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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-forprofit 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, onroad 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

MISSION STATEMENT

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

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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State Coordinator's Comments

Let me start off this month by saying thank you to the members who stepped up as officers last year and also to the members who are stepping up to officer positions this year.

That said, let me say that with this year being a legislative year for our state there is going to be more work required from the general membership than last year. Chapter representatives need to be very serious about their jobs of relaying information, not only to their chapters but from their chapters.

I can't say this enough: state board representatives have the most important and potentially powerful job in all of *A.B.A. T.E.*

In fact I'll say it again and harp on it throughout the year: the state board representatives have the most important and potentially powerful position in our whole organization! This should not be a fill-in job. The state board representative position should be filled by someone who is committed to attending all of the board of directors meetings throughout the year.

This is to ensure a consistent flow of information to and from the chapters and to have a working knowledge of what's going on from one month to the next.

Even state board representatives who are old hands will take away something new about their jobs by attending S.T.E.A.M. And people new to the job will get a good understanding of what's expected of them. Chapters should insist that all of their officers, old and new, attend S.T.E.A.M. on February 17th.

Second in importance but only by the smallest amount is the position of legislative director. The board of directors thought this position was important enough to make it a required position to form and maintain a chapter charter. As legislative involvement has a huge role in our inception and current mission statement, we as members of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon should set our sights on being as politically active and effective as possible. Having the proper information in a timely manner and some direction on how to act on this information will help make us effective.

Chapter legislative officers should be in direct contact with A.B.A. T.E.'s state legislative director and BikePAC of Oregon. This is where the majority of useful political information affecting our causes and current legislation comes from. Once the information is passed on to the chapter legislative director, that officer should pass the information and directions on what to do with it to as many members of our chapters as soon as they can.

January 10th at 10 a.m. at the state capitol in room 167A is when and where there will be training for all legislative officers and anyone else who wants to attend.

We have in our membership people who are very comfortable dealing with politics and politicians and they are more than willing to share their wealth of information with all who will listen and learn. All we have to do is show up.

If you absolutely can't make it to the capitol on the 10th, then a second



by Ed Vaughn

training session will be given at 11 a.m. on January 13th at the *Albany Eagles* lodge one hour before the start of the board of directors meeting. Plan to make the training session at the capitol, but if you can't at least make the one at the *Eagles*.

BikePAC and our lobbyist have been working hard this past year. Our two bills are in place, have sponsors, and are ready to go as soon as the legislature begins session.

If we as members of *A.B.A.T.E.* don't honor our commitment to do what's necessary to support these bills, then they will stop right where they start and we will accomplish nothing.

Read our mission statement and make a personal commitment to do your part in our fight for freedom of choice and together let us make 2007 a year that counts.

Ed Vaughn

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Central Oregon



Happy New Year!

Well I hope everyone had a merry Christmas and a wonderful and semisane new year.

Yes, it is hard to believe that it is already 2007.

The new year means election time. We will hold our elections for chapter officers at the meeting on January 14 at the *Black Horse Saloon* in Bend. We have positions that need to filled since Marie is stepping down as vice-coordinator and Ed is stepping down as state board representative and vice-coordinator east. These positions have to filled to keep our chapter!

We had our December meeting and Christmas party on the 9th at the *Smokey Stover Hall* in Redmond. I hope everyone had a very good time. I know that we sure did.

I want to thank Michele for preparing the ham, Renee for preparing the turkey, and to everyone who prepared and brought all the wonderful side dishes. The food was fantastic and I do not think anybody went away hungry that night.

Thanks also go out to the *Smokey's* for hosting our annual party. Thank you again!

With winter riding season here in

central Oregon, be aware of the cinders on the road. Also the deicer when freshly applied, or if a little moisture hits it at all. Also it is very corrosive to chrome and aluminum. Be sure and wash off your ride after getting out for a little putt this time of year or you could be sorry.

I would like to say thank you to all the members for their support over this past year. The members are what make this chapter what it is today!

Hats off to everyone and thank you again!

Lets have a great new year!

Kevin

CENTRAL OREGON MEET-ING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm) Black Horse Saloon Bend, Oregon

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Columbia River

Hello from the Columbia River Chapter,

We had an informal meeting which started at 12:45 p.m.

We had no guests.

The toy run was a complete success, even with the unforeseen events. \$10,000 was raised the day of the run. The woman who won the bike took possession this past Saturday. She was emotionally happy.

Thanks to everyone.

Loren sold the most tickets.

Our state legislative representative told us of fighting of helmet laws in Idaho, Montana, and Arizona.

There was also a very special bike that was stolen. It was to be raffled off to help children who lost their fathers in war. To see what the bike looks like go to http://www.marvel.com

He also told us about laws in California that become law in Oregon.

We tabled our elections until next meeting because of lack of members. They will take place in January. Mark this on your calendar. James is going to take ways and means.

Treasure's report: \$594.16

The Sweetheart Dance is February 10 at the Kenton Club, 8:30 p.m. – 1 a.m. Twisted Cactus has agreed to play that night. We are looking for donations for door prizes. If someone would like to donate, call Linda at (503)-788-6775 or (503)-807-1604.

Ways and means took in \$42. Announcements: *Cabin Fever* is



the 20th of January at 8 p.m. in the *Spare Room*.

There is a benefit for Dwight Wyatt at *Bo's* on Mcloughlin in Gladstone. This man was the one who was stabbed to death last Saturday walking home. His family needs the help.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Thanks,

Donnie ("Santa") Stephens coordinator

COLUMBIA RIVER MEET-ING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm) *The Spare Room* 4830 N.E. 42nd -- Portland

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Douglas County



Greetings from Douglas County,

Due to the early press time for this rag, we just finished our first toy run yesterday. The *South County Unorganized Toy Run* is always a success.

Many, many thanks to the Burton family, who put this thing together from the beginning several years ago and faithfully work all year long gathering prizes and. And all the other supporters.

The Myrtle Creek fire department always includes a hot lunch and plenty of hospitality.

All in all, another great day.

There are plenty of door prizes and drawing gifts, as was evidenced by our *Douglas County* folks making quite a haul: Jim and Kenny.

Thanks as always to our own Milo Anderson and *Oregon Tool* for always being great supporters of community events, whether they include motorcycles or race cars, or not.

And of course thanks to everyone for attending and helping to make the season bright for our kids.

Elections have not happened for our chapter, but we will have new officers on board soon. More to come on that.

Due to the date, I just want to say I hope you all had a blessed Christmas and pray the we all,

everyone, have a safe, healthy, and prosperous 2007.

Blessings on ya,

Becky Garino secretary

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEET-ING TIME and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1900 (7:00pm) *Round Table Pizza*

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You'd think what with the days growing ever shorter, ever colder, and ever wetter that things would slow down a little for the bike crowd.

Not so *Hub City*!

This fall has been packed with twowheel activities and there's no reason to believe it's going to stop anytime soon.

Final numbers are in from our Heritage Mall Motorcycle Awareness Show in October. We sold 74 photos at \$5 each for a gross total of \$370. Deducting the \$212 we laid out for supplies, we netted \$158 for the weekend. Not bad, but far more important than any profit is the awareness and good will generated by the very hard-to-ignore presence of 42 motorcycles and nearly as many Hub City members at any given time taking over the mall during the last weekend before Halloween.

Hub City put in a big showing at this year's Albany Veteran's Day Parade. This year just shy of 200 bikes braved the stormy weather and opened the parade, right behind the grand marshal's car. (Much better than behind the horses!) Mother Nature was kind to us for the most part, waiting until we had pretty much completed our circuit before opening up the heavens. Grateful thanks to the Eagles for giving so many of us shelter from the storm and a very fine lunch afterward.

Then there are the toy runs. We had a great turnout for the *Shriner's Toy Run* in Portland, and even if nobody from *Hub City* ever wins the bike(!), it's a worthy cause that we'll always be proud to participate in.

Hub City





Then the next day, with 38 members signing in, *Hub City* won the chapter challenge at the *A.M.O. Toy Run* in Albany – for the fourth year in a row! Way to go *Hub City*!! There were an estimated 225 bikes overall (as well as a dozen or so hot rods) in the toy run, relegated to back roads from *K-Mart* to the *Eagles*, where invited children and their families received their toys.

As with the *Veteran's Day Parade*, the local press was not inclined to shine much of a light on the biker community's activities, but there are a number of families out there whose holiday will be better due to our contributions. Press or no press, it just doesn't get any better than that.

This has been a tough month for *Hub City*'s ladies, with one of our

own injured in a car crash and another down for knee replacement. Our sincere love and support go out to you both and we wish you a speedy recovery so we can see you back out on two wheels!

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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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Josephine County





Wow!

Where did this year go?

It's only a few weeks until Santa Claus and I'm not even a little bit ready. Perhaps the elves will slip in and take care of me this year because I've been a good girl. (Okay, I can hear my *Jo County A.B.A.T.E.* partners snickering as they read this. Go to your rooms!)

I'd like to begin this month by expressing our heartfelt sympathy to our editor, Rot Path, on the loss of his mother and to the family of Karen Bolin, a strong *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (M.R.F.) advocate.

Rest in peace to both and many blessings on each family.

Everyone else go hug all those special people in your life and tell them how much you care. Life is way too short.

Last month I stated that I would spend some time discussing our allies in the motorcycle community and what they do for us. A few of our chapter members have commented they don't understand who and what all these groups are that we speak about supporting. I'll try to make this as understandable as possible and hopefully I'll get it right.

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (*M.R.F.*). What do they do in the area of motorcycle rights? Just what have they done to enhance your riding enjoyment? Here's just a quick list of some of their accomplishments:

- Expanding the rider safety programs. This coming year, states will actually be given appropriations for funding the safety training courses.
- Established the advisory council that will sit in the *Federal Highway Administrator*'s office and have input into revisions to the highways that affect motorcycle riders. Example: Having input regarding road, bridge and barrier design and how the small

signature of motorcyclists is taken into consideration when designing our nation's highway systems.

- Constantly monitor and oppose the mandatory equipment bills that circulate through our legislative branches by means of promoting safety courses vice mandatory equipment for reducing deaths on the highway.
- Promote tougher right of way laws protecting motorcyclists.

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JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1900 (7 pm) Fruitdale Grange 1440 Parkdale Drive Grants Pass

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Lincoln County



Lincoln County Chapter has kept busy for the last month or so. We've had nomination of officers for 2007 and will vote at the next meeting.

Our *Seniors Thanksgiving Dinner* was a success thanks to all the hard work of our members. A big thanks to Ruth for coordinating it again. It's no small task. There are always leftovers. (Any meal has them.) They were taken to *Samaritan House*, a place where families can start again. It's so rewarding to be able to offer them a hand up.

I do hope that you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and shared it with those who are important to you. Close relationships seem to come to the forefront during our wondrous holiday season.

We are well into the *Adopt-A-Family* program that we get involved in each year. We adopt several families and it is wonderful. We don't have a children's hospital here so this is how we share with those who are less fortunate than us.

It is still cold and windy on the coast but that seems to be *status quo* for now.

I'm sure that all are preparing for the chubby guy in a red suit. I have heard that all are keeping a close lookout for him so that children can be notified of his location.

May you and yours have a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe new year.

May you all ride safe and watch for others,

Millie

LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-ING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1930 (7:30 pm) American Legion Hall Post 116 424 W. Olive Street Newport

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North Coast



Ahhh . . . January 2007,.

Seven years into the new millennia and I feel as if we are still in the dark ages. But that's another story.

A friend of mine told me that what you do on New Year's Day will determine what you will be doing for the rest of the year. I don't know as I believe that in its entirety, but I do know that I want to be on my scoot breezing down the road. I had way too much down time this past year and if the motorcycle gods are smiling on me I will be out there a hellava lot more this new year. I hope you are too!

Next month is S.T.E.A.M -Seminar to Educate and Motivate. I urge all new chapter officers, old chapter officers, and for that matter everyone who can make it to go to this seminar. Learn what is expected of you as an officer, your duties are carefully explained, and help is always a phone call or e-mail away. This seminar also lets you know what the organization has planned for our future; it keeps you up on any changes, and enlightens you to the very real struggle for your rights as bikers in the state legislature. This is a valuable opportunity for anyone who has thought about becoming a

chapter officer, but did not know what is expected to become aware and step up. It's fun, educational, and if this year is anything like last year, you will come away with a real fire in your belly for the mission of our organization.

Congratulations to all new *North Coast* officers. You are the very best people and I salute you for your courage and volunteerism. We need more people like you to keep this chapter alive and well and to promote the mission of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.*

Our run committee will soon be getting together to plan our new year of runs. We need to figure out how we can help out as a chapter with Fossil 2007. (Pray really hard for dry weather for starters!) Around Saddle Mountain needs to get rolling, the Fruit Loop is in the wings, and next years Spaghetti Dinner and Auction/Toy Run will happen by Hecate.

Anyone can be on the run committee and the more folks we have the better for all. If you have any interest in helping us organize these events, contact Paul Eblemesser (our new coordinator) or Skye McKey (our secretary) and ask about the next run committee meeting date. Or

write to the chapter at P.O. Box 1123, Astoria, OR 97103 and we'll get in touch with you.

This world is only as good as the people in it and I have met some really fine people through my association with A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon. The good will found within its ranks very often fills me with awe and deep appreciation for my fellow bikers and gives me hope that this country is not completely in the crapper.

Sometimes we do not agree on the same thing, we have rather animated discussions over touchy subjects, and tempers can flare. Not too much

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NORTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

4 th Sunday at 1030 (10:30 am)

Moose Lodge
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Children are welcome

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Northeast Portland



Who'd a thunk that after last summer's sweltering heat that winter would ever come.

Well, now it's here and we're wishing for summer again.

We at *Northeast Portland Chapter* whipped up an antidote to winter where we can get together and commiserate and admit to those summer riding fantasies.

We call it the Cabin Fever Party.

All are welcome to join us at the *Spare Room* on Saturday, January 20. We've done this before. We'll do it even better this year at 4840 NE 42nd in Portland. Dancing is possible while we listen to *Southern Gold Band*. Look for the spaghetti dinner special.

Also, in effort to fight antisocial tendencies here in the middle of winter, we're starting a new tradition: Sunday breakfast at the *Spare Room* that will usually be held on the last Sunday of the month about 9 a.m. We're thinking that in the future as the snow stops we might even start a last Sunday of the month ride after breakfast. Other chapters have done this sort of thing and we think it's a darned good idea.

We're also taking other ideas. Got any ideas?

On December 2, the Portland chapter's toy run for the kids at *Shriner's Children's Hospital* had one of the biggest turnouts ever, thanks at least partly to perfect weather. The first prize: 2006 *Harley-Davidson Heritage* went to Leslie Pike.

Something else to mark into your new 2007 calendar is the *All Motorcycle Spring Swap Meet* on Sunday, April 29. Soon after that it'll be about time to hear the first robin of spring.

That's about it for now.

Read our newsmagazine, check in at the web sites,

http://www.abateoforegon.net and

http://www.abateoforegon-ne.com and come to the meetings.

For the *Northeast Portland Chapter*, meetings are on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7 p.m. We meet at *Round Table Pizza*, 4141 NE 122nd, Portland.

Come and tell us what *A.B.A. T.E.* can do for you and what you can do for your brothers and sisters of *A.B.A. T.E. of Oregon*.

Marty Soehrman public relations officer Northeast Portland Chapter A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon



N.E. PORTLAND MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1900 (7:00pm) *Round Table Pizza* 4141 NE 122nd -- Portland

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River City



November 21, 2006

We had thirteen people at tonight's meeting.

Christine and Andrew announced their wedding date of the December 16th and invited all.

We had another lengthy discussion about our run plans. It is now a mystery run. You figure it out.

We handed out Fran's memory patches that Tad brought to me.

We have a Christmas party scheduled for December 19 (short meeting) at *Zim's*. Everyone is to bring a white elephant present to exchange.

Beth Ashley would have won the membership drawing for \$35 if she had been present. It will go up to \$40 for the next meeting.

Brian won the 50/50 at \$7/\$6 and donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Brian.

Regular Meeting

Officer nominations

Coordinator – Bob Boynton Vice-coordinator – Larry Loop

Secretary – B. Stovall

Treasurer – Matt Snyder

Membership secretary – Ron Colegrove Sgt-at-Arms – Ron Colegrove Public relations – Rick Prentice Ways and means – Debra Lutje Historian – Shelley Prentice Legislative – B. Stovall State board representative – B. Stovall

Alternate state board representative – Rick Prentice

The feature bike on the agenda was a 1928 *Indian Chief*.

December 5, 2006

Officer elections

Coordinator – Rick Prentice

Vice-coordinator – Larry Loop

Secretary – B. Stovall

Treasurer – Matt Snyder

Membership secretary – Ron

Colegrove

Colegrove

Sgt-at-Arms – Ron Colegrove

Public relations – Rick Prentice

Ways and means – Debra Lutje

Historian – Shelley Prentice

Legislative – B. Stovall

State board representative – B.

Stovall

Alternate state board representative

- Rick Prentice

We also decided that we will no longer hold a poker run. It is now a mystery ride. Same time, same place, but you have to come to it to find out just how much fun you can have!

Michael Wheeler would have won the \$40 membership drawing if he had been present. It will be \$45 next meeting.

Gene won the 50/50 at \$3/\$4 and donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Gene.

Our next meeting will be our holiday party and white elephant gift exchange.

Bring something wrapped and ready!

— Brian

RIVER CITY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7pm) *Roadstop Restaurant* 2nd Street -- The Dalles

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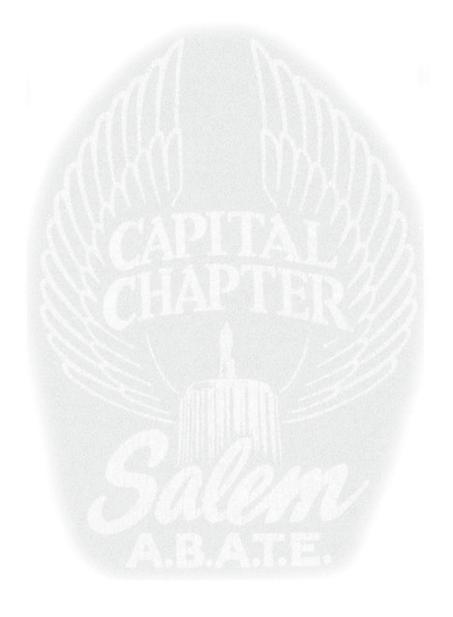
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Salem





SALEM MEETING TIME and PLACE

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South Coast



Well, 2006 is over.

December wrapped up with an excellent toy run in our area. This has developed into an all motorcycle groups event on the south coast. Over \$10,000 worth of toys were collected or purchased and delivered to the *Salvation Army* on Sunday, December 17th.

On December 20th, the South Coast Chapter served as volunteer host for the Annual Holiday Lights Celebration at Shore Acres State Park. This event runs from Thanksgiving to New Year's with volunteers decorating the gardens at Shore Acres with many hundred thousand lights. Local groups volunteer to host one evening each. The hosts man the gardner's house, which is the only building left from a turn-of-the-[20th]century estate. We served cookies, coffee, and hot cider to the visitors. It is fun, and a way to show that we are a contributing part of our

community.

Our January meeting will be very important to the future of the *South Coast Chapter*. We still need to fill several key officer positions. *South Coast Chapter* members should definitely plan to attend the meeting at 11 a.m. on January 21st at the *Fisherman's Grotto* in Charleston.

See you there!

Tom "Pipes" Shine

SOUTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Sunday at 1100 (11 am) Fisherman's Grotto Cape Arago Highway Charleston

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Southeast Portland



Happy New Year's!

Has everyone recovered from all of the holiday festivities?

We had a lot of fun at the Christmas Party held by *Renegade Classics* on December 15th. Good friends, music, and fun!!

Remember to check out *Renegade Classics* and support our *A.B.A.T.E.* family members by shopping there. They are located at: 19285 E Burnside (cross street = Stark). They offer a wide variety of leather goods, headgear, and apparel. They were a huge support to *Run 21* and more recently our 2006 toy run.

Toy Run 2006 was a blazing success! I connected with people I hadn't seen since last year's run. The total number of bikes viewable was truly amazing. People in the lifts saw a sea of chrome and leather. The pictures from the lifts were so cool. The toy run committee did an excellent job. Each year just gets better and better.

Be sure to go to the upcoming events in your area. Our fellow chapters need our support. *Northeast Portland Chapter* is hosting the *Cabin Fever Party* which will be at the *Spare Room* located at 4830 NE 42nd Ave

(Portland) January 20th. The entertainment will feature the *Southern Gold Band*. Come join the fun. Doors open at 8 p.m. Lets get the placed packed!

All my best everyone!

~Softtail~

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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Washington County



We had a pretty good turn out for our toy run in November with about 250 bikes and a whole lot of toys. We were able to sell all the raffle tickets by 10:30 a.m. and donated over \$3,000 to the Hillsboro fire department's *Toy & Joy Program*. We had a different route this year and need to work some of the kinks out for next year.

We did not go downtown Hillsboro this year, but to the new fire station out north of town, then off to the *Hillsboro Elks* for lunch, music, door prizes, and drawings.

Dr. Jack Garvin won the \$500 *Paradise Harley-Davidson* gift certificate and Bob Hattig won the \$250 *Paradise Harley-Davidson* gift certificate.

The big winners were really the kids and families that the

Hillsboro Elks will help this holiday season.

As mentioned last month, *WaCo* is moving again. We have a temporary home back at the *Prime Time Sports Bar*, 4202 Pacific Avenue in Forest

Grove, but the days have changed: We will meet on the second and forth *Monday* of each month at 7:30 p.m. We will be continuing to look for a new, larger space and will be at the *Prime Time* for January, February, and into March. Be sure to check the newsmagazine for updated information. (Sorry for the extra work, Rot Path.)* If you have any suggestions, please bring them to a meeting so they can be discussed.

We will be holding elections in mid-December, so there are no new officer positions to report in this submission.

Be safe, be warm, be kind. Watch out for the other guy because he is still in a mid-winter haze.

Linda Henderson *WaCo* secretary

*[crusty ol' editor's note: "Sighhh . . . "]

<u>WASHINGTON COUNTY</u> MEETING TIMES and PLACE

2nd and 4th Mondays at 1930 (7:30pm) *Prime Time Restaurant* 4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

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November 16, 2006

We had a great turnout for this meeting, with 42 attending, and four guests.

Welcome to our newest member, Jeff Tate, who signed up at this meeting.

After our usual pledge of allegiance and reading the *A.B.A.T.E.* mission statement, we set down to the business of holding our chapter's officers elections. All positions were filled.

Here are the 2007 *Willamette Valley Chapter* officers:

Coordinator – Jeff Schauer Vice-coordinator – Sunny Major Secretary – Rod Hatter Treasurer – Anne Cokeley Membership secretary – Lonny Cokeley

State representative – Rod Hatter Alternative state representative – Rick Maish

Legislative director – Rick Maish

Casino coordinator – Wendy Taylor

Rhody coordinator – Anne Cokeley

Newsletter editor – Hal Fletcher

Web site editor – Rod Hatter

Chaplain – Fred Modaff

Sgt.-of-Arms – Gary Jackson

After the elections Jeff Schauer then held discussion on the chapter donations for approval. Donations of \$1,000 to *Team Oregon*, \$500 to *M.R.F.* and \$500 to *BikePAC* were suggested.

After reading how officers selected to make donations, Mike Boggs motioned to approve and it was then brought up that the chapter has allocated money for the *Eugene*



Mission in the past.

Peggy Schneider suggested to amend the motion to include setting aside \$300 for the *Mission*, to be donated in the middle of 2007 because the *Mission* already receives many donations during the holidays. Then the amended motion was made by Mike Boggs and seconded, then approved by vote.

We then discussed the upcoming chapter's Christmas dinner, to be held at *Mac's* in the *Veteran's Memorial Building*, 1626 Willamette street, Eugene on December 21st, 2006.

Our regular chapter meeting will be informally held while there. The meals will cost those attending \$15 a plate.

It was pointed out that the chapter elected to pick up the additional costs of site rental and higher meal costs to support its members and encourage attendance. Everyone was requested to bring a gift for the gift exchange and to remember to bring foods and gifts for the family our chapter chooses to donate to for Christmas.

Our treasurer, Anne Cokeley, announced that after making donations, our chapter has about \$2,500 in checking, and our saving is about \$777 with \$683 of that being the *Downed Rider Fund*. Anne also passes the hat to raise money for the family of four to whom we are giving a Thanksgiving dinner. Many foods were brought by members to

be given. This family has two children, ages 1 and 5, and we wish them the best.

Rick Maish discussed some upcoming events: the *M.R.F. Best of the West* event to be held June 22-24, 2007 in Elko, Nevada, and a meeting of *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* chapter legislative directors to be held January 10th, 2007 in Salem at the capitol.

Chapter's chaplain Bob Lowell had to leave the meeting in a hurry as his wife Deb is having serious health issues. Fred Modaff led the chapter in a prayer for Deb and the chapter wishes Bob and Deb a safe recovery. Anne suggested we donate \$50 for flowers to Deb to let her know we care.

Tim Terry is considering becoming the coordinator for *S.O.S.* to see it continue. Tim will be discussing what needs done with Hal Fletcher and Michael Taylor and will know more

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WILAMETTE VALLEY MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm) *Roaring Rapids Pizza* 4006 Franklin Blvd; Eugene

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Our Officers at Work

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

09 december 2006 - Eagles - Albany, Oregon

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m. by Ed Vaughn.

There were ten chapters represented out of 14; all were eligible to vote.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Guests: Matt Snyder, Ron Colgrove, Ron Colwell, and Paul Ebelmesser were introduced.

Reading / approval of the November minutes. Motion made to accept the minutes as printed in the newsmagazine.

Coordinator's Comments

Ed asked the state board of directors from each chapter to stand and be recognized. Ed stated the importance of their jobs, as they are the ones who control and direct our organization. Their job is to relay the information presented at the state board meetings to their chapter, and then to carry information from the chapter to the state board meetings.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence of note.

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Legislative director: (Rick Maish) Important dates coming up: January 10th, 10 a.m. legislative officer training, in Salem at the capitol. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Other dates coming up:

January 6th – *BikePAC* meeting at the Salem library, at noon.

January 8th – Opening of the 74th Oregon state legislative session.

January 13th – Next state board meeting, noon, and legislative officer training 11 a.m. Brian Stovall reiterated the importance of attending the training session on January 10th.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: (Randy Phipps) Next BikePAC meeting scheduled for January 6th, 2006.

Confederation of Clubs representative: (Pat Williams) November 11th was the last meeting. Pat recapped the minutes from the meeting and talked about the C.o.C. contribution to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Sam Hochberg was also present at the C.o.C. meeting and presented on several legal issues currently in process. Pat also has several t-shirts for sale. Next C.o.C. meeting is schedule for January 14th in Eugene.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: (William Hunter) Absent.

Education director I: (Patricia Carner) Planning for S.T.E.A.M. is underway. February 17th at *Chemeketa Community College*. More information to come.

Education director II: (Geoff White) Absent.

Membership: (Jill Tracy) Membership numbers remain steady. Jill thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve the organization. Don't forget the membership price increase is effective January first. The January renewal envelopes have already been mailed out.



Deb Becker state recording secretary

Products: (Dave Meeker) Dave has several ideas for new products, such as a "volunteer" patch for the chapter members who attend and help out at state events, such as *Fossil* or the swap meets. *A.B.A.T.E.* pen order to go in soon. Courtesy card order to be placed soon.

Fossil run coordinator: (Ted Tracy) This year will be the 30th Annual Fossil Campout. Ted is hoping for great participation from our members at this historic event. Several bands have been signed, flyers are being prepared, and it's time for the t-shirt design contest. Please submit your design for the 30th Annual Fossil Campout t-shirt by the April state board meeting. The Willamette Valley Chapter's construction project went well. The Run committee will meet in January at 11 a.m. at the Eagles.

Newsmagazine editor: (Rot Path) Holiday greetings! Rot Path thanked the chapters and the state officers who submitted their reports on time. The newsletter went to press on time, but due to a large volume of work by the printing company in December, and the large volume of mail, the newsletter is late getting out to your home.

Swap meet coordinator: (Willie Sanders) Willie has flyers here for the Spring Swap meet. Please take some and help get them out. Willie and Roger have been working on developing a swap meet outside of the Portland area.

Run coordinator II: (Rich

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Virchow) No report.

Treasurer: (Nancy Curran) No report. (Nancy is recuperating from a recent surgery and is doing well.)

Auditor: (Margo Virchow) Year end reporting is on track to be finished soon. Margo and Nancy have committed to finishing our taxes and reports to the accounting firm so that our taxes can be filed in a timely manner.

Web master: (Marty Soehrmann) Communication is always a work in progress. We must continue to try and improve our communication. Please be sure to include Marty in your e-mails with events and information. Also, please keep your e-mail addresses updated with Marty.

Vice-coordinator—north: (Al Sims) Al presented a short piece titled *Analysis Paralysis*, the condition that occurs when a subject, issue, or problem is examined or debated so much that no relevant or timely action can be taken. Al feels that *A.B.A.T.E.* is suffering from this condition and how we need to avoid getting bogged down in debate and discussion when we need to move on an issue or subject.

Sergeant at arms–north: (Randy Phipps) Merry Christmas.

Sergeant at arms-south: (Richard Androes) Echoes Randy's holiday greetings.

Sanctioning: (Al Sims) Chapter insurance billing information has been turned over to the state auditor for review, but believes all chapter fees are paid or are in process.

Discussion regarding the *State Gaming Commission* on status of poker runs. It appears that several of the groups holding these events are

not registered with the *I.R.S.* as nonprofit organizations and that they weren't clear on what the funds raised were going to be used for. Be sure that when you make up a flyer that you include the three statements as described in the sanctioning guidelines.

Discussion about the insurance policy and what it covers.

Al thanks everyone for the chance to serve such an honorable goal as the *A.B.A.T.E.* of *Oregon* mission statement.

Quartermaster: (Robert Hale) Storage locker price increase. May consider relocation to a smaller unit. Has completed an inventory of the property located at the storage locker. List will be made available to the web page editor and to the newsmagazine. Be aware that chapters are able to borrow the property and use for their events. All property has been repaired and is currently operational. The new *A.B.A.T.E.* banner has been misplaced. If you have knowledge where is may be currently hiding, please contact Robert Hale.

Unfinished Business

Planning session: Legislative officer training, January 10th at the capitol in Salem. All chapter legislative officers are encouraged to attend as well as the general membership.

Discussion ensued regarding the current format of the planning session. Several options were discussed, tabled until a later date.

Sanctioning guideline committee: The committee has not yet met. Expect to meet after the first of the year.

Swap meet flyer: As mentioned during the sanctioning officer's report, the state swap meet flyer did not have the required information regarding where the proceeds where going to go. Discussion about how to handle this, now that we have a bunch of flyers already printed. Decision to direct Willie to contact the printing company to see if they can add the missing statement to the bottom of the flyer.

Board of directors attendance: It was noted that several chapters have not had a representative in attendance for several months. Our by-laws require each chapter to send a representative to each meeting or risk having the chapter's charter suspended or revoked. Ed will follow up with those chapters and will maintain an attendance record.

A.B.A. T.E.'s donation to Team Oregon: Ted attended the recent instructor awards banquet. Ted was asked to step to the front and report on the A.B.A. T.E. donation to fund a storage container for the new range at the Swan Island facility. We currently have a total of \$5,850 towards the purchase of the storage container. The news was met warmly, and the director of Team Oregon thanked A.B.A. T.E. and their membership for their support.

M.R.F. report: Ted handed out several *M.R.F.* newsletters and discussed the upcoming *Best of The West* to be held in Elko, Nevada on June 22nd. Remember the group registration fee is only \$100 and you can send your whole chapter!

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State Board Minutes

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State Board Officer Nominations and Elections

Ed opened the floor to nominations.

Coordinator: Ed Vaughn. No other nominations.

Vice-coordinator north: Richard Colwell. No other nominations.

Vice-coordinator south: Jim Jones. No other nominations.

Vice-coordinator east:

OPEN. No nominations.

Membership secretary: Linda Henderson. No other nominations. Recording secretary: Nic Oliver. No other nominations.

Treasurer: Sue Mills: declines. Lyn Maish: declines. **OPEN**

Chapter auditor: OPEN. No nominations received.

Newsmagazine editor: Rot Path. No other nominations.

Legislative director: Mel Yeager. No other nominations.

Sgt at arms north: Randy Phipps. No other nominations.

Sgt at arms south: OPEN. No Nominations received.

Sgt at arms east: Ron Colegrove. No other nominations.

Products director: Dave Meeker. No other nominations.

Education director #1: Patricia Carner. No other nominations.

Education director #2: Geoff White. No other nominations.

Public relations: Joan McCarty. No other nominations.

Fossil run coordinator: Ted Tracy. No other nominations.

Swap meet coordinator: Willie Sanders. No other nominations.

Run coordinator 2: Howie Long.

No other nominations.

Historian:

OPEN No nominations received. **Sanctioning officer**: Lee Austin. No other nominations.

Web page editor: Marty Soehrmann. No other nominations.

Quartermaster: Robert Hale. No other nominations.

Confederation of Clubs representative #1: Pat Williams. No other nominations.

Confederation of Clubs representative #2: Murge declined Bobby Schneider. No other nominations. A.B.A. T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Randy Phipps.

As there were no contested races, a motion was made to accept the nominees as presented. Motion seconded and passed.

Current job opportunities: Vice-coordinator—east, treasurer, chapter auditor, sgt. at arms—south, and historian. Ed asks all members to consider stepping up and taking on these important positions.

Announcements were made and the *BikePAC* 50/50 was won by Randy Phipps.

The next state board meeting is scheduled for January 13th at the *Eagles Lodge* in Albany at noon. Meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Following the board meeting is a luncheon and the annual meeting.

Minutes recorded and distributed by Jill Tracy

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- Fighting for exemptions from the *E.P.A.* guidelines that will cause dramatic engine revisions to motorcycles.
- Defending motorcyclists when it comes to discrimination in health insurance.
- Monitor all legislation that will affect the motorcycle rider, especially the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act* at this time. They are concerned that some particular provisions may be used against the motorcycling community.

In a nutshell, M.R.F. is watching out for your rights, freedoms, and safety. In your last A.B.A.T.E. newsmagazine, there was an article regarding 82 year old senator Frank Lautenberg, New Jersey, who is attempting to mandate helmet laws for the entire U.S. He was defeated by the senate in his efforts this past year, but has stated he will reintroduce this legislation in the near future. M.R.F. has met with him and will continue to monitor this issue. In fact, you are requested to contact Oregon's highway safety representative to find out if a response has been, or will be, sent to senator Lautenberg's office.

They also work closely with the *American Motorcycle Association* (*A.M.A.*) which has been around since 1924. The *A.M.A.* focuses on rights, riding, and racing through its government relations work, by sanctioning road and off-road riding activities and overseeing professional and amateur racing events. So what does *A.M.A.* do for you?

• They are the sole U.S affiliate to the worldwide motorcycle

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sanctioning body, Federation Internationale de Motobyclisme (F.I.M.), based in Geneva, Switzerland dealing with many areas of motorcycling that includes international touring activities and facilitating international travel.

- Oversee legislation that affects your buying, riding and maintaining a motorcycle. They maintain a current legislative action alert center on their web site for all issues that affect the motorcycle community. It's very comprehensive and informative. If you did nothing else but read this and contact your legislators and representatives regarding proposed motorcycle legislative actions, you will have helped in their grassroots efforts to get the rider involved.
- Maintain programs and training so the average citizen can learn to be involved with their elected officials and influence regulatory measures and laws.
- Maintain a complete database for the regulations and laws that affect motorcycles in every state.
- In all, pursuing, protecting, and promoting your rights as a motorcycle rider throughout the world.

You've also heard our chapter officers speak about *BikePAC of Oregon. BikePAC* is our nonprofit political action committee that also promotes the interests of motorcyclists through education and legislative advocacy. A political action committee is a group that is formed by businesses or other special-interest groups to raise money and make contributions to the campaigns of

political candidates whom they support. *BikePAC of Oregon* is involved with all the above actions and more within the state of Oregon and work with *M.R.F.*, *A.M.A.*, and *A.B.A.T.E.* Some of their accomplishments are:

- Full service fueling no longer required for motorcycles.
- Handlebar height mandates eliminated.
- Increased rider training funds for *Team Oregon*.
- Handicapped stickers available for motorcycles.
- Plain english statutory definition of a motorcycle helmet.

I will also mention the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.) This group has only been in existence about ten years and is not supported by membership dues and does not solicit funds from member groups or individuals. All operating costs are paid through the Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) nationwide network of attorneys who are the sole financial support for N.C.O.M. A.I.M. attorneys contribute a significant portion of their legal fees from motorcycle accidents back into motorcycling by providing all the funding for N.C.O.M. A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon is a member.

I sure hope I've stated all this properly and even if I've left out areas of their missions or accomplishments, you can understand what these organization are about and just how important their work is to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon and you as a motorcycle enthusiast. Joining each of them or

even selecting just one to support is not an expensive endeavor. There are forms in our monthly *A.B.A. T.E.* newsmagazine that will allow you to become a member or you can utilize the search feature on the internet and find each of the organizations and their registry forms on line.

Okay, so I got a little (?) wordy again. But it was an area I felt important regarding the total support we have in the motorcycle community and how important our support is to them. Hope the information helps.

By the time you receive this, many will have participated in the non-A.B.A. T.E. sponsored Polar Bear Run being held on January 1st. Brirrirrir...... Everyone had a good time the previous years and I expect they will again.

Next month, I'll be reporting on new officers and scheduled A.B.A. T.E. events for the upcoming year. Remember to be safe out there, whether on your bike or in a cage. Winter has just begun.

A very happy New Year to all,

Gypsy recording secretary Josephine County Chapter

"No matter what marquee you ride, it's all the same wind."

*[Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism (the official "short" title) – c.o.e.]

Legislative Report

Rick's Ramblings On Stuff

Rick Maish legislative director lynandrick@msn.com



Damn, another year is just around the corner. Where in the heck did 2006 go?!

Yep, 2007.

It's even an "odd" numbered year and that means that the Oregon legislature will be in session for approximately six months starting January 8th. If you've never been to a legislative session opening ceremony, check it out. You might just learn something or at least find it interesting

This will be my last report as *Oregon A.B.A. T.E.* legislative director. Welcome an "old" hand at the legislative process and true freedom fighter, Mel Yeager!

But don't count me out yet. I'm still going to be involved at one level or another.

I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve you in this position and will continue to serve *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* in some capacity in the future. I've taken on being the legislative director and alternate state representative for the *Willamette Valley Chapter* of *A.B.A.T.E.*

- Rick Maish

BikePAC, our lobbyist, Wayne Schumacher, and others have been preparing for this legislative session for some time and are ready for the 2007, 74th legislative session to begin. Main goal this session is to again pursue and pass our freedom of choice amendment.

If you have been following Brian

Stovall's political cycle, a two-year political process (outline), then you and your chapter should be well on your way in planning your trips to the capitol and contacting of your local legislators and thinking about becoming a legislator buddy.

- *BikePAC* will be publishing the biker day invitation / schedules for the upcoming biker days at the capitol and issuing legislative talking points sheet for us to work from when talking to our legislators. We all need to talk with *one voice* on our issues.
- We should be developing biker legislator buddies in each of our chapters. (Brian is working up details on what and how to accomplish it.)
- Chapter's should be in the planning stages for biker day capitol trips.

BikePAC membership should be a top priority. Become a supporting BikePAC/A.B.A.T.E. member. BikePAC and our lobbyist can't accomplish this by themselves they need our committed support and involvement at the capitol, writing letters and making those calls.

So why haven't joined *BikePAC*? What's your excuse?

Also, get on *BikePAC*'s e-mail list. Contact any of the *BikePAC* or *A.B.A.T.E.* officers. They can help you.

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Some Important Upcoming Dates

January 6th

Next *BikePAC* meeting. Salem public library. Plaza room 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

January 8th

Opening of the 74th Oregon state legislative session.

January 10th

First A.B.A. T.E./BikePAC legislative officer training at the state capitol.

Mel has reserved a room for us, room 167A from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The room is on the main floor of the Oregon capitol, to the right just before you enter the rotunda, down the front hallway going north, last room on the right.

If you can only make one meeting in January, then make this one. It's the most important meeting.

- Find out why we are all doing this.
- You will gain information and be educated on the workings of the grass roots legislative process.
 - You will get a tour of the capitol.
 - Goals for this legislative session.
- What you can do to make it all happen

January 13th

Next A.B.A.T.E. state board meeting.

Second A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC legislative officer training session. Starts at 11 a.m. Come early. This will be the second chance to get educated in grass roots legislative activities. All chapter legislative directors or a chapter representatives (the more the better) need to attend and receive there chapter's legislative activities education and information. Come an hour early at 11 a.m.

February 14th

Valentine's Day. [Oregon's statehood birthday – 14 February 1859.]

We will again be at the capitol to pass out valentines and talk to our legislators. Mel has also arranged a room for this day: room 50. It's on the ground floor right in the center of the building, across from the legislative publications room.

We need everyone to contact their legislators, make appointments, and make a commitment to meet with them on valentines day at the capitol.

Don't forget that's it's valentines day, treat them to a valentine, a note of thanks or even a candy kiss.

February 17th

S.T.E.A.M.

All chapter legislative directors, representatives and those interested in this process need to attend to gain education in the grass roots *A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC* legislative officer training

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A Little Different Information on the Oregon State Legislature

Did you know that Oregon is only one of six states that still have legislative sessions every other year? Nevertheless, that may be short lived. There has been talk oft changing to annual legislative sessions. The legislature have, over the last few years, met during the off [even] years, mainly to work budget issues.

From the *Oregonian*: Legislature Poised to Go Yearly. Word is to do a trial run (2007/2008) this year with a slightly shorter session (January 8 through June 30) instead of going longer. Plan is to have all committee work completed in May with the final month (June) devoted to passing the bills and finishing up on the state budget.

Also, did you know how much your legislatures receive for pay? Not as much as I thought they got: \$17,244 annually and \$99 a day for expenses during the legislative session.

A comment from the *Public Commission on the Oregon Legislature, Facilities Committee*: "The public is visiting the capitol more than ever, whether as tourists, school groups, or citizens participating in the legislative process." As the committee stressed during several discussions, "The capitol is the peoples' house and it should be cared for not for benefit of the people who work in it, but as a symbol of democracy in Oregon."

Recommendations for fundamental reform of the Oregon legislative process:

• An open primary.

- A nonpartisan legislature.
- Nonpartisan state controller.
- Redistricting commission.
- Funding Government Standards and Practices Commission.
 - Initiative reform.
 - Campaign finance.
 - Legislator compensation

Recommendations for institutional reform:

- Annual sessions and session structure.
 - Partisanship.
 - Staffing legislative offices.
 - Hiring family members.
 - Alcohol consumption.
 - Public access.

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Fuel the Fund

American Motorcycle Association (A.M.A.) has donated \$100,000 to help fund the National Motorcycle Crash Study and is challenging all of us, as motorcyclists, to also help fund this important study. We need to raise a total of \$5.6 million and the federal government has pledged half of it. (\$2.8 million.) So the motorcycling community needs to come up with the rest. Go to the A.M.A. web site: http://www.amadirectlink.com

Go to the article "Help the A.M.A. Fuel the Fund".

Let us ride free in 2007. Only *you* can make this happen!

Rick Maish *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.*

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American Motorcyclist Association

The American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.) is hosting a Washington, D.C. Ride Into Political Action seminar for motorcyclists who want to learn how to influence governmental decisions, whether in congress or in their local communities.

The seminar, to be held February 24-27, 2007 at the Phoenix Park Hotel in Washington, D.C., allows participants to meet and learn from the A.M.A.'s Washington staff as well as other political experts. Besides learning about state and federal issues motorcyclists facing today, participants will get tips on building relationships with government agency officials and on lobbying elected officials. The instructors will also prepare participants to meet faceto-face with members of their own congressional delegations.

A registration form is available in the *American Motorcyclist* magazine or by contacting Sharon Smolinka at the address below. Mail the completed form to:

A.M.A.

13515 Yarmouth Drive Pickerington, OH 43147.

For more information, contact Sharon Smolinka at

(614)-856-1900, ext. 1252 or by e-mail at ssmolinka@ama-cycle.org

The National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council (N.O.H.V.C.C.) continues to schedule workshops designed to ensure that the new U.S. Forest Service's O.H.V. route designation

rule is a success for motorized recreation. The curriculum was developed in collaboration with the *Motorcycle Industry Council (M.I.C.)*, *BlueRibbon Coalition*, and the *A.M.A*. The new national travel management policy requires U.S. national forests to restrict off-highway vehicle (O.H.V.) travel to a system of designated roads and trails.

Through a public process at the forest and district level the U.S. Forest Service will decide which trails will be designated for use and plotted on a motorized vehicle use map. Existing trails which are not designated through this process will be closed. In the route designation process it is incumbent on the O.H.V. community to make sure that the Forest Service has a comprehensive inventory of existing trails and that the agency gives due consideration to all roads and trails. Enthusiasts must also help the Forest Service identify the most valued routes. Workshops have already taken place in Arizona, South Dakota, and Michigan. A schedule of forthcoming workshops can be viewed at the N.O.H.V.C.C. web site:

http://www.nohvcc.org

The Federation of Asia Motorcycle Industries (F.A.M.I.) views the high use of fake motorcycle spare parts and components in the region as a threat to the sector and riders.

F.A.M.I. president Datuk Syed Mohamad Aidid Syed Murtaza said [that] according to a recent report, 94 percent of these fake items were manufactured in Asian countries also

attributes these parts as cause for a majority of the crashes due to part failure across Asia. Between 5 and 7 % of the parts trade were fake items and the business was worth U.S.\$449.3 billion.

Eight states approved measures that would curtail local governments' use of eminent domain powers to confiscate land for economic development.

Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Michigan, North Dakota, New Hampshire, Nevada, and Oregon voters approved measures in those states that redefine the use of eminent domain powers, in most cases prohibiting the use of those powers to take land from one private party to give it to another private party. Similar measures failed in California and Idaho.

The American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.) remains concerned about this issue because riding areas and tracks may fall victim to such schemes. If your local area is being threatened by eminent domain, or any of the dozens of other means of being closed, contact the A.M.A. government relations department at (614)-856-1900 extension 1288.

European representatives of the F.I.M.'s Committee on Mobility and Transport, including Portugal, Great Britain, and the Netherlands have begun meeting with O.E.M. manufacturers, rider's groups, politicians, and after market



rights.



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manufacturers to proactively address the issue of excessive motorcycle sound. Their recent action is in response to growing concerns that the United Nations is taking punitive measures against motorcycles in the regulatory arena as a means by which to lower the negative impact of loud motorcycle exhausts. The coordinators of the effort are using A.M.A.'s Sound Advice document as their "road map." The A.M.A. has agreed to share whatever experience and expertise we have on the subject and look forward to a unified effort to address this global issue since we are already represented on this commission.

The American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.) has committed \$100,000 to help fund a comprehensive nationwide study of motorcycle crashes, and encourages individual motorcyclists, organizations, and businesses in the motorcycle industry to contribute to the effort through the A.M.A.'s new Fuel the Fund campaign.

In 2005, congress approved federal funding to study the causes of motorcycle crashes, the first such research in the U.S. in more than 25 years. The \$2.8 million pledged by the government calls for another \$2.8 million in matching funds from the American motorcycling community before the entire federal grant will be released.

The A.M.A., in addition to spearheading the effort to secure federal funding and committing the

first matching funds, has launched *Fuel the Fund*, a national campaign allowing individuals and businesses to contribute matching funds necessary to take full advantage of the federal funding.

Contributions to Fuel the Fund can be made online at http://www.fuelthefund.com or by calling Cathy Brown at 1-(800)-A.M.A.-JOIN ext. 1224 or by mail addressed to:

Fuel the Fund clo A.M.A.

13515 Yarmouth Drive Pickerington, OH 43147

Legislation authorizing the funding of the crash study specifies that research grants be provided to the *Oklahoma Transportation Center*, located at *Oklahoma State University*. The last comprehensive study of motorcycle crashes, commonly called the

Hurt Report after University of Southern California researcher Dr. Harry Hurt, was published in the 1970s.

Guangzhou, China – Formerly known as Canton, officials have decided that the swarms of motorcycles and scooters had become a plague on the streets of this huge city so as of January 1, the city's 260,000 or so registered motorcycles will be forced off the roads. Tens of thousands of people who use the vehicles to make deliveries or otherwise earn livings must turn in their motorcycles or take them out of the city.

Guangzhou is the center of an industrial zone that manufactures everything from cars to golf clubs. The city is China's fifth-largest auto market, with 900,000 vehicles jamming its roads. Adding to traffic problems, motorcycle and scooter prices have plunged, causing throngs of residents to eagerly turn to twowheeled motorized transport. Apart from the 260,000 registered motorcycles, another 100,000 unregistered ones ply the streets, as well as 100,000 or so electric bicycles. Motorcycles were involved in about half the city's crashes last year, when crashes left 311 people dead, according to the public security office, and motorcycle riding snatchand-run gangs of thieves menace pedestrians.

Guangzhou isn't the first city in China to ban or sharply limit motorcycles, scooters and electric bikes. Shanghai and Beijing also do so to some degree. But Guangzhou is taking action after hundreds of thousands of consumers have already bought the vehicles. Guangzhou authorities are offering some compensation, depending on the age of the motorcycle or scooter, often amounting to \$100 to \$200. Owners also receive about \$8 for the scrap value of their vehicles. Officials say they'll give some job training to those who needed their motorcycles to earn livings, but they haven't provided details.

Tread Lightly! has developed a new television public service

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New U.S. Transportation Secretary Loves To Ride

Mary E. Peters, the new U.S. transportation secretary, recently visited the *Harley-Davidson* plant in Milwaukee and talked about the "alarming rise" in motorcyclist fatalities. Peters is an ardent motorcyclist who will "never, ever ride without a helmet," but she does not, however, think that the federal government should order mandatory helmet use.

"We don't believe that it's up to the federal government to mandate helmets," she said, adding that was something for the individual states to decide. She urged motorcyclists to wear helmets and protective gear, drive sober, and take classes on safe motorcycling.

"Cyclists have a lot of responsibility to take care of themselves," she said, but added that motorists also have to do a better job of sharing the road with motorcycles. Peters commended *Harley-Davidson Inc.* for its efforts in motorcycle safety programs and cycle maintenance.

On September 30, the U.S. senate confirmed Peters' appointment, and the *Harley-Davidson* tour was her first public event since she was sworn in. Nicole Nason, head of the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*, also took the tour. They visited what is called *Harley-Davidson University*, where the 660 Harley dealerships nationwide learn how better to service the vehicles.

Lautenberg To Chair Transportation Subcommittee

The new democratically controlled senate has reassigned U.S. committees and New Jersey democratic senator Frank Lautenberg will be chairman of a transportation subcommittee when the new congress convenes in January. Lautenberg will head the transportation safety, infrastructure security and water quality subcommittee, and among the issues his panel will deal with is motorcycle safety.

Lautenberg has a long history of supporting helmet laws. In 1991 he worked to insert language in a highway bill that created a nationwide helmet mandate that was removed in 1995 by the republican controlled congress after much lobbying by bikers across the country. In May of last year, Lautenberg attempted to reinstate the federal helmet law by amending the transportation reauthorization bill (S.A.F.E.-T.E.A.), but his amendment was defeated by a vote of 28 to 69.

Lautenberg again raised the ire of motorcyclists across the country this summer by sending a personal letter to all 50 governors praising the benefits of helmet laws and suggesting that such legislation may be introduced in the U.S. senate in the near future.

C.A.R.B. Wants To Test Motorcycles

The *California Air Resources Board* (*C.A.R.B.*) has submitted a proposal to expand the state's vehicle inspection and maintenance (I/M) program in part by subjecting highmileage vehicles to annual inspections and including motorcycles for the first time. The *C.A.R.B.* proposal was included in a draft state plan to achieve federal pollution standards.

C.A.R.B. also intends to tighten new motorcycle exhaust and evaporative emissions standards by an additional 50 percent beginning with the 2013 model year. The federal E.P.A. used the current C.A.R.B. standards as a basis for establishing stricter new emissions regulations that went into effect with the 2006 model year motorcycles with further reductions taking effect in 2010.

Florida Bikers Want Harsher Penalties In Fatal Crashes

The streets that lead to Daytona Beach are lined with spots where motorcycle enthusiasts have lost their lives. Some of the dead during past *Bike Week*s and *Biketoberfes*ts were at fault, unwisely mixing alcohol and speed. Others, like Jody Driggers, were just in the wrong place at the wrong time.

His death stands out, biker-rights activists say, because he was doing no

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more than sitting at a stoplight on International Speedway Boulevard when he was hit from behind by a sport utility vehicle. "I remember that case," said James "Doc" Reichenbach II, president of A.B.A.T.E. of Florida and chairman of the board for the National Coalition of Motorcyclists. "I'm tired of going to funerals."

Motorcycle advocates look at fatality and injury statistics and see a pattern. In too many cases, they say, at-fault drivers of cars or trucks involved in fatal crashes with motorcycles received nothing more than a slap on the wrist. They chafe at laws that require evidence of malicious intent or extreme recklessness before criminal charges can be filed. Advocates say that should change. They want criminal penalties to apply and they've collected thousands of signatures nationwide, pushing congress and state legislatures to enact their goals into law.

Reichenbach's group is trying to stiffen penalties for motorists who cause a biker's death by violating their right of way. He acknowledges that one reason those who have fatal crashes with motorcycles are not treated more harshly is because of the social stigmas attached to the biker culture. "The lifestyle has carried such an image over the years," he told the News Journal. "People say 'whatever,' because you've got hair down the middle of your back. These are just solid citizens who care about their state and their country. We're mothers, fathers, patriots. All we want is to be treated like everybody else."

Weird News Aussie Bikers Ride Nude To Get Your Attention Sex?

Now the *Motorcycle Council* of New South Wales has your attention. Stripped for action, the Australian bikers set out on their *Now Notice Us* ride.

The number of motorcycles and scooters on Sydney's streets is increasing as motorists look for ways to avoid high fuel prices and congestion. Sick of being ignored by Sydney drivers, motorcyclists are hitting back with a publicity campaign featuring nude riders and the slogan: "Come on, what do we have to do to get you to look twice?"

Photographs and a video being submitted to television stations as a community service announcement during *Motorcycle Awareness Week*, October 28 - November 5, show motorcyclists riding naked through the streets of Sydney, puzzling passersby.

The motorcyclists are men and women of different shapes and sizes to highlight that riders come from all walks of life. Guy Stanford, chairman of the *M.C.C.* of New South Wales, said it was a lighthearted approach to a serious issue. "We hope that people have a good laugh at our expense but also see how vulnerable motorcyclists can be on the road and remember to look twice, particularly at intersections," he said. View a sample video at:

http://media.smh.com.au/?rid=23063&sy=smh&source=undefined

Bikers' Turn For Urine Testing

Police in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia will be conducting random urine tests on motorcyclists in the ongoing *Ops Sikap XI* traffic operation. Due to concerns over the high number of motorcyclists killed in traffic crashes, federal traffic chief sen asst comm (II) Nooryah Md Anvar has put out the order to state police contingents to begin the checks immediately.

"It worked when we implemented it for bus drivers; with word going around they became more careful. Since it has worked with bus drivers, we are hoping it will have the same effect on motorcyclists."

Quotable Quote

"Many of the supporters of repealing the helmet laws are very effective. They are very well educated and well-funded. And they have a single issue. They present this not as a safety issue, but as a matter of state's rights and individual freedom. They are very good. I wish they were on our side."

Linda Cosgrove, N.H.T.S.A. in an interview with Scripps Howard News Service May 25, 2006

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From The ...

GUNNY'S SACK

Now that the Christmas season is past us, we can settle down and get ready to ride this new year. Many of us are looking forward to showing off those new saddlebags and all the other goodies we got from Santa.

The rest of us are busy getting our scoots ready to ride. Do the maintenance in the winter months, so you will be ready when the sun comes out.

Have ya got all those "honey do's" done? Now is the time to get that stuff outta the way, too. That good woman who puts up with ya all summer when yer gone every weekend on some run or another deserves some time, now that things are cold outside. She's the one who feeds ya and keeps ya warm at night, right? Now you women out there, you can just put the Gunny in reverse and apply all that to your old man! Enough of my foolishness.

Winter Safety

If you don't want a breakdown or worse on the first ride of the new year, check those tires, and change the oil and other fluids. Give the bike a good cleaning. And a coat of wax won't hurt either. All any of this stuff does is make the riding season a little nicer. Maybe even sign up and take a riding course. Who knows, ya might just learn something or be reminded of a trick that will save your bacon this year.

Insurance Safety

Our A.I.M. lawyer, Sam Hochberg, wants to remind you to buy high limits of your uninsured and underinsured bike and car coverage, because it's often all there is to protect

you and your loved ones. Before spring hits, Oregon clubs and associations can contact Sam to come to your group and give his free talk about the law and motorcycles, and how to protect yourself legally. You can always reach Sam 24/7 via A.I.M., Aid to Injured Motorcyclists, at 1-(800)-On-A-Bike, http://www.On-A-Bike.com, or call Sam locally at (503)-224-1106.

Newsbits-N-Pieces

Milwaukee, Wisconsin -: Harley has issued a voluntary safety recall for about 13,400 bikes. Affected are the 2006 DYNA model bikes built between June 9 and October 19, 2005. The transmissions in some or all of them seem to have this great little feature: Under certain circumstances, the bike will slip into a false neutral position, even though the neutral indicator light is on. No fun there. I guess their faces must be a little red. Harley is offering free pickup and delivery, if you need it to get the recall taken care of. This all got rolling with recall kits at the dealers the week of December 12, 2005.

Ducati – Whooee! The duke has done it again. They have a new machine that's gorgeous! Its called the Hypermotard. I'm told this critter is the cats whiskers on mountain roads. It took best of show at the recent 63rd International Motorcycle Exhibition. At 385 pounds it'll hit 135 mph and it's air cooled. Right now, it's a concept bike, but it won't be for long.

United Kingdom: No Luxembourg Compromise! – The Motorcycle Action Group (M.A.G.-U.K.) is calling for



Gunny chief of staff Oregon A.I.M.

the U.K. government to reject the Luxembourg Compromise for the third European license directive, regarding motorcycle licensing. Y'see, we still worry about helmet laws in the U.S.A. and we should be paying more attention to what's going on in Europe. The European parliament is calling for structured licensing across the board in Europe. That means if you're 35 years old, for example, and a new rider, you will be restricted to a lesser license than that your friends might have and forced to ride a bike with a smaller engine! M.A.G. says this will have a detrimental effect on motorcycle riding all over the continent. Remember folks, when it happens in Europe, it isn't long before we are dealing with it right here in River City.

Washington, D.C.: Supreme Court Allows Hell's Angels' Lawsuit – According to the Associated Press, the supreme court refused to muscle into a dispute between the Hell's Angels club and some California law enforcement agencies over the shooting of three family pets during a police search. That leaves the door open for members of the club to sue for the 1998 raids that an appeals court said went too far. "The (police) intrusion was severe," the 9th U.S. circuit court of appeals said.

During a raid, the California police shot and killed pets belonging to members of the *Hell's Angels Motorcycle Club*. Even though a lot of stuff was taken by police, they never actually used any of it in court. So why did the police take all that stuff? It's about time that justice is for all people, not just for everybody except members of motorcycle clubs. They are clubs, not criminal gangs and its about time they were recognized as such. This same police prejudice has reared it's ugly head again in Portland, but this time, with a good result:

Portland, Oregon: Pro Bono Legal Work Strikes a Blow! – Police here backed off and withdrew their "criminal gang" designation of local biker and bar owner, Turtle, after a brief flurry of correspondence between his lawyer and the police. Oregon A.I.M. (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) attorney Sam Hochberg represented Turtle at the git-go and old Sam shot off a letter requesting a hearing, as reported recently in the Sack. Turtle belongs to the Brother Speed Motorcycle Club.

When he asked around for advice, every biker said the same: "Go see Sam."

About ten years ago, Sam and Spencer "Spike" Neal represented Bobbay, a member of the same club as Turtle and who received the same "criminal gang notification." That case went on in federal court a loooong time, until it was finally withdrawn, but there were no further "criminal gang" designations applied under this ordinance again, until now.

The *Oregon C.O.C.* Ready to help. Turtle wasn't alone defending his rights. Had the case gone further, the *Oregon Confederation of Clubs* had already pledged funds to assist Turtle with costs of his defense, including a possible lawsuit against the Portland police, if needed. Had this

"designation" succeeded, the bar that Turtle worked so hard to get might have been shut down. Thankfully, lieutenant Mike Leloff of the Portland police took the high road. In his letter withdrawing Turtle's criminal gang designation, he apologized for the inconvenience and ended with this: "You may consider this matter closed." Let's hope so this time.

If you'd like to meet our hero Turtle, pay him a visit at the *Turtle Shell* at 117th and SE Division Street in Portland, Oregon. Whenever a citizen stands up for his rights like Turtle did, he deserve our thanks. And it's a nice little neighborhood bar that is also biker-friendly, if you wanna thank him with your business.

Bike Stamps – On August 7th this year during Sturgis, the role of motorcycles in American culture will be recognized on four American motorcycles stamps, with digital illustrations of a 1918 Cleveland, a 1940 Indian Four, a 1965 Harley-Davidson Electra-Glide, and an early 70's chopper. After next August 7th, you'll see this Gunny at the local post office. I think I'll buy those suckers up and put 'em on my mail! And if you ever get mail from Sam, he still has a roll of these five-cent stamps from probably 25 years ago with an antique bike on them. He'll pop one on his lawyer correspondence every now and then along with the rest of the postage!

Washington State Patrol – These minions of the law are using a new approach to seat belt cheaters. In Spanaway, Washington a state trooper in plain clothes with a cardboard sign around his neck that read "Happy Holidays - Buckle Up"

stood on a corner and helped bust 30 people for not wearing their seat belts. When he spotted someone who wasn't wearing a seat belt he radioed fellow troopers parked nearby who pulled over the offender. I guess most people thought he was a panhandler and I would have too. I call that entrapment and a real waste of our police resources!

Gunny Again

As always, I remind everyone that the Aid to Injured Motorcyclists attorneys are our best source for redress when we find ourselves in a pickle. Call your nearest A.I.M. attorney if you have any questions about the law as it affects you. They will try to advise you, and they're like Sam: If they can't help you, they'll usually give you a name of someone they trust. A.I.M. is not just about crashes anymore, but if you have one you damn well want to talk to an A.I.M. lawyer. It's free to talk. Call 1-(800)-On-A-Bike or use 1-(800)-531-2424.

Doesn't cost ya to talk!

Keep the round side on the bottom,

Gunny chief of staff *Oregon A.I.M.*

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Confederation of Clubs Meeting

11 November 2006

Roundtable Pizza - Portland

Treasurer report: \$4,365. \$1,037 was donated to the *Make-A-Wish Foundation*.

Taia Wilson, event coordinator for *Make-A-Wish Foundation*, was at the meeting to accept the check.

She stated that all the money that goes to Oregon stays in Oregon.

Last year they granted 132 wishes. The average wish per child cost \$5,000.

They help 2-1/2 to 18 year old young people. They have a lifethreatening medical issue. (Not neccessarily a terminal illness.)

Attorney report: (Sam Hochberg) Update: Problem with bikers getting a motel room. Federal court lawsuit was filed.

The *Gypsy Jokers* case is still going on, but it is a good shot that it will go away.

California gang bill passed, even though 500 thousand letters from motorcyclists were written against it.

Gang identification: Police officers in California have been known to slip

a piece of paper stating "I am a gang member" under tickets they give you to sign. Always check underneath the ticket you are signing.

Police do not have D.O.T. stickers on the back of their helmets.

Upcoming Events

- N.C.O.M. national convention on Mothers' Day weekend in Charleston, North Carolina
- 04 February 2007 *Free Souls* 30 year anniversary party at their club house in Eugene.
 - 14 January 2007 Next

Confederation of Clubs meeting in Eugene at the Super 8 motel on Beltline road east of the freeway in the conference room. Nominations and elections will be held. Annual members' renewals are often due in January.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat "CraigLady" Williams
A.B.A.T.E. representative for
C.O.C.

Sanctioning

by Lee Austin

Let me introduce myself.

I am Lee Austin and I have been a member of *A.B.A. T.E.* for a long time now. I took the office of sanctioning for the state.

Here are a few of [the sanctioning rules] that I would like you to take notice.

One of them is this 100 mile rule. There will not be a 100 mile rule. Tthat was voted out by the membership in February or March of 2006.

Another rule was voted out also (please pay attention to this one – it will affect a few of you) that there will not be any campouts at the same time or the same weekend as another chapter. This hurts everybody in a lot of ways. This was also voted on by the membership and as far as I am concerned it is still in effect.

There will be an exception to this rule and that is if the two chapters involved agree to it on their own and submit this to me. Then that is okay with me and all concerned.

Also you must submit your payments for what you are doing the same time you send me the sanctioning forms before you are sanctioned. So I urge you to do this and that way you won't be delayed because some of you wait until the last minute to get 'er done.

So lets play together and have a smooth running year.

Lee Austin run sanctioning officer



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New Year, New Opportunities

Let's make things happen this year c.o.e. – 60



by Rot Path

Welcome to a new year and another free trip around the sun.

While it may be easier to slip into cynicism based on past experiences, hope offers us the possibilities of what can be in this coming year.

In a few days the Oregon legislature will convene and two days after that *Oregon BikePAC* will be holding a training session for *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter legislative directors and interested bikers at the capitol building in Salem.

There are two bills we have poised for action that will affect Oregon motorcyclists:

- 1. The helmet amendment bill that would *not* do away with the state requirement for helmets but would leave the decision of when helmets are appropriate up to adult riders. (Remember, the helmet legislation has never been about helmets, but rather about how far government should be allowed to intrude into citizen's private lives in the name of safety in order to protect them from *potential* harm.)
- 2. The motorcyclist right-of-way violation bill will toughen penalties for drivers who cause harm, injury, or death to motorcyclists. Too often drivers who cause crashes with motorcyclists are let off with a small traffic infraction fine, even when motorcyclists have been killed as a result of their actions. This bill is designed to hold drivers accountable for their actions and

notify public agencies that *all* road users must be accorded the same amount of respect and justice. Passing this bill will not be enough. Its penalty provisions must be made widely known to the general driving public so they take more care to avoid harming motorcyclists.

Freedom can only be created, not found.

There are two very fundamental questions each of us must ask ourselves:

"What do we want to happen?"

"How can we help that to happen?"

These bills will not pass themselves on their own merits.

They require the support of *all* Oregon bikers, whatever organization they may or may not belong to, including all the "lone wolf" riders out there.

There needs to be a constant stream of reasoned support for these bills crossing legislators' desks and minds beginning now and continuing throughout the legislative session. (Including "thank you"s for their support and work.)

Don't be afraid to call, write, or visit our legislators.

Make that first contact.

The rest will be easy.

Welcome returning and newlyelected chapter and state officers.

To those continuing with their volunteer positions, thank you for providing *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* with your services, organizational memory, and experience.

To those stepping into officer positions that are new to them, thank you for volunteering and don't be apprehensive.

Having the courage to take up officer responsibilities means so much to the survival and meaningful work of the organization and its members.

If this is your first time in an officer position, just remember that you are never alone in your duties. Information, help, and reassurance are always close at hand for you. There are always folks who have been with the organization for awhile who are glad to share their knowledge and help you over any rough spots.

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14 February	Sweetheart Dance–Columbia River Chapter		(503)-282-4604
21 February (day)	S.T.E.A.M. Conference (Chemeketa)	Salem	(541)-774-7558
28 February	Casino Night-Willamette Valley Chapter	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
12 March	Biker Night-Hub City Chapter	Albany	(541)-451-3940
14 March	ABATE of Oregon Spring Swap Meet	Roseburg	(503)-285-4329
20 March (day)	Canned Food Drive-Southeast Portland	Portland	(503)-654-4386
20 March (night)	Anniversary Party-Southeast Portland	Portland	(503)-760-9015
27-28 March	ABATE/BikePAC Planning session (overnight)	The Dalles	(503)-351-8193
01 April	Fool's Ride-Frog Lake Chapter (underwater)	Daplace	
25 April	ABATE of Oregon Spring Swap Meet	Portland	(503)-285-4329
01 May	Motorcycle Awareness Rally	Salem	(503)-351-8193
	and Freedom Rally -State Capitol		











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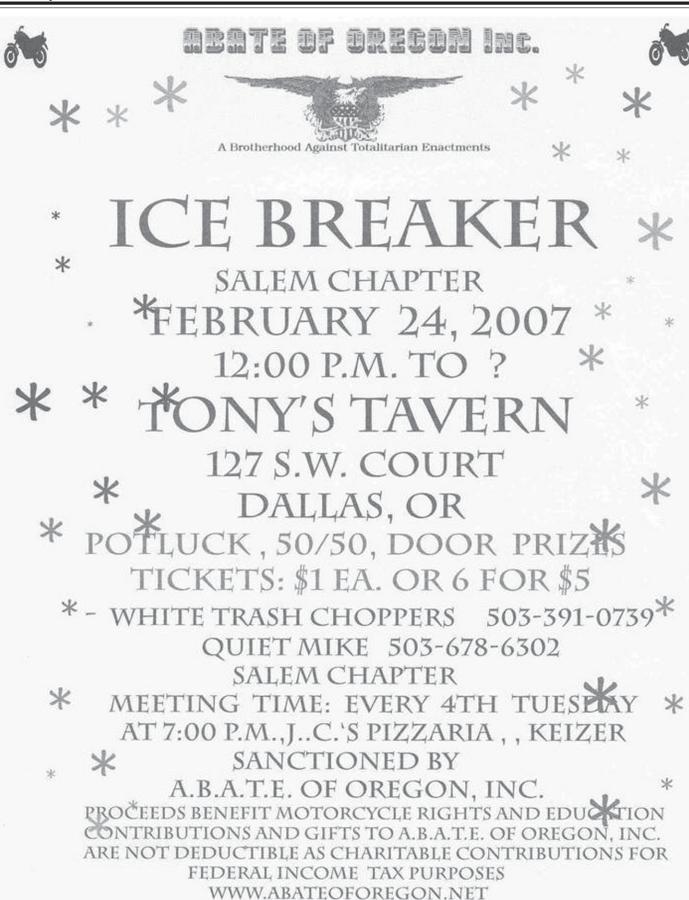
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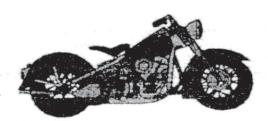
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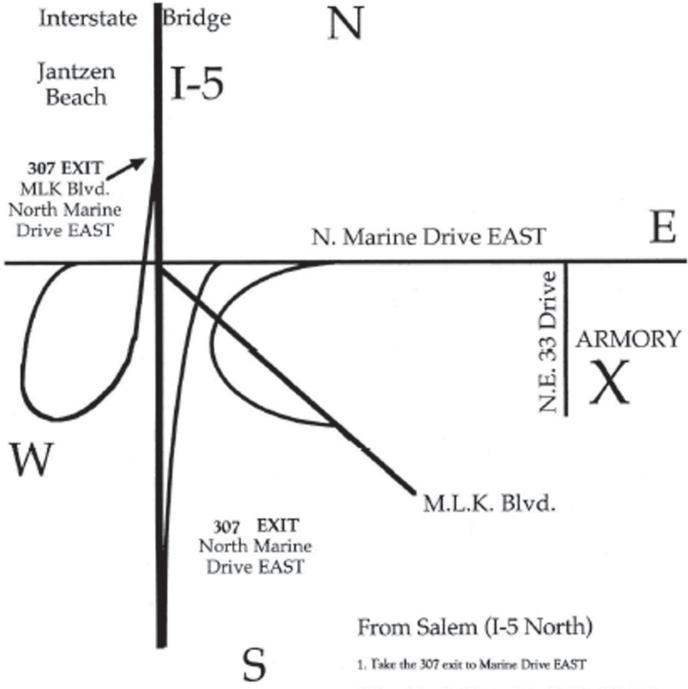
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Hub City

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We've got officer elections coming up in December and we'll start planning our 2007 events as soon as the new year arrives.

Hey, check out our newly revived web site:

http://www.hubcityabate.com

Web master Don is doing a really, really fabulous job continually updating the site with events, news, and photos. Damn, but doesn't *Hub City* sport a fine looking bunch of bikers?! (Not to mention bikes?)

Have a very safe and happy holiday and may the new year bring you and yours all good things. Ride free, ride safe and ride often!

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North Coast

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different from what goes on in the average family in this country, is it? In the end we work it out for the good of the whole, just as it should be

We come from all walks of life, we have many colors to our faces and our spiritual beliefs run a wide gambit. Still and all, the one thing that binds us all together in brother/sisterhood is our love for the two wheeled way of life.

Remember this as we begin this New Year filled with a few triumphs and some defeats: That we are one, we are united in the right to choose!

All the best for this New Year

— Rachel

Willamette Valley

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after the January S.O.S. meeting. Tim did comment that he would not be available in the middle of August as they do *Sturgis*, so the event would have to be moved to a different time of the year.

We then held the 50/50 drawing and Fred Modaff won \$51. The membership drawing was held and Greg Coen missed out on \$90 as he wasn't at the meeting.

See ya all at the Christmas dinner at *Mac's* for our next meeting. Have a great Thanksgiving and don't gobble too much.

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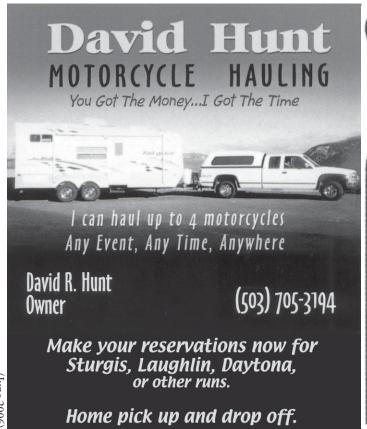
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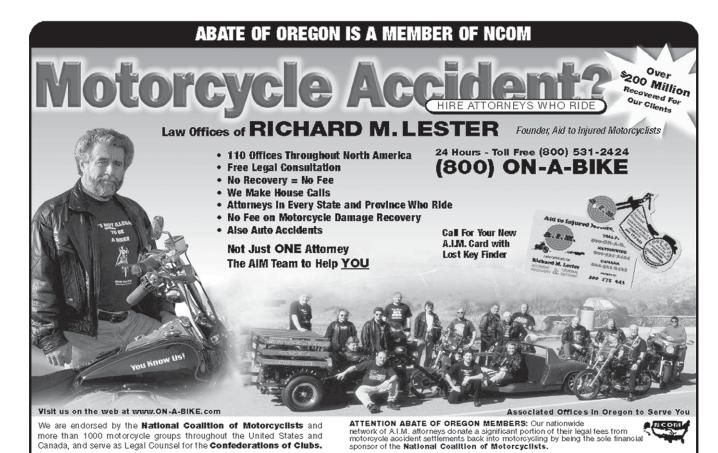
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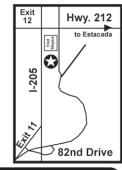
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	South Coast are	ea (continued)							
Greg McNair	(541)-396-6477	Coquille	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X		X		
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X	
Brian&Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Atting 190	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
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)-654-9496	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Dan Hein	(503)-xx7-4826	Portland		X	X		X		X
Matt Hobbs	(503)-666-8806	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Emmett Hurd	(503)-631-35xx	Portland	X	X	\mathbf{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	
	Washington Co	ounty area							
Rick and Tina Stocker	(503)-341-2568(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rich and Margo Virchow	(503)-502-4941(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-816-9832(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X
Ken Woolston (Mungo)	(503)-359-1135		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Roger Yarnell	(503)-324-9139		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Trace Ceccacci	(503)-639-4768		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greg GoatboyVaughn	(503)-502-4229(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mark Pratt	(503)-357-1727		X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Cindy Henderson	(503)-648-6047	•	X	X	X	X	X	X X
Ed Vaughn	(503)-646-2060		X	X	X	X	X	X X
Ted and Jill Tracy	1-(877)-552-2283 tol	l-free	X	X	X	X	X	X X
Kent and Pat Gore	(503)-848-7653		X	X	X	X	X	X X
Dave and Diane Hansen	(503)-357-5091		X	X	X	X	X	X X
Troy Davis	(503)-260-6451		X	X	X	X	X	X X
Chuck Jeffcoat	(503) 649-7344		X	X	X	X	X	X X
	Willamette Valley	 7 area						
Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City	X				X	X
T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X		X	XX
Ron Budde	(541)-343-6447	Eugene	X	X	X			
Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X	X
Michelle FitzHenry	(503)-787-4618	Falls City	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary&Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	XX
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	XX
Rod Hatter	(541)-744-2494	Springfield	X			X	X	X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	XX
Mike & Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X				X	X
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	XX
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	XX
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene/River Road	X	X	X	X	X	XX
Michael & Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X		X	XX
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X			X		X
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X				X	X
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Ray & Kathy DeMelo	(503)-393-2201	Keizer		X	X		X	X
Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	\mathbf{X}	\mathbf{X}	XX

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ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 colo	r 3.00
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(out of stock) ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color	r on white 5.00
ABATE Logo Hats	
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ABATE T-Shirts	15.00
Long sleeve T-shirts	20.00
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ABATE Sweatshirts	200
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Ladies V-neck shirts	20.00
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HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or DOT 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 NAME: ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: ____ PHONE: work _____ home ____ MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? (YES) (NO) WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED? DATE STOPPED: _____ a m / pm LOCATION: _ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY_____ OFFICER NAME: PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) CITATION? (YES) (NO) IF SO FOR: HELMET / OTHER (specify) 1st appearance date: _____ TIME: ____ am/pm CITE # 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) 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 quilty 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? _ L was the sentence? _____ ASSESSMENT: STATE \$ _____ COUNTY \$ ____ CITY \$ _____ FINE:\$ 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
MODEL: BRAND: When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES Label permanently fastened inside? (YES) (NO) Was helmet modified? (YES) (NO) If modified describe:

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Wanted

Two sets of studded tires. One set of P225/75r15 tires and one set of F78-14 mounted on fivehole *Ford* passenger car wheels. Excellent condition. Both sets.\$30 per set or \$50 for both. I need to get rid of them and could use the money. My baby needs new shoes, if you know what I mean. Any reasonable offer will be considered. Please call Bill at (503)-257-7390

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Answer to December CRYPTOGRAM

Thou art thy mother's glass, And she in thee calls back The lovely April of her prime.

— Shakespeare

January Cryptogram

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— ROTIDE 'LO YTSURC

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

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

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Rich Colwell			
VICE-COORDINATOR SOUTH			
Jim Jones			
VICE-COORDINATOR EAST			
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MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY			
Linda Henderson			
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Nic Oliver			
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Joan McCarty	(503)-249-7125	fanwrite@comcast.net	
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SWAP MEET COORDINATOR	(903) 020 9119		
Willie Sanders	(503)-249-8791		
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Lee Austin		la44@qcsn.com	
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MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:

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Couple membership	\$25	Amount enclosed:	\$
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The price of *Auld Ang Sye* can be dear.

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NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:

Saturday, 13 January 2007 at noon

Eagles Lodge – Albany, Oregon

RUN COMMITTEE MEETING AT 1100

CHAPTER MEETINGS A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Chapter: Day: Time: Location: Phone: 2nd Sunday Central Oregon $1400 (2^{pm})$ Black Horse Saloon; Bend (541)-389-2167 Columbia River 2nd Sunday 1230 (12:30^{pm}) The Spare Room; 4830 N. E. 42nd.; Portland (503)-807-1606 **Douglas County** 3rd Tuesday 1900 (7^{pm}) (541)-459-7652 Round Table Pizza; Roseburg **Hub City** 3rd Thursday 1900 (7^{pm}) (541)-967-7802 Ciddici's Pizza; 133 Fifth Street; Albany Josephine County 3rd Wednesday 1900 (7^{pm}) Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale Drive; (541)-471-6049 Grant's Pass 1st & 3rd Tues 1900 (7^{pm}) Lincoln County (541)-265-6850 American Legion Hall, 424 W. Olive Street, Newport North Coast 4th Sunday 1030 (10:30^{am}) Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria (503)-325-4376 1st & 3rd Wed 1900 (7^{pm}) Northeast Portland Round Table Pizza; 4141 NE 122nd; Portland (503)-777-5121 1st & 3rd Tues 1900 (7pm) River City Roadstop Restaurant; 2nd Street, The Dalles (541)-296-8083 Salem 4th Tuesday (503)-390-4292 1900 (7^{pm}) C.C.'s Pizzaria, 4200 River Road north, Keizer South Coast 3rd Sunday 1100 (11^{am}) Fisherman's Grotto; Cape Arago Highway; (541)-888-9003 Charleston 1200 (noon) Southeast Portland 1st & 3rd Sun M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; (503)-666-8806 Gresham Washington County 2nd & 4th Mon 1930 (7:30^{pm}) Prime Time Restaurant; 4202 Pacific Ave; (503)-357-3040 Forest Grove 3rd Thursday Roaring Rapids Pizza 4006 Franklin Boulevard; (541)-688-4268 Willamette Valley 1900 (7^{pm}) Eugene