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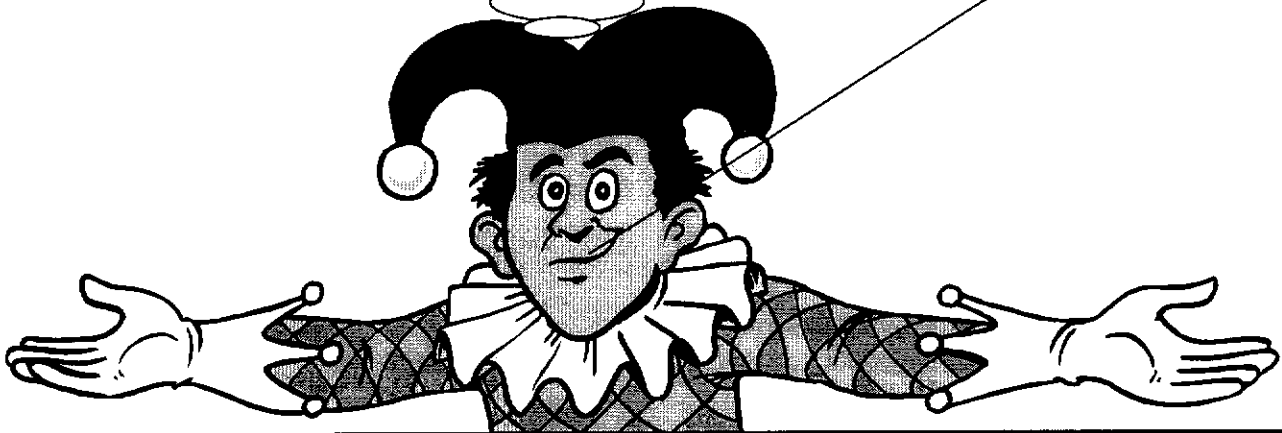
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A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments

April 1999

*If you think your freedom of choice is a
lost cause, then the joke is on you, and you
are the biggest fool!*

I think it is time you all got in touch with your
Legislators and made it clear that you want your
FREEDOMS back! Call, write, or better yet visit
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and tell him to give us our Rights, ALL OUR RIGHTS



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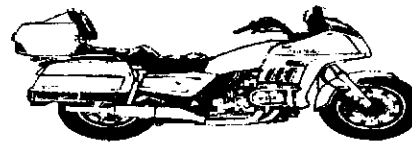
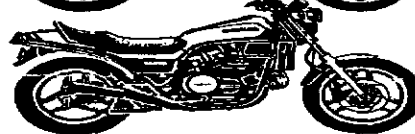
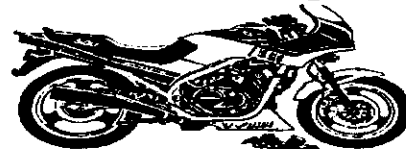
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All bikes - All riders



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Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When

1 st & 3 rd SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland
1 st SUNDAY	BLUE MOUNTAIN	1:00 PM, East Side Tavern Rest., 2209 Adams Av., LaGrande
	LINCOLN COUNTY	11:00 AM, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport 2 nd SUNDAY
	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 PM Moose Lodge #323, 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
3 rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 AM, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
	DOUGLAS COUNTY	12:00, Noon Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
	SOUTHERN OREGON	12:00 Noon, Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill
2 nd & 4 th SUNDAYS	COLUMBIA RIVER	12:30 PM, Pizza Perfect, 6815 NE Killingsworth, Portland
4 th SUNDAYS	SALEM	1:00 PM, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
1 st & 3 rd TUESDAY	RIVER CITY	7:30 PM, Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles
2 nd & 4 th TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	7:30 PM, Farmhouse Café, 3500 NE Cornell Rd, Hillsboro
1 st & 3 rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 PM, Astoria Eagle, 894 Commercial, Astoria
	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 PM, RoundTable Pizza, 4141 NE 122 nd , Portland
2 ND WEDNESDAY	KLAMATH COUNTY	6:30 PM, Old Town Pizza Co., 722 Main St. Klamath Falls
3 rd THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 PM, Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield
1 st FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	11:00 AM, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport

STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 13, 1999

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 by Chris Vieira, Coordinator. There were 14 chapters in attendance with 12 eligible to vote.

Coordinator's Comments: Chris asks that somebody stop the snow! Several conventions coming up shortly, hope chapters will be able to send a representative or two.

Correspondence: Chris is a little behind, hasn't reviewed the mail, will do so soon.

Officer's Reports

Legislative Director: Report delayed until after phone connection to Blue Mountain.

Education Director: This has been a busy month, what with the STEAM conference. Thanks to all who attended. There have been two instructors awarded their certifications in the Motorcycle Awareness Program, Shirley Huff and Frank Trombetta from Lincoln County. They helped teach 3 classes on January 20th, to groups of 22, 22 and 24 students. Also participating in those classes were Ruth Trombetta, Kurt Speas, Bob Highfill and Joe Huff. Anyone else teaching these classes? Get those reports in to me

Education Director II: POSITION IS OPEN

Historian: It was interesting and fun to go through past articles and pictures, preparing a display for STEAM 1999. The reminder of this brother and sisterhood being constant and persistent for about 25 years is impressive. Thank you to all the past, present, and future members, and continuing efforts to restore and hold onto our basic freedoms. I notice that many runs and activities do not list the year along with the day and month, so when the announcement is separated from the publication an important piece of information for historical purpose is lost.

Membership Secretary: No report, not in attendance

Newsletter Editor: No report, not in attendance.

Products: 50/50 tickets. Have any ideas for new products? Contact Nancy or Brad Brooker.

PR. Director: This month I was very busy with STEAM, and also made it to Biker Days. The best part of STEAM was being able to videotape "The History of ABATE" presentation by Teresa Hepker. The videotape production has now begun and I'll be contacting you "old timers" for stories. Several people contacted me with additional names of motorcycle magazine and fax numbers. Roger also came up with a new project, to round up fax numbers and email addresses for all bike shops in the state. If you have a contact, please pass it on to me. If you are "online" and don't receive my press releases every couple of months, drop me a email with your address, and I'll add you to the list.

Run Coordinator: Fossil T-shirt art due in today, review them at break, vote later today. Golf carts and motorhome work in progress, but still need an engine for the motorhome. Janet Straw is in charge of vendors, contact her if you would like to be included. Lincoln County has agreed to do the games one more time, but would like some assistance.

Run Coordinator II: OPEN POSITION

Treasurer: Clark reports balances as of 2/28/99 are: Bulk Mail: \$1,901.89, Checking: \$1,461.06, Savings General: \$7,688.57, Savings Legal: \$1,611.06 for a grand total of \$12,662.58.

Web Page Editor: Keep checking the WebPage, it's updated frequently. Please contact Maddog if you have changes or suggestions!

Vice Coordinator North: Not in attendance, no report

Vice-Coordinator South: No report

Vice-Coordinator East: Attended Klamath County meeting, discussed Biker Days. Plan on attending River City meeting soon.

Sergeant at Arms North: Checking in with North Chapters, getting ready for Fossil

Sergeant at Arms South: Coordinating with other Sergeant at Arms for Fossil

Sergeant at Arms East: No Report

Committee Reports:

1. Membership Committee: No report

2. Sanctioning Committee: Icebreaker location change. Washington County Poker Run ready to go.

Phone connection to Blue Mountain Chapter established

Unfinished Business:

1. Fossil T-shirt art: Marcel Hayes of Washington County submitted the winning picture.

2. Incident report postcards: Gunny not in attendance, no report

3. May Awareness Rally: Murge has things well under way for the May Awareness Rally. Governor's Advisory Board on Motorcycle Safety also has some ideas. Motion made by Teresa that ABATE of Oregon pay the insurance premium for the May Awareness Rally. Second by Kurt Speas. Salem is putting on the May Awareness Rally to help BikePAC, and not for their own fundraising purposes. Vote: 12 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carries.

4. Treasury Policies and Procedures: Discussion regarding chapters that need assistance. ABATE of Oregon has always had a policy to assist chapters to succeed. Chapter Treasurers just need to call Clark if they are having difficulty. Vote: 9 Aye, 1 Nay. Motion carries.

New Business:

1. South Coast Trailriders Assn.: South Coast Trailriders assn. is in the process of seeking permits to build an RV park on private land with trail riding facilities. They have plans for eventually promoting racing and other trail activities. Looking for signatures of groups to help sway public official's opinions on the permit process. Discussion was generally supportive, but want to review with attorney to avoid any financial obligations. Tabled until May, if permit process timeline allows.

2. Governor's advisory committee on motorcycle safety: Discussion regarding modulating taillights, and would we be supportive if a bill were to be brought before the legislature. General opinion is that this would be a good idea.

Legislative Report: Much discussion regarding the Helmet amendment bill. Please remember to write and thank those Senators and Representatives who have helped us. All members need to write or call NOW.

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Minutes submitted by Jill Tracy, State Recording Secretary.



Get down to the capitol and get some proactive work done. Say hi to the Governor and tell him how you feel. If you don't do it, then it is not going to get done, and that is no JOKE. BE PART OF THE SOLUTION, OR YOU ARE PART OF THE PROBLEM!

CHAPTER REPORTS

Blue Mountain

Meets 1st Sunday, 1:00 PM

Eastside Tavern & Cafe 2209 Adams Ave., LaGrande

Chapter Address:

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Chapter Contact: Howard Butts (541)-534-5411

Surprise;

Blue Mt Chapter has come out of hibernation and is now awake enough to send greetings from the far side of the state. We may have the smallest membership Chapter-wise, but we cover 3 sometimes 4 counties and the distance between members is farther than the miles between Portland and Eugene. I am hoping that with better weather we will be able to find some new members. The oldsters over here are about to run out of Geritol and ideas on keeping this Chapter afloat.

In a couple of months, we'll be holding Chapter elections and it would be nice to have enough people to have 1 person to 1 position; holding 3 at a time is stressful. In May, we'd love to see 6 or 7 people come prepared to join the fight for freedom of choice.

During our last meeting, I was asked to write this quote in the newsletter: "We question the direction of the debate on the helmet issue. Let those who ride decide." It would seem that in talking about the laws we're trying to modify, non-members say they won't join ABATE because they want to wear a helmet. Somewhere the notion that we want the choice whether or not to wear a helmet isn't the issue & got lost in all the good or bad, wrong or right debate.

Another topic of conversation was the gas station situation locations religiously. You never know where you'll end up without any.

It's nice to hear a motorcycle go by once again, even tho' you never know from one day to the next if it's going to snow, yet. Crazy weather! I like to keep this in the back of my mind when people start complaining about the hot weather in August.

Things are looking up! Don't forget the Motorcycle Awareness Rally on May 1st. Although, I won't be there, I'll be thinking of you. I'll be heading up a 24 hour marathon to raise money for an athletic facility. Last year I had 7 teams of grade school- high school students, plus a few teachers and adults. We raised over \$4,500.00!

Take care and RIDE SAFE!

Diane Walker

"When you get to the end of your rope- tie a knot in it and hang on."

Eleanor Roosevelt

Central Oregon

Meets 2nd Sunday, 2:00 PM

Moose Lodge #323, 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond

Chapter address: P.O. Box 9188 Bend, Or. 97708

Chapter contact: Jay Swartz 541-389-6773

Howdy Doody from our C.O. Chapter;

We're still alive & kickin'. Tired of the ice, tease of snow, and the mud. Ready for spring.

Our February meet was the best in a long time. Better attendance,

some old & new faces. Hope it's the sign of a better year than last. We're working hard & looking forward to our Casino Night, March 20th, lots of neat donations (thanks to enthusiastic volunteer ways and means people!).

Brad Peterson & I made our way over the mountain to attend Biker's day on March 3rd. The weather & road conditions going over kind of sucked, but coming home was worse. With 3 to 5 feet of visibility, sometimes. If we had fog lights they would have been used, a snowplow ahead of us would have been a blessing.

Brad sez, "Gee, I'm glad I didn't ride my trike today". I thought, "me too! I'd probably be strapped to the back..."

It was worth it. A day's lost wage, gas money, a packed lunch fi for kings, no mishaps, and the doin's of the State Capitol.

If you've never attended S.T.E.A.M. and or a Biker day, you don't know the opportunities of a lifetime you're missing. You just don't have a clue! As an organization, you owe it to yerself to visit the Capitol at least once in your life, preferably on a biker day. What a blast!

Upon our arrival we hit the elevator and out pops a red flyer type wagon with a 2 yr. Old flat on his back & smilin'. He was powered by a Mohawk, not a flathead, you never know what to expect. Signed in and met a fellow, named Rot Path, his clothes were dry and his hair was wet. I figured he rode nekkid in the rain with his stuff saddle bagged. Met Lyle Irons, the BikePAC Lobbyist, I look forward to celebrating a successful Legislative session. We can be victorious, but we'll never go away. Participated with the think tank last minute decision making process, a lot of talent in that room. After much discussion, we agreed on our stand. It wasn't used that day, but it was approved by those present, for future use as timely!

On to hearing room "C", 3:00 PM, we graciously gave our 3:00 meeting with the Senate Transportation Sub-Committee to allow others to submit their bills before us. Our Helmet Bill (S.B. 583) hearing started at 3:30 with seven Senators present, it ended with five Senators present, 4 yes to 1 no with a "do pass recommendation" for the floor of the Senate. Not all of our testimony was given or heard, but the opposition was allowed their day. I was impressed with the Senator's preparedness & education of our issues. Of the five remaining senators, they all asked intelligent questions to the opposition. We watched expert witnesses present their pablam, dogma, unsubstantiated & ^%\$%^&+ statistics on educated ears, who would not tolerate factless B.S. statistics. I think all of our past work will reward us. Aren't I silly. We will never go away!

Gotta go,

Ride SAFE and FREE

Adios & Del Taco,

Jay

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

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No Report, First time.

Douglas County

Meets 3rd Sunday at 12:00 AM

Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 61, Roseburg, OR 97470

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Hello from Do. Co.

Last meeting we had a surprise show up at our meeting Mr. Bill Fisher came to us and let us know his feelings on our battles he also doesn't care that we have I said have to wear helmets. He wished us all the luck and stated if we need a room to set down in while we are up at the capitol to come on in. We asked what about lunch - he basically said he doesn't make that much money.

He also says don't give up hope-keep pressing forward.

Thank you sir for your support.

April is our anniversary meeting - at Stewart Park in Rsbg. Hope to see you all there. It will be a potluck - so bring something to add to the table and also your items to eat with.

See ya later

The pest

Klamath County

Meets 2nd Wednesday @ 6:30 P.M.

3rd Sunday @ 2:00 P.M.

Old Town Pizza Company, 722 Main St., Klamath Falls

Chapter address. P.O. Box 1844 St. Klamath Falls, Or. 97602

Chapter contact: Deby Beekman 541-884-7735

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Hi there,

Motsie, Pickle and I went to S.T.E.A.M. and it was great. We were not there long, just the morning session but we came back with some good information. It's a good thing that we left early because I think we were probably the last car to make it over Doak Mountain on 140. All we saw were tow trucks heading west. By the way, thank you Merge for your hospitality.

Here is the list of our new officers:

Coordinator:	Carol Morgado
Secretary:	Judy LaMay
Membership Sec:	Cathy Brinnon
Treasurer:	Bob Motschenbacher
Sergeant at Arms:	Ray "Pickle" Davis
Ways and Means:	Deby Beekman
Alt. Ways & Means:	Bob Motschenbacher
State rep/ Leg Director	Nick Morgado
Public Relations:	Jennifer Towner
Run coordinator/Road Captain:	Dennis Wallis

Everyone who has not been notified, please notice we have a new Post office box number now. Also, we are having two meetings a month now. The original second Wednesday and now the third Sunday of each month. When the weather improves some more, the Sunday meeting will be held at various outdoor locations. These will include a ride and some food. We need your attendance at these meetings.

We are writing letters, calling, E mailing, whatever is necessary to get the message to Salem about the two bills we have pending in the legislature. Anyone out there that needs addresses or bill numbers contact Bob or me and we will be glad to help out.

Pray for Spring and SUNSHINE!

Judy "Mom" LaMay

A poker run is in the planning stages for the April, Sunday meeting. Come to April's Wednesday meeting for details, also watch your mailbox.

Lincoln County

Meets the first Friday, 7pm 1st Sunday, 11:00 AM

Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 614, Waldport, OR 97

Chapter Contact: Gary Ploub 541-782-3476

Hello!

On March 27th Lincoln Co. celebrated their 1st Anniversary! I'm sure everyone had a horrible time!

In lieu of Spring, at our next Sunday meeting we're giving away a Bone-Stock 1936 Panhead Softail! It's a 45cc, Electric Start, Suicide Shift, Jockey Clutch, with Factory CD player! Get your tickets at a meeting, must be present to win!

All Lincoln Co ABATE members belong to the Beverly Hills Bowling League, so come to Westgate Lanes in Toledo April 24th at 12:00 noon and take home the Trophy!

Nice talkin' to ya!

APRIL FOOLS!

SHIRLEY

N.E. Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

Round Table Pizza, 4141 NE 122nd, Portland

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Hello Members

February was a busy month, preparation for S.T.E.A.M., Biker Days, and planning for the up-coming events.

Although, my first time I attended S.T.E.A.M., I wish to commend the speakers and instructors, for their time and hard work putting together classes for S.T.E.A.M. I found these classes to be very informative and a great learning experience. My only regret is that I could not sit in every class. Teresa spoke and presented a detailed illustration on the history to protect motorcyclist rights, when it first started up to current She spoke about the hard long struggle she and her fellow supporters endured during the years to accomplish and establish what we have today. It certainly was not easy, as most of Os know today. I was taken in by her speech; however, after learning she will no longer be representing her position, I had to ask her for a copy of her illustration, so that this knowledge can be passed on to future generations. Hat's off to you Teresa and those who followed. Excellent job! In addition, Mel along with other V.I.P. speakers shared their thoughts and brought up interesting facts and encouraging ideas. I recommend all members to attend S.T.E.A.M., if the opportunity presents its elf. I met new and long-timer members from different chapters and now have a face with a name. Everyone there was great.

Good turn out at Willy's for the BikePAC Benefit. It was great seeing friends I had not seen in awhile (George & Val) Kyla & Jim) and it was good to see abundant of supporters there. Thank you A.B.A.T.E. Members for showing your support and a big thank you to Jeff, and his staff at Wet Willy's.

Well, spring is here hope everyone is preparing for Fossil Camp-out. Flyers for Fossil were handed out at both DJ's Swap Meet, I have to say I had a great time at DJ's in Monroe, WA. I rode up

with Tim, Roger, Bill, and Janet. I never laughed so hard listening to Tim and Roger, anyone listening to those two, you know what I mean. I had a lot of fun on that trip but then again, I went with a great group of people.

Chapter Legislator, Mike reported an update on Biker Day March 3, regarding Handle Bar Height Law. It sailed through with no negative oppositions and a good possibility this will pass through. In addition, Mike request that each member writes a letter to Rep Kropf for his time and effort and his representation.

Lastly, the committee for Summer Run, is in the works, this year they are focusing toward Mt Hood area. Also, Best of the West hosted by A.B.A.T.E. this month April 9 -11. (info in last month's newsletter). I will try to make this one! Hope some of you can make it as well. That's it folks! Take Care!

Carmen

North Coast

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

Astoria Eagle, 894 Commercial, Astoria

Children are Welcome

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 468, Seaside, OR 97138

Chapter Contact: Jeff Gee 503-861-1703

Not much new for this time. Just the upcoming runs. Hope everyone has a Happy Easter.

Next month is motorcycle awareness month. Lenny in our chapter has offered his bike on a flat bed to be put on display for public viewing as a reminder to watch out for us.

For those of you who don't know a week after Cow Chip last year he and his fiancée were in an accident on his shovel which proved fatal for her.

He is recovering but the bike is crunched. It will be impressive. Thought we'd take it to schools and the shopping center.

That's all for this time, ride safe, Jamye

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

T'was a dark and stormy night. The rain had been falling at an ever-increasing rate since mid afternoon. We had a very small meeting tonight.

Most of it was taking care of the BOD report and legislative information.

I would like to correct an omission in my reporting of our new officers. I failed to list Cindy Judah, our new Treasurer (and she's a hard core rider who shows up every winter Sunday for chapter rides). Cindy says, "C'mon, let's go!"

Good meeting tonight with two new members, Bill and Dena Wolf. Welcome to both of you. We talked about the legislative situation and brought everyone up to date. Also, we are paying tuition and room for Scott Greenfield at Best of the West in April. A while back, we began a Chapter membership raffle at each meeting with \$5 going into it each time. Tonight it was up to \$40, the highest so far. The winner would have been Eric Turner (Dan Turner's motorcycle racing son) if he had come to the meeting. IT SEEMS THAT HE ASKED DAD IF HE COULD GO TO THE MEETING WITH HIM TONIGHT AND DAN WOULDN'T LET HIM!! It will be \$45 next meeting.

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: Jim Russell 503-743-4121

Elaine and Gary Devore (503)-581-0006

Welcome to Spring y'all,

It's the time of the honey moon when the bees is back to buzzin' around pollinatin' flowers an' fertility is runnin' rampant around the countryside along with hordes of grinnin' bikers enjoyin' the sunshine an' warmer weather. It's the month of conception fer Rot Path so April of 1949 musta been a good one.

An' speakin' of the Salem Chapter, we had one of our best turnouts of the year at the February meetin'. New an' not-so-new faces showed up along with another person from the short-lived Keizer Chapter.

Murge gave us a lot of good info on the progress bein' made in other states, then let us in on what's happenin' on the legislative front.

Rot Path noticed that the local Salem paper has been editorializin' on the side of Dr. John, printin' misleadin' an' just plain wrong information. (Ain't journalists supposed to research their subjects thoroughly an' be objective instead of takin' sides an' only presentin' one view?) Looks like we need to get to know these newspaper-types so they see fer themselves that we're real people an' not the evil stereotypes portrayed in the visual media. An' droppin' `em a short note to let `em know ya don't agree with their editorials won't hurt our cause one little bit.

There's common ground out there, folks. Since we're in the underdog position on this lid-law amendment, it's up to us to find it. Even people at opposite ends of the political extremes got stuff in common. Look at how many rabid Democrats an' Republicans we got workin' together on biker issues. Find out what kinda hobbies legislators an' r the bigger V-twins use. (Sounds like a match to Rot Path.)

There's a lot of fine folks in A.B.A.T.E. an' BikePAC that been in the fore front of our battle fer freedom. (Which ain't just about bikers but about everyone's freedom.) A lot of our leaders an' worker bees are just plain gettin' tired an' need a break. It's time fer others to fearlessly step forward an' shoulder the burden fer awhile. Ya won't be alone if ya take on a state-level job `cause you'll have kinds of good folks around to give ya advice an' help ya learn how to function effectively. (An' ya'll sleep better at night knowin' yer unselfishly helpin' others.)

Back to the meetin' . . .

Gunny dropped in on us an' gave a presentation about Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.). Seems that medical-types are now instructed to look fer that yellow aim card on (medically) incapacitated bikers. An' the A.I.M. attorneys put part of their fees back into A.I.M. to keep it goin'. (This is about the only bunch of lawyers to whom the usual jokes shouldn't be applied – they're bikers who care about other bikers an' use their expertise to help us.)

S.T.E.A.M. went over well with less topics an' more time to devote to them. Thanks go out to Elaine, Gary, Murge, Marlene, Sheryl an' CMA fer helpin' put out the great grub an' scaldin' caffeine water. At one of the seminars, someone brought up an interestin' item about the Romanian Umpire (or maybe it was the Roman Empire) operatin' with only 1,000 regulations – before new ones

could be put in place, old ones had to be thrown out. Sounds like something we outta be tryin' in this country, 'cause the way it's lookin' right now, our triennial may be celebrated as "USA, Inc.(tm), A Product of Big Brother Consolidated". (Of course if we did that, a lot of career politicians would be forced to find gainful employment.)

If ya ain't already done it, mark May Day on yer calendar with a bright red crayon so ya don't miss the Motorcyclist Awareness Rally at the capitol (in Salem). Murge is coordinatin' the event an' Salem Chapter's sponsoring it.

How many of youse found ya hadda make a U-turn at Turner an' head fer where Ice Breaker was really bein' held? Yeah, it was quite a shock to learn two weeks before the event that a contractor had messed up the run site an' we had to find an "alternate location". But as Elaine said, "Don't panic". Rot Path's crystal ball is a bit frosty just now, howsomever it sounds like the event is gonna go ahead an' be a success. Read about here next month. Yoni cakes anyone?

Keep yer rubber on the road an' the stars as yer goal, Melissae.
Rot Path

<http://www.open.org/pwdh88/rot-page.html>

(Fer those of ya who have been tryin' to access Rot Path's web site unsuccessfully, a letter was missin' from the URL. The final extension should be "html", not "htm".)

South Coast

Meets 3rd Sunday, 11 AM

Gino's Pizza, 1824 Virginia Street, North Bend

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 4175, Coos Bay, OR 97420

Chapter Contact: Charlie Hill (541) 888-8081

Greetings from the South Coast

Our February meeting kept our members busy. Jeff Bauder, our Legislative Director, had all of the members that attended write letters to the capitol supporting the helmet and handlebar bills. This is what we need if we are going to get these bills passed. Way to go Jeff.

We've been busy planning for our upcoming Mall Show, May 8th and 9th; it will be here before we know it. The Coos River Run will also be here soon. We hope to see you all there.

Drawing for 50/50:

Sandy Cockrell won \$17.50.

P.S. Randy, the Ways-N-Means director form the South Coast chapter thanks all who bought raffle tickets for the Franklin Mint knife. The winner was John Hausmann.

Ride safe

Cindy Ralston

I mad as hell I am not going to take it anymore! Give me my freedom of choice!

Governor



Southern Oregon

Meets 3rd, Sunday, Noon

Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 2031 Grants Pass, OR 97528

Chapter Contact: Tom Orsini (541)-479-8635

Roberta Great 541-857-0244

As of this writing, the mandatory helmet law repeal bill passed the Senate Transportation Committee with a 4-1 vote. This is great news to those of us who want the freedom to make the decision for ourselves whether or not to don a helmet. The big hurdle will again be to get the governor to sign it, or gather enough votes to override the veto. Being the optimist, I am already planning on the bill passing without a hitch! I guess we shall find out the fate of this legislation soon enough.

I am finding that other riders support the repeal of the mandatory helmet law because of the issue freedom of choice issue. Most that I have talked to wear full size helmets, but, like wearing a seat belt, they feel it should be a matter of choice, not a matter of law. Most of them don't feel strongly enough about it to actually take a stand, but, that is ok. At least they are supporting and not opposing us.

Ok, enough about that. We have had pretty good attendance at our regular meetings, and we have new people joining all the time. I hope we can put on some good events this season and increase the riding public as well as the general public's awareness of who we are and what we stand for.

It's almost riding season again. Puxatawny Phil DID NOT see his shadow, so, we are supposed to have an early spring. (I'm still waiting....) My basket case FLH project bike is awfully close to being ready to ride. I can hardly wait! This has been a long winter, and I'm itching to get out!

Unfortunately, and, I broke one of my New Year's resolutions by not participating in any of the Biker Days again this year. I have been supporting ABATE in other ways though. I submitted a letter to the editor of our local paper, and, I was quoted in an article that was picked up by the Associated Press about the helmet repeal legislation.

I am done rambling for now. As they say - "Ride Safe and Free!"
Sondra Nolan

Secretary, Southern Oregon Chapter

S.E. Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12 Noon

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

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 90233, Portland, OR 97290

Chapter Contact: Lee Austin 503-760-9015

FAX 503-760-9013 E-Mail la44@qcsn.com

Well, it's already March and the weather is looking good (at least for this hour). The sun is shining through the windows and I hear a lot of motorcycles going down the road. It's so nice that we still have the freedom to hop on our scoots any time we want. BUT, unfortunately, we have to work for that freedom. There are a lot of bills coming up and we need to stay informed. We can do so by reading this newsletter from cover to cover, and then pick it up again and read it from cover to cover one more time. We can attend meetings and get involved in any way our time allows us to. Then, there is the big word that we all seem to cringe at...VOLUNTEER.... Once you do it, you really do have a good

feeling about yourself. YOU were a part of retaining the freedoms we all work so hard for.

Chapters Coordinator's: We have all been told a hundred times over, but now the session has started on our bills, we need you to contact your House Reps, Senators and the Governor. Send personal hand written letters, E-mails, make phone calls. ANY way you can ask for their support.

The size of our meeting is really growing and it is so nice to see so many people showing up. Invite your friends to come with you.

We are starting our membership drive on March 13, and it will go through September 13. There are "cash" incentives for signing up NEW members. The Portland area chapter with the most new members will receive a trophy (NE, SE, and Columbia River). See your Membership Director for details.

There are several events coming up and we hope to see you all there. The Anniversary party at the River Road House and The Cisco Canned Food Drive delivery both on March 13th (see flyers in this newsletter).

Well enough said, hope I see you at the party and the canned food drive. Enjoy the few nice days we get. And RIDE FREE...

Anna

Washington County

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

Farmhouse Café, 3500 NE Cornell Rd, Hillsboro

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 830, Cornelius, OR 97113

Chapter Contact: Ted Tracy (503) 640-5766

Spring is here and lots of people are getting their rides out of the garage and onto the road. We have already had some great days for riding and hope you have had the chance to enjoy a few. Lady N and I rode down to STEAM and enjoyed meeting people there, learning how to make the best of our time to help with the cause.

We didn't beat the rain back, however, but thanks to good gear, we made it home. I know we say it all too much, but it bears repeating: We need your support in the meetings and with your legislators. They vote as their constituents tell them. If you don't let them know how you feel, they cannot represent your interests.

Get your friends and neighbors on your side, then work together with your elected representatives. Phone calls are good, letters are better, E-mail is the next best thing to being there.

Please attend the meetings at The Farmhouse at 7:30 pm in the small banquet room. You may find that the battle to protect your rights includes helmet repeal, handle bar height restriction, and changes in your right to assemble as a group. Until then, watch out for the other guy.

Linda Wells

WaCo Chapter Secretary

Willamette Valley

Meets 3rd Thursday, 7:00 PM

Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill

1360 Mohawk Blvd., Springfield

Chapter Address: please address to:

4618 Daisy St. C/O Rick Maish, Springfield, OR 97478

Chapter Contact: Michael Taylor 541-485-2352

or Rick Maish 541-746-7837

It'll probably change by the time you read this, but today is warm and sunny, and if I wasn't sittin' here at work I'd be ridin' up the valley blowin' out a winter's worth of cobwebs, mildew and stale oil! At the very least this break in the weather promises a change in the season and we'll soon be out there burnin' up the roads and highways again.

Last meeting was a much-improved turnout and plans were made for another Poker Run on the way over to the Rhody Fest in Florence. May 15th begins at Big's Hiyahahe in Veneta and we added the Lakeview Market in Triangle Lake. Options will be available for those who want to vary their route and/or double up their poker hands. As last year, the Noti tavern, Frank's Place in Mapleton and the Beachcomber will be on the route.

Also in July our chapter voted to do a run/campout at the Cow Chip Boogie event in St. Helens Washington. Sounds like a great time and a fun run. The weekend is July 17-18, possibly heading up the 16th. Mark your calendar and let's have a good turn out.

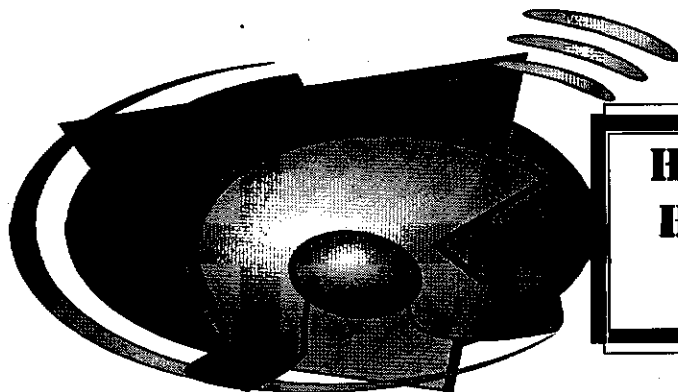
A local weekend campout is in the works for later in the summer, and, of course, we're still putting together weekly runs and a picnic or two.

Also on the local front, the blood bank still needs blood. Talk is, we'll do an evening ride after a group donation soon so get your protein levels up!! Starting in April we'll be back on the I-5 rest stop coffee cart list lookin' to pump up the treasury a bit. Those who've agreed to help out be prepared for a call out. And anybody else who thinks they can fit in a few hours manning the cart can give me a call. Your time and effort would be GREATLY appreciated. (It's fun too!).

Oh yeah, the drawing is happenin' now at the monthly meeting. In January we started right off with a winner! Last month the lucky member wasn't present to win so this next month it's up to thirty bucks. Show up...the next drawing could be YOU!!!

And finally, the helmet and the handle bar height bills made it through the transportation committee and were sent to the Senate floor. Some great support and positive information was presented there. Thanks for those letters and calls. Now's the time to send 'em again to the senate. You ought to have your arguments pretty well sharpened by now! So much the better. Let's keep up the information campaign. THAT'S what will make the difference. Ride safe.....Ride free,

Michael



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JAMYE WOULD
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Motorcyclists Concerns Aired at recent Meeting on Global Harmonization

PICKERINGTON, Ohio – When further global harmonization measures come into effect this fall, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) will be working with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to ensure that the interests of motorcyclists are met, reports the AMA.

In a meeting co-sponsored by the NHTSA and EPA earlier this month, the AMA was on hand stressing the concerns of motorcyclists when it comes to upcoming global harmonization measures. Additionally, the AMA advocated a position of sovereignty in implementing any regulations, to allow the U.S. to make the best decisions for its citizens.

This fall, the 1998 Agreement on Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts, could go into effect. It would call for participating countries to identify and adopt regulations that implement higher levels of safety and environmental protection.

The United States became a signatory in June of last year to ensure voting rights on any proposed global technical regulations and allow consideration of U.S. vehicle safety standards as the global regulation, rather than only European standards.

"Creating one set of vehicle standards worldwide has obvious advantages for manufacturers who make and market motorcycles in a number of countries," said Robert Rasor, AMA vice president of government relations. "But there is also the danger that the bikes sold in this country will be designed to standards set on other continents. We want to make sure that vehicle standards imposed here are appropriate to the United States."

The origins of the agreement can be traced back to the 1950s, when a United Nations committee was created to advance the free flow of commerce across Europe.



DOT Replies to Chicago Motorcycle Ban

Washington, DC ... The US Department of Transportation (DOT)

responded to inquiries about the proposed Chicago motorcycle ban on Lake Shore Drive.

Illinois Congressmen Ray LaHood (R-IL) and John Shimkus (R-IL) wrote to the US DOT to inform department Secretary Rodney Slater of the ordinance proposed by Alderwoman Holt of the Chicago City Council. The ordinance would ban motorcycles from a portion of US Highway 41 known as Lake Shore Drive between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF), along with the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA), and state motorcyclists' rights organizations from around the country lobbied for two years to get language included in the Transportation Equity Act for the Twenty First Century (TEA-21). The language in Subsection (b) of Section 102 of Title 23 of United States Code specifically prohibits the banning of motorcycles from roads using federal funds. The language allows for prohibition if it is a safety related issue. The Chicago ban stems from a noise issue arising out of complaints from residents living in the concrete canyons along Lake Shore Drive. The Aldermen supporting the ban said it was a safety issue in response to late night drag racing and speeding.

Chicago has laws on the books against drag racing, speeding, and excessive noise and should be enforced instead of creating more laws.

"Since the enactment of TEA-21 we have been waiting to see if there would be a challenge to the new language", stated Steve Zimmer, MRF Vice President of

Government Relations. He continued, "The Chicago Aldermen didn't disappoint us, but the true test is to see how the US DOT responds. This DOT response to the congressmen could have been more specific but did show the support we had been hoping for." In his letter, Secretary Slater indicated the legal staff to the City Council had recommended dropping the proposed ordinance and the Chicago Department of Transportation was aware that such restrictions would violate Section 102. The Secretary is supporting CDOT's position. Following

congressional visits from members of ABATE of IL, Congressman Don Manzullo (R-IL) has also inquired of Secretary Slater concerning the situation in Chicago. Zimmer said, "We look forward to seeing the Secretary's response to Representative Manzullo. A more definitive position will go a long way to stopping these types of bans around the country." Zimmer concluded, "We would like to thank the legislators for taking time to bring this issue to the attention of Secretary Slater. Their efforts are greatly appreciated by motorcyclists around the country." For further information contact Steve at 202-546-0983 or by e-mail at <steve@mrf.org>

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You are



either part of the problem
or part of the solution!

PR Director's Report

This month I was very busy with STEAM and finally made it to Biker Days. I will keep my report short and sweet so that I might include one of the many handouts I pulled together for the Media workshop that I did with Maddog. The best part of STEAM was being able to videotape "The History of ABATE" presentation by Teresa Hepker. The videotape production has now begun and I'll be contacting you "old timers" for stories.

Several bikers contacted me this month with additional names of motorcycle magazine and fax numbers to include in my press release media list. Thank you to Lee, Jill and Roger for taking the time to respond to my request. Unfortunately for us, "Motorcycle Consumer News" wants the address for every event before they run our run information and the "Northwest Motorcycle" newspaper has a phone number no longer in service.

Roger just came up with a new project for me and I thought I pass it along to all of you. We need the fax numbers and/or email addresses of all the scooter shops in the state! Mostly we will use these numbers so that BikePAC can contact shops throughout the state with legislative information, but it would be good for me to send out our routine press releases. Who knows, maybe these shops might post our information? My phone number and email address are always at the end of these monthly reports. As it is, Fast Eddie is the only one in my shop phonebook, so now it's time for you to connect me with your favorite place of business.

Which reminds me, if you are "online" and don't get a press release from me every couple of months, please contact me with your email address and I will get you on the state master list. Membership Secretaries may feel free to send that info off to me as well. In the past when I've sent out press releases, I include everyone's address for all to see, so that you could notice who was missing. However, I got a "right to privacy" request and now send everything blind.

I hope you are all inspired to promote your events this summer and I look forward to enjoying a few new runs this year. Remember, to not only promote your events but your organization and your members. We are an incredible group of people who are moving mountains. At least that's what I witnessed at the Senate Transportation Committee!

Keep up the good work and keep in touch.
Happy trails...

Melinda McCrossen, (503) 231-2701,

FINAL REPORT S.T.E.A.M. '99

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon provided the opportunity to learn how and why all members and officers could learn to uphold the rights of all motorcyclists of Oregon. This was done at CHEMEKETA Community College in Salem, February 20th, 1999. Members and Officers of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, A.B.A.T.E. of Washington, BikePAC of Oregon, The Christian Motorcyclists Association and others attended this session, as well as our invited guest speaker, State Representative Betsy Close and her daughter, Abby. In all there were about 80 people attending this conference.

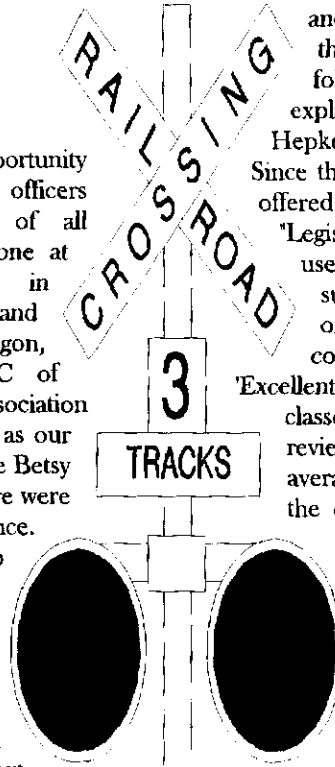
Some of those attending came in late to participate in only part of the classes offered. Some left early for their own reasons. Consequently, not all who attended registered upon arriving and those who left early did not get to fill out a critique sheet. It is essential to me that I have this information in order to plan next year's conference. Here is a breakdown of attendance according to the registration sheets. Please let me know of any discrepancies.

Invited guests	2
BikePAC	2
ABATE of Washington	2
Christian Motorcyclists	4
ABATE of Oregon	
Columbia River	4
Douglas Co.	4
Klamath Co	3
Lincoln Co.	2
NE Portland	7
River City	5
Salem	10
SE Portland	9
South Coast	2
Southern Oregon	5
Washington Co	6
Willamette	1

Total 68 registered. (Where are the rest?)

As usual, the program progressed quite smoothly during the day and the classes were well attended. Spike's class about "your legal rights" had a huge attendance during the first session and only a few the second session. The comments I read encourage a repeat of this class next year.

The next most popular item of interest seemed to be the "History of ABATE" by Teresa Hepker and the display by Iris Yeager. As far as the classes offered the one offered by Teresa Hepker



and Butch Harbaugh seemed to get the most positive comments, followed closely by the "OHPI explanation" instructed by Teresa Hepker and Melinda McCrossen.

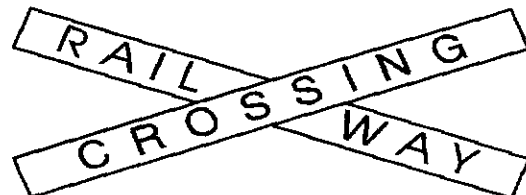
Since this is a legislative year, classes were offered in "Pending Legislation", and "Legislative Buddy". Both of these are useful in knowing how to deal successfully with your elected officials in the Capitol. I had comments ranging from 'good info' to 'Excellent presentation' for both of these classes. The other classes also had reviews all the way from excellent to average. No comments to indicate that the class subject matter were poor or that the instructor was not qualified or unprepared to teach the class.

I believe that this session of the STEAM conference was a success. A couple of improvements needed for next year--BETTER

ADVERTISEMENT OF THE EVENT and BETTER REGISTRATION PROCEDURES so that there will be a full listing of those attending. I am already making plans for STEAM 2000, (we might as well be Y2K correct). Thanks to the Salem Chapter of ABATE for providing the lunch for our hungry students. The food was great and the price was right. My personal thanks to all of the instructors who took time out from their personal lives to prepare for this conference and to teach that message to other motorcyclists.

My final thoughts about this conference is that ABATE foots the bill for the cost of this conference to ANY member of any motorcycle rights organization to come and be educated in how to do your job better. The OFFICERS and MEMBERS of ABATE of OREGON should take this opportunity to see their money in action and to see how we can motivate people to help protect their right to choose and how to be most effective doing it. Plan to attend this free conference in the future.

Mel Yeager,
Education Director
ABATE of Oregon



Getting Quality Press Release Coverage

1) The State PR Director should be able to assist you in getting your press release written and released. If you need help, seek it at least two months prior to the event. If you have little more than a month to promote your event and want help, ask for it, but expect the worst. If you have less than a month, forget it (for the most part) and get it together for the next year.

2) Never release anything without your Chapter Coordinator's approval. Read the ABATE of Oregon Media Guidelines before you do anything with a blindfold on. Also, I have an excellent handout for PR Directors, entitled "Media Relations Tips and Tricks" and if you didn't get a copy ask your State Rep to request one from me or print it off of this web site: <http://www.tipsandtricks.com>.

3) Read your work out-loud before you finish. Does it sound like a commercial or does it sound like gobblity-gook? It is also helpful to read it out-loud to someone who knows nothing about the event to be certain that it makes sense. Sending a poster with no press release is not a good idea because it doesn't tell the assignment editor what is "newsworthy" about the event.

4) Make sure it looks good. Sending it through a fax will junk it up enough. It really should be on letterhead AND it should include our mission statement at the bottom of the page. Delivering a press release in person is the best method yet. Find out who you need to see in advance and when they are likely to be in.

5) For a list of media sources in your area, go to the library to use the State of Oregon's Blue Book or buy one when you're at the State Capitol. If you have internet access, you can go to <http://bluebook.state.or.us/> and access the information for free. Look in Media. (Thanks to Victor Howard for that tip!) <http://elaine.teleport.com/~samc/ornews.html#guide> is good for providing some alternative media options.

6) Bring copies of the release to the event. I always forget to do this but it really helps the put the right words in the reporter's mind. It also lists "for more information" contact names and numbers. Often times, the assignment editor gets the press release and tells a crew (of one) what to do, without any background information.

7) Make yourself highly visible at the event. Approach any media people that you see and introduce yourself. Ask if they have any questions or need anything. This positive step forward

makes a huge difference and assures you that they get accurate information. Keep track of who shows up so that you can catch the coverage. Be prepared.

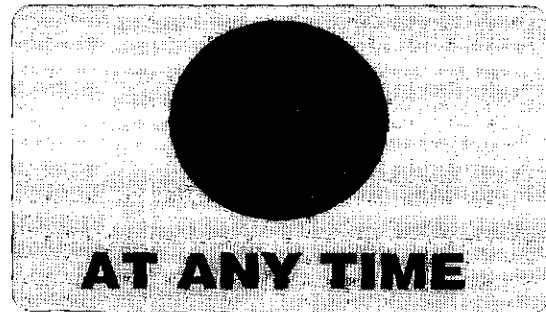
8) Don't be disappointed if no one uses any of the words you wrote. Press releases are mostly used to catch media attention. If it seems interesting enough, an assignment editor will make sure it is covered. You need to make sure you have all of the basic information, but also specifically offer photo opportunities, rides on a bike or whatever else is appropriate. Those kinds of offers should not be in the body of the press release.

9) It is a fickle market out there. If your annual event is covered by a media source one year, it may not be covered the next year because it is "old news" and no one may not interested, including last year's source of coverage. This is why it is really important to find new and interesting angles on repetitive events.

10) Send thank you cards. I have never done this before, but it's a nice touch that goes the distance. Follow-up calls are terrific too.

Keep in touch.

"Take control of the media or it will control you."



How the Governor sees
our freedom of choice



How
I see
what he
should do!
The Editor.

SUNNY-SIDE UP:

Well it's April, and there are showers?? Just what we need more rain. But there are some glimpses of the sun. Time to be sure the tune-ups are done, tires are good, and the scooter is ready to ride. Summer is coming!

I've been talking a lot lately to a friend, a brother in the wind, and a brother in Christ who went back out, got back on the needle. He's now in the county jail, looking at a murder charge. It really makes a person think and consider how life's paths take us different directions. What makes my life path so different than his? In pondering this, I turned to the "Book" for some insight.

"The two most difficult things to get straight in life are love and God. More often than not the mess people make of their lives can be traced to failure, stupidity, or meanness in one or both of these areas. The basic and biblical Christian conviction is that the two subjects are intricately related. If we want to deal with God the right way; we have to learn to love the right way. If we want to love the right way, we have to deal with God the right way. God and love can't be separated. In John's three letters (1 2, 3' John) he explains how Jesus provides full and true understanding of God; Jesus shows us the mature working out of love. In Jesus, God and love are linked accurately, intricately and indissoluble. John says: Anyone who claims to live in God's light and hates a brother or sister is still in the dark. It's the person who loves brother and sister who dwells in God's light and doesn't block the light from others. But whoever hates is still in the dark, stumbles around in the dark, doesn't know which end is up, blinded by darkness."

The above quote is from a translation of the Bible called the Message. It's described as being written with the same kind of language we use with our friends, authentic and earthy. Given the sometimes scholarly and difficult nature of the King James version of the Bible, this New Testament is really easy to read and holds a person's attention. Beyond that, in thinking about my friend, I find that this Bible is written in language that really fits what we deal with in life today. Some place along the way' my friend lost sight of God and began to "love" the wrong things. In so doing, he left the ~ was blinded by the need to "chase the bag", spent the last two years wandering in darkness, he now doesn't know which end is up. This path led him back to God He recently told me. 'I'm at a place in my life where I know that if I don't have God, I don't have anything'.

I would like to share some of this new translation

with you if you're interested. Write me at Don Garino, P0 Box 831, Winston. Or. 97496. I'll be happy to send you a little booklet called "The Message of Hope", a brief portion of the New Testament in this translation. It's free, and with no obligation, I won't contact you other than to mail it to you.

See Ya Soon,
Livin' on the 'Sonny-side',
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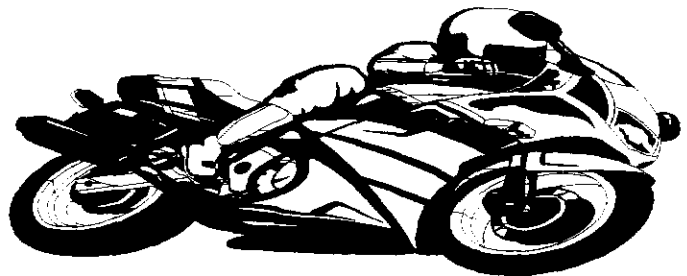
EDUCATION DIRECTOR REPORT

This has been a busy month for Iris and me, what with putting on the STEAM conference (see report above), and family affairs that needed our attention.

There have been two INSTRUCTORS awarded their certificate in the Motorcycle Awareness Program. In the Lincoln County chapter of ABATE Shirley Huff and Frank Trombetta were certified by their fellow instructors when they helped teach several awareness classes to students in the Newport High School. They taught three classes on January 20th 1999 to classes of 22, 22, and 24 students. The teacher's name is Campbell. I am not sure if it's a male or female person.

Participating, as instructors for the classes were Ruth Trombetta, Shirley Huff, Kurt Speas, Bob Highfill, and Joe Huff. My thanks to the Lincoln County chapter for their continuing efforts in teaching our message of safety to those willing to hear it. We all hope that all of our efforts will pay off in the future. Anybody else out there putting on Awareness classes?? Get those reports in so they can be tallied.

Mel Yeager
Education Director



On Monday, February 22nd, the Oregon House Transportation Committee considered and unanimously passed to the floor HB2613, which would eliminate the ORS requirement for a maximum handlebar height for motorcycles. On Friday, February 26th, the Oregon House voted unanimously to pass HB2613 on to the Oregon Senate.

The origins and reasons for this law are obscured in time. Testimony was presented that clearly showed police use of this statute as a harassment tool aimed at motorcycle riders. One OSP motor officer appeared to present the OSP position of neutrality to the legislation. While the officer raised questions about tall handlebars possibly being unsafe, he also admitted to the committee that photos submitted by BikePAC clearly showed legal motorcycles under the current law. The two riders in the photos had been detained and ticketed.

One legislator suggested changing Oregon's shoulder height law to 15 inches above the seat. Chairman Montgomery asked BikePAC to respond to that idea. Teresa Hepker, Information Manager for BikePAC, stated, "Motorcyclists in Washington state, which has the 15 inch language, are attempting to change their law because of similar harassment."

BikePAC's helmet law modification bill, SB583, will have its first hearing in the Senate Transportation Committee next Wednesday, 3/3/99. The bill would mandate helmet use for those under 16 years of age.

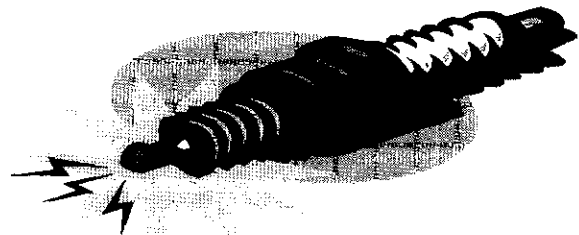
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BikePAC of Oregon is a nonprofit organization incorporated as a political action committee. BikePAC was formed to protect and enhance the interests of motorcyclists through legislative and campaign activities.



Kudos

Our Legislative Buddy program is going great guns. The only problem with it is that we don't have near the volunteers that we need to really be effective. Since we are getting close to the half way mark on this year's legislative session, I wanted to take a minute to pass along some well deserved praise to a few ABATE Members who have been really knocking themselves out this year. My 1999 MVP award goes to Dick Edmonds, S.E. Portland Chapter Legislative Director. Dick has been to just about all of our events, meetings, hearings, and votes and has been a valuable contributor. Dick is the Legislative Buddy for Rep. Kathy Lowe. Southeast is fortunate to have someone with Dick's dedication as a Chapter Officer. A tip of the hat also goes out to Mike Friend, Legislative Director for the N.E. Portland Chapter. Mike has been doing a super job and is the Legislative Buddy for Senator Frank Shields who is probably the toughest person in the whole legislature for us. Mike has opened up some meaningful dialogue with the Senator which is something no one else in ABATE has ever been able to do. In his spare time, Mike is also the Legislative Buddy for Rep. Merkley who is also proving to be a tough nut to crack. An honorable mention and thanks a heap goes to Marty Coon and Roger Tower for their good work with Rep. Max Williams. And speaking of tough jobs, Dena Turner has been making real progress with Rep. Vicki Walker. The whole South Coast Chapter can be proud of the work they have been doing with Rep. Lehman. And last, but certainly not least is Debbie Becker who has been working some minor miracles with Rep. Hopson who came into the session as a defiant "no" vote. We are all very grateful for the good work that these folks are doing. I'm sure I left out a few dozen others who have been doing a lot to help out, but Gordon only gives me so much newsletter space every Month. If you Buddy up with a Legislator and get him or her to convert to a "yes" vote, I'll be sure to say nice things about you for years to come. Thanks again to all of our Legislative Buddies for their great work!



SB583 (Helmet bill) Senate passage is in jeopardy!!

Immediate action needed

We are expecting a Senate vote on SB583 early next week and we do not think that we have enough votes to pass! Now is the time to pull out all of the stops! We need to crank up a major phone calling, E-mailing, faxing campaign to get at least one more "yes" vote. Failure to do so is going to blow us right out of the water. *YOU* personally need to call and send E-mails. *YOU* also need to put the arm on friends, neighbors, Colleagues, Co-Workers and so on to get them to call and E-mail too! The need for serious action is immediate!

Here's the list of Senators we need to focus on: Joan Dukes (D), North Coast. The Senator likes and respects Bikers and the work we have done. However, she has a blind spot when it comes to mandatory helmet laws. Her Husband rode and did not like helmets. It was a source of disagreement until his death. Winning her over is unlikely however we do have a long, positive history of working cooperatively with her. 986-1701

* Tom Hartung (R), Washington County. Sen Hartung will be retiring at the end of his current term. He is an "outsider" within the County GOP. I don't know what his objection to our bill is since he has never agreed to meet with me even though I am his PCP. As an Elder American who

lived through the depression and World War II, he may respond to issues of freedom and individual responsibility. 986-1703

Ginny Burdick (D), Portland. This Senator is probably a lost cause. Rumor has it that a close family member was killed on a motorcycle. Several ABATE Members have undergone a sustained campaign to educate the Senator with no positive results so far. 986-1706

Frank Shields (D), Portland. Reverend Shields has dedicated a big chunk of his life to helping the homeless. His objections to amending the helmet bill seem to vary between the so-called social burden theory and an unwillingness to overturn a vote of the people. My personal take is that the Senator doesn't like Bikers much. He is certainly antagonistic towards those who have enough money to buy expensive Harley Davidson "toys". This is the only Legislator who seems to be against us because we represent wealthy Oregonians. I have agreed to start going back to church if Senator Shields starts voting with us. 986-1709

Avel Gordly (D), Portland. Lost cause. The best we can hope for is that she won't work against us as she did last session. 986-1710

Vern Duncan (R), Portland. Has supported us in the past. Rumor has it that he plans to vote against us this time. We don't know why, at this time. Since helmet law repeal is part of the GOP party platform, pointing this fact out to the Senator may help to bring him back into the fold. 986-1712

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* Rick Metsger (D) Portland. A good poker player. No One knows how he is going to vote. This is a key Senator for us to focus on. 986-1714

Gene Derfler (R) Salem. Has voted against us in the past. Since helmet law repeal is part of the GOP party platform now, emphasizing this fact to the Senator may help to bring him back into the fold.

Peter Courtney (D) Salem. Lost cause. 986-1717
Cliff Trow (D) Corvallis. Lost cause. 986-1718

Mae Yih (D) Albany. Lost cause. The Senator immigrated to the USA from Shanghai, China as a young girl, ostensibly to get away from the same kinds of autocratic Government meddling that she supports here in America. 986-1719

Susan Castillo (D) Eugene. It would take a minor miracle to turn Senator Castillo around. 986-1720

Tony Corcoran (D) Eugene. Pretty much a lost cause. That whole Salem to Eugene corridor seems to be a bastion for anti-American socialists and Communists. 986-1722

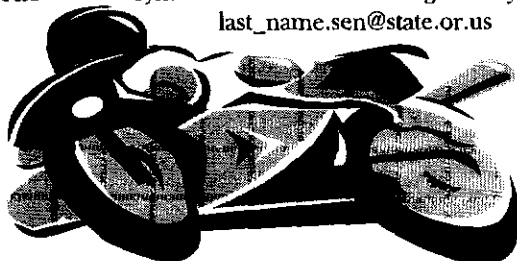
* Neil Bryant (R) Jefferson County. Has voted against us in the past. Since helmet law repeal is part of the GOP party platform now, emphasizing this fact to the Senator may help to bring him back into the fold. The Senator represents a very conservative, rural area of Oregon. The "freedom" issue should carry some weight in his constituency. 986-1727

* David Nelson (R) Umatilla County. Has voted against us in the past. Since helmet law repeal is part of the GOP party platform now, emphasizing this fact to the Senator may help to bring him back into the fold. The Senator represents a very conservative, rural area of Oregon. The "freedom" issue should carry some weight in his constituency. 986-1729

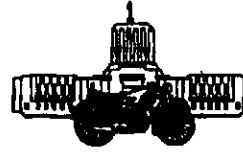
You do the math. If we don't convert at least one of the above "no" votes to a yes, we lose. We need to bury all 15 of these folks in E-mail and phone calls.

* denotes Senators who we should particularly focus on.

For Senator E-mail addresses, visit http://www.europa.com/~frankie/senvote_99.htm
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Legislative Director Report

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Things are moving quickly! This news will be old news almost as soon as I hit the "print" button.

HB2613, our handlebar height bill, is doing even better than our Team Oregon funding bill did last session. After receiving a unanimous "do pass" recommendation from the House Transportation Committee, we received a unanimous vote on the House floor. The only testimony opposing this bill was given by an OSP Motor Officer who claimed that if the law was repealed, our poor little hands would get tired from being so high and that we'd become fatigued and crash. If there is one thing that LawMakers in Salem have come to learn, it's that Bikers don't tire easily! The Senate Transportation Committee hearing on this bill is scheduled for Monday 3/15/99 at 3 PM.

SB583. Our helmet law amendment is doing well too. We moved out of the Senate Transportation Committee with a "do pass" recommendation. Several Members lambasted a few of our Opponents for things like misrepresenting the facts and for trying to use data to support completely opposite conclusions. Senator Ferrioli brought the OSP Representative to task for their continued harassment of ABATE Members during our annual Fossil event. Bob Avery testified on behalf of Rep. Jim Welsh and Rep. Jane Lokan dropped by to speak on our behalf. Bikers came across at the hearing as really having their act together. The Government Bureaucrats who oppose freedom came off as exactly what they are Bureaucrats who could care less about our safety! A Senate floor vote is expected Wednesday 3/10/99.

One of the groups that got the pooh beat out of them by members of the Senate Transportation Committee for playing fast and loose with the facts was none other than the Governor's advisory committee on motorcycle safety! You remember those guys.... The organization that was founded by ABATE to help promote safety issues... The organization who's members claim that they are blocked by charter from lobbying for or against any bill in the legislature. Well, one of the members, a Team Oregon Instructor, speaking for the committee, testified against our legislation by regurgitating the same lies and half truths that have been making the circuit for years. And yes, in case you are wondering... Team Oregon was also created by ABATE and yes, last year BikePAC pushed through legislation that increased Team Oregon funding by increasing the

fees all of us Riders pay to register our motorcycles. If this seems real disrespectful to you, it is. If it angers you as much as it does me, you need to show up at the next advisory board meeting and say so! Thursday 3/11/1999, Libbys restaurant, Milwaukie.

BikePAC's semi-final Biker Day on 3/3/99 was very well attended and a whole lot of positive things got done... not the least of which was that we packed the Senate hearing room with black leather jackets. Most everyone who was there also took the opportunity to visit a few Legislators trying to convince them that a "yes" vote for our bills is the right thing to do. I also signed up a few more Riders as Legislative Buddies. If you haven't adopted your very own LawMaker yet, it's not too late. Visit

<http://www.europa.com/~frankie> or write me at Frankie@Easyrider.com and I'll fix you up with someone ASAP. There is another Biker Day scheduled for St. Patrick's Day, March 17th. On the agenda will be a workshop to familiarize everyone with the contents of the OHPI report. This is important stuff! Please try to be there.

I have been very busy updating my Oregon Legislative and bill status pages. If you haven't visited lately, please drop by <http://www.europa.com/~frankie/laws.htm> to check it out.

If you haven't already, be sure to get yourself copies of the BikePAC Fact Sheets. You'll need this information so that you'll have plenty of straight talk to employ when countering the predictable onslaught of Government and Medical community misinformation being provided to the Legislature.

We are pretty sure that we have enough votes to get through the House and the Senate again this session. This is an important fact to remember when talking to Legislators. Nobody wants to vote no on a bill that's going to pass anyway, especially if voting no is going to cause several hundred Bikers to be working on your Opponent's campaign next year! We only need a handful more Law Makers on board to veto-proof our legislation. Let's put in that extra effort to get this thing done this year!

Also: Please make a special effort to make it down to the Capitol on those days when our bills are being voted on in the House and Senate, especially SB583. I update the info on my web site immediately after I receive it so check in often.



Thank you Frank for all the good work you have done so far this year.

Ted Tracy wants to say "Thanks" to everyone who made time on that recent sunny Sunday (3/7) to participate in the fundraiser for BikePAC. Jeff Betts of Wet Willy's was a wonderful host, and great music provided by the Lee Blake Band. Several door prizes were donated by the folks from Full Sail Ale, and Gary Ploub donated a hand-tooled leather tool bag. Over \$300 was raised to help BikePAC fight for fair motorcycle legislation this year.



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This month I'm all fired up to ride on down to the 1999 NATIONAL COALITION OF MOTORCYCLISTS (NCOM) and AID TO INJURED MOTORCYCLISTS (AIM) convention in Phoenix. This is a legislative session in many states, and there is a ton of information available, distributed through NCOM at the Convention.

This is one of many bikers' rights organizations all over the country that devote untold hours of effort to get legislative and discrimination info out to the rest of us.

Look for workshops and seminars on such subjects as: Women in Motorcycling, How to Write Legislation that will Pass (!), seminars on how to get our own people, BIKERS, elected to public office. Another workshop will be on Harassment and Governmental Intrusion.

Slider Gilmore, a biker/EMT in Iowa, will give his acclaimed presentation, "Two Wheel Trauma." This convention promises to be the best ever, and these opportunities to get together are invaluable because we can talk to others involved in the fight for freedom. We learn so much from each other just swapping stories over a few beers!

Plan to be there. Believe me you won't forget the experience. Make your room reservations at Embassy Suites in Phoenix, at 1-800-527-7715. Let them know you plan to come for the NCOM Convention May 6-8, and they'll give you a special rate of \$59.00 a night, which includes a breakfast and a free happy hour. It just doesn't get much better.

Registration will cost you just \$30.00 if you attend the convention and \$60.00 will include the awards banquet on Saturday night. You won't want to miss that. For more info, contact BILL BISH at the AIM and NCOM offices in Encino, at 1-800-

531-2424, or 1-800-On-A-Bike, or drop an e-mail to Bill at NCOMpms@aol.com.

BIKER DISCRIMINATION: You've read about it here, and the discrimination lawsuit was just filed in Federal Court in Oregon. Art West has put himself and his club, Brother Speed (Portland Chapter) on the front line for our rights, with the help of the Oregon Confederation of Clubs. A City Ordinance in Portland labeled members of Brother Speed as part of a "CRIMINAL GANG," and that just won't sit. Lawyers include AIM Attorney Sam Hochberg, his new RIDING (HEY, welcome aboard!) associate BROOKS COOPER, led by civil rights attorney, Spencer "Spike" Neal.

BIKER LEGISLATION NATIONWIDE: Good news first:

OREGON'S handlebar height repeal bill passed the house unanimously with only one member absent. This will go to the Senate with a "DO PASS" endorsement. This thing was truly a harassment tool for police here in Oregon and I understand they admitted so in hearings. March 3rd, Oregon's Helmet bill passed out of the Senate Transportation Committee with a "DO PASS" recommendation with no changes. We'll know more by the time this is in print.

March 3rd was also our last Biker Day and we had about 50 or so people there to lobby their lawmakers. We just have to get the votes to make our Helmet Bill VETO proof. With a little more work I think we can do it. Our biggest problem is getting bikers to the capitol this year. After last sessions shameful treatment by our Governor (we won in the legislature but got a veto from our Governor, who was an ER doc), there are some very disheartened folks out there. Well, guess what? This is his last term. He is leaving, and WE WILL STILL BE HERE.

MARYLAND has an adult helmet bill before their Senate and they have had testimony on it. I'll keep you posted as I get details.

TENNESSEE'S helmet bill passed the Senate and continues to march. They are optimistic it will pass. Root for them hard. Unfortunately, West Virginia's helmet bill went down to defeat this year. Their house voted it down. The public burden theory is a real problem to get past some people. Lots of work ahead for those folks. They aren't about to quit though, so lets give'm our wholehearted support.

NEWS BITS'N PIECES:

NEVADA: There is a bill in Nevada's Senate that will make it legal to "immobilize" a vehicle up to 30 days if the driver blows a .10 or blood tests indicate intoxication or substance abuse. All

without trial or arrest. This ought to do Nevada's tourism business a ton of good, huh?

NEW YORK CITY: A new ordinance here allows confiscation of property if there is just suspicion of unlawful activity or DWI. The suburban counties of Nassau and Suffolk have jumped on the bandwagon, too. All this can be done without conviction. What has happened to the Fourth amendment? It's not just helmet laws, folks. **WE ARE ALL LOSING OUR FREEDOMS** at an alarming rate and we better put a stop to it before its too late.

NEW JERSEY: The Governor fired the State Superintendent of Police after a report quoted him linking certain minorities with drug trafficking. Col. Carl Williams refused to recognize racist policies and the targeting of minority groups **AND** motorcyclists for traffic stops by the State Police.

The Governor said these policies would not be allowed to continue. The Associated Press reported that the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division has had the New Jersey State Police under investigation for two years. Justice in this case has been served I think, and it's about time.

ILLINOIS, Springfield: The house Judiciary committee rejected the efforts of motorcyclists by voting 4-2 against the bill that would have made it illegal to discriminate against bikers. The lobbyist saw no obvious opposition to the bill, but suspected some with "philosophical opposition" to the idea. Is this **BIAS** or what?

PHOENIX, AZ: Titan Motorcycle Co has added a new logo to their impressive motorcycle line called the "PHOENIX". The new machines will

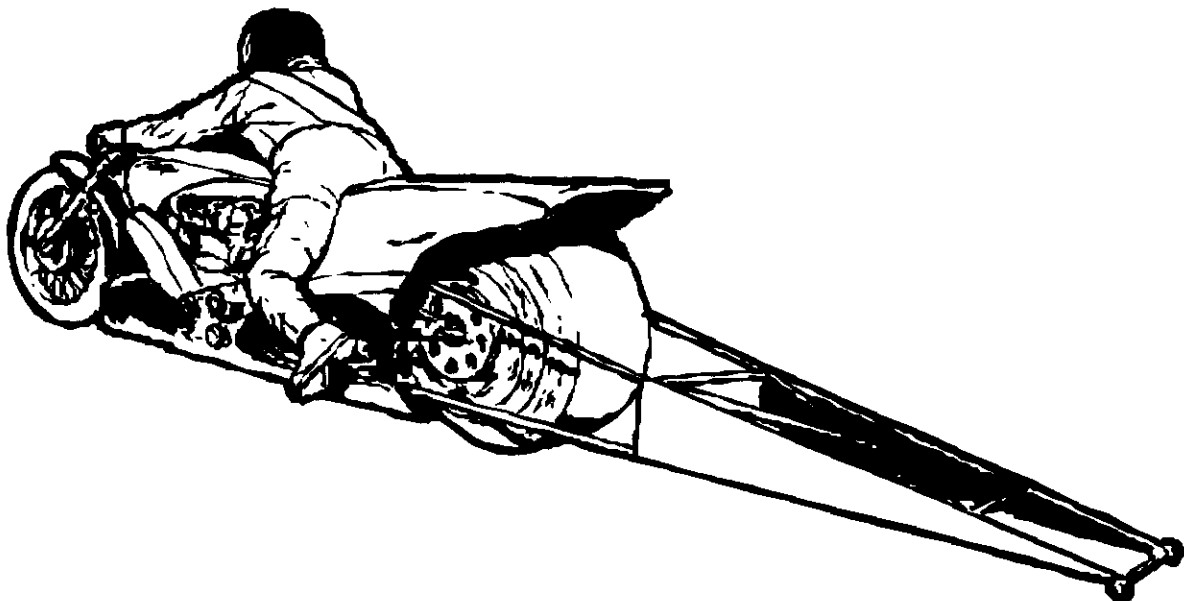
consist of four new models in the \$20,000.00 range. Still way out of my league.

DAYTONA BEACH, FLA: Ford and H-D entered into a partnership centered around racing. The Ford logo will appear on the H-D factory VR-1000 racing bikes in the Daytona 200, the first of the 13-race AMA Superbike series that runs through October of this year. **GILROY, CA:** The Indian Motorcycle Co. officially launched the other American Icon. The 1999 Limited Edition INDIAN CHIEF was presented at Daytona "Bike Week" in Florida. By the year 2001, the 100th anniversary of the Indian, they expect three new models will be introduced. I think I'll wait and see folks, if you don't mind.

SAM'S AIM TIP 'O THE MONTH: This is a basic one, but a lot of folks don't know it: Every civil action - like a lawsuit against a driver or an insurance company - has a Statute of Limitations, and you want to know what it is in **YOUR** state. If you've had a wreck, you **MUST** have your case either settled or filed in the right court by the statute's anniversary date (Oregon's is two years, for example), or you can **LOSE** your right to make a claim beyond then. A **FEW** circumstances can extend the statute, depending on your state. Questions? Call an injury lawyer, or your state AIM lawyer (who **RIDES**), by calling at 800-531-2424. Sam Hochberg (Oregon AIM) is at 503-224-1106, or on the 'net at SamBikeLaw@aol.com.

Keep the round side on the bottom.

Gunny, Oregon AIM Chief of Staff



Membership Secretary's Report

Some of you have noticed that your name was missing from the address label on your newsletter last month. Some of you may not have received your newsletter last month. Our mailing house got a new computer program and it screwed up a lot of addresses. For those of you who have a personal relationship with your postman, you were lucky and got your newsletter in spite of the label. The mailing house was very apologetic and promised to fix the problem. The millenium bug struck and it's not even the year 2000.

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A guy I know signed up and never got anything, card, patch, newsletter, nothing!! Let me know. I'll trace it from my end and figure out what happened.

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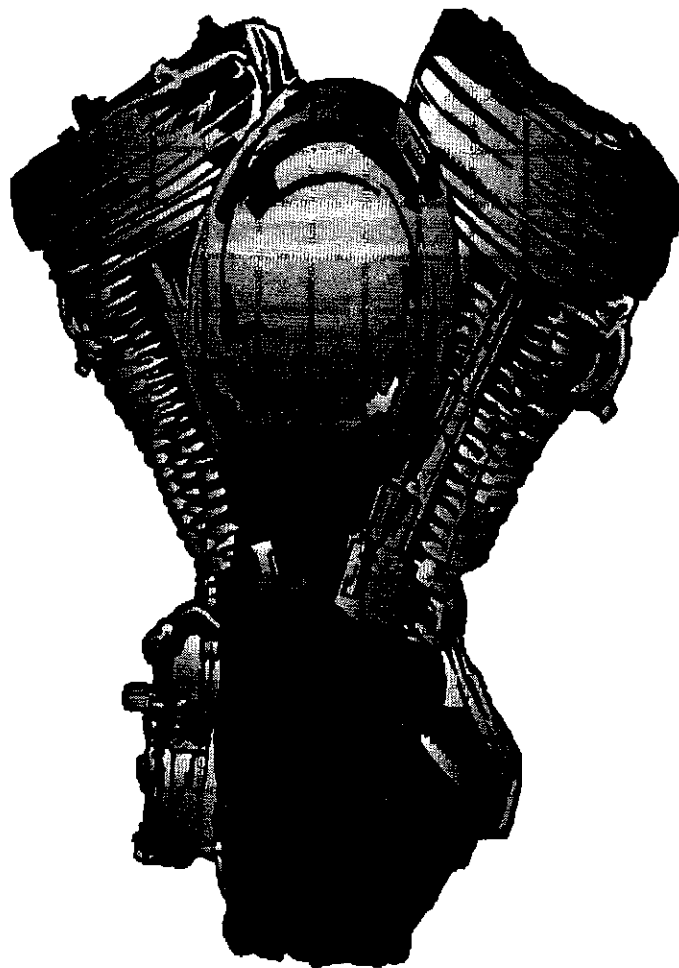
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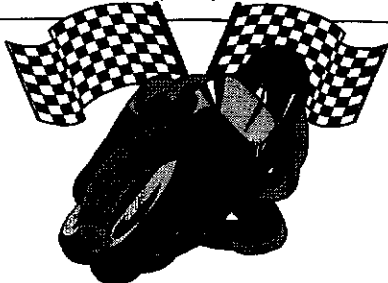
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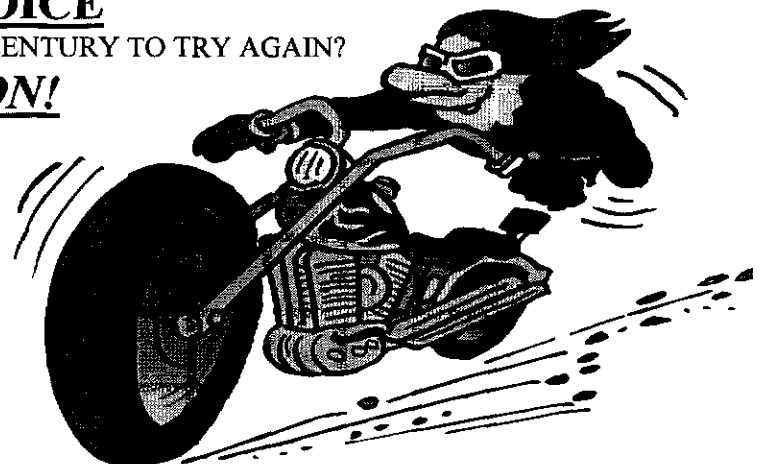
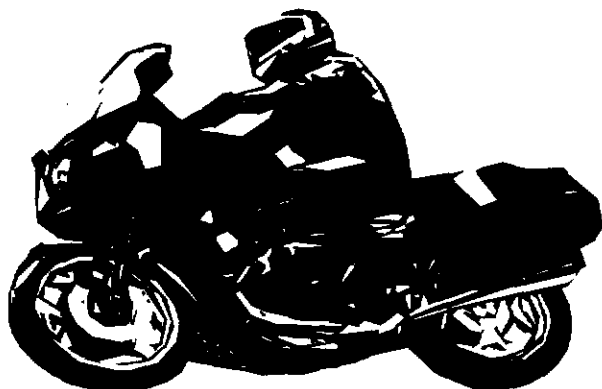
<p>'75 Sporty 1,000 cc Good Shape, runs excellent \$4,500.00 WILL PAINT TO SUIT Jim 503-630-2685 (4/99)</p>	<p>FOR SALE: Harley sidecar with roll cage setup Call Gordon for info 503-674-7500 (6/99)</p>	<p>ABATE OF OREGON IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANYTHING SOLD THRU THESE ADS. THESE ARE THINGS THAT INDIVIDUALS ARE SELLING <u>NOT ABATE OF OREGON.</u> (except membership to ABATE) THE EDITOR 1-99</p>
<p>Ladies First Gear, Leather Motorcycle Jacket. Hip length size 8. Removable full lining, belt, elasticized back. Worn once. \$425.00 new; sell \$300.00 CASH. Call 503-640-1459 Gretchen (5/99)</p>	<p><u>NEEDED</u> <u>DODGE MOTOR</u> <u>318-360-400-440-</u> <u>V-8</u> <u>FOR THE</u> <u>MOTORHOME SO</u> <u>WE CAN GET TO</u> <u>FOSSIL</u> <u>THANK YOU ROGER</u> <u>503-285-4329</u></p>	<p>FOR SALE: '66 El Camino V-8 (327), auto {turbo 350} P/S, P/B, TILT WHEEL. Everything rebuilt or new stripped to bare metal & painted white w/ black inter. EXCELLENT \$7995.00 ALSO FOR SALE: '79 Triumph Bonneville low miles, polished cases, runs great, red/black, all original, looks like new \$3,700.00 503-648-1367 Ken (4/99)</p>
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<p>YOUR AD COULD HAVE BEEN HERE! LOVE NOTES AND B-DAY GREETINGS ALSO ACCEPTED. MAIL TO PO BOX AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS!</p>		

ATTENTION ALL FAITHFUL READERS: The classified 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!

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Revised: December 1998

ABATE PRODUCTS ORDER FORM - PRICE LIST

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

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

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

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
ABATE T-SHIRTS				
_____	AFRTS	ABATE T-shirts.....	10.00	_____
_____	AFRTL	ABATE Sweatshirts.....	17.50-20.00	_____
		Sm. _____ Med. _____ Lg. _____ X-Lg. _____		
		NOTE: Assorted Colors.....X-Lg. and LARGER add \$2.00		
		Chapter Logo setup		
		Fee with each order (One time charge).....	9.50	
		(In order to be able to obtain shirts at this price, Orders must be a minimum of 12 shirts or more.)		

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

ABATE PRODUCTS
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon 97208
Products Director
Nancy Brooker
PHONE: 503-232-4686 FAX 503-235-5658

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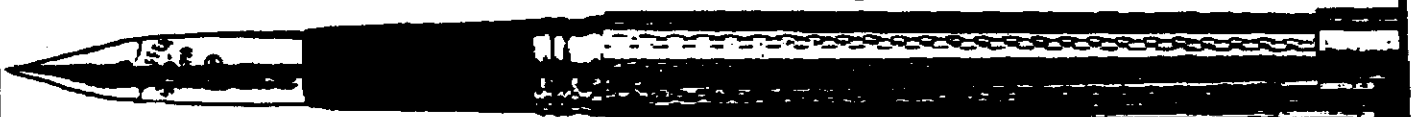
1999 A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon ROAD LIST

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 Ehmer	541-444-2445	X	X	X	X	X	X	Region
Ted & Jill Tracy	503-640-5766	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hillsboro, Or.
Rotten Roger	503-285-4329	X	X	X	X	X	X	N. Portland
Howard Butts	541-534-5411	X	X	X	X	X	X	Summerville
Gunny Hutch	503-362-3767	X	X	X	X	X	X	Salem
Murge	503-362-9136	X	X	X	X	X	X	Salem
Walt Allegor	503-363-4727	X	X	X	X	X	X	Salem
Bob Avery	541-9981933	X	X	X	X	X	X	Salem
Fast Eddie	541-673-6120	X	X	X	X	X	X	Junction City
Bud Berliner	541-267-2523	X	X	X	X	X	X	Roseburg
Randy Christensen	541-269-2998	X	X	X	X	X	X	South Coast
Mary M. Nearpass	541-888-9003	X	X	X	X	X	X	Coos Bay
Jeff Bauder	541-756-5407	X	X	X	X	X	X	South Coast
Tom Curran	541-8882572	X	X	X	X	X	X	South Coast
John Guernsey	541-756-6317	X	X	X	X	X	X	Charleston
John Rieth	541-572-1951	X	X	X	X	X	X	North Bend
Steve & Marian	541-247-4135	X	X	X	X	X	X	?
Charlie Hill	541-888-8081	X	X	X	X	X	X	Gold Beach
Gordon E. Dunn Jr.	541-267-3256	X	X	X	X	X	X	South Coast
Kelly Kinkade	541-267-6579	X	X	X	X	X	X	Coos Bay/N. Bend
Jack Stevens	541-267-4978	X	X	X	X	X	X	South Coast
Tom Hazzard	541-267-3072	X	X	X	X	X	X	South Coast
Ab Zaffarano	541-888-3490	X	X	X	X	X	X	Coos Bay/North Bend
Tom & Sandi	541-479-8635	X	X	X	X	X	X	South Coast
Joe	541-855-7521	X	X	X	X	X	X	Southern Oregon
Tom & Sheri	541-779-1885	X	X	X	X	X	X	Jackson County
Den	541-734-2539	X	X	X	X	X	X	Jackson County
Frank	541-474-3309	X	X	X	X	X	X	Jackson County
Don Brown	541-851-8424	X	X	X	X	X	X	Josephine County
Don Dees	541-851-8424	X	X	X	X	X	X	Klamath Falls
Deby Beekman	541-882-4738	X	X	X	X	X	X	Klamath Falls
Gordon & MaryBeth	503-674-7500	X	X	X	X	X	X	Klamath Falls
Brian Sauncy	541-296-8669	X	X	X	X	X	X	Gresham/Sandy
Mike & Delese	541-386-8744	X	X	X	X	X	X	The Dalles
Tim Kuechmann	541-308-6006	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hood River
Mike & Sue Morin	541-298-4053	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hood River
Kevin Chapman	541-352-1036	X	X	X	X	X	X	The Dalles
Phil DeRose	541-296-3866	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hood River
Brian Stovall	541-298-1317	X	X	X	X	X	X	The Dalles
Brad & Peggy Peterson	541-447-6158	X	X	X	X	X	X	The Dalles
Gary & Stacy McGriff	541-447-7425	X	X	X	X	X	X	Prineville
Kati Dettmer	541-846-3029	X	X	X	X	X	X	Prineville
Edward Miller	541-923-2542	X	X	X	X	X	X	Culver
Loren Larson	541-948-7563	X	X	X	X	X	X	Redmond
Jay & Totsy Swartz	541-389-6773	X	X	X	X	X	X	Redmond
Brian & Sherri Wingerd	541-389-8431	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Bill Foster	541-847-6238	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Phil	509-698-4330	X	X	X	X	X	X	Monroe
								Selah, Wa.

Please confirm or deny the truth about the information above.

**THERE'S NOTHING MIGHTIER
THAN THE SWORD.
EXCEPT MAYBE, A PEN.**



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Write to your legislator!

1999 RUN CALENDAR

ABATE OF OREGON

APRIL 11th	Rose City 250	Rose City M/C 1-503-641-4734
MAY 1st	Awareness Rally	Murge 1-503-362-9136
MAY 8th - 9th	SOUTH COAST MALL SHOW	Bud 541-267-2523
MAY 8th	Oregon 500	Rose City M/C 1-503-641-4734
MAY 15th	Central Oregon Poker Run	1-541-447-6158
MAY 28th 29th 30th 31st	FOSSIL Campout	Rotten Roger 503-285-4329
MAY 28th	Harley night at the Portland Speedway	
JUNE 4th 5th 6th	North Idaho Spring Opener	Steve 1-509-922-8361
JUNE 5th	Gay 90's Parade	Bud 1-541-267-2523 S. Coast
JUNE 5th	All Harley Ride MDA	Paoles Pizza
JUNE 5th - 6th	Western States 1000	Rose City M/C 1-503-641-4734
JUNE 6th	Spring Poker Run	S. Ore Chapter 541-855-5518
JUNE 12th	Central Or Poker Run	Jay 541-389-6773
JUNE 17th 18th 19th 20th	Washington Spring Opener	Jay 1-509-894-4871
JUNE 20th	Lobo Street Poker Run	1-503-656-5801
JUNE 25th 26th 27th	Iron Horse Rodeo	HOG
JUNE 25th 26th	Run to the Sun	Spike 503-282-4604 Columbia River Chapter
JULY 4th	Jubilee Parade	S. Coast Bud 541-267-2523
JULY 11th	Poker Run	Salem HOG 1-503-390-1589
JULY 16th -17-18th	Coos River Run	Bud 541-267-2523 S Coast Chapter
JULY 18	Rose City HOG Poker Run	1-503-281-7798
JULY 24th	Central Ore Timed Ride	Jay 541-389-6773
JULY 24th	S. Oregon Poker Run	
JULY 24th	Run to the Beach/ food drive	NW Veterans
JULY 24th - 25th	Ocean Shores (Washington)	
JULY 31st Aug. 1st	Summer Run	Lee Austin 503-760-9015
AUGUST 6th 7th 8th	Fox Creek	1-503-743-4121 Salem Chapter
AUGUST 13th 14th 15th	BEAVER CREEK RUN	541-563-6526/514-563-3711 Lincoln County
AUGUST 21st 22nd	Oregon State HOG Rally	
AUGUST 28th	Teddy Bear Poker	Jay 541-389-6773 Central Ore. Chapter
AUGUST 29th	Twin Rivers HOG MDA Poker Run	Eugene Oregon 1-541-747-1033
SEPTEMBER 3rd 4th 5th 6th	CHILOQUIN M/C RALLY ABATE OF OREGON	Rotten Roger 503-285-4329
SEPTEMBER 5th	Poker run	Sunset HOG 1-503-644-8703
SEPTEMBER 11th	Cranberry Festival	Bud 541-267-2523 S. Coast Chapter
SEPTEMBER 11th 12th	AHDRA DRAGS Woodburn	Rose City HOG 1-503-281-7798
SEPTEMBER 12th	Show - N - Shine	Bud 541-267-2523 S. Coast Chapter
SEPTEMBER 17th 18th 19th	END OF SUMMER RUN	
	Mark Pratt-503-357-1727/Jeff Oletzke Waco & N. Coast	
SEPTEMBER 25th	Thank you Campout	Jay 541-389-6773 Central Ore. Chapter
SEPTEMBER 25th	State of Jefferson Awards S. Oregon	
SEPTEMBER 26th	D.J. Swap Meet/ MARCH of Dimes	
OCTOBER 10th	Roseburg Swap meet	
OCTOBER 24th	Lobos Poker Run	1-503-656-5801

NOVEMBER 7th
NOVEMBER 20th
NOVEMBER 21st
DECEMBER 4th
DECEMBER 5th
DECEMBER 12th
DECEMBER 19th

AMA run sanctioning meeting
TOY RUN
Food Drive
SHRINER'S TOY RUN
AMO Albany TOY RUN
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TOY RUN S. Coast Chapter

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Bud 541-267-2523 S. Coast Chapter
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JANUARY 1st, 2000 POLAR BEAR RUN

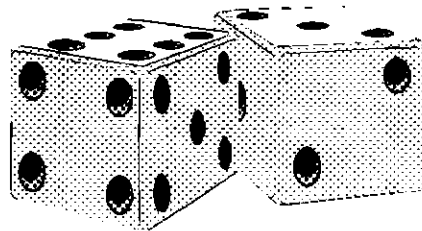


**Parties and runs are all fine and dandy,
But we have some serious work to do also.
Contact your Representative and let them know
what YOU want them to do!
Then call or visit the Governor and express your
views to him.... IT IS UP TO YOU!**

ABATE OF OREGON

Washington County Chapter Presents

ROLL  RIDE



SATURDAY, JUNE 19th

Ride begins at the Hillsboro Boys and Girls Club, 560 SW 3rd, Hillsboro Sign in starts at 10, run leaves at 11.

Cost, \$7 per hand or 2 for \$12

NEED MORE INFO?

**CALL Mark Pratt
357-1727 or
Bill Taylor
848-8449**

Roll n' ride to benefit Hillsboro Boys and Girls Club.

Hot Dogs 'n fixins to be provided by WaCo;

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beverages to

starting point,

support vehicle

provided

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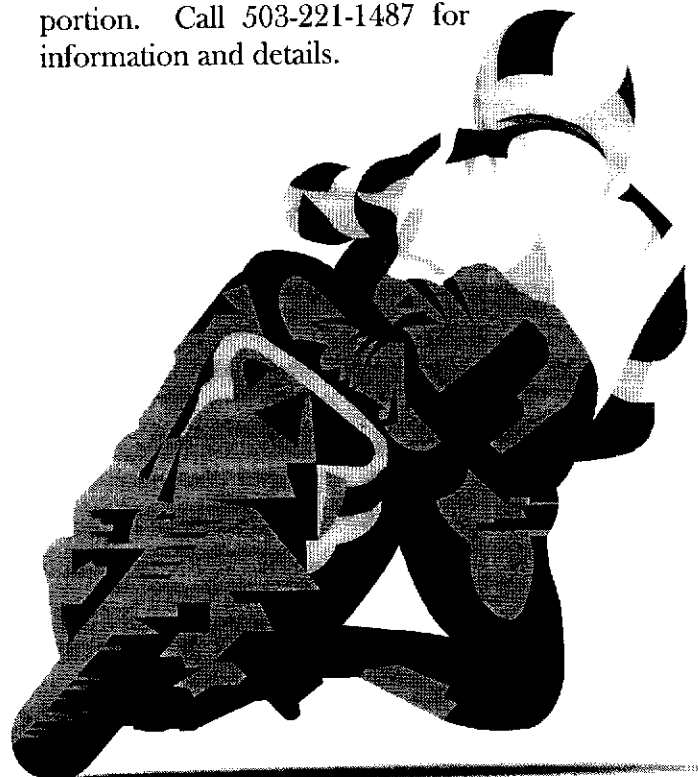
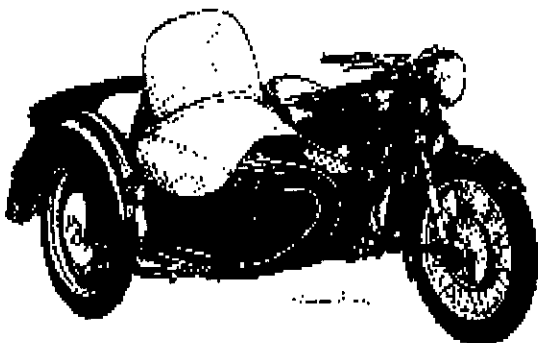
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OMRRA Schedule
For 1999

April 17	Open Practice
April 18	Sprints, Motathalon
May 14	Open Practice Novice School (track portion)
May 16	Sprints, BMW day, Sidecars
June 27	Sprints, Harley Day
July 16-18	Formula USA Series
August 28	Open Practice
August 29	Sprints, Italian Day
Sept 17	Open Practice Novice School (track portion)
Sept 18	Vintage Day/Swap Meet Endurance Race
Sept 19	Sprints
October 10	Sprints

NEW RIDER
INFORMATION

There will be two New Riders Schools in 1999, on May 14 and again on September 17. Note that the school also has a classroom portion which is usually held one weekend ahead of the on track portion. Call 503-221-1487 for information and details.



To All my Brothers and Sisters in Oregon:

I have stayed involved as I told you I would. Since I left Oregon I have joined ABATE of Arizona and been elected Yavapai County Chapter Safety Officer and State Safety Officer. I thought you might like to see what I am putting in the newsletter down here. I read Oregon's newsletter every month and come on people, Get Involved! We are all in this together and only together can we achieve our goals. Good luck this year in the legislature. I am sure you will win this time.

First of all I would like to take a moment and let you know a little about my background that you may know me better. In filling your State Safety Officer position I bring over 4 years experience as ABATE of Oregon's Education Director, I also held the positions with ABATE of Oregon as Chapter Coordinator, State Sgt at Arms, Chapter Education Director and State Representative. I hope to bring to you some of my experience as well as learn more that I may serve you, ABATE of Arizona, to the best of my abilities.

This last month I had the chance to assist a downed brother. I was heading into Prescott from my home in Wilhoit, just south of Prescott on Hwy 89, when I was flagged down by a brother who was standing alongside the road. It seemed a brother had gone down in the nasty curves that are just south of Prescott. I called 911 on my cell phone and proceeded on to the accident. What had happened was a brother had gone off the road into the canyon. It seems that he hit some gravel in the road and laid his bike down which then slid off the road into the canyon.

Fortunately, the brother was not hurt bad. Mostly shook-up and a few superficial scrapes. His bike however did not get off so lucky. With some parts from my home and all of us working together he was able to get back on the road and did not have to truck the bike home.

As I am from Oregon I am very familiar with gravel on the roads as they do a lot of sanding the roads in icy weather up there and here in the higher elevations of Arizona the same is done. I would like to remind everyone as you hit the roads to look carefully for hazards in the road that people on four wheels don't even consider noticing. These things include gravel, sand, small dead animals, oil, glass, cans and any number of other items that can cause you to lose control of your ride.

Only by being aware of these hazards can you avoid them and have a safe ride. No one wants or plans to have an accident that is why they are called accidents. By riding with awareness and watching for hazards you increase your chances of avoiding any problems and reaching your destination safely.

If you have any information you think would be useful to me or would like to contact me for any reason, my home phone is 520-442-9870 and I have an answering machine to get the phone when I am not available. You can also reach me via the internet by my Email address: dago@northlink.com.

Ride safe and I'll get to meet you in person one day.

BikePAC: What About Those Biker Days Remember BikePAC Sponsored

Quote: “Every Day is Another Opportunity to Better the Accomplishments of the Day Before.”

I am so happy to have my ABATE\BikePAC family.

Remember that BikePAC is looking for a couple of people who can be as focused and hard working as Teresa and Brian have been. Someone needs to step up and work these positions they are crucial to our continued fight for our freedom.

Please, when you can let Lyle Irons, our Lobbyist, know that we appreciate him. Send him a card or a letter at 1310 Madison Ave. Salem OR 97301.

A SPECIAL THANKS to everyone who participated in the Biker Days blitzzzz. Every meeting with a Legislator and every body that showed was very much appreciated. I was a little down hearten by the lack of participation in the 1st three. I know that a lot could not attend for a many reasons, work was my excuse. I was able to participate on March 3rd the day they read SB583. I was even able to have a good conversation with Peter Courtney and an appointment with Vic Backlund who is my Legislative Buddy. I broke the ice by letting him know that I was one of the Precinct Committee People (PCP) in his voting district. It is good to have common ground with your Buddy. I missed the reading of the helmet bill because I thought it more important to build my relationship with my Buddy Vic. I started with telling him about ABATE training its members about Grass Roots Politics and gave a guestamation as to how many learn political skills. I am so proud of this fact and found it very easy to talk about.

Another thing I feel compelled to touch base on, is all of our Brothers and Sisters that have been lost recently. There were just way to many of them this last year. Being a Christen it would not be good if I never let you know that I have had the love and guidance that comes with faith in a higher being. Many of you may remember Dirty Doug, he was know by other nick names in his short life. He was the one at the first helmet protest that could not throw his helmet away because he needed it for a kick stand at the Capitol steps.

The point I really want to make is through dreams and faith I am sure he is in a better place and is riding his dream machine (a panhead of course) up there in, or out, or here. I truly believe this is also the case with all of our Brothers and Sisters that and we'll meet again someday. This is my first year with out my true friend and his birthday is the 19th of April (if we still have birthdays when we pass over to the other side). He was the hardest rider I have ever known. He rode all year in snow, sleet, rain and it rained more then not here in the Willamette Valley. He spent more money on his enjoyment of the lifestyle also and always had a ride. I sure miss him.

Submitted by MURGE (Margy Jane Gunter) BikePAC Representative for ABATE of OR

AFFILIATION OR TITLE

ADDRESS

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

OR Sec of State

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

OR Sec of State, Elections Division

<http://www.sos.state.or.us/elections/elechp.htm>

Oregon state legislature

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

US Library of Congress

<http://www.loc.gov>

State Law: State & Local Gov

<http://lawlib.wuacc.edu/washlaw/uslaw/statelaw.html>

BikePAC of Oregon

<http://www.open.org/sdbpac/bikepac.htm>

Oregon Governor's office

<http://www.governor.state.or.us/governor.html>

CONTACTING THE LEGISLATURE

Toll-free outside Salem 800-332-2313

From Salem 986-1187

On the Internet www.leg.state.or.us/

1999 OREGON HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

* Means new to House from the Senate

Note Last First District Town Salem Phone(503)

Freshman Atkinson Jason	50	R-Jacksonville	986-1451
Freshman Backlund Vick	33	R-Keizer	986-1433
Beck Chris	12	D-Portland	986-1412
Beyer Roger	28	R-Molalla	986-1428
Bowman Jo Ann	19	D-Portland	986-1419
Freshman Butler R. Tom	60	R-Ontario	986-1460
Freshman Close Betsy	36	R-Albany	986-1436
Deckert Ryan	8	D-Beaverton	986-1408
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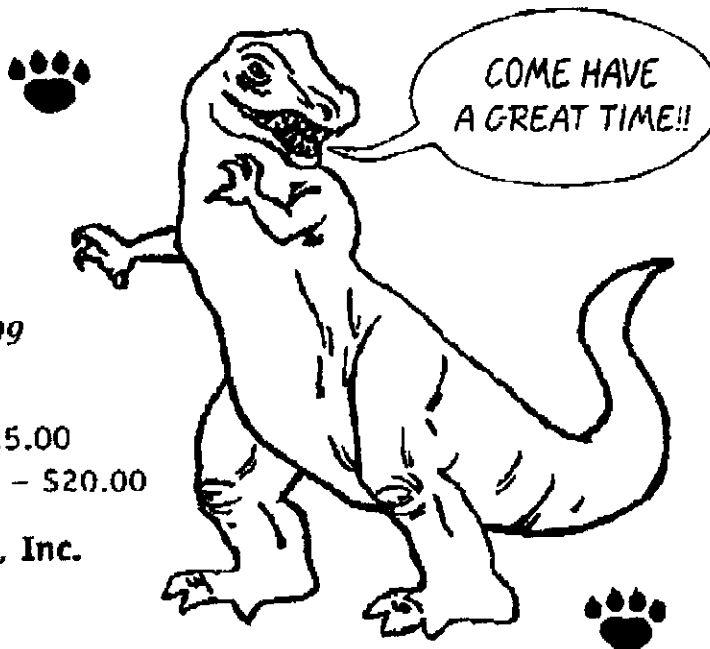
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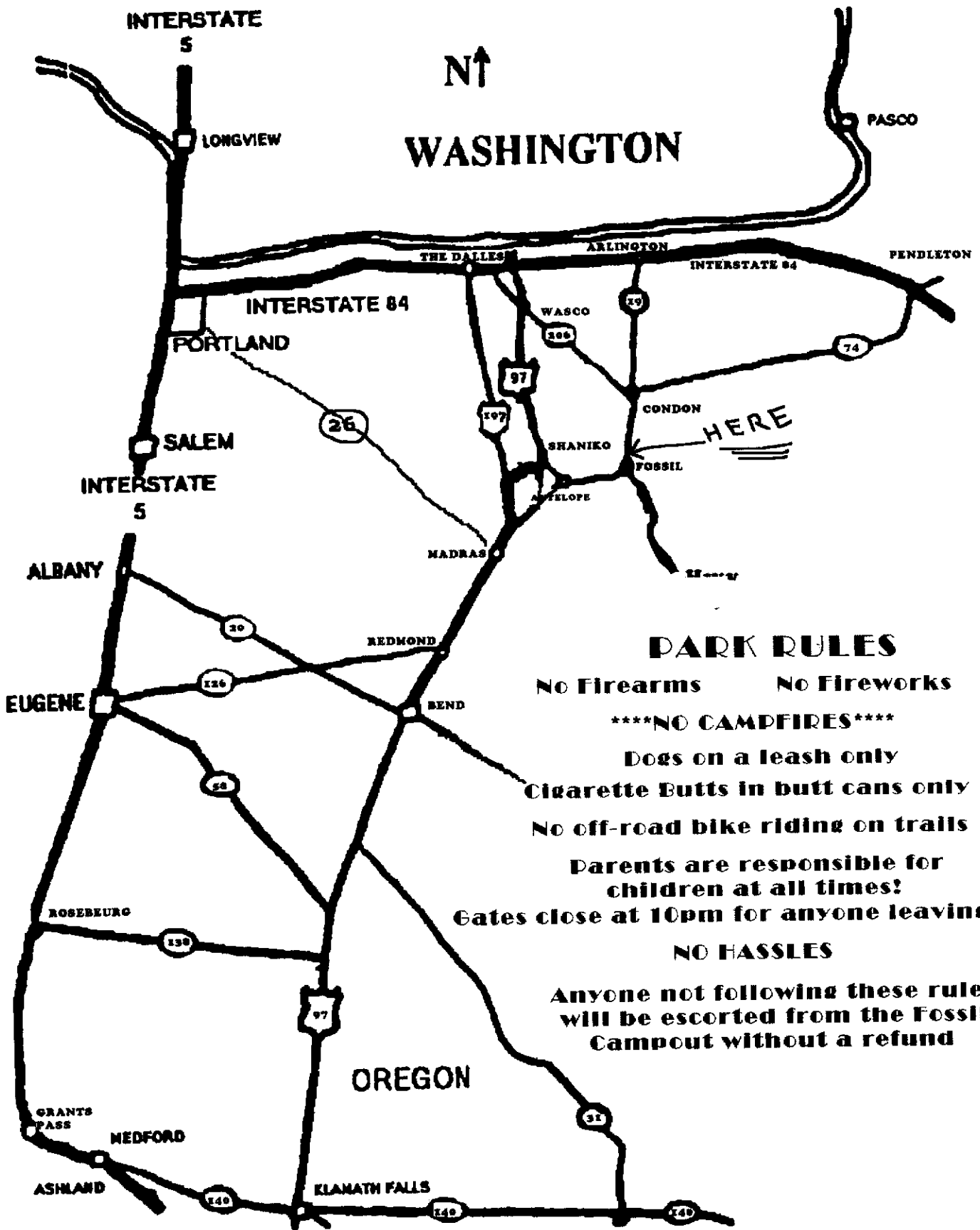
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THE NEW WORLD ORDER

By, J. F. Wear

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With the millennium less than a year away, it seems as though everyone's attention is focused on who the president has been screwing, and whether or not we should give him the boot. If you are like me, you have had your fill of this rhetoric, especially in light of other, much more profound events taking place around the globe.

Last week, a quiet announcement came over the wire that eleven European countries are abandoning each of their historical standards of currency in favor of a new single currency: "the EURO." Gone now is the Deutschmark, the Franc, and the Lira, and while England holds onto it's Pence, Pounds, and Schillings, it is only a matter of time before all of Europe is using the "EURO."

As Hitler and his henchmen schemed to take over the world, one of their first moves was to print their own NAZI currency for the various banks which they aimed to conquer. This money was to be distributed through the exchange of other currencies, and these other currencies would then become null and void.

Note: I have in my collection an authentic original example of this intended currency, so I can personally verify it's existence. History repeats itself.

As you read this, there is legislation being introduced by the bankers and the IRS which will limit the amount of cash that you can withdraw from your own bank account to \$100. Anything more must be taken in the form of a check, which cannot be cashed, only re-deposited.

Another one of Hitler's major objectives was to disarm the general populous, leaving them helpless and unable to defend themselves. In fact, every tyrannical government throughout the history of the world has employed the same tactic. Our children are taught in school that the American Revolution was



Figure 1 A 5£ English bank note printed in anticipation of the Nazi take over of England and the institution of a new system of currency.

While the economists and the media optimistically praise this move and predict economic strength and success for the countries using EURO, they fail to recognize or report the far reaching effects on the individual.

What this announcement represents is the materialization of the movement toward a "New World Order," where the infamous "big brother" controls every single aspect of our lives. For decades, the IRS and the world's bankers have been trying to figure out ways to eliminate the use of cash and the barter system. If they could succeed, they could regulate and record every single transaction made, everywhere in the world, effectively maximizing their wealth through taxation and interest on loans and credits. In effect they would own all the money, and you and I would have to pay for the right to use some.

the result of our forefathers' anger over "taxation without representation." It is historically correct to say, however, that the real revolt began to take shape as the British soldiers went from town to town, farm to farm, and door to door, collecting guns and other weapons. Those citizens who refused were forced into submission.

Thankfully for now in 1999, our guns are our own.

It makes good sense then that the bankers who wish to rule the world have chosen Europe as their starting point, since nearly all European citizens are forbidden to own guns.

The new national Criminal Background Check (NICS) for all firearms purchases which went into effect last December is the next step toward the criminalization of all citizens in this country who own weapons. As a gun dealer, I have already

seen the electronic system deny the right to purchase a gun to a productive, honest citizen because of an overlooked parking ticket. Likewise, this same system permitted the sale of two handguns to an individual who was later identified as a seven time convicted felon. Worse yet, this approved individual had actually died in prison nearly two years prior, and it was his brother making the "government approved" purchase using the dead felons identification.

In 1999, the American bankers are busy minting new bills and coins in the name of foiling counterfeiters. Soon the announcement will come that all of the "old money" will be declared worthless and will have to be exchanged for the new bills and coins. The old fruit jar underneath Grandma's bed that she has saved her pennies in all of her life will have to be exchanged, and then will be taxed. The next step will be the elimination of cash altogether, and all transactions will be made electronically (checks, credit cards, transfers, etc.) with the swipe of a card. All neatly recorded by the bankers and their tax men.

The future predicts itself.

That same magnetic strip on the back of your credit card now appears on the back of your new drivers license, and one swipe reveals your life story in an instant. As you read this, a new system is being put into place which will verify to anyone swiping your drivers license whether or not you are currently insured. If the officer is told by the machine that you are delinquent, he will confiscate your license and your vehicle on the spot, never questioning the validity of his

electronic master. So much for "innocent until proven guilty." This new system will tie together the bankers and the insurance companies in a merger of power which has become the trend in big business over the past year. One day soon you will no longer need any of these pesky plastic cards to carry, as your magnetic strip will be surgically implanted somewhere under your skin for quick and easy identification of you and all that is yours, if you happen to have anything left when your new overlords are finished taking their cut.

Contrary to popular belief, the IRS and the FED are not agencies of the United States Government. They are in fact privately held corporations controlled by the world's bankers. These are the same bankers that have quietly and swiftly introduced the new EURO dollars, which is nothing more than monopoly money, traded electronically using the bankers system of checks and balances.

The European citizens' ability to control their own lives and futures is rapidly depleting, and will soon be non-existent.

Considering the world wide web, El Nino, the fall of the USSR, Saddam Hussein, the new "EURO" currency, and the supposed Y2K computer glitch, the year 2000 may well be the end of the world as we have known it.

America is still, however, America. If Jesse Ventura can become the governor of Minnesota then we may still be able to keep the precious freedom that is ours, paid for with the blood of our patriot forefathers over 200 years ago. As Americans, we must remember that any loss of any freedom taken from us by the men who make the laws and control the money puts us all one step closer to becoming slaves to a system controlled by the few at the expense of the many. The first step in protecting our freedoms is to recognize them, and embrace them like a long lost friend. We must then try to see past the distractions of White House scandals, media circuses, and small wars in other countries, and recognize that the assault on our freedoms is happening right in front of us. Indeed, our next great battle may very well take place right here in our own backyards, the land of the free, and the home of the brave. .
God Bless America!

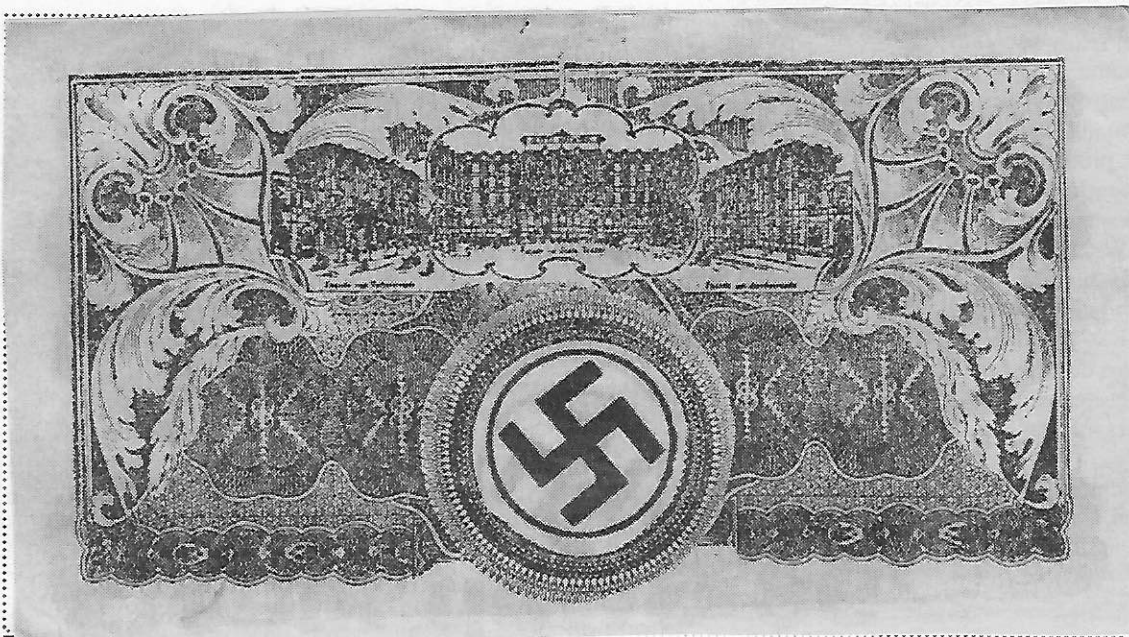


Figure 2. The reverse side of the bill.



COORDINATOR'S WORDS

Greetings Friends,

Once again I have the unhappy job of writing an obituary to a fallen brother. Yesterday I finally got my bike to the point I could go for a short ride. A couple of miles into my ride, I came around a corner to find a car wrecked in the ditch with a friend and neighbor severely injured in the driver's seat. I was the first passer-by at the scene, but as it turned out, Randy Charon (fiancé of Tina Wright, Sergeant-at-Arms) had been a passenger and was on a two-mile run to the local sheriff's house when I arrived at the scene. Somehow, Randy survived this wreck with no serious physical injuries, just bumps and bruises. The driver, Walt Dybowski, unhappily sustained terminal injuries. Everyone there did all they could, but in the end the Maker had called Walt home. I'm not sure if Walt was ever a member of ABATE or not, but he rode his bike with us. He was also a believer in our efforts and a friend to ABATE of Oregon, Inc. As a supervisor at the PP&L hydropower project here at Toketee, he made it possible for us to have electricity and a water truck at our last Douglas County Stump Lake Run. Walt was loved by all that knew him. My heart goes out to his family and friends. He will be missed around here.

As I was running around the accident scene, trying to help where I could, I stopped to check on Randy. Randy was badly bruised but apparently OK, while Walt was, to me, mortally wounded. A phrase came to my mind then: "There, but for the grace of God, go I."

Thankfully God, karma or just the roll of the dice saved Randy.

In past letters I have occasionally slammed the medical professionals, but I must say here that I respect them for what they do. It is not a pleasant job, dealing with this kind of situation. I'm still not impressed with some of the medical profession's politics, though.

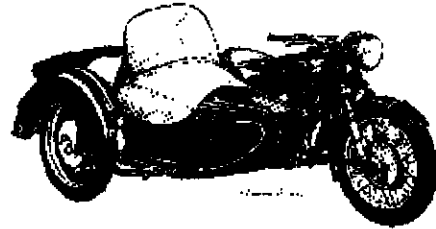
This situation brought to mind the fact that what we do as bikers comes with an element of risk, even though everyone's best efforts could not save Walt. As spring comes on and we are putting together the gear we need to travel on our preferred mode of transportation, please think about carrying some basic first-aid equipment. If you have the stomach for it, get some first aid and CPR training. You never know when you may need to help someone just around the next curve, or, God forbid, a friend or loved one.

In closing, I want to say once again to Walt's family, I'm sorry for your loss. Also, many thanks to Herman from the Douglas Co. Sheriff's Department, the Crescent and Glide ambulance crews, the US Forest Service personnel, Mercy Hospital in Roseburg and all the regular citizens who assisted Randy and Walt in their time of need.

Ride free and please, ride and drive SAFELY!

Chris Vieira

Coordinator, ABATE of Oregon, Inc.



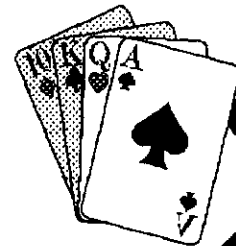
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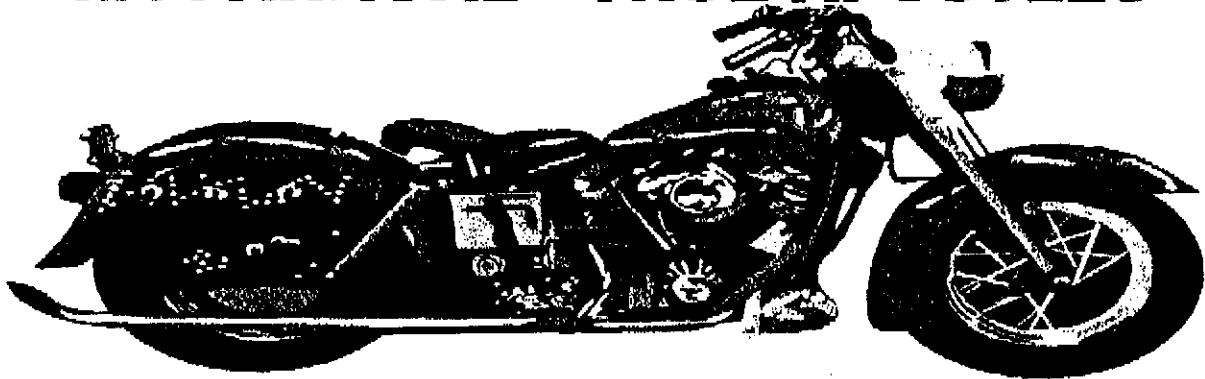
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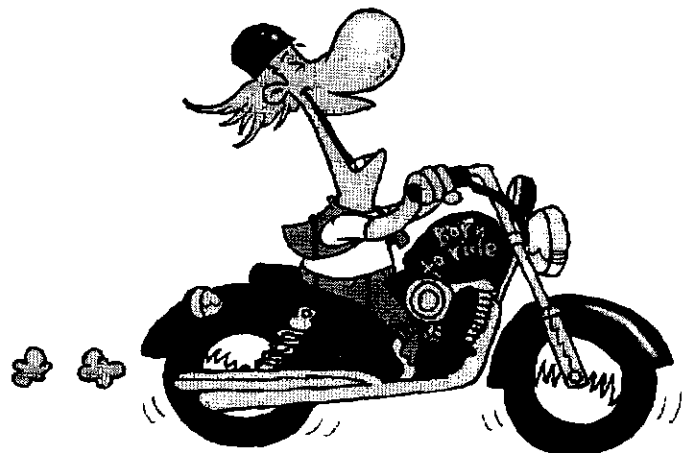
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2 nd SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 PM Moose Lodge #323 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
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