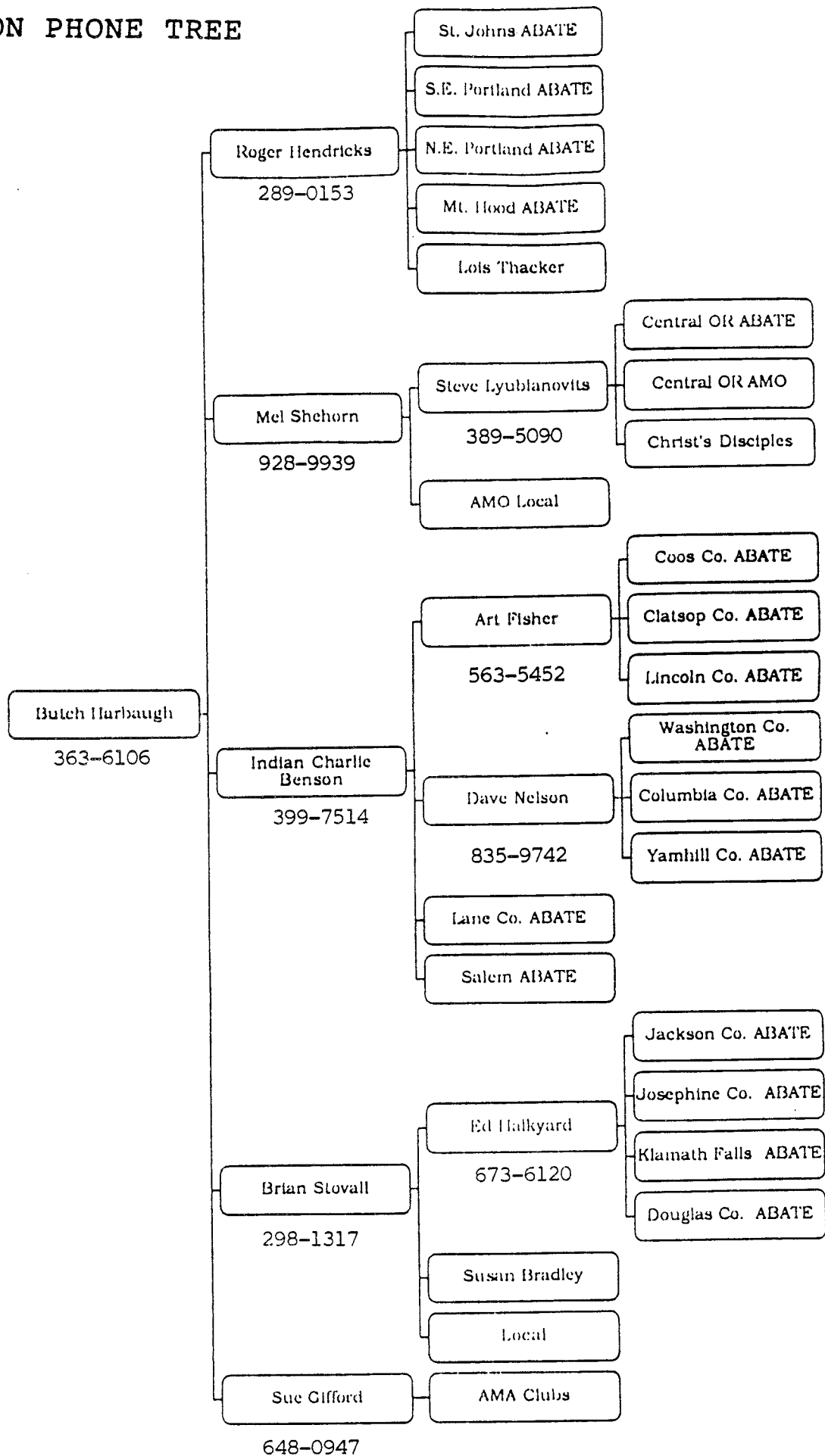
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# COALITION PHONE TREE



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## IN MY OPINION

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# Arms rights rooted in fear of tyranny

By DAVID M. JOHNS

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The schoolyard tragedy in Stockton has raised renewed calls for the banning of guns, this time military look-alike weapons. Presumably we do not hear calls for the banning of cars, knives, crowbars, poison and other items used to murder because they are perceived as having some purpose apart from killing people. How odd that the framers of the Constitution would seek to give protection to such worthless and lethal objects. Yet the very reasons that motivated them remain valid — even today.

We should remember that in our system the power of the police and the military to use lethal force is one delegated by the people. But it is a power that is in part retained by the people and can be reclaimed when necessitated by circumstances. People have not only the right to defend themselves, but the right to the means to defend themselves — from violent individuals and the government. These notions are grounded in experience. First, ordinary citizens — unlike the wealthy and powerful — cannot rely on the police, private security forces or other officials to be there when needed, especially to prevent violent wrongdoing.

Second, a significant degree of self-reliance in such matters was considered essential to a well-ordered society and good citizenship. It still is. For citizens in general to rely on a particular class of citizens to do their dirty work, at least exclusively, is arrogant at best and grossly irresponsible at worst. It breeds infantilization of the majority and creates a group of armed professionals whose experience and view of society is apart from that of ordinary citizens.

By restricting arms or most arms to a professional class of police and soldier, the danger arises of the armed servant being used against their unarmed masters: the people. This possibility was stressed by Thomas Jefferson: "The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government." A citizenry knowledgeable in the use of arms, possessing arms, and self-regulating (not under government control) was viewed as the best counterbalance to the power of government with a standing army. Such a citizenry is the "well-regulated militia" of the Second Amendment.

Some will argue that we have other ways of controlling the government, and we do. But it was our government, created by the Constitution, that the framers sought to control by use of the Second Amendment. They believed in the law but realized governments often do not. For the law and justice to prevail in the long term against government's natural tendency to oppress, the citizenry must be armed. The law required backing.

George Washington stated that "firearms stand next in importance to the Constitution itself. They are the American people's liberty teeth and keystone under independence. . . . From the hour the pilgrims landed, to the present day, events, occurrences, and tendencies prove that to ensure peace, security and happiness, the rifle and pistol are equally indispensable. . . . (T)hey deserve a place of honor with all that's good."

Who would deny that our government is less lethally dangerous than it was in 1776? That the security establishment increasingly serves not the nation as a whole, but a few? Who would deny in the day of Richard Nixon and Oliver North, Vietnam, Nicaragua and an ex-CIA director as president that the power of the state or corporate America does not need to be checked, and the right to "the last resort" protected.

That the instruments by which this right is exercised may be tragically misused is good reason to act against the misusers, to face up to the real causes, and not attempt the simple-minded treatment of symptoms.

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Minutes of the March 11, 1989 State Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Coordinator Rotten Roger, March 11, 1989, at Sundown Station, Creswell, Oregon.

Roll call of chapters: Central Oregon 1, Clatsop County 2, Columbia County 0, Coos County 2, Douglas County 2, Jackson County 2, Josephine County 1, Klamath Falls 1, Lane County 2, Lincoln County 2, Mt. Hood 2, NE Portland 2, Salem 2, SE Portland 2, St. Johns 0, Washington County 2, Yamhill County 2. Total 27

Treasurers Report: Checking \$1135.30 Savings \$55.52 Postal Fund \$278.90 Total \$1469.72

Total membership as of March 1, 1989 is 1016.

We need bands for Fossil. Rip from Easyrider magazine is planning to attend. We still need concessions for Fossil and Lane County could use help with cleanup. Also needed is a large tent (16 x 32) for band, a 10,000 watt generator, 2 rolls of surveyors tape, paramedics or nurses, and each chapter should bring 10 gallons of gas and a door prize.

MDA run has tentatively set for September 23 & 24. Location is yet to be announced.

Members need to write and/or call their representatives constantly about bills in legislature. We have a doctor who will testify in favor of the medical exemption bill, anyone with any medical problems of this nature contact him immediately:

Dr. Robert M. Brown M.D., 6234 N. Greeley, Portland, OR 97217 or call # 283-0191.

CFFOC t-shirts need to be sold and paid for immediately as the money is for our lobbyist.

NE Portland chapter announced that the prize for the ad contest is a full size Pendleton wool blanket. Fossil logo contest winner was Pat Erm, of Coos County.

St. Johns chapter is in violation of rules of operation. They are on probation and appropriate measures will be taken.

An election was held for the office of Sgt-at-Arms II, as the former officer is unable to hold the office. Bob Burchinal of Coos County was elected. Congratulations.

The locations for the roving board meetings this summer were announced: June-NE Portland; July-Central Oregon; August-Lincoln City; September-Jackson County.

Jackson County made a motion that the state donate its half of the 50/50 drawing to our lobbyist. Motion passed.

The hat was passed to help pay our lobbyist.

There being no further announcements or business, the meeting was adjourned.

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S NOOK

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Just practicing!! Willy Word Processor won't let me give it up this month, so I am doing the newsletter on the Processor one last time before I tell him goodbye forever. The little scribble ribbles up there are for when I and my trusty crew of 4 (Syd Sweeties, Ding Darling, Tiny Tas and Mighty Mick) get all set to hit those keyboards next month on Tommy Typewriter. Loosely translated, the scribbles mean "SOMEBODY BETTER TAKE OVER THIS JOB OR I WILL MAKE SURE THE DOGS EAT UP THE MASTER NEWSLETTER AND THEN YOU WON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON!!! HA HA HA HA."

Well, March 27 will be upon me before I know it. And it will be time to start the new job....Did you chapters that didn't send me your reports note that in big black bold letters I mentioned that THE 15TH WAS THE DEADLINE? Look how many of you missed that important day, also known, according to Shakespeare, the IDES OF MARCH. I believe that was in McBeth or some such place, maybe Julie Ceaser or Cleo before the asp got her. Anyways in March, the 15 MEANS THE DEVIL'S OUT TO GET YOU, if you know what I mean. Guess what, after 1 1/2 years of doing this little rag, I REALLY REALLY MEAN IT THIS TIME. Well, on to the continuing saga of Tiny Tas The Terrible and The Great Mouse Coward....

One of these days, Tiny Tas The Terrible and Mighty Mick and I will have a talk face to face. The little rascals got in my plants (some cheepo ferns I bought for \$3.98 at one of the Major Grocery Stores (and it wasn't Friendly Freddie's either) and proceeded to ruin them. Course I hadn't watered the little ferns for a couple of weeks and they were brown and yukky looking, but that was beside the point. If the Great Mouse Coward, commonly referred to as Dingo Darling, doesn't get them, I am going to purchase a (gasp!!) CAT. Preferably one that runs about 40 mph and has spots on it and is what is referred to as a leopard. HA HA!! Wouldn't Ding Darling love that to play with in the back yard. Maybe ol Larry Leopard (or Lana) could teach Ding Darling how to go after the little rascals. One of these days....Syd Sweeties, of course, stalks them every chance he gets, but after snarls and growls and bites from his Big Brother Ding (Ding gets rather embarrassed when somebody out does him in the brains department), he has just set back and watched Tas and Mick run through the house, knap sacks on their backs, just in case....We did put a little package of poison down for them, some kind of green stuff, but I believe Tas and Mick must think it's M and M's or something, cuz it sure hasn't eliminated them yet!! I wonder if next month when I have my trusty bottle of "white out" to use on all the mistakes I just KNOW I'm gonna make on Tommy Typewriter, if Tas and Mick will start hittin' the bottle...If there are a lot of mistakes, then you know what they been doing....Well, gotta run so Willy can print this out...More next month. See ya on the keyboards....Vicky, Tommy Typewriter and the Crew....

P.S. Anybody that takes over this job, the Crew does not go along with the job. Well, on second thought, Ding Darling is for rent. Maybe if somebody does this job on the computer, they could use him instead of a floppy disk. Wouldn't that be cute if he came home with (gasp, shall I say it? BRAINS!!) He could recite the Spell Check Function...LATE FLASH!! I tripped over Tiny Tas's little knap sack the other nite close to the back door, and lo and behold, he wasn't far behind...Sad news, he musta overdosed on too many M and M's because not only did they melt in his paws, they melted his whole dang body...Now to find Mighty Mick...The great mouse coward is on the trail....

## NEWSLETTER REPORTS

### CENTRAL OREGON CHAPTER

O my gosh!! I just looked at the calendar!! Hope I can get this done before the mailman gets here.

First I would like to thank Steve and Kevin of the Christ Disciples for all the great legislature information they have shared with us. Thanks guys, it really helps.

Also congrats to Jeannie Barrett who is our new Assistant State Rep.

I see the mailman's car now. Better hurry. Till next month...Terri

### CLATSOP COUNTY CHAPTER

THE 15TH IS THE DEADLINE. NO REPORT.

### COLUMBIA COUNTY CHAPTER

THE 15TH IS THE DEADLINE. NO REPORT FOR THE SECOND MONTH.

### COOS COUNTY CHAPTER

Howdy from Coos County!! There's a lot going on down here these days. I'm happy to report that the chapter treasury is \$100 richer and our members have 100% cleaner garages thanks to our yard sale.

Pat and Maria had their mugs on the tube as they were volunteered to represent the Chapter during the Easterseal Telethon. Our chapter with the help of Lane and Douglas counties will be building Camp EasterSeal a wheelchair ramp this month.

We are holding elections at our next chapter meeting. A list of the new officers will be in the May newsletter. Also this month a representative from team Oregon is coming to give us some info on their program. We're hoping to set up a class in our area soon.

Members in our chapter have responded enthusiastically to the Fossil Run. In fact causing a problem in that we have an over abundance of volunteers for the beer detail. Now if Bob had volunteered us for cleanup, we wouldn't be in this situation. Seriously tho, we're looking forward to serving you. See you there!!

### DOUGLAS COUNTY CHAPTER

Well howdy...Another month is gone and so is Casino nite. We raised \$300+. You could say we got lucky. Seems a lot of organizing wasn't done. Then a week before the main event our Coordinator stepped down. Crash filled in and we managed a successful event.

Special thanks to the Union Gap for hosting, Fred for building a new Black Jack table, Greg our Auctioneer, all the sponsers and gamblers.

## DOUGLAS COUNTY CHAPTER (continued)

Like I said, Crash is our new Coordinator, Brent Lee moves to Vice, Keith takes Alternate State Rep.

Anyhow, the money raised is used to send kids to Camp EasterSeals. Great idea huh? But this year we are going to get really involved. I guess they need some, so April 15-16 we are gonna have a work party. We can use the kitchens so bring food, beer, sleeping bags, beer, etc.

But the idea is to work first, party later. So pack some tools and mark April 15-16 on your calendar. For more info, call Bob or Maria, Coos County, Ray or Ed, Douglas County, 496-3506 or 673-6120.

Speaking of calendars, some of ya still owe money on your ABATE calendars. Try and pay for them before the 1990 one's come out, eh?

Last month we started a local chapter newsletter. (Thanks, Jackson...We saw one of yours) It's not much, but it has the right effect. It gets to everyone and lets them know what's happening. And last meeting we had people out I hadn't seen since Windy Creek!! Right on, eh? Next month...Ray

## JACKSON COUNTY CHAPTER

THE 15TH IS THE DEADLINE. NO REPORT FOR THE SECOND MONTH.

## JOSEPHINE COUNTY CHAPTER

Well, Spring has sprung..the cobwebs are being dusted off and the roar of motorcycles is in the air.

We have formed two committees. One for our Hospice fund raiser and one with Jackson County, etc., for our Reginal Run. Slow starting, but I have a feeling things are going to start moving pretty fast.

Trike Bob has gotten 500-800 bumper stickers donated by Ken's Printing in Grants Pass. They will say "LEGALIZE FREEDOM" and will be sold for \$1 each. If your chapter wants some, let us know.

We have been having low attendance at meetings. Maybe it is the liquid sunshine Oregon is so famous for. I hope when the real sun shines, we'll see more happy faces...Have a good one...Trike Terri

## KLAMATH FALLS CHAPTER

Come out come out wherever you are. Please take time to thank our local representative, Bernie Agrons, who was strong enough to step up and go against the statis quo and speak for all our fights. He is now a chapter member of K Falls. We have given him an honerary membership to ABATE, paid for by the chapter, and we hope he will be glad to be informed as we are about our organization.

We still need people to come out and share with us enthusiasm. I can dream there are others who feel as I do and all is not lost. Until next time, see you at a meeting!! 3rd Mondays at Ingas Cheese Haus on S 6th in K Falls. 6 PM. See ya...Murge (Margy Jane Gunter)

## LANE COUNTY CHAPTER

Lane County has 44 members as of March 5.

Our Casino night on Feb. 26 was a success and our next Casino night is April 2 at Sher's Two Tavern in Noti at 4 PM. Our first run of the year (Polar Bear Run) is set for March 18 at Clay Creek. We have flyers available for that run. Harley

## LINCOLN COUNTY

THE 15TH WAS THE DEADLINE. NO REPORT.

## MT. HOOD CHAPTER

Another successful Poker Run, nice weather. We want to thank all the nice people that joined us, especially those people with lots of luck like Lynn Mallard who won \$30 for highest hand. Steve M. of Northeast Chapter had \$20 for second place and low hand was won by Shari Hendricks, \$10. There was some lucky people that also won a few nice prizes, prizes that were donated by our ever supportive and helpful businesses.

Portland: East Side Motorcycle Co., Motorsports, St. Johns Honda, Motorcycle Wheel and Tire Co., T.J.'s Restaurant, Totem Pole Tavern, Pleasant Home Saloon.

Also the nice taverns that allowed us to come in and rest in between miles like: Stage Coach Saloon, Springdale Tavern, Brightwood Saloon, T.J.'s Fireside, Pleasant Home Saloon.

All in all, a good time was had by everyone. We also helped Dale Beebout celebrate his 39th and molding (I mean holding) birthday.

Another very exciting feature at our chapter was Camp Westwinds, Scott Bergman, Julie Klinger and Mike and Leslie.

Osborne went and boy were they happy they went. They had so much fun and will be able to share with anybody the good time if asked because they felt it was very important for people to know that not only is the work important, but the purpose of helping Camp Westwinds.

Now we can concentrate fully on Fossil and work to help fight all these House Bills like writing to our Reps and calling to voice our opinion. Well, until next time, happy warm days ahead. Ride safe, Angie

## NE PORTLAND CHAPTER

THE 15TH WAS THE DEADLINE. NO REPORT FOR THE SECOND MONTH.

## SALEM CHAPTER

Hello all!!! It's good to see all the new faces as well as all the old favorites. Looking forward to all the fun and adventures that this season will bring. See you all in upcoming events...Barb & Blair

## SALEM CHAPTER (continued)

Now is the time to get signed up for Rider Education courses. Call 1-800-922-2022 for the course nearest you....Penny

I think the helmet law sucks. It is a hazard because it blocks all vision if you need to change lanes. A friend who a paramedic said more people are killed with a helmet, and they kill more people in accidents than if you were not wearing one. The helmet does kill more than it saves.

Sharon and I really enjoy our trips around the state. We love to travel and our trips to the State Board Meetings have always been a highlight of the month. The friendly brothers and sisters there made us feel part of the crowd right off. The Board Officers are interested in our questions and answers are promptly and accurately given. We thank especially Joy Hoover for her great support in helping me get my Chapter's finances in order. Mel Yeager

## SE PORTLAND CHAPTER

Hi from SE. Last month we lost one of our most valued and active members. Don Blackburn was killed when he had a head-on collision on his bike. He will be sorely missed by all who's lives he touched. Don went as he would have wanted, riding with his best bros on a beautiful, sunny day in the countryside. Contributions may be made in his memory to the Veteran's Drug and Alcohol Rehab Program at:

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In other news, the Fossil Run is coming up next month and we still do not have a definite concession lined up for it for our chapter. Our treasury is very low and we desperately need to get something going to boost it to an acceptable level. Not much else for this month. See ya on the road, Philwell last year, maybe we should do it again this year for all three days. Keep the ideas coming, and attend a meeting or two. See ya on the road, Phil

## ST. JOHNS CHAPTER

Dingo Darling gave up waiting for the report...After 90 days of waiting by the mail slot, with his mouth wide open, he has given up, and gone on to bigger and better things like the mailman himself.

## WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAPTER

We are still alive and well here in Washington County. Winter is finally over and not a day to soon.

We have been very busy planning our Run on July 1st and 2nd. So far it looks like it will be a real good time!!



WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAPTER (continued)

Also in the planning stage is our Balm Grove Social tentatively slated for July 16.

And of course we are making great plans for this year's run of all runs at Fossil.

We have a correction to our last letter. Sandra Hill is our newly elected Sgt-at-Arms.

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our two newest members. Jack Macy and Chris Garret. We are real glad to have you both. That's about all from this end. Ride free.

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12	ERC	Clackamas
12	ERC	Lane
16	MRC:RSS	Portland
25	ERC	Linn-Benton

## APRIL

1	ERC	Portland
6	MRC:RSS	Portland
6	MRC:RSS	Linn-Benton
16	ERC	Lane
19	MRC:RSS	Clackamas
22	ERC	Chemeketa

## MAY

4	MRC:RSS	Portland
4	MRC:RSS	Chemeketa
4	MRC:RSS	Lane
7	ERC	Linn-Benton
17	MRC:RSS	Clackamas
20	ERC	Portland
21	ERC	Lane
27	ERC	Portland

## JUNE

1	MRC:RSS	Portland
1	MRC:RSS	Lane
3	ERC	Chemeketa
7	MRC:RSS	Clackamas
8	MRC:RSS	Linn-Benton
11	ERC	Lane
24	ERC	Clackamas

## JULY

6	MRC:RSS	Portland
6	MRC:RSS	Chemeketa
6	MRC:RSS	Lane
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22	ERC	Linn-Benton
22	ERC	Portland

## AUGUST

3	MRC:RSS	Chemeketa
3	MRC:RSS	Lane
5	ERC	Clackamas
10	MRC:RSS	Portland
13	ERC	Chemeketa
13	ERC	Lane

## SEPTEMBER

7	MRC:RSS	Portland
7	MRC:RSS	Chemeketa
7	MRC:RSS	Lane
17	ERC	Linn-Benton
20	MRC:RSS	Clackamas

## OCTOBER

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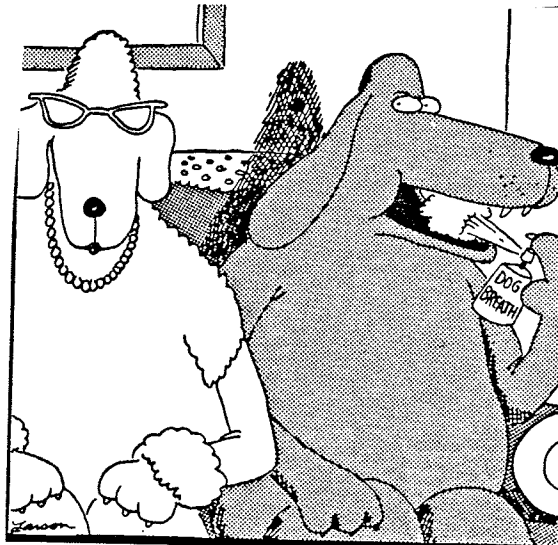
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July 1-2	Washington County	Sandra	1-640-2858
July 15-16	Beaver Creek Run		
	Lincoln County	Gary	1-563-3520
July 22-23	Klamath Falls	Harley	1-882-9909
	Jackson County	Louie	1-664-6456
	Josephine County	Ron	1-476-2049
August 5-6	Fox Creek Run		
	Salem	Kurt	1-363-8247
	Yamhill	David	1-835-9742
August 19-20	Summer Run		
	NE Portland	Digger	1-256-2077
	SE Portland	Bill	1-760-8885
August 26-27	Windy Creek Run		
	Douglas County	Ed (days)	1-672-1935
	Coos County	Bob	1-269-5419
September 2-3-4	Labor Day Run		
	Lane County	John	1-726-2013
September 16-17	Clatsop County	Duyné	1-325-0993
	Columbia County	Lee	1-556-2451
September 23-24	MDA Run	Roger	1-289-0153
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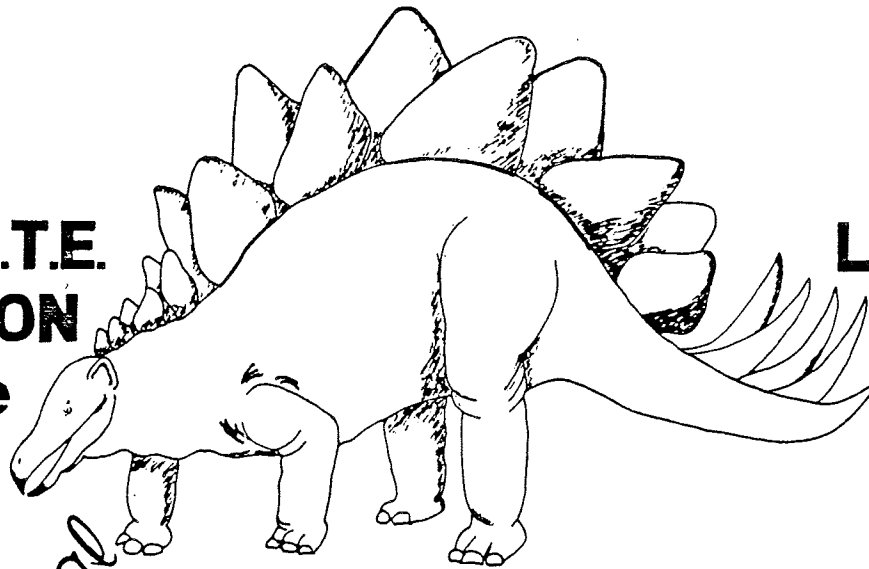
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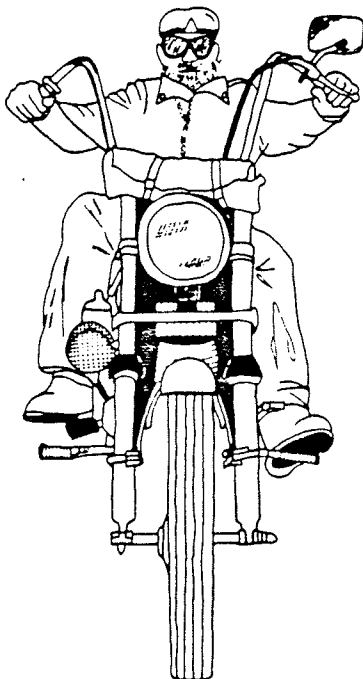
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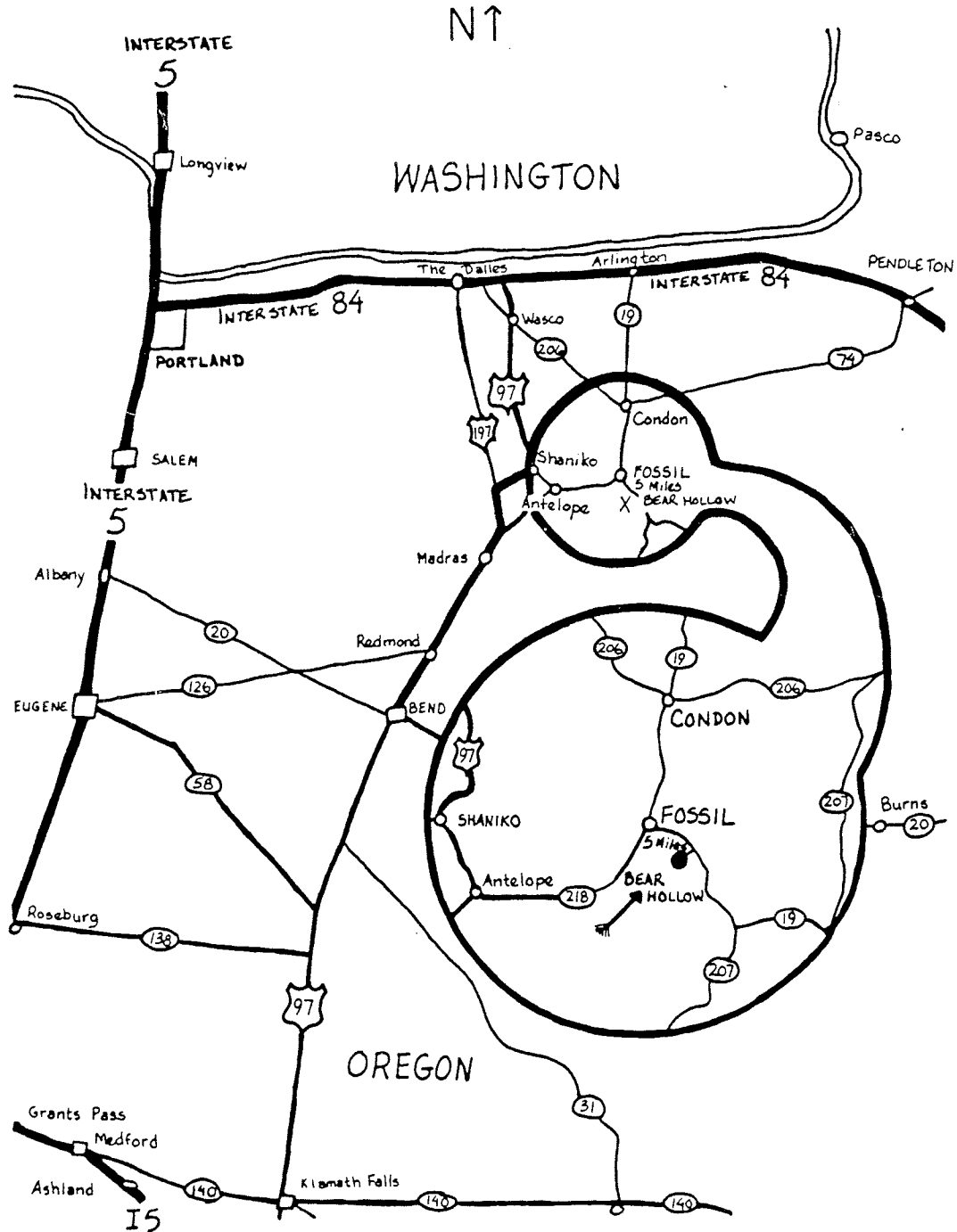
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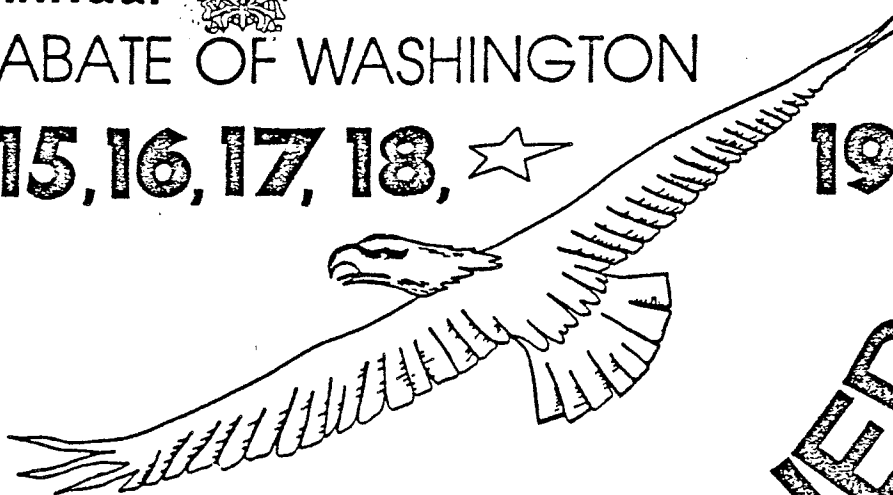
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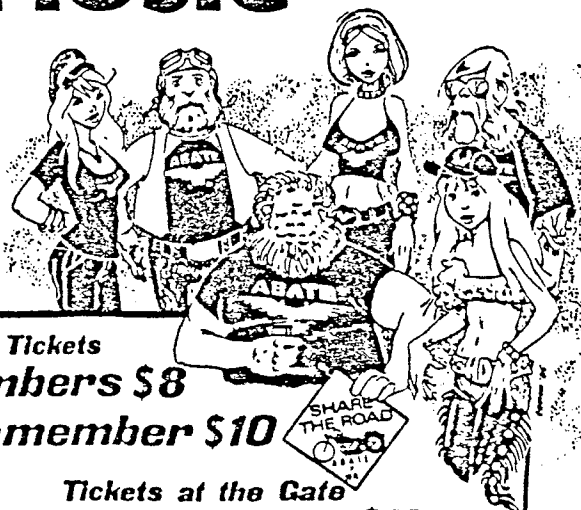
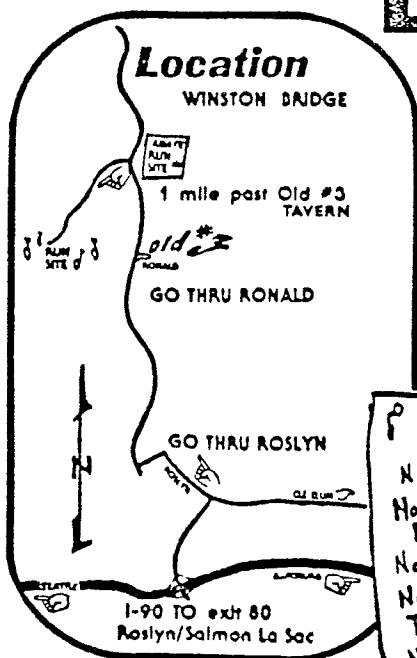
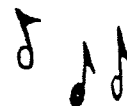


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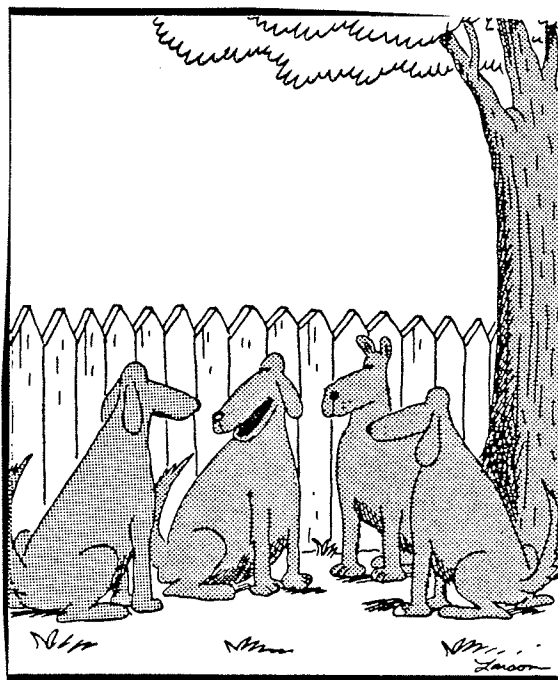
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## BUSEY BEGINS ANTI-HELMET LAW MEDIA BLITZ

LOS ANGELES, March 1 -- In keeping with the strategy revealed to Bikers Against Manslaughter (B.A.M.) last month, actor Gary Busey today kicked off a nationwide media blitz by holding a press conference to announce that he will continue to oppose laws requiring all motorcyclists to wear helmets. In his first public appearance since sustaining a head injury in a motorcycle accident nearly three months ago, Busey told a packed room of TV, radio and newspaper reporters at the Beverly Hills Hotel that, "I believe the use of helmets should be pro-choice...because helmets impair your peripheral vision, restrict hearing and limit neck movement."

Sporting a scar from his right ear to the top of his head, the only visible evidence of his Dec. 4 crash, Busey continued by telling the nation's press that his brain surgeons said a helmet would not have lessened his injuries. "I could have been more seriously injured," the 44-year-old actor stressed. "I could be a vegetable... I could have broken my neck."

Calling his accident "stupid" and avoidable, Busey explained that he was going too fast into a corner from around a city bus when he hit a patch of oil, lost control of his big Harley Davidson motorcycle and

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high-sided -- landing flat on his back with his head against the curb. Asked his immediate reaction, Busey said "I was mad. Mad at myself for doing such a stupid thing, and mad because the first police officer on the scene told me, 'That's not the way to get off a motorcycle'."

Busey said he intends to take a motorcycle safety course and thinks such training should be mandatory for young, inexperienced riders. He also brought to the press conference two helmets -- one adorned with his name from race car driver Al Unser and the other fashioned after a football helmet from the L.A. Rams -- and indicated he will "carry a helmet on my bike at all times" and use it in bad weather or when otherwise warranted. Likewise, he said helmets should be mandatory for motorcyclists under 21 years of age because younger riders "have competition in their blood" and are at higher risk.

To help rectify the misinformation and wrong impressions following his accident, Busey plans to continue his media campaign with appearances on "20/20" and "Good Morning America", among others. He also intends to grant several interviews including one planned with Bikers Against Manslaughter so that B.A.M. can get the facts out to the nation's motorcycle rights organizations and other interested groups.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: Bill Bish, National Director for Bikers Against Manslaughter, attended Gary Busey's press conference and has made arrangements with David Nichols of ABATE of California to provide a complete transcript of the proceedings to interested organizations. Phone (800) 4-BIKERS for a copy. Also, as mentioned in the above press release, B.A.M. is planning an interview with Busey for release to organizational newsletters and other publications to ensure the most expedient dissemination of information to our fellow riders. However, due to logistics and the anticipated volume of the release (including photographs), the interview will ONLY be sent UPON REQUEST to publications interested in publishing the article. Call or write B.A.M. for further information.



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## HEADS, HELMETS AND HEAD INJURIES...DISPELLING THE MYTHS

By

RUSS BROWN, Attorney for Motorcyclists  
Founder, Bikers Against Manslaughter

Helmet law proponents seem to always include in their arguments a graphic description of a motorcyclist who has sustained a severe head injury that either caused death or rendered them a vegetable. The clear and distinct impression from this scenario is twofold. First, one is led to believe that head injuries are the rule rather than the exception and secondly, if the motorcyclist had been wearing a helmet, this all would have been avoided.

While it is certainly true that in some accidents bikers have sustained fatal head injuries or seriously debilitating brain damage, these cases are not as common as helmet activists would like the general public to believe. As most of you know, over the past eight or nine years my law practice has been devoted almost exclusively to the handling of motorcycle accidents. During that period of time, I have been personally involved in the investigation, evaluation of injuries, settlement and litigation of hundreds of motorcycle accident cases. Based on my experiences, I can attest that the most frequently occurring injury is not a head injury.

Although head injuries do occur in a minority of cases, the head injury in question is typically a concussion or laceration that turns out to be the least significant injury to the motorcyclist. The laceration usually heals without problems and the residual effects of the concussion dissipate entirely within a few weeks. In those few circumstances where death or serious incapacitation do occur, it is my observation that these are situations where the motorcyclist most commonly caused his own accident. In these situations, the motorcyclist was characteristically under 25 years of age and was attempting to execute a dangerous maneuver, such as going around a curve at an excessive speed and, as a result thereof, crossed over the center line and went head-on into another vehicle or off the roadway.

The most common injury, by far, sustained in a typical motorcycle accident is a non-fatal injury to the extremities -- usually a fracture of one of the motorcyclist's legs. A close runner-up to broken legs is ligament or cartilage damage to the knees. The next in order of frequency would be an injury to an arm or a shoulder. Arm and wrist

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fractures do occur with regularity as do shoulder separations. Once again, none of these injuries are fatal and in the typical case the biker will go on to a full, uncomplicated recovery. In the minority of cases, the injury does result in permanent disability to one of the lower or upper extremities but, if there is going to be a residual disability, it is most likely to be to a lower extremity as opposed to an upper extremity.

My personal observation is that the presence or absence of a helmet is, in the overwhelming majority of situations, not a relevant consideration. First of all, significant head injuries are few and far between and, in most situations in which they do occur, the impact speeds are admittedly far in excess of the protective capabilities of the helmets.

Secondly, according to the latest accident information, only 3.05% of motorcyclists nationwide were even involved in accidents in 1987 -- with less than a third of those resulting in ANY kind of head injury.

As Dr. John Levin, a Beverly Hills trauma specialist, was quoted in our Bikers Against Manslaughter "Pocket Guide To Helmet Facts," It is a rare instance where a helmet makes a difference in as far as a motorcycle accident is concerned. Most injuries are chest and abdominal or extremity related."

On the other hand, helmets do afford a degree of protection in situations where the biker is thrown from the motorcycle and is sliding along the ground. The helmet can protect the head from abrasions and lacerations, usually minor injuries, and can offer protection to one's head in situations where the head sustains a glancing rather than a direct blow.

You should remember, when you see figures reflecting a larger number of head injuries to non-helmeted riders, that researchers invariably count relatively minor abrasions, lacerations, fractures and concussions (such as the kind most helmets CAN protect you from) as "head injuries" for clinical research purposes.

In conclusion, it is my opinion that helmets afford the best protection in instances where the potential injury is non-fatal.

Another myth that has achieved a great deal of popularity -- and needs to be dispelled -- is the mistaken impression that all motorcycle accidents involve serious injuries. In a month's period of time, approximately half the calls that I receive relating to motorcycle accidents involve property damage, some residual soreness and road rash, with maybe one visit to a doctor and/or emergency room. In these situations, the motorcyclist recovers from these minor injuries rather rapidly and he or she is given advice and instructions on how to handle the incident and get a settlement themselves. Of those cases which do in fact involve something more than merely minor injuries and require the assistance of a lawyer, in the majority of these cases the biker makes a complete physical recovery without any significant long-term problems.

## CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT, MOCKERY

BUREAUCRACY: A CANCEROUS INFESTATION OF GOVERNMENT, MEANS TO DICTATORIAL CONTROL

By: Raymond F. Johnson

What is more important? Is man here to serve nature or nature here to serve man? Bureaucrats may cause our demise as a democratic nation.

A French philosopher stated at the time the U.S. Constitution was still in its infancy that "Bureaucratic government would be our demise."

The major problem is: Bureaucrats in the great "Administrative Service Society." It is a cancerous infestation of our nation and as it presently exists in Oregon, a means to dictatorial control.

Whether at the state or local level with land use planning, parks, fish and wild life, environment protection and quality, or at the local level, under the use of "Citizen Involvement", public input meetings are a mockery. Every logical solution is either illegal or does not meet the criterion established by the bureaucrats.

At the national level of the United States, Ronald Reagan was no match for the entrenched Bureaucrats. The last Federal budget was skillfully planned and executed by the Bureaucrats, appeasing our elected representatives in a power play.

When the President of the United States cannot overcome the challenge of the tenured bureaucrats, how can we as ordinary citizens do it?

...Taken from the COUNTERPOINT March 1989 Newsletter

## Politics at the National Level

Howard Segermark



To many riders, the election of George Herbert Walker Bush to the Presidency is as important as the price of Ming Dynasty vases. Not very. The smart money is on the bet that Bush will simply "carry on," and we can expect little change from the Reagan years.

On the other hand, we can be thankful that the Governor of Massachusetts, who cut motorcycle education funds, was not elected. My best guess is that he would have brought in a Joan Claybrook clone to browbeat

motorcyclists and anything else that might be dangerous. We'd have seen air-bags on Harleys and crash bars on skateboards.

As it is, motorcyclists will have to fight the entrenched bureaucracy in the Department of Transportation that wants to regulate and restrict motorcycling. The challenge is there.

How that challenge will be met is the question. The relevant variable is that the Bush Administration will likely be as willing to adopt good regulation as was the Reagan Administration. The fact that we did not fare well in the past eight years probably has more to do with the fact that motorcyclists did not have the political punch they needed to fight and win battles.

An illustration in point is the continuing stream of studies funded by the U.S. taxpayer which allege to show that mandatory helmet use is a good idea. Academic standards are ignored to give the DOT bureaucrats the answer they want. Simply put, political heat could and should stop that.

Bush's first congress, the 101st, will get into things other than the deficit and new taxes, contrary to what the TV news tells us. I

would not be surprised to see one of the cronies of California Assemblyman Richard Floyd introduce a Federal helmet law. The Congress we elected last fall is pro-regulation and the fight on any legislation that directly affects motorcycling could be a tough one.

Of interest is that fact that the 100th Congress almost outlawed radar detectors in "exchange" for allowing states to regulate speed limits on some roads. These boys don't give up power easily. And, since 99% of the 100th are in the 101st, don't expect major changes in pro-regulation.

Motorcyclists' success in Washington will depend on three factors in working with the Bush Administration: 1. Grass roots riders who will let their Representatives and Senators know that they care; 2. Practical politics at the federal level to let Congress and the Administration know that motorcyclists are concerned and willing to fight; and 3. The effective mobilization of our friends and potential friends in Congress to help.

There are those in Congress who are ready to cut our throats if it will get them two inches of newsprint in the Washington Post. There are also those who will defend freedom.

After I appeared on ABC's "Nightline" show opposite Rep. Floyd and a doctor from Seattle, I was approached by Congressman Chris Cox, a new Representative from California. He saw the show and said, "You did a great job. Don't they know that this country was built on freedom? My dad was a race car driver and America honors those who take risks."

With friends like Cox, riders need only to provide him with the ammunition to be a great asset. With a few more like him, we can turn the political tide.

Howard Segermark  
MRF Federal Lobbyist

## Dangerous Alcohol

Alcohol has no place in motorcycling, whether it's in a rider's bloodstream or in a bike's gas tank. We all know the danger of mixing alcohol and driving, but did you know the problem of using gasoline that contains alcohol?

Alcohol can be mixed with gasoline and used in any engine. The engine will be happy running on that mixture *as long as the carburetor has been designed to run with that particular alcohol/gasoline mixture*. Add more alcohol, or take it out, the engine will not be happy.

There are three alcohols now being used to mix with gasoline: Methanol, Ethanol and one with a complicated name we'll call M.T.B.E.

For Harley-Davidson engines, all alcohols cause problems. Methanol should never be used, (Petrocoal contains Methanol), Ethanol should be used only if you must (gasohol contains ethanol) and finally avoid M.T.B.E. although it's more difficult to avoid.

Ethanol and Methanol attack parts made from rubber. They will both mix with gasoline unless water is present. Water causes gasoline and alcohol to separate, and if an engine is fed with this mixture the result is trouble with a capital T. Alcohols contain oxygen which, when burnt in an engine, cause lean running.

Unless you have always run *leaded* gasoline, you have probably used alcohol without knowing it.

M.T.B.E. is not a true alcohol but it is as close as chemistry will allow. The "advantage" with M.T.B.E. over the others is that it will not attack rubber and it will ignore water, but it will still make engines run lean.

M.T.B.E. is used as a partial substitute for lead in gasoline. Most gasolines, other than leaded regular, contain this alcohol M.T.B.E. Super premium has 9%, regular non lead about 4%.

Alcohols are being used more because they can be made from renewable resources such as corn and they reduce carbon monoxide exhaust emissions.

The factory's advice?

Do not use gasoline which has Ethanol or Methanol additive. Stay away from high octane gasoline. Use leaded regular, if you can get it, or if not, the lowest octane non-lead gasoline.

If you find a gasoline that your engine likes, stay with it. Don't shop around. On trips across state, use busy gas stations that are clean and well maintained.

Ask gas station attendants if the gasoline contains alcohol. If it does (the

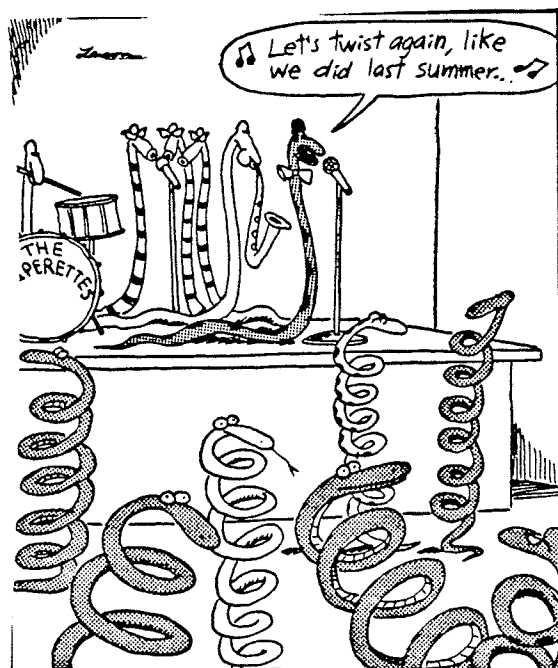
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betting says he won't know) or you have any doubt, and you *must* buy, only buy enough to get you to a better gas station. Remember, when Methanol is cheaper than gasoline, guess what some gas station owners are reported to have put in their tanks!

If you discover you have bought bad gas or you find your engine runs poorly and you suspect the gasoline, COMPLAIN. Believe it or not, letters of complaint are more effective coming from individuals than letters written by G.M., Ford or even Harley-Davidson.

If you suspect your gasoline is or has caused a problem, write to complain to the man who gets your vote and write to the Inspector of Gasoline for your State (did you know there is one?). If you read in your local newspaper about proposals to introduce fuels which are "oxygenated", write your letter of protest. The cost of a stamp is less than having to pay to have your motorcycle repaired.

One final thing. If you decide to use gasolines having alcohol, never mix alcohols. They all hate each other and you will be the one to pick up the tab. Stay with the gasoline you find is good in your engine.





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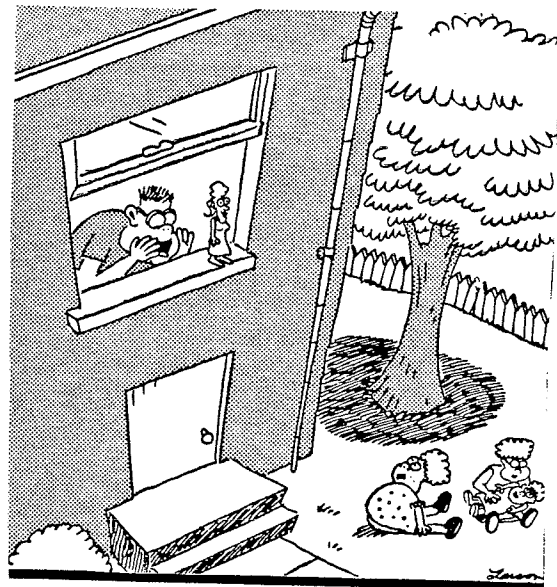
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THIRD MONDAYS:

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CENTRAL OREGON: 7 PM, Pietro's Pizza in Madras.

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THIRD WEDNESDAYS:

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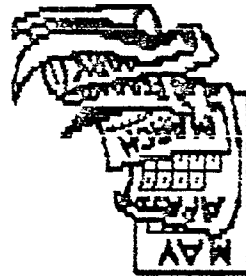
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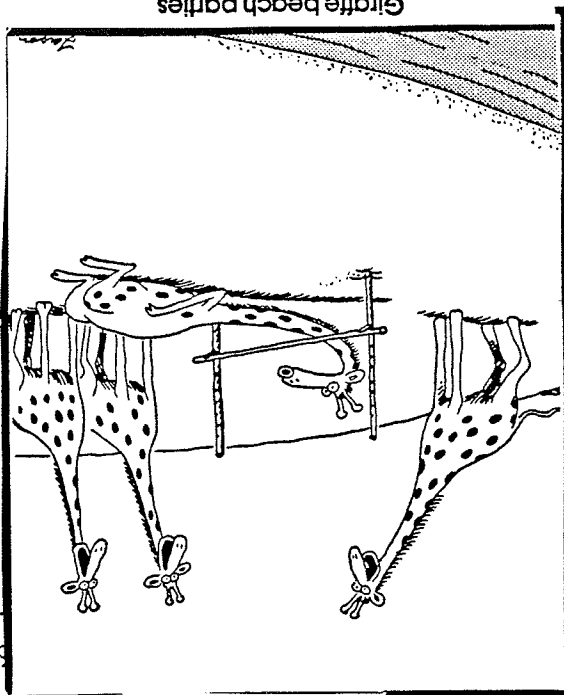
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