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Let those who ride decide

FEBRUARY 2010

No S.T.E.A.M. This Year

Sometimes Ya Just Gotta Clean Yer Flue Tubes

Ted Tracy (state coordinator) announced at the January state board meeting that there would be no S.T.E.A.M. event (Seminars To Educate And Motivate) held this year in February.

The main reason given was last year's cost to bring in a main speaker from out of state coupled with low attendance. The latter reason was less to do with apathy and more to do with circumstances: the state had experienced storms and snow the week before, a nasty two-week flu was making the rounds, and there was a change of venue. All of these elements contributed to high cost coupled with low turnout.

Perhaps it is good for us to take a year off while regrouping. But we must be wary about letting an event like this go away completely.

S.T.E.A.M. have been a feature of *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* for a number of years.

It's strength is that brings together *A.B.A.T.E.* members of all involvement levels from throughout the state to one location for one day. We get a chance to meet people face-to-face, talk and resolve misunderstandings or problems.

The seminars help members understand what they can do, how they can do it, and how important their personal involvement is to motorcyclists rights and safety.

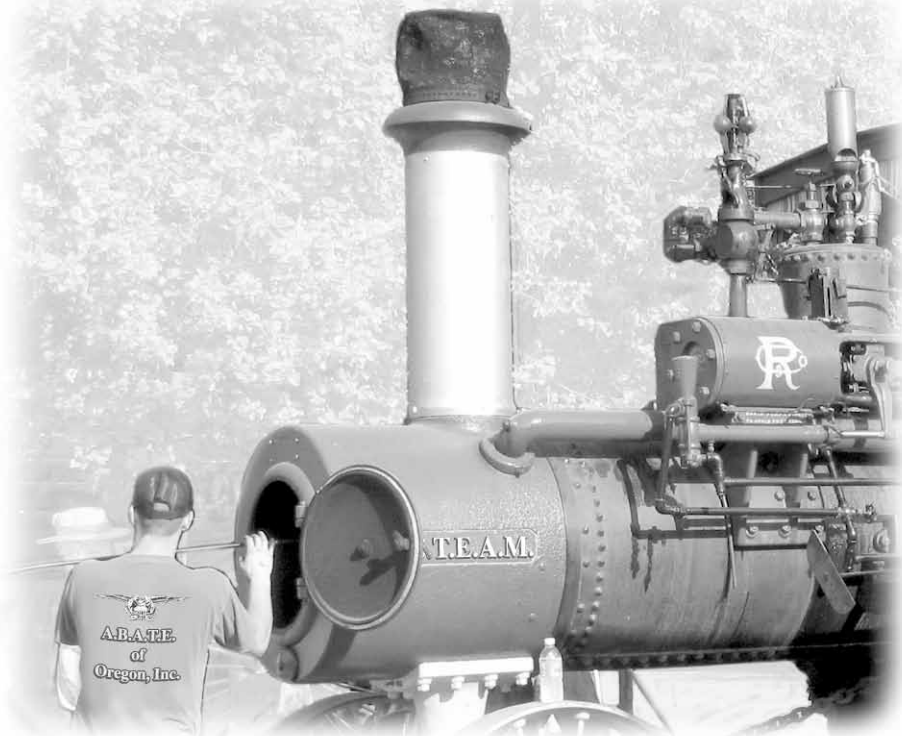
Participation heightens members' awareness of their part in the organization and increases their sense of belonging beyond their individual chapters.

S.T.E.A.M. is one of the best things we do for ourselves and our morale.

Let's begin working now to have an outstanding S.T.E.A.M. next year to kick off the 2011 legislative session.

Fire up the boilers!

-- Rot Path, c.o.e.



COOLING THE BOILER, RODDING THE TUBES

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**Simon Milward
2002**



**Karen Bolin
2004**



**Sputnik
2006**



**Moonrider
2008**

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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 newsmagazine. 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 H.R.3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet laws.

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 of *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 law 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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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.

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.

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 regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

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

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.

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B	BROTHERHOOD	The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association
A	AGAINST	In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.
T	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.
E	ENACTMENTS	To make into law; the passing of a bill into law; a decree; a law.
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officers at work

State Coordinator

Hello all!

I have a really good feeling that this is going to be a great year for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

Our first state board meeting went well, and I sensed a lot of enthusiasm in the room. First off, all 14 chapters had a board representative in attendance. That was a great way to start the year, a trend I hope continues throughout the year.

We also have a great group of new officers for this New Year.

Glenyce Jackson volunteered to be our new recording secretary. I have known Glenyce for a few years and I know she will do a great job.

Washington County's state representative, Alan Nichols, is the new vice coordinator—north. Alan has done a great job as board representative and I look forward to working with him this coming year.

Pat “Spanky” Allen is the new vice coordinator—south. Spanky has the energy of five people and has been

working hard in the southern part of the state to organize new chapters.

Connie Kintz is the new state auditor. She is a very talented person and will be a huge help to our treasurer, Kay Sipple, in managing the state and chapter accounts.

Dwayne Sterba from *Lower Columbia Chapter* has agreed to be our new state quartermaster. I know he will do a great job.

Jay Jackson is the new *M.R.F.* representative for Oregon. Jay has a lot of good ideas and enthusiasm.

Patricia Carner has agreed to continue as swap meet coordinator for the spring swap meet, but would really like to mentor a new person in this position. Please think about stepping up for this important position, as it is one of our major fundraisers.

These new officers join a fantastic group from last year and I am truly looking forward to working with



Ted Tracy
state coordinator
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

each and every one of them. Please give them all the support you can.

Together, we can accomplish great things this year.

Take care,

Ted



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



Hello *Central Oregon*,

It has been a cold winter so far here in central Oregon as we all know.

We have a lot of good ideas for *A.B.A.T.E.* this year here in *Central Oregon*, but we need everyone’s help to make this happen and everyone’s input to make it a good year.

We are working to hold a raffle for a *B.M.C. Chopper* to help with fund raising so we can make the community more aware of the motorcycle riders in central Oregon as well as all over the state.

I would like to give P.K. and Rhonda a big thank you for hosting the *2009 Central Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Christmas Party*. All who attended had a great time. We’re already looking forward to next year’s party.

Okay, out with the old and in with the new.

I’m talking about old parts.

Now’s the time for new parts on the scoot.

Time to think of all the things you wanted to do to your bike this year.

Remember, our meetings are on the second Sunday of each month at the *North Side Bar and Grill*, so come on down and help make 2010 a great year.

In closing, don’t forget to start working on that bike this winter, summer is just around the corner.

Animal
coordinator
Central Oregon A.B.A.T.E.

CENTRAL OREGON MEETING

TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)
Northside Bar & Grill
62860 Boyd Acres road
Bend, Oregon

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

Greetings from *Douglas County*,

By now we are getting on with writing 2010, which for me is still a little strange!

We have our chapter up and running with a full compliment of officers.

We hope everyone is looking forward to a great ride season. It's time to begin looking ahead to better weather — YES!

Which means getting the bikes tuned, cleaned, charged, and ready for the spring.

As we look forward to the planning of events for this year, let's all focus on how many people it takes to keep this organization running.

Thanks to all those who serve on the local and state level. We are an all volunteer, grass roots movement (in the truest sense, if you read our

history) that is entirely dependent on the dedication and commitment of the individual members.

That means we need you.

If you have been laying out of your chapter meetings, it's time to make a showing and jump into the planning and working for the coming year.

Looking forward to better weather and good times.

Sincerely,

Becky Garino
chapter secretary

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

Hello to all from *Jackson County*,

We are the new kidz on da block, but many of us belonged to other chapters before. So it's great to be back with an active group of members.

A large tip-o-the-hat goes out to Spanky from *JoCo* (and everywhere else, it seems), for getting us all together and up and running. Thank you Spanky. We've put you in for the *Peoples Choice Award*.

We have about 25 members so far.

We meet at our fearless coordinator's (and wife's) home. Kevin "Old School" Saxton is our leader. His bride, Cherie, is a great help to all of us.

Vice-coordinator – Larry Suther
State representative – Rick Colclasure

Treasurer – Sherry Horn
Secretary – Mike "Minuteman Mikey" Horn

Membership secretaries – Barbara Vincent, Sherry Bilodeau

Road captain is Bill Henry
Ways and Means – Terry and Rocky Spiger

Sgt. at arms – Terry and Rocky Spiger

Historians – Kathleen Suther, Marie Hoover

Chaplain – Mike Vincent

In December the Saxtons had their third annual christmas party and everyone and all was invited. It was really fun with lots of goodies and gifts goin' round. Found some potential newbies The party was awesome. Thank you, Kevin "Santa" and Cherie!

The next meeting is on Thursday, the 21st of January at 6:30 p.m. We will be voting on a new day for our meetings, so if you're local and thinking of dropping by to check us out, please call ahead to find out if we got a new day going on or not. We will put any changes in the next A.B.A.T.E. State newspaper.

No photo yet...soon.

Until next time, pray for your country and her troops. Chrome up, rubber down, and beware the terminally unaware.

-- Mikey

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING
TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)
Willie D's
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JACKSON COUNTY MEETING
TIMES and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1830 (6:30 pm)
Saxton's
4618 N. Pacific highway
Central Point

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *Hub City*

Hub City is alive and well in 2010!

By the time you read this we'll have had our first event of the decade, *Biker Night* at *Front Street Bar & Grill* in Albany. I know it was a great success and we thank all our volunteers and especially our hosts, Tammy and Rex, owners of the *Front Street Bar & Grill*.

Stop by and see them when you're in town. They're at 2300 Front Street, Albany, Oregon. The bar is just off the beaten path and worth all the effort to find it. Once you've been there, you never forget the way back.

Okay, on to new year-type stuff. (Hell, new decade.) Get involved now. Not later, not next week, not next month. The time is now. Start by finding out who your local representatives are, and contacting them. Yes, actually talk to them. Tell them you want them to speak at a meeting of voters and see what they do. If they waffle, then check out the opposing candidate and

invite them to your meeting. If you like their position, offer to put out signs for them, and then show up as promised. They'll remember that. Guaranteed. Lots of people promise. Bikers deliver.

It's better to know the candidate's position before voting them in, than to try to change their mind after they're elected. I'm tired of begging.

We tried calling one of our local representatives here in the mid-valley, and it worked wonders. We aren't claiming any huge victories under the big dome in Salem, but we are so much better connected to what our fight is and how it is waged. That alone helps the motivation stay strong.

Listen for the name "Andy Olson" in relation to biker issues and remember that he's from the *Hub City* district. If you're familiar with biker politics in Oregon, you'll know that Andy is the one spearheading our issues to the forefront in Salem.

We called him, he came to a meeting, and then he took our



issues to the legislature. Andy had *Vulnerable User Bill* amendments drafted before the session even opened.

Our bills were defeated basically by legislative maneuvering rather than being debated on merit, but that's one of the tactics Andy Olson is educating us about.

Just hearing directly from your representative really puts things in a clearer perspective, as these are the people who actually cast the votes

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HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 Fifth Street
Albany

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

Just a quick short report this month.

We had a good active meeting in January. A few new people have stepped up and accepted office. We are still looking for chapter secretary, state representative, and quartermaster.

The calendar is starting to come together:

- Swap meet in May or June.
 - A Friday night poker run that will end with dinner.
 - *Run to the Coast* in August.
 - Co-host *Wolf Creek Campout* with *Douglas County*.
 - *Last Chance Potluck* social in September.
 - Toy Run in October.
- Be safe.

See you at the next meeting in February. Third Wednesday of the month. 6:30 p.m. at the Fruitdale Grange in Grants Pass.

Call Spanky if you have any questions: (541)-659-8715.

Karen
chapter treasurer/secretary



JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1830
(6:30 pm)

Fruitdale Grange
1440 Parkdale Drive
Grants Pass

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

Happy Valentines Day everybody!

Congratulations to 2010 officers.
Sorry, not much to report on.

Our anniversary party still in the works. Haven't heard about my part yet. Hopefully hear something soon.

Fossil is coming up fast. You *are* going to *Fossil*, aren't you?

Well, hope the old groundhog has some good news for us.

Talk to you next month.

Ride safe,

Shirley



LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-->ING ***TIMES and PLACE***

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900
(7 pm)
American Legion Hall Post 116
424 W. Olive Street

Newport

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

Hello from the *North Coast*,

The *North Coast* made it through the new year without incident.

We are still enjoying the afterglow of our very successful toy run and, in addition, the filling of all our officer positions in last months election. I want to thank all the people who stood up and accepted these officer jobs and kept our chapter viable for another year.

We had our first run committee meeting and set the dates for our annual activities.

Even though we do not have a run coordinator, we got a lot of the initial planning started.

We also discussed having rides after our chapter meetings, weather permitting.

Don't forget Valentine's Day and your sweetheart this month.

Ride safe,

Rick



NORTH COAST MEETING TIME ***and PLACE***

3rd Sunday at 1000 (10 am)
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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

Hey everyone,

Well, we're doing okay down here on the lower end of the creek.

We've just wound up our second annual food and toy drive. We realize that this year we could have done better if we had gotten it together just a little sooner. But it was still a success. At the same time we were getting it together to sponsor ten families with a Christmas dinner and gifts (with the boost from *Local 1097* of the *U.S.W.* union from the Grants Pass paper mill at Wauna.)

Sometimes we wonder about the ratio of people who actually step up and help out during these functions. I'm happy to say that we have quite a few. Some of us from our chapter were called away to Jamaica in December to sample the sun for eight dreary days and you know what? All this stuff got done anyway. I feel real fortunate that we have the people that we do.

We're just now putting the final touches on our *Second Annual Crab Dinner*. Flyers are out, tickets are out. Now all we have to do is sell the tickets and clean the crab.

Seems like the state board of directors meeting will be here in Clatskanie on the 13th of February so that our state representatives can come to the dinner as well. Look around in this newspaper and you will see our flyer. If you can't reach the contact person on the flyer, it's my fault. Same person, different number. Call Lori at (360)-430-2508, or you can call me, Dave at (503)-308-2059.

Oh almost forgot, you'll be seeing a new *LoCo* patch out there too, designed as our chapter flag by our in-house artist, Rick Indergard.



You might want to set aside Mother's Day weekend and come along with us on a trip to the beach. It will be as big a gas as last year, but we will cover quite a few more miles and have shorter stops

That's it for now,

Dave Bridges
coordinator
Lower Columbia Chapter

LOWER COLUMBIA MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st Sundays at 1900 (7 pm)
Colvin's Pub & Grill
123 N. Nehalem
Clatskanie, Oregon

(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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

January 5, 2010

Comments

Tonight's meeting was lively and well attended, with thirteen people at the start and four more by the end.

We talked about our fund raising chocolate sale and approved a check to the state treasury. We are planning on a sale for Valentine day.

The 50/50 was won by Brian at \$12/\$11. He donated his share back. Thanks, Brian.

The membership drawing for \$45 would have been won by Mariah Gove, if she had been present.

-- Brian

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Rick at 7:04 p.m. Twelve members present.

Minutes waived by Bob because they were present in written form.

Correspondence: Chamber, Christmas cards, optimist bill for Debra, candy money.

Treasury report: \$91.57 in savings and \$2314.80 checking.

Membership report: 62
State board of directors report:

None.

Legislative report: None.

Ways and means report: None.

Public relations: None.

Historian report: Holiday and other pictures.

Old Business

Group riding protocols: Not much.

Planned rides:



- New Year's Day, 11 a.m., across from the *Roadstop*.
- Road cleanup on January 10, weather permitting.

New Business

• Bob proposed he be the chapter sgt at arms. Motion by Brian. Passed.

• The trailer needs work
50/50 was won by Brian at \$12/\$11 and donated his share back. Thanks, Brian.

The membership drawing for \$45 would have been won by Mariah Gove, if she had been present.

Adjourn 8:03 p.m.

Upcoming meetings

February 02, 2010

February 16, 2010

RIVER CITY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7pm)
(to be announced)
-- The Dalles

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

Salem A.B.A.T.E. has a new chapter coordinator, Rick Hoffman, and state board representative, Matt Price. Thank you for accepting these positions.

On a cold Sunday, we had 36 motorbikes and some support rigs go to Aumsville and Jefferson fire stations for our annual toy run. Thank you all for your continued support.

The unfunded special legislative session in Oregon begins in February.

Oregon may see a ballot measure changing the constitution so the legislature will meet annually.

Enough infringement on your liberty is done every two years, let alone every single year.

The *Oregonian* reported that hundreds of new regulations will go into effect in 2010. How many are you aware of?

ORS 814.325 Carrying passenger on motorcycle penalty.

[1] A person commits the offense



of unlawfully carrying a passenger on a motorcycle if the person does any of the following:

- [a] Carries on a motorcycle a person who is not seated on a permanent and regular seat, if the motorcycle is designed to carry more than one person, or upon another seat attached to the motorcycle at the rear or side of the operator's seat.
- [b] Carries a person in a position that interferes with the operation or control of the motorcycle or the operator's view.

[c] Carries a person, other than in a sidecar or enclosed cab, on a motorcycle with no footrests for that person.

- [2] The offense described in this section, unlawfully carrying a passenger on a motorcycle, is a class B traffic violation. [1987 c.138 8]

This and two other issues came up at the *Governors Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety* on 23 December 2009.

We contacted *A.I.M.* attorney Sam Hochberg about ORS 814.325 and he responded that the regulation is pretty clear.

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SALEM MEETING TIME and PLACE

4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm)
Almost Home Restaurant
3310 Market Street, Salem

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

Well here we are in a new year. Lets hope we can make this year just as good if not better than last year.

At our December 27th meeting, we had 14 members present which was a surprise considering it was a holiday weekend.

The down side is that our over all membership has dropped to 111 members from 132.

We're going to have to try harder than ever to try and build our membership back up.

Those of you who have let your membership lapse, renew and come to a meeting.

Our new officers for the year are Brad Smith (road captain) and Sue Orling (membership secretary).

During the course of our meeting we created a new position, *Confederation Of Clubs* representative. Lee Austin volunteered to take this position.

A new regulation that went into effect this year that will hopefully make the roads safer for us is the cell



phone law. Oregon has made the use of hand held cell phones a primary offense. So let's hope drivers abide by this regulation.

That's all for this month,

Tom Brewer
Twin Rivers Chapter

TWIN RIVERS MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd and 4th Sunday at 1200
(noon)

Spare Room
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Southeast Portland**

Hello to all you good people,

Here it is February and our chapter is making plans for our anniversary party. We hope to see you all there on March 13th at the *M&M* in Gresham. It will be a great time. We will be having drawings, a 50/50, and a broomstick pool tournament, which we were missing last year.

Our plans for *Run 21* 2010 have begun! Look for a flyer soon and visit the *Run 21* web site at:

<http://www.run21.biz/>

Not much else to say this time.

Stay safe.

Love and respect,

Mammy Tami



S.E. Portland MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)
M&M Restaurant & Lounge
137 N. Main -- Gresham

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

[Which would explain all the November birthdays. – c.o.e.]

Ah, February, the month of romance.

What's on your shopping list this Valentine's Day? Flowers, candy, a nice dinner out? If your sweetheart rides, consider giving a gift that will last much longer (and not go to his/her hips).

Team Oregon offers courses for riders of every level. No matter how many years a person has been riding, refresher courses are essential to keeping skills sharp. If it's been longer than two years since you or your loved one has taken a course, it's been too long. Both *Washington County* and the state offer partial reimbursement for *Team Oregon* courses to current members in good standing. It's easy on the budget, and could save the life of the person you love.

We'd like to congratulate *WaCo* member Shaun Darneille,

who just completed Navy boot camp in Illinois. Shaun has been accepted into the honor guard at Arlington National Cemetery and will serve the next two years there. Congratulations, Shaun, and thank you for your service!

After a year-long vacancy, I'm happy to report that we have a chapter newsletter editor once again. Greg "Goatboy" Vaughn has stepped up to fill this position, which is particularly important to those members who can't make it to our meetings regularly. Greg's goal is to get our news out to as many chapter members as possible and promote participation at our events. The newsletter will be available electronically or by mail, so stay tuned.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our *Sixth Annual Birthday Party* coming up on March 6. See the flyer in this issue for details and plan to join us for a great night of



dinner, dancing, and fund-raising for the chapter. Prize donations are being gratefully accepted at chapter meetings leading up to the event.

As always, get the latest happenings on our web site at:

<http://www.wacoabate.info>

See you on the road,

Margo Virchow

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WASHINGTON COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

The christmas dinner chapter meeting went off without a hitch. Thanks to Jeff for negotiating a fantastic deal with a caterer and for getting the V.F.W. hall again. The food was great and the turnout was more than we've ever seen. Over 50 members showed up to share in what was expected to be the last gathering of old friends under the *Willamette Valley Chapter* banner.

The meeting was short but included two important things of note.

First was the final attempt to get nominations or volunteers for officer positions. The silence was deafening. As expected, there were no volunteers. Rod Hatter said he would take a position if the other officer positions were filled, but none were.

With that, we stopped for a while to share stories of old, (the second thing of note) and there were plenty. It was a good feeling to know that most of us there had been a memorable part of the chapter over

many years, and there were lots of good memories shared.

A moment of silence was offered in memory of lost members, specifically Joe Dershon and Allan Elizondo.

Those names brought up past runs, parties, events, and a general sense of nostalgia that everyone felt deep down.

A real surprise was the show of hands from all those in attendance who had at one time or another held an officer position in the chapter. I would say nearly three quarter of those present raised their hands. It was an awesome demonstration of just how close and committed this chapter has been over the years. A great bunch of folks sharing the road and good times for a lot of years.

So with the determined end of *Willamette Valley Chapter*, we planned to close it out at the officers meeting on January seventh with a final accounting and a few beers in celebration of all our efforts.

I even got a call from Spanky, our



new vice-coordinator south.

I gotta give it to him, he sure talks a good talk. With all the new and revived chapter energy he's been stirring up in the south, it wasn't a surprise to hear from him a couple of days before our meeting.

I want to acknowledge his motivation on behalf of A.B.A.T.E. and the great points and arguments for keeping us going.

But at that point it seemed like we were all beating a dead horse.

Then things took a big U-turn!

Frank Wilson called about the issue and immediately stepped up to the coordinator position. He attended our officer meeting, volunteered his wife Anne to be treasurer, and Rod stepped in again as state board representative.

The chapter started shakin' again! Frank has lots of plans ahead to

get the chapter back on track, such as shorter meetings, more rides and entertainment.

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WILAMETTE VALLEY
MEETING TIME and PLACE
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Our Officers at Work

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

09 January 2010 — Eagles Lodge; Albany, Oregon

Meeting was called to order by Ted Tracy, coordinator, at 12:05 p.m. with 14 of 14 chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Pledge of allegiance

Moment of silence for downed brothers/sisters and service men/women.

Mike Flaharty, 2010 state sgt-at-arms—south, passed on 06 November 2009.

Guests and first time attendees: Rick Coleclasure (*Jackson County*) and vice president *Old Guard Riders*; Bill Rozza (*North Coast*); Nancy Witham (Hub City) chapter representative training; Willy Shull

Motion made by Matt Price (*Salem Chapter*) to accept minutes from November 14th state board meeting as printed in the state newspaper. Spanky (*Josephine County*) seconded the motion. Motion passed

Coordinator comments: Ted Tracy asked that officers keep their reports short as we have a lot of motions to go through. Also stated that any chapter representative or officer not able to attend the board of directors meetings need to call him and let him know so that he can put “excused” next to their names. Even if someone comes up just before the meeting starts and tells him would be better than not knowing and marking them absent.

Secretary report and correspondence: Nic Oliver (temporary fill in) A lot of newspapers from other states are available. Stated that a secretary needed to be found as will be unable to fill the role for long. Asked that people speak clearly as he has one ear that is not working right.

Ted Tracy, our coordinator, wants all chapter rosters for 2010 to be turned in right now. He wants them before the next board of directors meeting in February. Some chapters have turned in their rosters and others haven't.

Vice coordinator—north: Alan Nichols — No report.

Vice coordinator—south: Pat “Spanky” Allen reported that *Jackson County Chapter* was started at the

last meeting and we should have a *Klamath Falls Chapter* in March. Also reported that he is planting seeds for more chapters and memberships.

Vice coordinator—east: Gene Mortimore reported that the *Round-Up* in Condon is now closed down. Also reported that the *Shamrock* in Fossil is now closed due to an *I.R.S.* liquidation sale. So, one of our favorite hangouts in Fossil is now gone. Gene made a special mention that Rotten Roger has gotten a lot of equipment, including one of those fancy treadmills, for the biggest loser group in Fossil and with Randy's help, is storing these items. They will be going to Fossil today. Thanks to everyone for this.

Treasurer: Kay Sipple reported that at the February meeting every chapter needs to have their 31 December 2009 bank statement, their conciliation report, and the thumb drive with their *Quicken* information for the year turned in to her. She will be taking this information to the C.P.A. right away. There will be no more excuses accepted. We cannot be late again as the *I.R.S.* is targeting groups to change their status and we are under the spotlight for being so late so many times. If chapters do not get their information in promptly, they will have to file their tax information on their own.

We currently have \$5,643.75 in checking, \$16,636.48 in savings. Insurance premium of \$3,600 has come due and was paid. Each chapter has to have their own federal identification number. (F.I.N.) Brian Stovall (*River City Chapter*) spoke on candy sales that his chapter has been participating in and presented Kay with a check for \$175. Debra Lutje mentioned that the chapter always rounds their 10% check up to the next \$25.

When chapters send in their checks for their 10% to the state, do not use personal checks. They have to be a chapter check. The state treasurer needs to be on every chapter's account as a signer.

Membership secretary: Linda Henderson reported that current



Nic Oliver
state recording
secretary

membership is 1,774 with 33 expired.

Sanctioning officer: Matt Price reported that we had fifty events last year with an attendance of just under 12,000. Our insurance is paid for another year, with an increase being added. (Which is normal.) All events submitted up to today have been sanctioned, with the exception of *Biker Night*.

State auditor: Connie Kintz Not much to report yet. Due to having to go through the thumb drives and all the information contained, monthly reports will always be one month behind.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path thanked everyone for attending the meeting today. Rot Path noted that tomorrow is the 10th of the month and chapter reports are due. He only has three so far.

Linda Henderson stated that chapter reports should include a summary of their events that were held that month. Members are interested to see how every chapter is doing.

Legislative director: Randy Phipps spoke about the federal HR-3590. Also the state of Oregon will be having elections in November for about half of its legislators. The state of Oregon's web site has changed to ORESTAR for getting this information.

Sergeant at arms—north: Randy Phipps stated happy new year.

Sergeant at arms—south: < Vacant >

Sergeant at arms—east: Jim Middleton (Excused)

Products director: Dave Meeker reported that he has the Pat Williams patches available at \$2 each. He asked if we wanted a 35th anniversary patch made. It was suggested that designs be turned in for that. Also, Dave said that April will be the latest that a design for the *33rd Annual Fossil Run* t-shirt designs can be submitted. So, get your designs in soon.

Education director: Geoff White (Absent)

Education director II: < Vacant >

Public relations director: Debra Lutje reported that she is working on the poster project. She said that she needs family friendly photographs with caption information included. (Names, ages, what the setting is, when the photo was taken, etc.) Debra reported on an article that she wrote in a local paper. She stressed the need to get to know your local papers. She also reported that *Mucinex* is up to their old tricks again with the anti-biker advertisements.

State run coordinator (Fossil): Howie Long reported that he has someone (Rick Prentiss) for the number two position and asked if we needed elections but was told that he could have anyone he wanted assist him. He reported that the tickets for *Fossil* this year will remain the same price as last year. There will be day passes available for \$15 member, \$20 non-member. *Stewart's Leathers* has donated a \$600 jacket and we need to really promote this. Using a raffle ticket and not just the two-part off the roll ticket was suggested. RVs will again be restricted from Bear Hollow as it is too small for RVs and bikes. Sheldon Wayside is only about three miles further down the road and has room for RVs. Each group of ten or more will be allowed one support vehicle of under 20 feet in length into the park.

Reported that public relations is on track and that door prizes are needed. Also stated that he needs help with vendors and the flyers. He asked the each and every chapter take as their responsibility one aspect of *Fossil* as their project this year. For more information each chapter should contact Howie.

State run coordinator II: < Vacant >

State swap meet coordinator: < Vacant > Patricia Carner reported that the *Fall Swap Meet* made about \$3,500 in 2009. The vendors were happy, except for one who was asked not to come back. There have been changes at the armory and there is now more space available for more vendors. The date for the spring swap meet is April 25th and this is confirmed and set. There needs to be a lot of chapter help to make this work. Each chapter needs to get involved.

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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes (continued) — 09 January 2010

Historian: Tonia Judd (Absent)

Web page editor: Trace Ceccacci stated that he has not updated the officer list on the web site yet. Nic was asked to get what he can to Trace as soon as he can. Every chapter needs to be sure that their contact information is correct. There have been a lot of reported problems.

Quartermaster: < Vacant >

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Randy Phipps. Nic Oliver, *BikePAC* executive director reported that there have been some issues with the upcoming awareness rally. An immigration rally tried to take the date but the secretary of state has reserved it for the rally. It is set for May 1st this year and there will be a live band again. Nic stated that we need at least 1,000 bikes in attendance this year to make a statement as this is an election year and that outgoing and potential incoming legislators will be watching. The street in front of the capital will be closed again and while the speakers are talking no bike will be allowed to be started or run in front of the capital. People will either have to push their bike down the street before starting it or wait for a break between speakers. It is very rude and disrespectful to rev up a bike when a speaker is talking. We need to impress these people and not show them that we are jerks.

Nic also asked that anyone who wants to, submit their ideas for flyers. These will be decided upon at the February 6th *BikePAC* meeting and ready for distribution by March 1, 2010. Nic asked that everyone who can, please put these out everywhere and anywhere there is a bulletin board, window, or wall that will allow them to. We need everyone, including sport bikers, scooter riders, and everyone else who rides a bike or trike. We work for everyone's welfare and rights.

Matt Price pointed out that there is a box on your Oregon tax returns that would have the government give \$50 to *BikePAC of Oregon*, if you choose to avail yourself of that option.

The next meeting on February 6, 2010 will be a full board meeting.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Pat "Spanky" Allen. Gunny reported that a lot of problems have shown up in southern Washington state involving discrimination issues on wearing colors into public establishments. Different scenarios were given and in every case the owners of the establishments opened their doors to the bikers without any problems and with open arms.

The next *Governor's Advisory*

Committee on Motorcycle Safety meeting is on January 15, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in Salem, on Union Street. The *U.S. Defenders* program is up and running and Mike Friend is the *A.B.A.T.E.* representative. Also spoke on the upcoming *N.C.O.M.* conference in Florida this year. Gunny suggested that every chapter send to representatives to this conference.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: Jay Jackson. No report.

Unfinished Business

• 2010 officers nominations

Sgt-at-arms south – Bill Foster nominated, accepted, voted, and was elected.

Recording secretary – Glenyce Jackson nominated, accepted, voted, and was elected.

Education director II < Open >

State swap meet coordinator <Open>

Quartermaster – Dwayne Sterba nominated, accepted, voted, and was elected.

Congratulations the new officers.

The 2010 officer data forms need to be filled out and turned in now to the secretary for compilation. Ted wants this information now.

- Ted Tracy stated that he has stepped down as the *M.R.F.* representative and Jay Jackson has volunteered for the job. Rick Disrud will be helping him.

- The chapter roster forms need turned in now before our coordinator has a coronary.

- Randy Phipps spoke on the annual officer reports that all officers were directed to write at the beginning of 2009. So far, he has only three and that leaves a lot undone. Get these in, people.

New Business

Motion 1: Made by Lee Austin (*Southeast Portland Chapter*), seconded by Rod Hatter (*Willamette Valley Chapter*):

"To extend the running of a quarter page ad in our newsmagazine for Francine West and the High Speed Wobblers for 2010."

Discussion regarding their work for the toy run and promoting the wheelchairs and toys for kids.

Voting results: Yea = 12, nay = 0, abstentions = 2.

Action: **Motion passed**

Motion 2: Made by Dwayne Sterba (*Lower Columbia Chapter*), seconded by Matt Price (*Salem Chapter*)

"Move February [state board] meeting to Clatskanie before crab feed."

Voting results: Yea = 9, nay = 0,

abstention = 5.

Action: **Motion passed.**

Directions will be put in the state newspaper.

Address is *Colvin's Pub and Grill*, 123 S. Nehalem St., Clatskanie, OR 97016.

Motion 3: (Originally written by Rot Path but needed a chapter representative.) Made by Nic Oliver (*Hub City Chapter*), seconded by Randy Phipps (*Twin Rivers Chapter*):

"That A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon purchase a five or six port ethernet router for installation in the Eagles secretary office in order to provide uninterrupted internet access for A.B.A.T.E. members during state board meeting. Estimated cost about \$50."

Trace said he had one of those and would let *A.B.A.T.E.* use it.

Action: **Motion withdrawn**, no action taken.

Motion 4: Made by Nic Oliver (*Hub City Chapter*), seconded by Bob Highfill (*Lincoln County Chapter*):

"That we accept and ratify the operations manual as the official and only set of guidelines and procedures for A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc., subject to future revisions as deemed needed by the board of directors."

Discussion included trying to get a set of guidelines and procedures needed that each chapter now has and this will get everyone on the same page and able to work the same way and make any additional revisions on it. This will take care of one chapter have one set of rules and another chapter having a different set of rules and getting everyone on the same page. This will make the work easier and faster.

Brian stated that the filing with the state of Oregon has to have the bylaws included and it was pointed out that this is not the case anymore. The articles of incorporation do not need nor want this information included anymore.

There seemed to be a lot of confusion as to what is going on and no one wanted to deal with this without a lot of bickering over what deals with what. There seemed to be a consensus but a small group who still wants changes that would remove our protection from federal and state rules by eliminating needed guidelines.

A motion to table and take back to committee was presented by Randy Phipps (*Twin Rivers Chapter*), seconded by Rod Hatter (*Willamette Valley Chapter*).

Action Taken: **Motion tabled** and sent back to committee.

Motion 5: Made by Lee Austin (*Southeast Portland Chapter*), no second

was received.

The reason being that the motion was to make the *M.R.F.* report a part under the legislative director report and it was decided that all that was needed was a consensus that everyone would like this and it can be done without a motion.

Action taken: **None needed.** *M.R.F.* report will be added as a subsection to the legislative officer's report.

Announcements

- Next state board of directors meeting: February 13th, 2010, *Colvin's Bar and Grill*, Clatskanie, Oregon, at noon, with computer training to start at 11 a.m.

- Mel Yeager has an extra copy of *Windows 7* for sale to the highest bidder. The proceeds will be going to *BikePAC of Oregon*. So make a bid. Who knows? You might just win. E-mail to mel_yeager@msn.com to place your bid. Hurry. This won't last long. It is a \$200 program and you might get it cheap with the proceeds going to fighting for motorcyclist's rights.

- 23 January 2010 – *Hub City* is having a biker night at the *Front Street Bar and Grill* at 2300 Front Street. (The corner of Front and Davidson.) Dinner available until about 8:30 p.m. Live band. Donations at the door. Great door prizes. For more information, go to: <http://www.hubcityabate.com>

- 30 January 2010 – *Twin Rivers Chapter* presents *Cabin Fever* at the *Spare Room*. For more information, contact *Twin Rivers Chapter*.

- 13 February 2010 – *Lower Columbia Chapter* is having a crab dinner. Everyone is welcome. Contact *Lower Columbia Chapter* for more information. Tickets \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door.

- 06 March 2010 – *Washington County Chapter* is having their anniversary dinner. For more information go to: <http://www.waco.com>

- 25 April 2010 – *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* spring swap meet.

- May or June will be the *Southern Oregon Swap Meet* by *JoCo*.

- August 2010 – *JoCo's Run to the Coast*

- August 2010 – *JoCol Douglas County's S.O.S. Campout*.

- September 2010 – *JoCo's Last Chance Social*.

- October 2010 – *JoCo's Grants Pass Toy Run*.

- The next *Confederation of Clubs* meeting will be at the *Round Table Pizza* at 4141 122nd Avenue/117th NE, Portland.

Meeting adjourned at 1430 hours

Our Officers at Work

Officer 2009 Reports (a.k.a. "Patty's 1/2 Page")

Education Director

We had a very good year with a lot of accomplishments.

Approximately 250 road signs were created and distributed to the chapters for posting along roadways. These signs are yellow or white and black lettering stating "Look Twice, Save A Life", "Motorcycles are Everywhere", and "Share the Road". I appreciate everyone's work on putting out the signs. If more are needed, we can continue this program in 2010.

S.T.E.A.M. 2009 was inspiring with Slider Gilmore presenting *Crash Scene Management*.

Geoff White continued promoting the motorcycle awareness classes to high school students. He trained and certified several new instructors this year. Thank you to all the members who presented these classes.

Another outreach program began aimed at experienced drivers: *Sharing the Road*. This power point presentation addresses multiple users who share the asphalt with motorcyclists, providing updates on regulations affecting road use, and raising awareness of specific risks. The program was presented to approximately 1,400 commercial drivers in 2009 and will continue in 2010 including the 2010 Oregon highway safety initiatives.

Another project that got a start in 2009 was the posters depicting our mission statement. This poster is being updated, printed, and will be distributed to chapter representatives at the February state board meeting.

A big thank you to everyone who worked toward raising awareness of motorcycling and providing

education to all motorists in Oregon during 2009. I have enjoyed supporting *A.B.A.T.E.* in this position and wish the next education director great success.

Patricia Carner
state education director
2005-2009

Swap Meet 2009

Overall, this was a very successful year for the *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* swap meets, in spite of what was happening in our economy.

The *Spring Swap Meet* netted about at \$9,500 profit while fall brought in about \$3,500 to the state *A.B.A.T.E.* coffers.

The spring dates had to be changed due to the troops being deployed



Patricia Carner

- state education director
- swap meet coordinator

and losing the armory until May, but everyone rallied and it was a success.

Many thanks to all of the chapters who sent members to assist with this fund raising effort. Also, thank you to all the vendors for attending and providing prizes for drawings.

Spring 2010 swap meet is set for April 25th at the Portland armory. Please come out shop, help, share. We need everyone pitching in to make this event a success.

Thank you,

Patricia Carner
swap meet coordinator

Treasurer Report 2009

I started my position as treasurer asking for reports from the chapter treasurers. By November I was still asking, so three of the chapters had to file their own tax reports.

I was unemployed from July 1 until December and had the time to visit some of the chapters.

I went down to Grants Pass and met Spanky and the gang (well, Spanky anyway) and Karen and the rest of the chapter. They were very hospitable and put me up for the night. I really enjoyed their meeting and had a great time.

Then I rode up to Roseburg and met with *Douglas County Chapter*. I got to spend time with Joe Laurance and met some more really cool people at the *Douglas County* meeting. Again had a great time.

I also got added to the two chapters checking accounts as a signer.

Jordan, Yvonne, and I took a day trip to Redmond to attend the *Central Oregon Chapter* meeting and again met a lot of cool people.

I have attended *Lower Columbia Chapter* meetings a couple of times and made, in my opinion, new



Kay Sipple
state treasurer

friends. I look forward to working with these friends in 2010.

I have learned this past year that I need to be firm in delivering the deadlines to the chapter treasurers, to preserve our tax exempt status. That being said, reports for 2009 are due at the February state board meeting and each are to include a *Quicken* file on a thumb drive and the December 2009 bank statement with the reconciliation report. I am going to the C.P.A. the following week after the state board meeting.

I am looking forward to working with the new auditor in 2010 and feel confident in our record keeping.

Thank you for allowing me to be the state treasurer and meeting new people and making new friends.

Ride safe and see ya sometime in 2010,

Kay

Fossil 2009 Report

The last two years of coordinating the *Fossil Campout* have been a challenge with all the hard work involved and time commitment. The rewards out weigh the hardships though.

The decision of moving to Bear Hollow was a big one, but had to be made.

Working with Gene Mortimere on upgrading the park has been very motivating and the positive feedback from the park officials and attending bikers has been uplifting.

The most rewarding is working with the great people of *A.B.A.T.E.* I've made great friendships and it's made my job much easier.

We've had some key people step down but new people are stepping up.

As the world turns, so does *Fossil*.

Every year the campout has been improving.

We try new changes. Some work, some don't.

We're always on the look out for new ideas.



Howie Long

Fossil coordinator

The two goals of the *Fossil Campout*, in my opinion, are:

1. Help *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* financially.
2. Have good old school biker fun.

We don't need to be commercial to be solvent. Just the best kept secret will do.

I believe we are headed in the right direction.

If things go as planned, 2010 *Fossil Campout* should be as good of time as ever.

Howie
Fossil coordinator

From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

This new year has started with a bang. First came early snows to western Oregon along with temperatures not seen here in years. I even lost water for a few days. Fortunately, no broken pipes. So many people without jobs and no real letup in the recession we're dealing with. Along with that, so many new regulations that, in my mind, do little to ease things. More about that a little later. At least now the temperatures here are moderating but the rest of the country is paying the fiddler for the dance. Cold temps way beyond the norm.

Let's get on with the *Sack* wisdom.

Newsbits—N—Pieces

Another Electric Bike Appears — *Roehr Motorcycles, LLC* is developing an electric bike that really gets down the road with 96 volt power packs and 48 hp and speeds in the 100 mph range. Called a superbike and there will be two models to choose from. This we will keep an eye on. Sounds like a real hotrod. Wonder what it sounds like?

Honda Coming With Four New Rides In 2010 — Three in the *VT1300* line and one 750. These might be worth taking a gander at. *Honda* has long been in the forefront of really good machines. Just ask Sputnik over in Texas.

The *Fury* is a new cruiser with a 33 degree rake and 1,312 cc V-twin engine. I've seen this one and it's a dandy. The modes include a new windshield and bags and new paint trim. Three different styles here.

The *Shadow 750 Phantom* will be a base model with several variations. I don't have pricing but check them out. You might be pleasantly surprised. Lots of new innovations including programmed fuel injection. I'm impressed.

B.M.W. Recall — Several models of the *B.M.W.* motorcycles have been recalled due to cold weather problems with water in the oil tank freezing during cold weather rides. This can block the bleed valve and cause the oil tank to rupture. Nasty problem. Call your *B.M.W.* dealer and determine if your scoot is one of the models involved.

A Helmet That Is Good . . .

Maybe — Engineers are designing yet another helmet that could protect the spine from serious injury. Helmets are built to protect the head from impact, but still do little to prevent the spinal injuries or paralysis. This new hat rotates the head from a straight on impact to a glancing blow, and is said to protect the neck from serious injury and thereby saving lives. Research is on-going and I'll keep ya posted

Australia — Still a big mess here over the blatant discrimination with the so-called "bikie gangs". Cops and officialdom here are going after motorcycle clubs with a vengeance.

If one person breaks the regulations, no matter who he is or his affiliation, prosecute that person but don't blame the folks he runs with. All are not criminals but that's what they are saying.

Keep a weather eye out folks, it will be on our shores before ya can say "scat." We do have a constitution that is supposed to protect us from this kind of thing, but don't hold your breath. There's gonna be a pissin' contest, believe me. We just have to get on it before it gets in our way.

India — *Harley-Davidson Motor Company* plans to introduce twelve models to the Indian market in 2010. Sporty's, Fatboys, and Nightsters will be available for order starting in April with delivery expected in June. They will be priced from 695,000 rupees (\$15,046) to 3,495,000 rupees. (\$75,666) I would imagine riding a motorcycle in India would be a real adventure if ya can afford it.

Australia — Every member of the *Finks Bikie Club* in South Australia has been served with an anti-consorting notice by police under the state's tough "anti-gang" regulations. Police went to the homes of every member to hand-deliver the notices. The club has been named a "declared organization" under the act, and members can be issued notices to warn them of the risks of associating with one another more than six times a year.

Yet, members or other motorcycle



Gunny
chief of staff
Oregon A.I.M.

clubs there cannot be issued with tougher control orders after the South Australian supreme court recently ruled that part of the anti-gang laws were invalid. The *United Motorcycle Council* of South Australia says this is an attempt to mitigate the power that uniting clubs brings to the picture. The *U.M.C.* in Australia is similar to the *Confederations of Clubs (C.o.C.s)* in this country. The *U.M.C.* is challenging the legality of these anti-gang regulations.

Meanwhile, St Vincent de Paul urged all motorcyclists to participate in its 15th annual *Australian Motorcycle Riders Association Toy Run*, where it expected up to 20,000 riders to donate Christmas toys for disadvantaged children.

Oregon — A new regulation here that says anyone 18 or younger cannot use a cell phone while driving and adults must use a hands-free device. No more texting in the car, ya'll. If ya don't pay attention to this one it will cost you big. The fine is nasty.

Indiana — An old "blue law" here says motorcycles cannot be sold on Sundays and dealers are trying to change it once again. With the bad economy, this just makes it worse. They say this law is costing the state thousands if not millions in lost tax revenues from new scooter sales. Changing it would mean more jobs in their motorcycle industry.

And some in our government brain trusts tell us there is relief in sight from the economic situation we're in. Anyone seen that relief yet? When are elected officials gonna understand we can't buy our way out of this with money we don't have? I'm starting to get too political so I'll shut my trap for now.

Michigan — Dozens of bikers and their attorneys were summoned to the federal courthouse for an unusual emergency conference in the federal racketeering case against

the *Highwaymen Motorcycle Club*.

This is just what I'm talking about.

The whole club is being called criminal and it just isn't so. There might be a few members who are, but go after them, not the club!

Defendants include former police officers and an attorney, as well as club members. There was standing-room-only at a recent motion hearing, where attendance by the defendants was not required. Strange when court doesn't require a defendant to at least appear on video, in my mind.

Gunny Again

We are coming up on spring shortly and crashes will occur.

If it happens to you, car or bike, call your nearest *A.I.M.* (*Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*) attorney and get some advice, even if ya don't hire one. At least get advice.

Don't go up against insurance companies alone. They will take care of themselves and leave you in the lurch. That's their job.

A.I.M. attorneys deal with these folks all the time and know the tricks of the trade. We don't.

Sam Hochberg here in Oregon is as near as your phone. Call him at **(503)-224-1106** in Portland, or get him on e-mail at: **SamBikeLaw@aol.com**

Gunny is always available on-line at **AIMGUNNY@aol.com**, or call me at **(503)-366-2636**.

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Exciting times in Oregon A.B.A.T.E.

Even though it's winter, things are heating up.

This month our newest chapter, Jackson County, comes on line. (Flip back a few pages to read their first chapter report.) In a couple of months we should have a Klamath Falls area chapter. Beyond that, mid and south coast chapters are in the process of forming or reforming, which will bring a welcome return of many fine folks whose former chapters ran out of steam.

Can one person make a difference? You betcha.

Those four new chapters are not just happening by chance. There is a highly motivated person scurrying around southern Oregon, drumming up support and enthusiasm for motorcycle rights, signing up new members, getting enough people together to form new chapters. (All this during a severe economic recession.)

That person would be Pat "Spanky" Allen, founder of Josephine County Chapter.

He is passionate about protecting motorcyclists rights no matter what or if people ride. He talks to

riders where ever he finds them, telling them about A.B.A.T.E. and BikePAC, how those two organizations are standing up for motorcyclists' rights by educating the driving public and legislators.

Spanky sets a sterling example of what each one of us need to do in order to make A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon a stronger organization that truly represents the interests of all Oregon riders. Whatever it is that he's got, we need to bottle it, then get it into all our members. Then legislators and other road users would really pay attention to us.

In case it escaped your notice, this month's state board minutes will be the last set processed by Nic Oliver, state recording secretary for ever-so-long. Nic has taken up the mantle of Oregon BikePAC executive director and wants to devote his full energies that organization's lobbying efforts on behalf of Oregon motorcyclists. Whenever you see Nic, be sure to thank him for his years of work taking meeting minutes and all the other behind-the-scenes activities that keep Oregon A.B.A.T.E. functioning. His has been one of those largely thankless jobs that

goes unnoticed by most members, but which is necessary legally and as an organization.

So at your next chapter meeting, raise a glass and thank him for his efforts on your behalf.

Cheers, Nic.

Has anyone noticed a marked decrease in drivers careening around the state's roads while trying to talk or text on cell phones? Thank you, Oregon legislature, for finally ruling that drivers' primary duty is to drive, not chat while microwaving brain cells. Finally the roads are slightly safer for motorcyclists.

Seems to yer crusty ol' editor that keeping a multi-ton metal monster centered in a traffic lane is all the multi-tasking any responsible adult needs when driving on our state's roadways. Especially in urban environments.

Say what you will about winter, it has its attractions.

With the leaves off the trees, we can see more of the world around us as we ride or drive. We can better see where things are and the relationship of one thing to another. We have a new perspective on our



Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

surroundings.

After being out and about in the bracing winter air, the warmth of inside is always welcomed. Yet often it seems too stifling, too confined. And our heightened sense of smell detects odors that often go unnoticed when we've dulled our senses by being indoors too long.

At least daylight is increasing.

Midway through this winter month we arrive at a day devoted to love. (And c.o.e. carves a sixtieth notch on his solar merry-go-round.)

Seems like there are a lot of folk born in November.

You do the math.

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FEBRUARY Cryptogram

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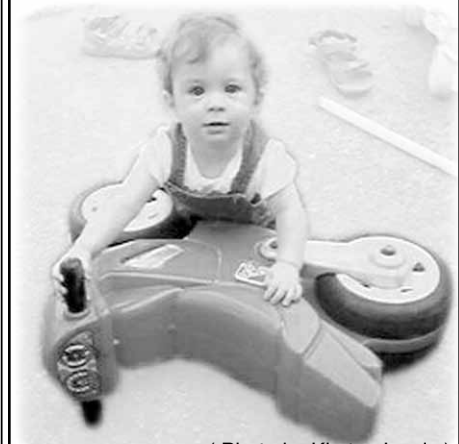
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(Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 17)


Be A Sweetheart



(Photo by Kirsten Lewis.)

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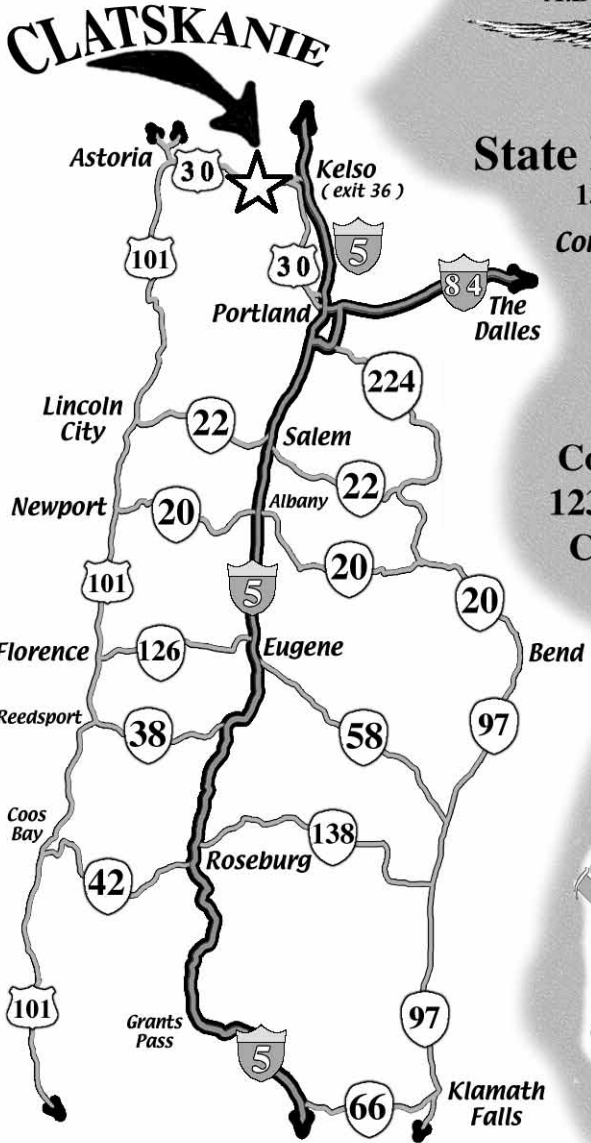

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Clatskanie American Legion Hall
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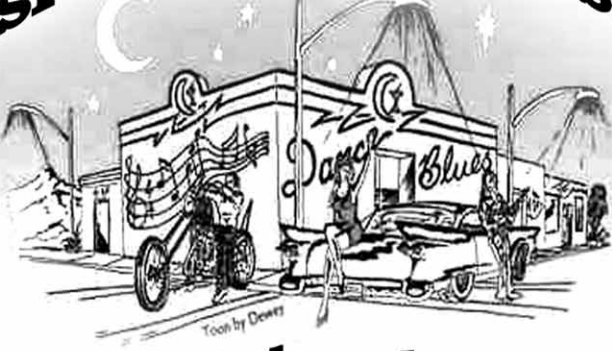
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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action. <http://www.abateoforegon.net/>

Central Oregon	2nd Sunday at 2 P.M. at the Black Horse Saloon, Bend
Douglas County	3rd Thursdays at 7:00 P.M. at "Willie D's" 443 SE Jackson St., Roseburg
Hub City	3rd Thursday at 7 P.M. at Ciddici's Pizza, 133 Fifth Street, Albany
Josephine County	3rd Wednesday at 7:00pm at Fruitdale Grange, 1440 Parkdale Dr, Grants Pass
Lincoln County	1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. at the American Legion Hall, 424 W. Olive St., Newport
Lower Columbia	3rd Saturday at 1:00 PM at Big Guy's Restaurant and Lounge, Clatskanie
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River City	1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7 P.M. at the (to be arranged) , The Dalles
Salem	4th Tuesday at 7 P.M. at Almost Home Restaurant, 3310 Market St NE, Salem
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Washington County	2nd & 4th Mondays at 7:30 P.M. at Prime Time Restaurant, 4202 Pacific Hwy, Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	3rd Thursday at 7 P.M. at the Roaring Rapids Pizza Company, 4006 Franklin Blvd, Eugene

Answer to February CRYPTOGRAM

Love alone is capable of uniting living beings in such a way as to complete and fulfill them, for it alone takes them and joins them by what is deepest in themselves.

— Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

Hub City

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on these matters. Another benefit is that face-to-face dialog with we bikers is always much easier for a representative to remember when it's his turn to vote in Salem than a reminder from an aide about a couple of e-mails from bikers and a phone call from one old guy. (Did I say that, Mel?)

We have to understand how they understand us if we hope to prevail in these matters.

Let's put our best foot forward in 2010.

May is *Motorcycle Awareness Month*, or will be by the time it gets here. Start planning something now to help A.B.A.T.E.'s message of awareness. Let's look ahead and try to start the decade with something people will remember. Save a life!

Thanks to the *Hub City A.B.A.T.E.* officers for 2010. I know they are a good bunch of folks who'll do the right thing. Thank 'em when you see 'em. Remember, they're volunteers, as are all A.B.A.T.E. officers and support staff.

Here they are:

- Coordinator – Al Sims
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- Legislative representative – Don Mason
- Membership – Monika Sims
- Web administrator – Don Mason
- Historian – Richard Androes
- Sergeant of arms – Carolyn Freeman, Randy Muller, Rich Metz, and Clay Roth

Come by a *Hub City* meeting. They're held on the third Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. Our personable host is Tim at *Ciddici's Pizza*, 133 5th street in Albany.

Check out our facebook group. Just search "Hub City ABATE" and you'll find us.

Love and best wishes to our former coordinator Don Mason and his beautiful bride Denelle, recently married in Hawaii. Time for a biker wedding reception!

Best to all in 2010.

Ride free!
Simba

Salem

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This started when a divorced couple had a problem when their child was taken for a motorcycle ride. We do not know the details, but one of them complained to their state representative. The representative then started banging the drum. Section C clearly states that the footrests should accommodate *that* person.

We see this leading to another intrusion to your adult decision making process. This certainly could lead to worst case scenario, no children on motorcycles. Now if the child did not have or was unable to reach or use the footrests, than that would be a violation.

The current regulation is quite clear and we believe it requires no modification.

However you should be concerned where this can go and how far it could reach.

You should certainly pay close attention to this intrusion into your personal life in the name of safety: "If it only saves one person's life, I am willing to give up my freedom and liberty."

I don't think so. Intelligence cannot be legislated.

The added cost of renewal of your registration will go towards motorcycle training, according to Michele O'Leary, head of motorcycle safety in Oregon.

By 2015 you will have to complete a motorcycle training course to get an endorsement. This leaves money on the table at the D.M.V. and hopefully we will see a reduction in fees or at least keep it in a motorcycle related area.

D.M.V. after 2015 will no longer have motorcycle testing. There is an assessment by them on part of your overall cost which will go away with the new mandatory training.

The different variations of three wheelers is a concern in the training area.

With respect,

Quiet
G.J.M.C.

Willamette Valley

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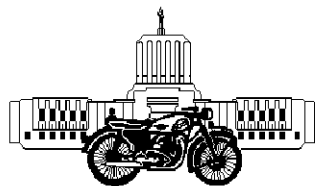
There are plenty of riders toward the coast who would be joining up and, combined with the old membership, *Willamette Valley* has the numbers and people to make a fresh start. All of us were excited about the way things unfolded and happy about the direction Frank wants to see us go.

The *Rhody Run* is still on the events list, and *Casino Nights*, our biggest money-maker, should be a go as well. And, of course, the *Cancer Warriors* will definitely be a go for next year too.

Anyway, things are looking a lot better for *Willamette Valley Chapter*, or whatever name we take on to reflect the new membership and turf. Thanks to everyone for all the years of good times and participation, and for your continued support of a worthy cause!

Michael

Learn how you can get credit for *BikePAC* contributions on your Oregon tax return See page 22



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BikePAC of Oregon – A Political Action Committee Of Motorcyclists For Motorcyclists

Political Action Committee (PAC) n. A committee formed by a special interest group to raise money and make contributions to the campaigns of political candidates whom they support and to create or directly influence legislation on behalf of that group.

BikePAC of Oregon promotes the interests of motorcyclists through education and legislative advocacy

History of A.B.A.T.E./Shriners Toy Run -- by Mike Friend

The A.B.A.T.E./Shriners toy run has been in existence since December 1980. There were five bikes and a pickup truck the very first year. At that time, the Shriners hospital was on SE 82nd and Sandy boulevard. The second year the toy run had a few more bikes and the riders were hassled for going down 82nd avenue. (We've come a long way since then!) In 1984 we started delivering toys to the new hospital on the hill.

Prior to 1980 there was a similar toy run that was hosted by other bike clubs in the Portland area. Their time phased out and then A.B.A.T.E. came on to the scene and started this toy run. All in all, it is likely that riders in the Portland area have been supporting the Shriners close to forty years. As more information becomes available regarding those early days, we'll update this part of the history.

Originally the ride was started to improve the biker image.

Since then, we have come to understand that this ride is about the kids. It is not about image.

This ride is about motorcyclists from all walks of life coming together to do some good for these children who are in varying stages of recovery from operations and conditions beyond their control. We hope to bring them a smile and a little fun.

Santa leads the motorcycle parade and after he gets to the hospital he presents gifts to them with the help of his lovely elves. In our parade one will find every type and make of motorcycle, from scooters to three wheelers to radical Harley choppers.

As the years have gone by, the run has gotten much bigger with 1999 being the start of greater run attendance. Over 1,500 motorcycles showed up in 1999 to support the kids and Uncle Bob Jackson.

Uncle Bob, a much loved toy run committee member (A.K.A.. Santa Claus to the kids) passed away that year. His illness would not allow him to attend the toy run or see the kids again. The media and the press took great interest in Uncle Bob. The news media did a wonderful job of expressing Uncle Bob's generous heart and his desire to see the kids one last Christmas. The news coverage and newspaper articles generated a huge amount of public interest.

Needless to say, 1999 was well attended and the run has continued to grow every year since then.

2008 was our largest year with close to 7,000 motorcycles. It was a perfect weather day: warm for a December day and dry throughout the metropolitan



basic photos by Duane Caulkins — image manipulation by Rot Path

area.

2009 had a bit less with estimates up to 6,000 attendees. We did have some ice conditions around the metro area which likely contributed to the drop in attendance.

Over the years we have had the honorable mayor Bud Clark, senator Randy Leonard, commissioner Lonnie Roberts, and KUPL's Lee Rogers as grand marshals. The Harley Owner's Groups from the metro area (Rose City H.O.G., Sunset H.O.G., and Vancouver U.S.A. H.O.G.) have done a wonderful job of providing the marshaling for the parade. The H.O.G. clubs have assisted us since the early 1990's.

The toy run is a full parade with a Portland police escort. The toy run is managed by committee with representatives from the Southeast Portland and Twin Rivers chapters of A.B.A.T.E.

Administrative costs are very low. We do have to buy a parade permit, raffle license, tickets, printing, insurance, etc. We try to get as much of our costs donated as possible. The lion's share of the net moneys raised goes back to the kids.

The toy run is funded by the raffle of a brand new Harley-Davidson motorcycle, generous donations throughout the year, and benefits such as the Musicians Toy Run Benefit. (M.T.R.B.)

The M.T.R.B. has grown in the last few years and is rapidly becoming a premier event. Every year is special for the M.T.R.B., but this year was the best yet. It was well attended with over \$3,800 being donated to the toy run wheelchair fund.

We thank Francine West and the High Speed Wobblers for hosting the

benefit. They bring in top acts from the surrounding area who donate their time to benefit the kids of the Shriners' Children's Hospital. We expect that the Musicians Toy Run Benefit will one day rival the summer time waterfront musical events one can find in Portland.

A.B.A.T.E. was started by riders to maintain freedom of the road. We believe in freedom of choice.

The moneys raised allows us, with the help of the Shriners' hospital, to give these children the ability to move about their homes and neighborhoods. They get the freedom to play with friends or go to the grocery store with mom.

We are also able to provide the parents of these special kids with some measure of financial freedom. It costs a lot to care for these children. We are very happy to assist the children and their families with this type of independence and support.

Over the years, \$425,000 has been raised for the kids. 101 children and their families have received equipment.

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We do have a number of sponsors and wish to thank each one of them:

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New A.M.A. Photo Gallery Goes Live

In this day and age, if it didn't happen on pixels, it's almost as if it didn't happen.

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In the member-submitted photos, there are categories for competition, on-highway, miscellaneous, off-highway and dual-sport/adventure. Have something you'd like to share? Send it to submissions@ama-cycle.org. It will appear in the gallery and, perhaps, in the magazine.

You'll also find coverage from A.M.A. events. The most recent are the A.M.A. racing championship banquet presented by K.T.M. North America, the 2009 A.M.A. motorcycle hall of fame concours d'elegance presented by FOX Racing Shox, and the 2009 A.M.A. motorcycle hall of fame induction ceremony.

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Husqvarna's Glenn Kearney will lead a large part of that effort, competing in A.M.A. grand national cross country and the A.M.A. Rekluse national enduro championship series, presented by Moose Racing.

"We are glad to have Glenn back and look forward to him reuniting the Husqvarna name with enduro dominance on his TXC250," said A.M.A. motorcycle hall of famer Scot Harden, who will lead Husqvarna's racing effort. "Kearney will be supported by his brother Ben who will be traveling with him to provide technical support."

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United Nations Launches Global Road Safety Initiative

With traffic crashes causing the deaths of more than one million people worldwide every year (more than malaria or diabetes), United Nations secretary-general Ban Ki-moon told participants at the *First Global Ministerial Conference on Road Safety* in Moscow that more must be done to tackle the global “crisis” of road traffic fatalities. In addition, some 50 million people are severely injured, costing governments 1 to 3% of their gross national products.

Opening the conference, the president of Russia, Dmitry Medvedev, called for action on a worldwide crisis running at 1.27 million road deaths every year, with about half of those deaths occurring among vulnerable road users such as cyclists, motorcyclists, and pedestrians.

The conference culminated with ministers of more than 70 countries around the world approving the *Moscow Declaration*, which calls for a “decade of action for road safety” and to begin to set out plans for global coordination of the unprecedented effort to reduce road traffic injuries 50% by 2020.

The safe systems strategy advocated in the *Moscow Directive* requires the entire road-traffic management system to be designed around compensating for the errors of road users, so that people can survive the consequences of their mistakes. “Simple measures such as introducing and enforcing compulsory helmet and seat belt regulations can make a large difference in the trauma that comes with motorization,” write risk management researchers from Australia.

Only 40% of countries currently have motorcycle regulations that stipulate helmet use for the rider and passenger, according to the *World Health Organization* (W.H.O.), and fewer than 60% of countries have regulations in place that require all car occupants to wear seat-belts.

The four page decade of action

declaration includes specific action on vulnerable road users. It reads: “*Make particular efforts to develop and implement policies and infrastructure solutions to protect all road users in particular those who are most vulnerable such as pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists, and users of unsafe public transport, as well as children, the elderly and people living with disabilities.*”

On signing the declaration, governments, United Nations agencies, civil society organizations, and private companies will agree to set “ambitious yet feasible” targets for reducing traffic casualties in each country.

Congressional Action Sought To Protect Youth Cycle Sales

Because the *Consumer Product Safety Commission* has refused to lift a ban against the sale of kids’ dirt bikes and A.T.V.s due to lead content of some parts (although the *C.P.S.C.* agreed to stay the ban until May 1, 2011), the U.S. house of representatives passed an appropriations bill on July 16th with an amendment by representative Denny Rehberg (R-MT) to the house fiscal year 2010 financial services appropriations bill prohibiting the use of funds by the *C.P.S.C.* to implement or enforce section 101(b) of the *Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008* regarding banning the sale of off-highway motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles intended for use by children 12 and under.

The *C.P.S.I.A.* was intended to limit the lead content of children’s toys made in China, but as an unintended consequence resulted in motorcycle manufacturers ordering dealers nationwide to stop selling youth-oriented vehicles and parts.

Similar legislation introduced in the senate does not contain the Rehberg amendment language, and has not reached the Senate floor for

a vote.

Help protect access to youth-model off-road vehicles and parts by contacting your federal legislators and ask them to support language in the final appropriations bill that excludes children’s motorcycles and A.T.V.s from the *C.P.S.I.A.*

Pennsylvania Noise Legislation Could Turn Nosedive Into Narcs

House bill 2104 on noise control was introduced in the Pennsylvania legislature on November 18 and referred to the house committee on transportation to consider allowing citizens to report loud vehicles and noisy mufflers to authorities for further action.

Always-On Headlight Regulation Proposed In Illinois

A state legislator has introduced legislation requiring Illinois motorists to turn on their headlights even during daylight hours to make it easier for motorists to see each other, thus reducing crashes. “*It would enhance safety,*” representative Dan Brady said.

It also would put Illinois alone in the U.S. Although day-time running lights are required in some European countries, the only other state where it is even being considered is Alaska. In Juneau, state legislators say long twilight periods and low sun angles there produce shadows and make it difficult to see vehicles.

Most motorcycles are already required to have a headlamp on at all times for increased conspicuity, and many riders feel they would lose their visibility and be lost in a sea of headlight beams if all vehicles were to run with their lights on.

If house bill 4701 is approved, someone caught for not turning on their lights could face a fine of \$75. Brady said he wants to study the issue more before he asks his colleagues to vote on the matter.

South Carolina Supreme Court Could Rule On Myrtle Beach Helmet Lawsuits

Two lawsuits against Myrtle Beach over the city’s helmet regulation could be heard by the state’s high court in the new year. The South Carolina supreme court clerk sent a letter to Myrtle Beach and the plaintiffs saying the lawsuits filed by business owners and a group of motorcyclists might be heard in the February session. The plaintiffs are suing the city to stop it from enforcing the motorcycle helmet regulation it imposed last year as part of a package of 15 new ordinances designed to deflect the May motorcycle rallies from the city.

Attorneys for the city, *B.O.O.S.T. (Business Owners Organized to Support Tourism)* and the 49 riders who protested the city’s helmet ordinance on the day it became effective and were ticketed have filed their briefs with the high court, allowing judges to read the issues that will be argued orally if the hearing is slated.

Lawyers representing *B.O.O.S.T.* have filed more than 30 pages of briefs containing multiple sections, contending among other issues:

- The city is overstepping its bounds by making such a regulation.
- The general assembly intended people older than 21 to have freedom of choice on wearing helmets.
- The helmet ordinance violates the state’s uniform traffic act.
- The ordinance should be voided because it is vague and ambiguous.
- The ordinance is arbitrary, capricious, and unreasonable.
- And ending a motorcycle rally isn’t a legitimate government purpose.

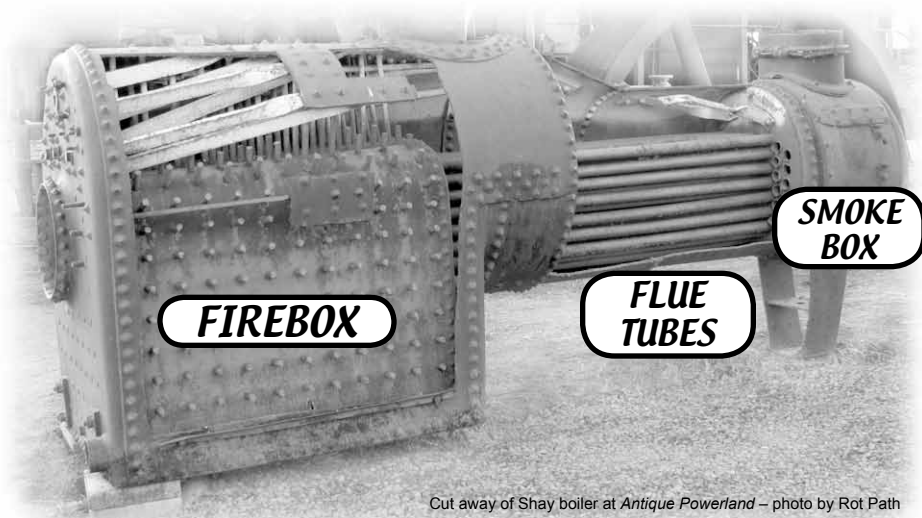
But Tom McGrath, *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorney for Virginia who is representing the protesters filed a much shorter brief, saying among other things that most of the arguments don’t matter because the city’s ordinance is at odds with state regulation, and for

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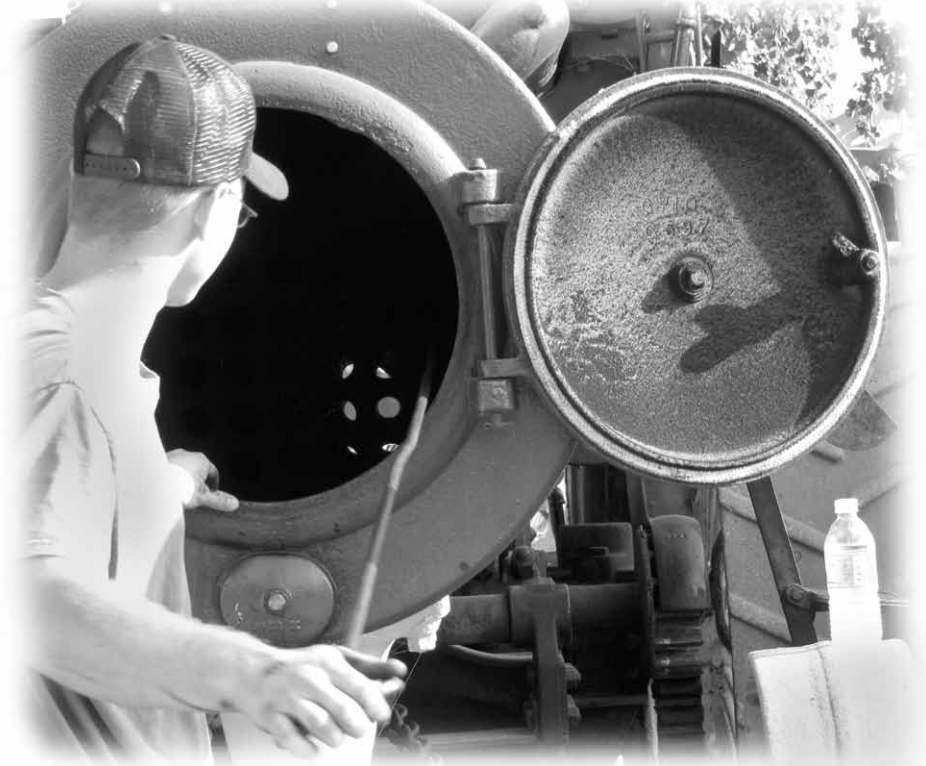
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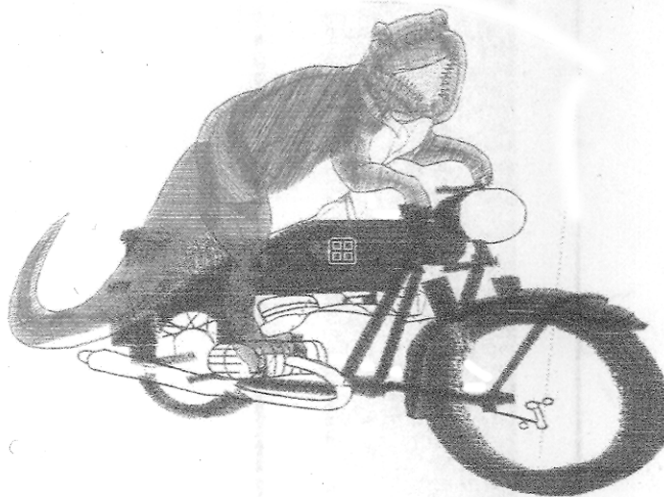
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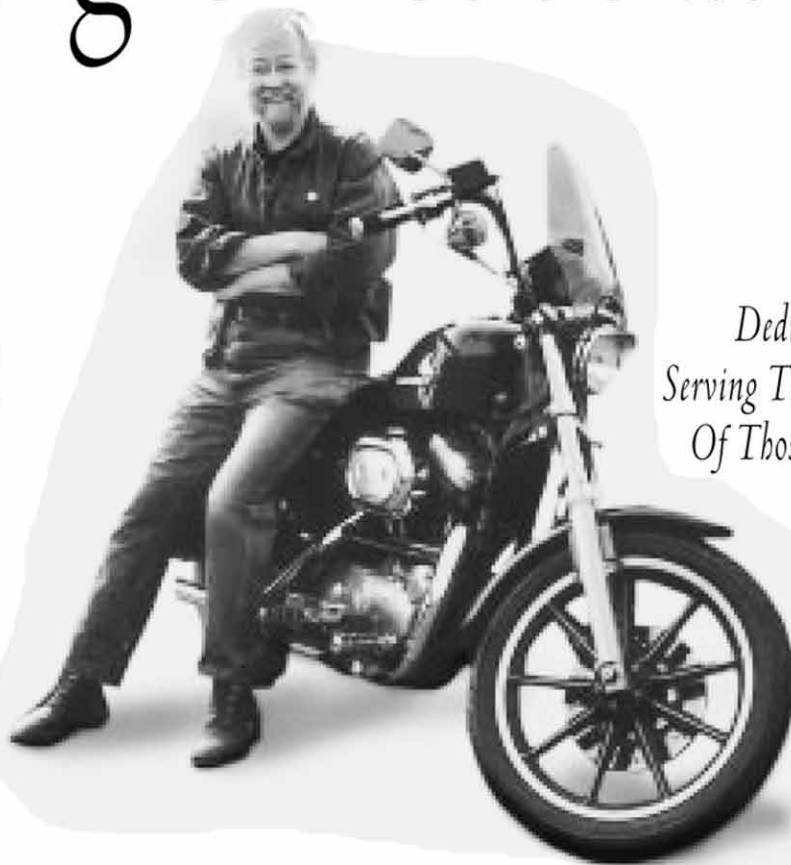
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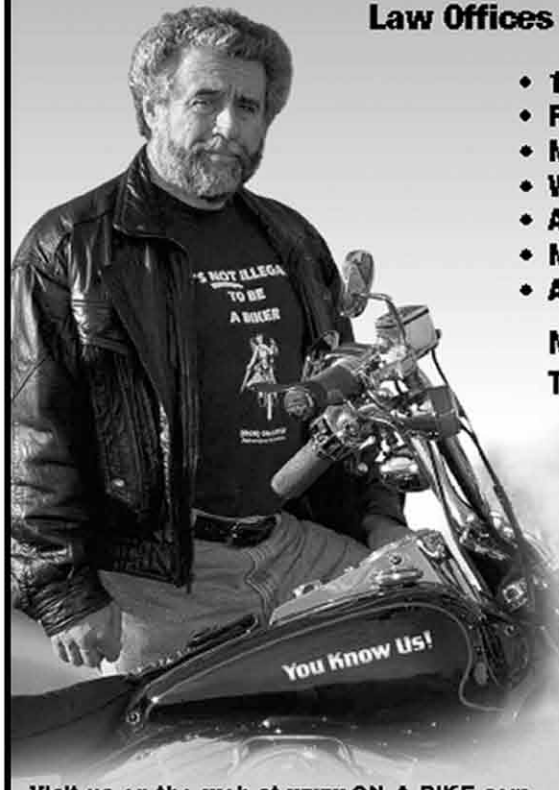
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Aaron, Bonnie Myhra	(503)-901-1816	Bend	X	X	X		X	X	X
Larry Ramos	(541)-923-3809	Redmond	X	X	X		X	X	X
Mike Reynolds	(541)-948-9435	Bend	X	X	X		X	X	X
Richard Shurley	(541)-549-8180	Bend	X	X	X	X			
Slim	(503)-349-9540(c)	Culver	X	X	X	X		X	X
Mike Smith	(541)-588-0204	Bend	X		X		X		X
Jodie Thompson	(541)-647-8431	Bend	X	X	X		X	X	X
Alan Wenzel	(541)-820-4694	Prairie City	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Lincoln County area (updated September 2007)

Kurt, Shirley	(541)-563-6526	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ralph, Wanda Janes	(541)-265-6850	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joe & Ruth	(541)-563-3711	central coast	X	X		X	X	X	X
Bob & Millie	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Walt Young	(541)-336-9550	central coast	X	X	X		X		
Norm	(541)-563-4653	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ed & Laura	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jack	(541)-336-3844	central coast	X					X	
Randy, Deb Becker	(541)-5635501	central coast		X		X	X	X	

North Coast area

Curve Hagert	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Salem area

Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X		X				
Michael Boggs	(503)-391-5600	Salem	X	X	X	X	X		X
Terry Edwards	(503)-856-9281	Salem	X	X	X				
Michelle Fitzhenry	(503)-588-4149	Salem					X	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		

South Coast area

Sherm Acord	(541)-888-6672	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X		
Tom Curran	(541)-888-2572	Charleston	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Brian Bryan	(541)-269-2934	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X	X	
Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X		X		
John Ireland	(541)-572-4300	Bridge/ Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X	
Greg McNair	(541)-396-6477	Coquille	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Brian, Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille		X	X		X	X	
Bill, Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/ Myrtle Point					X		
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay					X		

Portland area

Lee Austin	(503)-760-9015	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Steve Baton	(503)-761-3362	Portland		X	X		X	X	
Rich Colwell	(503)-519-0727	Portland		X	X		X	X	X

Is Your Road List Entry Correct?

Please call
(503)-838-6893
if your information changes.

name: phone number: location:

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Portland area (continued)

Ron Conway	(503)-654-x578	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
B. Davenport	(503)-668-7810	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Dick Emmonds	(503)-654-9498	Milwaukie	X	X	X		X	X	X
Dan Hein	(503)-xx7-4826	Portland		X	X		X		X
Emmett Hurd	(503)-631-35xx	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-366-2636	St. Helens	X	X		X		X	X
Dave Janca	(503)-730-6998	Portland		X	X		X	X	X
Roy Kirk	(503)-653-0183	Portland		X	X		X		X
Ken Mortallero	(503)-860-2793	Portland		X			X		X
Craig Rawley	(503)-666-3334	Portland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
B. Skinner	(503)-665-5063	Portland	X	X			X	X	X
Scott Tuthill	(503)-630-2419	Estacada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Geoff White	(503)-774-7558	Portland		X			X	X	

Southern Oregon area

Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	X		X	X	X
Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X				X	X	X
Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Washington County area

Trace Ceccacci	(503)-639-4768		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Troy Davis	(503)-260-6451		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kent and Pat Gore	(503)-848-7653		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-816-9832(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X
Chuck Jeffcoat	(503) 649-7344		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mark Pratt	(503)-357-1727		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted and Jill Tracy	1-(503)-819-8113		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greg "Goatboy" Vaughn	(503)-502-4229(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rich, Margo Virchow	(503)-502-4941(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Roger Yarnell	(503)-810-0625		X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Willamette Valley area

Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City	X				X		X
T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X		X	X	X
Ron Budde	(541)-343-6447	Eugene	X	X	X				
Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X		X
Michelle FitzHenry	(503)-390-4292	Stevens		X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rod Hatter	(541)-744-2494	Springfield	X			X	X		X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X			X		X	X
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/s Corvalli	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X		X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X			X			X
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X				X		X

other areas

Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	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

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

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Lost or Found

Wanted

1966 Sym Harley-Davidson 125 motor scooter. 2,200 miles almost new. Little cosmetic damage. Serviced by Sym dealer. Best of the scooters of that type. \$2,500 (Paid \$3,300) Includes tour pak. (503)-781-8000 cell or (503)-246-8642 land line. Al

(Apr2010)

1997 Harley FXD. 37k, bags, windshield, extras. Newer rear belt and tires, \$7,000 or best offer.

Andy (503)-252-9358

(Apr2010)

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I misplaced my lighter with it's case with the unicorn on it in someone else's pocket at *Run 21*. **(503)-588-4149**
(Jan 2010)

Water-powered motorcycle for use during Oregon rainy season. (Year 'round.)

If your needs are slightly less exotic, consider placing a free member ad in yer state newspaper. Just e-mail it to:

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and leave a message.
You'll be glad you did.

WANTED for 2010

Bold individuals who are willing to step up to state board officer positions. Are you just itchin' to try some new ideas and ways of doin' things? Do something about it. State officer positions are still available for the 2010 year. Come be one. (And there's nothing more attractive than an officer, eh?)

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HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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 Gunny. Thank you for your cooperation. Please send to: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 720 SW Washington, Portland, OR 97205 ATTN: Gunny

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: _____

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. STATE OFFICERS FOR CALANDAR YEAR 2010

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

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(Return address)

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Portland, Oregon
97208

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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: _____

Annual Rates:

_____ Individual membership \$25
 _____ Couple membership \$30
 _____ Family membership \$35
 _____ Lifetime membership \$250

Total number of members: _____
 Amount enclosed: \$ _____
 Date paid: _____

Congressional District: _____
 Senator: _____
 Representative: _____

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

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

Comments:

February 2010

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events . . .

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STATE BOARD

MEETING

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Saturday, 13 Feb 2010
noon – *Colvin's Pub & Grill*
123 N. Nehalem
Clatskanie, Oregon

Run committee meeting – 1100
Open computer training – 1100

Biker Sal was born in November,
Looking back, she tried to remember,
Were her folks always gay,
Every Valentine's Day?
Siblings' birthdays were all around hers.

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2010 RUN LISTINGS

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

Date:	Event – Chapter / Sponsr:	Location:	Contct number:
13 Feb 2010	Crab Dinner – Lower Columbia	Clatskanie	(503)-728-2069
06 Mar 2010	Anniversary Dinner – Washington County	Hillsboro	(503)-643-4725
25 Apr 2010	Swap Meet – Oregon ABATE	Portland	(503)-
May or June	Southern Oregon Swap Meet – JoCo		
May 2010	Fossil Campout– Oregon ABATE	Fossil	
Aug 2010	Run To The Coast – JoCo		
Aug 2010	S.O.S. Campout – JoCo		
Sept 2010	Last Chance Social – JoCo		
Oct 2010	Grants Pass Toy Run – JoCo		

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Northside Bar & Grill; 62860 Boyd Acres road; Bend	(541)-383-0889
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Willie D's; 443 SE Jackson; Roseburg	(541)-672-5966
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 Fifth Street; Albany	(541)-967-7802
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Thursday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Saxton's; 4618 N. Pacific highway; Central Point	(541)-665-5864
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-471-6049
Lincoln County (LinCo)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	American Legion Hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)-265-7586
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	1st Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)-308-2059
North Coast (NC)	3th Sunday	1000 (10 a.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-4376
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	(to be announced), The Dalles	(541)-
Salem	4th Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)-390-4292
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-666-8806
Twin Rivers (TR)	2nd & 4th Sun	1200 (noon)	Spare Room; 4830 NE 42 nd street.; Portland	(503)-960-5421
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)-643-4725
Willamette Valley (WV)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Far Man Resaurant and Bar; 3111 Gateway; Springfield	(541)-935-4632