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Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When

1st & 3rd SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland
2st SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 pm, KC's Pizza House, 1655 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
3rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 am, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
	BLUE MOUNTAIN	1:00 pm, East Side Tavern Rest., 2209 Adams Av., LaGrande
	DOUGLAS COUNTY	11:00 am, Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
	SOUTHERN OREGON	12:00 Noon, Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill
2nd & 4th SUNDAYS	COLUMBIA RIVER	12:30 pm, Alibi 4024 N. Interstaste, Portland
4th SUNDAYS	SALEM	1:00 pm, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
2nd & 4th TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	7:30 pm, Pizza Hut, 3190 N.W. 185th, Portland
1st & 3rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 pm, Shilo Inn 1609 E. Harbor, Warrenton
	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 pm, Papa's Pizza 162 and SE Stark St, Portland
1st & 3rd FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	7:30 pm, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
1st THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 pm, Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield

MINUTES FOR STATE BOARD MEETING

March 8, 1997

The meeting was called to order in Junction City at 12:15 by State Vice-Coordinator South Chris Viera. There were 13 chapters attending and 13 eligible to vote. The reading of the February 8th 1997 meeting minutes was waived by the Board of Directors. COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS: Chris spoke briefly about HB2454. We aren't ready to give up yet, but the battle will be all uphill. Inventory lists and Historian reports needed, please get those in ASAP. Appreciation Awards: If you know someone who is deserving of appreciation for their work on behalf of ABATE, please get their name to Larry, ASAP.

CORRESPONDENCE: New MRF issue

OFFICERS REPORTS

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR: THIS IS YOUR SECOND CHANCE, YOU WON'T GET A THIRD!!! ACT NOW OR LOSE. HB 2454 had a floor vote today and there was NO MAJORITY (final vote tally: 29 yea, 27 nay)! Fortunately, our prime sponsor, Lonnie Roberts, requested to change his vote to NO and asked for a reconsideration. The Speaker immediately approved this before anyone could object. That means we will get a second chance next week. That means we have to change some people's minds or lose this chance to amend the helmet law!! You can't put this off. No one can do it for you. There is no other time. We know the vote won't be on Monday. We will try to get it set for as late in the week as possible to give us time to work on legislators. There is not time to delay.

WE NEED YOU TO DO TWO THINGS:

First, we need to flood the offices of the legislators listed below with polite but persuasive calls asking them to change their vote and talking to them about what concerns them. You can make calls and leave messages over the weekend, but to talk to a real person you must wait till (or call again on) Monday.

Second, be at Biker Day 3 on Wednesday. Not later, not maybe, just be there with every one you can get to come with you. No excuses, no exceptions, no other alternatives, be there!

We had hoped to be the first state this year to amend their helmet law, but it looks like Arkansas will beat us out. We only have 1 more chance. Do you really want this bill? Then where are you? For an organization of over 1700 members, to only have 25 turn out Friday for the vote was dismal.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Current membership stands at 1,786, up 53. Keep up the good work. I'm asking all the chapters again to give me a report on what they are doing to recruit new members. If you've got a great idea, let me know so that I can pass it on to other chapters. If you send it to the PO Box, please be sure to mark it to my attention! Thank you.

PRODUCTS DIRECTOR: Lots of products, come buy something!

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Melinda spoke about the newspaper ads promoting the March Biker Day, unfortunately they didn't get to the newspapers in time. Depending on what happens in the House, we will consider running them in April. STEAM was great. I didn't meet chapter PR Directors as I had hoped, but I did meet some great people from all over the state. I've been working with Rotten Roger on establishing an exchange of newsletter space with ABATE of CA, ID, WA, NV and ICMS cross promoting our Fossil with their state runs.

STATE RUN COORDINATOR: Advance tickets for Fossil are available, need everyone to work on advance ticket sales.

TREASURER: Joy reported balances as of 2/28/97 were: Bulk Mail \$982.79, Checking (\$3,306.19), General Savings \$6,184.70, Legal Savings \$1,523.56 for a grand total of \$5,058.84. We are running low on funds, need chapters to think about fundraising to help out the State.

HISTORIAN: Not present, No report.

EDUCATION: Survived STEAM, hope everyone got something worthwhile out of it. I have reports for 10 classes with 265 students. Great Job! The top honors go to the unknown instructors who taught at Barlow High School on January 20th, teaching 3 classes for a total of 79 students. (They forgot to put their names on the forms, shame--shame!) Special mention to Mark Watts, Gary Lechner and Joe Huff for their January 21st class to the monthly AARP meeting in Lincoln City, hope this can open more doors for us.

WEB PAGE EDITOR: No report.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Some people will do anything to avoid a meeting! Congratulations to Gordon and MaryBeth on the arrival of their new son!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Send membership questionnaires to Mother.

Chris is waiting for your chapter inventory reports.

Members handbook: Ken is working on it, will get it out as soon as he can.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

State Officer Nominations: Opened for Recording Secretary. Jill Tracy nominated, accepts the nomination.

Fossil Lawsuit: March 12th, Portland Courthouse, 10 am

Washington DC trip: look for a report next month!!

Blue Mountain Chapter: Bruce reports that all offices are available, reorganization meeting to be held 3/16. Letters & phone calls going out to current and prospective members.

NCOM Convention: Due to current funding crunch, ABATE will not be able to pay for anyone to attend.

Best of the West: Brian will be attending, SE Portland sending 2 representatives

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting of the Minds: September 25-28, Madison Wisconsin. Will discuss sending representatives next month.

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 3:30.

Next meeting April 12th, 1996 in Junction City at Noon

Minutes submitted by Jill Tracy, State Recording Secretary

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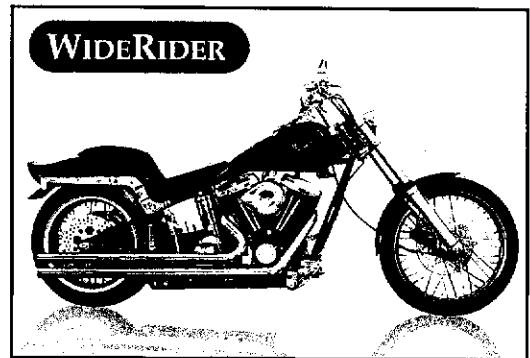
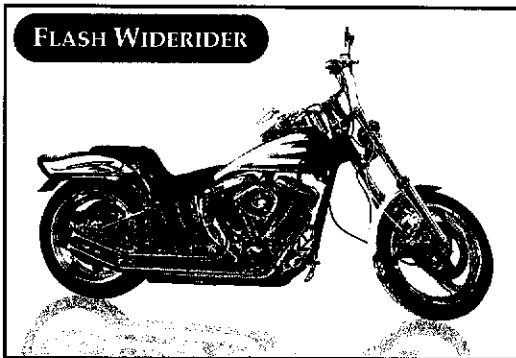
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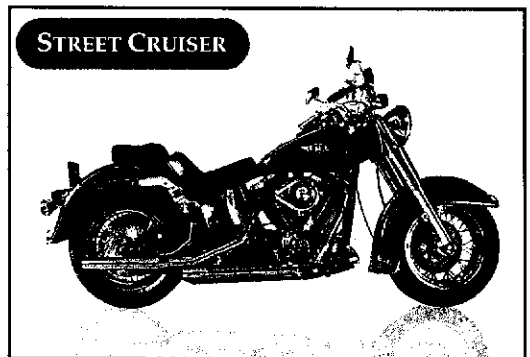
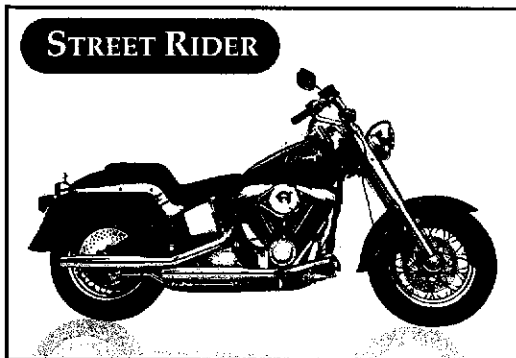
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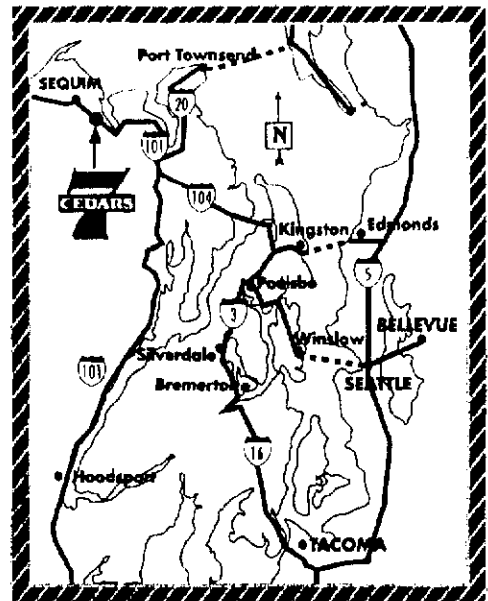
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East Side Tavern Restaurant 2209 Adams Ave., LaGrande
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Chapter Contact: Howard Butts 541-534-5411

NO REPORT, FIRST TIME.

Central Oregon

Meets 2nd Sunday, 2:00pm
KC's Pizza House, 1655 North Highway 97, Redmond
Chapter address: P.O. Box 9188, Bend, Or. 97708
Chapter contact: Charley Riter 541-383-1929

Spring is around the corner and the e-mails have been coming in with updates on HB2452, HB2453, and HB2454. By the time this goes to print we will all know the answers but as I type this I can only pray to the big-amend-the-helmet-law God and those who are actively taking part in this legislation session. I have been on the phone speaking with the Governor's office on down. Due to work schedules I have not been able to attend Biker Days but have been very active on the phone, e-mail, and fax machine. I am hoping I had a lot of company in this respect.

Being a month "ahead" in publication makes it a bit tough to report facts and figures as we usually don't have the current info before the 10th of the month. I am hoping that we raised the much needed money at the Central Oregon ABATE Chapter Benefit Dance at Coyote Creek March 22nd. Again, we will report after the fact. Our thoughts are on to the June 1st Swap Meet and the July Run. After March 16th we should have dates for the Summertime Toy Run events. Stay tuned!

I can hardly wait for riding weather to show-up and stay around a while. It has been a very long, gray, cold, and rainy Winter here in Central Oregon. My skin hasn't seen the sun in 800000000 long that I truly do glow in the dark!
Until next time, here's to Freedom of Choice!

Waiting for the sun - Rebecca

Columbia River

Meets 2nd & 4th Sundays, 12:30 pm
Alibi 4024 N. Interstate, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211
Chapter Contact: Angie, 503-285-4329

Greetings from North Portland.

Valentine party was a bust! Flyers were out, where were you? Good band, great gifts. Thanks to ways and means, and everyone else who donated.

Well, people, we've had two biker days, where were you? What happened? Want the helmet law to pass? Everyone that rides or would like to, we need your support! Call your state Reps, come on, get on it!

March 12, federal courthouse 10:50 a.m. Spike Neil is in court for the state patrol lawsuit. Be there! Show all the support we can. It's judge Jelpick's courtroom, third floor, portland motorcycle awareness classes are coming up! Let's get involved. We're having a poker run to icebreaker, don't know for sure where it starts, so call Jan Neil, or Ron Goodyear.

Summer run is coming soon! Don't be a dummy and miss it! More information? I'm the upholstery man, 360-694-6393
Til next time Jeff Clark

Douglas County

Meets 3rd Sunday at 11:00 am
Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 61, Roseburg, OR 97457
Chapter Contact: Ed Halkyard at (541)673-6120

NO REPORT, FIRST TIME.

Lincoln County

Meets 1st & 3rd Friday, 7:30 pm
Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
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North Coast

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00pm
Shilo Inn, 1609 E. Harbor, Warrenton, Or.
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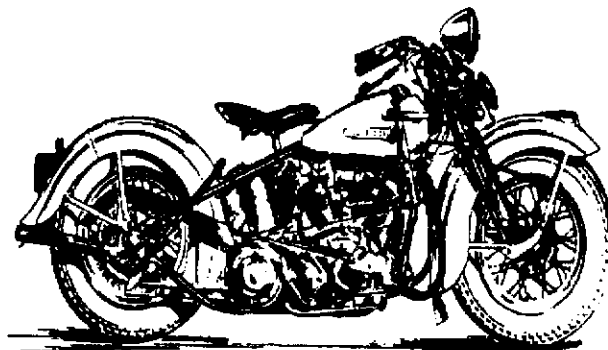
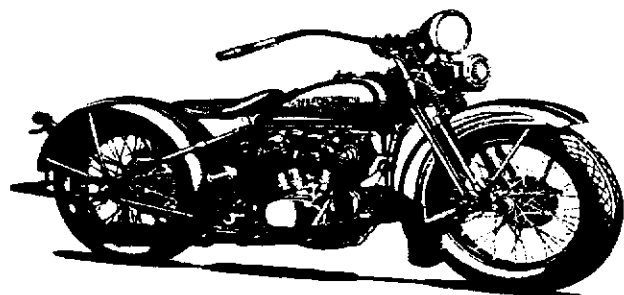
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Chapter Contact: Randy Phipps (503)284-1486

Hello everyone,

Things are going as usual in the N.E. Portland neck of the woods. We're still hoping for better attendance at our chapter meetings. We've had great door prizes and every other meeting the drawing is a 50-50. The meeting location is still at Papa's Pizza at 162nd & Stark. Some of us aren't so happy about this location so were taking suggestions. If you have any ideas we would love to hear 'em. Please come and give your input. We are still sponsoring a canned food drive for the needy. You get a free drawing ticket for bringing 2 cans of food or a bag of beans or rice, as well as a ticket for just showing up.

Thanks to Columbia River chapter for throwing a great Valentine Sweet hearts dance. It seemed that a good time was had by all.

Plans for the Summer run are coming along. Brian Coon has volunteered to be the rep. from our chapter but anyone is welcome to help plan this always kin event. The location this year has turned out to be a nice spot on the Nehalem river. We're looking forward to it. Watch for the soon to come out flyers.

Our chapter is still in need of a couple officers. The two positions vacant are Education director and Legislative director. Anyone interested???

Congrats to Marybeth and Gordon on the birth of their baby boy Saturday, March 8th. How many does this make, you guys?!!! Just kidding, lotsa luck.

I wish I had more to comment about our legislative efforts. As I am writing this report it seems as though we are in a state of limbo, with what happened to HB2454 at the capitol on Friday, March 7th. Hopefully, by the time you all read this, things will have panned out for the better. At any rate, I'm sure by the time this legislative session is over we will be responsible for some great legislation with the Team Oregon bills. Thanks to everyone who put forth the effort to fight for our freedom.

Until next month, ride safe and take care.

TTTh,

Jen

Salem

Meets 4th Sunday, 1:00 pm

Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE

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Greetin's y'all,

Excitin' times over in billville the first couple of weeks in March. 'Course it's all history to us now. Unless you was there sittin' in the House visitor gallery, you can't realize the excitement and apprehension that crackled among the faithful as we waited for the first vote on the helmet amendment.

(This is bein' hunt-n-pecked out at four in the morning on deadline

day a couple of days before the final House vote, so don't go givin' away the endin'.)

By Rot Path's count there was 29 of us sittin' up there with abated breath showin' support and solidarity, so ignore that Oregonian reporter who could only count up to 20. (Kinda wondered why that person had their shoes an' socks off.)

Now Rot Path don't claim to be any kinda political expert. So the experiences of listening to an' giving testimony at a House Committee has been downright educational. But it was nothin' like the emotional roller coaster ride we experienced as House debate on our bill rose an' fell on the House floor for over half an hour.

Finally it was time for the vote.

We wondered what all the work of the past two years would accomplish, 'cause this is politics an' nothin's assured until the final vote's taken. (An' even that can be pulled out from under ya.)

Representative Roberts from Portland, who carried the bill and has been one of our biggest supporters, requested a call of the House. That means that the doors are barred and the Sgt at Arms goes out to round up all unexcused Reps for the vote.

We needed at least 31 votes to carry the bill out of the House to the Senate. A couple of our supporters were out sick, so we was hopin' that some of the fence-straddlers would come over to our side.

The vote commenced.

We've got 30 second representative democracy. That's how long our elected officials have to vote on each issue. (Saw one who was definitely against the measure press his green "yes" button as a joke, then change it to a red "no" when an aide looked horrified. Keep laughin', Chuckles. We'll remember that when it's OUR turn to vote.)

The clocked ticked down to zero and our time was up.

The results flashed up: 28 yes to 26 no.

But wait! Not everyone had voted. Oregon doesn't allow legislators to abstain from voting. Their names were called and the votes recorded:

30 yes, 26 no.

We'd missed by one vote!

Then came apparent betrayal. Just before the measure was declared defeated, Representative Roberts changed his vote from yes to no.

Now before y'all form a lynch mob and head for Portland, ya gotta realize how the political machine works. As the carrier of our bill, Representative Roberts changed his vote so that the measure could be reconsidered the following week. That means he bought us more time to drum up support, change minds, and allow at least two other excused supporters to be present for the next vote.

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An' drum up support we did. Rot Path intended to go the DJ's motorcycle swap meet on 09 March to look for some parts. But as everyone knows who has been there before, A.B.A.T.E. always has their booth right by the entrance, so Rot Path spent the first hour or so with a green armband on encouraging folks to call their reps on Monday an' tellin' 'em to vote for our measure.

(Everyone also knows that it always seems to rain whenever there's a DJ motorcycle swap meet. Some kinda arrangement they got with the weather goddess.)

Gotta really admire Representative Roberts. His timin' was impeccable. He ain't from Rot Path's district, but he sure represents Rot Path's point of view.

(Wish Butch an' Rot Path had as much support from their own elected representative. Butt hey, like everyone, he has an opinion.)

Rot Path is damn proud of each and every member of A.B.A.T.E. and BikePAC, especially those who have been working the capitol so diligently the last few weeks. We're using the system **precisely the way the framers of our Constitution intended.** And so long as our elected officials remain true to their oath of office and resist partisan politics or pressure from self-interest groups, representative democracy will continue to be a viable form of government for our descendants.

It's up to us ta keep 'em in line.

Rot Path can feel Gordon's electronic elbow in the virtual ribs. Something about wanting a chapter report midst all the usual rantings. (Sheese! These new fathers can be so impatient.)

On a very joyful if belated note, congratulations goes out to Mary Beth and Gordon on the recent birth (08 March) of son Joseph.

Had a number of guests at the 23 February general meeting including Stan Porter from TEAM Oregon who gave us an update on their activities and plans. They're going to be able to open another training site and replace some of their older bikes when HB2453 (doubles motorcycle endorsement fees to \$14) goes into effect. They're also trying a couple of new courses: There's to be an Advanced Rider Training (ACT) class where ya get out to loop and swoop with yer scoot on a go-kart track in Canby. And on 26 April they're offering an Experienced Rider class for women-only taught by female instructors. Should be an excellent class so all you women riders who have been puttin' it off should try to get that training. Sign up early 'cause it'll probably fill up fast.

The chapter received a nice little thank you letter from the estate of Jim Anderson thanking us for a contribution we made. Paula stepped down as treasurer and will be sharin' historian duties with Sandra.

Fossil is coming up in May, so there was some discussion about chapter responsibilities for the campout.

And we got into preliminary discussions about where Fox Creek is to be held this year.

S.T.E.A.M.-97 was a big success. (Seems that Gordon and Rot Path were the only ones silly enough to ride there in the wind and rain.) Everyone received lots of good info and we all got fired up for the legislative push to come.

(Never got around to raffling off Rot Path's 4-4-0 American HO scale locomotive with the S.T.E.A.M.-97 sticker on the tender.)

Ice Breaker-97 has come and gone an' Rot Path ain't gonna make no predictions about how it went 'cept to say that folks probably had fun. (Still reelin' from last year's tongue-lashin' courtesy of PonieRyder.) At least the flyer was legible this year.

A last note here: Anyone happen to see the Gasoline Alley strip about hell-bent uncouth motorcyclists in early March? Couldn't have come at a worse time for us 'cause that's when the House was votin' on our helmet amendment. Wonder how many "yes" votes got changed to "no" based on the unfair stereotyping the author employed that week? Write or e-mail to Tribune Media Services an' tell 'em what ya think of their prejudice. (Wouldn't be so bad but the artist couldn't draw a motorcycle to save her or his life.)

Enjoy the full sweetness of Spring, y'all.

Rot Path

South Coast

Meets 3rd Sunday, 11 am

**Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 4175, Coos Bay, OR 97420**

Chapter Contact: Bud Berliner 541-267-2523

Hi,

Our February meeting was productive. During our break, we had letter writing to our legislators which worked out well. We also had another chance February 24th to speak to Mike Lehman at our North Bend City Hall, it was nice to see that our A.B.A.T.E. members were the majority at the meeting and Mike had previously mentioned that he has to go with the majority of the people. Way to go members! We did get to express our views on some of the issues. I hope that other chapters members who are using the excuss of not being able to get a day off to attend a "Bbiker day" are taking other alternatives to get your voices heard.

During "biker day #2", Dave McDonald, our Coordinator and Bud Berliner, our Vice Coordinator were the only two from our chapter that could attend, they delivered a plant from all of us to Ken Messerle's wife, who was very touched with our gesture and they also delivered a plant to Veral Tarno.

Tony Dub suggested we have a copy of our State Newsletter sent to our legislators and to the governor and Neal Langbehn suggested any club newsletters should be sent, that way our legislators can see what we are really about.

We would like to welcome some new members, Roberta Clark (Coos Bay), Eric Hanley and Cynthia Pfau (Brandon). We also had a visiting member Craig Athorne (Mertle Piont), Indian Creek chapter, glad to meet you Craig, your welcome at our meetings anytime.

Our run committee is still working hard on our Coos River Run scheduled for June 27th, 28th & 29th, we do need vendors so anyone interested in participating as a vendor please contact Randy Christensen (541)269-2998 or Tom Cowl (541)756-2953.

After our meeting a few of us rode out to do our road cleanup, we put a twist in it by offering a prize for the most unusual find. Karen McIntyre won with her find of a toy squid that was even equipped with eyes. (We are going to give her a 50/50 ticket).

The 50/50 drawing was won by Karen's dog Maggie (2nd time she has won), she gracefully donated all \$22.00 back to the chapter, thanks Maggie.

Ride safe,

Charlie

Charlie Hill, Secretary



Southern Oregon

Meets 3rd Sunday, Noon
Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill

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Tom Orsini 541-479-8635

S.E. Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12 Noon

The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 90233, Portland, OR 97290
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Greetings from Southern Oregon !!

Well, it looks like we're having more a fight over our helmet bill than we first thought, so we all need to work harder. For those of you that have written letters, made phone calls and walked the halls, damn good effort and keep it up!! For those of you who have just sat back to see what would happen or were too busy to write a letter or make a phone call, I think it's lime you got off your asses and did something. If you're not sure what to do or how, start by going to your chapter meetings to find out what needs done, then talk to the people around you, they'll tell you how. They've been doing it. Remember, if you aren't part of the solution, you're damn sure part of the problem. Apathy in our ranks can do more harm to our cause than the anti-motorcycle establishment ever though of

On a more positive note--one of our new A.B.A.T.E members and President of the Rogue Valley Road Riders, Bill Dierix came up with the idea of contact all the motorcycle groups in our area to put on a collective event. Bill is now the chairman of a committee made up of representatives of all the motorcycle organizations in our area. The idea is to get all the groups to start supporting each other in their individual efforts.

On Sunday, May 4th, we will be putting on a Biker Breakfast and Poker Run at the Eagle Point Grange, just off Hwy 62 in Eagle Point. If you'll be in the area, please join us. Have questions or need more information- call Bill Dierix at (541) 773-7923 or Tom Orsini at (541) 479-8633.

Ride Safe
Tom

Hello,

If anyone in our chapter or all of Oregon ABATE hasn't been keeping up with what's happening legislatively or hasn't gone to Salem or to Biker Days, you still have a chance for both. The next Biker Days is April 18th. We have alot of respect at the capital but, we still haven't got the points across to all of our Reps. about helmets and the freedom we all deserve as adults.

If you have any questions about Biker Days, call Melinda McCrossen (503) 231-2701.

CONGRATULATIONS go to Gordon and Marybeth Hieronimus for the birth of their 5th child, a baby boy. His name is Corey Joseph Allen, born March 8th (my son's birthday). Weighing 8 pounds even and 20.5" tall.

Also HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Art and Francine West on 20 years of marriage. May it be forever.

Back to what's happening at the capital. Our helmet Amendment HB 2454 passed the House committee. Then it went to the House floor. The vote was 29 y to 27 n and we have to have 31 y to pass. Representative Lonny Roberts chanced his y vote to a n vote which was good for us, because if it would have stayed at 30 y votes it would be all over for us. Now we have a second change for it to be reconsidered. Roberts knew this, so please do your part in fighting with us once again and forever.

Don't forget May Motorcycle Awareness Rally on May 3rd. If you have never gone, please go. Seeing all the motorcycles and peoples is a very proud sight to see. The whole trip is very exciting.

Your gardening tip this moth is alot like last month since the weather has been too wet to replenish your gardens. Plus, it's time to plant your peas and flowering peas too. First buy a bag of potting mix, when make a 1/2" deep trench, put your pea seeds in about an inch apart and cover them up with the potting mix you bought. You can make trellises for them by stick branches in the ground every 2 feet, or chicken wire or tomato cages. YOU GROW FOOD FOR YOUR TABLES AND FLOWERS FOR YOUR SPIRIT.

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Hello again everyone!

By the time you read this, the Pool Shoot will be long over, hope that everyone had a great time. Our next event is the POKER RUN, scheduled for May 4th. See the flyer in this magazine for all the important details.

Washington County chapter has been growing, and its great to see the new faces at the meetings. If you haven't been lately, you are missing out! The last two meetings, the winner of the membership pool has not been in attendance, so the pot keeps on growing. If your name is Kurt Weinstein or Samantha Rymal there was a considerable sum of money waiting for you, maybe next time?

Now, its time to get FOSSILIZED!! Hope to see everyone there, keep your fingers crossed for good weather!



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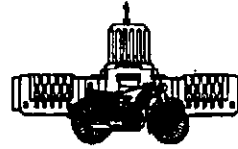
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As I was sitting at the computer tonight working on certificates and prizes for our Pool Tournament this week-end, I realized that I needed to do a chapter report. Here it is - 3 days after the deadline (I warned you that I'd be the first to break the rule) and I haven't even thought about the report. Quickly, here is what's happening with our chapter.

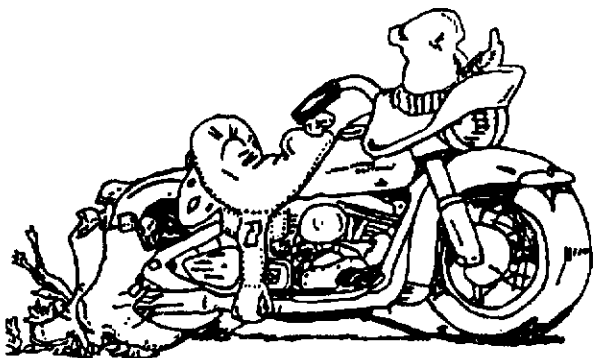
The legislative issues were the major focus of our March 6th meeting. Bob Avery updated us on action at the capitol, Biker Days and the absolute commitment needed from everyone to make sure our issues are heard on Capitol Hill. It is the people who make the difference. If you want to make the choice as to when you wear a helmet - or help decide how safe the roads are to ride - make those phone calls and send those letters. Better yet - make the Biker Days!

We met as usual at the Prime Time in Springfield - 18 people signed in. We had some new faces - Roxanne Fierling, Mary Ausmus, Gordon S^&%*\$(@)^*\$ - thanks for attending. Also, Lily Ward from Women in the Wind attended as our guest speaker to talk about the up coming Poker Run (June 7th) to benefit Team Oregon.

We ran through the usual Chapter Reports and too many topics were discussed to mention details here. (I just encourage everyone to attend the meetings to really catch the spirit of things.) We did talk about the ICE BREAKER ON MARCH 22 and also OUR POOL TOURNAMENT MARCH 15. Both of which will be over when this is published. Anyway, we published a run calendar that highlighted some of the runs that our chapter will focus on. Most are local - within 150 miles. Anyone wanting a copy of the calendar, call our Road Captain Woody at 541-998-5133 and leave your address on his machine (or in person if he answers) and hell send a copy to you.

Well, that's it. See ya at the Ice Breaker
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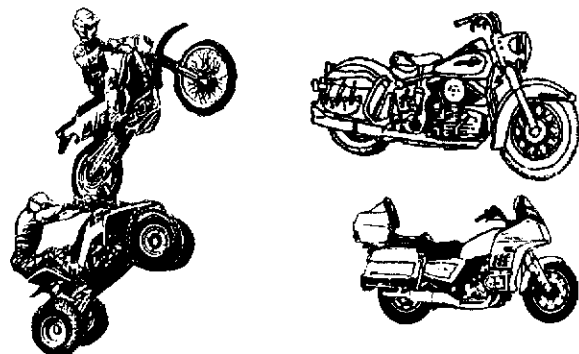
(Editor's NOTE: Well I printed this so that Rot Path might at least see that rules do get broke and some of those who break the rules admit it.... Also Rot here is your chance to get ahead(as to getting even...) I will not print anymore late submissions for anyone.....That is why there is no Coordinator's Comments this month.....Love YA GWH)
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The AIM. . .ing Point

We have been very visible at the Oregon State Capitol these last few months and it's important we stay that way. I want to thank all of you that have taken your valuable time to help us take charge of our lives and retrieve the freedoms we have lost. When the day comes that motorcyclists have adult freedom of choice, taking a ride will be a real joy again and I'm looking forward to it.

I appreciate that many of us can't take time off work to be at the capitol on biker days during the week, however, for those that can we need your help. Legislators aren't stupid. When they see the same faces all the time, they'll think that we don't have the broad support we really do have among most bikers.

There are other ways to get their attention and we need to use every tool. Write your legislators letters, lots of them. They carry those letters to the debating arena, and the more they have the better off we are. When the numbers of letters indicate we are in favor of any given bill how do you think they will vote? Call them on the phone. E-mail 'em. Whenever you happen to be in your capitol city, drop by their offices. Sometimes they have a free moment and they're generally happy to talk to you. Certainly their aids are will pass on your thoughts, and you can always chat with them, and make an appointment for another time with the legislator.

These people eat, sleep, have families, and house or rent payments just like the rest of us. They are not gods. They are people just like us and believe me they are a lot more worried about us than we should be of them. Their job depends on making us happy. Most of them will hunker down and talk.

One legislator's wife told me the other day that when she walks the halls and bikers are there she's still just a little edgy. In the same breath she said we were the most well mannered and articulate people she had to deal with in her job.

Black leather intimidates people even when they know we're no threat. The notion has been so profoundly drummed into the public head its real hard to remove. She also said the full beards some of us wear were scary because all she could see were EYES in faces; but then she laughed and said MY beard looked nice, I guess because it's short. Even a beard

will score points occasionally.

When people realize we are people too, and not a danger because we wear leather and ride motorcycles (unless of course they mess with my bike), the whole scenario changes. We need to take that minute or two to talk to Jane and Joe public when the opportunity arises and tell them the reasons we dress the way we do. Our interaction with the general public is, maybe, the most important tool we have.

BikePAC Legislative Hotline: Good news: You can call and get updated legislative information and contact details. The hotline is paid for by **Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (AIM)**, and Sam Hochberg puts the info together from his office, with info from Butch Harbaugh, our BikePAC lobbyist and NCOM Legislative Task Force Chair. The Portland number is: **972-3434**, Toll Free outside Portland: **1-888-UR1-Bike, or 888-871-2453**.

Oregon Action Calendar: For Biker Days, show up at the Capitol steps in Salem, 8:30am on April 8th, and May 19th. Don't forget our annual **FREEDOM RALLY**, 9:30, May 19th, also on the Capitol steps.

News bits & pieces: California: It seems Pat Boone, the well-known Christian singer has had a problem with the TV people because he chose to dress in **BLACK** leather with a studded black leather necklace and stick-on tattoos, playing some music they objected to. Where is the Christian charity I was taught as a child in this scenario? I have nothing against any religion but **HYPOCRISY** bothers me. Hey, the guy's just trying to look like us!

Minnesota: Polaris industries, the *snowmobile* kings, are getting into the motorcycle market with a big cruiser model called the "**Victory**". The engines will be built at their plant in **Wisconsin**. It's debut is expected in the spring of '98. Another American motorcycle? **WOW!** What's the world coming to?

Europe: Harley-Davidson sold over 90 million dollars worth of clothing in 1996 and they are setting up more dealerships in Europe to counter a motorcycle sales slump there. We still have long waits here in this country for a new ride. Maybe more production kept here in the good old US of A wouldn't hurt either.

Belgium: From the Federation of European Motorcyclists comes good word about their fight against the proposed horsepower limits on bikes. New scientific studies show that neither the power nor the weight of a motorcycle has any significant relationship

to it's accident rates. The main factors are the rider's experience and training, road conditions, weather, alcohol use, and visibility. Like we didn't know that. **Toronto:** Researchers there say cell phone users in cars are four to five times as likely to have an accident than non-cell users. It was noted that "hands-free" users were no better off. Cell use in cars is banned in many countrys now and it may spread to the United States. More government intrusion. Airbags, seatbelts, helmets, anybody?

China: *Jailing*, China's largest motorcycle producer is suffering "competition syndrome." Cutthroat price-slashing has left them with a stockpile of unsold machines causing them to cut profit margins and take a close look at marketing strategies. Looks like they're learning the hard way.

Oregon: Our friend Tom Young of *The Portland Touring Center* has been reading my stories about Chinese bikes, so he called to tell us he has on his sales floor, NOW, these little 49cc *Honda Spree* look-alikes from China. Fit and finish is not as nice as Honda, but real attractive pricing, and pretty unusual. He tells me that we can expect to see more motorcycles, apparel, and related items as China learns the secrets of exporting goods.

Oregon again: Here's an example of why we need to watch what goes on in our Capitol. Rep. Bowman has introduced **HB2688**: Registration of vehicles would be assessed 3% per \$1000 value for new plates, instead of the current \$25.00 flat rate. If you ride a \$15,000 Harley or Wing, you're looking at \$450! I can't believe there was no opposition at the initial hearing. Thanks and a tip of the helmet to my friend Jack Fassel, for reporting this to us.

There is also a move afoot to *change the Oregon constitution* to allow vehicle licencing moneys to be diverted to the State Police and Parks Service instead of highway maintenance. Our roads are an abomination and this would make things even worse. When is government going to learn they have to be accountable just like the rest of us?

Sam's AIM tip-o'-the month: With the riding season in Oregon approaching, Sam says the "A- number one" thing to do is to kick up your **UNINSURED/UNDERINSURED MOTORIST** coverage to the highest limits you can buy. It's usually cheap, and often saves your financial butt in a wreck. Your own company then becomes your enemy, but at

least there's a pool of money your lawyer can hit for you. Sam's got a nifty "Insurance Tune-Up" he updated last spring that he'd be happy to send. Just call Sam Hochberg at **503-224-1106**, or **1-800-347-1106**, and ask for Sam or Gunny.

Keep the round side on the bottom.

Gunny,
Oregon AIM Chief of Staff

ARKANSAS REPEALS HELMET LAW FOR THOSE 21 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER

First State To Repeal Helmet Law In 14 Years

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas -- On Wednesday, March 12, 1997, Arkansas became the first state in 14 years to repeal, or amend, its helmet law to provide for freedom of choice for motorcyclists. Governor Mike Huckabee (R) signed into law the legislation (SB227) repealing Arkansas' helmet law for motorcyclists 21 years of age and older after the state legislature overwhelming passed the legislation.

According to ABATE of Arkansas volunteer lobbyist, Rodney Roberts, "This victory is the result of eleven years of hard work by the motorcyclists of Arkansas and by late June or early July the motorcyclists of America will be able to better enjoy riding in Arkansas by being able to make their own decision about whether or not to wear a helmet."

This effort to repeal Arkansas' helmet law for adults began in 1986 when motorcyclists in Arkansas began organizing and formed ABATE of Arkansas. In 1987, at the request of ABATE of Arkansas, then freshman, state Senator George Hopkins (D) introduced a bill to repeal or modify the mandatory helmet law that had been law since June 29, 1967. Working with ABATE of Arkansas, Senator Hopkins has re-introduce his legislation every session since. Motorcycling state Senator Mike Everett (D) joined Senator Hopkins in his efforts and under the leadership of these two senators on Friday, February 11, 1997, the Arkansas State Senate voted 23 to 10 to repeal Arkansas' helmet law for motorcycle riders 21 years of age and older.

After the passage of SB227 by the senate, state

Representatives Buddy Wallis (D), Greg Wren (D) and Sandra Rodgers (D) undertook the leadership roles that brought the legislation to the House floor. On Wednesday, March 5, 1997, the Arkansas House of Representatives passed SB227, with one minor technical amendment, on a vote of 62-31. On Thursday, March 6, 1997, the Arkansas State Senate approved the technical amendment and on March 7, 1997, SB227 was officially transmitted to Governor Huckabee for his signature. Under Arkansas law, once a bill is transmitted to the governor, the governor has 5 days (excluding Sundays) in which to either sign the bill into law, or veto it, or it becomes law without his signature.

Even though Governor Huckabee had repeatedly said he would sign the bill, the opponents of freedom of choice for motorcyclists tried one last lobby effort to persuade him to veto the legislation. On Monday, March 10, 1997, while Governor Huckabee was on a TV call in show, someone opposed to the legislation called in and asked if he was really going to sign the repeal into law. Governor Huckabee's response was that this legislation had been fully debated by the Arkansas Legislature and that both the House and Senate had overwhelmingly passed the legislation and he would sign the bill into law before the end of the week. The hard work of the members of ABATE of Arkansas had resulted in margins of victory in both the House and Senate that were in excess of the 2/3 majority needed to over ride a veto.

Under Arkansas law, all laws passed in a session of the Arkansas General Assembly become law on the 91st day after the legislature adjourns for the year. The Arkansas General Assembly is scheduled to adjourn on Friday, March 28, 1997. If the legislature meets that schedule, motorcyclists 21 years of age and older will have the right to decide for themselves whether or not to wear a helmet on June 27, 1997.

ABATE of Arkansas lobbyist Rodney Roberts praised the work of the members of ABATE for their dedication and credited their activism with being the driving force that built the support of legislators. Roberts stated, "One of the best things our members did was to take the 'be nice' approach when talking to legislators. Our strategy involved not demonizing any member who was against us, we politely accepted their no for the time being and continued to address the concerns they raised. In time, many legislators who originally had been against freedom of choice

came over to our side and supported repeal of the helmet law for those 21 years of age and older."

Roberts also thanked the Arkansas Motorcycle Dealers Association for their assistance in this effort by saying, "The entire Arkansas motorcycle community pulled together on this legislation, including the Arkansas Motorcycle Dealers Association which, under the leadership of president Emmett Jones, worked for passage of SB227."

Roberts went on to note that the MRF and American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) had been key in helping ABATE win this historic victory. "This repeal would not have been possible if the MRF and AMA had not coordinated the efforts of the state motorcyclists' rights organizations that lead to the repeal of federal penalties on states without helmet laws in 1995. Repeal of the federal penalties removed a major obstacle to our efforts in Arkansas to return freedom of choice to adult motorcyclists after 30 years of mandated helmet use." Roberts also stated, "The training I, and other members of ABATE of Arkansas, received over the years at MRF's Meeting of the Minds conferences was instrumental in helping us develop and execute a successful strategy to change our helmet law."

"We are very happy and excited about ABATE of Arkansas' success," stated Wayne Curtin, MRF's vice president of government relations. "Finally, after 14 years, motorcyclists have again been able to return freedom of choice on helmet use to motorcyclists in another state. This action has broken the ice again on repealing or modifying helmet laws and I hope this is the first of several repeals that we will see in 1997 and 1998." Curtin went on to say, "Motorcyclists need to express their appreciation to Arkansas for taking this bold action. I hope that every motorcyclist who travels to Arkansas this summer to enjoy this newly returned freedom will stop at the Arkansas welcome centers and write in the logs they keep there that the reason they came to Arkansas on vacation was because the state had repealed the helmet law. One of the things we need to do is show states there is a financial benefit to repealing helmet laws and tourism dollars are very important to any state's economy."

Wyoming, in 1983, was the last state to repeal its helmet law for adult motorcyclists prior to the action this week in Arkansas. However, helmet law repeal efforts are underway and moving forward in several other states, including: Texas, Pennsylvania, North

Carolina, West Virginia, Oregon, Florida, California, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey and Massachusetts.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation, incorporated in 1987, is a membership based national motorcyclists' rights organization headquartered in Washington, D.C. The MRF is involved in federal and state legislation and regulations, motorcycle safety education, training, licensing and public awareness. The MRF publishes a bi-monthly newsletter, THE MRF REPORTS and maintains an Internet website at: <http://www.mrf.org>.

NEXTEA: GOOD NEWS, BAD NEWS AND HOLD YOUR BREATH

DOT Submits "National Economic Crossroads Transportation Efficiency Act of 1997"

(Full text available on-line)

Washington, D.C., On Wednesday March 12, 1997, the Clinton Administration submitted to Congress a draft bill for ISTEA re-authorization, the "*National Economic Crossroads Transportation Efficiency Act of 1997*" which they have named NEXTEA. This 293 page bill was drafted by the U.S. Department of Transportation and transmitted to Congress in a letter from Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott (R-MS) and Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich (R-GA). President Clinton, Vice President Gore and Secretary Slater held a major news conference to announce the proposed legislation.

Good News

The MRF received a copy of the legislation when it became available to the public on March 14, 1997. In reviewing the proposed legislation the MRF found no reference to motorcycle helmet laws. There are no penalty provisions or incentive grant programs for states to pass helmet laws included in the legislation. And, there are no other penalty provisions on other issues. There is one incentive grant for reducing fatalities from alcohol use that is based on performance of the States in reducing fatalities.

Bad News

There are a number of incentive grants proposed to "encourage" the States to pass numerous safety laws or take more aggressive regulatory or law enforcement actions. Most of the laws or other

government actions desired by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) deal with alcohol, seat belt and drug use. However, one of the criteria would be to ban people from riding in the back of pick-up trucks. The grants would be available for six years. In years one and two the federal/state funding ratio for grant activities would be 75% federal and 25%, in years three and four it would be a 50/50 split and years five and six would require the state to put up 75% of the funds needed for the program. None of the criteria for these incentive grants is targeted specifically at motorcyclists.

Hold Your Breath

In the letter that Secretary Slater sent to Congress there is a section that states there is more to come from the Administration on requests for safety activities. NEXTEA as submitted calls for a 25% increase in NHTSA's budget. We assume the information to follow will include how NHTSA plans to spend that additional money. The portion of Secretary Slater's letter that concerns MRF the most reads as follows: "In addition to the safety proposals now contained in this bill, we will shortly transmit to Congress a broad-based proposal for additional measures that will improve safety programs across the Department. We propose that these measures be considered as an additional NEXTEA title."

What Is Next

This is the Clinton Administration's proposal, or you may want to call it a wish list. This bill is not the legislation on which the House and Senate committees will take action. The leadership of those committees will draft and introduce their own bills, however, those bills will contain some of the Administration's proposals. And, don't be surprised if the committee bills have names that are different from NEXTEA. A bill's final name is usually not decided until conference committee. The MRF will follow up to find out what the other DOT safety proposals are and will develop a position statement on the whole package.

Want To See It

You can review Secretary Slater's letter to Congress, the text of the proposed NEXTEA bill and a section by section of analysis of the proposed NEXTEA legislation through a link from the MRF's website (<http://www.mrf.org>) or by directly accessing the DOT's website for this legislation (<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/reauthorization>).

SUNNY-SIDE UP

I ran across something the other day and I would like to share to with you. It's called,

"DO NOT FEAR":

God will never leave you empty. If something is taken away, He will replace it with something better. If He denies your request in a certain area, it is because He wishes to give you what is best. If He asks you to put something down, it is so you can pick up something greater. God is not the great denier, but the great Giver. He is not a robber, but the Bestower of every good and perfect gift. Roy Lessin

Yes, God is the great Giver. He wishes to give us the desires of our heart. You see, when we are true believers, His desires become ours. We are no longer driven by our soulish ways, but by the Holy Spirit of the Almighty. He takes us very carefully by the hand and slowly, step by step, brings us into His presence. All it takes is a willing heart. The only question is, are you willing?

As of this writing I have not seen much blue sky, sunshine, or just a dry day. Nor have I hear the roar of my motor, or felt the wind in my face. However, I hope the time the newsletter is published this will all have changed. It's time to check the tire pressure, battery levels, and give the 'ol scoot the once over. Just in time for the May Awareness Rally on May 3rd. See ya there!

Riding on the "Sonny-side",
Don, Chaplain
Douglas County ABATE

March 12, 1997

For information, contact:
Butch Harbaugh (503) 838-1460, or
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For Immediate Release:

Oregon bikers have not given up hope of passing HB 2454, "The Helmet Amendment". After some debate, Oregon Representalives voted to send the bill back to the House Transportation Commiftee on Friday, March 7. Rep. Lonnie Roberts, the bill's chief sponsor, changed his vote on the floor so that bikers would have time to respond to legislators regarding medical costs and the Department of Health's fiscal

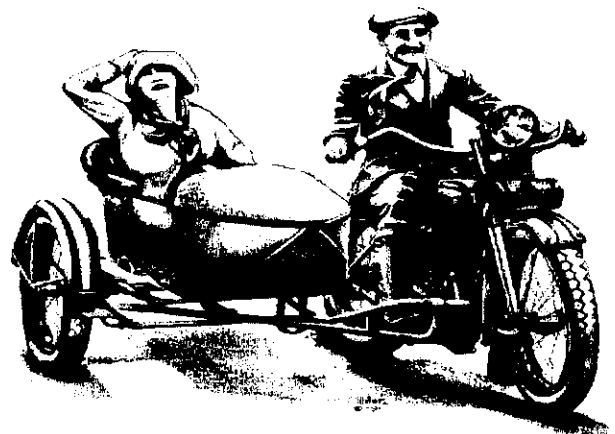
impact statements.

Proposed legislation restricts the mandatory helmet requirement to riders under the age of 18. Bikers have been responding to emotional trauma stories with actual safety facts and statistics. In spite of the public burden myth, BikePAC of Oregon sites a National Safety Council fact that total U.S. motorcycle accidents account for only one-tenth of one percent of total U.S. health care costs. BikePAC will supply this and additional information to both legislators and media sources willing to listen to this freedom of choice position.

Bikers want you to know that the medical community is split on whether or not a helmet can actually cause an increase in head trauma. And as these grassroots lobbyists stress, the best way to significantly reduce traffic statistics is through motorcycle rider education and driver awareness. However, these hard-working citizens, who already carry medical and vehicle insurance, continue to be perceived by the public as outlaws.

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BikePAC of Oregon is a nonprofit organization incorporated as a political action committee. BikePAC was formed to protect and enhance the interests of motorcyclists through legislative and campaign activities.



Thanks to all the hard work and long hours put in by Butch, Brian Teresa, Melinda, Larry, Daryl & Daryl, the people behind the scenes in the legislators offices, Rep. Lonnie Roberts, the few that have been at EVERY Biker Days and for those who wrote to their Reps and Senators. Without you all, and others who I do not know, we would not be where we are

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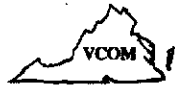
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- Circulation:** Check for pulse in neck. If no pulse, start CPR.

Assess the situation for safety factors. What is the traffic situation? Is the accident site secure? Is there a hazardous material spill, or gas leaking from the bike? Are power lines down? Is there a fire danger?

Form a safety line around the downed rider. Introduce yourself. Delegate someone to call an ambulance, preferably a woman (in case they need to go knocking on doors for help). Make sure they have as many facts as possible, including the exact location of the accident, how many people are injured and how seriously. The person calling the ambulance should hang up last.

Do not move the patient. Do not remove the helmet. Improperly removing the helmet can cause spinal chord injury, paralysis or even death! You can get a free helmet sticker that says: "WARNING: Do Not Remove Helmet Until Examined By A Doctor" by calling Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) at 800-DON-A-BIKE. If necessary, it is possible to give CPR without removing the helmet, even if it is a full face helmet (A.I.M. also has a free "Survival Card" that instructs how to properly remove a helmet from an accident victim if it is absolutely necessary).

Turn off the key to the motorcycle and shut off the gas.

Keep the patient talking. Ask questions: who are you, where are you, what day is it? Have someone write down all the details: vital signs, pulse, breathing. When the ambulance arrives, give them the notes and an honest evaluation of the patient's condition, including drug or alcohol consumption. Ask emergency personnel what you can do for them.

Talk with police when they arrive. Make their job easier by cooperating. Even after police and emergency personnel have secured the site, you can continue to help the downed motorcyclist by photographing the accident scene, jotting down notes about the accident while they're still fresh in your mind, and make sure police get the names and addresses of all witnesses for the police report.

We have to take care of each other out there. Take a CPR course or, even better, a First-Aid class. Be prepared to take charge if someone goes down. It's better to know what to do and never have to use it than to waste your fellow rider's Golden Hour because you think that accidents only happen to other people.

[Dick "Slick" Gilmore, an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-I), instructs a 3-hour "Accident Scene Management" program designed to educate motorcyclists regarding the initial assessment, treatment and stabilization of an accident trauma victim. For information, call A.I.M. at 800-DON-A-BIKE. Thanks to the Minnesota Motorcycle Riders Association for information used in this article.]

ACTIVIST REVIEW

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This Month: Koella hit-and-run update, government officials warn of fire hazard and kudos to AMA Trustee Dal Smilie.

February 19, 1997

Tennessee senator dodges felony charge in fatal hit-and-run

Terry Barnard's life ended in just minutes. But the process of bringing the man responsible for his death to justice has already dragged on for months.

Last October 22, Barnard, a 52-year-old AMA member from Ohio, was killed on his motorcycle on a highway in eastern Tennessee. He hit a minivan that turned left into his path, and was pronounced dead at a hospital less than an hour later.

The driver who caused this fatal accident left the scene. Witnesses told police he stopped, got out of his van to look around, then drove away.

Police are virtually certain who that driver is. The description of the van given by witnesses precisely matched a vehicle owned by Tennessee State Sen. Carl O. Koella Jr., who lives on a side road in exactly the direction the van took when it left the accident scene. Some of the witnesses identified the senator himself.

Yet it took police four hours to even question Koella about the accident, and nearly five hours passed before they administered a blood-alcohol test.

That was just the start of the delays, however. Koella has since admitted that he was at the scene when the accident took place. He has admitted that he heard a "thunk" and got out of his van to investigate. He claims he didn't know he had been involved in a fatal accident, and that's why he drove off.

As this issue went to press, four

months after the accident, Koella had yet to face any punishment. He was arraigned in January on a misdemeanor charge of leaving the scene of a fatal accident, but the case has yet to come to trial. Even an administrative hearing to take away Koella's drivers license has been delayed until April 15, nearly six months after the accident.

Terry Barnard lost his life. So far, Sen. Koella hasn't lost even his license. And an internal investigation by the Tennessee Highway Patrol says there's nothing

unusual about any of that. It's just standard operating procedure. But we'll get to that later.

Since our initial report on this case in the January issue, there have been several developments:

- First, the local district attorney and all of

the judges in Blount County, where the accident took place, recused themselves because of their relationship with Koella, who has been a member of the state Senate for 24 years and a powerful local politician even longer. Eventually, though, a judge and a prosecutor were selected who have no ties to Koella.

- During a preliminary hearing on the case, the prosecutor, Robert "Gus" Radford, sought to upgrade the charge against Koella from a misdemeanor to a felony. For Koella to be convicted of a felony, Radford would have to prove not only that the senator left the scene of the accident, but that Koella knew, or reasonably should have known, that a fatality had occurred.

After testimony, Judge John P.

Hudson ruled that the evidence didn't support the felony charge, and sent the case to the grand jury as a Class C misdemeanor. Radford has since confirmed that the stiffest penalty Koella could face under that charge is a \$50 fine and 30 days in jail.

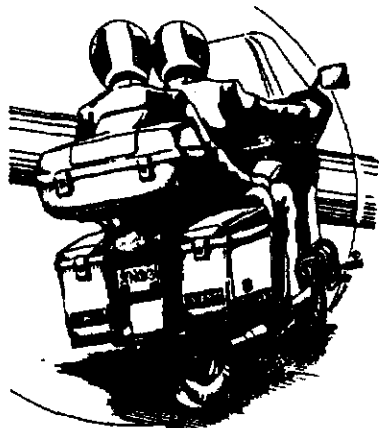
"He (Radford) did the best he could with the evidence he had," noted Terry Barnard's widow, Joyce. "But I am not at all happy with the result. I've lost everything. I've lost my husband, my lover, my friend, and all he is charged with is a misdemeanor?"

- Recently, we received word that Koella might be seeking a plea agreement with Radford that would prevent the case from ever going to trial. At presstime, there was no word on whether Radford would accept such an agreement.

- In addition, Koella has delayed a hearing into his right to hold a drivers license. Motor-vehicle operators who are believed to have contributed to a fatal accident are required to attend an administrative hearing to determine whether their driving privileges should be suspended. Koella was scheduled to attend such a hearing in early February. But at the last minute the hearing was rescheduled for April 15 after Koella and his attorney explained that they had schedule conflicts.

- Also, Mrs. Barnard has filed a civil suit against Koella, charging him with the wrongful death of her husband. No trial date had been set at presstime.

Meanwhile, questions have been raised by local news organizations and outraged motorcyclists about police handling of the Koella case. In particular, there are concerns about the time between the accident and the first interview with Koella four hours later, and the delay in getting a blood-alcohol test until nearly five hours after the crash. The subsequent delays in Koella's trial and the administrative hearing concerning



his license have also come under question.

So the Highway Patrol conducted an internal investigation to see if proper procedures had been followed in the Koella case. Following that investigation, released just before this issue went to press, Highway Patrol officials concluded that, with one minor exception, all the events surrounding the investigation and subsequent legal actions have been conducted in accordance with customary departmental procedures.

The only procedural abnormality the investigation uncovered

came on the part of a Highway Patrol dispatcher, who incorrectly told reporters from the Knoxville News-Sentinel that the patrol was not working a fatal accident in Blount County.

Brian Grisham, an attorney and executive assistant to the commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Safety, helped conduct that internal investigation. He maintains there was nothing abnormal about the delay in questioning the senator, nothing abnormal about the delay in administering the blood-alcohol test, nothing abnormal in the way the case has since been handled, and nothing abnormal in delaying the license hearing.

The results of that study raise more questions than they answer. For example, how can police ever gather evidence of impaired driving, or establish that a driver had knowledge of a fatality at an accident scene, when a four-hour delay in even questioning a hit-and-run suspect is considered normal? How much deterrent value is there in a law against leaving the scene of a fatal accident when the penalty could be less than the average speeding ticket? How can an accused

hit-and-run driver delay a hearing to determine whether his driving privileges should be revoked for at least six months after a fatal accident? And would Terry Barnard have received the same treatment if the tables were turned?

Those are among the questions we'll keep asking as this case unfolds.



Warning: Pickup trucks and gas cans can be deadly

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has issued a warning to users of portable gas cans.

At least 24 fires, five injuries, and extensive property damage have been

attributed to the unlikely combination of portable gas cans and those plastic bed liners many people install in their pickup trucks. Most of the fires have occurred when fueling portable gas cans in the bed of the pickup truck, particularly if the truck has a bed liner.

Federal officials warn that the bed of the truck and the bed liner act as an insulator, allowing static electricity to build up in the can while it is being filled. That static electricity eventually creates a spark between the container and the fuel nozzle, and bad things start happening rather quickly.

The NHTSA recommends that you take gas cans out of your vehicle and fill them on the ground. Also, touch the pump nozzle to the inside of the container's opening before fueling to ensure that no static electricity has built up.

While the majority of these fires

involve pickup trucks, this advice goes for automobile drivers as well. The carpet in a car's trunk can also act as an insulator and present the same fire hazard.

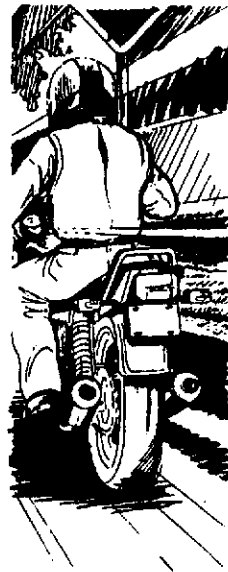
AMA Trustee receives MSF's highest award

Dal Smilie, a trustee of the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) and the American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation, has been awarded the Motorcycle Safety Foundation's Award for Excellence, that group's highest recognition for efforts to promote motorcycle safety.

Smilie, a life-long motorcyclist who has logged over half a million road miles, was instrumental in setting the groundwork in place to establish a motorcycle safety program in his home state of Montana. He has worked at the local and national level since the late 1970s to promote motorcycle safety and training.

He currently is serving his third consecutive term as the governor-appointed Chairman of the Montana Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee. Despite his busy schedule, Smilie also finds time to serve on the American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation board of trustees, the panel that oversees operations of the AMA's Motorcycle Heritage Museum, in addition to his duties as an AMA board member.

"Dal works above and beyond the duties of an unpaid chair of an advisory board to safeguard Montana's motorcycle safety programs and ensure that they have adequate funding and support," noted Jim Bernet, the coordinator of the Montana motorcycle safety program.



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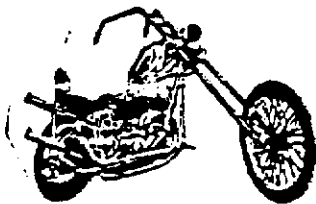
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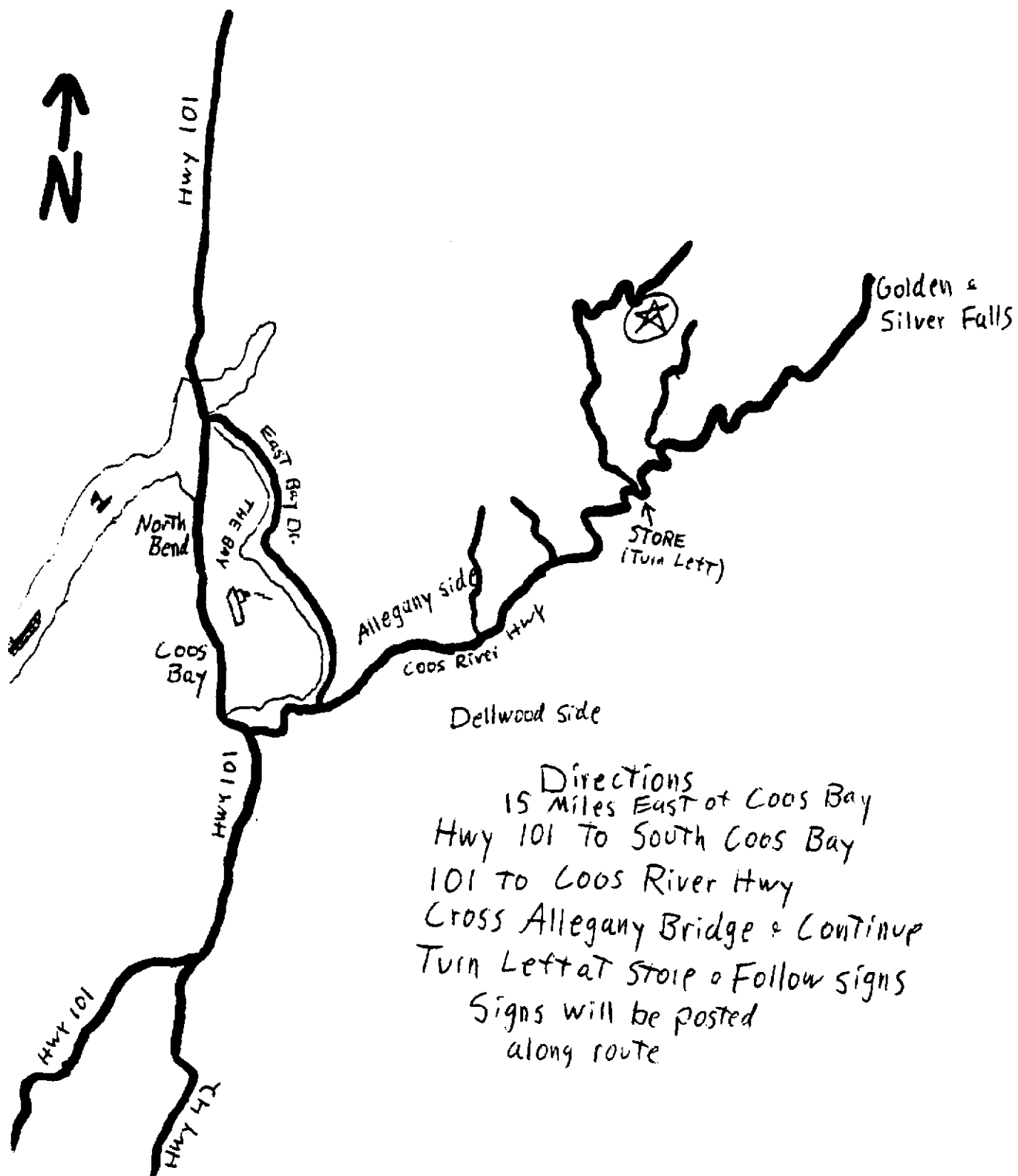
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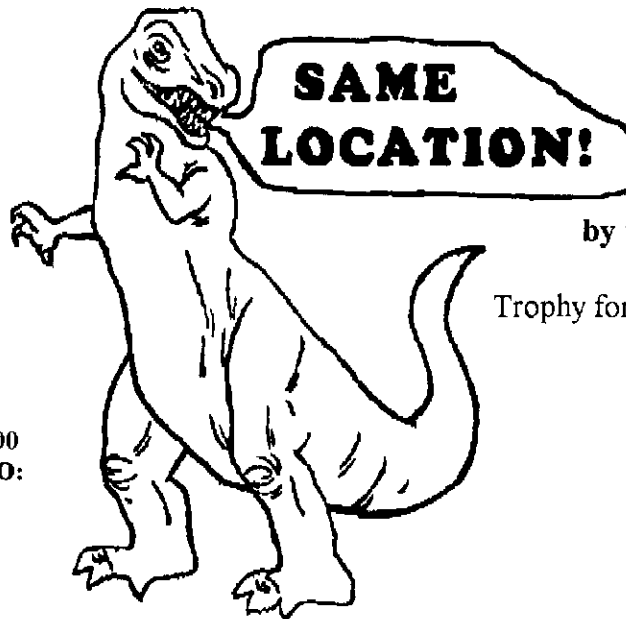
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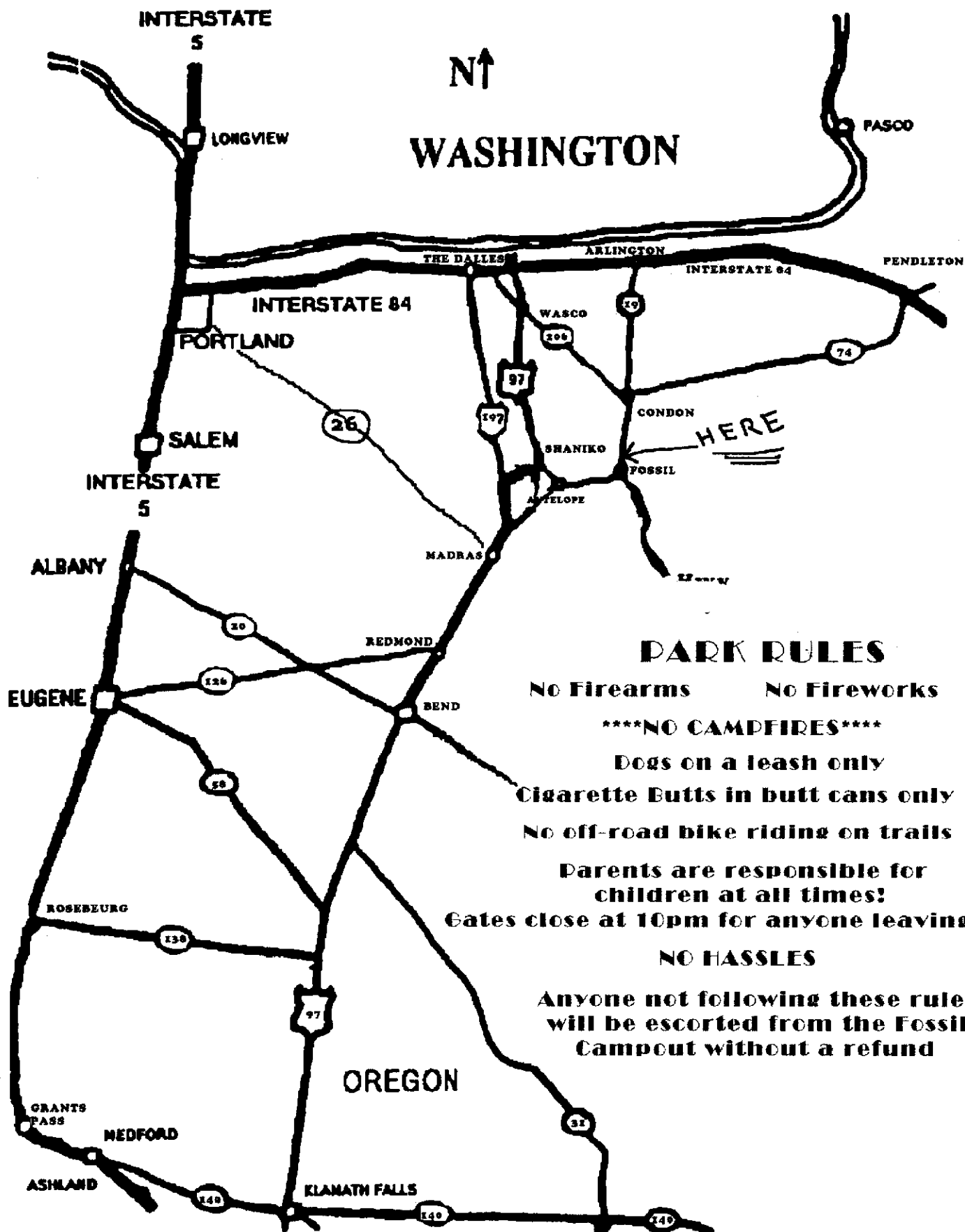
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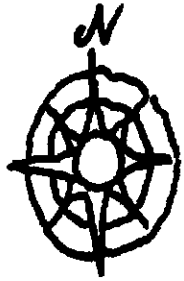
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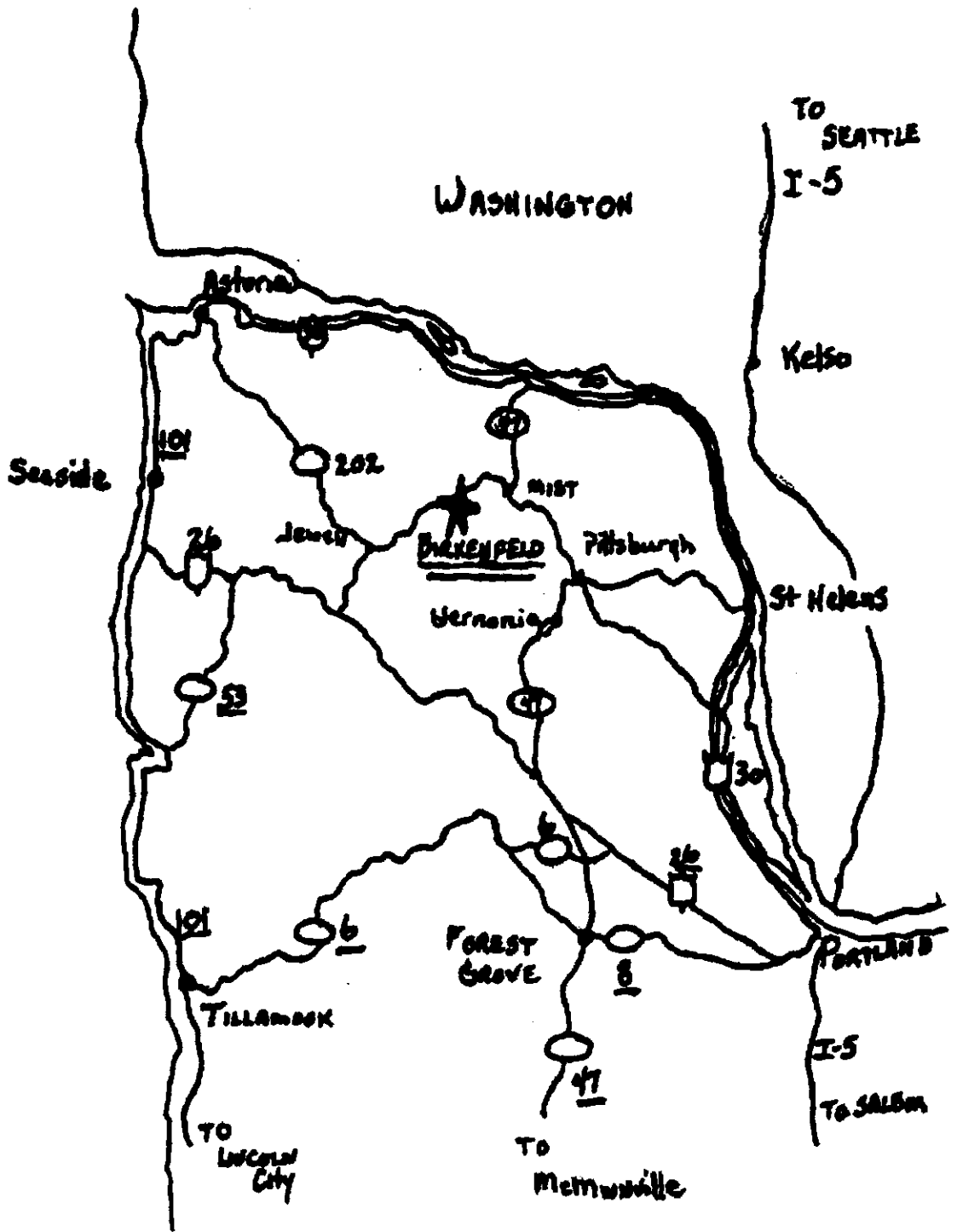
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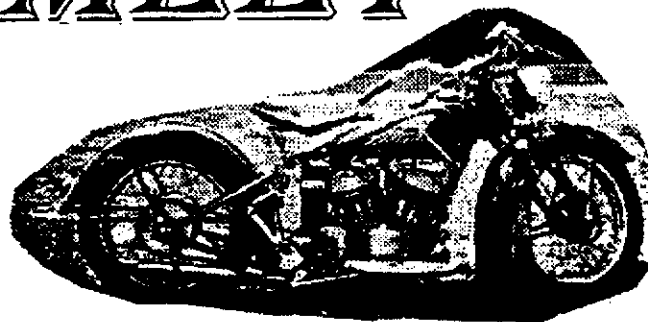
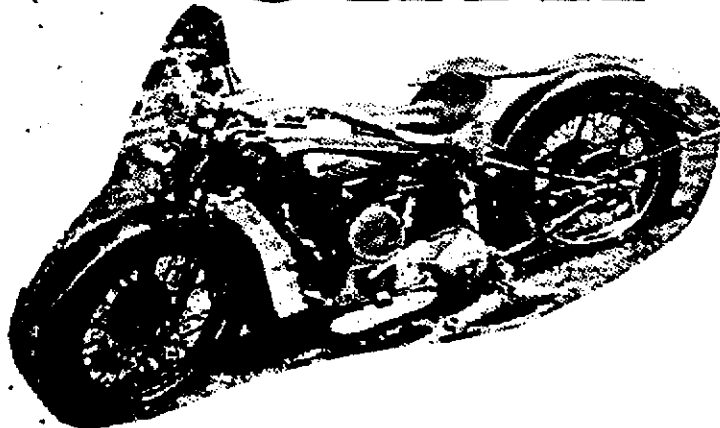
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June 1, 1997

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Vendors Welcome at 9:00 a.m.

Redmond VFW Hall

\$3.00 with membership card

\$5.00 non members



CONTACTS: Charley 383-1929 or Tom 923-3334

ALL MOTORCYCLES and ALL RIDERS WELCOME!!



ABATE OF
OREGON

DOUGLAS COUNTY CHAPTER

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US AT

CASINO NIGHT!
AND CANNED FOOD DRIVE

CANNED FOODS GO TO FOSTER PARENTS ASSOCIATION
PROCEEDS TO SUPPORT ABATE OF OREGON INC.
EDUCATION AND LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS

AT

The OAKLAND TAVERN

104 S.E. LOCUST

OAKLAND, OREGON

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 1997

FROM 8:00 pm to 12:00 am

Auction of Donated Items to follow

\$1.00 gets \$300 funny money

3 cans of quality food get \$300 funny money

Douglas County ABATE Chapter Meeting:

3rd Sunday Monthly at 11:30 am

Round Table Pizza, Garden Valley Plaza, Roseburg

RAFFLE  RAFFLE  RAFFLE

LEATHER JACKET

DONATED BY JIM OF COLUMBIA MOTORCYCLES

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO HELP FOSSIL EMTS

(FOSSIL'S EMTS ARE AN ALL VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION)

TICKETS ARE \$2.00 EACH

OR

3 FOR \$5.00

DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON MAY **25, 1997**
YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:

ROTTEN ROGER AT: **503-285-4329**



A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon's MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFIED'S

NOTE: All ABATE of Oregon members may run their ads FREE for 3 months. The date in parenthesis () is the last month the ad will run in the newsletter.

Call Gordon at (503)253-7343 to place your classified with us Today!

FOR SALE: Langlits (Lady Columbia) Leather Jacket
10 pocket, padded, womens size 38 1-owner, like new \$500.00
503-299-6381
(5/97)

YOUR CLASSIFIED AD
COULD HAVE BEEN HERE
AT LEAST ONE ITEM HAS BEEN
CONFIRMED SOLD
THROUGH THIS SERVICE!!!!
CALL BEFORE THE 10th OF THE
MONTH FOR PLACEMENT.



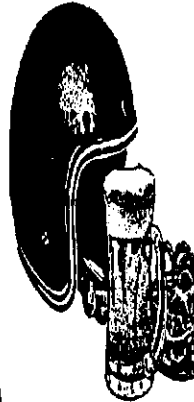
FOR SALE:
Easy Rider videos,
BRAND NEW
Complete set!!!
\$400.00 O.B.O.

ALSO
EASYSIDER MAGAZINE
#1-2785

CLEAN AND UNDEAMAGED
ALSO In the Wind #1-60
CALL WITH BEST OFFER
Gary 541-772-7494
(4/97)

SIZE 52
Mens Black leather jacket
\$175.00 or trade for size 46
(503) 255-8460
(6-97)

Decide
BEFORE
You Ride.

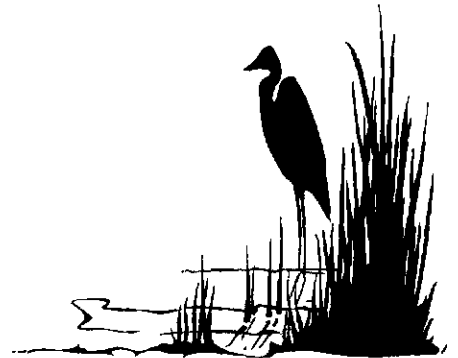


Don't be another statistic.
PLEASE, DONT DRINK & RIDE!

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RESPONSIBLE FOR ANYTHING
SOLD THRU THESE ADS. THESE
ARE THINGS THAT INDIVIDUALS
ARE SELLING
NOT ABATE OF OREGON.
(except membership to ABATE)
THE EDITOR 1-97**

WANTED:
FREEDOM FIGHTERS!
Are you one of the few,
the proud and the vocal???

☎ Contact your local chapter ☎
Legislative Director and sign up to be a
Legislative BUDDY!!!



FOR SALE:
BEACH FRONT PROPERTY
just east of FOSSIL, Oregon.

Get in on the ground floor of this amazing opportunity, the beach is coming and you can already be there. Small deposit holds this beautiful scenic remote private frontage. For viewing, call ahead or if you just want more information on this once in a lifetime chance to be first to own some of this soon to be valuable land dial:

1-976-782-5377(SUC-KERS)

Offer void where prohibited by sensible people or laws that prohibit selling of bridges. One lot per family, must be 95 years or older

ATTENTION ALL FAITHFUL READERS: The clasified ads are for personal items only. If you have a business or service, please be honest enough to place a commercial ad with the NEWSLETTER. Page two(2) has all the info you need to place an ad that sells. I have enjoyed seeing all that there is to sell. Keep those cards and letters coming. Thank you!

1997 RUN CALENDAR

APRIL

6	Rose City 250	
8	BIKER DAY 9:30 am	Melinda McCrossen 503-231-2701
26	J.J.'s POKER RUN /PIG OUT	more to come
26,27	Sidecar Race	PIR/OMRRA

MAY

3	MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS RALLY	STATE CAPITOL
10	Rose City 500	
10,11	New Riders School	PIR/OMRRA
17	SPRING POKER RUN	Tom Orsini 541-479-8635
19	BIKER DAY 9:30 am	Melinda McCrossen 503-231-2701
23-26	FOSSIL	Rotten Roger 503-285-4329
30	Convention In Idaho	AMA

JUNE

1	SWAP MEET	Cent. Or. Charlie 541-383-1929
6-8	Western States 1000	
21	Poker Run	N.W. Riders
21-22	RUN TO THE SUN	Angie 503-285-4329
22	SWAP MEET	Charley Riter 541-383-1929
27,28-29	COOS RIVER RUN	Randy 541-269-2998

JULY

13	Poker Run	Salem HOG
19-20	POKER RUN	Central Or. Charlie 541-383-1929
20	Poker Run	Rose City
26-27	STUMP LAKE RUN	Fast Eddy 541-673-6120
26-27	Ocean Shores Convention	Washington State

AUGUST

1-3

8-10

15-17

15-17

29-Sept. 1

FOX CREEK

BEAVER CREEK

SUMMER RUN

Pig Rally

LABOR DAY RUN

Joe Heusinkveld 503-581-6461

Vicki Lechner 541-536-3520

S.E., N.E. or Columbia River Chapter

City of Pendleton, Oregon

Rotten Roger 503-285-4329

SEPTEMBER

5-7

19-21

27

28

PARADE OF BEAR

END OF SUMMER RUN

White Cane Run

Swap Meet

Robie Vandiver 541-562-5987

Robin Maslin 503-648-1379

Black Cats

D.J.'s

OCTOBER

17-18

Northwest Thunder

NOVEMBER

2

22

Sanctioned Run

TOY RUN

AMA

Robin Maslin 503-648-1379

DECEMBER

6

25

TOY RUN

Christmas Day

S.E., N.E. or Columbia River Chapter

Your Family / Friends

ACCIDENT??

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RIDE
PROTECTED**



**Local Oregon Offices
To Serve You**

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- Free Legal Consultation
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- Bikers Helping Bikers
- No Recovery = No Fee
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24 Hours — Toll Free

**(800) ON-A-BIKE
(800) 531-2424**

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

ROAD LIST

LEGEND

1 Pickup 2 Tools/Gas 3 Garage/Shelter 4 Photo-Accident
5 Information 6 Meal 7 Location

NAME	PHONE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Randy & Debbie	541-563-2398	X	X	X	X	X	X	Central
Gary & Vicki	541-563-3520	X	X	X	X	X	X	Coastal
John & Brenda	541-444-2708	X	X	X	X	X	X	Region
Rich Rau(R&R Hawg Shop)	541-265-7628	X	X		X	X		Area
Bill Gabrielsen	503-640-9543	X	X					Washington Co.
The Pack Rat Ranch	541-324-8142	X	X	X				Banks, Or
Don & Rose Murry	503-693-6465	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hillsboro, Or.
Bill Ballard	503-640-5461	X				X		Hillsboro, Or.
Rocket Motors	503-985-7738	X	X		X	X	X	Gaston, Or.
Terry & Carla Richesin	503-357-0245	X	X		X	X		Hillsboro, Or.
Ted & Jill Tracy	503-640-5786	X	X	X		X		Hillsboro, Or.
Randy	503-284-1486	X	X	X	X	X	X	N.E.
Gordon & Mary Beth	503-253-7343	X	X	X	X	X	X	PTLD
Roger & Angie	503-285-4329	X	X	X	X	X	X	AREA
Crazy Steve	503-282-9434			X				PTLD
Carol W.	503-239-8167			X		X	X	AREA
Davencin	503-284-1729			X	X	X	X	N.E.
Paul & Pam	360-693-3433			X	X	X	X	Vancouver,Wa.
Dale & Judy	360-892-1583	X	X	X	X		X	Vancouver, Wa.
Anna & Ron	503-252-5845	X	X	X	X	X	X	S.E.
Glen & Gayle	503-760-7378	X						PTLD
Rusty	503-777-5121		X			X		S.E.
Mavis & Bryan	503-252-1539		X	X	X	X	X	AREA
Jim L.	503-658-2206	X	X				X	Clackamas, Or.
Mike & Delese	541-386-8744		X	X	X	X	X	Hood River
Nic & Gigi	503-394-3456	X	X	X	X	X	X	Salem
Gunny Hutch	503-463-5668		X	X	X	X	X	Salem/Kaiser
Bob Avery	541-998-1933	X	X			X		Junction City
Bill Foster	541-687-8381	X	X	X	X	X	X	Eugene, Or
Jim Singhose	541-942-2971	X	X					Eugene, Or
Tom Carr	541-334-0686		X	X				Eugene, Or
Rick Wadkins	541-484-1855	X	X					Eugene, Or
Pappy Brown	541-485-3550		X	X				Eugene, Or
Sid Ingham	541-342-3303	X	X					Eugene, Or
Greg Coen	541-461-4638	X	X	X	X	X	X	Springfield, Or
Bill Belveal	541-741-0565	X	X					Eugene, Or
Russ & Barb Lax	541-741-2787	X	X			X		Eugene, Or
Tamara&Jay Reynolds	541-383-3418					X		Bend
Rick Jobe	541-383-1758	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Lori Vitaris	541-383-3554		X			X	X	Bend
Rebecca French	541-383-0649		X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Charlie&Vee	541-383-1929	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Jay&TotsycSwartz	541-389-6773	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Mitch Maxwell	541-382-7079	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
James Hale	541-382-8701		X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Jason Knoke	541-389-7327	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Don Darms	541-548-0020	X		X	X			Redmond, Or.
Mark	541-548-3153		X	X		X	X	Redmond, Or.
Ron or Rene Duran	541-548-3824	X	X		X	X		Redmond, Or.
Tom & Lorrie Kent	541-923-3334	X	X			X		Redmond, Or.
Ted & Hiedi Adams	541-548-5772			X		X	X	Redmond, Or.
***Tim Rhode(Renegade)	541-858-9796	X	X	X	X	X		Medford, Cr.
John Newman	541-573-2076	X	X	X		X	X	Burns, Or
Don&Becky	541-679-7729	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Dave&Joy	541-673-1304	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Bob&Jennie	541-673-1282	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Fast Eddie	541-673-6120	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Tim&Cindy	541-672-3210	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Bill	541-440-9307	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Pat	541-672-9695	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Gary	541-459-1851		X			X		Roseburg
Bill	541-672-4886			X		X		Roseburg
Tommy&Sally	541-459-9457		X	X		X		Roseburg
Bill&Mary	541-673-8843		X			X		Roseburg
Tom&Sandy	541-479-8635	X	X					Grants Pass
Deby & Gene	541-862-4738	X	X	X	X	X	X	Klamath Falls
Pat Allen(Spanky)	541-479-6838	X	X					Grants Pass
or page me at	541-474-4729							
Jim Broman	541-955-8764	X	X					Grants Pass
Kevin	541-474-6843	X	X	X	X	X	X	Wilderville, Or
Jim Wilson	541-878-8341	X	X					Trail/Shady Cove
Phil	509-698-4034	X	X	X	X	X	X	Yakima, Wa.

BIKER DAYS 1997

GREAT ~~January 17~~ ~~Friday~~ ~~10am~~ SUCCESS

ANOTHER ~~February 13~~ ~~Thursday~~ ~~9:30am~~ SUCCESS

GOOD ~~March 12~~ ~~Wednesday~~ ~~9:30am~~ JOB

April 8 Tuesday 9:30am

May 19 Monday 9:30am

This advance notice is to enable everyone to arrange their schedule. It is essential to our efforts that everyone attend at least one Biker Day. Do your best to attend as many Biker Days as possible.

BECOME A LEGISLATOR'S BUDDY

We need at least 90 "Legislator's Buddy's" (that's one for each of our state legislators). If you, or any other chapter member you know, want to be a "Buddy" then:

CALL MELINDA (503) 231-2701

and sign up as soon as possible.
Everyone (Senators and House Reps. A like) needs a BUDDY, will you be one???

ATTN: Members

Following is a list of products available through ABATE of Oregon, Inc. Products are another way of helping support ABATE.

Revised: March 1997

ABATE PRODUCTS ORDER FORM - PRICE LIST

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
YEAR PINS				
_____	AYP2	Year Pin - 2 yr. member - blue	3.00	_____
_____	AYP3	Year Pin - 3 yr. member - white	3.00	_____
_____	AYP4	Year Pin - 4 yr. member - red/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP5	Year Pin - 5 yr. member - white/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP6	Year Pin - 6 yr. member - black/orange	3.00	_____
_____	AYP7	Year Pin - 7 yr. member - black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP8	Year Pin - 8 yr. member - dark blue	3.00	_____
_____	AYP9	Year Pin - 9 yr. member - yellow	3.00	_____
_____	AYP10	Year Pin - 10 yr. member - red/white/blue	3.25	_____
_____	AYP11	Year Pin - 11 yr. member - purple/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP12	Year Pin - 12 yr. member - blue/red	3.00	_____
_____	AYP13	Year Pin - 13 yr. member - green/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP14	Year Pin - 14 yr. member - black/red	3.00	_____
_____	AYP15	Year Pin - 15 yr. member - gold/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP16	Year Pin - 16 yr. member - grey/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP17	Year Pin - 17 yr. member - copper/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP18	Year Pin - 18 yr. member - light blue/gold	3.00	_____
_____	AYP19	Year Pin - 19 yr. member - purple/gold	3.00	_____
_____	AYP20	Year Pin - 20 yr. member - red/white/blue	3.75	_____

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
ABATE PINS				
_____	ALAN	ABATE Anniversary Pin	3.25	_____
_____	ALPIG	ABATE Logo Pin - gold	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIS	ABATE Logo Pin - silver	5.00	_____
_____	AEPI5	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIG	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, gold	5.00	_____
_____	AWP	ABATE Wing Pin - silver	5.00	_____
_____	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold	5.00	_____
_____	ASP	ABATE Supporter Pin	4.00	_____
_____	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color	4.00	_____
_____	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold	4.00	_____
_____	AFP	Fossil Pin	3.75	_____
_____	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color	2.25	_____
_____	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted wing-5 color on White	4.00	_____
_____	MUG	ABATE Logo on Mug	5.00	_____
_____	A#1ER	Earrings(post or Hoop)	4.00	_____
_____		Bandana	6.00	_____

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
MISCELLANEOUS				
_____	AFRB	ABATE Freedom Of The Road Belt Buckle - pewter	15.00	_____
_____	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats - white on black	5.00	_____
_____	CW	Screw The Helmet pin	3.00	_____

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
ABATE T-SHIRTS				
_____	AFRTS	ABATE T-Shirts	10.00	_____
		Sm _____ Med _____ Lg _____ X-Lg _____		
_____	AFRTL	ABATE Sweatshirts	15.00	_____
		Sm _____ Med _____ Lg _____ X-Lg _____		
		NOTE: Assorted Colors.....X-Lg and LARGER add \$2.00 Chapter Logo setup fee with each order (One time charge)	9.50	
		(In order to be able to obtain shirts at this price, orders must be a minimum of 12 shirts or more.)		

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS				
_____	ANG	Year Bars (indicate year _____ - 1982 thru 1993 available)	1.50	_____
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Small 1984-1993 avail.	1.00	_____
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Large 1984-1992 avail.	1.50	_____
_____		License Plate Frames - Cars w/Let Those Who Ride Decide	5.00	_____
_____		License Plate Frames - Motorcycles w/Let Those Who Ride Decide	5.00	_____
_____		SUBTOTAL		_____
_____		Shipping Charge		_____
_____		UNDER \$25.00=\$5.00		_____
_____		\$25.01-\$100.00=\$6.00		_____
_____		T-SHIRTS = \$8.00		_____
_____		SHIPPING CHARGE		_____
_____		TOTAL		_____

ABATE PRODUCTS
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon 97208
Angie Jensen, Products Director
PHONE: 503-285-4329 FAX 503-286-5830

PREPAID _____
 DATE _____
 NAME _____
 PHONE NUMBER _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____
 ZIP CODE _____

Please use street address we ship UPS where ever possible.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER!!





**ATTENTION
ALL
MOTORCYCLISTS**



**J.J.'S
6th ANNUAL " BENEFIT " POKER
RUN & " PIGOUT "**

SATURDAY, APRIL 26th, 1997

**COST: \$10.00 PER PERSON: INCLUDES
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, FERRY RIDE & BAR-B-QUE
(AFTER THE RUN)**

EXTRA HANDS ARE AVAILABLE

**SIGN UP IN MAYOR RAE'S GRILL
DOWNTOWN LOUISVILLE 9 A.M. - 10 A.M.**

TROPHIES: TO THE WINNER & WIDEST HAND.

**THE RUN WILL COVER APPROXIMATELY 135 MILES OF
BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY ALONG THE COLUMBIA RIVER.
INCLUDING A GREAT RIVER CROSSING OF THE COLUMBIA
BY FERRY BOAT.**

**T-SHIRTS & RUN PINS WILL BE AVAILABLE
(FIRST 1000 FIRST CROSSED)**

FOR INFORMATION PLEASE CALL:

J.J. @ (206) 763-8081

JAMYE @ (360) 665-6513

NOTE:

**DUE TO THE INCREASE IN
ATTENDANCE A PRE-
REGISTRATION CALL TO J.J. OR
JAMYE WOULD BE GREATLY
APPRECIATED !!!**



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

NEW _____ IF NEW RECEIVED PATCH _____ RENEWAL _____ IF RENEWAL, MEMBERSHIP NO. _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ CHAPTER: _____

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS IN SAME HOUSEHOLD (Use additional paper if necessary)

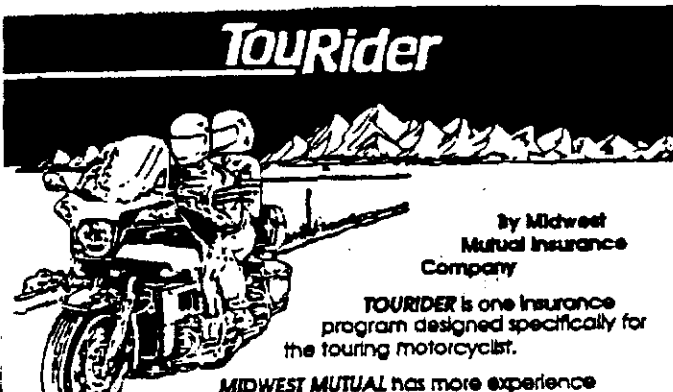
NAME: _____ NAME: _____

NAME: _____ NAME: _____

\$20 FULL MEMBERSHIP _____ \$25 COUPLE MEMBERSHIP _____ \$30 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____ TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS: _____ DATE PAID: _____

SEND TO MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY P.O. BOX 4504 PORTLAND, OREGON 97208



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Stayton, OR 97383

CHANGE OF ADDRESS?

If you or someone you know has moved and you haven't received your newsletter since, DON'T BLAME US! Just fill out this form and return it to:

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, OR 97208

NAME _____

NEW ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER _____

SIGNATURE _____

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, OR 97208

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

BULK RATE
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PORTLAND, OREGON
PERMIT No. 638

TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED
DATED MATERIAL

Ride SAFE< SOBER and TO BIKER DAYS.....BEWARE THE FOOLS OF APRIL , SO BEWARE!
Hey the cover is suppose to be a joke, but it will be reality if we do not keep up the good fight.....Remember that to the victor goes the spoils!!!!
Enough said.....GWH

Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When

1st & 3rd SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland
2st SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 pm, KC's Pizza House, 1655 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
3rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 am, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
	BLUE MOUNTAIN	1:00 pm, East Side Tavern Rest., 2209 Adams Av., LaGrande
	DOUGLAS COUNTY	11:00 am, Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
	SOUTHERN OREGON	12:00 Noon, Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill
2nd & 4th SUNDAYS	COLUMBIA RIVER	12:30 pm, Alibi 4024 N. Interstaste, Portland
4th SUNDAYS	SALEM	1:00 pm, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
2nd & 4th TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	7:30 pm, Pizza Hut, 3190 N.W. 185th, Portland
1st & 3rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 pm, Shilo Inn 1609 E. Harbor, Warrenton
	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 pm, Papa's Pizza, 162nd and S.E. Stark, Portland
1st & 3rd FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	7:30 pm, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
1st THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 pm, Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield