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

What We're About

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

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

• We are not a motorcycle club or gang.

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

In July of 1975, Rob Rasor of the American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.), Ron Roloff of the M.M.A. of California and Ed Armstrong of A.B.A. T.E. of Chicago presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

Later that year, with California being sued by the *D.O.T.* because governor Ronald Reagan refused to comply with the federal helmet law mandate, Roloff helped convince California senator Alan Cranston to offer the language of the bill as an amendment to the *1975 Federal Highway Act*, which passed with overwhelming support from the California delegation because of the impending lawsuit, and was signed by president Gerald Ford on May 5, 1976. Not bad for a rag tag bunch of bikers with little or no previous political ambitions.

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

Then, [in the 1998] session, motorcyclists united to put together a pro-active agenda for bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

by Bill Bish Executive Coordinator, National Coalition of Motorcyclists A.B.A.T.E. of California

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Coordinator's Comments

Hello everyone,

As most of you know, Rex Jamison and I traveled to Washington, D.C. to lobby the Oregon congressional delegation on behalf of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. My wife Ricci and my son Michael, a Navy Seabee, accompanied us and helped, at their own expense, with our lobbying effort. Folks, the results of this trip were beyond anything I had any reason to hope for.

First, a little history: You may recall that last year Bob Avery and I and our wives went to D.C. to lobby for A.B.A. T.E. The most productive result of that effort was the Motorcycle Safety Initiative sponsored by Oregon congressman Peter DeFazio. That initiative became the basis of a "Dear colleague letter" co-sponsored by both congressman DeFazio and congressman Stephen LaTourette of Ohio asking other congressmen to support the addition of such an initiative to the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, reauthorization for the year 2003, more commonly known as *T.E.A.-21* and *T.E.A.-03*.

As luck would have it our trip, which was scheduled months in advance, coincided with the transportation and infrastructure committee bill markup of *T.E.A.-21-03*. While I stood in the back of the committee room, I watched as our motorcycle safety initiative became Section 2009, motorcyclist safety, an amendment to the *Transportation Equity Act, a Legacy* for Users (*T.E.A.-L.U.*) house bill 3550.

It is difficult to describe the emotions I felt as I watched an idea presented a year earlier mature into what may well become the law of the land. I recall being short of breath while I listened to each word, smiling toward Carol Simpson of the M.R.F. and Peter Nonis of the American Motorcyclist Association, who stood shoulder to shoulder with me. I also thought of you and the long nights you spent on gate duty at Fossil, your cleaning up after the Portland Swap Meet, and the new members you signed up last year, all of which made it possible for me to be a participant in this moment of history. I want you to know that all of your sacrifice will ultimately save the lives of many brothers and sisters who have chosen to call themselves bikers. I thought, too, of all of you who have been a part of this fight for many years and how you deserved to be here more than I.

A very few days after our return the house passed *T.E.A.-L.U.* overwhelmingly. I'll tell this story in greater detail next month when I hope to have more good news to pass along.

The biggest item on the A.B.A. T.E. calendar occurs this month, the Fossil Campout! This year's event promises to be the best ever so get those tickets purchased and get your buddies to come along. You'll be proud to say in the future "I was there at Fossil". Your attendance will also fund the legislative victories of tomorrow.

May He be with you in all that you do

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



Greetings from sunny central Oregon.

We had a pretty good turnout at April's meeting.

second Sunday fell on easter.

The Redmond Hotel sold last month and it looks like we may have to find a new place to hold our meetings. We will probably talk about that at the May meeting.

The May meeting will be held after our roadside cleanup on May 8th, for the roadside cleanup we will meet at the Cloverdale fire hall behind Cloverdale preschool on Geo. Cyrus road off of highway 126, or the Sisters-Redmond highway about three miles east of Sisters at 9:30 a.m. After cleaning our designated stretch of the road we go to the Sisters Creekside Park for a barbeque and meeting. Hope to see you there.

The same day at 5:30 there will be a blow out fundraiser for Joe Johnson at the Black Horse Saloon, put on by the Central Oregon Motorcycle Coalition. Joe is a brother and one of our A.B.A.T.E. members. He was injured on a trip to Florida. He has had a run of bad luck. Joe is always at events and helps out whenever possible. Hope to see a lot of us there supporting him. It should be a very

good time.

Don't forget June 19th is our Second We moved it up a week because the Annual Rocks Bridges, Lakes Run. All profits from this run are donated to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, who fight for our rights in Washington D.C. Signups begin at 9:30 am at City Slickers in Redmond. Last rider out at 11:00 a.m. This is a run for our rights as bikers. If you have any questions there is a flyer in the back of this newsmagazine or give me a call.

> We will have nominations for new officers at our May meeting and hold elections at our June meeting. If you want to put your two cents in, be there.

> The riding season is upon us and it looks like it going to be a busy one. Lots of events to go to, lots of good people, lots of fun, and lots of miles.

> Keep your eyes open and ride safe. Remember, "united we stand . . .' and you all know the rest of that sentence.

Later, John



CENTRAL OREGON MEET-ING TIME and PLACE

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

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We had a relatively small meeting in April because it was easter Sunday. Of the officers Dee, historian, John, state representative II, and Rhonda, membership secretary, were absent.

Rhonda has moved to Walla Walla to take a new job so we need to find a replacement for her as soon as possible. This position is one of the mandatory ones so please come to the May meeting prepared to volunteer to take this job. If it is not filled, we cannot operate as a chapter and must turn into the state our chapter materials.

The membership secretary keeps track of our membership, including names, addresses, telephone numbers and other contact information and relays it to the state. The membership secretary also handles new memberships and renewals.

Jimbo reported that the toy run will have a new route this year so stay tuned. Janet has turned over the handling of the raffle tickets for the bike to Brandy and Rob so contact them at meetings if you want tickets.

Larry and Duane filled us in on the *Team Oregon* and *M.S.F.* [*Motorcycle Safety Foundation*] controversy. *M.S.F.* is trying to muscle out *Team Oregon* and take it over. *M.S.F.* charges a *lot*

more for the rider's training and is associated, not with Oregon, but with the motorcycle manufacturers and the insurance industry. *Team Oregon*, on the other hand, is home-grown and is composed of local riders. You can give your opinion of who should be handling training by contacting the state attorney general, Hardy Myers.

Duane reported briefly on the *Oregon Summit* that was held in The Dalles recently. One of the things coming out of the summit will be a survey to determine what motorcyclists feel are the important issues to be addressed by *BikePAC* in the next legislative session.

Duane needs help for the

rship *Fossil Campout* and Larry, who is in new charge of security, also needs help. Step and do your duty to the organization. They just need a few stay hours of your time at the campout to the make it a success.

Have a great spring,

Spike

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<u>COLUMBIA RIVER MEET-</u> ING TIME and PLACE

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

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Hello from the beautiful Umpqua Valley, a.k.a. Douglas county.

We are continuing to experience success with our evening meetings, having 34 in attendance last time. It was a pleasure to signup two new members at the meeting too.

Planning continues of our upcoming events and everyone is working hard. By the time this is published, our casino night will have been a success and we will be looking forward to the *May Awareness Rally* and *Fossil*.

It's been a pretty incredible spring so far. It seems what should be April showers dowsing the ground in preparation for May flowers has been days in the 70s and 80s. Need anyone mention that translates to great ride time? It is a little concerning though, because we all know that Oregon weather can be somewhat fickle. Let's all hope it's not pouring in June and July.

Our planning committee gathered at Abe and Cindy Zaffarano's home, and plans are underway for the our chapter's participation in *Fossil*, the poker run, and some other good

times. If you're planning on going to

Fossil, and don't make it to our chapter meeting regularly, give DJ or one of the officers a call and find out how you can help out at the run.

In addition to the meeting, they threw a baby shower for our very own Mary Cruz. She and Rick Grout are expecting Eric junior around the second week of April.

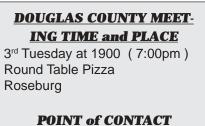
Sunday, April 4th, the four Christian biker groups held a biker church service and blessing of the bikes at *Stewart Park* in Roseburg. There was a great turn out.

Rick and Mary came on the bike. Being nearly nine months pregnant presents some interesting challenges for riding (never seen chaps buckled up that way before) and getting on and off the bike, well you can imagine. Seriously, Mary looks wonderful and the baby isn't slowing her down a bit . . . yet. Rick and Mary had another announcement to make too: they were married Friday, April 2, 2004 in Idaho. Congratulations to all "three" of you!

The swap meet was the usual success and a great time to see everyone that's been holed up for the winter. The weather cooperated fully with the sunshine and mid '70s. We did pretty well with signing up new members too. Our own Janie Curtis is quite a dynamo at getting the recruitment job done. Thanks again everyone for your hard work.

If you haven't begun yet, get that ride out and ready for the road. Do the safety checks and remember to participate in the many events that are coming up. Together we make

A.B.A.T.E. the success it is. This is a participation sport.



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Hub City Chapter

So May is here, huh? Usually some pretty good riding weather.

May starts with the *Motorcycle Awareness Rally* on the steps of the state capitol and *Fossil* finishes the month off with a bang. I like that!

Be sure to see us at the *Fossil* games. *Hub City*, along with the apprentice chapter, *Douglas County*, will be running the games and bike show. I'm looking forward to some good times and I'm sure no one will be disappointed.

Duane Calkins, state *Fossil* coordinator, is opening a new door in *A.B.A.T.E.* history. I am confident he will lead us into a new era of early season runs. Please help support him!

www.fossilcampground.com

The *Hub City Poker Run* is the first Saturday in June. Block out Saturday, June 5th. Be sure that this one is on your calendar! This poker run is known for being a great ride with friends and lots of fun. It is an adult only ride as all stops are at bars or taverns.

The poker run will start at *Humpty's Dump* on Old Salem Road in Albany. Please see the flyer in the newsmagazine for all the juicy details! I don't want to take away from EZ, our artist who does all our great flyers. Thanks again for keeping us looking good!

I've been informed that an "anonymous" donor has paid a year's fees to the *M.R.F.*! *Hub City* is now a "sustaining member". Thanks very much, fellow freedom fighter!

To look back on some past events, how was a Marine C about that homecoming for the Albany Reusser has two National Guard unit? The B-52s came home to Eugene airport where they were greeted by a police escort and a few Korea, and V. *Harleys.* Little did the soldiers guess what lay ahead. The colonel la

When the convoy turned north onto I-5 from highway 34, they were greeted by a stopped freeway and 105 bikes, plus many hotrods and restored antique cars.

Through the bus windows you could see the men and women cheering and clapping and pounding the windows. It just about killed me thinking "Here these people just went through a year of hell at war and away from home. What are they doing cheering for us?" Then I realized that what they fought for was U.S. and our right to assemble in greeting for our warriors retune home. Or not. What an awakening!

Salem's guard unit just returned home too and I'm glad to see what a contingent of freedom fighters turned out to welcome them home. This event got very good media coverage and helped show that we care and we show it in action, not just words.

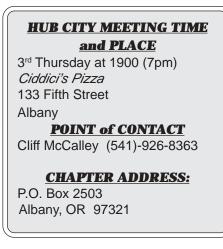
Another veterans event that I hope

many of you attended was the benefit for colonel Ken Reusser. He is Oregon's most decorated living war veteran. The colonel was a Marine Corps aviator. Colonel Reusser has two Navy Crosses, over 50 medals for valor, and several purple hearts. He was shot down in WW II, Korea, and Vietnam.Talk about a freedom fighter!

The colonel lost his home and third generation farm to an investment sham and a crooked bookkeeper. By the time he realized he was in trouble, it was too late to recover and the bank evicted the 84 year old colonel and his 65 year old wife.

It's too bad that these weasels are out

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



Well here's another summer coming up and the weather's been great too!

I'd first like to welcome our seventeen new members to our chapter. I'm really glad to say that our chapters is still growing.

We've got lots of plans for the summer. Things like rides, poker runs, and much more.

The one good poker run will be to the Viet Nam wall that will be here at Riverside Park in Grants Pass from June 24 to June 27, 2004.

The poker run will start from *Ray's Market* in Rogue River, Oregon to Grants Pass. Sign in is from 11 am to 1 pm.

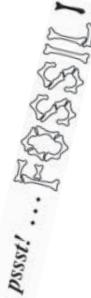
Also at the same time in Rogue River is *The Rooster Crow* celebrations going on that week end. It's a great time there with a parade and lots of vendors. We'd love to see some of are brothers and sisters down here that weekend!!

I'd also like to give thanks to Dave at *Touvelle Lodge*. Dave has been very good about supporting the bikers and the different groups of bikers here in southern Oregon. Touvelle is a great place to ride to. There's always a lot of bikes there. It's a great place for us to go. They always have great music and food on the weekends. Sunday they have a jam all day and if you like blues they have it also. If you would like to meet other riders from southern Oregon it's a great place to go. Touvelle is at 9367 Table Rock road, Central Point, Oregon.

JoCo A.B.A. T.E Chapter would love to see some of our bros and sis come down ride with us anytime plus we would love to go to some of the other chapter's events.

Ride safe !!!

Spanky



JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE 1st Thursdays at 1800 (6 pm) Pizza Hut 1465 6th Street Grants Pass POINT of CONTACT

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

Greetings from Lincoln County,

Had the most beautiful ride up highway 34 and then highway 20 onto Siletz for our anniversary party. There were about ten bikes with about thirteen participants. Toni Flanary from *American Legion Post 116*, Newport, won the high hand with triple 6's and Joe Huff won the low hand with not much of anything. But we had a great day.

Joe, just how fast was that *Heritage* going up the hill?

Thanks to Pat Green in Siletz for opening your home to all of us for the evening and night.

We had a ball and hope that everyone who attended had a great time. Next time you see Vickie Lechner, ask her about all of the leather and accessories that she won as door prizes.

The overnight camping was beautiful. A bit on the chilly side but, we were camping and that is all that matters.

Sunday breakfast was Joes' famous biscuits and gravy. Anyone who has been at *Beaver Creek* has tasted Joe's famous biscuits and gravy.

Kenny Lee and the Sundowners did a great job at the Siletz Pub. We like them as much as they like the local A.B.A.T.E. chapter. Kenny and his lady even won a couple of door prizes.

Those of us that are going to *Fossil* are getting our gear ready.

Looking forward to building trophies with *Hub City* later this month. We had a new member sign up after the poker run. Welcome Jack Wingfield.

Until next month, safe riding to all,

Wanda



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LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-ING TIMES and PLACE

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

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North Coast Chapter



Greetings from the North Coast Chapter.

Our Third Sunday ride in March was very well attended (25 scoots) and we were blessed with great weather. Our starting point was in Westport (just west of Clatskanie), although many of us met up in Astoria and rode together to Westport. We had breakfast there and hopped on the ferry to cross the Columbia and rode west on highway 4 to Long Beach.

We stopped at a park along the way for a break and the 50/50 drawing. The winner walked away with \$77, pretty good bonus for day. We headed on to Long Beach and ended up at Nick's West (another biker friendly establish with good food) for refreshments. A good time had by all. In fact we had a few new riders with us that day and picked up five new North Coast Chapter members. We welcome them and all of the recent new members of late. Thanks for your support, we look forward to seeing you at our meetings and events.

So with that all said, don't forget

about our new short runs on the 3rd 2823 or Amelia at (503)-325-6686. Sunday of every month These runs will start and end at different locations each month. Aside from another chance to enjoy the sights of our area and the comradery of our brothers and sisters, a fifty-fifty pot will be offered to all of those who choose to put a few extra bucks in their pocket, if they're so lucky to win. All bikes and riders are welcome and encouraged to join us. For more info give our chapter secretary Amelia Williams a call at sight of the fight for the freedom of (503)-325-6686.

The run committee has been busy soliciting raffle prizes and firming up the details for our upcoming 9th Annual Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run (A.S.M.) set for June 26th. Additionally, they are working on a new run for August titled the Fruit Loop. Stay tuned for more info on this one. We currently have A.S.M. run flyers in many of the northwest bike shops, info posted in several northwest biker publications including this fine publication. If you would like additional information on our future runs please contact Sue at (503)-325-

Just a reminder the big state event of the year is coming up very soon, the 27th Annual Fossil Campout, May 28-31. From the sounds of it, this year's event should be a great one, lots of great bands and fun to be had by all, not to mention beautiful riding country. If you haven't made this event before don't miss it.

Until next month, all the best from the North Coast Chapter and don't lose the road. You can make a difference, whether it's a call or e-mail to one of our state representatives in support of legislative issues/actions that affect our freedom or taking the time to visit the state capitol to lobby our representatives.

On that topic here's a great example of the power we have. If you haven't heard the news, on April 2nd the U.S. representatives house of overwhelmingly approved H.R. 3550. the the Transportation Equity Act; A Legacy for Users (the T.E.A. bill). This

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bill includes vital motorcycle safety initiatives including money to support rider safety training programs, safety improvements to our roads across the U.S. and more. The passage of this bill represents a major victory by *M.R.F.* and the S.M.R.O.s throughout our nation who worked hard for the better part of two years to lobby for the passage of this bill. Yes, we do have a voice and this yet another example of our successes.

Every one of us has the power. Seize it. Make a difference. Get involved. Don't forget May is *Motorcycle*

Awareness Month. Be safe out there, keep the rubber side down.

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NORTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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



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

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

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River City Chapter

April 6, 2004

Wow, what a meeting!

We started at 6:00 pm with the run committee meeting and then the regular meeting.

The poker run is shaping up quite nicely and final details will be done at the next meeting. The event will be history when this is published. We chose a shorter ride this year to make it more possible for folks from afar. It has some awesome scenery.

The meeting had quite a big discussion after the summit report about the roles and functions of the various organizations. We will continue the discussion at the next meeting, as time permits.

We approves some bills and expenditures.

Greg won the 50/50 at 9/9 and donated his share back to the chapter, thanks Gerg.

Dale Ruff would have won the getting radio membership drawing if he had been Historian r at the meeting. It will be \$55 next on the book. time.

We all gave Lee lots of encouragement about his broken bike.



Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:02 pm. 19 people present, two arrived later. Pledge of allegiance. Led by Lee Guests: Sue Daly

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

chose a shorter ride this year to make Correspondence was some run it more possible for folks from afar. It flyers, *N.C.O.M.* newsletters and a has some awesome scenery. *B.O.A.* info letter.

Treasury report is \$736.97. Bills submitted. Brian moved to authorize Lynne to purchase new Quicken software; passed. Tim moved to reimburse Teresa \$26 for our chapter ride cards; passed.

Membership report: 68 members. Board report: none.

Legislative report: none.

Ways and means report: none.

Public relations report: Rick will be getting radio announcements set up.

Historian report: Cheryl is working on the book.

Old Business

Group riding: We rode to *Fossil* last weekend and there was a ride to Mosier the week before, after the Summit..

Planned rides: *May Rally* (leave at 9:00 am, 5/1); Hollister; Sturgis.

Poker run committee: Next meeting 4/20 at 6:00 pm

Summit report: Steve moved to join *BikePAC* at \$150, discussion proceeded, Pat moved to table and put on next agenda; passed.

Brian Sauncy would like to have our booth moved from his place in the near future. Debra can store it, we just need to move it. New Business

Membership drawing would have been won by Dale Ruff if he had been present. It will be \$50 next meeting.

50/50 was won by Greg at \$9\$9, which he donated back to the chapter. Thanks, Greg.

Adjourned 8:10 pm

Brian

Upcoming meetings May 4, 2004 7:00 pm



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

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

POINT of CONTACT

Lee Eikanas (509)-773-5076 Brian Stovall (541)-298-1317

CHAPTER ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 1422 The Dalles, OR 97058

Hoo-whee!

Party time at the *Chalet*! Get it on! (We did!)

It started with those famous Swiss dancing girls serving the tables. Then the food and beverages came rollin' in and the fun just snowballed.

Mona's enthusiasm couldn't be held back and she started dancing on the tables. I think Bill enjoyed that. I got pretty excited myself and joined the melee (blush). What fun!

Mike asked if we always had this much fun. (Of course we do.)

Ed said he'd bring a real stage next time. Carolyn and Kristy joined right in and the place was really rockin'!

Holdouts Cindy and Loran were doing their thing with paper in the corner. (Now, Jeff and Jennifer, it was just a temporary fling, er, thing. They worked it out.)

On the less serious side, we discussed how to have even more fun at the meetings, planned some rides, and discussed the toy run for this December 12th. Those biker nights are gonna be a parcel of fun, I can tell ya. Please join us! Details later.

We're planning to have a real hoot at the *White Wolf Sanctuary Fund Raiser*, April 17th at the *South Salem Speakeasy.* (We always do.) *Hub City* folks are joining us earlier in the day for some security training - just might need it for future meetings. Then a fun ride and ...?

Somebody mentioned the road pickup, but no one could remember doing it this month, so it will probably be rescheduled.

Good of the Order • Ride safe! (Rubber side down.) Hey, next meeting is same time, **Salem Chapter**



same place. Bring family and friends and join the party. We can't promise a repeat performance, but we'll sure try. Might even have a stage! So hope to see y'all next time!

Meeting adjourned to a party in the parking lot.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Forrest

second string chapter goddess **Disclaimer**: The above factual information may be slightly enhanced but you'll never know if ya don't attend. Cheers!

(Here is what really happened.) Loran called the meeting to order with nine folks in attendance. (Mike, Carolyn, Ed, Kristy, Mona, Bill, Cindy, Loran and Sheryl; Dogman joined us later.) Thanks for coming.

Officer roll-call: No secretary so postponed the minutes.

Sheryl gave the treasurer and membership reports. (110 members)

Discussed how to get more attendance. Phone tree will help. Also need to be like family and friendlier to each other. Get involved! Hugs allowed. Bring guests. Have more activities/runs. Revive the drawings (50/50 and membership.) Old Business

• Mona shared flyers on the *White Wolf Sanctuary* fund raiser to be held April 17th at the *South Salem Speakeasy*. She has lots of door prizes. Start time is 6:30 pm.

• Sheryl said if the security training can be moved to 11 am instead of 2:30 pm that same day, we will be able to get adequate numbers. Cost is \$400 for 30 or more students and

Hub City will be able to help meet that number. *Salem Chapter* is paying for the ten folks who signed up (or more).

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<u>SALEM MEETING TIME</u> and PLACE

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

POINT of CONTACT Michelle FitzHenry (503)-371-7550

CHAPTER ADDRESS: P.O. Box 13957 Salem, OR 97309

South Coast Chapter



For the second month in a row our chapter has lost another member.

Our newest member, Mark Kirk was killed in a motorcycle crash last week. His funeral was Saturday April 10th in Reedsport. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to his family and friends.

In February we sent out a questionnaire asking our members what they thought we could do to make our chapter better. We are pleased to announce that we received a good response from our members and we will be discussing the feedback at our next meeting.

We had a tremendous turnout at our last meeting, making road cleanup a snap. Thanks to Roger, Cindy, Lyle, Michael, Roy, Mary, Francois, Tom, Susie and our fearless leader, Charlie. Our section of the highway looks great. Those people helping with the road clean-up will receive a free raffle ticket at the next meeting.

It's that time of year again, the *Mall Show: The Many Faces of Motorcycling*. The *Mall Show* is the 7th, 8th and 9th of May at *Pony Village Mall* in North Bend.

For an application to be a part of this great event, please contact Charlie Hill at (541)-759-2388. If no one answers please leave a message and she will get back to you.

We are excited this year to have expanded the show and hopefully there will be something for everyone. We feature education, fun, and making the public aware of motorcyclists. We encourage the public and members of other chapters to come to the south coast and enjoy the mall show, the great sights of our area, and meet other motorcycle enthusiasts.

See you at the mall show!

We are still engaged in our membership drive. The member who recruits the most new members between February 2004 and July 2004 will receive two tickets to *S.O.S.* this year.

We are encouraging our membership to participate in the *Motorcycle Awareness and Freedom Rally* in Salem at the state capital May 1st, 2004. At this time we are encouraging all *A.B.A.T.E.* members and motorcyclist in general to attend this rally. If at all possible please try to attend as visibility makes a big impression on our legislators.

With the good weather, there will be a lot more motorcyclists on the road. Please be aware of other motorists as they don,t always see bikes. Before hitting the road, be sure your bike is road ready. Let's make this riding season a safe and fun adventure! (And hopefully by the end of this riding season I will actually own a bike and be able to partake in all of the fun.)

Ride safe and free and we will see you at the mall show,

Kris Iveans secretary South Coast Chapter

SOUTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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



Southeast Portland Chapter's canned food delivery was a great success.

There were 42 bikes this year.

Thank you to everyone who showed up.

Thank you also to those of you who showed up to help load the truck Friday. Your help was greatly appreciated.

The Anniversary Party was a big hit. Good job Matt. We had so many bikes in the parking lot this year they spilled into the street. Our sergeant-at-arms and his crew did a great job keeping them all safe. I myself really liked the band. I had never heard them before and was really impressed.

At the beginning of the year our chapter set goals to be achieved this year. One of the goals was an officer mentoring program. I am pleased to introduce Nicole Battista as one of those interested in learning an officer's position. Nicole has volunteered to learn about the position of recording secretary. I am sure she will do her best for *A.B.A.T.E.* and our chapter if she chooses to take an office in the future.

Another of our chapter's goals was creating the positions of road captains. We are pleased to announce that Gary Sams and Ken Mortellero will be filling this position for the remainder of this year. We are looking forward to hearing their reports on road protocol and safety when riding in a pack (group).

There are a couple of more things to mention in my report. One is that we had a winner for our membership drawing at the March 21st meeting. Billy Bob won the pot and gave it back to our canned food fund. Good job Billy.

Another mention here is that Southeast Portland Chapter is meeting the Fossil challenge and also challenging all other chapters and also the state board of A.B.A.T.E. to contribute to the Fossil fund. Southeast Portland Chapter donated \$200 to the Fossil fund.

One more thing is that I hope you all do have a great time at *Fossil*. I hope you will let me know how it went. I will be in Idaho with Turtle this year. I truly hope you all have a great time. I know that Duane has worked hard this year and I wish him luck in turning *Fossil* in to the event it was before.

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Here is a list of our friends who contributed door prizes for the *Anniversary Party*. A big thank you to each and every one of them.

Brother Speed Captain Jacks Cycle Gear Gateway Pub Hunt & Cooper KBR Langlitz Latus Love Leathers Lunatic Fringe M&M Lounge M&M Plastics Rampage Stewart Leathers Tippy Canoe Vision Wear

S.E. Portland MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

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



March meeting was short and enjoyable since the club qualified for free pizza and sodas from the host business, *Abbey's Pizza* of Crater Lake highway in Medford.

The club set up a booth representing *A.B.A.T.E.* at the Touvelle swap meet. The response was encouraging and we will attend other events to promote *A.B.A.T.E.* and its missions.

We look forward to seeing you'll at the May 15 Lucky Seven Poker Run. Net proceeds from this event will support the Armadillo Technical Institute, a very successful charter school for grades 6 through 12 located in Phoenix, Oregon.

The small town of Phoenix is motorcycle headquarters for this area. It is home to D&S Harley; Hanson's Motorcycles featuring B.M.W., Ducati, Triumph, and K.T.M.; Cycle Quest parts and service for motorcycles and A.T.V.s; Naumes Yamaha (a couple of miles north); and a new chopper builder, EZ Motorcycles. James Epperson, formerly the manager of the Phoenix Indian dealership, has taken over the building and is building custom bikes. He carries some chopper-oriented accessories. The quality of his work will be tested early this month (May) when he enters two bikes in the Phoenix, Arizona bike show. We wish him the best of luck.

Robert Mumby secretary Southern Oregon Chapter

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SOUTHERN OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

POINT of CONTACT Herb Sweeten (541)-944-8272

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

Just flipped through the run calendar in the April newsletter. Wow!

Lots of things going on around the state.

If you don't want to ride by yourself, there is always something going. WaCo's run committee has been working on getting things ready for our upcoming events. Check the flyers in the newsmagazine and look in local shops.

Remember to bring a couple of cans of food to donate to the *Domestic Violence Resource Center*. This will get you an extra door prize ticket.

Late March, early April saw the sprouting of lawn signs in our area. Must be time for the candidates to start spreading the word. We can help out by canvassing for them, assisting on the phones, or wherever they need our help.

Contact a candidate who agrees with your stance on any issue (as if there are any issues other than motorcycle rights!) and ask how you can help. It may be as simple as an afternoon pounding lawn signs or walking a neighborhood passing out flyers.

Amazingly, there was a form for filing for candidacy as a precinct committee person. I know there are several in *WaCo* chapter and helmets off to them for their continued efforts to keep motorcycle rights at the forefront of the political agendas. It takes time to commit to each of these efforts, but it pays off down the road.

Thank you, once again, to those who have committed to keeping our legislative process working for the working people. Both Scott Camer and Perri Combs-Tabor missed out on a pocket full of cash because they were not at meetings in March.

Ride safe and we'll see you on the road.

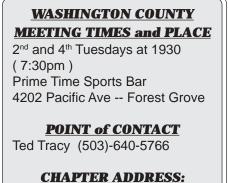
Watch out for the other guy!

Linda Wells *WaCo* secretary









P.O. Box 202 Cornelius, OR 97113



I would like to start this report by first thanking Geoff White, our state education director, for being our guest speaker at our April chapter meeting. Geoff White was present to discuss the opportunity for members to become certified motorcycle awareness instructors. We had quite a few members interested and Geoff will be coming down this month on May 13th an hour earlier than our chapter meeting to present this class to all interested members. Motorcycle awareness instructors present motorcycle awareness to teenagers, so they can learn and be aware of motorcycles on the road. The presentations are done at high schools during a driver education or health classes. Would also like to congratulate Geoff for his certification as an instructor for Team Oregon!

Another thank you to Michael Boggs, Michael Schneider, Rick Maish and the about 24 other people who attended the 2004 Summit in The Dalles. Heard it was a success with many new ideas and plans for *BikePAC* and our political agenda. Also heard they had a good time too. Slackers!

I hope everyone's bikes are in good condition and ready for another riding season. Time to get all that required gear and tools gathered and the calendar marked with all your favorite runs and road trips. Our chapter is working hard to help you fill that agenda with some great events lined up. What is coming up for our chapter?

May 1 - May Motorcycle Awareness ride to the state capital. Willamette Valley *A.B.A.T.E.* will be having a group ride to the capital, and will be meeting at *Pioneer Villa Restaurant* parking lot, I-5, Brownsville/Halsey exit, and will be leaving to head north at 9:00 am.

May 15 is *Ramsey Waite's Poker Run* - Supported by our chapter with proceeds going toward motorcycle training and safety.

May 22, the following weekend, is our chapter's Rhody Poker Run. Ruth has arranged for us to use The Salmon Hut in Florence. This is a booth right downtown for our base location. Remember that the run has two new stops at the beginning of the run this year. Ramsey-Waite-8 am to 10 am, 4258 Franklin Blvd, Eugene / Liberty Leathers-9 am to 11 am, 25561 Highway 126, Veneta / And the rest of the stops are the same as always, Noti Pub-10 am to 12 pm, Frank's Place in Mapleton - 11 am to 1 pm, with the last stop as always being the Beachcomber-Florence 12 noon to 2 pm. Awards and drawings at the A.B.A.T.E. booth at Salmon Hut at 3 pm.

June 6th *Black Jack American Cancer Benefit Ride.* This is a good cause run that many in our chapter have supported in the past and will do so this year and is always a fun time.

4th of July is our chapter's social picnic at Zumwalt Park and everything is set to go. Michael Taylor has a band that will play for us this year and Ruth has arraigned things for the park. So expect a great day to celebrate America and our freedom. Anyone interested is invited to come and only asking a \$5 donation to cover barbeque costs. Family games, live music, fun, food and friends right on the Fern Ridge waterfront. All other chapters, motorcycle organizations, clubs and business supporters of *A.B.A.T.E.* are invited to this event. Spread the word!

MaryAnn's *Women Only Ride* (and slumber party). I think they're calling it the *Bytchen Hen Party* is set for July 17. Mary Ann will be bringing a sign-up for the women interested in this event to the May meeting or contact her to get on board.

August 27 - 29 is the S.O.S. Run. Willamette Valley, South Coast, and Douglas County A.B.A. T.E. chapters are set to go for what is going to be another successful run this year. Our Mary Ann Goll and Michael Taylor has secured the park, lined up music sent out flyers, and gotten things ready!

A quick update on the chapter trailer is that it is slowly coming together. Darin, Lonny, and myself have painted the inside. Jeri and Doug steamed cleaned the outside and it is slowly looking good. Inside lights have been donated, Ron Budde will be bringing some carpet, and the Goll's had a propane tank they donated. We won't be using the trailer for *Rhody* as originally planned, but this trailer will be a valuable asset for the *S.O.S.* gate this year.

I am already having a fun just thinking about the good times. See ya there! Hal

WILAMETTE VALLEY MEETING TIME and PLACE 2rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm) Veteran's Memorial Building 1626 Willamette Street; Eugene **POINTS of CONTACT** Hal Fletcher (541)-688-4268 Rick Maish (541)-746-7837 Ruth Johnston (541)-935-6261 **CHAPTER ADDRESS:** Wilamette Valley Chapter ABATE c/o 4618 Daisy Street Springfield, OR 97478 <u>WEB SITE:</u> http://www.wvabateoforegon.com

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there to prey on the elderly. The colonel should have been more watchful of his pocketbook. Aside from all that it is just not right to throw an old man and his wife out on the street, especially after giving his entire working life to the service of our country.

Some Hub City members were invited to help with a fundraiser and it seemed to snowball. As I write this the event culmination is a few days away and it looks like the colonel will get some help from grassroots America. Thanks for your support!

Check out www.oregonhero.org for further updates.

Hub City held it's Charity Night on March 26 at the Albany Eagles Club. The event was rated a success by all involved. Hub City was able to raise several hundred dollars in cash, as well as a pickup truck heaped with non-perishable food and clothing. We were proud to help this group as F.I.S.H. requires people to make steps toward self improvement if they continue to need help. That is true charity.

Bryon Nelson and Elixxer did their usual job of dancing the legs off the audience. These guys know how to get people out there and moving! Some members of Salem H.O.G. were at our last charity night when Elixxer played and that group showed up in force this time. Thanks Salem H.O.G.! We won't forget your help.

Tim McKnight walked out with the 50/ 50 pot, which was over \$200!

The Eagles are always great hosts and we owe them a hearty thanks for allowing us to piggyback in on an event they had planned. I think they were pleasantly surprised to sell out of prime rib and most everything else after doubling their standard order. I warned them "Bikers can eat!"

Many groups were represented and I want to say thanks to all as I know I will forget someone. Here's to all of you!

Sheryl Forrest of Salem A.B.A.T.E. presented Hub City with a proposal to make a joint effort between our chapters to get enough people to fill a security class. It looks as if it is a go and I hope other chapters will take advantage of this training. It gives you personally some protection from legal action, and it helps prove that A.B.A.T.E. takes its responsibilities seriously.

On to news of our last meeting.

Coordinator Al Sims noted that

Robert's Rules of Order generally govern our meetings and that means all commentary should be directed to the chairman. This gives everyone an equal right to be recognized and heard on pertinent business. Mutual respect is a cornerstone of our beliefs and we practice it.

Steve Sorensen, coordinator, reminded everyone that one way to keep your bike from rusting here in Oregon is to ride it! Steve also reported that he has finished the props for the *Fossil* games.

that *Hub City* has a total of \$1,499.49 in our bank accounts. This total was reached after paying out \$750 to take advantage of the Fossil group rate tickets.

noted that our membership level is holding steady, but we always need to extend a hand of friendship to all. This is how we will get new members. Our actions speak much louder than words.

Sergeant-at-arms #1, Garry Hastie, brought in some handouts on the common road hand signals we use. Yes, bikers can wave with all their fingers!

Seriously, as riding season comes into full swing, we will be doing much more group riding. These hand signals are our way of communication and knowing them might save someone from an accident or worse. The signals also make for a much more pleasant trip as you can let someone know you need gas, a potty stop, etc. We are doing this for fun, right?

Richard Andros, sergeant-at-arms #2, reminded everyone about the pitfalls of low tire pressure. A lack of enough air can cause overheating and tire failure, as well as handling and performance issues. Don't be a headline in the newspaper!

Chad Freeman, Hub City member and mechanic at American Motorcycle Classics in Albany, reminded us that a good tire gauge is worth the money. The cheap gauges are inaccurate and inconsistent. Isn't your life worth a few extra bucks?

Our state board representative, Ron Vonsild, noted that the Motorcycle Safety Foundation is moving into our area and trying to force Team Oregon out of the motorcycle safety training business. They have hired a high powered lobbyist in Salem and plan to try to get the state to switch funding from Team Oregon to the vice M.S.F. program.

> We have members who have taken both courses, and they tell me that while Team Oregon is more expensive, it is a much more thorough and comprehensive class.

This sets up an interesting scenario. Our treasurer, Cliff McCalley, reported M.S.F. gets all the funding while operating a sub standard training program. M.S.F. turns out "trained" riders. M.S.F. "trained" riders get into more accidents because of completion of Membership secretary Kathy Gerke a below par course. Who pays? We all do in higher insurance premiums.

> We will also fight bad publicity tainting our pure public image. I can see Uncle Joe saying "Look Martha, these are trained riders and they still aren't safe. Maybe we should vote to outlaw motorcycles when we go the polls on Tuesday. It has to save us money and get these dangerous machines off our roads."

> Think I'm exaggerating? Just wait and see. Stranger things have happened!

> Monika Niebuhr, public relations officer, reported that she had taken care of passing information about our upcoming events to the local media. This gets our message out on many radio

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

10 April 2004

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:12 with 14 of the 15 chapters represented; all present were eligible to vote. Chapter not in attendance was *Southern Oregon*.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the March 13, 2004. Motion made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Geoff White to adopt the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Coordinators Comments

Joe told us that the events of the last month were among the most important and exciting of his life. Last year he and Bob Avery and their wives went to Washington, D.C. to lobby the Oregon congressional delegation. With the help of the M.R.F. staff including their professional lobbyist Tom Wyld, the meetings with our senators and congressmen went very well. Particularly important was the meeting with Peter DeFazio who was very cordial, especially after Joe mentioned that Wayne Morse was a hero of his while pointing to a photo of Morse on DeFazio's desk. That meeting resulted in the Motorcycle Safety Initiative with DeFazio as lead sponsor.

The learning experience of last year enabled Joe and Rex Jamison to be effective in this years visit to D.C. even though *M.R.F.* had no lobbyist and the office secretary was out of town due to a family illness. In fact, Joe and Rex answered phones in the *M.R.F.* office as well as assisting in other *M.R.F.* .business. The first two lobbying efforts, with congressmen Wu and Blumenauer, were conducted by Rex, while Joe attended the house transportation and infrastructure committee markup of house bill 3550, which included the *Motorcycle Safety Initiative* as an amendment as well as funding for an updated version of the *Hurt Report.* Shortly after our *A.B.A.T.E.* representatives returned home, the house passed HB 3550 which includes 5-8 million dollars in funding for the various elements of the *Motorcycle Safety Initiative.* The bill will likely go to a conference committee in May when both house and senate versions are combined. The bill might be on the president's desk as early as June and both houses are confident of enough votes to override in the unlikely event of a veto.

Joe said when he got back from his trip he was upset about an article in our newsletter about *Fossil*. The first year Joe went to *Fossil*, he worked the gate with Ted Tracy, had coffee in Brian and Theresa's trailer and learned enough about the importance of *A.B.A. T.E.* from these and other people that he then joined up. Others have become involved through similar experiences at *Fossil*.

We also have loyalty toward the town of Fossil who years ago was one of the few places that would allow a biker rally and campout. We need your help at Fossil. While state officers will be there, we need the support and help of each local chapter.

Guests and First Time Attendees None.

Correspondence None noted.

* * * Officers Reports * * *

Legislative Director: (Rick Maish) Thanks to Brian and Theresa for their hospitality during the *Summit*.

Rick included in the packets his legislative notes and summit recap.

M.R.F.'s proposal to the *M.S.F.*-back in March 17th the *M.R.F.* along with *A.M.A.* and the *National Association of*



by Charlie Hill State Recording Secretary

State Motorcycle Safety Administrators (S.M.S.A.) attended the Motorcycle Safety Foundations (M.S.F.) trustee's board meeting. At that meeting M.R.F. gave a formal proposal to the M.S.F. that also had full support of the A.M.A. and S.M.S.A.

A.M.A. announced the 4th Women and Motorcycling Conference to be held June 29 to July 3, 2006. Jill noted the early advertising is to get people from all over the world to attend.

A.M.A. started another new program called *Justice For All* to better improve laws protecting motorcyclists.

N.C.O.M. convention coming up May 6 through the 8th in Oklahoma City.

O.D.O.T. traffic safety information: Teen crashes/teens account for 11.7% but only make up 6% of Oregon drivers and 8.5% of all teen crashes also included alcohol. They are doing a program called *Think First*. In more information, photo radar update-oregon supreme court upholds method of monitoring speeders. This is included in Portland, Beaverton, Albany, Bend, Eugene, Medford and Tigard.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representat-ive: Geoff White reported an outstanding week at the *Summit*. He asked for a show of hands of those who attended. Thanks to those who attended. Questions at the summit were, "Are *BikePAC* and *A.B.A.T.E.* effective and necessary?" and the answer is "yes."

One thing that will be done is from 10 to 2 on Saturday at *Fossil, BikePAC* will have people with clipboards conducting a survey. Please stop and answer their survey. They will have stickers to put on you after you complete the survey so as not to be asked by someone else to complete it again.

Three main topics for the next

legislation session: 1. Core values are freedom of choice; 2. Stepping up and defending all for health insurance rights; 3. Motorcyclists need to be protected.

Motorcycle rider training by *Team Oregon* has audited the *Motorcycle Safety Foundation*'s program and feel *Team Oregon* is a better program and a federal evaluation found *Team Oregon* to be the best in the nation.

Senator Ted Ferioli gave us some information on opinion matrix which defines where we stand and what we need to work on. This information was in Ricks info he handed out in the packets.

May rally is coming up.

This was an integrated meeting with *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC*. The survey will be done by *BikePAC* and *A.B.A.T.E.* can help support this survey.

Another suggestion is to have three chapters assigned a biker day so the chapter can focus on this date.

Portland and all northern chapters are invited to meet at 9:30 in Wilsonville to ride to *Biker Days* May 1. Joe reminded all the *A.B.A.T.E.*, *BikePAC*, *A.M.A.*, *M.R.F.* and *Team Oregon* are important and we should support these organizations.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Ed Vaughan was not here but there was no meeting.

Confederation of Clubs representat-ive II: Michael Schneider reported the next meeting will be May 22 in Salem.

Education director: Geoff White said he was sorry for not making it to the last board meeting. Thank you to all who showed up and participated in S.T.E.A.M. and to those who taught classes. It shows commitment to the organization.

May Awareness Rally is coming up please attend.

The second Thursday of every month one hour prior to *Willamette Valley Chapter* meeting he will be instructing classes.

Education director II: (Nora Rohde)

May 1 *Swap Meet Poker Run* - next month going to instruct after Josephine meeting.

Need help with security at Fossil.

Membership secretary: (Jill Tracy) Membership is at 2,350. At swap meet last month in Roseburg we signed up 15 new members and several renewals. Michelle and Tania helped at the booth. With renewals Jill is including the AD & D insurance info. You don't have to return that response card. One of the new members who signed up at the swap meet was tragically killed last week.

Wendy and Jill will work *Fossil* 9 to 9. **Newsletter editor:** Rot Path was out of state, excused.

Products: (Michelle Hobbs) Ready for *Fossil*. Need two weeks to fill orders. Please plan ahead and thanks for your patience.

Public relations: Melinda McCrossen reported Jill had *Team Oregon* contact her for the container information. They think the world of us.

Swap meet is ready and the *Nickle Ad* is corrected. P.S.A. done. Jordan gave her some useful information about KGW. She also found out that by next year you may have to go to each individual website to list your advertisement rather than mass e-mailing it. She also has the first aid and shop buddy info.

State run coordinator (Fossil): Duane Calkins thanked Joe for his comments earlier. The run committee decided to have a Fossil chuck wagon for those who work at Fossil. \$1,150 in advance ticket sales with about \$800 coming from the web site.

Fossil posters need to be put up, final public relations push. Arty has been doing a great job with the web site and has created a volunteer page with seven categories that you can sign up under. Please sign the guest book. Larry Brown will be in charge of security and they still need a gate boss. Pushing the membership drive.

BikePAC will be making a presence at *Fossil* and Duane wants to thank them

for that.

There will be a voter registration booth.

T-shirts are in place. They have a vendor coming from Colorado called *Southwest Chopper* who handle Jesse James bikes and will be bringing bikes. The games are in place. DJ volunteered to cook and will help with security. The leather jacket from *Love's Leather* is being taken around by Larry Brown so you can buy tickets from him. The t-shirt design was accepted.

Swap meet coordinator: Stephan Baton reported Roseburg worked out well and the weather was good. On line April 25 to do Portland. All arrangements have been made. Saturday at 9 am for set up. Reminder that you will get *A.B.A.T.E.* bucks for working which will buy your lunch. Need two or three people from each chapter to help.

State run coordinator II: (Michelle Fitzhenry) 11 our of 15 chapters has signed out tickets for *Fossil*. Money and tickets need to be turned back in by May 18.

Treasurer: Ted Tracy was not present, excused. Jill reported for Ted. Checking = \$24,412.58; money market = \$27,550.03 for a total of \$51,962.61. Our balance this time last year was \$58,000 so we are on line. The swap meet figures from Roseburg were: expenses; rent \$1,200 door prize \$675 and miscellaneous travel expenses \$125 for total expenses of \$2,000. Income was vendors \$1,800, gate receipts; members \$1,600, non members \$1,600 for a total income of \$5,000 our net profit was \$3,000.

State auditor: Nancy Curran had a virus in her computer which ate her material. She stayed home today to finish restoring it.

Historian: Iris Yeager was not present, excused.

Web page editor: Mad Dog was not present.

Vice-coordinator-north: Larry

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

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reported he went through the Team Oregon program and found it to be beneficial and recommend to everyone to take it.

Fossil - need help with security and have those volunteers trained. It's an honor and privilege to be at this run and you have to give a little to get a lot. This is an A.B.A. T.E. event which includes the chapters as you are the state.

Larry wants to see more of our history published to show people how much our organization has accomplished such as having 500 bikes at the capitol one year.

Vice coordinator-south: Tim Rohde reported that he and Nora along with two more people are planning to attend Fossil. Tim has signed up to help. Tim said Roger and Brian motivated him to become a member ten years ago.

Vice coordinator-east: (Bob Hadley) Not present.

Sergeant-at-arms-north: (Larry Brown) Nothing more to report.

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

Sergeant-at-arms-east: (Keith Odoms) Not present, excused.

Sanctioning officer: Ron Vonsild reported his computer is up and running again. Need at least two months ahead of time to sanction events.

April 17 Salem is holding a fund raiser that he apologized for not getting in.

Hub City is doing a benefit rally for colonel Ken Reusser. Go to www.oregonhero.org to learn about the colonel. They have been working with motels to get group rates. If you're interested in the motels to stay over for the rally, contact Ron.

Quartermaster: Steve Baton reported the need for new tires on the trailer. We can get them at *Les Schwab* for \$280.80.

Committee Reports

Meeting will be the last Wednesday of the month.

Unfinished Business

1. Fossil games - Apprenticeship will be done by Douglas County this year, learning from Hub City.

2. Planning session - Defer until next month due to lack of time.

3. Washington D.C. - Rex thanked all for letting him go. Joe also thanked all. It meant a lot to him to go. He went to the national archives, Gettysburg, and all of it meaning so much. National lobbyist said our bill didn't have a chance and a few hours later, it was looking good. The next day it passed. Joe brought back pictures of the trip to share.

4. First aid kit and shop buddys. -Melinda passed out information on both of these items to be taken back to the chapters.

New Business

1. Motion made by Duane Calkins, seconded by Michelle Fitzhenry to pay Hub City \$400 to cover the expenses of the games and bike show at Fossil. Motion passed with 12 for, no against, no abstentions.

2. Motion made by Steve Baton, seconded by Randy Phipps to reimburse JD and Tania from Douglas County Chapter for expenses incurred by hiring help to clean up the armory in Roseburg before, during and after the swap meet in the amount of \$80. Motion passed with 12 for, no against, no abstentions.

3. Motion made by Stephan Baton, seconded by Duane Calkins to spend \$280.80 on replacement trailer tires for the run trailer. Tires to be purchased at Les Schwab. Motion passed with 11 for, no against, no abstentions.

4. Motion made by Duane Calkins, seconded by Stephan Baton for A.B.A.T.E. to replace 4,000 watt generator at a cost of \$550 to Shag Stewart, that was broken at Fossil and not repairable. Motion passed with 12 for, no against, no abstentions.

Announcements

• Portland Toy Run presentation gave a nice trophy and thank you.

• Southeast Portland Chapter donated [\$]200 to city of Fossil.

• Michelle said she has millennium patches.

• Thanks to River City Chapter for preparing the food for the Summit and doing the clean up.

• River City Poker Run coming up.

· Executive board meeting following this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Historian



This will be a very brief report. There has been no activity in the historian role this past month.

As we all ride and take part in the events of the spring and summer, please remember to take plenty of photos and share them with the historian along with brief notes of the events.

In order to have a living history for all to enjoy, we must continue to share those memories we have recorded on paper.

Iris

20 Something? Days To Fossil Campout 2004

Duane "Big Daddy" Calkins



It is with sadness and deep regret that on Friday April 9th 2004 *Columbia River Chapter* and *A.B.A. T.E. of Oregon* lost a fellow member of our brotherhood.

John Hancock, state representative 2, *Columbia River Chapter* died of a heart attack. John was a good friend to *A.B.A.T.E.* and participated in many activities within the chapter and other *A.B.A.T.E.* functions. Services were held Saturday April 17th at the St. Johns Chapel of the Chimes in Portland, Oregon.

As *Columbia River*'s state representative 1, I wish to express our deepest sympathy and condolences to his family and friends.

" Rest in peace John".

Sincerely,

Duane Calkins state representative 1, state run coordinator *Fossil Campout* 2004

Hello, this is Big Daddy Duane and I have decided to use this newsmagazine thing to try to roundup a volunteer list for some of the chores that need to be done at the *Fossil Campout*. Also with my trusty assistant "Web master Marty" we have created a volunteer page. A list that you can assign your own labor of things you would be willing to help with.

Visit www.fossilcampout.com and click on the <u>Duane needs help</u> link.

I will break this down into seven different categories:

1. The *transportation crew* which leaves early Wednesday morning before *Fossil*. This job requires a driver's license, and the ability to pull 20 foot plus trailers. The transportation crew will be in Fossil for one week. Depending on how the cleanup goes, we get back to Portland on Tuesday evening. Please sign this list if you want to help and call Duane at (**503**)-**282-6488** at least 10 days prior to May the 26th.

2. The *setup crew* which needs to be at *Fossil* Thursday morning. Please sign this list if you want to help in this area. This job requires some skill and setting up our stage area, our *A.B.A.T.E.* information booth, and any other setup logistics that need to be done.

3. The *security crew*. Please sign this list if you would be willing to work a security shift at any time during our *Fossil Campout*. The scheduling of security will be coordinated by the state sergeant-atarms, Larry Brown. I need 60 people just for security throughout the weekend.

4. The *gate crew* is for people who want to make the first impression of *Fossil Campout* to people entering our campout. This position requires detail organized people that can follow simple direction and work from protocol that has been setup. Please sign this list.

5. The A.B.A.T.E. *information booth*. This job requires people skills. If you don't mind talking to people, giving them information, and can project a positive image for our organization, then we can use some help in this area too. Please sign

this list if you can help .

6. The *step and fetch it crew*. If you are willing just to be on-call this job would be for people who would be willing to tend to details that may come up at *Fossil*, running errands to town, etc. General labor. Please sign if you're interested.

7. The *cleanup crew* is for you if you like to leave the place where you've lived as clean as when you arrived. This job requires people on Monday/Tuesday to fill up a 40 yard dumpster container with all the things that people leave behind. This is an interesting position as you get a opportunity to see what "One man's trash , is another man's treasure" is all about.

As I have said in my past newsletter reports, our membership brings different talents to our organization. As you can see, there is a lot of work to accomplish. We have a strong talented bank of membership to draw from.

I thank you in advance for your support and your help with our organization that "supports the beauty of motorcycling in Oregon".

Don't forget to get your tickets for the 2004 Fossil Campout at a chapter meeting or call (503)- 282-6488.

Sincerely, Duane C. Calkins a.k.a. "Big Daddy Duane"



Legislative Report

Rick's Ramblings on stuff

Wow, what a month.

Besides making it to the *Summit Meeting* in The Dalles, Lyn and I took a week off just prior to going to the *Summit Meeting* to roam central Oregon around Christmas Valley and Summer Lake. Something we haven't done for some time. Had a great time and some awesome weather on top of it all.

Another great part of the month was our people in Washington, D.C. Rex Jamison, Joe Laurance and his wife Ricki, and what a trip they had. They got to meet with all of congressional legislators, or at least their staff. The had another great time with senator Peter Defazio, they gave him our appreciation plaque and even got pictures. To top it off Joe got to go the markup of the *Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy For Users* (*T.E.A-L.U.*) HR 3550 and Rex got to lobby for it, what a team. Anyway, I'm sure they will be writing about.

Quick Recap of the March 27th Summit Meeting in The Dalles

Ken kicked off the meeting Saturday morning, I led the group in the pledge of allegiance. That was special! Anyway we had around 24 summit players ready to jump into the task at hand and that we did.

An opening comment from Ken, as he kicked off the meeting went something like this "People, *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* members expect something for their dollars and their membership" and last year they didn't get much.

We discussed and looked for remedies to improve *BikePAC*, such as do we really still need *BikePAC*, should it be combined back with *A.B.A.T.E.*, or is there something different we should be doing. We reviewed the why of starting *BikePAC* in the first place. *BikePAC* started back in 1988, because of the passage of the helmet law by the voters. Reason, *A.B.A.T.E.* needed a rapid response team separate from *A.B.A.T.E.* that could lobby and make quick decisions as needed.

Ken also led us through a recap of last year's legislative agenda and what went wrong. We jumped into deciding on [next] year's legislative agenda. We also decided that we need more input from the rest of the motorcycling community. So, here comes a survey, and you're going to get your chance to let us know what you want *BikePAC* to do next year. Here's the issues we looked at:

The top three issues came out as:

1. Remove adult helmet mandate

2. *H.I.P.P.A.*, health insurance protection

3. Vehicle assault, but we still need to hear from Oregon motorcyclists

Recommended issues for next year:

1. Remove adult helmet mandate

2. H.I.P.P.A. health insurance protection

3. Vehicular assault, adding tougher a positive



penalties.

4. Lane splitting, allow motorcyclists to move through congestion .

5. Anti-discrimination.

6. Headlight repeal, headlight on mandate repeal (removed)

7. Require motorcycle awareness in state drivers ed "Neally's bill".

8. Vehicle confiscation, prohibit confiscation without criminal charges.

9. Left turn signal activation–legal ability to proceed against a red light.

10. *Team Oregon* verses *M.S.F.– protecting Team Oregon* rider training program. A must do!

Had a great presentation from senator Ted Ferrioli of district 30, biggest district in Oregon that covers most of central, eastern and even southern Oregon. His area actually borders four different states. He spoke to us about "grass roots communications" with legislators. We need to "bottle" this as a program and use it on all of our motorcyclist activists.

Senator Ferrioli led us through what he called the "opinion matrix." You have to find out where your legislator is on the matrix, then work it from that point up. Starts out with your legislator,

(1) being unaware, then you get them the

(2) information to,

(3) make them knowledgeable about your issue. Once their knowledgeable, they will either form a positive (4) opinion, or a negative one, if it's negative then you've got your work cut out for you. If they are in favor of our issue then you move them on to

(5) conviction which gets them to take

(6) action for your cause .

This is just a very short taste of what took place. The meeting was absolutely great, I appreciate the hospitality of Teresa and Brian and the *River City Chapter* for taking good care of us.

Thanks again, all!

And, one final comment *Motorcycle Awarenss Rally* is May 1st at the capitol. *Be there!*

Get your chapter together and make it a ride!

That's enough for now,

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

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stations and newspapers across the state.

Sara Andros, historian, noted that she has prepared several photo albums but still needs more input. Photos are welcome, especially if captioned with pertinent information. Sara is doing great job and we all need to support her in the effort to keep a record of some of our events and happenings.

Sara said she had heard some very moving stories about the B-52 National Guard homecoming and how much it meant to the soldiers to see all the bikes and people who turned out to welcome them home.

Mel Yeager, *Hub City*'s legislative representative, had a reminder for all members to attend the *BikePAC Summit* held in The Dalles. I had intended to go myself, but I turned up sick in the days just prior to the meeting. I thought it better to keep my germs to myself so I stayed home. Besides, what better person could I have going to represent *Hub City* at an event like this? I knew we were in good hands.

Hub City's very talented run coordinator, Shawn Harwood, reminded everyone that we need to be collecting door prizes for our poker run. These donations make sure everyone goes home with something worth more that the \$5 they paid to get in the fun!

Everyone needs to keep thinking about our *One Night Stand* to be held on 11 September. Shawn can always use help and ideas so please show up at the run committee meetings held on the Sunday after the regular meeting.

Ciddici's Pizza, 133 5th Street in Albany is the place, 6 pm is the time.

One of our "coastal" members, Skeeter, won the 50/50 to the tune of \$75 and gave it all back to the chapter. What a guy!

Jim Burnett won the *Harley-Davidson* riding glasses that were donated by a member as a door prize. Dangerous Doug Stiles won \$20 in our membership drawing.

Hub City congratulates Dave and Evonne Rousey, two of our members who wed on April 17. We wish you nothing but smooth highways for years to come!

Please come see us at *Fossil*. Duane Calkins has done an excellent job of starting *Fossil* into the modern age. I don't think you will be disappointed!

We meet at *Ciddici's Pizza*, 133 5th street in downtown Albany. Our meetings are held on the third Thursday at 7 pm sharp. Please come by and visit!

Al Sims Hub City ccoordinator (541)-926-2161

[c.o.e. note – The entire newsmagazine staff would entertain suggestions of how to help Al speak out more.]

Salem Chapter

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• Loran volunteered to put together a ride on the same day, to fill in the gap between the training and the fund raiser. Should be fun!

New Business

• Mona is checking into having a biker night at *Ringo's* or even the *Speakeasy*, to help raise funds for the toy run. Sheryl said the Jefferson fire department had previously offered to provide breakfasts to riders if we went there. *Tommy's* (in Jefferson) might let us host a biker night. Since we had problems with Silverton last year, this seemed like an acceptable alternative and will be discussed further. Everyone still wants to go to the *Bottle Factory* and the Stayton fire department as our second drop off point on the toy run December 12th.

• Mona suggested moving our meetings to another location and will check into the *Almost Home* restaurant down Market street (formerly *Village Inn.*)

• Sheryl asked if anyone had taken part in the road pick-up on March 6th - nope! Folks were willing to reschedule so we need to check into this for the next meeting.

• Loran asked if folks were interested in the Friday night rides. Yes! More discussion to be held later.

Good of the Order

• Remember the *Biker Awareness Rally* at the state capitol on Saturday, May 1st!

• Keep the hugs, smiles and laughter coming! Ride safe! (Rubber side down.)

Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Sheryl Forrest substitute chapter goddess



American Motorcyclist Association

Wisconsin governor Jim Doyle signed into law an act that will ensure that motorcycle, snowmobile and allterrain vehicle riders who do not wear helmets won't face reduced awards in personal injury cases because of that fact. Helmets are not required for adult motorcycle riders in Wisconsin.

In a ruling two years ago, the state supreme court said a jury could consider a person's decision not to wear a helmet to reduce the amount of damages paid to that person.

Doyle signed the bill, authored by ardent motorcyclist senator Dave Zien (R-Eau Claire) and representative Barbara Gronemus (D-Whitehall), surrounded by motorcyclists including members of A.B.A.T.E. of Wisconsin, Motorcycle Riders Foundation, and American Motorcyclist Association. Also in attendance were representatives from Accident Scene Management, who played key roles in drafting and getting this legislation passed.

Wisconsin does not have a law requiring adult motorcyclists to wear helmets, and the Legislature formally rejected such an idea when it overrode a gubernatorial veto in 1978. Under this new law, a person's decision to go without a helmet, as state law allows, cannot be used against that person in a personal injury suit.

European Union (E.U.) proposed legislation on driving licenses has been introduced and begins its way through the democratic process. Motorcyclists urge legislators to find the right balance between road safety, accessibility and affordability.

proposal on E.U. driving licenses, the European Commission's (E.C.) main objectives were to reduce possibilities of fraud, ensure a true freedom of movement to E.U. drivers and improve road safety.

to achieve better road safety for A.T.V. riders today, participants got motorcycles is to reinforce progressive access to the most powerful motorcycles by varying the minimum age between 16 and 24 years, depending on the technical characteristics of the motorcycle and the experience of the rider. A new license category for mopeds is also proposed. The commission is proposing a practical test in between each category of motorcycle license.

The Federation of European Motorcyclist Associations (F.E.M.A.), while encouraging safety on European roads, seeks to make sure that motorcycling remains attractive judge's recent decision. through accessible and affordable procedures in order to get a motorcycle license. They believe the proposed minimum age of 24 to directly access all categories of motorcycles is far too high, and could discourage people to start riding a motorcycle. The current motorcycle and turn it and title in to minimum age is 21.

The full position taken by *European* Motorcyclists on the third driving license directive can be found at:

http://www.fema.kaalium.com

The A.M.A.'s popular "Introduction to Washington" seminar in Washington, D.C., March 6-9 taught motorcycling and A.T.V. enthusiasts

In drafting this recently published what they need to know to make their voices heard in government circles. More than 30 participants gathered at the Phoenix Park Hotel to meet and learn from the A.M.A.'s Washington staff as well as other political experts. In addition to learning about state and The E.C. believes that the best way federal issues facing motorcyclists and tips on building relationships with government-agency officials and on lobbying elected officials. Seminar participants also put what they learned into practice, lobbying their members of congress face-to-face on issues ranging from health-insurance discrimination against motorcyclists to the need for comprehensive research into the causes of motorcycle crashes.

> An Ohio resident, a repeat D.U.I. offender, has bargained to donate his motorcycle to Mothers Against Drunk Driving (M.A.D.D.) following a

> Last September Jeffrey D. Fulton of Shadyside was arrested for driving drunk and hitting another vehicle. In January, he was ordered by Belmont county eastern division court judge D. William Davis to restore the the court. The vehicle was then forfeited to *M.A.D.D*. who subsequently announced plans to auction the motorcycle. Proceeds will help educate the public about the dangers and consequences of driving drunk.

> M.A.D.D. representatives, Ohio State Highway Patrol in St. Clairsville, and Belmont county prosecutor Frank





American Motorcyclist Association

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Pierce all expressed approval of judge Davis's decision. *M.A.D.D.* Ohio Valley chapter president Celeste Teresh says she hopes judge Davis's decision will set a precedent.

Prosecutor Pierce says he hopes this kind of sentencing will attach a stigma of guilt and responsibility when it comes to drinking and driving...and people will think before they decide to get behind the wheel. (Martin's Ferry Times Leader)

New York state senator Joseph Robach (R- Monroe County) has introduced S6367 to amend the public authorities' law and the vehicle and traffic law to exempt motorcycles from tolls collected from the New York state thruway authority.

S6367 is currently in the senate transportation committee. Empire state riders should contact their state senators and assembly members to express support for this legislation. By clicking on the *A.M.A.* "StateWatch" selection of the "Rights" page at http:/ /www.amadirectlink.com/ you can send a letter in support of this legislation.

The American Automobile Club Foundation for Traffic Safety (A.A.A.F.) just released Pay Attention!, a guide about driver distraction and ways drivers can better manage the multitude of distractions that occur while driving.

For more information or to obtain the free brochure, contact *A.A.A.F.* at (202)-638-5944 or on their website http://www.aaafoundation.org/ American Trails 17th National Trails Symposium, The Emerging Role of Trails in American Lifestyles, will be held October 21-24, 2004 in Austin, Texas. The symposium is an opportunity for greenways and trails advocates, managers, planners, builders, and users, as well as environmental, tourism, real estate developers, and business interests, to come together to strengthen America's network of trails and experience an inspirational, educational, and fun-filled conference.

American Trails press release states that "trails are no longer the exclusive domain of the solitude-loving wilderness seeker or the dedicated fitness enthusiast. Whether facilitating transportation alternatives, providing recreational and educational opportunities, encouraging well-being, exploring history and heritage, or bringing together people of all ages and connecting communities, trails have become a prominent factor in how and where we choose to live our lives."

National Trails also invites you to submit ideas for presentations in support of the symposium's theme. They expect to offer 60 to 65 sessions, each lasting 75 minutes. For more information visit http:// www.americantrails.org/, or contact the American Trails office at (530)-547-2060 or by e-mail at symposium@americantrails.org. Proposals are due by May 7, 2004.

The United Kingdom just increased the maximum prison term from 10 to 14 years for drivers who are sentenced for killing someone by driving dangerously. This includes those who drive while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol or are "joyriding." The new law comes into effect through the criminal justice act of 2003.

Tougher sentencing is also part of the American Motorcyclist Association's (A.M.A.) Motorcyclists Matter campaign and the recently announced Justice for All, a nationwide initiative that focuses on inadequate sentencing of those who seriously injure or kill motorcyclists.

More details about *Justice for All* will be announced soon on the *A.M.A.*'s website, **AMADirectlink.com**, and in American Motorcyclist magazine.

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

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

For more information, visit the AMA website at:

www.AMADirectlink.com

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Announcing Two New M.R.F. Member Benefits!

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) is pleased to unveil two new member benefits programs. The M.R.F.'s new Roadside Assistance *Program* is designed to give you peace of mind while traveling on the open road. No matter where you are riding in the U.S., Mexico or Canada, your new M.R.F. Roadside Assistance membership will be right there with you, mile after mile. In addition, we are introducing the M.R.F. Stored Value Visa Card. Similar to a debit card, the M.R.F. Stored Value Visa Card offers an easier and more secure way to pay for expenses without carrying cash, is faster and more convenient than writing checks, and provides you the power of Visa without the cost of credit. Both of these programs are available to M.R.F. members and nonmembers.

M.R.F. Roadside Assistance Program

The *M.R.F. Roadside Assistance Program* offers three different levels of coverage, ranging from basic service that covers you riding any motorcycle, to a program that covers you riding up to two motorcycles *and* two automobiles. These packages are available at a yearly cost of \$19.95 for basic, \$29.95 for premium and \$46.95 for the combination motorcycle and auto package.

Complete program information and details are available on the *M.R.F.* website at **www.mrf.org** under the *M.R.F.* membership link. You can also get details by calling 1-(866)-784-0520 (M-F 7am-6pm EST) and telling them you are with the *M.R.F.*,

or e-mailing us at roadsideinfo@mrf.org.

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The basic cost for the *M.R.F. Stored* Value Visa Card is a one-time fee of \$9.95 for *M.R.F.* members and \$29.95 for non-members. If you are a sustaining member of the *M.R.F.*, three cards will be included at no charge with your sustaining membership renewal. The same benefits apply to all new sustaining members of the *M.R.F.* This makes it easy for individual sustaining



members to add family or friends, and for sustaining member organizations to provide cards for three members of their organization.

For complete details about the *M.R.F. Stored Value Visa Card* or to apply for your card securely online, visit the *M.R.F.* website at **www.mrf.org** under the *M.R.F.* membership link. You can e-mail your questions to **cardinfo@mrf.org**.

Two New Ways To Help Fund The *M.R.F.*!

The *M.R.F.* shares in all revenues generated from the *M.R.F. Roadside Assistance Program* and *M.R.F. Stored Value Visa Card* sales and transaction fees. Participation by *M.R.F.* members and non-members will help ensure the *M.R.F.* continues to have the financial clout to aggressively protect the rights of motorcyclists nationwide.

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

rights activists and publishes a bi-

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Finger armor brought back by ver crusty ol' editor from NorWesCon, a science fiction convention that takes place every April up in the SeaTac area. (Imagine the statement you could make with this on a middle finger.) This is why more bikers need to attend sci-fi cons and rennaisance faires.

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House Approves Transportation Act, Including Motorcycle Safety Initiatives

The U.S. house of representatives has voted overwhelmingly to approve a sixyear \$284 billion transportation funding measure, which includes provisions to expand state rider training programs and other motorcycle safety initiatives. H.R. 3550, the *Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy For Users (T.E.A-L.U.)*, was passed by a vote of 357-56 on April 2, 2004.

The U.S. senate approved a similar measure, S. 1072, the *Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act (S.A.F.E.-T.E.A.)*, by a vote of 76-21 on February 12. The senate version reauthorizes \$318 billion over the next six years to fund highway, mass transit and safety programs, but does not include language specifically addressing motorcycle safety concerns.

Both bills will now go to a conference committee, comprised of both senators and representatives, to iron out discrepancies between the two and submit a final bill to the president for his signature or veto. The white house has proposed an alternative \$256 billion transportation package, and president Bush has threatened to veto the legislation if costs exceeded that amount.

Wisconsin Law Protects Helmetless Riders

Wisconsin governor James Doyle signed a bill on Monday, March 15, that will ensure that motorcyclists who choose not to wear helmets do not face reduced awards in personal injury cases if they are involved in accidents.

In ruling on an A.T.V. accident two years ago, the Wisconsin supreme court said that a jury could consider a person's decision not to wear a helmet if they received a head injury in a crash involving a "high speed open air motor vehicle," and reduce the amount of lawsuit damages paid to that person by up to 100%. Wisconsin only requires helmets be worn by motorcycle riders and passengers under 18 years old. "What we're saying in Wisconsin is that if you do something that is in compliance with the law, it will not be held against you," said governor Doyle in signing senate bill 223.

S.223, which effectively nullifies the court's 2002 decision by dropping the allowable reduction amount to zero%, was authored by ardent motorcyclist senator Dave Zien at the request of *A.B.A. T.E. of Wisconsin.* Zien, one of the founders of the bikers' rights movement in Wisconsin and a longtime member of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists Legislative Task Force (N.C.O.M.-L.T.F.)*, says the new law prevents discrimination against motorcyclists by courts and insurance companies.

Zien maintains that helmets contribute to accidents by reducing head mobility, vision and hearing. Helmet chin straps also can contribute to neck injuries during accidents, he said. "For the motorcycle community, we don't want to be forced to wear helmets," Zien told the *Lacrosse Tribune*.



Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney signed house bill 206, an act allowing adult motorcyclists the "freedom of choice" to not wear a helmet while riding in a parade.

HB 206, sponsored by representative Demetrius Atsalis, provides an exception to the state's mandatory helmet law that "No protective head gear be required if a motorcyclist is participating in a properly permitted public parade and is 18 years or older," explained Paul Cote, legislative director for the *Massachusetts Motorcycle Association (M.M.A.)*, adding that "This is the fifth motorcyclists' bill passed in the last four years!"

The new law is scheduled to take effect in 90 days, which lands right before the *M.M.A.*'s "Storm the state house" lobbying day on Thursday, May 20th. *M.M.A.* leaders have already begun securing "parade permits" from the cities of Somerville and Boston, so the "Storm" could be one of the first helmet "choice" permitted parades; riding to the state house to thank legislators and lobby for other bills still pending, including Senate Bill 1363 — the full "helmet choice" for all adult riders.

Bill Filed To Re-enact Louisiana Helmet Law

A bill that would reverse a law pushed through the legislature by former governor Mike "Big Daddy" Foster giving adult motorcycle riders the option of wearing helmets has been filed in the senate. Senator Joel Chaisson II, D-Destrehan, filed senate bill 29, which mandates all motorcycle riders to wear helmets with padding, a visor and a chin strap. That was the law until five years ago when Foster helped persuade lawmakers to allow a choice for riders older than 18 who are covered by at least a \$10,000 health insurance policy and furnish proof of insurance to police if stopped. Foster, an avid motorcyclist, has always characterized the law he promoted as one aimed at giving adults a choice of wearing or not wearing a helmet. No state has enacted a helmet law since Maryland in 1996, but six states have repealed their helmet laws since then: Arkansas, Texas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Florida and Pennsylvania, making 31 states that currently allow adult freedom of choice. Let's not go backwards!

Australian Riders Mount Front Plate Protest

The Motorcycle Riders Association (M.R.A.) of Victoria is up in arms over a proposal to require Aussie bikers to affix license plates to the front of their motorcycles so that they can be identified from the front for tolls and for speed cameras.

M.R.A. Victorian president Alex Money said the group is planning a protest to alert the general public as to how much money the government would waste in the move. "We just want the public to know the Victorian government is spending \$14 million to introduce motorcycle front number plates," he explained, noting that speed cameras in New South Wales take photographs from behind.

Tollway operator Transurban has said it would consider introducing motorcycle tolls if bikes could be photographed from the front.

Weird News Of The Month Saddam's Motorcycle Looted

The man who swung the first blow when Saddam Hussein's infamous statue was toppled from the middle of Firdos Square in Baghdad has been arrested for museum.

Armed with a sledgehammer, Khadom Sharif Hassan, Iraq's weightlifting champion, started pounding away at the statue last April, to cheers from the jubilant crowd and praise from president George W. Bush, who watched the action unfold on the white house television. "They got it down," the president said approvingly.

But today the beefy hero is languishing in jail, accused of looting Baghdad's National Army Museum of one of the former dictator's most treasured exhibits: the 50-year-old black Norton motorcycle on which the young Saddam claimed he fled to Syria in 1959 after a botched American-sponsored assassination attempt on Iraq's then prime minister, general Abd al-Karim Qasim, who a year earlier had overthrown the British-backed monarchy to seize power. Though the plan failed, it sparked the Ba'ath party's rise to power.

Mr. Hassan explained that he felt he had a legitimate claim to the bike, which until the looting frenzy had stood on a pedestal in the museum, but was later found in his workshop during a raid by Iraq's special crimes squad. As the chief motorbike mechanic for Saddam's elder son Uday, Hassan had spent countless hours lavishing care on the Norton. What's more, he said, Uday used to cherry-pick the best motorcycles that he imported into Iraq, paying him just a fraction of their value.

Hassan, 50, who is married with three children, said he had looked after more than 100 motorbikes belonging to Uday for 16 years, working on them round the clock. "I would be ordered to tune a bike at 3 a.m. if Uday decided after a night out that he wanted to ride the next day," he said. "His favorite was a red Honda 750cc bike which he used for jumping because he was tall and strong enough to drive a big bike."

Uday preferred Japanese models to

looting the tyrant's motorcycle from a American Harley-Davidsons, Hassan said, but also liked a B.M.W. that was a present from King Abdullah of Jordan. When Uday was hospitalized from an accident, he ordered scores of his motorbikes to be lined up outside his window so that he could admire them.

> Officials from the serious crimes squad have described the case against Hassan as "open and shut," but from the special police headquarters in Baghdad, he denies stealing the bike. "I bought the Norton from a looter," he said. "I knew he had stolen it, but I had a duty to take it and look after it. I love that bike. Of course, I hate Saddam, but what he did wasn't the bike's fault. It is a special thing in Iraq's history."

Quotable Quote

"How many legs does a dog have if you call the tail a leg? Four. Calling a tail a leg doesn't make it a leg."

> Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865 16th president of the United States





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Dear Friends

Sorry it has been a long time since my last update. I seem to be having problems with my millennium-ride address, so please use simonrtw@hotmail.com if you are trying to contact me.

I have been very troubled by the third world war and it seems totally ridiculous that we find ourselves in such a big mess. It is hard to find anyone amongst our leaders not to blame. No one with power in this world loves peace, only war and death which seems to beget more of the same. My heart goes out to the people of Iraq who have got a really bad deal. We must demand that Britain and the U.S. do right by them, not simply shove the problem onto the U.N. and blame it for all their mistakes like they normally do.

Soldiers get a bad deal in war too. I mean, they get so messed up mentally. You see it all over the world. Please, if you know of any British Falklands War veterans with an e-mail who wouldn't mind communicating with an Argentine veteran here, please put me in touch.

Anyway, much more positively, on this side of the world, U.N.I.C.E.F. (the United Nations fund for children) in Argentina said they would take on board the new (to Argentina) health by motorcycle idea. They will help build a partnership with provincial health ministries and existing N.G.O.s. The plan is for Charlie from Paraguay to impart the skills he will learn in Zimbabwe to the Argentinians, in due course. Argentina's provinces get little help from the centre. This means that kids

in the remotest areas get even less healthcare than those in Bolivia and Peru. At least medical workers in the latter are mobile, even though their motorcycles have no brakes.

Meeting U.N.I.C.E.F. was one of the things I had planned before leaving for Africa. Another has been to get to know Argentina a little better. There are some places in the world where the people have a certain attitude that is so appealing. Argentina is one of them. For some reason it does not feel like the right time to go. When I do go, I want my soul to go with me, so I am letting things play out a little.

the Hurlingham Polo Club, the oldest current polo club in the world. It is a magnificent place with five polo fields. I played tennis the other weekend and surprised myself since it has been around 20 years since I was on the court. I have made a good friendship Dick Sibbald and the club's president, Julio Curutchet. It is a slice of upper crust England. It feels like Windsor. We discussed inviting the Pakistani polo club of Gilgit, where the game was invented up there in northern Pakistan, out here for a match.

I am hoping that my Spanish language presentation can be held at the University of Buenos Aires' law faculty. Perhaps I can recruit their help in the motorcycle rights pressure group part of the presentation. We need it throughout the world, not just in Iraq, people everywhere need to be taught how to change the world they live in, how to change it for the better, how to take responsibility for their Cordoba after my presentation at the world. This week is the anniversary of Provincial Environment Ministry. The the 3,000 Argentinians who officials told me to lower the



Simon Milward

disappeared in 1976. The government will again be pressed to give information on the whereabouts of those kidnapped.

Last weekend I addressed a crowd of 3,000 bikers on the streets of Mercedes, about 100km west of Buenos Aires. Chello, president of the Lobos Motorcycle Club, gave me the microphone at the start of the Next Saturday is my presentation at speeches. I was right at home as they say, doing my best to turn the whole thing into a demo. Everyone seemed to be in favor. Even the intendente (town major) echoed my calls for unity and a fight for fairness. I would say that the fledgling group

> http://groups.msn.com/ FederacionArgentinaMotociclistasAsociados is going to quite strong quite soon. There are over ten legitimate motorcycle safety and rights campaigns to be won here.

> My Spanish is improving. In speeches and presentations I now say "motorcycling is in our blood" and not "motorcycling is in our wine." Well, sangre and sangria aren't too far apart, eh what? I have made the presentation in Spanish at least ten times, but none of the other audiences batted an eyelid at the prospect of having motorcycling their wine! Quite eccentric these English, you know.

The best moment of all came in

Argentine flag flying outside the building as we lined up the bikes for a photo session. They cut the rope and presented the flag to me! Wow. Now that is the best present of my whole ride. It brought a tear to my eye. We rode off, me resplendent in my new blue and white riding cape with a smiling face in the sun! What a great flag. Many thanks to Herman at *Cordoba Backpackers* and all my friends at the ministry.

In Mendoza I was a guest with the family of Fernando Bourio who is a member of *Rutas y Motos*, a network of help for traveling motorcyclists, or "viajeros." Here the well known Dr Alvino runs a foundation called *Conin* for reaching rural families in the mountains near the border with Chile. He wants to introduce motorcycles for his workers.

Here in Buenos Aires many thanks to Jeremis Cifarelli who rides a *KLR* 650. We met by chance in December and I am crashed out at his house.

Lastly, don't believe all that the doctor tells you. He told me that I had psoriasis (a skin condition) in 1975 and I was stuck with it for 29 years because I believed this lie. I had to change my belief to get rid of it and have happy to report success. I put more info on my web site on how to do it.

Simon Milward, on the road simon@millennium-ride.com

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A solo fundraising round the world ride on a handmade motorcycle. Help us help motorcycles and motorcyclists improve the health of fellow human beings. I'll try to get back on schedule with my e-mail updates if the war doesn't depress me too much. Take care,



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Seconday - May 1, 2004

Southeast Portland Chapter Food Delivery



Southeast Portland Chapter members arrive at the Light Mission.



The van transporting donated food is opened up.

photos and text by Lee Austin photo touchup by Rot Path

We had over 38 dedicated riders who thought this was an important event.

We delivered over \$2,100 in food which was collected at our meetings throughout the year. We had donations from *Vancouver H.O.G.* and *Northeast Portland Chapter* and anyone else who felt the need to give.

All in all we consider our food drive to be quite successful and hope for a bigger and better one next year.

We have been told that we are the #1 contributor to the *Light House Mission*. Now if that don't make you feel great, nothing will.



A line of volunteers forms to pass food.



The donated food slides down to its storage area.

Truck Dedication For 9-11

This common carrier brought us a load of *Gilroy Frozen Foods* today.

It's called *The Rolling 9-11 Memorial*. It has all the names of the people who were killed on that day and the flights they were on plus some other graphics on the side of the tractor.

This truck was awesome.

Here is some info I took down after talking with the owners/operators: Their names are John and Amy Holmgren. They live in Shafer, Minnesota.

They thought this would be a nice tribute to the people who lost their lives.

This concept was thought of by John and Amy, and totally paid for by them.

John says he will be awhile paying the loan off that he had to take out to do it, but thought this was the least he could do.

He said that he got to meet the country singer Darryl Worley, who sang the song *Have You Forgotten* and has gotten pulled over three times by the police just to get their picture taken by this truck (I would have pulled him over too.)

He plans on attending the *Mid-America Truck* show in Louisville, Kentucky in March.

Applied Graphics in Fargo, North Dakota did most of the work and Paul Kosenski did the hand paintwork.

Wayne Pitkin















Recent Losses

Following is an obituary for Paul Menser. He has been a member of *A.B.A.T.E.* since the early 1970's. Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Menser

Paul R. Menser road captain 05 July 1950 – 08 April 2004

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 17, 2004 at 2:00 PM at the *Sandy Funeral Home*, with a procession and graveside service following at *Damascus Pioneer Cemetery*.

Paul Menser, our beloved husband, son, father, and brother passed away at his home on Thursday, April 8, 2004 at the age of 53 after a four year battle with colon cancer. He was surrounded by friends and family and displayed amazing strength, dignity and courage.

Mr. Menser was born July 5, 1950 to Odis and Ruby Menser and resided in Gresham. He attended *Damascus Union Grade School* and graduated from *Gresham High School* in 1968. Paul joined the U.S. Navy in 1968 and was honorably discharged July

Date: Tue, 6 Apr 2004 08:48:38 From: Charlie Hill Subject: Ad To: Rot Path

Hi Rot,

We have a new member who would like to put a classified ad in our magazine: of 1974. He attended *Mt. Hood Community College*, then worked for *Cascade Corporation* as a machinist. He returned to school to earn his real estate license and later his brokers license. He worked for *E.R.A.*, *Windermere* and *Pioneer Pacific* in Sandy.

Over the last ten years, he grew and sold Christmas trees at *Menser's U-Cut* in Gresham.

In 1971, he married Kathleen Marshall and they built a home in Eagle Creek. They later divorced.

Paul met Kathy Scrivner in 1978. They later married and continued to live in Eagle Creek.

Paul loved fishing, hunting and riding his *Harley-Davidson* motorcycles. He knew every back road between Eagle Creek and Sturgis, South Dakota, where he attended *Bike Week* every year from 1988 – 2002 when illness prevented his traveling.

One trip that he particularly enjoyed was riding his *Ural* with the sidecar, accompanied by his dog, Babe, to Nevada and back through California to Oregon. He was a life member of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Harley Owners Group, and the National Rifle Association. History, particularly the Civil War era, was his special interest.

He had an amazing and eventful life full of many wonderful friends. His infectious laugh, wonderful smile and love of life touched many people. His memory will continue to be a source of strength for his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy; father and mother, Odis and Ruby; son, Shawn Scrivner and granddaughter, Serena Scrivner, along with many other family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, Paul's family requests that contributions in his memory be made to

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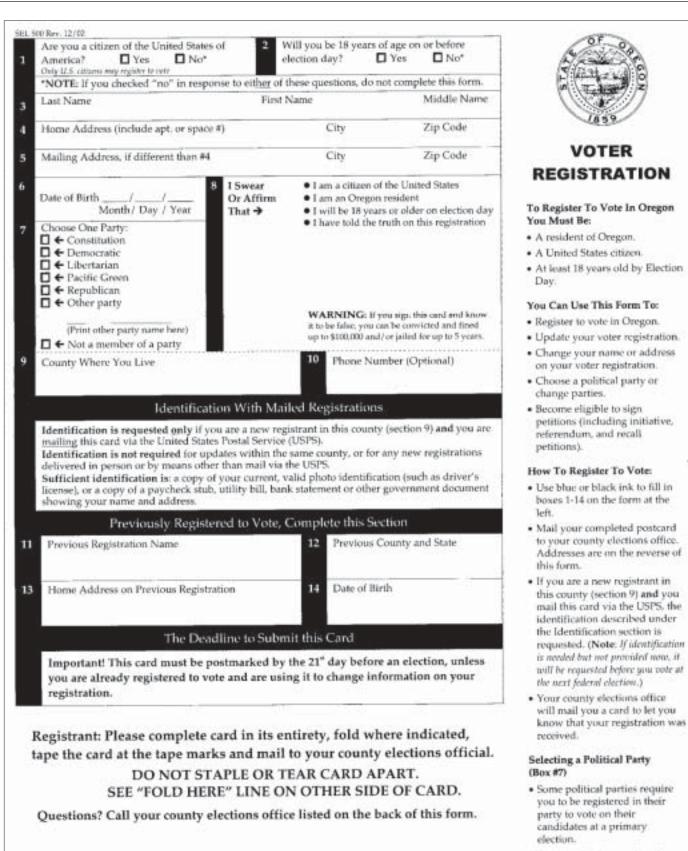
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Charlie

Date: Tue, 6 Apr 2004 21:37:11 From: Charlie Hill Subject: Cancel Ad To: Rot Path Hi Rot Please cancel the classified ad I sent you this morning for Mark Kirk. He

you this morning for Mark Kirk. He was killed at midnight last night on his new bike.

Thanks, Charlie



If your card is incomplete, it may be rejected.



Cosmic Bikers

Very Funny, Scotty. Now Beam Down My Leathers c.o.e. -- 28

Contrary to what may have been stated elsewhere, yer crusty ol' editor does *not* attend *Star Trek* conventions. He is *not* a "trekker." (As they like to call themselves now.)

From yer ...

crusty ol' editor

Instead yer crusty ol' editor attends science fiction conventions.

"What's the difference?" you might ask.

Well, it's kinda like the folks who know nothing about motorcycling lumping all riders into a "biker" stereotype.

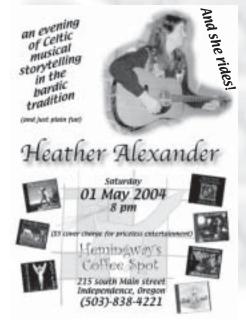
We have all kinds of folks with a wide variety of interests who are attracted to motorcycling. And people who haven't explored the world on two or three wheels can never know how enveloped riders become in their surroundings.

There are moments of magic.

Like when yer c.o.e. took a coworker on one of her first motorcycle rides along country back roads and a crow was flying a few yards away eying us as we looked at him.

The sweet fragrance of cottonwoods in early spring, the earthy smell of plowed fields, that special aroma of freshly mown hay in fall.

Golden vistas and misty mountain ranges as hills are crested.



If you ride, you've experienced some of these moments.

And you know that the media stereotypes don't apply to the majority of people who ride.

Same goes for people who attend science fiction conventions. ("Cons.")

It's as misleading to lump them all into a single category as it is to do the same to motorcyclists.

Yes, there's folks who are into costuming and prosthetic makeup.

The thing is, that the quality of their work is often right up there with professional movie standards or higher. (When you find yourself in a darkened room in the middle of towering Klingons in full garb arguing gutturally among themselves and drinking blood wine from metal cups, just for an instant it can seems little *too* real.)

There's panel discussions with experts from all kinds of fields discussing topics of present and future interest and taking questions from audiences.

There are panels about the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act and its effects on the freedoms and liberties guaranteed by the U.S. constitution.

Want to know what transpiration is going to be like later in this century? This is the place to glimpse that vision and use it to guide our current legislative efforts. (What if you're bike's wheels were replaced with levitators so you could ride in three dimensions?)

There are former military members participating in panels and active in the science fiction community.

Yer crusty ol' editor was standing in line to pick up his badge for *NorWesCon* last month and got to talking with another person in line. Turns out we joined the Navy within a few months of each other and both were in a rather obscure rating. (AW) He went into helos (rotorheads) while yer c.o.e. went to the

P-3 Orions of the VP Navy.

Most nights there are dances that go on into the wee hours with killer sound systems that rattle fillings. And world class musicians like Heather Alexander giving concerts. Filk circles where people set their own often humorous lyrics to popular tunes.

Every night of cons there is a hotel wing set aside so that people can host parties about whatever interests them. It's like being able to do a pub crawl without using taxies or designated drivers.

At motorcycle runs there are vendors. Same goes for cons. And a lot of their wares blend in with rider's needs. (You should see the finger armor that yer c.o.e. donated to a *Hub City* raffle.)

Imagine riding around in titanium mail. Need a unique knife? You should see all the custom forged knives, axes, and swords available to con attendees.

An increasing amount of sci-fi artwork and prints have motorcycle fantasy themes. (Remember the cover from Meatloaf's *Bat Out Of Hell*?)

Take in a con. And remember – all the work and organization for cons is done by unpaid volunteers – just like bike runs.

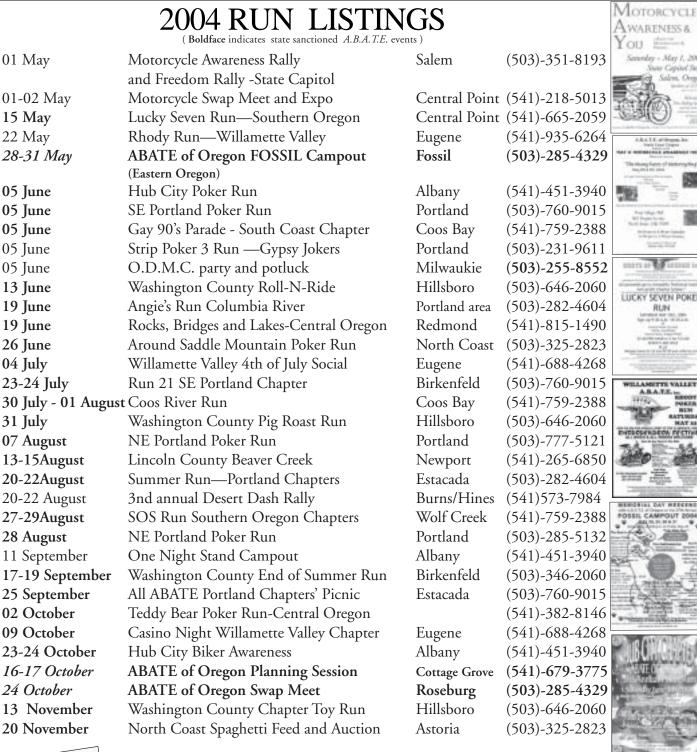
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[*crusty ol' editor's note: Apologies to* Hub City. Josephine County, North Coast, and Willamette Valley Chapters for getting their meeting days incorrectly placed on the April calendar. (Wonder if they'd buy it as an April Fool joke?) Hub City had been complainin' about the crowding at their meetings anyway.]



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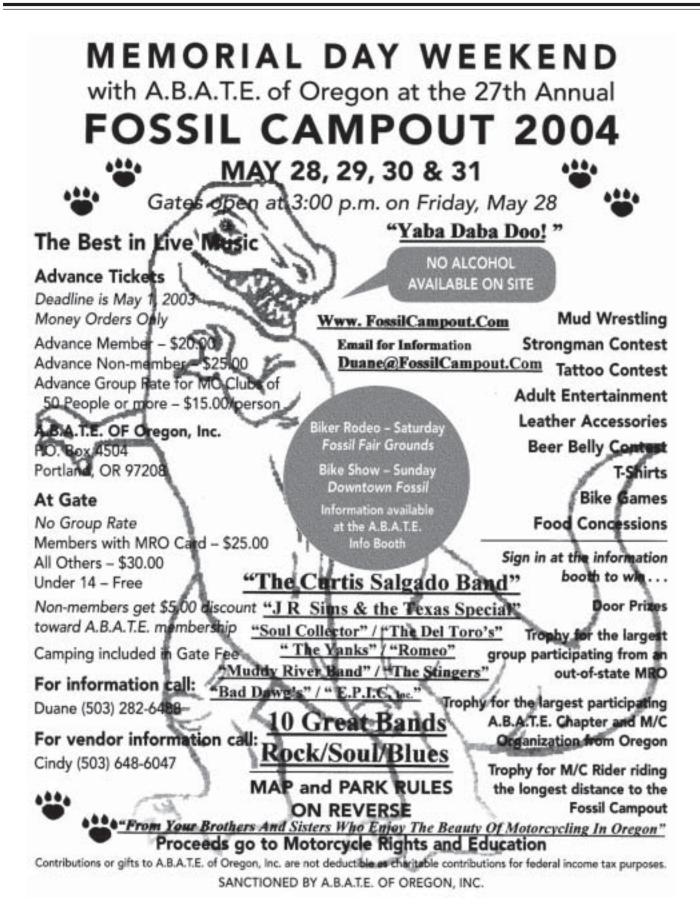
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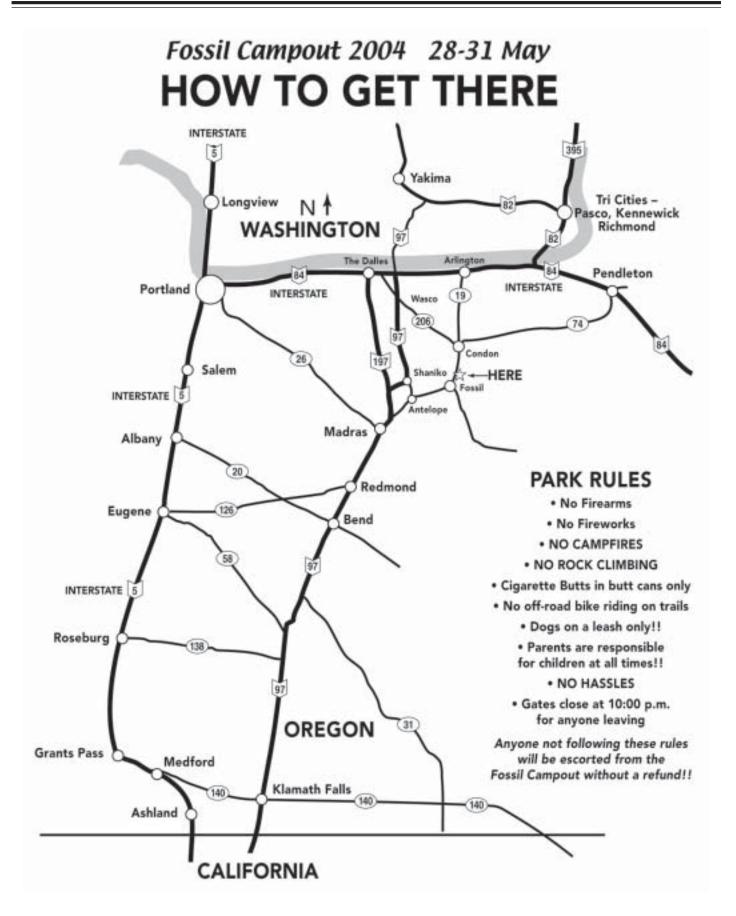
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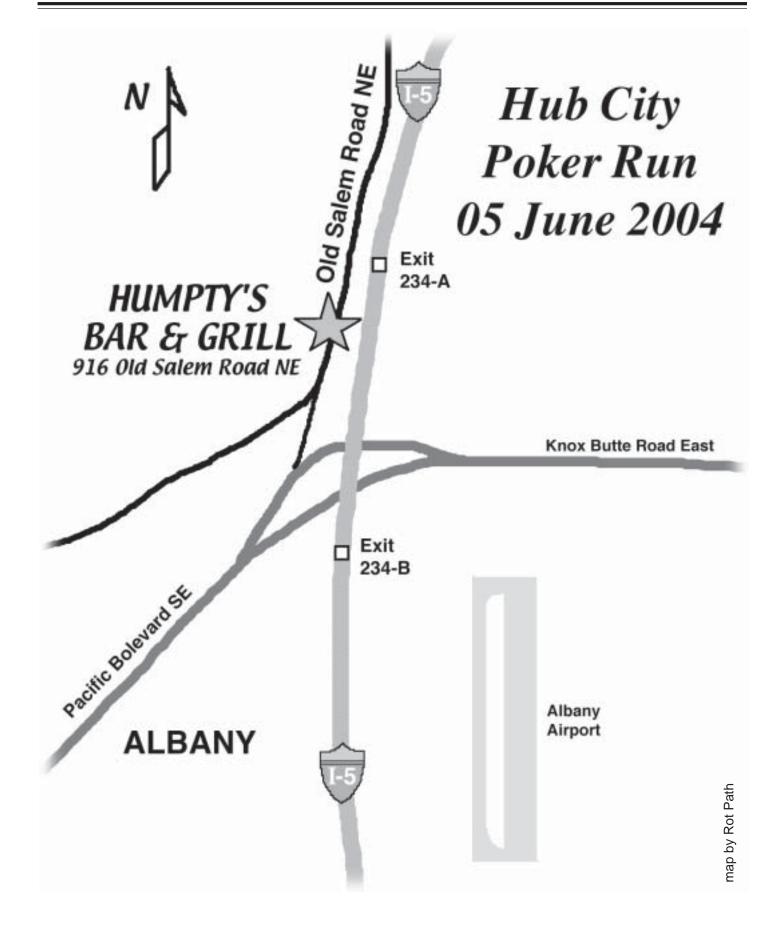
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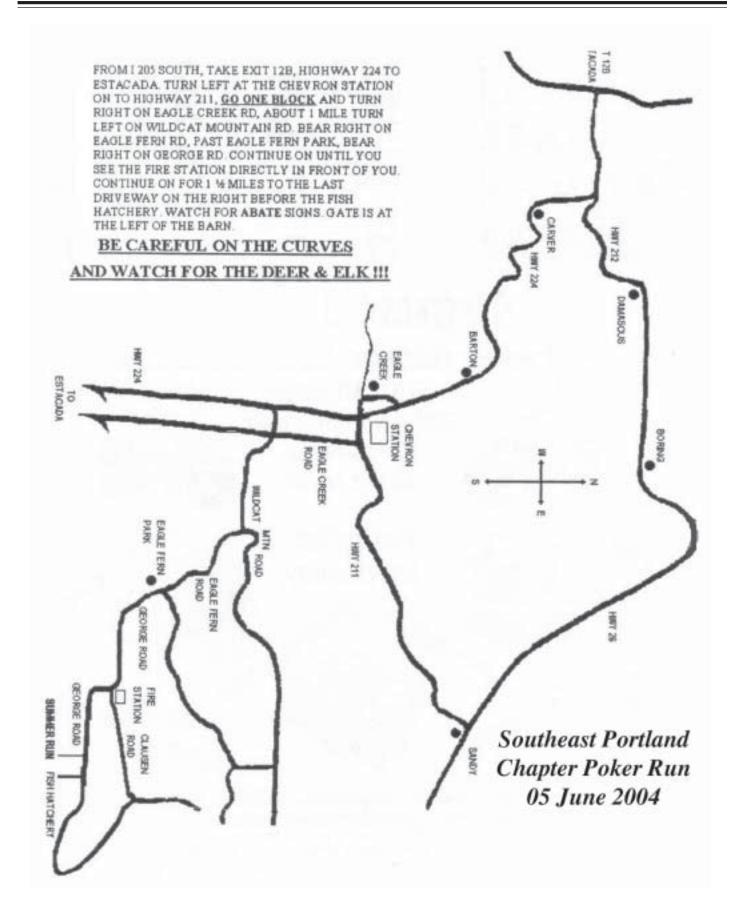
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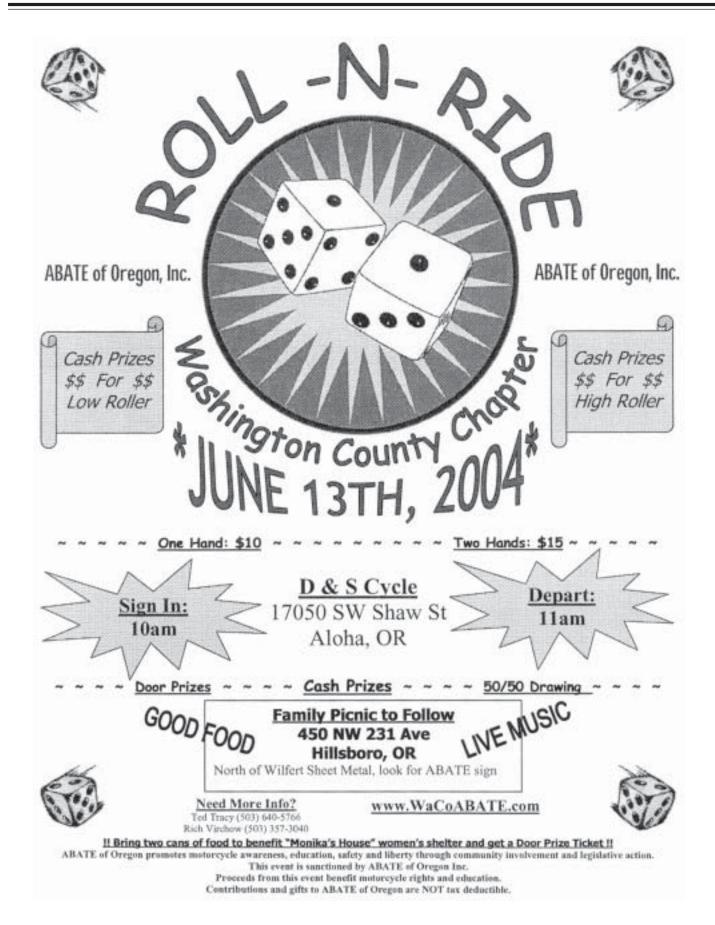
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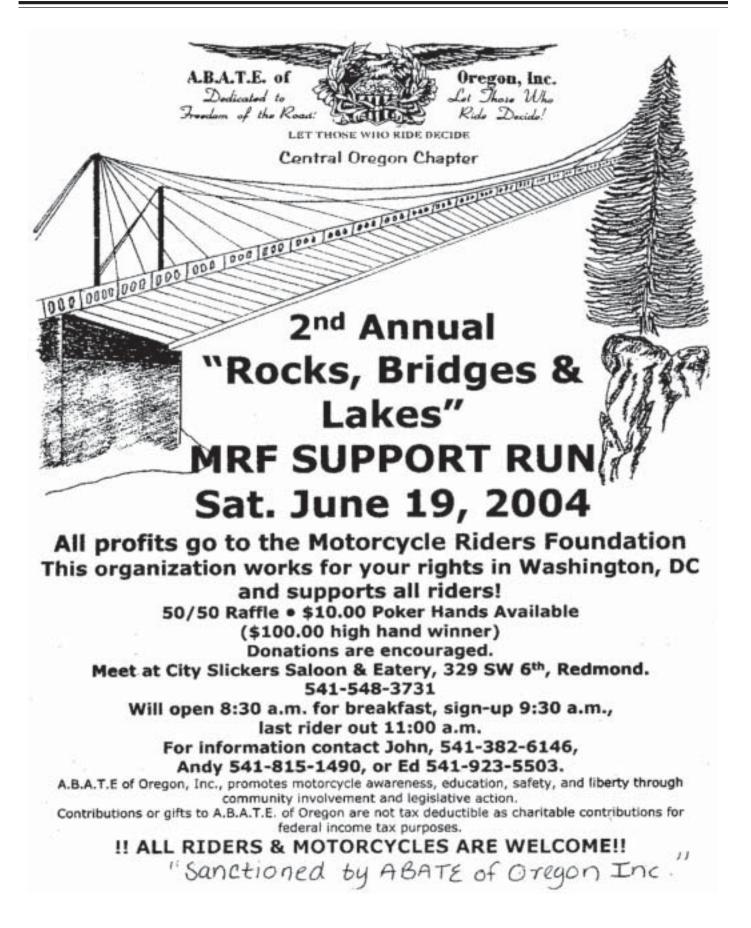
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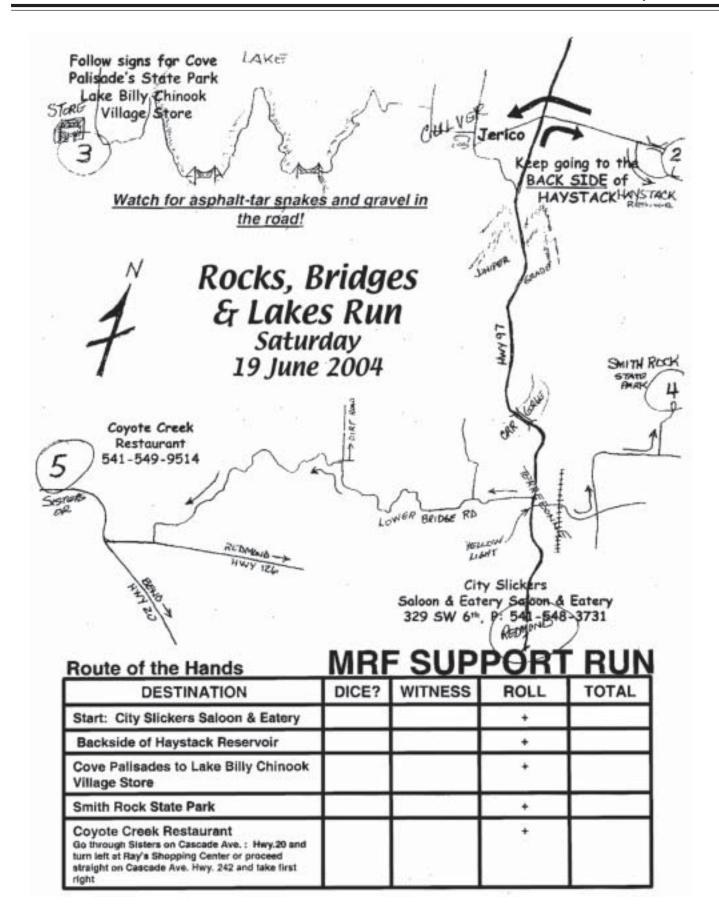
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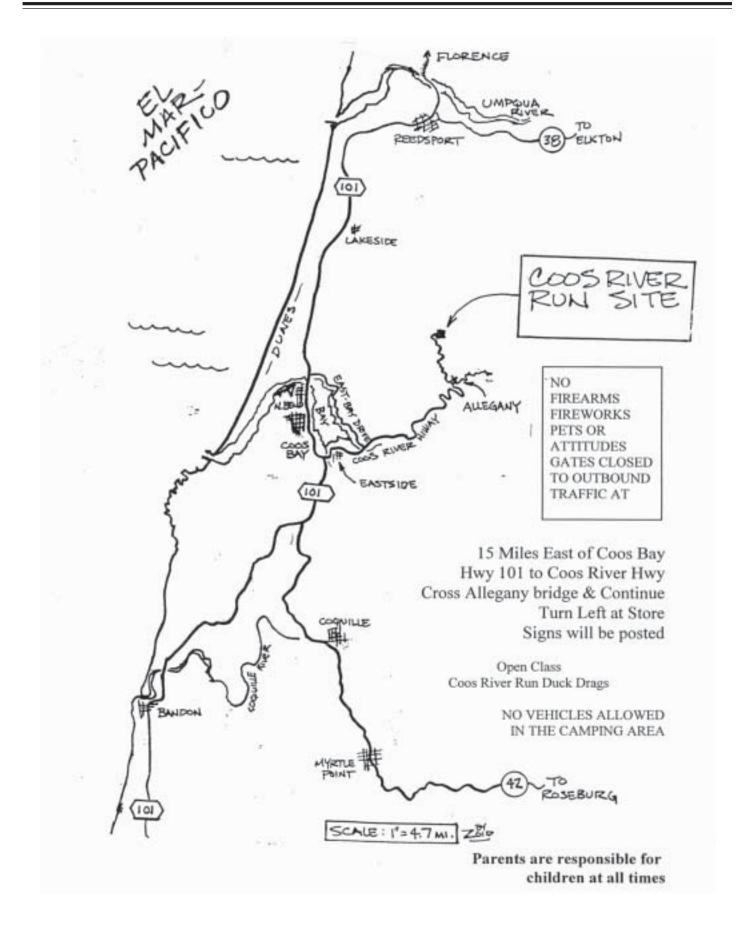
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Please submit this form *even if you do not have all the information*. We will use this form to track the event anyway. Please submit as soon as possible. If you need additional paper to finish this, please feel free to do so. Please print carefully. Thank you.

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Your name, address, phone and e-mail: Date of motorcycle accident: Location (mile marker, intersection, city or nearest town or street address): What happened? Left turned, rear ended, broadsided, etc, and the nature and extent of any "*injury* to rider(s). Was anyone *cited* or *arrested*? If anyone was, please provide the name of the person cited, the nature of the criminal or traffic charge, the name and location of the court, the name of the district attorney handling the prosecution, and any other pertinent details or case numbers: Victim's name (s), address, license number (driver and vehicle), year and make of vehicle(s): Other driver(s) info (name, address, license number, state issued by, etc.):

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Greg is getting ready to be rotated back for a second tour in Iraq. He is still with the 3rd Infantry.

His younger brother James has decided to continue the military experience and has joined the Air Force for six years.

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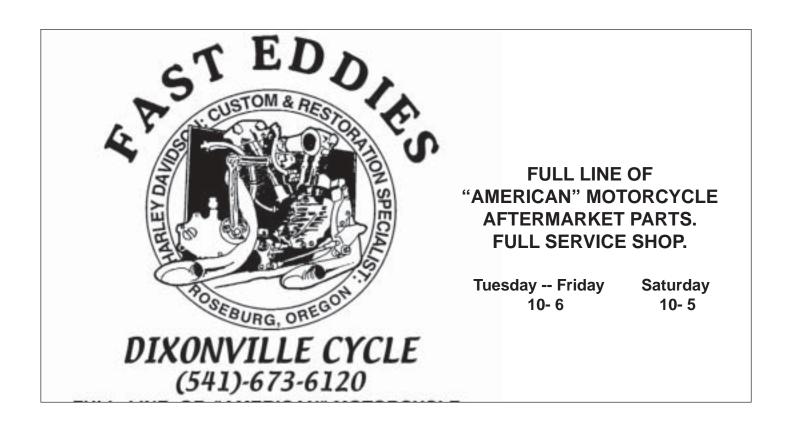
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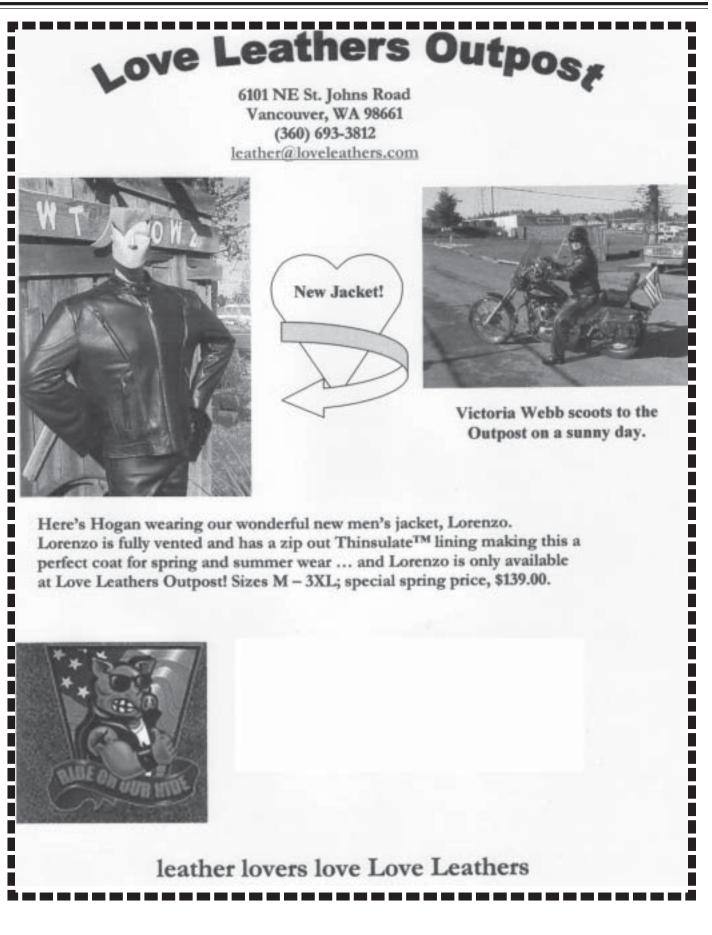


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		Year Pin - 14 yr. member - bla	ck/red 3.00		
		Year Pin - 15 yr. member - go	ld/black 3.00	ABATE	6
		Year Pin - 16 yr. member - gre	ey/black 3.00		ALC: NOT
		Year Pin - 17 yr. member - co	oper/black 3.00	20002	Carlos and
	AYP18	Year Pin - 18 yr. member - lig	nt blue/gold 3.00	Stagoo .	67
	AYP19	Year Pin - 19 yr. member - pu	rple/gold 3.00	New!	
	AYP20	Year Pin - 20 yr. member - red	/white/blue 4.00	Long-sleeved black shirt wi	th <i>A.B.A.T.E</i> . logo \$40
	ALPIG	ABATE Logo Pin - gold	5.00		1.00
		ABATE Logo Pin - silver	5.00		cul.
	AEPIS	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silve	er 5.00	2 Parts	No and
	AEPIG	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, gold	l 5.00	15.30	A State
	AWP	ABATE Wing Pin - silver	5.00		
	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold	5.00	ABATE PIN	IS
	ASP	ABATE Supporter Pin	5.00		ABAIE
	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 of	olor 5.00	(A)	OF
	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black	/gold 5.00	Coloren -	12/101
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	AFP	Fossil Pin	5.00		
	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color	on white 5.00		
	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats	10.00		
	CW	Screw The Helmet pin	3.00	MISCELLAN	NEOUS
	AFRTS	ABATE T-Shirts			
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		Polo shirts	20.00		1
		Ladies V-neck shirts			
		Ladies crew neck shirts			

NOTE: Assorted Colors.

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

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	AWS-L	ABATE Wing Sticker - blac	. ,			-
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	AMS	ABATE #1 Membership Sti				=
	HLS	HELMET LAWS SUCK Stie				STICKERS
	LTWRD	LET THOSE WHO RIDE D				_
	ACWS	Warning Sticker: "This Bike	e Belongs To A Member of	of ABATE, 2.50		
		Don't Mess With It"				LOUD
	HLSB	HELMET LAWS SUCK Bu				PIPES SAVE
	LTWRB	LET THOSE WHO RIDE D	•			LINES THE
	MIM	UNITED WE STAND, DIVI				
	ANG	Year Bars (indicate year				
	License	Plate Frames — Cars with		7.00		SPECIAL
	"Let	Those Who Ride Decide				ORDER
	License	Plate Frames — Motorcycle	es with			ITEMS
		Those Who Ride Decide"				
	LPSL	Loud Pipes Saves Lives		3.00		THE R. P. LEWIS CO.
	AEP-L	Straight Wing Eagle pin		5.00		4
	FAP	Free America Patch		5.00		in a
	FAB	Free America Pin		5.00		LET THERE WHEN REDE FOR MAN
	EAP	Eagle Pin		5.00		-
	•	Coordinator				_
		Vice-Coordinator				-
	-	Secretary				
		Membership Secretary				
		Treasurer				0.000
	Chapter	Historian		5.00		OFFICER
	Chapter	Legislator		5.00		ROCKERS
	Chapter	Educational Director		5.00		
	Chapter	Ways & Means Director		5.00		order
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		Public Relations Director				1
	•	State Representative				PRODUCTS DIRECTOR
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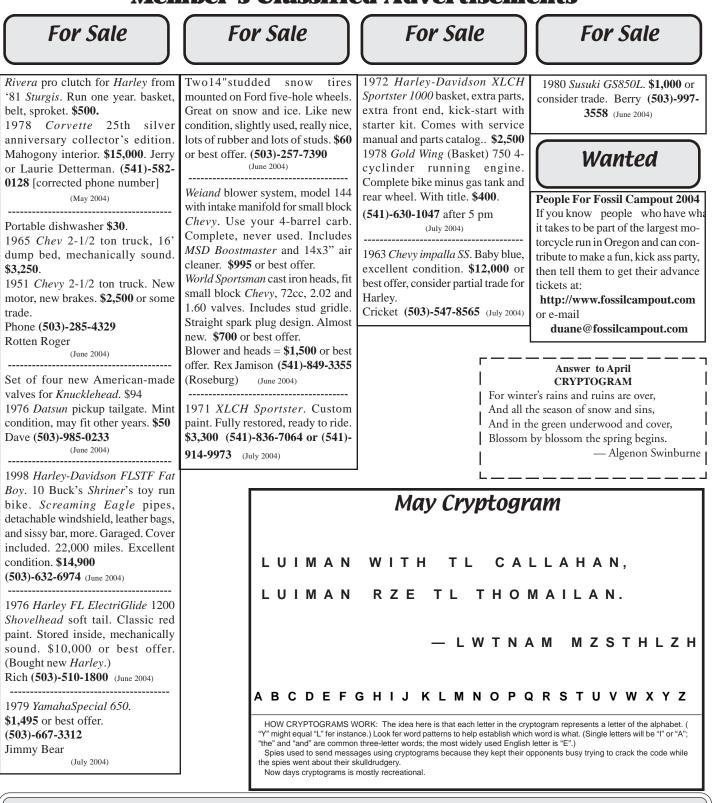
HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or DOT administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone 1-800-347-1106 or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for Gunny. Thank you for your cooperation. PLEASE SEND TO:

Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 720 SW Washington, Portland, OR 97205 ATTN: Gunny Hutch.

NAME:			
ADDRESS:	CI	ΓΥ:	
ADDRESS: STATE: ZIP:	PHONE: work		nome
MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGIS	LATIVE PURPOSES?	(YES) (NO)	
WHAT HA	PPENED WHEN YOU	WERE STOPPED?	•
DATE STOPPED:	TIME STOP	PED:am	n / pm
LOCATION:			
OFFICER NAME:	ID NO:	POLICE A	GENCY
PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELME	T / OTHER (specify) _		
CITATION? (YES) (NO) IF SO FOR: H	ELMET / OTHER (spe		
CITE # 1st appearance	date:	TIME:	_am/pm
COURT LOCATION: city / county:			
ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE	E SAME TIME? LIST: _		
IF THERE WERE ANY CRIMINAL CHAR	GES (not infractions), \$		
You should IMMEDIATELY Did officer follow normal traffic laws in ma			ged with a crime.
If no explain:		. ,	
Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully	? (YES) (NO) If no	explain:	
Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO			
Were you given an explanation on legal of	or illegal helmets? (YE	S) (NO)	
If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN			
If verbal, describe:			
	WHAT HAPPENED IN		
Have you gone to court? NO: When is co the fine? \$		did you plead?	If you pled guilty what was
If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone t	trial? (YES) (NO)	f no when is your co	urt date?
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FINE : \$ ASSESSMENT:		COUNTY \$	CITY \$
WORK TIME LOSS HRS:			
Briefly describe the evidence you present			
DFSCRI	BE THE HELMET YOU	J WERE WEARING	
BRAND:	MODEL:		
When you bought the helmet did it have a		Itside? YES NO	
Label permanently fastened inside? (YES			
Was helmet modified? (YES) (NO)	-,		
If modified describe:			

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TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED DATED MATERIAL

Two decades of increased drinking meant That my amatuer standing had went. I like to laugh and have fun, And recall it all when done. I'm just between drinks at the moment. ©2004--Rot Path

NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:

Saturday, 08 May 2004 at Noon 7th and Kalmia Junction City, Oregon

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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