

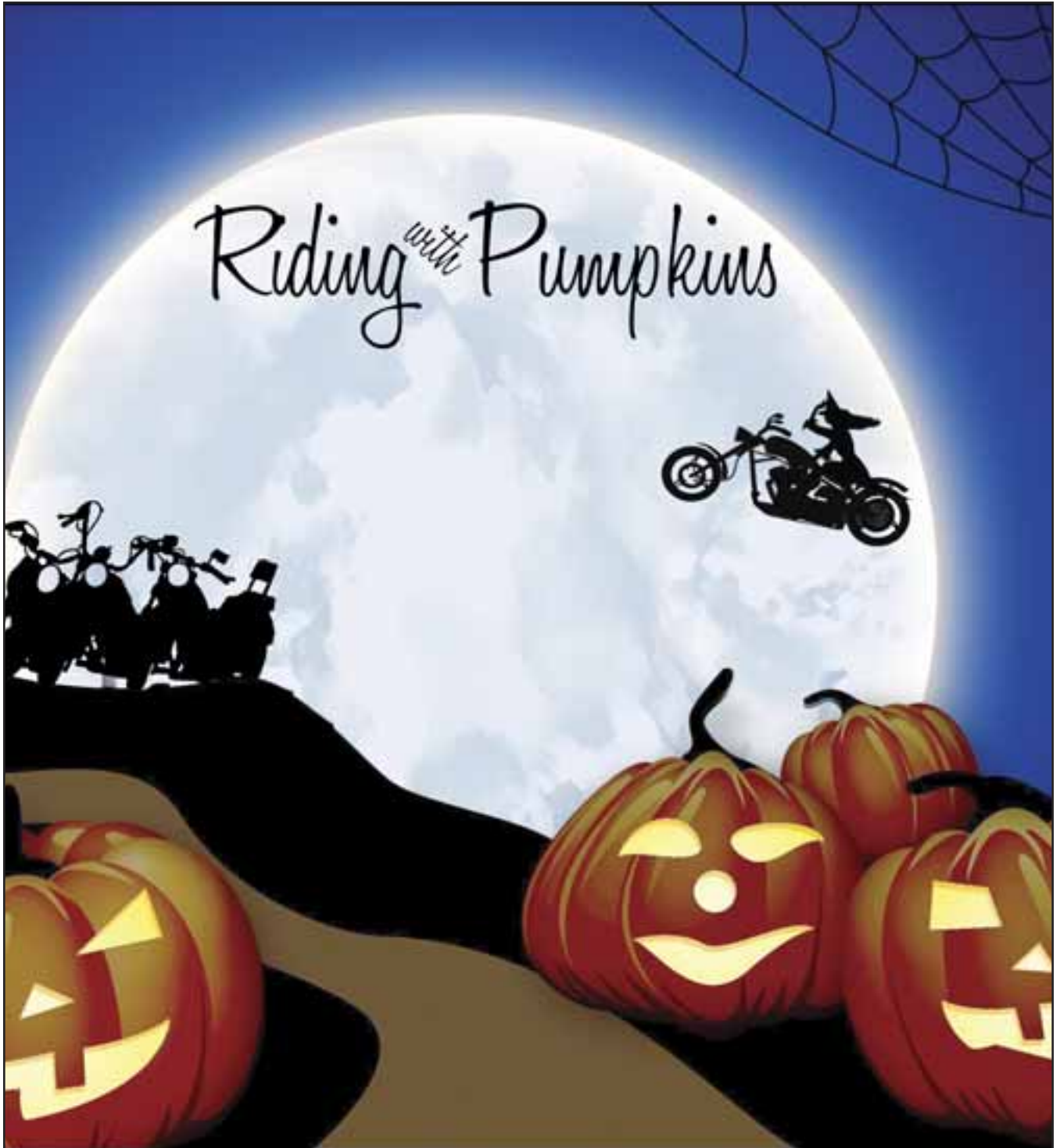


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# Dear Fellow Motorcyclists:

American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education (A.B.A.T.E.) of Minnesota is a not for profit, grass roots organization that is committed to educating motorcyclists and the general public about motorcycling. A.B.A.T.E. members ride many different types and brands of motorcycles. We are all people with a common interest in a common activity. The fact that we share an interest in motorcycling is more important than the type of motorcycle we ride.

There are chapters of A.B.A.T.E. located throughout Minnesota. Each of these chapters is represented on the A.B.A.T.E. Board of Directors (B.O.D.). The B.O.D. also includes the A.B.A.T.E. state officers. The B.O.D. meets once each quarter to discuss the operation of the organization. In addition, each chapter holds a monthly meeting in their area of the state. A.B.A.T.E. is a member driven organization. Members are encouraged to participate in any of these meetings.

A.B.A.T.E. seeks to promote the positive aspects of motorcycling and strives to

protect the rights of motorcyclists by being involved in the local, state and national political process. Safer motorcycling, reducing accidents and fatalities can be best accomplished by education and training of both the motorcyclists and the general public, not necessarily through additional legislation.

Our ability to enjoy many freedoms while riding motorcycles in Minnesota is the direct result of the work done by motorcyclists in our state. These people have joined together to fight for our rights and freedoms.

The efforts of these people have made Minnesota a leader in motorcycle safety. We have one of the toughest licensing standards in the nation, the best public awareness programs, and the most comprehensive rider education programs in the nation. These efforts have helped reduce motorcycle accidents, injuries, and fatalities in spite of the growing number of licensed motorcyclists in Minnesota.

To continue these efforts we need your support and participation. Show

your commitment to protecting and preserving your rights as a motorcyclist in Minnesota. Participate in the meetings, rides, and the fundraising activities. You will be informed about the motorcycle activities in the state by receiving Road Noise, the A.B.A.T.E. monthly news publication. A.B.A.T.E. is fun, educational and a great way to meet people and make new friends with similar interests.

With your help, we can continue to promote the positive image of motorcyclists. If you want more information about A.B.A.T.E., please attend any of our meetings, meet other members, and ask questions.

We are pleased that you have decided your rights are worth protecting, that the positive aspects of motorcycling are worth promoting, that education is important, and that the cost of an A.B.A.T.E. membership is a small price to pay to preserve and promote these principles.

Members are the most important thing that A.B.A.T.E. has, so Thank You for becoming a member and we look forward to seeing you at our events.

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Did you have fun at the State Rally? Did you take advantage of the hayride? I visited with a lot of people that I hadn't seen in a long time. It was wonderful seeing so many happy faces.

Did you know that anyone 18-years-old and older can be a member of A.B.A.T.E. of MN? Owning a motorcycle is not a requirement. All you need is a concern for motorcycle rights and \$20 to be a member! We need everyone's help to maintain our freedom of the road! We welcome independent riders, patch holders, passengers, and even concerned non-riders. Together we can maintain our right to ride.

Chapters, I ask you to please keep an eye on your Facebook pages and websites. Your posts are a reflection on A.B.A.T.E. of MN. Please use discretion when posting statements and photos. Encourage attendance at chapter events, but be cautious of any posts that may appear to support drinking and riding.

The riding season will be coming to an end soon. Enjoy your time on the road! Be careful out there! See you down the road.

– Jane



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Well, I'm not sure about yourself but I know for myself I had a great time at the rally this year, got to meet a lot of old friends, met some new friends, listened to some great bands and maybe had one or two too many beers but other than that I feel fun was had by all,

And Randy, thank you and to everyone who helped pull this rally off, I feel a lot of people don't realize how much time and hard work is put in to putting on the rally so once again a big THANK YOU!!! At the October B.O.D. the results will be out to see how well we did overall and I feel we should be doing good,

Looks like our summer is about over but I'm starting to see fundraisers starting to appear to help occupy our time over the cold winter, and like I've been told by my elders, moisture always makes up for itself so look out we might have a lot of snow.

And don't forget to start thinking about the up-and-coming elections, January will be here before you know it and we will be looking for people to re-step up or new faces to step up, so start planning ahead,

– Till next time, Jim



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Things are going pretty good now, I haven't had to bother Liz for a while, so that is a good thing. Just trying to stay on top of

when what reports are due on what dates. Remember when sending your renewals into the office, please check your address & phone number!

I am still getting expired postcards returned & even some membership cards. So, if you haven't received your card, let me know, it may be in my returned file!

– See you down the road! Shelly Deutsch

## STATE RALLY REPORT



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### **Next meeting(s):**

October 15<sup>th</sup>, Best Western,  
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Greetings!

Preliminary reports are showing a good Rally with money left over to start planning next year's State Rally.

Set up support for the Rally was very good, however tear down support was lacking. Sled Pulls, Bike Games, Bike Show, Fashion Show, Chili cook off, Hay Rides, and Tattoo Contest all had great participation from those that attended our Rally.

A great time was had by all who attended our State Rally. If you didn't have a good time, let me know what we can change to make it better. Please bring all your thoughts, ideas, and suggestions to the next Rally meeting. Remember this is your State Rally and if you don't tell us what to fix, we can't fix it.

Once again, I want to THANK all our Sponsors, Committee Heads, Committee members, and Volunteers. Without each one of you, I would be very lonely at our State Rally.

I would also like to thank Jim Orn for his invaluable guidance and support for our Rally. We have many conversations throughout the year planning for our State Rally.

See you all at the Rally Meeting in Rochester.

– Randy

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Well, fall is here and I am happy to say that summer memberships for A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota have been great! It is so good to see the numbers increasing. Let's keep it up and get this organization even stronger. As more money comes in, we can do more for Motorcycle Rights and Safety.

Call or e-mail with any questions on A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota finances.

– Mitch



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Hello bikers,

I don't have much to say this month as I am still recouping from our Rally last month. I sure had a good time.

Thank you to those that stepped up to help me in Products at the Rally. I sure appreciate all the help I was given.

As always, if you need Products for a fundraiser, want Products at your event to sell, or have ideas, concerns, questions, etc. please email or text me and I will see what I can do.

I will see you at the B.O.D. in Rochester later this month.

**Road Noise  
needs a Webmaster  
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If you are interested contact your Chapter  
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At the July NCOM convention the LTF (Legislative Task Force) did a presentation titled "The Demise of the Fuel Powered Vehicles." We looked at and discussed some of the problems facing motorcycling as we currently know it. This was not just fuel availability; it was about saving a place on the roads we currently ride on and the vehicles we ride and drive. Since the convention there has been and will continue to be announcements about energy plans, reports on safety, and particularly the secrecy of safety of automobiles. One of our task force members has worked all his life in the automobile sales and service business so he has a great deal of knowledge about the industry, but before I speak to that I want to share some news announcements that I have seen.

Recently it was announced by CNN that President Biden has announced his new emission standards, target 50% of vehicles sold in the US by 2030 are electric. I am also informed that Minnesota Governor Waltz says he would like Minnesota to target standards like those proposed in California concerning electric vehicles, numbers similar to what Biden proposes. When does all this spill over to motorcycles, notice they are using the word vehicles in these statements not the word automobile! When will they mandate electric motorcycles are a set percentage of new motorcycles sold? Is the time drawing near that we will go to the motorcycle dealer and hear these words? We cannot sell gasoline powered motorcycles right now because we have not met our quota on electric models sold. How long will it be before they

attempt to make gasoline unavailable in an effort to expedite sale of electric vehicles? While some of this may sound unrealistic, I would like to talk about how fast changes come about.

I mentioned earlier that Ed one of our LTF members has made his career working in the retail auto industry. Ed talked about the changes he has seen in his years in the industry. He remembers when you had to order air conditioning, an automatic transmission, and power windows; he even remembers when a radio was an ordered option. Most of these items are standard now and cars also have seat belts, airbags, and backup cameras. In addition, many have adaptive cruise control, navigation system, the ability to park themselves and the list goes on. Compare features of the cars you drove just twenty years ago to the cars most of us drive today.

We know self-driving vehicles are on the road every day, currently they may be required to have a person in the vehicle ready to take control but how soon will it change? Let's not think for a minute they won't proceed with self-driving un-maned vehicles very soon.

I recently took part in an approximately 1 ½ hour Toward Zero Death presentation about autonomous vehicles. The presenters talked about the safety of passengers, pedestrians, bicyclists and generalized other vehicles. Not one time during the presentation did I hear a presenter mention motorcycles, where do we fit in the plan or is the plan that we won't fit?

This may sound like it is not possible or if possible, not in the near future but think about how fast things change, when is the last time you noticed a pay phone booth?

Stay vigilant

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I hope everyone had a good time at the State Rally! As for me, I'm still pooped out...

The September membership numbers are not looking so cool. As a whole, the State numbers are at 3,353; singles are at 1,551 and couples are 1,802. August was 3,768, so we are down 415! Now these numbers are from September 2<sup>nd</sup>; we did have some new and renew at the Rally, and when I got home, I had a bundle to enter, too. So, fingers crossed, the October report will look better.

Here is how the Chapters are looking: only two Chapters had a plus in their totals. Jack Pine Riders had an increase of two couples and Northwest had one single. Every other Chapter lost members. Chapters hit the worst lost 59, 41, 39, 32, and 31 members.

I will have lots of tear-off's and some tri-folds at the October B.O.D., please have your Chapter Rep's get them from me then. Any postage saved helps!

One other thing I'm seeing; when doing an event, please don't change the member into your Chapter, just because they are signing up at your function or your shift at the Rally. Leave them in their Chapter.

Keep on Keepin on,

– Shelly Deutsch



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### Next meeting(s):

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Fall brings some beautiful weather, check out the Road Noise calendar and enjoy some of the fundraisers still coming up.

We need a web manager for our A.B.A.T.E. website. If you are interested contact your Chapter President or Jane for more information.

– Tammy



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April 22<sup>nd</sup> - April 24<sup>th</sup>

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– Thanks, Stephanie

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## MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TASK FORCE

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Unfortunately, this report is during a lull period. The September Task Force meeting is a week away so I have decided to share with you what we will be discussing to give you a snapshot of what we do.

Every December/January those of us that own motorcycles receive a registration tab renewal in the mail. Have you ever noticed the insert in the envelope? It usually promotes rider training classes, safety gear, safety slogans, etc.

The Task Force will be discussing design concepts for next year's registration insert. Also, it has been ten years since Minnesota motorcyclists have been surveyed and the Office of Traffic Safety (DPS) is planning to conduct another survey in the upcoming federal fiscal year. The Task Force will provide input on what types of questions to ask in the survey. There will also be discussions on the current motorcycle fatality crash statistics and the updated e-course curriculum for the beginner rider course.

With the rider training course season coming to an end, perhaps it is time to think about next year. If your chapter wants to take a course together, consider contracting a whole class out. There is a lot of money to be saved that way.

Stay tuned, more info to come next month on that topic.

And remember.....Make good choices and keep your head on a swivel.

– Big Jon



## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

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### Bikerday 2022

We are in the process of booking 2022's Bikerday at the State Capitol. We will have all the details by the October board meeting.

### Meeting of the Minds 2021

As you are reading this I will have returned from Atlanta. This is one of my favorite events of the year. You get to spend 4 days with the best freedom fighters in the country and always come home with more knowledge and enthusiasm for what we do. 2022 will be in Iowa so please plan on attending.

*Pray for the best, prepare for the worst,  
and expect the Unexpected.*

– Gary Goracke



## WAYS & MEANS REPORT

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### Next meeting(s):

October 3, Kingston Mini Market, Kingston,  
1:00 pm



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**Nothing new to report.**

## GAMBLING REPORT

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We had another successful raffle at this year's State Rally. Thank you to all who helped sell and those who bought tickets.

Again, on the Buddy Bear counts please remember to send all inventories counts into me and I will send out the information to those who need to know.

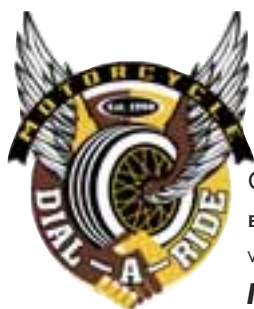
Remember, an audited count means you

put your eyes on the bears and count them!

### ***The winners of this year's raffles were:***

\$921 -----Gina Maningoine  
\$921 -----Jim McGee  
\$921 -----Tim Jensen  
\$921 -----Mike Halterman  
\$921 -----Chad Marchand  
\$921 -----Tim Olson  
\$2021 -----Sara Spain  
\$2021 -----Tom Goebal  
\$2021 -----Monte Gardner  
50/50 Winner -----Mitch Kells

– Dan Matzdorff



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**No Report.**

# Dial-A-Ride

## 2021 Season ends on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

## MEMBER OF THE MONTH



## Deidrik Wanderi

Deidrik, age 19, recently joined A.B.A.T.E. Heart of the Lakes Chapter. He works full time at Steve's Sanitation in Perham, Minnesota, and part time at the Wolf Lake Liquor Store.

Deidrik recently purchased his first motorcycle and loves the open road. He has plans to become more involved with A.B.A.T.E. and lay as much rubber down as he can.



## MRF REPORT

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Hello everyone,

I hope everyone enjoyed the State Rally and Meeting of the Minds in Atlanta. We will be sharing the 2022 legislative agenda in next month's issue.

Remember if you have a meeting or event that your chapter would like a MRF Rep at, please let me know and we will make every effort to be there.

Hope to see you at the next event.

– Farmer Jay MRF Rep

## Chili Contest at the State Rally



## Minnesota A.B.A.T.E. Passport Run

We have one month left of the passport season. We hope you have enjoyed using the 2021 passport book this year to plan your routes and take advantage of the discounts at all the stops! All money and any unsold passport books must be postmarked and mailed in by November 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are participating in the contest for signed stops, your passport book must be postmarked and mailed in by November 1<sup>st</sup>.

We will also be at the B.O.D. meeting in Rochester on October 15<sup>th</sup>. If you want to save on postage, you can have your chapter rep turn in your passport books and money at the meeting if you wish.

We are already planning for next year's 2022 Passport Run. It is never too early to start getting businesses signed up for stops in next year's book. If you would like to see more stops in your local area, or at your favorite establishment, please make copies of the new 2022 entry form (*see on page 12 of October Road*

*Noise*) and bring them a form to fill out and send in. Better yet, give them a self addressed stamped envelope to make sure they get it sent in, or offer to stop back and pick it up from them! All the info they need to know and where to mail it to is on the entry form. We hope next year's book will have even more sponsors and stops! All entry forms must be postmarked and mailed in by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

After Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 we will do our best to count all signed passports as soon as possible and announce the contest winners on our Facebook group. So stay tuned, and thank you for making the MN A.B.A.T.E. Passport Run such a huge success in order to support your motorcycle rights!

Any questions, comments or suggestions please contacts the Passport Run Committee:

Trashy Smith 612-708-9328

Joe Ruby 605-949-1366

Ingrid Cohen 763-516-7029



**5th Annual  
A.B.A.T.E.  
Passport Fun Run**

Dear business owner or manager,

Hello, my name is Jon Smith and I'm the Southwest District Director for ABATE of Minnesota. We are in the process of creating the 5th annual A.B.A.T.E. Passport Run, which will take place from May 1<sup>st</sup> – Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. This year there are three different ways to participate. You can be listed a sponsor of this event, as a stop inside the book, or both. As a passport run stop the people will come in with their passport and want you to sign and date the book. They must make a purchase first, which means more business for you! Sponsors will be listed in the front of the book, advertised on Facebook, and in our Road Noise publication. The fees help cover the cost of printing, ads, and prizes for the event. If you would like to donate any prizes for the event please include those with your entry form and fee(s). We are looking to print up to 500 booklets or more. The passports will be advertised and sold through thousands of ABATE members to anyone all across Minnesota! Recognition will be given to the business that receives the most stops!!

If you have any questions you can either email or call me at 612-708-9328, [Heritagesofttail60@yahoo.com](mailto:Heritagesofttail60@yahoo.com).  
If you're interested in participating in the Passport Run please fill out your information below:

Name of business \_\_\_\_\_

Street address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Hours \_\_\_\_\_

Specials/discounts for Passport Customers to list in the book:

\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Fee \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Passport Stop Fee \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Both \$50 \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*PASSPORT STOPS ONLY MUST HAVE A PLACE OF BUSINESS TO STOP AT\*\*\*

Send check or money order made out to ABATE or cash to the address below **before March 1st, 2022.**

Ingrid Cohen  
ABATE Passport Committee Secretary  
407 N Hubbard Ave  
Litchfield, MN 55355

Please indicate the name of the ABATE chapter and member who signed you up for the Passport Run:

Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Member \_\_\_\_\_

Fill Out One:

Check # enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Cash Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

# Veteran of the Month

## Jim Guza

Jim served 10 years in the Minnesota National Guard from 1994 to 2004 in the Litchfield Combat Engineers. The Combat Engineers, he tells me are the first ones into battle because they're mission is to clear the way of all mines and remove all other obstacles for the ground troops entering the field of combat.

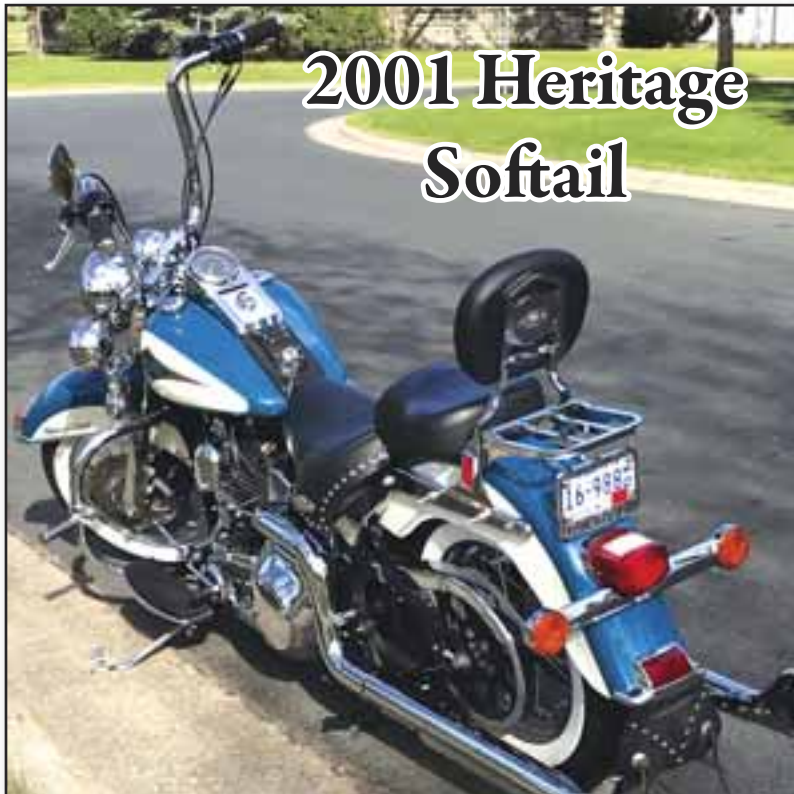
*Thanks Jim!*

*"Home of the Free, Because of the Brave"*



## BIKE OF THE MONTH

### 2001 Heritage Softail



Jay Pedersen, a sustaining Metro A.B.A.T.E. chapter member and Themadones MC Member, owns this 2001 Heritage Softail. Jay bought it new with 7 miles on it. 93,000 miles on it now, original engine with nothing but maintenance. Daily rider. Not for sale . . . ever!



**A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Inc.**  
**Tentative Board of Directors Meeting Agenda**

Saturday October 16, 2021, 9:00 AM • Best Western, Rochester, MN

**CALL TO ORDER**

9:00 AM Call to order .....Jane Doyle  
Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome ...Virgil Legried  
Invocation .....Edgar Burke  
Roll Call .....Michele Legried  
Agenda approval / changes .....Jane Doyle  
Secretary Report - July 2021 .....Michele Legried  
Treasurer's Report .....Michelle Backlund

**LEGISLATIVE REPORTS**

Legislative Director .....Gary Goracke  
Motorcycle PAC of MN .....Mark Senn  
NCOM (National Coalition of Motorcyclists) ..Frank Ernst  
MRF (Motorcycle Riders Foundation) .....Jay Hickok  
Write to Ride .....Frank Ernst

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*(Committee Chairs submit written reports, up to 5 minutes for verbal report, if more time needed request in advance)*

A.B.A.T.E. University .....Stephanie Christensen  
Education .....Paul Tjepkes  
Gambling .....Dan Matzdorff  
Buddy Bear Program .....Sharon Polman  
Membership and Member Retention ..Shelly Deutsch  
Products .....Kari Duncan  
Publications .....Tammy Winkels  
Rally .....Randy Prochazka  
Ways and Means .....Kristie Orn

**OTHER REPORTS**

State Office .....Shelly Deutsch  
MCDAR (Motorcycle Dial-A-Ride) ....Duane Tchida  
Motorcycle Safety Advisory Task Force ..Jon Fernholz  
Minnesota Motorcycle Club Coalition & Confederation  
of Clubs of MN .....Jane Doyle, Frank Ernst

**OLD BUSINESS**

Bikerday 2022  
Email server quote  
A.B.A.T.E. Manual Updates  
Chapter "Logo" Patches submitted for approval  
Mississippi Valley Chapter Discussion  
Webmaster - open position

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OFFICER REPORTS**

Treasurer .....Michelle Backlund  
Secretary .....Michele Legried  
Southeast District Director .....Virgil Legried  
Southwest District Director .....Jon Smith  
Northwest District Director .....Edgar Burke  
Northeast District Director .....Kent Verner  
Assistant State Coordinator .....Jim Orn  
Trustee .....Mack Backlund  
State Coordinator .....Jane Doyle

**ANNOUNCEMENTS /ADJOURNMENT**

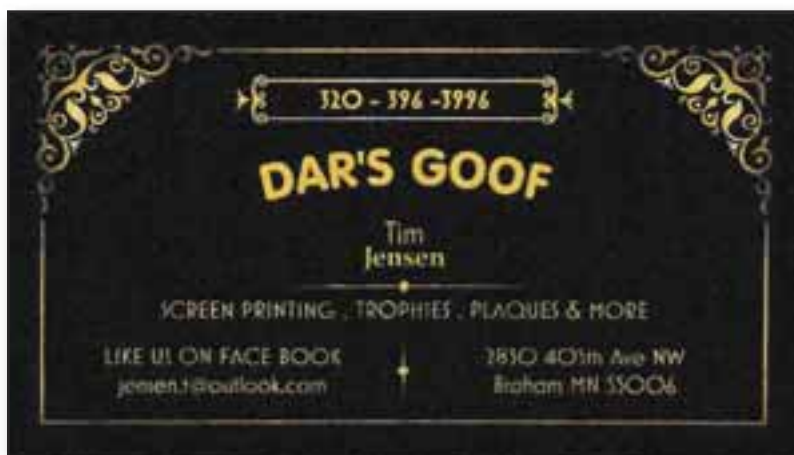
**BUSINESS OF THE MONTH**

**DAR'S GOOF**

Est. 2020 • Tim Jensen, Owner

**320-396-3996**

Dar's Goof was established with for the sale of the motorcycled sled pull shirts, plaques and trophies and expanded from there. They now do Silk Screening and Graphic Design for all types of shirts, t's, and tanks. Tim also does a full line of trophies and plaques for all your needs.







## **NORTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR**

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Howdy Folks:

Well, We just got back from an Awesome State Rally!!! One good weekend of Fun and Memories!! I would Like to THANK EVERYONE that helped at the Rally. Those that got everything to move smoothly. AGAIN, Thank You!

Next, we move on to riding and enjoying the fall colors and the beauty of the road. Watch out for DEER! They need to be in the freezer rather than the front wheel.

Looking to the Future . . .BIKERDAY 2022! Sure, hoping this can be a good day.

– Edgar

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### **FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS**

#### **Next Meeting(s):**

October 29<sup>th</sup>, Mercantile, Leaf Valley  
6:00 PM

#### **Upcoming Event(s):**

October 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota  
B.O.D., Best Western, Rochester

Greetings FFR members,

The rally was a great success and fun was had by all. The circus tent was a life saver on Thursday and Friday with the rain. Thanks, that all came out and attended. We had a decent size crew out there this year and would welcome more of you to join us next year.

October's meeting, we will be having our annual Halloween party, please dress up and I am sure there will be a lot of fun to be had. Maybe even a hayride if we can get

that together and weather permits.

See you on the road, Expect the Unexpected.

– Double G

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### **BORDERLAND**

**No Report Received**

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### **HEART OF THE LAKES**

**No Report Received**

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### **NORTH STAR**

**No Report Received**

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### **NORTHWEST**

**No Report Received**



# Chapter Grapevines



## SOUTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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Greetings Southeast District,

My apologies for not getting a report in the last few months. Life and work have been more hectic than normal this summer and I've got the feeling that this is going to be the "new" normal.

A big THANK YOU to everyone that came with to take Benny home to Illinois. It was an honor to share the ride with you all.

The Rally is in the books and from looks of things I think it was a success. One of my observations is we're all getting older according to the number of RV's on the grounds this year including ours.

As of August 25<sup>th</sup>, we've had 48 motorcyclists killed in crashes so far this year with some of them being way too close to home.

I got this from ABATE of Wisconsin's website, it's well worth the read. Hopefully the link is still good. <https://www.motorious.com/articles/features-3/banning-bkes-public-roads/>

– Virgil

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## FLATLANDERS

### Next Meeting(s):

October 23<sup>rd</sup>, TB-3's, Freeborn, 1:00 pm

November 20<sup>th</sup>, Servicemen's Club,

Blooming Prairie, 1:00 pm

Greetings Flatlanders,

The October Board meeting is October 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> at the Best Western in Rochester. If time and distance have been a deterrent, this is a convenient location to see firsthand how business is conducted at the State level. Check the Flatlanders Facebook page for the latest info.

Shiny side up.

– Linda

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## STRAIGHT RIVER

### Next Meeting(s):

October 9<sup>th</sup>, Reggie's Brewhouse,  
Owatonna, 1:00 pm

November 13<sup>th</sup>, Reggie's Brewhouse,  
Owatonna, 1:00 pm

December 11<sup>th</sup>, Reggie's Brewhouse,  
Owatonna, 1:00 pm

### Upcoming events:

November 13<sup>th</sup>, Fall Bash, Reggie's  
Brewhouse, Owatonna, 6:00 pm

Howdy Straight Jackets,

Our Fall Bash is next month, and we are still looking for silent auction items. We are also looking for someone to help with it. If you are interested, get a hold of me.

– Your Pres, Spanky



**Gerry and Paul presenting the  
Harley Heaven Donation.**

## TRI COUNTY

### Next Meeting(s):

October 7<sup>th</sup>, Cy's Bar and Grill, 7:00 pm  
 November 4<sup>th</sup>, Cy's Bar and Grill, 7:00 pm  
 December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Cy's Bar and Grill, 7:00 pm

Another Rally has come and gone. Lots of beer, lots of laughs, and a great time was had by all. We had a newer Tri-County couple plop their camper down right next to us by chance and I'm sure glad they did. A shout out to Jason and Tanya, can't wait to do it again! We also had an electrician miracle worker with us this year. Kelly found a way to get her string lights going using AAA batteries when it called for AA batteries. That



**Rally**

was awesome!

Also, I'd like to take some time to thank Gerry and Paul for their generous donation to Tri-County from the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Harley Heaven Bike Run. The weather was great this year and the bike run was a lot of fun as usual. I might just have to take a solo run to get ice cream in Elysian, that stuff was delicious.

It won't be long before people start using that four letter "S" word again. Hopefully the snow will hold off a little longer this year and we can all get a few more rides in.

Keep rollin' and I'm outta here.

– Big Jon

## SOUTHEAST LC

### Next Meeting(s):

October 10<sup>th</sup>, Rochester American Legion  
 Post, 11:00 am  
 November 21<sup>st</sup>, Rochester American Legion  
 Post, 11:00 am

### Upcoming Event(s):

October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota  
 Board of Directors meeting, Rochester

Back by popular demand! Not really, the President asked if I would sub one more time.

Attention members: We need your attendance and participation at our Chapter fundraiser. It takes place on Friday evening, October 15<sup>th</sup>, at the Rochester Best Western, 1517 16th St SW (near Apache Mall and TJ Maxx). The fundraiser will be in conjunction with the October Board of Directors meeting that continues into Saturday. Our Chapter is hosting this event. A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota

Officers and members from throughout the state will be there.

We are providing a hospitality room. Please bring a donation of pop, beer, wine, booze, mix and/or finger food type snacks. Clean out the liquor cabinet. Odds and ends are fine. We are also in need of silent auction items. Free up some space in the closet, garage, or under the bed and bring something to donate. If things work out, the "new" SE LC t-shirts and koozies will be available for sale. We need your support to make this a success. The fundraiser is open to the public. You are welcome to bring along your non-A.B.A.T.E. friends. A block of rooms is available at a reduced rate. Mention A.B.A.T.E. when making a reservation.

Beginning in November, the MEETING DAY is changed to the THIRD SUNDAY of the month. The time remains at 11:00 am. We welcome 11 new members and thank eight renewals for the month of June.





## RIVER VALLEY

### Next Meeting(s):

October 9<sup>th</sup>, Jerry's Place

### Upcoming Event(s):

October 9<sup>th</sup>, Ditch Cleanup and After Party

Hello All! We held our River Valley Gives Back Ride/Fundraiser on August 21<sup>st</sup>, along with Echo Food Shelf, with a great turnout! It was a beautiful day with around 79 bikes on the ride. It was a wonderful fun-filled time with many friends old and new! Thank you to all that helped make it a success!

What a fun weekend at the Rally! So many memories made with some awesome people! A huge thank you to Randy and the Rally committee for putting on an amazing Rally! Shelly once again you rocked in the registration area and everything else you did! (She does so much!). Chad, Cane, Savannah, Heather, and Kevin, you guys did

an amazing job with security and keeping everyone safe! John "Bugs" Brantner would have been proud of you! River Valley Sargent of Arms thank you for stepping up and helping with security and anywhere else you were needed! Our member Scott and his crew with Asshole Garage and Tire thank you for going above and beyond to keep a biker safe this weekend, proud to not only have you all as members of River Valley but also as friends! We had 77 members at the Rally this year including five past Presidents! Thank you all for the memories! Can't wait for next year!

Please remember to support our fellow Chapter's fundraisers! As always, keep the shiny side up!

– Big D, President



# Chapter Grapevines



## SOUTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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Well here it is October where has the summer gone? For all chapters that signed out Passports please turn in the money and unused one's to Ingrid you can bring them to the B.O.D. in October. I want to thank everyone that helped at the Rally. Now if we could just get more to help on Monday for tear down and cleanup.

– Jon W Smith

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## GLACIAL RIDGE

### Next Meeting(s):

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Heidi's Bar, Sedan, 6:00 pm

November 6<sup>th</sup>, Heidi's Bar, Sedan, 6:00 pm

December 4<sup>th</sup>, Heidi's Bar, Sedan, 6:00 pm

### Upcoming Event(s):

October 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, B.O.D. meeting, Best Western, Rochester

December 4<sup>th</sup>, Santa Day, Heidi's Bar, Sedan, 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Greetings people,

Well the State Rally has come and gone, and although I don't have any numbers, I think it was a pretty good turn out. I saw a lot of people I haven't seen in a while, met some new ones, and just had a good time, although the couple days of rain kind of sucked.

For those who didn't know Tony Rooney has sold the bar in Sedan, where we have our meetings. The bar is now called Heidi's Bar, and we will continue to have our meetings there.

Now we will turn our attention to Santa Day coming December 4<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm at Heidi's Bar in Sedan. Everyone is welcome to bring the kids out to see Santa. More details on everything happening that

day next month.

The B.O.D. is in a couple weeks in Rochester and if you haven't been to one you should really go. There is always something you'll learn and always a good time.

One last thing the weather is finally cooling off, which means leaves are changing colors, but also the deer are more active, so keep alert when out there people.

Keep your knees in the breeze. Be safe.

– Hives

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## BUFFALO RIDGE

### Next Meeting(s):

October 9<sup>th</sup>, City Hall Bar and Grill, Minneota, 11:30 am

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, City Hall Bar and Grill, Minneota, 6:30 pm

December 4<sup>th</sup>, Dave's Muscle Cars, Lynd, 2:00 pm

### Upcoming Event(s):

October 9<sup>th</sup>, Ride to follow after the meeting  
October 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, B.O.D. meeting,

Best Western, Rochester

December 4<sup>th</sup>, Potluck and Gift Exchange, Dave's Muscle Cars, Lynd

## ROLLING PRAIRIE

### Next Meeting (s):

October, TBD, watch our Facebook page for updates - Rolling Prairie

### Upcoming Event(s):

October 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, BOD meeting, Best Western, Rochester

Welcome Fall! There is still time to log a few miles on the bikes but watch out for those pesky four-legged creatures.

We wish to say a HUGE THANK YOU to Andy and Mandy Fisch for building, painting, and storing the crosses for our annual Fallen Friends Memorial Run. We wouldn't be able to keep the crosses up to date without their help. Also, thank you to Duane Hooze for conducting the Memorial Service before the run. Your words always mean so much to us. Thank you also to the Butterfield Fire Department for feeding us after the run. Also, to Buckshots Bar and Grill for hosting.

We will next start planning for our Annual Chili Feed to be held next year.

I think that is all for now. Until we meet again Ride Safe.

– Giggles

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## SOUTHWEST

### Next Meeting (s):

November 5<sup>th</sup>, Rushmore School, Rushmore, 7:00 pm  
December meeting TBD

### Upcoming Event(s):

October 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, B.O.D. meeting, Best Western, Rochester

The December meeting will be at our Annual Christmas party, date, and location, for that, has yet to be determined. Hope to see you there!

In next Road Noise, we will have info, on how the Memory Ride, for our dear friend and A.B.A.T.E. member, Al Ennenga went. Plans are coming together, quite nicely. Oh, how we miss him!

We hope that COVID 19 becomes a very ugly memory soon. Do what you got to do to stay well!

Please keep our military and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Remember the 13 soldiers that recently gave their all, in Afghanistan.

Stay well, stay safe

– BAM

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## SOUTH CENTRAL

### Next Meeting (s):

October 6<sup>th</sup>, Valley Inn, Eden Valley, 7:00 pm  
November 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mug Shots Bar and Grill, Cosmos, 7:00 pm  
December 1<sup>st</sup>, Mug Shots Bar and Grill, Cosmos, 7:00 pm

### Upcoming Event(s):

October 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, B.O.D. meeting, Best Western, Rochester  
November 27<sup>th</sup>, Toys For Kids, Litchfield Eagles Club, Litchfield

What an awesome State Rally we had! A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered to help make it a safe and successful fun time. Everything was perfect from the entertainment, the games, and pulls to the food vendors. Personally, my favorite part was the chance to reconnect with all the distant A.B.A.T.E. family members and the chance to welcome the new ones. If you know me, you know I am a hugger. Let me tell you, I got my fill of them that weekend.

The good Lord blessed us with a fabulous riding season, and I hope everyone got plenty of wind therapy. Sadly, we lost a few members of our A.B.A.T.E. Family this year. Their bodies may have left this earth, but their spirits will live forever as our Guardian Angels. Although the riding season may be nearing the end there are still plenty of events throughout the fall and winter in which we can be together and help our other Chapters and communities. Mark your calendars for the South Central's Toys for Kids on Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup>, the weekend after Thanksgiving. We are always looking for help with silent auction items. If you would like to donate items, please contact Kristy LaPlante at (320) 282-6851. Please look for the flyer in this issue of the Road Noise for details.

UNITED... WE RIDE FREE!!!

– Dougie Cohen, Vice President



## LAKE

### Next Meeting (s):

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Chris Kalway's home,  
Howard Lake, 3:00 pm

### Upcoming Event(s):

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ditch pick up, St. Boni,  
1:00 pm

October 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, BOD meeting,  
Best Western, Rochester

It was a great time at the State Rally. Scott and Gaida got married and many of us were there to see it. Congratulations to you both!! The entertainment was awesome, and the bike games were a lot of fun. If you didn't make it this year, make plans now to attend in 2022.



**Gear Heads**

We did get some memberships at the Gear Head Get together. A BIG thanks to everyone who helped man the table. They handed out Start Seeing Motorcycle stickers too.

Our chapter had some steel license plate frames made. Come to a meeting to get yours.

The Rockford Hall has been reserved for Grounded Hogs and advanced tickets are available. If you have new ideas for our Chapter's largest fundraiser, please attend a meeting and let us know.

That's all for this month. Let's hope to continue seeing warm weather for some fun fall riding.

– Later, Mitch'n



**Scott and Gaida's wedding.**

# WAY WEST

## Next Meeting (s):

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Madison VFW, Madison,  
12:00 pm at noon...ditch pickup to follow.

## Upcoming Event(s):

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Way West Ditch Cleanup  
following the meeting

October 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, B.O.D. meeting, Best  
Western, Rochester

Greetings all!

Another fun Rally in the books. Thanks Way West members for stepping up to the plate and helping with security, the gate, putting up the stage and for an awesome set of bike games once again! You rock. Thanks to Head Shot and Captain America for taking it for the team! Again, thank you Chapter for taking care of Gypsy Mama when I needed it. You're the best!

Did you all see the Neon Mama and Princess donning their glow in the dark costumes? Priceless.

Our winter meeting schedule is now in effect. We will be meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at noon. We will be visiting various sponsors of the Passport Run. Watch the Road Noise and web page for locations.

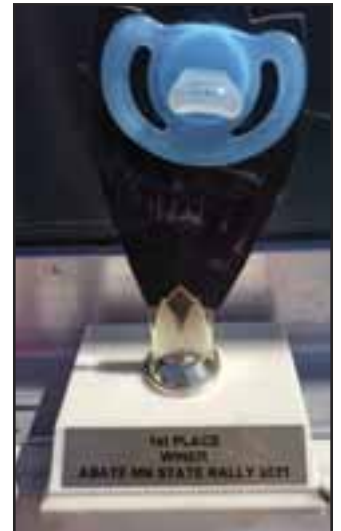
It's a great time of year,  
weather wise for  
riding. Be safe!

Keep your knees in  
the breeze.

– Gypsy Mama



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# Chapter Grapevines



## NORTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

**KENT VERNER**

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Happy Fall, my most favorite time of year. Warm days, cool nights, great riding! The State Rally is over, hope you all had a great time. At work we are shorthanded and I had to cover a co-worker's vacation, three weekends in a row, my life. Last month I talked about the rider's responsibility in the seat. This month I'd like to mention the responsibility of others to respect us. **THAT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN!** Everyone is driving around with their hair on fire trying to get to Walmart, you are the last thing on their minds. Ride with your head on a swivel and be safe. Hope to see a lot of you at the BOD in Rochester.

– Pedro

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## EAST CENTRAL

### Next Meeting(s):

October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Legion, St. Francis, 11:00 am

Hello to all members and friends,

My last Road Noise report was reporting and reviewing our Summer Thunder Run. I missed the paragraph about Kelly and Jim Pierson, East Central Fundraising Members. I was moving paragraphs around in order, the problem was one paragraph had dropped down. I didn't proofread my report before submitting it, a huge mistake on my behalf. I was rushing late at night to meet the deadline. I would like to personally apologize for my error to both Jim and Kelly Pierson.

Jim and Kelly Pierson did a great job of planning this event. A ride drawn up by Jim and Kelly with a pre-ride by the chapter a few weeks prior to check road conditions and bar/grill stops. Proper planning made all the difference and lots of work by Jim and Kelly. Thanks to their effort's this run went off well. Only one change of a bar/grill stop due to another planned event at that location. All in all, a great run with some excellent compliments from other chapters on all their work to make our run a great success. Our road guards made all the

difference. The training really paid off and it showed.

I also need to apologize to both Roger and Linda Ball. I didn't include their names in the list of road guards at this run. I personally would like to thank them both for volunteering.

I was told not to use names when writing a report. If you miss just one it will be taken as a personal insult. I will no longer do this in my report. Volunteers make every event possible and missing names in the Road Noise is inappropriate.

The State Rally was a great success. **Great White** did a great performance and all the other bands did as well. Excellent field games, sled pull, and Memorial Run with pancake breakfast by the Boy Scouts. The community came out to see our motorcycle parade thru the town of Litchfield. The weather on the weekend was perfect. There were many entries in the Motorcycle Show. Excellent Fashion Show and Tattoo Contest as well. I will be attending the rally committee meeting in October at the B.O.D. with more info to follow up on.

Try to sign up a friend or someone new to motorcycling!

– Your V.P. Jim



## JACK PINE RIDERS

### Next Meeting(s):

October 17<sup>th</sup>, Bears Den, Bruno, 2:00 pm

November 21<sup>st</sup>, Ryders Bar and Grill, Henriette,  
2:00 pm

December 19<sup>th</sup>, Cricket Bar, Rock Creek, 2:00 pm

### Upcoming Event(s):

December 19<sup>th</sup>, Jack Pine Riders Annual  
Christmas Party, Cricket Bar, Rock Creek

Our December meeting will be followed by the Annual Christmas Party. There will be food, drinks, white elephant and more! All are welcome. Next roadside cleanup will be in May 2022. The last cleanup had a great turn out. Thank you to all who helped out with this worthwhile endeavor.

July, August and September ... where did they go? Hope you all did a lot of riding. Weather was nice, if you like it hot. Wisconsin "Summer Hummer", Iowa "Freedom Rally", The Jack Pine Riders "Upper Kettle River Shakedown", Sturgis and the A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Rally. All amazing events, unique in their own way. Other Chapter events and rides played out nicely for a well-rounded summer.

Special thanks to Jack Pine Riders Ice and wood delivery service at the State Rally. Dial-A-Ride had a few calls and showed what a valuable service they offer. Great job everyone. Some of the best riding of the season is still ahead. Enjoy the fall colors. Get out and take it all in. Always keep safety in mind.

For more events, check the Road Noise "Calendar of Events"... also be sure to check your sister Chapter's Grapevine's for more info.

For updated chapter/events and information, log on to our website:

<http://www.jackpineriders.org>

Or check out the Jack Pine Riders Facebook page.

– Respectfully, The Grapevine Jesus

## NORTH EAST

### Next Meeting(s):

October 6<sup>th</sup>, the Chalet, Hermantown, 6:30 pm

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, The Chalet, Hermantown, 6:30 pm

Hello all,

Summer's over and I can't believe how fast it went. Every weekend had an event or four to go to as well as the State Rally having come and gone. By the time you read this our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Chic's Billboard Ride will have also come and gone. We're expecting a good crowd for a great cause. I'll update people on how it went in the next grapevine.

It's been a weird year and I'm just plain tired, so this will be a shorter than usual article. One bit of good news is that our chapter membership is up and several of the new members are quite a bit younger than most of us, which is the key to survival. We can thank our vice president Parrish Silbernagle for most of the increase as he's been a tireless advocate for A.B.A.T.E. over the last six months or so since the state opened back up.

That's about all I have energy for this month.

– Ride safe, Ed

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## UP NORTH

No Report

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## METRO

No Report

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**Road Noise  
needs a Webmaster  
for A.B.A.T.E.'S Website**  
If you are interested contact your  
Chapter President or Jane  
for more information.



## SAND DUNES

### Next Meeting(s):

October 6<sup>th</sup>, KJ's

Refuge,

Orrock, 6:00 pm

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, KJ's

Refuge, Orrock,

6:00 pm

December 1<sup>st</sup>, KJ's

Refuge, Orrock,

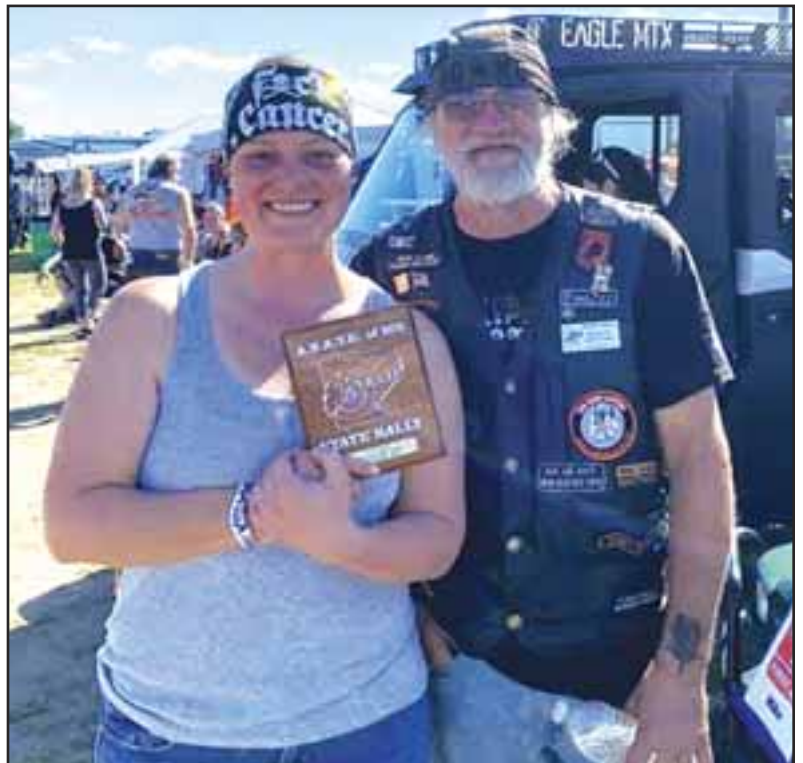
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Summer is winding down, but there's still lots of great riding to be had before the snow and salt end the season.

I hope you made it out to your State Rally. Attendance was good and aside from some rain on Thursday it couldn't have been nicer. Sand Dunes members took home plaques in the fashion show, bike games, chili cook off and bike show.

Thank you to all the chapter members who attended, volunteered, and participated in your State Rally. It was awesome to see and a whole lot of fun.

– Until next time, ride safe.







**Central Chapter at the 2021 State Rally!**

## CENTRAL

### Next Meeting(s):

October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Stoney's Bar, Rockville, 12:00pm

- Local ride to follow

November 7<sup>th</sup>, Stoney's Bar, Rockville,

12:00pm - Local ride to follow (weather permitting)



Man, it has been a crazy, fun filled month! We wish the weather could've been better for our Biker Bash in Hillman but boy did we make the most of it! Rain or shine we were ready! Crimson Edge stole the show Friday and we danced the night away. Saturday's storm was a bit of a burden but thankfully it passed without any issues and we still had a great time. Big thanks to our dedicated A.B.A.T.E. diehards.

The following weekend was the State Rally. Camping was a blast, great vendors, the bands were AWESOME, and the bike pulls and games had a great turnout. Not to mention all of the trophy's Central took home including our VP Travis "Ruffles" with his 3<sup>rd</sup> annual, 1<sup>st</sup> place bike pulls trophy.

I'm personally sad these weekends have passed so quickly but I'm so excited to attend these events next year!

Keep in mind the fun still continues with our original Fun Run October 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at Stoney's, signup starts at 11:00 am and kickstands up at noon!

Embrace the beautiful fall riding y'all: Please Remember: If you ride, don't drink - if you drink, don't ride! Please call 888-342-5743 (888-DIALRID[E]).

\*Vroom Vroom\* Ride Safe out there folks!

- Veronica Burkland



## State Rally Photos, page 27-31



# STATE RALLY

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## 2021 Bike Show Winners

**Full Custom:**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place - Paul Getz,**  
**Straight River;**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Angie**  
**San Dunes**



**Semi Custom Dresser:**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place - Kyle**  
**Katchmae,**  
**Freedom First Riders**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Dennis**  
**River Valley**



**Vintage: 1<sup>st</sup> Place -**  
**Jim Kreitlow, Lake**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Mark,**  
**Lake**



**Trike 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Mark**  
**Carlson, South Central**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Tad Lofftert,**  
**South Central**



**Rat 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Damian**  
**Amberg, South Central**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Asshole,**  
**River Valley**

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**Mini Bike 1<sup>st</sup> Place -**  
**Nick, Lake**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Canie,**  
**River Valley**





# STATE RALLY

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**Best of Show  
and Semi Custom Standard 2<sup>nd</sup> Place:  
Jim McGee, Flatlanders**

**2021  
Bike  
Show  
Winners**



**Best Paint: 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Kyle Kothmarier,  
Freedom First Riders**



**Whiner: "Should Have Won!"**



**Semi Custom Standard 1<sup>st</sup> Place -  
Jay Peterson, Metro**





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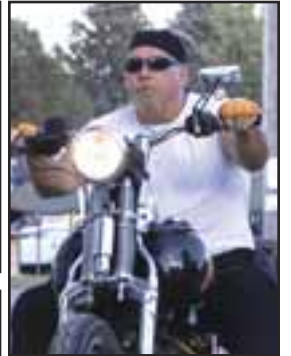
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## BUFFALO RIDGE

Kurt Anderson ..... R  
Tanner / Tegan Giles ..... R  
Mike Hodges ..... R  
James / Debra Horejsi ..... R  
Bob McLean ..... R  
James Mihin ..... R  
Jerry Wolff ..... R

## CENTRAL

Dawn Anderson ..... R  
James / Pauline Anderson ..... R  
Gary Douvier ..... R  
Chad / Lisa Fuchs ..... R  
James Halupczok /  
RoseyAnn Anderson ..... R  
Paul Hoeschen ..... R  
Nathan Middendorf ..... R  
Travis Rolfes/Lindsey Buchite ..... R  
Devin Strom ..... N  
Tyler / Megan Weyer ..... N  
Clayton Willard ..... R

## EAST CENTRAL

Isaac / Alexis Barlow ..... R  
Zeke Clausen ..... R  
Jason Ihry ..... N  
Richard Jackson ..... N  
Adam Lawrence ..... N  
Darrick Miller ..... R  
Paul / Cindi Vogel ..... R

## FLATLANDERS

Doug Adams /Jennifer Turvold ... R  
John Krell ..... R

## FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS

Jeff Beattie ..... R  
Terry / Rachel Narveson ..... R  
Jeff / Michelle Saiko ..... R

## GLACIAL RIDGE

David Johns/ Sandra Fahje ..... R

## HEART OF THE LAKES

Leroy Cook ..... R  
Tonya Olson ..... N  
Carl Pieper ..... R  
James Scott ..... R

## JACK PINE RIDERS

LeAnn Anderson ..... R  
Dean Hansen ..... N  
Ed / Rebecca Melzark ..... R

Richard / Linda Nelson ..... R  
Chris Palmer ..... N  
Aaron Scheuermann /  
Amanda Nelson ..... R  
Linda Vork ..... N

## LAKE

Kelly Ahner ..... R  
Kevin Brase ..... R  
Bruce Bray ..... R  
Hugh Scott Brown ..... R  
John / Gloria Dewey ..... R  
Jeff / Sarah Hochstedler ..... R  
Jim Holcomb ..... R  
Jared / Casie Jordan ..... R  
Mark Karsten ..... N  
Michael Kiely ..... N  
Zachary Parker ..... N  
Ron Pehl ..... N  
Mike Potter ..... N  
Kimmer Robertson /Joe Dawson . R  
Jeffrey Schefers ..... R  
Scott Trout ..... R  
Wayne Vandenboom ..... R  
Nathan Winkle ..... N  
Ronald D Zenzen ..... N

## METRO

Allen Austad ..... N  
Stephen Brown ..... R  
Pat Burke R .....  
Jennifer Crill ..... R  
Danny Davis ..... N  
Gary Feyen ..... R  
Amy Grey ..... N  
Greg Griswold ..... N  
Jeffrey Henneman/ Daisy Zawaski R  
Michael Hill ..... N  
David "Doc" Kane ..... R  
Jodi Ollanketo / Kat Hill ..... N  
Cameron Seibert ..... N  
Edward Waste ..... R  
Stephen D Waste ..... N

## NORTHEAST

Derrik Mosiniak ..... R

## NORTH STAR

David Mathisen ..... R

## NORTHWEST

Deb Butler ..... R

Ben / Ashley Hand ..... R  
Wayne (Rat) Sirjord ..... R

## RIVER VALLEY

James Fisher ..... N  
Eric Heirmeier ..... R  
Matthew Kluck ..... R  
Anthony Meisinger ..... R  
Robert Sullivan ..... R  
Peter Van Duynhoven ..... R

## ROLLING PRAIRIE

Austin Black ..... N  
Chuck Guggisberg ..... N  
Cody / Maddy Keim ..... R  
John Kelly / Mariah Schmidt ..... R  
Brian Kiehl ..... N  
Neil "Castro" Kuchenbecker ..... R  
David Leinenweber/ Lynette ..... R  
Dean Smith ..... R

## SAND DUNES

Shaun Christensen/Stephanie .... R  
Keith /Sheila Jacobs ..... R  
Chris Mahan ..... R  
Rick Rohwer ..... R

## SOUTH CENTRAL

Rod / Lore Lewerenz ..... R  
Del Liebrez ..... R  
Troy Olson / Joyce Compart ..... R  
Robbi /Jolene Ramler ..... N  
Josh Schmitz /Laura Curry ..... N  
Tim Stocker ..... R

## SOUTHEAST LC

Michael Feuerhak ..... N  
Chris Hughes ..... N  
Ethan Snyder ..... N  
Jordan Youngs/ Brihtnie Jared ... N

## TRI-COUNTY

Dennis Maciej ..... R  
Al Stepka ..... R

## UP NORTH

Kitty Renee Coalbank ..... R  
Sharon Polman ..... R  
James Rahnasto ..... R

## WAY WEST

Jason Hamre ..... N  
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Cheryl L Szarke ..... N  
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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
10/1/21	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Rushmore School, Rushmore	7:00 PM
10/2/21	Central Chapter Fun Run	Starts at Stoney's Bar, Rockville	
10/2/21	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Heidi's Bar, Sedan	6:00 PM
10/2/21	Lake Chapter Ditch Pick Up	St. Boni	1:00 PM
10/2/21	Lake Chapter Meeting	Chris Kalway's Home, Howard Lake	3:00 PM
10/2/21	Way West Chapter Meeting	VFW, Madison	12:00 PM
10/2/21	Way West Chapter Ditch Cleanup	Following meeting	
10/3/21	Central Chapter Meeting	Stoney's Bar, Rockville	12:00 PM
10/3/21	East Central Chapter Meeting	St. Francis Legion, St. Francis	11:00 AM
10/3/21	Publication Committee Meeting	Kingston Mini Mart, Kingston	2:00 PM
10/3/21	Ways and Means Committee Meeting	Kingston Mini Mart, Kingston	1:00 PM
10/6/21	North East Chapter Meeting	The Chalet, Hermantown	6:30 PM
10/6/21	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	KJ's Refuge, Orrock	6:00 PM
10/6/21	South Central Chapter Meeting	Valley Inn, Eden Valley	7:00 PM
10/7/21	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Cy's Bar and Grill,	7:00 PM
10/8/21	Heart of the Lake Chapter Meeting	TBD	7:00 PM
10/9/21	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	City Hall Bar & Grill, Minneota	11:30 AM
10/9/21	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato, Ditch Cleanup and After Party	12:00 PM
10/9/21	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Reggie's Brewhouse, Owatonna	1:00 PM
10/10/21	River Riders Chapter Meeting	Trappers bar and Grill, Circle Pines	11:00 AM
10/10/21	South East L.C. Chapter Meeting	Rochester American Legion	11:00 AM
10/10/21	Up North Chapter Meeting	Old Calumet Saloon	2:00 PM
10/12/21	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
10/15/21	Rally Committee Meeting	Bestern Western, Rochester	8:00 PM
10/16/21	ABATE of Minnesota B.O.D.	Bestern Western, Rochester	9:00 AM
10/17/21	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Bears Den, Bruno	2:00 PM
10/23/21	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	TB-3's, Freeborn	1:00 PM
11/3/21	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	City Hall Bar & Grill, Minneota	6:30 PM
11/3/21	North East Chapter Meeting	The Chalet, Hermantown	6:30 PM
11/3/21	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	KJ's Refuge, Orrock	6:00 PM
11/3/21	South Central Chapter Meeting	Mugshots Bar & Grill, Cosmos	7:00 PM
11/4/21	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Cy's Bar and Grill,	7:00 PM
11/5/21	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Rushmore School, Rushmore	7:00 PM
11/6/21	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Heidi's Bar, Sedan	6:00 PM
11/7/21	Central Chapter Meeting	Stoney's Bar, Rockville	12:00 PM
11/7/21	Publication Committee Meeting	phone meeting	11:30 AM
11/9/21	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
11/13/21	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Reggie's Brewhouse, Owatonna	1:00 PM
11/13/21	Straight River Fall Bash	Reggie's Brewhouse, Owatonna	6:00 PM
11/21/21	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Ryders Bar and Grill, Henriette	2:00 PM
11/21/21	South East L.C. Chapter Meeting	Rochester American Legion	11:00 AM
11/27/21	South Central Toys for Kids	Eagles Club, Litchfield	
12/1/21	South Central Chapter Meeting	Mugshots Bar & Grill, Cosmos	7:00 PM
12/1/21	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	KJ's Refuge, Orrock	6:00 PM
12/2/21	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Cy's Bar and Grill,	7:00 PM
12/4/21	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	Exchange	2:00 PM
12/4/21	Glacial Ridge Santa Day	Heidi's Bar, Sedan Meeting to follow at 6:00 pm	2 - 5:00 PM
12/4/21	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Dave's Muscle Cars, Lynd	6:00 PM
12/11/21	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Reggie's Brewhouse, Owatonna	1:00 PM
12/19/21	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Cricket Bar, Rock Creek	2:00 PM





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