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May Awareness Rally

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We Assembled,**



We Rocked Our Capitol

(photos by Marty Soehrman, Mel Yeager, and Rot Path)

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Welcome to A.B.A.T.E.

What We're About

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

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

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

- It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride.

We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

- You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to *A.B.A.T.E.*

Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working with are important to their community.

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

-- Rot Path

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.

"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.

by Bill Bish

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A.B.A.T.E. of California

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Coordinator's Comments



by Ed Vaughn

Thank you to everybody who was involved in putting on the *May Awareness Rally*.

The weather was good, the bike show was fun, and the politicians were interesting, to say the least.

Thank you also to the people who attended the rally. That is what the public see and what makes all the work that goes into organizing events like this worth while.

Your state public relations officer was working hard and we had television coverage from channel 6. The 700 motorcycles that were parked in front of the capitol must have seemed news worthy as I understand we got approximately ten minutes of air time on two separate newscasts.

Fossil will be history by now and I hope you were one of the smart people who attended. The run committee and city have been working overtime to make sure this was the best *Fossil* campout in years. I will stick my neck out and say if you didn't go you'll be sorry once you talk to the people who did. I can't think of a more enjoyable way to support our organization.

I'll repeat it again: the value in membership is in its participation in

the organization. Try to attend as many of the *A.B.A.T.E.*-sanctioned runs as your time and pocket book will allow and we will all be the better for it.



Ed Vaughn, our steely-eyed state coordinator, speaking at the 06 May Motorcycle Awareness Rally.

Your state board representatives should have mentioned in their reports the discussion from the state board meeting pertaining to ideas that originate at the yearly planning session. This month we talked about training our members in how to deal with politicians and what to do once you go to the capitol either for biker days or when a bill is on the floor and we need bikers in the gallery.

I know that when I first started, the thought of going to Salem and talking to my legislators terrified me.

Even still I am reluctant to go without specific details about what's going to happen or someone with more experience to lead the way.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon and *BikePAC* want to give you the training you need to feel comfortable and be effective when dealing with politicians and our political issues.

Kick this around your chapter and decide what will work best for you. Whether it's more attendance at *S.T.E.A.M.*, packets with contact numbers and sample letters, a separate seminar dealing only with politics, or someone to come to your chapter meeting and give private lessons. Each chapter needs to decide what will work for them and what it will take to get our members active on the political front.

Next year is a legislative year and I would like to see us all be ready to act by the time it starts. Come up with some ideas and send them to the state board via your chapter representatives and let's learn how to play the game.

Ed Vaughn

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

Hello from beautiful sunny Central Oregon,

Remember this month is our *Fourth Annual Rocks, Bridges & Lakes Poker Run*.

This year we have decided to split the proceeds 50/50 between *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and the *M.R.F.*

The run is on Saturday, June 17th. We will follow the same route as last year. It will start at *City Slickers* in Redmond and finish at *Coyote Creek* in Sisters. Maps will be available.

City Slickers will open at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast, the last rider out by 11: a.m. The *Badland Boogie Band* will be playing at *Coyote Creek* starting at 1:00 p.m.

We will call for the 50/50 pot and the high dice hand at 3:00 p.m.

Remember this run supports both our own state organization and the *M.R.F.*

I would like to thank Marie for conducting the April meeting since I was not able to attend.

Our chapter rides for the summer will start on the second Saturday of each month in June. The time is 9:00 a.m. at the *Black Horse Saloon*.

Hope to see you all at the *Rocks, Bridges & Lakes Run*.

Kevin

Sanctioned by ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

4th Annual
"Rocks, Bridges & Lakes Run"
Sat. June 17, 2006

Profits will be split between ABATE of Oregon and the Motorcycle Riders Foundation. Working for your motorcycle rights!

50/50 Split • \$15.00 Dice Roll Available
High Dice Roll \$100.00 award.
Santions are encouraged.

Meet at City Slickers Saloon & Eatery, 213 SW 8th, Redmond.
Will open 8:30 a.m. for breakfast, sign up 9:30 a.m.,
Last rider out 11:00 a.m.

Badland Boogie Band beginning at 1:00 p.m.
3:00 p.m. call for 50/50 and High Dice Roll Coyote Creek, Sisters
For information contact: Kevin, 541-389-2167,
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!! ALL RIDERS & MOTORCYCLES ARE WELCOME!!



It's not too late to hustle on down to the store and pick a copy of the May/June Bend Living magazine. Check out the great article beginning on page 102 about motorcycling east of the Cascade Mountains. -- c.o.e.

CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

Columbia River

Donnie started the meeting.
 We had five guests present.
 Missing two officers this time.
 Reading of the minutes were waived.

We have 136 members currently but nothing else was reported about members because our membership secretary was gone.

We now have \$707 in the bank.

Coordinator Donnie reports that we have had an exciting and busy month so far and all the hard work showed at the *May Awareness Rally*. It was a great ride. More great things are hoped to happen.

Lee reports that there have been several meetings over the last few months about the *E.P.A.* laws that the government here in Oregon is trying to adopt from California. Many people are doing studies to prove that these bikes and other vehicles they are saying is bad for our air is not at all.

In Idaho they passes a law called "the red light law" which allows bikes to run a red if there are no vehicles present.

On a different note studies have shown that since gas prices have gone up, more people are turning to motorcycles. There is a down side to this. Because of the increase there has also been a 7% increase in motorcycle deaths and a a huge increase in [crashes].

Lee also reports that there is a new style of paint out there to help [riders] be seen better. A reflective paint has been made to go on the back of your motorcycles that is clear and can only be seen at night when light is shined on it.



Joan (state representative) reports that it was a light board meeting so not much to report, just that the last few details on *Fossil* are being put on but it looks to be a good one. She also reports that we need more volunteers from *Colombia River Chapter*.

She also tells us all that we need to start looking into bands for younger people. Even if it's one band at the whole event, we need to draw the younger crowd in.

Also, motion was passed to raise officer gas price effective June 1st. New price is decided by treasurer and if the gas prices start to decrease so will the amount officers get.

Shag (toy run) reports that we have lots of tickets and that we have only sold about 200, so we need to sell more. He also says that when people are selling them to remind the people we are trying to sell to that this is for *Shriner's*, not any other place and is different then the rest.

Lee (*Summer Run*) reports all is going well. We need a few more band and we will need to get volunteers.

Old business: *Angie's Run* is coming up and we want to see lots of people come out there. We are going to need more volunteers.

New business: Ways and means needs people to donate money and items for the new run season so that this year will have great prizes.

Historian Bill reports that he has great photos from the *May Awareness Rally*.

There was no 50/50 drawing or membership drawing.

Ways and means brought in \$112.



COLUMBIA RIVER MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

As I'm writing this, it's April and the sun seems to have come out – finally.

And yes, there are bikes everywhere. It seems that every year there are more and more bikes on the road. One would think that would raise the awareness of the cage drivers, but most likely not. Remember, defensive riding is the best. Always assume they can't see you.

By the time this goes to print, *Fossil* will be a memory. I hope we will still be enjoying the spring weather and won't have one of those "April flowers and May showers" years.

Yes, Oregon weather has made me a bit of a cynic.

Please look at the newsmagazine and make efforts to support your local and neighboring *A.B.A.T.E.* functions. Together we do make a difference.

There are so many runs and events to get to. Sometimes it seems there aren't enough weekends. Oh the pain of it all.

Our last biker night was an awesome success. There were well over 70 bikes during the evening, and several folks who didn't ride. Some weren't even motorcyclists. (Imagine!)

What an opportunity to get to know fellow motorcyclists in the community.

We had drawings for door prizes and a 50/50 to benefit our chapter. Also, a local high school student raised some funds through a silent auction for a trip for school. Just one more example of how the local



biking community supports our youth and the community at large. We are scheduled for another biker night and we can only presume that as the weather gets warmer, we will have even more participation.

Thanks to *Pete's Drive-In* for their hospitality and the cake and ice cream they provided as thanks to us for being there. And, thanks to the many who attended and supported this function. And let's not forget the organizers.

Here in *Douglas County* we are having our annual *Thundering Water Poker Run* on June 11th. This is a dynamite ride up the Umpqua River toward Diamond Lake. Stops are located a various waterfalls just off the road, most within easy walking distance. Springtime up the Umpqua is absolutely spectacular. So, for a great day and a great ride, come and join us.

Another primary election has passed and I hope you exercised your right to vote. As with *A.B.A.T.E.*, it's important that we all take an active role in the decisions that affect every

facet of our lives on a daily basis. We have many issues in Oregon that impact our social and economic well being.

November is coming. Study up.

Watch for more news about coming events. Here in the "south", *S.O.S.* is on the horizon. Hope to see you there.

Ride safe and enjoy the road,

Becky Garino
secretary



DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

Hub City



Hi everyone!

Hope this early spring weather has allowed you all to get out on your bikes and get some time in the wind!

It's been an eventful month for the *Hub City Chapter*, with our own Fred Tucker being elected to the state *A.B.A.T.E.* position of vice coordinator – south. (Congratulations, Fred!)

Our motorcycle awareness billboard is proudly on display at the intersection of Queen and Pacific in Albany. (It's a big one!)

For those of you who were unable to attend our April meeting, it was a typically boisterous *Hub City* affair at *Ciddici's Pizza* in Albany with 59 members in attendance and a nice crop of 10 or 12 visitor.

Even the sheriff, Tim Mueller, was there! (Okay, he was just stumping for reelection and wound up being a little long winded, but what can you expect in an election year?)

Bill Foss (sergeant-at-arms) reported that he already has commitments from last year's *One Night Stand* sponsors and is looking for more. (Way to go, Bill!)

So make sure you have this year's new and improved date prominently displayed on your "to do" calendar! The new date is August 5th and we're all hoping to see a good turn out from the entire state.

It's going to be a great weekend! In order for that to happen though, we need the support of the entire *Hub City* membership, so sign up to work that weekend, and/or attend some of the work parties that are scheduled between now and then.

These events, in typical *Hub City* style, are both productive and fun! Check with Garry Hastie, our friendly neighborhood coordinator, for more information.

Steve Sorenson (run coordinator) reports that the route for the *Hub City Poker Run*, scheduled for June 3rd, has been set, but he wants to "run it a few more times". (You know Steve.)

Al Sims (state board representative) wants to remind everyone about the *Ice Cream Run* on July 8th. If there was ever a run to take your kids along, this is the one! This run is very

informal and designed with your kids in mind.

There are fliers for many of our upcoming events in this newsmagazine. If you look around a little you can find much of the information you need to participate.

Hey all you *Hub City* members who haven't been to a meeting in a while (and anyone else who's interested for that matter), I urge you to get up and ride on down! Sure we had 59 members at our last meeting and every one of us had a great time, but you missed it! Come on down and check it out. You joined this group

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HUB CITY MEETING TIME
and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 Fifth Street
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports

Josephine County

Eee-haw!

It's here.

That wonderful big fiery thing in the sky and the warmth it brings to our roads.

Bikers are peeling off those layers and hitting the streets with gusto. It's great hearing the roar of lots of bikes on the roads again. It seems like it's been such a long winter this year.

Our April meeting had an attendance of 52+ and it wasn't even a potluck. I believe we have our new membership secretary, Jeanne K., to thank for that. She called all members on the roster to remind them of the meeting and ask if they would like to be on the call list for upcoming meetings. That little reminder really seems to help a lot of folks who just get busy and forget about once a month get-togethers. She has a couple of members who offered to share the calling list. Great idea!

How many of you attended the awareness rally in Salem on May 6th? Please remember, your membership is a voice in motorcycle rights. Your effort and appearances at rallies such as this can make a big difference to the public and our politicians. Also, did you submit your *BikePAC* membership? Please do and help them fight for your rights in the legislative arena.

We still need to help increase our state *A.B.A.T.E.* membership also. Be sure and talk to non-member riders regarding all the rights we have gained through *A.B.A.T.E.* and all the good times we share through our rides and activities. Yes, *Jo County* has a good sized membership, but we want *more* members!

Our June meeting is another potluck folks! I am soooo in. Each one just keeps getting better and better. I bet we'll have some awesome raffle prizes that night also, but I'm

not telling. You'll have to make an appearance to see if I'm right.

Our chapter has many good rides planned this year. By the time you get this newsmagazine, we will have participated in the *SPARC in the Park Run*. It's just a few weeks away. That's such a good cause.

On July 8th we will host the *A.B.A.T.E. Run To The Coast* in coordination with the *Sons of God* camp out. This will be a fun trip.

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JOSEPHINE COUNTY
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1900 (7 pm)
Fruitdale Grange
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Grant's Pass

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

Fellow *North Coasters* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* members, there is a biker tsunami gathering momentum and all that lay in its path will be washed along with it. I am speaking about the huge gathering of over 500 like minded motorcycle riding voters who showed up at the steps of our state capital building on Saturday the 6th of May for *May Awareness Rally*.

Even if our legislature was not in

session and our respective representatives (for the most part) were not there to witness the inspiring sight and sound, they did learn about it for they could feel the earth move for miles around.

Thank you to all who seized the day and who let your state government know you are watching and listening to their every move. This day is only one day and we need to remain in the moment of determination. Our freedoms are being stolen from us and we are letting them get away with it because most of us are apathetic, caught up in our individual concerns, or we believe that our one vote won't make a difference. What a load of bull!!!

This newsmagazine will come out after the state elections so I don't know who at this point will be our fearless leader or who will sit in what seat in the legislature but I can tell you this much, if you didn't do your

homework on who was a pro-biker right candidate or get your bum down to the voter precinct and vote, or help your candidate in their election campaigns, you don't deserve your freedoms.

Is that too harsh?

I don't think so. This is a harsh time

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NORTH COAST MEETING**TIME and PLACE**

4th Sunday at 1030 (10:30 am)

Moose Lodge

420 17th Street

Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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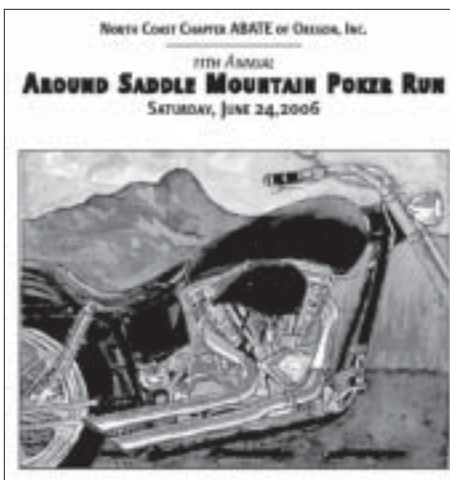
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports

Northeast Portland

Reports from the *All Motorcycle Spring Swap Meet* on April 30 are in. Thank you for helping us make it a great success. Lots of stuff changed hands, friends met friends, and A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon earned some revenue to help keep the mission moving forward.

Keep in mind that there is another one coming: the *Fall All Motorcycle Swap Meet* coming again on Sunday, October 1, 2006. Note that the date has been changed so check your calendars to make sure you have the right date. Download a flyer from

<http://www.abateoforegon-ne.com/events/>

A link to vendor information and forms is there too.

The 29th Annual Fossil Campout, Back to our Roots! is now history for 2006. There was a good crowd despite the gas crunch. Fortunately, we are into fuel efficient, practical vehicles. Thanks to Ted Tracy and his crew for helping make it a success. Let us know what you liked about it and let us know how you think it can be improved for 2007.

The summer is just getting started and there is a summer full of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon fun events, not the least of which is *Summer Run*

2006 on August 18-20. This is the *Summer Run's* 25th year. There is a new location this year, McCubbins Gulch, off of 216 near Maupin. Live music, plenty of activities and camping in the trees. Lee Austin, known for putting on a good show, is in charge. More information and directions on the *Northeast* web site at

<http://www.abateoforegon-ne.com/events/>

Don't miss it if you can.

As lovers of freedom and liberty, more and more restrictions and encroachments are raining down on us all the time that are pretty hard to take. Events like *Fossil* and *Summer Run* are becoming threatened species with regulations and insurance requirements becoming more ominous every day. Appreciate what we still have, work to keep it, and make sure you know who is truly your friend when it comes time to mark your ballot next fall.

7073!

If that's your A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon *Northeast Portland Chapter* membership ID number and you come to one of our June meetings, you can claim the June prize. For

May it was two 2005 *Summer Run* t-shirts and two 2006 *Summer Run* tickets.

June's will be the same prize, but check the web site to be sure. Bring your ID card.

This is part of our *Mystery ID Number - Come to the Meeting* incentive program. A new number will be drawn for June. This number is also posted on our web site and more details can be found there.

This month, be sure you harass Shelby Taylor for not reading the newsmagazine or checking our web site and spotting her number for April. This proves that your secret is safe with Rusty.

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N.E. PORTLAND MEETING**TIMES and PLACE**

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1930 (7:30pm)

Round Table Pizza

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

April 18, 2006

We had 20 people tonight and four or them joined tonight. That will bring our roster up to 76! We talked about the state board of director's meeting and the difficulties with the *Gypsy Jokers*. Also, we talked about the sanctioning issues and how motions and mistakes get made.

Our poker run is this next weekend, so it is history when you read this. I will try to send in an addendum about it. The weather looks good and we are ready to go!

Pat Williams won the membership drawing at \$15.

Jason won the 50/50 at \$9/\$9 and donated \$5 back to the chapter. Thanks, Jason.

The feature bike on the agenda was a 1926 HD Peashooter.

Catch you later.

I gotta go see the new bikes in the parking lot,

— Brian

May 2, 2006

There were 21 people at tonight's meeting!

Our poker run was a huge success. We made about \$1,500 profit. The committee will meet soon to talk about some investments in infrastructure for next year and all other issues.

We have heard that there were a few irresponsible riders who were conducting themselves badly in the *BiMart* parking lot that we have gotten to use for the last two years. We hope this will not cause us to lose this privilege.

There are a lot of community folks using that lot too and we need to be respectful.

John won the 50/50 at \$8/\$8 and donated \$5 back to the chapter. Thanks, John.

Slow Bob would have won the membership drawing if he had been present. It will go up to \$10 for the next meeting.

The weather is great here. Come on out and join us for one of our Saturday or Sunday rides.

The feature bike on the agenda was a 1921 *Velocette D2*.

— Brian

Upcoming meetings

June 6, 2006

June 20, 2006

RIVER CITY MEETING**TIMES and PLACE**

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

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

Salem



April 23, 2006

What a great group we have coming to our meetings! During this one we voted in a new coordinator plus changed the meeting time and covered the state board items while planning the annual picnic.

The time to be at *Papa's Pizza* is at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month, June 27th, 2006. We will be continuing this meeting time until further notice so that you all can get out and ride. Especially on the weekends what with all the great runs coming up.

Our guests for the meeting, April 23rd, were Bill and Mona Pulliam (that's John and Mary actually) along with Larry and Peggy Owens and a new member along with his son, whose names I am unable to remember at the moment. Sorry about that.

We will be gathering at Rodgers' Wayside Park on July 15, 2006 for the *Lil' Biker Day* with games for children and so called grown-ups, along with great food, door prizes, and 50/50. Go ahead and bring your favorite dish, if you would like, and bring the kids.

We will be having a *Lil' Biker Day* every year at around the same date. Please call (503)-831-0351, ask for Ann, and she can fill you in on her ideas for games. Feel free to offer any ideas you have. She is making out to be a great games person. The *C.M.A.* are going to try to make it with their trailer for coffee, tea, and cocoa plus a bike blessing. The weather is going to be great. Hope to see you there!

Thank you to all who came to *Fossil* and helped out with different jobs. I am sure *Salem Chapter* had fun shadowing the *Douglas County Chapter* during the games and bike show. Next year, just watch what we come up with. (*Douglas County*, I am sure, did a great job.)

As you may have noticed, this is election year. Please go to

<http://www.bikepac.com>

for your very own legislative scoreboard. Check it out for information on different representatives and senators.

May summer bring you all that you think you need.

Ride safe, please.

Kindest regards,

Michelle J. FitzHenry

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SALEM MEETING
TIME and PLACE
4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm)
Papa's Pizza
4550 Commercial Street, Salem

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

South Coast



Well, the *Mall Mother's Day Motorcycle Show* at Pony Village Mall and the *Rhody Festival* in Florence are behind us.

The *Mall Show* gives us a real chance to show the members of our community the many faces of motorcycling. It generated a lot of interest!

The *Rhody Festival* always gives us a good chance to stretch our legs with a great ride and a fun day at the festival.

Our big event for the summer is the *S.O.S. Run* at Wolf Creek on August 18th, 19th and 20th. The weather is usually fine for this event and *Wolf Creek State Park* provides great camping! Make that ride down (or up) I-5 and join us for a great weekend! Anyone needing more information is welcome to call the *South Coast Chapter* coordinator at (541)-888-9003.

**SOUTH COAST MEETING****TIME and PLACE**

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

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Tom "Pipes" Shine

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

Southeast Portland

What a reality check! To see how many people can come together and show up for the state motorcycle rally on the front steps of the capitol. What a view. I wish I had had a camera but there many at the event with cameras. We hope they share their pictures. It was very impressive. By far, this was [the best] showing in years. We are looking for an even better turn out next year!

I had a great opportunity to see a lot of old friends including Mr Joe Laurance, formerly our *A.B.A.T.E.* state coordinator. He is currently running for the office of Douglas county commissioner. He has some very awesome comments about *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* in his candidate information. Oh, and check this out. The man lives down in the Roseburg area, rode past Salem to meet up with the groups from *Southeast Portland*, *Columbia River*, *Northeast Portland* and a few members from *North Coast* only to turn around for the ride back to Salem. It was the coolest!

Comment from Matt, *Southeast Portland* coordinator: "The *May Awareness Rally* was really great. The guest speakers had were entertaining. Our group has invited several of the gubernatorial candidates to come speak at our meeting. We welcome everyone to come and listen. Dates of the meetings will be available. On a personal note, I

was glad to see the over 450+ motorcycles and the 700+ people. But, I think we could do way better. If everybody who showed up this year, invite one or two people to come with them next year, what a showing that would make! We should have bikes all the way back to the far art structure. Then maybe the governor will take the time to spend with us and discuss what the motorcyclists of this state would like given back to us, our freedom of personal choice. These are just my opinions. What *BikePAC* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* have contributed along with the hard work of the individual riders supporting these groups, are the only way we are going to get what we want. We need to get more people involved now for an even bigger turnout next year." Thanks for the space, Matt

Back to my report.

Run 21 lives. And about time.

A run site has been found. We are spreading the "word" quickly. The cavalry has been called out. 'Course they're on bikes. Check the web site:

<http://www.abateoforegon-se.org/runs/run21home>

for more info or ask your local *Southeast Portland Chapter* member.

Speaking of *Run 21*, special appreciation goes out to Shag (a.k.a. signed by Shag) and Sharon. They were

instrumental in finding the site. High kudos to you both.

Also, to Big Donnie (a.k.a. Santa Claus) and the members of *Columbia River Chapter* who have pledged their support to help this run out. It's really great to see chapters helping each other out.

Well, my soft end is tired. It's been a many long days getting everything going for *Run 21*. Look forward to next month.

Soft tail

P.S. Sorry bout the lack of communications last month.

**S.E. Portland MEETING****TIMES and PLACE**

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

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

Washington County

Have you marked your calendar for June 11?

Can you spend a day riding and picnicking with friends?

Come out to *Paradise Harley-Davidson* at 10 a.m. to sign in for our *Roll-n-Ride and Family Picnic*. The chapter provides the food. All you have to do is show up!

As May marks the beginning of the riding season and gasoline prices have soared to over \$3 a gallon, I see more and more riders on the road. In talking with fellow riders, both at meetings and elsewhere, the common theme seems to be close calls and accidents.

I know that you have probably heard a dozen times, just in the last month, that you need to be aware of your surroundings and watch all the other drivers on the road. They are coming out of their winter slumber, rolling down their windows, and turning up the radio. What can you do to get their attention?

Make eye contact. Whether that is in their mirror or as you are beside or approaching them.

If you are in their blind spot, they will not see you.

It does not mean, however, that all drivers will check their mirrors before

making a lane change. So be ready and have an escape route handy.

In that situation where you are now having to use the escape route, make sure you are not moving into harm's way to avoid a collision. Those little pockets on the freeway change rapidly. When approaching an intersection, check driveways and side streets and look at the driver and their vehicle for signs that they do not see you.

Don't be afraid to use your horn to remind them you have the right of way and you intend to use it.

When stopping in traffic, make sure that escape route is an option, even if it is between two parked cars.

If you see the driver not slowing down in your mirror, *move!* That movement may startle them enough to realize that they need to use those anti-lock brakes. They may have been off in la-la land and not realized that they were about to ruin someone else's day.

Unfortunately, I have used that maneuver more than once. Others have not been so lucky.

If you think your skills need some brushing up, take the *Team Oregon* class and spend some time learning new things and others you may have

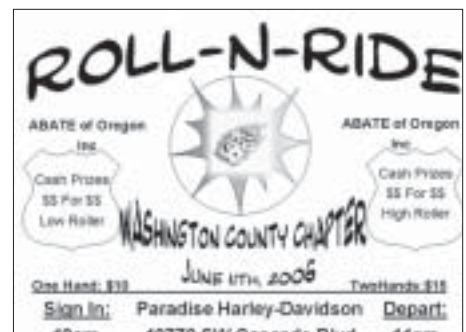
forgotten.

Well, enough of my harping, the road awaits.

May you enjoy the wind in your hair, the sun at your back, and the road stretching out for miles.

But watch out for the other guy, because he is not watching for you!

Linda Henderson



**WASHINGTON COUNTY
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 1930
(7:30pm)

Prime Time Sports Bar
4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

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

Wow, the sun was shining and many members showed up on their rides with smiles from ear to ear!

It's about time!

This meeting not only began with the usually pledge of allegiance, but Ruth Johnston read the *A.B.A.T.E.* mission statement as well, reminding us of what our purpose is. Our vice-coordinator, Jeff Schauer, headed up the meeting this time because Peggy was out at work out of town. Several upcoming events were first up for discussion. The *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* was first up, and encouraged by all to participate.

The *C.M.A.*'s biker's blessing was held just a few days after the meeting, on the 23rd, and many bikes showed up for the blessing, with many of them going for a nice ride towards the coast afterwards. The *C.M.A.* did a great job of making all feel welcome, and blessing them, and it must have worked, cause the big guy gave us wonderful weather.

State board representative Michael Taylor reported that the state membership is up and also that we need to keep our state web master informed with what is happening. Michael urged everyone to *talk* about *A.B.A.T.E.* wherever we happen to be. We need to make people aware of what our purpose is and some of the issues we need to deal with. He suggested that we just sneak it into conversations so that more people can be informed.

A motion was passed at the state level that all requests for sanctioning need to be turned in no less than 90 days in advance. Our chapter is covered for 2006 events, but we must

remember this ruling in the future.

All events should be sent in for sanctioning before the November session, and scheduled at the beginning of the year.

Michael also gave us good food for thought. Patricia Carner, one of the state's education directors, commented that in order for runs and event activities to be successful they need to be talked about in public and well promoted. If people aren't aware of what's going on, then good luck getting them to come. I personally couldn't agree more. Our runs season is only a few months long and with the state having fifteen chapters and with everyone else wanting to get into the motorcycle events picture, the task of holding successful events means putting out that much more effort. Hopefully we can all work together to find solutions.

Fossil needs help with security and they are looking for people experienced in C.P.R. and maybe an E.M.T. Contact Ted Tracy or go to the state web site to make contact if you can help. The state does now have events insurance in place.

The *A.B.A.T.E.* membership dues are going up \$5 across the board, but the state says it will still honor the old rate if the current trifold information packet is used. The need to raise should be obvious. Everything costs more these days!

Michael also reported that the state's *Fall Swap Meet* is moving to a

new date, October 1st. This gives all plenty of time to plan attending.

A big *thank you* to Fred Tucker for accepting the position of state vice coordinator—south. Wow! Getting married and railroaded both at the same time! Here's wishing Fred and Rhonda all the best! Fred can be reached through the *Hub City Chapter*.

Our chapter has chosen a new logo to be used in our newsletter, on our web site,

<http://wvabateoforegon.org>, and on other promotion items. The new logo is a traditional *A.B.A.T.E.* eagle banner, with our chapter name surrounding it in a green oval. Thanks to Hall Fletcher for putting that logo together for us.

The chapter is looking for ways to gain new memberships and possibly mix that activity with a summer run. Should know more after next

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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

13 May 2006 – Eagles Lodge – Albany, Oregon

Call to order / welcome.

The meeting was called to order by Ed Vaughn at 12:10 p.m. with 12 of 14 chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote with the exception of _____.

Pledge of allegiance

Guests and first time attendees: Rachel from *North Coast Chapter*.

Reading/approval of minutes: State board of directors meeting minutes from, April 8, 2006. Motion made by Randy to adopt as printed in the state newsmagazine, seconded by Murge Gunter. Motion passed.

Coordinator's comments: Weather is nice, keep reports to a minimum. State newsmagazines available.

Correspondence: none.

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Legislative director: Rick Maish – Absent, no report.

A.B.A.T.E.'s **BikePAC representative:** Randy Phipps – Reported on the capitol rally which 700 or more attended. Good speakers, one of the most well attended in recent history. Thanks to all who helped with this successful rally.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Pat Williams – Pat is in Kentucky. Sent a report. "N.C.O.M. Report- April 15, 2006, *Free Souls* clubhouse, Eugene. Treasures report- \$5,473.79 in bank.

Fundraising: Longview Tom said they are planning future fundraisers: two poker runs in the future, one in northern Oregon and one in southern Oregon. *N.C.O.M.* is planning a fundraiser for the *Make a*

Wish foundation sometime during this summer.

Old business: no old business.

New business: *N.C.O.M.* is going to put together a funeral detail. They want two members from each club. All clubs riding in a pack to attend services in Oregon for returning veterans killed in action. This will be with permission of the family to pay tribute to that person. They talked about making black armbands to wear. *N.C.O.M.* voted to purchase for \$50 for the buy-a-brick campaign for the *Canby Vietnam Era Veterans Memorial Fund*.

Other reports: The states of Texas and South Carolina have deemed poker runs to be illegal gambling. Attorney Sam Hockberg reported that a few people were tossed off a plane in Portland because they were drinking. He said they were not obnoxious, but were dressed in biker attire.

Up and coming events: Oregon Vets have a party coming up on June 17th. Free food! Ham, turkey.

Future *N.C.O.M.* meetings: No meeting in May due to Kentucky conference. June in Roseburg, July in Bend, August in Grants Pass, September in The Dalles, October in Riddle. Meeting dates and locations to be announced or call Pat (Crazy Lady) (509)-310-9625."

C.o.C. meetings in the future will be held at a restaurant, not at a club house.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: William Hunter is in the St. Johns parade today.



by Deb Becker
state recording secretary

Education director: Patricia Carner – Absent, no report.

Education director II: Geoff White – Absent, no report.

Membership secretary: Jill Tracy – (Report given by Ted Tracy.) *Rose City 500* Jill is on. Swap meet went well with 27 new members and a number of renewals. Thanks to all who helped. 2,400+ membership now. *Southeast Chapter* is currently the largest in the state.

Newsmagazine editor: Rot Path – Apologized to *BikePAC*, Brian Stovall, and *A.B.A.T.E.* for not getting candidate information into May issue of the newsmagazine. This legislative information is available for each of the chapter representative packets, copies are in the back of this meeting room, and on the *A.B.A.T.E.* web site.

Products director: Dave Meeker – Absent but sent this information: he will be getting a computer soon, so you can reach him through e-mail. Call him for now. He's working on an *A.B.A.T.E.* license plate bracket.

Public relations director: Joan McCarty – Swap meet was a wonderful success. Got it on channels 12 and 6 news. *May Awareness Rally* was on channel 6 and read the press release that Joan gave them. Almost ten minutes and repeated at 11:00 p.m. news as well. Good public relations is happening. Joan will be sending the video to Marty for the web site. The last time we've had news coverage was 1996. She has gotten the first aid kits stocked again.

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Television and newspaper coverage is set for *Fossil*.

State run coordinator (Fossil): Ted Tracy – All is going along just fine. Dumpster is coming, has talked to all the bands. Is short on motel rooms, trying to get three rooms. We have two rooms now. Randy Phipps suggested trying Condon for motels. Need someone to tow the generator up there. Pat has offered to haul it. Advance tickets need to be handed in today. Pat had some kid ideas/ games to keep them busy at the camp-out. T-shirts will sell out fast, so get to the information booth early on. Well make at least \$3,000 on t-shirts this year! There is a *Fossil* schedule available on the web site.

State run coordinator II: Rich Virchow – Rented a truck. Put together a great schedule for *Fossil*. All the events are listed and times as well as different events during the weekend. The schedule will be at the information booth. Will be cutting a CD. Sunday's poker run will only need two volunteers.

State swap meet coordinator: William Sanders – Thanked us all for the great turnout and all the help. The next swap meet is October 1st.

Treasurer: Nancy Curran – Absent, excused, no report .

State auditor: Margo Virchow – Absent, is ill. Sent a report: "All chapters are eligible to vote today. I am missing information from several chapters, some of whom have reported computer problems. There are a few treasurers who may still be sending information to Nancy and I have e-mailed her to ask about this. Therefore, I don't want to penalize anyone without complete

information. I will have a comprehensive list of each chapter's status at the June board of director's meeting. I will contact the treasurers of the chapters in question over the next week and will copy e-mail to their chapter coordinator to make sure we are on track. Please call me if you have any questions" Margo (5 0 3) - 3 5 7 - 3 0 4 0 , abateauditor@verizon.net.

Historian: Rhonda Kindy – There are tremendous holes in our history. There are a few chapters with hardly any history recorded with the state. Chapter representatives please get history. Photos, old fliers, etc.

Web page editor: Marty Soehrman – Has talked to Joan about a press page on the web site. Video/audio being added eventually. He has taken off the legislative page because he hasn't gotten anything since February. Might add a payment option on the web for selling tickets like *Fossil*, etc. Mel Yeager will send new information to Marty. Has been working with Al Sims on the sanctioning list for the web. *America On-Line* subscribers are not getting mail if they are on the *A.B.A.T.E.* officer list.

Vice-coordinator–north: Al Sims – No report.

Vice-coordinator–south: Fred Tucker – No report.

Vice-coordinator–east: Ed Miller – Absent, excused.

Sergeant at arms–north: Randy Phipps – Thanks 14 helpers at the recent swap meet. Thanks to all. Now he needs those helpers for the *Fossil* family camp-out.

Sergeant at arms–south: Richard Andros – Will miss some of the *Fossil*

Run. No report.

Sergeant at arms–east: James Brummond – Absent, no report.

Sanctioning officer: Al Sims – In the packets there is a new sanctioning form. It is streamlined now. The new insurance company required some of the changes. It will be on the web page for you to print out. The new fee schedule is listed there. Any changes in your sanctioning that happens prior to the event needs to be changed with Al or your insurance is no good. If anything on your original form changes Al needs to know about it.

Rachel Wynne from *North Coast* is shadowing Al for next year's sanctioning officer (if elected).

April 1st began the new insurance year. Chapters will be notified if you owe anything else on this year's events.

Quartermaster: Robert Hale – Swap meet went well. *A.B.A.T.E.* banner is missing, who has it? Mission statement poster will be at *Fossil*. Missing radios still. Some radio's are being repaired, but don't know if they'll be ready for *Fossil*. Nine radios are going to be available at *Fossil*. Correction: (503)-314-2518 Robert's phone number. First aid kits are updated. Need more radio's at *Fossil*. With some discussion that followed seven more radios were located.

Planning Session: Education of Legislation

Ed Vaughn says election year needs to be spent educating ourselves. Biker days needs to be attended so you know what to do when you get to the

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capitol. Ed asks for ideas to set up training. Brian offered to attend chapter meetings to educate us. Do we need a separate seminar for legislative education? How do we get ourselves motivated to be more active legislatively? Bring any ideas/motions/comments to your chapter representative. Randy B. suggested we send letters at meetings, a sample letter to copy and sign at meetings. Legislative officers have information and are responsible to educate their chapter. Biker buddies – you need to get to know your legislators. Invite them to your chapter meetings. Letters are the next best thing to a personal visit.

Unfinished Business

Volunteer for *Rose Festival*: Randy Phipps, Bob from *River City*.

New Business

Motion #1 Randy Phipps, second by Joan McCarty. “That *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.* underwrite the cost of sending democratic P.C.P.s to the platform convention, June 2–4. Cost approximately \$1,500 for lodging, registration, and travel.” Randy has eight people willing to attend. Being held at the *Hilton* in Eugene. In favor = 12; against = 0. Motion passes.

Motion #2 Joan McCarty, second by Joan [?]. “As much as it pains us all, I move that in light of the extreme gas prices, mileage reimbursement go up with the times. This would take effect June 1 and the percentage of the raise be determined by the treasurer and auditor (?) together. Should prices go down again, the reimbursement should too.” In favor = 10; against = 2. Motion passes.

Motion #3 Joan McCarty. “I move that *A.B.A.T.E.* purchase a portable defibrillator unit at a cost of \$1,995 and that each of the 14 chapters reimburse the moneys when they are able at a cost of \$145 each. (The extra will cover supplies.)” Comments: This unit is geared to all users. It will tell you when or if the patient needs a shock and walk the user through [procedure]. This unit is long overdue and will last for years to come. It would be a shame to lose someone because prompt action is not taken.” Some discussion followed, then, Brian moved to table the motion, second by Jim. Vote to table: in favor 11; against 1. Motion is tabled. Richard Andros will bring one to the next meeting for us to see.

Announcements

Iris Yeager: Next governors advisory meeting = June 9th, 6:30 p.m., *Veterans Affairs* building in Salem.

Al Sims: *Hub City 5th Annual Poker Run* the weekend after *Fossil*. Nice route on the west side of the valley.

June = *Douglas County* run.

Murge: Biker picnic, Rogers Wayside (new location). Call Michelle or Murge. Contact number in the newsmagazine.

BikePAC information on the back table.

Joan McCarty: Again *Oak Grove Chopper*, toy run bike will be there, selling tickets. Joan was recently in a motorcycle accident, be careful.

Adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Next state board of directors meeting
June 10, 2006
Eagles Lodge

Hub City

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for a reason. Come to a meeting and have some fun!

On a safety note, I've attached a humorous little story from my early years on a bike. I'm not sure where it'll wind up in the newsletter, but check it out. It's true.

Finally, I want everyone out there to know that the *Hub City Chapter* (and this author) honors the members of our armed services, both at home and abroad, for without their sacrifice and commitment. Our way of life would not be possible. Hope to see all of you at our next event!

Until then keep
it in the wind
and keep the
shiny side up!

a.k.a. Rita



Josephine County

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There will be camping at *Florence Keller State Park* in Crescent City for \$10. Music and food will be provided. Best poker hand receives \$150, second best is \$75, and if you happen to have the worst, you can still win a dinner for two in lovely Grants Pass.

July 14–16 is the annual *Hawg Wild Rodeo* at Wolf Creek again. They even have the *Fryed Brothers* on their entertainment line up. This year, it will not be held the same weekend as *Iron Horse Bike Rally* at Lake Selmac. That is scheduled for June 23/24/25 with our own *Leadfoot* opening for a well known *ZZ Top* cover band and a great fire troupe

Josephine County

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performing each afternoon and evening.

July 15th will also see the annual *Grants Pass Motorcycle* show at Riverside Park. For those who can't get to *Hawg Wild*, you can shine up that iron horse and enter it in the show and shine. There will be a 50/50 drawing, a poker run through the beautiful Grants Pass countryside, and our own *Leadfoot* will be playing that evening in the park. The trophies were quite amazing last year and they gave a lot of them, so come on down!

August 18–20, we will be co-hosting the annual *S.O.S. Run* that is held at the *Wolf Creek Park*. Our run coordinator needs your support for set-up, security, and clean up on this event. Get your name into him as soon as possible. There will be a day pass on Saturday at 2 p.m. for those who can't campout for the weekend.

September 10 is the date for the annual *Patriot Ride* which is being coordinated by the Rogue River *V.F.W.* I'll have more information on that as it becomes available. I do know that this year's event will be staged out of *Rhino's* in Gold Hill. Some of our *A.B.A.T.E.* members are lending their assistance for that event.

And of course on everyone's calendar in southern Oregon is our chapter's *Last Chance Run* on weekend of September 15 to 17. Once again, we will have the bands *FourPlay* on Friday night and *Leadfoot* on Saturday night. Our run coordinator has worked very hard to make sure neighbors have been notified and approve, all permits are in place, and he has all the details managed to the *n*th degree as usual.

We're just waiting for the big party of the year to happen.

Who will have the best poker hand this year?

Who's going to win the weenie bite?

How about the slow race?

Who will Jackie capture on her early morning video cam this year? (Some of you were scary!)

This year it will be held behind the *Redwood Tavern* on highway 199. Camping is included in the price of your ticket which is a reasonable \$20 for an *A.B.A.T.E.* member.

We have a great new forum for accessing all the run information for southern Oregon now. Run information for all clubs is now available on the *United Bikers of Southern Oregon* site. You can access it at <http://www.UBSO.org/> and click on "calendar". There's an average of five runs a month scheduled on that site. Check it out.

What you won't find on that site are the once-a-month runs our chapter is planning. Those will be announced at meetings. Our run coordinator is working on these and an end of summer BBQ at a Rogue River destination that I'm excited about. It's a beautiful setting on private property.

Until next month, get involved and support your chapter.

You *can* make a difference.

Let those who ride decide!

Gypsy
recording secretary,

Question for the month: Can a biker really tell what part of the country s/he's in by the taste of the bugs?

North Coast

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in our country and maybe we better open our eyes a bit wider. I'm proud of the fact that this country and this state has a history of fighting for the rights of it's citizens,. It's why we choose to be motorcycle riding-fringe of society hard-core Americans.

We love freedom.

God bless us everyone and I say don't let up for a minute.

Oh, I hope all you *mothers* had a great *Mother's Day*.

Now that I've beaten the drum *again*, we can move on to chapter stuff.

Our last chapter meeting was great. Thanks again to senator Betsy Johnson and *BikePAC* representative, Ken Ray, for attending and speaking with us. Those who were there really benefited from your knowledge and wisdom and we would love to have you come back sometime.

After the meeting we made a short fourth Sunday run up highway 30 to the Westport, Oregon ferry and across the mighty Columbia River to Washington, then we hightailed it up highway 4 to the Astoria-Megler Bridge and home. I was happy to see so many bikes of all kinds out and about. When there are so many of us out riding it really feels good.

Around Saddle Mountain is this month on June 24th (see the flyers elsewhere in this newsmagazine) and the run committee is working hard on finalizing the details. We need members to beat the brush for raffle donations.

We are running out of time here folks and we need your help.

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Bytes From A.B.A.T.E.

Commentary from your web page editor, Marty Soehrman



A few years ago, the organization of *A.B.A.T.E.* was brought to my attention and it was the name that particularly resonated with me. I have always been conscious and have resisted “totalitarian enactments” that we see all over the place. We all are victims of “totalitarian enactments”, not just motorcyclists. I like people who value freedom and liberty.

And so, I have been very surprised by some of our members when they take so lightly the impositions placed on subscribers by the operators of *A.O.L.*, *Time-Warner, Inc.*, the world’s largest media company. Communication for everybody via the internet is one of the best hopes for our society and I take very seriously attempts to restrict it’s utility, either by private companies or the government.

I am reacting to *A.O.L.*’s new program, *Goodmail’s Certified E-mail*, designed to take by the hand those who are willing to pay, for the trip bypassing their customer’s spam filtration. Pay *A.O.L.* and you can spam. To make their bypass more valuable, they make their spam protection more onerous. Apparently in the process, *A.O.L.* deems some *A.B.A.T.E.* communication as spam. *A.O.L.*: ‘We determine that this is spam, we’ll censor it, and we won’t even tell you, the customer, that we are censoring your e-mail’. There are groups attempting to organize opposition to *Goodmail’s Certified E-mail* whose e-mail *A.O.L.* will also not deliver.

Ironically, while professing to *protect* their customers from viruses

and spam, *A.O.L.* has been one of the biggest friends of spammers and viruser” in the U.S. by offering hundreds of thousands of anonymous internet connections as come-ons to promote sales. *A.O.L.* is not alone in offering anonymous internet and be aware that *Yahoo* is reported to be the next to impose *Goodmail’s Certified E-mail*.

Too often, we have little direct control over those who make impositions on us. In the case of a commercial provider, it is much easier to fire them. Even though *A.O.L.* has aggravated me for all of their existence with antics like this, my biggest concern goes beyond the issue of *A.O.L.* itself. The major lesson that I see here is that we must always be careful about sitting still for totalitarian enactments, wherever they come from. We must take advantage of those all too few opportunities when we have direct control and be willing to aid the fight for the rest. When we see anybody’s ox getting gored, when we sit still, the totalitarian enactors get rewarded.

Check out:

[http:// www.dearaol.com](http://www.dearaol.com)

A.O.L. has recently announced the termination of 1,300 employees. I guess business is a little down for *A.O.L.* I’m concerned that it looks like *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* members are not among the first to penalize *A.O.L.* for their behavior.

<Calm down, Marty. Get off of your soap box>

Before I mellow out too much, I do have some advice. Do you have a spam problem? Keep in mind that

there are several ways that spammers can get your e-mail address for which you have some control.

- Your internet service provider (I.S.P.) may be selling your address. Plenty others do not do that. Fire them if you detect that they are doing that and choose one that does not.
- You may be inadvertently giving out your e-mail address yourself. If your e-mail provider can provide extra addresses, use one of them for your personal e-mail and use others when you send e-mail to commercial businesses or people you don’t know. You’d be surprised which of those gets spam coming back to it. You’ll get an idea who’s doing it.
- On the subject of inadvertently providing e-mail addresses to spammers, when you send e-mail to a list of people, put their addresses in the **bcc:** (Blind Courtesy Copy) blank of your e-mail utility and put your own address in the **To:** blank. That way, nobody sees addresses from your list. It only takes one abuser for your and other’s addresses to go where you don’t want them.

For my e-mail addresses that neither I nor my e-mail provider have given to anybody, I receive no spam or viruses. Spammers do get my e-mail address, but only from me, directly or indirectly (or on internet web sites). (Hackers can find e-mail addresses, but that [is] relatively rare.) You do have a lot of control over this

Bytes From A.B.A.T.E.

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stuff. Internet service providers distinguish themselves by providing you with “less”, sometimes taking away stuff that you really want. Some more of my thoughts on choosing an internet service provider in future months.

Now for just a couple of things to look at on

<http://www.abateoforegon.net>

If you want to find out what’s going on with other

A.B.A.T.E. organizations, there’s a page on our web site to check out. This page is a compilation of A.B.A.T.E. state and chapter web sites from around the country.

On the menu: >A.B.A.T.E. Menu>Motorcyclist links>Other A.B.A.T.E. web sites

Of course, if your chapter has a web site, don’t forget that one. We have some good chapter web sites.

Question: Would you be interested in an A.B.A.T.E. e-mail address? Something like “marty@abaterider.com” Another way to announce your support of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.

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North Coast

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If you are a business owner and would like to make a contribution call Holly at (503)-458-5436, Howie at (503)-325-4376 or Rachel at (503)-458-6485, or Alex at (503)-842-7664 and we will pick up your donations. If you have something you think would make a good raffle prize lying around the ole rancho call the above and we can make some kind of arrangements. Let’s get to work on this!!!!

On August 19th we hold the *Fruit Loop* (check out our flyer), a fun and fruitful scavenger hunt that shies away from taverns and the like. This will be its third year and it seems to be gaining momentum and a good following. The coveted *Carmen Miranda Award* is highly sought after, I understand. It’s fun and frantic and sober!

The children will be getting out for summer vacation very soon, so be on the alert out there. We need to be on heightened awareness because children are even less watchful than those folks in their cages.

I can’t think of anything else to say except have a great summer riding season, stay focused on those inalienable rights that are slipping away from us, and hammer away at the E.P.A. over those stupid regulations hanging over our heads.

Together we can make a difference!

On a personal note, thank you to all those folks who worried about me after my little crash. I’m okay, the bike is okay and as soon as my ribs heal, I’ll be out there with you.

As ever,

Rachel

Northeast Portland

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Never forget that while A.B.A.T.E. members like to have fun, the A.B.A.T.E. mission is all business. While you support A.B.A.T.E. events, you are also doing your part to support freedom of the road.

Come join us!

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. Tell us what A.B.A.T.E. can do for you and what you can do for your brothers and sisters from A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.

Marty Soehrman

public relations officer

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

Northeast Portland Chapter

Willamette

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meeting.

Next meeting will be held June 15th, at *Roaring Rapids Pizza Parlor*, in Glenwood, between Eugene and Springfield.

Well, the sun is shining, the road is calling, and we’re out a here!

Keep it in the sun!

Rod Hatter

web site editor

<http://www.wvabateoforegon.org>

officer's reports

Public Relations

by Joan McCarty



1. As you know, the swap meet was a smashing success. The total saturation of flyers across Oregon and Washington, coupled with community listings on channel 12 (KPTV) and KOIN 6 a few days before helped too! But primarily all of you helped make that event. You should give yourself a big round of applause or at the very least a pat on the back and thank all your chapter members for their efforts. Also, Willy and Roger did a fantastic job with the event. And if this is any indication how the October swap meet will go, we should be sitting pretty. Good job, guys!

2. The *May Awareness Rally*. I met with and worked with channel 6 (KOIN again) news director, who helped me greatly with little extra tips on how to get our press package noticed. I am happy to say, it paid off with them. In the package is the press release you all have. For those of you who watched the report, you may notice that the story unfolded just as outlined in the release. Also included in the press package was a copy of our newsmagazine, pictures of an old rally (thanks to our historian, Rhonda, a declaration from mayor Vera Katz (Thanks to the historian of the *Columbia River Chapter*. This was included to remind the media that we do a *lot* for our communities), a trifold, and finally a *Fossil* flyer. KOIN news gave us nearly ten minutes, as the *lead* story. They started by descending on *Paradise Harley* and talked about the

increase of sales due to the rising gas prices, then went straight into the *May Awareness Rally*, speaking to *Team Oregon* about the safety of riding. They repeated the story at 11 o'clock, moving us to the second or third story. I will be getting copies of the raw footage and story soon, so if you want a copy, let me know, or we can work out a way to "check it out" like a library book. Rhonda, I will definitely make you a copy.

3. *Fossil*. Now is the final push for this event, and Monday, I meet with three radio public relation folks to get our give away, underway: KGON, 107.5 the BUzz, and KUFO. Dave Meeks has gathered other items to give away other than the tickets, and Ted has given me the band info to set up some on air interviews. After the meeting here, I am going to join *Flashpoint* with flyers and tickets to sell at *Sheiley's Echo Inn* in Carver. I am working with *Showtyme Productions* to get some flyers and tickets sold at the bike show. I've received some letters from parents wanting to know about events for kids. So right now I am trying to find out about renting a cotton candy machine, which is so easy and cheap to make, and even at 50¢ to a buck, you make a profit. Also, a helium tank perhaps with balloons for the kiddies. We did it last year at summer fun run and it went over huge. A week before *Fossil*, I will be getting us listed in the papers and television community events, with directions to our web site. Marty – great job! You

make my job easier, especially when I can direct folks to the site. Same with Rot Path. I hand out the newsmagazine to the media so they get a better understanding of the organization. This symbiotic relationship between, Al, Rot, Marty, and myself has been going great. I personally think *Fossil* will be a smashing success and all those involved in front and behind the scenes deserve a pat on the back. Keep it up, let us know when you have something important going – a fundraiser, charity event, or run. All these things are good to get the word out.

4. The *Rose Festival* for next year: Did any of you get people in your chapters interested in being on the planning committee? If not, after *Fossil*, let's get it going!

Finally, I am so excited and proud of all the chapters! The turnout to the recent events really shows that we *can* get out there in force, and in doing so, we are starting to get noticed again. Looking back through clippings and such, I found out that we had not had media attention since 1996. Now we are starting to get it again. This time one station. Next time – who knows? To me, with the involvement shown recently, the sky is the limit and everyone deserves credit for this. Be proud of yourselves!

Thank you all for making, my job easier.

Joan

sample press release used for *May Awareness Rally*

BikePAC and A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Proudly Announce the 16th annual May Awareness Rally on the State Capital Steps Saturday May 6th 2006

Dear news reporters,

This year the *May Awareness Rally* is especially important to *all* motorcyclist in light of the abundance of recent rider deaths and increased accidents. With soaring gas prices, the sales of motorcycles has increased dramatically, and with this comes new and inexperienced riders, many of whom don't know about the *TEAM Oregon* program that teaches rider awareness and evasion techniques.

In the past, the news media has covered this and other events from *BikePAC* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* (such as the *Shriner's* toy run) but the last year I can find any coverage is 1996. As the state public relations officer for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*, I find this a sad commentary.

Riders many times are treated by others as the second class of our fine state, when in fact, these organizations and even other riders come from all walks of life. They are doctors, lawyers, welders, carpenters, authors, etc. and deserve the same respect as every other citizen.

However, just as we are invisible in the media (unless there is a tragedy), we are also invisible to drivers on the road.

Myself, I was recently in an accident, were a driver was chasing

the yellow light and did not even see me when she ran into me. Believe me, I know what it means to be lucky to be alive. I sustained only minor injuries, but it could have been much worse. And I'm not the only one.

Come speak to other riders from all walks of life and find out what is on their mind. Help us educate drivers!

This said, we cordially invite the news media to join riders from all across the state of Oregon and Washington at the state capital as we discuss motorcycle training, motorcyclists rights, speak with candidates in the upcoming elections and much more.

Riders from the Portland chapters of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* will be meeting up with riders from the *North Coast Chapter* at the Wilsonville rest stop at 9 a.m. on Saturday and pulling out to ride *en masse* at 9:30 a.m. to arrive for the ride-in bike show at 10 a.m.

Should a reporter care to ride with us or would like to ride with someone as a passenger, you can contact me, Joan McCarty at (503)-249-7125 after 5 p.m. Friday and I will help to arrange this.

All of us in *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* are great supporters of the new media

and all we are asking is a bit of your time to get to know us better and what it is these organizations do, not only for the riding community, but the general public as well.

Did you know that we go into local high schools and teach motorcycle awareness to students in drivers education classes?

I understand you are very busy and I thank you for your time and consideration.

Enclosed you will find pictures of past rallies, our newsmagazine, and other information about us. Should you need more information, please feel free to contact me at the number above or by e-mail at: Fanwrite@comcast.net.

Sincerely,

Joan M. McCarty
state public relations officer
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

This issue of the *Sack* is coming a little early this month so I can get on my way to the *National Coalition Of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)* convention in Louisville, Kentucky just prior to Mother's Day. I've told ya'll about it every year for as long as I've been writing this mess. I really hope I'll see many of you there this year. When I return I'll have some thoughts to share will everyone about the festivities. Now, on to the rest of this month's *Sack*:

Newsbits—N—Pieces

From the *Arkansas Post*: Quote of the Day "I can fill this tank (motorcycle) about once every two weeks or I can fill the truck each week at \$3 a gallon each time. Driving the motorcycle saves me about \$50 a paycheck and makes the payment on the bike." — Jeff Kelley of Rogers, who rides his motorcycle to work to save money on gasoline. And he knows something that the rest of us motorcycle riders know: bikes *are* eco-friendly, and they get great gas mileage. They don't pound up pavement like your big rigs or just auto snow-tires! Meanwhile, the cost per gallon just continues to rise.

Slow Walking Ticket: Mayvis Coyle, 82, believes she's not getting a fair shake from the Los Angeles police department.

She says she was shuffling with her cane across busy Foothill Boulevard in Sunland on February 15, carrying groceries, while a traffic police officer watched and waited.

Even before Coyle finished crossing the intersection at Woodward Avenue, he had scribbled

a \$114 ticket for crossing against a don't-walk signal, the *Daily News* reported.

"I entered the crosswalk, it was green," said Coyle, who is fighting the citation. "It turned red before I could get over. There he was, waiting, the motorcycle cop. He said, 'You're obstructing the flow of traffic.' Hey now, this Gunny and his boss Sam are gettin' into the senior category here, and I think we deserve a little more respect, along with all our senior citizens, don't you?"

Women "Empty-Nesters on Bikes! So says the *A.A.R.P.* field reporter for *The Sack*, my editor Sam Hochberg, who's also the Oregon *A.I.M.* attorney, is a fellow old-guy – well, he's got some catching up to do with your Gunny – but he saw a short biker-news article in, of all places, the *A.A.R.P.* newsletter! Yeah, that's a group for seniors, but seniors aren't what they useta be when we were kids! This article talks about something Sam says most of us who actually ride already know: There are a helluva lot more women on bikes these days, more and more who are in all-female riding groups. The manufacturers are responding with more ergonomic bikes and products aimed at women riders. In particular, these associations and clubs are gettin' a lot of "empty nesters," the *A.A.R.P.* says, whose kids have grown and left home. Duh! How many women do you know with two or three little babies and maybe another job too, who still have the time to ride?

Carburetor Tuners Banned: Effective July 1, 2006, the sale of



mercury carburetor tuners and the replacement mercury for them will be banned in the states of California and Maine. It's already banned in Connecticut and Rhode Island and then next year in New York and Vermont.

These tuners (*Carb Stix, Motion Pro*, etc.) are usually four long glass or plastic tubes that are attached to a vacuum spigot on each carb of a four cylinder bike. Vacuum sucks the mercury up the tube and the four carbs are balanced so that each has the mercury going up to the same level. This has been how-ya'-do-it on multi-carb bike for years. My boss Sam Hochberg will tellya he used to ride a *KZ-650* back in the 80's, and it ran with four carbs. Because the mercury is toxic it will now be banned. There's gotta be something to replace those suckers! Meanwhile, don't break yer carb-stick. Soon, ya can't get a new one!

Bombay, India: Another actor who rides is in the news. Actor John Abraham was cited by police for riding his motorcycle into bystanders and injuring two people. Local police registered an infraction against him. John was taken to the Lilavati Hospital. He is a rider himself, and in the film *Dhoom*, he was made to race away on bike after committing thefts. I guess actors aren't immune to riding stupid, either! Oh yeah, so I don't get in trouble with the P.C. folks, Bombay is now called Mumbai – just ask the next airline reservations clerk ya' talk to!

N.H.T.S.A.: A new report projects the eighth straight increase in motorcycle fatalities. In 2005, 4,315 motorcyclists died, a 7.7% increase. In 2004, there were 4,008 motorcycle fatalities, the report said. *N.H.T.S.A.* estimates show that highway crashes in general cost society \$230.6 billion a year, about \$820 per person. I guess the huge increase in rider-ship in this country has nothing to do with the increase in accidents, does it?? Gunny asks: Why doesn't *N.H.T.S.A.* tell the whole truth? Guess I didn't need to ask. I guess it doesn't make sense to take rider training courses, either.

Glowing Praise: *Yamaha* of Japan has developed a glow-in-the-dark film to coat motorcycles with, to make them more visible on highways at night. They've figured out this vacuum pressure process that sticks an even, thin layer of phosphorescent plastic film to irregularly shaped fenders, engine covers and cowlings. I like this idea a lot more than *Honda's* air-bag system, available as an option on the 2006 *Gold Wings*. Cage drivers might even see us and avoid running over us! Check it out at a dealer. They're using this stuff now, on the *Yamaha EC-02* electric scooter.

New G.P.S. Navigation For Bikes: *Garmin*, the well-known G.P.S. manufacturer, has come up with one for motorcycles! It's called the *Street Pilot2820*, and can be used hands off, it's said. Great idea for the rider who can't find his way home in the dark. You can even call home for directions if you buy the correct interface system. The thing has hotels, restaurants, stores (so momma can shop) and many other neat features. Don't have pricing, but this critter can't be cheap.

Three States' New Right of Way Laws: The *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)* announced that Georgia, New Hampshire, and Oklahoma have enacted new laws supporting the goals of the *A.M.A.'s Justice for All* campaign. Oklahoma adds a fine of up to \$1,000 above other penalties, for drivers found guilty of right-of-way violations that cause serious injury or death. Georgia law has a fine of at least an extra \$250. New Hampshire mandates 45 minutes of motorcycle-awareness classroom instruction as part of all driver-ed courses for right-of-way violators who cause serious injury or death. This growing movement is not just at the *A.M.A.*. Take a gander at the *Sons of Liberty Riders (S.o.L.R.)* web site about bikers' right of way issues (R.O.W.) online and really open your eyes.

<http://www.bikers4row.org/>

I tellya, these folks are becoming one of the best places online for bikers rights info. Start at <http://www.solriders.com/> and surf 'em from there. Biker groups all over the country are making headway to safeguard our rights to ride and enjoy our lifestyle. Kudos to all the people who supported these efforts. More of the same can and will occur if we stick together, and get those grassroots growing!

Next Month: This Gunny's report on the national *N.C.O.M.* convention and a feature about a daily resource for biker news, *Biker Bits* e-mail, from our friend Betsy!

Gunny Again: For what it's worth folks this column is supported by the strong editing of our Oregon *A.I.M.* attorney Sam Hochberg. He and all the rest of the *A.I.M.* attorney family

around the country work tirelessly in our behalf daily and many times without fees to support the motorcycle community we live in. Many of them act as *pro bono* counsel for the *Confederations of Clubs (C.O.C.'s)* around the country and attend all meetings to protect us from the outside influences that would shut us down. They work for us in the courts and spend untold hours of their own time in our behalf.

If you find yourself in trouble or in any sort of accident (car or bike or truck) call your nearest *A.I.M.* attorney. The very least they will do is advise you as to what to do. You can reach any *A.I.M.* attorney in the U.S. and Canada by calling 1-(800)-531-2424, or instead just remember: 1-(800)-On-A-Bike! Sam Hochberg here in Oregon is as close as (503)-224-1106 locally to Portland, or 1-(800)-347-1106 toll-free. Sam's e-mail address is

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West Virginia governor Joe Manchin, himself a motorcyclist, has signed a bill that increases penalties for reckless driving convictions. *Danny's Law* was named in honor of Danny Kneisly, who was hit and killed when a driver turned left in front of him. The driver subsequently received a \$20 fine. Danny's death and the ensuing support of his family added momentum to efforts to pass the bill, which *A.B.A.T.E. of West Virginia*, *A.M.A.* members and staff, and other motorcycle activists had been working toward for nearly five years.

The new law provides for penalties of a minimum of 10 days in jail and a maximum of six months, and/or a fine of at least \$50 and up to \$1,000, for those convicted of reckless driving if they seriously injure someone.

The *A.M.A. Justice for All* campaign is focused on inadequate sentencing of drivers who seriously injure or kill others on the road. Learn more at <http://www.amadirectlink.com/>

The *Ohio Office of Budget and Management (O.B.M.)* recently proposed transferring \$750,000 from the *Motorcycle Safety and Education Fund* for to be used for purposes other than rider education and training.

The *A.M.A.* alerted the Ohio riding community through the *A.M.A. Rapid Response Center* and encouraged *A.M.A.* members, motorcyclists' rights organizations, and other supporters of rider education to contact the six elected

officials of the *Ohio Controlling Board (O.C.B.)* to stop the transfer. The fund is financed by a \$6 assessment on every motorcycle registration in Ohio and is to be used solely for the motorcycle safety and training program, *Motorcycle Ohio*.

The *O.C.B.*, at its April 24 meeting, agreed with the motorcycling community and amended the request from the *O.B.M.* The *Motorcycle Safety and Education Fund* was preserved.

You can keep track of issues like this in your state by visiting the *A.M.A. Rapid Response Center*. Or, sign up for action e-list alerts and you'll automatically receive an e-mail when an alert is posted that affects your area. Sign up by visiting the *Rapid Response* page and clicking on the **Action E-List** link at the bottom of the page.

New Hampshire now mandates motorcycle-awareness training as part of the drivers education curriculum. The new law calls for the inclusion of 45 minutes of motorcycle-awareness instruction as part of the classroom portion of the drivers education curriculum. This type of training is another important component of the *A.M.A.'s Justice for All* campaign. The *New Hampshire Motorcyclists' Rights Organization (N.H.M.R.O.)* led the effort.

The *A.M.A.* launched the *Justice for All* effort in response to numerous instances across the country in which drivers killed or injured motorcyclists and walked away with minor fines.

In many cases, state laws do not provide for additional fines beyond a simple ticket for a traffic offense.

Motorcyclists' rights organizations, *A.M.A.* members, and others also succeeded recently in getting *Justice for All* type legislation enacted in Oklahoma, Missouri, Georgia, Iowa and West Virginia.

U.S. senator Susan Collins (R-ME) introduced S-577, the *H.I.P.A.A. Recreational Injury Technical Correction Act*.

Last congress, the full senate unanimously passed similar legislation. S-577 aims at ending health care discrimination for individuals participating in legal transportation and recreational activities-activities like motorcycling, snowmobiling, horseback, skiing and A.T.V. riding.

This legislation addresses a loophole caused by a *Department of Health and Human Services'* rule making it possible for health care benefits to be denied to those who are injured while participating in these activities.

On August 21, 1996 an important opportunity arose when president Clinton signed the *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (H.I.P.A.A.)*, prohibiting employers from denying health care coverage based on a worker's pre-existing medical conditions or participation in legal activities. In 2001, the *Health Care Finance Administration* released the final rules that would govern the law.



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The rules recognize that employers cannot refuse health care coverage to an employee on the basis of their participation in a recognized recreational activity. However, the benefits can be denied for injuries sustained in connection with those activities. Essentially, the regulation grants equal status to motorcyclists without any substantive benefits.

The *A.M.A.* is urging all motorcyclists to notify their senators and tell them to cosponsor and support S-577.

The *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)* is seeking information that will help us in our political efforts. The *A.M.A.* is currently supporting legislation in the U.S. congress that will end health-insurance discrimination against motorcyclists.

To that end the *A.M.A.* is looking for individuals to relay your story if you, or someone you know, was denied healthcare payments due to a motorcycle-related injury. The *A.M.A.* is particularly interested in cases that fall outside the employer-provided health care plans, meaning those cases affecting the self-insured.

Currently, federal law states that while an employer cannot exclude you from healthcare coverage, they can deny you medical reimbursement payments due to the fact that the injury happened on a motorcycle. The purpose of the legislation we support is to end this discrimination and allow riders to get the medical payments necessary to them under

their given medical plans.

Any information relayed to the *A.M.A.* will be kept in confidence and not used for dissemination purposes. Please contact Peter G. Nonis, senior legislative assistant, *American Motorcyclist Association*, 101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., suite 800 West, Washington, D.C. 20001; (202)-742- 4303; or at pnonis@ama-cycle.org

High gas prices could give a lot of people reason to finally buy a motorcycle. After all, motorcycles normally get much better fuel economy than cars, so sales are up considerably.

But along with the increase in sales comes the influx of new riders — and that can create safety problems. To help get riders up to speed, 47 states offer motorcycle training classes for beginners. Likewise every experienced rider should also continue to improve their riding skills by taking formalized training.

For more information about getting into that motorcycle safety course visit

<http://www.AMADirectlink.com>

Washington, D.C. *A.M.A.* member Joshua Bolten has taken on a new responsibility of significance as the white house chief of staff.

Bolten, 51, crafted campaign policy for the president and served as deputy chief of staff before becoming director of the *Office of Management and Budget* in June 2003. During the 2000 campaign, he

formed *Bikers for Bush*.

Holding one of Washington's most powerful jobs, Bolten will be managing a flow of daily briefings for the president on everything. The Bush administration considers Bolten "well-respected" inside and outside the administration while the

Cathedral City, California city council joins the growing list of local governments who have voted to ban off-highway vehicle (O.H.V.) recreation. The city council voted 4-1 to make all riding of O.H.V.s in the city limits illegal, including riding on private property. The ordinance will also give police the power to confiscate violators' vehicles.

Fines for violating the ordinance will begin at \$250 and increase to \$500 for a second offense, \$750 for a third and \$1,000 for all subsequent offenses within a 12-month period. Offenders will likely be subpoenaed and charged based on witness reports rather than caught in the act according to police chief Stanley Henry.

Unfortunately this is an all too common problem all across this country with the advent of urban sprawl and the perpetuation of the "N.I.M.B.Y." [Not In My Back Yard] mindset.

If this is happening in your area or you would like to get organized before it comes to your area contact *A.M.A.* grassroots manager Terry Lee Cook at (614)-856-1900 extension 1288 or at tcook@ama-cycle.org to get started.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Motorcycle Riders Foundation Meets With E.P.A. Officials



Recently, the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (*M.R.F.*) sent Kirk "Hardtail" Willard, Dave Dwyer, and Jeff Hennie to meet with *E.P.A.* officials at the *National Vehicle and Fuel Emissions Lab*, located in Ann Arbor, Michigan. This was the third time the *M.R.F.* has sent the same team to Michigan to acquire the most recent information on what is currently going on and what will be happening concerning the *E.P.A.* rule effecting motorcycle emissions.

The *M.R.F.* met with Linc Wehrly from the *E.P.A.* office of certification and innovative strategies and Rob French of the assessments and standards division. During the meeting some important new information was revealed to the *M.R.F.* on the status of the rule and what may occur in the future.

If the U.S. were to choose to adopt the *World Motorcycle Test Cycle* (*W.M.T.C.*) standards, the *E.P.A.* would have to reintroduce the standards in a newly proposed rule which could provide an opportunity to revisit the prevailing exemptions to the current rule.

The letter of guidance proposed by the *Motorcycle Industry Council* (*M.I.C.*) will not affect the exemptions detailed in the current rule. It is unclear to the *E.P.A.* if they can ultimately accept the letter of guidance to carry out the rule the way it is written.

The *California Air Resources Board* (*C.A.R.B.*) was assigned to review the effects of the strengthened emissions standards for motorcycles in California to determine if the lower standard did have significant impact on air quality. The review has not commenced and has not been scheduled at this point. However, the review could definitely have an impact on the direction *E.P.A.* decides to pursue with its tier 3 standards for motorcycles.

"The *M.R.F.* is the only national advocacy group, of any kind, that we (the *E.P.A.*), meet with regularly to discuss the impact of the rule making process on their members," said Linc Wehrly,

E.P.A.

The *M.R.F.* will continue to be the nation's leader when it comes to providing accurate, up to date information on the *E.P.A.* situation as well as all other issues that impact motorcyclists on the federal level.

M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship Fund

Motorcycle activists have recognized for some time that our membership and leaders are aging, and there is a need to encourage younger people to become involved in motorcyclist's rights. To that end, the *M.R.F.* created a scholarship fund to recognize deserving candidates

between the ages of 18 and 30 who otherwise may not be able to attend the *M.R.F.*'s national conference, *Meeting of the Minds*. (*M.O.T.M.*)

The *M.R.F.* has dedicated a limited amount of money to the scholarship fund. We are looking for additional contributions from individuals, national, state, local organizations and businesses who would like to participate in the program. On-line donations can be made at <http://www.mrf.org/yasscholarship.php> Checks made out to the *M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship Fund* can be sent to:

M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship Fund
Motorcycle Riders Foundation
236 Massachusetts Ave. NE, Suite
510
Washington, D.C. 20002.

Nominations for the *M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship* (*Y.A.S.*) will be accepted from either state or local state motorcyclist's rights organizations (*S.M.R.O.*) groups and must be submitted on an *M.R.F.*-approved application form.

The application form is available on the *M.R.F.* web site at: <http://www.mrf.org/yascholarship.php> This form is printable in either text or p.d.f. format.

Candidate Criteria:

- Nominated candidates must be between the ages of 18 and 30 with a valid motorcycle endorsement.
- Candidates must be nominated by their S.M.R.O. Nominations will be accepted from either state or local S.M.R.O. groups.
- Nominations must be submitted no later than July 1, 2006 for consideration.
- Candidates are to submit a minimum three hundred (300) word essay on why motorcyclist's rights and attending *M.O.T.M.* is important. The winning candidate or candidates will be required to submit an article to the *M.R.F. Reports* after *M.O.T.M.*

Winning Candidates:

- Will receive a one-year membership in the *M.R.F.* effective the first full day of *M.O.T.M.*
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- Hotel accommodations, conference fees, and banquet at *M.O.T.M.*
- Special recognition at *M.O.T.M.*

All nominations should be submitted to the *M.R.F.* Washington, D.C. office no later than July 1, 2006. Nominations can also be submitted to Miles France, chair, *Young Activist Scholarship Committee* at miles@mrf.org

The winning candidates will be announced no later than August, 15, 2006.

M.R.F. -- Who We Are

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*, incorporated in 1987, is a membership based national motorcyclists' rights organization headquartered in Washington D.C. The *M.R.F.* is involved in federal and state legislation and regulations, motorcycling safety education, training, licensing and public awareness. The *M.R.F.* provides members and state motorcyclists' rights organizations with direction and information to protect motorcyclists' rights and motorcycling. The MRF sponsors annual regional and national educational seminars for motorcyclists' rights activists and publishes a bi-monthly newsletter, *The M.R.F. Reports*.

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N.C.O.M. COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

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N.C.O.M. Convention In Derby City

Kentucky hospitality greeted a near-record number of motorcyclists' rights activists to Louisville for the 21st annual *N.C.O.M. Convention*, held Mother's Day weekend, May 11-13, 2006 at the spacious *Executive Inn*.

Nearly 1,300 bikers attended the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists'* convention, coming from virtually every state and representing most motorcyclists' rights organizations and *Confederations of Clubs* across the country.

Hosted by the *Kentucky Motorcycle Association/K.B.A.* and the *Kentucky Confederation of Clubs*, this annual gathering draws prominent leaders in the bikers' rights movement to different locations every year to discuss topics of concern to all riders. Meetings, seminars and group discussions focused on safety issues, legal rights, legislative efforts and litigation techniques to benefit our right to ride.

Highlights of the three-day conference included an insightful presentation by researcher and author Wendy Moon, *Fatal Design – S.U.V. vs. Motorcycle* which offers an intriguing explanation as to why motorcycle injuries and fatalities are increasing yet motorcycle accidents are decreasing.

This year's agenda was packed with informative and thought provoking meetings such as the *N.C.O.M.* board of directors meeting, *N.C.O.M.* legislative task force

meeting, *A.I.M.* attorney conference, *A.I.M.* chiefs of staff meeting, Christian unity conference, *Clean and Sober* roundtable, *Women In Motorcycling*, *S.M.R.O.* president's meeting, *American Biker Party* conference, and the popular and always inspiring *Confederations of Clubs* general patch holder meeting.

Seminars and workshops included *Freedom of the Road and Use of the Courts*, *Discrimination – A Practical Approach*, *Fundamentals of Forming a Motorcycle Caucus*, *Getting Our People Elected on a Shoestring Budget*, *Back to Basics – Lobbying 101* and *U.S.A.P.A. T.R.I.O.T. Act and Pending Gang Legislation*.

The *N.C.O.M.* legislative task force welcomed new members, Idaho state senator Skip Brandt, Texas state representative Norma "Da Lady" Chavez, and Arizona lobbyist Bobbi Hartmann.

South Dakota state representative Jim Putnam was entertaining with his homespun humor as the dinner speaker during the *Silver Spoke Awards* banquet on Saturday evening.

Silver Spoke Award recipients were: Media – Peter Kay, *Wheels of Grace Entertainment – Paul Revere and the Raiders*

Commerce – Joe Teresi of *Paisano Publications*

Government – U.S. senator James Inhofe of Oklahoma

Legal – Joey Lester, California *A.I.M.* attorney and partner in the law offices of Richard M. Lester

Special recognition – Cyndi Calhoun (posthumously) of the *Texas Motorcycle Rights Association*, motorcycle rights group advocate Pam Martin, and George Heissenbuttle, founder of the *Kentucky Motorcycle Association/K.B.A.*

The *Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award* was presented to "Tiger" Mike Revere, president of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oklahoma* and member of the *N.C.O.M.* board of directors.

N.C.O.M. would like to thank the *K.M.A./K.B.A.* and the *Kentucky Confederation of Clubs* for hosting this year's convention. And special thanks for the following groups for hosting hospitality suites during non-meeting times: *Soldiers For Jesus* motorcycle club, *Sober Riders* motorcycle club and the *Kentucky COC*.

The 2006 convention was dedicated to the memory of Cyndi Calhoun of the *T.M.R.A.-II* and Fat George Hutchison of the *Spartan Riders* motorcycle club, and Arizona *Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs*.

Next year's *N.C.O.M.* convention will be held May 10-13, 2007 in Charlotte, North Carolina. Call *N.C.O.M.* for further details at

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Driven To Distraction

The highway death rate increased in 2005 for the first time in about

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twenty years, and a new federal report suggests that driving distracted may be responsible for nearly eight in ten crashes.

Preliminary figures from the *National Highway Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* show that despite increased usage of safety belts and attention to drunken driving, 43,200 people died in car crashes last year, up from 42,636 in 2004.

In a separate report issued the same day, *N.H.T.S.A.* and *Virginia Tech's Transportation Institute* released research findings that driving distracted is a more serious problem than previously known, and indicated nearly 80% of crashes and near-crashes involve driver inattention up to three seconds before the incident. The most common causes of distraction were cellphone use and drowsiness.

The research, which *N.H.T.S.A.* called "breakthrough," tracked the drivers of 100 vehicles equipped with video and sensor devices for more than one year, providing more than 43,300 hours of data. In nearly two million miles of driving, 241 drivers of the cars were involved in 82 crashes and 761 near-crashes.

Connecticut, New York, and New Jersey ban drivers from using handheld cellphones. Washington, D.C., bans use of handheld cellphones or any other electronic device. New Hampshire bans all driver distractions.

A government report last year found that about ten percent of drivers are using cell phones.

Automakers are refining technologies that sense when

a vehicle is about to crash and apply brakes and steer the car out of trouble.

Wisconsin Enacts Roadway Users Responsibility Act

The *Roadway Users Responsibility Act* contains numerous pro-motorcycle provisions and represents a huge victory for Wisconsin bikers.

Senator Dave Zien, longtime motorcycle rights activist and member of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* legislative task force, was one of the chief authors and sponsors of the legislation.

Among its provisions, AB-964/S-528 increases penalties for motorists who cause injury or the death of other roadway users. If the victim of the crash is a motorcyclist, bicyclist, or pedestrian, the violator must attend an awareness class to learn how to share the road.

Also under the measure, all driver education classes will be required to include share the road with motorcycles portion. In another section, a paperwork reduction portion will allow a motorcycle rider education graduate to bypass the learners permit requirement prior to obtaining their motorcycle endorsement.

Lastly, the bill will allow a motorcycle, moped, or bicycle to proceed through a red vehicle actuated traffic signal that does not recognize their vehicle when the path is clear and after waiting 45 seconds.

Dr. Phil, Motorcycle Safety Advocate

Motorcycling fans have found a

new friend in the mass media: Dr. Phil McGraw of the popular Dr. Phil television show. And thanks to *Helmet House* and the *Motorcycle Safety Foundation*, millions of viewers on Tuesday, April 18 tuned in as the good doctor helped a young Marine from Bay St. Louis, Mississippi discover the right way to ride a motorcycle.

"The producers of the *Ask Dr. Phil* and Robin segment needed our help with some riding apparel," said Richard Kimes, national marketing manager for *Helmet House*. They were filming a segment about a Marine, George Goetz, who had just returned home after a tour of duty in Iraq. Anxious to experience the thrill of motorcycling, he decided to spend some of his savings on a sport bike. Goetz began riding without any training or a motorcycle license. And, although he had a helmet, he lacked any other protective riding apparel. His mother was so concerned that she hid his keys. That's when Dr. Phil got involved, said Kimes.

With Dr. Phil as the referee, the story unfolded in front of a national audience.

"Dr. Phil is an avid motorcyclist who frequently rode a dirt bike in the

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past,” said Kimes, who attended the taping of the show. Dr. Phil brokered a deal between Goetz and his mother: if the young man would take training, get licensed, and wear the proper gear, his mom would return his motorcycle keys.

Dr. Phil then introduced Rob Gladden from the *Motorcycle Safety Foundation*, who presented Goetz with a new set of safety gear and explained that the *M.S.F.* had arranged a special basic rider course for Goetz and 11 of his buddies.

A young hero and his mother got a helping hand from Dr. Phil. It’s just another example of how motorcyclists really do help one another.

News Of the Weird
Deaf Woman Sues Rider
Ed FoR Not Providing
Signer

A deaf Tampa-area woman who wanted to take an adult education class on motorcycle riding is suing the Hillsborough county school

district for not providing a sign language interpreter.

“They are discriminating against me, which I felt is not right,” Merrie Carol Paul said in an interview conducted through a telephone relay system. “One of my dreams is that I wanted to ride my own motorcycle. ... I love to ride motorcycles because I can do it. It doesn’t matter if I am deaf or not. I love to feel the spirit. It is me.”

Paul, 46, claims in a federal lawsuit that the district violated the *Americans With Disabilities Act* when officials refused to provide the interpreter when she signed up to take the class last year.

Paul said she was told the \$175 class fee would not cover the cost of an interpreter. In the lawsuit, she says she was told she was welcome to bring her own interpreter, which the suit states would have cost her \$2,340.

When asked if the district provides sign language interpreters for people in adult education classes, school district spokesman Stephen Hegarty said, “Regardless of what kind of class

it is, the law requires that we make reasonable accommodations, and frequently litigation arises over how to define reasonable.” Hegarty added he did not know whether a sign language interpreter ever has been requested for an adult school class.

Deaf from birth, Paul said she rode motorcycles with her parents as a teenager in Michigan. She said she passed a written test but needs to take the course to obtain her license.

“I have my motorcycle in my garage, and it is waiting for me,” she said.

Quotable Quote

“We, too, born to freedom, and believing in freedom, are willing to fight to maintain freedom. We, and all others who believe as deeply as we do, would rather die on our feet than live on our knees.”

Franklin Delano Roosevelt
 32nd United States president
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How To Talk Like A Biker

With appologies to Capt'n Slappy and Ol' Chumbucket
(Oregon's original pirate guys)

-- by Rot Path c.o.e.

Let's face it, there's bikers and there's motorcyclists. (And there's wanttabees for both.)

How does an outsider tell the difference?

Ask any group of riders to describe the differences and the motorcyclists among them will begin reciting a neatly ordered list of attributes. The bikers simply will swagger over, lay a lip-lock on your companion, then ask her/him if they want to ride on a *real* bike.

And that's the difference: "bikertude".

They even have their own secret lingo.

Here are a few sample phrases along with translations culled from the darkest and most dangerous haunts of yer crusty ol' editor's alleged mind after far too many double-shot frapacinos.

Biker Phrase:

- "I was just primin' the engine."
- "I was testin' the capacity of the carb float bowls."
- "I didn't want to turn left anyway."
(Youth variant: "Left turns are *way* over-rated.")
- "Have some M&Ms."
- "My bike was kinda tired."

English Translation: *

- "My engine kill switch wasn't on."
- "The fuel valve was off."
- "I forgot to put my side stand up."
- "Back off, tailgator."
- "I forgot to put my side stand down."

* American, Australian, and Canadian translations available upon request if accompanied by generous chocolate bribe.

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May Motorcycle



KOIN, channel 6, became our favorite Portland television station for sending this cutie to cover our rally.



Retiring Team Oregon head hancho, Stan Porter, persuades Teresa Hepker to brush up her riding skills ... or perhaps take over his old job.



The paint job on this trike was mind boggling.



Michelle cozies up to a swashbuckler. We really thought the Dread Pyrate Mannx had a shot at the captaincy in the primary election. Looks like we need a Pyrate Liberation Front party.



Yer crusty ol' editor was so impressed with Dave Meeker's bike that he started a write-in campaign for the bike show voting.

Awareness Rally

(photos by Marty Soehman, Mel Yeger, and Rot Path)



The Sweet Pyrate Rhonda enquires about the party plank.



Ted "Terminator" Tracy gave an update on the upcoming Fossil Campout.



*We only buy the raffle tickets to support the Shriners.
We don't need another bike.
Honest.*



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It is a hard, clear late afternoon in May.

Exactly six days earlier at this wind-swept curve, at this time of day a couple's motorcycle was leaving the road and they were dying.

How and why did it happen?

There are still crash investigator's blue paint marks on the gravel showing where the bike left the pavement on the outside of the curve. Residents who had seen the couple ride past said they weren't speeding.

He was reputed to be a good rider. Why would he steer to the side of the road suddenly?

Talking with someone who lived near the crash site yielded the possibility of another vehicle's involvement: a driver who routinely roared onto the main road from a side road at the apex of the curve without slowing or stopping.

What would you do if a vehicle suddenly appeared in front of you as you were entering a sharp blind curve?

If you serve to the left to avoid hitting the accelerating vehicle, you run the very real risk of center-punching a car coming the other way around the curve.

If you slam on the brakes and try not to hit the other vehicle very hard, you know that you and your spouse are going to be seriously injured or killed. You can't risk your loved one's life.

If you try to go around the vehicle on the right you might stand a chance of surviving.

But then your front wheel gets off into the gravel.

You know you can't use your brakes now.

You attempt to counter-steer as the gravel is trying to suck you further off the road.

Your bike hits a wooden post, splintering it, charges across the side road, goes airborne as the other side of the road drops away, then . . .

The police are pretty sure what happened and who caused the crash.

But they have no proof.

If the couple's motorcycle had hit the other vehicle, they would have incontestable proof.

But who among us is willing to deliberately run our bikes into another vehicle for the sake of "proof" if there is the slightest chance of avoiding a collision? We train ourselves to *not* hit other vehicles.

It is a pleasant little green area, just beyond this curve, with long grass swaying in the wind, young saplings bending in the breeze, flowers and momentos propped around their bases. And pieces from a motorcycle - a broken drive belt, broken lenses and bulbs, bits of broken plastic.

They did a magnificent job, trying to ride out of an impossible situation.

There is a sad sense of peace here.

And a lack of justice.

— Rot Path
11 May 2006



From yer . . .



POWER

It's Ours For The Using
c.o.e.- 53



by
Rot Path

Power.
We are Oregon bikers and *we have power.*

Individually and collectively *we have power.*

Just as a motorcycle has no power until it is started and ridden, bikers have only the *potential* for power until we actually begin applying our power effectively.

If we do not use our power, someone else will fill the void we've left with their own power.

If we believe that others have power over our lives, then we are defeating ourselves by placing power beyond our own reach, responsibility, and use.

If we believe that the only way we can succeed is to fight other's power, then we will always be without power.

If people with power are perceived to be our enemies, then any time one of our own acquires power, they automatically become "the enemy". Such a strategy will continually drain an organization of membership, will keep it perpetually without any effective power.

If we are to succeed with our political and educational objectives, we must become

inclusive – bikers, citizens, and legislators. There can be no "us and them".

If we use our power to meet, educate, discuss issues, and work with legislators, we become inclusive.

Legislators who use their power fairly and effectively can be part of that inclusiveness.

However, politicians who have become addicted to control often misuse their power for personal satisfaction or gain. Their story becomes "Creating a world controlled by me".

This is our capitol.

We the people funded it.

We the people built it.

And we the people populate it with those we've elected to represent us.

Attitudes can be changed.

Especially when people don't feel that they're under personal attack. This is where being inclusive becomes vital.

Power is a tool.

It is neither good nor bad.

It is not inherently corrupting.

It simply is.

How power is shared and applied determines how well it serves people.

Let us use our power.

Three weeks into this middle month and the sun will pause in its northern journey, then begin slipping southward once again.

Enjoy these warmer, shortening days.

I wish to apologize to Brian Stovall and the members of both *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* for not including the *BikePAC* voter guide in the May *A.B.A.T.E.* state newsmagazine. I know that Brian worked long and hard compiling and assembling information so that Oregon motorcyclists would know where candidates stood on issues important to us.

I received the voter guide, I processed it so it was ready to be inserted in the newsmagazine. But then, in the midst of desperately trying to compile the May issue for printing, it was left out. I don't even know why or how it happened, for I definitely had intended to place it in that issue.

I distributed copies of the guide at the May state board meeting, hoping some members would be able to use them. But it really needed to be in that May issue.

Again, I very deeply regret my oversight and feel that I've let you all down.

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If I'd known what aging was going to be like, I would have stayed young.

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11 June 2006	Poker Run- <i>Douglas County</i>	Roseburg	(541)-496-0708
11 June 2006	Roll-N-Ride- <i>WaCo</i>	Tigard	(503)-648-7129
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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Meetings and Events . . .

June 2006

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3  2nd quarter moon <i>Hub City Poker Run Albany</i>
4 Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm)	5	6 Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	7 Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm)	8	9	10 STATE BOARD MEETING <i>Eagles-Albany</i> 1200 (12:00 pm) Run committee 1100 (11 am) <i>Southeast Portland Poker Run Portland</i> month of the oak tree begins
11  full moon (strong sun moon) Central Oregon 1400 (2:00 pm) ----- Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm) <i>Douglas County Thundering Water Roseburg</i> ----- <i>WaCo Roll-N-Ride Tigard</i>	12	13 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	14 flag day	15 Hub City 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Willamette Valley 1900 (7:00 pm)	16	17 <i>Central Oregon Rocks, Lakes, Bridges Run Bend</i>
18  4th quarter moon South Coast 1300 (1 pm) ----- Southeast Portland noon Father's Day	19	20 Douglas County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	21 Josephine County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm) lithia/summer solstice	22	23	24 <i>North Coast Around Saddle Mountain Seaside</i>
25  new moon North Coast 1030 (10:30 am) ----- Salem 1400 (2:00 pm)	26	27 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	28	29	30	

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A.B.A.T.E. of North Idaho

17th Annual

SPRING OPENER

June 2nd - 4th, 2006



RODEO 12:00 PM

RV SITES 1st Come
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RAFFLES

CAMPING

1st Come
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LIVE MUSIC

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NO DAY PASSES

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NO One Under 21
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NO Refunds**



5th Annual Poker Run

**\$100
High Hand**

**\$50
Low Hand**

**OPEN TO ALL RIDERS
AND
ALL STREET-LEGAL BIKES**

SATURDAY JUNE 3, 2006

Humpty's Dump Bar & Grill

916 Old Salem Rd. Albany, Oregon

SIGN IN BEGINS AT 10AM ~ LAST BIKE OUT BY 11AM.

***Most stops are at taverns or bars ***

**\$5.00 per hand ~ 50/50 ~ Door Prizes
Games and Fun!**

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♠ Thundering Water

POKER RUN

Douglas County Chapter A.B.A.T.E.

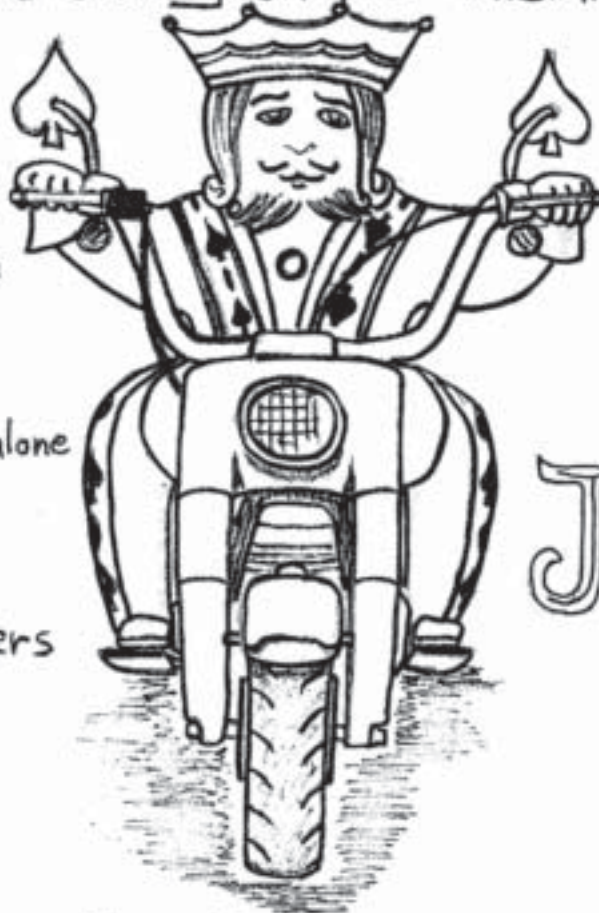
Starts at
Colliding Rivers
View Point,
16 miles east of
Roseburg on N. Umpqua
Highway.

Sign In - 10:00 AM
Depart by - 11:00 AM

\$5.00 a hand.
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Best + Worst hand

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All Bikes + Riders
welcome.



June 11

2006

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WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAPTER

JUNE 11TH, 2006

One Hand: \$10

Two Hands: \$15

Sign In:

Paradise Harley-Davidson

Depart:

10am

10770 SW Cascade Blvd

11am

Tigard, OR

Door Prizes

Cash Prizes

50/50 drawing

GOOD FOOD

Free Family Picnic to Follow

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Toppenish Rodeo Grounds ***June 15,16,17 2006***

15th > music and biker ride-in theatre ?

16th > Live music by XANADU classic and top 40 rock

17th > parade, bike show, bike games, keg toss, burn out tree

Live music by

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America's Lynyrd Skynyrd Tribute Band

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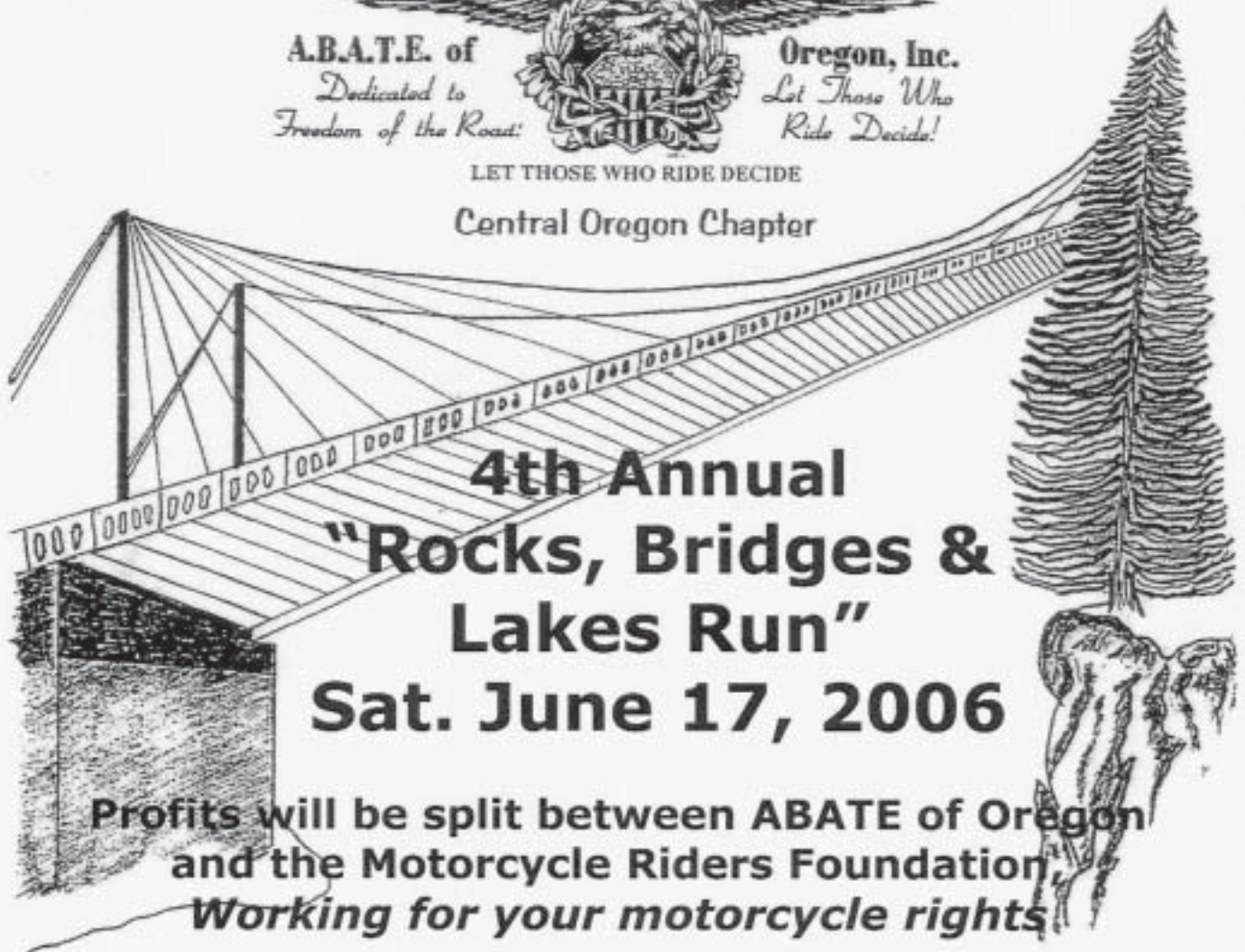
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LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE

Central Oregon Chapter



**4th Annual
"Rocks, Bridges &
Lakes Run"
Sat. June 17, 2006**

**Profits will be split between ABATE of Oregon
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*Working for your motorcycle rights***

**50/50 Raffle • \$10.00 Dice Rolls Available
High Dice Roll \$100.00 winner.
Donations are encouraged.**

**Meet at City Slickers Saloon & Eatery, 329 SW 6th, Redmond.
Will open 8:30 a.m. for breakfast, sign-up 9:30 a.m.,
last rider out 11:00 a.m.**

Badland Boogie Band beginning at 1:00 p.m.

**3:00 p.m. call for 50/50 and High Dice Roll Coyote Creek, Sisters
For information contact John, 541-382-6146,
Kevin 541-389-2167, or Ed 541-923-5503.**

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NORTH COAST CHAPTER ABATE OF OREGON, INC.

11TH ANNUAL

AROUND SADDLE MOUNTAIN POKER RUN

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2006



REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE RELIEF PITCHER IN SEASIDE

RUN DEPARTS AT 10 A.M.

**ALL BIKES &
RIDERS WELCOME**

START AT ANY POINT ON THE RUN!

**50-50
PRIZES - RAFFLE**

First Card Draw	12 miles	Worker's Tavern, 281 W. Marine Drive, Astoria
Second Card Draw	26 miles	Colvin's Pub and Grill, 135 Nehalem, Clatskanie
Third Card Draw	28 miles	Lion's Den, Bridge Street, Vernonia
Forth Card Draw	30 miles	Oney's Restaurant and Bar, Hwy 26, Elsie
Fifth Card Draw & Party Time	22 miles	Relief Pitcher, Hwy 101, Seaside

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2nd Annual Poker Run To The Coast

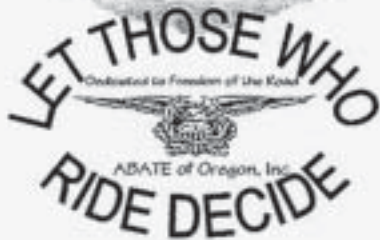
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July 8th, 2005
Sign in Starts at 9:00AM
Last Rider Out by 11:00 AM
Last Hand In By 4:00PM
Run Start: Full Throttle Custom Cycle,
1207 Rogue River Hwy, Grants Pass, OR

End of Run Will Be At The Sons of God Campout
At Forest Keller Park, Crescent City, CA.
Camping Available For \$10.

Entry Fee:
\$10. First Hand
\$5. Additional Hands

Prizes:
Best Poker Hand \$150.
2nd Best Hand \$ 75.
Worst Hand Dinner for Two



50/50 Drawing End of Run
Must Be Present To Win

All Riders/All Bikes
Welcome

Contact: Pat Allen (541) 659-8715

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July 15, 2006
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To



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Mid-Summer 2006 Poker Run

WASHINGTON
COUNTY

ABATE
CHAPTER

July 29th, 2006



One Hand
\$10



Starts at:



Two Hands
\$15

Beaverton Honda-Yamaha
10380 SW Cascade Blvd
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Cash Prizes

Door Prizes--50/50

Sign In: 11am

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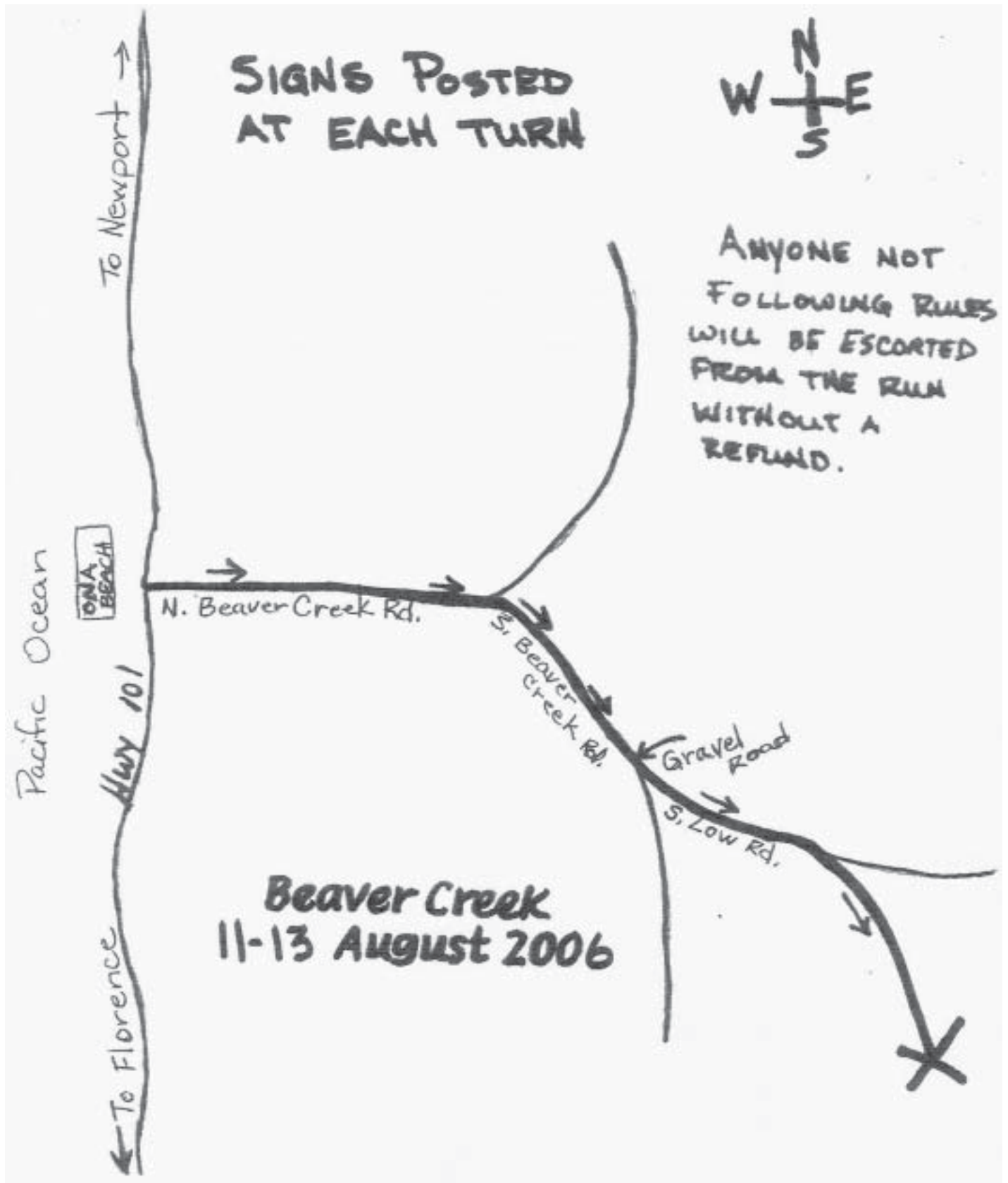
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Summer Run 2006

25 Years! Let's Celebrate

When: August 18, 19, 20

Where: McCubbins Gulch near Maupin

Music:  Power of County, Flashpoint  more music to be announced

Activities: **RIDE IN BIKE SHOW, BIKE GAMES, FASHION SHOW, AUCTION, KIDS GAMES, ADULT GAMES, CONTESTS, RUN PINS, T-SHIRTS, TUG-O-WAR** and more

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Advance Tickets	Members: \$15.00	Non-Members: \$20.00
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August 19th, 2006

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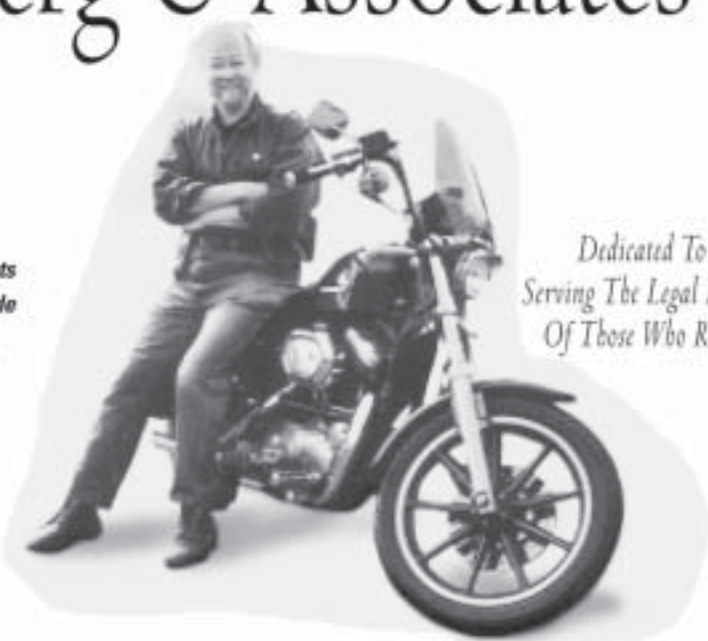
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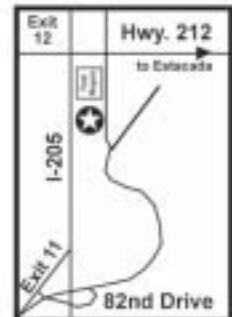
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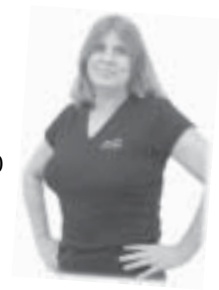
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		Chapter Vice-Coordinator	5.00			
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		Chapter Membership Secretary	5.00			
		Chapter Treasurer	5.00			
		Chapter Historian	5.00			
		Chapter Legislator	5.00			
		Chapter Educational Director	5.00			
		Chapter Ways & Means Director	5.00			
		Chapter Sergeant-At-Arms	5.00			
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		Chapter Rockers- (Need to be ordered by Chapter Ways & Means Director)				
			Sub Total			
Shipping & Handling Charges					Thank you for your order ;-)	
			Under \$25.00 = \$6.50			
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			TOTAL			



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PHONE: (503)-985-0233
 E-MAIL:

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 City _____ State _____ ZIP code _____

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Chapter orders require chapter check or state representative purchase at state board meeting.

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: _____ TIME STOPPED: _____ a m / pm

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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

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

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? **(YES) (NO)**

If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES NO

Label permanently fastened inside? **(YES) (NO)**

Was helmet modified? **(YES) (NO)**

If modified describe: _____

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale

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Two 2003 B.M.W. 650GS motorcycles. One black with 1,091K miles. One yellow ("L" model), 566 miles. In new condition, with extras: hard bags, heated grips, large touring windshield, A.B.S. braking. Will sell separate or as a pair. **\$7,500** each or best offer.
(503)-357-7529
(Aug2006)

What Happened?
Did everyone sell all their gear at the A.B.A.T.E. swap meet?
(If so, good for you.)

**Answer to May
CRYPTOGRAM**

Moving beyond fear may be
the single most important thing
that you can do for yourself.
And your planet.

— Sharif Abdullah

June Cryptogram

VNEO YHYKP-ROE BEX AEOK RY FI BXGAKHAE
XHMNK KNRFMNK GOT XHMNK GAKHROI,
CGKKEXI VHSS ANGOME YRX KNE BEKKEX.
KNEP'SS ORK ANGOME ROE CHOFKE IRROEX.

— CHANGES DFXMCII

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

HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".)
Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skulldruggery.
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Fred Tucker	(541)-915-3011		
VICE-COORDINATOR EAST			
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97208

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAME: _____
 NEW ADDRESS: _____

 CITY: _____
 STATE: _____
 ZIP CODE: _____
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____
 SIGNATURE: _____ (tape bottom edge)

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

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

Additional Members in Same Household:

Name: _____
 Name: _____
 Name: _____

Congressional District: _____ Senator: _____ Representative: _____

Annual Rates:

___ Individual membership \$20
 ___ Couple membership \$25
 ___ Family membership \$30

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

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

Please send completed application to:

Membership Secretary
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
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Portland, Oregon

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PERMIT No. 638

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DATED MATERIAL**

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Even washed her clothes to humor her,
But it's just not his niche,
For he used too much bleach,
Now June is busting out all over.

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NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:

Saturday, 10 June 2006 at noon

Albany *Eagles*

RUN COMMITTEE MEETING AT 1100

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Date/Time:	Location:
Central Oregon	2 nd Sunday 1400 (2:00 ^{pm})	<i>Black Horse Saloon</i> ; Bend
Columbia River	2 nd Sunday 1230(12:30 ^{pm})	<i>The Spare Room</i> ; 4830 N. E. 42nd.; Portland
Douglas County	3 rd Tuesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg
Hub City	3 rd Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Ciddici's Pizza</i> ; 133 Fifth Street; Albany
Josephine County	3 rd Wednesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Fruitdale Grange</i> ; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass
Lincoln County	1 st & 3 rd Tues 1900 (7:00 ^{pm})	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4 th Sunday 1030 (10:30 ^{am})	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria
Northeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Wed 1930(7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 nd ; Portland
River City	1 st & 3 rd Tues 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Roadstop Restaurant</i> ; 2nd Street, The Dalles
Salem	4 th Tuesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Papa's Pizza</i> , 4550 Commercial Street, Salem
South Coast	3 rd Sunday 1100 (11 ^{pm})	<i>Fisherman's Grotto</i> ; Cape Arago Highway; Charleston
Southeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Sun 1200 (noon)	<i>M&M Restaurant & Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Washington County	2 nd & 4 th Tues 1930(7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Prime Time Sports Bar</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	3 rd Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Roaring Rapids Pizza</i> 4006 Franklin Boulevard; Eugene