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# “Black Monday” Descends On Oregon Capitol

( Twice )



*Some of the 70 motorcyclists and bikers arriving at the state capitol on 15 February to rally for political action*

Clouds were in the sky, but thunder was coming from the streets as more than 70 motorcycles rumbled through town to park in front of the Oregon capitol building on President’s Day last month.

Organized by the U.S. Defenders, riders from patch holder clubs, state motorcycle rights organizations, and even non-riders converged to learn how to work within the political system to meet effectively with their elected officials, safeguard their remaining rights, and even regain freedoms lost to past political expediency.

With the possibility of Oregon switching to annual legislative sessions after a November ballot measure, the rally was a good introduction to how we can work the political system to keep motorcycle issues in the minds of legislators.

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*Riders of all stripes and kinds filled room 50 in the basement of the capitol to hear guest speakers and learn how to get politically involved.*



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

## What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

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

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

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

In July of 1975, Rob Rasor of the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*, Ron

Roloff of the *M.M.A. of California* and Ed Armstrong of *A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago* presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

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

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

As a result of our newfound political clout, motorcyclists have successfully approached congress twice over the past few years, first to grant federal protections against insurance discrimination based on mode of transportation because many companies were denying medical benefits to employees injured in motorcycle accidents.

Then, [in the 1998] session, motorcyclists united to put together a pro-active agenda for

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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

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

### Association for Motorcyclists of Oregon (A.M.O.)

Family-based and dedicated to family values, family events, riding freedoms, and safe, responsible, fun riding through education. Welcomes all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

### BikePAC of Oregon

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

*BikePAC* works within the political process.

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

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

### Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) national/international

Acts as advocate before national, state, and local legislative, executive, and judicial bodies and with private or public entities regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

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

### American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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

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B	BROTHERHOOD	The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association
A	AGAINST	In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.
T	TOTALITARIAN	Of or relating to a political regime based on subordination of the individual to the state and strict control of all aspects of the life and productive capacity of the nation by coercive measures.
E	ENACTMENTS	To make into law; the passing of a bill into law; a decree; a law.
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## State Coordinator

Hello everyone,

This month I want to talk about the direction that I feel *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* needs to move towards. I feel we need to be more politically astute. (I love that word!) We need to expend more energy on issues that are important to motorcyclists. Here is what we can all do:

**1. Register to vote.** I presume most of you are already registered, but if not, please do so.

**2. Get to know your state senator and your state representative.** Meet them at the local coffee shop. When I do this, I wear regular clothes and talk to them about issues that are important to me such as taxes, education, meth heads stealing veterans vases, etc. I like to let them get to know me and for me to get to know them. I then ease into motorcyclists issues such as rider training, license fees, tourism, and then lightly close with the freedom

of choice issue. Pay for their coffee, thank them for their time, and let them know you will stay in touch.

**3.** The best way to make friends with our politicians is to **help them get elected.** They never forget those who helped them be elected. I do not care much for phone banks, but I love to pound in lawn signs. All it takes is a vehicle and a small sledge hammer. They give you a list of people who have requested lawn signs and you hit the road. Wham, bam, thank you ma'am. I really enjoy doing this and I know you will too.

**4. Communicate with your legislators.** You can call or e-mail, but a personal visit is always best. Make an appointment, be on time, and be respectful. Your time with them will be short, but again you do not have to rush headlong into motorcyclists issues.

**5. Attend political events.** *BikePAC* schedules *Biker Days* every year and this can make your visit to the capitol less intimidating. Attend the annual *May Awareness Rally*. This year's rally is on May 1st. While you are there, be sure to start or renew your *BikePAC* membership.

**6.** Do not forget that a lot of our issues are also on the **federal level.** If you can, join the *M.R.F.*, *A.M.A.*, and *N.C.O.M.* and try to make it to as many conferences as possible. A visit to Washington D.C. will be one of the most rewarding trips you will ever take.

**7. Be an informed and active member of your local A.B.A.T.E. chapter.** I have met some of the most wonderful people in the world at chapter meetings. Most of them will bend over backward to help you in time of need.



**Ted Tracy**  
state  
coordinator

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

**8. Have fun.** If this all cease to be fun, we will get discouraged and we might as well turn our motorcycles into yard art. There are bureaucrats and safetycrats around every corner. This can be all very rewarding if we can have fun at the same time.

**9. Only a biker can understand why a dog sticks his head out the car window.**

Take care,

Ted

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

Hello C.O.

Okay, we are getting ready for our runs coming soon, so we need all your help. We all need to start making it to the chapter meetings, you all.

We are also in the makes of raffling a B.M.C. chopper this year, so make the meetings to help all of us. (Did you get the point? Make it to the meetings!)

Winter is still here. Some good days and some cold days still. Time to start on that bike this year: paint, tires, chrome, p-pad for that new ex-lady that you will meet. (Be nice to me, ladies. Just joking.)

By the time we read this a great shop will have closed. *Road Hog (Eagle Riders)* of Redmond will have closed their doors at the end of February. We will miss them. They have been a great supporter of *Central Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* in the many years they have been around. Thank you from all of us for all you

have done.

There will be a swap meet on the 17th of April put on by *M.O.B. (Motorcycles Of Bend)* so watch for flyers soon.

We need everyone's help with this raffle of a B.M.C. chopper. This will help our chapter (or should I say *your* chapter) to raise more funds to help with our runs, making them even better than what they are now. So get off your asses and help your chapter.

Thank you,

Animal  
coordinator  
*Central Oregon*



**CENTRAL OREGON MEETING**

**TIME and PLACE**

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

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

Hello from *Douglas County*,

We've had our 2010 planning meeting and are getting our event dates sanctioned. So far a great start to the upcoming ride season. Thanks to everyone who worked to get that done in short order. You rock!

Meanwhile, it's still raining. Baah.

I'm guessing everyone has cabin fever, because every time there is a sun break the streets are loaded with bikes.

So while it's still winter (if you believe a ground hog), let's get those rides tuned up.

Remember to check the tires and batteries and replace if necessary, so when the sun stays for awhile and the road calls, we're all ready and safe to ride.

Yeah, I take all that rider education and maintenance stuff seriously.

If you happen to be in Roseburg, don't forget to check out our very own *Willie D's* on Jackson street in old town. Owners Willie and Chris Shull (*Douglas County A..B.A.T.E.* members) have just done an awesome remodel and the place is totally biker friendly. The bar is really cool with wall murals, and a somewhat "industrial" theme.

Oh yeah, don't forget the great food and drinks. Willie has put out a tasty menu (good prices and generous servings): prime rib, salmon. (Mmmmm . . . no, I can't go now. Gotta finish this.)

So ride on in, you're likely to find some fellow *A.B.A.T.E.* members hanging around.

Be sure to meet Willie and Chris when you are there. And, if you've been to *S.O.S. Run*, you may (or may not) recognize Chris as one

of *Douglas County's* "Three Wild Women."

Looking forward to another season of fun and runs coming up soon.

See you on the road,

Becky Garino  
secretary

**DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING****TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
Willie D's  
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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Jackson County**

Hello all,

It's primarily wet and foggy down here, so riding time can be precious and perilous. Watch yourself and really watch the other drivers, 'cuz some of 'em are still doing the "cell-phone-thingie" with most of their "driving talent and abilities" short circuited by their tele-talent.

New meeting day is on the third Tuesday of the month. Still at the Saxton home. Thanks to Kevin and Cherie. It's a nice, fun place to chat with your riding bruddas and sistas for an hour or so. We had a couple of people checking out the new chapter. (Thanks again, Spanky!)

Speaking of Spanky, he's still gearing up for a new *Klamath Falls Chapter*.

The *11th Annual Southern Oregon Swap Meet*, put on by the *Josephine County Chapter*, will be on May 22 and 23. You can add that to your calendar now while you're reading this, be ye vendor or buyer. It will be at the *Touville Lodge* for the eighth

year in a row.

*Freebirds* are having their *Easter Basket Run* on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, so calendar this one also. It starts in Merlin at 9:30 a.m. with last rider out by 11 a.m. They will be running over to Hawthorne Park in Medford. This is a great way to share with kidz and others less fortunate than most of us. Contacts are Johnny Z. or Brian Maxwell. (Of course I had a contact number for Brian and misplaced/lost it. So please watch for flyers and information around southern Oregon. Sorry Brian.)

Don't hesitate to check out our chapter on any third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. The rights you may save are yours, you know.

A big howdy goes out to a very loyal *A.B.A.T.E.* chap slightly north of here-, Fast Eddie at *Dixonville Cycle*.

Chrome up, rubber down and beware the terminally unaware,

Mikey and da crew

**JACKSON COUNTY MEETING****TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1830 ( 6:30 pm )  
Saxton's  
4618 N. Pacific highway  
Central Point

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

Well I'm sure you're just as ready for spring as I am, so let's be sure the bike is too. Check the tires, lights, brakes, etc. This is your life we're talking about here!

Hub City's sergeant-at-arms have been bringing us a safety tip for their officer's report each month. Good reminders, folks. Numbers say we're our own worst enemy.

Think about it. Safety happens not by accident.

Upcoming things to be aware of:

- St. Patrick's Day
- Andy Olson will visit the April 15 meeting of Hub City. Stop by and get some direct information from a legislator. (See below for the address.)

- *May Awareness Rally*
- *Fossil*
- *Hub City Poker Run*
- *Redwood Run*
- *Hub City Biker Night*

Each of the above is an action item, so come on, get active. See our web site for more information.

One of the local watering holes, the *Dixie Tavern*, in Tangent, has recently come under new ownership. Jake Payne has taken over the reins and promises to support the biker crowd and biker's rights issues. There's already new paint and a new outdoor deck, so let's be sure to stop by and support the people who support us. Check out the hot food and cold drinks.

*Dixie Creek Tavern*  
32994 Hwy. 99E  
Tangent, OR., 97389

Hub City A.B.A.T.E. meets on the third Thursday at:

*Ciddici's Pizza*  
133 5th St.  
Albany, OR. 97321  
7 p.m.

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--Simba



### **HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE**

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

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

Like everyone knows, the winter has been cold and wet and not a lot of riding going on. But once in while we have had one of those nicer, warmer, sunnier days, and you look around and the bikes are out. It's always nice to jump on and get out when you can.

Have patience.

Spring is coming. The geese have started arriving and soon the daffodils and tulips will be blooming. Riding weather is right around the corner.

I was really looking forward to attending S.T.E.A.M. this year and getting to know the new officers. I started talking to some of our new chapter officers, hoping to get several to make the trip north with me, when low and behold, no S.T.E.A.M. I was disappointed, but understand. Maybe next year a day of officer training can be planned without the paid speakers. It would be cheaper, more constructive, and maybe better attended. Have to wait and see, I guess.

Congratulations to the 2010 chapter officers:

Coordinator – Spanky Allen  
Vice coordinator – Richard Headley  
Secretary/treasurer/editor – Karen Tolle  
Membership – Maryann Bauwens  
Historian – Jackie Kilpatrick  
Sgt at arms – P.J. Allen and Doc Wilson  
Chapter awareness instructor – Pete Zwinkel

Run coordinator – Rudy Bauwens  
Chaplain – Pat Wine.

Still open are quartermaster, ways and means, product director, and state representative. Anyone interested, please contact Spanky.

Planning for this year's events has begun. We are in full swing with making plans for the swap meet and starting to work on all the other events.

The *Southern Oregon Swap Meet* will be May 21-23.

Run to the Coast is Saturday, August 7th;

*Last Chance Social* will be Sunday, September 19th.

The toy run is Sunday, October 3rd.

We are hoping to attend the next *Douglas County Chapter* meeting to



get dates set and plans started for the August S.O.S. campout.

At the end of the last meeting Spanky got a little mixed up when he said "next meeting is March and we will have a potluck" (or something like that). And most everyone heard "next meeting potluck" so February will be our potluck meeting. Members like to come to potlucks and we always have a better turnout.

See you down the road.

You are all invited down to the next *Josephine County Chapter* meeting. We love having visitors.

Karen  
editor  
*JoCo*



### **JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1830  
(6:30 pm)

Fruitdale Grange  
1440 Parkdale Drive  
Grants Pass

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

Hello,

Happy spring to all!

If you know how this report goes, it's still February as I'm writing this and it's supposed to be warm and dry here at the coast this weekend. I just love what sunshine does to people.

Here in *Lincoln County Chapter* we will be holding our *28th Anniversary Party and Poker Run* on March 27th. All of this begins and ends at the Newport *American Legion Post 116*.

We will start with breakfast at 9 a.m. hosted by our local *Legion Riders*.

Poker run is a show at 10 a.m., go at 11 a.m. This will be a group ride.

Dinner will be at 6 p.m. with live music starting at 7 p.m.

Please come join us and help us celebrate.

Hope to see *you* there!

Ride safe,

Shirley



Lincoln County Chapter - A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon  
**Long John Poker Run**  
 &  
**28th Anniversary Party**  
**Saturday, March 27th**  
 STARTS AT AMERICAN LEGION HALL - POST #116  
 424 W. OLIVE ST. NEWPORT  
 Breakfast by American Legion Riders @ 9:00a.m. \$5 per person  
 Poker Run Sign Ups - 9AM to 10:00AM  
 Leave at 11:00AM  
 \$5 a hand (multiple hands ok)  
**Open to the Public**  
 JOIN US AFTERWARDS FOR OUR ANNIVERSARY PARTY  
 AT AMERICAN LEGION HALL at 424 W. OLIVE ST. NEWPORT  
 Taco/Burrito Bar Dinner @ 6:00p.m. \$6 per person  
 (Taco & Burrito fixings - Coffee & Soda)  
 (Adult Beverages Available in Lounge Upstairs)  
**Door Prizes and 50/50 Raffle**  
**Entertainment Begins at 7pm**  
 (James & Jewels)  
 FOR MORE INFO:  
 Ralph: 541-265-6850  
 Ruth: 541-867-3533

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

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

Newport  
**POINT of CONTACT**  
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 P.O. Box 372  
 South Beach, OR 97366

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

Hello from the North Coast

I know people up here are getting a little itchy to ride. March is a tempting time to sneak a ride in between the storms that arrive in a pattern this time of year. If you are one of these riders you know the drill before going out in this chancy weather. Just as our bikes can be, we may be a little rusty on our first outing. So think about it before you sneak in that first ride before winter is really over.

Again, we have all our officers in place for 2010. We are moving ahead and planning our events for this year:

*Fifteenth Annual Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run* – June 26th

*Third Run to Mist Mountain* – August 21st

*Spaghetti Diner and Auction* – November 20th

*Twenty-second Annual Toy Run* – December 11th

We have discussed at our last few chapter meetings why so many people are leaving their chapters and why a lot of chapters are having a hard time keeping officers. It's hard to put on events like the ones listed above. The same people always show up to get the jobs done along with our obligations to *A.B.A.T.E.* People get burned-out and discouraged and look for other ways to fulfill their lives.

Up here at the *North Coast* we have decided that more riding as a chapter as a way to keep our flock from straying. More after chapter meeting rides, more riding at other chapter runs and events. Motorcycle riding is what brought us all together in the first place, so let's see if it can keep us together.

I know its a little early but four or five people up here are talking *Sturgis*. Some of us thought it would be cool that if sometime in the middle of *Sturgis Week* all the



*Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* riders could meet at a predetermined place for a group ride. Think about it.

Ride safe,

Rick

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

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

Children are welcome  
**POINT of CONTACT**  
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 Astoria, OR 97103

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

Hey everybody,

A lot going on here on the *Lower Columbia* this time of year.

We had our *Second Annual Crab Dinner* the weekend of 13 February 2010 which will be over before you read this. Hope you all had a good time.

We are also getting a group together to get out on the highway for the *Adopt-A-Highway* program and clean up our section of road.

We made the trip to plan a new route for our spring run on the 8th of May. We'll be going to the beach again and winding up at *Girtle's* again in Seaside. This year we will be going through Longview to Cathlamet and over the lower Columbia by ferry boat. I'm sure we will all have plenty of fun. I'll have the paperwork into state for sanctioning directly. (Plan on it.)

We are also having a fall run this year, so keep an eye out in our newspaper for that in the future.

Patricia Carner brought flyers for the spring swap meet to our last meeting. I am looking forward to it. We will probably bring some members along to help out.

One last thing, there was a mistake in the last *A.B.A.T.E.* newspaper. When we spoke of a donation from G.P., it wasn't Grants Pass; it was from *Local 1097* of the *United Steel Workers*. This is the union in place at our local pulp and paper manufacturer, *Georgia Pacific*. Some of the other chapters may want to think about using your local unions as a resource as they are usually glad to be of assistance.

Hope we saw you at the crab dinner.



Ride safe,

Dave Bridges  
coordinator  
*Lower Columbia*

### **LOWER COLUMBIA MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

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

(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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

### January 19, 2010

Tonight's meeting was very busy. We got a lot done.

We planned our next candy sale, set up a repair party for the vending trailer, discussed our poker run, reviewed the state board of directors meeting, and had time left to enjoy ourselves.

Our recent highway cleanup was a success with five people and a party at Richard's after. Our stretch of highway looks great!

Business took all our time, so we had no drawings tonight.

-- Brian

### February 2, 2010

Wow!

What a meeting. Loud, busy, boisterous.

Got a lot done in a short time and adjourned before 8 p.m.

We did planning and pre-sales for our candy sale, set some tasks for our poker run in April, and talked about the upcoming state board of directors in Clatskanie.

The membership drawing for \$55 would have been won by Wendy Hildreth if she had been present. It will be \$60 next time.

The 50/50 was won by Harvey Long at \$11/\$11, which he donated back to the chapter. Thanks, Harvey.

-- Brian



### Upcoming meetings

March 02, 2010

March 16, 2010

### **RIVER CITY MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

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

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

Just a short note this month.

We had a good meeting. The future is looking bright.

I would like to encourage all the people in *Salem Chapter* to get involved. There is so much happening in *A.B.A.T.E.* that there is something for everyone, from poker runs to rally's.



Just a reminder of two new regulations that took effect last month:

1. The hands-free cell phone regulation.
2. The move-over regulation. (In Beaverton they are taking the move-over regulation *very* serious.)

Ride safe,

--Rick

### **SALEM MEETING**

#### **TIME and PLACE**

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

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

At our last meeting we had 14 members and one guest. It would be nice to see more members attend meetings.

At our first meeting in March, the chapter is going to hold a planning session to decide which way the chapter will go this year. If anyone has any helpful ideas, show up at a meeting and give your input. Members of other chapters are also welcome to come and give your thoughts and ideas.

We have a poker run in the works — date, time, and meet location to be worked out.

Toy run representative said the committee looked at new bikes but hasn't decided which one to buy yet.

Our *Cabin Fever Party* was a huge success and a big thanks goes out to all those who came out and had a good time. A very special thanks goes out to Megan James and her band for coming in and starting early for us.



Don't forget *Southeast Portland Chapter's* canned food drive and anniversary party on March 13th.

For our membership drawing, Scott Freshner would have won \$75 if he would have been present. Next drawing will be for \$80.

That's it for now,

Tom Brewer  
*Twin Rivers*

### **TWIN RIVERS MEETING TIME and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 1200  
(noon)

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



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March 13, 2010  
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ANNIVERSARY  
PARTY!

(Report next month.)

**S.E. Portland MEETING**  
**TIMES and PLACE**  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1200  
(noon)  
M&M Restaurant & Lounge  
137 N. Main -- Gresham

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

Happy spring from  
*Washington County!*

Hopefully you've all done your pre-season maintenance and are getting out for a putt now and then. Remember to keep your eyes peeled for loose gravel and other debris on the roads. Budget cuts have hit everyone, including road maintenance crews.

I'm pleased to report that we once again have a chapter newsletter. Greg "Goatboy" Vaughn has been hard at work since taking office last month. The newsletter is available on our chapter web site at: <http://www.wacoabate.info> You can log on and click on the link to view or download the pdf file. If you would rather have the newsletter sent by U.S. mail, please e-mail or call Greg with your home address and request. His contact information is: (503)-502-4229 or [newsletter@wacoabate.info](mailto:newsletter@wacoabate.info)

Important upcoming dates for your calendar:

- Saturday, **March 6** *Washington County Chapter* birthday party
- Sunday, **April 25** Spring swap meet
- Saturday, **May 1** *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*
- May 28-31** *Fossil Campout*
- Sunday, **June 6** Road clean-up

Please plan to attend these important events. The birthday party is our biggest fund-raiser of the year, and our funds definitely need raising this year.

Because we've had so few people show up for the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* over the past couple years, rumor has it that we could lose our slot at the state capitol. There are other groups showing up in huge numbers to fight for their causes who want our time slot, and they're getting the attention of our politicians. Now's the time to demonstrate how much we care



about our rights as motorcyclists.

The swap meets and *Fossil* carry the state budget through the year. Show up to shop, to volunteer, and to have a great time with your fellow bikers.

As always, get the latest happenings on our web site at: <http://www.wacoabate.info>

See you on the road,

Margo Virchow

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

I just wanted to update everyone on our chapter status. We are working hard to get the chapter back on solid ground.

We have all officer positions filled and I will bring a list to the state board meeting for Ted.

We are running a little slow on getting run sanctions in because we are having a problem opening up the new chapter bank account. Frank is working on getting it set up, but needs an original copy of our articles of incorporation to show the bank. Frank and Ann are planning on coming up to the board meeting in Clatskanie on Saturday.

We will be doing the *Rhody Run* on May 21st-23rd, 2010 just like we have in the past.

Anyway, the best way to avoid problems is to communicate.

Hope all is well with you all.

See you Saturday,

Rod Hatter  
*Willamette Valley Chapter*



**WILAMETTE VALLEY**  
**MEETING TIME and PLACE**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 p.m. )  
 ( location varies – check web site )  
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**Our Officers at Work**

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

13 February 2010 – Colvin’s Pub & Grill; Clatskanie, Oregon

**Call to order/welcome:** The meeting was called to order by state coordinator coordinator, Ted Tracy, at 12:05 p.m. with 14 of 15 chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote at this meeting. The state coordinator led the group of about fifty in the pledge of allegiance.

**Moment of silence:** We observed a moment of respect for our downed brothers/sisters and service men/women. Ted especially remembered sister Noelle Jackson (*Willamette Valley Chapter*) who died after losing her battle with cancer.

**Guests and first time attendees:** Cindy (*Lower Columbia Chapter*), Richard (*Southeast Portland Chapter*), Al Sims the new *Hub City Chapter* coordinator, Sunnie the *Willamette Valley Chapter* public relations officer, and Spanky’s family from *Josephine County Chapter*.

Motion was made by Bob Highfill, (*Lincoln County Chapter*) to adopt the state board of directors meeting minutes from January 9, 2010 as printed in the state newspaper. Seconded by Randy Phipps (*Twin Rivers Chapter*) with no additions or corrections.

**Coordinator’s comments:** Ted Tracy reminded everyone that if they didn’t meet their chapter duties of turning all required information in, there is the great possibility they may lose that privilege. Since he has been the state coordinator for the *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* for forty days, he realizes how important it is to the proper functioning of the organization that we all work together and take care of business in the right way. Ted is looking forward to a *great* year for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

**Secretary’s report and correspondence:** Glenyce Jackson introduced herself and asked that when everyone had a chance to, please make it a point to introduce him/herself and talk to her for a minute so she can connect names with the right faces. There are several chapter representatives who she doesn’t know yet.

She also asked for everyone’s patience as she figures out the right

way to get her job done. Please talk to her to let her know what she may have forgotten. There was no correspondence that was pertinent to business.

**Vice-coordinator–north:** Allan Nichols said he had to get on his soap box today and remind everyone that as they get ready for their first rides of the season to think of our mission. While we clean and prep our motorcycles we should think about the fight to keep after-market parts available. And, since this is an election year we should be investigating the politicians to see who we can depend on and get involved in the political process to make sure we keep what we’ve got and get what we want.

First thing we have to do is show up for *Black Monday* (one or better yet both of them) on January 15 and 22.

Next get everyone we can to the *May Awareness Rally* It doesn’t matter if the rider belongs to *A.B.A.T.E.* or not, they should be there! We should expect at least 10% of membership to show at these events. Lee said that the chapters need flyers to get the word out.

*BikePAC* is working to change the image of riders and, Randy Phipps said. The flyer is on the web page for anyone to download. Hard copies will be available in the coming week. Randy also thanked Allan for doing most of his legislative report for him.

*Josephine County Chapter* alerted everyone about the *Freedom Ride 2010* on May 15. It is a ride all across the country where people will ride to their state capitols.

Gunny said that Oregon’s *Black Monday* rides need to come first.

Randy said to get hold of Heidi Disrud, *BikePAC*’s legislative director, for any information you want.

Allan thanked everyone for listening to his soap box speech.

**Vice-coordinator–south:** Pat “Spanky” Allen indicated that things are moving in the southern part of the state and they are organizing a ride to get to the *May Awareness Rally*. It will be put on the web page.



Glenyce Jackson  
state recording secretary

Since there are 180,000 registered motorcycles in Oregon, we should be making a big showing at Salem. Matt said that Court street will be closed to cars on May day and Randy said it would be better signed so that riders don’t get lost when they see the “Road Closed” signs. *BikePAC* legislative director, Heidi, will get the word out.

**Vice-coordinator–east:** Gene Mortimore said he is staying busy going to meetings and getting ready for *Fossil*. He said this is the last year for park development, so from now on all we’ll have to worry about is maintenance. He said everything is going smoothly.

**Treasurer:** Kay Sipple said she had some bad news. Today is the last day for chapter treasurer’s reports for 2009. If she doesn’t get the report today, chapters will have to file their own income taxes because they won’t be included in the state’s filing. She has been reminding the chapters since October that the deadline *had* to be met, so there are no excuses. The organization’s tax status will not be put in jeopardy by some chapters’ non-compliance.

The good news is that *PayPal* is functioning on the web page for *Fossil* tickets only at this time.

Ted said in time it is hoped to add product and membership to the *PayPal* capability, but *Fossil* is a test to see how it works for *A.B.A.T.E.*

Lots of discussion followed about other on-line payment methods. (i.e., *Ticket Master*, etc.)

Kay continued with the balances:  
Checking = \$3719.45  
Money market = \$16,636.48  
*PayPal* = \$100.23 to start service.

She has received two more chapter reports today. Both she and the auditor need the *Quicken* reports.

Ted explained the requirements from the operations procedures. Randy mentioned that bank cycles don’t exactly coincide with *A.B.A.T.E.* dates.

**Membership secretary:** Linda Henderson reported we have 1,785 current members.

She asked everyone to work on getting younger people involved. There were lots of comments from the group about how to get youth involved. We all need to reach out to the next generation to find our replacements.

Linda also said new tri-folds need to be ordered but she is just waiting to see if there are any more new chapters before placing the order.

**Sanctioning officer:** Matt Price has three new applications for sanctioning. He stressed the importance of chapters getting flyers to him early in event planning (even six months ahead of time) so that everything can happen like it is supposed to. He said the chapters can work out the details after the date has been set and flyers have been made. He needs to have accurate counts of participants in events or the organization takes a big hit in insurance costs. Each group must do its part so the whole can succeed.

**State auditor:** Connie Kintz said that in December she had received less than 50% of the chapter reports needed. Next month those chapters will be 60 days in arrears and according to the manual lose their voting privilege. Ultimately the chapter coordinators are responsible that the requirements are met. Ted said that he will be making calls to the coordinators soon, so the chapter representatives should get them started on meeting their duties.

**Newspaper editor:** Rot Path (Absent) Ted read Rot’s report to the board.

Rot reminded everyone about *Southeast Portland’s Anniversary Party* on March 13 and apologized for it not being in the newspaper.

**Legislative director:** Randy Phipps reminded everyone that the street in front of the capitol will be closed in Salem on May 1 for the *Motorcycle Awareness Rally*, so there will be lots of room for motorcycles. Randy also said *everyone* needs to take part.

**M.R.F. representative:** Jay Jackson told the group that the *M.R.F.* deals with national politics in much the same manner as *A.B.A.T.E.* does state politics. The *M.R.F.* maintains

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## A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes (continued) — 13 February 2010

an office and full-time lobbyist in Washington D.C. and needs our help. We help with our membership in *M.R.F.* He asked that all the representatives take the proposition back to their chapters to become sustaining members of the *M.R.F.* Individual memberships are also very important, so please contact him to find out more.

**N.C.O.M.:** Gunny reminded everyone of the *N.C.O.M.* convention is in Orlando, Florida May 6-9. He said that Oregon's *A.I.M.* attorney, Sam Hotchberg, has already reserved a room for two *A.B.A.T.E.* people at the hotel, so all it will cost is air fare and registration for some people to go.

Jay said that he and Glenyce have already made their plans to go and that it is a really great experience to meet other riders and hear all the information.

Gunny said the rooms are almost gone, so if anyone wants to stay at the place it's happening they'd better act quick.

**Sergeant at arms—north:** Randy Phipps reminded everyone that the state swap meet is coming in April and *Fossil* is coming in May, so he will be coming to line up help for both events. Plan when you will do your part and get on the schedule for the time you want to work before someone else grabs that time slot or other duty.

**Sergeant at arms—south:** Bill Foster said that everything has been covered.

**Sergeant at arms—east:** Jim Middleton said that the trailer is all fixed up and ready to go. There was discussion about which trailer and included the trailer donated to *BikePAC*. The stage trailer will be repaired and the gate trailer is being used right now to sell candy.

**Products director:** Dave Meeker (Absent.)

**Education director:** Geoff White had good news. He said getting out to schools is the perfect way to get the next generation of riders and excellent public relations for others as well. He said he has a deep appreciation for the two guys at The Dalles who went to the Lyle School and did a class there. They are a good example of what we all should do.

**Education director II:** VACANT

**Public relations director:** Debra Lutje said she still needs pictures for the poster project. The poster will be a mini-billboard that will be put in all the places people go, so each chapter should contribute and individuals too. She needs them by June 1, 2010. If she doesn't get them voluntarily, she will take them at the events. Please send in the chapter officer information so that she can contact the chapter public

relations officer.

Kay said her daughter is available to go take pictures if you want someone to do it for you. Just give Kay a call to make arrangements.

**State run coordinator (Fossil):** Howie Long reported that *Fossil* this year will be the 33rd annual event. The flyer will be on the web site soon.

This year there will be a scavenger hunt as well as the bike games.

There is a need for information booth help. It is the busiest place there, so they need good people to give help.

**State run coordinator II:** VACANT (At break time Howie introduced me to Rick Prentice, coordinator for *River City Chapter* as run coordinator II. He did not make a report.)

**State swap meet coordinator:** VACANT

Ted reported that Patricia had sent out vendor letters and that vendor forms are available on the web site. He also reminded everyone to take flyers for the spring swap meet with them today and get them posted. Ted said that all 1,500 had to be put up or Patricia would be greatly upset.

**Historian:** Tonia Judd. (It is reported that Tonia is gone so will someone step up to fill this position?)

**Web page editor:** Trace Ceccacci said that the hyperlink: <http://www.fossilcampout.com> will be up and running this week. There is a link on the home page.

**Quartermaster:** Dwayne Sterba (Absent)

Ted reported that he and a crew had tried to install racks in the conex, but found they didn't fit. So next weekend they will try again to get the goods organized.

There was discussion about a load leveler hitch. *Southeast Portland Chapter* doesn't mind others using their stuff. Just be sure to put it back when you're done. They will be working on fixing the stage.

**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative:** Randy Phipps read a generic letter that everyone can fill in the blanks on and send to their legislators to support their bills.

Be at the old *K-Mart* in Salem (25th and Mission streets) at 10 a.m. on Monday, 15 February to ride to the capitol to support our bills. Also show up again on the 22nd of February for another big showing of support.

**Confederation of Clubs representative—north:** Jay Jackson (Report incorporated into other discussions throughout the meeting.)

**Confederation of Clubs representa-**

**tive—south:** Pat "Spanky" Allen (Report incorporated into other discussions throughout the meeting.)

### Unfinished Business

#### • Officer elections

Swap meet coordinator – No volunteer yet.

Education director II – No volunteer yet.

• Motion by Mike Friend regarding the *Defenders Program* from the *Confederation of Clubs* that was put on hold from last month. Mike is asking that *A.B.A.T.E.* join the *Defenders Program* and name a commander and second for the state. The state can break it down to the chapter level where each coordinator will be the commander on a local level. The purpose is to accomplish legislative action. Much discussion to clarify what the program is and how it operates. Ten chapter representatives voted for the motion. **Motion passed.**

• Motion #4 (Tabled 09 January 2010) regarding operating procedures manual. **Tabled until next meeting.** There will be an operations committee meeting at 11 a.m. before the March meeting. It is a work in progress and is making progress.

• 2010 officer data forms need to be filled out and turned in to the state coordinator and state secretary. This is a *must!* Even if you turned one in last year, this is a new year. Chapter representatives remind your chapters, please.

### New Business

• Motion presented by Spanky (*Josephine County Chapter*), seconded by Allan Nichols (*Washington County Chapter*) to send two people to the *N.C.O.M.* convention, May 6-9, 2010. Air fare = \$600, registration = \$150 for a total of \$750.

Amended to state that the state vice coordinators north and south will be the two delegates.

Discussion including that *Southeast Portland Chapter Chapter* is sending two people. Lee called for the question. Ten representatives voted in favor. **Motion passed.**

• State coordinator Ted Tracy spoke on the importance of chapter compliance with the operations procedures. Chapter minutes must also be submitted to the state secretary in addition to the financial reports to the state treasurer and state auditor.

• *Lower Columbia Chapter* member read an article from the local Clatskanie paper in regards to noise from

motorcycles and that the police will ticket anyone in violation of the noise statute. Can *A.B.A.T.E.* do anything about it?

Lots more discussion and ideas to fight this. The consensus is to fill out the *A.I.M.* form in the state newspaper, then take it to court if one should get a ticket.

### Announcements

• Next state board of directors meeting: March 13, 2010, at the *Eagles Lodge*, Albany, Oregon at noon. (Other meetings and computer training take place at 11 a.m.)

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

(Kay said it is her birthday so we should all come help her celebrate the big 6-0.)

• 20 March 2010 – *C.C.F.R. March Madness Run*, at *Love's Leathers* in Vancouver, Washington

• 25 March 2010 – *Lincoln County Chapter's Long John John Poker Run* in Newport, Oregon

• 24 April 2010 – *River City Chapter Cherry Festival Poker Run.*

• 25 April 2010 – *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* spring swap meet. The national guard armory in north Portland, Oregon.

• 6 -9 May 2010 – *N.C.O.M.* convention in Orlando, Florida

• 21-23 May 2010 - *Southern Oregon Swap Meet* by *Josephine County Chapter*

• 11 -13 June 2010 - *M.R.F. Best of the West Seminar*, in Boise, Idaho

• 07 Aug 2010 (Saturday) – *Josephine County Chapter's Run to the Coast*

• Aug 2010 – *Josephine County and Douglas County Chapters' S.O.S. Campout*

• 19 Sept 2010 (Sunday) – *Josephine County Chapter's Last Chance Social*

• 03 Oct 2010 – *Josephine County Chapter's Grants Pass Toy Run*

. . . and many, many more. Please check the state and chapter web pages.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. by State coordinator, Ted Tracy.

Respectfully submitted by,

Glenyce Jackson  
state recording secretary  
*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*

## Governor's Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety

We have had a parent concerned about her child riding behind the other parent on a motorcycle. (The only transportation the other parent has.) A legislator has been contacted by the parent and is checking into possibilities for changing the regulation. The concern is on safety. The committee decided to make sure that riders are aware of the rules for a passenger on a motorcycle and the safety necessities involved: foot rests, seat, etc.

The committee feels that only advisory response for information, if asked, is the proper course of action.

So, please let us each, as motorcyclists, be aware of the other riders methods and remind each other as needed, rather than having the legislators making decisions concerning motorcycle safety.

The regulation already covers child riders.

The Oregon motorcycle and moped manual has good passenger guidance on pages 42 and 43. NO child deaths were found from motorcycle wrecks in the last ten years.

The G.A.C.M.S. proposes to exempt riders seeking a limited (three-wheeled vehicle) endorsement from recognized motorcycle training. The endorsement would need to be obtained at D.M.V. by demonstrating riding skills and knowledge. Passing this test will not qualify for riding a two-wheeled motorcycle.



**Iris Yeager**  
G.A.C.M.S.  
member

2009 had 51 motorcycle crash deaths. 43 percent were impaired. 33 percent were unendorsed.

If we just behave sensibly, we are more likely to ride safely.

I do not like having others telling me what to do. Many of us are the same.

So, just behaving logically might help keep lawmakers off our backs. Driving or riding with mind-muddling alcohol in our system is not logical. Lets help each other remember that.

It is good to have motorcyclists show up at the G.A.C.M.S. meetings. Help us stay on track by contributing your thought and needs. We may not be able to act on it then, but we will keep it in mind for future efforts.

The next meeting of the Governor's Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety is scheduled for April 9th at the transportation division safety office, 235 Union Street NE, Salem. The meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.

Good riding season is a-coming.  
RRRRRRRR!

Iris Yeager  
member  
G.A.C.M.S.

## Myrtle Beach In South Carolina Supreme Court

February 3, 2010

**Note:** *What follows are the reflections of our Virginia A.I.M. attorney, Tom McGrath, on the South Carolina supreme court case. Myrtle Beach has been trying to shut down the motorcycle rallies by enacting a local helmet regulation, which Tom argues isn't valid, as the state legislation should preempt [local regulations]. These are his thoughts on arguments before the court.*

It is good to have people like Laurie (Carol) and Bill (William) O'Day who step up when their rights are being violated and are willing to take on the government. It is good to have 47 others who are willing to join them in protesting government actions that affect their rights. It is great when you can start early in the process and get things on the record.

As I began my argument in the supreme court on behalf of the 49 bikers who dared to ride in protest of Myrtle Beach's helmet ordinance, I asked the court to look back to the December 2, 2008 record of the O'Days challenge to the helmet regulation when they were seeking an injunction. I pointed to the portion of the record where the city agreed that there was a conflict between the helmet ordinance and the state legislation granting motorcyclists the right to freedom of choice. This was important because it clearly established that the city was now trying to convince the supreme court that there was no conflict.

Listening to the argument of the city, it was clear to me their position was that since current legislation did

not mention people over 21 that they could pass an ordinance requiring people over 21 to wear a helmet. It was also clear they didn't understand the current regulation regarding helmets for those under 21.

When I spoke I immediately asked the court to refer to pages 120-121 of the appendix (documents filed on appeal) and they would see that the general assembly never repealed the 1967 universal helmet legislation, they simply amended it taking out the requirement that those over 21 wear a helmet, thereby, expressly granting to those over 21 the right to choose. We consistently went back to the argument that the uniform traffic regulations had to be just that – uniform and that anything else would create chaos.

The city argued that they had a right to stop a nuisance and that the biker rallies had become one, but the justices reminded them that they had other ways of dealing with the rally and had passed numerous other ordinances to do just that.

Questions were asked of the city attorney concerning how they would handle the tickets now that they had no court to hear them in and the city was unable to answer.

Based on the questions the justices asked the attorney for the city it seems the court likely will render a favorable opinion for freedom. However, I learned long ago to wait for the opinion before you celebrate. Hopefully, we won't be disappointed.

--Tom McGrath

## Roadhog/EagleRider Closing Doors

Hello from RoadHog (formerly EagleRider of Bend, Oregon),

I have some sad news: Laurie and I have decided to exit the motorcycle business.

Owning and operating a small, independent motorcycle shop has been a true joy for both of us for over four years.

But the end of February 2010 was

the correct time for us to close our doors.

Even though we had not raised our prices in almost three years to help customers combat the recession, our costs, government taxes, and fees continued to rise and margins were getting squeezed. The revenues and disappearing profits were not sufficient to justify staying open.

The comraderie and friendship that we have shared with our suppliers and vendors has been a real blessing.

We sincerely thank you for your loyalty, and for your prompt service and customer support. We will miss working with you.

We hope you all weather the economic storm that is upon us and that we are able to stay in touch.

All the best...

Steve at RoadHog Motorcycle Shop (Formerly EagleRider of Bend, Oregon)

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From The . . .

## GUNNY'S SACK

I know it's early, but it's time to start planning for our annual trip to the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)* national get-together. 2010 is our *25th Anniversary Convention*, and it will be in Orlando, Florida. It promises to be one of our best yet.

Our *Silver Anniversary Convention* this year will include discussion on what we can do about many of the outrageous things going on in the biker world, including our right to assemble and wear clothing of our choice. Gonna be a real eye-opener for a lot of people.

Most of the *A.I.M. (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists)* attorneys will be there as well.

Get with your groups and send at least two people so all of the seminars can be covered. Many issues of concern to riders are addressed. These conventions are exciting but intense, and long hours are involved. Plan on spending long days.

It's a good idea to send folks who haven't attended an *A.I.M./N.C.O.M.* conference before. Fresh minds are focused.

Call **1-(800)-380-6751** for your reservations at the *Orlando Airport Marriott Hotel*. The convention room rate is \$89 a night. The dates will be May 6-9, 2010. Make your reservations early and mention the *N.C.O.M.* convention for the good rates.

The rooms are going fast so do it as soon as possible.

Get with the *A.I.M.* offices for reservation forms for the banquet and conference. That number is **1-(800)-531-2424**, or **1-(800)-On-A-Bike**

### Newsbits—N—Pieces

**Illinois** — A motorist has been charged with reckless homicide for hitting and killing a rider. The car driver apparently was under the influence of alcohol, morphine, heroin, and codeine at the time of the collision. If convicted he could be sentenced to two to 14 years in prison.

Any time a biker is killed by another vehicle that driver should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Shame is, laws are too lenient in most states

**Texas** — More teeth in the regulation. A driver was sentenced to 25 years in the can after killing three people, all on motorcycles, while driving drunk and attempting to escape after the wreck. Maybe things are changing.

**Florida** — Police harassment? Couple pulled over by cop because bike operator was wearing a mask. The biker was wearing a modified gladiator helmet that obscured his face, much the same as if he were wearing a full face helmet. Cop said he was breaking the law covering his face while riding. Mind you, in Florida adults can ride without a helmet by regulation. This guy was wearing a helmet. Sometimes, ya just can't win.

Here in Oregon, we have a helmet case in the court of appeals for a conviction for wearing a similar "samurai" head bucket. *A.I.M.* attorney Sam Hochberg has been working on it, with the masterful help of Rankin Johnson IV. No word from the court yet.

**Arlington, Texas** — It pays to pay attention to manufacturer recalls. This Texas police officer was caught up in a ball of fire because his police department didn't heed a recall warning from *Harley* about some fuel tank mount issues on certain 2009-2010 touring models. If y'got one, check with your dealer. The police department says he died on impact, and that the fire didn't cause his death. Are ya sure?

The motorcycle that exploded into fire during a crash and killed the officer had been flagged for a recall. The reason: "risk of fire and death to the rider."

**N.H.T.S.A.** — More recalls. If ya own one of these rides, get it to the dealer and get it fixed:

**Kawasaki:** 2009, Subject : oil passage inspection

**Aprilla:** 2010. Subject : engine failure

**South Carolina** — The Myrtle Beach helmet cases are hitting the South Carolina high court. Among others, our own *A.I.M.* attorney Tom McGrath from Virginia is working with others taking this case to the South Carolina supreme court. South Carolina does not have a helmet requirement for folks over 21 but this city is claiming it has a valid helmet regulation. Several business owners and motorcyclists all over the state contend the city cannot have a regulation that preempts state regulation.

The suit contends the ordinance violates free enterprise and interstate



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

commerce regulations and the U.S. constitution. Not to mention loss of tourist dollars to the city and state coffers for the big biker rallies usually there. City officials have passed regulations designed to get rid of two bike rallies held there each year, costing millions in revenue.

With our economy in the shape its in right now, seems to me those city fathers aren't using their collective heads in the best interest of their constituents.

**Nebraska, Lincoln** — Legislators revved up their engines again for what has become a perennial debate about repealing the state's mandatory motorcycle helmet requirement. State senator Charlie Janssen of Fremont, who introduced the repeal measure, said the issue is about "freedom, choice, and tourism." Nebraska would join thirty other states without helmet requirements for adults if legislative bill 200 passes. Those states include most of Nebraska's neighbors. There is still strong opposition to deal with.

The bill would create a new requirement for riders to wear eye protection. Janssen offered an amendment that would limit the repeal to riders 21 or older saying it would encourage more riders to cross the state, riders who now avoid Nebraska. By the time the *Sack* goes to press, there will probably be a result in Nebraska, so stay tuned.

**New Hampshire** — Get this: HB-95 would require all motorcyclists to install tachometers and O.E.M. exhaust systems. New Hampshire HB-1261, would require an *E.P.A.* stamp on your motorcycle exhaust.

According to senator Bob Letourneau, who testified against both bills, "Between 400 and 500 people showed up, all in opposition, except the sponsors." Indeed the support was overwhelmingly against both bills, including testimony from *A.M.A.* government affairs manager Imre Szauter, *M.R.F.* vice president of government relations Jeff Hennie, *N.H.M.R.O.* vice president Candy Alexander, and *M.M.A.* safety and education director Doc D'Errico.

It's critical that we offer our support while continuing to carry forth our

fight for education, not legislation.

**Tennessee** — More club harassment. Motorcycle club members Mark "Ivan" Lester and Kenneth "Kenny" Foster were released from jail, represented by their attorney. County sheriff J. J. Jimmy Jones authored an apparently illegal search of two *Outlaw Motorcycle Club* clubhouses that destroyed the buildings. They even dug up memorial grave stones from the yard because they had club logo's on them. The warrants were signed by a divorce judge when cops knew the criminal judges would not sign them. More on these things later, or come to *N.C.O.M.* in May and learn more.

### Gunny Again

Remember folks when ya have a dispute with anything that pertains to regulations, get an attorney who knows the area you're having the problem with. That's the reason we have our *A.I.M.* attorneys working their collective cans off for us for crashes of all sorts.

Call the *A.I.M.* number **1-(800)-531-2424** 24/7 around the U.S. for Sam Hochberg, our Oregon *A.I.M.* attorney, or for the *A.I.M.* attorney in your state.

Sam is also available on-line at: **SamBikeLaw@AOL.COM**

Gunny is found at **AimGunny@AOL.COM**, or by phone at **(503)-366-2636**.

And *A.I.M.* and *N.C.O.M.* are on-line too at: **http://www.aimncom.com**

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*Oregon A.I.M.*

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**Rot Path**  
crusty ol' editor

As this issue of the *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* state newspaper goes to press, the Oregon senate has passed a potential ballot measure that would allow the state legislature to meet annually. The measure now moves to the Oregon house. Since 1997, the house has killed five similar bills. However, if the measure survives its house encounter, it will appear on the 02 November state ballot.

What would passage of the measure mean to Oregon motorcyclists?

We would have twice as much opportunity to introduce legislation that makes the world a better place for riders.

We would need to be twice as vigilant for ill-informed legislation that could harm or make life more difficult or even unsafe for motorcyclists.

One problem we have faced with a semiannual legislature meeting schedule is maintaining enthusiasm for what we do. There is a lot of down time between sessions presently when general interest in motorcyclist concerns begins to wane. Members and supporters grow tired of being keyed up when nothing is actually happening.

On the plus side of the present system, we have lots of time to prepare when our legislature only meets every two years. We have time to get our measures fine-tuned and organize our members.

With the Oregon legislature meeting every year, *A.B.A.T.E.*, *BikePAC*, and other rider groups will need to become more dynamic organizations, monitoring the stream of bills and proposals flowing out of committees and both chambers, poised to act on any bill that threatens jeopardize the well-being of Oregon motorcyclists. It will be exciting, scary, and rewarding.

As proposed in the Oregon senate version of the annual meeting bill, there would be limits on how long the legislature would meet. (Junior members are mostly private citizens with their own outside businesses or jobs. They can't afford long sessions.) In even-numbered years, the legislature would meet for no longer than 45 days. In odd-numbered years, that length would grow to 135 days. The Oregon house may modify the proposed limits. Or the measure may die in committee without citizen involvement.

Each of us must examine this issue and decide what would serve the state's best interest as well as motorcyclist's.

A separate issue that will severely affect how the Oregon legislature conducts business was a January U.S. supreme court decision removing limits on corporate and union political spending for political candidate elections. What this means to citizens is that corporations (and to a

lesser extent, unions) will be able to overwhelm the political process with hand-picked officer holders catering to special interests rather than the people they're supposed to represent.

Granting corporations the same constitutional rights as an individual gives them more than a double advantage over "we the people".

Why?

Because their members are already represented individually. Add to that the will of a non-living self-interested perpetual entity with huge monetary resources, and the will of the people becomes meaningless.

*Three weeks into  
March we find light  
and dark balanced.*

One thing about being involved with organizations like *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and *BikePAC* is that now days it brings us into closer contact with members of motorcycle clubs who traditionally used to keep pretty much to themselves. Within the last few years the political awareness and involvement of clubs has blossomed. And they have some pretty amazing members, once folks move beyond stereotypes to know and work with club members who are just as passionate as we are about preserving the rights and freedoms we have left

while striving to regain those we have lost.

Nowhere was that more evident than the bike rally at the capitol on Presidents' Day last month. Indeed, it was Quiet Mike of *Gypsy Jokers* who helped secure motorcycle parking in front of the capitol building on 15 February when we didn't think we would have any. For that, we owe him and other club members a profound debt of thanks.

If you've led a sheltered life or are relatively new to *A.B.A.T.E.* or *BikePAC*, please don't be apprehensive when you see patch holders at events or meetings. Screw your courage to the sticking place and walk up to introduce yourself to them. Get to talking. You'll find that you've got a lot more in common than you thought and that they are pretty interesting people.

We all ride the same roads.

Just a reminder that the April edition of the state newspaper traditionally plays up the April Fools Day theme, something that was passed down from Gordon (the previous editor) to Rot Path. (Yer crusty ol' editor of present.) Aside from some sort of bizarre and aggravating layout, reports are not edited, spell-checked, or corrected for grammar. (Something c.o.e. likes to think of as "English teacher's revenge".)

So make sure you proof read your own reports several times, then relax at your next meeting and see how many mistakes your group can find in other reports.

### MARCH Cryptogram

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

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March 13, 2010

8PM til ?



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Lincoln County Chapter - A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

# Long John Poker Run

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## 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party

### Saturday, March 27th

STARTS AT AMERICAN LEGION HALL – POST #116  
424 W. OLIVE ST. NEWPORT

Breakfast by American Legion Riders @ 9:00a.m. \$5 per person  
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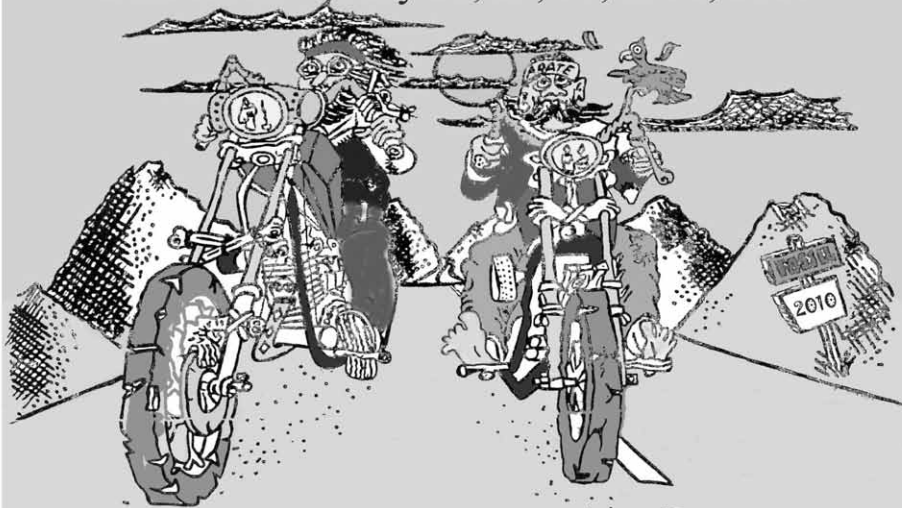
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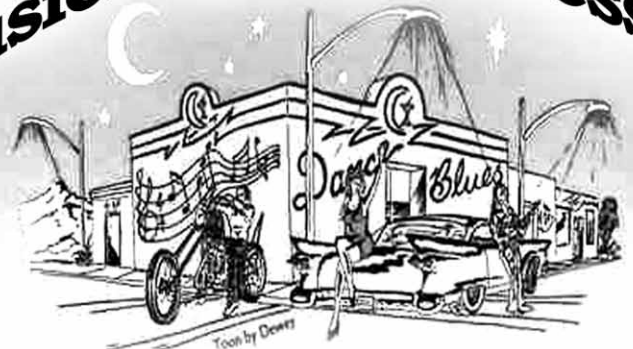
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# BikePAC Report



February 06, 2010

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened at 12:00 p.m. by Nic Oliver. (Executive director) There were 19 members attending.

Mel Yeager gave a copy of the minutes to each attendee and after reading them, a motion and second to approve was made. Passed.

Mel Yeager then gave a treasurer's report in writing. After explanation, a motion and second was made to approve. Passed.

Membership report was made by Bill Foster, our new membership director. A motion and second was made to approve. Passed.

Legislative officer report was made by Heidi Disrud. She has been canvassing candidates to determine friends of bikers and biker issues. There are 16 senators and 60 representatives up for election this year.

Heidi is making up a list of candidates that we know to be friendly to biker issues.

BikePAC has arranged two *Black Mondays*. We will have rallies on both February 15th and again on the 22nd. I have arranged the use of meeting room 50 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on both days. (It is possible that we could be preempted by any legislator who wants to use the room

for his or her purpose.) The room is located in the basement of the capitol building. It will serve as the gathering place for all bikers coming to the capitol for the event. Pass the word to all of your friends and family who ride and encourage them to ride with you on these two occasions. We want to fill the building with black leather-wearing people.

Unfortunately, I was not able to arrange parking for motorcycles for the two dates. Parking is on your own. Plan to share a parking space with other bikes.

A mass ride to the capitol is planned to start from the *K-Mart* parking lot at 25th and Mission in Salem at 11 a.m. Be there before that time to ride with the group.

In conjunction with this report, Mel reminded all that the application period to register for precinct committee person (P.C.P.) is from February 1 to March 9th 2010. You must apply even if you are already a P.C.P., or if you want to run for any public office that is open.

Nic and Mel reported on the *Financial Stewardship Conference* that we attended January 23rd in Corvallis. The conference was not valuable to our business as it was concentrating on non-profits

who raise a lot of funds for various reasons. Our organization is very small compared to those types and we have no issues with our methods of reporting or record keeping.

Next item to be discussed was the *May Awareness Rally* flyer. Nic showed several flyers and the attendees chose one of them to be the official flyer for the event. The flyer was sent to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* for official sanctioning and insurance for the event. Two people have been designated to print the flyers and must submit their expenses to the treasurer for reimbursement.

The band for the event will be *Bootleg Woman*. They will play from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and then we are allowed to use their public address system for the rest of the event.

Information booths will be allowed for other biker organizations to show what they have to offer. Other organizations may be allowed to have information tables or booths with executive board permission. Mel will arrange the usual fun bike show that we have had for the last five years. It will cost two dollars to enter and the categories and prizes will be known at the rally.

The next item to be discussed was to consider updating the language

of our by-laws. They have not been changes in many years and some items need to be changed. Nic and Mel will study the changes and bring back suggestions at the March meeting.

Membership director, Bill Foster has a particular need in that he lives in an area of the state that does not have cable internet service. He has to have a dish network to do business as our membership director. He asked that *BikePAC* pay [part] of his internet bill each month. Discussed, moved, seconded and approved.

Next meeting is March 6th, 2010 at noon in the Salem public library in the Plaza room.

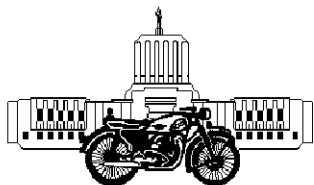
Meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

--Mel Yeager  
secretary/treasurer

P.S. Applications for the election of a *BikePAC* member to the position of secretary/treasurer are now being accepted by Nic Oliver. If any member interested in the position, please contact him in writing of your desire to be a candidate. You can do this by U.S. mail or by e-mail. You must have your application in his hands prior to the March 6th meeting.

Nic's e-mail address is: **nic\_oliver@live.com**

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News &amp; Notes

AmericanMotorcyclistAssociation

## A.M.A. Announces Election Results For North Central Region Director

The A.M.A. is pleased to release the certified results of the A.M.A. north central region election for the A.M.A. board of directors. Candidate Jim Viverito was elected, receiving 61 percent of the votes. Current board member Bill Werner received 39 percent.

"We heartily welcome Jim Viverito to the A.M.A. board of directors," said A.M.A. president and C.E.O. Rob Dingman. "Jim joins the board at an historic time as the A.M.A. increases its advocacy efforts, expands its menu of member benefits, improves amateur racing and implements a new association management system that will better serve the needs of all members."

"I also want to thank Bill Werner for his distinguished service to the A.M.A. board, and wish him well in his future endeavors," Dingman added.

### Have A Vintage Project Bike?

#### (Or Not-So-Vintage) We Want To See It

American Motorcyclist magazine is looking for a few good bike projects to highlight in conjunction with A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days this July 9-11. Are you building a bike for the track or bike show? How about something for the Ride 'Em, Don't Hide 'Em parade?

Selected projects may appear in a future issue of American Motorcyclist magazine or at: <http://www.AmericanMotorcyclist.com>

We're interested in all kinds: vintage motocross, trials, dirt-track, street, roadracing. Drop us a line (include photos) at: [jholter@ama-cycle.org](mailto:jholter@ama-cycle.org), and we'll be in touch. (Sorry, not all projects can be featured in the magazine.) Thanks.

### Be Our Fan On Facebook

When you're not busy sending flair, taking the *Which '80s Sitcom Star Are You* quiz or harvesting your pumpkin crop in Farmtown, check out our fan page on **Facebook.com**. We post images, videos, news, and information about what's cool in the world of motorcycling. Search for "American Motorcyclist Association" and remember to write on our wall.

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## M.R.F. Report



**Jay Jackson**

Oregon  
A.B.A.T.E.  
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representative

This is just a quick introduction to let you know that I will be asking for your support for the coming year.

When Ted Tracy became the state coordinator for Oregon A.B.A.T.E. this year, he asked me to replace him as the M.R.F. representative for Oregon.

My name is Jay Jackson and even if I live in Vancouver, Washington I am a member of Washington County A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon as well as A.B.A.T.E. of Washington, Clark County Freedom Riders Chapter.

We have been active with M.R.F. for several years and have served as co-representative and assistant for Washington for a couple years. My wife Glynce will be my helper here

in Oregon too.

The M.R.F. needs our support now more than ever with the tight economy. It is my goal this year to help every chapter of Oregon A.B.A.T.E. become sustaining members of M.R.F. The membership fee is a small price to pay for all that M.R.F. does for all motorcyclists in the U.S.A.

Please contact me at (360)-828-7189 or by e-mail at: [jay12jackson@comcast.net](mailto:jay12jackson@comcast.net)

Ride free,

Jay

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from M.R.F. lobbyist,

Jeff Hennie,

in Washington, D.C.

The U.S. senate continues to work on what has become known as the "Jobs Bill", although it's not all business as usual. The core of the Jobs Bill is a package of tax cuts, hiring incentives, unemployment extensions, programs to help retain employees, offsets, and tax credit bond programs.

The original draft was an \$85

billion package crafted over four months of bipartisan work in conjunction with the white house.

So it was surprising when senate majority leader Harry Reid (D-NV) pulled that version at the last minute and introduced a stripped down \$15 billion version. Rumors swirl around his rationale for this, but only the senator knows for sure why he did what he did.

One of the only similarities between the senate draft and what Reid introduced last Thursday is a seemingly benign group of extensions to a handful of transportation-related measures.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) worked with the senate to include the motorcycle safety program set up under S.A.F.E. T.E.A.-L.U. (PL 109-59) on the list of extended programs. The program sends cash back to the states to be used only for motorcycle rider education and public awareness campaigns aimed at motorists. Reid's bill would continue the full funding of \$7 million a year for the next two

years.

For those who feel that federal funds come with strings attached, it's important to remember that this started as state money. It was sent to D.C. to collect in a trust fund, then it is sent back to the states for specific programs.

"With the likelihood that the next highway bill will be stalled for the foreseeable future, it's important that we keep funding these effective safety programs in the meantime," said Jeff Hennie, vice president of government relations and public affairs for the M.R.F. "Considering that most states are using their current state funds dedicated to running motorcycle safety programs on everything except motorcycle safety, it becomes apparent just how badly this money is needed," he added.

The house passed similar motorcycle safety program legislation, but only extended the funding for one year. The reasoning by the house was that we cannot wait for two years to pass a full highway bill.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

# Winter Whereabouts



This winter was my third trip to the A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania legislative and leadership seminar. Remarkably, this year was the 25th anniversary of the premier motorcycle conference in the keystone state. The multi-day event is packed with educational opportunities and draws attendees from across the entire country, this year totaling about 400 bikers. Hats off to Charlie Umbenhauer and his top-notch team. Thanks from the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* for including us.

**New Hampshire** is one of three states at this point that allow all riders to decide what types of personal protection equipment they want wear with the exception of eye wear. So it's troubling that this last bastion of freedom has been attacked by the same state representative for the past two years. Judith Day, a democrat representing the touristy sea coast area of New Hampshire, has introduced a mandatory helmet requirement and a motorcycle sound emissions regulation two years in a row.

Both bills were heard in the New Hampshire house transportation committee recently, and *M.R.F.* vice president of government relations Jeff Hennie testified in opposition to both bills at the request of the *New Hampshire Motorcyclists' Rights Organization (N.H.M.R.O.)*. Attendance at the hearing was expected to be so large that they had to schedule it to take place on the actual house floor in the state capitol building. Approximately 400 motorcyclists were in attendance.

There was the usual support for the helmet bill (HB-1162) from hospital associations, victims' family, the bill sponsor, and a handful of her colleagues (although she was never able to convince any of her fellow members of the New Hampshire state house to co-sponsor the bill). At one point during her floor speech, she defended her lack of support from her constituents and her colleagues by speculating, "Because they probably feel intimidated."

Representative Day's second motorcycle bill, HB-1261 to reduce motorcycle noise, was also heard that day, and once again the *M.R.F.* testified before committee. Day decided last year that motorcycles make too much noise in her touristy beach district, so she wants to overturn state legislation and drastically reduce the allowable sound from 106 decibels to 82 decibels. However, she doesn't want to use an actual sound test at the point of inspection as is the case now. Instead she wants law enforcement to look at stopped, standing, or parked motorcycles for the manufacturer-required *E.P.A.* stamp to determine that their pipes meet all federal standards. This is, of course, problematic for a number of reasons, all of which were pointed out to the committee. Visibility of the stamp and tampering with stock pipes, not to mention giving law enforcement the ability to issue \$300 dollar citation for noise to bikes that aren't even running, were just a few of the many points raised.

The four hundred plus bikers were respectful of the chairman's requests, stuck to the allotted speaking time,

and refrained from boos or hisses. Those in attendance were a classy, effective group of motorcyclists from the New England region.

February 2, 2010 the New Hampshire house transportation committee voted unanimously "inexpedient to legislate" or I.T.L. on both bills. In New Hampshire, the full house votes on every bill. However, a state house committee vote of I.T.L. essentially kills the bill, and packages it with a group of other bills also labeled I.T.L., once it reaches the house floor. But the bill's sponsor still has the ability to force discussion on the bill and give it a stand alone vote. As of press time, the bill's sponsor had not done that. The New Hampshire house was expected to consider the measure the week of February 8, 2010.

## Consumer Product Safety Commission (C.P.S.C.)

As expected, the *C.P.S.C.* issued its report to congress on Friday January 15, and unfortunately did not change its position on the exemption of youth off-road motorcycles and A.T.V.s from the ban of sales in the U.S.A. The stay of enforcement on the issue has just over a year remaining. This will continue to heat up as we put pressure on congress to address this issue.

The *M.R.F.* will keep you updated on these and any other issues affecting motorcyclists.

## Spring Lobbying

Spring is just around the corner which means

1. You are fantasizing of warmer weather and longer days to ride.
2. Your state motorcyclists' rights organization (S.M.R.O.) should be considering a trip to D.C. It's lobbying season, and the time of year when our grassroots efforts shine brightest, so make some time to come to D.C.

## Bikers In The Beltway

The successful event held last year known as *Bikers in the Beltway* will occur again. Dates are likely to be mid-May 2010. The *M.R.F.* will get exact dates and details out to you as soon as possible.

### M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists

# Motorcycle Buyers Are Happier Than Ever

Motorcycle manufacturers are trying harder than ever to please customers, and the result is higher quality bikes and happier owners.

Overall satisfaction with the motorcycle ownership experience has increased for a seventh consecutive year to a record-high level, according to the *J.D. Power and Associates 2009 Motorcycle Competitive Information Study*. Each of the study's five criteria: product, quality, cost of ownership, sales, and service, have improved, with sales and service showing the biggest improvements.

*"The result of increased competition is that the quality and performance of bikes is at an all-time high,"* Power's Todd Markusic explains, *"and dealers are paying much more attention to their customers' sales and service experiences."*

First-time buyers comprise 22% of all new motorcycle purchases. With the average age of owners increasing from 40 to 47 since 2001, it is important for manufacturers to focus on younger Gen X and Y demographics to ensure continued growth in the market.

Now in its 12th year, the annual survey measures owner satisfaction with new motorcycles and fielded responses from nearly 8,000 owners between August and October 2009, focusing on 2009 model year bikes.

### Wisconsin Bills Would Honor Harley-Davidson

A bill has been introduced in the Wisconsin state legislature to create a special license plate commemorating *Harley-Davidson*, the iconic Milwaukee motorcycle manufacturer.

The legislation would authorize the creation of an automobile license plate available for purchase that would include *Harley-Davidson's* trademark bar and shield logo and the message *"Share the Road."*

Available for cars and pickups registered in Wisconsin, the revenue collected by the department of transportation from the specialty plate sales would be used for conducting public workshops on motorcycle safety, evaluating basic rider education courses, creating transportation messages at motorcycle rallies, providing funds for motorcycle-related safety and training programs, and grants to providers of motorcycle safety training courses.

*"Motorcycling is a huge part of*

*Wisconsin's culture and plays a big role in our state's economy,"* state representative Jim Sullivan told the *Business Journal of Milwaukee* upon introducing the measure. *"This license plate helps us protect that heritage and promote sharing the road safely with all drivers."*

The goal is to have the plate ready by May 2010, which is motorcycle safety month in most states.

Wisconsin legislators are also currently considering legislation declaring *Harley-Davidson* the state's official motorcycle, similar to recognizing a state bird or flower.

[*c.o.e. note: This has to be the ultimate in irony – issuing a license plate honoring a motorcycle manufacturer that isn't available for motorcycles.*]

### Proposed Legislation To Let Michigan Riders Buy Permits To Ride Helmetless

Motorcyclists in Michigan would be able to buy a permit to ride without a helmet if a newly-introduced bill becomes law.

It would apply to riders who are 21 years or older, have been licensed to operate a motorcycle for at least two years or completed a safety class, and have at least \$20,000 in health insurance. The \$100-a-year permit would make helmets optional. Any passenger over 21 years riding with a permit holder wouldn't need a helmet.

State representative Richard LeBlanc (D-Westland) said wearing a helmet should be a personal choice. LeBlanc told *Capitol News Service* of the *Macomb Daily* newspaper that he's been involved with the issue since the 1970s when he started riding a motorcycle, adding that he introduced the bill because he believes that wearing a helmet should be a personal choice.

The bill is pending in the house committee on regulatory reform, though *A.B.A.T.E. of Michigan* reportedly does not support the legislation and is dedicated to working with their new governor to repeal the existing helmet regulation with no fees, additional insurance or stickers.

Michigan riders, spearheaded by *A.B.A.T.E.* and the *Confederation of Clubs* of Michigan, succeeded in passing helmet repeal legislation twice since 2006 only to have both bills vetoed by outgoing governor Jennifer Granholm.



### Millions In Insurance Overcharges Due To Massachusetts Motorcyclists

Massachusetts insurance companies have overcharged consumers on premiums by overstating and failing to depreciate motorcycle values.

Attorney general Martha Coakley's office entered into settlements with several insurance companies resolving allegations that they overcharged consumers for motorcycle insurance by using incorrect motorcycle values to calculate premiums. The settlements, which return \$11.1 million to consumers, stem from an investigation spurred by consumer complaints and ongoing lobbying efforts by the *Massachusetts Motorcycle Association (M.M.A.)*.

Investigators found that insurers were not adjusting motorcycle values for their steady depreciation over time and instead were using the same value for a bike for several consecutive years to gauge premium levels.

*"The settlements cover alleged overcharges going back to 2002 and require the insurers to pay six percent interest to consumers on the alleged overcharges,"* reports the *M.M.A.* in a prepared statement. *"Average refunds to consumers are anticipated to be approximately \$300 with some consumers receiving thousands of dollars. Tens of thousands of policies are believed to have been affected."*

Motorcyclists praised the settlements, but warned that a number of other insurance companies also evaluated motorcycles incorrectly.

Betsy Lister, a politically-active insurance agent who rides a motorcycle, told the *Enterprise News* that motorcyclists have repeatedly raised this issue with the state division of insurance and the attorney general's office. *"They've been doing it going back to the early 2000s,"* Lister said of the insurers' overcharges. *"This is something we've been fighting for years."*

### Weird News

#### Man Assaulted Over Pictures Of Motorcycle

In a twisted version of *Dog, the Bounty Hunter* meets *Repo Man*, Sioux Falls Police say a man hired to repossess a motorcycle ended up assaulting and kidnapping the bike owner's dad instead.

A South Dakota father received a call from a man claiming he needed pictures of a motorcycle that his son owned. The father thought the person calling was from a dealership and needed evidence for a payment plan he had set up, but when the undercover repo guy arrived at his home, the bike owner's dad became uneasy and told him he didn't feel comfortable with the man taking pictures of the motorcycle.

The repossession agent refused to leave and when the father said he was going to call the police, he put the dad in hand-cuffs and threatened him with a taser. He was later arrested for aggravated assault and kidnapping.

### Quotable Quote

*"There is good news from Washington D.C. today. The congress is deadlocked and can't act."*

Will Rogers  
(1879-1935)  
American humorist

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<b>Douglas County</b>	3rd Thursdays at 7:00 P.M. at "Willie D's" 443 SE Jackson St., Roseburg
<b>Hub City</b>	3rd Thursday at 7 P.M. at Ciddici's Pizza, 133 Fifth Street, Albany
<b>Josephine County</b>	3rd Wednesday at 6:30pm at Fruitdale Grange, 1440 Parkdale Dr, Grants Pass
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<b>Lower Columbia</b>	1st Sunday at 7 p.m. at Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie
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- FOSSIL CRUZ-IN CAR SHOW- July 4<sup>th</sup>
- RIVER CITY CHAPTER- Chapter Meeting- July 4<sup>th</sup>
- MULE DAYS - July 17<sup>th</sup>- 19<sup>th</sup>
- KINZUA GOLF TOURNEMENTS- Cowboy Scramble- June 20<sup>th</sup>
- Couples Tourney- July 11<sup>th</sup>&12<sup>th</sup>
- Women's Tourney- Aug 15<sup>th</sup>
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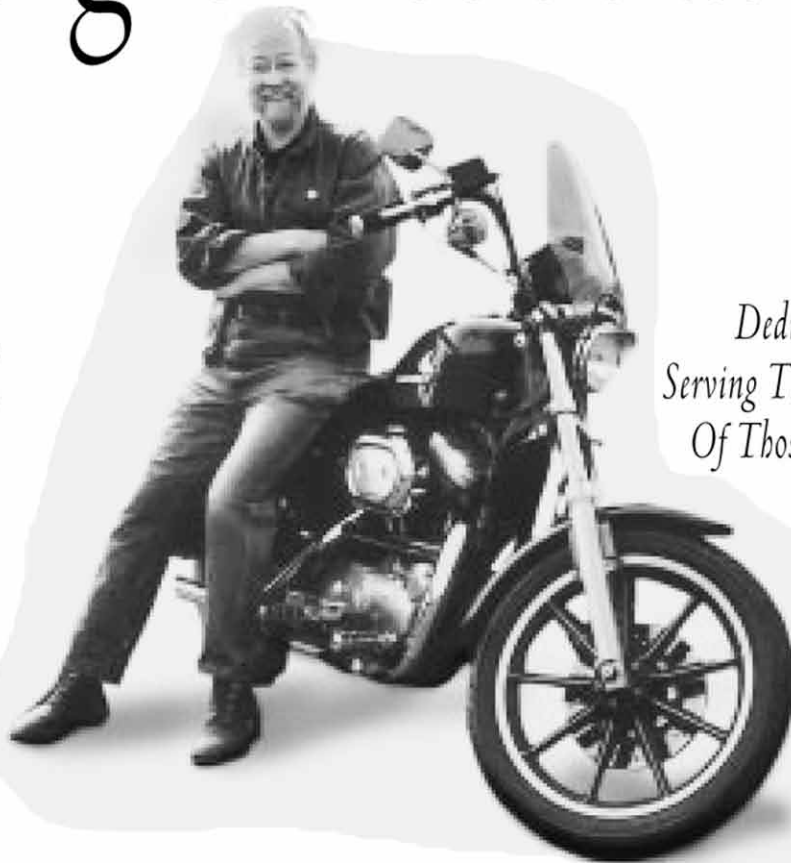
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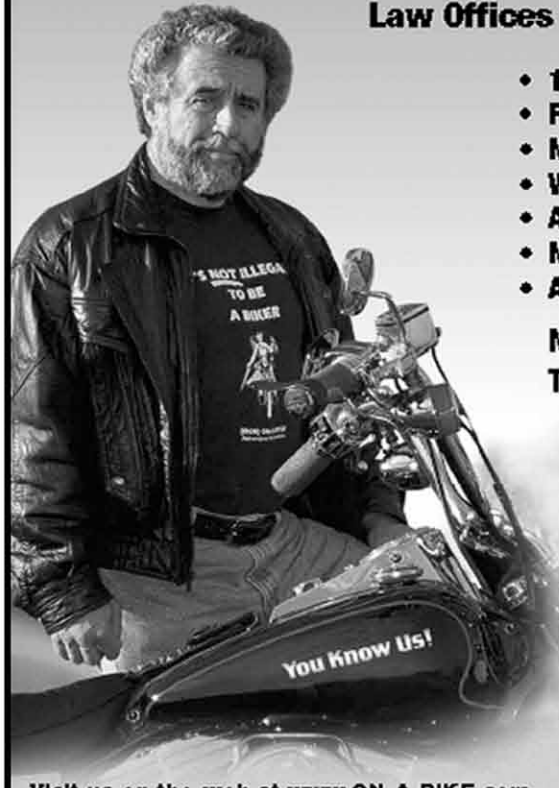
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Joe & Ruth	(541)-563-3711	central coast	X	X		X	X	X	X
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Walt Young	(541)-336-9550	central coast	X	X	X		X		
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**North Coast area**

Curve Hagert	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X		X	X	X
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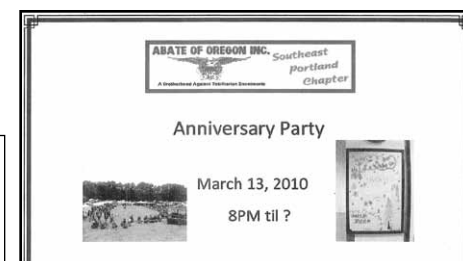
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This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or D.O.T. administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone 1-800-347-1106 or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for Gunny. Thank you for your cooperation. Please send to: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 720 SW Washington, Portland, OR 97205 ATTN: Gunny

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

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?**

DATE STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ a m / pm

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ID NO: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

CITATION? (YES) (NO) IF SO FOR: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

CITE # \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance date: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: \_\_\_\_\_

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

If verbal, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?**

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

**DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING**

BRAND: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Was helmet modified? (YES) (NO) If modified describe: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 NEW ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Members in Same Household:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual Rates:**

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

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

Congressional District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Senator: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

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



Please send completed application to:

**Membership Secretary**  
**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 4504**  
**Portland, Oregon**  
**97208**

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

Comments:

# March 2010 (ostara) *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events . . .*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) River City 1900 (7 pm)	3	4	5	6
7 4th quarter moon Lower Columbia 1900 (7 pm) Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	8 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	9	10	11	12	13 STATE BOARD Albany – 1200 (12 p.m.) Run Committee – 1100 (11 a.m.) computer training – 1100 (11 a.m.) <b>Southeast Portland Anniversary Party</b> Gresham
14 Central Oregon 1400 (2 pm) Twin Rivers 1200 (noon) <i>delusional daylight tampering begins</i>	15 new moon	16 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) River City 1900 (7 pm) Jackson County 1830 (6:30 pm)	17 Josephine County 1830 (6:30 pm) <i>St. Patrick's day</i>	18 Douglas County 1900 (7 pm) Hub City 1900 (7 pm) Willamette Valley 1900 (7 pm) alder tree of the month	19	20 <i>spring equinox</i>
21 North Coast 1000 (10 am) Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	22 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	23 2nd quarter moon Salem 1900 (7 pm)	24	25	26	27 <b>Lincoln County Long John Poker Run</b> Newport
28 Twin Rivers 1200 (noon)	29 storm moon	30	31			

**STATE BOARD MEETING**  
 Saturday, 13 Mar 2010  
 noon – *Eagles Lodge*  
 127 Broadalbin street NW  
 Albany, Oregon  
 Run committee meeting – 1100  
 Open computer training – 1100

In Ireland at the close of the day,  
 The wee folk come out to drink and play,  
 Riding where they cavort,  
 Your steed may buck and snort,  
 None are as mischievous as they.  
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**2010 RUN LISTINGS**  
 (boldface indicates state-sanctioned Oregon A.B.A.T.E. events)

Date:	Event – Chapter / Spons:	Location:	Contct number:
06 Mar 2010	Anniversary Dinner – Washington County	Hillsboro	(503)-643-4725
13 Mar 2010	Anniversary Party – Southeast Portland	Gresham	
27 Mar 2010	Long John poker run – Lincoln County	Newport	(541)-265-6850
25 Apr 2010	Swap Meet – Oregon ABATE	Portland	(503)- 475-8765
17 Apr 2010	Swap Meet – Motorcycle of Bend	Bend	
24 Apr 2010	Cherry Festival Poker Run – River City	The Dalles	(541)-739-2879
01 May 2010	May Awareness Rally – BikePAC	Salem	
21-23 May	Southern Oregon Swap Meet – JoCo (Touville Lodge)		
28-31 May	Fossil Campout– Oregon ABATE	Fossil	
26 Jun 2010	Around Saddle Mountain Run – North Coast		
07 Aug 2010	Run To The Coast – JoCo		
21 Aug 2010	Mist Mountain Run – North Coast		
Aug 2010	S.O.S. Campout – JoCo		
19 Sept 2010	Last Chance Social – JoCo		

## CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

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