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It has been eight years since zealots attempted to destroy icons that symbolize three sources of United States power:

- political (the white house)
- military (the pentagon)
- financial (the world trade center)

Despite their successes, their mission failed.

Ideals exist independent of the physical world.

Terror cannot kill them.

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Yes, we staggered in shock and disbelief at such selfish acts.

But in our sadness and grief, resolve hardened.

The wreckage has been cleared, the physical damage repaired.

Basic concepts and power structures remain in place.

And a lesson has emerged from the rubble:

Fundamental beliefs

can only be changed by choice or persuasion, not psychological abuse or physical violence.

We still grieve for those lost on that day eight years ago.

Our compassion goes out to those who's spirits still ache with loss and suffering.

None of us are alone.

-- Rot Path

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

## What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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## U.S. Motorcyclist Organizations

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

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

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

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

### BikePAC of Oregon

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

*BikePAC* works within the political process.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Central Oregon**

Hello *Central Oregon*,

The hot weather has dropped. We are now in the 80's.

Nice.

Hope everyone is still hydrated.

This will be a short but to the point report.

The *12th Annual Central Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Teddy Bear Run* is coming up on us fast and furious. The run is being held on September 19th starting at *Northside Bar & Grill*; 62860 Boyd Acres Road; Bend, Oregon (541)-383-0889 at 8 a.m. for breakfast. Sign in at 9 a.m. and a group ride at 10 a.m. There will be a \$5 poker hand with a teddy bear or \$10 hand without. The run will be ending at the *V.F.W.* hall; 1836 SW Veterans Way; Redmond, Oregon from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. Kids are welcome to come to this event.

We have a lot of planning to do and we need everyone's help. Lot's of stuffed animals and raffle items

and donations to be accumulated. We are also selling tickets for the rocking hog. One for \$5 or five for \$20. Please help spread the word.

If you have not had a chance to see the rocking hog yet, you'll really want to. It is going to be circulating from *Northside* in Bend, *Scoots* in Sisters, *Coolers* in Prineville, and will be ending at *Checkers* in Redmond. The rocking hog will also be on display the day of the run at the *V.F.W.* hall where the winning ticket will be drawn.

Proceeding [?] the run will be the 50/50, the high hand, and raffles.

Donations for the run can be dropped off at the *Northside*, Bend; *Scoots* in Sisters; and *Coolers* in Prineville.

Kelly and myself's home will be the central location for all donations.

Should you or someone you know like to place a donation, please feel free to call us at (541)-923-



3809 anytime after 5:30 p.m.

Please, all of our 157 *Central Oregon Chapter* members, get off your butts and start collecting donations and stuffed animals for the kids. This is *our* run for the kids.

The kids in the emergency rooms love to be able to snuggle up to something warm and safe, and the stuffed animals are just what they need.

This is the largest *Central Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* run of the year. Let's make it one that really counts!

Remember, mark your calendars **September 19th.**

We'll be looking forward to seeing all of you there.

Animal coordinator  
*Central Oregon Chapter*

**CENTRAL OREGON**  
**MEET-->ING TIME and PLACE**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)  
Northside Bar & Grill  
62860 Boyd Acres road  
Bend, Oregon  
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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Douglas County**



Greetings from *Douglas County Chapter*,

Well, *Southern Oregon Summer Run (S.O.S. 2009)* is in the history books, photo albums, memory banks, and on video if Jackie had anything to say about it.

Being a joint effort, we want to applaud everyone having a part in making the run a success. Those who planned for months, did the leg work to get set up, clean up, the vendors, volunteers, and yes, those who came and had a good time.

We look forward to another great time in 2010! See you there.

*Douglas County Chapter* is sponsoring our first ever *Hearts For Heroes Poker Run* September 20th at the National Guard armory in Roseburg. ( Go past *Lowe's* on the

side street, turn right. Armory is on right.)

This idea came straight from the heart of Wille Shull, of *Willie D's* our local biker eatery and watering hole. This is an event to benefit our National Guard troops. The goal is to raise funds to purchase and ship much needed items to our service men and women serving in Iraq. Please take time out to join us in this most worthy effort to do just a little to make their days brighter.

Our last two bike nights are September 18th at the *Winchester Deli* north of Roseburg; and October 16th at *Coyote Jack's*, I-5 exit 119 on the right just south of Roseburg. Always a good time. 50/50, raffle, and good food. The time is 6 p.m.

As we wind down our ride season, let's all remember to *be careful out*

*there!* We have lost some brothers and sisters to the road this year, and if you know someone who lost a rider in the family, please reach out to help if you can. It can make all the difference in the world.

See you down the road,

Becky Garino  
secretary

**DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING**  
**TIME and PLACE**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
Willie D's  
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Ahrrr . . .

( Photo by Kirsten Lewis.)

**Maybe it's time for a Team Oregon class**

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

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



**Appologies to Hub City Chapter  
for missing their  
Second Chance Poker Run flier**

**Hope lots of you got down to Albany  
on 29 August anyway  
because this is a chapter  
who knows how to  
put on great runs.**

**-- crusty ol' editor**

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

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

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Albany, OR 97321

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



August 8th was the *Run to the Coast*. This is the sixth year JoCo has sponsored this poker run which was started 31 years ago by local radio station KAJO/KLDR.

One group of riders had gotten together to come out on the run. With a \$500 high hand at stake, they were hoping to take home their share.

And they did.

The best hand with kings and twos took home \$500.

They are donating the money to a local couple, who have lots of medical expenses and are on the verge of losing their home. We were happy to see them win.

We had a total of 54 bikes, two cars, 77 riders. It was a gorgeous

day for a ride. No fog in sight. The *Sons of God* provided a \$5 spaghetti dinner with proceeds going to feed the homeless in Crescent City.

By now the *S.O.S. Run* is also in the history books. This is a combined effort of *Douglas* and *Josephine Chapters*. This will be my first year working on this event and I am looking forward to it. Hope I have great news to write about next month.

September 6th is the *Last Chance Ride and BBQ Potluck*. This is our end of summer social. The chapter provides hamburgers, hot dogs, and sausages. You provide all the side dishes. Drinks are 50 cents each. Raffles and 50/50 and live music.

We are going back to basics, so

poker hands will only be \$5 per hand, as many hands as you want, extra cards for sale at the end.

The poker run will start at the *East Park Café* on Park & 7th St in Grants Pass ( across from Riverside Park ) and will end at All Sports Park. ( Now called Rinehart Park.)

Registration 10-11:30 a.m.

BBQ begins at 1 p.m.

Proceeds from the poker run will benefit the *Wolf Creek Parenting Center*. Our September chapter meeting will take place at the park following the BBQ. There will be no meeting at the grange this month.

October 4th will be the *Sixth Annual Grants Pass Toy Run*. The toy run returns to the Fruitdale Grange. 1 p.m. staging at the grange, 1:30 p.m. ride through town with Santa and several local fire trucks. Bring a potluck dish and a new unwrapped toy. We will provide burgers, hot dogs, and chicken. Live music by *Leadfoot*. Prizes for best decorated bike and best decorated car.

Keep the sun on your back.  
Enjoy, have fun, stay safe.

Questions or need more information for any of these events, call Spanky at (541)-659-8715 or Karen at (541)-660-8730.

Karen Tolle

### **JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEET→ING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1800 ( 6  
pm )  
Fruitdale Grange  
1440 Parkdale Drive  
Grants Pass

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

Hello!

Hey, did you see that? We just got through another *Beaver Creek Run* and what a great time it was!

We would like to thank *Washington County, Willamette Valley, Lincoln County-North (Tacoma Chapter)*, and all who came to support us. We love and appreciate all of you.

And how about our own chapter? I happen to think they're pretty awesome.

We are looking forward to our break and one of our favorite places to take that break is at *End of Summer Run*. Hope to see you there.

Until next month, as always, ride safe,

Shirley



### **LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-->ING**

#### ***TIMES and PLACE***

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900  
( 7 pm )

American Legion Hall Post 116  
424 W. Olive Street

Newport

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Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Not a lot going on this month, we discussed the fact that charter members need to get their membership renewed soon. I find from our membership secretary, (Eva) that date is October 1st.

I guess we're almost a year old now. I believe that we have gotten quite a bit accomplished in that short time: food and toy drives for Christmas, a crab dinner for a fund raiser, our spring run was a success, we've donated moneys to the parent aid program through the Warrenton police department, we now have signage posted as an *Adopt-a-Highway* participant west of Clatskanie, and we're funding swimming lessons for some children at the local pool.

As I list these things, I see that we have been busy and that we have had many different members helping and offering help.

Thanks to all of you.

Thanks to those of you who have supported us this past year.

We are planning also to have a fall run in 2010. Hope to see you there.

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

Jeannie has stepped down as our state board representative. Duane Sterba was elected as our new representative.

We are still trying to nail down a charity that we can own and contribute to now and in the future.

Kris brought up the issue of safe motorcycling and how she has noticed riders on the highway as very aggressive.

We have four members who would like to take the training classes so we can get into the schools and teach motorcycle safety. I have talked to both of our education directors and will follow up on that.

We have five new members this meeting, so we are still growing. New member Brandon won 50/50.

Dave



### **LOWER COLUMBIA**

#### ***MEETING TIMES and PLACE***

1<sup>st</sup> Sundays at 1900 ( 7 pm )

Colvin's Pub & Grill  
123 N. Nehalem  
Clatskanie, Oregon

(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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



( REPORT NOT RECEIVED )

**NORTH COAST MEETING TIME  
and PLACE**

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

Children are welcome  
**POINT of CONTACT**

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**Southeast Portland ( continued )**

*Cycles*. I need to say that if the person who took the award off the table puts it on their wall or brags about it, it brings disgrace on their home. You did not win the keg roll nor do you deserve the right of *Run 21* kudos. You are trash and need to be on the curb. *Road Hawk Cycles* will get their plaque and proudly display it. It is written: there are two and yours is phony.

Two more things before my list of winners.

Please do not forget our *Second Annual Ticket To Ride Poker Run*. Killer has busted her butt making this happen for the *Shriners'* kids as did Lauren last year. Remember, every ticket is a winner The kids get it all.

Well here it is the end of my report and I have good news.

Our chapters membership drawing has finally been won. Guess by who?

Turtle won \$155 just by being at a *Southeast Portland Chapter* meeting.

Meetings are every first and third Sunday of the month at noon. We meet at the *M&M* in Gresham. Come see us and get involved in the world you live.

Love and respect, Mammy Tami

**Run 21 – 2009**

**Games and Show Winners**

( *Road Hawk Cycles* did not get the trophy for keg roll as the trophy was stolen.)

**Games**

**Keg roll**

1st *Road Hawk Cycles*, 2nd Clark R.B.M.C., 3rd Jeff White

**Slow race**

1st Daryl Hurd, 2nd John Boyse, 3rd Beryl Terry

**Potato plant**

1st Mark Boni, 2nd Mad Mike, 3rd Jeff White

**Plank race**

1st Daryl Hurd, 2nd Spider, 3rd James Colmen

**Kick ass**

1st Brad Dikeman, 2nd Glen Francis, 3rd James Colmen

**Weenie bite**

1st Jeff White, 2nd Tattoo Mike, 3rd Yukon

**Balloon (condom) toss**

1st Madd Mike, 2nd Jeff White, 3rd Beryl Terry

**Over all Grand Champion**

Daryl Hurd

**Show**

(Please note that the awards for *Most Bling* and *Full Dress* were not picked up at the stage.)

**Custom:** John Rethati

**Stock:** Jim Caldwell

**Bling:** John Rethati \*

**Best paint:** Pete Rohades

**Vintage:** Irwin Best

**Full dress:** Ed Darling \*

**Rat:** Phil Schnier

**Peoples choice:** Spider

\* John and Ed contact me on the secretary's link on the chapter web site and I'll get your trophies to you as soon as possible.

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



**July 21, 2009**

We had a very small meeting tonight with only six people. The temperature outside was still over 100 degrees and I don't blame anyone for staying home. Some of us just don't know any better.

The meeting was very informal.

We chatted our way through it and had a good time.

We didn't do any drawings.

Two of the six people, Richard and Pat, correctly identified the bike on the agenda as a fine vintage 1917 *Indian* with a luxurious upholstered sidecar.

It looks like mornings are the time to ride.

-- Brian

**August 4, 2009**

Wow! What a lively meeting.

We had two new members join us tonight, Jan and Joe Wolford. Welcome.

We had fourteen people at the meeting tonight, which is 22% of our membership. Everyone was boisterous and the meeting was a lot of fun.

We finished plans for next weekend's ride to Grand Coulee to see the light show.

Shelley won the membership drawing for \$50 and donated \$10 back to the chapter. Thanks, Shel.

Brian won the 50/50 at \$14/\$14 and donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Brian.

-- Brian

**Upcoming meetings**

**September 01, 2009**

**September 15, 2009**

**RIVER CITY MEETING TIMES  
and PLACE**

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

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The Dalles, OR 97058

Here we go again.

Just when you thought the harassment was over, the police state arrives again. A member of *Salem A.B.A.T.E.* received a citation from a Portland police officer on I-405 for refusing to remove his helmet. He was cited for not wearing a helmet although he had one on.

The *Department of Transportation [D.O.T.]* does not approve helmets. The helmet manufacturer must meet the criteria set by the *F.M.V.S.S.-218. (Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard)* The manufacturer then is responsible to meet the standards.

The *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* has a list of helmets that have been recalled. Did you get a notice that your helmet was recalled?

Of course not.

Your purchase was not sent into any agency. So it is up to as the consumer to make sure you are in compliance.

There is no list of approved helmets by the D.O.T. They cannot make a list because then they would also assume a degree of liability.

So how on earth can you make an informed decision on your purchase?

Better check to see if that helmet is

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



on the recall list. There are top brand names on that list. If you get a *Snell*-certified helmet, you are getting a product that's about as good as it gets.

Washington state has changed their helmet regulation (*F.M.V.S.S.-218*) and are out in force to make sure you comply.

If you are planning a trip there, make sure the helmet meets their new requirement. The Tacoma area has a police officer named Piggot and he is on a mission to give you, as a motorcyclist, a ticket at the very least. He really loves motorcycles. He would love to see you and your motorcycle go to jail. He would like to see that tag sewn into your helmet, the one that says: "*Warning. No helmet can protect you against all foreseeable impacts.*" He

may threaten you with arrest if you do not comply. Never talk to the police in a traffic stop because anything you say will be used against you.

Am I under arrest?

Am I free to go?

They will tow your bike for no endorsement just like they do here.

That fine here increased to \$720.

Know your rights and be prepared to defend them.

With respect,

Quiet  
G.J.M.C.

### **SALEM MEETING TIME and PLACE**

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

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



Hello to all you good people,

I have so much to say to all you folks this time that I almost do not know where to start. I guess I will start with the very important changes that have happened in our chapter as of our last meeting on August 2, 2009.

Effective as of our last chapter meeting on August 2, 2009, Matt Hobbs resigned as our chapter coordinator due to health issues. Matt did not disclose anything specific. Just that any communications concerning his personal issues should be fielded through our chapter chaplain, Mike Friend. At this meeting Matt's wife, our beloved "Soft Tail", also resigned as our chapter's ways and means and products director.

Matt and Michelle will be dearly missed, both as officers and as just plain old good folks. Their dedication at both the *Southeast Portland Chapter* and state level of *A.B.A.T.E.* will be sorely missed. *Southeast Portland Chapter*, as do I, personally offer my gratitude, love, and best wishes in what has ever become the priority in their lives. They both have dedicated a lot to the family we all call *A.B.A.T.E.* and we hope that they both know our support is with them always.

Love and respect to Matt and Michelle Hobbs!

In the interim until our annual elections at the end of the year, Turtle will step up from vice-coordinator to take chapter coordinator. There were nominations at the meeting and Lee Austin was elected as

chapter vice-coordinator. Richard Colwell has stepped up to take ways and means and products director. ( Please see our chapter minutes on-line for voting details.)

*Southeast Portland Chapter* wishes our new officers well in their work for *A.B.A.T.E.* in the rest of the year.

The rest of my report will be dedicated to *Run 21* and our upcoming *Ticket to Ride Poker Run*.

First off, *Run 21*.

**Hey, were you there?** If not, put away all the gossip and bull %\*#@, \$@\*#-slinging and be in awe as I am. This was my tenth year. Yes, ten years helping first hand to make this run happen.

We have gone from about 400 through the gate to 2,100 paid, not including vendors, entertainment, and staff this year.

Wow.

Friday night I stood on the old *A.B.A.T.E.* stage and looked out across the crowd and

just was speechless.

Then on Saturday night when *Fog Hat* put the spot lights on the crowd, I cried. I was just plain amazed at what I had helped done. Not just talking about the party, but what we had accomplished for the cause of motorcyclists rights and education. That's what it is all about.

Thank you all for attending our little get together. Each and every one of you helped the cause and supported your own civil rights, and I truly hope you all had a kick ass time. See you all next year?

At the end of this report I will list the winners of the bike show and games. This year we had 104 folks sign up for both events. Last year there were 52. Holy @%&, what a good time. Thank you all for the respect you showed Turtle and myself the whole time. What a hoot.

Just need to say a bit about the trophies. In the past we have always left the prizes

out for all to see. This year one was stolen during the games. It was the plaque for the keg roll. This award should have been given to the bike registered for *Road Hawk*

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

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1200 (noon)  
M&M Restaurant & Lounge  
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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *Twin Rivers*

Here is the “after *Run 21*” report and all that I can say is: Wow!

This year’s *Run 21* was absolutely spectacular. Though I can’t say for certain, we may have set an attendance record this year. Because so many people came through the gate this year, an overflow area had to be opened up.

All of the vendors seemed to do quite well and the bands kept the place rocking all weekend long.

A big thanks needs to go out to Richard Colwell for putting together the best *Run 21* yet. Thank you, Richard.

Hopefully next year’s *Run 21* will be even bigger.

Now onto other things.

Mark your calendars for September 12th for the *Twin Rivers Chapter* poker run. It will start out at *Jim Dandy’s* on 96th and Sandy boulevard. The sign up is at 9 a.m. and the run starts at 10 a.m. ( See flyer in this newspaper.)



Our chapter’s first anniversary party is all set. (Flyers coming soon.)

If you choose to come to one of our meetings, you will get to participate in a group ride afterwards.

That’s it for now.

Ride free and be safe,

K.J. Brewer  
recording secretary  
*Twin Rivers Chapter*

### ***TWIN RIVERS MEET--ING***

#### ***TIME and PLACE***

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

Spare Room  
NE 42 nd street -- Portland  
(503)-285-3718

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

As I write this, the tent is still drying out from the traditional Sunday morning mist at *Beaver Creek Run*. *Lincoln County Chapter* does a fabulous job with this run. It’s always been one of our favorites, as evidenced by the nearly thirty *Washington County Chapter* members I counted in attendance. Thanks to *Lincoln County* for your hospitality!

*Washington County* has had a busy month!

We had a very successful *Mid-Summer Poker Run* on August 1st. ( Careful what you wish for – the weather was actually so hot that we shortened the route to prevent heat exhaustion.) A delicious BBQ and great time with friends capped the day.

On the heels of that event, our chapter had an info booth and bike show at the Hillsboro farmer’s market on Tuesday, August 5. We gained a few new members and had a great time chatting with folks, letting them know what *A.B.A.T.E.*

is all about. For any of you chapters that have local farmer’s markets, this is a fantastic public relations opportunity.

Coming up next is our *20th Annual End of Summer Run* at Birkenfeld, September 18-20. Advance tickets are just \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members. Tickets at the gate will be \$5 higher. If you live out of our area but would like to purchase tickets in advance, we will accept payments by mail to our chapter P.O. box until September 10. That address is:

*Washington County A.B.A.T.E.*  
P.O. box 202  
Cornelius, OR 97113.

Please also call us at 1-(877)-552-2283 ((that’s 1-(877)-55-ABATE)) to let us know you’ve sent payment. As long as we receive it by September 10, we’ll have your tickets waiting in will call at the gate.



*E.O.S.* is a great way to wind down your bike run season, so plan to join us for a fantastic weekend. Details on the flyer in this issue, or on our web site at:

<http://www.wacoabate.info>

See you on the road,

Margo Virchow

### ***WASHINGTON COUNTY MEET-ING TIMES and PLACE***

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 1930  
( 7:30pm )

Prime Time Restaurant  
4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove  
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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**

Wow!

This one will go down in history as "The Summer of '09" so far.

Besides a few local rides that have had our members scattered far and wide, the chapter rides to *Summer Eruption* and *Beaver Creek* went off smoothly.

Fort Rock brought a solid showing and, as usual, we all had a mellow time slackin' away the weekend swatting flies, following the shade, sharing some laughs, and actually getting some undisturbed sleep for a change. The only really "wild" event was Rod's little acrobatic fire-dance Saturday night.

*Beaver Creek* was another good turnout. The chapter made a good showing, the weather was balmy, hot on Saturday, and the only rain happened Saturday night while we all slept. The fire was a doozy and I think Jeff's camp had the best view: back just enough to avoid melted nylon and ash-burns and close enough to feel their aboriginal roots. Loin cloths anyone? I'm sure we'll all have lots of stories to share this fall.

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

And, of course, as of this writing, it ain't over.

Wendy and I are heading south this weekend, stopping off for the night to visit our old partners at S.O.S. in Wolf Creek. It should be a nice reunion and a chance to see how the run is doing without our "interference". Ten or fifteen others from up our way were planning to attend until they realized they had scheduled the wrong date. Hopefully they can make a spur-of-the-moment adjustment and show up anyway.

We'll be leaving S.O.S. to head south and visit family in California, traveling as far south as Los Angeles and back through Yosemite and Reno. We'll make a stop in Santa Barbara so Wendy can get her "feet" wet in the California surf, then battle bears and mosquitoes in the Sierra Nevada's before heading home.

*Anne and Noelle's Roving Poker Run* is coming together nicely for September 13th, thanks to Sunny and Rod's efforts. T-shirts and pins of Sunny's design will be available and a special thanks to Roy at RedArt for his *pro-bono* setup in providing the T-shirts. Remember that all the proceeds will go to the cancer support organization of their choosing. Hope all you "cancer warriors" put the date aside to show your support.

Don't forget about the October 10th *Fall Casino Night* at *Yukon Jack's* in Veneta. Hopefully you've been stashing big/little auctionable items and practicing your blackjack technique.

Check the state and local web sites for other events and rides.

Keep the rubber side down and the chrome side up. Ride safe, ride free, and love your brothers and sisters everywhere.

[ \*crusty ol' editor's note: As it happens, suitable loin clothes can be made out of chammy cloths and clothesline. Each cloth can yield two sets of front and back coverage for men and top free women, or full coverage for a woman. Feels very primal while covering up what some still think of as our "naughty bits". ]

**WILAMETTE VALLEY****MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 p.m. )

Far Man Resaurant and Bar

3111 Gateway; Springfield

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

08 August 2009 – Hospital; Newport, Oregon



Meeting was called to order by Jordan Kelley, coordinator, at 12:12 p.m. with 9 of 13 chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote. Missing chapters included *Douglas County*, *Josephine County* (called in – having their toy run), *Willamette Valley*, *Lower Columbia* (e-mail received on Friday while state secretary was at *Beaver Creek*. New state board representative, Duane Sterba, and coordinator, Dave Bridges, are attending a funeral.)

Pledge of allegiance

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

**Guests and first time attendees:** *Washington County* members: Nick,

Troy, Connie, Jay Jackson, and Glennis (also from Washington state).

**Previous minutes approval:** Motion made by Randy Phipps (*Twin Rivers Chapter*) to accept minutes from July 11th state board meeting as printed in the newspaper. Matt Price (*Salem Chapter*) seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Coordinator comments:** Jordan Kelley stated that he hoped that everyone was enjoying the riding. He also reminded everyone to be safe out there. He said that he has kept a watch on the crashes that were occurring and he noticed that the phrase "speed was involved" was used a lot in reporting motorcycle



Nic "Sea Dog" Oliver,  
state recording secretary

wrecks. The statement from the board that unless someone is not moving at all, speed will be involved. It was noted, however, that the media is playing along with the new focus on helmets again, following the change in Washington state's helmet requirement. Speed issues are ones that will be utilized to push the need for helmets. Jordan stated that we need to be very careful because we are vulnerable. Asked everyone to keep their reports short if possible so that we could all get back in time for the bike games at the *Beaver Creek Run*.

**Secretary report and correspondence:** Reported that there were some out-of-state newsletters if anyone was interested. He also noted that it was time to renew our corporation license with the state of Oregon.

**Vice coordinator–north:** Ted Tracy – No report.

**Vice coordinator–south:** Annette Murray – Absent.

**Vice coordinator–east:** Gene Mortimore – No report.

**Treasurer:** Kay Sipple reported \$9,000 in checking and \$20,274 in savings. She also stated that we should be careful as our expenses don't go away.

She did report that she made a mistake and didn't copy the paperwork that she sent to the accountant and the accountant never got the papers that were sent. Consequently, she really needs some chapters to resend her the following information: December 31st bank statements and *Quicken* files from *Salem* and *Twin Rivers Chapters*. She also needs the December 31st bank statements only from *Willamette Valley*, *North Coast*, *Hub City*, *Lincoln County Chapters*, and *Shriner Toy Run*.

**Membership secretary:** Linda Henderson – Report handed in. Current membership is 1,740. She

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also reported on some of the calls she has been getting on A.B.A.T.E.'s 800 number. She asked that if someone finds something at a run or event to let her know. She has had calls about cameras and cell phones lost at *Run 21* and has no idea what to say to them as she has no information. If you find something, let her know if you do not find the owner so that if someone calls about it, she can then forward them to you to claim the item/s. Is there a lost and found container and who would have this?

**Sanctioning officer:** Matt Price reported that everything that has been turned in thus far is done. Chapter representatives are to have the chapters send in a report on the head count for all of their events. This information is necessary if we are to get the insurance for next year.

**State auditor:** Richard Misener – Absent. Gene pointed out that Richard has had problems getting files from some of the chapters. Richard is still working out the bugs.

**Newspaper editor:** Rot Path reported that he owes *Hub City* a huge apology. He realized that he forgot their run flier again in the newspaper after it was too late. He said that he also forgot a veteran's group's September advertisement also. He said that he would start being more careful and double check things better.

**Legislative director:** Justin Handke – Absent. This issue is still under investigation. Jordan reported that there are some issues that Jordan is working out. Jordan and Justin have been playing phone tag but Justin will be back.

**Sergeant at arms–north:** Randy Phipps stated that he was told that *Run 21* went smoothly. A very brief discussion on the break-in of Matt Hobbs' truck took place. Randy stated that was all he had to report.

**Sergeant at arms–south:** Bill Foster – Excused. (Working)

**Sergeant at arms–east:** Jim Middleton – Excused. (Working)

**Products director:** Dave Meeker – Excused. Report given by Nic as received from Dave per phone call. Reordering the "mission statement" patches. The company is giving us twice as many for the same price, basically two for one. So the order is for 200 patches for the price of 100 patches. Also ordering patches in memorial of Pat Williams. They will be turquoise on black, Pat's favorite color.

**Education director:** Patricia Carner reported that she has three *Share the*

*Road* presentations to give this month and four more in September. There are more being scheduled for later this year. She also reported that the *Motorcycle Awareness Program* classes are focusing on assemblies in the schools so that more schools could benefit from this program.

**Education director II:** Geoff White reported that the summer is a slow time for the classes. He also asked Patricia about the key fobs that are handed to the students in the classes. She stated that we are keeping the key fobs and possibly adding pencils.

**Public relations director:** Debra Lutje – No report.

**State run coordinator (Fossil):** Howie Long apologized for being a bit brash at the last meeting. The final head count for *Fossil Run* is an approximation of 600. The *Fossil Run* made a profit of about \$10,000.

**State run coordinator II:** VACANT

**State swap meet coordinator:** Patricia Carner reported that the fall swap meet will take place at the Portland armory on October 11th, the second Sunday, the day after the state board meeting. She stated that Debra Lutje got the flyer done and profusely thanked Debra for her work. Patricia also apologized for not being "totally there lately" as she just had a daughter get married and she is still a bit "scatterbrained". Congratulations to Pat's daughter.

**Historian:** Tonia Mosier - Absent.

**Web page editor:** Trace Ceccacci – No report.

**Quartermaster:** Ted Tracy reported that the water trailer is at Birkenfeld and will be staying there unless needed elsewhere. He has been rebuilding parts of the stage trailer and it now has a new tailgate, a bit heavier than before. The stage trailer will be staying at Birkenfeld also. There is no charge for this. The stage will go back to storage after the summer usage is done.

**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative:** Randy Phipps reported that the next meeting is in September at Nic's house in Alsea. It is at noon on September 5th. There will be a bar-b-que of burgers and franks. Contributions to the feast are welcome.

Nic gave his address as 18712 Alsea Highway (also known as highway 34 and branches off of highway 20 on the west side of Philomath), about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a mile west of Alsea. (Alsea is about 20 miles from Philomath, past Mary's Peak, a very nice ride.) The green house with the *Watch for Motorcycles* signage in front. Sodas will be provided, so if you

want beer then B.Y.O.B. Nic reported that Alsea loves bikers.

**Confederation of Clubs representative:** Gunny reported that he has not yet received the minutes from the last meeting, so no report.

**Confederation of Clubs representative II:** Kay Sipple – No report.

At this time Kay opened a discussion on mileage reimbursements. It was reported that there are conflicting ways it is being done and we need to have a more equitable way of being fair. Auto and bike rates are noted to be different with most companies. The A.B.A.T.E. rate is currently 0.35 cents a mile. This issue needs chapter discussion and input. Nic reported that this needs to be done soon as he has put the new manual into proper format. So if there is a change needed, then it needs to be in the new manual before it is done or a lot of work will have to be immediately updated and extra work for a lot of people.

### Unfinished Business

- Vacant officer position: State run coordinator II

This is now a moot issue as this month is the opening of the nominations for all officer positions for 2010. Nominations will continue up until the voting takes place at the first October meeting.

- The *Cushman* issue was again brought up and Ted and Nic both reported that there were buyers for them. It seems there are conflicting reports as they seem to be missing from Robert Hale's. This is only conjecture at this point and no one is being blamed for a thing, yet. Ted said that he "will sic Rotten Roger on him".

- Gene Mortimore expanded the *Run 21* problem and told the board that Matt Hobbs' truck was broken into and \$800 of chapter assets (*Run 21* tickets) were taken. This issue is being resolved within the chapter.

- Nic reported that he has called the V.F.W. in Cottage Grove to reserve their hall for the planning session in October but has not heard back yet.

### New Business

- Motion 1: Made by Randy Phipps (*Twin Rivers Chapter*); seconded by Bob Highfill. (*Lincoln County Chapter*)

"That A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon sponsor up to four people to attend the A.C.T.S. safety conference on October 27,28,29 in

*Hood River, Oregon. See attachments for detailed information."*

Attachment reads as follows:

"Proposal to the board.

Ever since 1995, we, A.B.A.T.E., have sent people to attend the A.C.T.S. Oregon traffic safety conference. Last year was the only one in which we did not have people attend, due to our financial problems. This year, we are little more flush and, I believe, can afford to send some of our folks to this conference.

We have returned over the years with much information that the general public didn't get until months later. We have brought back word about increased surveillance, assorted helmet legislation that affect us, graduated licenses for our young folks, etc.

A.B.A.T.E. has also purchased a lifetime corporate membership in A.C.T.S.

Cost of the conference is:

Before September 25 = \$95 times four people = \$380.

After September 25 = \$125 times four people = \$500.

Room rates for a single is \$152.60 for two nights or double \$185.30 for two nights times two rooms = \$366.60

Total possible cost for four people, assuming the room is shared. \$746.60 based on the early rates.

If we register late, total = \$866.60

I would ask for approval of this expenditure at this meeting. This would authorize up to a certain level and allow us time to find folks willing to attend. Note this would be a maximum expenditure, less [plus?] travel.

"Thanks for considering this item."

Randy then made a very impassioned plea about the need to attend this conference and the amount of good that has come of it, that this conference has been one of our greatest tools and should not be ignored for another year when we have the money available to do this. This is part of our work and we need to continue involvement in this vital information source. This conference is the tool that was used to really give our *Motorcycle Awareness Program* a very large boost in reaching students.

A motion was made to table this motion until next meeting and to take this to the chapters for discussion and vote at the September board of directors meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

- Motion 2: Made by Allan Nichols (*Washington County Chapter*), seconded by Howie Long (*North Coast Chapter*):

"To replace cargo trailer with a new Interstate Loadrunner with decals. Approximate cost \$3,000."

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Allan asked Ted Tracy to speak on this item. Ted stated that the current trailer is needing repair and it is very old. He has a potential buyer for the trailer, which would defray the cost. The old trailer is a double axle, load limit 1,500 lbs. The new one would be a single axle, but will hold everything we need. The new trailer would display decals, cost of about \$275 (included in the price of the trailer) which would be the A.B.A.T.E. logo, a great advertising item. Nic reported that Dave Meeker asked him to state that the repairs needed amount to about \$250 and he believes that this is an expense that we don't need at this time.

A motion was made to table this and take it to the chapters for discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

• Nominations for A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon board of directors took place and the list below includes those who accepted (noted by an "A" by their name) and those needing to accept or decline (nothing after their name). Reminder for everyone: Anyone can be nominated, as long as they are a member in good standing, or volunteer to run for a specific officer position. Only those people who have accepted their nomination will be voted upon at the first October meeting of the board of directors.

**Coordinator** --- Ted Tracy (A)

**Vice coordinator-north** --- Randy Phipps

**Vice coordinator-south** ---

**Vice coordinator-east** --- Gene Mortimore (A)

**Recording secretary** --- Jill Tracy

**Membership secretary** --- Linda Henderson (A)

**Treasurer** --- Kay Sipple (A)

**State auditor** --- Richard Misener

**Newspaper editor** --- Rot Path (A)

**Legislative director** --- Randy Phipps

**Sergeant-at-arms-north** --- Randy Phipps (A)

**Sergeant-at-arms-south** --- Bill Foster  
**Sergeant-at-arms-east** --- Jim Middleton

**Products director** --- Dave Meeker

**Education director I** ---

**Education director II** --- Geoff White

**Public relations director** --- Debra Lutje (A)

**State run coordinator I (Fossil)** --- Howie Long (A)

**State run coordinator II** --- Jeff Schuaer

**State swap meet coordinator** --- Patricia Carner

**Historian** --- Tonia Mosier

**Sanctioning officer** --- Matt Price (A)

**Web page editor** --- Trace Ceccacci (A)

**Quartermaster** ---

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative --- Randy Phipps (A)

**Confederation of Clubs representative I** --- Gunny

**Confederation of Clubs representative II** --- Jay Jackson (A)

Many positions had no or unaccepted nominations. The more people who step up, the better for everyone.

### Announcements

• Next state board of directors meeting: Saturday, September 12th, 2009 at the *Eagles Lodge*, Albany, Oregon at noon.

• 08-09 August 2009 — *Beaver Creek Run* south of Newport, Oregon. For more information contact *Lincoln County Chapter* at 1-(541)-265-6850.

• 08 August 2009 — *Josephine County Chapter* is having their *6th Annual Run to the Coast*, poker run. This starts at 9 a.m. at the *Wilderville Store* on Redwood highway. For more information call Spanky at (541)-659-8715

• 15 August 2009 — *Full Tilt Riders Motorcycle Club* is having their *Sixth Annual Bikini Bike Wash and Bike Show* at the *El Vaquero Sport Bar* at 13456 McLoughlin boulevard - Milwaukie, Oregon. This was discussed under new business and it was thought that a Portland chapter might want to sponsor this with the state. Volunteers and ideas needed as soon as possible.

• 14-16 August 2009 — The *S.O.S. Run* will be at Wolf Creek. Exit 76 off I5, just north of Grants Pass. Motorcycles-only allowed in the camping areas. This

is a joint venture between *Josephine County* and *Douglas County Chapters*. For more information contact Jim and Janie 1-(541)-680-1047 (*Douglas County*) or Spanky at 1-(541)-659-8715 (*Josephine County*). This is the weekend before the *All-Harley Drags*.

• 22-23 August 2009 — *All Harley Drags* at the Woodburn racetrack in Woodburn, Oregon.

• 11-12 September 2009 — *9/11 Memorial Run and Swap Meet*. 6 p.m. at *Stewart Leathers*, 12105 NE 49th Street - Vancouver, Washington. For more information call 1-(360)-260-0040

• 13 September 2009 — *Cancer Warriors Run* presented by the *Willamette Valley Chapter*. Poker run to start at 9 a.m. at *Central Valley Cycle* in Eugene. More information to follow or contact *Willamette Valley Chapter*.

• 18-20 September 2009 — *End of Summer Run* by *Washington County Chapter*. *Megan James Band* will be performing. Go to chapter web site for more information:

<http://www.wacoabate.info>

• 24-27 September 2009 — *M.R.F. Meeting of the Minds* conference. National level. Minneapolis, Minnesota *Sheraton Hotel*. Volunteers are needed as Brian and Gunny will be unable to attend. Attendees will be decided upon at the August meeting.

• 04 October 2009 — *Josephine County Chapter* is having their *Sixth Annual Toy Run*. Staging at the *Fruitdale Grange* at 1 p.m. 3 p.m. will ride through Grants Pass with Santa and Mrs. Claus and several fire engine companies. For more information call Karen at 1-(541)-660-

8730 or Spanky at 1-(541)-659-8715

• 17-18 October 2009 — A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. planning session at the V.F.W. hall in Cottage Grove, Oregon. This will include the annual meeting for A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon and a board of directors meeting. The state board of directors is a **must attend event on 18 October for all chapter representatives**. Every chapter should plan on attending with at least one representative for the entire planning session.

• 17-18 October 2009 — N.C.O.M. regional convention at the *Holiday Inn* at the Portland airport. For more information, contact Gunny at 1-(800)-531-2424

• 21 November 2009 — *WaCo* is having their *Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run*. For more information go to:

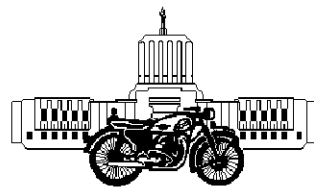
<http://www.wacoabate.info>

Meeting adjourned 1317 hours or

**Answer to September CRYPTOGRAM**

Empty your heart of its mortal dream,  
The winds awaken, the leaves whirl round,  
Our cheeks are pale, our hair is unbound . . .  
The host is rushing 'twixt night and day.  
And where is there hope or deed as fair?

--W.B. Yeats



## BikePAC of Oregon, Inc.

### Membership Application

PO Box 5612  
Salem, OR 97304  
[www.bikepac.com](http://www.bikepac.com)

(please circle desired type of membership below)

Individual	Corporate	Group or Club
Associate \$15	Sponsor \$150	General \$75
Full \$30+	Supporting \$300	Supporting \$150
Family \$40+	Platinum \$750	MAB* \$300
MAB* \$60+	MAB* \$1000	

\*Member of the Advisory Board

Your contribution will be directed into the BikePAC general fund, which includes the education fund, unless you specify the following:

Put \$\_\_\_\_\_ of my contribution into a dedicated fund supporting motorcycle-friendly candidates

(Qualifies for Oregon tax credit up to \$50 individual and \$100 couple)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am in state senate district \_\_\_\_\_

I am in state representative district \_\_\_\_\_

**BikePAC of Oregon** - A Political Action Committee Of Motorcyclists For Motorcyclists

**Political Action Committee (PAC)** n. A committee formed by a special interest group to raise money and make contributions to the campaigns of political candidates whom they support and to create or directly influence legislation on behalf of that group.

BikePAC of Oregon promotes the interests of motorcyclists through education and legislative advocacy

From The . . .

## GUNNY'S SACK

Already it's September and seems like summer just got here.

Hafta say it's been hot in Oregon, especially in July and early August with temperatures in the nineties and several times in triple digits. I saw 108 degrees on my front porch thermometer in the shade more than once. Not complaining you understand. I'm glad I wake up breathing no matter what the weather. Our camp-outs and overnight get-together's have been super and still a lot of runs to enjoy yet this riding season.

My concern has been the over abundance of problems on the roadways for our riders this year. Seems like every time I turn around I'm visiting someone in the hospital or hearing about another crash with fatalities involved. I don't know how much more I can piss and moan to get our folks to take riding courses, but wish I would do more.

These courses take a little money out of your pocket and involve some amount of effort, but please brothers and sisters, take the time because they will make you better riders and more aware of your surroundings on the highway. Nowadays we have people driving tons of lethal machinery down the road that have no idea how dangerous they are when they talk or text on the phone or just plain pay no attention to what they are doing.

All the class will do is maybe save your life or the sweetie on the back of your scooter. I know we care about those things. Lets do something to give us a little advantage.

*Glassphalt Danger* — I've never seen the stuff here on the west coast, but that doesn't mean it isn't around. I'd think the roadrash would be something else. Glassphalt is just finely ground up old glass mixed with asphalt.

If mixed properly, glassphalt is supposed to provide adequate traction.

As an automobile driver, I never paid too much attention to glassphalt. I've seen various roads throughout Baltimore sparkle in my headlights, but beyond that, I

hadn't given glassphalt a thought.

My indifference changed when a fellow rider and a good friend went down in the *Ocean City Convention Center* parking lot.

The fall happened when a careless car driver came into my friends' path of travel. He made a quick stop, at parking lot speeds, and went down when his front wheel locked unexpectedly. His motorcycle was undamaged, but he fractured a bone in his foot and bruised his ego.

My friend is a life-long rider, having logged over 70,000 miles on his current motorcycle. He's highly trained and an extremely conscientious rider. Stopping quickly is something that he practices regularly.

To me, his fall just didn't add up, until he told me about the glassphalt. Unknown to him prior to his fall, the *Ocean City Convention Center* parking lot is paved with glassphalt. According to him, making a quick-stop on the glassphalt parking lot was like "riding on a rain slick surface." Nasty stuff. Keep a weather eye out for it wherever you ride.

We aren't saying that all glassphalt paved surfaces are dangerous for two-wheelers. I am saying that it pays to be careful, since there appears to be a level of risk involving motorcycles and glassphalt. The lesson is to recognize your riding surface, and tailor your riding accordingly!

*Minnesota* — Motorcycle deaths keep climbing in Minnesota. While overall traffic deaths are down in Minnesota, including alcohol-related crashes and teen deaths, motorcycle-related deaths continue to rise. A new report highlights 72 motorcyclist deaths, accounting for 16 percent of all traffic deaths and the biggest rider death count since 1985.

The most common factors in all 2008 crashes are: driver inattention or distraction, failure to yield right-of-way, and speeding.

*California* — Drunk driving deaths are down, but motorcycles buck the trend. Drunk driving deaths in California dropped for a



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third straight year in 2008, the state *Office of Traffic Safety* said Thursday, but motorcycle fatalities continued a decade-long rise that mirrors national trends.

State officials expressed concern, however, over the increase in motorcycle fatalities, which rose 8.1% to 560. They have more than doubled since beginning to rise in 1998. The increase has been driven by a roughly similar rise in motorcycle ridership, although state officials also attribute the problem to a new generation of bigger, faster, more powerful bikes.

Every other category of vehicle deaths is going down, but motorcycles are going up. The rise in fatalities was especially noticeable among young men, who have "a lot of testosterone" and the bikes to match, and among men in their 50s and older who are returning to motorcycles after decades of not riding and are often choosing much larger bikes than they rode in their youth.

*Upshur county, Texas* — A man was sentenced to eight years in prison for second degree felony intoxication manslaughter for his part in a motorcycle crash that killed his girlfriend. The crash happened in September of 2006 in Diana, Texas. Phillip Earl Joiner, 42, of Gilmer took five different drugs before getting on a motorcycle with his girlfriend and soon after crashed into another vehicle, killing the girlfriend.

I've said a lot in these pages over the years about putting your keys in your pocket when ya party.

*New Zealand* — The *Hell's Angels* have launched a last-ditch bid to block a law that bans them from wearing their patches on the streets of Wanganui, arguing they are a club, not a gang. The club, which has a fortified headquarters in the city, said the move would breach their New Zealand bill of rights. In submissions to the council, the bikers wrote: "Hell's Angels Motorcycle Club is not a gang but a motorcycle club and patch not worn

to intimidate but show membership of a club with common interest brotherhood and motorcycling."

Offenders could be fined up to \$2,000 and have their patches confiscated if they ignore the rule. *Hell's Angels* members usually wear patches only when riding their motorcycles, at their headquarters, or at events, and do not use them to intimidate the public. The right to wear anything, should apply to everyone. The bylaw's inconsistency with the bill of rights meant the *Hell's Angels* could potentially argue their case in the supreme court.

### Gunny Again

As I always try and remind ya, if ya have a legal problem or find yourself involved in a wreck, get in touch with your nearest *A.I.M.* attorney. These folks fight for us all the time, and in more ways than in crashes.

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There are times of the year when we seek the sun, and times when we avoid it.

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The celestial balancing of forces that allow this degree of human comfort have been in existence for millions of years — humans and motorcycles for considerably less time.

Yet this combination of light, dark, temperature, atmosphere, liquid, plants works very well for us just now. We wouldn't be here otherwise.

Sometimes a rider just has to pause and consider one's place in the universe.

There is a place for you in that tiny portion of the universe known as *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

Our state board of directors will be electing officers next month from among our one thousand seven hundred and forty members. Every one of the people presently serving on the board volunteered to take on a state officer position. That means that you can too.

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One should reach beyond their grasp.

No one is ever alone in a state board officer position. Help and advice from previous office holders is always just a phone call away.

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Isn't it time you did your part? C'mon in, the water's fine.

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A long single wavering skid mark, a patch of discoloured blacktop on the other side of the centerline.

That's what marks the spot where a motorcyclist apparently came to grief just north of c.o.e.'s place.

The bike itself was laying strapped down on the back of a tilt bed tow truck as yer crusty ol' editor returned home late one Sunday afternoon in early August.

Nary a word in the local papers about what happened.

But the marks on the pavement tell their own story:

A single black skid mark fishtailing over the centerline tells of a rear wheel locked up and loss of control.

A darkened patch on the grey asphalt tells of spilled fuel or oil



Rot Path  
crusty ol' editor

from a bike on its side.

Twin wide skid marks before the crash scene tell of a car braking to avoid hitting a downed rider.

Where is that rider and are they okay?

The pavement doesn't tell.

Keep your wits about you when riding so you can tell your own stories.

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Don't be forgettin' that this month we have International Talk-Like-A-Pirate Day, Portland Pirate Festival, Shrewsbury renfaire, and nearly a dozen motorcycle runs and events.

So we don't want to hear no whining comin' up from the holds about "there's nothing to do."

Hoist sail an' get under way, ya rum soaked bilge rats! (page 50)

*As our days shift from light to dark, other's days go from dark to light, and all is in circular balance.*

## SEPTEMBER Cryptogram

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( Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 11 )

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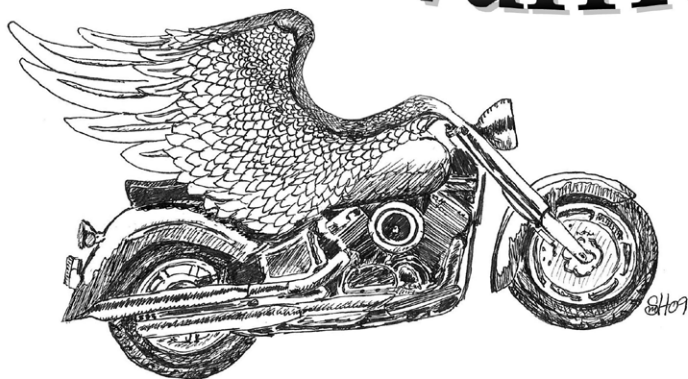
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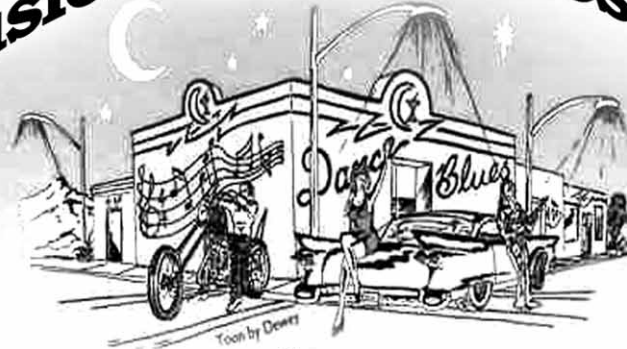
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## 25,000 Marines Learn From Semper Ride Premiere Events

New youthful approach captivates Marines' attention to motorcycling the right way as America's top professional motorcycle riders team up with action sports filmmakers in efforts to save Marines' lives.

*Camp Lejeune, North Carolina* – On June 25th the United States Marine Corps' motorcycle safety orientation film, *Semper Ride*, premiered to 22,500 Marines stationed at M.C.B. Camp Lejeune, M.C.A.S. Cherry Point, and M.C.A.S. New River. On May 19th, the film also premiered to 3,000 Marines at M.C.A.S. Miramar near San Diego, California.

Along with the film premiere, Marines were provided the opportunity to interactively learn more about motorcycles, safety gear, and educational programs with more than 30 on-site exhibitor booths, supervised test rides, and live professional demonstrations by *X-Games* medalists.

*Semper Ride* and its premiere events are part of a broader effort to save the lives of Marines when riding motorcycles. The events have proven very successful to date with large attendance and great reviews. The Marine Corps' strong support for the events has been a key element in impacting each Marine with the intended safety oriented message.

*"The Semper Ride movie premiere and event was a huge success. The movie is nothing short of first class and the demos and displays were equally impressive. Every Marine I spoke to thoroughly enjoyed today's event, describing Semper Ride as the best safety film ever produced by the Marine Corps,"* says Stan Dutko, director of safety, M.C.I.E.A.S.T. and safety manager, M.C.B. Camp Lejeune. *"This film and event have clearly made a significant impact on the attendees, and will likely resonate for some time."*

Unfortunately, 25 U.S. Marines died in motorcycle crashes last year. By comparison, fewer (22) lost their

lives in *Operation Iraqi Freedom*. In an effort to save lives at home, the assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, the executive safety board, and the Marine safety office have begun focusing on motorcycle safety with a new approach in an effort to grab the attention of young Marines.

*Semper Ride* is one of the new initiatives started in attempt to curb the loss of Marine's lives on motorcycles. To accomplish this, the Marine Corps took a new direction, looking to the professional action sports world for the solution. In doing so they called upon *One Eyed Bird Entertainment*, who created *FUEL TV's Great Ride Open* series to produce *Semper Ride*. *One Eyed Bird's* production team of Dirk Collins, Jeff Tilton, and Jim Conway pulled together world-renowned motorcycle athletes and the action sports industries top cinematographers, such as Curt Morgan (director of photography), to make the film.

*Semper Ride* was produced to deliver high definition big screen action combined with a responsible riding theme. The film's content strategically combines instructional materials with rider-to-rider style messaging from the pro athletes. Riders included James Stewart, Ben Bostrom, Ronnie Renner, Myles Richmond, Tommy Clowers, Jeremy McGrath, Keith Code, Chris "Teach" McNeil, Jason Britton, Sara Price, Josh Herrin, and many more to offer Marines straight forward advice for staying safe, while enjoying motorcycling.

The film and the events supplement existing Marine Corps motorcycle educational materials; but even more, *Semper Ride* is meant to inspire Marines to make the right choices allowing them to enjoy their motorcycles in a more responsible manner.

The film's executive producer and creator Jim Conway says, "*Semper Ride has been very well received by*

*the 25,000 plus Marines who have seen the film at the east and west coast premiers. The Marine riders are taking away the important and targeted messages about riding responsibly no matter what their experience level."*

Conway continued, "*The production team is honored to be a part of this effort and have worked tirelessly to create a new and different type of film. The result is an engaging educational piece that holds the audiences interest throughout the film, and most importantly delivers the intended safety messages."*

Thanks to the support of the motorcycle industry, the festival style premieres are the optimal place for Marines to meet and interact with some of the sport's top professional riders, see a variety of bikes and learn more about the personal protective equipment featured in the movie.

*Semper Ride* movie trailer:

<http://www.semperide.com>

### Yamaha Supports Military Rider Safety Training

Yamaha has been directly involved with military rider training of late. Indeed, their riders, James Stewart, Josh Herrin, and Ben Bostrom, are prominently featured in a video that was recently introduced to promote riding safety among military members who ride, and the company has been running advertisements that support safety, appropriate gear, and training.

If you would like more information about the *Semper Ride* project, see the press releases below.

### Bruce Rossmeyer Killed In Motorcycle Crash

Bruce Rossmeyer, founder of *Destination Daytona*, is dead. He died from injuries sustained in a motorcycling crash that occurred 30 July 2009. (*Destination Daytona* is the massive multi-line dealership complex that draws tens of thousands of motorcyclists during *Daytona Beach Bike Week* every year.)

According to *News Journal Online*, the 66-year-old Rossmeyer was riding with a group of five other

motorcyclists in the western part of Wyoming on highway 28. At about 11 a.m., the group attempted to pass a pickup truck pulling a camping trailer.

The *News Journal Online* quoted Lt. Shawn Dickerson of the *Wyoming Highway Patrol* saying: "*The pickup slowed and activated his left signal. Four of the motorcycles passed to the left... When Mr. Rossmeyer attempted to pass, the truck made its left turn and he hit the driver's side door. The sixth motorcycle swerved to the right and avoided collision."*

Rossmeyer was best known as the owner of *Daytona Beach Harley-Davidson*. He also owned additional *Harley-Davidson* dealerships around the country. He was in Colorado for *Harley-Davidson's* annual dealer meeting. He was riding to the *Sturgis Motorcycle Rally* in Sturgis, South Dakota, at the time of the crash.

Rossmeyer also was co-owner of two *Daytona Beach* area car dealerships.

He was a father of five, and the grandfather to seven children.

Rossmeyer was a longtime supporter of numerous charitable causes that benefited children. According to the *News Journal Online*, he helped found and served on the board for *Camp Boggy Creek* in Cassia, a division of *The Hole in the Wall* camps; sponsored *Ride for Children* (the camp's annual charity motorcycle ride); served on the executive committee of *Boys and Girls Clubs* of Volusia/Flagler counties.

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# Right To Repair Legislation Introduced

Congressman Edolphus “Ed” Towns (D-NY), along with Anna Eshoo (D-CA) and George Miller (D-CA), has reintroduced legislation that would make it illegal for vehicle manufacturers to withhold information necessary to diagnose, service, or repair motor vehicles. Currently vehicle owners are forced to return to the dealership network to have problems diagnosed that the over-the-counter after market code readers cannot read. HR-2057, the *Motor Vehicle Owners’ Right to Repair Act (Right to Repair)*, has 31 cosponsors to date.

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* strongly supports *Right to Repair*, and urges congress to swiftly pass this legislation in order to safeguard individual vehicle ownership rights today and in the future.

“We have formally committed our support to Right to Repair because we believe that consumers are entitled to choose how their motorcycles, cars, and other type of vehicles are maintained or upgraded. The point of Right to Repair is to protect the freedom of American consumers to choose how they take care of their vehicles, be it in their driveways or at trusted repair facilities, and to ensure that they have access to all the information required to complete necessary service and repairs,” said Jeff Hennie, *M.R.F.* vice president of government relations.

A recent letter to the editor from the *M.R.F.* generated hundreds of articles in publications across the country signaling a resounding level of support from the vehicle

operating public. “As the economy continues to be sluggish, people are looking at cost cutting, and getting vehicle maintenance at a premium dealership is high on their list of cuts. Also consider the recent forced government closure of dealerships, not to mention the desire to support small business. All these factors point to the need for this legislation,” Hennie added.

Vehicles, including motorcycles, are becoming increasingly complex with the addition of more and more computer technology, which will become more and more sophisticated and complex in the future. Ready access to accurate service and repair information from the manufacturers is essential to the safety and well being of the entire American motoring public.

The *M.R.F.* encourages all motorcyclists to visit

<http://www.righttorepair.org>

to send a letter to each of their congressional representatives, urging them to support the *Right to Repair Act* by adding their names to the growing list of cosponsors.

### August Recess Prep

With the house adjourned and the senate set to do so any day now, your elected officials will be coming home to politic, vacation, and interact with voters. The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* recognizes this as a convenient, relaxed, and productive way to meet with your legislators in their home districts.

One way that they interact with a lot of voters at once is the traditional

town hall meeting.

However, becoming more and more popular is the so-called “tele-town hall meeting” where you get a robo call asking you if you want to listen in on the actual meeting that usually took place a few hours earlier. While this new form of communicating can be very informative, it simply does not replace face-to-face interaction with the person you pay to represent you in Washington D.C.

At this time Washington D.C. is urgently working on overhauling our health care system. You may have seen some footage of congress members holding town hall meetings and getting skewered by their constituents. It is up to the will of the elected official to hold or not hold traditional town hall meetings.

This is about you being able to go to a town hall meeting and tell your elected official how you feel on any issue face-to-face. It’s about looking people in the eye and getting an answer, not just merely leaving a voice mail with your concerns.

Contact your two senators and one representative, who you pay to go to Washington D.C. and find out when and where the real town hall meeting is, then plan to attend. They may hold more than one, but that’s not likely.

The *M.R.F.* is concerned with a few issues that you should bring up.

- The first issue is the upcoming highway bill. The house transportation committee will be working on the bill at the full committee level in September. The

current bill expires 30 September 2009. Ask your elected officials to focus on the bill and pass it. We haven’t seen the entire bill yet, but house chairman Oberstar has some very promising motorcycle-specific language on the table.

- The other issue is health care reform. At this time there are no anti-motorcycle provisions or suggestions.

Please do not hesitate to contact the *M.R.F.* Washington D.C. office should you need any additional information.

#### 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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# U.S. Motorcycle Crash Study Stalls: European M.A.I.D.S. 2.0 Study Released

The bikes crashed. The data was collected. And the information from the 53 crashes investigated in the southern California pilot phase of the U.S. motorcycle crash causation study are now sitting, waiting for an assessment of its efficacy and, more importantly, a huge infusion of cash. According to an article in the *Los Angeles Times* newspaper, “*The long-awaited follow-up to the 1981 Hurt Study is short at least \$2 million, and it’s unclear whether that funding will come through any time soon. Or ever.*”

So while the first nationwide motorcycle-crash study to be conducted in the United States in almost 30 years languishes in limbo due to differences in focus and funding between government entities and advocacy groups, filling the void is *M.A.I.D.S. 2.0*: An update of the *Motorcycle Accident In-Depth Study* of 921 crashes investigated from 1999-2000 in five sampling areas located in France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, and Spain. Among other things, the European study found that just over 50% of the motorcycle crashes in the subject cities were caused by drivers, with 69% of those resulting from “perception failure” which can include not seeing the rider, misjudging distances and space on the road.

*M.A.I.D.S. 2.0* focuses on the 100 crashes out of those 921 wrecks that resulted in death, 25 of which occurred on bikes under 50 cc and 75 of which happened on motorcycles 50 cc and larger.

Of the under-50 cc bikes, the rider, not another vehicle, was responsible for his or her own death in 64% of the fatal crashes. Most often, the rider failed to perceive a road hazard and, as a result, failed to react to avoid that hazard. Most of the fatalities occurred in urban areas.

For motorcycles 50 cc and up, the most fatality-prone class was sport bikes. A bike’s displacement and maximum velocity were not significant factors in predicting a rider’s death. As with bikes under 50 cc, the rider, not another vehicle, was at fault in most crashes that ended in death. The most common rider error for motorcyclists was making the wrong decision in reaction to a road hazard. 44% of motorcyclists also lost control in their avoidance maneuver. Most of these fatalities occurred in rural areas.

“*How applicable the M.A.I.D.S. 2.0 data is to the American market is a subject of debate, not only because the study is dated, but also because the European market is so different,*” wrote Susan Carpenter in the *LA Times* article. “*Its riders are more commuter-oriented than those in the leisure-minded U.S. and the bikes are, on average, smaller. Still, the M.A.I.D.S. update points to some intriguing findings that, at the very least, could serve as cautionary advice as the U.S. motorcycle market becomes more transportation-oriented.*”

Some of the more relevant takeaway messages for riders of bikes both big and small:

- Nighttime riding can be deadly. While most crashes in the *M.A.I.D.S.* report happened during the day, fatal crashes were significantly higher at night.
- Major roads are hazardous. The majority of fatalities occurred on straight roadways and “major arterials.”
- Get a license. Riders who weren’t properly licensed were more likely to crash.
- Wear protective gear. The 921 crashes in the study resulted in 3,417 injuries, 31.8% of which were to the lower extremities, 24.3% to the upper extremities, and 18.4% to the head.

## High Court To Hear Case Against Myrtle Beach

Tom McGrath, the Virginia-based *A.I.M.* attorney (*Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*) who is personally representing Myrtle Beach, South Carolina residents William and Carol O’Day and 47 other motorcyclists who received tickets for not wearing helmets in protest of the city’s new helmet law, told *The Sun News* that he is awaiting a decision from the state’s high court involving their case.

McGrath, on behalf of the O’Days, filed the first constitutional challenge against Myrtle Beach seeking a court order to stop the city from enforcing two of the myriad new ordinances it passed last fall to dissuade bikers from attending the spring and fall rallies held there for decades, including the mandatory helmet requirement and noise law.

But the O’Days were also among 47 others who received tickets during a February 28 protest ride when the new regulation took effect, so they are now part of the helmet lawsuits the supreme court has agreed to hear. McGrath said there might be little point in moving forward with the circuit court lawsuit now that the high court is going to issue a ruling.

The South Carolina supreme court became involved after attorney Thad Viers, representing his brother Bart in a helmet lawsuit, and the group *Business Owners Organized to Support Tourism* appealed directly to the state’s highest court for a ruling.

The two cases have been combined for the sake of oral arguments before the supreme court, and McGrath’s and Viers’ helmet arguments will be heard at the same time. So far, no court date has been set, but McGrath speculated about a hearing in November.

Another case involving business owners suing the city to stop it from enforcing some rally ordinances, including the helmet requirement, is still pending in federal court. The lawsuit claims some of the 15 new municipal ordinances are unconstitutional because they are vague, chill freedom of speech, or

infringe on interstate business rights.

## Government May Make Anti-Lock Brakes

### Mandatory On Motorcycles

Citing spiraling motorcycle crash statistics, the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* may require new safety features on bikes. For example, the federal agency plans to decide by next year whether or not anti-lock brakes should be mandatory equipment on motorcycles.

The government report also mentions an insurance industry study that shows that the rate of fatal crashes are 28% lower for bikes equipped with optional A.B.S. braking systems than for those same motorcycles without them.

Though *N.H.T.S.A.* frequently enforces the implementation of safety technology into automobiles. Their involvement in motorcycling tends to focus more on helmet usage and the prevention of drunk riding.

Anti-lock brakes are now standard on some *Harley-Davidsons* and optional across a variety of manufacturers on everything from dual purpose bikes to scooters. In many cases, they can be disabled if the rider chooses.

### Quotable Quote

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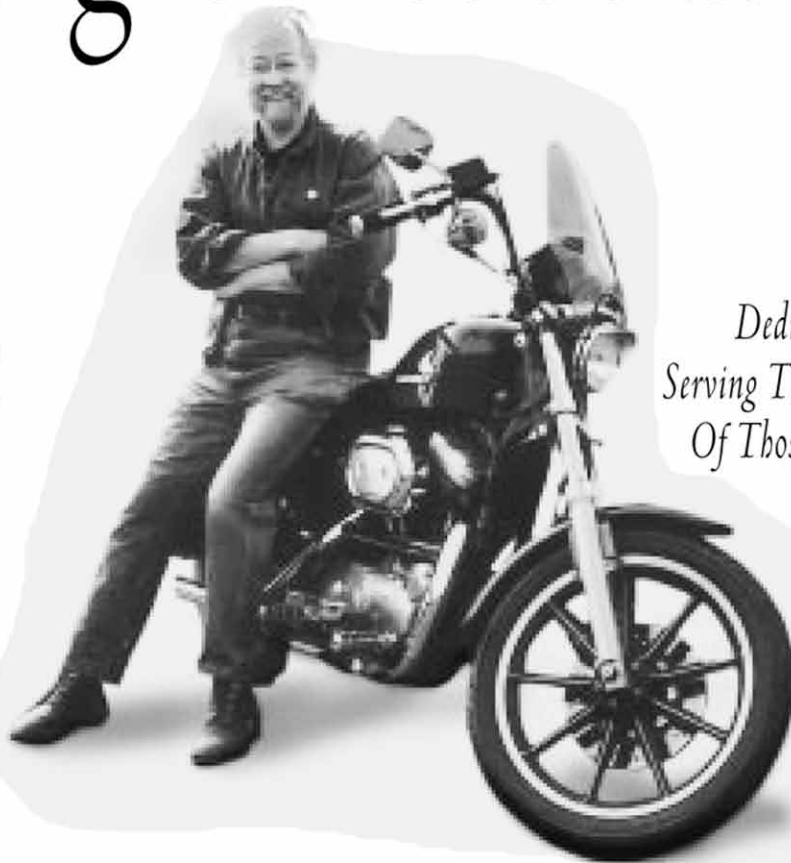
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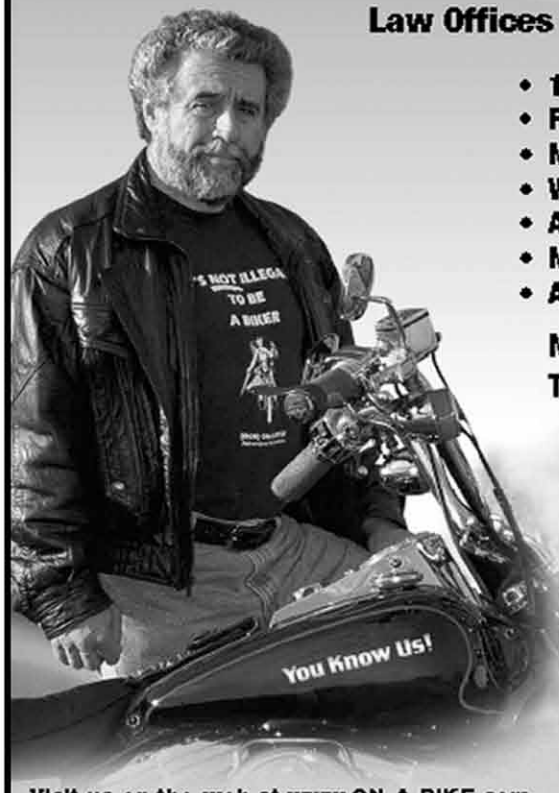
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John Baumann	(541)-382-6146	Bend	X		X	X	X	X	X
Bird Dog	(541)-420-2062		X	X			X		
Steve Chakar	(541)-410-0389	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X		
Scott Greene	(541)-420-7526	Bend		X	X				
Greg Has-Ellison	(541)-280-9375	Tumalo		X	X		X	X	X
Dale Hix	(541)-548-1633	Redmond	X	X	X		X		
David Miller	(541)-420-6134	Redmond		X	X		X		
Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X		X
Rob Mitchell	(541)-280-3228	Bend	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aaron, Bonnie Myhra	(503)-901-1816	Bend	X	X	X		X	X	X
Larry Ramos	(541)-923-3809	Redmond	X	X	X		X	X	X
Mike Reynolds	(541)-948-9435	Bend	X	X	X		X	X	X
Richard Shurley	(541)-549-8180	Bend	X	X	X	X			
Slim	(503)-349-9540(c)	Culver	X	X	X	X		X	X
Mike Smith	(541)-588-0204	Bend	X		X		X		
Jodie Thompson	(541)-647-8431	Bend	X	X	X		X	X	X

**Lincoln County area (updated September 2007)**

Kurt, Shirley	(541)-563-6526	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ralph, Wanda Janes	(541)-265-6850	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joe & Ruth	(541)-563-3711	central coast	X	X		X	X	X	X
Bob & Millie	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Walt Young	(541)-336-9550	central coast	X	X	X		X		
Norm	(541)-563-4653	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ed & Laura	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jack	(541)-336-3844	central coast	X					X	
Randy, Deb Becker	(541)-5635501	central coast		X		X	X	X	

**North Coast area**

Curve Hagert	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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**Salem area**

Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X		X				
Michael Boggs	(503)-391-5600	Salem	X	X	X	X	X		X
Terry Edwards	(503)-856-9281	Salem	X	X	X				
Tylor Johnson	(503)-856-9180	Salem	X	X	X				
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	Independence				X	X		
L.R. Schroeder	(503)-873-2492	Silverton					X		

**South Coast area**

John Ireland	(541)-572-4300	Bridge/ Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/ Myrtle Point					X		
Tom Curran	(541)-888-2572	Charleston	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay					X		
Sherm Acord	(541)-888-6672	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X		
Brian Bryan	(541)-269-2934	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X	X	
Bill, Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille		X	X		X	X	
Greg McNair	(541)-396-6477	Coquille	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X		X		
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X	
Brian, Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609		X	X	X	X	X	X	

**Portland area**

Lee Austin	(503)-760-9015	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Steve Baton	(503)-761-3362	Portland		X	X		X	X	
Rich Colwell	(503)-519-0727	Portland		X	X		X	X	X
Ron Conway	(503)-654-x578	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X

**Is Your Road List Entry Correct?**

Please call  
**(503)-838-6893**  
if your information changes.

name: phone number: location:

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**Portland area (continued)**

B. Davenport	(503)-668-7810	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Dick Emmonds	(503)-654-9496	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Dan Hein	(503)-xx7-4826	Portland		X	X		X		X
Matt Hobbs	(503)-666-8806	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Emmett Hurd	(503)-631-35xx	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-366-2636	St. Helens	X	X		X		X	X
Dave Janca	(503)-730-6998	Portland		X	X		X	X	X
Roy Kirk	(503)-653-0183	Portland		X	X		X		X
Ken Mortallero	(503)-860-2793	Portland		X			X		X
Craig Rawley	(503)-666-3334	Portland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
B. Skinner	(503)-665-5063	Portland	X	X			X	X	X
Scott Tuthill	(503)-630-2419	Estacada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Geoff White	(503)-774-7558	Portland		X			X	X	

**Southern Oregon area**

Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X			X	X	X	X

**Washington County area**

Rick, Tina Stocker	(503)-341-2568(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rich, Margo Virchow	(503)-502-4941(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-816-9832(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X
Roger Yarnell	(503)-810-0625		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Trace Ceccacci	(503)-639-4768		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greg GoatboyVaughn	(503)-502-4229(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mark Pratt	(503)-357-1727		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted and Jill Tracy	1-(503)-819-8113		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kent and Pat Gore	(503)-848-7653		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Troy Davis	(503)-260-6451		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Chuck Jeffcoat	(503) 649-7344		X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Willamette Valley area**

Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City	X				X		X
T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X		X	X	X
Ron Budde	(541)-343-6447	Eugene	X	X	X				
Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X		X
Michelle FitzHenry	(503)-390-4292	Stevens		X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rod Hatter	(541)-744-2494	Springfield	X			X	X		X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X				X		X
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/s Corvalli	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X		X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X			X			X
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X				X		X

**other areas**

Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rod "Reckless" Runyon	(541)-993-6413	The Dalles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Oregon Road Maintenance – Phone Numbers for State and Interstate Highways**

Region 1	Portland and metro area	(503)-731-8200
Region 2	Salem and northwest Oregon	(503)-986-2600
Region 3	Roseburg and southwest Oregon	(541)-957-3500
Region 4	Bend and central Oregon	(541)-388-6180
Region 5	LaGrande and eastern Oregon	(541)-963-3177

For street maintenance and signal problems associated with safe motorcycle operation in your **local** community, check in your telephone directory for the city, county, or state maintenance section in charge of the street with a safety problem that you have identified. Ensure that you have the names of the streets or roads and give accurate information about the safety problem.

Road and weather information: 1-(800)-977-6368 (O.D.O.T.)

web site: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT>



## Member's Classified Advertisements

**For Sale**

1977 *Harley-Davidson FLH*. Must sell. Rebuilt 6,000 miles ago — new pistons, valves, springs, rockers, oil cooler, “B”-grind cam, new chains, stator, electronic ignition, new rear brake, older *Mikuni* carb. Leather bags, 16” bars with 4” riser. **\$8,000** or best offer. (541)-736-0242, leave message for more information.  
(Oct2009)

Tailgate for 1976 *Chevrolet*, wide box pickup. Works real good, has a few scratches, brown in color. **\$50** or best offer. Call (503)-257-7390 Please leave message. Photos can be seen on *Southeast PortlandChapter* web site classified ads.  
(Oct2009)

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(Oct 2009)

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. **\$10,500** or best offer. Pictures available on *Southeast Portland Chapter* web site in classified ads. Call (503)-257-7390  
(Sept 2009)

**For Sale**

2008 *Harley-Davidson Road King Classic* “screamin eagle”. This bike was custom built by *Latus Motors*. Bike has less than 1,500 miles, 110 engine, 6-speed, 6 gallon tank. It is loaded with most of *Harley-Davidson* accessories including exhaust upgrades, factory security plus *Lo Jac*, balance of factory warranty. A beautiful one of a kind bike. **\$28,500**. Contact John at (503)-630-7812 or (503)-784-3691 for information.  
(Sept2009)

*Mustang* seat, wide studded solo seat. Brand new. Fits 2000-2006 softails **\$240** Call (503) 481-3544  
(Sept2009)

2005 custom chopper. 93 cubic inch *S&S* shovelhead, 5-speed transmission, 3” open belt drive. Best of show winner. Less than 500 miles. **\$12,500** or best offer. (503)-930-3721  
(Sept2009)

**For Sale**

FREE – FREE – FREE – FREE

To first million *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* members. Your *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* membership lets you reach hundreds potential buyers for three months, all for the measely price of ... free.

**Wanted**

Washer and drier. Must have some life left and be very cheap. *A.B.A.T.E.* life member and son have laundry really stacking up. Thanks. Big Rich (503)-935-4086  
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Consider placing a free member ad in yer state newspaper. Just e-mail it to: [statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net](mailto:statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net) or get on the squawkbox/FAX to: (503)-838-6893  
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### HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or D.O.T. administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone 1-800-347-1106 or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for Gunny. Thank you for your cooperation. Please send to: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 720 SW Washington, Portland, OR 97205 ATTN: Gunny

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

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

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

#### WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

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

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

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

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

#### DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

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

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

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

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(Return address )

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**att. MEMBERSHIP**  
**P.O. Box 4504**  
**Portland, Oregon**  
**97208**

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

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 STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Membership Application**

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

**Additional Members in Same Household:**

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

**Annual Rates:**

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

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

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

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

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







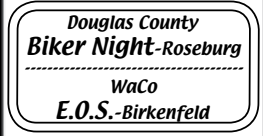
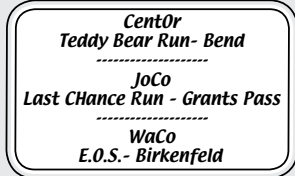
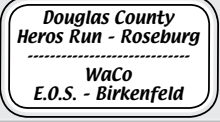

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**Membership Secretary**  
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**Portland, Oregon**  
**97208**

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

Comments:

# September 2009 A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events . . .

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**STATE BOARD MEETING**

Saturday, 12 Sept 2009  
 at noon  
 Eagles Lodge  
 127 Broadalbin street NW  
 Albany, Oregon

Firelight on a biker's leather pants,  
 Fey beckon to join their merry prance,  
 A choice between dark and light,  
 Sobriety that night,  
 Flames burn the past as the rider danced.  
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**2009 RUN LISTINGS**

(boldface indicates state-sanctioned Oregon A.B.A.T.E. events)

Date:	Event - Chapter / Sponsr:	Location:	Contct number:
06 Sept 2009	<b>Last Chance BBQ</b> - Josephine County	Grants Pass	
11-12 Sept 2009	9/11 Ride - Stewart Leathers	Vancouver	1-(360)-260-0040
12 Sept 2009	<b>poker run</b> - Twin Rivers	Portland	(503)-288-7893
12 Sept 2009	Patriot's Run - V.F.W.	Rogue River	(541)-761-6336
13 Sept 2009	<b>Cancer Warrior Run</b> - Willamette Valley	Eugene	(541)-914-5206
18 Sept 2009	<b>Biker Night</b> - Douglas County	Roseburg	
18-20 Sept 2009	<b>End Of Summer Run</b> - Washington County	Birkenfeld	(503)-680-3269
19 Sept 2009	<b>Teddy Bear Run</b> - Central Oregon	Bend	(541)-383-0889
19 Sept 2009	<b>Last Chance Run</b> - JoCo	Grants Pass	(541)-659-8715
20 Sept 2009	<b>Hearts For Heros PR</b> - Douglas County	Roseburg	
24-27 Sept 2009	Meeting of the Minds-M.R.F.	Minneapolis, MN	
04 Oct 2009	<b>Toy Run</b> - Josephine County	Grants Pass	(541)-659-8715
17-18 Oct 2009	<b>ABATE Planning Session/Election</b>	Cottage Grove	
17-18 Oct 1009	NCOM Convention	Portland	1-(800)-531-2424
10 Oct 2009	<b>Fall Casino Night</b> - Willamette Valley		

## CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	1400 (2 <sup>pm</sup> )	Northside Bar & Grill; 62860 Boyd Acres road; Bend	(541)-383-0889
Douglas County (DC)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Willie D's; 443 SE Jackson; Roseburg	(541)-672-5966
Hub City (HC)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 Fifth Street; Albany	(541)-967-7802
Josephine County (JoCo)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	1830 (6:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-471-6049
Lincoln County (LinCo)	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	American Legion Hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)-265-7586
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)-308-2059
North Coast (NC)	3 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	1000 (10 <sup>am</sup> )	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-4376
River City (RC)	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Roadstop Restaurant; 2nd Street, The Dalles	(541)-296-8083
Salem	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)-390-4292
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-666-8806
Twin Rivers (TR)	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun	1200 (noon)	Spare Room; NE 42 nd street.; Portland	(503)-960-5421
Washington County (WaCo)	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon	1930 (7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Prime Time Restaurant; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)-643-4725
Willamette Valley (WV)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Far Man Resaurant and Bar; 3111 Gateway; Springfield	(541)-935-4632