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

What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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

by Bill Bish

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

So, there you have it.

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

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State Coordinator's Comments



by Ed Vaughn

(Ed's wise words of wisdom evidently took a wrong turn on the information highway. No doubt he would encourage you to attend the *A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC* planning session 20-21 October in Cottage Grove at the *V.F.W.* hall. -- c.o.e.)

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

Well, here it is October already.

Sure hope everyone has been enjoying the past month, which I personally think is one of the very best times of year to ride. Not too hot and not too cold.

Our *10th Annual Teddy Bear Run* will be history by the time everyone receives this. Hopefully it will have gone as well as the ones in the past years. We will keep everyone informed in next month's newsmagazine as to the outcome of the event.

With winter just around the bend, we trust that all of you are getting in as much riding time as possible before the roads over here turn to virtual crap!

October is also when the state holds its annual planning session. This year it will be on October 20–21 in Cottage Grove at the *American Legion Hall*. Read Octobers state newsmagazine for time. This meeting is open to *all* members and anyone wishing to attend should. This assembly is where the plans are made for the upcoming year for the organization.

It is also time to hold elections at both the state and local levels for officers. All positions are open, even if an officer is not stepping down. If

you would like to run for a post, please do so. These positions are not set in stone and remember, this is America where it is best to have more than one candidate.

On a sadder note, one of our younger members was involved in a very serious auto crash in late August. Katy Proffitt, the daughter of Richard and Marie, sustained a broken back, but someone must have been looking after her since she is not paralyzed. Unfortunately there are many other complications she and her family are having to deal with. We are all thinking of you, Katy!!!

We will have a benefit run for her on October 6th starting at the *Blackhorse Saloon* which opens at 9 a.m. The ride will leave at 11 a.m., go to Prineville and finish in Redmond at *City Slickers*. Let us have a wonderful turnout for this sweet girl. We need to stand by our members. One never knows when we might be next.

Oops!!!

We had a misprint last month's newsmagazine. It should have read "*Thank you to Food-4-Less in Bend*" and it's vendors for supplying most of the food for our BBQ's.

All for now,

Kevin and Renee'

CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

Columbia River



Hello brothers and sisters from *Columbia River*,

This will be the last report from *Columbia River*.

We voted to retire the charter and start a new chapter.

We started our meeting at 12:30 p.m.

We waived the minutes and treasurer reports \$390.00 in account.

The toy run report told us that wheelchair giveaway is scheduled for the 6th of October. We are getting some support from *Albertson's* for next year.

The legislative report tells us about the noise limit law in Denver. The police bikes can't even meet the noise limit. In Michigan, you can pay \$100 to not wear a helmet for one year or \$200 for two years. The *Wild Boars* in Pennsylvania are the Pennsylvania police.

We are going to try and continue the *Summer Run*. We are going to change the date to either in June or on Labor Day weekend. They are talking about family discount packages and day passes. They are going to start planning now.

The state wants all the chapter e-mail addresses that we have.

Planning session is October 20-21.

The Halloween party will either at the *Eagles* or at the *Spare Room*.

The vote to merge *Northeast Portland* and *Columbia River* chapters was 24 to 4 in favor of the merge.

We adjourned the meeting.

Take care and ride free.

Linda Weeks
membership secretary
Columbia River Chapter

COLUMBIA RIVER MEETING TIME and PLACE
 2nd Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm)
The Spare Room
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Lookin' fer the Douglas County and Hub City reports? They were never received.

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

Josephine County



TOY RUN - TOY RUN - TOY RUN

It's that time of the year!

Josephine County Chapter's Fourth Annual Toy Run is scheduled for October 7th, 2007, at the Fruitdale Grange, 331 Rogue River Highway, Grants Pass. At approximately 1 p.m. the thunder of hundreds of bikes will be heard as they get ready to follow Santa on a ride through the streets of Grants Pass. This year there will be first and second place award plaques for the best Christmas decorated bikes. So get creative and imaginative with those iron horses. Who can turn their bike into a reindeer for Santa?

As in years past, all proceeds will benefit Siskiyou Community Health Center's Project Baby Check and Ready, Set, Go. Last year, we were able to raise over \$4,000 and hundreds of toys for local children in Josephine county. These are children who would have minimal or no Christmas if it weren't for the effort of our chapter, local

businesses, and the general public.

A chicken BBQ will be provided by the chapter and everyone is requested to bring a toy and a side dish. The pride of southern Oregon rock-n-roll, *Leadfoot*, will provide the music of the day. The silent auction will be humongous (that's big) as usual with items ranging from weekend getaways, dinners for two, clothing, tools, art, and just about anything else you can think of. In addition, the raffle will see hundreds of unique items and the 50/50 raffle is always of good size.

If you have items to donate to this cause, be sure and contact Pat "Spanky" Allen at (541)-659-8715. Lets make this the biggest toy run our chapter has accomplished!

The 4th Annual Brittney Mallory Ride which benefits St. Judes Children's Hospital will be held the following Saturday, October 13th. Sign up for the poker ride from 9-11 a.m. at *D&S Harley* in Phoenix, Oregon. Best hand gets a chance to win a \$25,000 *Harley-Davidson*. The ride will end at *Touveville Lodge* with BBQ chicken and live music.

There will also be a live auction with guitars autographed by Nickelback, Gretchen Wilson, Static-X, and more.

On October 14th, the *North Valley Vagos Motorcycle Club* will hold a pre-Halloween poker ride with proceeds to benefit the *Family Friends Children's Counseling Service* in Grants Pass.

Meet at *Grants Pass Custom Cycle* on highway 199 at 10 a.m. Ride highway 238 to the *Applegate Store*, head for Medford to the *Road House Grill*, on to Touvelle with a final stop at *Rhino's* on

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**JOSEPHINE COUNTY
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

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

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

Lincoln County



All is well in Lincoln County. The weather will be in the 80's here today. We will be thinking of all of you as we suffer so.

For those of you who missed *Beaver Creek*, know that we missed you.

Now the results of the games. (If names are misspelled, I'm sorry but that is the spelling I got.)

Beaver Boot

- 1st: Conrad Veen
- 2nd: Joe Huff
- 3rd: Damian Smith

Keg Roll

- 1st: Robert Emerson
- 2nd: Gary Edwards
- 3rd: Rod Smith

Weinie Bite

- 1st: Rich Rau & Karalee
- 2nd: Gary Edwards and Britney Welch
- 3rd: Gary Lechner and Korri Blakley

Blind Race

- 1st: Chris Christman
- 2nd: Steve Lindsey
- 3rd: Batman

Slow Race

- 1st: Lyle
- 2nd: Randy Becker
- 3rd: Gary Edwards

Potato Hunt

- 1st: Sara Hausman
- 2nd: Korri Blakley
- 3rd: Jessica Bronson and Tia

Egg Toss

- 1st: Korri Blakley and Elizabeth Sherman
- 2nd: Emerson Vanderburg and Albert Papp
- 3rd: Ben Benjamin and Mark Osborn

We did have a couple of items left behind. If you are missing something give me a call at (541)-265-7586 or e-mail me at millie_h@charter.net. I do hope we can get you your lost items back.

Found after *Beaver Creek* were a bunch of silver run pins. If you wanted one, you can reach me at the above number and we will make arrangements to get one to you. We still have two sets of keys from 2006 that were never missed by their owners.

We do want to thank all who attended and say thanks for your help in making our run such a success. We could not do it without you.

We have a group heading for the *End of Summer Run* for some relaxation. I'm sure you'll recruit them if needed and they will help if they can.

Be sure and keep the rubber side down,

Millie

LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE
 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7 pm)
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**North Coast**

Well, summer is winding down but still time for some good riding.

North Coast Chapter had their first *Two Rivers Run* and it went very well. People from Longbeach, Taylorville, *Washington County Chapter*, and the locals really enjoyed themselves.

Didn't have one bad report.

The ferry slowed us down, but it was the best part.

Brian and Sunny from *Washington County Chapter* took home the trophies for high and low hands. We will not talk about the wet finish.

We want to thank everyone and hope to have many more.

Laird has been working hard on setting up our rider skills practice class. The date will be October 20th at the Astoria/Warrenton airport. Cost is \$75. Contact Laird at (503)-325-2087 ASAP to sign up. This is a good refresher course for all riders.

It's Back By Popular Demand

Our *Spaghetti Feed and Auction* will be held Saturday, November 17th. The run committee is working out all the details. Any volunteers and auction donations would be greatly appreciated. This will help put smiles on the kids faces for X-mas. Contact Howie, (503)-325-4376 or come to our meetings, the fourth Sunday of the month, 10 a.m. at the Astoria *Moose Lodge*.

Keep your heads up and the rubber down,

Howie

NORTH COAST MEETING

TIME and PLACE

4th Sunday at 1000 (10 am)
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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

Northeast Portland



Fall is here and the *Northeast and Southeast Portland Chapter's Family Picnic* was something good to remember the Portland summer by. A great family affair for all and we thank you all for attending.

The A.B.A.T.E. fall Portland swap meet of 2007, sponsored by all the members of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon was a rousing success. Event's like this are among the best ways for the gathering of people with such a wide variety of interests and a common love of motorcycling. Rotten Roger finally returned but in his absence, Jordan demonstrated he has a great future making A.B.A.T.E. events work. And then there was the massive participation of the other volunteers who combine to make the swap meets fun and a profit maker for A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon and it's mission.

All are welcome to visit the A.B.A.T.E. Portland chapters toy run wheelchair presentation up on the 7th floor at the *Shriners' Children's Hospital* on October 6. Your ability to keep a tear from sneaking out of your eye will be tested as you see children receiving wheelchairs and other medical equipment. This is equipment that you paid for with your \$10 raffle ticket.

The Portland *Shriners' Children's*

Hospital Toy Run 2007 will follow on December 1. A \$10 raffle ticket will give you a chance to win a 2007 *Harley Road King Classic* or a 2007 *Schwinn Collegiate* scooter donated by *Action Motor Sports*. Winners will be drawn at the December 1 Toy Run. .

The toy run web site,

<http://www.toyrun2007.com> is on-line.

At this point, it's not too early to mention the *Columbia River Chapter* Halloween party on October 27.

As of this writing, discussions are progressing aimed at combining the traditions of the *Columbia River* and *Northeast Portland* chapters to create one new super chapter that will be twice as effective and fun as they are now.

There are still lots of details to be worked out, but could the name of the new combined chapter be *Northeast Columbia River Chapter*?

Come to the meetings and express your thoughts, pro or con.

James Rhoden, *Columbia River's* coordinator and now *Northeast Portland's* coordinator is doing a great job. We suspect that he will be elected to that position for the new chapter.

That's about it for now.

Read our newsmagazine, check in at the web sites such as <http://www.abateoforegon.net> and <http://www.abateoforegon-ne.com> and come to the meetings. Tell us what A.B.A.T.E. can do for you and what you can do for your brothers and sisters of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.

Marty Soehrman
public relations officer
Northeast Portland Chapter

N.E. PORTLAND MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1900
(7:00pm)
Round Table Pizza
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports

River City



August 21, 2007

We had our usual reports and talked about the rides we have had: Canada; eastern Oregon; coast; and more.

We held a 50/50 and Pat won, donating \$7 of his \$9 back to the chapter. Thanks, Pat.

We held no membership drawing.

The sad thing is it was getting dark by the end of the meeting.

Summer went fast!

— Brian

September 4, 2007

This was a record small meeting for us — just five people. It was also very quick: about 30 minutes. We did the needed business, but held no drawings. We talked about recent rides and good food.

I think some folks got off track because of the holiday and they thought today was Monday. They'll probably show up tomorrow night.

— Brian

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Rick at 7:03 p.m. Five people present.

Rick read the mission statement.

Minutes: Waived on a motion by

Matt because they were presented in written form

Treasury report \$215.72 in checking and \$1679.12 savings.

Membership report: 73 humanoids.

Legislative report: Our state representative, John Dallum, resigned and has been replaced by a man named Huffman. We need to get acquainted with him.

Ways and means report: New raffle — Minnie Mouse.

Old Business

Group riding protocols Lots of great rides happening.

New Business

Aeroprint found the logo information for embroidery.

Triathlon event needs motorcycles to assist as escorts 08 September 2007. (Contact Rick.)

No drawings tonight.

The featured bike on tonight's agenda was a 1923 *Temple Anzani* 996cc which was ridden to a world record of 108.41 mph by Claude Temple. The engine is British *Anzani* (OHC, 58 hp), the frame is *O.E.C.* (*Osborne Engineering Corporation*)

and riding and assembly is by Claude Temple.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 p.m.

Upcoming meetings

October 02, 2007

October 16, 2007

RIVER CITY MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

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

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

Salem



An unfortunate fire at *J.C.'s Pizza* has forced us to move our meeting location.

Matt Price found a place for us to go.

New meeting place will be *Almost Home Restaurant*, 3310 Market Street, Salem, Oregon. (Just west of I-5 on Market.) Still the fourth Tuesday of the month.

We met at our old location, but the parlor was still closed, so the meeting was held in the parking lot.

The first biker night will be held on October 6th at 6 p.m. at the *Squeeze Inn*, 505 Main street, Aumsville, Oregon.

On November 17th at 6 p.m. we will be at *Tommy's Welcome Inn*, 142 south Main street, Jefferson, Oregon.

(This is a revision of places due to a conflict of events.)

Please bring a toy or can of food and receive a raffle ticket in exchange.

\$3 single or \$5 a couple suggested donation.

Raffle tickets \$1 apiece or six for \$5.

The *Salem A.B.A.T.E.* toy run will be held on Sunday, December 9th this year. Meet at the *K-Mart* parking lot located at 2470 Mission street,

west of I-5 in Salem at 11 a.m. and we will leave at noon.

October 6th at noon, the *BikePAC* meeting will be held at the Salem public library.

Still looking for an executive director. If you want to make an impact on a legislative level, this is your chance. Apply now by contacting Brian Stovall or Mel Yeager.

The A.B.A.T.E. state planning session will be October 20th in Cottage Grove. This is the place to be if you want to make a difference.

Salem nominations for officer positions will be taken over the next two months. *Salem Chapter* officer elections will be held in December, so get yourself nominated for an officer position.

A rotation of people makes for a healthy organization. Fresh blood and idea's are needed.

The state level will have openings as well and people need a break or they will burn out.

A web site, <http://bikersrepublic.org> will keep you on top of motorcycle issue's. Pretty heavy mailings and sometimes redundant but very

informative if not down right scary.

Prepare to defend the few freedoms you have left.

Seems like you have to write your congress person every week because of an issue that is attacking another of your constitutional rights and that is just not right. "If you're not mad, you are not paying attention."

Panhead Ric, I owe you a quarter.

With respect,

Quiet Mike, *G.J.M.C.*

SALEM MEETING
TIME and PLACE

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

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

Southeast Portland

It's hard to believe that it's October already.

Summer Run went off without a hitch, I am told. Unfortunately a 60 hour work week was required by my honey's employer and we couldn't make the run. I am told that a great time was had by all and the rain didn't get anyone's spirit down. I was happy to hear that. There are some great pictures and comments on <http://www.bikerevents.com> I am happy so many families could enjoy the event.

As my thoughts turn toward the winter, I am thinking about making plans for the holidays with my family. We have a large family and gatherings are at our home. I never know for sure who all will be there. As I am thinking about the preparations that I have to plan for and how much work I will have to do, I suddenly think about those who don't have much reason to celebrate. Maybe they have lost jobs, are homeless, or have sick children.

Ah, sick children.

Now I hope all of you get this newsmagazine before the sixth of October.

The wheelchair presentation for the children of *Shriner's Hospital* is October 6th.

Come and meet the families and kids at 10 a.m. on the fourth floor. The presentation begins at 11 a.m. on the seventh floor. There will be a group ride leaving at 9:30 a.m. from *Jim Dandy's*

Restaurant, 9626 NE Sandy Boulevard.

If you have never been to one of these, plan on attending. I have seen the biggest, most bad-assed bikers with tears in their eyes. This is one of the wonderful things our great toy run committee puts on each year.

Also, plan on attending our *Shriner's Toy Run* which will be held December 1st this year. More information will follow as we get closer. I can't express how much work and effort our toy run committee puts in to planning this every year.

Just a reminder to buy your toy run bike tickets. I can't think of another place you can get a new *Harley* for \$10, and you know that every ticket is helping families in need.

In October we will also be holding our yearly *A.B.A.T.E.* planning session. Your input at the chapter meetings are necessary to carrying out the planning session. This year it is held October 20-21 in Cottage Grove.

Also it's time to think about the chapter and state officer nominations. If you know someone who would like to run for an office or learn what that office is about, it's time to volunteer. All our officers do a great job! Officers, if you won't be running for office this year, mentor someone who wants to do your job. It will make the transitions easier.

Speaking of jobs, I would like to take this opportunity to thank a man who puts in more work than anyone I know

of at this chapter. Matt Hobbs, you are the best. I have no idea how many committees you are on, but you never complain. You are always smiling and ready to go, even when you are limping. You are a great coordinator and chapter representative. Your public relations ability is amazing. You have taught me many things and I love you for your tact. Matt, you lead with great style and it is a privilege to work with you. Please continue the great work you do. It is appreciated.

Ride safe,

Deb "Honey Buns" Ross

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

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)

M/M Restaurant & Lounge
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports

Washington County



As summer winds down and fall is upon us, it is time once again to start preparing for toy runs and winter riding skills.

I started writing this submission while cruising down a twisting country road. The air was like velvet across my face. The first fall leaves skittered across the road as the bike in front of me glided past. The sun filtered through the leaves on the trees and warmed my back in between bits of forest.

Ah, this was one of those rides that you enjoy and then store away in your memory so that you can pull it out on a cold winter day.

We can only hope for an Indian Summer that extends our riding season.

Please mark your calendar for November 17.

Washington County Chapter will be putting on their annual toy run, this time with a twist.

We want to start at *Paradise Harley-Davidson* again, and they

agreed to let us come back again.

Because we have to go through several cities to reach the Hillsboro fire department and Hillsboro *Elks* destination, we have had difficulty in the past couple of years with traffic control.

At this time, we are planning a short poker run with a twist. To “buy” a hand, you need to donate a toy. How hard could that be? That is why we are there.

We will set up a route, just like a regular poker run, then meet up at a designated spot to parade through Hillsboro to the *Elks Lodge* for the unloading of the toys. Sound like fun? Then come join us at *Paradise Harley-Davidson* on Cascade Boulevard just off highway 217 before noon.

Hopefully, the weather gods will continue to smile down upon us.

Along with the toy run season is the election season for state and chapter officers. Please consider running for a position if you have the time or desire to help out. Don't be

afraid to ask the person who currently holds the position about the work it entails. This is a volunteer organization and the more helping hands, the lighter the load.

On that note, the road is calling again, so get out there, be kind to one another, and watch out for the other guy, because he is not watching for you.

Linda Henderson
WaCo secretary

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[crusy of' editor's note: When sez that she started writing her report while cruising down a twisty road, we can only hope thatshe was composing it in her mond.]

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

Since our September meeting falls after the report is due, we'll just summarize the upcoming meeting. We do have a lot of things happening that need attention from our membership.

We will be discussing our *Fall Casino Night* being held at *Yukon Jack's* in Veneta October 13th.

Chapter members should also be looking ahead to think about officer nominations coming up.

We will also be discussing what ideas to bring to the October 20-21 state planning session at the *American Legion Hall* in Cottage Grove. All members should think about being a part of the group and it's solutions. Rumors and complaints really don't solve anything.

We may get a laugh or two recapping what all happened at our *Team Oregon* fund-raiser this coming weekend, the *Swashbuckling Biker Day*.

ARRrrr!

Being a pirate be mighty grand way to spend the day.

Otherwise, all is quiet on the front.

Remember you may need more than a *Levi* jacket if you go ridin' this time of the year. Have fun and be safe.

Keep it in the sun!

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

08 September 2007 – Albany Eagles

Meeting was called to order by Ed Vaughn, [state] coordinator, at 12:10 p.m. with 11 of 13 chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote, with the exception of *Columbia County [River]*.

Pledge of allegiance.

Moment of silence for downed brothers or sisters and service men and women.

Guests and first time attendees: Mike Flaherty (*Josephine County Chapter*), Ray DeMelo (*Salem Chapter*).

Motion made by Brian Stovall to accept minutes from August state board meeting as printed in the *newsletter [newsmagazine]*. Mary Burnett seconded. Approved.

Coordinator comments: (Ed Vaughn) E-mail addresses from chapters. *Lincoln County Chapter* only one to turn in so far. All other chapters need to get these in by next month.

There is a generic/broad agenda ready for the planning session in October ready to take to the chapters for ideas and brought back to the October state board meeting to be gone over by Ed for the planning session October 20-21st.

Correspondence: A lot of out-of-state newsletters available for anyone that [who] wants to read them. Help yourselves.

Vice coordinator–north: (Richard Colwell) Excused, working.

Vice coordinator–south: (Jim Jones) Absent.

Vice coordinator–east: (Gene Mortimore) Update on the *Fossil* site

issue. *Bear Hollow* (old site) and ten undeveloped acres of *Shelton Park* (older site) were offered with conditions and free of cost. Gene asked for a consensus on whether he should continue this avenue for *Fossil*. He was given a unanimous vote to continue his great efforts. He asked for a delegation to assist him and Howie Long, run coordinator II, stepped up and with others will assist in getting the courts and others to give us the “go ahead” for *Fossil 2008*.

Membership secretary: (Linda Henderson) We have 2,033 current members. Is looking at a new program as she wants to get away from *Paradox*. Brian suggested *Excel* as it is already able to do what she wants. Ed suggested that this is an excellent topic for the planning session.

Treasurer: (Sue Mills) We currently have \$33,692.20 in savings, \$4,040.77 in checking for a total of \$37,732.97.

Last month's biggest expenditure was the *newsletter [newsmagazine]*.

Sue asked for help at the upcoming swap meet (September 30, 2007) at the gate. Would like at least three shifts of six people. Please help. If not for four people stepping up last swap meet, would not have been able to get it done.

Sue said that she would not be running for treasurer next election. (December 2007)

The *Porta-Potties* have not yet been paid for as there has been no bill received yet.

State auditor: (Deb Ross) There



Nic Oliver
state recording secretary

was an e-mail address screw-up and has caused some problems.

Central Oregon has had computer problems.

Note to chapters: If you have any problems, call Deb. Do not wait until it is already too late to fix.

Newsmagazine editor: (Rot Path) Representatives, be sure that your information is accurate before you report to your chapters. Chapters need to be sure their information is accurate before they send in their monthly report as we do not need more problems due to inaccuracies. It takes two to three months to straighten out anything that may be inaccurate. We are supposed to be working together, not against each other.

Do not send flyers for any chapter event that needs sanctioning to the *newsletter [newsmagazine]*. These need to go through sanctioning first and he will turn the flyer over to the *newsletter [newsmagazine]* for printing.

When putting information on the flyers and advertisements, do not use acronyms that may not be understood by everyone. Write them out! Do not use abbreviations, spell them out. Oregon is not OR. That is a post office designation only. When you include a telephone number be sure to include the area code. If he has to guess, it may be wrong and too late to correct once the error is

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noticed, so please get it right the first time.

Has an article available on public relations and dealing with the media. How to get the media to generate interest in what you have to offer. What they want and need to promote your agenda.

People need to look for ways to connect with your state and local representatives so that they will know you personally and be more willing to work with you and the various aspects of the government in your behalf.

Legislative director: (Mel Yeager) Excused.

Brian reported that the *BikePAC* meeting is still scheduled for October 6, at noon at the Salem public library.

Sergeant at arms--north: (Randy Phipps) Reported on the new *North American Union* drivers licenses (national level news). North Carolina is the first to create these.

The *McCarthy-Leahy* bill is one to watch out for. It basically states that no veteran can own a firearm as they are dangerous people. It seems that it is okay for them to use guns to defend us but not to have guns as private citizens. They are just too dangerous. We need to contact our federal legislators and get them to back off on this one. Our veterans have earned our respect and loyalty for their service to their country and to us (Check <http://www.BecksLaw.com> for more information.)

Sergeant at arms--south: (Bill Foster) Absent. (He called Nic's home after Nic had left for the meeting and said that he would not be able to make it. He "spaced" the

state board meeting. Ooops! Shame! Shame!)

Sergeant at arms--east: (*Vacant*)

Products director: (Dave Meeker) Reported \$28 income last month and \$92 from the *Shriners Run*. Made a deposit of \$120 to *A.B.A.T.E.*

Asked if he could get an assistant in the south and east to help with getting products out in those areas. Would this be a planning session issue? Brian Stovall stated, with board approval and agreement, that every officer in *A.B.A.T.E.* has the right to ask for help and get assistants as needed without coming to the board first.

Education director: (Patricia Carner) Absent.

Education director II: (Geoff White) Absent.

Public relations director: (Joan McCarty) Excused, medical reasons.

State run coordinator (*Fossil*): (*Vacant*)

State run coordinator II: (Howie Long) Stated that he needs to talk to Roger about next year's *Fossil Run*. No other report.

State swap meet coordinator: (William Sanders) Excused.

Jordan reported that not a lot of vendors have responded yet. He was told that most wait ~~till~~ [until] the last minute, so to be patient, they will respond.

Jordan reported that the mailings are out but help is needed with security and clean up after the swap meet.

Willie is in Monroe and will be passing out flyers.

Representatives have chapter sgt. at arms call with names to help with

security. Call Jordan at (503)-348-3944, ASAP [as soon as possible] to volunteer to help at the swap meet. You can also contact Randy Phipps at (503)-347-0524 or at

neportabate@yahoo.com

Historian: (Mary Burnett) Always looking for articles and pictures of events and past historical memorabilia for records.

Sanctioning officer: (Lee Austin) Report handed in. Reported sanctioned runs are *WaCo County* toy run, all-Portland chapters *Shriners' Toy Run* (will be sanctioned when fees are paid), *Salem Chapter's* biker night in October, *Salem* biker night in November, fall swap meet, wheelchair presentation for *Shriner Toy Run*.

The time is now to start getting your plans done for next year's runs. Get them in early.

Web page editor: (Marty Soehrman) Has started a new job and it will be hard to make Saturday meetings. Stressed the need for more and better communication. This is the information age and speed is of the essence.

Reported that the *A.B.A.T.E.* officers' [e-mail] list was somehow put on someone's spam list in the "To" section and it has messed with our system. He is switching to a *Google* list as there is better security there.

Suggested that we put the geographic coordinates on rural event flyers as this would make them more accessible to G.P.S. [(**global positioning system**)] devices for out-of-towners.

Quartermaster: (Robert Hale)

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Absent.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: (Randy Phipps) The next *BikePAC* meeting is scheduled for October 6th in Salem at the public library.

Confederation of Clubs representative: (Pat Williams) Report handed in for Aug[ust] 19th meeting. A lot of interesting information given out.

Brief list includes freedom for a price. Michigan's [motorcyclists may] ride helmet-free for \$100 a year.

Australia radar guns are set 5 mph below actual speed to generate income.

G.J.M.C. [Gypsy Joker Motorcycle Club] clubhouse invasion in Portland has been settled with the city for \$50,000.

New club voted into the *Confederation: Freedom Fellowship*.

United Nations' Safety Day for seat belt/helmet enforcement is coming up. (Are we becoming one world government? Food for thought.) For more information, contact Pat.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: Congratulations to Ray DeMelo. Appointed by Ed Vaughn to fill this position.

Planning Session

- The newsletter [newsmagazine] is a work in progress.

- Ed reported that the agenda for this year's planning session needs to have input from the chapters and approved by state board. Please, chapters, get on this to help shape the future of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. All chapters need to be represented for best work to be done.

Chapter representatives, take the general/generic/broad agenda to

chapters and return them to Ed at the next state board meeting.

Meals were discussed and who is going to provide them. *Willamette Valley Chapter* will be providing a reasonable cost meal for sale for one of the meals and asked that another southern chapter provide the other meals. Any volunteers or ideas should contact Ed ASAP [as soon as possible] at his cell phone: (503)-459-7912

Unfinished Business

- Officer vacancies:

Sergeant at arms—east: No nominations.

State run coordinator I (Fossil): No nominations.

New Business

Motions:

1. Made by *Lincoln County Chapter*, seconded by Randy Phipps: Add "lodging/camping" to [revived] road list [in state newsmagazine]. Passed unanimously.

2. Made by Dave Meeker and Jordan, seconded by Lincoln County: Donate leftover *Fossil Run 2006* shirts (14 shirts) for door prizes at September 30 swap meet. Passed unanimously.

Announcements

- Next state board of directors meeting: October 11, 2007 – *Eagles Lodge* on Broadalbin in Albany, Oregon at noon.

- *Talk like a Pirate Day* is September 19th. (A day to act like Rot Path.)

- *Beaver Creek [Run]* pins are available for \$20.

- *Democratic Party Colby Lake*

Salmon Feed is September 9th.

- *Willamette Valley Chapter's Swashbuckling Biker Event* for September 9 [15] is on the web site and has many events planned (including a bike show, games). Fund raiser for *Team Oregon*.

- *Washington County End of Summer Run* September 14–16.

- *Northeast and Southeast Portland Chapters' Family Picnic* is September 22nd.

- Swap meet flyers need to get out and are available now. Swap Meet September 30th.

- *A.B.A.T.E.* planning session is October 20-21st in Cottage Grove.

- Nominations [for state officers] will be entertained starting at the October state board of directors meeting.

Meeting adjourned 2:12 p.m.

c.o.e. note:

[Corrections indicated by strike-throughs or bold-face type in brackets.]



<http://teamoregon.orst.edu/>



Orinda, California rider and *A.M.A.* community council leader Wayne Phillips has secured designated motorcycle parking in that northeast bay area community's downtown.

Phillips successfully lobbied for the designated spaces to be marked in what were corners and end-caps of already marked parking spaces so that no car spaces were lost.

For anyone who wants to accomplish the same thing in their municipality, Phillips gives some clear-cut advice: "One or two persons just go to the city council meeting and ask to speak, tell them that parking is inadequate and that you know how they can be part of the solution, suggest that they use all the snips and bits of space that are not big enough for an S.U.V. as motorcycle parking, and then offer the use of you and your motorcycle to test out which of these small spaces could effectively be used. Then work with the city crews to mark such spots."

Philippines motorcycles are now banned on expressways, which the *Department of Transportation and Communication (D.O.T.C.)* classify as "limited access highways". *Radio dzBB* reported that enforcers at the north and south Luzon expressways have started flagging down motorcycles traveling along these expressways. But it said authorities admitted they could still not issue citation tickets to the motorcycle drivers as there are still no

implementing rules and regulations for the new policy.

The *Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations (F.E.M.A.)* is organizing its 11th annual motorcycle ride with members of the European parliament (commonly called *M.E.P. Ride*). This ride across the beautiful Strasbourg region will gather members of the European parliament (M.E.P.) and assistants from over 15 different European union countries and allow motorcyclist to discuss issues of major importance with their representatives like the integration of powered two-wheelers in urban transport and motorcyclists views on how to improve safety on E.U. roads. For further information, please visit <http://www.mep-ride.eu>

A group of retired federal and state land managers and forest rangers called reckless off-road vehicle operators the number one threat to western public lands. They reported an increasing number of riders combined with the growing power of the machines is endangering natural resources and public safety.

Last month, a Tucson, Arizona-based teleconference was organized by an existing organization of federal employees, *Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility*, which helped found the new group to combat off-road use of trails in the west. Its members said that damage from off-road vehicles was most severe when riders left designated

routes and headed into sensitive areas such as fragile desert and riparian areas.

As various agencies, in particular the *Bureau of Land Management (B.L.M.)* and the *Forest Service*, have seen budgets and staff sharply cut in recent years, there hasn't been enough money or staff to police legal trails or close illegal ones in a timely manner, members of the group said. Illegal trails are being blazed regularly, they said, making it difficult for future riders to distinguish legal from illegal routes.

In the *A.M.A.*'s continuing effort to educate riders about how noisy bikes risk rights, the government relations department has awarded nine sound-level test kits to *A.M.A.* districts, clubs, and promoters.

The kits are used to test the sound level of bikes to educate riders about how loud, or quiet, their bikes are, and to ensure that competition machines meet *A.M.A.* competition sound limits.

The sound-level test kits were granted to the *C.C. Riders Motorcycle Club*, *Nutmeg Scramblers*, *Cheaha Trail Riders*, *A.M.A. District 1* (New England), congress delegate Bill Haas, the *Wisconsin Off-Highway Vehicle Association*, *Freestone County Raceway*, *Walden Playboys Motorcycle Club*, *A.M.A. District 16* (Northwestern Michigan, Wisconsin) and *A.M.A. District 27* (Washington).

This is the third year that sound-testing equipment has been available



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through this grant program. In the first two years, the government relations department awarded only sound meters. This year, awardees got an entire kit that includes a sound meter, tachometer, instructional D.V.D. and manual, spark arrester probe, personal protective equipment and a certificate for a free annual recalibration from the sound meter supplier.

Australian minister for roads and ports, Tim Pallas, announced recently that the government would introduce new regulations for learner and probationary motorcyclists in Victoria through the introduction of a new *Learner Approved Motorcycle Scheme (L.A.M.S.)*

Pallas said the new licensing scheme would encourage national uniformity and modernize the current regulations that restrict new and learner motorcyclist to an engine capacity of 260 cc.

Rider advocate and interest groups have strongly supported the move saying it will give learner and novice riders access to more appropriate motorcycles and restrict them from high risk, race replica motorcycles.

Illinois school districts must include classroom instruction on distracted driving as a major traffic safety issue in all driver education programs under recently-enacted senate bill 1557. Illinois statutes already provide for driver education classroom instruction on the safety rules and operation of motorcycles or

motor driven cycles.

The U.S. *Department of the Interior* has announced the establishment of the *Big Cypress National Preserve Off-Road Vehicle Advisory Committee*. The committee is to offer recommendations, alternatives and possible solutions to management issues associated with off-highway vehicle use in the preserve. The committee is expected to begin meeting late this year.

Meeting information will be available on the Big Cypress web site <http://www.nps.gov/bicyl/>.

For further information contact the preserve's public affairs officer Bob DeGross at (239)-695-1107.

Tennessee legislation, championed by *C.M.T./A.B.A.T.E. of Tennessee* and in accord with the *A.M.A. Justice for All* campaign, to increase penalties for right-of-way violations that result in serious injury or death has been enacted. Senate bill 794, introduced by senator Tim Burchett (R-Knoxville), was signed into law by governor Phil Bredesen and became effective July 1.

To find out more about the *Justice for All* campaign to reduce motorcycle crashes and punish those who cause these crashes go to <http://www.amadirectlink.com/> and click on the *Rights Resources* section.

Illinois governor Rod Bagojevich (D) vetoed senate bill 627, which sought to protect the state's off-highway vehicle trails fund from

future legislation that might change the proportion of the fund that can be spent on administrative functions such as law enforcement, planning and implementation. The measure was introduced by senator Michael Jacobs (D-East Moline).

Activists from *A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois* and others are looking into the possibility of a veto override later this fall.

Placerville, California was the site of a large group of forest users gathered to protest the proposed *Eldorado National Forest* travel management plan. The core of this grassroots demonstration was O.H.V. users, but the alternatives discussed in the draft environmental impact study will potentially affect every forest visitor, who stand to lose access to thousands of miles of existing roads and trails throughout the forest. For more information about this group please visit <http://www.ForestClosure.com>

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N.T.S.B.: Newcomers to Motorcycle Safety



The *National Transportation Safety Board* has issued some recommendations to the federal government as well as some selected states in an effort to address the rising crash numbers of motorcycles.

The *N.T.S.B.* opened its doors on April 1, 1967. Although independent, it relied on the U.S. *Department of Transportation (D.O.T.)* for funding and administrative support. In 1975, under the *Independent Safety Board Act*, all organizational ties to *D.O.T.* were severed. The *N.T.S.B.* is not part of *D.O.T.* or affiliated with any of its agencies.

The *N.T.S.B.* has investigated 124,000 aviation crashes, 10,000 surface transportation crashes (including rail, pipeline, and mass transit) and (get ready for this) a whopping six motorcycle crashes. That's a half dozen motorcycle investigations over the past 40 years or just 0.15 motorcycle crashes a year.

As the self-described "premier safety agency" one would think that they would have a concrete set of instruction when it comes to issuing safety recommendations and they do, for every type of tragic crash except motorcycles. When issuing safety recommendations for most modes of transportation the *N.T.S.B.* relies on it's field investigators, PhD researchers, and professional staff to carefully gather information and decipher what is fact from fiction. However, for this set of recommendations the *N.T.S.B.* relied on the tired, antiquated, already existing research

on motorcycle safety, which isn't much.

At the September 11, 2007 board meeting they admitted that they had come to the recommendations in a way that was outside of normal operating procedures. Motorcyclists should be deeply disturbed by this lack of consideration and attention. We at the *M.R.F.* believe that motorcyclists deserve as much consideration as planes, trains, cars, and pipelines.

It is fact, the only new findings this lengthy but flimsy set of recommendations are based on were developed after a two day *N.T.S.B.* organized symposium just one year ago and the findings from investigating a paltry six crashes over the past forty years.

There wasn't even as much as a whisper of education or training, which was a very big part of the two day super symposium last fall. One of the cornerstones of bettering anything is education. To leave out those two important components shows the true depth of these recommendations from the *N.T.S.B.* members and researchers on this matter. So are we to believe that driver's education should be scrapped? What about all the teenagers waiting to drive or the new immigrant who doesn't know the first thing about the rules of the road?

One almost high point was when the *National Agenda for Motorcycle Safety* and it's implementation guide were brought up. These documents

have been the best comprehensive guide on motorcycle safety and perhaps the first of its kind to be endorsed by *N.H.T.S.A.*, *M.S.F.*, *M.R.F.*, *A.M.A.* and a host of others. The *N.T.S.B.* ordered *N.H.T.S.A.* to "reorganize the priorities" in the original document. This is an exercise akin to moving the deck chairs around on the *Titanic* as she was sinking. *N.H.T.S.A.* already gave this their best shot. They signed off on *N.A.M.S.* seven years ago. Why would *N.H.T.S.A.* want to redo a product that they have been standing behind for almost a decade?

In stark contrast to this issue, the *N.T.S.B.* has school bus safety improvements listed on their "most wanted" (read: most needed) list. To date, six states have laws requiring school buses to have safety belts but none have laws requiring them to be worn. Shouldn't child safety be paramount to adult safety? Seems not, according to the *N.T.S.B.*. There isn't even a mention of motorcycle on the "most wanted" list, but you can bet there will be now. Why give so much attention to an issue that wasn't even on the "most wanted" list and operate in a backwards fashion? In this case it is more than likely they rushed into motorcycle safety to cover their proverbial butts. The fact is, it just does not reflect well politically or financially for the premier safety agency, mandated by congress to investigate motorcycles (as they are airplanes) or not, to sit idly by while motorcycle crashes increase.

The disappointing part is that most

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of the government agencies and the at-large motorcycle community had been in agreement working together on motorcycle safety. There was a general consensus with the congress and the administration that we would work on crash avoidance not injury reduction.

The fact is that fatalities do need to slow down and calling for helmet laws just is not the silver bullet the *N.T.S.B.* believes it to be. The *M.R.F.* will always focus on crash avoidance before injury reduction.

Most of the other government agencies in Washington D.C., the *M.R.F.*, *A.M.A.*, and many others have come to the realization that crash avoidance is always better than safer crashing. Everyone should all at least agree that avoiding a crash altogether is the best for all involved parties.

The *N.T.S.B.* had an opportunity to engage the motorcycle community in a positive way and build on the work that has already happened. They chose to ignore the history, states rights and any and all motorcycle education possibilities.

For the record the *M.R.F.* has the utmost respect for the *N.T.S.B.* as an institution and it's staff when it comes to what they do best, planes, trains, bridge and tunnel collapses and mass transit tragedies. However, they are the very last federal safety agency to engage motorcycle safety and as with most late comers, are just trying to catch up and bring too little, too late. The *M.R.F.* does not doubt the sincerity of the *N.T.S.B.* and it's desire to avoid tragedy and save life. However, it may be best to leave motorcycle safety to those who have

a vested interest for the past 80 years; the motorcyclists of America.

The *N.T.S.B.* also pointed out the United States of America is an anomaly when compared to rest of world concerning universal helmet laws. This may be the one thing they got right. The U.S.A. is one of, if not the only, country in the developed world without a universal helmet law. What *N.T.S.B.* fails to recognize is that is a symbol of so many other things where we are alone in the world. Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness come to mind as well as freedom of speech, religion, and press.

The *N.T.S.B.* will be sending their hired gun lobbyists and professional staff to the states that were mentioned in the recommendations. Unlike *N.H.T.S.A.*, the *N.T.S.B.* is not subject to a lobby ban, meaning they can lobby your state as they wish for what they wish, all the while using taxpayer money. Make your governors and governor highway safety representatives aware of this. Let them also know how the *N.T.S.B.* reached it's recommendations with little or no input from the motorcycle community. Let them know that your state doesn't need to take half baked advice from an agency in Washington D.C.

The *M.R.F.* will continue to dialogue with the *N.T.S.B.* just as it does with all Federal Agencies that effect motorcycling.

These recommendations do not carry the weight of law. The *N.T.S.B.* has no regulatory or enforcement capabilities. You can read the recommendations, view the board meeting and more at:

<http://www.nts.gov/events/Boardmeeting.htm>

Enjoy the ride,

Michael Kerr
M.R.F. vice president

M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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

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Bikers Rally To Save Safety Funding

When word got out that the U.S. house of representatives was considering a transportation appropriations bill in late July, and an amendment to eliminate funding for motorcycle safety funds was being proposed, the biker community rallied to the call and succeeded in saving \$6 million in grant money provided to 44 states for motorcycle safety programs.

After being reminded by scores of concerned riders across the country that saving lives is more important than saving a few dollars, the amendment by Texas representative Jeb Hensarling was never introduced and the section 2010 motorcycle safety funds remained intact as the \$104.4 billion dollar FY-2008 transportation, housing and urban development appropriations bill (HR-3074) went on to pass by a vote of 268-153.

Traffic Deaths Reach Historic Lows, While Motorcycle Fatalities Climb

Declining traffic deaths has lead to the lowest highway fatality rate ever recorded, announced the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*. The number of people who died on the nation's roads fell by 868 deaths last year, the largest drop in total fatalities in 15 years; representing a 2% decline that contributed to the historic low

fatality rate of 1.42 per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (V.M.T.), reported U.S. transportation secretary Mary E. Peters.

But while total highway deaths fell from 43,510 in 2005 to 42,642 in 2006, the lowest level in five years, motorcycle fatalities continued to escalate for the ninth consecutive year following a decade of steadily declining fatality rates. Data from *N.H.T.S.A.*'s 2006 annual assessment of motor vehicle traffic crash fatalities and injuries shows that 4,810 motorcyclists were killed on America's roadways last year, an increase of 5.1 percent over 2005. Motorcycle rider fatalities now account for 11 percent of total fatalities, exceeding the number of pedestrian fatalities for the first time since *N.H.T.S.A.* began collecting fatal motor vehicle crash data in 1975.

Many blame the increase on the rise in popularity of motorcycles, with states experiencing record numbers of registrations and dealers selling record numbers of new bikes year after year for over a decade. Other experts cite the aging ridership, bigger bikes, changing traffic mix, miles traveled and other factors.

A comprehensive study into the causation of traffic accidents involving motorcycles is expected to begin later this year at the *Oklahoma Transportation Center* at *Oklahoma State University*, the first such motorcycle-crash study since the

Hurt Report in 1980.

The *National Transportation Safety Board* conducted a motorcycle safety forum late last year to explore safety concerns in that sector of transportation.

While driving has never been safer in the U.S., internationally the United States ranks 42nd of 48 countries measured in the number of highway fatalities per capita. And although the fatality rate has plummeted since 1970, when the U.S. led the world in road safety with the lowest death rate among industrialized countries reporting data, it now ranks 11th in fatalities per distance driven.

Safety experts say the reasons are many. Bella Dinh-Zarr, the north American director of *Make Roads Safe*, a nonprofit organization based in London, said other countries have stricter laws, better enforcement, more accessible public transportation, greater awareness, public support and more rigorous training and licensing standards.

But expert after expert said the real problem was one of culture. With personal freedom being a cornerstone of the United States, many states are loath to pass legislation that curtails them, even when it comes to road safety. So while the governments of other countries can easily pass laws to make driving safer, like a national ban on hand-held cellphone use, those laws here are left up to the states to impose, and that is often not so easy. Fred Wegman, managing director of the *National Institute for*

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists

Road Safety Research in the Netherlands, said attitudes were different in Europe. There, he said, safety is not just about the individual, but is the responsibility of society as a whole. "European countries fundamentally pay more political attention to road safety," he said.

Loud Pipes Ticket Dismissed

The first and only ticket that police have issued to a motorcyclist under Denver's controversial new noise ordinance has been dismissed. Attorney Wade Eldridge, himself a biker, challenged the law on behalf of his client, Stuart Sacks, who was pulled over in LoDo and ticketed for having an "unlawful modified muffler," records show.

"The officer neither inspected his bike to see if it had the stamp nor did he use a sound meter," Eldridge said. "So the most they would have had was the officer's gut feeling that it was too loud, which is not enough."

Designed to curb motorcycle noise, the controversial new ordinance took effect July 1st and limits noise levels to 82 decibels from a distance of 25 feet, and requires motorcyclists with bikes made after 1982 to have a muffler with an *E.P.A.* noise-certification stamp.

Eldridge, who is the *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorney for Colorado and legal counsel for the *Confederation of Clubs of Colorado*, also claims the noise ordinance is unconstitutionally vague. The law "lends itself to arbitrary and discriminatory enforcement," he told

the *Rocky Mountain News*. "The police can stop you for whatever reason."

Eldridge said the law leaves enforcement up to the "unfettered discretion of the individual officer," adding that his client was told he was stopped because his pipes were too loud.

Police captain Eric Rubin, who used to head the *Traffic Operations Bureau*, didn't know the details of that stop but said officers are using their training and experience in the field "as reasonable suspicion to briefly stop the rider" and check for the *E.P.A.* stamp.

But the city's decision to drop the case highlighted a fundamental flaw in the law: Denver police aren't equipped with the \$1,000 noise monitors needed to make the charge stick, said Eldridge, adding that, "In any case in which it's properly challenged, the city has an impossible burden." The reason assistant city attorney April Snook cited in her motion to dismiss the case was the city was "unable to prove charge beyond a reasonable doubt."

Ellen Dumm, spokeswoman for the city's *Environmental Health Department*, said an "oversight" caused the case to be dismissed. "The police officer did not inspect the pipes for the required (*Environmental Protection Agency*) sticker," she said, adding that the dismissal was a "one-time" thing and that the ordinance's enforcement will result in quieter streets.

Eldridge points out that even police bikes may be louder than Denver's allowable limits. According to court

documents, tests conducted by the city on police motorcycles found sound levels at redline of 81.3 decibels and 81.7 decibels, and since the accuracy of the sound meters the city used is within plus or minus 0.5 decibels, police motorcycles may be in violation of the new noise law, Eldridge said.

C.H.I.P.S. Star Never Got Motorcycle License

TV biker cop Erik Estrada has revealed he never passed his motorcycle test. Estrada played *California Highway Patrol* motorcycle cop Ponch in 1970s hit *CHiPs*, reports *The Sun*.

Weird News

A motorcycle was once plucked out of the Los Angeles sewer system. It's the largest object ever found in there!

Quotable Quote

Nam et ipsa scientia potestas est
("Knowledge is power.")

Francis Bacon
(1561 - 1626)
English statesman
and philosopher

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From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

Not to open on a sour note, but I'm really frustrated about seeing more and more bike wrecks. Seems like I read about them daily. Why don't folks invest just a little money for motorcycle education and learn how to avoid at least some of this tragedy?

We all will spend thousands for our chrome and all manner of goodies to make our scooters gorgeous, but a few dollars on safety education never seems to enter our minds. How many times do you hear this?

"I been ridin' fer twenty years, man. I already know how to ride my scooter."

Please brothers and sisters, give a rider ed course a try. You *will* be surprised by how much you'll learn. I guarantee you'll learn *something* you didn't know before.

Ya might even save your own life, just because you took the time to learn a new trick or two.

Try it, you'll like it.

Biker Spoken In Spokane

For early *Sack* readers: If you get the *Sack* by e-mail, you'll see this in time to make it to the region I conference of *N.C.O.M.*, the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*. The one-day event is free to all bikers, and all interested bikers are invited to attend on Saturday, September 29, 2007, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Spokane, Washington at the *Airport Hampton Inn*. Call and mention *N.C.O.M.* for the \$99 rate at (509)-747-1100.

Stay for the *Freedom Fighters Social* afterwards too! Come learn and meet

the movers and shakers of west coast bikers, plus *N.C.O.M.* founder, Richard M. Lester and *A.I.M.* attorneys from the region, including Marty Fox, Sam Hochberg, and Sam's new associate Brian Ruff.

Oh, and this Gunny will be puttering around there too. Hope to see you there. Sponsored by the Oregon and Washington *Confederations of Clubs* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Washington*. Special thanks to the *Pink Flamingo* for their help!!

Early Sack Reading

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Newsbits—N—Pieces

Tokyo, Japan: Getting a leg up. A Japanese biker failed to notice his leg had been severed below the knee when he hit a safety barrier. After the crash, he rode on another mile or so, leaving a friend to pick up the missing limb.

Is that amazing or what?

I gotta think I'd be aware that there was something seriously amiss. This guy was out for a ride when he overrode a curve and lost it for a moment. He was taken to a hospital but the leg was too damaged to reattach.

Damn! that had to hurt!

London, England: Give a brother a hand. Here's another story along the same lines. Seems this Brit teenager,



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Jack Baker, had planned to visit his sweetie for only ten minutes, so he parked his bike outside her house and left his artificial hand still gripped to the handlebar.

When he came outside two hours later, his hand was gone, apparently taken by a thief or a prankster who found it more interesting to steal than the bike.

"I came out and found my hand gone. I thought it was my girlfriend's parents fooling around, but they said they didn't have anything to do with it," said Baker.

"I looked around, but I couldn't see my hand anywhere. I ended up jumping on my bike and going home.

The prosthetic hand allowed him to ride his new, specially-adapted motorcycle. Baker might have a problem replacing the expensive hand. Needs about \$903 to replace it. That's kind of a dirty trick to pull on someone. I don't think I'd leave something like that laying around, attached to my bike or not.

Michigan: A biker was arrested here after whizzing through a small town at 137 mph. He told police he was just trying to get to work on time and he was running late. He was stopped at 3:35 a.m. a few miles north of Detroit.

He earned a place on the town's bulletin board called the *Wall of Fame*. Seems 137 mph is a new record for

GUNNY'S SACK (continued)

them. His speed, by the way, made him really late for work, since he wound up in the slammer for awhile.

Strasbourg, France: The *Federation of European Motorcyclists' Associations (F.E.M.A.)* just had their 11th *M.E.P. (Members of the European Parliament) Motorcycle Ride* on September 5th, 2007 to meet and discuss important motorcycling issues.

Now why can't we do something like that in the U.S.A.? It just makes sense to me to get our legislators out with us so they can experience the pleasures we know. It would put them on our playing field and maybe, just maybe, they would be more open to act on the problems we encounter. If ya don't walk a mile in the moccasins how can you tell how much the feet hurt? This could work all over this country. There could be a seminar session at the end of the ride and maybe refreshments or a lunch provided for participants. Maybe these rides could be modeled after our *A.B.A.T.E. S.T.E.A.M.* sessions with a ride incorporated. Let's try!

Australia: Not jess' jokin'. The Portland, Oregon *Gypsy Joker Motorcycle Club* hosted their brothers' visit from Australia last year, for the club's 50th anniversary. The Aussie bikers were shocked to see their American brothers out riding in the countryside at night. In Australia, you don't do that. The kangaroos are everywhere, and you'll go down hard before long. No joke!

Gunny Again

Ya probably get tired of me spouting about the good that our *A.I.M.* attorneys do for us but it is true. If ya get in trouble, whether it be in a crash or other legal problems, call your nearest *A.I.M.* attorney and they will at least advise you in what direction to go or recommend an attorney who handles the kind of problem that is buggin ya.

If its a crash, they are the premier bunch to have on your side. These folks are all over this country so it doesn't matter where you are. They network all the time and have tricks up their sleeves that some other attorneys who don't ride may not have.

If you are trying to pry that dime out of insurance companies, don't even talk try. These guys are experts. You will do yourself a favor just by calling them and listening to what they have to say. That part is free and everything else is done on a contingency anyway. How can ya lose?

Call Sam Hochberg here in Oregon at (503)-224-1106 locally or toll free at 1-(800)-347-1106.

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Keep the round side on the bottom,

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Highway 35 Closure

There is a notice from *O.D.O.T.* that highway 35 will be closed from 01 – 03 October 2007 for repairs from last year's debris flow damage.

Highway 35 runs between Hood River and Government Camp.

This closure is Monday thru Wednesday and detours will be via I-84 and highway 26.

Another inconvenience for those living along those roads will be increased traffic flow.

Linda Henderson
 state membership secretary

6th Annual Musician's Toy Run Benefit

Last year's event was a smashing success, raising \$2,900 and six large bags of new toys for the *A.B.A.T.E./Shiners' Toy Run*.

This year's event is scheduled for Saturday, November 3rd at *Trail's End Saloon* in Oregon City, 1320 Main Street.

We have a non-stop schedule hosted by Portland's own, soon-to-be-world-famous, *Francine West and the High Speed Wobblers*.

Back by popular demand are blues man Jim Mesi, boogie cat Norman Sylvester, San Francisco-based Wendy Dewitt, and Seattle's own Annieville Blues.

This year's lineup will also include the stars of *Women in Blues*, Sonny Hess and Lisa Mann, as well as smokin' guitarist Doug Rowell. K.G. Jackson's new band, featuring Dave Mathis, will get you dancing and rising rockabilly band, *The Six Shooters*, will keep you dancing.

Having recently met Myron Leroy, we are pleased to include him as the lead off act for the show; be there at 3 p.m. for a real treat.

As you can see from the schedule, some of the northwest's finest musicians will be donating their time in support of the *A.B.A.T.E./Shiners' Toy Run*. There will be great door prizes including a weekend package from *Chinook Winds Casino Resort*, a night's stay at Portland's *Little White House Bed and Breakfast* and dinner for two at the *C.I. Bar and Grill*, to name a few!

Again this year, we've pursued every avenue to provide the highest quality entertainment possible. We're requesting donations of new, unwrapped toys or \$5 at the door. Anyone wishing to offer donations, time, or a little leg work, feel free to call Art or Francine West at (503)-351-5054.

We look forward to your participation at this event! At the last minute before press deadline, winner of *The Road To Memphis Competition*, *Franco and the Stingers* has signed on to close out the show. If you have never attended this gig, I guarantee you will have a great time.

Friday evening the 2nd Francine will be hosting a pre-benefit event featuring Wendy and Annie, the boogie woogie queens. If you want a taste of what's coming Saturday, be there. I will be setting the sound system and prepping for the Saturday show, looking to work out the bugs and work up a sweat. These ladies are hot, hot, and more hot.

— Arthur West

Thank you for *Summer Run, WaCo*

This is a big thank you to *Washington County Chapter* for the *End of the Summer Run*.

I thoroughly enjoyed myself. There was always something going on during the day. This was a very well organized run. Good times were had by all.

Sincerely,

Santa (Donnie)

Columbia River and *Southeast Portland* chapters

From yer . . .

crusty ol' editor

Planning And Glockenspielin'

Still Lots To Do As It Gets Chilly

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by
Rot Path

This is it.

Your chance to make a real difference in how *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC of Oregon* accomplish their missions.

And you don't have to be an elected officer or chapter representative to do it.

All you have to do is show up at the *A.B.A.T.E./ BikePAC* planning session being held the third weekend of this month in Cottage Grove.

Are there better ways we could be doing things?

Bring your ideas, your enthusiasm, your suggestions.

This annual planning session is where we set our course for the coming year. In order to be effective, we the members need to be involved in how our organizations expend their energy. (It's akin to how democratic societies need their citizens to participate in the governing process.)

This year, the planning session is being held over two days, Saturday and Sunday, in order to give participants time to really dig in on agenda topics and not feel so rushed. Even if you can't attend both days, you may be able drop in on one of the days.

Some folks will be arriving Friday evening so they'll be ready to dig in Saturday morning. Often people bring campers or trailers or sleep in their cages so they can get an early start.

There are two motels, a resort, or a bed and breakfast in the Cottage

Grove area if sleeping on yer bike gives you a backache. They're listed in the map on page 35.

*Your voice is important.
Don't be afraid to use it.*

Throughout the year there are many non-motorcycle events that fun to attend and even better on a bike. In many cases, special provisions are made for motorcycles, such as the *Oregon Country Faire* and *Oregon State Fair*, where you can park your scoot right next to the gate and stroll on in rather than slogging in from some distant cage parking lot. And with heavily attended events such as the Mt. Angel *Oktoberfest*, a bike can be shoehorned in within a block or two of the *glockenspiel*.

Yer crusty ol' editor went to his first *Oktoberfest* last month. (Yeah, despite its name, it's held in September.) It's kinda embarrassing to have been back in the state for seventeen years yet having never gotten around to attending such a famous event.

If ever there is an excellent experience for a biker destination, *Oktoberfest* is it. Start making plans for next year and arrange a group ride.

There's all kinds of swag to buy (riding a bike means not having to lug home any grandfather clocks yer sweetie has an eye on), an amazing variety of food to chomp on (c.o.e. hadn't had wienerschnitzle in thirty years and that was in Utapao, Thailand), three indoor establishments for quenching any thirst you may develop (beer, wine, and alpine gardens featuring "ompah" bands and chicken dances), and friendly folks to

talk with (the photographer who managed to snap c.o.e.'s pic without breaking his lens rides a scooter and had his ear bent about *Team Oregon* classes).

Yer crusty ol' editor arrived Thursday morning, the opening day of *Oktoberfest*. (Getting there on a weekday an hour or two before opening seems to be an excellent strategy to avoid traffic and parking frustration.) Walking around was easy and gave c.o.e. a chance to explore before settling down to some serious munching. What was really interesting were the shops behind the booths.

Did y'all know there is pub in Mt. Angel called *Frank-N-Stein's*? It's across the street from the *glockenspiel* (large animated clock) and its exterior looks like a gothic castle. (In addition to pirating, yer crusty ol' editor is into castles and the whole medieval thing.) It appears to be biker-friendly, having flyers posted about a down bro and a bike raffle. Might be worth a little late fall putt to check it out.

Watch out for slippery leaves.
(At least rain settles the dust.)

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07 Oct	Toy Run – JoCo	Fruitdale	(541)-471-6049
13 Oct	Casino Night –Willamette Valley Chapter	Veneta	(541)-485-2352
27 Oct	Halloween Party –Columbia River	TBA	(503)-933-4986
27-28 Oct	Mall Show –Hub City	Albany	(541)-
20-21 Oct	ABATE of Oregon Planning Session	Cottage Grove	(541)-
03 Nov	Musicians' Toy Run Benefit	Oregon City	(503)-351-5054
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17 Nov	Biker Night –Salem Chapter	Jefferson	(503)-678-6302
17 Nov	Toy Run –WaCo Chapter	Tigard	(503)-819-8113
01 Dec	Shriners' Toy Run	Portland	(503)-255-5415
09 Dec	Toy Run –Salem Chapter	Salem	(503)-678-6302
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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Meetings and Events . . .

October 2007

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3  4th quarter moon	4	5	6 Wheelchair Prsentation Portland <i>Salem Chapter Biker Night Aumsville</i>
		Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7 pm)	Northeast Portland 1900 (7 pm)	North Coast 1900 (7 pm)		
7 Southeast Portland 1200 (12 pm) JoCo chapter Toy Run Fruitdale	8 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm) Columbus "discovers" already occupied new world - 1492.	9	10	11  new moon	12	13 STATE BOARD MEETING Albany Eagles 1200 (12 p.m.) Run Committee 1100 (11 a.m.) Willamette Valley Casino Night Veneta
14 Central Oregon 1400 (2 pm) Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm)	15	16 Douglas County 1900 (7 pm) ----- Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7 pm)	17 Josephine County 1900 (7 pm) ----- Northeast Portland 1900 (7:00 pm)	18 Hub City 1900 (7 pm) ----- Willamette Valley 1900 (7 pm)	19  2nd quarter moon	20 ABATE/BikePAC Planning Session Cottage Grove
21 ABATE/BikePAC Planning Session Cottage Grove Southeast Portland noon	22 WaCo 1930 (7:30 pm)	23 Salem 1900 (7 pm)	24	25	26  full moon (blood moon)	27
28 North Coast 1000 (10 am) reed tree of the month begins	29	30	31 samhain/halloween			

Samhain is the time between times.

2007 Wheelchair presentation

October 6, 2007

Shriners Children's Hospital

Once again, we have the pleasure of meeting the children and their families who will receive equipment from proceeds earned by the Harley raffle, generous donations, and fund-raising activities from some great people.

THIS IS A PART OF THE TOY RUN VERY FEW GET TO SEE!!

The presentation will be on the 7th floor of the hospital at 11:00 a.m. Be there at 10:00 to meet the kids and families as their equipment is being fitted (4th floor). Anyone who has been on the Toy Fun, marshalled, sold tickets, bought tickets, or are just plain interested are invited to attend.

There will be a group ride leaving at 9:30 a.m. from Jim Dandy's Restaurant, 9626 NE Sandy Blvd. Or just meet us there.

This is a free event. Come and have a great time!!



A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
www.toyrun2007.com

Info: Mike 503.255.5415

A.B.A.T.E./Shriners Children's Hospital Toy Run

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Saturday, October 6, 2007

The Squeeze Inn

505 Main St.

Aumsville, Oregon

6:00 p.m.

Donation at door: \$3 per Person or \$5 per Couple

Special Dinner Available; Karaoke begins at 9:00 p.m.

Bring a TOY & Can of FOOD

Raffle Tickets: \$1 each or 6/\$5

Free Raffle Ticket with Donation

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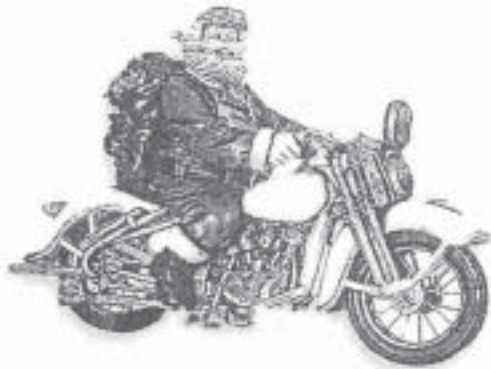
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Raffle proceeds, food, & toys benefit local community!

**Toy Run Sunday Dec. 9th, 10am, K-Mart at Mission & 25th, Salem
Delivering in Jefferson about 12:30 a.m.**

Toy Run 2007

**Presented By:
Josephine County Chapter A.B.A.T.E.**



Help Us Help the Kids
**Siskious Health Center's
~Project Baby Check
and Ready Set Go~**

Decorate your bike for a ride with Santa through the city of Grants Pass followed by a chicken BBQ provided by the Chapter.

Everyone is asked to bring a side dish and a toy.

**When: October 7, 2007
Where: Fruitdale Grange
331 Rogue River Hwy
Time: 1:00 PM**

All Bikes/All Riders Welcome

**Huge Silent Auction
Many Raffle Items
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Music by 'Leadfoot'**

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OCTOBER 13

YUKON JACK'S STEAKHOUSE & SALOON

**4th & W. BROADWAY
VENETA**

Danny-935-1921

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Wendy: 541-485-2352

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GAMBLING

2pm to 6pm

AUCTION

6pm to 8pm

Live Music

9pm



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Your Voice Is Important



Come to the A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC planning session

***Help plan and guide our efforts
in safety and education***

20-21 October 2007

***V.F.W. Hall
3160 Hillside Drive
Cottage Grove, Oregon
(I-5 exit 170 from north)***

A.B.A.T.E./ BikePAC Planning Session

20-21 October 2007

V.F.W. Hall Cottage Grove, Oregon

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 337 N. 9th street
 1-(541)-942-1900
 \$75-\$95 per night
 (including breakfast)

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Cottage Grove

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- Can only enter freeway heading north.
- Use exit 174 when coming from the south or when traveling south of Cottage Grove.

Exit 170

V.F.W. Hall



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MUSICIAN'S TOY RUN BENEFIT



FOR

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Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skulldruggery.

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Josephine County

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the Rogue on old highway 99 in Gold Hill.

\$20 for the first hand and \$5 for each additional hand plus a cheeseburger at *Rhino's* at end of run. There will also be raffled items and a 50/50 raffle.

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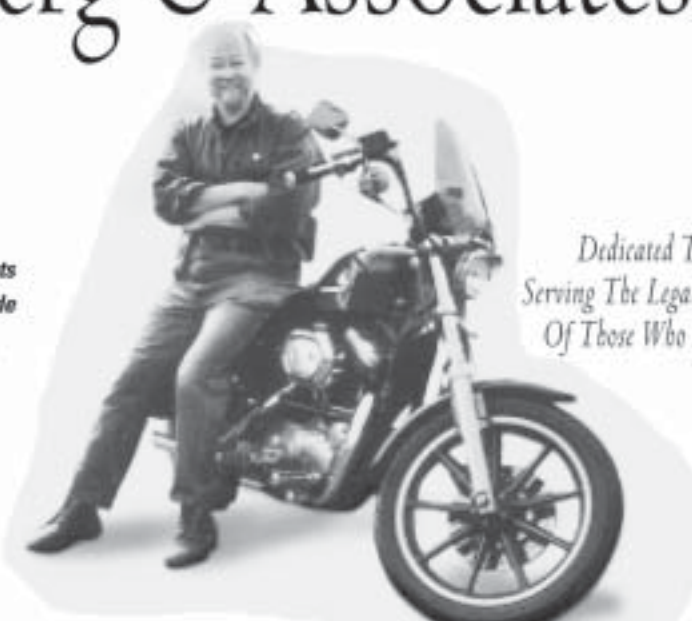
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CITE # _____ 1st appearance date: _____ TIME: _____ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

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

If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

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

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

If modified describe: _____

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale

2005 custom built softail, flat black paint with special graphics and pin-stripe, fat bob style gas tanks, blackened out spoked 21 inch front wheel with bright red ring on outer edge. Custom 18 inch stainless steel rear wheel with stainless steel diamond style spokes with 170 series Avon tire. Powder-coated custom *Kraftech* frame with 34 degree rake and 2-inch stretch. 80 inch black and chrome *Evo*-style motor with updates to carburetor, powder-coated heat resistant black modified *Screaming Eagle* dual exhaust. Black and chrome *Harley* 5-speed transmission. Powder-coated flat track style handlebars and wide glide front end. Custom built fenders. **\$13,500** or best offer. Pictures available on *Southeast Portland Chapter* web site in classified ads. Call **(503)-257-7390**

(Oct 2007)

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(Not for business ads, please.)

Wanted

**Seeking Parts?
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Reach over 2,000 folks with their own little personal treasure troves who may be willing to part with them if you cross their palms with silver. (Or paper or plastic.) Wanted ads are another one of your perks as a member of *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* Aren't you glad you joined us?

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Glockenspiel

(It's just plain fun to say the word.)
Located at Mt. Angel, Oregon

**Answer to September
CRYPTOGRAM**

Most [lovers] do not consider the phrase "Prepare to be boarded!" an adequate substitute for foreplay.

— Ol' Chumbucket,
Cap'n Slappy

(Cryptogram is elsewhere . . . like page 42.)

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NAME: _____

NEW ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP CODE: _____

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ (tape bottom edge)

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) - ____ - _____ E-mail: _____

Additional Members in Same Household:

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Congressional District: _____ Senator: _____ Representative: _____

Annual Rates:

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

Total number of members: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Date paid: _____

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

Please send completed application to:

Membership Secretary
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
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Halloween ridin' can be scary,
So thought a lone biker named Mary,
There's a rider unnamed,
On a bike made of chain,
That's the ghost of Indian Larry.

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NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:

Saturday, 13 October 2007 at noon

Eagles Lodge – Albany, Oregon

RUN COMMITTEE MEETING AT 1100

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon	2 nd Sunday	1400 (2 ^{pm})	<i>Black Horse Saloon</i> ; Bend	(541)-389-2167
Columbia River	2 nd Sunday	1230 (12:30 ^{pm})	<i>The Spare Room</i> ; 4830 N. E. 42 nd .; Portland	(503)-807-1606
Douglas County	3 rd Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg	(541)-459-7652
Hub City	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Ciddici's Pizza</i> ; 133 Fifth Street; Albany	(541)-967-7802
Josephine County	3 rd Wednesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Fruitdale Grange</i> ; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-471-6049
Lincoln County	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport	(541)-265-7586
North Coast	4 th Sunday	1000 (10 ^{am})	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17 th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-4376
Northeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Wed	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 nd .; Portland	(503)-777-5121
River City	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Roadstop Restaurant</i> ; 2 nd Street, The Dalles	(541)-296-8083
Salem	4 th Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Almost Home Restaurant</i> 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)-390-4292
Southeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Sun	1200 (noon)	<i>M&M Restaurant & Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-666-8806
Washington County	2 nd & 4 th Mon	1930 (7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Prime Time Restaurant</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3040
Willamette Valley	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Roaring Rapids Pizza</i> 4006 Franklin Boulevard; Eugene	(541)-688-4268