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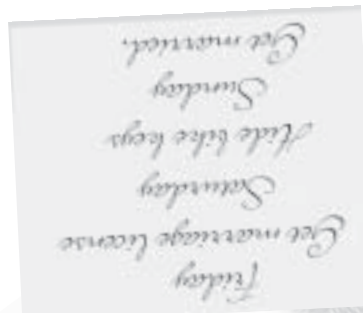
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**A.B.A.T.E. Swap Meet
in Portland**
Sunday, 25 April
(see flier and map on pages m)

Freedom By Any Other Name

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon newsmagazine editor, Rot Path, pointed out that substituting the words "biker" or "motorcyclist" for any topic of current hot button news articles gives the reader a better perspective of what underlying principle is at stake. "If a person is being directly affected by institutional or community action, they tend to pay more attention to the issue, to think and consider what's truly at stake."

Never play practical jokes on people who can run or ride faster than you



And hopefully that's what this little March 32nd joke has done for you.

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Multiple County — In a move that surprised both biker supporters and opponents, county commissioners quietly gave their lifestyle and recruit kids to ride permission to the clerk's office to begin issuing marriage licenses to any biker couples who applied for them. Citing Oregon's constitutional guarantees of equal rights for all citizens, the commissioners received legal opinions from attorneys that confirmed bikers could be married in civil ceremonies.

"This is a great day for Oregon and bikers' rights," declared Valve Cover of *Bikers Ride Oregon*, a nonprofit group dedicated to educating politicians and raising public awareness of motorcyclist issues. "With this basic right secured, we want to show that biker marriages strengthen *all* our communities by providing more long term stable relationships."

Opposition, though initially stunned by the decision, was swift and

vigorous.

"This is just another example of the hidden biker agenda to legitimize their lifestyle and recruit kids to ride motorcycles," declared a picketer from O.C.A.B. (*Oregon Can't Abide Bikers*) outside the Multnomah county courthouse. He refused to give his name to reporters.

Another protester carrying a sign that read "It's bride and groom, not Zoom-Zoom!" declared "They got their domestic shacking up registry already. Why does they gotta want to be as good as the rest of us?"

Onlookers had their own opinions on the issue. Shana of the Pearl district observed, "I don't see what the fuss is about. I mean, bikers are human too. It seems to me that the more people who marry, the stronger that the institution of marriage becomes, ya know?"

Welcome to A.B.A.T.E.

What We're About

A.B.A.T.E. is a not-for-profit organization

In Oregon, *A.B.A.T.E.* stands for *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments*, which isn't nearly as subversive as it sounds. It means that we act as legislative watchdogs to help ensure that any legislation affecting motorcyclists is fair and that elected officials are fully informed regarding motorcycle issues.

- We are not a motorcycle club or gang.

Instead, *A.B.A.T.E.* is a not-for-profit organization devoted to raising member and public awareness about motorcycle issues and safety through education and community involvement. We also raise money for organizations that represent motorcyclist's concerns such as *BikePAC*.

- It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride on.

We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

- You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to *A.B.A.T.E.*

Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working on are important to their community.

So scan through our newsmagazine. If you like what you read, check out the chapter meeting listing on the back cover. Drop in on a meeting and see what we're about. You just might find a new family in *A.B.A.T.E.* And as Melinda says: "Bikers give great hugs."

-- Rot Path

MISSION STATEMENT

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

A Brief History of A.B.A.T.E.

"You have to know where you've been to know where you're going!"

Easyriders magazine editor Lou Kimzey issued a plea in issue #3, October 1971, for bikers to come together to fight impending restrictions from the *National Highway Transportation Safety Administration* (*N.H.T.S.A.*) by joining a new national biker's rights organization called the *National Custom Cycle Association*. But because of a conflict with the acronym the name was changed in February 1972 to *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments* (*A.B.A.T.E.*).

Easyriders began granting state charters around 1974, and Keith Ball was the original national coordinator. The biggest threat was that the U.S. *D.O.T.* (*Department of Transportation*) was investigating ways to restrict modified or customized "choppers" which they deemed unsafe, especially extended forks.

As the rights movement grew, Don Pittsley, a member of the *Huns Motorcycle Club* in Connecticut convinced his congressman, representative Stewart McKinney, to introduce H.R.3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet laws.

In July of 1975, Rob Rasor of the *American Motorcyclist Association* (*A.M.A.*), Ron Roloff of the *M.M.A.* of California and Ed Armstrong of *A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago* presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

Later that year, with California being sued by the *D.O.T.* because governor Ronald Reagan refused to comply with the federal helmet law mandate, Roloff helped convince California senator Alan Cranston to offer the language of the bill as an amendment to the *1975 Federal Highway Act*, which passed with overwhelming support from the California delegation because of the impending lawsuit, and was signed by president Gerald Ford on May 5, 1976.

Not bad for a rag tag bunch of bikers with little or no previous political ambitions.

As a result of our newfound political clout, motorcyclists have successfully approached congress twice over the past few years, first to grant federal protections against insurance discrimination based on mode of transportation because many companies were denying medical benefits to employees injured in motorcycle accidents.

Then, [in the 1998] session, motorcyclists united to put together a pro-active agenda for bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

The roots of *A.B.A.T.E.* and biker's rights run deep in the hearts of those of us who have accepted and, in turn, passed on the torch of freedom of the road.

by Bill Bish

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Coordinator's Comments



by Joe Laurance

Hello everyone,

I just received an e-mail from one of your state officers that said they were "A.B.A.T.E.'d out!" I suspect that after the month of March, a lot of us will need some serious R&R (riding and relaxation).

Our board meeting took place on March 13th, followed the next day by the *Roseburg Swap Meet*.

Plans for the Washington, D.C. trip are in the final planning stages and those of us going are set for a March 20th departure from PDX.

The *All Oregon Motorcyclists' Summit* sponsored by *BikePAC of Oregon* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* will be taking place in The Dalles on March 27-28. All of the planning, organization, and participation in these events are by unpaid but passionate volunteers who must also factor in family and job responsibilities. When you get the opportunity, thank these people for what they are doing for you. Or better yet, help carry some of the load by becoming involved if you have not done so before.

The *Roseburg Swap Meet* was a great success, thanks to the hard work of our swap meet coordinator, Stephan Baton, and other *A.B.A.T.E.* members. Many of your state officers were to be found in the *A.B.A.T.E.* info booth or at the gate. Every bit as important as the income from this event were the 27 new members who enrolled at the swap meet.

This is the beginning of the riding season, so it's time to get the bike ready to go in all respects. It's also important to prepare your ride plans. These plans

should include a designated carrier for first aid kit(s), cell phone(s), response plans in case of injury or breakdown, as well as the appointing of ride leaders and tailers. Try to keep less experienced riders toward the front of the pack. Perhaps an open discussion at your next chapter meeting concerning rides would be in order. Consider the *TEAM Oregon* classes you will take, and remember, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* will pick up half the tab for successful completion of these courses.

It's time to pack bags for D.C., and make final calls and arrangements, so we'll talk more later.

May He protect you in all that you do,

Joseph Laurance

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Central Oregon Chapter

Greetings from sunny central Oregon,

Here it is pushing the end of March, the weather is improving, the snow is about gone and *O.D.O.T* is sweeping the cinders off the roads, all signs that another riding season is upon us. We have just had a couple of wonderful days in the 70 degree range. I hope most of you got out there for a ride, after that long snowy winter.

Jackie, Ed and myself made it over to Salem for S.T.E.A.M., a Seminar to Educate and Motivate, and that is exactly what it did. There were some very good sessions with excellent speakers and topics, including a talk by Karen Bolin, president of the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*. Just meeting some of the people at the state level is motivational. Some of those folks have been involved for 20 plus years. Now that is dedication to the motorcycle community.

I would like to thank Marie for taking over our March meeting because we will be in Roseburg for the swap meet.

I hope to see some members at the *April Fools Swap Meet* April 3rd, put on by the *Central Oregon Motorcycle Coalition* at the *Black Horse Saloon*. May 1st is the *Motorcycle Awareness Rally and Freedom Rally* on the steps

of the state capitol building in Salem. I have gone over for it the last two years and it is an awesome event to attend. It's great to see all those motorcyclists gathered at the capitol. That also kicks off *Motorcycle Awareness Month* (May). You can look for our yellow awareness banner hanging on the school fence in Sisters.

Our flyers are done for our *Motorcycle Riders Foundation Support Run* and the *Teddy Bear Run* and have been sent into the state for sanctioning. I would like to thank Rebecca for making those up for us. They turned out really well. She does such an awesome job. We all owe her a thanks.

That's about it for now.

Remember, "United we stand . . ." and you all know the rest of that sentence.

Later,

John

CENTRAL OREGON MEET-
ING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)
Old Redmond Hotel
(next to Sulley's Restaurant)
Redmond, Oregon

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"Columbia River Welcome's You"



We had another great turnout at our March meeting and signed up six new members. We also had some good news and some bad news.

The good news first. One of our chapter members just returned from Iraq after serving 13 months there. Welcome back, Dennis Glivinski. Last year, another member, Greg Lewis, also served in Iraq and he, too, returned safely.

Now, the bad news. One of our newer members, Roger Vigil a.k.a. Elvis went down on his bike and suffered serious injuries. He is now at *O.H.S.U.* and recovering. The chapter voted to give him \$200 to go to the cost of replacing his leather jacket and helmet which were destroyed in the accident. I also heard that another member, whose name I did not catch, was also seriously injured in another motorcycle crash. We wish both of them speedy recoveries.

I do not know the details of these crashes and am certainly not blaming anyone for what happened in them. Accidents do happen but some of them are preventable. Some of them occur because we are being careless or foolish. Although we can do little about the thoughtless, crazed or

drunken cagers who run us down, we can work on our own behaviors and try to ride safer.

At Larry Brown's suggestion, we will be organizing some lessons on group riding.

I also suggest that *Team Oregon* has a great experienced riders' class that I found helpful some years ago. We should try to do everything we can to stay upright.

Our *Sweet Heart Dance* was a great success with a big turnout and great music by *Panama*. The owners of the *Blue Eyes Lounge* enjoyed our business and have asked us to return. They were most accommodating toward us and deserve our continued support.

The chapter voted to donate \$100 to the city of Fossil to help them to recover from the theft of city funds. We wanted to let the city know that we appreciate its hosting our campout.

Angie's Run will be June 19th. This is not a state sanctioned run. We don't put out flyers or generally advertise it. It is open to chapter members, people who are interested in joining our chapter and those who knew Angie Jensen and who want to remember her.

The *Summer Run* is coming along with Scotty B of our chapter co-

ordinating it. We are in great need of someone to be the gate boss. Anyone willing to step up to help out with this important task should contact me or Scotty.

Tami Weller missed out on the membership drawing. Nick Mumolo won the short drawing.

Spike

COLUMBIA RIVER MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm)
Jubitz Truck Stop
10310 N. Vancouver Avenue --
Portland
Kids welcomed. Full bar.

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Douglas County Chapter



Also, by the time you read this the *Roseburg Swap Meet* will be history. Thanks to everyone, especially those who travel, who always show up to help out and to make it a success. The spring swap meets are a great time to catch up with everyone you haven't seen all winter, find some good stuff

Remember to support your local chapter of *A.B.A.T.E.* and read the newsmagazine to stay up on what's happening here in Oregon and across the land.



Ride safe,
Becky Garino
secretary
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Hub City Chapter

Our February meeting convened on February 19 at 7:11 pm. We had 15 guests, seven of whom became new members!

Al Sims, coordinator, commented on the excellent turnout -65 people in February! Thanks for coming and being involved.

Steve Sorenson, vice coordinator, advised about watching for deer beside the road. Steve's *100th Anniversary FatBoy* still bears scars from one such encounter. As the sticker on his tank says, "Crashing Sucks!!".

Treasurer Cliff McCalley reported we were the first group to hand in our \$750 for 50 Fossil tickets. Maybe no other group intends to turn out 50 members. Let's be sure to win the "Highest Percentage of Member Turnout" trophy again, *Hub City*!

Membership secretary, Kathy Gerke, reminded all members to make sure they've renewed so we keep a current number with the state.

Sergeant-at-arms Richard Andros reminded everyone to watch for sand and other road hazards left over from our recent bad weather. Highly dangerous to a motorcycle!

Deb McCalley, quartermaster and head of the promotions committee, was voted a budget for her office to start buying t-shirts and other

Hub City related items to sell to members and the public. Deb also announced a contest to design the logo for the upcoming *Hub City* overnighter, dubbed the "One Night Stand". Winner will get a free t-shirt with their design emblazoned across it. Let's see some of that imagination at work!

Promotions committee needs volunteers- anyone wanting to help or having ideas contact Deb.

Ron Vonsild reported that both *Fossil* and *Run 21* have signed big names in music. Curtis Selgado at *Fossil*!

Good to see *A.B.A.T.E.* bringing in some fresh music to breathe life back into our activities. Thanks for all your efforts, Duane Calkins, state *Fossil Run* coordinator.

How about Pat Travers, Brian Howe, Molly Hatchet for *Run 21*? *Southeast Chapter* and Maddog productions are really showing people that it can be done! *Fossil* better catch up before they're left behind.

Hub City has moved our run committee meeting to *Ciddici's* on the Sunday following our regular meeting. Anyone is welcome to attend. 133 5th St. in Albany at 6 pm.

Our famous poker run is coming up June 5th, so be ready for a good time! All members need to be collecting door prizes to contribute. Please help us with this need. If everyone contributes a little it takes the load off the few who seem to always be doing the extra things that make our events so special.

Historian Sara Andros put together some great albums! Please submit

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HUB CITY MEETING TIME
and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 Fifth Street
Albany

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Josephine County Chapter

Well it looks like summer's coming kinda early. We've had some great riding weather here.

Since the last report we've taken in thirteen new members and I'd like to welcome them into our chapter.

We're planning poker runs for the summer now.

The first one is going to be on May 1, 2004. That poker run will be from the Touvelle swap meet to the *Sparc in the Park* put on by the Sons of God motorcycle club. *Sparc in the Park* is a get together for the developmentally disabled at *Riverside Park* in Grants Pass. It's a very rewarding time for anybody involved in it!

The second poker run is planned for June 26, 2004. It's going to start at the *Rooster Crow* in Rogue River to the Viet Nam wall that's been brought in by the Son of God, Point Man Ministries and the Viet Nam veteran chapter here.

We're planning on a few more events later this summer.

Things are starting to happen down

here!!

This summer will be a great time for us all.

We are now trying to find a new meeting place too. The place we're meeting at is getting too small for us. We will call all are members when we find the new place and let them know where it will be.

Take care all and ride safe,

Spanky

JOSEPHINE COUNTY
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st Thursdays at 1800 (6 pm)
Pizza Hut
1465 6th Street
Grants Pass

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Lincoln County Chapter

Happy spring from *Lincoln County*,

We are all getting in the riding mood. How about the rest of you?

Have a poker run scheduled for later in the month. Hopefully the spring weather will hold out for the day. Gonna camp the night at Pat Green's in Siletz and spend the evening listening to *Kenny Lee and the Sundowners* at the local *Siletz Pub*.

Once again, thanks to *American Legion Post 116* for the great breakfast and hospitality. Even our own coordinator can get in there and get breakfast prepped.

Thanks Colleen and Toni from the *American Legion*.

Been having good attendance at the meetings lately.

Nice to see you all starting to attend. With 95 members, we can accomplish a whole lot more than we were doing with five or six.

We are already talking *Beaver Creek*.

Nice to see two more gals from Portland joining our chapter. Hope to see lots more of the two of you in the future. Sheri and Iris, don't be strangers.

Looking forward to helping *Hub City* with trophies for *Fossil* games.

Lincoln County met the *Fossil* challenge. We sent a check for \$225 to the city of Fossil. Now the rest of you chapters need to step up to the plate and do the same.

We are still looking for bridge decking for the bike and car bridge at *Beaver Creek*. Is there anyone in this biker world who can help us out? Is so, please contact Ralph at (541)-265-6850 or (541)-867-3533.

One of our members, Karen Gerttula, is running for county commissioner once again for Lincoln county. Good luck, Karen.

If you all get a chance, meet Brendan Kane. He is an all right guy. He will sit and listen and give his honest opinion. Good luck, Brendan.

We are all set for *Rhody*. If you are down that way; stop by and say "Hi." We are at the *Port of Siuclaw* camp ground. Thanks to SIS for getting the camp site ready for us once again.

Out thoughts go out to all of the *Lincoln County* members who are dealing with family members who are quite sick at this time. Please keep us posted and we are here for you if you need a shoulder or a hug. This goes the same for any of the members who are struggling.

For those of you who are not sure of the meeting dates and times, we meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at the *American Legion Post* at 7:00 pm. The post is serving tacos or sloppy joes at two for a \$1 on the meeting nights so we don't have to rush home and cook dinner.

Thanks *Post 116*.

Looking forward to get some riding in here in the near future. Hope to see you all out there doing the same.

Keep the rubber side down and watch out for the cages.

'Til next month,

Wanda
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LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1930 (7:30 pm)

American Legion Hall Post 116
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Newport

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

North Coast Chapter

Greetings from the *North Coast Chapter*,

Not a lot of big news from the *North Coast* this month, just the facts that our run committee has been busy putting their heads together looking at some new runs this year in addition to firming up the details for our *9th Annual Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run* set for June 26th. The run this year will be bigger and better than last year's great event. (If you missed it, too bad. Great fun was had by all).

The run will offer a few new twists this year including run tee-shirts for sale, a new stop and a modified travel plan.

Enough said.

Come join us this year and you'll see how much fun you can have on the north coast of Oregon. Even the various police department escorts we had last year said, "We'll join you next year. Looks like too much fun to miss." Stay tuned for more info and future run flyers in this publication and other northwest biker publications.

Don't forget about our new short

runs on the third Sunday of every month. These runs will start and end at different locations each month. Aside from another chance to enjoy the sights of our area and the comradely of our brothers and sisters. A fifty-fifty pot will be offered to all of those who choose to put a few extra bucks in their pocket, if their so lucky to win. All bikes and riders are welcome and encouraged to join us. For more info give our chapter secretary Amelia Williams a call at (503)-325-6686.

Another pitch for our brothers and sisters from the *Pacific County Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of Washington*. They have several great runs coming up in the near future. Check out the Washington state web site for a listing of these future events at www.abate-wa.org/.

Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful country in the southwestern corner of Washington. Trust me, you will be back again after you have experienced the great times this chapter always provides.

Until next month, all the best from

the *North Coast* and don't lose sight of the fight for the freedom of the road. You can make a difference, whether it's a call or e-mail to one of our state representatives in support of legislative issues/actions that affect our freedom or taking the time to visit the state capitol to lobby our representatives. Every one of us has the power. Seize it, make a difference, get involved.

Be safe out there.

Al Jaques

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NORTH COAST MEETING

TIME and PLACE

4th Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)

Moose Lodge

420 17th Street

Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Northeast Portland Chapter



What a month this has been so far! It started out cold, wet and windy. Now it's 70 and sunny! Man, Portland in the spring is exciting. Just wets my appetite to get back in the wind and blow those old winter blahs to kingdom come. Ah, Thor, are you up to little spring thunder? Sure ya are.

Fossil planning is almost done. *The Yanks* are playing along with a *bunch* of other great bands! It will be nonstop fun for three days. I will be there. I hope you are also. Duane is doing a great job. Be sure to support our beloved organization and show up. Think "no rain – much warmth" over and over.

Summer Run planning is off to a great start. I'm running the bands. Kate's running the vendors. Come over to *Jubitz Ponderosa* room on the second Sunday of the month at 1:30 if you want to attend one of the planning sessions and (Goddess forbid) ask to help. *Columbia River* is in charge of it this year. We all need to get behind them and make it the best *Summer Run* ever.

Our *Northeast Portland Safety Awareness Poker Run* will happen on August 28 this year. Still looking for someone to "run"

with it. It's a lot of fun and not really much work once the route is chosen. *Roc's Tavern* on 82nd has asked to be the ending point and will have a beer garden and a band outside. So if you can't make the run, at least make the party afterwards.

And don't forget about *Run 21*. This year the bands are *awesome!* Pat Travers and Molly Hatchet (I hope Danny Joe Brown is still the lead singer) are headlining. I saw Molly Hatchet at *A.B.A.T.E. of Indiana's Bean Blossom Boogey* about 10 years ago. They rocks out then and I'm sure those guys are still burnin' down the house.

We meet every first and third Wednesday of the month at *Roundtable Pizza*, between Sandy Boulevard and I-84, on 122nd in Portland. 7:30 pm is the kick off time. Meetings usually run around an hour and a half. Soft drinks are provided by *Roundtable* and you can buy beer, the salad bar or (duh!) pizza. Motorcycle-friendly places are getting hard to find. *Roundtable* rolls out the red carpet for us. So come support the people who support us. Hope to see you there.

Remember to check your tire pressure before that first spring ride. It does tend to seep out over the cold, wet months.

Crow

We will fly together forever, new horizons,

new gifts, the power,
giving it,
receiving it,

growing it, until the other eagles -
find them,,
always flying.

N.E. PORTLAND MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1930
(7:30pm)
Round Table Pizza
4141 NE 122nd -- Portland

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

*River City Chapter***March 2, 2004**

We had a lively meeting with a good turnout. Our poker run is shaping up and we have volunteers for the *A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC Summit* on the 27th and 28th. We hope lots of folks show up.

Good riding weather is here in eastern Oregon and we are taking advantage of it. Come join us on any Sunday. --Brian

Regular meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:02 pm. 24 people present, one arrived later.

Guests: Spencer

Minutes were waived on a motion by Tim because they were presented in written form.

Correspondence was a swap meet flyer., and another flyer for a poker run in Goldendale,

Treasury report is \$749.97

Bills submitted: Lynne got hats at S.T.E.A.M., \$48 reimbursement moved by Mike, passed.

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Ways and means report: New raffle, a plaque 25 cents or 5 for a dollar. and hats for \$10.

Historian report: Johnna brought pictures.

Old business

Group riding: We rode to *KahNeTa* last Sunday.

Planned rides: *Fossil, Sturgis, Laughlin.*

Poker run planning committee: Door prize packets are ready, need checkpoint volunteers, site is acquired

BikePAC/A.B.A.T.E. Summit planning, March 27-28. Volunteers: Lynne, Scott, Debra, Lynn, Dan, Rick, Shelley, Greg,

New Business

Membership drawing would have been won by Jeff Milholland if he had been present. It will be \$45 next meeting. 50/50 was won by Tim at \$9/\$9.

Adjourned 8:00 pm

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March 16, 2004

We had a fun meeting tonight. Everyone was in a festive mood, especially Steve, who brought cookies for his new bike. He has a beautiful new *Road Glide* and even Lee seems to like it! Of course, Lee's *Yamaha* is temporarily out of commission, so Lee likes anything that still runs. We joked about everything from sex to age to bikes and even mileage. After the meeting there was some mention of my bug collection and so I introduced Norm to a few of my collected friends.

Plans are shaping up for the *Summit* and our *Poker Run*. The weather is great, so come on out to sunny eastern Oregon on Sunday and go riding with us: 11:00 am at Dee and Debbie's at The Dalles bridge junction on any Sunday.

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:01 pm. 17 people present, five arrived later.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Steve because they were presented in written form. Correspondence was a swapmeet vendor space form for *Collector's West* swapmeets, *B.O.A* statement, *M.R.F. Reports*, membership list, a wellness magazine, *Love Leathers* flyer, and the *Goldendale Poker Run* flyer.

Treasury report is \$725.97

Bills submitted: Rick moved to reimburse B.O.D. meeting trips at \$20, passed.

Membership report: 68 members.

Board report: Brian reported on *Fossil*, officer reports, finances and motions.

Legislative report: Brian reported that our delegation is going to D.C. next weekend and about the *M.S.F./Team Oregon* issue.

Ways and means report: New raffle, a plaque \$.25 or 5 for a dollar, and hats for \$10

Historian report: The book is here, please help with names.

Old Business

Group riding: We have been out riding and having a great time and a safe one.

Planned rides:

May Rally (leave at 9:00 am, 01 May), *Hollister, Sturgis.*

Poker run planning committee: We are humming right along.

BikePAC/A.B.A.T.E. Summit planning, March 27-28. Volunteers: Lynne, Scott, Debra, Lynn, Dan, Rick, Shelley, Greg, Ron,

New Business

Ellon Hybertson's brother, Raymond, passed away.

Del has a resource for goatskin leatherwork. Ask Del.

Coordinator's Comments

Lee offered tennis ball tubes to use for various kits and such for your saddlebag.

Announcements

Membership drawing would have been won by Schon Hybertson if he had been present. It will be \$50 next meeting.

50/50 was won by Del at \$13/\$13, which he donated back to the chapter. Thanks, Del.

Adjourned 8:26 pm

Upcoming meetings

April 6, 2004 and April 20, 2004

7:00 pm

RIVER CITY MEETING**TIMES and PLACE**

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7pm)

Lone Pine Restaurant
335 Lone Pine Dr. -- The Dalles
(I-84 & US-197)

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Salem Chapter

I would like to thank everyone who donated gifts for *Salem Chapter's Ice Breaker*.

First, thank you *Tony's Tavern* for letting us hold it there and the great gifts they donated, as well as the following businesses for their donations: *North Dallas Bar & Grill*, *Guy's True Value*, *Future Image*, *Harvest Music*, *Blondie's Restaurants*, and *Hayward Ford*.

Thank you Mona and Sheryl for all your good work.

All in all it was a great turn out.

Doc won the leather jacket.

Thank you everyone who came and supported us.

Now on to our chapter minutes.

We had a wonderful turn out. 21 members in all showed up. We had a few *Salem Chapter* members who came for the first time. They are as follows: Mike and Carrie West, Kristy Gifford, and Eddie Gifford. Three members of *Hub City* also attended: Al Sims, Ron Vonsild, and Cliff McCally. Thank you so much for returning the flag, and for your input.

Be sure to come to the *Speakeasy* in Salem for the *White Wolves* April 17 2004. Starts at 6 pm. See flier for more information.

Before the event we are having a security class for runs and events at the Salem *Speakeasy*. (Also April 17) We need *A.B.A.T.E* members to sign up. Contact Sheryl Forrest at (503)-327-2192. *A.B.A.T.E* will pay for this.

Fossil tickets are now on sale.

Peace out, ride safe,

Dustyshovelhead



SALEM MEETING TIME

and PLACE

4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm)
Chalet Restaurant
Market Street, Salem

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

South Coast Chapter

Our chapter was recently saddened by the loss of two brother motorcycle enthusiast.

Jim "Spook" Flanagan passed after a short illness. Jim and his wife Chris own the property where we hold the *Coos River Run* every year. We held a memorial service and even though it rained, a lot of friends showed up to honor "Spook" and share their memories of him.

We also lost Chuck Schultz a longtime member of A.B.A.T.E. and friend for many years. Chuck really liked riding his motorcycle and he shared a lot of good times with us and will be sorely missed.

We are conducting a membership drive between now and the end of July. The member who signs up the most new members will receive two tickets to *S.O.S.*

We had six members attend S.T.E.A.M. and they brought back glowing reports on the classes they attended and the state officers they met. It is always nice to be able to put a face with a name. It was my first time to attend and I really learned a great deal about our mission and my new jobs.

We are gearing up for the *Mall Show*. The applications and we will be sending them out to our members

very soon. This year we will have a wrecked motorcycle in the show as another face of motorcycling. We hope to make the public more aware of our present on the road. As in past years we will be handing out carnations to the first 100 mothers. Also the Christian Motorcycle Club will be doing free pictures and a coloring contests for the kids. We hope to have another successful *Mall Show*, so come join us.

If you don't belong to our chapter you can request an application by contacting Charlie Hill at (541)-759-2388 or e-mailing me at tweetye@charter.net.

Spring is just around the corner along with the good weather. So ride safe and free. We want to see you at the *Mall Show*.

Kris

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
South Coast Chapter
Reminds you that
MAY IS MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH
Please join us to see

"The Many Faces of Motorcycling"
May 8th & 9th, 2004

All types of motorcycles will be on display:
 •Off road
 •All Terrain vehicles
 •Dual Purpose
 •Custom
 •Antique
 •Touring
 •Sport

Special exhibits by local Motorcycle Dealerships and free pictures taken by CMA

Dorcy Village Mall
 1611 Virginia Avenue
 North Bend, OR 97459

10:00 am to 8:00 pm Saturday
 12:00 pm to 5:30 pm Sunday

Any questions? Please call
 Charlie (541) 759-2388

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SOUTH COAST MEETING**TIME and PLACE**

3rd Sunday at 1100 (11am)
 Gino's Pizza
 1324 Virginia Street -- North
 Bend

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Southeast Portland Chapter

Hey There People,

Well S.T.E.A.M. was a great success. Everyone who I have spoken to say they had a wonderful experience at this year's seminar. Michelle did a great job at the products table this year. I am sure Geoff and Norah will have a better report for you all. We missed you Melinda!!

Hope that some of you got to putt up the gorge for the *A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC Summit*. If you didn't, I hope you sent your ideas, concerns, and suggestions with someone so that they could be addressed.

Southeast Portland Chapter is all ready for you to come out and enjoy our *Anniversary Party*. We hope we will see you all there. More to come.

Our *Canned Food Delivery* is the same day. The information concerning the *Light House Mission* closing was incorrect. We will deliver the food there again this year. They are looking forward to seeing us. Thank you to *Vancouver H.O.G.* and *Northeast Portland A.B.A.T.E.* for their generous donations. More to come.

Southeast Portland Chapter's Run 21 plans are really coming together. Thanks to our committee's hard work and Mad Dog's continuous efforts booking the bands we are just about

ready to roll. *Rock and roll!!!* Don't forget tickets are on sale now. Lee also has those shift sign up sheets circulating. Sign up and show up for your discounted gate fee.

A thanks here from *Brother Speed Portland* to everyone that showed up for their *First Annual Springtime Oyster Feed*. The turn out was amazing. It was a reminder of the *Toy Run Spaghetti Feed*. Hope that everyone who showed up got their fill of oysters and had a great time. Thank you also to *JR Sims Texas Special*. You rocked!

Congratulations to *Damn Good Lookin' Dave/Brother Speed Portland* for bringing home a trophy from the *Multnomah Hot Rod Council's* recent show. *D.G.L.D.'s* sweet blue and gold chopper placed as a runner up in the chopper class. *D.G.L.D.'s* chopper is ridden daily, rain or shine!!!

Later,

Mammy Tami

P.S. Hey people, please don't forget that the *May Awareness Rally* at the state capitol in Salem is May 1st. this year.

Here is a little bit of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* history for you. This is a quote from *A Letter From Luke*:

"Well, we did it — after sitting on our duffs around here all these years, we finally got into the battle. A far cry from the past when on a couple occasions, 32 or 57 people made a strike at the mandatory helmet law. 500 motorcycles rode in one pack to the capitol building in Salem, Oregon, Sunday, September 21. What a sight!"

We have a lot more to fight for these days folks. Lets all show up at the capitol on May 1st. The freedom fighters took 500 almost thirty years ago in 1975. Why can't we do it now?

S.E. Portland MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)
M/M Restaurant & Lounge
137 N. Main -- Gresham

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Southern Oregon Chapter

Riding season is here!

The *Southern Oregon Chapter's* sponsored runs for this year are:

April 17 – *Southern Oregon Icebreaker Run*

May 15 - *Lucky Seven Poker Run*

June 26-27 - *Southern Oregon Lakes Scavenger Run*

August 21 or 22 – *A.B.A.T.E. Hot Run*

October 15 – 17 camp out or poker run (Start date tentative)

November 13 – *Freedom Run*

If you can volunteer to help with the April poker run, attend the April meeting or give a call. This will be our first sponsored run for the year and we want to start off like we want to finish, having fun and seeing some great countryside by motorcycle. Route suggestions for our runs are always welcome.

Several of *Southern Oregon* and *Josephine County* members participated in the *3rd Annual Bikers Have Heart Run* on March 6. The money raised went to a local seven-year old girl who needs a heart operation to survive. The little girl was having fun pulling lottery tickets and helping to hand out the prizes. Her

family was very touched by the generosity of the bikers.

There was an excellent turn out on a nice cool riding day.

Ride idea for the month: Take the Jefferson state highway between O'Brien on highway 199, and Happy Camp, California, on highway 96. (Fill up on gas in Cave Junction or O'Brien.) From Happy Camp you can take highway 96 toward Yreka until you intersect with interstate 5, or return the way you came.

Correction to my phone number: (541)-535-2934. Call or e-mail me if you have a new address or want to be on our e-mail list.

Keep on riding.

Robert Mumby
secretary,
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Rider activists have recognized for some time that our membership and our leaders are aging, and that there is a need to encourage younger people to become actively involved in motorcyclists' rights. There is no better time than now, to invite younger people to join our organization. Today and every day you meet someone who might be interested in motorcycle rights. We don't need just bodies for membership numbers, we need new young activist, to actively pursue protecting and regaining our rights and freedoms.

Herb Sweeten
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SOUTHERN OREGON
MEETING TIME and PLACE
2nd Wednesday at 1900 (7 pm)
Abby's Legendary Pizza
2550 Crater Lake Highway
Medford, Oregon

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Washington County Chapter

Thank you to all the members who showed up to give Stan Johnston a proper send off. Mother nature smiled upon us as the sun continued to shine for the ride, the memorial, and the afternoon. There were 34 bikes and lots of bikers who wanted to share in the memories of a truly special man.

Stan's widow, Dorothy, drove the pilot truck (she's a paid escort, you know) for the route up to Bald Peak (Stan didn't have much left on top). We had the horses, burros, and buffalos running along the route. Stan will be with us for a long time, in the things we do and the people we meet. Thank you to Patricia for helping with the armbands. We ran out and had to go with just straight grey and black ribbons for the people who showed up late.

The weather is warming up and the road is calling. I am torn between the need to work around the house and the desire to pull the bike out of the garage and ride away from it for a while. Responsibility usually wins, but I have a feeling that the road will take over more as the year progresses. Time to start thinking about the *May Awareness Rally* and meeting on the steps of the capitol. Hopefully there will be no *Cinco de Mayo* conflict this year. I am sure we outnumber the other groups and are usually gone by 2 pm, so really not much to be concerned about.

After being so long-winded last month, I really don't a lot to say this time.

A reminder to attend meetings to keep informed and be part of the action and the decision making.

People like Dick Renschler and myself have won 50/50 drawings in excess of \$40.

Mike Pierce won the membership drawing in early February and won almost \$100.

Patricia Stein was not present in late February, so she did not win anything.

Remember, you cannot win if you do not play. Or if you don;t vote, you can't complain.

Watch out for the other guy!

Linda Wells
WaCo secretary

WASHINGTON COUNTYMEETING TIMES and PLACE

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 1930
(7:30pm)

Prime Time Sports Bar
4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports



Well folks, spring is right around the corner and I tell ya it's not a minute too soon.

Since this old lady has become a fair weather rider, she really wants it to warm up.

We finally had our officer elections at our last meeting. I personally think we should have them before the end of the year, but that's just my opinion. We have some repeat officer and some new ones, who I would like to congratulate and wish the best of luck and also thank those folks for stepping up to the plate. It's always good to have new ideas and thoughts which seem to make the chapter grow and prosper.

We had a really nice time out for this meeting and it could be for a couple of reasons: first the phone tree, which is a process that makes a lot of sense seeing that people are so busy they may forget the the general meeting is coming up. And another reason is that we changed the day of the week back to Thursdays, which I think works out better for a lot more people. It's nice to see a lot of folks taking interest in the chapter and what is happening or going to be happening.

I know that S.T.E.A.M. just took place and unfortunately I did not make it. But I know through e-mails that it was a good one so maybe someone who did attend can do the next newsletter. (Huh, huh, do ya think?)

Now I want to get on the soap box for just a moment and give everyone my opinion on a particular subject, and you know what opinions are like. (Ha, ha,

ha.) There is still a lot of hoopla going on about the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act. I am not going to tell you what I think of it. I just want to remind everyone that there are some of us against it, but remember that there are also some of us who are for it. I think as a motorcycle organization, we should stick to motorcycle business and let us as individuals choose how we want to react to the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act. I also think this should be kept to ourselves or in private discussions if that is what we want to do.

Remember, we have freedom of choice. And that's all I have to say about that.

Now on a lighter note, the fun is just around the corner, with *Fossil*, *Rhody Run*, and many many runs after that throughout the season. I just can't wait.

So, has everyone done their spring "bike check" yet? You know, check your batteries, tires, fluids. You know, just that basic safety check before you get on the road and go a couple miles before something goes wrong and you stand there and say "shit, I know I should have looked at that but I was too excited to get on the road."

Another thing that has caught my attention is that I frequently hear people say that all we do is talk politics, we never go for a ride. Geeze people, do you have a phone? I believe that if you make a few phone calls you can get a ride together at the drop of a dime. (Or is it a quarter or more?) Aside from that, have these people looked at the run calendar? There is something going on every weekend for the rest of the year.



So quit yer bitchin', get assertive, make it happen, or sit home and just talk about it.

So let's "slap leather," and get on those bad motorcycles and ride.

Mary Ann Goll
proud chapter member



WILAMETTE VALLEY
MEETING TIME and PLACE
2nd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Veteran's Memorial Building
1626 Willamette Street; Eugene
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Hub City Chapter

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photos to her with names and dates provided. Check to see if you have duplicates you could share with Sara.

Legislative director, Mel Yeager, reported that everyone should attend *Summit 2004* to help decide *BikePAC* agenda and direction.

Mel also had a very good safety tip: check your tire pressure! Many bikes sit over the winter and the major tire manufactures will tell you that motorcycle tires lose one pound of pressure each month. If your tires haven't been checked in three months, then you've lost 10% of the recommended pressure! That is enough to cause overheating and failure, let alone the handling issues it will bring on. Less steering and less braking are just two more issues you will have to deal with. Is dying or being seriously injured important enough to make you spend a couple of minutes with the air gauge? I certainly hope so!

May is *Motorcycle Awareness Month* and May 1st is the rally at the capitol. A big attendance is needed.

Originally this event drew over 500 motorcycles, now we struggle to get 300. We know there are more bikes now, but where are the people? Are they active at all? Do they know we *need* to be active to protect our rights? Something to think about if you're really in this group to fight for motorcycle rights. There is undeniable power in numbers! Please reach out to anyone you know who rides and invite them to a meeting. We need help!

Carolyn Freeman, education director, is checking out *Team Oregon* classes to let us know what is available and how we can take advantage of it. I know most folks could use a refresher course and remember, *A.B.A.T.E. of*

Oregon will refund half of the cost!

Jerry Boyd won \$87 in our 50/50 drawing and Frank Harms won the \$20 membership drawing. See, it pays to be a *Hub City* member and come to meetings!

Members were good enough to donate some raffle prizes and Carolyn Freeman won a deck of cards with the 50 most wanted Iraqis on it. Deb McCalley won a nice *Harley-Davidson* shirt from a dealer in British Columbia. Congratulations to all you winners and thanks to the generous members who donated the prizes.

Hub City received a letter of thanks from Mike Friend and Dick Edwards for our efforts to sell raffle tickets for the *Shriners* benefit bike. At our October bike show *Hub City* sold out of tickets three times and had to have extra brought out of Portland just to satisfy the need. When you ask *Hub City* for help, things happen!

Fossil is coming up and this year *Hub City* will be running the games. We will fulfill our obligation to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and to *Lincoln County Chapter*, who have faithfully handled this event until they've burned themselves to a frazzle. 17 years should be long enough to have one task chained around your neck, in my humble opinion.

Hub City has agreed to do the games for one year and then pass them off to whoever steps up to apprentice under us. We have no one apprenticing with us this year, so in 2005 *Fossil* may be run without games. Since no one is willing to step up we have honored our word and that will be the end of it.

Fossil seems to have become an event of being told what we will donate and what we will do at the event. No wonder participation on all fronts has

fallen off. I believe Duane is a very capable person, but the general feeling seems to be that *Fossil* is a burden to the chapters while being a fundraiser for the state coffers. With \$46,000 dollars in the state treasury, do we need to put on an event no one wants to help with or contribute to? Yes, I can say "The Emperor wears no clothes!"

Maybe we should rethink this whole approach to fun and fundraising. Most money comes from the swap meets anyway. If no one wants to work at *Fossil*, and all the money goes to the state treasury, maybe it's time to call it off. *Run 21* is a much better run and it's put on by a chapter that wants to, rather than a group that is told they have to. Shows what a small group of people who "want to" can do!

In it's day *Fossil* was the only game in town. That made it big. It now has to compete with lots of other runs and frankly, I think it doesn't measure up. It is held in a crappy place. If you've ever been you know what I mean. Not a level spot for a tent anywhere, no shade if its sunny (which is rare), never enough toilets, piss poor music(until this year, thank you Duane). I'm sorry to see an icon die, but when is enough enough?

Thanks for listening and remember these are my opinions.

Please come to our meetings, held on the third Thursday of every month. We meet at *Ciddicci's Pizza*, 133 5th street in downtown Albany. The meetings start promptly at 7 pm.

Call (541)-926-2161 for directions or further information.

Al Sims

Hub City coordinator

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Our Officers at Work

A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes

13 March 2004

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:26 with 13 of the 15 chapters represented. All present were eligible to vote. Chapters not in attendance were *Columbia River* and *Southern Oregon*.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the February 14, 2004. Motion made by Jill Tracy, seconded by Doc Squires to adopt the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Coordinators Comments

All Motorcycle Summit will be March 27-28 in The Dalles. Six or seven people have responded. Please contact Theresa or see Brian today. Please R.S.V.P. as soon as possible as they need a head count to order some food items.

This is the beginning of riding season. Have riding protocol established and be prepared for emergencies such as carrying a cell phone with emergency numbers, have the least experienced rider(s) up front so they don't have to try to catch up. Break up into penny packets of ten or less. The road captain should carry a first aid kit. Mel adds that you should check the air pressure in your tires. Rick said they just viewed the group riding video. Unless you have a parade permit, don't stop traffic as someone could get hit. Melinda will get the first aid kit list from *Team Oregon*. Randy said if your using a cell phone calling 9-1-1, be sure that they know your exact location such as mile marker and what state you're in. Be aware out there. The road conditions are still wet. Look and listen. Joe also reminded everyone that this organization will reimburse [?] of your *Team Oregon* class. Rick said he got a book from *Team Oregon* called *Basic Riders Training Guide*.

Guests and first time attendees: Ron Buddy and Wayne Green.

Correspondence: None noted

***** Officers Reports *****

Legislative director: Rick Maish included in the packets his report, condensed from the latest *M.R.F. Alerts*, *M.R.F.'s Beast of the East*, *Best of the West*, and *20th Annual Meeting of the Minds* conferences are all coming up. More details at the *M.R.F.* web site.

Rick said he received an e-mail from someone in California. They are looking for help to get rid of their handlebar height issue. Rick will be sending them information.

Rick is looking for e-mail addresses for chapter legislative directors. He passed around his list to be updated.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Geoff White couldn't make it today. Randy reported a gal lobbying against *Team Oregon*.

Everyone needs to send at least one representative to the *All Motorcycle Summit* March 27- 28. This is open to all motorcyclists. They will be talking about the rolls of *BikePAC* and *A.B.A.T.E.* Any state officers who can attend this should do so. Please R.S.V.P. A.S.A.P. no later than Wednesday, March 24. Joe said his Washington trip will be that same weekend and [he] will not be able to attend. Brian suggested Joe call them during the summit and give them all an update on his trip.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Ed Vaughan reported things have been pretty quiet. The confiscation of bikes in Eugene is on hold. *N.C.O.M.* convention will be May 6-8 in Oklahoma City. They are interested in the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act issue.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: Michael Schneider reported that every year during the *Free Souls* anniversary party in Eugene you were guaranteed to be stopped, but due to Measure 30, no



by Charlie Hill
State Recording Secretary

one was stopped this time.

Education director: Joe said thanks to Geoff White for putting together S.T.E.A.M. and how successful it was.

Education director II: Nora Rohde [had] nothing to report.

Membership secretary: Jill Tracy [reported] membership is over 2,000. Jill is working with a computer analyst to change the current system to be able to access e-mail addresses etc.

Newsletter editor: Rot Path [said] thank you for your submissions. Still looking for reports from *Columbia River*, *Salem*, and *Southeast Portland*.

If you need phone numbers or other things changed, Rot brought his laptop and can change them today. Rot also reminds everyone that he uses *Macintosh* and doesn't support Bill Gates. Send your information in plain text or cut and paste into your e-mail.

Rot will not be at the next board meeting.

Products: Michelle Hobbs [reported that] S.T.E.A.M. was a success. Sold \$380 worth of merchandise.

Public relations: Melinda Mc-Crossen encourages all to attend run committee meetings. Melinda will get meeting times and places. Melinda sent *Nickel Ads* who published the swap meet information wrong. They had Roseburg's date but listed the address at the armory in Portland. They are giving us 75% of our money back. The money wasn't the problem, the misadvertising was. It cost \$100 to run an ad for a month through *Nickel Ads*.

Melinda said Roger called her with a bad *Oregonian* ad. She said we don't even advertise with them due to being too expensive, so she doesn't know what that was about. Melinda suggested we add on the door prize tickets for the swap meets,

asking people how they heard about the swap meet. She said the gift certificate advertising amount was wrong by \$175 too much. She said she sent four other A.B.A.T.E. organizations fliers. The *Washington A.B.A.T.E.* [newsletter] printed one with 2003 date. She has received conformation from only two.

Thunder Press doesn't accept faxed calendar events. You must go straight to **thunderpress.net** and put in all your information through the web.

Melinda said she will not be running for state office next year and need someone to take it over by shadowing her now. Please ask around to see if anyone is interested in taking this position next year.

State run coordinator (Fossil): Duane Calkins was excused as he was at the swap meet.

Swap meet coordinator: Stephan Baton was excused as he was at the swap meet.

State run coordinator II: Michelle Fitz-Henry [reported that] tomorrow is the swap meet in Roseburg.

Need camera ready art work today for *Fossil* t-shirt. Camera ready means ready to print. Also need chapters to provide at *Fossil*, two five-gallon cans of gas, three premium door prizes, one roll of caution tape and one box of trash bags. She has tickets to be checked out. The only advance tickets that can be purchased on the web are non-member tickets.

Next swap meet is April 25 in Portland.

Next run committee meeting will be March 31 at 4:30 p.m. at Duane's house.

Treasurer: Ted Tracy [reported that] S.T.E.A.M. went very well with all chapter treasurers there except for three. Two of those got their notebooks mailed to them. Tom gave Ted the third one to be mailed. The notebook has forms that are to be used to make copies from.

Pay Pal is working.

Oregon Litho want \$300 more a month to add color to the newsletter.

Checking \$8,718; money market

account \$37,537 for a total of \$46,255.

The *Quicken* program can be purchased for \$29 at *Staples* or *Home Depot*. If a chapter can't afford it, contact Ted.

If anyone has a computer they are not using, please contact Jill Tracy (membership secretary.)

State auditor: Nancy Curran — not present, excused.

Historian: Iris Yeager reported she went to the capitol and had a chance to speak with one of the representatives/legislators. They were aware we were changing lobbyist and he said Iris was good at it. Actually the ones who do the most good are individual citizens. It is important to have individual citizens and groups go to the capitol like during biker days. Tell the legislators your opinion. We are now in the process of reelecting or electing new people. Please know who is running in your area and find out what their goals are, then let them know what you want.

P.C.P.'s are important people. Go to the meetings and you can be nominated then elected into a position. You are a member of grassroots for motorcycles. If you're not a P.C.P. you should become one. It's too late to have your name on the ballot but if 3 or 4 people write your name in on the ballot you could be elected. Your name must be written in exactly as it appears on your voter registration. You must also be at your current address for 180 days or more. This is more powerful if your elected from a ballot.

Webpage editor: Mad Dog was not present.

Vice coordinator—north: Larry had no comment.

Vice coordinator—south: Tim Rohde attended a *Josephine County* meeting a couple of weeks ago.

Vice coordinator—east: Bob Hadley—not present

Sergeant at arms—north: Larry Brown reports he will need help at *Fossil*. They need day and evening help. Get in touch

with him if you can help. You will receive *A.B.A.T.E. Bucks* for working.

Sergeant at arms—south: Doc Squires had nothing to report.

Sergeant at arms—east: Keith Odoms—not present, excused.

Sanctioning officer: Ron Vonsild had a problem with his computer.

Southeast Chapter sent an attachment that had 14 viruses. He had to reformat his computer. So if you have sent him anything in the last six weeks, resend it. He even lost all of his e-mail addresses.

Any information for Rot Path may be given to Ron next month in Rot's absence and Ron will make sure he gets it.

Quartermaster: Steve Baton was gone to the *Roseburg Swap Meet*.

Committee Reports

1. Run Committee. No report at this time. Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 31 4:00 p.m. at Duane's house.

Unfinished Business

Planning session. Proposals and recommendations. Public relations. Brotherhood. Individual chapter runs. Advertising (response time to media). Charitable events/causes. Define totalitarian. Public image/schools. M.A.P. - drivers education.

1. All state and chapter officers are given means to electronic communication. This is not being done at this point. Melinda also mentioned Marty setting up a hub for all state officers e-mail. She will get more information and get back to us.

2. Set up newsgroups for instant information (such as rumors, bad press, etc.) None existing at this time. Motorized scooters will be considered a motorcycle accident. No license is required to operate one of these but if an accident occurs with one, the write up in the paper would be as a motorcycle accident. Next month in the newsletter will be an accident report. Please use these if your involved in any accidents.

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3. Encourage social gatherings and recognition events:

- a. Reward volunteers
- b. Include community and members of the media
- c. We need more promotion stuff with *A.B.A.T.E.* logo on it for recognition. These would be little things to be given out with *A.B.A.T.E.* logo on it. Melinda said she is getting a catalog from a member with items in it like these that we could use.
- d. Establish shop buddies. Get people to contact shops and liaison with them, one person per shop to build up a good friendship with them.

2. Motion from February Board meeting made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Ron Volsild that *A.B.A.T.E.* change/modify the name "newsletter" to read "news magazine." This was tabled until this meeting to check on postage rate to see if "magazine" changes the postal rate. There would be no difference in the postage to mail out our newsletter under the new name of magazine. It was a unanimous decision to change our state newsletter to news magazine.

3. Washington D.C. - Joe said they will be leaving the 20th and returning March 28th. Nothing like last year's trip. Senate approved the *T.E.A.* bill but the house of representatives filed a 60 day extension on it which the senate approved of. Appointments have been made with all except with Ron Wyden who won't make appointments except for one week out. Ron Buddy asked how Gordon Smith has been with them and Joe said they have all be very cordial.

Joe mentioned a town meeting that he and Rex went to with DeFazio. Someone at the meeting asked how you get involved and DeFazio looked at Joe and Rex and told that person they need to get involved with a grass roots organization.

4. *Team Oregon* container. The container is in central Oregon and will be painted inside with the *A.B.A.T.E.* logo. *Team Oregon* didn't want their name, or ours on the outside, to prevent vandalism since its in a remote area and full of expensive equipment.

5. Insurance credit checks. You can refuse to give them your social security number and they can refuse you insurance. One advantage of providing your SSN is if you have good credit but a bad driving record, it can benefit you. Shop around for insurance. Some don't ask for your SSN. It was also noted that SSN is not to be used for identification purposes as that's illegal.

New Business

None.

Announcements

- *Washington County* will be doing parking and security for the *Portland Swap Meet*.
- Thanks to *WaCo* for acknowledging the passing of Stan Johnson.
- Charlie acknowledged the passing of Chuck Shultz and Jim Flanagan of Coos Bay.
- *Run 21* tickets available from Michelle.
- E-mail sent out regarding a stolen bike from Canby.
- *Hub City Biker Night* coming up.
- Poker ride up the gorge on 21 April.
- There was an issue with two chapters about sanctioning dates. They had given the dates to Roger. The dates are secured when Ron gets the sanctioning information, not when Roger is given the date.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Fossil Campout 2004

Duane "Big Daddy" Calkins



Greetings from Big Daddy Duane, your state run coordinator for *Fossil Campout 2004*, which is fast approaching, and as a whole things are pretty much on schedule.

I do need help in a few areas.

As I reported last month we needed a sergeant-at-arms from the north. I am happy to report that position has been filled by Mr. Larry Brown, from the *Columbia River Chapter*. I would request that all chapters sergeant-at-arms who are planning to attend *Fossil* supply their names, as well as anybody else in their chapter who would be willing to work as security personnel at *Fossil*. The list of names should be forwarded to the *Fossil* run committee so we can start a security schedule. I would like the state sergeant-at-arms to coordinate with all chapters to accomplish this.

By the time you are reading this there will be only 50 days or so until *Fossil Campout 2004*. I still need to establish a dedicated work party for the Thursday prior to the gate opening at 3:00 pm on Friday. I am in need of some people with carpentry skills, and

other labor skills. We need to repair/upgrade the sound booth, and I believe the gate shack is in need of minor repair. We also need to repair the stairs that we use for the dumpster. The stage trailer is also in need of repair — there are a couple of sheets of plywood that need to be replaced, and then painted.

If possible we need two people from each chapter who would be willing to come to *Fossil* on Thursday to be part of the setup crew. The state representatives could supply that list at the next state board meeting.

Each *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter across the state needs to not only contribute labor, but also needs to supply two five-gallon cans of gasoline, one large roll of caution tape, three premium door prizes, one big box of large trash bags.

If your chapter has brought back fliers from the state board meeting, I would encourage you to get those fliers out and in the hands of some new people who we may invite into our organization.

Sunday will be different this year at *Fossil* from the years past. I have tried to create Sunday to be a grand finale day that everyone will not want to miss. There are seven bands scheduled to play on Sunday. The music is going to start early on Sunday. I have the first band scheduled to start at 3 pm and with the last band playing until 4 am early/Monday.

The music is scheduled as follows:

Friday, May 28 our fellow *A.B.A.T.E.* member *J. R. Sims & The Texas Special* will open *Fossil Campout 2004* with their smoking Texas blues. J. R. will play from 8 pm to midnight.

The music on Saturday will start at 7 pm and feature headlining for the first time at *Fossil*. *The Yanks* will play their brand of rock-and-roll until 11

pm. Then starting at midnight on Saturday we invite *Romeo* bringing to us even a harder edge of rock-and-roll that lasts until 4 am.

On Sunday starting at 9 am, get ready to repent to the sounds of *Soul Collector*, a Christian rock-and-roll band that will play until 11 am. Then starting at 3:00 pm we will have *The Del Toros*, an all girl alternative band from the Portland area. At 3:45 pm *The Muddy River Band*, another alternative rock-and-roll band will play until 4:45 pm.

At 5 pm we begin with some blues music presented to us by *Franco & The Stingers* who will play until 7 pm. Then at 8 pm *Fossil* is proud to present pure elegant soul from *The Curtis Salgado Band* playing music from their newly released CD titled *Strong Suspicion*. Curtis and his band will play until 9:45 pm. At 10 pm we present *The Bad Dawgs*, a high-energy rock-and-roll show that will last until 11:15 pm. Then at midnight and playing until 4 am we will continue the rock-and-roll energy with the band *E.P.I.C., Inc.* And that will conclude the music schedule for *Fossil 2004*.

The music schedule has been completed and the *27th Annual Fossil Motorcycle Campout* music festival is proud to present ten bands over the

Memorial Day weekend.

You may now purchase your advance tickets online at

www.fossilcampout.com

via the Pay/Pal system.

What a great deal! Four days camping and ten great bands — *rock/soul/blues*.

Its gonna be a *yaba daba doo!* weekend.

See ya all there real soon.

Yaba Daba Doo!

Big Daddy Duane

state run coordinator, *Fossil*
state rep 1 *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc.*
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Chapter representatives taking a break at the March state board meeting.

Education Directors



Geoff



Nora



Greetings from Nora Rohde and Geoff White,

Hello, and happy riding from the education directors of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

I would like to personally thank everyone who helped to make this year's Seminar To Educate And Motivate conference such a success. I really believe that there is an abundance of talent, know-how, enthusiasm, wisdom, and dedication in our various organizations. Thank you to all of you who brought these qualities to our conference this year.

Thank you Joe Laurance for the lively opening to our conference. It was very enjoyable.

Thank you Karen Bolin, president of the *Motorcycle Rider's Foundation* for your splendid, informative presentation and contributions in our session workshops. The *Motorcycle Rider's Foundation* is a true leader in the effort to provide, promote, protect and preserve the rights of all motorcyclists, and motorcycle related businesses in our nation. If you are not a member of this organization yet, please consider becoming one.

If motorcycling is important to you, then the *Motorcycle Rider's Foundation* is working for the continuation, satisfaction, and enjoyment of your riding lifestyle. Help them to make your world a better place. Organizations like the *M.R.F.* are successful because of the support from a strong, active membership. Be a part of the solution team for motorcycling, and ride with the leaders. Join and support the *Motorcycle Rider's Foundation*.

Thank you to all the people who

brought their valuable information to our conference as instructors and facilitators for our workshop sessions. As I have always believed, our people have a vast wealth of knowledge and experience to learn and benefit from. I felt that we had some really high quality sessions for our participants this year. These sessions and workshops will enable us to become efficient and effective in our efforts throughout our various organizations and projects.

If you attended our S.T.E.A.M. conference for the first time this year, I hope that we were able to offer materials and information to help you feel empowered and capable of becoming an involved, active member in your organization.

We hope to see you in the future at more of our conferences, and we hope that you will be able to bring your expertise and experience to our sessions sometime soon. Our session facilitators and instructors have done a great job this year in providing a variety of useful and informative subjects for our conference attendees. Thank you people.

I would also like to thank everyone who attended our conference this year. Everyone who showed up to our event brought some pieces of each class with them. These sessions are most effective when the attendees share their own information, experiences, opinions, and enthusiasm. We are all teachers and students at the same time in these sessions in my opinion. The presence of our conference participants offers a wide variety of thought and creative

ideas.

I hope that all who attended realize that they were the people who make it all happen. It is now time to take this energy back to your organizations and spread the knowledge, facts, opinions, and enthusiasm. Thank you for being a valuable part of our S.T.E.A.M. conference this year.

I would also like to thank all the people who helped behind the scenes with assistance and guidance on the coordinating efforts for this conference.

Thank you Ken Ray for the help in the scheduling and session topic set-up. You really made this conference come together.

Thank you to Melinda McCrossen on the coordination of our S.T.E.A.M. agenda guide. I could not create a better looking document in a million years.

Thank you to Rot Path for the newsletter coverage as well as the "enthusiastic character display". Great hat man!

We will continue to try to schedule the S.T.E.A.M. conferences each year on the third Saturday in February, so please keep this date in mind for the future.

We are also interested in your comments and suggestions on class subjects and ideas to improve our programs. The power and effectiveness of our organizations rests in your hands. Our Seminar To Educate And Motivate will continue to grow and become a source of quality training for our people with

your help.

Remember that the first Saturday in May is the date for the *Motorcycle Awareness Rally* in Salem at the state capital building. There will be more details as the date draws near. Keep an eye on your newsletter a flier. The presentations usually begin at noon on Saturday on the capital steps.

This is our opportunity to show the people in Oregon how important motorcycling and our rights as motorcyclists are. This is a very important event for us to attend.

The weather is getting more rider friendly out here. Get that bike out. Make sure that the safety checks are taken care of if you haven't been riding it for a while. *Piglet* doesn't get put away in the winter, so I'm ready to go.

Have a great spring and....
Spread the awareness, y'all.

Historian

by Iris Yeager



Last Friday my place of employment was closed. This gave me time to do something I have been thinking of for some time now. I chose to visit the state capital. Not a very busy place right now. If you really want to see someone you would need to contact them ahead of time.

I was able to get a written copy of the agreement to let us use the state capital steps for our May motorcycle month annual rally on the first Saturday of May. This year the first Saturday of May is the 1st. *Please be there with us.*

I also took a note of appreciation to one of our legislators. It is a good idea to remember your favorites at times other than just when a particular vote is wanted.

Representative Schaufler was there. It was so good to see him and have a time to visit during a more relaxed time. He was interested in the May 1st rally. I told him I will be sure to send a reminder of the event. He may try to be there. He was ready to say yes on our bills except the helmet choice one. That is a toughy for most democrats.

He brought up the lobbyist subject. He was aware that we will be having a different main lobbyist. He asked if I plan to lobby again. I told him that I will be doing so as a private citizen only. He said that I am a very good lobbyist, but that the private citizens are really more appreciated. They really do pay attention to those who care enough about an issue to come in on their own time.

Sooo, I encourage each of us to be sure to give attention to our senators and representatives.

It is also important that we, *lots of us*, show up at biker days. We are voters and important to them.

Of course, this is not a legislative session year. This is an election year. Please pay attention to those running for office in your area. Find out where they stand. Give your opinion on important issues concerning motorcycling.

Hope to see you all soon.
I love the sound of a good
Harley!!!!

Stolen Bike



1999 *Heritage Softail Classic* - wide white walls, saddle bags, windshield, fully loaded. Sinister blue with custom paint job of eagles/flags/patriotic theme.

It was stolen from the Canby *Thriftyway* parking lot on 23 February 2004. Guy who took it had long pony tail with no helmet.

Any information or if it's seen, contact the police or us at:
(503)-319-9040

Thanks,

Patty

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Prizes go to Motorcycling Rights and Education

Legislative Report

Rick's Ramblings on stuff



This month I've pulled this together from three separate reports that were handed out in full detail at the state board meeting. The first part deals with the latest—*M.R.F. Reports*, but condensed a little for my reports.

March 8th: **#04NR10** — The *M.R.F.* introduces the *Young Activist Scholarship Fund*. It's been recognized that our activists/motorcyclist, our membership, and leaders are aging. For this reason the *M.R.F.* is encouraging younger people to become involved in motorcyclists' rights. The *M.R.F.* has created a scholarship fund to recognize deserving candidates under the age of 31.

Candidate criteria:

- 1) 30 years or younger.
- 2) must be a member in good standing of n S.M.R.O.
- 3) Candidates must be nominated by their S.M.R.O.
- 4) Nominations must be submitted between March 15th and July 15th of the year in question and 50 candidates are encouraged, but not required, to submit a 300 word essay on why bikers rights are important to them.

What do winning candidates receive?

- 1) One year membership in the *M.R.F.*
- 2) Round-trip airfare to the *Meeting of the Minds* conference.
- 3) Hotel accommodations, registration fee, and banquet fees

for the conference

March 5th: **#04NR09** — *M.R.F.* e-mail alert subscriber precautions. As some of you have already heard, on March 4th there was an e-mail sent out addressed from the *M.R.F.*, that *was not* an actual *M.R.F.* e-mail alert. It was a "spoof" with an attachment that was virus infected.

Karen Bolin of the *M.R.F.* would like to assure subscribers that the *M.R.F.*'s e-mail distribution list has not been compromised. As a precautionary step, however, additional security for the list has been implemented.

March 2nd: **#04NR08** — *Transportation Equity Act (T.E.A.)* has been extended for (60) days. This replaces the previous four month extension and allows more time to work out the details of this critical legislation. As noted earlier, the senate has already passed its version of *T.E.A.* on February 12th.

The reauthorization of the *Transportation Equity Act* remains the most pressing issue at this time for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*. Naturally, we will continue to keep you informed throughout the reauthorization process.

March 03: Forwarded from the Karen Bolin of the *M.R.F.*, senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado, won't be seeking reelection. For complete story:

<http://www.denverpost.com/stories/>

Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell announced that with ongoing health problems and an ethics investigation into alleged kickbacks in his office, he won't be seeking reelection. Nighthorse, a northern Cheyenne tribal chief is 70 years old, started his legislative senate activities in 1992. Has been a longtime supporter of motorcyclist rights.

Don't forget to register for *M.R.F.*'s *Beast of the East* 30 April—02 May in Canandaigua, New York, *Best of the West* 11-13 June in Casper, Wyoming, and the *20th Annual Meeting of the Minds* 23-26 September in St. Louis Missouri.

Visit our web site at:

www.mrf.org/events.php

And while your at it, register for the *19th Annual N.C.O.M. Convention*. It's 06-08 May 2004 hosted by *A.B.A.T.E. of Oklahoma* and *Oklahoma Confederation of Clubs* in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

For more information:

<http://www.aimncom.com/ncom/convention/2004/>

The *A.M.A.* has just announced a new program *Justice for All*, its a new nationwide focus on the inadequate sentencing of car drivers who seriously injure or kill motorcyclists Efforts will be made through the legislation process to establish tougher penalties.

The program will include cooperation with state and local motorcycling organizations, *A.M.A.* community councils, and a variety of opportunities for individual motorcyclists.

http://www.amadirectlink.com/news/2004/justice_for_all.asp

What's Happening in Other States

Oregon — As of January 1st, Motorcyclist can now legally run three [head]lights.

Washington — Motorcycle awareness education and uninsured/underinsured motorist insurance coverage are both headed for the governor's desk

Louisiana — The 1999 freedom of choice is under attack with two bills introduced

South Carolina — Right-of way bill gains 20 additional cosponsors. Bill to allow motorcyclists to carry pistols. Bill that would require registration of A.T.V.'s and rider safety classes. Also attempting to stop a bill that a primary seat belt bill with helmets also attached to it.

Illinois — Anti-motorcycling bill has language that singles out A.T.V. trespassers.

Wisconsin — Helmet bill passes assembly and heads to governors desk. Bill will prohibit courts from reducing damages based on whether you are or are not wearing a helmet on motorcycle's, A.T.V.'s, etc.

South Dakota — Janklow tries again to get out, but court denies request.

Massachusetts — Now allowing helmetless parades, also being worked is a bill that would allow freedom of choice with helmets.

Tennessee — The *Tennessee Volunteer*

Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Act, would collect \$10 per registration to support operation and management of off-highway program.

Ohio — A.T.V.'s required to display a motorcycle type license plate is in the process of being introduced.

Washington D.C. — City council approves *Distracted Driving Act of 2003*. It covers any distractive behavior by drivers. (Includes cell phones)

Updates On Latest O.D.O.T. and O.D.M.V. Rules and Regulations

Off-road vehicles in the sand dunes including motorcycles must now have flag, headlights and tail lights

Changes in proof of age, identity and address. Amends acceptable proofs of an applicant.

Social security number required for driver license application. [Or renewal.]

Motor vehicle financial responsibility. Allows person to fill bond or deposit in cash in lieu of having insurance.

Fatal accidents. Gives *D.M.V.* authority to suspend drivers license privileges if person causes or contributes to an accident resulting in death, If it is believed that that person was incompetent, reckless, criminally negligent or was unlawfully operating a vehicle

Notice of Proposed Rule Change

Interstate highway speed gives *O.D.O.T.* authority to set maximum speeds on interstate highways, if they meet certain requirements.

Public input is important to the rule making process. Below, you will find

three methods of commenting on proposed rules. Please include the number or title of the rule on which you are commenting.

1. You can e-mail the *O.D.O.T.* rules coordinator:

brenda.c.trump@odot.state.or.us

2. You can mail your comments to the *O.D.O.T.* rules coordinator. The address is:

Brenda Trump

O.D.O.T. rules coordinator

1905 Lana Avenue NE

Salem, OR 97314

3. You can fax your comments to the *O.D.O.T.* rules coordinator. The fax number is:

(503)-945-0893

Anyone interested in any of the complete documents, please e-mail me and I'll send them to ya.

lynandrick@msn.com

One last thing: Got and e-mail from *A.B.A.T.E. of California*. They're attempting to change (do away with) their handle bar restrictions and have asked us for some information/help.

Damn, there is still one more last thing. If you haven't signed up to become a P.C.P. as *yet*, you can still get elected by the "write-in method". Have some of your friends and fellow bikers in your district write you in. The name must be written as it would be listed at the voters office and spelled correctly.

Rick Maish

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. legislative director

From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

Nearly everyday I read or hear about someone who has been involved in a single-vehicle crash on a motorcycle. The most recent one that comes to mind is a guy who hit a curb and was killed for his trouble. Please, please, don't let something like this happen to anyone I know and care about. I don't know how many times I have begged and pleaded with the riders I know and love to take a motorcycle riding course. Just take a refresher, and you'll be surprised how much you *don't* know! Do it before your riding season gets into full swing.

Listen, my boss Sam Hochberg, our Oregon *A.I.M.* (*Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*) attorney, *he* did that when he started back riding again, back in '85 or so. He'd spent just a few years off of two wheels, so when he couldn't take it anymore and bought another bike, he figured he ought to take the course. But, he figured he'd just take the *advanced* rider ed class, since he'd ridden plenty not all that much earlier. He *did* take the advanced course – and then promptly crashed.

Twice.

He's not ashamed of that story, because he *knows*, like I do, just *how important* it is to take a refresher. He handles those *A.I.M.* accident claims, so he knows all too well what kinds of pain our brothers and sisters have to go through, when they make a mistake. And that's even when it's the other guy's fault. You're still better off *not* having the wreck, aren't you? It's all about defensive riding. So, do me a big favor,

don't die, take a rider ed refresher course, and enjoy the rest of your life!

By the way, folks, I already have some idea that most of you know how to keep the round side on the bottom. But, have you ever taken a rider ed course at all? These courses are not meant to teach you how to keep the bike upright. They are there to teach you a little bit more about how to *avoid* problems on the road, and that involved actual riding as well as a little class work.

I'm sure you are aware there are people out there who just plain don't care if you get through the day or not. If you happen to get in front of them on the road and they're in a hurry, they will just run over your sorry butt and never miss a beat. The roads are too crowded with folks who will look you straight in the eye and tell you *they know how to drive*, and you are stupid at best to ride a *murdercycle*. You can bet that they didn't take a driver's ed course, either.

Get with your nearest community college or *D.M.V.* and find out where these rider education courses take place and *please*, spend the few bucks for the training that could give you the tools to survive out there. Just being able to ride that bike isn't enough anymore. Most insurers will shave a few bucks off your premium for it, too. It's cheaper than chrome, and it *will* get you home.

Okay, I'm off of my biker pulpit now, and on to some news!



News Bits-N-Pieces

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (*M.R.F.*) reports the *Transportation Equity Act* (*T.E.A.*) legislation has been extended for another sixty days. This extension replaces the original four month extension. This gives the house the time it needs to complete the work needed to work out details in the final wording of *T.E.A.* We will keep you posted. This affects *all* of us on the road on two wheels, by the way. Read up on it in your local biker publication. Most *A.B.A.T.E.* newsletters, even the national biker rags, are talkin' about it.

Sioux Falls, South Dakota — Senator Janklow is appealing his case to the South Dakota supreme court. According to the *Associated Press* Janklow wants to be set free during this process. Ironically, in my mind at least, is the fact that all the judges that will hear the appeal were appointed by Janklow during his terms as governor!

Flandreau, South Dakota — How about that, a judge in South Dakota said he would not release Janklow until his appeal is heard, because he thought it would at least delay serving his sentence, if the appeal was denied. Finally, the senator is going to have to face the fact that his actions demand he take responsibility for killing a human being. It's time to grow up, senator, and jail is gonna do that.

New Hope, Minnesota — The *Viper Motorcycle Company* has an agreement with *Patrick Racing* to supply these monster 128 cubic inch V-twin

engines for the new *Viper Diablo* motorcycle to Donnie Smith. They're talking about developing a line of choppers. Smith is a well-known, well-respected *Hall of Fame* master builder who has many years of experience in designing and building these particular sorts of critters.

Washington, DC — Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell was hospitalized with chest pains recently. He was examined by a big shot doctor at *George Washington Hospital*. After observation and testing, they found his symptoms were not heart-related. *Whew!* They discharged him with acid reflux and spasm of the esophagus. Heartburn, more or less. Ben Nighthorse Campbell is, and has been, a premiere friend to bikers for many years and is a member of the *LawMakers Motorcycle Club* in Washington, DC. He is also on the *L.T.F. (Legislative Task Force)* of the *National Coalition Of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)*. We have also learned that the senator will not seek another term in office. He says his failing health is the main reason. He has served Colorado and the motorcycle community for over twenty years. He has never let anyone down and has championed our causes without fail.

We are happy to hear you're okay, senator, and our best wishes on your retirement from public life. *Now* that you have some *time*, are y'gonna go for a ride out here to Oregon? I know a lot of bikers who'd be happy to put you up, yours truly included!

San Diego, California — *Siegler and Company* is a "rare find" company with a special collection of stuff they got from Russia. I even saw a little gold Czar's carriage for a charm bracelet! For those of us with a few extra bucks in our jeans, they also found some very cool Swiss Army motorcycles! *No*, they don't have blades and magnifying glasses folding out of them. They found 'em stuck away in a cold war-era warehouse. They were designed for solo dispatch riding, with dual saddlebags, a rifle-rack, and they're street-legal in most places, at least based on classic vehicle laws. These bikes were built by *Ducati* in the 70's, and they're called *Condors*. These things have rigid frames, 350cc *Ducati* kick-start motors, and they run about \$5,000. They've tuned 'em up and changed the oil, and they say they go like scat. To read more, visit <http://www.sovietski.com>, and enter "motorcycle" in the site-search spot. Or, call 'em at 1-(800)-442-0002.

Wisconsin — Well, they're in the soup again. This time, *Harley-Davidson* is being sued in a class-action case over the failure of the camshafts in the early *Twin Cam* engines. Those are the 1999 or early 2000 engines, the *Twin Cam 88*, and the *Twin Cam 88-B*. The lawsuit claims that this failure could also cause a crash and result in injury or death to the rider involved, not to mention monetary losses from the cost of repairs to the engines. Don't know much more yet, but we'll try'n keep you posted.

Gunny Again

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American Motorcyclist Association

The *American Motorcyclist Association* (A.M.A.) has announced "Justice for All," a new nationwide initiative that will focus on inadequate sentencing of car drivers who seriously injure or kill motorcyclists.

"Justice for All" will advocate legislation establishing tougher penalties when traffic offenses or criminal actions by other motorists result in a motorcyclist's death or serious injury, a move that also would benefit other vulnerable road users such as bicyclists and pedestrians. The program will include cooperation with state and local motorcycling organizations, efforts by A.M.A. community councils, and a variety of opportunities for individual motorcyclists and other concerned citizens to become involved.

"Justice for All" also will feature events that coincide with the 2004 Black Hills Rally in Sturgis, South Dakota.

More details about "Justice for All" will be announced soon on the A.M.A.'s website, **AMADirectlink.com**, and in *American Motorcyclist* magazine.

Oregon motorcyclists can now use three headlights on their motorcycles whereas in the past, two was the maximum allowed. They will also be able to use auxiliary lights, either fog lights or driving lights, at all times if the auxiliary lights are no brighter than the headlight and the auxiliary lights are aimed correctly. All other vehicles in Oregon must turn off their auxiliary lights during times when the law

requires drivers to dim their high beam headlights. Finally Oregon riders may use an intermittent pulsing or flashing brake light, as long as the flashing does not interfere with the rear turn signal function. With the help of legislators that are motorcyclists themselves, these new options were passed and signed by governor Kulongoski.

Washington, D.C. city council has approved the *Distracted Driving Act of 2003* by a 13-1 vote. Any distracted behavior by drivers, including cell phone use, will be prohibited, effective July 1, 2004. First time offenders will receive warnings; subsequent offenses will be subject to a \$100 fine per violation. The law specifically exempts police and emergency medical technicians during an incident.

Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney has signed legislation that provides exception that no protective head gear be required if a motorcyclist is participating in a properly permitted public parade and is 18 years or older.

Bay state riders grateful for this action should contact the governor's office and let him know you appreciate his signing this bill at: governor Mitt Romney; state house; office of the governor; room 360; Boston, MA 02133. Phone: (617)-725-4005 or by e-mail: **GOffice@state.ma.us**. While you are expressing your gratitude drop in a line to support passage of senate bill 1363, which modifies the helmet law in favor of full choice.

Vermont drivers who operate their

vehicles without insurance or accumulate sufficient points to warrant a driver license or operating privilege suspension may face an additional one-year suspension if a death or serious bodily injury is involved. House bill 496, prefiled by representative Mary Morrissey (R – Bennington), seeks to hold motor vehicle operators more accountable for their actions. You can show your support for H-496 by writing: the honorable Mary Morrissey; 228 Dewey Street; Bennington, VT 05201. Send e-mail to: **mmorrissey@leg.state.vt.us** Call (802)-442-2092. Or compose and send a letter of support in the "StateWatch" section on the "Rights" page at **http://www.amadirectlink.com/**

The 2004 edition of the *Pocket Guide to Transportation* has been released by the *Department of Transportation's Bureau of Transportation Statistics* (B.T.S.). This, the seventh edition, provides a wide range of information related to transportation in the United States including the infrastructure, safety and security, mobility, and economic impact.

Copies of the new addition are available free from B.T.S. by phone (202)-366-3282 or e-mail **orders@bts-gov**. The guide is also available on **http://www.bts.gov/**

Many state legislators and the U.S. congress are reviewing legislation that recognizes May 2004 as *Motorcycle Awareness and You Month*. These



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American Motorcyclist Association

include Georgia (HR 1101, SR 673), Massachusetts (HB 1202), North Carolina (HB 54), New Jersey (AJR 63, SCR 76), Oklahoma (SJR 50) and United States senate resolution 168 to create the *National Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month*. For more information go to <http://www.amadirectlink.com/>

Mississippi house bill 807, introduced by representative Jamie R. Franks, Jr. (D- Lee, Itawamba, Tishomingo) and Charles Jim Beckett (R- Calhoun, Lafayette, Marshall, Yalobusha), along with senate bill 2013, sponsored by senator Bob M. Dearing (D-Natchez) will establish the *Motorcycle Safety and Operator Training Program*.

Magnolia state riders will be levied an additional annual \$5 fee on each motorcycle and additional \$1 for a temporary motorcycle operator's permit, and/or renewing a motorcycle endorsement to be deposited into the *Motorcycle Safety Operator Training Fund*.

The program also includes activities to increase motorcyclists' alcohol and drug effects awareness, motorcycle driver improvement efforts, program promotion activities, and other efforts to enhance motorcycle safety through education, including enhancement of public awareness of motorcycles.

Applicants for a motorcycle endorsement or a restricted motorcycle operator's license would be exempt from the licensing knowledge test and skill test if they present satisfactory evidence of successful completion of

an approved rider training course which includes a similar test of both knowledge and skill.

The efforts of Washington organizations, including the *Northwest Motorcycle Association*, *Northwest Quad Association*, *Skagit Motorcycle Club* and the *Timber Tamers 4WD Club*, in partnership with the Washington state *Department of Natural Resources (D.N.R.)* has lead to the limited re-opening of Walker Valley O.H.V. area.

The trail system was closed to all O.R.V. use on November 1, 2002. Re-opening was originally scheduled for April 1, 2003. Through cooperative efforts of user groups and the *D.N.R.*, a limited number of trails will be returned to use early. About half of the trails will remain closed to either protect resources or allow for on-going logging activities. Many of the trails closed for resource protection will be opened for use on April 1, 2003.[?]

Missouri house of representatives transportation committee, on a vote of 19 yes and 1 present, have passed HB 1080 (*Motorcyclists Matter* legislation know as "Clutch's Law"). They also voted in favor of both helmet modification bills, HB 1109 (13 to 7) and 770 (14 to 6) and asked that they be combined on the house floor.

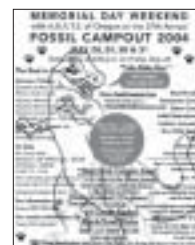
This comes only days after hearing testimony from the

Missouri Safety Center, *Missouri Safety Council*, *Freedom Of Road Riders, Inc. of Missouri*, the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* and the

American Motorcyclist Association.

British motorcycle commuters around London are calling on their government to publicly recognize the benefits of traffic congestion relief from motorcycles. A year after local authorities began charging tolls, yet exempting motorcycles, for those entering central London the streets are safer.

Despite a 20 percent increase in motorcycle traffic in the city there has been a 15 percent fall in motorcycle casualties. Yet motorcycle sales are up 20 percent in London. All while the average speed of traffic in central London has risen by 15 percent. (*MCN.com*)



The American Motorcyclist Association is a 270,000-member nonprofit organization.

Established in 1924, the Association's purpose is to pursue, protect and promote the interests of motorcyclists, while serving the needs of its members.

For more information, visit the AMA website at:

www.AMADirectlink.com

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

M.R.F. Introduces Young Activist Scholarship



Rider activists have recognized for some time that our membership and leaders are aging, and that there is a need to encourage younger people to become involved in motorcyclists' rights. To that end, the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* is pleased to announce that we have created a scholarship fund to recognize deserving candidates under the age of 31 who otherwise may not be able to attend the *M.R.F.'s Meeting of the Minds* conference.

The *M.R.F.* has dedicated a limited amount of seed money to the scholarship fund to get things rolling. We are looking for additional contributions from individuals, national, state and local organizations and businesses that would like to participate in the program. You can visit the *M.R.F.* website at www.mrf.org/yascholarship.php to make an on-line donation to the *M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship Fund*. Checks made out to the *M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship Fund* can be sent to:

M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship Fund

P.O. Box 1808

Washington, D.C. 20013.

Nominations for the *M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship* will be accepted from either state or local state motorcyclists' rights organization (S.M.R.O.) groups, and must be submitted on an *M.R.F.*-approved application form. You can use the application form on page 3 of the March/April issue of the *M.R.F. Reports*, or you can visit the *M.R.F.* website at www.mrf.org/

[yascholarship.php](http://www.mrf.org/yascholarship.php) for a printable form in either text or pdf format.

Candidate Criteria

- Nominated candidates must be thirty (30) years of age or younger on the first full day of that year's *Meeting of the Minds*.

- Candidates must be a member in good standing of an S.M.R.O. No time requirement for length of membership in an S.M.R.O. is required.

- Candidates must be nominated by their S.M.R.O. Nominations will be accepted from either state or local (district/chapter) S.M.R.O. groups, and must be submitted on an *M.R.F.*-approved application form.

- Nominations must be submitted between March 15 and July 15 during the year in question.

- Candidates are encouraged - but not required - to submit a three hundred (300) word essay on why bikers' rights are important to them. Should nominated candidates choose to submit an essay, they must do so no later than August 1 of the year in question.

- Winning candidates will be announced via an *M.R.F.* e-mail news release on or about August 15. All candidates will also received notification via the *U.S. Postal Service*, regardless of whether they were selected or not.

What Do Winning Candidates Receive?

- One-year membership to the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*, effective the first full day of the *Meeting of the Minds* during the year in question.

- Round-trip airfare to the *M.R.F.'s Meeting of the Minds* conference, or alternate travel expenses so long as those expenses in total do not exceed the cost of traveling by air. If an alternative mode of transportation is chosen, candidates will be required to provide receipts in order to be reimbursed (receipts will be accepted for tickets on other modes of transportation, hotel accommodations, gasoline and food purchased while traveling to and from the *Meeting of the Minds* conference). If there is any question about acceptable travel expenses, it is the responsibility of the candidate to check with the *M.R.F.* prior to incurring said expenses.

- Hotel accommodations at the *Meeting of the Minds* conference. Accommodations will include the hotel room only. Telephone, food, movie rentals, etc. will be the sole responsibility of winning candidates.

- *Meeting of the Minds* conference registration and banquet fees waived.

- Special recognition at the *M.R.F.'s Meeting of the Minds* conference. Said recognition will include a plaque, presentation of one-year membership, and other items or activities as approved by the *M.R.F.* board of directors.

Questions about the *M.R.F. Young Activist Scholarship Fund* should be directed to *M.R.F.* scholarship committee chair Miles France at miles@mrf.org

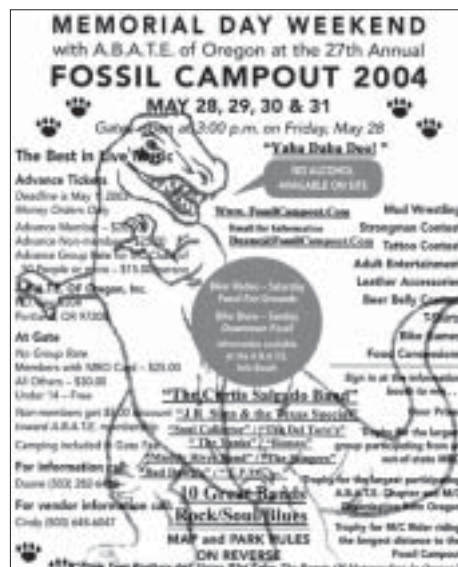
T.E.A. Extended for Sixty Days

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (M.R.F.) has learned that the U.S. house of representatives passed a 60-day extension for the current *Transportation Equity Act* (T.E.A.) and the U.S. senate approved that extension late last week. This 60-day extension replaces the previous 4-month extension passed by the house, and gives them time to work out the details of this critical piece of legislation before voting on their 6-year reauthorization bill. As the M.R.F. announced a couple of weeks ago, the senate already passed its version of T.E.A. reauthorization on February 12.

The M.R.F. is continuing to work with key legislators to ensure that our motorcycle safety initiatives will be included in the final mark-up of the house version of T.E.A. It is anticipated that the house will be reviewing T.E.A. in various committees and sub-

committees for mark-up around the middle of March. Once the house version is finalized and passed, both the house and senate versions will go to conference to work out the differences between the two.

The reauthorization of the *Transportation Equity Act* remains the most pressing issue at this time for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*. Naturally, we will continue to keep you informed throughout the reauthorization process.



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N.C.O.M. COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

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The Price Of Freedom

A.B.A.T.E. of Florida, Inc. has concluded an economic impact study for the first three fiscal years of Florida's amended helmet law, and the bottom line reveals that "freedom of choice" has generated over a billion dollars into the state's economy from the increase in ridership. From 2000 to 2003 Florida's motorcycle registrations went from 228,914 to 355,007, which represents a 55% increase. The motorcycle registration figures are compiled from the statistics of the *Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles*. The monetary figures come from the license and registration bureau.

114,457 motorcycles at a low average of \$10,000 each = \$1,144,570,000

Sales tax on motorcycles at 6% = \$68,674,200

Registration fees on motorcycles = \$4,578,280

Change of Title = \$3,406,094

total = \$1,221,228,574

"This is a low estimate as it doesn't include accessories and other items bought," according to James "Doc" Reichenbach II, state president and lobbyist for

A.B.A.T.E. of Florida, and chairman of the board for the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)*. "This is over 1.2 **billion dollars** in three years that was put into the economy of the state of Florida."

Over 75 **million dollars** went directly into the state treasury for the general fund. This does not include the tourist money that has increased

because of Florida now being a freedom of choice state. In the past three years, over 1.3 billion dollars has been spent in Florida for *Bike Week* and *Biketoberfest*.

"I hope this report will help anyone who has heard the bad publicity that has come out of our amended law," said Doc. "The motorcyclists have certainly paid their fair share into the Florida economy and it can be done in every state."

Dutch Safety Expert Wants Motorcycles Off The Road

Dutch road safety expert Matthijs Koornstra wants motorcycles discouraged from using public roads, stating that "all motorcycles should be removed from traffic or at least people should be discouraged from riding them through drastically increasing road taxes and insurance premiums."

The *Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations (F.E.M.A.)* has criticized Koornstra's simplistic views to improve the safety of powered two-wheelers (motorcycles), which they say "favors marginalization of motorcycles to simply make them disappear from the roads." Unfortunately, previous meetings with Koornstra have not been productive, reports *F.E.M.A.*

Florida Bill Would Fund A.B.A.T.E. Safety Projects

Trauma centers around the state of Florida would get a much needed financial boost from some of their

most frequent patients — drivers who run red lights — under a bill that jacks up the fines for the crime. And house bill 65, sponsored by house speaker pro tempore Lindsay Harrington (R-Punta Gorda) would also turn the motorcyclist advocacy group *American Bikers Aiming Toward Education* into a major educator.

Under an amendment tacked onto the bill Tuesday, February 17, *A.B.A.T.E. of Florida* would receive \$1 million per year "for the purpose of fostering motorcycle safety awareness, education and research programs relating to accident prevention."

Last year, the organization had to "rob Peter to pay Paul" in order to spend about \$150,000 on education programs, James "Doc" Reichenbach II told Greg Martin, a staff writer for the *Sun-Herald*. Reichenbach is the state president of *A.B.A.T.E. of Florida*, its capitol lobbyist, and chairman of the board of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)*.

"I want to see this thing go to billboards," Reichenbach said of the education campaign, noting that *A.B.A.T.E.* would post 250 billboards to remind motorists to watch for motorcycles. "I want to send my people into high schools. I want to hold safety seminars to see what we can do to reduce accidents and injuries."

His comments came after the *House Transportation Committee* voted unanimously to pass the bill. Next, it must survive a review by the *Finance and Taxation Committee* before going

to the house floor. A senate version must travel a parallel road.

If passed, the increased penalties would generate an additional \$57.6 million, according to an analysis by transportation committee staff. All but \$1 million for *A.B.A.T.E.* would get put into a trauma center trust fund to be disbursed to each of 22 trauma centers in the state.

Harrington, who is confident of passage, said he sponsored the bill at the request of *A.B.A.T.E.* which expressed concern over judges who had fined motorists as little as \$80 in accidents that killed motorcyclists.

News Of The Weird

Helmet Saves Man From Gunshot

This newsbit from Dixie Rider may be evidence that wearing a helmet can save your life, at least if you're being shot at. According to a *Channel 13 Eyewitness News* broadcast in Houston, Texas, an unidentified man was saved when he was shot by his girlfriend, because he was still wearing his motorcycle helmet.

According to the TV news report, the couple had been riding together earlier in the evening, and an argument erupted when they arrived home around midnight.

Police say the girlfriend then shot the male in the head, but his full-face helmet protected him from serious injury. The female then barricaded herself in a nearby apartment until police hostage negotiation teams were able to convince her to surrender. She was charged with aggravated assault.

Campbell Announces Retirement

It is with heavy heart that *N.C.O.M.* relays the March 3rd announcement that U.S. senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell will not seek re-election for health reasons.

Campbell is a longtime member of the *N.C.O.M.* legislative task force and has been a champion for bikers' rights for many years, having been actively involved in every piece of motorcycle legislation passed by congress since the eighties. He was elected to serve as a democrat in the Colorado house starting in 1982, serving two terms before being elected to congress. After serving in the U.S. house of representatives from 1987 to 1992, Campbell won the senate seat he now holds. He switched to the republican party in 1995, and was re-elected in 1998 by nearly two-thirds of the vote.

Born April 13, 1933, in Auburn, California, Campbell is one of two children of May Vierra, a Portuguese immigrant, and Albert Campbell, a member of the *Northern Cheyenne Indian Tribe*. The senator is one of 44 chiefs of that tribe, and one of only eight Native Americans ever to serve in congress. He is a renowned jewelry designer whose Nighthorse signature pieces are prized by collectors of fine native jewelry.

Campbell served in the *U.S. Air Force* from 1951-53, and fought in the Korean War as an airman second class. He graduated from San Jose University in 1957 with a degree in physical education and fine arts, and later attended Meiji University in Tokyo in 1960 as a special research student. In 1964, Campbell competed in the Olympic Games as captain of the U.S. judo team.

Motorcycle enthusiasts everywhere will remember senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell as more than their legislative warrior, but as a fellow biker who rode his *Harley* to work in the nation's capital, to events, and throughout Colorado, including the *Four Corners Iron Horse Rally* which he founded. Thanks for everything, Ben, best wishes and we'll see ya down the road!

Quotable Quote

"A man's friendships are one of the best measures of his worth."

Charles Darwin
British Naturalist
(1809-82)

Note:

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A Fresh Perspective

Ethnography

Nicole Battista

Many would think that a motorcycle organization is a gang of rebel-like people who rain terror upon us. I decided to do a little survey on a group of motorcyclists and find out who they really are and what they do.

My father-in-law, Lee Austin, is the coordinator for the *Southeast Portland Chapter* of A.B.A.T.E. A.B.A.T.E. stands for: *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactment*. It is an organization of like-minded motorcyclists whom are against the total control of our legislature to pass laws. I am also a member of this organization. I attended a meeting on February 15, 2004. The primacy of my observation was that these people were very welcoming and fun to be around. As the meeting went underway I handed out thirty surveys (got twenty-one of them back) and talked with a few people where I received some wonderful feedback.

Everyone I talked to are members and have been members anywhere from two-weeks to twenty-two years. Most members are in their forties, fifties, sixties. I was informed that there are younger members — they just weren't at the meeting.

Because this is an organization there are duties that certain people fill. Some include: coordinator, vice coordinator, membership secretary, food drive committee, ways and means, P.C.P. (Precinct Committee Person), Awareness instructors, recording secretary, sergeant at arms, legislative director, treasurer, historian, and public relations

director (to name a few). All of these people play an important role in their organization.

I asked the recording secretary what this organization meant to her and she responded: "My duties as a member of A.B.A.T.E. are to represent my chapter and the state in a respectful, knowing manner. I help fight for every citizen's civil rights. It is a platform to help me maintain a standard of life that I choose."

Each person within this organization stands strong behind his/her political stance. They are all registered voters and many of them democrats. When it comes to the helmet law most members feel that it needs to be revised so that it allows choices. For instance: only allowing those persons older than twenty-one to have the right to choose. It's all about choice to these people. Even if they had the decision "to wear or not to wear" many still would.

I asked them what their general concerns were on politics. Many expressed their fear of losing their freedom. They feel that our government is not doing their job right by ways of the economy either. They want to know where all the money is going. One person said that the "U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. act is not what we've been lead to believe." Many said that "more people should get involved instead of just sitting around bitching about what is going on around them when they can do something about it. It's our right!"

This organization does many things throughout the community. They

help in getting people elected into legislature (P.C.P.) so that there are more people standing up "for the people." They do a food drive every year where they collect donations, buy perishable foods, and deliver (on their anniversary every March) to the *Lighthouse Mission* downtown Portland. Every year they do what's called the *Shriners Toy Run* where they all ride up to the *Shriners Hospital* and give to the children who are unable to get out of their rooms. Santa is always there and last year they had over three thousand riders. They also donate to provide wheelchairs to the paraplegics there.

Among many other involvements, another huge one where they help in the community is through *M.A.P. M.A.P. (Motorcycle Awareness Program)* is where they go to the high schools and talk about the awareness of cyclists on the road. A member commented, "We are a group that means involvement and efforts that make motorcycling a better activity." They have been recognized in their efforts in motorcycle awareness by persons in the legislative offices, including: Jeff Merkley (house of representatives) and Lonnie Roberts (Multnomah County commission who use to be in the house of representatives for eighteen years). Lonnie Roberts was present at the meeting. You could tell who he was because he was the one in the suit.

When asked if they saw themselves as being "hardcore" more than half said no. One person said "I stand up for what I believe in therefore I am hardcore!" I love that answer. I think that bikers are seen as having a "bad" personality because they are just down to earth and aren't ashamed to stand

up for what they believe in, and (apparently) they don't smile.

Leather is won as a protection device against weather (cover to avoid road rash) and crashes (preventing bad tears in the skin).

Many members are actually involved in motorcycle organizations outside of A.B.A.T.E. There is the M.R.F. (*Motorcycle Riders Foundation*), Bike PAC (used as legislative tool to help make new laws), G.R.I.P. (*Girls Riding Independently Proud*), and the Washington Harley Club. They all consider themselves to be "freedom fighters." When asked why this organization is better than others most said it was because of the family-like atmosphere and because of their coordinator, Lee Austin. One member stated "it's run from the bottom up."

Most members who have a family or significant other also take part in A.B.A.T.E. They are pretty well cut in half when it comes to married couples and non-married couples.

One of the questions that I had asked was if they were ever in a crash. All of these people had been in a crash. But then I got to thinking, because of the age group that I surveyed maybe that was normal. I guess everyone gets into a crash at some point in their lives.

The majority of the members are from here [Portland] or other areas of Oregon. There were a few from other states including New Hampshire, Illinois, California, and Oklahoma. Most of them grew up around bikes and started riding at young ages. The starting ages ranged anywhere from three to sixteen years. They all went on to finish high school

and more than half of them went to college. Many own their homes and consider themselves as middle-class citizens. Everyone had a different form of occupation.

There was a wide range of hobbies amongst the members. Most of their favorite places to go are anywhere away from the city. Some like the beach and others enjoy the mountains. That's interesting because the reason most like to ride is because it is conducted outdoors and gives them a sense of freedom. About half of the members enjoy group riding as well.

I asked the members if they liked to ride bicycles as a hobby (more importantly *Schwinn*s). This question sure had them laughing. One said that "it's too ritzy for me, I had a *Hawthorne*".

Some of the goals they wanted to achieve in life were: to own a business; to gain financial independence; to have good health; to be comfortable; to survive through the hard times; and to retire happy.

All in all, I have seen the members of A.B.A.T.E. and they are in no way rebels wanting to bring about harm. They are not a gang or a club.

A.B.A.T.E. is an organization of caring, passionate people who are here to help make a change for the people. Just because a group of people all look a certain way doesn't show who they are on the inside.

People didn't think that motorcyclists would have "respectable" family lives outside of riding, but guess what?

They do.

[c.o.e. note—This article was edited for length.]

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From yer ...

crusty ol' editor

We Are The Future's Past

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It is very easy to believe that we are the ultimate members of life, our world, our organization. We are the ones who are creating and making things happen *now*.

What is easily forgotten is that we are the current part of a living arc that extends back before our time here and which projects uncertainly forward into the future.

What we do in our own here and now directly affects the length of that future arc. Which indirectly affects those who are to follow us.

It is the awareness of our role in that arc that determines whether we live only for ourselves or serve as custodians for those who follow, just as others have done for us.

What Is A Hero?

(And why don't we need another one?)

Forget what *Webster's* has to say. By the time a person has lived and ridden a bit, they form their own definitions of words or concepts based on their life experience.

To yer crusty ol' editor, heroics means a person chooses to put the welfare of others above their own ego or they put themselves at risk in order to prevent others from suffering harm.

Too often we want our leaders to be heroes.

They rarely are.

Often they cannot be.

Yet leaders *should* be heroes.

We began as citizen/legislators — beginning as working people, serving in the legislature, then returning to honest toil. They were of us, knew us, returned to us.

Now we have professional politicians — those whose main

concern is to preserve their perks, privileges, and power for as long as possible. They tend to be removed from knowing what most of us face in our daily lives.

The more established and entrenched a politician, the less responsive to the will of the people.

Heroics doesn't necessarily involve single events.

There are ongoing, everyday heroes — people who perform needed services for others on a daily basis, often going unnoticed and unthanked.

Who sings praises for those quietly serving others?

Who acknowledges those who toil in fields so that the rest of us may have enough food to survive?

Who thinks of those on routine patrol protecting our calm sleep?

Who recognizes those who volunteer part of their time here on earth serving in nonprofit organizations?

Shall their heroism remain unsung?

Our media culture perpetuates the idea that someone or some super hero will rescue us from our troubles or own stupid acts at the last minute. This attitude leads to irresponsibility because "someone else will take care of the problem".

The third Mad Max movie, *Beyond Thunderdome*, featured a song by Tine Turner entitled, *We Don't Need Another Hero*.

And it's true.

We don't need people trying to be heroic. We need people who have the courage and vision to do what needs to be done at any given instant.



by
Rot Path
(c.o.e.)

Our Rag Is A Mag

And now for something barely different . . . (No, not that.)

If you look carefully, you'll notice that we've begun calling our newsletter what it already is — a newsmagazine.

Our monthly rag has been printed in magazine-style for longer than c.o.e. can remember. (The middle of last week.) One of yer crusty ol' editor's coworkers, Greg Hiltz (who used to work in a print shop), observed that at 72 pages, "that's not a newsletter, that's a magazine".

That got yer c.o.e. to thinking, which is always a dangerous proposition.

So at the February state board meeting, discussions began on changing what we call our state rag, providing it didn't boost our mailing rate. (It didn't.)

At the March meeting, a motion passed unanimously to change our internal reference of newsletter to "newsmagazine."

Now if yer crusty ol' editor could just retrain his fingers to "magazine" instead of "letter", there wouldn't be so much cursing and backspacing. (It *is* easier to type "newsmag", plus it rhymes with "rag" better.)

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Whaddya know? Rot Path is a pin-up. Seems that Hub City Chapter women scuffed up all the nearby-nude Rot Path monthly calendars at the March meeting. Hmmm. This could turn into a nice little chapter money raiser: "Bare Bikers of Chapter".

2004 RUN LISTINGS

(Boldface indicates state sanctioned A.B.A.T.E. events)

17 April	Ice Breaker-Southern Oregon	Phoenix	(541)-535-2934
24 April	Cherry Festival Poker Run—River City	The Dalles	(541)-296-9303
25 April	ABATE of Oregon Spring Swap Meet	Portland	(503)-285-4329
01 May	Motorcycle Awareness Rally	Salem	(503)-351-8193
	and Freedom Rally -State Capitol		
01-02 May	Motorcycle Swap Meet and Expo	Central Point	(541)-218-5013
15 May	Lucky Seven Run—Southern Oregon	Central Point	(541)-665-2059
15 May	Willamette Valley Rhody Fest Poker Run	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
22 May	Rhody Run—Willamette Valley	Eugene	(541)-935-6264
28-31 May	ABATE of Oregon FOSSIL Campout (Eastern Oregon)	Fossil	(503)-285-4329
05 June	Hub City Poker Run	Albany	(541)-451-3940
05 June	SE Portland Poker Run	Portland	(503)-760-9015
05 June	Gay 90's Parade - South Coast Chapter	Coos Bay	(541)-759-2388
05 June	Strip Poker 3 Run —Gypsy Jokers	Portland	(503)-231-9611
05 June	O.D.M.C. party and potluck	Milwaukie	(503)-255-8552
13 June	Washington County Roll-N-Ride	Hillsboro	(503)-646-2060
19 June	Angie's Run Columbia River	Portland area	(503)-282-4604
19 June	Rocks, Bridges and Lakes-Central Oregon	Redmond	(541)-815-1490
26 June	Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run	North Coast	(503)-325-2823
04 July	Willamette Valley 4th of July Social	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
23-24 July	Run 21 SE Portland Chapter	Birkenfeld	(503)-760-9015
30 July - 01 August	Coos River Run	Coos Bay	(541)-759-2388
31 July	Washington County Pig Roast Run	Hillsboro	(503)-646-2060
07 August	NE Portland Poker Run	Portland	(503)-777-5121
13-15 August	Lincoln County Beaver Creek	Newport	(541)-265-6850
20-22 August	Summer Run—Portland Chapters	Estacada	(503)-282-4604
20-22 August	3rd annual Desert Dash Rally	Burns/Hines	(541)573-7984
27-29 August	SOS Run Southern Oregon Chapters	Wolf Creek	(541)-759-2388
28 August	NE Portland Poker Run	Portland	(503)-285-5132
11 September	One Night Stand Campout	Albany	(541)-451-3940
17-19 September	Washington County End of Summer Run	Birkenfeld	(503)-346-2060
25 September	All ABATE Portland Chapters' Picnic	Estacada	(503)-760-9015
02 October	Teddy Bear Poker Run-Central Oregon		(541)-382-8146
09 October	Casino Night Willamette Valley Chapter	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
22 October	Hub City Biker Night	Albany	(541)-451-3940



A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Meetings and Events . . .

April 2004

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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4 Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm)	5	6 Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	7 Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm)	8 Josephine County 1800 (6:00 pm)	9	10 STATE BOARD MEETING Junction City 1200 (12:00 pm)
11 Central Oregon 1400 (2:00 pm) ----- Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm)	12	13 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	14 Southern Oregon 1100 (11:00 am)	15 Willamette Valley 1900 (7:00 pm)	16	17 <i>Ice Breaker</i> <i>Southern Oregon</i>
18 Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm) ----- South Coast 1100 (11:00 am)	19	20 Douglas County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	21 Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm)	22 Hub City 1900 (7:00 pm)	23	24 <i>Cherry Blossom Poker Run</i> <i>River City</i>
25 <i>Swap Meet</i> <i>Portland</i>	26	27 Salem 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	28	29 North Coast 1900 (7:00 pm)	30	31



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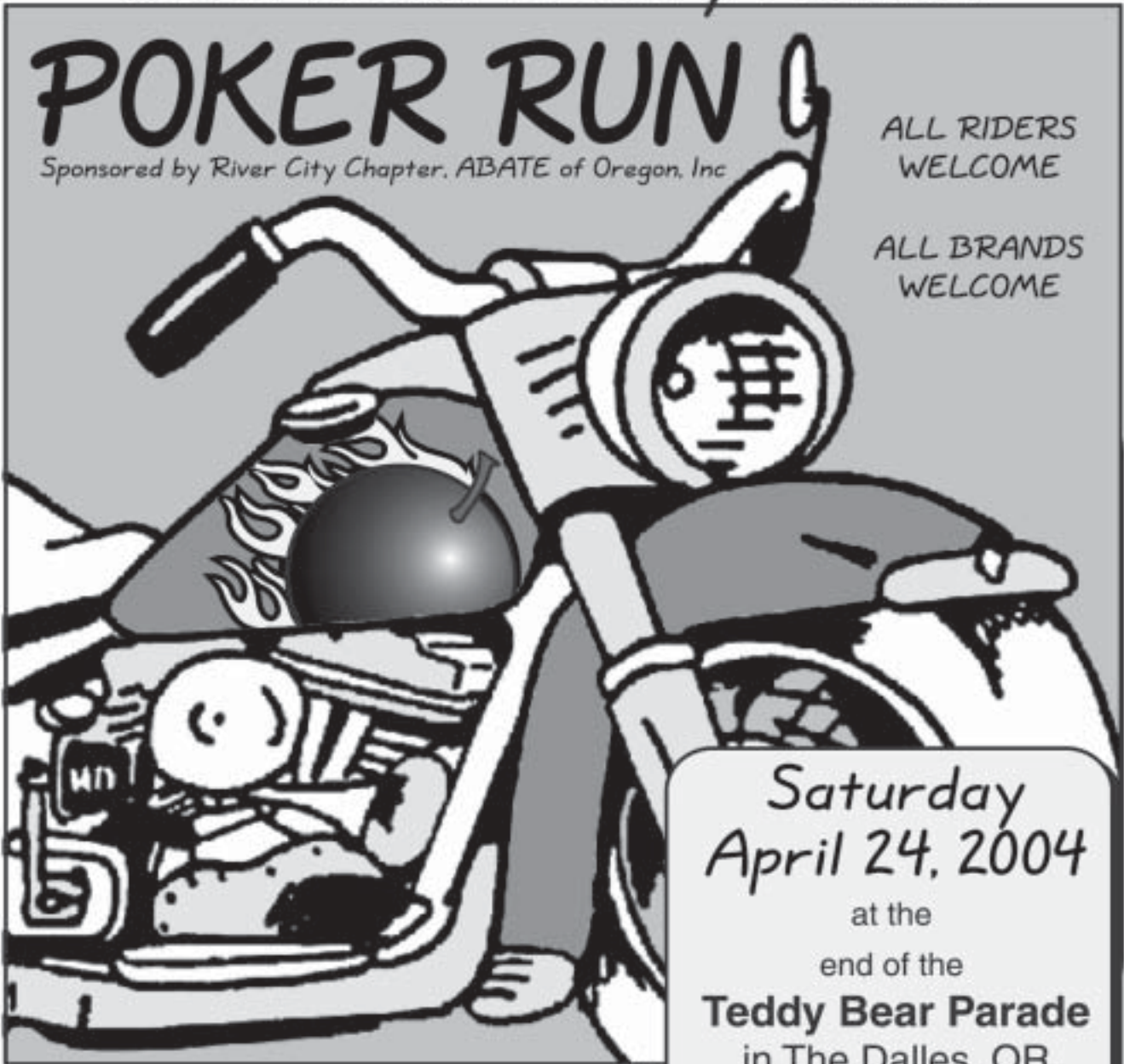
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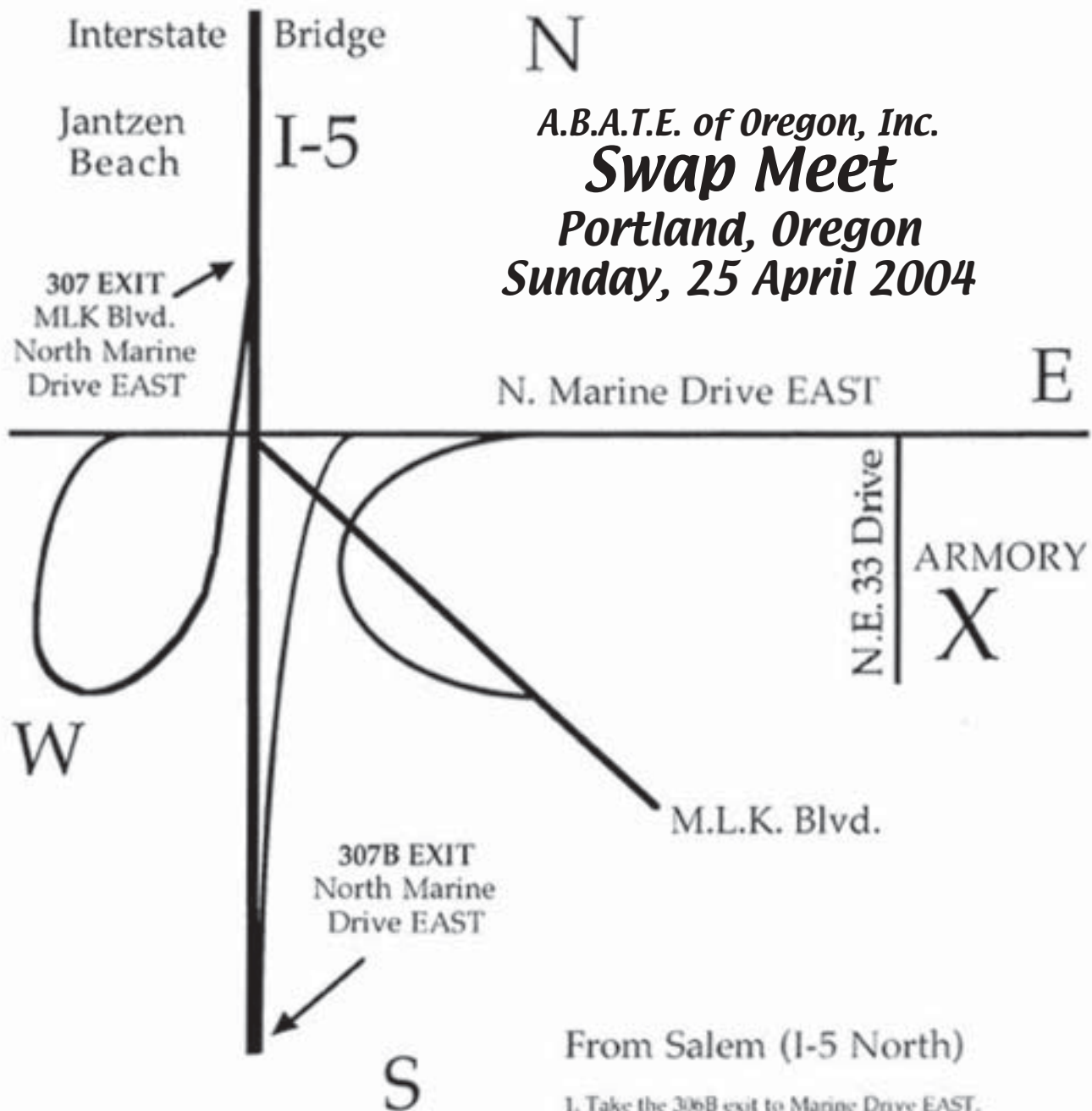
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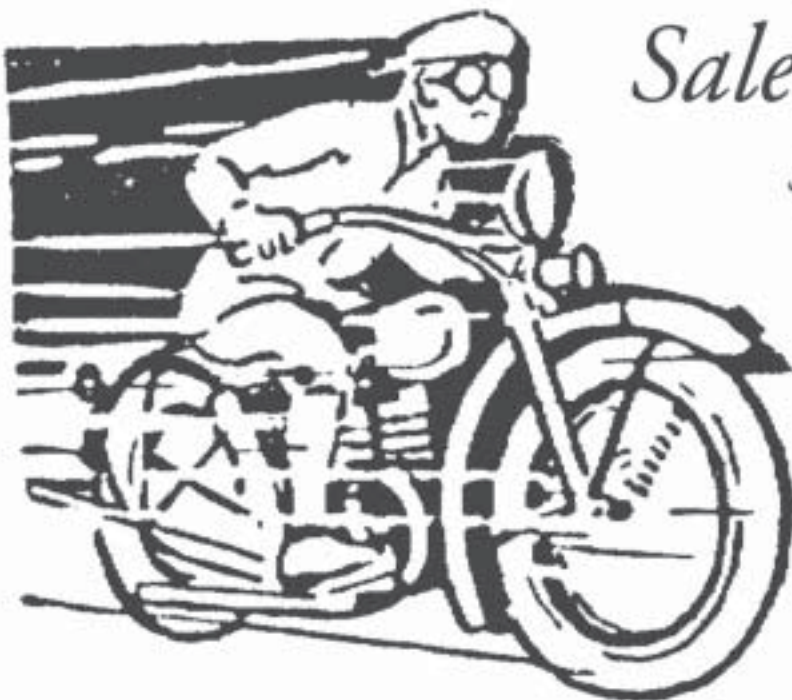
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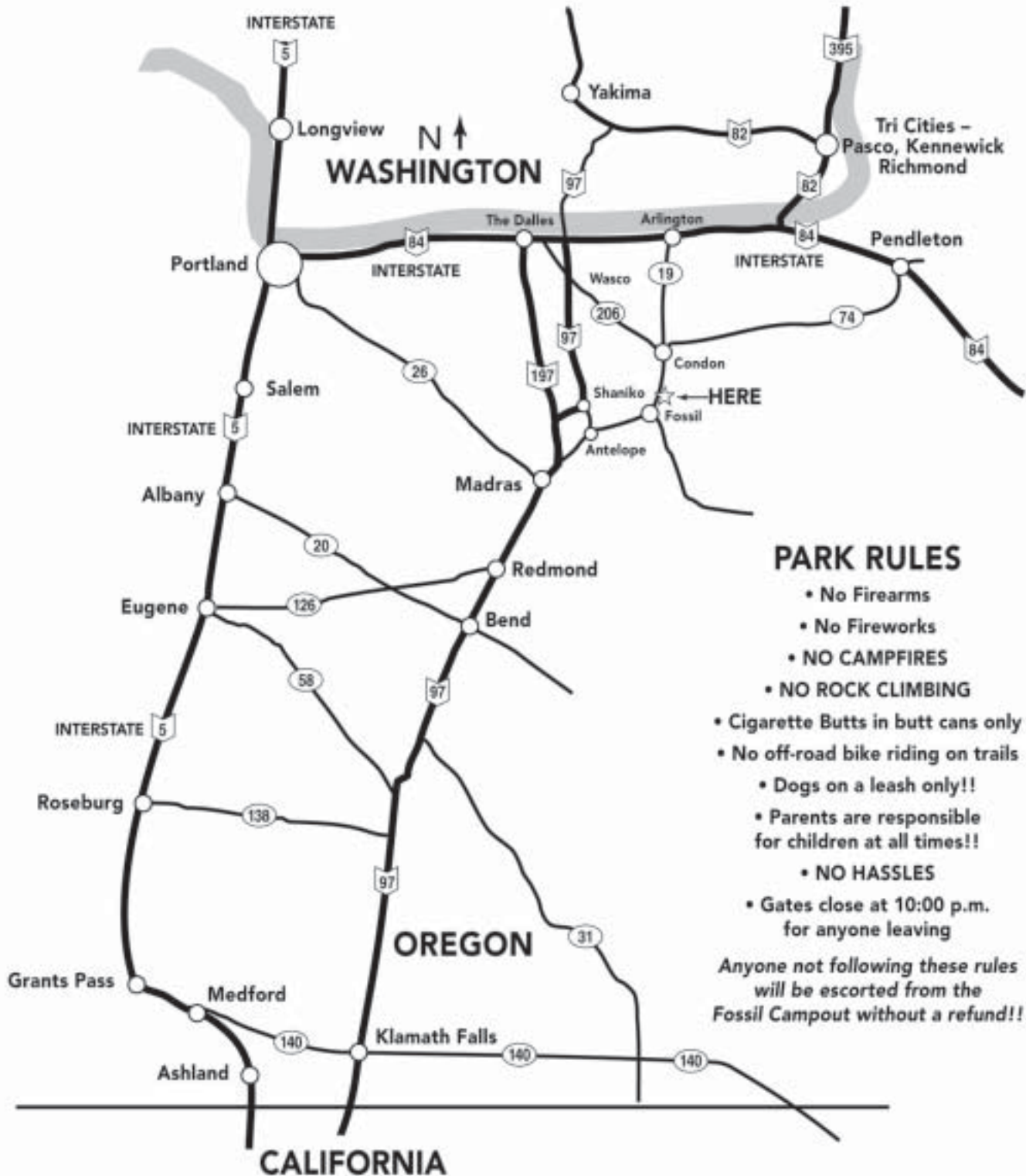
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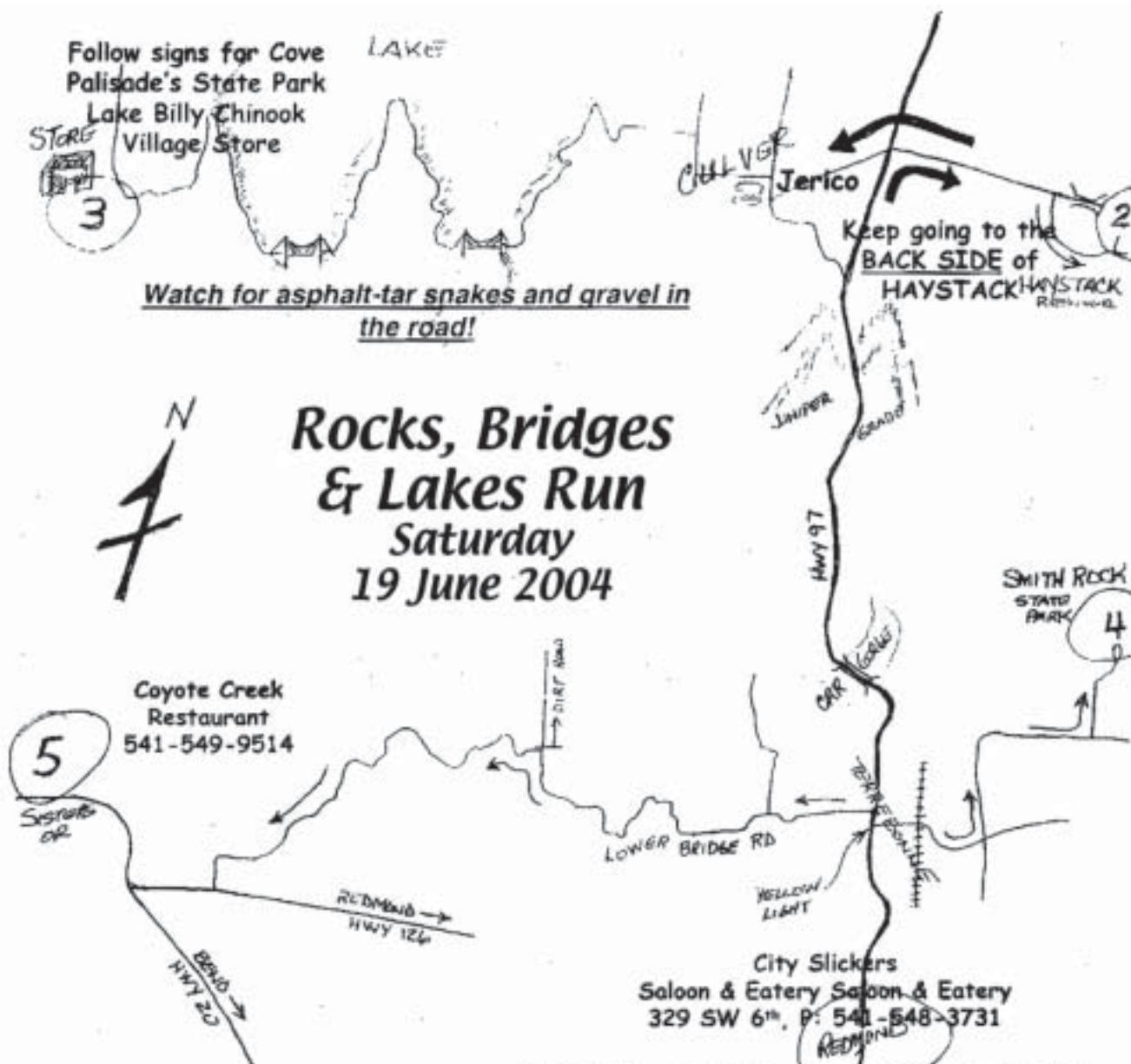
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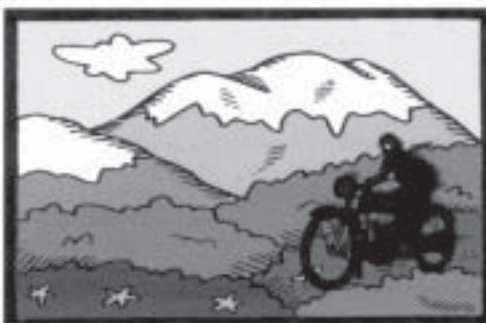
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The Dorchester Report

Personal Opinions and Observations About Politics

by Ken Ray



Seaside, Oregon — Dorchester is America's oldest political conference. Founded as a discussion and think tank in 1964 by then state representative Bob Packwood, it has blossomed into one of the great forums on public policy in Oregon. The format of the conference has changed over the years, but has always been designed to involve all attendees in the discussion and voting on various issues. Over the years, various political leaders and elected republicans have participated in the table discussions. One delegate stated, "I was amazed that my opinion counted as much as that of the state legislator in our group." Encouraging participation and enhancing the fun of politics have been two keys to the longevity of the conference.

Lively discussion and insightful speakers are not all the conference has to offer, though. Perhaps the most anticipated event at each Dorchester is the *Tent Show*. Year after year, a group of Dorchester stalwarts poke fun at politicians and current events to entertain the conference audience. All this done to deliver on Dorchester's promise to prove that "Politics *is* fun!"

I am writing this to give an idea of the weekend of Dorchester. For those who are interested in politics it is a very fun and worthwhile weekend. All points of view are welcomed and the interaction is friendly and conversational.

I arrived at Seaside and checked in

to the Days Inn (cheap rates and a short walk to the convention center). This year is the 40th anniversary of Dorchester so there were Dorchester XL signs all over town. Friday night is the kickoff and the Keynote speech by senator Gordon Smith. The turmoil over gay unions right now was very much on everyone's mind. Senator Smith talked about the need for tolerance and courtesy toward our "gay and lesbian brothers and sisters." He spoke how he had tried very hard to reach out to gays and had even voted for hate crime legislation, but was clear that he defined marriage as between a man and a woman. He was hopeful that gay activists would respect his definition of marriage as he has respected their personal lives. Of course, none of that message was reprinted in the *Oregonian* the next day. He also talked extensively about how in his opinion John Kerry is not qualified to be president. He mentioned several things such as how senator Kerry co-wrote the *No Child Left Behind Act* and is now campaigning against it.

Dorchester is mostly social with some issues discussed, so I spend some time networking. There are several good competitive primary races in congressional districts 1 and 5. I had already met Goli Ameri who is a candidate in congressional district 1. I visit some more and meet also with Jim Feldkamp running in congressional district 4. Nina Avery, Bob's wife, is working in Mr. Feldkamp's office and of course she

greet me with a hug. Later candidate Feldkamp insists on getting a "biker hug" as well. I have many friends who know me from over the years in politics. One of my goals is to meet some of the new candidates who are running. The contacts I have made from attending Dorchester in years past have paid off tremendously in legislative sessions later. I also renew some contacts with friends I haven't seen for a while including the chair of *Oregon Republican Mainstream*. This group is opposed to litmus tests for candidates and in expanding the "big tent" philosophy described by Ronald Reagan.

Friday night has several hospitality suites starting with Jackie Winters for congress (ribs and beer) where Darryl Howard, an old friend, is campaign manager. Next is the Feldkamp hospitality suite and also Bob Avery's coming out party in his candidacy for national committeeman. Then it is off to Goli Ameri's suite where I talk with a large group of former state and current representatives. Finally, the Billy Dalto party with live music. Lots of conversations and general fun.

Saturday begins with a talk by *Taxpayers Association of Oregon* and a breakfast. We begin the day with some housekeeping and general rules of the conference. Dorchester randomly assigns you to a table named after a county and you meet those people and spend most of the event at that table. I was at the Tillamook table. Current topics are discussed and people may be assigned

to argue for a position they don't believe in. The point is to discuss the issues and then vote our results, which are tallied for the entire group. Our first topic of discussion was mandates for employers to provide health insurance. I learned many pros and cons on this issue. The group was decidedly against such mandates. I then had to do some business calls, which kept me from the next topic: attorney fee caps in medical malpractice suits. The cap proposal failed as well.

Lunch gives you several different speakers and groups to listen to and I chose the *Mainstream* speaker with former labor commissioner and gubernatorial candidate Jack Roberts. He spoke about how the republican party was growing through the big tent philosophy and that we need to get away from dividing over single issues such as abortion. He has always been a pro-choice republican and did not feel that requiring strict adherence to the platform should be required to be a good republican and a good candidate. He talked about how every time we focus on one issue such as abortion we "form a circular firing squad and start firing." As I agree with many of those points of view I did enjoy the talk.

After lunch former senator Bob Packwood gave a talk. Bob Packwood founded the Dorchester conference in 1964. Bob Packwood gave a talk about how he believes it is time for the abortion plank to be removed from the party platform. He talked about how in Portland in the 1950s it was republicans who put forth an accommodations referendum that would have removed all racial discrimination but the citizens voted

it down. He talked about leading and not following public opinion. It was a good talk for Dorchester, thought provoking and even polemic. The next topic of discussion was in fact removing the abortion plank from the platform. The general consensus was that now was not the time to open old wounds and an unlikely coalition between Oregon *Right to Life* and Jack Roberts, vocally pro-choice, urged people to abstain. Although the issue did pass under the rules that disregarded abstentions, only a minority did in fact vote. There were about 450 attendees and less than 70 cast a vote. The rest all abstained.

State senator Rick Metsger was there as well. I had been trying to meet with him about some transportation matters. We had a nice discussion and got a lot accomplished. I also have to give him and other democrats credit for showing up and taking part. Dorchester is open to all, but most of the crowd is republican.

The last official item Saturday was a town hall with congressman Greg Walden. Some of you might remember Greg Walden from the Oregon state senate. He has always been a good friend of bikers and is very accessible. He was mainly discussing how president Bush has been trying to make things better for rural Oregon by the healthy forests initiative. He agreed that progress has been slow but there is at least a chance that we will be able to salvage some timber and get some people back to work.

At 4:00 we adjourned and it was time for more hospitality suites. First I was off to representative Kropf and senator Bruce Starr's martini theme party, and then I went to one for

Mainstream. Next I went to congressman Walden's event which had sushi and good beer. Several members of the media were at this one. Congressman Walden postponed the media to talk with me about biker issues. He specifically wanted to know where we had ended up on the *E.P.A.* issue and was eager to meet with our delegation later this month in D.C.

Saturday night is the dinner and my table partner was former state representative and senate candidate Ron Sunseri. He was always a great friend to bikers and we talked about that, but then started talking about history. Ron Sunseri is a great student of our nation's founding and gives seminars on our founding fathers and their documents around the country. He would be willing to talk at an event in the future such as S.T.E.A.M. After dinner is the tent show that is best described as a freeform amateur talent show except the point is comedy, satire and fun. Talent is hardly required. But it is great fun.

More hospitality suites and I end up staying up until 2:00 at the *Shilo* where a live band was playing and free drinks were provided at an event sponsored by speaker Minnis and majority leader Scott.

Sunday I was a little fuzzy, but I got to the breakfast and we started our table discussions anew. The delegate-selected issue is privatization of the *O.L.C.C.* We have a great discussion about this.

Afterwards there is a meet-the-candidates round table and debate with the 1st and 5th congressional district republican candidates. About 11:45 we adjourn until next year.

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21 February 2004

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Part of what we're about.



Karen Bolin, M.R.F. president, speaks to S.T.E.A.M. attendees.
(She liked yer crusty ol' editor's pirate hat.)



A break between sessions.



Teresa Hepker listens while Brian Stoval makes a point.

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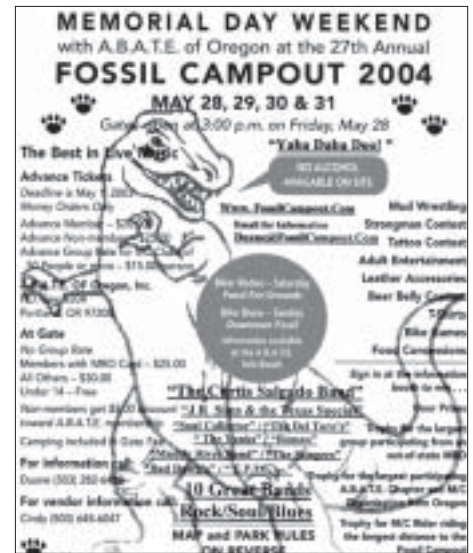
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Region 5 (LaGrande and eastern Oregon)	(541)-963-3177
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Duffy's Revived Road List

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name: phone number: location:

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North Coast area

Curve Hagert (503)-325-6383 Astoria X X X X X X X

Portland area

Scott Tuthill (503)-630-2419 Estacada X X X X X X X

Salem area

Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X		X				
Michael Boggs	(503)-391-5600	Salem	X	X	X	X	X		X
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Michelle FitzHenry	(503)-371-7550	Salem	X	X		X	X	X	
Ted Minden	(544)-327-2192	Jefferson		X	X		X	X	
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	Independence	X			X	X		
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South Coast area

John Ireland	(541)-572-4300	Bridge/Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/Myrtle Point						X	
Tom Curran	(541)-888-2572	Charleston	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay						X	
Sherm Acord	(541)-888-6672	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X		
Brian Bryan	(541)-269-2934	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X	X	
Bill&Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille		X	X		X	X	
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Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X		X		
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X	
Brian&Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609		X	X	X	X	X	X	

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Washington County area

Rick and Tina Stocker	(503)-341-2568(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rich and Margo Virchow	(503)-502-4941(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gunny and Sue Hutcheson	(503)-816-9832(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Debbie and Brian Done	(503)-357-5620		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ken Woolston (Mungo)	(503)-359-1135		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Roger Yarnell	(503)-324-9139		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Trace Ceccacci	(503)-639-4768		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greg GoatboyVaughn	(503)-502-4229(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mark Pratt	(503)-357-1727		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cindy Henderson	(503)-648-6047		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ed Vaughn	(503)-646-2060		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted and Jill Tracy	1-(877)-552-2283 toll-free		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kent and Pat Gore	(503)-848-7653		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dave and Diane Hansen	(503)-357-5091		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Troy Davis	(503)-260-6451		X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Willamette Valley area

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T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X		X	X	X
Ron Budde	(541)-343-6447	Eugene	X	X	X				
Jim Drew	(541)-787-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X		X
Gary&Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jay & Kathy Hadley	(541)-676-6768	Eugene	X	X		X		X	
Rod Hatter	(541)-744-2494	Springfield	X			X	X		X
Mike & Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X				X		X
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other areas

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QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
_____	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	3.00	_____
_____	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	4.00	_____
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_____	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold	5.00	_____
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_____	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color	5.00	_____
_____	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold	5.00	_____
_____	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color	3.00	_____
_____	AFP	Fossil Pin	5.00	_____
_____	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color on white	5.00	_____
_____	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats	10.00	_____
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_____	Sm_____ Med_____ Lg_____ X-Lg_____ 2X_____			_____
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_____	Sm_____ Med_____ Lg_____ X-Lg_____ 2X_____			_____
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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____

MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? **(YES) (NO)**

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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

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

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

Did officer follow normal traffic laws in making the stop? **(YES) (NO)**

If no explain: _____

Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? **(YES) (NO)** If no explain: _____

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? **(YES) (NO)**

If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

Have you gone to court? NO: When is court Date? YES : How did you plead? If you pled guilty what was the fine? \$ _____

If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone to trial? **(YES) (NO)** If no when is your court date? _____

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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And you're two months back in the middle of March.

— Robert Frost

April Cryptogram

WHL VCMJOLE LZCME AMQ LNCME ZLO HIOL,
AMQ ZAA JPO EOZEHM HW EMHV ZMQ ECME;
ZMQ CM BLOOM NMQOLVHHQ AMQ GHIOL,
TAHEEHX BY TAHEEHX JPO EYLCMB TOBCML.
— ZABOMHM EVCMTNLMO

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".)
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Total number of members: _____

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Saturday, 10 April 2004 at Noon
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CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Date/Time:	Location:
Central Oregon	2 nd Sunday 1400 (2:00 ^{pm})	<i>Old Redmond Hotel</i> ; Redmond
Columbia River	2 nd Sunday 1230(12:30 ^{pm})	<i>Jubitz Truck Stop</i> ; 10310 N. Vancouver Ave.; Portland
Douglas County	3 rd Tuesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg
Hub City	3 rd Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Ciddici's Pizza</i> ; 133 Fifth Street; Albany
Josephine County	1 st Thursday 1800 (6 ^{pm})	<i>Pizza Hut</i> ; 1465 6th; Grants Pass
Lincoln County	1 st & 3 rd Tues 1900 (7:00 ^{pm})	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4 th Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria
Northeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Wed 1930(7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 nd ; Portland
River City	1 st & 3 rd Tues 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Lone Pine Restaurant</i> ; 335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles (I-84 & US-197)
Salem	4 th Tuesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Chalet Restaurant</i> , Market Street, Salem
South Coast	3 rd Sunday 1100 (11 ^{am})	<i>Gino's Pizza</i> ; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend
Southeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Sun 1200 (noon)	<i>M/M Restaurant & Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Southern Oregon	2 nd Wed 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Abby's Pizza</i> ; 2550 Crater Lake Hwy; Medford
Washington County	2 nd & 4 th Tues 1930(7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Prime Time Sports Bar</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	2 nd Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Veteran's Memorial Building</i> 1626 Willamette Street; Eugene