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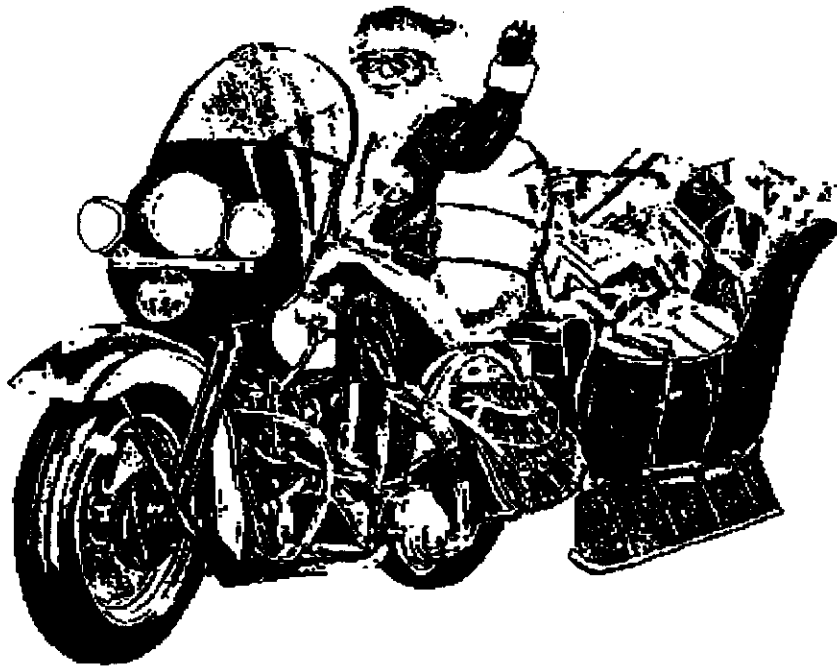
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I am sorry that the Traffic Survival series is not in this months issue, this is due to technical difficulties(reprinting rights) and I hope to have it back in the next issue. If there is anyone who doesn't know what I am talking about, please read the last couple of issues and you will understand. To the author of the series, I apologize for any wrongful misdoing on the organizations part, by printing it without permission.	



MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL,
AND TO ALL A SAFE RIDE!!

From Rich Benson Coordinator of ABATE of Oregon, 1993

Instead of me writing a lengthy on going dramatic letter, I decided to just leave it at that. Till next year!

Rich





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Advisory Board Meeting Minutes-November 7, 1993

Meeting called to order at 12:25 pm at Main Street Pizza, West Linn, Oregon. Present: Executive Director Jack Fassel, Legislative Director Butch Harbaugh, Secretary-Treasurer Steve Benson, Mel Yeager (ABATE), Jenni Jai, Brain Stovall (MRF), Teresa Hepker, Sam Hochberg and Dwight & Carolyn Hageman (Trinity).

REPORTS

Minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's report Balance \$300.30. ABATE of Salem brought a donation to this meeting which will be recorded on next month's report. Special thanks to them for coming through in a time of need! We still owe money to Butch.

Membership report: Jenni Jai is sending first class mailings to past members, asking for their renewals. Half have gone out, the other half will go soon. We like to thank all those who have renewed during the past month!

AMA District 28 sanction/charter meeting was today. BikePAC has submitted it's 1994 charter renewal as well as our sanction application for the May 7 rally on the Capitol steps. Dwight Hageman is new Congressman, Alternate Wayne Schumacher. Bob Deveny still a Congressman also. Jack represented BikePAC at the "risk seminar". BikePAC can now apply for insurance on any event that we might sanction.

A meeting to re-form District 28 will be held next week, Jack will represent BikePAC. Bylaws will be voted on. Jack is our first official representative to the District Brian is BikePAC's alternative representative.

Trifold: Need to pick them up from Rich.

FAX Tree: **MEMBERS**: If you have access to a FAX number to receive information (or provide information), let Jack know.

Oregon Legislative Report:

Rule Change: Last month's version of the proposed rule text has gone through another round of changes and ODOT has contacted Butch and Don with the latest as of November 5th. This rule change process has been a long one and a bit complex. Nevertheless, helmet seizures and harassment continue. It was agreed that Butch should do whatever is necessary to get an acceptable rule change, including the enlistment of Senator Dukes.

Amicus Brief: Sam reports that the Supreme Court considered our petition for review of the State vs. Miller decision, and has denied it. We could go on to ask the U.S. Supreme Court to consider it but Sam and Laura (Graser) believe that it would be costly and may have the same results. The Appeals Court stated that our concern might be resolved via the legislature. We must certainly taken them up on this avenue. Recently, an Oregon judge called the Oregon Attorney General's office asking for guidance on how to identify "legal" helmets. The AG's office were unable to answer the judge. He dismissed the case and stated he would dismiss future cases. This example, as well as others, will be documented. Sam will attempt to get documented evidence from the courts and Mel will be the focal point to gather all new information. This new information will be a new addendum to our "At Home in the States" document. Sam will send his helmet stop reports information to Brian & Teresa for database manipulation.

NOTE: For those having helmet ticket problems, contact Sam at 503-224-1106.

Dunes Recreation Area: No report.

May Rally: An invitation was sent to the Governor to attend the May Motorcycle Awareness Rally on May 7, 1994. We have received a positive response from her office. ABATE of Oregon will take responsibility for lining up permits, directing traffic, etc.

"Buddies" Project: Jack suggests that Oregon motorcyclists find 60 to 90 persons (i.e. persons =

motorcycle riders and residents of Oregon, by Oregon voting districts) to personally pair up with Oregon legislators. For example, Jack will be "buddies" with his State Representative and State Senator, attending their town hall meetings, calling and writing to them on all types of issues. The "buddy" is responsible to make repeated contact with the legislator, and become personally known to him/her, and use that personal relationship to communicate important information to that legislator. The buddy will be on top of what the legislator is doing and make that obvious to the legislator. When the legislator comes to the buddy with important information, the buddy will notify us about it. This could start now because next year is election year and the questionnaire/voter guide would be a good vehicle for establishing this relationship. OK, so who's in? Call Jack or Butch if interested (we'd hate to volunteer you).

Voter's Guide: Brian and Jack will examine last year's voter guide and start revising it for this year.

Federal Report:

There are 115 sponsors of HR799 and 26 on S295, but still, only one Oregon legislator--Rep. Kopetski.
MEMBERS: You need to CALL our other legislators:

Rep. Furse 800-422-4003
Rep. DeFazio 503-465-6732
Rep. Wyden 503-231-2300
Rep. Smith 800-533-3303
Senator Hatfield 503-399-3370
Senator Packwood 503-326-5731

HR3276, the ISTEA technical corrections act has passed through committee, is expected to pass when the full House when it votes on Nov. 8. It contains a one-year delay of the date by which states must comply with ISTEA in order to avoid penalties. It will go to the Senate next, where it is possible it will undergo further changes. S401, the companion bill is still alive.

News on the S21 front is not good. It appears that we're losing ground both figuratively and in reality.

The interests of off-road motorcyclists and other recreational trail users have suffered a \$15 million blow at the hands of the US House/Senate Conference Committee on Transportation Appropriations. The National Recreational Trails Trust Fund will not be funded for '94.

OLD BUSINESS

Keep on your calendar February 19-20, 1994, the two-day Legislative Planning Conference. It will be in The Dalles. Teresa will reserve the Chenoweth Grange Hall. Camping will be available. A list of motels will be provided as well.

NEW BUSINESS

Chuck & Cheryl Onckelt have donated a bunch of stationary items. Many thanks.

Butch has been talking to a few interested in the "interstate approved helmet list project". Information would be shared with other MROs through out the country. Look for more details.

Mike Kopetski will not seek re-election. Brian will contact his office to seek out who should be his successor. ABATE will also invite him to their Dec 18 banquet. His loss at the Federal level is a serious blow for Oregon's motorcyclists.

MEETINGS:

BikePAC Advisory Board Meeting: Dec 5, Noon, Main Street Pizza-West Linn (Exit 8 from I-205-head north)

The meeting adjourned at 2 PM.

ACTION GUIDE

from the Motorcycle Riders Foundation
PO Box 1808, Washington, DC 20013
Brian Stovall, MRF Oregon State Rep.
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The Dalles, OR 97058, 503-298-1317
(edited due to space limitations)

OUR POWER WORKS!

Recently, MRF lobbyist Wayne Curtin sent Brian an announcement about a "newsfeed" on a specific satellite channel. The newsfeed was from NHTSA and the subject was announced as:

**Misleading Ads and Unscrupulous Merchants
Unsafe Helmets Contribute to Fatal Head Injuries
Beware of Fakes**

The text of the announcement, after the usual lies about the government testing helmets for your safety, stated "This material is offered for your unrestricted use." The

newsfeed was to feature a NHTSA official, the owner of Rockville MD Harley Davidson and "Motorcyclists wearing unsafe helmets, examples of safe and unsafe helmets, and law enforcement issuing a citation to a biker."

Brian made arrangements to have the feed recorded. Meanwhile, Lynn Oldenburg, the MRF State Rep in Maryland, began making calls to members of her local ABATE Chapter, telling them about the feed and about the local HD dealer being involved. The dealer, Devin Battley got a lot of calls really quick! He was very surprised and said he knew nothing about the video. He had let NHTSA come into his shop and film. During the next few days, NHTSA heard from Battley and ABATE members. The newsfeed, set for Nov 1, was postponed to Nov 8, and NHTSA brought a copy of the video to Rockville to be seen by Battley, ABATE and Wayne Curtin. The film turns out to be not nearly as bad as the announcement led us to believe. Suggestions about the film were listed to and may result in the removal of the part in which a biker is issued a citation.

The important part of this is the quick action on the part of Wayne, Lynn and ABATE of Maryland. Their action led to an immediate response from the HD dealer and NHTSA and to bikers being involved in approving the film. This is what happens when you have a network in place and know how to use it.

**Traumatic Brain Injury Act of 1993
withdrawn, reintroduced.**

In late October, Rep. Frank Pallone of NJ withdrew his HR2990 and joined Rep. Jim Slattery of Kansas in introducing HR3121, which contained exactly the same language.

Earlier in the year, the Head Injury Foundation was looking for sponsors for their legislation, and had approached Sen. Ted Kennedy of MA, and Rep. Slattery. When the Head Injury Foundation thought that Slattery was not going to respond to them, they next went to Pallone to find a sponsor for the bill.

Pallone know that motorcyclists would probably object to some parts of the text requested by the Head Injury Foundation, and contacted NJ riders and Wayne Curtin to talk it over. This resulted in further talks with the Head Injury Foundation and a new version of the bill (HR2990) which was more acceptable to motorcyclists; in addition, the Head Injury Foundation, was willing to accept the changes.

Meanwhile, Rep. Slattery went ahead and introduced a bill identical to Sen. Kennedy's S275. Both used the original proposal from the Foundation as the text. When Pallone learned of Slattery's bill, he and the Head Injury Foundation called Slattery to bring him up to date on the changes included in Pallone's version.

Slattery agreed that the changes were an improvement over the original and pointed out that his status as a more senior representative than Pallone would lend the effort greater chances of success. Pallone agreed, withdrew his version and become one of the original co-sponsor of the new bill, HR3121, whose prime sponsor is Slattery.

The House version contains a number of changes that are more favorable to motorcyclists too, and you are urged to write in support of HR3121. HR3121 will be dealt with by the Energy & Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Health & environment.

WHAT TO DO ON HR3121:

1. Oregon's Rep. Ron Wyden is a member of this Subcommittee. He should be the main target in letter writing.
2. You can write to your own U.S. Representative. Ask him/her to sign on as co-sponsors. Use the favorable changes as reasons to support this bill instead of the Senate version.
3. Write you your U.S. Senators and encourage them to amend S725 to conform with HR3121.

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Washington, DC 20515

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STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 13, 1993

The meeting was called to order by Coordinator Rich Benson at 12:10 pm There was role call and the only chapters not represented were Jackson County and South Coast.

COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS- None to save time!

CORRESPONDENCE- Laura Graser regarding the State vs. Miller case/Annette Pamlin concerning the AMO Toy Run in Albany/Lech Company the buying and selling of British/American motorcycles. We received a letter from a British soldier, a postcard from Hammer, ABATE of Colorado sent us photos of the Meeting of the Minds conference, and we received info from the Motorcycle Riders Foundation.

REPORTS:

BY LAWS COMMITTEE- All is well.

EDUCATION DIRECTOR- Mel still reports that he isn't receiving any information from the chapters as to who is teaching Motorcycle Safety in the schools and he'd really like to know how many kids we've taught. If no one in your chapter is taking part in this program contact your Education Director and get busy! There is a School packets and an Instructor packet.

FINANCE COMMITTEE- No report.

HISTORIAN- No report.

LEGISLATION DIRECTOR-No report.

Rich reports that Don and Butch are working with ODOT on helmet issues. There was a settlement of \$750.00 each for the motorcyclists in Milwaukie who were harassed by police and helmets confiscated! If you've been stopped /harassed please send in the Helmet Stop Report form, it's usually found in the newsletter each month.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY- Mother reports our membership is up. Angie signed up at Freedom Run and the Last Bash 56 new members. We now have a total of 1349 members.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR-He was here! Gordon announced that he has official "voice mail" and the telephone number is (503) 253-7343. Gordon reminds us that the deadline for the newsletter is the 15th of the month, and he would really like to receive info on disks. If you are in doubt send him a printed copy with the disk, and he'll let you know if you are "compatible".

PRODUCTS DIRECTOR-Angie announced she has tickets for Portland Metro's Toy Run. Also she would like to hear from us regarding the 20th anniversary ABATE pin. Do we have any designs we'd like? If so, send them to her.

PUBLIC RELATIONS-Rich received some phone calls from folks that have seen the PSA's aired in the Portland area. Also a phone call from Team Oregon, our image is a problem. This individual was concerned that ABATE focuses too much emphasis on Harley Davidson ownership and dislike of the helmet law. Remember who you represent when you're out and about.

STATE RUN COORDINATOR- Roger reports that 217 people attended the Last Bash and without serving alcohol the run grossed over\$5,000.00. After expenses we'll net over \$2,000.00. Point being...ABATE can get out of the "BEER BUSINESS" and still have very successful runs.

TREASURER-Joy reports \$7,187.88 in the checking acct., \$17,491.60 in the general acct., -\$1074.49 in the legal fund, \$339.73 in the education acct., and a grand total of \$24,341.18. She is missing financial reports from North Coast and Washington County chapters.

WAYS AND MEANS-No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-The Awards Banquet was discussed. Mel motioned to appropriate \$200. for plaques for the banquet on the 18th of December, Gordon 2nd the motion and we voted unanimously in favor. We decided the location should be centralized...Eugene area. Deb will reserve a banquet room to hold approximately 60 people.

Regional Plan-West Central=Lincoln, Lane and Salem chapters. Portland Metro=NE, SE and Columbia River chapters. North West= Washington, Yamhill, and North Coast chapters. South West= Jackson, Douglas and South Coast chapters. Three regions in Eastern Oregon; SE, NE, and Central East. We would like input from the chapters on these regions. Each chapter Run Coordinator should meet with Roger after the next State Board Meeting on December 11th. Run dates need to be made early this year to avoid hassles!!

Rich motioned to reimburse Sam Hochberg for his expenses at the NCOM conference(\$150.00) Grimm 2nd the motion and we voted unanimously in favor of reimbursement.

It was discussed that a letter writing campaign asking neighboring states for a list of approved helmets would be a great idea.

STEAM Conference We will have a professional speaker this year, and a tentative date is April 16th with a 2nd choice of April 23rd. Deb will check with Linn-Benton CC and see if we can reserve an auditorium and 3 classrooms. Gordon volunteered to do childcare for those who wish to "bring the family". It was mentioned we could have a chapter serve lunch at a reasonable cost, a great way for a chapter to make a few bucks.

MAY AWARENESS RALLY We need participation from all MRO's. Mel will obtain permits from the Capitol and Rich will be in charge of promoting the event. The Date will be May 7th and it was mentioned that the bike show could be at a non-alcoholic establishment. Suggestions will be made to the Salem Chapter.

We received a request from ABATE of Alaska(the only west coast state to not have a helmet law) for contributions to help them in their efforts to remain a helmetless state. Rich will check on legalities. Bear motioned to send them \$50 and Richard 2nd the motion, we voted unanimously in favor.

Carol brought an idea from her chapter to create a "safety fund" to buy helmets for ABATE kids, now they too are suppose to be wearing them!! It was discussed, approximately 30% of our membership are children. Too many helmets and the cost of each one, and who should receive them are all concerns at this time.

NEW BUSINESS-Roger wants a TV-VCR combo to show video's on the runs. Grimm motioned and Jim 2nd the motion to allow \$500.00-\$600.00 for the purchase. There was discussion and Roger will check prices. The motion was tabled until the next meeting

STATE OFFICERS NOMINATIONS-In addition to the nominations listed in November's newsletter; Bear was nominated for Sgt-at Arms- North, Jim Rhodes for Legislative Director, Ronna for Historian, and Gordon Wishes to continue as our Newsletter Editor. We will vote for State Officers at the December meeting...**BE THERE!!!**

CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS- Columbia River: Toy Run Dec. 4th and new elections; Douglas County: Dec. 11th Toy Run, went to Portland Casino Night and had a great time; Jackson County=NO REP.; Lane County: Toy Run Dec. 19th to benefit the Hwy 99 Family shelter; Lincoln County: Hosting the Senior Center Thanksgiving Dinner, Toy Run Dec. 5th proceeds to Mrs. Santa; N.E. Portland: Have been busy with the Halloween and Toy Run preparations. Donation of \$2,550.79 to our Legal Fund, from the Portland Metro area Freedom Run; Salem: Working on Toy Run Dec. 19th, Food Basket for Stayton man Nov. 24th at Pietro's Pizza 6:00pm. Dave Beck Poker Run fundraiser 1:00-7:00pm Old Tap Room Tavern in Independence 11/24; S.E. Portland: Getting busy with their Toy Run; S. Coast: No Rep.; Washington County: working on 11th annual Toy Run 11/20, a pot luck and auction at Joe's Pastime afterwards.

Announcements: Dave Beck, past Coordinator from Salem Chapter has been injured badly. There is an account to contribute in his behalf at the Marion Polk School Credit Union. Please contact Little Jeff at (503)585-8636 for further details. 50/50 drawing was won by Grimm.

The Meeting was adjourned at 3:40pm.

CORRECTION IN NEWSLETTER: pg 38 the phone number on the 17ft. camper-trailer should read (503)288-1346.

Minutes submitted by Deb Fryman

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CHAPTER REPORTS

COLUMBIA RIVER

Meets 2nd & 4th Sundays, 12:30pm
Cactus Club & Diner, 8131 N. Denver, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211
Chapter Contact: Angie, 285-4329

Greetings from Columbia River Chapter;

Again sorry that our report was not here last month, time goes by so soon that I over looked the date and when our report was not in by the deadline of the 15th of the month it does not get printed; sorry.

Well we are in the process of elections. Come on by and be a part of the process let your opinion count if you feel you can make a change or stand for the cause, come and be counted, make a difference; join us!! At this time we want to thank our officers that have been taking care of business at our chapter:

Craig Jensen	Coordinator
Angie	Secretary
Daryl Waters	Membership Secretary
Jim McLucas	Treasurer
Lila Cowdrey	Ways and Means
Mark Cowdrey	Sergeant at Arms
Doug Roland	Historian

We want to let our officers know we have appreciated them very very much; THANKS!!

We have been working hard to keep our chapter going and it has not been very easy, so if we are serious about our chapter; let's get all the officers position filled so we can get going and take care of business a lot of things are happening in the coming year!

We have people that would like to volunteer to some of the positions. Come and meet them and be behind them and support, this is your chapter.

Notice that we are back on scheduled for our meetings, the Tuesday thing was first because those months that we had meetings on Tuesday was because of all the runs that were happening at this time. So make notice and change your calendars dates.

See your faces soon, I hope. Have a very Merry X-Mas and a Happy New Year!! Celebrate with caution and CARE!!

Adios, Angie

DOUGLAS COUNTY

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

Hello again Brothers and Sisters.

I apologize for no letter in the last two months. I am still trying to figure out why they weren't received. I sincerely hope this reaches you.

We are slowing on our events and are getting into our political responsibilities. Our Labor Day Run with Lane County was a BIG success, we had a ball! The Forrest Service said that we were one of the best groups to work with. We are looking forward to seeing you all at Casino Night in Portland Oct. 30th.

Our Toy Run has been set Dec 11th, 1993. We plan on making this a shorter trip than last year. We'll send more info later.

The only other event that we have planned is a Casino Night in February. As plans are made we'll inform you. I want to apologize for our information being a month behind we are in the process of trying to resolve this. Please bare with us.

Sincerely'

The RAW RAC

JACKSON COUNTY

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 11 am
Maggies Pizza Downtown Gold Hill
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1184, Medford, OR 97501
Chapter Contact: Marv Eastman at 826-6690,
Blayne Brisson at 826-6316 or Mike DeCamp at 826-5219

NO REPORT, FIRST TIME.

LANE COUNTY

Meets 2nd Sunday 3:00 pm
Izzy's Pizza, 1930 Mohawk Blvd., Springfield
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 23325, Eugene, OR 97402
Chapter Contact: Randy Bryan 683-3739
or Bill Foster 484-6679

Hi!

Lane County is gearing up for our Toy Run to the Hwy. 99 Family Shelter. The date for the run is Dec. 19th We're trying hard to get the chapter running smoothly now that winter is here. We need to get attendance up, now that we have a new chapter meeting place. Hope to see you there!

Ride Safe!

Bill Foster

THANKS TO THE OFFICERS THAT DID SUCH A WONDERFUL JOB AT THE STATE LEVEL. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANKS!

If your chapter has no news in this Newsletter or any other, contact your Chapter Coordinator and find out why!

THANKS IS NOT ENOUGH TO SAY WHEN THE COLUMBIA RIVER, N.E. & S.E. CHAPTERS RAISE \$2,550.79 AT THE FREEDOM RUN BACK A FEW MONTHS AGO. BUT THANKS IS ALL THAT WE CAN SAY, BESIDES:

LET'S
DO IT
AGAIN!

LINCOLN COUNTY

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

Hi everyone,

As you read this, our chapter has been busy with the Thanksgiving Dinner we host at the Newport Senior Center. We hope that you had a good Turkey Day and now we move ahead to work on our Toy Run & Auction. The Toy Run will be held on Dec. 5, 1993 from 1:00-5:00pm at the uptown Tavern in Newport. We hope that you can join us. Last year we were very successful in raising over \$1850.00 for Mrs. Santa. It feels really good to know that our efforts helped so many kids in our area. We're expecting to see all our members, a \$5.00 donation or NEW toy will get you in the door so be THERE.

Not much else is new. Our membership attendance at the last few meetings has been down and officers seem to be finding something more important to do on meeting nights. Elections for new officers is in the near future. With attendance at such a low, those of us that do attend are wondering who to elect for the coming year? The success of our chapter depends on an active membership. If you haven't been attending lately do so, you are needed!

Thanks Deb

NORTH COAST

Meets 1st & 2nd Wednesday, 7:00pm
Pizza Harbor, Seaside
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 468, Seaside, OR 97138
Chapter Contact: Don Smack, 738-7156

Hi there,

It's winter and the holidays are upon us. Still lots of good weather for riding, but dress warm.

Our End of the Summer Run didn't go over as well as expected, but those who went had fun! Next year promises to be better!!

We put out a questionnaire to all members to find out exactly what they want. We are hoping to get a better attendance at our meetings and better participation. Our Toy Run is Dec. 5th so by that time you've read this, it will be over and done with and highly successful!!!

We have a new meeting night. We are going to try Wednesday nights to see how it goes over. 1st and 2nd Wed. at 7:00pm at Pizza Harbor in Seaside.

Ride safe and try to make someone else's holidays better!
Catch ya later

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Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 pm
Izzy's Pizza, 1307 N.E. 102nd, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 5792, Portland, OR 97228
Chapter Contact: Pat Gleason, 761-3269

The Toy Run & the Toy Run Party at the River Road House hasn't happened yet, but I'm sure I'll have a good time and you would have too if you would have been there. Attend the meetings and vote for your new officers. I'm at a loss for words right now but Gordon wants me to fill up space, so I'll just ramble on about what an AS-HOLE he is for making me type my fingers to the bone. He's such a slave driver, sometimes I'd like to shoot him right in the head. But, if I did that I'd have to do the news letter myself to cover my tracks, that would suck. Forget it, bad idea, I'm outta here.

See ya,
Road Rash

SALEM

Meets 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:00 pm
Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE
(Call 581-3138 or 581-8637 for information)
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 13957, Salem, OR 97309
Chapter Contact: Jeff 581-8637

Hi

It's that time of year again when Officers are being elected (or reelected) and we should all be thanking each other for the efforts put forth to maintain the Chapter, raise funds for the needy and most important the fight for freedom of choice.

I'd personally like to encourage all of you thinking about accepting an Officer position to look into it before you jump in. My message to you is: IF YOU'RE GOING TO COMMIT YOURSELF-FOLLOW THROUGH BECAUSE YOU ARE THE ONE WHO IS ACCEPTING THE RESPONSIBILITY.

As for our Chapter newsletter-you are right...you haven't received one and I would like to explain. I lost the use of the computer but am currently working on working something new out. I like to extend thanks to all of you who helped me find articles, wrote reports and articles, right down to licking stamps. Every little bit made it possible. For now, the Salem Chapter members need to attend meetings. There are some proposed activities on the agenda but we need interested members to help pull them off...so get in touch.

The State of Oregon Children's Hospital Christmas Toy Run will be held this year. Security checks to enter the hospital while presents are being handed out are due by December 5th so get a hold of Mel Yeager or the Chapter contact and we will be sure you get a form.

Thanks Again, Til Next Time!

Bonzi

DAVE BECK MEDICAL EXPENSE FUND:
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SOUTH COAST

Meets 3rd Sunday, 11 am

Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 222, Lakeside, OR 97449
Chapter Contact: Tony & Vikki Haines, 759-4961

Hi from Coos Bay,

Some new officers:

Coordinator	Terry Kepl.
Vice-Coordinator	Mark Cassidy
Treasurer	Connie Johnson (not sure she knows yet)
Membership	Dory Hastings
State Rep	Dave Saylor
	Jesse Standard
	Alt. Tony Haines
Sergeant at Arms	Swede
	Alt. Paul Basset
Historian	Don Turner (gotta pay your dues Hauns!)
Ways and Means	Randy Christensen
Secretary	Debra Saunders

THANKS for a great job Jan and everyone else!

Got a canned food drive going and a run set for Nov.

20th, noon at Gino's. Toy Run Dec.4th noon at Gino's.

Come join the fun on the "SUNNY" Oregon Coast!!

Need a good head count at the next meeting...

See ya then

Snap Shot

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: Richard Lorang, 335-0283

Hi everyone!!

Well, by the time you read this we will have had our elections and new officers will be taking over!! I will let you all know who they are. Also the Halloween Party was great!! I hope to see you all at the Toy Run! I know it will be over so, I can say I'm sure it was a success as always.

Those of you who knew Joe Jacobs there will be a memory patch made for him. I'd like to say to his family he was a great inspiration to everyone he touched.

Bob Jackson since you could not make the 10-10 meeting you missed out on \$20.00. Kathleen Leonetti since you missed the 11-7 meeting you were unable to collect \$20.00 either. It will remain at \$20.00 until it is won! So come out and meet your new officers and win \$200.00 maybe.

Till next time,

Keep your wheels down.

Georgia

WASHINGTON COUNTY

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

Little Italy Pizza, Cornelius
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 830, Cornelius, OR 97113
Chapter Contact: Paul Taylor 693-0938

NO REPORT, FIRST TIME.

YAMHILL COUNTY

Meets 2nd Sunday, 3:00 pm

West Ward Home, McMinnville
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1179, McMinnville, OR 97128
Chapter Contact: Kraig, 876-5135

We need help on our "Tree of Giving" December 18th. Please show up between 8:00 -8:30 at the Grade School in Wilamina, please call Craig Markison at (503) 876-5135 for better information. New meeting place West Ward Home, McMinnville at 3:00pm 2nd Sundays.

Renee

(Called in by Steve Dodds)

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No off-road bikes riding on trails
Dogs on leash only

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Press Release

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DELAY OF ISTEА PENALTIES CLEARС COMMITTEE, AWAITS ACTION ON HOUSE FLOOR

WASHINGTON, D.C., October 26, 1993 – The House Public Works and Transportation Committee today approved the final version of a bill to clean up technical problems in ISTEА (Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act), including a one year delay in imposing federal sanctions against states that have failed to enact seat belt and helmet laws.

Thanks to the staunch efforts of Congresswoman Olympia Snowe (R-ME), the ISTEА Technical Corrections Act, H.R.3276, postpones the deadline for states to enact both laws from September 30, 1993 to September 30, 1994, providing motorcyclists with an additional year to organize opposition to the federal "blackmail" legislation.

H.R.3276 is expected to face floor action by the full House prior to adjournment. If passed, the bill would go to a conference committee made up of House and Senate members.

Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell (D-CO) is currently attempting to get the one year delay incorporated into the Senate version of the technical corrections act, which would virtually ensure the section would survive conference committee action intact. The delay could be contested, however, if it doesn't appear in both the House and Senate versions when the conference committee convenes to iron out differences between the two proposals.

Campbell will also continue to pursue co-sponsors to his bill S.401, which would postpone the effective date of the penalties for two years.

These delay tactics are intended to buy motorcyclists extra time to gather support for Snowe's H.R.799 and Senator Dave Durenburger's (R-MN) S.295, the two bills that would repeal the penalty language altogether. Currently, H.R.799 has 115 co-sponsors and S.295 has 26, approximately half the number of co-sponsors needed for both bills to clear their respective houses.

To keep up-to-date on federal legislation and our effort to repeal the "national helmet law," call the NCOM National Legislative Hotline at 1-(800)-300-NCOM.

-end-

LETTERS(AND THINGS) TO THE EDITOR:

THANKS ! ! ! !

To the owners of the **Melody Ballroom, Douglas County, and Lane County** for their extra help. Without which the Toy Run fund raiser would not have been near as good as it was.

We also thank the many of you that attended, without which the children would have nothing.

We thank the following donators. Several more than once. (In no particular order.)

Columbia Motorcycle	Jaye's Bouquet
June Turner Weddings	Tracy Turner
Latus Motors	Yamhill Valley Vineyard
Love Leather	Gerber Knives
Gary Martin	Eastside Motorcycle
The Mutt House	Marriott - Portland Airport
Roadhouse Grill	George & Mary Alice Jackson
Larsen Oil	Paul & Kristi Austin
The B & I Tavern	Lois Gleason
Builders Square	St. Johns Honda
Easyriders, Portland	A.B.A.T.E. OF OREGON
S.E. Chapter	Jeff Giddings
Annie McConnell	Western Cycle
Beaverton Honda	Martin Enterprises
Tommie & Buzzard	Rotten Roger
Columbia River Chapter	Neil & Martha Keogh
Gresham Mt. Hood Honda	Heritage Fine Arts
Yamaha Suzuki Sports Plaza	Langlitz
Dragonfly Tattoo	N.E. Chapter
The Table Restaurant	Angie Jensen
A 21st Century Studio of Tattoo	

These Thank you's come from the A.B.A.T.E. / Shriner Toy Run Committee. 1993. If anyone was missed on this list you are owed more than a thank you. We apologize.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

This is the season to be jolly. The season to give and receive gifts. The season to eat tooo much. However, we must not forget the real reason for the season; Jesus Christ.

It is a beginning and the ultimate end. This is a time to reflect on God's promises coming true in one person, His Son...Jesus Christ. Jesus was born in a stable, and then placed in a rough wooden manger. The lonely stable is a reminder of another lonely place on a hill outside Jerusalem. The rough manger seems almost as cruel a place as the cross. But, God was willing to send His ONLY son knowing that he would have to die on the cross for you and me. He designed an eternal gift that cannot be bought, earned or stolen...only accepted. Why not accept His free gift this Christmas season? Why not take some time this Christmas season to read the REAL Christmas story as a family? One scripture is Matthew 1:18 thru Matthew 2:12. If you need a New Testament, just ask. We keep some in our bikes just for YOU!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Christ's Disciples.

Jim Gibbons
President

Hello (Mother),

Just a few lines to let you know I am doing OK! With the new Liver Transplant. The only set back is that I have developed an infection where 52 staples were so the staples had to come out. (UGLY) Now I am open and Kurt has to pack me twice a day. Thank God for Kurt, he can handle looking at it. I can't. It's so gross but I am alive and have a second chance at life.

I want to thank all of you who still pray for me for a good recovery. It's still a long road to go. I was told I have the first 6 to 8 months of healing and rejections can still set in. If I pass that 8 months or so I will be fine and can ride again in a year!

Please let everyone know how I am doing. We hope to get to some meeting soon.

Kurt and I are going to try to put a fundraiser together for me because I still lack funds for gas to and from hospital 2-3 times a week. Medications that Medi-care doesn't pay. I will let all of you know when that will take place when we come to it but right now I am still in bed. I do get up and walk around the block everyday and go a little further each day. Some days I feel I can go to the store and when I do go with Kurt to the store Boy I feel it! But things are picking up.

Well better close for now

Lana Little

Please take note: ABATE Lane co.'s liver account with Key Bank of Oregon has been closed. To help this cause with cash donations please send it in care of:

Lana Little Key Bank of Oregon Acct# 61136327

If you would like to give Lana a call; (206) 696-3282

Dear Editor:

The Last Bash Run was my first and I hope last crash. On Saturday night around 11:00pm I rode into town to get some beer. On my way back to camp I hit the loose gravel at the end of the pavement on Port Dr. and went down hard.

Fast Eddie and some other people came along just as I was getting the bike up off the road. I told them I was alright, and they got the bike started and got my bent shift lever into first gear. I rode on into camp and parked my bike near my tent. It was about this time that I noticed the pain in my shoulder wasn't getting

better, in fact it was getting worse. I went down to the information booth and Angie took a look at my shoulder, she didn't like the looks of it so she got rick to look at. Rick advised me to go to the emergency room for an X-ray. I told them I could ride in myself, so no would have to leave the party to take me in. Then Bear stepped up and said he was going to drive me to the Lebanon Hospital in his car and he didn't want any argument about it. Well I was in no mood to argue so off we went to the hospital.

The E.R. doctor looked at the X-rays and said the shoulder was indeed broken. They put me in a sling, gave me some pain meds and told me to see a specialist when I got back to Roseberg. I told the doctor that it better be well by tomorrow because I was riding home. He said, "well you won't cause anymore injury but you will be in too much pain to ride." I walked out of the Emergency Room and there was Bear waiting to give me a ride back to camp.

The next day several people helped me get the shift lever working. It's kind of hard to bend steel with only one good hand, so I appreciated the help. Everyone I spoke to was concerned when I told them I was going to ride home. And I had a least six offers from people on alternate ways of getting me and the bike home. But I knew I could make it on my own, so I packed up Sunday afternoon and rode home with out any trouble.

I want to thank all the people who helped me, the ones who offered help getting my bike home or someplace safe, and all the people who just asked if I was going to be OK. I appreciate your concern. ABATE really is a brotherhood.

Pat

Douglas County Chapter



The following people won events
at the Fall Bash:

Clothes Pin Race

1st Johnny Speed & Lady

2nd Kurt & Shirley

Slow Race

1st Johnny Speed

2nd Kurt Speers

Wiennie Bite

1st JD & TP

2nd God

Blind Race

1st Allan

2nd Paul

Ping Pong Drop

1st Kurt & Shirley

2nd Dave Gerkin & Lady

Bike Show

People's Choice

Rocky

Best Custom

Eggbert

Best Rat

Allan

Best Sporty

Tracy

Best Foreign

Kris Barnett

Best Stock

Tim Mailey

The largest chapter:

N.E. Portland Chapter

Longest Rider:

Tora (Rogues)

Vic Voltz from S.E. Portland Chapter
won the Harley Davidson Telephone.
raffle.

Thank you all for showing up!!!

THE RAVING R O V I N G REPORT

Well the run season is really winding down now, here we are in October already. On Oct. 2&3 I went to the Freedom Run. Got up Saturday morning around 8am and headed on out, it was a little foggy so decided to stop in Linnton and have some breakfast, got to the site and it was really nice, set up camp and then started selling tickets to the HOG Raffle. Walked around talking to people and trying to get them to buy tickets. We sold quite a few, but it could have been better after all this run was to help our legal fund. All in all the run did make money for our legal fund. (legally speaking). The

weather was terrific (for October) and the band was great. The next morning I got up and boy was the fog bad, so loaded up my bike, had breakfast, then walked around and talked to people and waited for the fog to clear, then headed on home. Had a good time for a good cause, and oh yea, in case you don't know who won the HOG, it was Anna Markley, (who I had to bug to buy a ticket), bet she's glad I did HUH??

Well the following week-end I planned on going to the Easyrider Rodeo at the Bremerton Fairgrounds, but Friday the 8th I found out my rear tire was losing air, filled it up then decided to stay home and not go. Saturday got up and decided to wash and clean the bike, the wife started waxing it and low and behold she found a screw in my rear tire, so you might say my whole week-end was screwed, now I had to find another tire, called around town and couldn't get one or they didn't have the time to do it except Portland Touring. Thanks guys you saved the day and a lot of worries. The rest of the week I rested until Thursday the 14th when I left for Sweet Home for the Last Bash, with a cold and in the pouring down rain (now that is dedication). Met Gunny at the Wilsonville rest stop. Gunny usually rides but he was in a car (you know what Gunny Sergeants are made of and we didn't want it all over the highway), so he drove his car. Went on down the highway to Albany to the T&R Truck Stop and there we had a bite to eat and they also gave us a hat for a doorprize. When we left the truckstop it finally stopped raining so I took off my rain gear, it was still a little cold but better than the wet. Made it to Sweet Home and after a while found the campsite with closed gates, so we had to wait a while before someone showed up and opened the gates.

Set up camp, sat around and talked for a while, then went to bed. Got up in the morning and there were a lot of people there already, more people started showing up and the vendors were showing up too, the run was coming together. All day long Friday people kept coming. That night I was really feeling like sh t with my cold and all, so I started drinking and drinking, I guess I was really entertaining for a while, then I was escorted to my tent and went to sleep. The next morning I was in my tent trying to get out but couldn't. Some smart person decided to

tape my tent zippers together and I couldn't get out, so I yelled and I yelled and finally my friend crawled out of his tent and his warm sleeping bag and untaped my zippers. I guess I know who my friends are, so to my friend thanks, and to the person who likes to have fun at someone else's expense, what goes around, comes around, and to those of you I offended, I apologize. Got up and checked my body for tattoos (last time I got sh-t faced I woke up with one), no tattoos, so headed for some coffee (plenty of coffee), but no food. There was a lot more people than I remembered (but what do I remember). Everyone there had lots of fun and the rest as they say is history. Got up Sunday and headed home, was a little cool but dry.

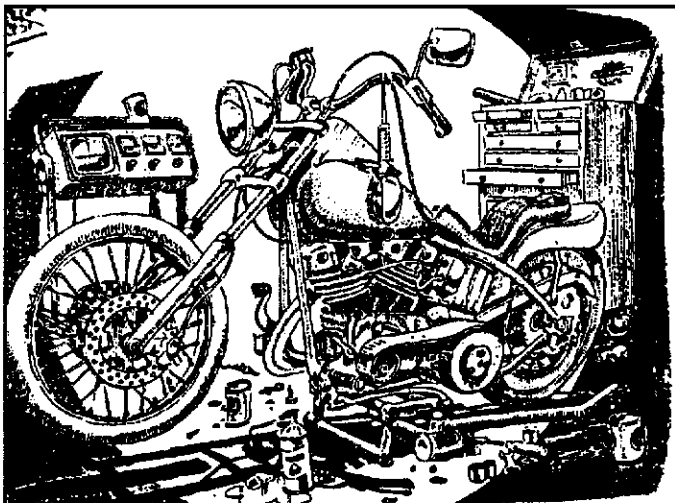
On Oct. 23rd I and ten others went over to Vancouver to the POW/MIA Rally at the Ester Short Park around 2pm. There were about 100 people that showed up. The speakers touched a lot of peoples hearts and also brought up a lot of old (well not so old for some) memories. Left there and went out to the Stagecoach for coffee and had a bite to eat. Then we all headed home.

The next event was the Halloween Party at the Melody Ballroom. The wife and I left home around six and headed out, so that we could set up the Wheel of Fortune. Ran the wheel that night until midnight, then went upstairs for the auction. There was a lot of nice things and the people sure turned out, and by the looks of things everyone had a good time. Stayed until the auction was over then left for home.

Till next time, ride safe;

Your Roving Roving Reporter

CRAZY Steve



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B

BROTHERHOOD

The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association.

A

AGAINST

In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.

T

TOTALITARIAN

(TO-TAL-I-TAR-I-AN) Of or relating to a political regime based on subordination of the individual to the state and strict control of all aspects of the life and productive capacity of the nation by coercive measures.

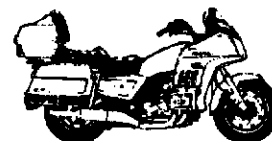
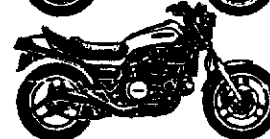
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ENACTMENTS

To make into law; the passing of a bill into law; a decree; a law.

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN THE EDUCATION PROGRAM??

By Mel Yeager

For the past year the Education Program Director has been busy organizing and conducting the Motorcycle Awareness Program in the state. During the month in January the effort was directed in actually doing some courses with Nic Oliver to find out what parts of the program needed to be reworked. Much to our surprise we found that the Awareness Program information was pretty complete and needed little modification.

February was spent preparing to go to Billings, Montana---The Best Of The West--- where I was able to tell 5 other representatives from other states about our program and arraigning to put together the first Instructor Training at Chemeketa Community College in Salem.

In March, Nic and I trained 52 instructors from several Motorcycle Rights Organizations; including ABATE officers and Chapter members. Those who took the course had a good time and left with an understanding of how to do a course.

May and June were spent talking to others about the program throughout the state. Nic and I joined the Oregon State Traffic Safety Education Association. In their meeting we were able to tell them about the Awareness Program and we generated considerable interest. These people set up and teach the Driver's Education Programs in the state. Most work for the Department of Education.

July was spent arranging to put on the second Motorcycle Awareness Program in August. After renting the necessary space at Chemeketa Community College, printing up the necessary forms, making up 25 packets of information, spending considerable postage and printing-----

NOBODY CAME!!!

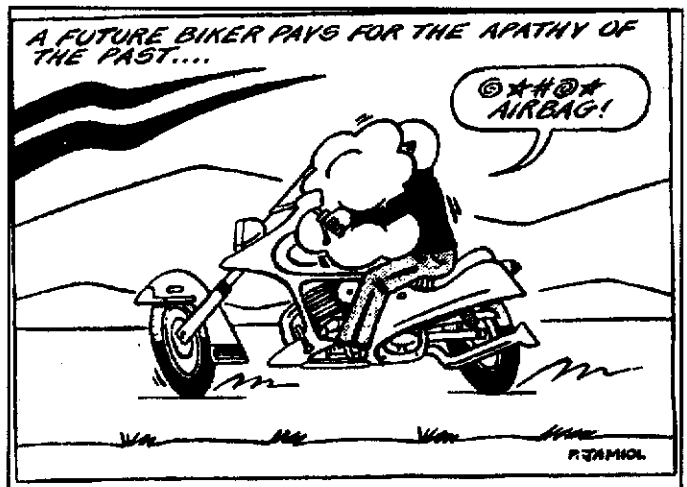
This really put a crimp in my attitude. Not for long, however.

In September I sent letters to all Chapter Coordinators and Education Officers encouraging them to make contact with schools, so they can put on the program. I was able to go to Denver, Colorado with Rich Benson, to the Meeting of the Minds. While I was there I was able to explain our Awareness Program to representatives of 11 other states. They are putting the information to work in their states.

October kinda slid right on by... and here it is NOVEMBER already...Been nominated to do this job all over again next year. To head up a program that the members of the organization won't get off their butts to do...even though it could save their lives or the life of someone they know. I won't give up the fight! I have been plugging along too long and my wife tells me I don't know when to slow down, especially since I now have Diabetes. My wife, Sharon, is my main guiding force and I gotta start listening to her, cause I LOVE HER! It won't be easy to do cause I have come to realize that I was born to be a 10%er. I'm too old to quit now; Cause we have damn near won the war.

Marvelous Mel Yeager
Education Director
ABATE of Oregon

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON	
STATE OF OREGON Respondent/Respondent	ORDER DENYING REVIEW
v.	CA A76680
GLENN DOUGLAS MILLER Appellant/Petitioner BIKEPAC Amicus Curiae A.B.A.T.E. Amicus Curiae	SC 840465
The Court has considered the petition for review and orders that it be denied.	
DATE: October 26, 1993.	
/s/ WALLACE P. CARSON, JR. WALLACE P. CARSON, JR. CHIEF JUSTICE	
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HELMET STOP REPORT FORM

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or DOT administrators. The purposes are to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Thank you for your cooperation.

PLEASE SEND TO: Bike-Pac of Oregon PO Box 5612 Salem OR 97304

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

Date Stopped: _____ Time Stopped: _____

Location: _____

Officer Name: _____

Police Agency: _____

Was the primary reason for the stop: Helmet Other (Specify): _____

Did you receive a citation? yes no If so, for: Helmet Other (Specify): _____

Did the officer follow normal traffic laws in making the stop? yes no If no, explain: _____

Did the officer treat you fairly and respectfully? yes no If no, explain: _____

Was your helmet confiscated? yes no If yes, explain: _____

Were you given an explanation about legal and illegal helmets? yes no

If yes, was the explanation: written verbal both If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

Have you gone to court? no When is your court date? _____

 yes How did you plead? guilty not guilty

If you pleaded guilty, what was the sentence? _____

If you pleaded not guilty, have you gone to trial?

 no When is your court date? _____

 yes What was the verdict? guilty not guilty

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

Brand: _____

Model: _____

When you bought the helmet, did it have:

DOT sticker on the outside? yes no

Label permanently fastened inside? yes no

Was helmet modified? yes no If yes, describe: _____



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POLICE VEHICLE PLATE # _____ UNIT # _____ COLOR(S) _____

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UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510

BEN NIGHTHORSE CAMPBELL
Colorado

October 7, 1993

TO: A.B.A.T.E. Newsletter Editor

Dear Editor,

The first Four Corners Iron Horse Rally is now history and, from every aspect, was a huge success. This new rally, located in America's scenic southwest, was hosted by Region 8 of Colorado A.B.A.T.E. and the Tres Rios Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of New Mexico. The rally drew 6,500 riders and 1,500 spectators to four activity-filled days. Riders came from 38 states and four countries. National publicity was carried by the associated press, CNN and "Good Morning, America" and was a big hit with the local community.

Since this was an A.B.A.T.E. sponsored event and the "2nd Annual" is already being planned, it has been suggested that perhaps it is time for a National A.B.A.T.E. rally. I would ask that this question be posed to A.B.A.T.E. chapters nationwide through the various state newsletters to see if this idea has merit.

Mark Bookner, Colorado state A.B.A.T.E. coordinator and Vice President of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, will soon be contacting your state coordinator for some feedback. Clearly, we would like to have our rally designated as the "National A.B.A.T.E. Rally" but whether that is in the cards or not, isn't it time we do a national event for A.B.A.T.E. members?

Sincerely,

Ben Nighthorse Campbell
U.S. Senator
Colorado A.B.A.T.E. member

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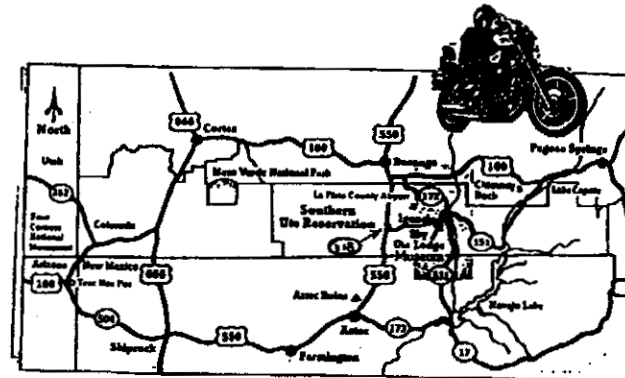
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Activist Review

Staying in touch

Federal issues

Motorcyclists are urged to write their U.S. senators, asking them to keep the AMA's amendments intact as they vote on Sen. Feinstein's California Desert Protection Act, designated S.21. Contact them at the United States Senate, Washington D.C. 20510.

Riders also are encouraged to contact two key members of the U.S. House of Representatives. They are Rep. George Miller (D-CA), chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee, and Rep. Rick Lehman (D-CA).

Lehman is the prime sponsor of the House's version of the desert bill, known as H.R. 518. But his version of the measure doesn't include the AMA's amendments. Urge both representatives to support the amended version of the Senate's bill rather than H.R. 518. Write to them at the U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515

To access the latest information on the California Desert Protection Act, and to send a pre-written message to your elected officials on the issue, call the AMA's Legislative Hotline at (900) 454-RIDE. The cost of this service is \$4.95, and you must be at least 18 years old to participate.

The AMA

You can contact the AMA's Government Relations Department on any topic involving motorcycling and the government by writing to: AMA Government Relations, P.O. Box 6114, Westerville, OH 43081-6114. Or you can call (614) 891-2425. To send a fax message, call (614) 891-5012.

October 1993

Senate committee passes desert bill

The controversial California Desert Protection Act, which would close some 8 million acres of public land to motorized travel, is one step closer to becoming law. In early October, a Senate committee voted to send the bill (S.21) to the Senate floor for approval. However, AMA lobbyists were able to save several vital areas for motorized recreation before the bill was approved in committee. Now the AMA will be working to keep those amendments intact as the measure moves forward in the Senate and in the U.S. House. See the news release in this package and the information at left.

Trail fund to be decided

Congress is preparing to finalize its 1994 appropriations bill, and that action will decide next year's budget for the National Recreational Trails Trust Fund. The U.S. Senate has approved \$15 million for the fund in fiscal 1994, but a House version of the same appropriations measure does not include any money for trails. A joint congressional conference committee is expected to resolve differences between those two versions by the end of October.

California adds new licensing system

The state of California has decided to provide rider-training incentives for motorcyclists in the state. Recently, Gov. Pete Wilson signed legislation to streamline licensing procedures for motorcyclists who pass training courses by allowing them to bypass the state's licensing test. The new law goes into effect on January 1 of next year.

BLM announcement

Motorized recreation interests will be represented on new land-use committees being proposed for Western states, says the the Bureau of Land Management. See the news release in this package.

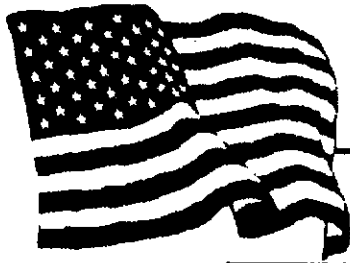
AMA announces 1993 voter campaign

Send a message to political candidates on election day by wearing one of the AMA's new Rider Vote Campaign buttons. The buttons, which riders are encouraged to wear to the polls on November 2, display one of two messages: "I'm a Motorcyclist Registered to Vote," or "Motorcyclists Vote Too." See the news release in this package for ordering information.

New AMA Freedom Fighter

Dana Bell, of Long Beach, California, has been named the AMA's new western states representative, responsible for monitoring public land issues and legislation affecting motorcyclists in the West. This new position is an outgrowth of a plan approved by the AMA Board of Trustees to create a closer link to California and other Western states. See the news release in this package.

AMA Activist Review, a publication of the American Motorcyclist Association Government Relations Department, is produced to keep concerned riders informed about issues affecting them and their rights



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November 6, 1993

OUR POWER WORKS!

Recently, MRF lobbyist Wayne Curtin sent me an announcement about a "newsfeed" on a specific satellite channel. The newsfeed was from NHTSA and the subject was announced as:

Misleading Ads and Unscrupulous Merchants Unsafe Helmets Contribute to Fatal Head Injuries Beware of Fakes

This was enough to get me going all by itself. But, the text of the announcement, after the usual lies about the government testing helmets for your safety, stated "This material is offered for your unrestricted use." That really set me off!

The newsfeed was to feature a NHTSA official, the owner of Rockville, MD Harley Davidson (they got his name completely wrong) and "Motorcyclists wearing unsafe helmets, examples of safe and unsafe helmets, and law enforcement issuing a citation to a biker."

I began making arrangements to have the feed recorded. Meanwhile, Lynn Oldenburg, the MRF State Rep in Maryland, began making calls to members of her local ABATE Chapter, telling them about the feed and about the local HD dealer being involved. Well, the dealer, Devin Battley, got a lot of calls really quick!

He was very surprised and said he knew nothing about the video. He had let NHTSA come into his shop and film.

During the next few days, NHTSA heard from Battley and ABATE members. The newsfeed, set for Nov. 1, was postponed to Nov. 8, and NHTSA brought a copy of the video to Rockville to be seen by Battley, ABATE, and Wayne Curtin. The film turns out to be not nearly as bad as the announcement led us to believe. Suggestions about the film were listened to and may result in the removal of the part in which a biker is issued a citation.

The important part of this is the quick action on the part of Wayne, Lynn and ABATE of Maryland. Their action led to an immediate response from the HD dealer and NHTSA, and to bikers being involved in approving the film.

This is what happens when you have a network in place and know how to use it.

TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ACT OF 1993 WITHDRAWN, REINTRODUCED

In late October, Rep. Frank Pallone of NJ withdrew his HR.2990 and joined Rep. Jim Slattery of Kansas in introducing HR.3121, which contained exactly the same language.

Earlier in the year, the Head Injury Foundation was looking for sponsors for their legislation, and had approached Sen Ted Kennedy of Massachusetts (for a Senate bill), and Rep. Slattery (for a companion bill in the House). When the Head Injury Foundation thought that Slattery was not going to respond to them, they next went to Pallone to find a sponsor for the bill.

Pallone knew that motorcyclists would probably object to some parts of the text requested by the Head Injury Foundation, and contacted NJ riders and Wayne Curtin to talk it over. This resulted in further talks with the Head Injury Foundation, and a new version of the bill (HR.2990) which was more acceptable to motorcyclists; in addition, the Head Injury Foundation was willing to accept the changes.

Meanwhile, Rep. Slattery went ahead and introduced a bill identical to Sen. Ted Kennedy's S.275. Both used the original proposal from the Head Injury Foundation as the text. When Pallone learned of Slattery's bill, he and the Head Injury Foundation called Slattery to bring him up

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HOUSE VOTE SET on HR. 3276 - Intermodal Surface Transportation Technical Corrections Act

The bill to make technical corrections to the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) is set for a vote in the U.S. House of Representatives on November 8. The bill includes a one-year delay of the penalties for states that do not have helmet and seat belt laws as required by ISTEA.

More information will be available in coming months about the future of this legislation.

ACTION GUIDE

FROM THE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION

TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ACT

to date on the changes included in Pallone's version.

Slattery agreed that the changes were an improvement over the original, and pointed out that his status as a more senior representative than Pallone would lend the effort greater chances of success; Pallone agreed, withdrew his version, and became one of the original co-sponsors of the new bill, HR.3121, whose prime sponsor is Slattery.

The House version contains a number of changes that are more favorable to motorcyclists, and you are urged to write in support of HR.3121.

WHAT TO DO - HR.3121

H.R. 3121 will be dealt with by the Energy & Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Health & Environment.

1. Oregon's Rep. Ron Wyden is a member of this Subcommittee, as is Washington's Mike Kreidler. They should be the main target of our letterwriting.
2. Washington's Rep. Al Swift is on the main Energy & Commerce Committee, and is therefore the second priority for letters from Washington motorcyclists.
3. In addition, you can write to your own U.S. Representative. Ask them to sign on as co-sponsors. Use the favorable changes as reasons to support this bill instead of the Senate version.
4. Write to your U.S. Senators and encourage them to amend S.725 to conform with H.R. 3121.

ADDRESSES & PHONE NUMBERS

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The Honorable _____ U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510

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HELMET UPDATE:

OREGON SUPREME COURT REFUSES REVIEW IN STATE V. MILLER; OTHER CASES WINNING IN LOCAL COURTS

by Sam Hochberg, AIM Attorney

On October 26, 1993, the Oregon Supreme Court indicated it would not accept review of the case brought by Douglas County chapter member Doug Miller. This means the decision of the Court of Appeals is effectively upheld, and that our helmet law is not unconstitutionally vague. While it is unhappily a battle lost, the war goes on.

The good news is that the continued pressure brought by this case, by the many bikers in insisting on court trials for helmet tickets, and by the discreet discussions held between BikePAC and certain government bureaucrats, may in combination result in a new rule that would end needless ticketing of bikers wearing helmets. More on that when more is known. But Oregon bikers' efforts have *not* gone unnoticed.

More good news: In spite of the unfavorable Miller decisions, more bikers are winning helmet cases in court, if the helmet displayed a DOT sticker on the lower center outside rear of the helmet. There is a new case out of California which is persuasive if not binding authority in Oregon. In Buhl v. Hannigan, 20 Cal.Rptr.2d 740 (Cal. App.4 Dist. 1993), California bikers took on a wholesale attack on their new helmet law, and lost on all issues, including vagueness. But, on the issue we deal with daily in Oregon -- the ticketing and harassment of bikers wearing beanie helmets -- there is helpful language. The court said this:

"The incorporated federal standards are so technical one must be a physicist or an engineer testing the product in a laboratory to ascertain whether a particular helmet complies. But underlying this argument is the proposition that the statute requires the consumer or the enforcement officer to decide if the helmet is properly fabricated, and such a reading...is absurd...it is clear the law requires only that the consumer wear a helmet bearing a certification of compliance." Buhl at page 745.

The certification of compliance the court is talking about is the DOT sticker. And as we all know, it *is* absurd to ask the rider or the cop to figure out which helmets are "legal." If you are ticketed while wearing a helmet with a DOT sticker,

you may call my office for advice at (503) 224-1106, or toll free outside Portland at 1-800-347-1106.

Judges in local courts have taken note of this California case in helmet trials. Along with other evidence and information, more judges are dismissing charges against bikers for wearing supposed "fake" helmets, notwithstanding the Miller decision. In the Portland area, the highest conviction rate for these offenses is in Washington county. Clackamas county is currently the lowest.

Elsewhere in this issue of the newsletter, look for the letter from Laura Graser, the appeals specialist we associated on Miller. Her comments are short but heartfelt. She worked hard, undercharged for her services, and gave us terrific legal work. We couldn't have asked for better appellate help. She deserves our thanks. Drop her a note if you get a chance.

Thank you as well to ABATE of Oregon for its financial and moral support of this appeal, to AIM and the AIM attorneys who offered their thoughts and guidance, to the many bikers who helped with their time and money, and especially to **Doug Miller** and all the other bikers who take the time and have shown the courage to fight it out in court when you believe you're right.Ⓢ



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OREGON BIKER WINS \$\$\$ FROM COPS FOR SEIZED HELMET!!

by Sam Hochberg,
AIM Attorney

A few months ago, former S.E. Portland chapter member STEVE SPILKA was riding his Harley along McLoughlin Avenue with a friend. Both were wearing beanie helmets that had DOT stickers on the back.

A young officer pulled Steve's friend over, because she said he'd made an unsignalled turn. Steve doubled back to see what happened to his friend.

Steve's friend never got a ticket for the unsignalled turn; in fact, neither Steve nor his friend were cited for anything. But this officer thought their helmets were not legal, and after about a half-hour alongside the road arguing about this, the officer took their helmets, put them in her police car, and drove off! No tickets, no seizure for "evidence," as some officers do. She just took their helmets because she thought they were "illegal!"

A day or two later, Steve called my office, and I was amazed to hear his story. It is not, of course, inherently illegal to own any helmet, even assuming it were proven to be "non-complying" or not DOT "approved." It's not as if he was wearing a sack of illegal drugs or a machine gun strapped to his head...the helmet is not *itself* contraband.

After stoking myself appropriately with righteous indignation, I shot an angry FAX to the Milwaukie Police Department, asking them to immediately release the helmet to Steve, and advising them that I was providing formal notice to the City of Milwaukie of my intention to make a claim for civil damages for the wrongful seizure of property.

Fifteen minutes later, a member of the Milwaukie PD was on the phone to me, apologizing for the rash behavior of the new officer. Much to their credit, the Milwaukie Police Department was polite, prompt, professional and cooperative in arranging for the immediate release of the helmet back to Steve Spilka.

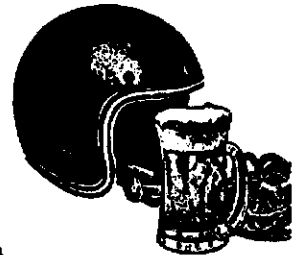
A few weeks later, I received a phone call in response to my demand for money damages. It was from an insurance adjuster for the company that

insures the City of Milwaukie. After some bargaining back and forth, we obtained a cash settlement for Steve for the illegal seizure.

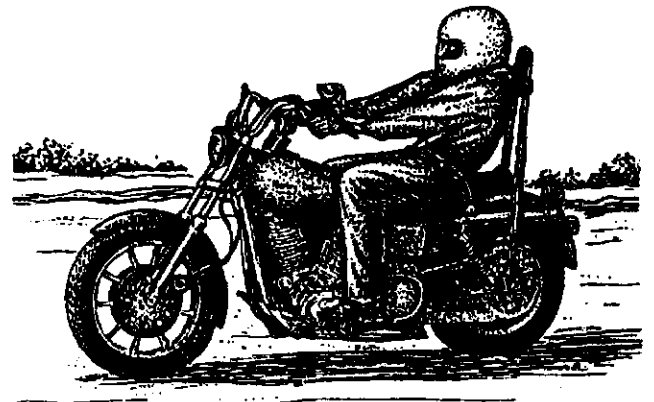
If your helmet is seized in connection with a ticket, you are very unlikely to be able to get any Civil Damages. Mr. Spilka got money only because the helmet was taken without any accompanying charges.

Steve was of course very pleased with the result. He has told me that part of his settlement will go toward renewing his long-lost membership in the S.E. Portland chapter of ABATE of Oregon.☺

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Helmet Law Threat!
What Next?
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See and photos with August 1992
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THE LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE
BY MEL YEAGER, EDUCATION DIRECTOR

I have some thoughts to share with you that I feel is important to all of us:

According to the Motorcycle Safety Foundation's nation-wide magazine SAFE CYCLING, 1993 summer issue There is good news. according to the article Motorcycle accidents and fatalities are at their lowest in the MSF's 20 year history. (is anyone surprised?)

In the ten year period 1981 through 1991 the significant shift of accidents fell from over 160,000 in 1981 to just over 80,000 in 1991. The drop in the accident rate started in 1986 and since that time has fallen dramatically, cutting the accident rate in half.

On the subject of motorcyclist fatalities: in 1981 there was nearly 5,000 motrocyclists killed throughout the nation, again, the fatality rate's big downward swing began in 1986. The figures in 1991 showed that there was less than 3,000 deaths.

lets compare these numbers with the number of riders graduating from MSF Motorcycle Rider Safety Course.

ANNUALLY there were just over 40,000 riders graduating in 1981, compared to just under 100,000 riders graduating in 1991. In 1992 there was over 107,000 graduates.

Going back to 1974, the first year of MSF training program, there was approximately 15,000 riders trained. Each year thereafter the numbers kept climbing at a steady rate until the last year reported, 1992, when the 1 millionth rider graduated from the program.

Do these figures seem to reflect what we have said all along, that education is the key--not legislation?

Acording to Wayne Curtain, Motorcycle riders Foundation, MOTORCYCLISTS PAY WITH DOLLARS AND TIME: THEY SHOULD HAVE A SAY! "Since the first legislation was passed in 1979 state motorcyclists' rights organizations (SMRO's) and individual motorcyclists have been the most important elements of state rider-education programs.

Motorcyclists and SMRO's helped pass legislation that imposed user fees on motorcyclists to pay for the programs. In 1993 alone, motorcyclists will pay over \$13,000,000 in fees. Student motorcyclists pay millions more in course fees.

The overwhelming majority of instructors are also motorcyclists who want to make motorcycling safer. Many SMRO's run safety programs to supplement the state-administered program, incurring thousands of dollars in costs. When State programs are in trouble, motorcyclists and SMRO's repeatedly go to their state legislatures to improve or save the program.

For this support motorcyclists and SMRO's should have more input in how the programs are run, through strong advisory committees. Motorcycle safety programs belong to motorcyclists. They will have their say in program administration"

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RECEIVED
OCT 29 1993

Re: State v. Miller, helmet case

Gentlemen:

I am very sorry, and not just a little bit mad, to report that the Supreme Court turned us down. A copy of the order, such as it is, is enclosed.

I can only guess what they were thinking. Perhaps they figured the legislature can outlaw motorcycle riding, and this does it through the back door, but it only does what the legislature has the power to do. Maybe they didn't want to mess with something that's "only an infraction."

The legislature, after all, has its duties, and one of them is to pass constitutional and fair statutes. Perhaps the court figured it was their mess, and they can clean it up.

I'm out of good ideas. If you want to spend more money, you could hire a lawyer (not me) to file a motion for declaratory relief in federal court, as the right to be free of vague laws is a right under the federal constitution. This would be time consuming and expensive, and it has the same problems--its "only an infraction" and the federal court might think this is for the Oregon legislature (or DOT) to fix.

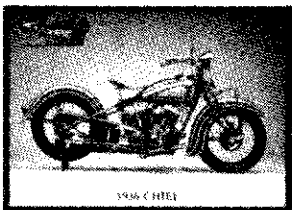
I think you need to keep working with ODOT. Beyond that, I'm completely stumped.

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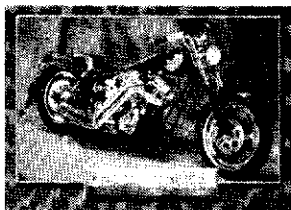


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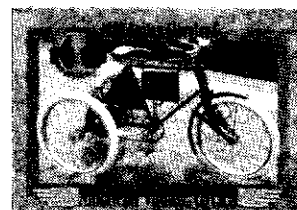
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

As a Veteran, and a member of the Oregon Veterans Motorcycle Association, I was recently contacted about an up coming event to benefit the needy Veterans of the State of Oregon. The event is planned for June of 1995, in Eugene Oregon. The participants will include the Harley Davidson Company, other Motorcycle Companies, many motorcycles associations and organization, our's included, many famous entertainers and celebrities, and many famous dignitaries. All funds generated by this event will only be used to provide help for ALL NEEDY VETERANS in this state.

GREAT IDEA, RIGHT ? But there is a problem ! One of the planners, Mr. Evan Reed, a Service Officer for American Legion Post #40 in Springfield Oregon, (503-942-0560), made contact with the American Legion District Judge Advocate, C. Ray Wilson, for sponsorship of the event. Mr. Wilson stated that he didn't like motorcycles, and would do everything possible to see that the American Legion DID NOT sponsor the event.

Next Mr. Reed contacted the American Legion District Adjutant, Mr. Barry Snyder, and received a similar response.

Lastly, Mr. Reed contacted the American Legion National Adjutant, who's name is I don't have at this time. The response was basically the same as the previously contacted persons, and include many ways and reasons NOT TO sponsor this important event.

The fact that this event is intended specifically to help NEEDY VETERANS and not motorcyclists, seems to make little difference to these LEADERS of the American Legion in this State and this Nation, and should be addressed by all concerned Motorcyclist, Veterans, and American Legion members. It is no less then DISCRIMINATION of the highest order.

It is IMPORTANT that you realize, that the attitude of these three men should in no way be considered the attitude of all Legionnaires. Most are good people who have worked with us in the past, and will in the future, inspite of the attitudes of some of their leaders.

Mr. Reed hasn't given-up on this event, and neither will I. I ask you all to help Mr. Reed by contacting those named above, and anyone else you know who will help us raise money for the needy Veterans of this State, and state your views on this matter.



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CHAPLAINS CORNER

December 1993

By the time you read this the Christmas season will be in full swing. The Shriners Toy Run will be history and most of us will be getting down to serious preparations for the upcoming holidays. Therein lies the theme of this article. . . just what does Christmas mean to YOU??

I remember from my high school days riding home on the bus and I overheard two ladies talking about Christmas. One lady said "Can you imagine the Nerve of these church people trying to make a religious holiday of Christmas!!" From that day on I realized that Christmas means different things to different people. For some it is a time of spending money you can't really spare for presents for kids and family who often don't want or need the things you bought anyway. Or perhaps the kids really liked their gifts. . . but they end up in the closet or in the discard pile broken or just no longer wanted. For others it is a time of family get-togethers to sit around and tell long lost relatives how glad you are to see them again when in reality you could care less about seeing them now or any other time. For some it is a time to drink and be merry and then nurse a monster hangover the next day, being irritable and nasty to everyone you really love. Disgusted so far? Well, look at it this way. . . the store merchants love it!! Big business gets bigger on your money while the bar owners get richer on your misery. Sounds like a fairly typical Holiday for most huh?

Remember how you felt on that toy run? How it made you feel to do something GOOD for someone else? Therein lies the truth of what Christmas is really about.

2000 years ago a miracle event took place in a dusty, crowded little town called Bethlehem. There in a stable a child was born. . . an event that was to change the course of history. Who was this child called Jesus? Here are the facts (*Author Unknown*) of his short life on earth:

He was born in an obscure village to a peasant woman. He worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty, then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never set foot inside a big city. He never traveled over 200 miles from the place of his birth. He never did one of the things that accompany greatness. He has no credentials but himself.

While he was still a young man, the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. He was betrayed to his enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial though innocent, and was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had. . . his Robe. When he was dead he was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend. (Author Unknown)

This one called Jesus Christ, left the glories of heaven to suffer and die for each of us who believes and accepts him as Lord and savior in our lives. He forever banished all doubt of his divine power when he overcame death and the grave. Therein lies the hope of all who would believe.

This then is what Christmas IS!! If some prefer to use Xmas, and remove Christ from their thoughts at this time of year. . . that's their right. Those of us who prefer to honor the *birth of Christ* at this time of year will reap the benefits of Faith along *with* the Joy and festivities of this season.

In closing, I wish each and everyone a Wonderful CHRISTmas and a great New Year. I also wish to express my appreciation for being able to serve you as Chaplain (unofficially of course) of ABATE Of Oregon this past year. Thanks to all who supported my efforts with your encouragement and letters. Hope to see all of you on the road next year.

Preacher Jim

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INDIAN CREAK	170	4	17	21	166
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LANE COUNTY	70	2	0	2	68
LINCOLN COUNTY	80	9	0	9	71
NE PORTLAND	166	8	10	18	158
NORTH COAST	51	6	2	8	45
SALEM	98	1	2	3	97
SE PORTLAND	197	-4	7	3	201
SOUTH COAST	66	2	0	2	64
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YAMHILL COUNTY	32	3	2	5	29
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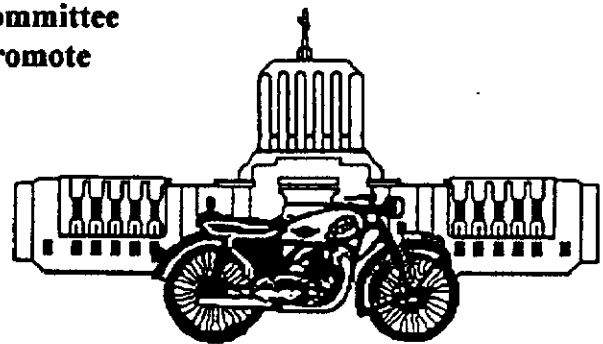
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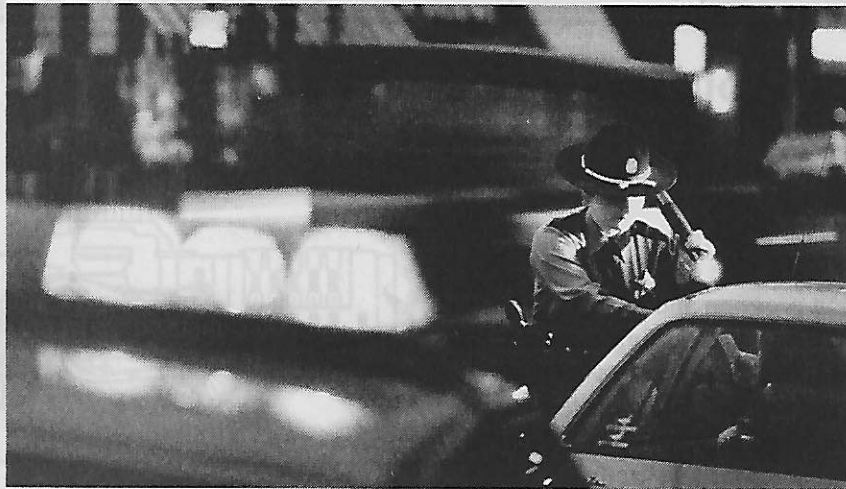


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