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Detroit public broadcasting released a documentary about ethanol in gasoline earlier this year.

Although it barely touches on the damage ethanol can do to earlier engines (such as motorcycles), it provides background information on the politics and profiteering that has led to the push for alcohol-blended fuel.

The renewable fuel standard (R.F.S.) is examined and dissected, which helps riders understand the push for ethanol from big corn producing states.

What is helpful to our cause is learning how devastating industrialized corn production is to the environ-

ment. (Nitrogen from heavy corn crop fertilization finds its way into streams and rivers, causing deadly algae blooms in the Great Lakes and a dead zone in the Gulf of Mexico.)

Check your local PBS station schedule for this program. It's well worth a watch and discuss ion.

If you have internet access, you can watch it at:

<http://www.dptv.org/programs/documentaries/ethanol-effect/>

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Welcome to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

What We're About

A.B.A.T.E. is a not-for-profit organization

In Oregon, *A.B.A.T.E.* stands for *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments*, which isn't nearly as subversive as it sounds. It means that we act as legislative watchdogs to help ensure that any legislation affecting motorcyclists is fair and that elected officials are fully informed regarding motorcycle issues.

• *A.B.A.T.E.* is a not-for-profit motorcycle organization devoted to raising member and public awareness about motorcycle issues and safety through education and community involvement. We also raise money for organizations that represent motorcyclist's concerns such as *BikePAC*.

• It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride. We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

• You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to *A.B.A.T.E.* Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working with are important to their community.

So scan through our newspaper. If you like what you read, check out the chapter meeting listing on the back cover. Drop in on a meeting and see what we're about. You just might find a new family in *A.B.A.T.E.* And as Melinda says: "Bikers give great hugs."

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

A Brief History of A.B.A.T.E.

by Bill Bish (*A.B.A.T.E. of California*; executive coordinator, *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*)

"You have to know where you've been to know where you're going!"

Easyriders magazine editor Lou Kimzey issued a plea in issue #3, October 1971, for bikers to come together to fight impending restrictions from the *National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* by joining a new national biker's rights organization called the *National Custom Cycle Association*. But because of a conflict with the acronym, the name was changed in February 1972 to *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments (A.B.A.T.E.)*

Easyriders began granting state charters around 1974, and Keith Ball was the original national coordinator. The biggest threat was that the U.S. *D.O.T. (Department of Transportation)* was investigating ways to restrict modified or customized "choppers" which they deemed unsafe, especially extended forks.

As the rights movement grew, Don Pittsley, a member of the *Huns Motorcycle Club* in Connecticut convinced his congressman, representative Stewart McKinney, to introduce HR-3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet requirements.

In July of 1975, Rob Rasor of the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*, Ron Roloff of the *M.M.A.* of California, and Ed Armstrong

from *A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago* presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

Later that year, with California being sued by the *D.O.T.* because governor Ronald Reagan refused to comply with the federal helmet requirement mandate, Roloff helped convince California senator Alan Cranston to offer the language of the bill as an amendment to the *1975 Federal Highway Act*, which passed with overwhelming support from the California delegation because of the impending lawsuit, and was signed by president Gerald Ford on May 5, 1976.

Not bad for a rag tag bunch of bikers with little or no previous political ambitions.

As a result of our newfound political clout, motorcyclists have successfully approached congress twice over the past few years.

First to grant federal protections against insurance discrimination based on mode of transportation because many companies were denying medical benefits to employees injured in motorcycle accidents.

Then, [in the 1998] session, motorcyclists united to put together a pro-active agenda for bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through

congress.

So, there you have it.

The roots of *A.B.A.T.E.* and biker's rights run deep in the hearts of those of us who have accepted and, in turn, passed on the torch of freedom of the road.

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Promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

BikePAC of Oregon

A non-profit political action committee formed to advocate for the rights and interests of Oregon's motorcyclists.

BikePAC works within the political process.

Association for Motorcyclists

of Oregon (A.M.O.)

Family-based and dedicated to family values, family events, riding freedoms, and safe,

responsible, fun riding through education. Welcomes all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

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

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

Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)

national/international Acts as advocate before national, state, and local legislative, executive, and judicial bodies and with private or public entities

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

regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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

A = Single entity.

BROTHERHOOD = The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association

A GAINST = In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.

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

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

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officers at work

State Coordinator

Welcome to the *rainy season* !

It seems like yesterday that the weather was 80 degrees and beautiful. Now we seem to have bypassed fall and gone directly into winter. It's *cold*, and wet, and just plain miserable outside. I hope all of you have gotten all of your outside projects completed, because it looks like the monsoon season has come to stay.

While you are staying warm and cozy in your houses, take some time to study your voters' pamphlet. There are many important issues to be decided this election, least of which is who will represent you.

If you are unsure of who to vote for or have questions about certain candidate, go to the **Bikepac.Org**

web site. There you will find most of the information you will need to help you cast your vote.

Please take this responsibility serious.

It is all of our duties to be involved to help keep our country strong. Apathy is what makes things go so terribly wrong.

Please vote.

We have had our election of officers for the state and our annual planning session. Thank you to each of you who have volunteered your time to continue to make a difference for all motorcycle riders. It is because of the dedication of such people that *A.B.A.T.E.* continues to make a difference in Oregon.

If you can't hold an office, let those who do know how much you appreciate what they do. A little "atta boy" goes a long way sometimes.

I hope that you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving. Spend time with family and friends. Find something to be truly thankful for.

Yours in the brotherhood,

-- Paul Hering



Paul Hering

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

Central Oregon

Greetings from *Central Oregon*,

Thank you to all who showed up and big thanks to all who helped out at this years *Teddy Bear Run*. It was a huge success.

We delivered between 1,400 and 1,500 teddy bears to the hospitals and had a great time doing it.

One count had us at 153 bikes on our group ride. While not everyone could do the whole ride, there are multiple videos of the group leaving Prineville posted on our *Facebook* page.

Keep the third Saturday in September open next year for the *20th Annual Teddy Bear Run*. We are already making plans to make it the

biggest and best yet.

We are going to (hopefully) purchase 2,000 stuffed animals ourselves and hope to hit 200 riders. Don't miss this one.

As the weather turns, watch for the hazards of this time of year (puddles, leaves, branches blown out of trees, ect.) and keep yourselves safe.

Hope to see you on the (dry) road,

-- Bob Terrill
coordinator



CENTRAL OREGON MEETING **TIME and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.)
Kelly D's Irish Sports Bar & Grill
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Bend, Oregon

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

Douglas County

Awwwe, Autumn.

The smell in the air, the changing color of the leaves is refreshing.

Please be safe out there. The road conditions are tricky right now with wet, slippery leaves, twigs, road debris, and unpredictable water on the road.

In November we will be concentrating on working as a new team and getting ideas flying for the new year's events.

We want to thank everyone for making 2016 excellent. We met a lot of outstanding people and gained knowledge. We are all very stoked to get busy spreading awareness and love for A.B.A.T.E. in 2017.

You can join us on our *Facebook* group page for updates and posts. To get there while in *Facebook*, at the top tap on "search" and type "ABATE of Oregon Douglas County Chapter" and there we are.

The November meeting will be on the 17th (due to Thanksgiving) at *Abby's Pizza* on 1661 NE Stephens street at 7 p.m.

Hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday.

Thank you for your support,

-- Michelle McKinney
membership secretary
Douglas County Chapter

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groups/ 1521250574871175/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/1521250574871175/)

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Douglas County
MEETING TIME and PLACE

4th Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)
Abby's Pizza
1661 NE Stephens street
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Jackson County**

This time of year we come together and have a great time celebrating family and friends.

So much going on.

Jackson County Chapter is so excited to help support the fight against breast cancer. The outpouring of support from the community feels like it has tripled from last year, with so many people looking forward to helping.

Our swap meet went really well and we had a fun time with it. Already working on next year's with the vendors and participants.

Jackson County Chapter is here and we are going keep up the momentum to help the community become more aware of A.B.A.T.E. and our mission.

State Swap Meet

November is coming fast and we are moving along with it.

Vendors are flowing in and very excited to be there to partake of the friendship that is built and the fun to be had. Looking forward to see you all there.



Jackson County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

4rd Thursday at 1800 (6 pm)
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Hub City**

Well, here we are again.
Fall has fallen.

It is time for breaking out the cold weather gear and time to watch out for wet spots and slick spots.

Here at *Hub City A.B.A.T.E.*, we are getting ready for the *Veterans' Day Parade*.

This is the biggest *Veterans' Day Parade* west of the Mississippi, and it is led off by hundreds of motorcycles. (*Hub City* will again be in charge of getting all the bikes lined up to lead off the parade.)

What an awesome way to honor our veterans. If you have never participated, you have really missed out. It is really special seeing all of the people, even the kids cheering and waving at the motorcyclists.

Come on down to join us and all of the other riders on Friday, November 11, 2016 and honor our veterans.

Hope all of you folks have a wonderful holiday season with family and friends. Don't eat too much turkey on Thanksgiving Day!

Keep your rubber down,

-- Tom Corrick



Hub City

MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)

Ciddici's Pizza

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

Josephine County



nothing to report

Josephine County

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

Fruitdale Grange
1440 Parkdale Drive
Grants Pass

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

Most of last month's submissions (including our esteemed editor), covered the falling leaves and the ebbing of this year's riding season.

Therefore, I will let you off the hook and pass on that subject.

The never-ending political rhetoric and division on the news is depressing enough.

Our meeting was well attended with the bulk of the discussion again being the *Beaver Creek Run*. In short, I will just say that it is certainly progressing and appears to be morphing from a likelihood to a certainty.

Having just typed the word "morphing", I am reminded of Morpheus (god of sleep); which,

in turn, reminds me of our state board representative's stirring report. Jack actually does a stellar job and his efforts are appreciated. It's just a perfect set up for endless abuse.

The number of bikers riding on highway 101 has slowed down, but there are still plenty of them rumbling across the Yaquina Bay bridge. I rode this morning and was very glad that I had decided to put the old chaps on before I took off.

Love the way the air feels and smells this time of year.

Intensity, not duration,

-- skid more



Lincoln County

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 p.m.)
American Legion Hall, post 116
424 W. Olive Street
Newport

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **North Coast**

Supporting *A.B.A.T.E.* will never taste so good.

The *North Coast Chapter's Spaghetti Feed and Auction* is coming up.

This is one of our chapter's major fundraisers in support of our area food banks.

The grub is top notch, the deals are a steal, and it all goes to a great cause.

What's not to love?

The event is 5-8 p.m. on Saturday, 19 November at the Astoria *Moose Lodge* located at 420 17th street in Astoria.

Tickets are \$10 for adults with children twelve and under \$3.

For information on the event and how you can donate, contact any chapter member or call Carl Earl at **(503)-325-6932**.

-- Carl Earl
coordinator

A.B.A.T.E.

North Coast Chapter



North Coast

MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --**Lower Columbia**

November is here and since last report, you can see the definite weather change.

We completed our fall cleanup for *Adopt-A-Highway*. Thank you to all who showed up to support it.

Nominations are going on for new officers. We vote next month.

Please make sure you exercise your right and vote. Make sure the candidates you vote for in the government elections support our rights.

Fall is here, so as our weather gets worse. Please remember to watch yourself and especially the other people around you.

Ride hard, ride safe,

-- Phil

**Lower Columbia****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1900 (7 pm)

Colvin's Pub & Grill

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Clatskanie, Oregon

(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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

September 20, 2016

October 04, 2016

The meeting tonight pointed to the dwindling of this organization. There will be a number of officers stepping down and we haven't even filled some positions in several years. We all need to help find solutions.

The planning session is coming up in October. Please show up and help find answers.

We had a small meeting with lots of excitement about ordering candy for our sale. Plans are all set and we will start with a big inventory, including some new items for this year.

Rick has secured the use of the Maryhill Loop for our poker run in the spring. He did this by volunteering to help with the opening of the road at other times. Way to go, Rick.

Diana won the 50/50 at \$16/16. Congratulations.

Gene won the membership game for \$15 and donated his winnings back to the chapter. Thanks, Gene.

Watch out for roads that have not been wet for a while and fallen leaves. Your traction is what is between you and the pavement.

**River City****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7 p.m.)

Shiloh Inn

The Dalles

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

Hi there!

Just like last month, we are still trying our best to sell 5,000 motorcycle raffle tickets by December 3rd, which is the date of our *37th Annual A.B.A.T.E.-Sriners Toy Run*. Help us out and buy some raffle tickets.

On October 14-16, the *Hub City Chapter* helped us out by having our toy run bike at their *Heritage Mall Motorcycle Show*.

Thank you very much. We really appreciate that.

Our toy run bike will be at the November 5th state fall swap meet.

The next event after that will be the gun show in Portland.

Then we will take the bike to The Dalles for the *River City Chapter* candy sale, which starts the day after Thanksgiving.

Our coordinator, Phil Jones, is always looking out for us when we are going to take a ride. He encourages all of us to check our bikes tires, brakes, lights, fluid levels, and *etceteras* before starting up and heading out.

Now that the weather is changing as we head into fall, there will be rain, falling leaves, oil on the road, slick traffic lines, and slippery manhole covers to watch out for when we are on the road.

Be safe and please ride carefully.

Bill Cameron, our public relations officer, hopes that you attend a lot of biker events and pass out *A.B.A.T.E.* information at those events. Let everyone know about *A.B.A.T.E.* Be persistent and don't give up in your efforts to spread the good word about *A.B.A.T.E.*



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

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

Sincerely with high regards,

-- James Niece
secretary

Southeast Portland Chapter

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Southeast Portland
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200
(noon)

M&M Restaurant & Lounge
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**Washington County**

Not much to report out of *Washington County Chapter*.

We have our *Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run* coming up on November 19th. Be sure to look for the flyer in this edition of your state newspaper.

Really folks, this is one **not** to miss.

Our annual toy run is a full police and fire escorted run through Hillsboro, Oregon. It's well attended, community involved, and supports a good cause. Come out and join us!

Also, we will have chapter officer nominations at the upcoming meetings. Get involved. Support your local *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter. We need your help.

Ride safe.,
Ride smart,
Ride,

-- Goat
secretary
WaCo Chapter



Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter/?fref=ts>

Washington County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

2nd and 4th Mondays at 1930
(7:30 p.m.)

Prime Time Restaurant
4450 Pacific avenue
Forest Grove

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our officers at work

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

08 Oct 2016 (Ciddici's Pizza— Albany, Oregon)

Call to order, welcome: The meeting was called to order by Paul Hering at 12:06 p.m. with ten of eleven chapters represented.

All chapters present eligible to vote.

Absent or unexcused: *Central Oregon Chapter*.

Pledge of allegiance.

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

Guests and first time attendees: Larry Hassett (*Douglas County Chap-ter*)

Reading and approval of min-utes:

Motion made by Karen Toll, seconded by Todd Sahlberg; to adopt the minutes as printed in the state newspaper.

Passed unanimously.

Executive Board
Officers' Reports

Coordinator's comments: Paul Hering reminded us that the year is winding down with just a few more events, including the planning session and the state fall swap meet. Encourage your members to support A.B.A.T.E. and the chapters by attending and enjoying all their events.

Secretary report and correspondence: Teresa Hepker had nothing to report.

Vice-coordinator (north): Dave Witmer noted that there have been far too many motorcycle crashes this year. Please do what you can to be safe and help others be safe.

Vice-coordinator (south): Pat "Spanky" Allen said the *Josephine County Chapter* toy run is finished. It was somewhat smaller than in earlier years.

Jackson County Chapter had a swap meet. *Latus Motors* in Eugene has indicated they are willing to host a swap meet for us. He is still talking to people about reviving a *Lane County Chapter*.

Vice-coordinator (east): Rick Prentice reported that he volunteered to open the historic *Maryhill Loops* highway recently, and during the two hours the highway was open, many people drove or rode the two mile section. (This road was the first use of asphalt in the United States.)

Because of Rick's volunteering, the *Maryhill Museum* has offered to let him host an event at no charge. So next year's

River City Poker Run will include this as a checkpoint. Come ride it in April!

Treasurer: Karen Tolle included a draft budget for next year in the packets, so chapter representatives can review it before the planning session.

Checking = \$ 5,900.52

Savings = \$31,959.59

Paypal = \$ 200.00

U.S. Postmaster = \$ 130.10

Grand total = \$28,190.30

She also included an update on where chapters stand on their event reconciliation reports and tithing. Representatives and chapter officers, please check this update and catch up whatever is behind. It's important to get this information in.

Membership secretary: Kathy Sahlberg thanked Carl Earl for fixing a problem that the program's tech support line couldn't solve.

Several clubs did not renew their associate memberships, not wanting to pay \$100. (Increased from \$40 last year.)

Individual, family and life members: 998

Of those, 139 are expired and due to be subtracted.

Members by association: 181

Sanctioning officer: Todd Sahlberg reported insurance for all events is complete.

He asked chapters to submit a list by the December board meeting, showing next year's events, general dates, and estimated attendance. Dates can be added or changed later, but the type of event can't. If you can pay the sanctioning fees at the same time as you submit the list, it makes less work for everyone involved.

Officers' Reports

State auditor: Cindy Witmer reported that *Hub City Chapter* and *Washington County Chapter* are thirty days past due on treasurer's reports, and *Southeast Portland Chapter* is sixty days past due.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path brought newspapers for August, September, and October. Please take some back to distribute. He also brought Halloween cookies for all. Thanks.

Sergeant-at-arms (north):

Randy Phipps noted that the state swap meet is the board's last major event of the year, and

volunteers are much appreciated.

Sergeant-at-arms (south): < Vacant >

Sergeant-at-arms (east): Steve Bishop said to please bring people from your chapters to the planning session and the swap meet.

Products director: Ted Tracy asked people to call or e-mail him to get products. He has 2016 year bars available.

Education director: Geoff White asked that the motorcycle awareness program be included for discussion at the planning session.

Public relations director: < Vacant >

State run coordinator (Fossil): Rick Prentice said that for the *40th Annual Fossil Campout*, he is requesting art submissions for T-shirts be turned in at the January board meeting.

Jackson County Chapter has volunteered to coordinate the poker run.

Other events that need volunteers include organizing and conducting the bike games and bike show, working at the gate, picking up the garbage and recycling, security, and final takedown of the campground on Monday.

State swap meet coordinator: Todd Sahlberg reported fifteen booths reserved, eight available.

Setup on Friday will be from 4 to 7 p.m.

On Saturday, doors open to vendors at 6 a.m.

Open to the public 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Volunteers needed both days.

Flyers and booth packets were available.

Historian: Teresa Hepker had nothing to report.

Web page editor: Carl Earl said if you just update details on an old event flyer and send it to him, he can post that on the web site temporarily until your 2017 flyers are ready.

Quartermaster: Gene Mortimore has been working on stage planning for several months, through multiple changes in local officials. (Now working with third county judge and fourth planner). He has a permit application, and is asking the county court to help.

Discussions with a state inspector said bolting the structure to a concrete foundation might be acceptable, so he is investigating that angle.

The structural engineer who had offered to

Teresa
Hepker

state
recording
secretary

help him has disappeared.

Legislative director: < Vacant >

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Brian Stovall said, "Join BikePAC."

Voters information on upcoming state and federal candidates is on:

<http://www.BikePAC.org/>

M.R.F. representative: Brian Stovall said, "Join the Motorcycle Riders Foundation."

Confederation of Clubs representative: Pat "Spanky" Allen said there has not been a meeting since last month.

Unfinished Business

- State officer nominations. Additional nominations were made.
 - The office of membership secretary had two nominees: Louise Davies (*Josephine County*) and Kathy Sahlberg (*Josephine County*).
 - Cindy Witmer originally was on the ballot as auditor, but after the ballots were turned in she volunteered to take secretary instead, and work with Karen who will assume the auditor duties. Motion by Brian Stovall, seconded by Chuck Miller, to elect Karen as auditor *pro tem* while continuing to seek a permanent auditor. Yes = 9.
- Passed.**

New Business

2017 state officers elected:

Coordinator – Paul Hering

Secretary – Cindy Witmer

Vice-coordinator north – Dave Witmer

Vice-coordinator south – Pat (Spanky) Allen

Vice-coordinator east – Rick Prentice

Treasurer – Karen Tolle

Membership secretary – Kathy Sahlberg

Sanctioning officer – Todd Sahlberg

State auditor pro tem – Karen Tolle

Newspaper editor – Rot Path

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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting — 08 October 2016 (continued from previous page)

Sergeant-at-arms (north) – Randy Phipps
Sergeant-at-arms (south) – Diana Nicolay
Sergeant-at-arms (east) – Steve Bishop
Products director _____
Education director – Geoff White
Public relations director _____
State run coordinator (Fossil) – Rick Prentice
State swap meet coordinator – Todd Sahlberg
Web page editor – Carl Earl
Legislative director _____
A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative _____
M.R.F. representative _____
Confederation of Clubs representative – Pat “Spanky” Allen and Mike Friend (assistant)

Planning Session Agenda Items

- Review of by-laws.
 - Definition of “member”.
 - Qualifications to vote or hold office. (Chapter, state level.)
- Budget.
- *Pendleton Bike Week*, 19-23 July 2016.
- *Motorcycle Awareness Program*.
- Explanation of federal tax returns.
- *BikePAC* request for *A.B.A.T.E.* action

Announcements

- 15-16 October 2016 – Planning session and special board meeting: *Quality Inn* in Cottage Grove, Oregon.

- 12 November 2016 – Next state board of directors meeting. *Ciddici's Pizza* in Albany, Oregon.
- Gene Mortimore said a new bed and breakfast business in Fossil donated a couple of rooms for the bands at *Fossil Campout*.

• Diana Nicolay reported that one *Douglas Count Chapter* officer resigned and new ones have stepped up. She is hoping they will be able to keep the chapter going.

Adjourned: 2:36 p.m.

Upcoming 2016 Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Events

Date:	Event:	Chapter:
05 Nov 2016	Fall Swap Meet	state ABATE
19 Nov 2016	Toy Run	Washington County
19 Nov 2016	Spaghetti Feed	North Coast
25 Nov–23 Dec	See's Candy Sale	River City
05 Dec 2016	Holiday Run	North Coast

Monday, 21 Aug 2017 - 10:15 a.m. Oregon total solar eclipse
 (Plan your event now, order solar glasses.)

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

Planning Session

Quality Inn – Cottage Grove, Oregon

Saturday, 15 October 2016

Call to order: 9:10 a.m. by Paul Hering

All chapters represented and eligible to vote.

Excused officers: Rick Prentice, Karen Tolle, Rot Path, Ted Tracy, Carl Earl.

All other state officers present.

Pledge of allegiance.

Review Of By-laws

Definition of “member”

Paul asked the audience to define a member:

- Paid up dues.
- Contributing to mission.
- Active, inspired, passion, heart.
- Not just a name and number on a list.

Bylaws say:

- Article V, section 1: “*There is only one qualification of membership, that being payment of dues established by the board of directors.*”
- Article IX, Section 6, H: “*Only members in good standing shall be eligible to vote or hold office.*”

Membership secretary confirmed that all state officers elected at the October board meeting are members in good standing and eligible to hold office.

Chapter representatives must be members in good standing. It is the chapter's responsibility to designate one person to be the representative for the year, and if a substitute must be sent instead, to confirm that the substitute is a member in good standing.

Associate members

Extensive discussion of associate member category took place.

Highlights:

- *A.B.A.T.E.* is an organization, not a club. It does not compete with clubs for members. In addition, *A.B.A.T.E.* provides valuable representation that benefits the clubs and their members.
- Some clubs prohibit their members from joining other clubs and/or organizations.
- *Josephine County* and *Jackson County* chapters reported that many of their volunteers are associate members.
- It has been incorrectly reported to associate member clubs that their individual members are eligible for *A.I.L.* accidental death and dismemberment insurance (AD&D) under *A.B.A.T.E.*'s membership rules.
- Clubs are eligible to directly contact Lori Vaughn (*A.I.L.* agent) to set up AD&D coverage for their own membership. Contact information was provided to the representatives.
- Membership secretary has been issuing membership cards to individual associate members. This has been difficult to do accurately, time consuming, costly, and without clear guidance from the board of directors.
- State events offer admission discounts to members. Chapters decide for themselves if they will offer such a discount. Cards issued to associate members have allowed such

discounts even though the card holders have not paid dues. Members in good standing have objected to this practice as being unfair.

- Many ideas were discussed regarding how to address this issue.
- Secretary Teresa Hepker checked minutes from 2015 planning session, where a motion was passed: “*To change membership categories ‘family’ to ‘couple’ and ‘associate’ to ‘sustaining,’ effective to coincide with next printing of trifolds, but no later than January 1, 2017.*”
- Motions proposed at this planning session were therefore ruled out of order. Secretary and membership secretary were directed to make changes to current printed materials and in future printing.

Review of Parent 990EZ Federal Tax Return

The state organization tax return is called the “parent return”, and uses form 990EZ. The chapters are combined into one tax return, using form 990.

Discussion covered the parent return, specifically part ii, statement of program services accomplishments.

Line 28 said we spent \$18,027 to teach motorcycle awareness programs to drivers education students, civic groups, and seniors throughout Oregon. This statement was incorrect for 2015.

The C.P.A. preparing the tax forms feels we are “making a mountain out of a molehill” about this, but the general feeling was, we

need a written contract with the C.P.A. firm spelling out what their responsibilities are, should *A.B.A.T.E.*'s return be audited.

A motion was proposed to correct the text in this year's return.

Ad for Team Oregon Student Workbook

A.B.A.T.E. has been running a free business card size ad in the workbooks.

A motion was proposed to run a quarter-page ad instead or in addition to the small ad.

Teresa was directed to inquire whether *Team Oregon* could offer a discounted price on the quarter-page. She was authorized to pay the full price of \$675, if necessary.

The ad will include all contact information for *A.B.A.T.E.*, mission statement, logo, and a brief description of the role *A.B.A.T.E.* played in establishing the *Team Oregon* program.

Pendleton Bike Week Booth: 19-23 July 2017

Vice-coordinator (east) Rick Prentice has been in contact with the *Pendleton Bike Week* organizers and they are willing to donate booth space to us.

A suggestion was made to commit funds to help support members who volunteer during the event and cover other expenses, so it can be included in the 2017 budget.

This is an opportunity to contact riders from the far eastern part of Oregon, which is an under served area for *A.B.A.T.E.*

After discussion, this subject was tabled

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From yer . . .



. . . for the final year...(or not)

One Morning In September . . .

the issue that was

c.o.e. – 178

. . . a north-bound rider on I-5 near the Wilsonville rest stop was changing lanes to avoid slow traffic, lost control of his bike [why?], then was thrown off into the path of a semi hauling two trailers.

My sister saw vehicles on the freeway crawling along and knew something had happened. Then she noticed flashing red lights on police cars and an ambulance weaving past the stalled traffic, creating a sudden feeling of dread. Going inside and turning on the news revealed what had happened.

A few hours later she was driving through the same area when traffic slowed down. A motorcyclist came zipping up from behind, slaloming between vehicles like a downhill skier, going much faster than the creeping cars.

My sister became very upset with that rider.

Didn't he realize that another rider

had died earlier in the day doing something like that?

Too often we do it to ourselves.

. . .

In riding and driving the roads of Oregon, we are often making allowances for the actions of others. It's not that others are horrible vehicle operators, it's just that using our roadways involves give and take on everyone's part.

Although bad driving or riding immediately grabs the attention of other road users, lately yer crusty ol' editor has begun to appreciate just how good Oregon drivers are. Just about every time he is out and about on the asphalt, he sees people in cages, on motorcycles, or bicycles do things that would result in crashes if not for the timely action of other road users. (Indeed, the gutters and ditches of the state's roads would be strewn with mangled bicycles if not for the forbearance of drivers who manage to

avoid bikists who blow through stop signs or dodge around in traffic.)

Yer c.o.e. is trying to retrain his fine self to mentally acknowledge Oregon's good drivers while continuing to growl and hurl verbal abuse on stupid, selfish road actions.

. . .

Ten years ago, there should not have been a November newsmagazine.

Part of the editing phase was spent working on a laptop (which crusty ol' editor still has) in the hospital room of our mother (who we no longer have) after she had a bad fall. She was supposed to have recovered from her injuries, but left us just before Halloween.

Since then, yer c.o.e. has often wished that he had spent more time sitting and talking with her rather than editing while she dozed. The loss of a parent leaves such a huge, gapping black hole in one's life. Gone is someone who knew you so well that



Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

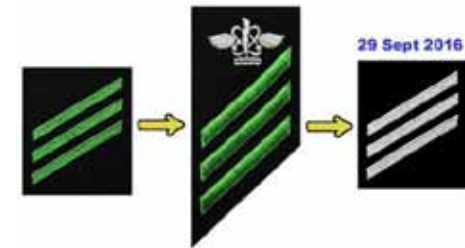
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words were often unnecessary.

If we knew what the future held for us, it would change how we act in the present.

The lesson here is to treasure those around us, for we don't know how long we will have their company. (Or they, our's.)

Speaking Of Totalitarian . . .



If you have trouble understanding what the term "totalitarian" means in the *A.B.A.T.E.* name, the U.S. Navy recently provided an unfortunate example.

On 29 September, Navy officials suddenly did away with enlisted rating insignia, something that had been in place since the Continental Navy of 1776. The insignia show what specialty a sailor has been trained in and are worn just above their rank on most uniforms.

Both active duty sailors and veterans were shocked by the move that took place with little notice or input from the fleet.

It was a totalitarian enactment.

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Note: Photos and copy-ready artwork should be stiffened with cardboard to prevent folding, spindling, or mutilating. Include a self-stamped addressed envelope if you want your material returned. (Otherwise the c.o.e. has a woodstove and your unclaimed contributions may end up keeping his toes warm.)

NOVEMBER Cryptogram

OVTBXC YHZHBY KJMBC OVM WKKIC.

HO FVTBYMC T FVHPW'C JMICKBTPHOA.

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--CHI GKVB OMEJPMOKB

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".)

Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skullduggery.

Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

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



A.B.A.T.E. OF OREGON
FALL MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.
(All proceeds go to support the mission of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon)

November 05, 2016
HILLSBORO ELKS LODGE
21865 NW QUATAMA RD, HILLSBORO, OREGON
8:30 AM UNTIL 4:00 PM

ENTRY FEE: \$5 AT THE GATE OR 4 CANS OF FOOD
FOR HILLSBORO ELKS LODGE CHRISTMAS BASKET PROGRAM



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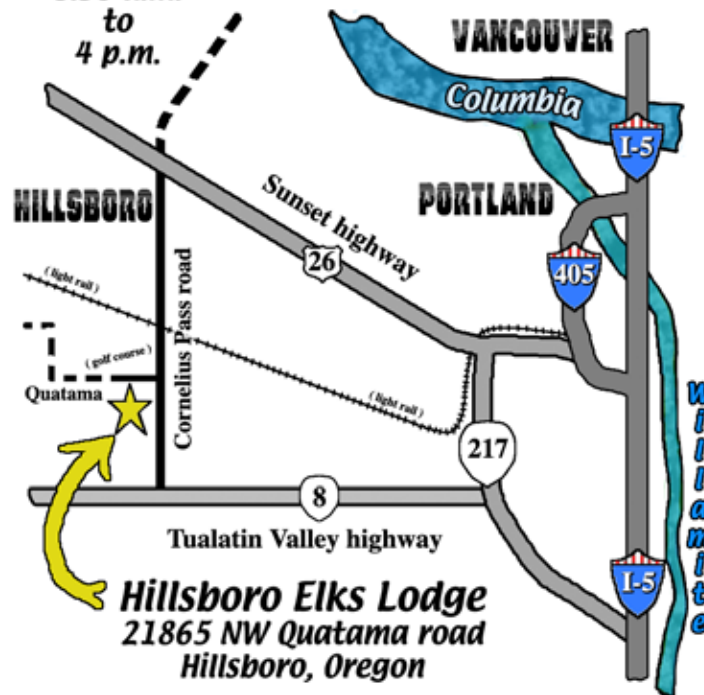


Fall Swap Meet

Saturday

05 November 2016

8:30 a.m.
to
4 p.m.



Hillsboro Elks Lodge
21865 NW Quatama road
Hillsboro, Oregon

Planning Session

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until the November board meeting when Rick can discuss the details.

Motorcycle Awareness Program (M.A.P.)

Geoff White asked, "Do we have what it takes to restart the M.A.P. of old?"

The program was mostly presented in schools and for other organizations, aimed at helping car drivers understand how to share the road with motorcycles.

Changes in technology may give us new opportunities, and the activity has been a valuable part of our mission. Geoff does not know how many instructors are still active.

It was suggested that we invite *Team Oregon* representatives to meet with the board for a focus session. They have access to advanced technology that may be available to assist.

Partnering with *Team Oregon* should be done cautiously to preserve A.B.A.T.E.'s ownership of the M.A.P. and independence in operation.

Subjects touched on:

- Firms with fleet vehicles are required to do annual safety training.
 - Roadway design and maintenance.
 - Change *Slug Bug* game to *See A Motorcycle* game for children.
 - We need S.T.E.A.M. (Seminar to Educate and Motivate).
 - Communicate with department of education and department of transportation.
 - Evolve or die.
- Geoff committed to being the education director.

Paul will contact Pat Hahn and invite him to an executive board meeting at 11 a.m., before the December board meeting.

Organization State of Health

Do we have a viable organization, and can we continue to exist?

A.B.A.T.E. has done tremendous work over its lifetime, but we don't have to do things the same way we did them in 1975. We are using tools and methods that young people don't identify with, and they don't do things by going to physical meetings.

Don Mason told how he got involved with A.B.A.T.E. He liked to party. As he learned, his focus changed and now he is

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



Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run

November 19, 2016

Proceeds benefit the Hillsboro Fire Department's Toy & Joy Program

BRING A NEW UNWRAPPED TOY
Cash Donations Accepted

2 CHANCES TO WIN \$150 TO BEAVERTON HONDA



Begins @ Hillsboro Fire Dept, Station #3, 4455 NW 229th
Group ride leaves @ 12 Noon Sharp!
Ends @ Hillsboro Elks Lodge, 21865 NW Quatama Rd
For more information call Tom Kippert @ 503-307-2067

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon
Washington County Chapter

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Spaghetti Dinner and Auction

5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19

Astoria Moose Lodge
420 17th St.
Astoria, Or 97103

\$10 Adults
\$3 Children 12 & under

Proceeds support Clatsop County food banks



Donations of auction items can be given to any North Coast Chapter member or brought to the Moose Lodge.



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For more information, visit www.northcoastabate.com
Email info@northcoastabate.com or call Carl Earl at 503-325-6932
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more into the business of the mission.

Overall, the parties have dropped off and membership has dropped off. Are they related?

Chapters are having trouble getting new officers. Paul noted that he has attended lots of planning sessions where good ideas are brought up, but nothing happens afterwards.

We need to be out in the public, visible, interacting. *Pendleton Bike Week* and the *Shriners Toy Run* are opportunities, and *The One Motorcycle Show* (10-12 February 2017) is another.

Teresa voiced concern that we have too many officers, not enough people to do essential work, and that the organization is suffering a slow death without planning for it.

BikePAC Bills for 2017

Don Mason pointed out that we don't need an army to work legislation, just a well trained team. *BikePAC* does need a lot of people to provide input as to what direction to go.

The on-line Oregon rider survey has had 650 respondent so far, and he expects that number to top 1,000 by the time the legislature starts in January. Survey results so far:

1. Lane sharing.
2. Vehicular assault. (Car driver responsibility when they hit a motorcycle.)
3. Road conditions, maintenance.
4. Ethanol in fuel.
5. Tied for fifth place: gear choice (including helmets), and anti-profiling.

BikePAC has requested the same lane sharing bill as last session and has been meeting with some of the opposition groups to try to change their positions.

The *Governor's Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee* now has a subcommittee on lane sharing.

The second bill addresses vehicular assault.

Don Mason has personally requested a bill to modify the helmet regulation.

What support is needed from *A.B.A.T.E.*?

Help get targeted candidates elected to the state legislature. (Just twenty days left until election.)

Then switch to lobbying tasks.

Have you or anyone you know been hit and injured by a car driver? Talk to Don.

On November 5th, upstairs from the swap meet, *BikePAC* will be holding a summit meeting at 12:30 p.m. to talk to interested persons.

Paula Leslie said the main concern by legislators and opponents at this point, is

backlash or road rage from car drivers. [About lane-sharing.] She asked *A.B.A.T.E.* chapters to do a public education campaign to help the public understand the safety and benefits of lane sharing.

BikePAC will be doing a fundraising drive in the last months of 2016, to supplement their dues income and *A.B.A.T.E.* donations.

2017 Budget

The board was not able to complete a budget proposal, needing assistance from the treasurer, who was not able to attend the planning session.

Paul has received requests from some state officers for travel reimbursements, which were suspended a couple of years ago because of financial shortfalls. Some officers are able to cover the expenses of their jobs, some get help from chapters, some don't have as much income and need help.

The board has done some reimbursements on a case-by-case basis.

We don't have a realistic picture of the organization's expenses because so many individuals are paying out of pocket for stamps, software, ink, travel, lodging, and so on. Officers were asked to track their expenses for a year, so we can get a better understanding of the real costs.

The budget was tabled until the November board meeting.

Guest Speaker

Douglas Findlay demonstrated a pilot application intended to be useful in tracking the position of elected officials on targeted subjects. The app works well, but still needs a lot of data entry to make it useful.

Adjourned: 5:11 p.m.

Group will meet for dinner at *Pinocchio's Pizza* at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, 16 October 2016

Call to order: 9:06 a.m. with nine chapters represented.

No old business.

New Business

• **Motion #1:** Change line 28 on the parent return 990EZ to:

"Motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty activities including print, radio, television, internet, social media, classes, public appearances and displays, and donations."

The auditor will cause a similar change to be made to the group 990 return.

Yes = 9

No = 0

Abstain = 0

Passed

• **Motion #2:** Place a quarter page ad in the statewide *Team Oregon* student workbook for 2017. The ad will include all contact information for *A.B.A.T.E.*, a QR code, logo, mission statement, and a brief history of *A.B.A.T.E.*'s role in establishing the *Team Oregon* program. It will also include a message to join *A.B.A.T.E.* and protect your right to ride.

Yes = 8

No = 0

Abstain = 1

Passed

• Three motions on the subject of associate members were ruled out of order because of a motion passed in 2015 intended to resolve problems with the program.

Bits and Pieces

• Sustaining members are listed on the front page of the state newspaper. If we get a lot of sustaining members, they may be presented there on a rotating basis.

• Bob Highfill suggested that we need to consider raising sanctioning fees to the chapters in order to cover steady increases in event insurance costs. Paul reminded the group that the chapters do pay tithing, which may offset the insurance costs.

• We will invite new chapter officers to attend

the January board meeting if possible, to take part in a board review of sanctioning and membership rules. We will ask Rot Path to include a prominent invitation in the rest of the 2016 newspapers.

• Facebook discussion: Anna Dahl's *A.B.A.T.E. Facebook* page will be discontinued. Nic Oliver offered to add Paul as a moderator on the official *Facebook* page.

• Who can speak officially for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*? Coordinator, web page editor, newspaper editor, and public relations director. *Facebook* page is something new, but establishing yet another officer did not seem necessary at this point.

• Contact information for the A.I.L. accidental death and dismemberment insurance insurance program:

Lori Vaughn

American Income Life Public Relations

(503)-849-5757

lvaughn@ailife.com

Closing

Paul closed the meeting by saying,

"Let's remember why we are here. Let's get back to having fun and supporting each other."

Adjourned: 10:17 a.m.



37th Annual ABATE Toy Run

Presented by the SE Chapter of ABATE of Oregon, Inc.
Benefitting the Shriners Hospital for Children
Saturday Dec. 3, 2016

Gather at the Fred Meyer Corporate Parking Lot
3800 SE 22nd Ave., Portland OR 97202

Festivities Start at 9:00 am
50/50 drawing - Prizes - Run Pins
Prize for best decorated bike
Raffle Drawing at 12:00 Noon
Parade Leaves at 12:15 pm
Santa Party at the Hospital at 1:15 pm

Bring a new unwrapped toy + \$10
to purchase a raffle ticket for a chance to win
a new Harley Davidson or a \$500 Visa Gift Card

ALL TYPES OF MOTORCYCLES / SCOOTERS ARE WELCOME

1st Prize - 2016 Harley Davidson XL Iron 883W

Emily Rick Gina Alois




2nd Prize - Win a \$500 Visa Gift Card

THIS RIDE TO SEE THE KIDS IS NOT A RACE - PLEASE RIDE SAFELY
NO WHEELIES, BURNOUTS, SPEEDING OR TYPES OF BEHAVIOR THAT WILL PUT
THIS OUTSTANDING ANNUAL EVENT AT RISK.

Thunder Mountain Motorcycle Rescue will be on site to provide help if it is needed.

Contact Info: Jim - (503) 775-2203 or Phil - (503) 723-6015

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Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Department of Transportation Unveils

‘Road-to-Zero’ Sets lofty goal of achieving zero traffic deaths by 2030

Wednesday, 05 October, over 75 organizations dedicated to highway safety gathered to hear details about a new initiative from the Department of Transportation (DoT) called, *Road-to-Zero*. Officials from the Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration (F.H.W.A.), the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (F.M.C.S.A.), and the National Safety Council unveiled details of the initiative touting its commitment to eliminate all traffic-related deaths by the year 2030.

Officials spoke about ‘losing ground’ when it comes to lowering death rates on the nation’s roadways and pointed to the recently published statistic of a 7.2% increase in traffic deaths in 2015 which accounted for over 35,000 lives lost. Even more troubling were preliminary numbers

for the first half of 2016 which shows a potentially even greater increase, currently projected to be 10.4%. (Note that these numbers are for all traffic related deaths; not just motorcyclists.)

Specifics of the initiative were still in development with DoT authorities projecting a 12-18-month time frame for developing details of the long term plan. However, N.H.T.S.A. Administrator Mark Rosekind laid out three areas that he expected the initiative to center around, which included the following:

1. Proactive vehicle safety: Ensuring that DoT and automakers have the tools necessary to ensure vehicle safety such as the ability to issue recalls and proactive safety measures like automatic emergency braking and lane infiltration detection systems.

2. Focus on automotive vehicle technology: This area would center around a framework for self-driving vehicles and vehicles with automated driving technology ensuring that the technology continues to advance in a way that will help to eliminate driver error resulting in “untold potential” in saving lives on the nation’s roadways.

3. New Solutions to human behavior: Referencing the statistic that 94% of crashes are due to driver error, the *Road-to-Zero* initiative would make this a key area of focus looking at concerns like distracted and drowsy driving as well as driving under the influence. According to officials, the key to making progress in these areas is to create a culture in the U.S. that engaging in these behaviors are unacceptable.

With the general parameters laid out, the conversation shifted to who and what groups would participate in developing the specifics of the long-term plan in

achieving *Road-to-Zero*’s objectives. There is currently a steering committee of twelve groups which included auto and equipment manufacturers, researchers, and other entities such as the *Governors’ Institute for Highway Safety*.

In addition to the steering group, authorities proposed a role for all interested parties to play a part in the coalition which is likely to meet quarterly over the next eighteen months. It was unclear if any motorcycle presence or viewpoints would be taken into consideration, though generally the consensus was that DoT was interested in participation from all interested parties.

After the long-term plan is developed, additional activities will take place including funding for grants to organizations that aim to achieve the objectives laid out as well as a road map for policy, legislative, and regulatory decision makers to incorporate into new or existing regulations.

In addition to the steering committee and broader coalition, the point was made that *Road-to-Zero* would also engage with partners with similar objectives, namely Europe’s *Vision Zero* embraced by some U.S. cities and states as well as *Towards Zero* which employs similar objectives.

It should be noted that when Europe’s

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It's time you did something more to protect your rights!

Join and Support Motorcycle Riders Foundation...REGISTER, VOTE, AND RIDE!

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own *Vision Zero* was introduced some years ago, motorcycles were a controversial subject, with some suggesting that they had no place in modern traffic systems.

Understanding that this initiative will be a major area of focus for regulators and policy makers over the next year, the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* will continue to be engaged in the coalition ensuring that motorcycles, biker rights, and a focus on motorcycle crash prevention remain a part of the dialogue as this initiative moves forward.

In addition, the *M.R.F.* will pay particularly close attention and seek unbiased answers as to how the initiatives under this program have played out in Europe and ensure these communications are made to policy makers in the U.S. as this program gets underway.

Federal Guidance Released on Autonomous Vehicles

Questions remain about states' role

Over the last several months, an influx of companies have announced plans to pursue the creation and manufacture of self-driving cars. *General Motors, Daimler, Volvo, Ford, Jaguar, Land Rover, Audi,* and *B.M.W.* are only a fraction of global automakers that have already announced their intention to pursue technology making some vehicle models fully or partially autonomous.

And as they often do, the federal government has had to play catch up in taking a position on this emerging technology and where they fit in to facilitate the entry of autonomous vehicles onto American roads.

Recently, the *Department of Transportation* gave good indication of where they stand with the issuance of federal guidelines released on September 20.

The guidance included a fifteen-point

safety assessment for automakers to design, develop and test self-driving cars.

The framework also includes options for federal transportation regulators to authorize automated vehicles under existing regulations, as well as listing legislative or regulatory changes that could be needed “*as the technology evolves and is deployed more widely.*”

Automakers will have to document to federal regulators how they’re addressing ethical considerations, like whether to program a car to hit another vehicle rather than a pedestrian.

Importantly, the policy did make clear that federal and state roles needed to be clearly defined and insisted that the goal was to avoid fifty individual state standards thus creating a “patchwork” of autonomous vehicle regulations. Instead, the guidance suggested that the states’ roles should focus more on traditional functions as they have in the past, specifically licensing and liability.

A number of states, however, have already begun taking steps to address the technology.

According to the *National Conference of State Legislators*, Nevada was the first state to authorize the operation of autonomous vehicles in 2011.

Since 2012, at least thirty-four states and the District of Columbia have considered legislation related to autonomous vehicles.

As more and more automakers announce intentions to also utilize the technology, the number of states pursuing legislation on the issue will likely grow.

Critics of the guidance say that the *Department of Transportation (DoT)* needs to establish formal and enforceable regulations governing self-driving vehicles. However, *DoT* countered saying that going through the traditional rule making process to establish federal regulations would not keep up with new technology and they needed to remain flexible to address new concerns as they emerge. Supporters of the guidance agreed, saying that the policy gives automakers the green light to be innovative, but still keeps safety at the forefront through its recommended safety assessment.

The *DoT* announced that it intends to update the policy each year in order for it to remain up-to-date and reflect the current technology and environment.

It appears through the issuance of guidance rather than regulations that the role of the federal government may lean heavily on oversight and enforcement. In fact, the guidance suggested that *DoT* may ask congress for more oversight powers to achieve this. Just how and to what extent the federal government will be involved with this technology still remains very much to be seen. The question will be more closely examined over the course of the next few months with congressional hearings already in the works likely taking place during the lame duck session of congress which kicks off after the general election in November.

Many people consider autonomous vehicles to be a significant part of the future of the automotive industry.

For motorcycle riders, they too understand that self-driving vehicles will be on the road in the future, but have started to voice concerns from the perspective of concern for their own safety.

While not opposed to autonomous vehicles, the *M.R.F.* maintains that federal authorities must require robust testing with regard to motorcycle recognition and responsiveness. Given their smaller profile on the road, it’s a valid concern for many bikers.

The *M.R.F.* also insists that the *DoT* must ensure that electronic security systems have strong standards to ensure safety and that security precautions eliminate risks to motorcyclists.

Clear liability of fault must be established when it comes to crashes, and in doing so, motorcyclists should not face unfair advantages.

The *M.R.F.* plans to file comments on the *DoT* guidance echoing their concerns voiced above.

To see the *DoT* announcement and review the federal guidance and fact sheets, click on the following link:

<https://www.transportation.gov/AV>

State Legislator in Fatal Motorcycle Crash

This week, Pete Pettalia, a legislator who served in the Michigan state legislature was fatally injured when a pickup truck turned directly into his lane.

State representative Pettalia was an avid motorcyclist rights defender and advocate playing a key role in what would eventually become the repeal of the helmet requirement in Michigan state in 2012.

News sources like *C.N.N.* quickly tried to appeal to the irony that a critic of a universal helmet requirements was killed in a motorcycle crash. *C.N.N.’s* headline read, *Lawmaker Who Opposed Universal Helmet Law Dies in Motorcycle Crash.*

You would expect *C.N.N.* to be more professional. The headline infers that the lack of a helmet was the reason for the fatality. This biased headline and notion is completely false, as reports confirmed that the legislator was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash.

Though it’s not clear what caused the pickup truck driver to drive into Mr. Pettalia’s lane, a safe assumption is that it could have been prevented and that, in this instance, a helmet did not make any difference in keeping the legislator safe.

Yet, there are many, many groups across the nation who point to helmet use as the cure all for crash problems.

However, the tragedy that occurred on 16 September speaks to what many bikers have been saying for years: Let’s work together on a meaningful campaign to enhance motorcycle safety to adopt a strategy that focuses on avoiding motorcycle crashes and not merely surviving them.



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Oregon Biker Wins Discrimination Case

After fourteen years of spotless service, Ron Godwin was fired from his job as an Oregon youth corrections officer because of his club patch. A Grants Pass, Oregon police officer saw Godwin on his bike, wearing his club patch, called his boss and said Godwin was a member of a “criminal gang.” After a brief, so-called investigation, Godwin’s boss fired him.

Oregon’s *A.I.M.* (*Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*) and *C.o.C.* (*Confederation of Clubs*) attorney Sam Hochberg took up the case and filed suit in federal court in Medford, with assistance from lawyer Chris Bottoms. Depositions were taken, and with the help of *A.C.L.U.* volunteer lawyer Sara K. Staggs, the case was thoroughly briefed. The trial court ruled that, based on statements in depositions, Godwin had no case under the justice system. The case never got to a jury, but the ruling was appealed to the ninth circuit court of appeals, and argued by *A.C.L.U.* volunteer lawyer Cody Hoesly.

On 10 August 2016, a three-judge panel from the ninth circuit issued a seventeen-page memorandum opinion, including one dissent, and reversed that trial court decision, sending it back to district court for trial.

The panel analyzed cases about government employees’ rights of free speech and association, and found the state showed no legitimate interest that outweighed Ron Godwin’s first amendment rights.

As a memorandum decision, the “unpublished” ruling can be cited in any federal court, so it’s useful nationwide.

“*This is an important decision for the free speech and free association rights of all bikers, and club members in particular,*” says Hochberg, now “of counsel” to Christopher Slater, the new Oregon and Washington *A.I.M.* and Oregon *C.o.C.* attorney.

The case of *Ronald Godwin v. Rogue*

Valley Youth Correctional Facility, et al, now goes back to the trial court, absent further appeal or settlement.

Prosecutor Drops Devil’s Disciples Colors Seizure

As motorcycle clubs continue to fight to save their patches, federal prosecutors have dropped a controversial bid to seize the trademark owned by the *Devils Disciples Motorcycle Club*, though the move does not end trademark challenges involving club colors.

In filings made on August 29, 2016 in federal court in Detroit, the U.S. attorney for the eastern district of Michigan filed a notice dismissing the *D.D.M.C.* trademark forfeiture, which states; “*The government hereby provides notice that it is not seeking to forfeit the D.D.M.C. trademark in this criminal proceeding and hereby dismisses it from the first forfeiture bill of particulars.*”

Most enforcement asset-forfeiture efforts target conventional property, but prosecutors began trying to seize the *Devils Disciples’* trademark as a byproduct of a criminal case in which prosecutors in October 2014 itemized property they wanted to seize, from guns to slot machines, and at the end of the 32-page property listing prosecutors included the club’s trademark.

“*These trademark cases are important to the clubs, whose free association has been threatened by the attempts by [prosecutors] to enjoin use of their membership [marks] by non-indicted persons,*” *Devils Disciples* attorney Fritz Clapp told the *McClatchyDC* news site, adding that such cases have established important precedents regarding forfeiture of collective membership marks and the implications of free speech and association.

The prosecutor’s decision now to leave the *Devils Disciples’* trademark alone does not put the brakes on other attempts to seize clubs’ colors as, most notably, the

government is still taking aim at the *Mongol Nation*, whose intellectual property has been sought by federal prosecutors since 2008. A federal appellate court is now considering the *Mongol Nation* case.

Traffic Fatalities Statistics Show Rise

Feds issue call to action

Statistics compiled by the U. S. *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* show that 35,092 people died in traffic crashes in 2015, ending a five-decade trend of declining fatalities with a 7.2% increase in deaths, reflecting 2,348 more fatalities from motor vehicle crashes than in 2014.

Fatalities increased from 2014 to 2015 in almost all segments of the population

- Passenger vehicle occupants (+6.6%)
- Passenger cars (+5.7%)
- Large trucks (+11%)
- SUV occupants (+10.1%)
- Van occupants (+9.3%)
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- Bicyclists (+12.2%)
- Motorcyclists (+8.3%)
- Alcohol-impaired driving fatalities (+3.2%)
- Male (+7.0%)
- Female (+7.4%)
- Daytime (+7.2%)
- Nighttime (+7.1%)

The estimated number of police-reported crashes increased by 3.8%, from 6.0 to 6.3 million.

There were 105,000 more people injured in motor vehicle crashes.

According to *N.H.T.S.A.*, job growth and low fuel prices were two factors that led to increased driving, including increased leisure driving and driving by young people. More driving can contribute to higher fatality rates.

In 2015, vehicle miles traveled (VMT) increased 3.5 percent over 2014, the largest increase since 1992, nearly 25

years ago, though the fatality rate per 100 million VMT increased to 1.12 from 1.08 in 2014 which was the lowest since *N.H.T.S.A.* began collecting fatality data through the fatality analysis reporting system in 1975.

Upon releasing this new data, the U.S. *Department of Transportation (D.O.T.)* issued a call to action: “*We are calling on data scientists, public health experts, students, and researchers (even if you have never thought about road safety before) to dive in to these data and help answer these important questions, especially on tough issues like pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities.*”

Interested organizations, companies, and concerned citizens can download and analyze the data from:

<ftp://ftp.nhtsa.dot.gov/fars/2015/>
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California Motorcycle Traffic School

A bill to give motorcyclists the option of attending a California motorcyclist safety program (C.M.S.P.) course to satisfy the requirements of traffic school passed its final legislative hurdle on August 22, 2016 after passing unanimously through both houses of the state legislature with strong bipartisan support, and now awaits governor Jerry Brown’s signature.

Traffic schools are approved and licensed by the California department of motor vehicles (D.M.V.) and allow drivers who attend to avoid having points added to their record when they receive an eligible violation.

While traffic school can be educational for car operators, the information presented is not always applicable to those who received a violation on a motorcycle.

The C.M.S.P. offers safety courses for new and experienced riders that are more appropriate for motorcyclists, but

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until now, these courses have not been allowed to double as traffic schools.

Assembly bill 1932 by assemblyman Jay Obernolte's (R-Hesperia) fixes this by updating California regulations to allow C.M.S.P. providers to become licensed traffic violator schools pursuant to D.M.V. curriculum requirements.

These new courses would offer riding instruction in addition to education on the state's traffic regulations, which would better equip motorcyclists to ride safely on California roads.

"AB-1932 makes our roads safer and provides motorcycle owners with an educational option for removing a point from their driving record in the event that they receive an eligible moving violation," ASSEMBLYMAN Obernolte said. *"The more training opportunities that we can provide for motorcyclists, the safer both riders and drivers in California will be."*

Georgia Extends Handlebar Height

Affective 01 July 2016, legislation in Georgia has modified the state's handlebar height regulation to allow for taller bars. Signed into effect by governor Nathan Deal, house bill 166, the *Motorcycle Mobility Safety Act* increased the maximum measured height of a motorcycle's handlebars from fifteen inches above the seat to twenty-five inches.

Georgia is among thirty states that limit the height of handlebars. Without a federal standard, the regulation of handlebars on motorcycles rests with the states.

Currently, eleven states limit the height of handlebars to fifteen inches above the saddle.

Five others require the handlebars to be below the height of the shoulder.

Last summer, South Dakota, which hosts the annual *Sturgis Rally* became the most recent state to repeal its shoulder level statute, legalizing so-called "ape hangers" just in time for the 75th annual rally.

Discriminatory in nature, handlebar height regulations have no impact on rider safety, and most were adopted by states decades ago to provide police with an excuse to pull over bikers on choppers.

Vulnerable Road Users Added To Aussie Driver Tests

Young drivers in the Australian capital territory (ACT) around Canberra, Australia's capital city, will have to be able to prove they can share the road safely with bicyclists, motorcyclists, and pedestrians before they'll be granted a license, the government has announced.

People applying for learner permits or provisional licenses must demonstrate they can drive around vulnerable road users or risk failing their test, the A.C.T.'s road safety minister Shane Rattenbury told *The Sydney Morning Herald*.

"It's really exciting that more and more Canberrans are choosing to walk and cycle around Canberra," he said. *"However, it's important that we ensure that our road rules can accommodate all road users safely, and that all road users are aware of these rules."*

Twenty extra questions will be added to the road rules knowledge test. Applicants must score 100% on this section to gain their learner's license. During their practical driving test, learners going for their "P" (provisional P1 license) must demonstrate they can navigate roads with bicycle lanes and move through areas of slow traffic where motorcyclists may be lane-filtering. Applicants will be tested in areas frequented by cyclists and pedestrians, including shared zones, town centers, group centers, aged-care facilities, and school zones.

Hanoi Plans Motorcycle Ban

The city of Hanoi, Vietnam has announced a plan to completely ban motorcycles by 2025. The plan is based on an effort to reduce traffic congestion by promoting public transportation.

The proposal may have been prompted by a recent decision in Paris, France to ban motorcycles made before 1999.

Hanoi now has an estimated 4.9 million motorcycles and scooters on the roads, so a total ban seems extreme and may prove a difficult matter to successfully employ. Last year, the monthly motorcycle registration figures ranged from 8,000 to 20,000.

Officials estimated that within the next four years the city would have nearly seven million two wheelers on Hanoi streets.

Hanoi's air quality has been regularly listed as unhealthy by the *Real Time Air Quality Index*. Officials say the plan is to encourage bikers to use public transportation instead.

Currently Hanoi has a fleet of some 1,000 buses, accounting for 27 million passenger rides each month. The new plan would create six more metro lines, three bus rapid transit lines, and eighteen new bridges within the next fourteen years.

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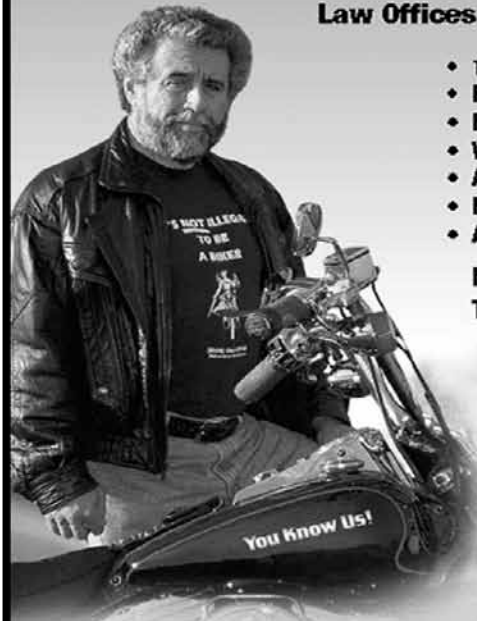
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Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X	X						
Terry Edwards	(503)-856-9281	Salem	X	X	X					
Michelle Fitzhenry	(503)-588-4149	Salem				X	X			
Tylor Johnson	(503)-856-9180	Salem	X	X	X					
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	Independence					X	X		
L.R. Schroeder	(503)-873-2492	Silverton						X		
Willamette Valley area										
Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City	X				X			X
Michael Boggs	(541)-367-0728	Sweet Home	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X		X	X	X	
Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X				X		X	X
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X			X				X
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X				X			X
Southern Oregon area										
Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Judi Berglin	(541)-272-7505	Medford			X		X		X	X
Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X			X	X	X	X	X
Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Central Oregon area										
John Baunmann	(541)-382-6146	Bend	X			X	X	X	X	X
Bird Dog	(541)-420-2062		X	X			X			
Steve Chakar	(541)-410-0389	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X			
Scott Greene	(541)-420-7526	Bend		X	X					
Greg Has-Ellison	(541)-280-9375	Tumalo		X	X		X	X	X	X
Dale Hix	(541)-548-1633	Redmond	X	X	X		X			
David Miller	(541)-420-6134	Redmond		X	X		X		X	
Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rob Mitchell	(541)-280-3228	Bend	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aaron, Bonnie Myhra	(503)-901-1816	Bend	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Larry Ramos	(541)-923-3809	Redmond	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Richard Shurley	(541)-549-8180	Bend	X	X	X	X				
Slim	(503)-349-9540(c)	Culver	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike Smith	(541)-588-0204	Bend	X	X			X		X	
Alan Wenzel	(541)-820-4694	Prairie City	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
other areas										
Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rod "Reckless" Runyon	(541)-993-6413	The Dalles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Barry Dadashiell	(503)-556-1133	Rainier	X	X	X					

Oregon Road Maintenance – Phone Numbers for State and Interstate Highways

Region 1	Portland and metro area	(503)-731-8200
Region 2	Salem and northwest Oregon	(503)-986-2600
Region 3	Roseburg and southwest Oregon	(541)-957-3500
Region 4	Bend and central Oregon	(541)-388-6180
Region 5	LaGrande and eastern Oregon	(541)-963-3177

For street maintenance and signal problems associated with safe motorcycle operation in your **local** community, check in your telephone directory for the city, county, or state maintenance section in charge of the street with a safety problem that you have identified. Ensure that you have the names of the streets or roads and give accurate information about the safety problem.

Road and weather information: 1-(800)-977-6368 (O.D.O.T.)

web site: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT>

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale

2005 *Soft Tail Deluxe Twin-Cam 88*. Just some of the extras included are: Cam updated with hydraulic adjusters, *Long Shot Vance & Hines* exhaust, windshield, p-pad, sissy bar, leather bags, full chrome upgrades including engine and tool box. Only 24k miles. Not able to ride anymore due to cancer. Bike is fully loaded and worth over 20k. Will take **\$10,000** firm or trade for equivalent tractor with extra attachments. Please contact Wade Ebert at **(541)–487–7374**.

Serious inquiries only. —————>
(Nov 2016)

For Sale

1983 *Langlitz Leathers*. (Best leathers in the world.) Columbia jacket (large) Marlon Brando-style with five pockets (3 outside zip, 1 inside zip, one plain). Western-style pants, lined, 4 zip pockets, 33 x 29 inseam. I have new road leathers, so I'm letting these go. **\$500** firm.

Steven Bishop **(541)–980–7017**

(Jan 2017)



For Sale

Gift memberships to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Only **\$30** for an entire year. What a great way to introduce folks to our fine organization while increasing membership. Use convenient form on inside of back page.

Lost

... the warm summer weather.

Found

... cozy times inside.

These advertisements are for personal items only and are free to *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* members. Business will need to place *paid* advertisements. Each ad will run for three months. (Date in parenthesis is the last issue in which the ad will appear.) Please limit ad length to 50 words so everyone can play.

news@abateoforegon.net

Note: *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.* is not responsible for any items appearing in these advertisements. (Deadline is the 10th of each month.)

Contact: **(503)-838-6893** (V) or
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
att. Member Ads
P.O. box 4504
Portland, Oregon 97208

Police Stop Form (Help us track why motorcyclists get pulled over - prevent profiling and harassment)

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or D.O.T. administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone **1-800-347-1106** or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for chief of staff. Thank you for your cooperation. Please send to: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 5603 SW Hood avenue; Portland, OR 97239 ATTN: chief of staff

The form can be filled out on-line at: <http://www.abateoforegon-se.org/stopreportforma.html>

NAME: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____
ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? **(YES) (NO)**

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: _____ TIME STOPPED: _____ a m / pm

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

CITATION? **(YES) (NO)** IF SO FOR: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

CITE # _____ 1st appearance date: _____ TIME: _____ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: _____

IF THERE WERE ANY CRIMINAL CHARGES (not infractions), SPECIFY: _____

You should IMMEDIATELY obtain LEGAL ADVICE if you were charged with a crime.

Did officer follow normal traffic laws in making the stop? **(YES) (NO)**

If no explain: _____

Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? **(YES) (NO)** If no explain: _____

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? **(YES) (NO)** If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN _____ VERBAL _____ BOTH _____

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

Have you gone to court? NO: When is court Date? YES: How did you plead? _____ If you pled guilty what was the fine? \$ _____

If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone to trial? **(YES) (NO)** If no when is your court date? _____

YES: What was the verdict? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

FINE: \$ _____ ASSESSMENT: STATE \$ _____ COUNTY \$ _____ CITY \$ _____

WORK TIME LOSS HRS: _____ LOST WAGES: \$ _____

Briefly describe the evidence you presented at your trial (or include a copy) _____

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES NO Label permanently fastened inside? **(YES) (NO)**

Was helmet modified? **(YES) (NO)** If modified describe: _____

You may request copies of all reports and materials, including video and audio tapes, within 72 hours of a traffic stop.

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. State Officers For Calendar Year 2016

[EB = executive board]

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

Position/Name:	Phone #:	E-mail:	Notes:
Coordinator [EB]			
Paul Hering	(503)–313–7129	coordinator@abateoforegon.net	
Secretary [EB]			
Teresa Hepker	(541)–965–2701	secretary@abateoforegon.net	
Vice-coordinator (north) [EB]			
Dave Witmer	(360)–560–6403	VCN@abateoforegon.net	
Vice-coordinator (south) [EB]			
Pat Allen	(541)–659–8715	VCS@abateoforegon.net	
Vice-coordinator (east) [EB]			
Rick Prentice	(541)–980–4230	VCE@abateoforegon.net	
Treasurer [EB]			
Karen Tolle	(541)–660–8730	Treasurer@abateoforegon.net	
Membership secretary [EB]			
Kathy Sahlberg	(541)–890–9042	kmsabate@gmail.com	"877" number discontinued (unused)
Run sanctioning [EB]			
Todd Sahlberg	(541)–821–2252	Sanctioning@abateoforegon.net	
State auditor			
Cindy Witmer	(360)–560–6403	auditor@abateoforegon.net	
Newspaper editor			
Rot Path	(503)–838–6893 (c)	news@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (north)			
Randy Phipps	(503)–347–0524	SergeantNorth@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (south)			
Lance Tolle	(541)–474–5599	SergeantSouth@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (east)			
Steve Bishop	(541)–980–7017	SergeantEast@abateoforegon.net	
Products director			
Ted Tracy	(503)–819–8113	products@abateoforegon.net	
Education director			
Geoff White	Education@abateoforegon.net		
Public relations			
< Position open and available for you >	(aaa)–ppp–nnnn	pr@abateoforegon.net	
Fossil coordinator			
Rick Prentice	(541)–980–4230	Fossil@abateoforegon.net	
Swap meet coordinator			
Todd Sahlberg	(541)–821–2252	SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net	
Historian			
Teresa Hepker	(541)–965–2701	Historian@abateoforegon.net	
Web page editor			
Carl Earl	(503)–325–6932	webmaster@abateoforegon.net	
Quartermaster			
Paul Hering, Gene Mortimore	(503)–313–7129	Quartermaster@abateoforegon.net	
Legislative director			
< Position open and available for you >	(aaa)–ppp–nnnn	legislative@abateoforegon.net	
BikePAC representative			
Brian Stovall	(541)–340–9442	BikePAC@abateoforegon.net	
M.R.F. representative			
Brian Stovall	(541)–340–9442		
Confederation of Clubs representative			
Pat Allen, Mike Friend	(541)–659–8715	CoCNorth@abateoforegon.net	

>>> NOTICE <<<

Newly elected chapter and state officers are invited to attend the January 2017 state board meeting at *Ciddici's Pizza* in downtown Albany, Oregon. (133 SE 5th avenue) The meeting begins at noon.

This will be an excellent time and place to ask questions about your job and receive answers from experienced people who know how *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* works.

Come early and enjoy great pizza with wonderful people. (Like your own fine self.)

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
att. MEMBERSHIP
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon
97208

(Return address)

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NAME: _____
NEW ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____
STATE: _____
ZIP CODE: _____
MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____
SIGNATURE: _____

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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Membership Application

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: (____) - _____ - _____ E-mail: _____

Additional Members in Same Household:
Name: _____
Name: _____
Name: _____

How would you like to receive your state newspaper?
 Print version mailed to your address.
 Download PDF version from state web site at:
<http://www.abateoforegon.net>

Membership Rates:

number of members	type	one year	two years	three years	five years
_____	Single*	\$ 30	\$ 55	\$ 80	\$125
_____	Couple* <small>(Includes couple. Additional family members \$5 each per year.)</small>	\$ 45	\$ 80	\$120	\$200
_____	Sustaining** \$100 <small>(Includes name printed in state newspaper.)</small>	\$100	\$190	\$280	\$450
_____	Life* <small>(Individuals only. Join second chapter for \$5 per year.)</small>		\$400		

(please circle desired duration of membership.)

Total members: _____
Date paid: _____



Chapter: _____

New member ?	Renewal ?
Yes _____	Yes _____
No _____	Membership # _____
Patch Received ?	
Yes _____	
No _____	

Please send completed application to:
Membership Secretary
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, OREGON
97208

Notes:

*** Single, family, sustaining and life member benefits:**

- Patch (first year), card
- Accidental death or dismemberment insurance for named members
- Discounted admission to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* events
- Qualify for *Team Oregon* tuition reimbursement offers as may be set by the board.

**** Associate member benefits:**

- Certificate of membership for group
- Associate cards for each listed member
- Accidental death or dismemberment insurance for named members
- Discounted admission to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* events.

How did you hear about *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*?

Comments: _____

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STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 12 Nov 2016

1200 (noon)

Ciddici's Pizza

133 SE Fifth avenue

Albany, Oregon

Have A Smart Phone?

(Or a reasonably intelligent communications device ?)

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



2016 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

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

PR = Poker Run

BN = Biker Night

Date(s):	Event / sponsor:	Location:	Contact phone:
05 Nov 2016	Fall State Swap Meet	Hillsboro	
19 Nov 2016	Toy Run / Washington County	Hillsboro	
19 Nov 2016	Spaghetti Feed / North Coast	Astoria	
25 Nov-23 Dec	See's Candy Sale / River City	The Dalles / Dec state board	
05 Dec 2016	Holiday Run / North Coast	Astoria	
Dec 2016	Shriner Toy Run	Portland	
21 Aug 2017-1015	Total solar eclipse	Oregon	
19 Sept 2169	Non-Planet Pirate Run / Solar ABATE	Pluto	(XL5)-843-6666

On the eleventh month, day, and hour,
Warring nations set aside power,
But for returning guys,
The U.S. became dry,
Making victory's sweet taste go sour.

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CHAPTER MEETINGS — A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

>> Location <<

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Kelly D's; 1012 SE Cleveland; Bend	(541)-ppp-nnnn
Douglas County (DC)	4th Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Abby's Pizza; 1661 NE Stephens street; Roseburg	(541)-ppp-nnnn
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SE Fifth avenue; Albany	(541)-928-2536
Indian Creek (IC) [members-at-large]	(individual members agree on where and when they meet)			
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Thursday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant; Medford	(541)-
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-659-8715 Spanky
Lincoln County (LinCo)	3rd Tuesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	American Legion hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)-265-9017
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	2nd Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)-728-4122
North Coast (NC)	3rd Tuesday	1730 (5:30 p.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)-298-5502
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sunday	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-723-6013 chapter
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3684