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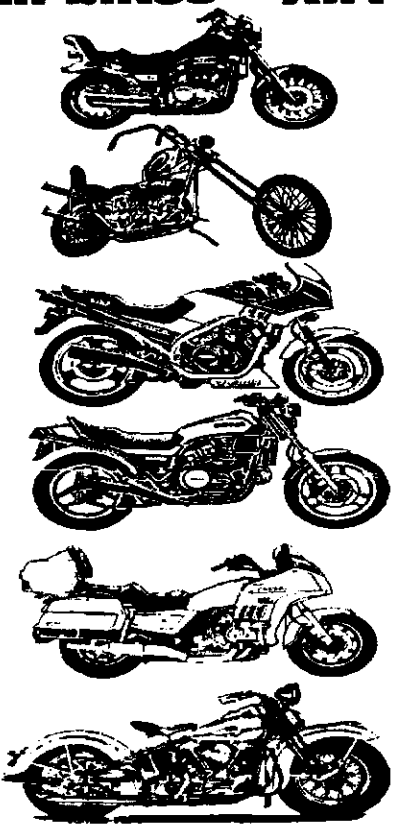
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1st & 3rd FRIDAY

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12:00 Noon, The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland

2:00 pm, KC's Pizza House, 1655 N. Hwy 97, Redmond

11:00 am, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend

1:00 pm, East Side Tavern Rest., 2209 Adams Av., LaGrande

11:00 am, Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg

12:00 Noon, Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill

12:30 pm, Alibi 4024 N. Interstaste, Portland

1:00 pm, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem

7:30 pm, Pizza Hut, 3190 N.W. 185th, Portland

7:00 pm, Shilo Inn 1609 E. Harbor, Warrenton

7:00 pm, SirLoins NE Sandy Blvd @ 80th St, Portland

7:30 pm, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport

7:00 pm, Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield

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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

Central Oregon Chapter is hoping everyone had a safe and happy Holiday season.

It is no time to think of the new year and the new legislative year. I would like to take the time to remind everyone that it is our right as Americans to question our government and our responsibility to act on those questions. I hope that all members that receive this Newsletter will take the time to read through it and ask questions. I know that if we sit back and do nothing we have nothing to complain about! Each Legislative Director has names, addresses, phone/fax numbers, and possibly e-mail addresses for your Representatives and Congressmen. Please utilize these folks and educate yourselves on what is happening in our world.

After attending the State Board Meeting, December 14, I realized that there are just a handful of folks that are really committed to A.B.A.T.E. It's one Sunday a month and we can't seem to get the participation we need to support and make our Chapter work. We all have busy lives and must be willing to make a commitment for more than the Fossil Run! Enough of my babbling as I know it sounds like I'm on a soapbox (perhaps I am!).

I love my Country but fear my government!

With respect, Rebecca

Columbia River

Meets 2nd & 4th Sundays, 12:30 pm

Alibi 4024 N. Interstate, Portland
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Chapter Contact: Angie, (503)285-4329

Hi again!

I guess I get to do one more newsletter because of the way our meeting dates correspond to the newsletter deadline date. The election of new chapter officers took place on January 12th but I can not report the results because this update had to be in to the editor by the 10th. So we'll do election updates next month.

What I can tell you is that there will be a great party on February 15th. That of course is the sweetheart dance which will be at PBJ's Eatery, 22207 N.E. Columbia Blvd. Hope to see lots of people there. There will be great music by Francine West and nice door prizes.

We continue to have Chapter meetings the second and fourth Sundays of each month. They start at 12:30 and are held at the Alibi on the corner of Interstate Ave. and N. E. Shaver. We meet in an area where children can be. There is good food and

refreshments available from the restaurant. Please join us for a meeting, both members and guests. We have a membership drawing at each meeting. All Chapter members are eligible but you have to be present to win. If your name is drawn and you're present, you win a dollar for every current member the Chapter has. Roger Reddick's name was drawn at the 12/8 meeting, but he was not present so could not collect \$93.00. Michael Rosu's name was drawn on 12/22, but was not there so does not collect \$96.00. Come to a meeting, get informed, visit with members and play the game---you might win!

The three Portland Chapters have already started work on the Summer Run, so look for more news in future newsletters.

Stay warm and take care!

Janet

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
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NO REPORT, FIRST TIME.

Lincoln County

Meets 1st & 3rd Friday, 7:30 pm

Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
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Chapter Contact: Vicki Lechner, (541)563-3520

So far, all from Lincoln County have stayed afloat, although some of us have had to do it by boat. We would like to wish the best of luck to Gunny, who wasn't so lucky.

Everyone is ready to make an impact on the first "Biker Day". Time to show them that we are HERE!!

On to the after holiday events-- Highway cleanups, bowling, education classes and the new monthly runs. Acting upon the urge to ride more, we will be having monthly rides arounds the first of every month. Join us! The coast is a beautiful place to ride!

Our Anniversary Party should be coming up in March. A membership contest has begun. Other than that, all is duckie around Lincoln County.

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Shilo Inn, 1609 E. Harbor, Warrenton, Or.

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Greetings from the Coast

Our Toy Run was a big success. A No Rain Day!!! We've had 90 inches of rain here in '96, the most in the state.

You've heard this a hundred times already. But keep yourself up to date on what's happening at the Capitol. You can make a difference so call or write your elected officials when the need arises. Let them know how you feel.

We're going on a membership drive here. We need more members for 1997, strength in numbers.

Looking forward to spring and the run season.

We'll be having elections here soon, so we'll keep you posted on the results.

See or talk to you later

Jeff

N.E Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 pm

Sir Loins NE Sandy Blvd. @ 80th st

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 5792, Portland, OR 97228

Chapter Contact: Randy Phipps (503)284-1486

Here it is, cold, wet, and dreary BUT think about the summer's breeze flowing through your hair . . . and believe that there's an excellent chance you can realize that dream. Yes, this year . . . yes, in Oregon. A lot of people have worked very hard for a long time to pave the way, to get us where we are today. THIS IS THE YEAR.

We have a six-month opportunity every two years to get laws passed in our state. In 1995, the helmet amendment passed the House by an incredible majority (what was it? 52 to 7?) And the Senate vote might have gone our way, too, but we ran out of time. Why did we run out of time? In 1995, we had to fight with the chairmen of both the House and Senate Transportation Committees just to get hearings on our bills. Now, in 1997, we won't have those battles. In 1995, we had to educate lots of the legislators about

our issues. Now, in 1997, many of them are back and they already know and support us.

But next session, in 1999, 24 of those legislators face term limits and won't be back. Many of them are our biggest supporters. They sponsor our bills and look out for our interests. We'll have a whole new crop of folks to educate.

SO NOW IS THE TIME. It's only six months but it could make the difference in your freedom for the rest of your life. Do whatever it takes to get to Salem on the Biker Days. Call, write, fax, email and generally bug the heck out of your Senator and Representative to let them know you want them to support our bills. And get a couple friends to do the same. And take a few moments now and again to think about that breeze blowing through your hair.

Hey, well, that's all the preaching you'll ever have to hear from me . . . this is my last submission as Secretary of our

wonderful Chapter. This year I'm going to spend most of my freedom-fighting time behind the scenes (except on Biker Days) by being the keeper of the information. So I have a database set up to track all sorts of stuff about our legislators including name, home address, home phone number, Capital phone number, email address, District number, room number, assistant's names, how many years in office, who is their legislative buddy, which ABATE chapters cover their District, which ABATE members are in their District, if they have supported us in the past, if they promise to support us now, who has talked to them, when, where, and why, what committees they are on, who is chairman of the committees, and so on.

But it doesn't change the way information currently flows. If you make any contact with your Senator or Representative, let either Butch or Melinda know who, when, and what was discussed. This hasn't changed. (They are especially looking for an indication of each legislator's willingness to support us . . . will they vote for our bill?)

Will they co-sponsor our bill? Are they planning to vote against our bill?) So feed that info to Butch or Melinda and they will pass the info onto me so I can update the database. And keep sending your email addresses to Brian. And then he'll send them onto me. And keep Mother updated with the District numbers for your chapter members, and she'll send that info onto me. And I read the Oregonian faithfully and check the Legislative web sites and will get a lot of information that way.

And then, if you want to know, for example, which Senators are on the Transportation Committee and how friendly they are to our cause, you can request that information by email at davencin@ptld.uswest.net -- or call me at (503) 284-1729 -- or come to one of our meetings. Hopefully I will have the data you need so we can stay on top of the huge load of information. And use to it regain our freedom.

Salem

Meets 4th Sunday, 1:00 pm

Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE

(Call 503-581-3138 or 503- 581-8637 for information)

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Happy Heart Day, y'all,

First thing: put down this riveting rag, go find someone ya really care about and give 'em a big ol' rib-cracking hug to show 'em how much they mean to ya.

One of our Santas in December's Toy Run was taken from us the Saturday morning after Xmas, the day it snowed. (If you've seen the pic, he's the Santa on the left straddling a bike and leading us down the road.) Big Jim Anderson, who accepted the nomination for our Vice Coordinator spot, had some sudden health problems the morning of 28 December and apparently knew he was in trouble when he called 911.

Rot Path barely knew Big Jim, but after wadin' through all the preachiness at a memorial service on 02 January, heard the testimonies from friends and a summation of Big Jim's life from his step-brother and knew that we'd all suffered a great loss. The main thing Rot Path recalls from the Toy Run is being at the Salem Outreach Shelter and watching the joy and hope on the faces of the kids as Santa Jim handed out gifts and talked with them. That kind

of magic touches even the hardest leather-covered heart and stays with a person for years.

Grief is a selfish but necessary step in the letting go process. Selfish because we want to hang on to loved ones as long as possible an' don't want to lose them. Be grateful for the little time we have together. Celebrate the good in our lives.

Fare thee well, Jim.

Another hug wouldn't be remiss about now.

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The nominations are in for Salem Chapter officers for 1997.

Here's the proposed line up:

Coordinator -- Vern Miller

Vice Coordinator -- (recently reopened)

Legislative -- Daryle

Historian -- Sandra

Newsletter -- Rot Path

Public Relations -- Bob

State Rep -- Bob (again)

Quarter Master -- Rich

Ways & Means -- Terry (I-Can-Fix-The-Generator)

Sgt. at Arms -- Cindy

Membership Secretary -- (still open)

Secretary -- (still open)

By the time this rag makes it into yer freezin' fingers, our elections will be over, the officers confirmed, and plottin' an' plannin' for the year's activities will be well under way.

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On other fronts, BikePAC is holding a series of Biker's Days at the state capitol to raise general awareness about motorcycle riders. (Lots of cage drivers still need remindin' that we're on the road.)

The first one was on Friday, 17 January at 0930. February's will be on the 13th, but don't freak 'cause that's a Thursday. Others will be moving up in the week and occurrin' on 12 March, 08 April, and 19 May.

Come on down and show your support. It's a great way to learn where your representative hangs their hat or helmet in the capitol building. An' learning how this quasi-democratic form of government works first-hand is an experience that'll enrich yer life.

BikePAC held a meeting the first Saturday of January (yeah, it was the 4th if ya really must know) an' Rot Path managed to attend most of it. It's vitally important that we hit the ground runnin' this year when the legislature convenes. If we want adult choice to succeed, yer reps need to know how us the folks feel about such issues. So scrounge around an' find out who's speakin' in yer behalf, let 'em know how you feel. They can't do the will of the people if the people don't let 'em know what they're thinkin'.

S.T.E.A.M. is comin' up on the very first day of March, which also happens to be a Saturday. Hopefully a bunch of y'all plan attend or at least remember that it's takin' place. Lots of good seminars and info put out at S.T.E.A.M. so try to make it to Salem. No doubt there's a flyer somewhere else in this ish that will give ya all the details ya need, so keep reading.

An' that about wraps up another chapter of Rot Path's rantings.

It's February, the month of love an' ice storms. So if yer mounting up, remember to keep yer rubber on -- the pavement.

-- 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

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Dear Friends

Happy 1997! I hope the new year will bring everyone joy, peace, good health, and safe and fun motorcycling!

We had a very exciting meeting with the election of new enthusiastic offices. Our new officers are as follows:

Coordinator - Dave McDonald

Vice-Coordinator - Bud Berliner

Secretary - Charlie Hill

Treasurer - Nancy Curran

Membership Chairwoman - Karen McIntyre

Education Director - Ray Hamilton

State Representative Committee -

Bud Berliner, Jeff Bauder, Dave McDonald

State Representative Alternates -

Flash Baker and Randy Christiansen

Sergeant-at-Arms - Rocky Spann, Mark Crawford

Ways and Means - Randy Christiansen

Legislative director - Mike Crowl

Historian - Flash Baker

Publicity - Tom Lesh

Road Captain - Jeff Bauder

We wish them all the best of luck in the future.

We were grateful to Chris Viera for attending our last meeting and discussing the importance of getting involved politically. He stressed how important it was to attend Biker Days and try to be a Legislative Buddy. Due largely to Chris' influence, Randy C. had bright orange business cards made our with the date of Biker Days and whom to contact for a ride. Bud B. distributed a sign-up sheet on the January Biker Day.

It looks like we are going to host a summer run for June 28 and 29. The run committee has met and other ideas are being discussed.

Our meeting ended with our annual Andy Proctor Memorial Toy Run and was a grand affair.

We collected hundreds of toys and Shirley Shipp made 8 quilts. Our group made a parade through town on our way to the Salvation Army. And it was even a sunny day! We were greeted at the Salvation Army with coffee, cookies, and great appreciation for our efforts. We all felt great about helping others over the holidays.

Well, my two years as secretary have drawn to a close. I was honored to serve as an officer for such an outstanding group. Our chapter has served our community well with a food drive, toy run, teddy bear hunt, and generous donations to Camp Easter Seal and the Bay Area First Step House. We got to know our political representatives and they listened to our voices. We had fun at the runs and made lots of new friends.

I chose not to run as an officer next year because my son will be in his senior year. He is an "A" student and active in many clubs and activities. I want to enjoy him as much as I can because he has been such a blessing to me. But, I plan to stay active and help out any way possible in the coming year for ABATE. May you ride safe and may God bless you all. Sincerely, Jill

Southern Oregon

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

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Washington County

Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8:00 pm
Pizza Hut, 3190 N.W. 185th, Portland

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GREETINGS from you friends at the Southern end of the State, January, which is normally a very quiet month sure wasn't this year. New Years Eve parties turned into sandbag filling parties on New Years Day. With telephone lines down and the flood water way up, it was a little more difficult to contact our membership to do what needed to be done for the legislative session, but everything did manage to get accomplished.

If you did not make it to Salem on the 17th, try and do everything you can do to make one of the other biker days. Better yet, try to make as many of them as possible. This is one of the best opportunities we have to speak one-on-one with our elected officials and push our own agenda. You can bet the anti-motorcycle establishment is in Salem pushing their agenda.

If we all do our part, and if necessary-more than our part, by the time riding season is here we may have regained some of our rights.

Ride Safe
Tom

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

Chapter Contact: Lee Austin (503) 663-0203


HELLO,

The warm weather is coming and I'm so glad. We have some great runs coming up, so get prepared.

If anyone didn't make it to the 1st Biker Days, I hope you make the one this month. When you do go, please be on your best behavior! We showed the last session that we aren't scary or out of control, so let's show them again. They need to get use to us because we aren't going away.

All the garden seed and plant catalogs are coming in the mail. That's because this is the time of year you start preparing for your gardening season and deciding what you want to grow, so all you gardeners let's get ready.


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Chapter Address: P.O. Box 23325, Eugene, Or. 97402
Chapter Contact: Bob Avery (541)998-1309
Russ Lax (541) 747-2787

Now that the holiday's are behind us, we can all settle down to business and our new legislative year.

Our January meeting was held as scheduled at the Prime Time in Springfield. Attendance was limited and this was anticipated due to the holiday schedule. But - enough members did make it out for our first meeting of 1997. Thanks to everyone that attended. Much time was devoted to the upcoming Biker Days in Salem and we have a group ride planned to the first session on the 17th. We scheduled a meeting for the 13th to review the issues and the information passed onto our members that attended the legislative training session held by the State.

We had a great toy run this year. As everyone knows, our efforts for this fundraiser focused on the SCAR/Jasper Mountain programs for abused and neglected children. The generous bikers in our area not only donated a huge assortment of toys and clothing, but we also collected over \$600. I want to thank everyone again for their help in pulling this years event together and especially April Levesseur, who really gets into it. But I also want to give special thanks to several groups of people who really made a difference - Greg Coen Motorcycle Company for making our parking lot more comfortable with a trailer, tent and heater - Clean & Sober M/C for the hot coffee, donuts and homemade goodies - and the Junction City High School Choir who braved the coooooold weather to sing Christmas carols for us. All in all - it was really great.

Other than that - there isn't too much to report. But before I end this, you all knew that I would have just one more thing to say, and that is - that if you didn't read "The AIM...ing Point" in the December newsletter - you should. Gunny made two points that are worth repeating. His comments about ABATE's past efforts at the state capitol were so positive that we are recognized as a powerful lobby force and that people actually listen to us. We can't slow that momentum now. Every bike rider needs to support the legislative efforts of ABATE to make sure that tomorrow, we still have the freedom to choose what we ride, how we ride, and where we ride. Don't let America, or Oregon, take these rights from you. Gunny also talked about the biased attitude of people causing disunity among bikers. We can't let the inside biker issues cloud what ABATE is all about. You support ABATE because you want the freedom to ride your way. This will only happen if everyone is willing to give that same freedom to other riders.

Well, that's it. Ride and Let Ride! X-PonieRyder

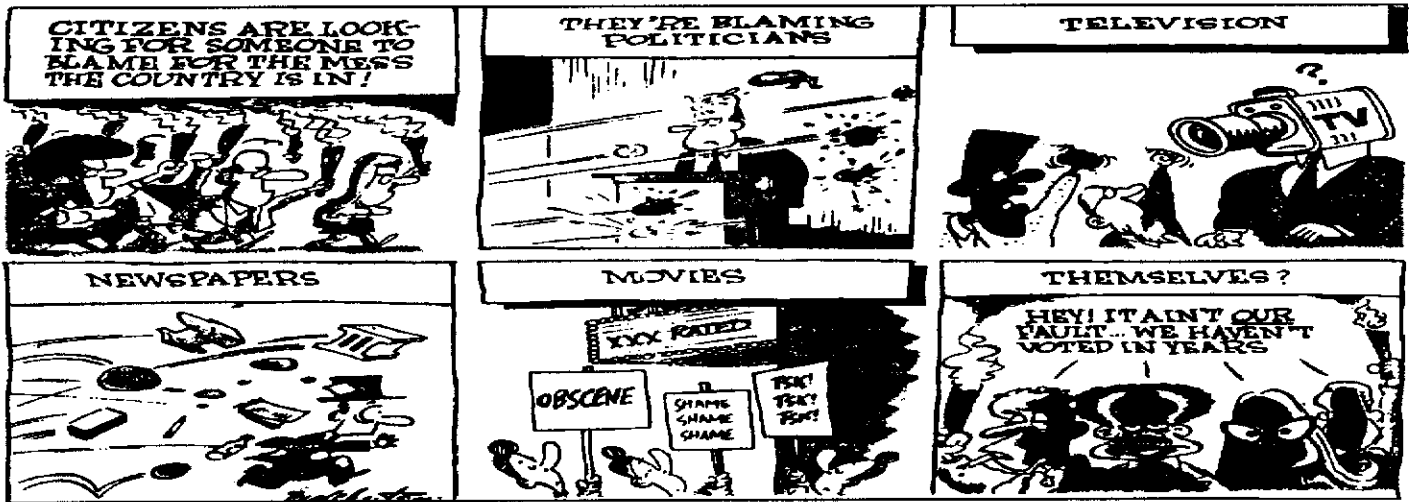
COORDINATORS COMMENTS

THANK YOU!!!!!!

This goes to the 150 Bikers that were at the capitol on the first Biker Day. There were many of the same people that always seem to "be there" when you need them. But, we also had many new faces in the crowd. I thank you all.

It was a very positive first day for us. Nearly every chapter in ABATE of Oregon was represented. We had several legislators co-sponsor our bills, but we are a long way from our goal. If there is a time to stand up and be counted then the time is now. We have a lot of work left to do and time goes by quickly. Don't wait until the next Biker Day to contact your legislators. Do it now. Ask them to support our bills. At least make contact with them. Trust me, they want to hear from you. If you want freedom of choice, then you'll have to work for it.

Larry



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Report on Biker Day

Jan 17, 1997

by Bob Avery

Great Day! Good turn out! Over 100 Bikers from around the state turned out in the rain for our 1st Biker Day at the capitol. Some even rode their bikes!!! We were well received and a lot of special arrangements were made on our behalf! There was a "reserved for motorcycles" - parking area right in front of the steps, thanks to an ABATE member that wouldn't take no for an answer. Next we had the use of HR 50, across from the Bill Room all morning. We gathered there, heard from our leadership. Then a number of our legislators came down to speak to us and sign on as sponsors to our bills, in the middle of their busy day! Two Reps, I don't remember names at this point, even stopped in as they were passing and agreed on the spot to sign on!! What a change from the early days of the motorcycle rights movement!

Lots of media attention, both print and TV. I was interviewed by a reporter for the Oregonian. We saw a number of interviews all over the place.

Sid Ingham and I, got there early for an 8:30 AM appointment with Senator Kintigh. We were well received and the Senator agreed to vote for our bills when they get to him in the Senate. He remembered us from the last session. It pays to never burn your bridges.

Our friend, Rep. Jim Welsh, met with us then later came out of a committee meeting he was in to sign on as a sponsor down in room 50! Jim was very helpful in the last session, and has already shown his support this time around! You may recall he made the trip to the Capitol last May to just to speak to us and encourage us at the last Motorcycle Awareness Day.

We were then taken from office to office by different supporters, and staff people to be introduced to people they thought we should meet. We got to speak to Senator Ferrioli (R-28) and Senator George (R-2) this way. Senator George is on the Senate Transportation Committee. We also go introduced to several influential aids. Lots of good contacts!

All in all, a very good start. There was a good turn out from our Chapter, in addition to Sid and myself I saw our Coordinator Nan Hall and Woody Wood, Russ & Barb Lax, Rick Maish, Mike Yonally, and Ron Graves. If I missed mentioning anyone else please forgive me. Next time we could use some more!! It's a lot of fun and a good chance for you to be a very real part of the process. So, how much is freedom and the ability to ride your motorcycle really worth to you! Don't hold back, lets see you at the next Biker Day, Thursday, February 13th.

BikePAC of Oregon, Inc.

PAC #00019

News Release

January 18, 1997

For information, contact:

Butch Harbaugh (503) 838-1460, or

Brian Stovall (541)298-1317.

For Immediate Release:

The first 1997 "Biker Day" at the Oregon State Capitol drew 150 bikers who came to introduce themselves as constituents to their legislators. These registered voters wanted to draw attention to the four bills that are being introduced at the request of BikePAC of Oregon, Inc. this session. BikePAC's legislation represents the interests of several motorcycle organizations and many politically active individuals in the state.

Bikers came to seek sponsors for three bills that emerged from Legislative Counsel (LC) this week. Up to 15 legislators agreed to sponsor BikePAC legislation on Friday, January 17. More legislators agreed to sign when BikePAC's lobbyist returns to work on Monday, while others will be provided additional information by BikePAC's grass roots lobbyists.

Throughout the day, small groups of motorcyclists met with legislators in offices or hallways. Children accompanied several of these activists. One biker from Roseburg brought his son who was then going to report to his school class on his visit to the capitol.

There is a Biker Day scheduled every month through May. In addition to meeting legislators, bikers watch a video on how a bill becomes law and are then given a tour of the capitol building. Anyone interested in motorcycle issues is welcome to attend Biker Days. Bikers are asked to arrive at the Capitol steps at 9:30 a.m. on the following days:

Thursday, February 13

Wednesday, March 12

Tuesday, April 8

Monday, May 19

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.

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Congratulations,

We had our first biker day today. We had 150+ people there. We had media coverage, we were organized, we were polite, we were recognized, and I think we were effective and successful. We should all be proud. Those of us who were there and those of us were not. Everyone who is in a MRO and those who are just bikers.

In talking with some of my comrades who had never been to the Big House with us in the past, I came to the realization that the most important thing that happened was the feeling of unity, the friendship, the devotion to purpose, the feeling that we were all there because we were right and we insist that the system work for what is right.

I want to thank all the people who showed up for biker day #1, but I have a concern. First off, I want to say I am not ragging on those of you who weren't there. I know you all have lives other than ABATE and you all had good reasons not to be there. My concern is we have set an aggressive schedule for ourselves over a long period of time. We have four more Biker Days as well as numerous hearings we will need to attend and we must continue this feeling of unity and this high level of participation all the way through. I think this is what drives us and it is contagious. It rubs off on our Reps and everybody in the capitol. 150 people is roughly 10 to 15% of our members, so if every member went to Salem at this percentage level we would have the other four Biker Days and five hearings covered at the same level. I think this would be very good, yes.

In a perfect world, right. I know not all the people who showed for the first can always go. I know some people can't be there at all. What I think we need to do is all stay pumped up about this. We need to push active participation at our meetings and on our phone trees. Now is the time to spread our word. We should be pushing membership drives hard. Those of you who can't get away to Salem, start thinking about ways to help at home when you can. Here are some ideas. Go to your local bike shops and ask them if you can set up a table in the parking lot on a Saturday to talk to their customers about our issues and maybe sign up some new members. Go to other local bike group meetings and talk to them. Check to see if you can get local TV/news organizations to run Biker Day adds on their PSA's. Think up your own ideas, I know you are all capable of pulling this off. You just have to get swallowed up in this flow of unity.

Let's go for the Hat Trick this time.

Ride Free,

Chris Vieira, Vice Coordinator-South

P.S.: Let's work on a complete legislative district info list for Mother.

Quote for today:

"Freedom does not come automatically; it is achieved.

And it is not gained in a single bound; it must be achieved each day." - Rollo May

I was impressed by our turn out at the Capitol....Keep up the good work!!!

It takes all of us!

Bagger Bob

From The

GUNNY'S SACK comes:

The AIM. . .ing Point

Wow! The holidays are behind us and the bills are arriving. Oooff! I hope you had a good time, and renewed all your close ties. My family and I sure did. My personal season highlight was the annual ABATE toy run to the Shriner's Hospital here in Portland, OR. Seeing the glowing faces on the kids when they see the bikes and, of course, Santa delivering the toys, just makes the day real special for me and everybody else that participates. This is the one run of the year I will not miss, rain or shine, I think I get more out of it than the kids do.

Bikers Life in Belgium: The Belgian government attempted to introduce compulsory annual roadworthiness testing for bikes without waiting for a political decision from parliament. MAG (Motorcycle Action Group) Belgium was outraged that, as members of The National Board of Transport, an advisory body to the ministry of transport, they were completely ignored.

MAG found much of the argument was flawed or completely wrong. MAG says the program has no value except to make money for the groups that would do the bike testing. According to the government, unsafe bikes would be taken off the road.

There were demonstrations all over the country and politicians were recruited to help stop the madness. Many accepted the biker view and offered to help. No results yet on this; we'll keep you posted.

Victory in Europe: The Euro-Commission attempted a new law with excessive taxation for motorcycles. It could have nearly taxed bikes out of existence. FEM (Federation of European Motorcyclists) got a hold of that tiger, and then the Euro-Commission announced some changes: costs of accidents will be borne by those at fault, (The commission WAS going to ram a nasty no-fault system on our brothers and sisters - watch out for that here), and the unfair tax system was dropped. The Commission admitted that it does not yet have enough expertise in the area of tax, and they came out and said **motorcycles do have a role to play in transportation**. This is a huge victory for our biker family in Europe.

There it is folks. This is European grass roots support of the motorcycle community and the politicians listen, especially when you're right and can prove it.

Ya gotta understand that much of Europe is not democratic in the sense that we are. Ministers of the Euro-Commission are NOT ELECTED. They are APPOINTED by the various member country parliaments and legislatures. Appointees don't necessarily bend to the will of the people. They don't depend on constituents votes for a job. This is one of the reasons we can talk to our officials in this country. We just need to get off our dimes and do it.

The Battle in Europe: Europeans don't worry about helmets much anymore, at least not the way we do. There is too much else. Here's a list of some of what they're faced with: Euro-Commission proposals for noise limits, emission standards, anti-tampering (no owner tune-ups allowed!), mandatory tire brands, restrictions against aftermarket parts manufacture, end of life for motorcycles (scrap after a set number of years on the road), roadworthiness testing, and protective clothing standards and reflective marking (clothing), Leg protectors & airbags for bikes, 100 bhp review (Horsepower limits), rider training & education. The Commission,

however, is still keeping those cheese cutter cable crash barriers alongside some roadways.

As I write, cable fencing is being installed in the median strip of I -5 between Portland and Salem, Oregon. Europe isn't alone with cheese cutters anymore, we have'm now. Watch out!

We are told the fence is to keep out of control vehicles out of opposing lanes of traffic, thereby saving lives. Now, that may not be a problem if a car gets tangled in it but I have real concern for a rider headed into that barrier. The fence is a three strand nasty looking beast about three and a half feet high. When I think what could happen if a human being hit it even at a relatively low speed on a bike, it's ugly. Would the use of "Jersey barriers" (concrete) be that much more expensive, but *maybe safer* for everybody? I wonder what research was done on the project.

News bits & pieces: Austria: By mid-1997, bikers will be allowed by law to filter through traffic tie-ups as long as traffic is stopped. Bicycles have done it for years. Big Big victory. **Sweden:** The Swedish national road administration wants to ban bikes from their roads! The National Road Safety Director, Mr Claes Tingval, had the brass to write to SVEMO, the Swedish motorcycle sports body, recruiting their help in reducing motorcycle ridership. He attends road safety events around the world to promote abolishment of motorcycles. Swedes are up in arms over it and ask for help with letters to: Ines Uusman, Minister of Transport, Riksdagen, SE-100 12, Stockholm.

SAM'S AIM Tip'O the Month: You've been in a wreck, and your health insurance won't pay your medical bills. In most states, they are generally REQUIRED to pay for your injury care, but they can usually insist that you sign an agreement to pay them back out of any settlement.

Sam says DON'T SIGN IT, and for that matter, DON'T SIGN ANYTHING relating to a wreck, until you've talked to a lawyer. If you have a lawyer, the health insurer will usually cut you a discount in the reimbursement, at the end of the case. But the main point, Sam says, is don't talk to ANYONE or sign ANYTHING without consulting an experienced accident lawyer. Many insurance adjusters are sharks, and you won't even be able to spot the really skilled sharks. Whatever you may think of lawyers, they're at least on YOUR side. Most will give a free consultation, including our AIM guys.

You can reach Sam here in Oregon at 503-224-1106 or 1-800-347-1106. For an AIM attorney elsewhere use 1-800-531-2424. Sam is also available to you on e-mail at SamBikeLaw@aol.com. You can now reach me at AIMGUNNY@aol.com.

Keep the round side on the bottom.
Gunny, Oregon AIM Chief of Staff



Once again on behalf of the Free Souls Motorcycle Club and the S.A.N.T.A. organization of Veneta, I would like to thank the following organizations and businesses for their support and generous contributions to this year's toy run.

Lane County A.B.A.T.E., Cruizers for Christ, Clean and Sober Riders, the Oregon Vietnam Vets, and the many independent riders came out to brave miserable weather and ride with us on the most successful toy run to date.

Our efforts will be rewarded by the smiling faces of over 300 children served by the S.A.N.T.A. organization.

The following is a list of contributions made. We set out to top last year's total and nearly doubled it! Outstanding job everyone!!

Thanks again,
LeRoy F.S.M.C.

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Last year's total -- \$992.99
This year's total -- \$1,835.66



Let us all prepare for the trip to the U.S. Capitol... Good luck to Ken Ray and Ruth Trombetta, our hopes go with you!

January 1997
PR Director's Report

Melinda McCrossen
melindam@teleport.com

I have been busy entering the fax numbers of all Oregon media sources into my computer. On Sunday, January 12, a press release on Biker Days will be issued to radio and TV stations in the state via fax. If any ABATE members want stations mailed a copy of future releases, get a fax number where I can send it and I will make sure they are included. A list of who is receiving faxes from us will eventually be processed and submitted to the state ABATE newsletter.

I may have talked a reputable cable access producer (who has built an electric motorcycle) into covering Biker Days. Jim Wrathal (the Radio Guy) offered me a few minutes on his regular program, but after talking to me for a while, he decided there was probably at least an hour of subject matter and wondered if we could do a location shoot. I suggested Biker Days and he was definitely interested. He is interested in the lawsuit with the state police too.

I spoke with MaryBeth about doing a STEAM workshop and Roger about promoting Fossil to other motorcycle groups.

I will be meeting with an Oregonian reporter on Monday, January 13 at the State Capitol with Butch Harbaugh and Ken Ray.

Hello from Your Education Director:

Time again for another report. I wish to thank everyone that voted to allow me to serve as your Education Director for another year. I hope that we can surpass other years in getting the message out that motorcycles use the roads and to share the road with them, safely.

This month's report on classes has good news. I have reports on 6 classes for a total of 132 students. This is great. This also reflects that a new school was added to our list of schools that have had our Motorcycle Awareness Program presented to them. With this in mind, this month's Special Mention goes to **Mark Watts, Ruth Trombetta and Gary Lechner** of Lincoln County Chapter for teaching 4 classes and 76 students in one day. **Great Job!!**

With all the wonderful work done by all of our Certified Instructors, there is no reason why we can't beat the previous years in number of students and number of classes. This needs to be our goal for this legislative year. We must continue to show that we are committed to safe roads for all motorcyclists and we are willing to put our efforts where our mouths are. We have to keep up the work and this means that all of us must solicit all the schools, companies with fleets and any other organizations in our respective areas that could benefit from this wonderful program.

This program is the responsibility of all of us to insure that it reaches as many people as possible and not just the ones that call us. We must be willing to take the initiative. This means you need to go to the schools and other organizations (even other motorcycle groups) and promote the program's values. Freedom is not just a word that we can throw around, but one that must be worked for constantly. It has been said that "the price of freedom is constant vigilance." This means that we must be forever on the watch for ways to keep our freedoms and, with this in mind, we must always be ready to take the extra effort to show, not just talk, that we are willing and able to make the roads a safer place.

Keep up the good work! Till next month,
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Nic Oliver
Education Director I



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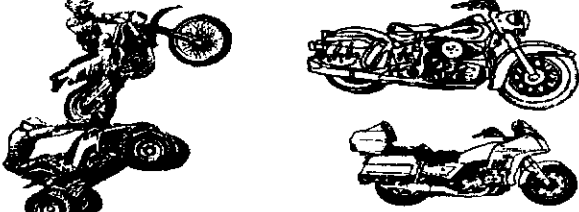
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From Chapter Coordinator
Columbia River Chapter
Angie Jensen

Greetings and Happy New Year!

My pleasure was to be able to serve our chapter as coordinator in 1996. I realized how easy it was to be able to be a leader when you have such good, good help behind you. Never did I feel alone in any problem solving situation, or in any situation for that matter.

I feel very fortunate to have been able to work with such a nice bunch of people like Janet Straw as secretary so organized and precise, Pam Wise started out as Treasurer and did a wonderful job, then Jim McLucas took over and so in order how I do appreciate, and Linda taking over when Jim had to resign, Deryl Waters who had been our membership secretary and so very good one, also leaving the position to Lana Little who has been going strong, Karen as Ways and Means did a good job leaving Carol in her position who works so hard to make sure we have good door prizes and loves making money, Mark Cowdry did a good job as Sergeant at Arms for a long time and left his position to Bob Earl who does such a good job. Him and Ruben Cortez are a pair that never quit. Bev, she got the "bring more pictures in" time so good and brought us reports of the Toy Run meetings. She sure worked. Stacey Skeins was our State Representative and was doing so very good, and then boom he could not hold this office so he became a famous car salesman and had to quit, leaving his position to Ron Goodyear who also has done such a good job stepped into this position with such enthusiasm and then our legislative director Spencer who gets and holds everybody's attention when he brings us his reports.

So you see, all in all, even through transitions, officers have helped each other so that all would stay smooth running.

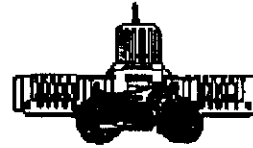
I am proud to have been a member, as well as coordinator, and to have had the pleasure of being among such neat people. Thank each and every one that served as officers and also members that were here to make our chapter what it is.

Thank you all, Angie Jensen.

One of my favorite quotes: "Liberty means Responsibility. That's why most people dread it." Unknown Author.



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**Oregon State Police Memorandum
Dated 5/29/96**

**CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT
GRINDS ON**

To: Lieutenant Richard Wingified
Station Commander -- The Dalles
From: Sergeant Kenneth Matlack
Outpost Commander -- Arlington
Subject: 1996 ABATE Enforcement Critique

The 1996 ABATE Motorcycle Run/Spray Rodeo has completed without a major incident. The ABATE group appeared to be fewer in number than last year with initial guess of 1,800 people in attendance. No complaints were received from the encampment and no accidents were reported or investigated.

Three drunk drivers were arrested over the weekend with two being associated with the Spray rodeo and the one was passing through the area.

Several MIPs cases were made along with a Furnishing Alcohol to Minors case. The Spray Rodeo was the location of most of the alcohol problems and MIPs. Several complaints and comments were made by attendees of the rodeo about young people drinking alcohol openly. A sweep of a united group of OSP and Deputies (7) yielded several arrests and support from a large percentage of the attendees.

The biggest concern of the ABATE group was enforcing the helmet law. Lieutenant Hays reported that an attorney riding with the group and representing himself as an ACLU attorney who according to the attorney "makes his living suing police departments," was upset that we could not establish probable cause for an unlawful helmet at 50 mph, therefore our stops were unlawful and he was instructing his people to not remove their helmets for inspection. He was advised that we would review with our officers that they review their probable cause for the violation before stopping apparent violators.

A member of the rodeo board who was intoxicated complained about the officers making a sweep through the rodeo grounds. He apparently forgot that his wife who is also on the rodeo board requested that law enforcement provide foot patrol of the event.

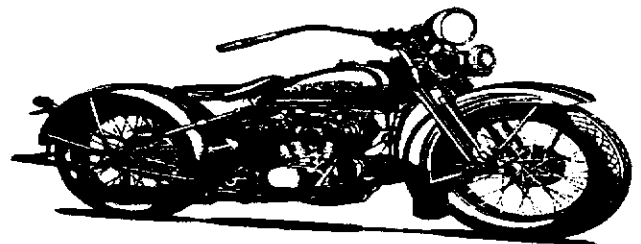
ABATE OF OREGON, INC. et al., v. HOWLAND et al., the class action filed by the organization and its statewide coordinator, Larry Schalk, continues after settlement efforts failed. Depositions had been set for January 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, but had to be rescheduled due to the illness of the defendants' attorney. Opening depositions will now be taken January 27, 28, and 29.

So far, I have learned that fifteen Oregon State Police officers were involved in the Fossil stops including a motorcycle unit consisting of one sergeant (Sparks) and two officers (Kingman and Hakala) from the Portland office and a motorcycle unit from Springfield (Coddling).

I have also learned that state police, for at least several years, have maintained "intelligence" files on our activities at the Fossil Campout. They also listed the interception of drugs on the highways as one of the goals of their 1996 Fossil action. I am forwarding to the newsletter editor a critique of the weekend prepared by Sgt. Mark Matlack who seems to be one of the primary instigators of the assault on our liberty.

I had hoped to be farther along with this lawsuit before the legislative session began, but will keep pressing forward. I may seek an immediate declaratory judgment on the meaning of HB 3422: are federal standards any part of the Oregon helmet laws anymore?

Spencer M. Neal -- Attorney at Law



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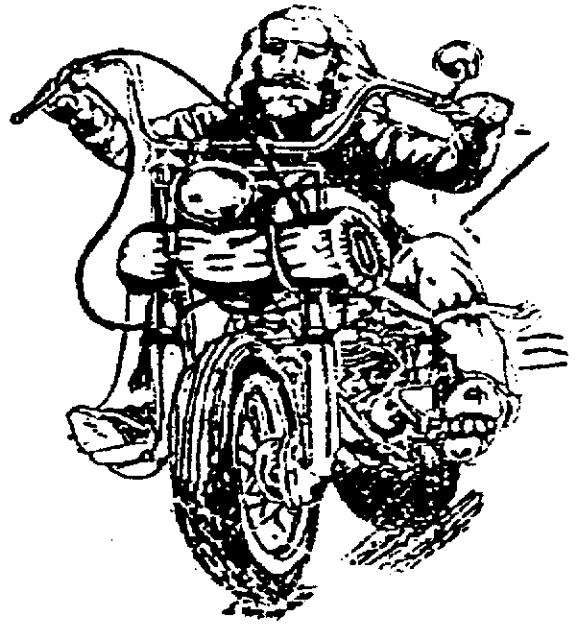
1996 ABATE Critique

A total of 245 enforcement activities were made with 40% being citations and 60% being warnings. 16% of the citations were for illegal helmets and 9% of all the enforcement activities were for helmet related offenses.

A new name "REVENUE RANGERS" was given to Troopers who were enforcing the helmet law. It was obvious that many of the helmets being worn by motorcyclists attending the event were illegal. It appears that the helmet law is not being consistently enforced across the [state] as evidenced by the large number of illegal helmets being worn. No concerted effort was made to cite every illegal helmet seen.

The placement of the portable repeaters greatly enhanced the operation and provided very good direct communication with the ERDC. I am going to request that the portable repeaters be left in place so that Recruit Hoodenpyl and other officers working that area will have communication with the ERDC. If the repeaters are removed, they will not have radio communication with ERDC.

It is still early, but I have not received any complaints or concerns regarding our enforcement efforts of the project.



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 - A. Education programs to assist all motorcyclists, especially the young and/or novice rider, to reduce accidents.
 - B. Public awareness programs promoting motorcycling
 - C. Fair motorcycle legislation
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 - A. Rider and non-rider education
 - B. Distribution of information
 - C. Legislative action
 - D. General costs incurred in the operation of the organization itself, none of which shall go to any member or officer with the exception of reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenditures directly related to A.B.A.T.E. activities authorized by the State Board of Directors and/or State Executive Board.
7. The Rules of Operation for A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc. shall be used as the basis for day to day operations.

State Coordinator _____

State Vice-Coordinator North _____

State Vice-Coordinator South _____

State Vice-Coordinator East _____

State Treasurer _____

Membership Secretary _____

Recording Secretary _____

Bylaws effective _____ as approved

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
Rules of Operation 1/13/96

1. **NAME:** This organization, hereinafter referred to as ABATE, is legally known as A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. which stands for A BROTHERHOOD AGAINST TOTALITARIAN ENACTMENTS.
2. **JURISDICTION:** ABATE shall:
 - A. Have jurisdiction of all members, chapters and use of name and logo within the state of Oregon.
 - B. Maintain equitable relations between all its members and chapters.
 - C. Assure the democratic right to assemble, voice opinions and take action on matters of mutual interest to motorcyclists.
3. **ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE:**
 - A. **MEMBERSHIP**
 1. Applications:
 - a. Membership in ABATE shall be obtained and maintained through application to ABATE.
 - b. Each application for membership shall be accompanied by dues established by the State Board of Directors and submitted to the State Membership Secretary.
 - c. Memberships are non-assessable, non-transferable, non-assignable and non-refundable.
 - d. Each member will decide which chapter they want to belong to, or may to decide to be a Member-At-Large(Indian Creek).
 - e. ABATE membership records will remain confidential, and will be used ONLY for ABATE purposes.
 2. Termination: Membership in ABATE will be terminated upon death, written request from the member, non-payment of dues, theft of ABATE assets, or by decision of the Board of Directors.
 3. Duties of Members- It shall be the DUTY of each member of ABATE to:
 - a. Abide by the BYLAWS.
 - b. Conduct themselves in a creditable manner with regards to the organization.
 - c. Bring to the attention of the State Board of Directors' presiding officer any activity that is not in the best interest of ABATE.
 - B. **ABATE CHAPTERS**
 1. To receive a Charter as a Chapter in ABATE a group must:
 - a. Have Ten paid-up members.
 - b. Elect from those paid-up members a Coordinator, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary and one State Representative.
 - c. Make application to the State Board of Directors for a charter.
 2. To remain as a Chapter in ABATE the Chapter must:
 - a. Abide by the ABATE Financial Policy and Procedure Manual.
 - b. Send copies of Chapter minutes to the State Coordinator within seven (7) days of the Chapter meeting.
 - c. Insure participation of Chapter State Representatives at State Board of Directors' meetings, unless excused by State Coordinator.
 - d. Submit a monthly Chapter report to the State Newsletter by the 10th of each month.

Any chapter in noncompliance with part 2(a, b or c) of the above four requirements will have voting privileges at State Board of Directors' meetings suspended until brought into full compliance. Chapter in noncompliance of 2 (d) for second month in succession will have voting privileges suspended until brought into full compliance.
 - C. **ABATE STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The State Board of Directors will be the governing body of ABATE and will meet at a time and place to be determined by the State Executive Board.
 1. The State Board of Directors will be composed of one State Representative from each chapter, who will constitute the voting membership of the State Board of Directors.
 2. A minimum of one-third of the chapters of ABATE must be present and eligible to vote to constitute a quorum. The State Board of Directors will use Robert's Rules of Order as a guideline to conduct meetings.
 3. The fiscal year of ABATE will be January 1 through December 31.
 4. Motions brought before the State Board of Directors which will directly affect the general membership will be referred to the chapters for discussion and voted on at the next State Board of Directors meeting, unless a delay in voting will cause a disruption in the transaction of business by the organization.
4. **RULES OF OPERATION:**
 - A. The original Rules of Operation became effective July 1, 1980.
 - B. The Rules of Operation have been amended in 4/1983, 4/1984, 4/1986, 6/1989, 11/1993, 1/1996.
 - C. All changes to the Rules of Operations and the Bylaws must appear in the State Newsletter before being voted on by the State Board of Directors.

This information came from the Oregon State Legislature's Web Site. It was dated 8/18/96, so some of them might not be up to date. I took out the ones who are no longer in office and indicate Representatives who have become Senators.

You can also track bills there. Check it out! Brian S.

<http://www.leg.state.or.us/>

Senators and Representatives E-Mail Addresses

SENATE:

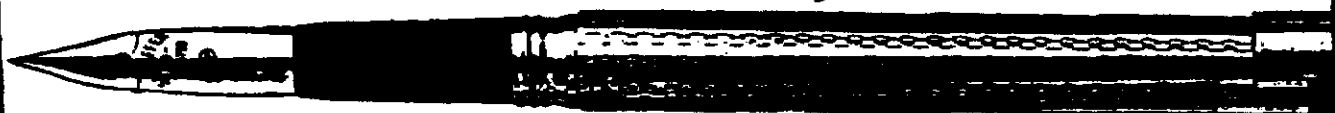
Senator Brady Adams	Brady.Adams@state.or.us
Representative (now Senator) Kate Brown	kbleg@aol.com
Senator Gene Derfler	derfler@legislator.org
Senator Bill Dwyer	bdwyer@efn.org
Representative (now Senator) Avel Gordly	gordlya@portals.pdx.edu
Senator Jeannette Hamby	senhamby@teleport.com
Senator Tom Hartung	hartung@teleport.com
Representative (now Senator) Eileen Qutub	eileen_qutub@rpb.com
Senator Marylin Shannon	shannon@teleport.com
Senator Peter Sorenson	sorenson@efn.org
Senator Cliff Trow	Cliff.Trow@state.or.us

HOUSE:

Representative Ron Adams	RWadams@delphi.com
Representative Lee Beyer	leebeyer@aol.com
Representative Margaret Carter	carter4u@teleport.com
Representative Tony Corcoran	76342.2743@compuserve.com
Representative Peter Courtney	repcourt@aol.com
Representative George Eighmey	repgeorge@aol.com

Representative Bryan Johnston	73652.1565@compuserve.com
Representative Tim Josi	repjosi@oregoncost.com
Representative Mike Lehman	mlehman888@aol.com
Representative Dennis Luke	lukebuil@transport.com
Representative Lynn Lundquist	Lynn.Lundquist@state.or.us
Representative Kitty Piercy	reppiercy@aol.com
Representative Floyd Prozanski	floydp@darkwing.uoregon.edu
Representative Anitra Rasmussen	73300.3204@compuserve.com
Representative Barbara Ross	repbross@aol.com
Representative Frank Shields	repshields@aol.com
Representative Lynn Snodgrass	isndgrss@teleport.com
Representative Larry Sowa	sowadvn@teleport.com
Representative Charles Starr	repstarr@teleport.com
Representative Ken Strobeck	Strobeck6@aol.com
Representative Jackie Taylor	repjt@aol.com
Representative Judy Uherbelau	repjudyu@aol.com
Representative Larry Wells	repwells30@aol.com
Representative Jim Welsh	repwelsh@aol.com
Representative Cynthia Wooten	rwooten@efn.org

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THAN THE SWORD.
EXCEPT MAYBE, A PEN.**



Freedom Isn't Free . . .
Write to your legislator!

Join A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. for the
20th Annual

FOSSIL CAMPOUT '97

May 23, 24, 25 & 26

Gates open at 3:00 pm on Friday, May 23

THE BEST IN LIVE MUSIC

Featuring a variety
of sounds from the
Pacific Northwest

**Biker Rodeo
& Bike Show
at Fossil Fair Grounds
Sat. & Sun**

ADVANCE TICKET

(DEADLINE IS MAY 10,1997)

ADVANCE MEMBER-\$10.00

ADVANCE NON-MEMBERS-\$20.00

MAIL MONEY ORDERS ONLY TO:

ABATE OF OREGON, Inc.

State Run Coordinator

PO Box 4504

Portland, Or. 97208

AT GATE

WITH MRO CARD-\$15.00

ALL OTHERS-\$20.00

Under 14 yrs. - FREE

Non-members get \$5.00 dicount towards ABATE membership
Camping included in Gate Fee

FOR INFORMATION CALL

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GAMES
Food Concessions

Beverages will be sold
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Trophy for the largest group participating
from an out of state MRO

Trophy for the
largest participating
ABATE Chapter and
M/C Organization
from Oregon

Trophy for M/C Rider riding
the longest distance to Fossil

MAP ON REVERSE

PARK RULES

NO FIREARMS NO FIREWORKS

****NO CAMPFIRES****

DOGS ON LEASH ONLY

Cigarette Butts in butt cans only

No off-road bike riding on trails

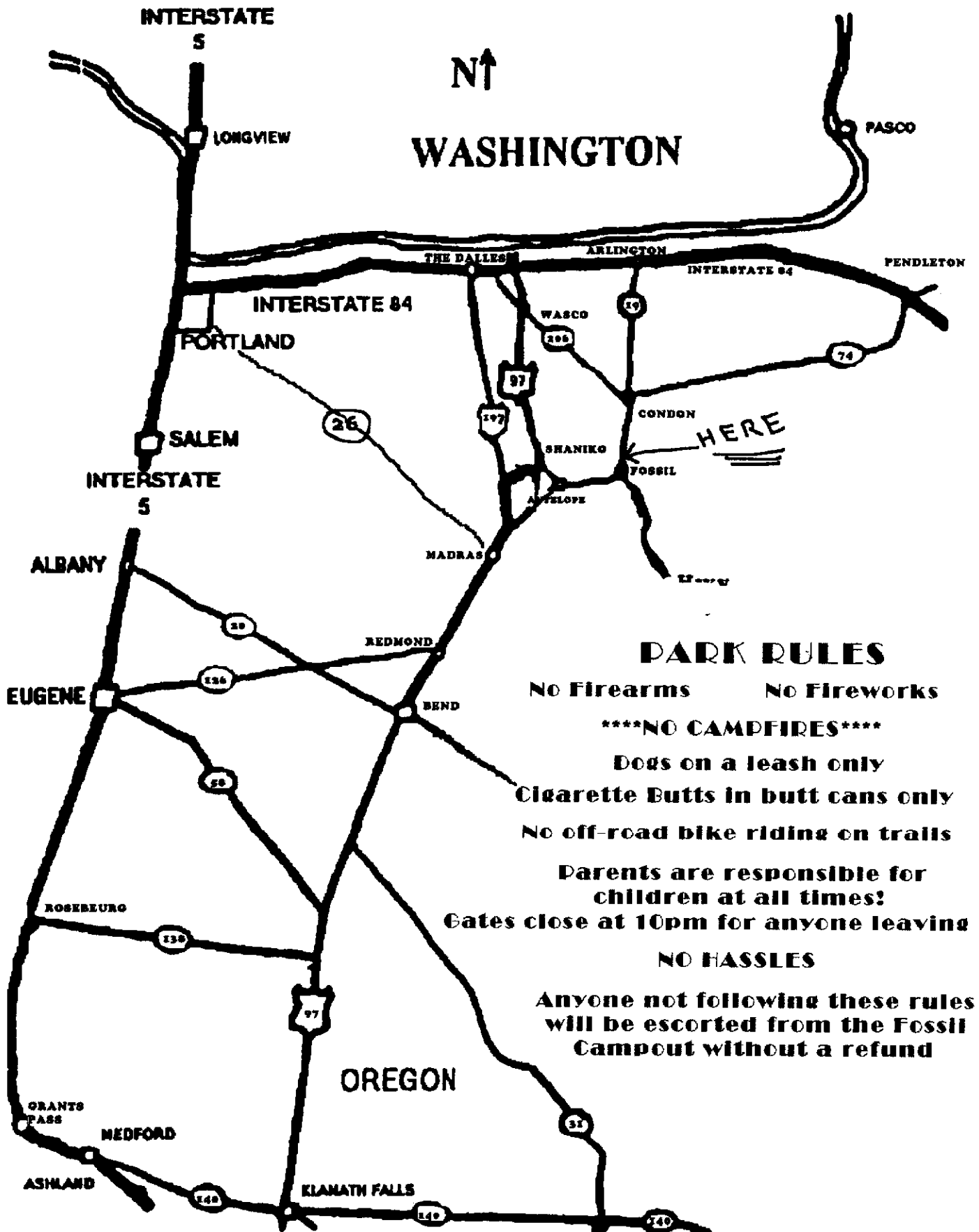
PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR

CHILDREN AT ALL TIMES!!

GATES CLOSE AT 10 pm for anyone leaving
NO HASSLES

Anyone not following these rules will be escorted
from the Fossil Campout without a refund.

Proceeds go to Motorcycle Rights & Education



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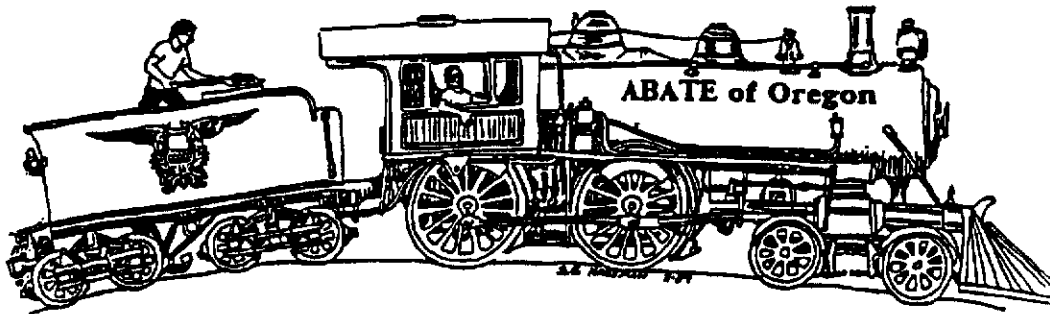
ROAD LIST

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		Hillsboro, Or.
Ted & Jill Tracy	503-640-5766	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	Vancouver, Wa.
Dale & Judy	360-892-1583	X	X	X	X		X	Vancouver, Wa.
Anna & Ron	503-252-5645	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.
Nic & Gigi	503-304-3456	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	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	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, Or.
John Newman	541-573-2076	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		Roseberg
Bob&Jennie	541-673-1282	X	X	X		X		Roseberg
Fast Eddie	541-673-6120	X	X	X		X		Roseberg
Tim&Cindy	541-672-3210	X	X	X		X		Roseberg
Bill	541-440-9307	X	X	X		X		Roseberg
Pat	541-672-9695	X	X	X		X		Roseberg
Gary	541-459-1851		X			X		Roseberg
Bill	541-672-4886			X		X		Roseberg
Tommy&Sally	541-459-9457		X	X		X		Roseberg
Bill&Mary	541-673-8843		X			X		Roseberg
Tom&Sandy	541-479-8635	X	X					Grants Pass
Deby & Gene	541-882-4738	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	541-474-4729	X	X					Wilderville, Or
Jim Wilson	541-878-8341	X	X					Trai/Shady Cove
Phil	509-698-4034	X	X	X	X	X	X	Yakima, Wa.

Seminar To Educate And Motivate S.T.E.A.M.



GETTING ON TRACK.

SATURDAY MARCH 1, 1997
CHEMEKETA COMMUNITY COLLEGE; Salem, Oregon
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Guest speaker on teamwork
New York Myke, Director ABATE of California

Presented as a free service to anyone with a desire
to build teamwork and enhance effectiveness within their organization.

S T E A M Registration

No fee required

Name _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Organization Represented _____
Position(s) Held _____
Phone _____

Mail To: ABATE of Oregon P.O. Box 4504 Portland, Or. 97208

Registration Deadline February 15, 1997

For more Info Call Nic Oliver (503) 394-3456

These workshops are designed to give you the tools you need to become an effective member of ABATE. All workshops are open to anyone, you don't need to be an officer to attend any of the workshops presented. No fee required.

HOLDING SUCCESSFUL MEETINGS

Tips on conducting effective orderly meetings, keeping on track, delegating tasks, planning an agenda, dealing with difficult individuals. How to develop and use the chapter phone tree. (Suggested for anyone that conducts meetings.)

SUCCESSFUL EVENTS

Tips and techniques for having successful events. Ideas for planning a budget, event promotion, flyers, accounting procedures, products, running the gate, security, etc.

PUBLIC RELATIONS / COMMUNICATING

How to's of Public Relations; Press Releases, PSA's, Dealing with the various media, image enhancement. How to communicate without creating enemies, the responsibilities of the listener, Gossip Elimination.

SECRETARIAL TRAINING

Tips on taking notes for meetings, writing the minutes, making corrections, using and keeping a motion log, writing the Chapter Report for the Newsletter, etc.

TREASURER TRAINING

How to use a Chapter Ledger, prepare and submit Chapter Quarterly Reports. Financial policies and procedures for our organization and how it applies to the chapters. What expenditures are proper and what are not. If you are a signer on the chapter checks this is the class for you.

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

This extremely important position represents the chapter at the State Board. This position directs the organization as a member of the Board of Directors. They have control of actions, expenditures and involvement in various projects. Learn how to function within the bylaws and the rules of operation.

UNDERSTANDING OUR '97 LEGISLATION

How to get involved with the political process in your state. What you can do to help as a group, chapter or individual. What are our legislative goals this year. What are our future plans.

OPEN BikePAC ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

What happens at a BikePAC Advisory Board meeting, how is it run, who goes and why? What is BikePAC's function and relationship to ABATE of Oregon.

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

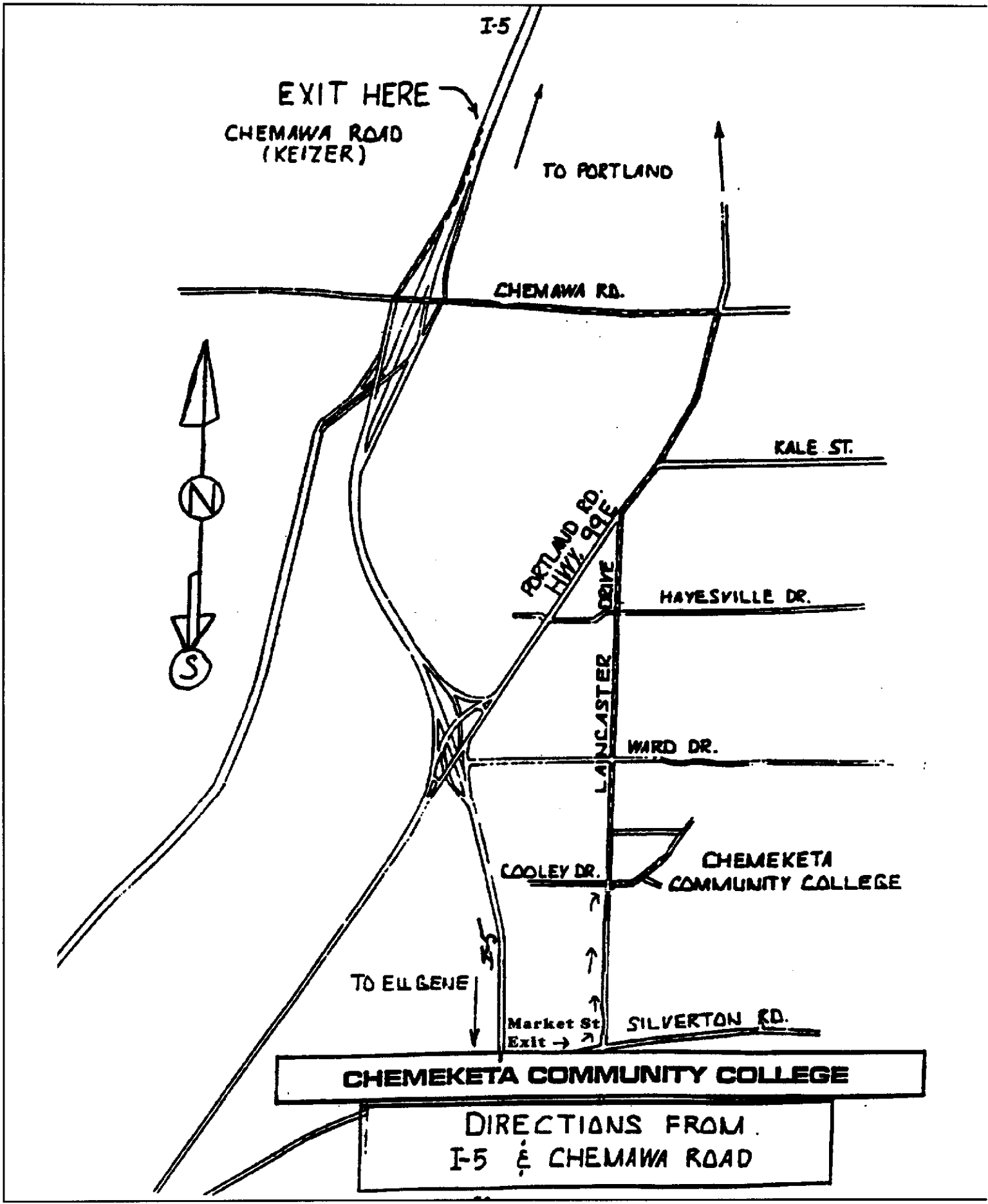
This workshop is for anyone who is interested in presenting the Motorcycle Awareness Program, or for those who wish to learn more about the program.

STEAM '97 MARCH 1st

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

CHEMEKETA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, SALEM, OREGON

For information call Nic. Oliver (503) 394-3456



ATTN: Members

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

Revised: March 1995

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	_____
_____	AEPIS	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	_____

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	1.00	_____
_____	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	_____

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

Shipping Charge= \$3.00 for pins
 \$6.00 for everything else.

PREPAID _____ COD _____

DATE _____

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

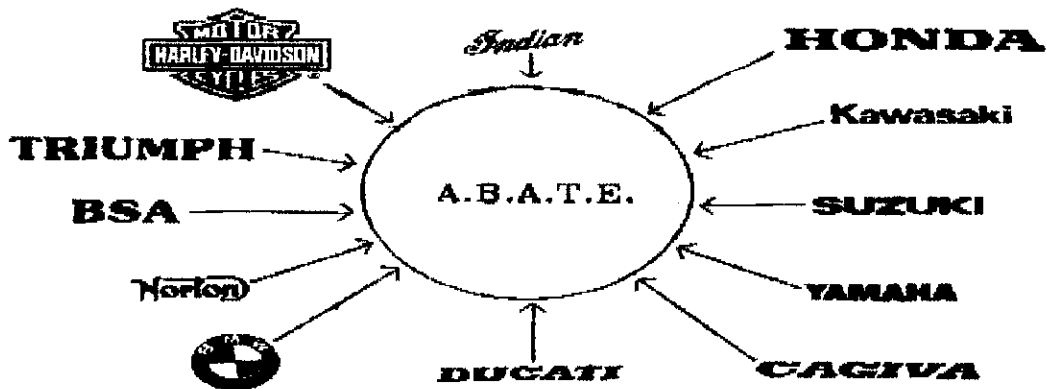
ZIP CODE _____

Please use street address - we ship UPS where ever possible.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER!!



	TOTAL	GAINLOSS	EXPIRED/ TRANSFER	TOTAL
CHAPTER	1/1/97	1/1/97	1/1/97	12/1/96
BLUE MOUNTAIN	45	1	1	44
CENTRAL OREGON	120	-8	8	128
COLUMBIA RIVER	98	5	0	93
DOUGLAS COUNTY	120	-1	2	121
INDIAN CREEK	277	3	5	274
LINCOLN COUNTY	117	3	5	114
NE PORTLAND	156	6	0	150
NORTH COAST	49	0	0	49
SALEM	154	13	1	141
SE PORTLAND	277	1	3	276
SOUTH COAST	71	4	0	67
SOUTHERN OREGON	68	3	4	65
WASHINGTON COUNTY	134	8	1	126
WILLAMETTE VALLEY	8	-1	3	89
TOTAL	1774	37	28	1737



Help Protect Your Motorcycle Rights!

All motorcyclists welcome .

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:
1945 Knuckle chrome springer, hard bags, 1979 1000 cc Sportster motor, Built w/ high pro, New paint, lots of chrome like new
\$8,000.00
Also looking for late 50's early 60's Dou-Glide for project
(503) 585-2057
(2/97)

For Sale:
1983 FLHT Blue/White full tour pack, AM/FM cassette...Strong motor
\$9,000.00
Also Full size Ford truck rear bumper, 3/8 thick steel, trailer brake & light hook up \$75.00
(503) 775-3862
(2/97)

For Sale: 1985 Honda CRX125 Rebel Sport windshield and factory sissy bar immaculate cond. Less than 5,000 miles \$2,000.00
Also
1995 Kwik-Kamp trailer, bell air queen sized bed includes ice chest and extras \$2,500.00
Also
1988 Honda Goldwing lots of goodies including receiver hitch & Tulsa windshield \$7,500.00
All can be seen at 6854 Arborwood Ct. N.E. Keizer, Or (503) 463-5668
(2/97)

FOR SALE:
Easy Rider videos, BRAND NEW Complete set!!!
\$400.00 O.B.O.
ALSO
EASYSRIDER MAGZINE #1-2785
CLEAN AND UNDATED ALSO In the Wind #1-60
CALL WITH BEST OFFER
Gary 541-772-7494
(4/97)

For Sale:
All the stock bagger goodies of a '78 FLH. A full carload. \$600.00 FIRM
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(3-97)

SIZE 52
Mens leather jacket
PRO-TECH MADE IN THE USA
\$175.00 or trade for size 48
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BIKER DAYS 1997

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

February 13 Thursday 9:30am

March 12 Wednesday 9:30am

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 fill out the form and send it off right away. Feel free to make copies of the form and sign up as many people as possible.

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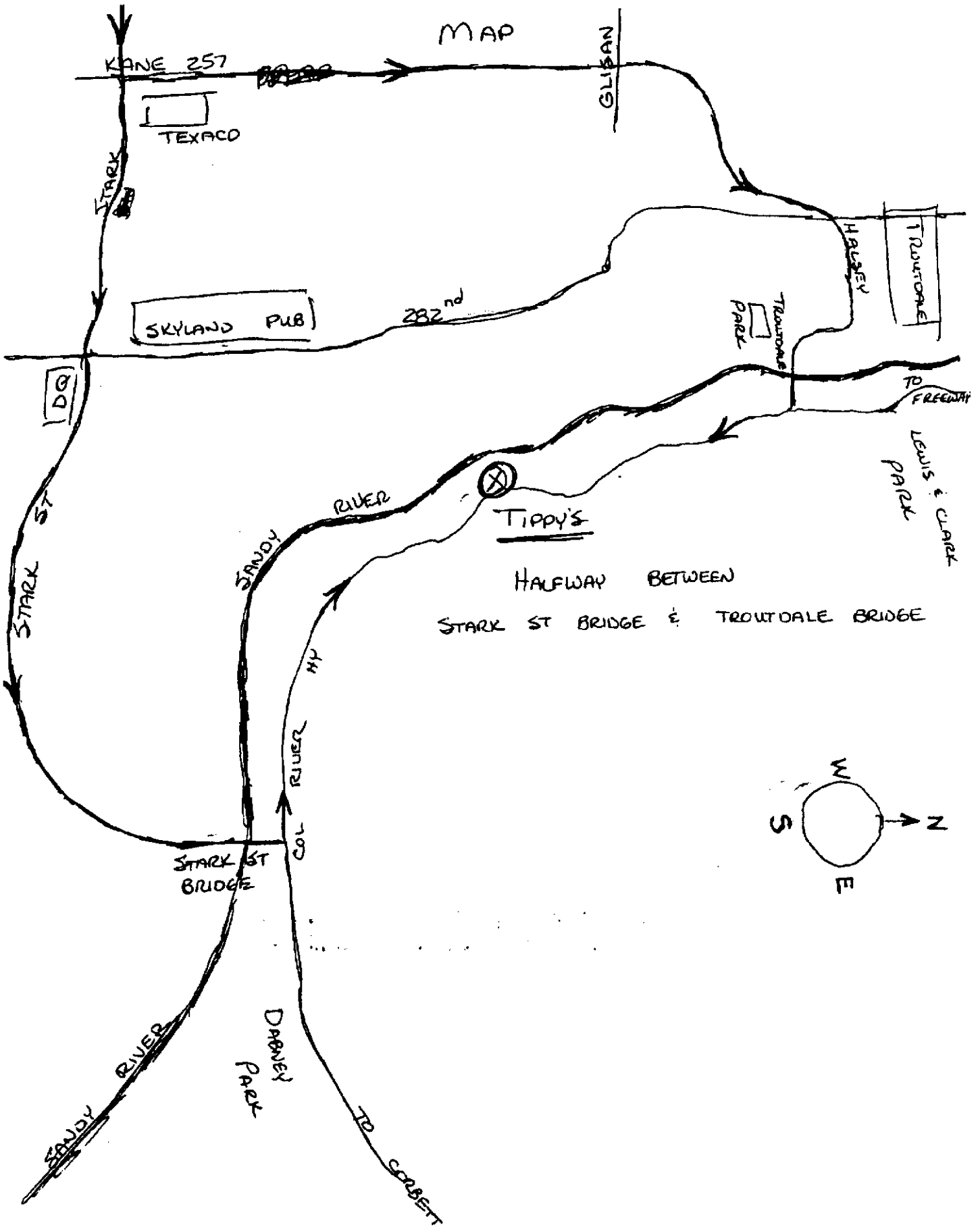
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Assemble Area: North Pentagon Parking Lot 8 am.

Leaving: 12 noon for the ride through Washington, D.C. to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial to pay our respects to our brothers and sisters, and for the accounting of all POW-MIA'S

Reflecting Pool: Speeches and music at the Reflecting Pool. For the return of our POW-MIA's that our government has abandoned!! This is a demonstration for our POW-MIA's. If you love your freedom fight for theirs.

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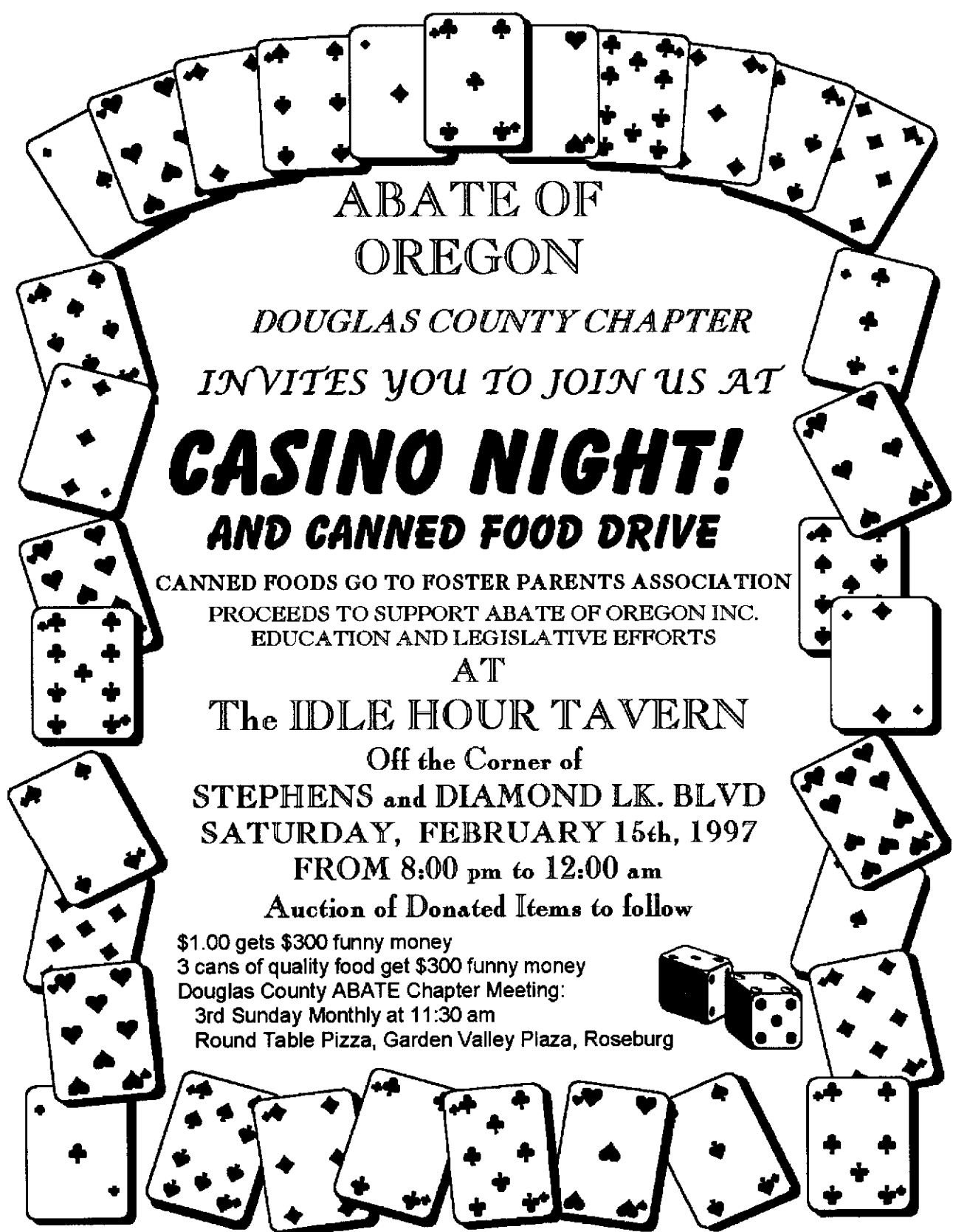
Last year we had 200,000 + riders. Demand a full accounting of those known taken captive! Correct the past and protect future veterans from being left behind. If you care, be there for them POW-MIA. All Veterans organizations and citizens are welcome. If you don't ride be at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at 12 noon.

After the Run "Everyone Please go to the Reflecting Pool"

No Attitudes: Confirmed

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Greasy	606-674-6799 (KY)	Mike	207-787-3900 (ME)	Jake	610-935-1846 (PA)
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Jerry	540-667-5536 (VA)	Garb	314-462-2467 (MO)	Buzz	317-467-9361 (IN)
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Douglas County ABATE Chapter Meeting:
3rd Sunday Monthly at 11:30 am
Round Table Pizza, Garden Valley Plaza, Roseburg

Minutes for State Board meeting

January 11, 1997

Meeting was called to order in Springfield Chamber of Commerce at 12:35 by State Coordinator Larry Schalk. There were 12 chapters attending with 12 eligible to vote. All in attendance introduced themselves and were welcomed by the Coordinator. A moment of silence was observed for two members who recently passed away, Jo Malaro from the Gorge and Big Bill Anderson from Salem Chapter. The reading of the December 14, 1996 minutes was waived by the board of directors.

Coordinator's Comments: Larry announced that in the State Officer meeting preceding this meeting the discussions revolved around the accomplishment in '96 and the objectives of each officer for '97. Larry stressed that it is easy to overlook all the good things that have been happening, in '96 we co-hosted Best of the West, increased our BikePAC fundraising, established a budget and legislative database and created officer guidelines to name a few.

Correspondence: Christmas/well wishes card from Mel Yeager. Thank-you note from MRF for \$2000.00 donation at Meeting of the Minds.

Officer Reports:

Web Page Editor: Bob was not available.

Legislative Director: Brian reminded everyone that the legislature begins on 1/13/97, he reviewed the four bills that BikePAC will be concerned with this year. They are the Helmet law amendment, the State Responsibility Act, the Team Oregon Funding regarding the Motorcycle endorsements, and the Team Oregon funding regarding the Education Fund check-off on the taxes. Brian also reviewed the upcoming biker days and hopes everyone will be attending the first biker day on January 17. It is important for everyone to go to biker days, there will be lobbying packets available at the capitol. Butch, Melinda and others are meeting with an Oregonian reporter on 1/13/97, Darrell has been involved in a photo shoot for the Oregonian for an article on non paid lobbying. Anyone who wants contact cards made can contact Brian for the phone number they are \$18.00 for 500 cards, many chapters have had the biker days printed with a contact person, this has been a successful idea. Brian said the house committee assignments and senate committee assignments appear favorable to our movement, in the same breath reminding everyone that we can't shut our eyes until the governor signs our bills. There has not been enough feed back on where the reps stand non our issues, people are needed to help fill this void. S.E. Portland Chapter donated \$31.00 to BikePAC. More BikePAC members are needed. The trip to Washington D.C. is in the works, February 1st will be the first planning meeting, our representatives will make the trip in March. Another reminder to those who have E-Mail, if you didn't get something from Brian about January 11th than he needs your E-Mail address, please send it to him ASAP.

Education Director: Nic Oliver reported 6 classes for a total of 132 students. This month's Special Mention goes to Mark Watts, Ruth Trombetta and Gary Lechner of Lincoln County Chapter for teaching 4 classes and 76 students in one day. Nic reminds everyone to continue to show that we are committed to safe roads for all motorcyclists and that we are willing to put our efforts where our mouths are. Keep up the good work.

Membership Secretary: Mother gave our membership at 1774 an increase of 37. As reported last month the new chapter officers lists need to be sent to Mother directly, putting them in the newsletter or your chapter minutes isn't going to get them to her. She needs this information as soon as possible. Legislative district information has been turned in by the following chapters, if your chapter isn't listed please get the information to her: Blue Mountain, Douglas County, NE Portland, Salem, SE Portland, South Coast, Southern Oregon, Washington County. A membership number and district is all that is required, this information will really make a big difference in our legislative efforts. It is possible to get this information from the county elections office if the chapters have someone available to make the effort.

Newsletter Editor: Gordon reported that page 2 and page 3 are now different. He needs the chapter contacts updated. A reminder to all that the 10th of each month is still the deadline. Flyers should be in 3 months early so he has time to run them. Ad's are needed from all over the state, he is concerned that it appears Portland is represented better than the rest of the state, please solicit ad's, all the information needed for an ad is on page 2. Please send stories and pictures. Sorry the January Newsletter went out so late, but with no power there is no newsletter.

Products Director: Angie has new bandanas this month. Freedom Run T's are still being sold, the money raised helps support the Fossil lawsuit.

Public Relations: Melinda distributed the fax numbers of all Oregon Media sources to chapter reps. A press release on Biker Day will be issued to radio and TV stations via fax on January 12. If the media sources list is missing someone in your area get the fax

number to Melinda and she will add them to the fax list. Another Cable access show is in the works, the focus will be Biker Days. Events that need public relations need to be worked on months in advance, please get the information to Melinda at least 3-4 months early to effectively promote. Melinda is looking forward to STEAM and encourages PR officers and any member interested in public relations to attend.

State Run Coordinator: Roger said DJ's Swap meet has asked up back on 3/9/97, Fossil flyer and tickets will be at the next board meeting, T-shirt designs are due at the March Board Meeting(camera ready-original work) each chapter will be required to take 2 cans of gas(clean the can first), 2 door prizes and 2 boxes of garbage bags to Fossil.. Bill Foster indicated that chapter should be working on volunteers for security, he will be sending letter shortly. Elizabeth Extrom from SE Portland donated a big US flag to SE who in turn passed it on to the Run Coordinator.

Treasurer: Joy reported balances as of 12/31/96 were: Bulk Mail \$657.74, Checking \$1,184.67, General Savings \$14,729.66, Legal Fund \$1,933.26 for a total of \$18,505.33.

Historian: Ron reported he would like all of the chapter historians to contact him to begin communications. He has not yet collected all of the materials for his office.

Committee Reports

Membership- Mother needs the new membership secretaries to supply a report on the membership ideas that have worked. She is unable to contact membership Secretaries from the chapter until she gets the lists of new officers.

Phone hook-up established with Blue Mountain (since Blue Mountain had members who were volunteering for State offices the hook-up was established even though a State Rep for their chapter was attending the meeting)

Unfinished Business:

State Officer nominations final nominations were: Vice Coordinator East: Howard Butts, Recording Secretary no new nominations Dennis Deaton was not removed from possible candidates, Sergeant-at-Arms East: Walt Dean, Education Director II: Mel Yeager.

Elections of State Board Officers 1997 Since there were no contested positions it was moved to accept the nominations as they were. The positions not yet confirmed due to the person not being available to accept are: Recording Secretary: Dennis Deaton.

Fossil Lawsuit. Larry reported that depositions will be happening soon, things continue to be delayed, this may very well work in our favor.

STEAM: Nic reviewed STEAM, it stands for Seminars to Educate and Motivate, this years STEAM will take place on March 1, 1997 from 9-5 at Chemeketa Community College, our guest speaker will be New York Myke, the Director of ABATE of California. Lunch will be provided by Salem chapter for a small fee. Please bring everyone you know, all officers and members should attend. These classes are free, but we do need a registration form so be know how much food and the class sizes to accommodate. Remember the only place you can get a STEAM pin is by attending STEAM.

New Business:

BikePAC Contract for '97: The BikePAC contract was explained, the board of directors requested it be signed and put into effect, with no objections.

State Inventory of property: A new committee was formed, Chaired by Chris Viera to perform an inventory of all chapter and state property. Property is defined for this inventory as equipment/non-perishable items valued at \$50.00 at purchase. Each chapter needs to return a list of property with serial numbers, purchase dated and original price or value to the next state board meeting. If you have questions please contact Chris.

A Motion from the Floor by James Hale(Central Oregon) to vote on issue of accepting shower concession offer from vendor regarding Fossil. FAILED unanimously.

A Report from Blue Mountain State Rep: The chapter is experiencing some difficulties, help was requested from the board of directors, many good ideas and assistance was offered. Communications appear open as representatives on the phone hook-up and the state rep agreed that with work things can be straightened out. Follow-up by the board of directors will help along with chapter making an effort to get as many people to STEAM as possible.

Announcements were made and meeting was adjourned at 3:55

Next meeting February 8, 1996 in Junction City at Noon.

Minutes submitted by MaryBeth Rayburn-Hieronimus Pro-Temp Secretary.

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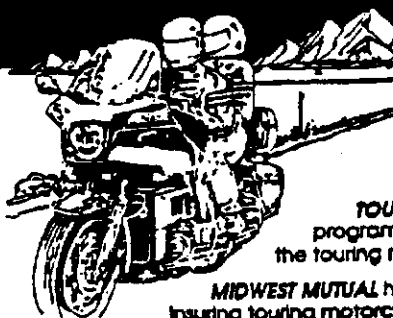
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Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When

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	7:00 pm, SirLoins NE Sandy Blvd @ 80th 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