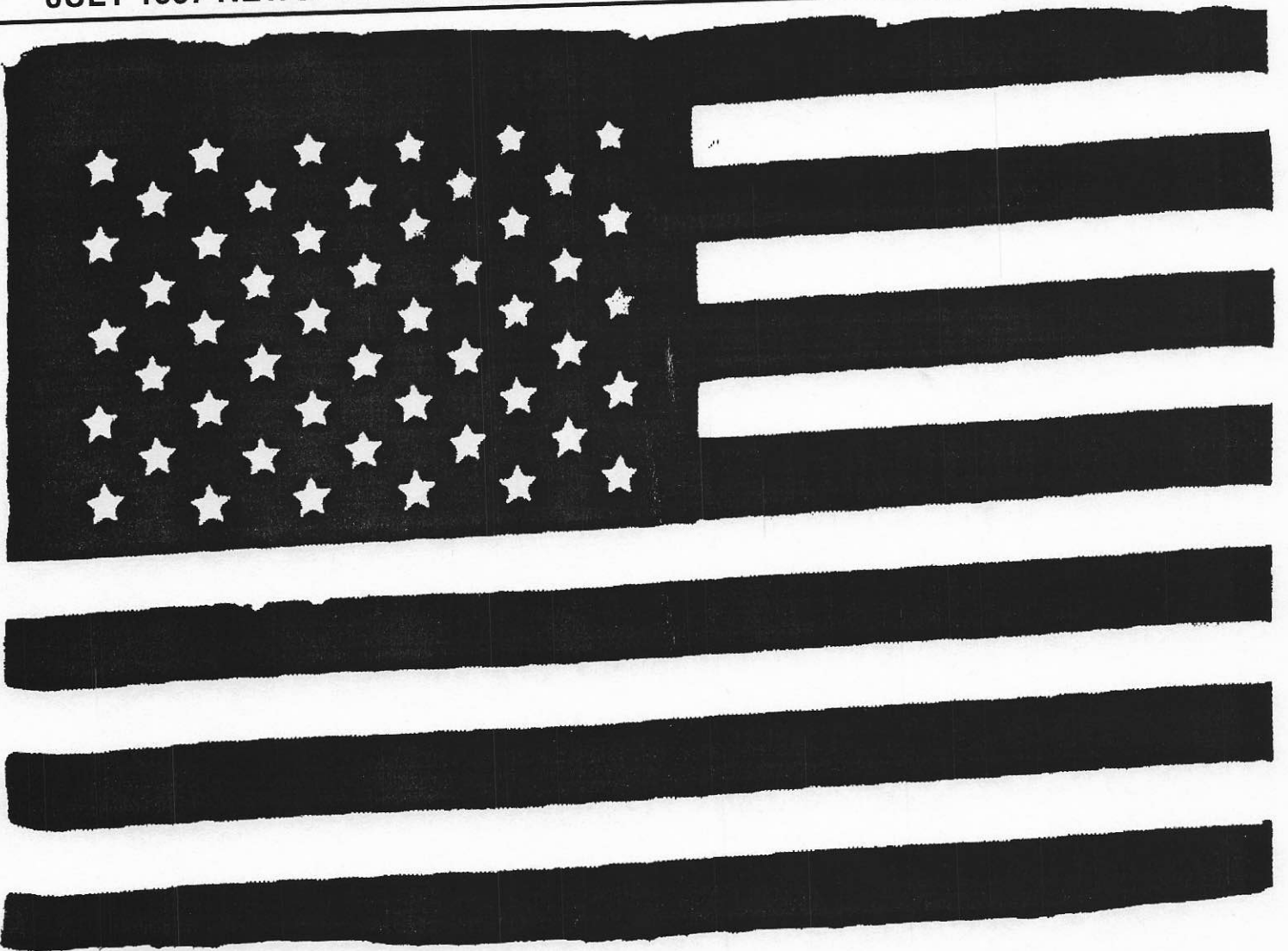


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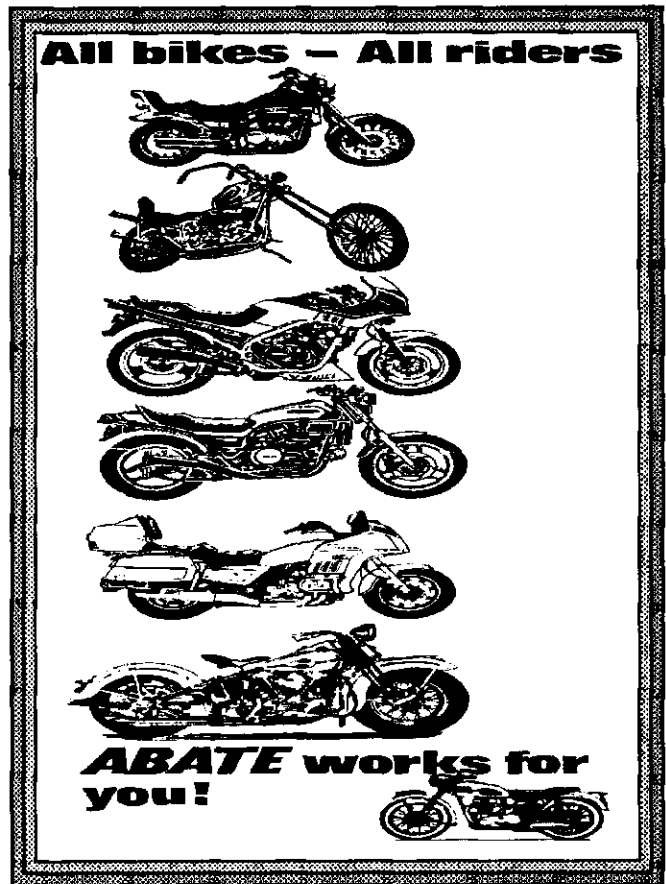
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<http://www.qcsn.com/~abate/>

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, Pizza Perfect, 6815 NE Killingsworth, Portland

4th SUNDAYS

SALEM

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

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS

RIVER CITY

7:30 pm, Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles

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, Chen's Village 108th & N.E. Halsey 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

ABATE OF OREGON

STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 1997

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 by Larry Schalk, Coordinator. 13 chapters in attendance, 1 chapter (Blue Mountain) attended via phone, North Coast was not present. MaryBeth is filling in for Jill, she is graduating this month. Roger is absent, attending important business in Washington. Historian, Education and Sergeant at Arms East remain vacant, all other board officers present. Motion from the floor to pass on the reading of the minutes from last month. Guests in attendance where Jeff, SE Chapter; Frank and Jan Saxton, Washington County; Tom Woodal and Bills new wife Leoda, every one was welcomed

Coordinator's comments: Larry noted that the treasury funds were low last month prior to our big fund-raiser, Fossil. He has also noticed that chapters seem to be spending funds on charities over our goals of motorcycle awareness, education and legislation. It is not wrong to give money to charities, it's a good thing, but please address fundraising activities in your next chapter meeting and keep focused on our organizations goals; keep charities in prospective. Larry noted that refunding members for taking motorcycle education classes, is one example of charity that starts at home.

Correspondence:

- ▶ Letters from AMA concerning New Jersey State police handing out information about loud motorcycles that came from the AMA. This was an unauthorized act.
- ▶ City of Fossil sent a thank you letter for our donation to the Fossil EMT's in the amount of \$500.00. Money was raised by raffling off tickets for a jacket donated by Columbia motorcycle in Vancouver Washington.

OFFICER REPORTS

Officers reports were not in order this month to allow Blue Mountain to hear the legislative report.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Numbers are up considerably this month 12 away from our goal. Total membership is 1988, a new high, thank you all. Angie got lots of new members at Fossil.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: The June newsletter got Fossilized and went in the mail late. Next months newsletter will contain a flyer for a non-attendance rally, last year one of our chapters won largest chapter outside of the area. Since we now hold the record we may want to get other chapters involved, the rally is in New Zealand. Gordon would like stories, good and bad about any run, how about Fossil? Articles that are submitted, such as the Astoria story are printed because they are submitted, please submit something if you have another view. Gordon apologized for not getting Lincoln County chapter report, he has no idea what's happening but it has happened more than once to LC and he is working with them. Gordon thinks he has meet his goal of ad money for the year, but keep the ads coming. Classified ads and articles need to be in by the 10th of the month prior to publication.

PRODUCTS DIRECTOR: No products this month at the meeting, Roger locked all the products in the horse trailer. Angie has tickets for the Labor Day Run and Freedom Fighter patches. She will be collecting for a 50/50.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Melinda reports that it's spring, she got a bike and a boyfriend and has been absent from her duties. She did write a press release for South Coast. South Coast updated their area contact. She sees her activities this month as dismal, but it should be getting better.

EDUCATION DIRECTOR: Please see Education report in June Newsletter, highlights were: Mel is getting boxes of records in order that Nic turned over to him, Nic kept good records, there are just a lot of them. A total of 255 students were taught the Motorcycle Awareness class (MAP). Nic Oliver was never certified to be a MAP certified instructor, (can you believe it) Mel presented Nic with a certificate of appreciation and noted him as a certified instructor. Melinda will send a press release to potential MAP recipients that Nic has retired and Mel is taking his place. There was a brief review of when the MAP program began (92) and the history of the program: in the beginning we needed some type of education for the public on who we are and why we look the way we do when we ride. Decision was no one else would tell kids and other drivers to be aware of us and that is how the program was developed and fine tuned. Now there are 19 other states are using it. Brian added that Team Oregon is a separate entity, they have a fee and their goal is to train riders to be safer. The MAP program is free and its goal is awareness of motorcycle riders. There have been reports that Team Oregon won't allow bennies to be worn for the courses, Mel will be addressing this with Steve Garrets of Team Oregon.

STATE RUN COORDINATOR: Angie read a report form Roger- Fossil had 1950 attendees, the most ever. Thank you to all who helped. He is working on next years Fossil and will need the input from the think tank after the next board meeting. Labor day run advance ticket dead is August Board meeting, the T-shirt design is due at the July board meeting. Don't forget each chapter needs 2- 5 gallon cans of gas, with gas, garbage bags and 2-door prizes. A chapter needs to do the games, bike show and trophies. Lincoln County volunteered to do all the games, shows and trophies, but they will expect help from all chapters at the run. Chris thanked all who helped on the gate and security, but we still have man power issues and need to find ways to get more involved, get ideas and help to come with the ideas to the next board meeting. Bill Foster thanked all who helped, he thinks the biggest security issue is with underage drinkers, it's not hard to check id, everyone could help. He asked all chapter to please get ready for the Labor Day Run, try to get more people involved so it will be easier on everyone.

Phone hook up with Blue Mountain

Legislative Director: Brian gave a quick recap on the events in the last month in the order they occurred:

- Chris Vieira led a knockout assault on the Democratic Party
- HB2453 passed committee and went to Senate floor and signed by the Governor on June 10
- Mae Yih vote recovered
- Sen Baker attempts to kill HB2454 with PIP amendment
- HB2454 passes committee
- strategy meeting held at fossil run- resolved to push as far as possible (40 people in attendance),
- Senate and House rules closely examined
- delays
- Senate passed HB2454 with PIP amendment, House votes nonconcurrency and refers HB2454 to conference committee
- **CURRENT STATUS:** conference committee is in the process of being set and should be operable early next week. It looks like we will have a favorable committee to work with, our best supporters are poised and ready to proceed according to our wishes. PIP was obviously added to make us dislike our own bill enough to kill it. Butch and Brian met with insurance lobbyist and have worked with others, including meeting at Fossil. In the end it looks like we have 4 options:
 1. go with PIP,
 2. strip the PIP and go with the House version,
 3. amend to expand auto PIP coverage,
 4. something no one has come up with yet.

All of these options were discussed at length. Bob who has 16 year of insurance experience in another state explained PIP. Showing we already have insurance was discussed. Brians Senator who in opposition to us told Brian we are the best example of any group that comes to the legislature and used the process with integrity and common sense, well written legislation and don't deserve dirty politics, worked long and hard following the rules and deserve right to be careful examined.

MOTION: That ABATE of Oregon pass a resolution in support of BikePACs decision regarding HB2454. Passed with 13 for.

- A survey of all present indicates the group as a whole would prefer option 2 at this time (strip the PIP amendment and go with the House version.)
- Brian announced that there will be a town hall meeting with both Senator Wyden and Smith, we should attend 1pm Westminster Presbyterian church 1624 NE Hancock in Portland.
- BikePAC is short on money and would appreciate any fund-raisers, Milo contributed \$500.00 and Jeff-SE Chapter donated \$150.00, any amount would help.
- The MRF has recently laid off one employee, Carol Simpson and is in need of funds also.
- A can was passed for BikePAC and \$169.00 was raised at the board meeting.
- Please be ready for action and remember there is no substitute for seeing you legislator face to face.

Blue Mountain off phone

TREASURER: Joy wanted to clarify, she is going to quit being the treasurer at the end of this term, she will not continue on, we have to find someone else, she would suggest two people. She will not reconsider, there is no way she will continue, she is done.....any questions? Everyone clear on that point, please take the information to your chapters that a treasurer is needed and anyone interested should get ready and get some training from Joy before she is gone Balances as of 5/31/97 are \$543.24 in the Bulk mail account, \$13,953.28 in Checking, \$21,257.30 in General Savings, and \$1,531.91 in the Legal Account, for a grand total of \$37,285.73. All chapters have the first quarter reports in, the next reports are due in July.. Fossil expenses were only up \$300.00 over last year and the most money ever made was this year. Total attendance 1950, 1020 non members, 930 members, the income after expense for Fossil was \$26,135.47. Roger does a great job.

HISTORIAN: Position open, no report. Angie has all the historian stuff at her house.

WEB PAGE EDITOR: Thanks go the Joe Johansen and the kind folks at QCSN things are rolling right along. Hit a snag with the logo and complaints that it was a copy write design. After discussing Teresa can show that it is in the public domain, Gordon indicated that a tattooist in Portland did the specific design on the eagle and gave permission for us to use it, after some discussion it was decided to put the eagle back on the web. Still need stories, photos, run information anything that is interesting. Melinda or Bob will type if you have the information. We do not have a domain yet. Some discussion about photos, summed up >if you are in a public place it' s public, if your in a private place it' s private. If someone wants a photo of them removed and they notify us we will remove the photo. The temporary address is <http://www.qcsn.com/~abate/>. If you have something to submit, please do so in electronic form, either on disk on a DOS/windows format or by e-mail. If you aren't on-line, let Bob know and he can hook you up with someone willing to do the typing for you. Also, we are working on having the best run list in the NW. We will include a brief description of your chapter events, if you send it to us with the dates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP: no report

PROPERTY INVENTORY: chapters that have submitted property lists so far are SE & NE Portland, Southern Oregon, Membership secretary, Douglas County, South Coast, Washington County, Lincoln County, and Willamette Valley. Chris needs every chapter and state officer to submit a list, even if it says "Nothing". Please get this to him ASAP. If you told Chris at Fossil or on the phone, please send it in writing to the Board.

MEMBERSHIP HANDBOOK: Almost finished, wanted to bring copy, forgot, no report.

Phone hook up with Blue Mountain again

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **STATE OFFICER NOMINATIONS:** Historian: no nominations, need to let chapters know we need this position filled. Nancy Booker will fill position protemp, all the historian supplies and property are at Angies. Sergeant at Arms, East: Jay Hadely is still a volunteer, Scott-river city is interested and Larry will speak with him. Education Director #2 Todd Plaster- SE chapter volunteers, election held next month. Will continue to accept nominations until next Board Meeting.
2. **NCOM Meeting:** Larry attended and brang back the following highlights, NCOM has reorganized the board of directors, Lester provides grants for activities, they have separated AIM/Lester/NCOM, Senator Dave Zein WI gave a message of unity, public speaking handout sent back to all chapters, Craig Heal a British motorcyclist coalition member -gave handout about alternative transportation- this is good for us to remember to talk about. Regional breakouts, neat pamphlet 'don' t forget bikers' on the outside with picture of bikers, inside 'are voters too' dressed as occupation, NHSTA publications on net. Larry thought that the topic of public speaking would be nice to have at STEAM, the attendees agreed. In Larry' s opinion we are doing a great job, especially compared with some other state in the same situation we are. Gordon added and passed out AIM business card information about discrimination.
3. **Board of Directors Meeting:** Mother made a packet that was given to each chapter, included in the packet were the highlights of the meeting. Major points were that the board is responsible for the actions of our organization, she included a list of the things each rep is responsible for. She pointed out that the minutes should be centralized and the rules of operation and mission statements need to be current and correct. Overall we are doing most of the things that are required in Oregon and it wouldn' t take much to make sure that we were completely in compliance. Larry reminded everyone that the board of directors is the governing body, state officers do not have a vote in how things go, only the chapter reps. It would be a good idea for all to look at this information, ask your rep to look at the packet.
4. **Meeting of the Minds:** Brian and Larry are attending and the board is paying their expenses. Melinda bowed out of MOTM in favor of DC in Feb or March. Teressa, Ken and Mel agreed to all go and the board will pay 2/3 of each. Larry and Brian will be riding elimination the need for airfare. Jill will be attending with Washington County paying 1/2 and the state paying 1/2 .The board is paying for 4 1/2 people to attend, 6 will be going. This was authorized with a show of hands.
5. **FOSSIL LAWSUIT:** State of Oregon has paid \$30,000.00 plus, to ABATE of Oregon to reimburse for court costs and attorney fees, the attorney has been paid. We have the declamatory judgment from the court. A big thank you to Spencer "Spike" Neal for all his work.
6. **MOTION:** To purchase 1000 business cards with the Fossil lawsuit declamatory judgment on them and also identify ABATE of OR as the source of the information. Passed 12 for.
7. Bruce from Blue Mountain mentioned that with documentation from Spike he has gone to the local law and requested a notice to be sent to law enforcement officers.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Gordon requested better equipment to use for putting the newsletter together. He will research the cost and get suggestions to present to the board.
2. **MOTION:** South Coast Chapter requests a loan from the State in the sum of \$610.00 to cover the cost of T-shirt's for the Coos River Run. The loan will be paid back immediately following the run. Passed 12 for, 1 against.
3. **MOTION:** That ABATE of Oregon make its 1997 annual donation to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation in July 1997 instead of September; and at the 1997 Meeting of the Minds make a pledge for 1998, to be paid in July of 1998. Passed 12 for.
4. **Bill challenged all chapters to be sustaining members of the MRF.**
5. Mel would like everyone to make note that the address in the newsletter classified for the education reports should read 38 not 24.
6. Larry announced that there will be a think tank for the state runs/events. This is a time for anyone who has suggestions for the gate, security, money handling, games, trash, set-up, tear-down cigarette butts or any other aspect of the events be present to present these and other problems and/or solutions. The idea is to get these things worked out. If you cannot attend, share your idea with someone else and have them attend, you must attend to discuss these ideas and be able to get them worked out. This is the time to make comments and suggestions that will make an impact, bodies are needed for discussion, everyone is invited, please come and help.
7. Bob would like to get an additional donation slot put on the membership renewal slip. Mother noted the idea.
8. **MOTION:** ABATE of Oregon will join with BikePAC of Oregon in officially communicating by letter to all known SMRO's to solicit monetary support of the MRF. Passed 13 for.
9. **MOTION:** ABATE of Oregon make annual donation to the MRF (\$2500.00) with an additional kicker amount to go to chapters for discussion. Raising the contribution to equal \$2.00 per member; additional kicker amount of \$1500.00). Passed 13 for.
10. Brian announced he won't be on the Board of Director for the MRF anymore, he gave the following synopses of the MRF. 1 person laid off, MRF is seeking other funding via products, individual memberships and re-organization, payroll is in jeopardy -this has been temporarily resolved with a \$5000.00 loan from the MRF president, the have received enough money for 2-3 pay cycles.

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm.

Next State Board meeting July 12th, in Junction City at Noon

Minutes submitted by MaryBeth, Pro-Temp State Recording Secretary.

CHAPTER REPORTS

Blue Mountain

Meets 1st Sunday, 1:00 pm

East Side Tavern Restaurant 2209 Adams Ave., LaGrande
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 242 LaGrande, Or. 97850
Chapter Contact: Howard Butts (541)-534-5411

Hello from the Blue Mountains!

The first thing to mention is that the meeting date has changed to the 1st Sunday of the month and we hope that will get our reports to the proper authorities in a more timely manner. Currently we are two months behind or is it three? We like to take our time this side of the state but that is a bit slow even for us!

The next thing is the elections; by acclamation, the newly elected officers are the ones who were elected back in March. We really want to work with the members and make the chapter one of the best in the state.

Jay Hadley, run coordinator, is willing to set up a run to just about anywhere the chapter wants to go. He would like to hear anyone's suggestions and is planning a run about once a month currently. In July, it was suggested that the chapter attend the Wallowa Band Nez Perce Friendship Feast & PowWow on Sunday, July 20. The Friendship Feast is a big community Potluck with the tribe providing fish and game to eat.

Pats on the backs of the people who worked to hard to get the helmet bill passed in the state senate. I know there is still some work to do but it will get better, I hope.

One last note~ Welcome back River City Chapter; we hope to have some combined runs up and down the I-84 corridor. It's good to see the old spirit coming back to the organization!

Ride safe,
Diane Walker,
Secretary

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

AND it was a grand wedding! After the June 8 Chapter meeting we all had the wonderful experience of witnessing Angela and James Hale get married, again (as their cake said, "Try and try again!") With about 30 people on hand the bride walked down an isle made of Harley Davidsons. The service was short and sweet then on to eating, drinking, and being just plain merry! We wish Angela and James all the happiness in the world. Keep the sun on your faces, the wind in your hair, and love in your hearts!

It was also very nice to renew a friendship with Keith. It's good to know you are back in town and ready to work on bikes! You can find Keith at WildWinds Harley's Only 541-383-0709.

With HB2454 (PIP included) passing the Senate I can't stress enough that we all need to write letters, call and/or e-mail our legislators and representatives. A visit to the Capitol would be great also. Thanking these folks is very important. Expressing your opinion is very important. Being a part of the solution is also very important. If you have ten minuets this effort will pay off for a long time. We can't stop now!

Although the weather at Fossil wasn't great I know a good time was had by all. There is some concern about the location of the beer garden. Perhaps an issue to be raised at the State level.

STAY FREE and until next time I'm gone ridin',
Rebecca

Columbia River

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

Pizza Perfect 6815 N.E. Killingsworth, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211
Chapter Contact: Angie, (503)-285-4329

ELECTRONICALLY LOST IN THE SHUFFLE.

What to say to someone who wants to drink and drive.

1. Don't give me an excuse,
give me your keys.
2. Don't sleep at the wheel,
sleep on my couch.
3. Don't take a chance,
take a cab.
4. Don't drive,
I'll drive you home.

If all else fails, say "no."

**If you drink too much and drive,
the least you'll lose is your license.
Guaranteed.**

Oregon Traffic Safety Commission

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**YOUR DEADLINE IS THE
10th OF EACH MONTH!!!**

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

Hello from Douglas County!

The 20th annual Fossil Run will be history is now history and it was as memorable as always. It got pretty exciting at the gate this year when a sudden downpour on Friday night turned the access road to a mud bog challenge. A few hours of no rain, and it was passable again. Thanks to John Linson for using his truck to yard people out of the mud. A special thanks also to all of those who helped out so much and made Fossil possible. Any and all help is appreciated at an event that size, so be sure and sign up at the next Fossil Run.

Things are going well here in Douglas County, by the time you read this our Oakland Tavern Casino Night will be over and we will be concentrating on The Stump Lake Run. Come on down folks, there is lots of highway with lots of water falls nearby. Crater Lake National Park is an easy 40 miles from the run site. Bring your kids, this will be a family event.

That's about it. The fight is still not over in Congress. Keep up the pressure!

Ride safe,
Ride free and
RIDE OFTEN!
Kim Vieira,
Douglas County

Lincoln County

Meets 1st & 3rd Friday, 7:30 pm
Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 665, Newport, OR 97365
Chapter Contact: Vicki Lechner, (541)563-3520

Hi,

Summer has come, and the riding weather is great. Lincoln County is preparing for Beavercreek, doing the regular things like Highway Cleanup, monthly rides, hosting a last stop of Poker Run, and other good things.

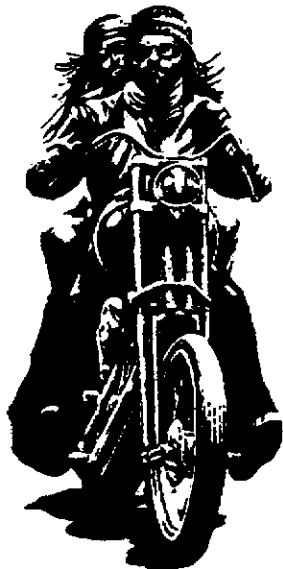
Our Beavercreek Run is scheduled for August 8, 9, and 10th...yep, a official 3 dayer. We are remodeling our kitchen and Ways & Means, and have lots of new supprises for all that attend...it is a great run, with a great ride any way you come.

Put it on your calendar, come and enjoy.

It is so good to see that all the efforts of everyone helping at the Capitol is paying off. Many of this chapter have spent hours, days, months, lobbying. Good Job, Guys.

We're looking forward to the 4th Fireworks over the ocean, such a beautiful site.

Till next time,
Kandi



North Coast

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00pm
Astoria Eagle, 894 Commercial, Astoria
Children are Welcome
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 468, Seaside, Or 97138
Chapter Contact: Jeff G. (Panhead)(503) 861-1703

NO REPORT, FIRST TIME.

N.E Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 pm
Chen's Village 10th & N.E. Halsey Blvd
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 5792, Portland, OR 97228
Chapter Contact: Randy Phipps (503)284-1486

Hi everyone,

Wasn't Fossil awesome?! Excellent music, Great attendance, etc, etc. The only exception might be the weather - but hey it could have been worse. There were a few fellow member's that shall we say "had toooo much fun" Our chapter has a "camp turd" award. At the last meeting (6-4) the nominees were: Lori "Speedbump" DeBray, Steve Bailey, and Ruben Conez. Please attend the next meeting and help in passing on this prestigious award! I couldn't help but notice the lack of participation, for security from a lot of you ABATE members. It's sad that a few people have to do all the work so we can continue to have our spring opener at Fossil. Thanks in particular to Bob Earl and of course Rotten Roger.

Here's another reason to come to our next meeting - our chapter is putting together a Team Oregon Beginner Rider's Course. We need 12 and last count have 8. I hear it's a great class and our chapter reimburses 1/2 the cost if you are a current member. You also must successffilly pass the coarse.

Summer Run is sneaking right up on us! Just like Fossil - we will need plenty of security. Anyone interested please call Marty 503-835-9863, or just attend the next NE chapter meeting. The location is prime and the weather is guaranteed! (I hope)

Well heck here's my 10 second lecture - our chapter would love to see the participation we've had in the past. Get on your scooter (or in your car) and check us out. We need your input!

Later,
Jen

River City

Meets 1st. & 3rd. Tuesdays, 7:30 PM
ZIM'S BRAU HAUS, 604 E. 2nd. St., The Dalles
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1103, The Dalles, OR 97058
Chapter Contact: Kevin, Membership Secy. [541] 352-7471

WE DID IT!

We got our s***t together, had our election of officers, did the "Bring the Charter Home" Run, and then of all things decided to have a hot dog concession at Fossil... not to bad from a go date of April 22nd.

The officers are as follows:

Coordinator	KEN "Bear" CURTISS
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The Charter Run has been termed "memorable" by everyone that rode or drove to Junction City.

Fossil ... well what can we say, it's Fossil! Thanks to everyone from every Chapter that stopped to buy a hot dog! Running the concession required 16 members each day, and a whirlwind effort to get supplies & equipment.

We have voted to go on a ride every Sunday, leaving from ZIMS at 11:00 AM to go . There are miles and miles of beautiful scenic roads in Oregon & Washington to ride in our area. Anyone from any Chapter is welcome to join us!

Our first Sunday ride was June 7th. Members on seven bikes from ages under 21 to 76 year old "Uncle Fred" Anderson enjoyed warm sunny weather, long winding roads, and a visit from the old Steam Engine pulling up in Wishram, Washington.

From the River City Officers, a great big thank you to S.E. Portland Chapter for your help & support during our formation and Fossil. Attending your meeting was a tremendous learning experience for us.

Submitted by Secretary,
Patricia F. Combs, CSA

RIVER CITY QUOTE OF THE MONTH:
"If we can't say s***, can we stir some s***?"
Bear

Salem

Meets 4th Sunday, 1:00 pm

Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE

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

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 13957, Salem, OR 97309

Chapter Contact: Vern Miller (503) 390-7906

Happy Birthday United States,

Lot of folks from the older countries didn't think we'd survive this long, but we have. We're still considered to be a comparatively young kid on the block by some of 'em. Let's see how much longer we can keep thumbing our noses at the nay-sayers.

What we're all doin' here in ABATE and BikePAC goes a long way towards preserving or recapturing the rights and ideals the founders of this country had in mind when they crafted the Declaration of Independence and our Constitution. We're the new Minutemen and women. But instead of hidin' behind trees and pickin' off redcoats, we're out in the open takin' on those who think freedom is a cliché.

Rot Path is damn proud of each and every one of us. Turning to another topic, Rot Path has just one word for y'all: foxcreek. Foxcreek! >>> FOXCREEK!!! <<<

Yep, it's coming up sooner than ya think. At the end of this month in fact. So keep that last weekend in July clear as clear as a summer sky and head up above Detroit to soak up the sun and fun.

That last Biker Day at the capitol on 19 May was pretty impressive. Had 69(nudge, nudge) fine folks signed in, but it sure looked like a lot more than that. Had forty bikes parked where ten cages would waste space.

The day before we held a chapter meetin' and even Rot Path

remembered to attend. We was glad to see Jim Russell back among us. He even brought along two guests, one of whom may have indirectly helped get HB2454 out of that Senate committee.

By the time this rag flops through yer letter slot, Rot Path and several others will be ridin' in the Independence Fourth of July parade, showing that motorcyclists is part of the community too. Anytime any of us can get our scoots involved in civic projects, it helps dispell all them Hollywood stereotypes that's bein' foisted off on the general public.

And it's fun.

By the way, all ya riders out there who are buddin' webheads, lay off the ABATE and BikePAC mailin' lists for yer personal exchanges. Them addresses is fer official notification of legislative action and business, not fer publicly airing yer private feuds.

And we don't need everything sent to us twice. (Hint, hint.)

Don't know about the rest of ya, but Rot Path never downloads binary files unless they've been requested. So don't bother sendin' 'em 'cause they're just gonna get deleted.

That's enough complainin' and writin'. Time fer some ridin'.

Enjoy these lazy hazy summer days, folks.

Rot Path

P.S. Here's a little tip fer y'all who stuck it out this far. Ya ever ride up to a light where it failed to realize ya was there?

Rot Path talked to some highway engineer types and found out that where yer scoot is positioned on the detection loop or diamond can affect if the system "sees" ya.

What ya gotta do is keep yer bike to the left or right of center. If ya stop dead center, a lot of times the magnetic field won't sense the cycle and you'll be sittin' there coolin' yer heals while yer temper gage heads fer the red.

If that don't work and ya find a light that consistently ignores yer scoot, contact whoever is responsible fer the light (city, county, or state) and ask 'em to adjust it.

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

Greetings,

Our June meetin was a productive one, we put our finishing touches on our run which will have occurred by the time this newsletter gets printed. I would like to take time to thank Lincoln County for publishing our run in their newsletter as well as the State Chapter for letting us borrow needed items, answering many questions and publishing in our run in the newsletter and on the net. Also, I want to again thank everyone who participated and helped us bring it all together, without all of you, it couldn't have been possible.

After our meeting, 8 of us went on a poker run. We stopped first at SWOCC to see the moving Memorial Wall which was in town for a short time. Then we went to several beaches to draw cards. Jeff won high hand and I won low hand. It was a beautiful day for a ride, and a great day to go to the beach.

The weather certainly has been great and with all the runs, it's been a very busy time. I hope to see everyone at the upcoming Labor Day Run, I know my son has been looking forward to it all year as he had a great time last year as did the rest of us from Coos Bay that went.

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Due to the Rhododendron Festival we didn't have our May meeting. However, several of our chapter members did attend the festival and had a great time. Our weather couldn't have been any better, so I guess the old cliché of good things come to those who wait is true. However, the weekend that Fossil rolled around the weather took a turn on us. 12 of our chapters members made the nine hour ride over there, yes, rain, sleet, snow or hail could keep us from going. That's just a sample of what some of us rode through just to get there. We had a festive time and yes, we got Fossilized.

We still continue to have our first Sunday of the month ride/poker runs, and our road captain, Jeff, won both the low and high hand for our June ride. We welcome any and all to join our rides.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that helped us on the Coos River Run. Without your help, it couldn't have been possible. Thanks!!

Enjoy the summer runs, and watch out for the other guy.

Ride Safe!
Charlie Hill

Southern Oregon

Meets 3rd Sunday, Noon

Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 2031 Grants Pass, Or 97626

Chapter Contact: Jim Broman (541)-479-6111

Tom Orsini (541)-479-8635

Greetings from Southern Oregon

Just a short note for a fairly quiet month so far as our Chapter goes. The 27th-29th of June, the Southern Oregon Chapter provided security for the 3rd Annual Iron Horse Rodeo. This event is sponsored by the local Harley Owner's Group. Currently this is the largest event in the southern part of the state drawing between 900 and 1200 participants. If we didn't see you at Iron Horse, do your best to be at the Chiloquin run over Labor Day Weekend.

July 12th, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, the Southern Oregon Chapter is putting on a Motorcycle Show at the Grants Pass Shopping Center. We have six categories, with first and second place trophies for each, and it won't cost you anything to participate in the show. The show is sponsored by the Grants Pass Shopping Center Merchant's Association and is for ALL Motorcycles. If you're going to be in the southern part of the state, join us and show off your ride.

If you need more information, call me at (541) 479-8635.

Ride Safe
Tom



S.E. Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12 Noon

The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland

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Hello,

The helmet amendment HB2454 passed the senate, everyone needs to write thank you letters to you senators.

Fossil was raining part of the time, unfortunately the day and a half I was there, I had to leave early because my father had died. I would like to thank all the members in my chapter that gave me support and helped me keep my mind off of it. Vic (chapter chaplain) has always said he was available for anyone in need, well he's been there for me more times than I can remember and he's wonderful person to have on your side.

S.E. Chapter will soon have our own Web Page, so if you have anything for the Web Page let Joe or Melinda know about it.

I haven't scheduled a meeting for the Portland Chapters Family Picnic 97 yet, but we will be at Eagle Fern Park again this year and it will be on the 27th of September. This year will be even better than years before, things always get better with age.

For the gardening tip this month I'm going to talk about planting another garden crop. You do know you can plant vegetables all summer long and into the winter. With a winter crop you have to mulch heavily or do what whatever you can to keep the vegetables warm.

ENJOY
DEBBIE

Washington County

Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8:00 pm

Pizza Hut, 3190 N.W. 185th, Portland

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Bill the Bricklayer (503) 640-9543

If you weren't there, you missed a great time! So, you ask yourself, what in the world is Jill talking about? Fossil, of course! Okay, so the weather wasn't the most cooperative, but, this IS Oregon, what do you expect? The Paul Delay Band was great, and I heard nothing but good about the second band (sorry I missed them). There was a good-sized group representing Wa.Co. I want to thank everyone who did attend, and a special thanks to those who helped at the Gate and with Security, (You know who you are). Wa.Co. also was well represented at the Bike Games and Show, and I hear there were some ribbons and trophies brought home! Congratulations! If you weren't there, better plan to reserve Memorial Day Weekend next year. The next State Run is to Chiloquin, over Labor Day weekend. Several of the Wa.Co. members attended last year and enjoyed themselves.

HB 2454 is still alive and moving forward...although with a few additions we really didn't want. I went to the last Biker Day, and saw the same group of people who attend nearly every time. If you haven't been to Salem, or taken the time to write or call, **WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR!!** Do it now!

Another recent event was the Team Oregon Benefit Poker Run, organized by Women in the Wind. I don't know the exact

turn-out, but I think it was a little disappointing. I know the weather wasn't too good, and it was the Grand Floral Parade day, but by the time we reached to coast, it was sunny and of course, the tremendous scenery! A big thank you to Lincoln County chapter of ABATE is in order, as they hosted the last 2 stops. Hey Ruth! Next time, give me some better cards, okay?

For those of you who are computer-enabled, have you visited the Wa.Co. Website yet? Check it out at:

<http://www.europa.com/~frankie/abate/abate.htm>

Again, the winner of the membership pool wasn't at the meeting to collect the passel o'dough. We just can't seem to give it away! Anyway, April Ridgeway, better luck next time! If you haven't been to a meeting lately, come on back...check it out, maybe you can take home the money!

'till next month, ride safe!

Jill

Willamette Valley

Meets 1st Thursday, 7:00 pm

Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill

1360 Mohawk Blvd., Springfield

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Russ Lax (541) 747-2787

Well, even though you can't tell by the weather, spring is flying by and summer is nearly upon us. It's much easier to look ahead than behind (that's for cold, wet, winter nites anyway) but we had a busy May, with rides, and capitol runs and RAIN.

June has just got here and it is too busy already. We started it off with a rowdy, noisy roar at the Function in Junction (City, that is). Cruisin' and gawking at the old cars from our past is as much a gas (pun intended) for us as it is for the car folks who drool over our scoots! Bagger Bob used the lot at his business, T-SHERTMAN, to host a band called the Pink Cadillacs and to park bikes and, in his words, "cool cars." Meanwhile Nan and I set up our ABATE info table across the main drag in a parking lot generously provided by Snips & Curis Salon. They hosted us last year and made us feel really good when the owner bragged to the city counsel and other business owners about how we left her lot CLEANER than when we got there! This was a stark contrast to the other parking areas along the cruise route which were littered and not cleaned at all by the auto club people and viewers. Good PR comes in many guises and we all benefit from the goodwill it generates. You can bet that I made sure the lot was well cleaned again this year.

The very next day saw both the WIW poker run to benefit Team Oregon and OVMA's POW-MIA run. Thanks go out to Skid and AJ for taking on the check-point at Cheshire for our chapter.

Our Sargeant-at-Arms, Danny Ryker (a vet) represented us at the OVMA stop-over in Eugene. Danny says those guys really know how to organize a ride and RIDE.


I guess you have all heard by now of the status of HB2454. For what it is worth, Nan checked with her insurance co. and was given a quote and it ain't pretty. They told her, using the \$10,000 minimum applied to cars, which is the MAXIMUM this company allows for bikes, that her bike premium would go up at least \$300 and quite possibly more!! This is for a very safe driver with an

excellent driving record. Personal protection devices are not what needs to be legislatively regulated--the insurance industry does!! Let's keep up our contacts with our legislators (senate and house) and intensify our commitment to FREEDOM!

Well, I've bent your brains enough for now, besides, I'm trying to get packed up for the Redwood Run. And then there will be Iron Horse. And then there will be...and then...and then....

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Top 10 Reasons Bikers Make Excellent Speakers

written by Robert Depezenski, Lloyd Wells, and Andria Mathews Shoates

Presented by Andria Mathews Shoates at the 12th annual NCOM convention, Richmond,

10. They're able to memorize lots of information, like the entire script of "Easy Rider".
9. Audiences are more likely to pay attention when 1%-ers act as ushers.
8. They are as dynamic and awesome as the bikes on Main Street in Daytona.
7. They use their tattoos as 3-D visual aids.
6. Their helmets protect them from objects thrown from the audience.
5. They grab the audience's attention with visual, colorful, and graphic language.
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Public Relations Report for June 1997

It's spring, I got a big bike and a boyfriend and have been shamefully absent from my duties this month. What I did manage to accomplish was this:

Mary Nearpass from South Coast chapter asked me to write a press release promoting their Run in June, which was cleared by Larry and is now ready to send out via fax. I met with Mary at Biker Days on May 19, to talk about how I approached writing up such an event.

I was also able to attend the first Senate hearing.

On a personal note, this was the first year that I rode my own bike to Fossil, so my time away was well invested.

Melinda

Harleys Kick Start Rhody Festival

By Meliah Burke
(Reprinted from

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Year after year, hundreds of bikers migrate from all over the U.S. to celebrate the Rhody Fest. The shiny Harleys lined up along Bay Street, and the packed sidewalks full of good spirited bikers enjoying the weekend has always set the mood for Rhody days. Everyone looks forward to the day the Jokers and the Free Souls roll into town, but not everyone is sure why they do it.

One question frequently asked is "Why Florence?" Even after talking to several bikers I never came up with a simple and definite answer. "Rhody days is a place where we can all meet, and chat about our bikes and other common interests, I'm not exactly sure why Florence is on our list of annual event, but I'll assume it's because old town is such a nice setting and the Rhody Fest is such an important time to Florence," explained a biker. Florence is not the only town fortunate enough to host biker gatherings. Various locations spread across the States also have bikers gather there specific times every year. "I don't attend all the gatherings, only a select few. One of those is clear in South Dakota; it's probably our largest get-together all year," commented a Joker. The bikers

come to Florence annually to flaunt their motorcycles, meet with friends, and party. The majority of Florence citizens hope this tradition will continue.

Bikers benefit Florence in many ways. Business owners rely on the bikers to come every year because they are such a big source of revenue. "The bikers are a major contribution to our businesses. The Rhody Fest is great; it's something I look forward to every year," stated an Old Town Business owner.

A serotype believed by a few anonymous people is: "All bikers do is party and cause problems." This is far from true. Mark Crawford, a biker from Coos Bay pointed out "Bikers are your average people. I have friends who are electricians, Harley shop owners, surgeons, your name it. Harleys and other motorcycles are just hobbies that mean a lot to them." When the bikers come to town, they're not only having a good time, they're bringing in an lot of money to Florence's businesses.

Some bikers and citizens around Florence believe the police go overboard on tickets during Rhody Weekend, and assume the bikers are going to do something unlawful before it even occurs. "If I could change anything about Rhody weekend it would be the policing. Cops tend not to give bikers a fair shake. Ninety-five percent of the Free Souls didn't come back for the Rhody Fest this year because of Harassment," stated a Bay Street business owner.

Police officer K. Larson appears to be neutral on this topic. "I believe the bikers are a big benefit to Florence. Rhody days is a good tradition. I was born and raised here, and the bikers are something I look forward to seeing every year. I could change anything about the Rhody Fest I would want everyone to realize there are a lot of officers out that particular weekend, and I wish people wouldn't drive intoxicated."

Both the Bay Street business owner and officer K. Larson agree that Rhody days went well this year. Policing did not go overboard, and citizens did not get out of hand.

The majority of citizens seem to think the amount of bikers have increased in the past few years. The Rhody Fest is a tradition that needs to be upheld, and the bikers make the Rhody Fest. I would be nice to see more and more bikers every year, and if the festival continues to go this well, that's what we're likely to see.

PAUL'S PIP OPINION

At the time of writing this article, (June 5 '97) HB2454 was in a tailspin out of control in most peoples minds. With the PIP ammendment hanging over our heads like a wrecking ball with a frayed cable, it was ready to pass the Senate only to become a hostage in the House of Representatives again.

This PIP ammendment has many angles, all of which are very controversial any way you look at them. Many of us are seeing things in a perspective that is only relative to our own personal lives. Mostly from a cost standpoint, or our freedom of choice and how thats being encroached upon. Well, we all know that freedom almost always comes with a price, the problem is who or what is going to be paying the price tag this time?

In this article I am going to try and give you all a little vision into all the parties affected by this law making effort of the Oregon Senate. If I overlooked someone along the way its not intentional.

The PIP ammendment, if inacted would mandate that motorcyclists across the board in the State of Oregon, would have to carry a minimum of \$10,000 in coverage as do autos, with no regard as to whether or not you wear your helmet.

Doctors point of view:

The doctor and the hospital are the first to see you in your travels, and have the ultimate wisdom to make or break you. That wisdom does not come cheap. Now, for their services, most of us cant just write a check or pay cash and walk out the door. So, our insurance companies cover the tab, but not without many problems along the way. PIP for doctors means that you are covered by your insurer to pay doctor bills immediately, instead of having to wait up to 2 years for the litigation process for payment. Doctors and hospitals are already at the mercy of the insurance giants through regulatory laws that pertain to their payment terms. So, one option for the doctors and hospitals is to not give service to patients in need if they cant pay, now this is not done out malicious intent, its done as a business decision because they are after all a business. <I>If you had a store, would you let people take things without paying? no, you would go out of business. Its real simple.</I> Most doctors are not against PIP because in essence its a "good thing", and its to their benefit, but as with all good things they can be manipulated by parties as needed.

That brings us to the:

Insurance Industry Point of View

The insurance industry is best defined as a bank, and a banks only product is money. The more they have and the longer they have it is what they are all about. When an insurer takes your premium and puts it into his account, he in turn invests that money to get the best possible return on his dollar, makes sense right? In the end, the longer he can hold onto that dollar the more he can make. So, in essence if he can get out of paying your medical bills for years on end, he's still making money and you end up with bad credit, and the doctor is going broke too. Now with every accident there are two sides of the story, so they need big time lawyers to litigate these things, and they can battle these things out for as long as they like. Thats what gives them the reason for not paying promptly, because they need to know who is at fault before making any payments to anyone.

The insurers only risk is the insured, and that in turn will dictate whether he makes money or loses money. If you drive around for 25 years with no accidents and pay your premiums on time and he never has to pay out any money in claims on you, hes in the profit pool big time. But, If you (*as a motorcyclist*) end up hitting the pavement and end up in a life flight helicopter and then in an intensive care unit for 3 weeks and then into a comma for another 16 months, then this agent is going to be sweating bullets as the bills rack up. Thats why there are limits in insurance, and believe me, in the scenario I just presented, your \$10,000 would eaten up in a matter of days. So, the insurer would still tend to make money if you were paying (*for example only*) \$500.00 extra each year for PIP and you were accident free for 20 years. With his investment of your money he would be still be in the profit pool. What are the odds that a full time biker could go without a wreck in 20 years though? Its not a good risk to them, because there is not enough odds on the "making of money", which is their business. Please never be naive enough to think that they are in the business to protect us from those big doctor bills, and that they are looking out for our welfare.

One Bikers Point of View

As a rider I am always thinking of my position in all this, and for the most part I believe that PIP is a good thing, but only if it is exercised and presented in a fair and impartial manner. If I was only required to pay the same rate for my bike as I do for my car (\$22.00 per

year) then that would be fair and impartial. But for the simple reason that we are talking about bikes, I would be required to pay 20 times more for the same amount of coverage as an auto. Now, this is because of the "simple" fact that a bike is considered an "added risk" to an insurance company. Thats a pretty healthy added risk! But with all accidents there are circumstances in which injuries occur that **no one** has control over. The possibility of a serious injury in an accident is just as probable whether your driving a car or a motorcycle. Now I know alot of you will disagree with that statement , but think about it, in any one situation, it makes sense. We are all at the same risk everytime we go out on that road whether we are walking, jogging, riding a bicycle or motorcycle or driving a car. Therefor the risk factor should be for "users of the road" in general and not for users of certain vehicles. That is fair and impartial

The Public Burden Point of View

Even with PIP, there will still be a public burden when the coverage of your policy runs out. An insurance consultant told me for instance that comparitively speaking

"a motorcyclist would have to carry in essence \$100,000.00 in coverage to equal what an auto driver carries at \$10,000.00 This is attributable to the amount of care provided for in catastrophic motorcycle related injuries"

When I asked if it was possible for the same "related" injuries to ever happen in an auto crash, his reply was *"well its less likely to happen that way, but yes there are many serious injuries in auto crashes that PIP just doesnt cover"*

So why, if PIP was made up exclusively to relieve the public burden of medical costs is there still a public burden of medical costs? His next statement, and I wish it could be on record was that *"the public burden of medical costs is not attributable to motorcycle injuries, but mostly to common household and ignorance related injuries of people that are just not insured in any way shape or form"* Astounding isnt it? Isnt that what we've been saying all along?

PIP is not the answer to the public burden of medical costs within the ranks of motorcyclists or any other group for that matter. And the burden will never grow smaller by just mandating that motorcyclists be the ones to pay their bills. Doctors see it as a brief but not permanent means of getting their bills payed,

because of problems already happening within the system. And the insurance companies....well, they just dont see that theres enough money to be made from it.

Paul Christoferson
WA. CO. Chapter
ABATE of Oregon

CHRIS'S PIP OPINION

Hi Folks,

Here is what I did about the PIP question. I contacted my insurance company, not my agent, American Underwriting Managers. I asked for a quote on PIP added to my insurance premium. They stated PIP was not available in Oregon. Next, I told the operator I was involved with ABATE/BikePAC, explained HB2454 and the PIP amendment and told him I was trying to find out potential cost if mandatory PIP existed in Oregon. I was instantly transferred to marketing. I pleaded my case again and was told my company would not necessarily back out of Oregon if PIP was mandated, because they sold PIP in other states. He was surprised that the PIP amendment carried no verbiage on limits, coverage, terms, etc. He stated he could not give me an estimate with no statutory requirements.

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So the next day I faxed the Oregon Auto PIP statute to my insurance company and for 2 days made calls to them before getting any answers. Finally I connected up with the lady in marketing in charge of rates. This is what I got: My company does motorcycle business in 48 states, Massachusetts is not one of them. She stated that none of the 48 states has mandatory PIP for motorcyclists. She also stated that some states they do business in have laws that require an insurance company doing motorcycle business to offer optional PIP to motorcyclists. Then she told me that even with Oregon Auto PIP as a basis for an Oregon motorcycle PIP requirement, she could not give me an accurate estimate because it is also based on what other insurance companies do (?) and on other factors (?) She said she could not give me an accurate estimate based on other PIP states because she did no motorcycle business in mandatory PIP states. In Michigan where PIP was not mandated but the insurance companies were required to offer it, it ran an additional \$150 to \$225 to purchase PIP annually (more than double my current rates). However, she said, Michigan is a no-fault state which makes a difference. She also stated the motorcycle PIP coverage offered in Michigan was similar to the Oregon Auto PIP requirements.

Everyone I talked to at my insurance company wished us the best of luck. I don't think they want to see this amendment passed.

Submitted for your approval,

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Dear ABATE MEMBERS,

The City of Fossil Volunteer Ambulance would like to express their sincere thanks for your generous to our ambulance fund. It is with such donations that we are able to obtain materials needed for the training of our EMT's.

We are pleased that the Fossil Run seemed to be a success, even if the weather was not cooperating.

Sincerely,

Marj Sharp
Assistant City Recorder

FROM ACROSS THE SEAS

EU Member States are likely to make a small concession to classic and vintage motorcycle and car enthusiasts when they confirm the proposals to ban unleaded fuel when they meet on 19/20 June. From the year 2000 until 2005, countries may be allowed distribution of it in small quantities (maximum of 0.5% of the total petrol market). This, it would appear, will only be allowed through special interest groups, such as vintage clubs and federations and is likely to mean that it will no longer be available at petrol stations. The Commission does think, however, that the derogation from the outright ban will be permanent. The price of leaded fuel is likely to rise sharply in these circumstances. The lead content allowed will be 0.005 grams a litre.

The British Government has been standing alone in its fight to preserve availability of leaded fuel, in opposition to the Commission, Parliament, and all other Member States. There has been widespread concern in the British vintage and classic circles,

because many older machines are not suited to replacement valve seats allowing use of unleaded fuel. Whilst sympathetic, the British government feels it has made maximum effort and is able to do no more.

The leaded fuel ban in the year 2000 is contained in a 221 page three-part proposal, COM(96)248 final, considering future strategy for the control of atmospheric emissions, the quality of petrol and diesel fuels, and new emission limits for motor vehicles (excluding motorcycles).

One argument against the ban is that up to now lead has been replaced by benzene, which causes cancer. However the proposal also contains limits for benzene, and the Commission says producers can meet the new limits through improved refining processes.

FEM's classic and vintage expert Bob Tomlins has raised our concerns with the Commission. He has also spoken with FIVA, the vintage and classic vehicle association, asking what action if any they are taking and whether they would wish the FEM to make supportive representations. Bob commented, "This is yet another example of classic and vintage riders being caught in the modern legislative machine. Enthusiasts in all countries should be lobbying their governments to ensure that leaded fuel remains widely available. If they don't we could see our cherished vehicles being forced off the road".

There are a number of fuel additives on the market designed to allow use of unleaded in older unmodified engines, although there is widespread doubt about their efficiency. Another option could be the one-off installation of the Broquet Fuel Catalyst into the fuel tank. Developed from World War II technology, the catalyst is a tin-based compound and actually institutes a change to the fuel itself.

Coming to a State Legislature Near You

NHTSA producing film in support of helmet laws.

Washington, D.C. In an article in the June 13, 1997, issue of the Charleston Gazette, provided to MRF by MRF and ABATE of West Virginia member Don Hudnall, the Associated Press reports that "A state senator said Thursday he will be featured in a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration film about how to defeat bills seeking to weaken state laws requiring motorcyclists to wear helmets." The

Motorcycle Riders Foundation has confirmed with National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) officials that a video is being produced that would "provide assistance for those who want to become active in the issue [preventing repeal of helmet laws]."

"This is another example of the type of lobbying activity by NHTSA that motorcyclists have been asking Congress to restrict in the re-authorization process of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA)," commented Wayne Curtin, MRF's vice president of government relations. Curtin continued saying, "This type of organizing and training support by NHTSA for helmet law advocates is an inappropriate use of tax dollars. NHTSA should be in the business of developing programs that prevent accidents, not in the business of lobbying state legislatures."

The MRF has passed on information of this NHTSA film to the staff of House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Bud Shuster (R-PA). After a meeting earlier this year with members of ABATE of Pennsylvania, MRF and the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA), Chairman Shuster assigned a committee investigator to look into NHTSA's activities in lobbying state legislatures on the helmet law issue.

In addition, the MRF provided this information to the staff of Congressman Don Young (R-AK). Congressman Young has requested a General Accounting Office (GAO) audit of NHTSA'S lobbying activities on the helmet law issue. The MRF also provided this information to the GAO auditors. For more information contact Wayne Curtin at 202-546-0983.



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Below is the text of the Associated Press article that ran in the Friday, June 13, 1997, issue of the Charleston Gazette. Charleston is the capital of West Virginia and the Charleston Gazette is a major daily newspaper in West Virginia.

Film will support helmet laws

The Associated Press

A state senator said Thursday he will be featured in a national Highway Traffic Safety Administration film about how to defeat bills seeking to weaken state laws requiring motorcyclists to wear helmets.

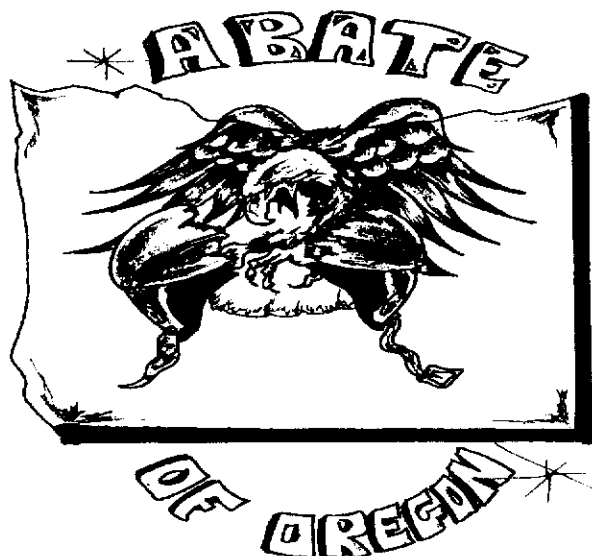
Sen. Mike Oliverio, D-Monongalia, worked this year to defeat a bill that would have allowed someone with a motorcycle license for at least two years to ride without a helmet.

The bill passed the House of Delegates but was defeated in the Senate.

The federal agency will produce a film for use by other state legislatures and will be in Morgantown next week to interview Oliverio on camera, Oliverio said.

Oliverio said the bill was defeated because groups who often oppose each other banded together to fight it. The group included the state troopers association, the State Police Administration, trail lawyers, the West Virginia Medical Association, the American Association of Retired Persons and insurance companies.

The bill was sponsored by Delegate Greg Butcher, D-Logan, a longtime biker.



From The
GUNNY'S SACK comes:

The AIM...ing Point

Time flies when yer have'n fun. Oregon's annual Fossil Run and Camp out went off with all the hoopla we expect. The rains came and left and came again, but for the most part, aside from an injury here and there, things went fairly well.

There was no excuse for anyone to go hungry this year: vendors had everything from hamburgers to Philippine noodles. There were vendors of anything and everything else you might need for decorating your scoot or your body.

This time, the food was mostly off of the main drive, so it wasn't mixed with dust, like last year! Of course the rain helped in that regard too.

Funny thing, we didn't have the harassment we've had in the past from the gendarmes. They were around but friendly. It's amazing what a trip to court will do for attitudes. For our readers out of state, the Oregon State Police last year stopped and cited bikers for wearing the "wrong" kind of helmets which were in fact legal. ABATE of Oregon sued OSP in Federal Court and won!

Well, by the time these pearls of wisdom are printed and in your hands, the results will be in on our fight in the Oregon legislature for adult freedom of choice. Our Senate transportation committee attached a requirement for personal insurance protection (PIP) coverage to our helmet bill. The cost of PIP is unacceptable, so this might have done us in. Either way, a lot of people have worked their collective tails off and they deserve our heartfelt thanks for the tremendous effort they've put forth.

We need replacements for all of these hard workers. Get off your cans and let them know you appreciate their hard work and ask what you can do so they can take a break. Some of these folks have given up families and careers to work for our freedom. We can't ask them to do it forever.

The 35% voter turnout in the last Oregon election tells me bikers and people here either don't care or don't understand what can happen to their freedom. I'm tell'n ya, with nearly 70,000 registered motorcyclists in this state we can make a difference. If you can't help, the least you can do is VOTE. It's time to put up or shut up.

Harassment Reports: Even with the ruling from

Federal Court in Portland, I'm still getting the odd helmet stop report saying the cop doesn't think the biker's legal helmet is legal, at which point the cop will find something else to write you up for. It seems to be the same two or three eggheads issuing these things. Be patient folks, sometimes there are a few that need to be spanked more than once before they understand what they are told. We all know there are the folks here and there that can't stand real people.

In the meantime, if you are stopped for purely harassment reasons, especially if helmet-related, get your hands on a stop report and mail it to me. This is extremely important. It is this documentation that will win our fight in court and the legislatures around the country. If you live out of Oregon send your reports to whomever is handling the documentation for your area. If you don't have a stop report call me at my boss' office, Sam Hochberg, at 224-1106 locally (Portland, OR) or 1-800-347-1106, and I'll be happy to send you a blank form. Even if you have been stopped legitimately and have doubts, send me the report and let Sam Hochberg or me decide if there was harassment.

News bits'n pieces: Chicago: A bill to require helmets for bicycling teens and younger was soundly defeated by their motorcycling brethren, saying it would be the first step in requiring motorcycle riders to wear them. State Senator Walter Dudycz, himself a Chicago police officer, said he felt the law would be unenforceable anyway. **Columbia, South Carolina:** Governor David Beasley got a motorcycle from his wife and a bomber style jacket with a Rebel flag pinned to the back from his father for his fortieth birthday. Now maybe that's the way to make elected officials see it our way.

United Kingdom: The lady motorcycle racer's name I could not remember last month is Anna Wilkin, a sweet 21 years old, and still looking for sponsors for this season's racing. She rides a TZ250 Yamaha, loaned to her for the season by a Dutch racing firm, their name was not mentioned. **UK Again:** British companies are switching to motorcycles as transportation perks for their executives. Seems they take up less space in the driveways and are handier to get through traffic than the traditional Mercedes cages. I can't help it, I like it.

British Army: Captain Lisa Giles is the first lady officer to command the "White Helmets Army

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Motorcycle Display Team." She sees to the daily training and needs of the team and participates in their displays, including jumps through **fire rings**. She also provides commentary during shows. I'd like to see this lady ride.

Burnsville, Minnesota: Excelsior-Henderson Motorcycle Company is registering to sell common stock in their company. The money from sales is to provide start-up tooling and running capital. They expect shares to sell for from 7 to 8 dollars each. I would buy some if it were available to me. Another American Bike appeals to me.

Seroon Huiten, Mongolia: Since the change to capitalism, the nomads there have prospered so much that many now have solar panels on their "Gers" (traditional Mongolian Portable homes), electricity, and they watch movies on TV's and VCR's. Videotapes are usually run up from nearby towns by motorcycles, also purchased with newfound wealth. One person recently interviewed said it felt real good (Continued on the next page.)

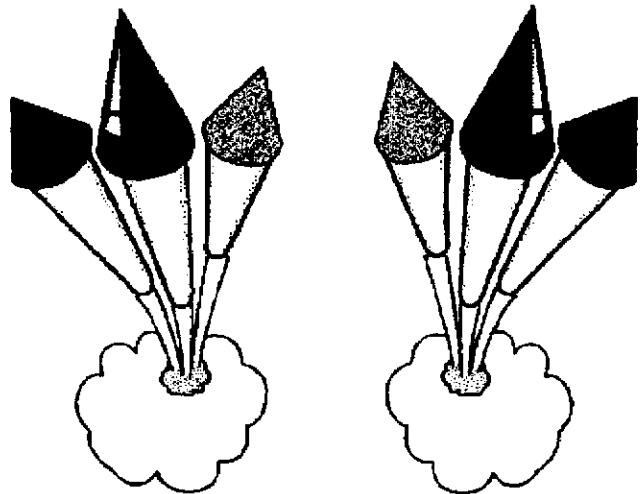
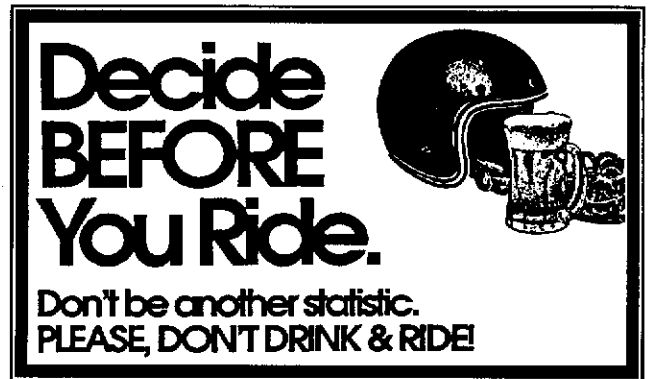
to be middle class. These people also take very seriously their recently gained voting privileges, as well as their bikes. Maybe we need to send some of our lazies to Mongolia for lessons in the value of freedom.

AIM: Remember the Oregon AIM hotline for updates on legislation and other news related to bikers and our welfare. Callers in Portland use **972-3434** or toll free **1-888-UR1-BIKE (871-2453)**. This number originates in our Oregon AIM attorney Sam Hochberg's offices and is sponsored by Aid to Injured Motorcyclists. The Nationwide Legislative Hotline number, also sponsored by AIM (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists), is **1-800-300-NCOM (6266)**.

Sam's AIM Tip'o the month: Here's news for many of us: Sam says that in most states, if you go down because of a road hazard, or due to the negligence of any government employee or agency, you have a really short time period (180 days in Oregon) to get a special form of notification, called a "Tort Claim Notice," to that government agency, telling them what happened, how and why and what-not. It's in a special form, and you probably ought to consult any good personal injury attorney about it if it applies - but here's the kicker: If you don't register your notice within the short time, you lose your right to sue later! If you have any legal questions about injury claims, Sam of course gives free phone consults. **503-224-1106**, or **1-800-347-1106**.

CU-all next month. In the meantime, keep the round side on the bottom.

Gunny,
Oregon AIM Chief of Staff



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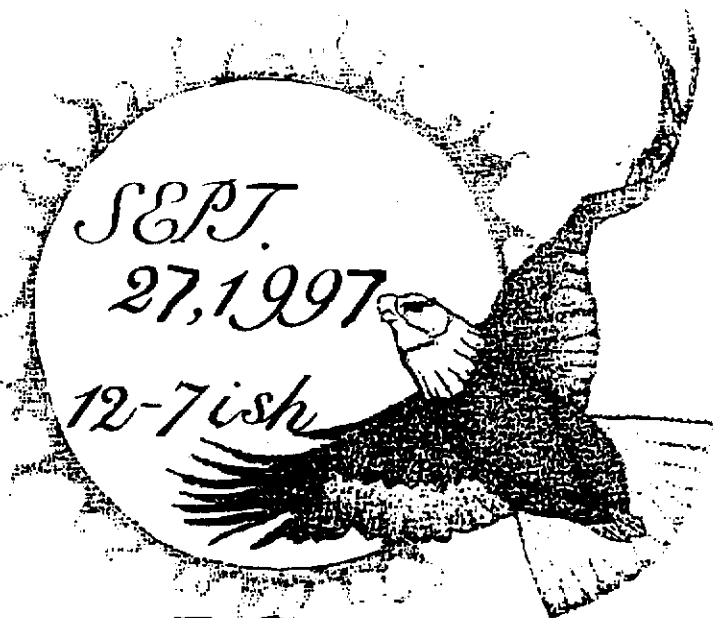
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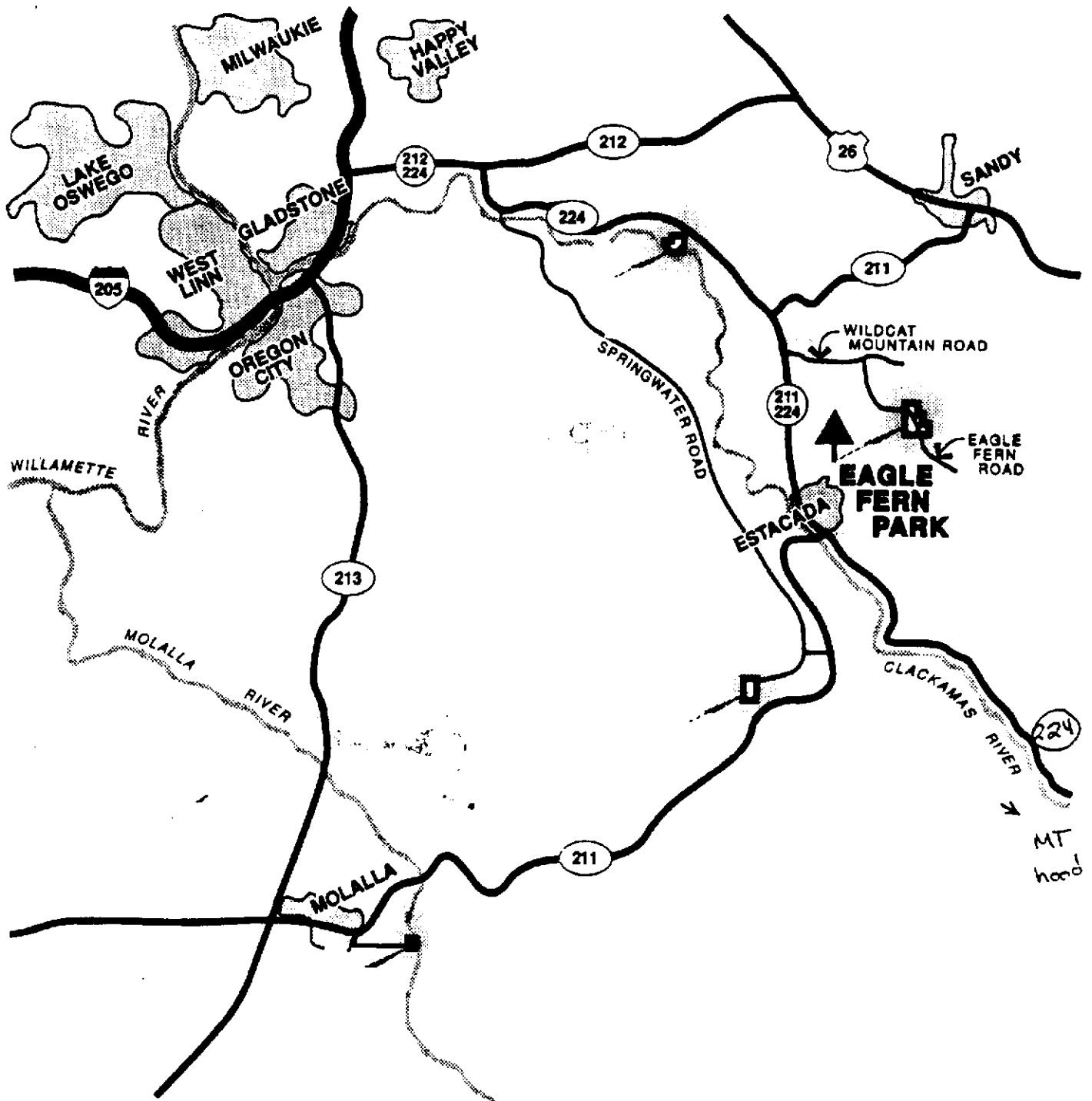
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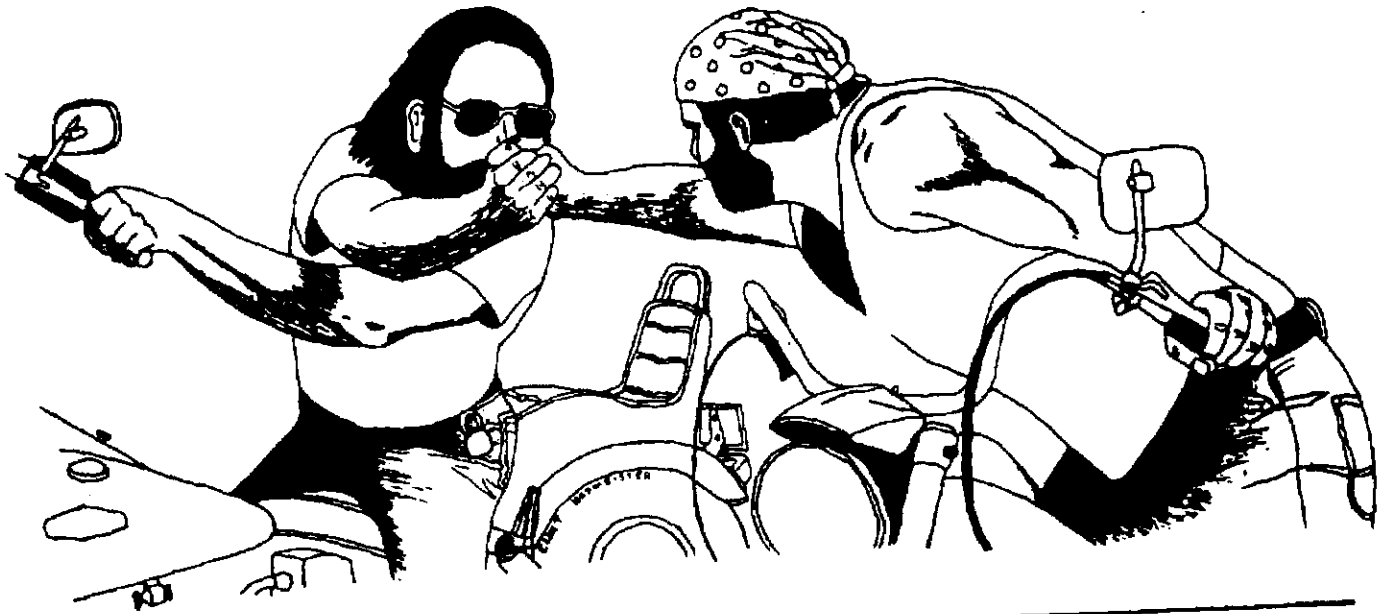
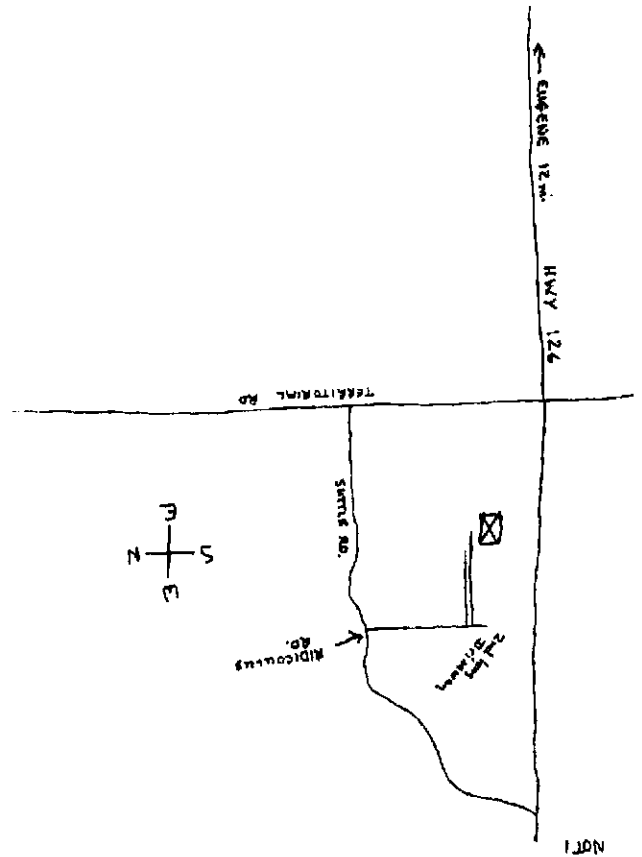
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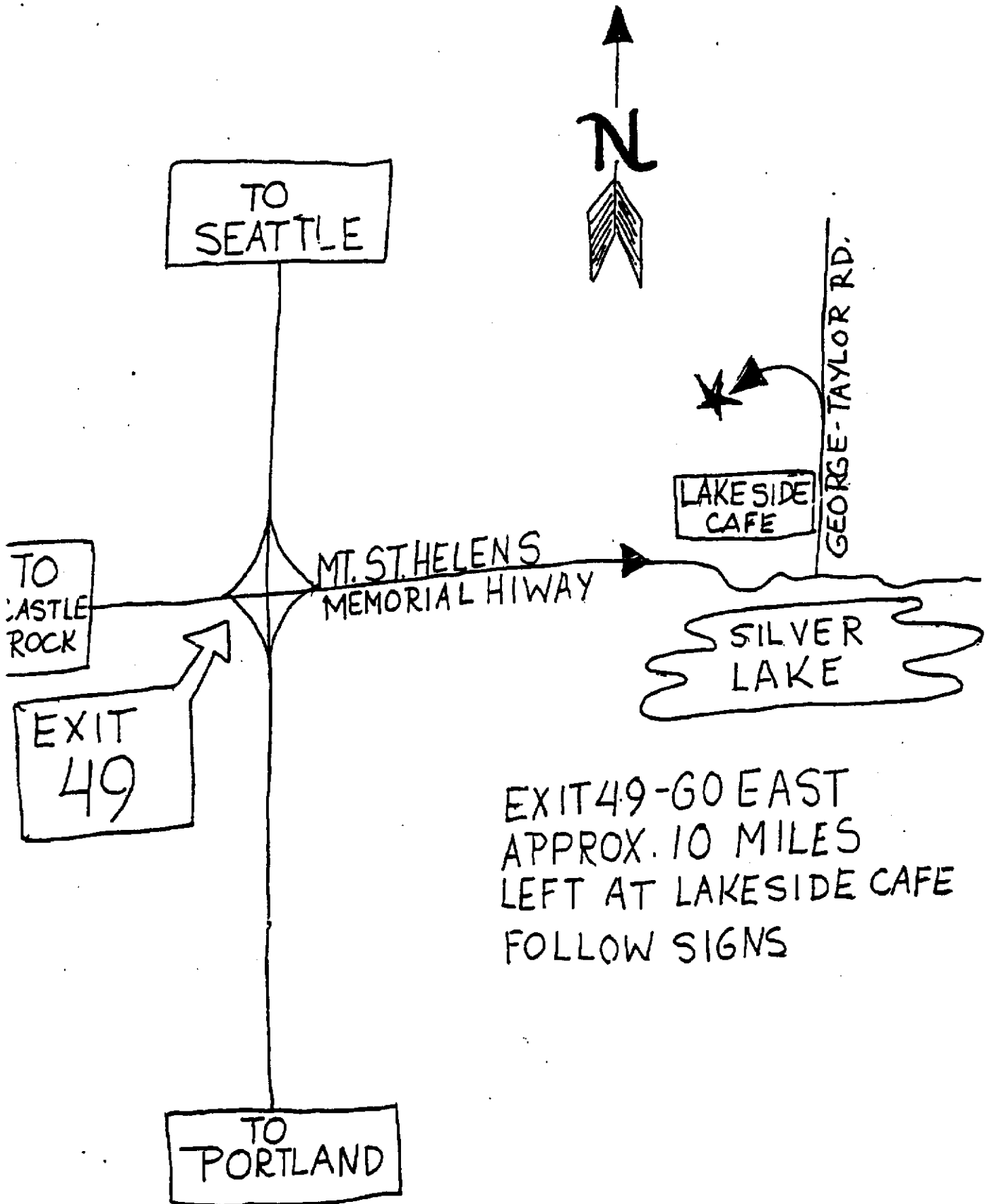
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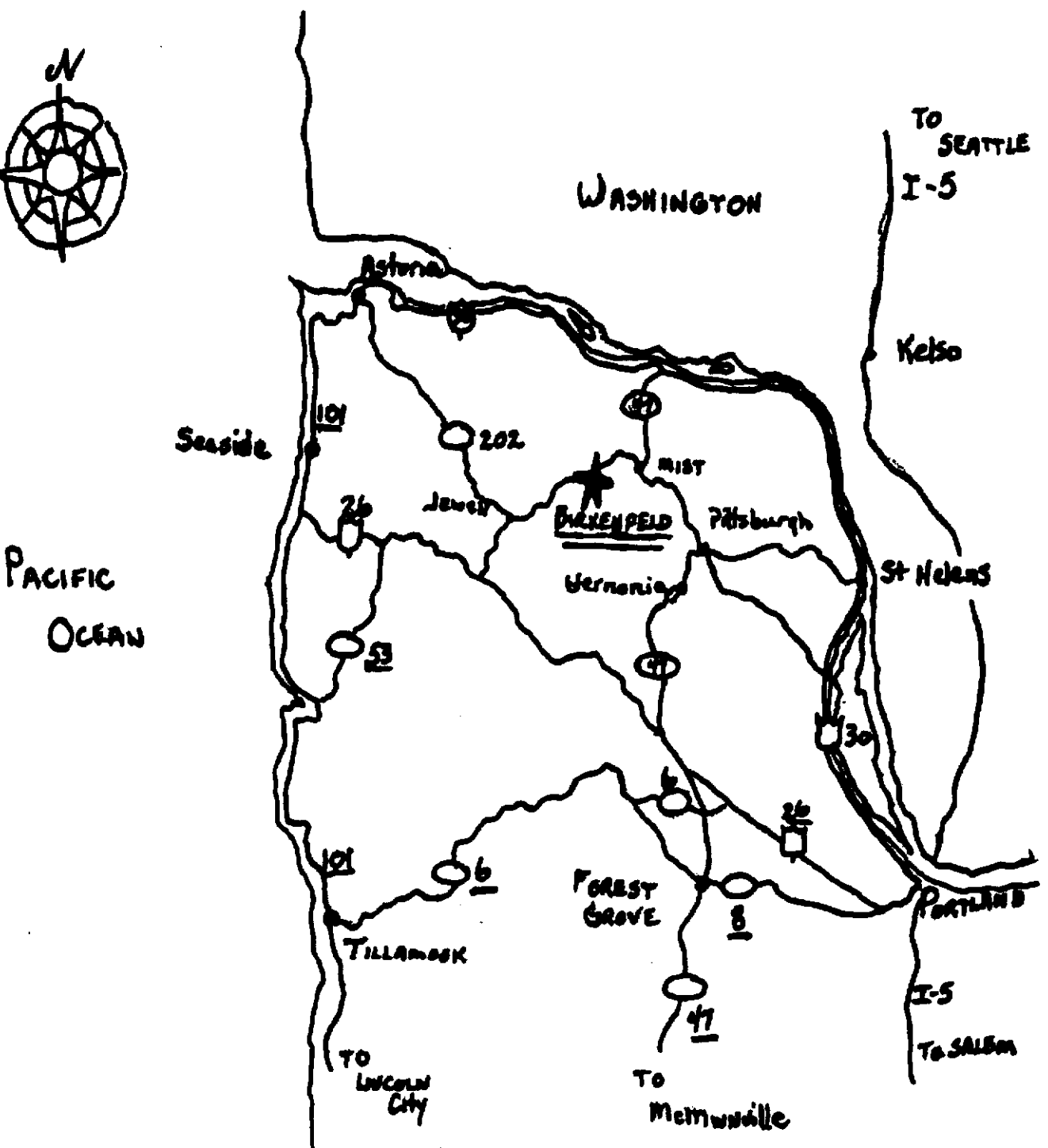
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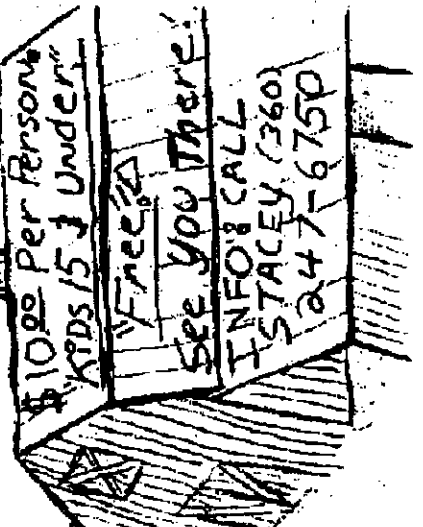
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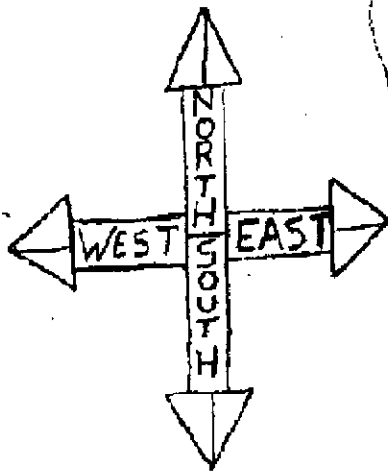
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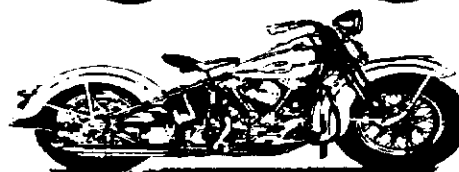
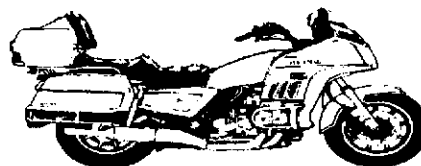
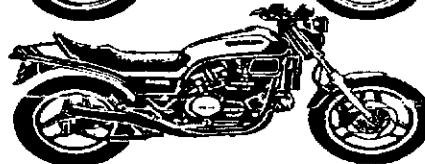
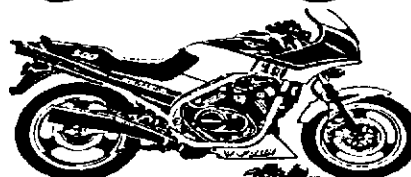
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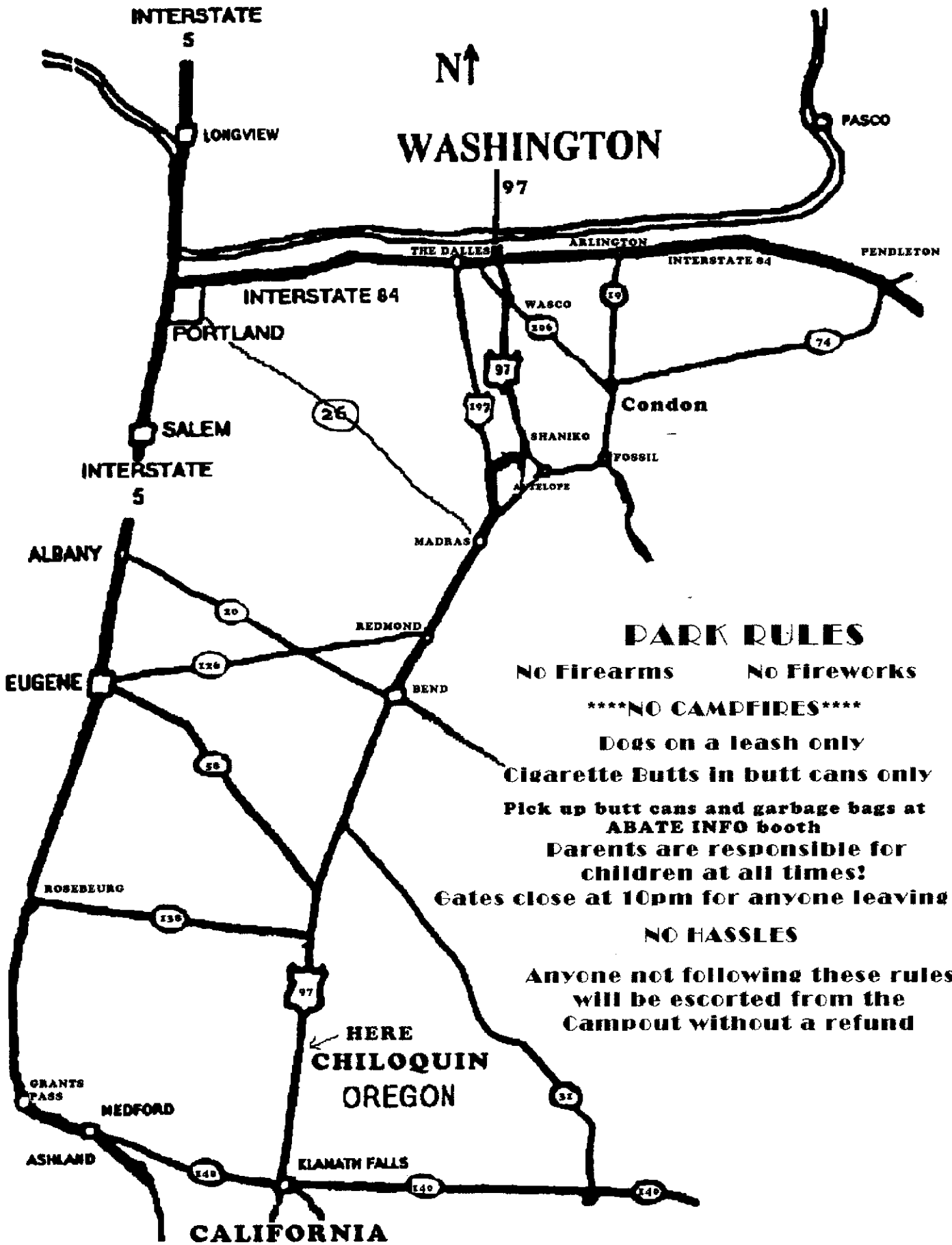
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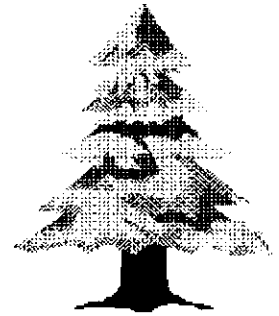
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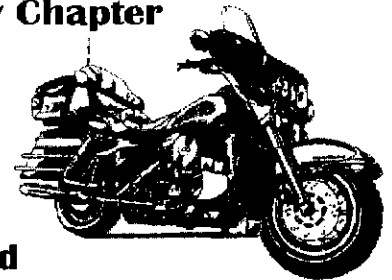
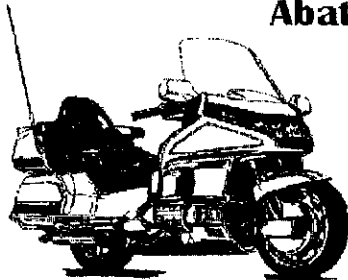
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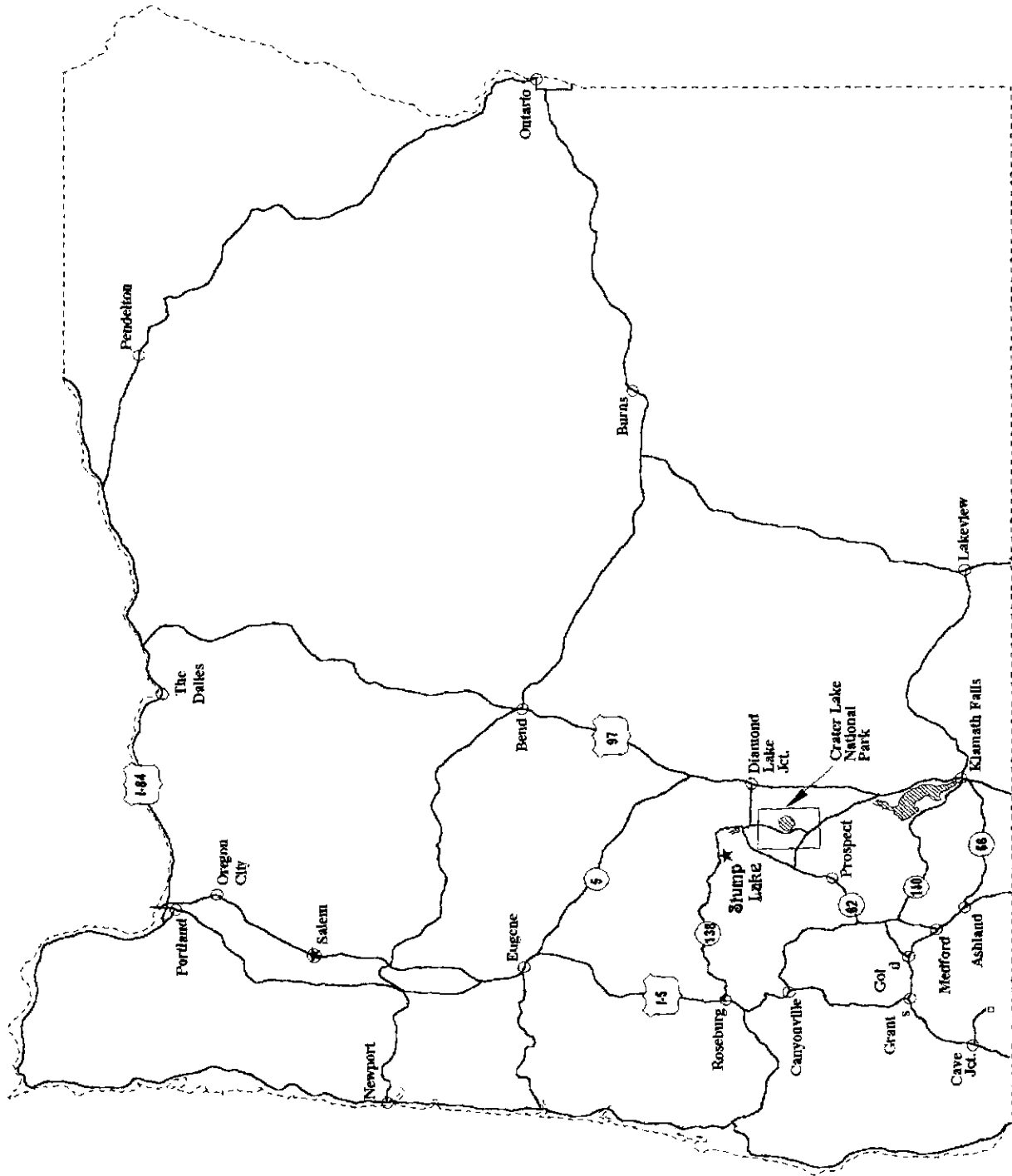
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The Stump Lake Run is located at milepost 67 on State Highway 138



H A M S T E R - T I M E

Riding That Wave Of Optimism

It's hard to believe June is almost upon us and just to prove what an optimist I am, I'm scribing this column in mid-April and really believe I'll live to see June come a-rollin' in one more time- OK, you're probably wonderin' just what the hell the point of all this is. Well, here goes-

Last month I had one of those experiences that really changes one's life and I know a bunch of the folks readin' the column have had the same thing happen and I got to tell ya, it really makes you look at so many things differently.

You're at a stop light waitin' to make a left turn- light turns to yellow, you pull up a bit- light turns red, you start making your turn and then- just then, you see the car blastin' through the red light and you got no where to go, no where to run to and no place to hide.

You hear the screech of the tires and your foot is pushin' that brake pedal for all you're worth- you then see the faces inside the car- the little kids whose face is going to be burned by the airbag going off and then you realize the poor kid ain't wearin' no seat belt, just a backpack full of books for school. He gets thrown around like a rag doll- the driver of the car knows she messed up real bad- she's got that look on her mug- like "a deer caught in the headlight" look, eyes as big as hub caps.

Then- impact. The 1996 Ford Festiva crumbled like an accordion. The gut wrenchin' sound of metal being crushed like a Dixie cup. In maybe four seconds it's over, but for the next few weeks you feel like you got hit with a sledge hammer right in the chest- and man I'm pissed.

I'm pissed because the woman driving the car was so preoccupied, she was late, she was driving way too fast and did not have any regard for me or the other people with me. If I would have been on my Harley I would have bought the farm. This time

I was in a 37,000 pound bus. Bus vs. Ford Festiva. My lucky day. Ford Festiva loses every time. I'm far more pissed off at the woman for not takin' just a few extra seconds to buckle in her little boy.

We are, for the most part, adults. We are responsible for ourselves, but when you have a child with you, you also are- or should be, responsible for the child. We were lucky to be alive and so were they. I don't hate this woman. Oh sure, I was pissed at her for doing something stupid, but each of us are only human and humans make mistakes. God truly does protect the ignorant and in a few more weeks I'll be as good as new- so many people have not been that lucky.

ABATE has an unwritten responsibility to set an example to the rest of the motorcycling public to be the best, safest and most well trained riders in the country. Nothin' would make me happier than to not lose any of our brothers and sisters this riding season- or any other season for that matter. It would be great if every motorcycle dealer in the country gave a gift certificate to a motorcycle rider/safety course with every motorcycle they sell. But they are too PROFIT driven to concern themselves with something like insuring that the 18 year old kid who just bought his or her first motorcycle really knows how to operate it in a safe and responsible manner.

If I never have to attend another funeral this summer because someone read this column, I would be really pleased! Keep your mind on the road folks, because it's not very often that second chances are given, so a big Thank You to my beret-wearin' brother in the "Un-chained Gang" who always keeps me in his prayers. I need all I can get. Peace.

Until next time

Hamster



H A M S T E R - T I M E

Two Sides And No Winners

Good morning, America! Hamster here, with another installment in the continuing saga I call "Life." I hope all of you loyal readers, who take time out of your over-worked, hardly paid and under appreciated, super busy lives to read this are doing well and making this the best riding season ever.

I have — but I've been pissed off lately and here's why: I've been following the trial of this Timothy McVeigh-person. (Which hopefully will be over and done with by the time this goes to print). I'll never be able to comprehend the complete and utter stupidity of this animal. His answer (to the brutal murder of innocent children in Waco, TX by the over-zealous federal Nazi storm troopers known as the AFT) was to fill a huge truck with super-high explosives and kill a bunch of innocent people including a preschool full of little kids in Oklahoma City, all the while bragging about being a "Patriot."

The photos of Waco burning and the devastation in Oklahoma City will stand out in my memory alongside of photos of Pearl Harbor. Innocent people being butchered! While driving through Tennessee on I-75 recently, police in para-military attire were pulling over every third or fourth car randomly. It did not matter if you were 18 or 80, you were harassed, searched, sniffed by drug dogs and unnecessarily detained. The only thing missing were the SS symbols worn by another group of so-called police in Germany in the late 1930s. I cannot believe good, solid God-fearing, tax paying Americans can stand idly by and allow this blatant harassment of our people — it's just not right!

Each and every day our rights and freedoms are being stripped away little by little, bit by bit, and if you choose to fight back- you'll lose everything you've worked for your entire life- after paying hired liars (lawyers), taking time off your job, making constant appeals, writing letters, paying postage,

phone calls, etc. . . Oh sure, you may win in the end, but at what cost? If you need proof, just look long and hard at Randy Weaver who lost his wife and son at the place called Ruby Ridge. The government was wrong, proven so in a court of law, but his loved ones are just as dead!

Maybe it's time we realize that we are "one people on one planet" and when we stand outside on a clear night, looking up at the stars, we are just a very tiny speck in the grand scheme of life.

As for that animal Timothy McVeigh - death is too good for him. He has to answer to God when he gets to the other side, but while he is here I hope they lock him in a little room covered with the pictures of the dead, mangled bodies of the Oklahoma pre-school children that he is responsible for killing.

Hey gang, I'm sorry for being so bitter this month but this whole sad chapter has been tearing me up, so I guess I needed to get it off my chest, and I appreciate you bearing with me.

Next month, my all time favorite subjects - Food! Booze! Bikes! and Tattoos!

Peace

Until Next Time

Hamster

ATTN: Members

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

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_____	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	_____
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ABATE PINS				
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_____	AEPIB	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver	5.00	_____
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_____	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold	5.00	_____
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_____	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color	4.00	_____
_____	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold	4.00	_____
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_____	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color	2.25	_____
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_____	MUG	ABATE Logo on Mug	5.00	_____
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_____	CW	Screw The Helmet pin	3.00	_____

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		Sm _____ Med _____ Lg _____ X-Lg _____		
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		Sm _____ Med _____ Lg _____ X-Lg _____		
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		(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
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_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Small	1.00	_____
		1984-1993 avail.		
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (Indicate year _____) Large	1.50	_____
		1984-1992 avail.		
_____		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		_____

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Portland, Oregon, 97208
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the P.O. Box and be dispersed from that
point.....ANY QUESTIONS?????**

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ARE THINGS THAT INDIVIDUALS
ARE SELLING
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(except membership to ABATE)
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WANTED:
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Are you one of the few,
the proud and the vocal???

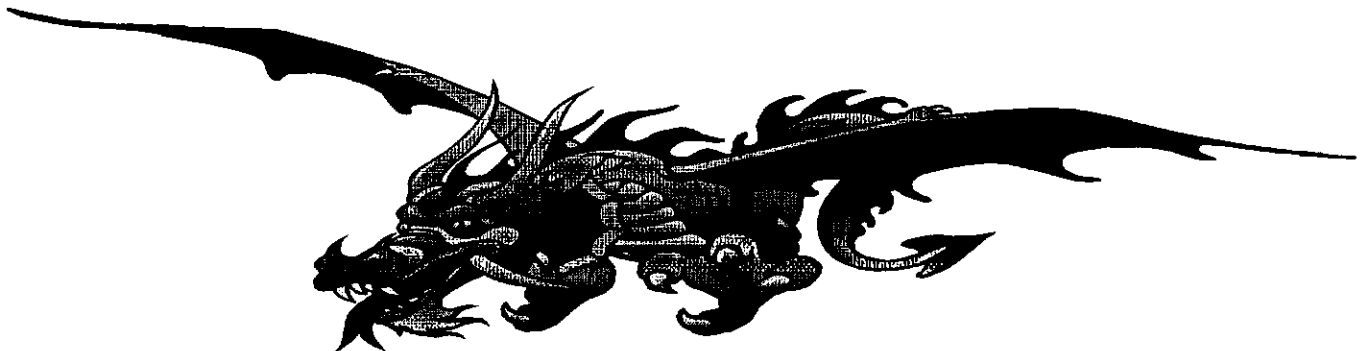
☎☎ Contact your local chapter **☎☎**
Legislative Director and sign up to be a
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THANKS JOY.



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financial aspects of this
organization. I want to thank you
for all the years you put into
making ABATE of OREGON, Inc.
what it is. GWH

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. Thank you!



1997 RUN CALENDAR

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	FOX CREEK	Vern Miller 503-390-7906
26-27	Ocean Shores Convention	Washington State

AUGUST

8-10	BEAVER CREEK	Vicki Lechner 541-563-3520
15-17	SUMMER RUN	S.E., N.E. or Columbia River Chapter
15-17	Pig Rally	City of Pendleton, Oregon
29-Sept. 1	LABOR DAY RUN	Rotten Roger 503-285-4329

SEPTEMBER

5-7	PARADE OF BEAR	Robie Vandiver 541-562-5987
19-21	END OF SUMMER RUN	Robin Maslin 503-648-1379
27	FAMILY PICNIC	PORTLAND CHAPTERS
		Debbie May 503-6544-4386
27	White Cane Run	Black Cats
28	Swap Meet	D.J.'s

OCTOBER

17-18	Northwest Thunder
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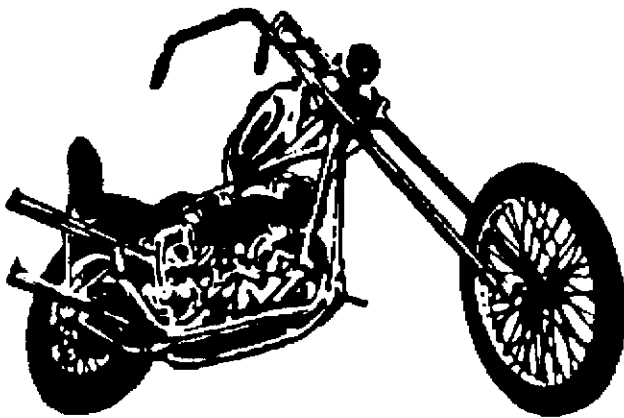
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22	TOY RUN	Robin Maslin 503-648-1379

DECEMBER


6	TOY RUN	S.E., N.E. or Columbia River Chapter
25	Christmas Day	Your Family /Friends

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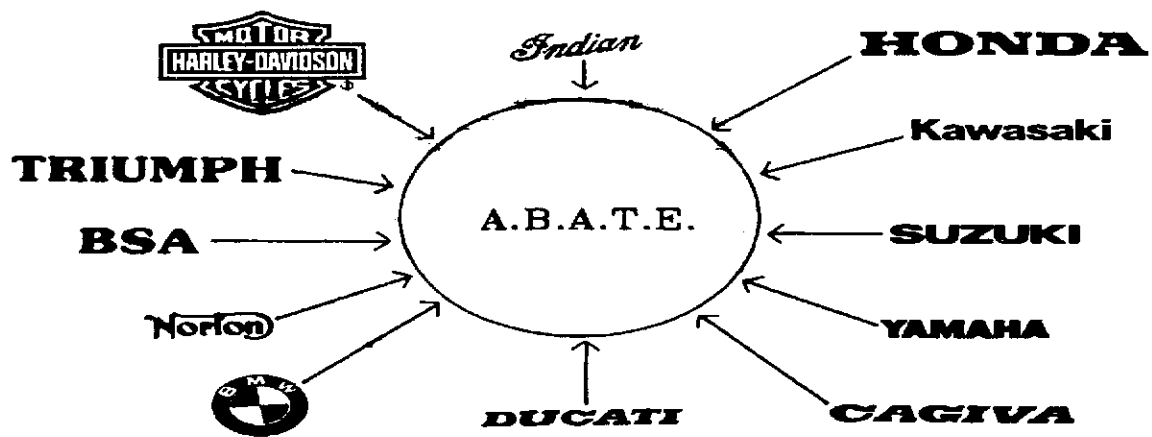


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CHAPTER	6/1/97	6/1/97	6/1/97	5/1/97
BLUE MOUNTAIN	36	0	0	36
CENTRAL OREGON	132	4	8	128
COLUMBIA RIVER	102	-2	6	104
DOUGLAS COUNTY	122	2	3	120
INDIAN CREEK	307	1	3	306
LINCOLN COUNTY	127	16	3	111
NE PORTLAND	168	15	2	153
NORTH COAST	78	5	0	73
SALEM	161	15	14	146
SE PORTLAND	289	9	7	280
SOUTH COAST	74	-1	3	75
SOUTHERN OREGON	75	2	0	73
WASHINGTON COUNTY	165	13	5	152
WILLAMETTE VALLEY	89	1	6	88
TOTAL	1988	143	60	1845



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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	503-957-0245	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.
Mike & Delese	541-386-8744	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hood River
Brad & Peggy Peterson	541-447-6158	X	X	X	X	X	X	Prinville
Nic & Gigi	503-394-3456	X	X	X		X	X	Salem
Gunny Hutch	503-463-5668		X	X	X	X	X	Salem/Kaiser
Bob Avery	541-9981933	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	541-842-3303	X	X					Eugene, Or
Greg Coen	541-461-4638	X	X	X	X	X	X	Springfield, Or
Bill Beiveal	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	541-383-7327		X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Charlie&Vee	541-383-1929	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Jay&TotsyoSwartz	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					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	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	541-882-4738	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	541-474-6843	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.

ABATE of OREGON

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

WHERE?-GINO'S PIZZA—COOS BAY,
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WHEN?-JULY 20TH, AT 12:00 FOLLOWING
SOUTH COAST CHAPTER MEETING.

WHO?-ANYONE WANTING TO OFFER
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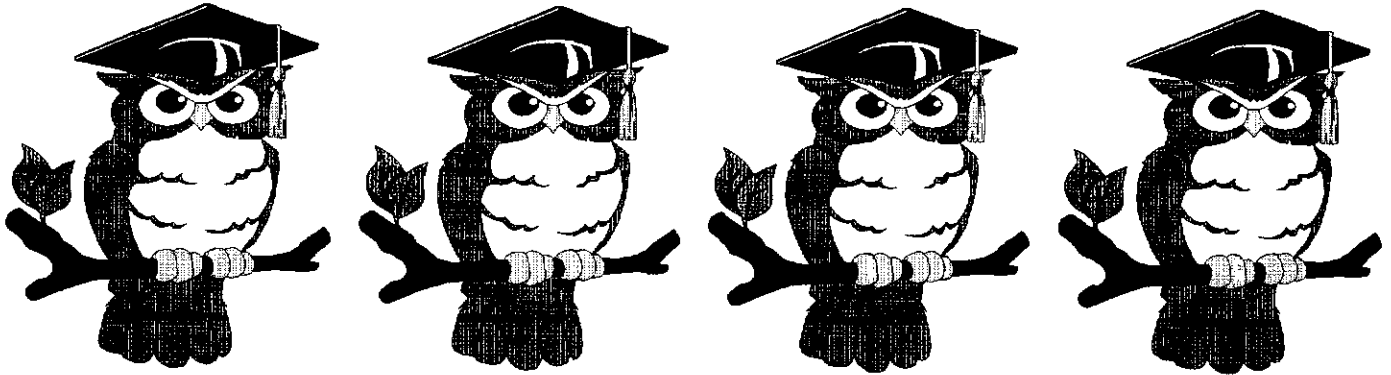
COST?-NONE—JUST ARRANGE TO BE
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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL:

ED. DIR. NIC OLIVER (503) 394-3456 or

ED. DIR. II, MEL YEAGER (541) 967-1286



Your all Invited! We need your ideas!

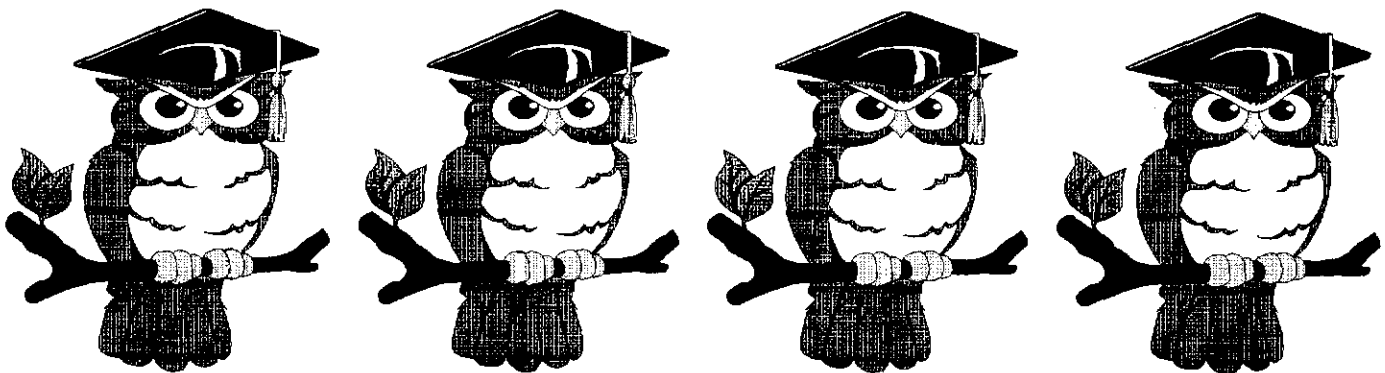
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Junction City 4 - 5 pm

**Do you know how to make
any of these items work better:**

- gate
- security
- money handling
- games
- trash
- vendors
- set-up
- tear-down
- location
- trophies
- cigarette butts
- any aspect of an event

Do you have an idea, suggestion, criticism or plan to correct how thing are being done? If so please attend because we need your help! You must attend to present your idea so that the Run Coordinator and other may ask questions and work out issues. We want our runs to be the best and need your help. Everyone is invited, you don't even have to be a member!



For additional information, directions or comments please contact Gordon at (503) 253-7343

HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

PLEASE SEND TO: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg, 720 S.W. Washington, Portland, OR 97205, ATTN: Gunny Hutch.

NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____
STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____

MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? YES / NO

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: ____ / ____ / ____ TIME STOPPED: ____ : ____ a m / pm

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

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

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

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? YES / NO If no explain: _____

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? YES / NO

If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

Have you gone to court? NO : When is court Date? _____

YES : How did you plead? _____

If you pled guilty what was the fine? \$ _____

If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone to trial? _____

NO : When is your court date? _____

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

Label permanently fastened inside? YES NO

Was helmet modified? YES NO

If modified describe: _____

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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)

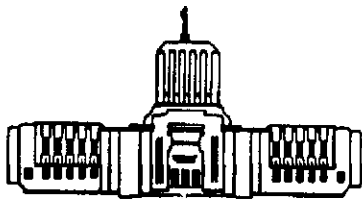
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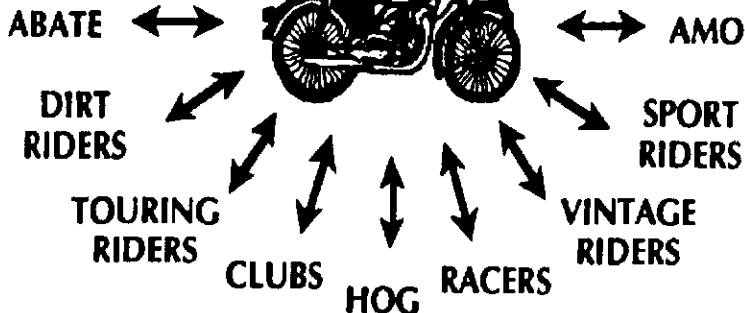
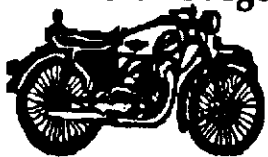
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SEND TO MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY P.O. BOX 4504 PORTLAND, OREGON 97208



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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:

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P.O. Box 4504
Portland, OR 97208**

NAME _____

NEW ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER _____

SIGNATURE _____

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, WHERE WE ARE BESSED WITH FREEDOMS AND RIGHTS. SOME HAVE BEEN TAKEN AWAY AND SOME HAVE BEEN RESTORED. Enough said.....GWH (NOT REALLY, BUT ARE YOU READY TO LISTEN???)

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, Pizza Perfect, 65 NE Killinsworth, Portland
4th SUNDAYS	SALEM	1:00 pm, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
1st & 3rd TUESDAYS	RIVER CITY	7:30 pm, Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles
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, Chen's Village 108th and N.E. Halsey, 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