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Saturday, 14 March (see flier and map on pages 39-40)

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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.

• We are not a motorcycle club or gang. Instead, *A.B.A.T.E.* is a not-for-profit 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 on.

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 on are important to their community.

So scan through our newsletter. 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 *Nationa 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 Executive Coordinator, *National Coalition of Motorcyclists A.B.A.T.E. of California*

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Coordinator's Comments

Hello everyone,

First, I'd like to thank all of you who made this year's S.T.E.A.M. such a success. The list is long but I would like to single out Geoff White, our state education director-1, who is the organizational talent who puts this thing together. Melinda McCrossen also helped Geoff before medical problems laid her low just prior to S.T.E.A.M. We are especially indebted to Karen Bolin, the president of *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* for giving the keynote address.

My thanks, also, to all of you who drove the many miles to attend S.T.E.A.M. and participate in the host of lectures and classes. Now that you've been through what has been described as basic training for freedom fighters, consider running for a more responsible office within *A.B.A.T.E.* or perhaps representing *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* at some of the regional and national conferences we are invited to each year.

The February board meeting was especially interesting with Duane Calkins, our new Fossil coordinator, sharing his plans and ideas for this year's campout. All of his hard work is paying off in creating a Fossil Campout you will not want to miss, so watch for the flyers. Following an excellent report by Michael Schneider, Confederation of Clubs representative #2, on the recent National Coalition of Motorcyclists Regional Conference where the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act was discussed, your board of directors made the decision to take our fight for freedom beyond handlebars and

helmets by voting in opposition to the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act.

T.E.A.-03, the *Transportation Equity* Act reauthorization that you've been hearing so much about has been approved by the senate and it is expected that the house will vote on this issue in the last week of February or first week of March. In other words, about the time you receive this month's newsletter and read these lines, it's time to call or e-mail the congressman who serves your district and ask for their support on the important issue of saving motorcyclist lives. Remind them that Oregon congressman DeFazio is cosponsor of the motorcycle safety initiative for T.E.A.-03.

Those of us being sent to Washington, D.C. by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon to lobby on your behalf will be doing all we can to insure passage of this legislation, which in no small measure was a result of last year's lobbying effort by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon. Those going to D.C. face a number of interesting challenges this time around that should make for interesting reading in the future.

Enough business — lets talk bikes. The *Hayabusa* has gone 22,000 miles in the last year and is in dire need of rear tire #5 as it sits on the stand with a worn and ruined rear casing. The thing is simply awesome with 0-100 times of 5.2 seconds, and 0-150 in 9.9 seconds. I simply can't ride it without grinning from ear to ear, or without looking in my mirrors and ahead to overpasses and on-ramps. A *Harley* is



by Joe Laurance

making a lot more sense. Now that it has occurred to me I could have as much fun at a more leisurely and legal pace.

May the Lord guard and guide you,

Joseph Laurance

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Central Oregon Chapter



Greetings from sunny Central Oregon, boo

We had a very good meeting in February. There were 25 members there. We covered a lot of topics in a short amount of time and there was some good food for everyone to munch on. Thanks to Marie and Renee for bringing some treats.

It was good to see some new faces at a meeting, and good to see the weather cooperating so some members could even ride to a meeting.

We have decided on the dates for our events this season. We will be having our roadside clean-up and barb-que on Saturday, May 8th, and our *Motorcycle Riders Foundation Support Run* on June 19. This is a run that supports the entire motorcycle community. All profits are donated to the *M. R. F.*

Our *Teddy Bear Run* will be on October 2nd and is a large group ride to area hospitals. This run is growing annually and I hope that continues to happen.

We have added a new event we will participate in. There will be a motorcycle weekend at the Madras drag strip on May 15th and 16th. Our chapter will be a sponsor for this event and have our *A.B.A.T.E.* information booth set up.

We will also be helping *Central Oregon Motorcycle Coalition* with two poker runs, benefiting two of our members who have come across hard times.

There will also be the *April Fools Swap Meet*, put on by the *Central Oregon Motorcycle Coalition* on Saturday, April 3rd. This event is held in the parking lot of the *Black Horse Saloon* in Bend and we will have our *A.B.A. T.E* information booth set up also. All proceeds from this event will go back into the community, helping people in a time of need.

As you can see, we are once again getting ready for a fun and busy riding season.

Some of our members have expressed an interest in having weekly or monthly chapter rides. Come down to the next meeting so we can have your input.

Remember, "United we stand..." and you all know the rest of that sentence!

Later,

John

<u>CENTRAL OREGON MEET-</u> <u>ING TIME and PLACE</u>

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm) Old Redmond Hotel (next to Sulley's Restaurant) Redmond, Oregon

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"Columbia River Welcome's You"

We had another great turnout at our February meeting at Jubitz. Over fifty of us gathered including some guests from Southeast Portland, Northeast Portland, and Washington County chapters.

Two items dominated the meeting: final preparations for the Sweetheart Dance at the Blue Eyes Lounge on February 14th and Duane's reports. I will follow up next month with a recounting of how it went. I am writing this on February 9th and my fingers are crossed hoping that the party is a success.

Duane discussed the N.C.O.M. Convention in Sacramento. That convention had a great deal of information about the so-called U.S.A. P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act and the threats to our civil liberties that the piece of legislation poses. Lee Austin pointed out that New York city recently went on record against that act, joining a number of communities around the country that are protesting it. 21.

Duane also reported on the efforts of the motorcycle caucus of the Oregon democratic party which is apparently unique in the nation. That caucus has been active in getting [amendment] of the helmet law on the democratic party platform.

I had some discussion with a chapter member during the break about Duane's apparent focus on the democrats. Bikers in Oregon need to develop support from both of the major political parties in order to advance our interests. It is unfortunate be coordinating the run. We need to get that the democrats have been less interested in our issues than the republicans. As a result, many of us who are democrats have spent time working to change things and get the democratic establishment behind us as much as the republicans largely have been. This is especially important since we have experienced such hostility from governor Kitzhaber and are not getting much of a welcome from governor Kulongski. In order to overcome the expected veto we need all of the votes that we can get in the legislature, be they democrats or republicans.

Jimbo reported that the toy run [committee] is hard at work planning for the next run. Stay tuned for new developments including a new route for the run.

Lee Austin asked for our help at Run

Steve Baton also for help after our meeting to address and stamp some 1,100 post cards about the upcoming swap meets and the Fossil Campout. Thanks to the various chapter members who helped him get those out.

The lucky winner in the membership drawing was Rob Neill who won the short drawing for \$20.

After the chapter meeting, we had the first Summer Run committee meeting of the year. Scotty B from our chapter will

more help from him from all of the three Portland chapters. We especially need someone to volunteer to be in charge of the gate and someone to be in charge of the information booth. I have agreed to coordinate the bike games again and to deal with two fun tasks: getting the toilets and the garbage dumpster delivered to the site. (Hey, you would really notice it if those last two items weren't there at the run.)

Anyway, the Summer Run committee will meet each month after the chapter meeting. Stop by and see what you can do help with this run.

Spike

COLUMBIA RIVER MEET-ING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm) Jubitz Truck Stop 10310 N. Vancouver Avenue --Portland Kids welcomed. Full bar.

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

Greetings from beautiful *Douglas County Chapter*!

We have just had our first evening meeting with our new officers. It went very well — no casualties. And we had 33 in attendance. Great job, everyone, in getting the word out. We have a group of dedicated phone callers who remind everyone of the meetings and other important events and issues. There seems to be widespread support for meeting in the evening, especially when the weather improves (drier, warmer?), and the weekends will be better spent riding. Yessss!

Our calendar of events for the year is being planned and we are looking forward to the swap meets, *Fossil Campout*, and various runs. Also we are encouraging members to recruit more of our local riders into *A.B.A.T.E*.

There is group starting a third Saturday ride taking place here, from from March through September. Riders the meet at the *McDonald's* on Stewart it. Parkway in Roseburg at 8 am, ride leaves at 9 am. Destination to be decided by participants that day. Re Everyone is invited. So, if you happen by to be in the neighborhood or want to come down for a ride, it sounds like fun.

Although we are not in a legislative year technically, we are always needing to be apprised of the issues that effect our rights as motorcyclists. It's important to stay in touch with what is happening in the political arena both locally and nationally. One way to do that is by reading the *A.B.A.T.E.* newsletter. It's also informative to read reports from other chapters to see what's going on in other places and to "borrow" their good ideas for involving and motivating more riders to support the activities and functions of *A.B.A.T.E.*

One of our members, Rocky Orth, was involved in a motorcycle crash several months ago. He had a severely broken leg and underwent a bone transplant. It is not doing well, and may require additional treatment. Prayers and good thoughts for Rocky and his recovery are appreciated.

Not much more in the way of news from *Douglas County*. Just lookin' for the sunshine. It's up there, we know it.

Until next time, ride safe.

Remember the swap meet in Roseburg, March 14th. Y'all come on by. We'd love to see you.

Becky Garino secretary *Douglas County A.B.A.T.E.*

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEET-ING TIME and PLACE

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

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Hub City Chapter

Hello everyone and the luck of the Irish be with ye! Happy St. Paddy's Day.

Enough of that crap. I own a green *Harley* and can tell you how lucky that color is.

I saw a few of you at the *Easyriders Show*. Rode the *Panhead* through the sand and gravel left from the recent ice storm, but it wasn,t bad. Good show and excellent *A.B.A.T.E.* publicity.

Great booth *A.B.A.T.E.*! Jill Tracy and crew were busy as hell signing folks up. People don't realize all the work these officers put in but *Hub City* says a big thanks!

I hope everyone bought home a new head of S.T.E.A.M. It really helps pull you through the year. Thanks to Geoff, Nora and everyone who contributes to the success of such a great program.

Hub City has been busy and we know this will pay big later. Our run coordinator is doing a great job. Shawn Harwood has filled the year with activities for all motorcyclists and especially we *A.B.A.T.E.*rs! Pay attention to the excellent flyers produced by *Hub City* member EZ. Top Gun!

The first flyer will fill you in on our biker night March 26. *Hub City*, in conjunction with the *Albany Eagles* and Brian Nelson's band *Elixxer*, are having a dinner and dancing evening in Albany. Donations will go to support F.I.S.H., our chosen local charity.

F.I.S.H. is a great non-enabling support mechanism in our area and we are proud to try to help them. The event is on March 26 at the *Albany Eagles Club*, 127 N. Broadalbin, downtown Albany. See the flyer or call (541)-926-2161 for directions. Food at 7, band at 9. Adult beverages anytime! Please join us for a great time. *Elixxer* will dance your legs off!

Another flyer that is out now from *Hub City* is for our *3rd Annual Poker Run*! Any of you that have been on this run can attest to the fun to be had. *Hub City* members work hard to put on a poker run that others are judged against and so far it rates with the best. See the flyer for details, but I can say that it is held on June 5. Mark your calendar now.

Watch for our upcoming flyer on our *Hub City One Night Stand*. For our first effort we decided to put on a great one night run than to stumble in taking on a two night deal. Plan ahead for a party *Hub City* style in the foothills of the Cascades in the eastern Willamette Valley.

We will open the gates Saturday morning September 11, 2004. There will be an afternoon of games(bike and otherwise), vendors, camping, bike only camping, (what a concept!) and excellent music. Overnight camping is encouraged and everyone goes home Sunday. Please stay tuned as we dial in the details.

Fossil is coming up at the end of May and Hub City has taken the torch from Lincoln County. We will be

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HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Josephine County Chapter



Well here it is another February. Brrrrrrrr.

At our February 04 meeting we had a good turn out for it being this time of year.

We had members of the Sons of God Motorcycle Club who came to give us support. They want to get involved in A.B.A.T.E and have us come and get involved in some over their different events they do in our community. Which we thought was a great idea.

Since the 7th of February untill February 12 we've had great riding weather. It was just in time too.

On February 6th I bought my 2004 *Roadking Custom* from *Highway 101 Harley-Davidson* in Coos Bay. They are great people there and treated me like gold.

We've added nine new members to our chapter this month and we would like to welcome them into are ranks.

There seems to be a lot of interest in *A.B.A.T.E* in Josephine County. 'Ive been told by several riders in the area that they plan on joining soon.

Well, there's not a lot to report here right now but things should pick up soon.

Take care and ride safe!!!!

Spanky



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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Lincoln County Chapter

Hi all,

Yes, Roach, here it is just for you and to welcome back the Rau family from *R.R. Hawg Shop*. You have been missed and we are glad to see you back.

Welcome home Kurt and Shirley. It is about time that you found your way back after all of this time and thanks for being our state representatives once again.

At our meeting on 02 January 2004 we had 18 members and one guest present.

We are hoping to see some members at S.T.E.A.M. and some of us are planning to attend some of the valley events.

Rhody camp sites are all gone, so if you have friends who already have campsites at Port of Siuslaw; you may want to talk to them and see if they are willing to rent you a spot for the weekend. Lincoln County will be there in full force.

We lost one of our past members this past week and our thoughts and prayers go out to the family members of Chuck "Pops" Akers from Coos Bay. He had been a member in our chapter for several years.

We are still trying to get the flat bed trailers together for the drive bridge at *Beaver Creek*. Gary is saying that he does not think the existing bridge will be able to withstand another *Beaver Creek*. So, if anyone can help us out; please contact us.

We are already making plans with the *American Legion Post* 116 to run the beer booth for us at *Beaver Creek*. Happy birthday to Kurt; Happy anniversary to Kurt and Shirley. (22 years)

Ryan and Rosie are engaged.

Neolani you could have won \$12 from the bubble fund if you had been at the meeting.

Our Christmas delivery was the most beautiful we have ever done since I have been a member. We even made the south county newspaper.

We had 9-10 bikes to ride behind Kris Kringle as he went down the highway pulling the sleigh. Thanks Dan for letting us use your bike for the day. With the vans to help carry the goodies from house to house; we had a total of 27 members present.

What a sight we were as we pulled up at the houses of people to deliver Christmas to them. Just to see the eyes of the children as we approached with all of the bikes.

We are hoping to get a lot of riding in this summer and if any of you have spur of the moment rides, give *Lincoln County Chapter* a call.

Keep the rubber side down;

Until next month,

Wanda

LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-ING TIMES and PLACE

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

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North Coast Chapter



Greetings from the North Coast Chapter,

It's finally March, which means at last we are starting to turn the corner to sunnier skies, drier roads, warmer weather and longer days. Yahoo! Enough of dismal weather of the last few months. Time to get those scoots tuned-up and ready to hit the roads running to all of those great A.B.A.T.E. runs and events.

What's new on the north coast?

Our new run committee has been busy coming up with some fresh ideas for road activities to get us out on the road more and more this year with fun for all. They recently have set up short runs on the third Sunday of every month starting at different locations each month. A 50/50 pot will be offered to all of those who choose to put a few extra bucks in their pocket, if they're so lucky to win. These runs will be real causal with the focus on enjoying the sights of our area and the comradely of our brothers and sisters on the road. All are welcome to join us. For more information give our

chapter secretary, Amelia Williams, a County Chapter always provides. call at (503)-325-6686.

Our run committee is also starting to plan out our annual events for the year and working toward establishing some new chapter runs to entice riders from the great northwest to the north coast to join us for more great times. Stay tuned for more information.

Word has it has that our chapter membership continues to grow. Many thanks for your support and a warm welcome to these new members. We look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings and upcoming events.

Our brothers and sisters from the Pacific County Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of Washington have several great runs coming up in the near future. Check out the Washington state web site for a listing of these future events at www.abate-wa.org/. Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful country in the southwestern corner of Washington and all the fun the Pacific

Until next month, all the best from the North Coast Chapter and don't lose sight of the fight for the freedom of the road.

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NORTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

4 th Thusday at 1900 (7 pm) Moose Lodge 420 17th Street Astoria, Oregon Children are welcome

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Northeast Portland Chapter



We have started planning for the *Summer Run. The Yanks* have signed on as the headliners for Saturday night. Those of you lucky enough to have come to *Cabin Fever Party* in January heard *The Yanks* laying down some really primo rock and roll. Kat is doing the vendors. Anyone wanting to participate in the planning can come the planning meetings after *Columbia River*'s chapter meetings at *Jubitz* truck stop near Martin Luther King and Marine drive on the second Sunday of the month.

And S.T.E.A.M. will be history by the time you read this. Looking forward to some good info from our state board.

Last week we had our biggest meeting since I took on being chapter coordinator. We had visitors from *Columbia River* and *Southeast Portland* chapters. A couple of more people and I would have to make good on my promise to wear a tutu if we got 40 people to show up for one meeting. Kind of a scary thought but everyone seems pretty excited about it.

One of our members, Melinda, who is also our state public relations representative, got appendicitis and it ruptured before the docs yanked it out. Now she's on extended home care until her incision heals. Everyone send her good thoughts and prayers.

Lee Austin has set up a security training course that we are going to at the M &M Lounge on March 6th. After that we are going to Brother Speed's First Annual Spring Oyster Feed. Those guys do know how to throw a party.

The planning for *Fossil* is in high gear. Check out the new web site at:

www.fossilcampout.com. Lot's of changes this year.

Don't forget the Southeast Portland canned food drive on March 20. The Salvation Army Mission has closed their doors due to lack of funding. Lee is finding a new site to present the food. And afterwards is the Southeast Chapter Anniversary Party at the $M \stackrel{*}{O} M$ Lounge in downtown Gresham.

We meet every first and third Wednesday of the month at *Roundtable Pizza*, between Sandy Boulevard and I-84, on 122nd in Portland. 7:30 pm is the kick off time. Meetings usually run around an hour and a half. Soft drinks are provided by *Roundtable* and you can buy beer, the salad bar or (duh!) pizza. Motorcycle-friendly places are getting hard to find. *Roundtable* rolls out the red carpet for us. So come support the people who support us. Hope to see you there.

So ride if you can and drive if you can't. I'll be riding again as soon as I can find where my bike is hidin' under this snowdrift (or is it that one?). "Here, Thor. Nice bike. Come to Crow." Damn, I know he's here somewhere.

So get your sled out of storage and ride. Quack!

Crow

<u>N.E. PORTLAND MEETING</u> <u>TIMES and PLACE</u>

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1930 (7:30pm) Round Table Pizza 4141 NE 122nd -- Portland

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January 20, 2004

Seventeen people came out for our meeting tonight. Lee was missing, so Cheryl DuQuist led the meeting and did a fine job. We approved buying new chapter patches and heard a report about the upheaval in rider ed at the state and national levels. We added pictures to our scrapbook of Rick doing a Santa thing at *Mid-Columbia Child and Family Center*, *Inc*.

Lynn won the 50/50 at \$7/\$7 and donated her share back to the chapter. Thanks, Lynn.

Regular meeting

Called to order by Cheryl at 7:02 pm. 14 people present, three arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance led by Cheryl.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Teresa because they were present in written form.

Correspondence was an *M.R.F. Reports* and a *B.O.A.* statement, a refund of \$110 from *Southeast Portland Chapter.*

Treasury report is \$591.97

Legislative report: Brian and Teresa reported on *Murkowski Amendment*/ *M.S.F./Team Oregon* situation.

Ways and means report: Motion by Teresa to purchase six patches; passed.

Historian report: Book is here with new pictures.

Old business Planned rides: *Fossil, Sturgis.* Poker run planning committee: Reset for 6:00 pm on February 3. New Business Membership drawing not held. 50/50 was won by Lynn Roberge at \$7/\$7, who donated back her share. Thanks, Lynn. Adjourned 7:39 pm

River City Chapter

Brian

February 3, 2004

We had a small but lively meeting tonight. Everybody was in good spirits.

Early plans for our Poker Run in April are coming along well. Chapter M members want a Chapter picture on 50 v this page of the newsletter. Folks are done starting to talk about the big rides of Lee. the year. Ac

We had no membership drawing again, but Lee won the 50/50 at \$5/ \$5 and donated back \$3 of his share to the chapter, thanks, Lee.

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:00 pm. Ten people present.

Pledge of allegiance led by Lee

Minutes were waived on a motion by Debra because they were present in written form.

Correspondence was a thank you from *St. Vincent DePaul* for our donation.

Treasury report is \$710.97

Bills submitted: Teresa moved to allocate \$200 for the use of the poker run commmittee, passed.

Ways and means report: Patches ordered, tee shirt order filled.

Historian report: Book is here with new pictures. Cheryl would like help kdentifying prople and places in the books so labels can be added.

Old business

Planned rides: *Fossil*, *Sturgis*, Laughlin

Poker run planning committee: We had a meeting tonight. Need people to solicit donations and volunteer for jobs.

BikePAC/A.B.A.T.E. Summitt planning: Just a reminder that this is coming up and needs volunteers.

New business

Membership Drawing not held. 50/ 50 was won by Lee at \$5/\$5, who donated back \$3 of his share. Thanks Lee.

Adjourned 8:04 pm

Brian

Upcoming meeting March 2, 2004 7:00 PM

<u>RIVER CITY MEETING</u> <u>TIMES and PLACE</u>

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7pm) Lone Pine Restaurant 335 Lone Pine Dr. -- The Dalles (I-84 & US-197)

POINT of CONTACT

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We started off our meeting with the pledge of allegiance. We had eleven members attend and three new guest who we were glad to see: Vance and Nancy Vites, and Gary "Toad" Cunningham.

Mona said we are having a fund raiser approximately April 17, 2004 for the *White Wolf Sanctuary*. It will be held at the *Speakeasy* in Salem. She says they are biker friendly, have good food, and the prices are reasonable. So watch for the flier in the upcoming newsletter.

We also discussed the toy run. We thought we might donate gifts clothing, food, and money to the homeless children in 2004.

Fossil tickets are now on sale.

Don't forget S.T.E.A.M., a series of seminars that will be held February 21, 2004. Registration begins at 8 am with sessions running from 9 am to 4 pm. at

Chemeketa Community College in Salem, Oregon.

And most of all *Salem Chapter* would like to remind and invite all bikers to the *Ice Breaker* at tony's tavern in Dallas, Oregon at 127 S.W. Court Street. I work there and we are biker friendly. I know you all will have a great time. We are raffling off a leather jacket as well as many more great things. So rain or shine come on over and party.

This is my first time as being chapter secretary, so bear with me. I'll get the hang of it.

Peace out.

Ride safe,

Dustyshovelhead the new chapter goddess

Salem Chapter



SALEM MEETING TIME and PLACE

4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm) Chalet Restaurant Market Street, Salem

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Salem, OR 97309

South Coast Chapter



Well, good weather is here and I have been seeing more and more riders on the road. Can spring be too far behind? If I had a motorcycle, *I would be really excited*!

S.T.E.A.M. took place in February and we hope that everyone took the opportunity to attend. Our chapter was encouraged to attend this event, to gain knowledge and to meet our state officers. It is always nice to put a face with a name.

The *Mall Show* is rapidly approaching. Our chapter has been holding committee meetings for the *Mall Show* every month after our regular chapter meeting. If you are interested in participating in the *Mall Show* or in the committee please contact Charlie Hill at **southcoastabate@yahoo.com**. Our events are only as good as we make them.

With the good weather, comes *road cleanup* after our regular meetings. This always a very interesting event as you never know what you're gonna find.

At this time we would like to extend an invitation to everyone to attend our chapter's three major events: the *Mall Show* in May, the *Coos River Run* the end of July and the beginning of August, and *S.O.S. Run* the end of August. This is a great way to see the south coast and meet our chapter's members.(And have some fun too).

Our chapter membership has increased, but attendance at our meetings has declined. A questionnaire has been sent out to all our chapter members to get ideas on how to improve meeting attendance. We hope everyone will take the time to fill out the questionnaire and return it.

Let your voice be heard.

Ride safe and free

Kris Iveans secretary South Coast Chapter

SOUTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Sunday at 1100 (11am) Gino's Pizza 1324 Virginia Street -- North Bend

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Southeast Portland Chapter

Howdy folks,

Well I wish I had more of a report to give you about my trip down to Salem for S.T.E.A.M. It is kind of difficult to write about something that has not happened yet. I can say that I am looking forward to next weekend and attending S.T.E.A.M. It's not just a great learning tool for us but, also a great place to interact with other officers and members of A.B.A.T.E and other M.R.O. s that attend. The social interaction at such an event can be as much as a learning tool as the seminars can. We see these folks at chapter events and runs, and discuss our families, friends, work and of course our newest motorcycle acquisitions parts and paint jobs. At S.T.E.A.M. conversations change to what is important to the purpose of A.B.A.T.E. You hear ideas from individuals that you wouldn't hear at another place and time. I really hope that everyone who attended came away with something new in their minds. A different view of things so routinely done can make our purpose once again vital to us.

Well Southeast Chapter is really gearing up for our anniversary party. I have a message here from Wyoming. If any of you have any pictures for the memory books get them to me. There is still time to make Southeast's history table a great presentation. So one of these rainy evenings get those photos out and bring in some good ones for Wyoming We still have a couple of meetings to attend and those opportunities to turn them in. The morning of the Anniversary Party is our annual food delivery. This year we hit a snag: due to funding the Salvation Army's Light House Mission has closed. Rich is currently looking for an alternate place to deliver the food. If you have any suggestions as to where we can donate to a homeless program let us know by contacting Lee. The lack of funding and closure of the mission just emphasizes the importance of the food drive. Lets find a worthy place to help those in need.

The plans for *Run 21* are really moving along. Lee is implementing an incentive program in which if you volunteer your time a discount on your entry will be given. You won't get this at the gate folks, you work for it. We are hoping with this incentive we will get some volunteers who actually show up for the shift they sign up for. And those that do show up get some relief and can also enjoy *Run 21*. I think this is a great idea and know that Barry, Wyoming, Peewee and Michelle are looking forward to enjoying some self time this year.

Hey, I forgot an important thing: anyone can take part in this incentive program. Show up sober and ready to do your job, sign in and out so Lee knows how much to take off your gate fee.

And most of all have fun. Tickets for *Run 21* are on sale now.

There is a fee increase this year: the prices are \$35 for advanced tickets and \$40 at the gate. I am sure you will find this is well worth it.

There will be more on *Run 21* to come.

Our membership drawing was won! Peewee won \$75 at the February 1st meeting. Berenda Pitkin (my own daughter) lost out on \$70 the time before. We will start again at \$50 and increase the pot by \$5 each time.

Well people get those scoots polished up for the *Anniversary Party*.

See ya,

Mammy Tami

S.E. Portland MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Southern Oregon Chapter



First and foremost I would like to thank all past members and officers of *A.B.A.T.E.* of *Southern Oregon Chapter* for their support and a special thank you to those businesses who have hosted our meetings in in the past.

"Freedom is not Free", "Let those who ride decide" are the freedom fighters' mottos when he/she take a stand on issues that intrude on their rights.

This is an election year. If you have the opportunity to talk to a candidate for office, ask what his or her opinion is on motorcycle-related issues.

The schedule of rides and events for this year in southern Oregon is nearly set and we should be able to list them in the next newsletter.

We will be both sponsoring rides and participating in other club rides both to support them and to promote *A.B.A.T.E.*

We have lost touch with some members: John C., Alfred J., Don L., Michael M., Diana R. Les. S, Robert T. and Joe W. If you have a new phone number or address contact Robert Mumby at 541-2934. [?] He also would like your e-mail address. Send it to rdmumby@charter.net

We have earned free pizza and drinks from *Abbey's Pizza*. Come to the March meeting early for a free pizza dinner. (*Abbey's Pizza* on Crater Lake Highway, Medford.) The meeting starts at 7 p.m., but come early to eat first.

Ride safe.





<u>SOUTHERN OREGON</u> <u>MEETING TIME and PLACE</u>

2nd Wednesday at 1900 (7 pm) *Abby's Legendary Pizza* 2550 Crater Lake Highway Medford, Oregon

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Washington County Chapter

Several years ago our sergeant at arms, Rick Stocker, introduced us to his grandpa Eldo Jones.

We helped grandpa Jones celebrate his 100th birthday by taking him for a ride around the lake (Hagg Lake). It was a small group but grandpa Jones and family were thrilled that we took the time to make a special event even more special. It's not often that you meet someone who is 100 years old. Each year since then we have taken grandpa Jones for a ride. John E. Moe has always had the sidecar ready.

This past year, for grandpa's 103rd birthday, we had hoped for 103 bikes, but did not quite make the mark. The event ended with a B-B-Q at Ed and Wendy Vaughn's house. Probably good that there was not 103 bikes because the yard was full with the approximately 50 bikes and more riders.

Grandpa Jones passed away in December. 103 years is along time and he was ready to go. A small group met and rode to the funeral home, then to the cemetery to pay our respects to the man who was riding motorcycle before most of us were born. We can think of no better way to honor a brother than to let him hear the sound of the pipes.

In early February, we lost another longtime member. Stan Johnston had been a member for almost the whole length of *A.B.A.T.E.* and he recently lost his battle with cancer. Stan was a fixture at events, usually chatting with Gunny or checking out the sights.

The first time I met Stan was at my first *A.B.A.T.E.* meeting. I shared a table with him. Part way through the meeting he turned off his hearing aids

and took a nap. He later said it was one of the best places to get some sleep because no one bothered him.

He and his wife, Dorothy, went fixtures at the *Washington County Toy Run*. They led the parade with their truck full of toys to be donated to the *Hillsboro Fire Department's Toy and Joy* program. Dorothy has said she still wants to drive in the parade and carry the toys and we will welcome her, as always, to this and all events.

Stan did not want a memorial, but he touched so many lives, in and out of *A.B.A. T.E.*, that his passing cannot go unremembered. Our March first Sunday ride will be a ride to honor the man many knew as the "Grey Ghost." Several chapter members will sew grey armbands for other members to wear in honor of the man who contributed so much over the years to the association we now know as *A.B.A. T.E. of Oregon*.

If you can, please join us on March 7 at the *Prime Time Sports Bar* in Forest Grove for breakfast at 8:30 and the ride to leave at 10 am.

If you cannot attend but would like an armband to honor Stan Johnston, please contact the chapter using the information below so that we can send you an armband. We will need your name, address. and phone number.

R.I.P. Stan.

January and February have been busy months as we try to prepare for upcoming events.

Ted Tracy, our new run coordinator, has a committee ready and we have had our first run committee meeting. Jobs have been delegated, issues have been discussed and flyers will be coming out soon. Mark your calendars

for the *Roll-n-Ride* on June 13. This win start at *D&S Cycle* on Shaw Street in Aloha and will wander the countryside until we wind up at the Stocker compound for a family picnic.

We're working on getting a band for the afternoon as an addition for E.O.S. Next up will be the *Poker Run/ Pig Roast* on July 31. The pig roast was such a success last year that we have changed our poker run date to combine the two events. This will start at *Destination Harley-Davidson* in Beaverton and will end at Paul Hering's place in town (Corrnelius). This will also be potluck, if you would like to bring a dish.

Then, there is the big summer party, actually the *End of Summer Run*. Once again, we will be spending a long weekend out in Birkenfeld playing bike games, visiting vendors, listening to bands. and watching the stars come out at night. That will be September 17-19.

Our *Washington County Toy Run* will be November 20 and will start at *Stocker's House of Power* in Hillsboro on southeast 2nd and Walnut Streets.

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

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 Chapter



2004 Willamette Valley officers

Coordinator—Hal Fletcher Vice coordinator—Peggy Schneider Chapter secretary—Jerio Laird Chapter treasurer—Anne Cokeley Membership—Peggy Schneider Ways and means-Lyn Maish Safety/education—Doug Laird Activities-Ruth Johnston State rep-Michael Schneider State rep alt—Ron Budde Public relations—(not filled) Legislative director—Michael Boggs Chapter promoter—Ruth Johnston Newsletter editor-Hal Fletcher Chapter web editor—Dave Morgan S.O.S. run coord I—Mary Ann Goll S.O.S. run coord II—Michael Taylor Road captain I—Buster Tegge Road captain II—Michael Schneider Road captain III—Bryan Freitas Road captain IV—Fred Reves Product's director—(not filled) Historian—Ruth Johnston Photographer-Michael Johnston Sergeant-at-arms—Vern Hoffman Chapter chaplain—Bob Lowell



4/18/04 Solid Faith Center / CMA Bike Blessing and WVABATE 1st Ride 4/11/04 Spring Roseberg Swap Meet... 4/25/04 Spring Portland Swap Meet. 5/1.04 May MC Awareness at the Capital 5/22/04 Rhody Poker Run 5/21 to 24/04 Fossil Run 6/11 to 14/04 Best of the West in Casper, WY 7/4/04 WV 4th July Social 8/27-29 SOS Run 9/17 to 19/04 should be the Eugene Celebration Weekend 9/19/04 Should be Berkley North 10/9/04 WVABATE Fall Casino Night 10/16/04 ABATE Planning Meeting 10/24/04 Fall Roseberg Swap Meet 11/2/04 AMA Calendar Sanctioning 11/21/04 Fall Portland Swap Meet 12/12/04 WVABATE Eugene Mission Benefit





WILAMETTE VALLEY MEETING TIME and PLACE 2rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm) Veteran's Memorial Building 1626 Willamette Street; Eugene POINTS of CONTACT Hal Fletcher (541)-688-4268 Rick Maish (541)-746-7837 Ruth Johnston (541)-935-6261

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Hub City Chapter

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running the games and bike show as part of our "apprenticeship" agreement. After 17 years of faithful service, they are going to get a well deserved break this year at *Fossil*. Everyone owes Ralph Janes and *Lincoln County Chapter* a lot of thanks.

Richard Andros and team will be running the games and show at *Fossil*. *Willamette Valley Chapter* has agreed to take the duty next year, so they will be helping too. I think we have one of our perpetual show winners, Tacey Little talked into running the bike show for us. How about it TinkerBell?

Fossil always draws some interesting bikes, so be sure not to miss the entertainment. *Fossil* is a fun run and opens the season for all the rest!

Highway cleanup is March 13. Not sure if this will get to you in time, but we still meet at the old *Pacific StoneScape* location. It's on highway 34 just east of the railroad tracks and west of Oakville road. See you there at 9.

Our M.A.P. instructors have been busy. Mel and Iris Yeager are always on the schedule with a driver's education teacher somewhere. I helped teach one class here at L.B.C.C. and I know Mel and Iris have had several others. Thanks for saving lives instructors!

I hope many of you took the certification course at S.T.E.A.M. so you can help save lives too. The kids are fun and you can see them really connect.

We had a short January meeting as most of the officers were out with the crud or something. Hell to get old and have these bugs really kick your butt!

Kathy Hendricks won the 50/50 of

\$54 and donated it back to the chapter. What a girl. Beautiful and generous. Lucky Mark!

Hub City gave away a bike for the membership drawing! Jim Burnett took home a collectors edition of a Valvoline Hot Wheels drag bike. Hey, it's a bike. Jim also got a set of coasters emblazoned with the Hub City emblem.

All officers will have a report on their position or a safety tip for each meeting. This way all members can put a face with a name and get familiar with who their officers are.

Speaking of familiar, I want to mention an effort *Hub City* members are making. We are trying to attend as many meetings of other chapters as we can. Get familiar, you know? Thanks for the warm welcome in the Portland area. Come down and see us "flatlanders" sometime.

Our thought is that when we can put faces with names and shake hands, it seems we find out what our common goals are. and our ideas for where *A.B.A.T.E.* is going.

A.B.A.T.E. is governed by its members and we need to work together to be sure we make our decisions wisely. Lee Austin's letter in the February newsletter echoes a lot of truth for *Hub City*. Apathy will kill us if we let it. If we make an effort to get to know each other it breaks down one more barrier for us.

Thanks to the freedom fighters that are willing to give more of their time to make this idea work.

A.B.A.T.E. and you will be better off for it. No one can say *Hub City* is afraid to try new ideas!

Please join us at *Ciddici's Pizza* on March 18 at 7 pm. The food and service are great at our friend Tim's

place. He has welcomed us to 133 5th street with open arms. Thanks Tim and the giant crew in the green shirts!

I invite anyone reading this to stop in for a *Hub City* welcome.

Al Sims coordinator *Hub City A.B.A.T.E.* (541)-926-2161

Washington County Chapter

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This will be a parade and, hopefully, the police will not miss the turn and take us for a slow crawl through the countryside this year.

The final event of 2004 actually happens in 2005. It is our *Ice Cycle Run* set for January 8. This will start at *Beaverton Honda* and no ending location has yet been determined. The committee has a lot of work cut out for itself, but it should all come together well.

You can see part of this process in action by attending regular meetings.

Winners of 50/50 drawings for January were Debbie Done end Margo Carnevale. Jordan Kelly won the first membership drawing In 2004, Lisa Twisseimann was not present for the second drawing. We know the room gets full, but sometimes it pays to come and join your friends.

It is still frosty on the road and drivers are still in their winter comas, so please use caution when traversing the road ways.

Watch out for the other guy!

Linda Wells WaCo Secretary

Our Officers at Work A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes

14 February 2004

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:14 with 13 of the 15 chapters represented, all present were eligible to vote.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the January 10, 2004: Motion made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Tom Curran to adopt the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Coordinators comments: Thanks for coming. S.T.E.A.M. is coming up and I would appreciate all attending. *T.E.A.-21* is coming up for a vote, we are asking the Oregon congressional delegation to vote for *T.E.A.-21*.

Happy Valentines Day

Guests: Marty, Barbara, Peggy, John and Francois

Correspondence: None noted

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Legislative director: Rick Maish indicated that P.C.P. is still doable. You have until March 9. Go to the web site or county elections to sign up. You must be registered as a democrat or republican in order to be a P.C.P. The next March issue of the newsletter has information on being a P.C.P. and S.T.E.A.M. is providing a class on how to be a P.C.P.

Rick spent some time on the internet researching information.

Frank Saxton of Portland has just submitted his name to run for district 33 against Greenlick.

M.R.F. update on *Transportation Equity Act* (*T.E.A.-21*) legislation, will be coming up the last of February and 1st week in March. The *M.R.F.* is continuing to monitor amendments added. So far no new language of concern to motorcyclist has been added. More information is in the packets.

U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act: New York city joins the support with written

opposition to the U.S.A. P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act. This movement now is reported to encompass some 43 million people in 37 states.

A.M.A. board of directors are listed in the packets along with *M.R.F.* info and things happening in other states.

Reminder to all that you should be a *M.R.F.* member and you would receive all this information by e-mail.

A.B.A. T.E.'s BikePAC representa-tive: Geoff White encourages all to attend the BikePAC/A.B.A. T.E. Summit March 27-28. There is a flyer in your packet with more information. Geoff encourages all to join BikePAC. Rick Maish said Willamette Valley Chapter challenges other chapters as he presented a check to BikePAC for \$1,000.

Roger said he received a renewal notice from his insurance agency. They wanted him to sign a release of information and if you don't sign it, your insurance could get cancelled. This doesn't seem to be the norm and therefore could possibly be an illegal move on that company. Joe suggests getting on the web through the insurance section to see if this is legal for insurance companies to make you sign a form such as that. Joe would like to see individuals research this and report back at the next board meeting. Joe said if anyone would like to chair a committee on this issue, let him know next month. All insurance laws are applied through the state. Oregon has no comp management on insurance law. The insurance commissioner wants commonality from insurance companies.

Chuck said if you are a senior and take 55 alive class, you get a discount on your insurance.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Ed Vaughan indicated that February 22 will be the first meeting this year. The



by Charlie Hill State Recording Secretary

confederation wants to increase their membership. Also, our dues are due.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: Michael Schneider gave a report on the N.C.O.M. conference that he attended in California. Much of the discussion was based on California laws which didn't affect us in Oregon but could eventually. Exempt from E.P.A. are builders of 3,000 bikes or less or employers of 500 employees or less. In order for kit bikes to be exempt, builder must keep the bike for five years. There is no charcoal canister in the gas line required in Oregon or other states but it is required in California. Most E.P.A. standards are probably in effect until 2010. In the immediate issue will be "noise pollution." If you are busted for noise pollution, you should talk to the judge (or cop at the scene) and ask for a certificate of the noise test. In most instances, the case will be thrown out.

New York Mike spoke on this A.M.A. issue, not supporting California road riders. They are more in tune with offroad riders and racing. Most importantly, they are not supporting A.B.A. T.E. Members are encouraged to write a formal letter of complaint to A.M.A. in relation to this issue.

The helmet law issue. As part of the conference, the group rode on that Sunday to the California capitol where they were to vote on the helmet law repeal the next day. On the Friday prior to the ride, representative Longville who introduced the law, amended the bill to include an automatic organ donar clause if you choose to ride without a helmet. Upon receiving this information, *A.B.A. T.E.* assisted in getting the whole bill shelved, and that became the main focus of the ride to the capitol.

The A.I.M. attorney, Richard Lester,

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informed the group that if three or more people are busted for any reason, make sure at least one person in the group signs up for a public defender. This will insure equal representation in the court in relation to the expert representation, etc.

You can not use a cell phone/camera or still-shot cameras to photograph a law enforcement officer, however, you can use a video recorder.

In California, handlebar height and loud pipes are no longer "fix-it" tickets, they are a straight ticket and deduct one point from your drivers license if ticketed.

U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act. If your organization is considered a "gang", then your organization is viewed very differently based on the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act. Recently the Hells Angels hired an expert to determine that they were a "club" and to provide this fact in court. It has been determined that the Hells Angels are a motorcycle "club" not a gang.

Under the current U.S.A.P.A.T.-R.I.O.T. act, if you are stopped by a law enforcement officer, the search and seizure based on "probable cause" has been changed to "reasonable suspicion." In other words, reasonable suspicion can be perceived to be just about any cause to search and seize.

"Sneek and peek" — based on current act, federal agencies can come into your home, take items of interest and not have to tell you or have a warrant to do so, if you are a "person of interest."

N.C.O.M. has voted to fund-raise for \$200,000 for a congressional appellant challenge lawyer to the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act. Oregon should consider donating to this cause.

The Coalition of Clubs strongly suggests that all members of A.B.A.T.E. write to their congressman, senators, representatives, etc. and express our discontent with the current U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act I. Write, write,

than group letters, so encourage each member of each chapter to write.

You are also encouraged to write your legislatures vote against to U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act II.

Education director: Geoff White reminded people that S.T.E.A.M. is next Saturday. Show everyone the agenda and encourage them to attend. All organizations have been invited. There will be a motorcycle awareness instructors class. Let Geoff know as soon as you get to S.T.E.A.M. if you are interested in taking the class.

Education director II: Nora Rohde — Nothing to report.

Membership secretary: Jill Tracy has submitted the current list in your packets. Membership stayed pretty steady this last month. They signed up ten new members at the EasyRider Bike Show and a couple of renewals. S.T.E.A.M. is coming up, good time to meet membership secretaries. Tri-folds are available for you to take back.

Newsletter editor: Rot Path says "Happy Valentines day and Happy Birthday to Oregon."

When sending reports, send them as plain text. No report yet for Northeast Chapter.

Would also like to see the name of our newsletter changed to "newsmagazine."

Products: Michelle Hobbs has new polo t-shirts at \$20 and they will also be available at S.T.E.A.M. She also has some coffee cups and other merchandise.

Public relations: Melinda McCrossen was excused as she had emergency surgery.

State run coordinator (Fossil): Duane Calkins said: Thank you to Roger for 18 years of service to A.B.A.T.E.

This is the 27th Fossil. Looking for a headliner band. If you know of one, please contact Duane at duane@fossilcampout.com Web site

write! Individual letters have more impact being established to sell on-line Fossil tickets. Go to www.fossilcampout.com and check it out. There is a raffle for a leather jacket. Duane would like to see someone take responsibility for this and selling the tickets. Proceeds go to Wheeler county to help their E.M.T.s. Asking for membership support in obtaining a 3/4 ton pickup and need people to stay after Fossil for cleanup. Each chapter needs to provide two five gallon cans of gas, one roll of caution tape, one large box of trash bags, and three good door prizes.

Swap meet coordinator: Stephan Baton said that post cards have been sent to non-members. 1,132 non-members came to the swap meet. Swap meets are on schedule and we will need help at both.

State run coordinator II: Michelle Fitzhenry - Not present.

Treasurer: Ted Tracy — Bank statements are in. They will be researching the cost of membership. Checking = \$6,948; money market account = \$37,457.96 for a total of \$44,405.96.

The second storage container is now in place for T.E.A.M. Oregon.

State auditor: Nancy Curran - Not present - excused.

Historian: Iris Yeager - Not presentexcused.

Webpage editor: Mad Dog was not present.

Vice coordinator north: Larry is available to help resolve any complaints the chapters may have.

Vice coordinator south: Tim Rohde apologized to Rot Path for submitting his report in long hand form. Tim didn't attend the last board meeting as he attended the EasyRider Bike Show. Tim reported the A.B.A.T.E. booth was well manned. Tim read his report on the bike show.

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Vice coordinator east: Bob Hadley — Not present

Sergeant at arms north: Vacant.

Sergeant at arms south: Doc Squires had nothing to report.

Sergeant at arms east: Keith Odoms - Not present.

Sanctioning officer: Ron Vonsild had new packets with sanctioning forms for all the reps to take back. Ron noted that these should go to the chapter secretary for their notebook so they may be copied. Insurance rates have gone up just over \$1,000. Renewal is May 17. There is a breakdown on cost to the chapters for events, such as \$300 for a campout, \$150 for poker runs etc., and \$100 to \$125 for additional insured. Most are doing a good job getting information in to him. If you submit without the proper paperwork, you will not get sanctioned. Ron would like you to submit your information three months in advance, if possible.

Quartermaster: Steve Baton — No report.

Committee reports

1. Run committee — Will meet February 25, 4:30 p.m. at Steve Baton's house. Call Steve and he will give you directions.

2. Washington D.C. — Last year was all laid out. This year Tom Wyld has resigned, Bev Waters M.R.F. office manager has resigned. Our dates that were submitted were based with Tom. Now these dates and times must be reevaluated. Brian states M.R.F. has people that will be filling these positions and they will be effective in their position.

3. S.T.E.A.M. — Reminder for all to attend.

Unfinished business

Planning session

Proposalís and recommendations Runs and events.

Box van — Recommendation is that

it is too much liability. Rent equipment pointing this out. as necessary.

Make packing map for state and equipment trailer, Quartermaster will make a packing map. This is being done.

Request \$400 refundable deposit from chapters for use of state and equipment trailer. Change to \$200.

Fossil games - apprenticeship

Continue with volunteer chapter rotation. Hub City is doing them this coming year. Take back to chapter and report back next meeting.

Group rates at events

Should be one gate boss. This is being done

Minimum of 50 people with \$15 each paid in advance by May 1. No tickets issued. Being done

No day pass. No day pass Sanctioning

Someone needs to step forward and help Ron Bloker - state board issue. Chapters need to do a better job submitting information to make job easier. This has been addressed

Additional entertainment

as they have their own event that A.B.A.T.E. trailer with a rider that states weekend.

Need chapter involvement to do things like a poker run. If chapters are interested, contact Duane.

not available

Roger is open for ideas and volunteers willing to do the work. Duane is open for ideas.

New business

Stephan Baton said his chapter wanted to address River City minutes, said Southeast Portland owed them money. Southeast Portland did not owe them money for unsold tickets. Also, January flyer for BikePAC has not been sanctioned. This has been pointed out and needs to be enforced. The explanation was due to change of officers. Steve was thanked for

Sgt of arms north position vacated by Matt Hobbs. Nomination was Larry Brown, all were in favor.

1. Motion made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Tom Curran that Lois Gleason be granted a one year paid membership. This is a symbol of appreciation for all her hard work in working on the A.B.A.T.E. swap meets, north and south and Fossil. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Ron Volsild that A.B.A. T.E. change/modify the name "newsletter" to read "newsmagazine." This was tabled till next meeting to check on postage rate to see if magazine changes the postal rate.

3. Motion made by Michael Schneider, seconded by Doc Squires that we as a group or organization A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon take official position in opposition of the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act. Eight were for, with four abstentions. Motion carried.

4. Motion made by Duane Calkins, seconded by Kurt Speas \$200 deposit Trial Riders not available on weekend required by the chapters for use of any loss or damage in excess of \$200, said chapter will be held responsible for. Motion carried.

5. Motion made by Duane Calkins, Fire Dancers as a possibility They are seconded by Stephan Baton to spend \$500 go \$750 to purchase tandom axle trailer for the water tank. Steve or Duane to locate and purchase it. Three were for, eight against; motion failed.

Announcements

1.Stan Johnson passed away. March 7 memorial ride, flyer in next month's newsletter.

2. Sweetheart dance 8pm

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

So You're Interested in Becoming A P.C.P.? (Precinct Committee Person)

Important Dates to Remember

February 2—Applications acceptance starts for registering as a P.C.P. in your area.

March 8—P.C.P. application acceptance ends.

April 27—Voter registration deadline for May 18 primary election.

April 28-May 4—Ballots mailed for primary election.

May 18—Statewide primary election Becoming A Precinct

Committee Person

In order to qualify as a precinct committee person/candidate, you must:

• Be a member of the democratic or republican party. Currently other parties do not have P.C.P.'s.

• Have been a member of the party you wish to represent 180 days prior to election (since the previous September).

• File in the precinct where you're registered or in an adjoining precinct. (You can do this if you know your precinct has P.C.P.s but a neighboring precinct doesn't.)

• Fill out a standard *Filling of Candidacy for Precinct Committee Person* for Oregon form.

• Once the form has been completed, submit either in person or by mail to your local county elections office.

Oregon's election law authorizes one or more male and one or more female precinct committee persons for each major political party and for each precinct area, depending on its size. In other-words, for approx. every 500 registered voters in a precinct area, there should be at least one person of each gender to represent that precinct.

Each precinct person is a member of his or her county central committee for that party. The county central committee is the highest authority in county party policies. This body has the authority to adopt rules or resolutions covering any matter of party government within the county. Additionally, this is the body that establishes the policies, articulates the beliefs and establishes the standards for local party candidates. These basic policies, beliefs and standards are then passed on to the state and national party for action.

The precinct is the smallest political unit in the country. A precinct cannot be divided by legislative, congressional or supervisor district. A precinct is where elections are won or lost. Most importantly, it is your neighborhood. You know the people, the schools and the community centers. You have your hand on the pulse of the precinct; you understand the problems and potentials and have a desire to improve your neighborhood.

So, starting February 2nd you can get an application from your local county elections office, but you *must* have it in no later than March 8th. You must also fill it out completely. Incomplete forms will be rejected.

Didn't Make It On The May 18th Election Ballot?

Don't give up hope if you didn't get the application in, and you don't end up on the May 18th ballot. You can be a write-in candidate.

Write in your name on your ballot in the box for P.C.P. If you can get at least two other people in the same party to write your name in, you can still get elected. (Make sure they all know how to spell your name correctly.) You only need three votes!

Information by Phone

You can find your local county elections office address/phone numbers by going to the blue edged pages government section of your local phone directory. Under the county section you should find elections/voter registration and their phone number for information.

On The Internet

Also, you can find all of the county oregon elections offices on the internet by going to the Oregon state elections division web site:

http://www.sos.state.or.us/ elections/elechp.htm

Other Information Sources

Oregon democratic party (ORDPO) www.dpo.org/

Oregon republican party (ORGOP) www.orgop.org/

Please contact me or any of the *A.B.A.T.E.* or *BikePAC* officers if you have any questions.

Rick Maish

Oregon A.B.A. T.E. legislative director LynandRick@msn.com (541)-746-7837

Rick's Ramblings on the Sentencing of Sen. Janklow and Boycotting of Sturgis

Couldn't help myself when I started seeing all of the e-mailings and comments about Janklow's sentencing (or lack of) and boycotting of *Sturgis*.

Interesting thought?

But is it the right thing to do? What's your thoughts?

I'm sure there's a bunch of differing opinions out there.

So here's my .02 cents worth! (Key word is *my*, cause this may/or may not be how *A.B.A. T.E. of Oregon* feels on this issue.)

Boycotting *Sturgis*: Does that really sound effective for making a change for motorcyclists across the country in dealing with right-a-way crashes and penalties? I don't think so. But then again that's *my opinion. Right*?

Before everyone jumps on what I think would be a no-win bandwagon for motorcyclists and boycotts *Sturgis*, you should read some of the response in the latest *M.R.F.* news release from *A.B.A.T.E. of South Dakota* and the official response from the *A.M.A.* No official response from the *M.R.F.* as yet.

If most of the bikers did boycott'*Sturgis* (which I don't think would happen anyway) what would be accomplished?

Yeah, they would get lots of attention. But would it be constructive attention in South Dakota or nationally?

The town of Sturgis, the surrounding area, and the vendors would feel the losses. Will that help our causes?

Don't just get mad, *get involved*.

Make a commitment to change the laws and the focus so this doesn't have to happen to other motorcyclists.

Instead of boycotting *Sturgis*, we should all go to *Sturgis*, join with *South Dakota A.B.A.T.E.*, *South Dakota I.M.P.A.C.*, *A.M.A.*, and the *M.R.F.* and other S.M.R.O.s and work with them to make changes in the laws and penalties across all states and nationally dealing with this issue. Demand a change in the sentencing of Janklow. Think of the power and message that would send not only to the South Dakota, but all across the U.S.

Think about it.

But before *Sturgis* gets here, everyone concerned about right-away-type crashes needs to get on another bandwagon and that's the movement across the U.S. to change those laws that affect us as motorcyclists. Groups (*M.R.F.*, *A.M.A.*, S.M.R.O.s) all across the country have been working this issue for years. If you as an individual haven't been involved in this, then you are still part of the problem.

Get involved.

Join the *M.R.F.*, *A.M.A.* and your local motorcycle rights organizations to *help* make this issue go away.

Although the family of Randy Scott hasn't made a statement and said they would not, his daughter Brandee commented to a Sioux Falls TV station that the family filed a wrongful death lawsuit against Janklow. But she



also said "she was satisfied with the sentence". While a close friend Terry Johnson, who was riding with Randy Scott the day of the crash was quoted saying: "I don't see any valid purpose for him to spend an extended period of time incarcerated." Terry Johnson told Judge Rodney Steele, "A great, great man has been lost in a tragic accident. A good man has lost his career."

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Vice-Coordinator--south

by Tim Rohde

What a winter so far!

We've had lots of rain and snow and some just plain cold days. And it ain't over yet.

On the weekend of 10 January when Portland was still digging themselves out, Nora and I were there and had been since the afternoon of 09 January.

You see, while on the 10th *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* was conducting a board meeting (and I probably should have been there) in Junction City, *EasyRiders* was having their first ever bike show in Portland at the convention center. As you might guess, we were in Portland because we've never been to the convention center before nor to a bike show like that either. Both were huge!

A.B.A.T.E.'s booth was well personed already and also very well represented, so I was able to wander around and check out a lot of really nice bikes, most of them by builders right here in the northwest. There were two classes of bikes being judged: the "spectator" class which were chosen by guys like me; and the "judged" class which were chosen by the editors of *EasyRider* magazine.

I gotta tell ya, all those bikes were awesome. Even in the spectator class. So picking the top five was based on originality, how everything flowed together, whether or not I felt it was functional — like i could get on it any time and go anywhere for however long and could really enjoy the ride.

Like I said, it was pretty hard only picking five!

The five bikes of spectator's choice all got trophies and a feature article in upcoming issues. Pretty cool ideas for all those scooters being built in the northwest.

There were six master builders on board with nikes I've seen built on the

Discovery Channel. While I couldn't even get close to Billy Love, I did get to talk with Paul Yaffe and look at some great northwest bikes with him.

There are machines being built in the northwest that are every bit as good and some even better than what you may have seen on the bike shows on television.

EasyRider had two semi trailers full of products and the convention floor was packed with vendors. Some of these vendors also had bikes they've built or can build (rolling chassis) that look as good as those being judged. Only they weren't.

There was a live band and a group who called themselves *The Perfect Angels* and both put on good shows. You had to be there!

Door prizes were given away about every hour and I really appreciated every time something from *A.B.A. T.E.* would come up and the announcer would come up and ask for applause and thank *A.B.A. T.E.* for all they do. In every state, for that matter.

Finally, according to the editors of *EasyRider*, the bike show will be back in 2005, thanks to the huge, huge crowd of people in attendance.

Also announced was that *Discovery Channel* will be doing six more "buildoffs" in the coming year.



Now what all this means to me is a lot more and better exposure for motorcycles and motorcyclists. I see all the shows even drawing in nonriders who see really neat machines and get to mix with those who ride at a really cool event. This, I believe, can ultimately help what we do down the road when it comes time for votes or other issues.

I had a great time, met a lot of good people, and I'm glad I went!

I hope it thaws out soon 'cause now I'm ready to ride!

Keep it safe,

Tim Rohde

VICE-COORDINATOR--SOUTH

Tim Rohde (541)-218-4228 (cell) (541)-479-4451 (home)

Historian

by Iris Yeager



Hi all,

I am sorry to have missed the state board meeting on the 14th. We two old folks were just too tired to make it that day.

We are saving some energy for S.T.E.A.M. It will be all done by the time you read this. Oh well.

I really do appreciate the pictures you all contribute to the state history books. Please continue. If you have a few from last year's (2003) events, please save some for me. We are able to attend so few things that picture contributions are necessary. Please put a little information on pictures so they can be filed properly.

I really look forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely

Iris E. Yeager



Uniting and Strengthening America by **Providing Appropriate Tools to** Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism

I am a member of the Willamette Valley Chapter of A.B.A.T.E.

articles in opposition to the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act in our newsletters and at our meetings.

The latest one was a reprint of an statement that includes editorial from the Eugene Register *Guard.* [October 2003, pp20-22.]

I find no connection between the articles in opposition to the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act and our mission statement: "A.B.A.T.E. promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety and liberty through community involvement and legislative action."

Many of the objections to the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act come from those [who] are ignorant of constitutional law. I don't want to get in to a debate about the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act, suffice it to say that there are A.B.A. T.E. members [who] support the act.

It is my opinion that discussion of the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act should not be part of A.B.A.T.E. (We certainly wouldn't entertain discussions concerning taxes, the death penalty or abortion).

I am also concerned about perceptions by those outside of our organization. I fear that A.B.A.T.E. may be dismissed as an organization of left wing kooks by some of those who support us in the legislature as well as those [who] we seek to influence.

Respectfully submitted, Ron Budde 16 October 2003

Repeatedly, I find references to the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act in the I am increasingly disturbed by the A.B.A. T.E. newsletter, most recently in the coordinator's comments. [February 2004, p3]

> I find nothing in our mission the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act.

With all due respect for others' feelings, I don't think this issue should be a subject in our newsletters, our meetings, or other activities. We certainly wouldn't include gun control, abortion, the death penalty, or affirmative action as part of our mission.

This is the second time I've written about this issue. (Rot Path did not publish the first letter.) I've also heard grumblings from other members about references the to U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act. Let's be aware of the many A.B.A.T.E. members who support this law.

Respectfully submitted, Ron Budde 05 February 2004

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Hub City Does Fossil 2003 Fossil blics 16



Hub City award for most percentage of chapter attendance.

(Hub City phots by Al Sims)



Winner of the weenie bite last Fossil. This girl could go!

This is from Fossi/last year. See what can happen east of the mountains? This is *Hub City* member Doug Stiles and Ruth, the treasurer from Lincoln County. [crusty of editor's note—this is a classic example of why folks shouldn't drink while using kitchen appliences.]









River City Makes A Splash Hundred Mile Loop Ride

(photos by Brian Stovall)









American Motorcyclist Association

Massachusetts off-highway motorcycle and A.T.V. riders should contact their state legislators in support of trail maintenance legislation that was introduced last year by representative Michael Rodrigues (D-Westport). The New England Trail Rider Association (N.E.T.R.A.) is encouraging support for house bill 971 which would require riders to purchase a "trails maintenance assessment" permit to use their vehicles on public lands.

In 1996 Massachusetts formalized volunteer maintenance efforts by signing agreements with N.E.T.R.A. clubs. Under these agreements trail riders have already performed over 15,000 hours of volunteer work improving and maintaining trails in the commonwealth's vast state forests. All of this volunteer work was performed under the direct supervision of the state at no cost to the commonwealth.

HB971 is needed to halt the trend of closing trails which have traditionally been used by trail motorcycles and all terrain vehicles (A.T.V.s). Only Massachusetts trails which are kept open to trail motorcycles and A.T.V.s would qualify for this trail maintenance funding. using these trails would have to purchase a trail maintenance sticker from the association, there would be no impact on the state's budget. With maintain the state's multi-use trails,

established to maintenance takes place.

A letter of support (provided by N.E.T.R.A.) can be sent to your Massachusetts state representative and senator by clicking the "Take Action" button in the A.M.A. statewatch section of www.AMADirectlink.com

New York governor George Pataki wants to more than quadruple registration fees instantly for offhighway motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles, but part of the money would go to create riding trails.

proposal released in late January, Pataki wants to hike the registration fees from the current \$10 to \$45, which would raise an estimated \$5.8 million a year. The proposal earmarks \$850,000 for development of off-highway motorcycles and A.T.V. trails, and enforcement of related rules, with the rest of the money going into the state general fund.

In addition, the appropriation would have to be renewed by state lawmakers annually, and riders would be required to register their vehicles with the state, carry insurance, and have licenses plates on their vehicles.

"We're very pleased that governor Because trail motorcycles and A.T.V.s Pataki recognizes the importance of having dedicated trails for off-highway motorcyclists and quad riders," said Sean Maher, director of state affairs for the A.M.A. and the All-Terrain Vehicle the passage of HB 971, not only will Association. "But we have serious greater resources be available to concerns about this proposal, including the massive hike in because the July law banned the use of but a dedicated revenue stream will be registration fees compared with what A.T.V.s and off-highway motorcycles

ensure future off-road riders and ATVers get in return.

> "Plus, the proposal doesn't create a dedicated trail fund, which means that we could see all the money once again going into the state general fund, as has happened in the past," Maher said. "We will be working with the New York state Off-Highway Recreational Vehicle Association to try to shape this program to be more equitable for offhighway riders and A.T.V.ers."

In the mid-1980s, a law was passed to collect a \$10 registration fee for offhighway motorcycles and A.T.V.s, with In his \$99.8 billion state budget half the money earmarked to create motorized trails. But in 1990 lawmakers repealed the trails provision and diverted all the money to the state general fund. The registration fees have gone into state coffers ever since.

> See the A.M.A. StateWatch section of www.AMADirectlink.com for more information.

> The East Peoria, Illinois city council, which last July banned any use of A.T.V.s and off-highway motorcycles within city limits, has approved a new ordinance to amend the law.

> Under the new law, approved January 20, residents are now allowed to ride their A.T.V.s and off-highway motorcycles on their own land, but they need to get the permission of any neighbors who have homes within 10 feet first. The new law also provides for trespassing fines ranging from \$250 to \$750.

The law is seen as a compromise



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Nette P. Pefer

completely within city limits, even on a rider's own land. That law outraged A.T.V. and off-highway motorcycle riders, who contacted the *A.M.A.*/ *A.T.V.A.* for help. The enthusiasts formed an A.*M.A.* community council to carry on the fight locally with continued support from the *A.M.A.*/ *A.T.V.A.* government relations department, *A.M.A.* clubs and *A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois.*

At an August 5 Council meeting, Bobbie Berryman, secretary for the A.M.A. community council-East Peoria, presented the city council with a petition containing more than 1,000 signatures opposing the ban. The council then voted to allow A.T.V.s and off-highway motorcycles to be used for property-related chores, and formed a committee made up of citizens and city officials to study recreational use of the vehicles on private land, and possibly make recommendations to amend the law. Those efforts resulted in the new, compromise law.

Maryland delegate George W. Owings, III (D-Owings) proposes to increase penalties for those convicted of right-of-way violations that result in injury or death to other roadway users. HB-27 was introduced and first read in the house of delegates on January 14, 2004 and is now referred to the house judiciary committee. HB-27 also mandates that all fines collected under provisions of the bill be used to fund the motorcycle safety program in Maryland.

You can use the "Take Action Now"

feature on *A.M.A. StateWatch* at **www.AMADirectlink.com** to contact the appropriate officials or to send a pre-written letter to your delegate.

An elderly Ohio man who caused the death of a motorcyclist in a traffic accident two years ago has been indicted in another motorcycle crash that cost a woman her leg.

Everett Hargrove, 75, of the Toledo area, was indicted recently for negligent assault in a September 9 crash in which Hargrove's vehicle collided with a motorcycle ridden by Nancy Hejl, 40. Hejl lost a leg as a result of the crash. Hargrove allegedly pulled out of a driveway into Hehjl's path. He faces up to 60 days in jail if convicted.

In August of 2001, Hargrove pulled out of a driveway and his vehicle collided with a motorcycle, killing rider Daniel Gfell of Toledo. Hargrove was convicted of vehicular homicide and received a suspended 10-day jail term as well as a three-month drivers license suspension.

For three years now, the *A.M.A.* has been involved in a campaigned called Motorcyclists Matter that focuses attention on the dangers faced by motorcyclists and other vulnerable users.

You can learn more about the program by going to www.AMADirectlink.com and clicking on the "Rights" icon or contacting *A.M.A.* legislative affairs specialist Imre Szauter at (614)-856-1900, ext. 1125, or by e-mail at iszauter@ama-cycle.org. Washington (state) senate joint memorial (S.J.M.) calls upon the U.S. congress and President Bush to support S423 and HR1749 - The Health Care Parity for Legal Transportation and Recreational Activities Act.

The legislation aims at promoting health care parity for individuals participating in legal transportation and recreational activities-activities like motorcycling, snowmobiling, horseback riding, running or walking. This legislation addresses a loophole caused by a *Department of Health and Human Services*' rule making it possible for health care coverage to be denied to those who are injured while participating in these activities.

S.J.M. 8041 was introduced by senator Ken Jacobsen and cosponsored by ten senators. The resolution was read on January 26, 2004 and referred to the *Committee* on *Health and Long-Term Care*.

The American Motorcyclist Association is a 270,000-member nonprofit organization.

Established in 1924, the Association's purpose is to pursue, protect and promote the interests of motorcyclists, while serving the needs of its members.

For more information, visit the AMA website at:

www.AMADirectlink.com

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Senate Passes T.E.A., House Postpones

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) has learned of several significant developments regarding *Transportation Equity Act* (*T.E.A.*) reauthorization legislation.

Yesterday the senate voted to table the Warner-Clinton amendment regarding states enacting primary seatbelt laws. This reflects the lack of majority senate support at this time to initiate punitive measures to force states into compliance with a federally mandated safety agenda.

The senate passed a cloture motion this morning to limit debate and amendments regarding T.E.A. This afternoon, the senate passed their version of T.E.A. Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) testified earlier this week, entering lengthy comments regarding motorcycle safety into the congressional record. Senate Environment and Public Works Committee chair James Inhofe (R-Oklahoma) signaled his support, and senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell (R-Colorado) signed on to support the Amendment Murkowski for Motorcyclist Safety.

Unfortunately, the *Murkowski Amendment* is not part of the *T.E.A.* legislation passed by the senate today. However, there is also no language of concern that would negatively impact the motorcyclists' rights movement. The *M.R.F.* would like to thank senator Murkowski and *A.B.A.T.E. of Alaska* for their continued tireless efforts in introducing and monitoring the progress of our motorcycle safety initiatives. We would also like to thank senators Campbell and Inhofe for their support, as well as S.M.R.O.s and motorcyclists nationwide for all of their ongoing efforts regarding our *T.E.A.* initiatives.

The house passed a four-month extension for the current *T.E.A.*, which is scheduled to expire at the end of the month. This extension is simply a practical matter to prevent any interruption in road, transportation and other projects while the house continues to review and debate the *T.E.A.* reauthorization. The *M.R.F.* has strong assurances that the Murkowski language will be included in the house version of *T.E.A.* When passed, the house version will return to the senate, and on to committee conference between the house and senate.

At this time the house is scheduled to hold committee mark-up at the end of the month, with floor action scheduled for the first part of March. Congressional staffers who have worked closely with the M.R.F.'s T.E.A. agenda have indicated the S.M.R.O.s must be ready for a concentrated grassroots lobbying effort at the end of February and into the first weeks of March. This coincides with many S.M.R.O. visits to Washington, D.C. The M.R.F. will continue to monitor this closely, work with our partners in the S.M.R.O.s, and facilitate the organization of this effort. These same staffers have indicated the best course of action right now is to prepare for the work needed when the house begins action.

The *M.R.F.* will have lobbying packets ready for the S.M.R.O.s coming to Washington during this time. There will be briefings at the *M.R.F.* Washington, D.C. office, and



M.R.F. board members in D.C. to assist. "Talking Point" bulletins will be posted on the *M.R.F.* web site for all to use, along with current information and "calls to action," when necessary.

Congress will be in recess the entire week of February 16, 2004. As always, if any proposed schedule regarding action on *T.E.A.* should change, this information will be distributed immediately.

Official Response to Janklow Sentence from A.B.A.T.E. of South Dakota

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) has received the official response from A.B.A.T.E. of South Dakota regarding the Janklow sentence handed down late last week. The M.R.F. applauds and continues to support A.B.A.T.E. of South Dakota for their knowledge of the legal process in South Dakota, their diligence in following this case, and their common sense approach in dealing with this tragedy.

The following is *A.B.A. T.E. of South Dakota*'s official response:

"While we feel that the sentence awarded to Bill Janklow should have included more than 100 days of jail time, the officers and board of directors of *A.B.A.T.E. of South Dakota* find the sentence generally consistent with the laws and resulting penalties of the justice system of the state of South Dakota.

"In as much as in many states similar accidents result in no penalty at all or at the most a small fine, and in as much as the penalty awarded to Bill Janklow was stiffer than in many similar cases in South Dakota, we believe that the South Dakota justice system has clearly demonstrated that a person's political, social or economic stature has little bearing on the final outcome of such a case and that the final outcome was based on the circumstances and evidence surrounding this case.

"It is axiomatic that the jury system has fulfilled their duties with fairness and justice, as it is that the sentencing process is consistent with the laws of this state. Nevertheless, the board of directors of *A.B.A.T.E. of South Dakota* is currently deliberating on what the next step should be regarding the penalties in future cases.

"Many of the e-mails we have received clearly demonstrate that there are some that are very discontented with the sentence. Most of those emails are indicating that they intend to boycott South Dakota and the *Sturgis Rally* because of this. We find it quite unfair that these people would penalize the people of this state for something that they could not control, especially since many of the people that will be affected will be motorcyclists.

"The laws are what they are, and it is apparent that our laws and sentencing for similar cases are considerably more severe then they are in many other states. Granted, there is room for improvement, but boycotting South Dakota and the *Sturgis Rally* will not accomplish such changes but will only serve to hamper any progress we may hope to achieve."

Darrel Killion—state coordinator A.B.A.T.E. of South Dakota

Tom Wyld Resigns From M.R.F.

Effective immediately, Tom Wyld has resigned his position as vice president $^{\circ}$ government relations with the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (*M.R.F.*) to pursue other career opportunities. Any qualified parties interested in applying for this position should forward their credentials to *M.R.F.* president Karen Bolin at: karen@mrf.org

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 MRF is involved in federal and state legislation and regulations, motorcycling safety education, training, licensing and public awareness. The MRF 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 bimonthly newsletter, THE MRF REPORTS.

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Senate Approves S.A.F.E.-T.E.A., Awaits House Action

Despite the threat of president Bush's first veto since taking office, the U.S. senate voted 76-21 on February 12, 2004, to pass S. 1072, a six-year \$318 billion transportation bill to fund highway, mass transit and safety programs.

The senate rejected, by 56-42, an amendment to the *Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act* (*S.A.F.E.-T.E.A.*) that would have required states to enact primary enforcement seat belt laws or forfeit federal highway funds. The senate measure also does not include motorcycle safety objectives proposed by senator Lisa Murkowski of Alaska, though similar pro-motorcycle language will hopefully be amended into a version of the bill now making its way through the house of representatives.

Once passed by the house, both versions of the bill will go to a conference committee to iron out any discrepancies between the two, and a final bill will be submitted to president Bush for his signature or veto. Bush has indicated that he would veto the legislation if costs exceeded \$300 billion, and the white house has proposed an alternative \$256 billion reauthorization package.

Ex-congressman Janklow Jailed For Killing Biker

As South Dakota's attorney general he prosecuted criminals, and during his four terms as governor he built prisons. Now former congressman Bill Janklow will be spending time behind bars for an auto accident that killed a biker and likely ended a political career that spanned three decades.

Riding Abreast

Only a handful of states prohibit motorcyclists from riding two abreast, but in Wyoming it's even illegal for two motorcycles to stop side-by-side for a traffic light. That's why state representative Wayne H. Johnson of Cheyenne has introduced HB0024 at the request of *A.B.A.T.E. of Wyoming* to allow "no more than two (2) motorcycles to be operated abreast in a single lane by consent of each operator."

In addition to removing statutory restrictions on lane sharing, HB0024 would also require a motorcyclist passing another motorcyclist in the same traffic lane to first match the speed of the motorcycle being overtaken.

Let There Be Lights

Three new laws passed the Oregon legislature last year that will allow motorcyclists to become more visible to other highway users.

"Visibility is especially important for motorcyclists," said Stan Porter, manager of *Motorcycle Safety and Vehicle Safety Standards Programs* for the *Oregon Department of Transportation (O.D.O.T.).*

Effective January 1st, the three new changes are:

• Motorcyclists can now use three headlights on their motorcycles; whereas in the past, two was the maximum allowed.

• Motorcyclists will also be able to use auxiliary lights, either fog lights or driving lights, at all times if the auxiliary lights are no brighter than

On January 22, Janklow, 64, was sentenced to 100 days in jail and ordered to pay \$10,400 in total fines after being found guilty on December 8 of second-degree manslaughter, speeding, reckless driving and running a stop sign, causing the collision that took the life of 55-year-old Minnesota motorcyclist Randy Scott at a rural intersection near Trent, South Dakota on August 16, 2003.

South Dakota does not require minimum sentences, so circuit court Judge Rodney Steele was free to impose anything from no jail time and no fines to a total of 10 years in prison, 14 months in jail and \$11,400 in fines.

Janklow's resignation from congress took effect two days prior to his sentencing date, and he began serving his time in the Minnehaha county jail in Sioux Falls on February 7. After 30 days of incarceration, Janklow will be allowed to leave jail on a work release program during the day for up to 10 hours to perform community service. After he completes his jail term, he will be on probation for three years, during which he will not be allowed to drive. Janklow also received a suspended imposition of sentence, which means if he completes his jail time and a term of probation the felony conviction will be removed from his record.

The former republican congressman plans to read while in jail and will probably do some work preparing to defend himself against a wrongful death lawsuit filed by Scott's family. the headlight and the auxiliary lights are aimed correctly. All other vehicles in Oregon must turn off their auxiliary lights during times when the law requires drivers to dim their high beam headlights.

• Motorcyclists may use an intermittent pulsing or flashing brake light, as long as the flashing does not interfere with the rear turn signal function.

These new regulations were passed at the request of the governor's advisory committee on motorcycle safety, the Oregon State Police Motorcycle Unit, the t.e.a.m. oregon motorcycle safety program and by Oregon motorcyclists.

"All three of these new laws will allow the motorcyclist to be more easily seen by other highway users," Porter said. "The addition of one more headlight and the use of auxiliary

lights at all times will allow the motorcyclist to see better at night and during times of limited visibility. The flashing brake light will certainly gain the attention of those highway users behind motorcyclists."

Porter added, "The legislature was very supportive of enhancing the ability of motorcyclists to become more visible to other highway users. With the help of legislators that are motorcyclists themselves, these new options were passed and signed by governor Ted Kulongoski."

Texas Cop Fired For Tackling Motorcyclist

A police officer who was videotaped tackling a motorcyclist off his bike after a high-speed chase has been sentenced to two years' probation, fined \$600 and ordered to undergo anger management counseling. A patrol car videotape of the September 6 chase shows Garland police officer Glen Shaw running up to a seated Randall James Ling, then knocking him off his parked motorcycle before people, is to transmit that freedom to falling out of the camera's view. Shaw, who along with two other officers was fired January 14 after an investigation by the Texas Rangers, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor assault charge. Shaw also permanently gave up his Texas peace officer's license as part of the plea deal, Pat Batchelor of the Dallas County district attorney's office told The Dallas Morning News. Garland police chief Mitch Bates said he hoped the firings would protect his department's integrity. The two other officers, William Mott and Demarcus Banda, were fired for making "untruthful" reports about the case, Bates said. The motorcyclist, Ling, was indicted on a felony for fleeing authorities.

Quotable Quote

"The greatest glory of a free-born their children."

> William Havard (1710 - 1788)Irish actor and dramatist

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Is There A Black Box In Your Bike?



In a recent article, the American Insurance Association (A.I.A.) promoted increased use of a device called the event data recorder (E.D.R.) in motorized vehicles.

E.D.R.s are similar to airliner "black boxes" (which are orange) that record information about a vehicle's movements and condition prior to events such instantaneous decelerations. (Crashes.)

The A.I.A. wants E.D.R.s mandated in order that highway safety "may improve." They also see the devices as a way to decrease insurance fraud.

Okay, in the first place my experience with insurance companies has been that their main concern is with increasing profits and shareholder dividends. They will use any means and any excuse to extract information that can be used as an excuse for raising rates.

In the second place, any safety program that utilizes devices such as vehicle E.D.R.s *must* be completely independent of insurance companies and organizations.

If the objective of a vehicle safety program is to prevent crashes, then data and statements collected *must* be held in strictest confidence and cannot be used for legal prosecutions or insurance purposes.

As an example, back in the 1950s and early 1960s, the U.S. Navy was loosing aircraft and pilots at an alarming rate. They realized that they could not afford to waste so much of their resource during peace time, so the Navy leadership sat down and came up with a safety program. They began collecting as much data as they

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could about each aircraft crash including maintenance details along with aircrew and ground crew statements.

One of the first things they discovered was that in order to receive completely candid statements of facts from people speaking to crash investigators, the interviewees had to know that their information would not be used for disciplinary purposes.

With detailed information, the Navy was able to change pilot, aircrew, ground crew, and maintenance training to avoid situations that lead to crashes. The accident rate plummeted.

Enjoy the equality of days for the sun is returning.

There is a lessen in that Navy model that can be applied to motor vehicle riders/drivers. To an extent, that is what A.B.A.T.E.'s motorcycle awareness program already does. But to increase the effectiveness of our efforts there must be an organized effort and commitment at the government level to increase safety.

There are far too many drivers on the roads who don't understand the responsibility that goes along with a driver's license. They are the ones who aren't paying full attention to how they drive.

Multitasking is all very well for computers; it is entirely inappropriate when driving. When behind the wheel, a driver's sole attention should be on driving.

And watching out for motorcyclists.

If you haven't done so, take a look



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at *Pirates of the Caribbean* produced by the corporation that has a rodent for a mascott. (I continue to blame Disney for my unrealistic romantic expectations.)

expectations.) Without giving away too much of the plot, watch and listen to one of the main characters, *captain* Jack Sparrow. For him his ship represents freedom to go where he wants just as our bikes do for us. He is tightly focused on that objective and everything he does is aimed towards regaining his freedoms. (Plus Johnny Depp's portrayal of *captain* Jack Sparrow is wonderfully hilarious.

By the way, in the next few years automotive electrical systems are going to be switching over to a 42 volt charging system (36 volt batteries) because the current loads on vehicle's electrical systems have pushed the 12 volt system to its limit.

Remember, you heard it from yer crusty ol' editor first.

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March 2004

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A memorial for **Stan Johnston** "**The Grey Ghost**" ABATE Member #857

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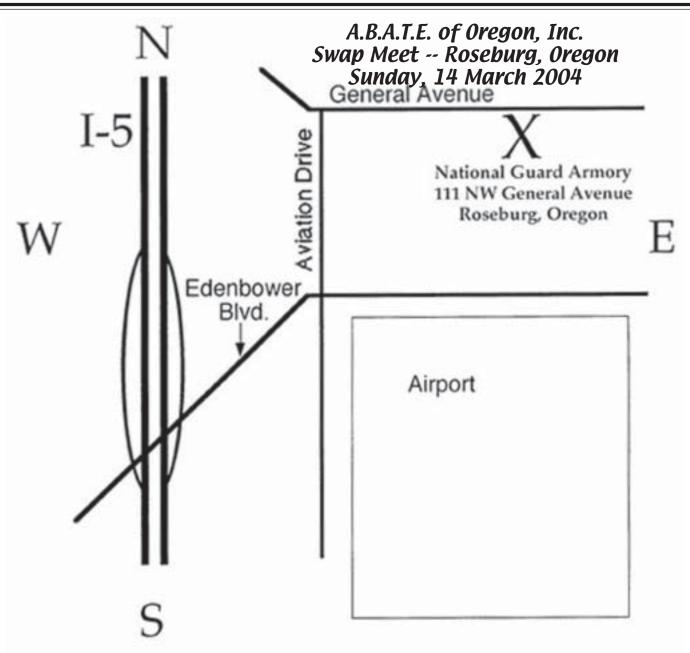
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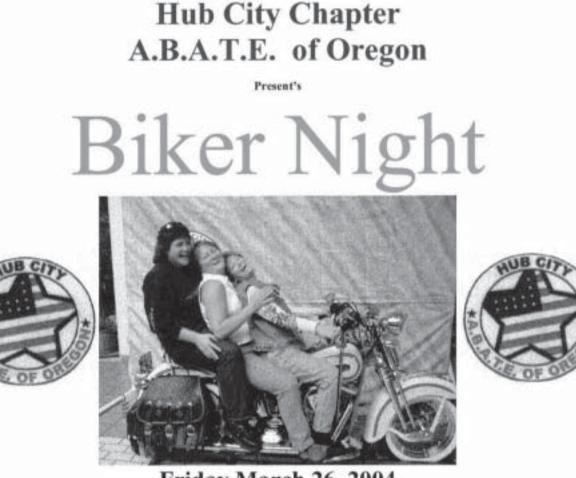
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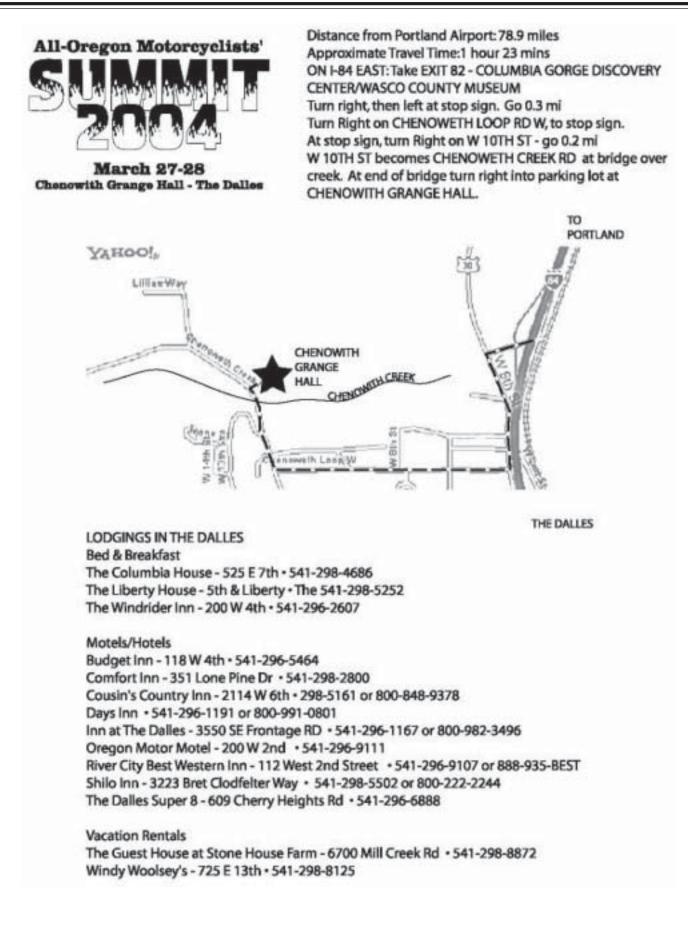
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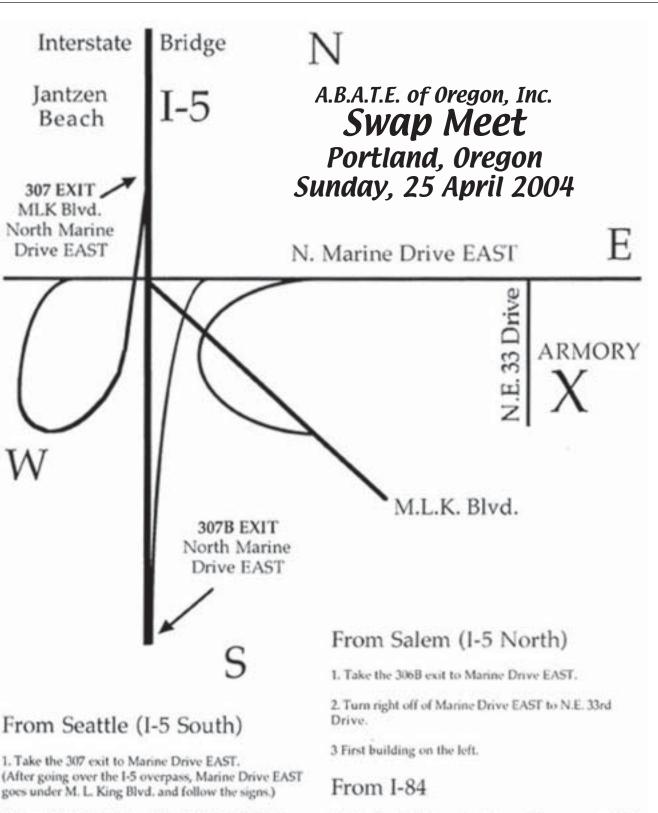
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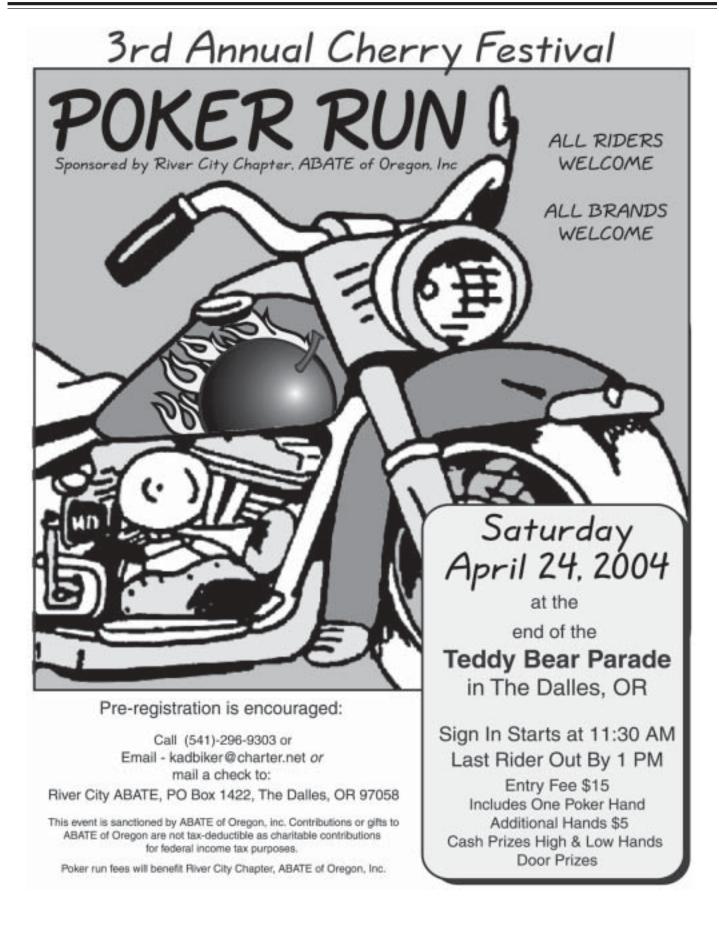
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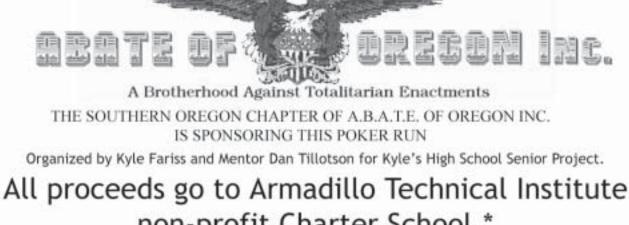
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Millenium Ride

29 January 2004

The Chileans have a low opinion of their country. But it is totally unjustified. Being the world's longest country it has a diversity of scenery from the deserts of the north to the ice fields of the south. The very friendly people are party animals. The Brazilians have a lot to learn from the Chilean massive wood industry. Replanting goes hand in hand with the clear cutting of the forests. I'm impressed.

It has been a lovely month, rounded off tonight with a presentation for the local bikers in downtown Santiago at the *Clavo Oxidado Bar*. Yes, again I find myself in the bosom of the country's motorcycle community! I am staying with a friend Mario Molina, a member of the *Aberrados Motorcycle Club* who I met at a bike rally in Bariloche, Argentina in December.

For the most developed (and most expensive) South American country the Chilean motorcycle community appears to be the most disjointed. There is no motorcycle street riders association at all and little regard for protecting and promoting our passion. The bikers seem quite content to live with the silly rule of having to display a front number plate. With U.N. harmonization of road rules this is one we don't want on the international table. I shall have to tell the bikers to get rid of it or risk ridicule by the international motorcycle community.

On a much more positive note, Santiago is the only city I know which has one metre wide motorcycle only

lanes. It is much safer because the right of way of motorcyclists is often ignored. As more people adopt motorcycles to beat congestion around the world this is one great idea for everywhere. Only four streets here have the lanes. No doubt if the bikers exercised some pressure on the authorities the scheme could be expanded. The initial reaction might well be "what right has this gringo to tell us what to do?", and I shall answer that Chile is not an island and unless we hang together we may well hang separately in the present era of globalization.

Yesterday, on my birthday (39 years now. I'm feeling younger than I have for a long time) I received new front wheel bearings, new fork oil and seals (the third time in 175,000 km) and a new back plate for my headlight fairing. The latter is handmade in aluminium by Johnny and his son Little John, Mario and Eduardo. My bike now has handmade parts of seven countries! The original, by British sponsor *Simpson Detour*, was finally laid to rest.

On the morning of leaving Ushuaia with Dutchman Maarten Munnik I had a most thrilling experience. A voice announced "Simon Milward." I looked up from fiddling with my luggage and there was none other than Tim Hoelter, *Harley-Davidson*'s vice president of government affairs and his lovely daughter Susannah. It was absolutely incredible. I have known Tim as a friend and compañero for years. *Harley* is one of the *Millennium Ride*'s biggest sponsors, what with a big factory donation, lots of practical help in different parts of the world,



Simon Milward

and many dealer donations too. The new year is usually a time for family gatherings and this was mine! I shall never forget it.

When dogs run along beside my bike barking I have some fun by encouraging them to keep up for as long as possible, so they have a long walk back to their patch. In Ushuaia things got serious when Jorg (a Fin del Mundo Cross participant) broke a rib and killed a dog after it went under his front wheel. Several of us did the necessary complaints to the authorities and media. The dogs also bite pedestrians. There are 12,000 wild ones on Ushuaia's streets. They cleared one of the streets of the dogs, and it was a little sad because only one fate awaits them. What can I say? Don't visit Ushuaia if you want to avoid rabies through wild dog bites.

Further north at a campsite in Bariloche a dog put his teeth into my jeans and missed my leg by about 1 mm. The campsite and dog owner (same person) was quite surprised at my command of Spanish and the tourist office took up my complaint.

The ride north from the end of the world showed me a colony of penguins at Puerto St. Julian on the Atlantic coast, a petrified forest with 75 million year old tree trunks at Sarmiento in Patagonia's dinosaur region, a forest with big wood carvings overlooking El Bolson, the

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beautiful seven lakes road where swimming in the lakes is fine until you get into deep water when it is as cold as ice, and of course the statutory broken shock absorber.

Chile has thousands of rusting steam engines. In the town of Carahue they are beautifully restored and line the streets. It was great to be back on the Pacific coast again and I took to getting lunch and buying supper at the local fish markets.

Chile was cut off from the rest of Spain's colonies in South America due to the desert in the north, the Andes in the east, the ice in the south and the ocean in the west. So it developed rather independently. This gave rise to innovation and improvisation which can be seen to this day.

I like Chile.

Bye for now

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An Open Letter from Your State **Run Coordinator for Fossil**

Duane "Big Daddy" Calkins

To my executive board, state officers, the first time in the history of fellow A.B.A. T.E. members and guests. My name is Duane Calkins, and as some of you may know I have been elected as your state run coordinator for the Fossil Campout.

The dates for his year's upcoming event are Memorial Day weekend (as always), May 28-31, 2004.

My predecessor and good friend, Mr. "Rotten Roger" Hendricks, has faithfully for the last 16 years been of great service to this organization and to the brotherhood. My hat goes off to Roger for his dedication and commitment, not only to this position, but to the organization as a whole. He has brought integrity and accountability to this position. We A.B.A.T.E. or for admission to Fossil. truly cannot thank him enough, because only a few of us really know what goes on behind the scenes and what it takes to walk a mile in his shoes. Thank you Roger.

Yes, the torch has been passed and now I'm walking in Roger's shadow, breathing new life into the position that I was elected to. Roger has left me a good model to work from and a solid base that we as an organization can build upon. It is my commitment and goal to use that platform and build our Fossil Campout into the best motorcycle event in Oregon. My committee members and I have been working very hard since mid-December of last year. Here is something that has been accomplished that I would like to share with you:

• The Fossil Campout 2004 has been brought into the information age. For

A.B.A.T.E. we have a web site dedicated solely to the Fossil Campout. The web address is

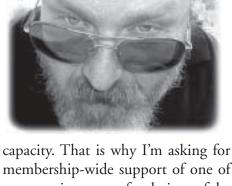
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It will be a contemporary web site that will allow all the interaction of the technology that serves us today. Members as well as guests surfing through the internet will be able to see what *Fossil* is all about through pictures and information that we will provide. Members as well as guests will also be able to purchase advance tickets online via the internet with Visa or MasterCard. Vendors as well as guests will be able to download application forms, either for membership in

This makes the 27th year of our annual Fossil Motorcycle Run in Fossil, Oregon. No doubt some of you who are reading this have been to Fossil many times before, either as fun loving participants, or as part of the music calendar that we put on for three days. Fossil truly belongs to each and every member of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon. It belongs to every chapter of A.B.A. T.E. in Oregon. For 27 years now Fossil has been the granddaddy of motorcycle runs in Oregon. Every member should be proud that we as an organization can belong to one of the truly "independently free" motorcycle gatherings in the northwest.

So what is the cost of free?

The cost of free is a lot of hard work when it becomes set up and show time. I know a lot of you who are reading this have worked Fossil in some



our most important fundraisers of the year. Each A.B.A.T.E. chapter needs to

not only contribute labor, but also needs to supply two five-gallon cans of gasoline, one large roll of caution tape, three premium door prizes, and one big box of large trash bags.

I'm concerned that we do not have a sergeant of arms from the north at the state level. If you or somebody you know would be a good candidate for this state office, I urge you to contact me and I will follow up with information.

I was doing some simple math and crunching numbers concerning how many security personnel will be needed throughout the weekend and I figured we need about 60 people. If I have that many, nobody would need to work more than a four hour shift.

Then there is the A.B.A.T.E. information booth and the setup crew and the transportation crew who leaves the Wednesday before Fossil. I am also looking for someone that has a three-quarter ton pickup who would want to be part of the transportation crew who leaves on Wednesday.

Then of course there is all that cleanup after the masses have left.

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So if you'd like to help somehow, contact me.

I am also looking for a single individual who would be willing to sell raffle tickets for the leather motorcycle jacket donated by *Love's Leathers*. The proceeds of that raffle are donated to the *Fossil* E.M.T.s who provide emergency medical service for all of us at the run. This person would take the jacket around prior to *Fossil* and also at the run.

We all bring something to our organization as members. Each of us has our own special talent to offer, a difference of opinion, and diversity in the way that we process information. And that very element "diversity" is what makes *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* unique and the premier organization that it is.

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And just as you would own something like a motorcycle, a car, or maybe a house, take care of it, keep it maintained, keep it ready, make it shine. And when it's time to give, whether it be time, money, labor or whatever, give to your organization, so your organization can give back to you. Be a producer and not just a receiver, then *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and all the chapters it incorporates will continue to grow and prosper.

I thank you for letting me be a part of this organization and look forward to my service to my brothers and sisters, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc.*

Newsflash

The *Curtis Salgado Band* has just been signed to play the 27th Annual Fossil Motorcycle Run/music festival on Sunday May 30, 2004. (Time to be arranged.) Curtis and his band will be just getting back from their two week nationwide tour promoting the band's new CD being released March 23rd. This is absolutely gonna be a great party over the *Memorial Day* weekend.

If you happen to know of a band who has what it takes to be part of the largest motorcycle run in Oregon and can contribute to make a fun, kick-ass party, then please call me and give me that information.

My phone number is (503)- 282-6488. (If you get the phone machine, wait for the beep and leave your message.)

Get your advance tickets soon at: www.fossilcampout.com

For information, e-mail:

duane@fossilcampout.com "Big Daddy" Duane

(Who appreciate the blues, good music and the beauty of motorcycling in Oregon.) *Yaba Daba Doo!!!!*

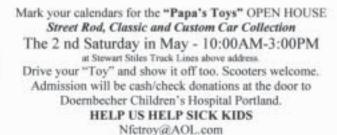


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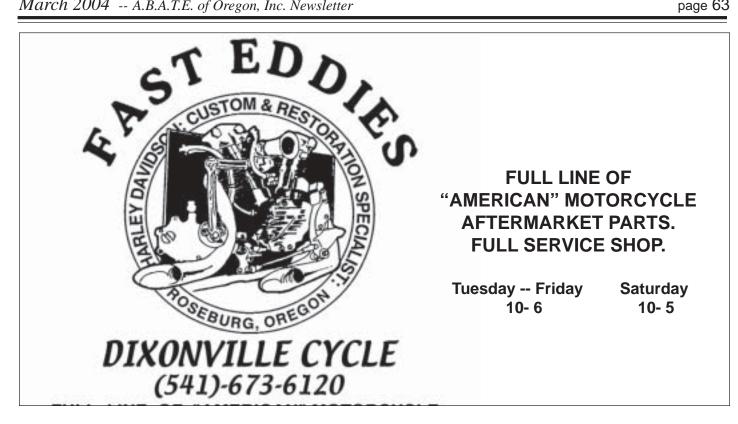
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	ASP	ABATE Supporter Pin	5.00		ABATE PINS
	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color			
	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold			ABAIE
	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color			G DE
	AFP	Fossil Pin			Ela
	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color on white			
	ATM	Thermal mug hot/cold			
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		Bandanas			
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	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats			
	CW	Screw The Helmet pin	3.00	····	
	AFRTS	ABATE T-Shirts	15.00		0
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	AFRTL	ABATE Sweatshirts	22 50		
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NOTE: Assorted Colors.

(In order to be able to obtain shirts at this price, orders must be a minimum of 12 shirts or more.)

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DESCRIPTION

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AWS-L	ABATE Wing Sticker - black	k/red (left side)		3.00		
AWS-R	ABATE Wing Sticker - black	k/red (right side).		3.00		Dra Palar
AFRS	ABATE Freedom Of The Ro	oad Sticker - larg	e, inside, 5 color	5.00		DECIDE
AMS	ABATE #1 Membership Stie	cker - large, 5 col	or	3.00		
HLS	HELMET LAWS SUCK Stic	ker - small		1.00		STICKERS
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ACWS	Warning Sticker: "This Bike					
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EAP	Eagle Pin					
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	Vice-Coordinator					C
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-	Treasurer					
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Chapter	Legislator			5.00		ROCKERS
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PRICE TOTAL

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 Hutch.

NAME:				
ADDRESS:	CI [_]	ГҮ:		
ADDRESS:	PHONE: work		home	
MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEC	GISLATIVE PURPOSES? HAPPENED WHEN YOU	(YES) (NO)		
DATE STOPPED:		PED:		
OFFICER NAME:	ID NO:	POLI	CE AGENCY	
PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HEL	MET / OTHER (specify)			
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ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT	THE SAME TIME? LIST:			
IF THERE WERE ANY CRIMINAL CH	ARGES (not infractions),			
Did officer follow normal traffic laws in If no explain: Did officer treat you fairly and respect	fully? (YES) (NO) If no	(NO) explain:		
Was your helmet confiscated? YES /	NO Explain:			
Were you given an explanation on leg If YES was the explanation? WRITT If verbal, describe:	EN VERBAL	BOTH		
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Have you gone to court? NO: When is the fine? \$	s court Date? YES : How	did you plead?	lf you	I pled guilty what was
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FINE : \$ ASSESSME	NT: STATE \$	COUNTY \$	CI	TY \$
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Briefly describe the evidence you pres	sented at your trial (or inclu	ıde a copy)		
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When you bought the helmet did it hav Label permanently fastened inside? (Was helmet modified? (YES) (NO) If modified describe:		ISIGE? YES	NO	

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale	For Sale	Wanted	Wanted		
Tired of being shiftless? Now available through special arrangements, you can can be the first on your block to own your own custom-built and tested solid polished stainless steel shifter lnkage. Better than show chrome finish. Three or four styles available now. See at bike events throughout the state. Call for appointment only to <i>Cracker Jac Welding</i> . (503)-257-7390 FAX (503)-262-9110	2001 Harley-Davidson Dynaglide. Factory 1550 stroker, killer pipes, black with red and gold trim, 4,700 miles. \$15,999 . Jerry (541)- 389 - 5647 (April 2004) (April 2004) (April 2004) (May 2004) (May 2004) (May 2004) (May 2004) (May 2004)	Electric treadmill. DANA 70 rear end, 411 ratio. Call Rotten Roger at (503)-285- 4329 (Dec 2003)	Wanted Your ad here. Reach over 2,000 people ea month for free. It's one of your perks as <i>A.B.A.T.E.</i> member. (No commercial ads please.)		
(Mar 2004) 1965 <i>Chev</i> 2-1/2 ton truck, 16' dump bed, mechanically sound. \$3,250 . 1951 <i>Chevy</i> 2-1/2 ton truck. New motor, new brakes. \$2,500 or some trade. Portable dishwasher \$30 . Phone (503)- 285-4329 Rotten Roger (April 2004)	 '81 Sturgis. Run one year. basket, belt, sproket. \$500. 1978 Corvette 25th silver anniversary collector's edition. Mahogony interior. \$15,000. Jerry or Laurie Detterman. (541)-582-0128 [corrected phone number] (May 2004) 	Answer to CRYPTC Love looks not w But with the min And therefore is Cupid painted bl	OGRAM ith the eyes, id, winged		
1960 Ford 22' van, converted to a motorhome. 292 US Ind. \$1,500 or equal trade. Ralph J. McClain		March Cryptog			
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<i>VW</i> trike, 1600cc engine, '47 <i>Springer</i> front end, 15" rear radials, white fiberglass body, disc and hydraulic brake system. \$10,000 (503)-662-3811		RTSC RMM W MAR AS HER TRZHIC P			
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Clancy liked a bit o' Irish mist, But he'd never ride if he was pissed, If his limit drew too near, Wee folk whispered in his ear: "Stop me lad or you'll be sorely missed." ©2004-Rot Path

NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:

Saturday, 13 March 2004 at Noon 7th and Kalmia Junction City, Oregon

CHAPTER MEETINGS

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.			
Chapter:	Date/Time:		Location:
Central Oregon	2 nd Sunday	1400 (2:00 ^{pm})	Old Redmond Hotel; Redmond
Columbia River	2 nd Sunday	1230(12:30 ^{pm})	Jubitz Truck Stop; 10310 N. Vancouver Ave.; Port-
land			
Douglas County	3 rd Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm}))	Round Table Pizza; Roseburg
Hub City	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 Fifth Street; Albany
Josephine County	1 st Thursday	1800 (6 ^{pm})	Pizza Hut; 1465 6th; Grants Pass
Lincoln County	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7:00 ^{pm})	American Legion Hall, 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4 th Thusday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria
Northeast Portland	1^{st} & 3^{rd} Wed	1930(7:30 ^{pm})	Round Table Pizza; 4141 NE 122 nd ; Portland
River City	1^{st} & 3^{rd} Tues	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Lone Pine Restaurant;335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles
			(I-84 & US-197)
Salem	4 th Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Chalet Restaurant, Market Street, Salem
South Coast	3 rd Sunday	1100 (11 ^{am})	Gino's Pizza; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend
Southeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M/M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Southern Oregon	2 nd Wed	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Abby's Pizza; 2550 Crater Lake Hwy; Medford
Washington County	2^{nd} & 4^{th} Tues	1930(7:30 ^{pm})	Prime Time Sports Bar; 4202 Pacific Ave;
			Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	2 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Veteran's Memorial Building
			1626 Willamette Street; Eugene