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- 4) Meeting Updates, Important News, Comments

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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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I would like to set the record straight. A.B.A.T.E. of MN is NOT APPOSED to electric bikes or cars! We simply oppose mandates dictating the percentage of electric vehicles that dealerships must sell.

A.B.A.T.E. of MN is pro-choice on motorcycle rights issues, including the type of motorcycles available for purchase. Electric bikes are here and will continue to be on the market. However, they do not fit everyone's lifestyle. We should all be entitled to ride the bike that fits us, and our needs as individuals. As technology changes we need to adapt. We welcome all riders, on ALL types of bikes!

Are you enjoying the beautiful riding weather and spending time on the road with friends? Let's all support each other and enjoy the rest of the summer.

See you at the A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally!

– Jane





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Well we made it to the rally and I hope everyone is having fun or had fun.

As we move forward at your meetings I hope you were discussing the dues increase. This was brought up at the July B.O.D. We asked your Chapter Rep to bring it back to discuss an increase in dues, so we will be able to do a little bit more moving forward with A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota.

I know there will be a lot of discussion at your chapter meetings (as was at our chapter meeting) about different prices, where the money is going and things like that. What you need to do as a chapter is to give your chapter rep a feel for how you feel about the increase as a chapter, so he or she can come back to the meeting and make an executive decision on how the chapter feels and move forward. We will be taking a vote on this at the October B.O.D.

We do have a marketing director now that will have some good ideas on how to promote A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota. And sometimes it takes a little money to advertise about who we are and what we do.

Do you know the membership fee has not changed since A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota has started.

Till next time.

– Jim



#### LEGISLATIVE REPORT

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#### NHTSA:

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has jumped on the band wagon of putting speed limiters in all new cars. The European Union announced this week that it was happening there. Why does the U.S. have to succumb to peer pressure? There was no mention of motorcycles, but my guess it won't be far behind.

#### **Candidate Survey:**

We will be coming out with a a survey for this year's election. The survey will be published in the October Road Noise. The survey will be sent to the candidates after the August 9<sup>th</sup> primaries.

#### HF1588/SF358, Older motorcycles flat tax imposition in lieu of sales tax:

I would like you to pass this on to your chapter. Let's all sit down next week and write our Senators and Representatives and ask them to pass this bill. If we could get 500 or more letters sent out, we may get some movement on this bill this fall.

Pray for the best, prepare for the worse, and expect the Unexpected.

– Gary Goracke



#### MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TASK FORCE

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As I reported at the July B.O.D., the task force meeting was a week after. With meetings scheduled every other month, progress with our new leader is slow. However, each meeting progress has been made. For example, Jay just sent out crash statistics today without any poking or prodding. This will take some time but we are headed in the right direction.

During the meeting we reviewed the proposed 2023 fiscal year budget for the Minnesota Motorcycle Safety Center. If approved, we will be looking at approximately \$300,000 more in funds this coming year. It seems to me that the fruits of A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota's grassroots efforts are beginning to pay off. The funds from the increased motorcycle endorsement/permit fee legislation have begun to roll in. I won't get into too many details, but the encouraging highlights are; 24 new motorcycles for the Beginner Rider Course fleet and funds for more rider coaches. With the current high demand for rider training, the supply of rider coaches is now a limitation of the demand. If you are interested in coaching, please contact me.

We also had a really interesting discussion on the current crash fatality statistics. As I have been writing and talking about recently, the high number of unendorsed/unpermitted rider fatalities (currently at 41%) and the possible correlation with the high number of 40-49 year old fatalities. A rider coach on the task force shared student rider survey information from intermediate, advanced, and expert rider courses. The 40-49 year old group had the lowest percentage of participation in these courses. This is an interesting stat I will definitely keep an eye on. Please keep in mind, these percentages are based on students that chose to fill out the survey.

Also, if a course is contracted, there are no surveys to fill out. Speaking of contracting a rider training course, if your chapter is looking to do this, but isn't sure how to go about doing it, please contact me. I would be HAPPY to help you.

Towards the end of the last meeting, we discussed the possibility of the task force issuing a proclamation next May for motorcycle safety month.

I'll see ya down the road folks. Make good choices and keep your head on a swivel.

– Big Jon



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At the June NCOM convention Ed Sheeter presented his presentation on the "Demise of Gasoline Powered Vehicle." Although similar to the presentation that he did at A.B.A.T.E. U., 2022, there were a few additions. He told of an experience he had with a person stopping at one of the dealerships he works with and having to stay and wait while the battery in his vehicle was recharged. He also talked about new information being shared by one of the manufactures of EV (Electric Vehicles) and their estimate that under best conditions the vehicle had an estimated range of 120 miles.

Now imagine that vehicle is being used in a very hot or very cold Minnesota environment. We know batteries are negatively affected by extreme temperature variations hot or cold. We will also need to consider if the occupants of the vehicle wanted to use air conditioning in the summer or heater and defrosters in the winter, that power all comes from the battery. What does that do to the under good conditions 120 mile range?

Ed's presentation brought about a great deal of discussion concerning range and recharge times. There was also a lot of talk about other problems with EVs, battery manufacturing issues, battery life, replacement battery cost, used battery disposal. Many issues brought up were more problematic than others but there were a lot of issues identified.

I am still surprised when this topic comes up and this discussion takes place. Many people talk like we are going to stop the manufacturing and sale of EVs. Surprise we won't stop it. What are our options, what can we do? My suggestion is we treat this just like so many other things we have dealt with in the motorcycle community, stop mandates!

If a manufacturer chooses to build an EV and a consumer chooses to buy and drive an EV so be it, why would I let that concern me.

That said if our government tells me that I can no longer buy or drive my gasoline powered vehicle to a ball game, this is what I can try to do something about. We have heard a great deal of talk about some states prohibiting gasoline powered lawn equipment and working to put quotas on the percentage of vehicles sold that must be electric or restricting the number that may be gasoline. We know announcements have been made that there are those in federal government and in many states including Minnesota that support these positions. This is where I will direct my energy, remove mandates, allow free choice.

What are we going to do? We have an election coming up very soon, let's be informed. How does the candidate you support feel about restricting gasoline powered vehicles? How does the candidate you support feel about having gasoline that is safe and suitable for use in our vehicles available? How do the candidates feel about free choice on these and other matters? These are questions we need to ask and need to have answered.

Here is my suggestion, reach out and talk with or write to candidates that you would be considering supporting, ask their position. If they don't give you answers you can agree with or if they don't give you answers then you need to consider that when you make your decision.

It is your vote use it wisely!

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#### STATE TREASURER

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State Rally time! I am sure it will be another great time. Make sure to support the vendors and stop by the A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Products booth to see what new items Kari has for us. That's all for now.

– Mitch



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Hello all!

Congratulations to Jay and Melissa on your wedding! I was very honored to be in attendance for your beautiful wedding in almost Canada.

I hope you all have a great time at our State Rally!

Thank you to all those that worked shifts throughout the Rally.

If you weren't there and want Products, please email me with your requests and I will try to have it for you at the October B.O.D.

If you have suggestions, ideas, or comments, please email me and I will try to help you with all your product needs.

Remember if your chapter is having a fundraiser and would like State Products there or need something for door prizes or auction items, let me know and I will try to help you out.

If your chapter is in need of patches, please remember to email me at least one month prior to the next B.O.D. so I have time to get things ordered if need be.

I think that is all for now, but I'm sure I will think of something else later on.

Keep the shiny side up,

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– State Products Manager



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Things are coming in pretty slow lately, there has been a lot of returned mail coming back. Please remember after moving let the State Office know of your address change.

The 800 number was discontinued over a year ago, it was supposed to be taken off the expired post cards too, but wasn't... so when calling in there is no need to tell me it's not working.

Just a reminder, write clearly, make sure all info is correct & use zip codes!

See you down the road...

- Shelly Deutsch, State Office

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Next meeting(s):

September 11<sup>th</sup>, by phone 11:00 am

September already the summer has flown by. Our Rally is over, and I hope everyone had a great time and was able to snap a picture of a vendor/business, bike, member or veteran during the Rally and our folders will be filling up.

There will be a Voter's guide in the October issue, make sure you check it out.

We have a new Marketing Chair, Harmony Lillie. We also have a change in the Education Chair, John Fernholz. Thank them when you see them.

– Tammy

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#### MRF Inducted Into Sturgis Motorcycle Museum The Motorcycle Riders Foundation was inducted into The Sturgis Motorcycle Museum and

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation was inducted into The Sturgis Motorcycle Museum and Hall of Fame this year at the rally. The MRF would like to thank all of our supporters, like Lake Chapter and A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota.



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#### Upcoming Event(s):

September 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, Meeting of the Minds, Des Moines, Iowa

Hello freedom fighters,

It's been a while since I have written an article and I am sorry for that. There are a few things that have happened and are coming up in the next few weeks. This year the MRF was inducted into the Sturgis Hall of Fame for the Freedom Fighter category during the annual Sturgis Rally. This is a great accomplishment for the MRF to be recognized as an organization that is dedicated to lobbying for those who ride, to protect and defend their rights as motorcyclists, and addressing the concerns of the street riders and the motorcycle industry they support.

Coming up at the end of September, just a few miles away, is the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Minds Conference in Des Moines, lowa. This is probably going to be the closest it gets until Minnesota is able to host the event again.

There will be workshops to augment the

tools needed to promote and protect the rights of all motorcyclists. There will be more than a dozen presentations and workshops to build and strengthen motorcyclists and state organizations. This is also where the MRF puts together their 2023 legislative agenda.

Another great announcement is that Heart of the Lakes chapter member, Deeds, has been selected for the MRF A&E Young Activist Scholarship for this year's Meeting of the Minds. I would hope to see a lot of Minnesotans there to support him.

Don't forget that if you have a meeting or event that you would like myself or one of the assistant reps to attend and speak about what's happening in Washington DC on motorcycle issues, please feel free to reach out to one of us and we will do our best to be there.

Hope you enjoy the State Rally and see you at Meeting of the Minds in Iowa.

– Jay Hickok



#### STATE RALLY REPORT

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**No Report Received** 



I will be minimizing the content of my W2R reports at the Board of Directors meetings in the future but I will submit reports to Road Noise more consistently. This will put the information in the hands of members that want to have it, at the same time it will relieve our Chapter Reps of the burden of taking this back to chapter meetings. It will also make it available to members that are not able to attend chapter meetings. Hopefully this will help our members become more involved, if we don't take the action necessary to protect our freedoms who do we expect will do it for us?

In my reports I will include things such as chapters with members participating in the program. So, for second quarter 2022 members from Metro, Tri-County, Heart of the Lakes, East central and Up North Chapter participated in the W2R program, thank you.

In an attempt to help people know more about issues and topics. I will occasionally publish information concerning motorcycle related bills of current concern, bill number, brief description, committee assignment, authors, and party of authors. This may help people be better informed when writing their legislators.

Some of the issues we have been watching the past session include

- HF 895 / SF1428 Uninsured and underinsured motorist coverage requirement for motorcycles
- HF 1588/SF358 Older motorcycle flat amount imposed in lieu of sales tax.
- HF3520/SF3873 Biofuel standard

minimum modified, technical changes made, reports required,

- HF4242/SF3996 Speed safety camera pilot program
- SF9 Motorcycle profiling policies establishment.
- SF214 Motor vehicle automated driving systems use prohibition.
- SF 944 Gasoline minimum biofuel content increase; fuel retailers blends offering requirement; dates modifications

I will include more information about these bills in future reports.

When writing or speaking with candidates, legislators or staff keep some of these issues in mind and ask what their position would be concerning these topics. Ask if they would support our position on these issues and then keep their reply in mind when casting your vote in November.

If between now and the elections if you have communication with viable candidates or candidates on the printed ballot, those letters can be submitted to earn your W2R patch and or rocker.

A note concerning voting, some people are under the impression if someone has been convicted of a felony, they need to have their rights resorted to be eligible to vote. Fact is if the person has completed all parts of their sentence, they are eligible and may register and vote.

I have asked that the link to the online voter registration be added to our web site but if you are not able to find it here it is for you.

https://mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us/Voter-Registration/VoterRegistrationMain.aspx

Look forward to your participation

Thanks

– frank

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#### MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION

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We need to get busy with the memberships. We are down another 82 members this month! State totals are 1454 singles and 1648 couples for a total of 3102 members as of August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Top three chapters for member increase this month is Up North with a +14 increase, 2nd place goes to Metro with a +11, and 3rd to Jack Pine Riders with a +10.

Three chapters had some BIG losses -24, - 18, and -16.

Please remember to let the office know of any address changes!

Keep on Keepin' on – Shelly Deutsch

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#### EDUCATION

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Nothing new to report.

Hello everyone!

You might know me as Big Jon, or the guy with the silly haircut, or just the guy that just simply....won't shut up. I have just recently been asked to be the chair of Education.

First, I would like to thank Paul Tjepkes for his many years of service in this role. Sharing the road is paramount to the survival of motorcyclists. I've also been informed that Nita Baker is hanging it up. A special thanks to her for her many years of "boots on the ground" at the countless driver's education classes she has been sharing our message at. That is a lot of teenagers to put up with!

Speaking of sharing the road, anyone that has been giving "Share the Road" presentations please contact me at (952) 649-0581 or sasquach17.jf@gmail.com. The email address will change as soon as I figure out zoho. A personal goal of mine is to eventually give one of these presentations by myself.

There are some interesting ideas floating around about getting young riders involved in rider training and hopefully A.B.A.T.E. of MN. After all, training IS education. Stay tuned and keep learning.

– Big Jon



#### A.B.A.T.E. University

STEPHANIE CHRISTENSEN (763) 443-4732 AbateU@abatemn.org

April 14<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>, Holiday Inn, Alexandria

Next meeting is September 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm at Hasty Diner. Keep watching the Road Noise for updates!

– Thanks, Stephanie





#### WAYS & MEANS Report

The next Ways & Means will be October 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the Ugly Bar in Montrose at noon.

**KRISTIE ORN** (320) 248-5426 Ways-Means@abatemn.org

Hope to see you there!

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## **BUSINESS OF THE MONTH** Blue Stone Photography

Nick Capra, Metro Chapter President, Owner-Photographer of Blue Stone Photography specializes in Special Occasion and Event Photography. You may have seen some of his work in a State Rally Calendar, in the Road Noise or on Social Media over the past few years. Among his favorite activities as a photographer are working Motorcycle Events, catching



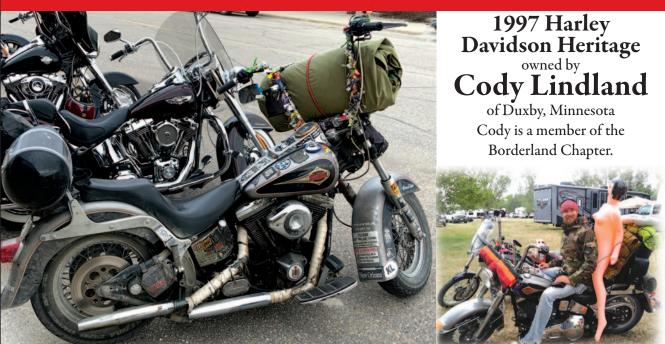
BLUE STONE PHOTOGRAPHY www.BlueStone-Photography.com riders doing what riders do out on the road and grabbing shots of awesome bikes wherever they are. He has also done some solo professional and group portrait shoots. If it involves bikes or musicians in particular, he's all in! Nick will offer discounted pricing on services to any active A.B.A.T.E. So, if you are looking to get some great shots of your bike, portrait shots with it, on the road shots or any other services, contact him anytime.

"Capturing Great Moments" Nick Capra

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Website Link: BlueStonePhotography.com

#### **BIKE OF THE MONTH**



This bike also known as "Squeaky Leaky" has taken him all over the United States, one quart of oil at a time. The bike has a punched evo with 100,000+ miles, Cody can't tell you how many miles he's been with "Squeaky Leaky" but he could tell you stories of some of the places he has been.

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#### NORTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

KENT VERNER NortheastDir@abatemn.org

Hello everyone, the primary elections are over and I hope your candidates won. I was at an A.B.A.T.E. meeting in Wisconsin today with a representative candidate speaking. She said the primaries are more important than the elections in November.

I believe that also. An old timer told me years ago that if you don't vote, you can't bitch for four years. So true.

The State Rally is here and I hope for perfect weather and a large turnout.

On another note, accidents, only two involved hitting an animal! We are our own worst enemy! Please, please, ride safely and sober.

Election season is coming up. Think about stepping up or staying in office. Turnover will slow progress in our mission.

Ride lots, ride safe, see you at the Rally!

– Pedro

#### EAST CENTRAL

#### Next Meeting (s):

No September meeting October 2<sup>nd</sup>, American Legion, St. Francis, 11:00 am

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

September 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Rally, Litchfield September 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>, Hay Days, Almelund September 13<sup>th</sup>, Cycle Gear Membership Table, 12237 Elm Creek Blvd. N, Maple Grove, 5:00 pm-8:00 pm

We have camping available and volunteer our time to work for the Sno Barons Security and Beer Booths at Hay Days in Almelund.

Food, beverage and prize drawings at the Cycle Gear event. Come and check it out!

Grapevine contributions send to V.P. Jim LaSpisa at laspisajim@gmail.com

Website contributions send to Red Braastad at eastcentralabate@usa.com

Try to Sign up a friend or someone new to motorcycling.

– Your V.P. Jim



Members of East Central Chapter participating in an Intermediate Rider course in Rosemount.



Metro August Chapter Meeting.

#### METRO

#### Next Meeting (s):

September 13<sup>th</sup>, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm October 11<sup>th</sup>, Park Tavern, St. Louis Park, 7:00 pm November's meeting date has not yet been determined because our usual meeting night in November is on Election Day.

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

Stay tuned for updates. Check up on us on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/groups/190580868718741) or our Chapter website (www.metromn.com) for exact locations and other updates.

It is hard to believe that by the time you are reading this the Minnesota State Fair and the A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Rally will be announcing the end of summer. Where has this year gone?

Metro chapter members are busy getting ready for the State Rally in Litchfield at the Meeker County Fairgrounds over Labor Day weekend.

Our chapter president, Nick Capra, will be busy taking lots of photos to be used in the Metro Chapter 2023 Calendar, featuring photos from this year's rally. If everything goes as planned, calendars should be available for sale at the October B.O.D. meeting in Little Falls. JJ (Joe Jones) will be busy as usual coordinating the Bike Show and the Tattoo Contest. Other Metro Chapter members will be busy helping at the front gate and with security. And as usual, I will be serving up roasted sweet corn, loaded baked potatoes and taco salads in the food area.

As a Silver Sponsor of the State Rally, the Metro Chapter had four free passes to this year's State Rally to give away and the winners were Joe (JJ) and Lorie Jones and Alyssa and Greg Schommer.

We had a very good turnout for our August meeting, but it was bitter-sweet because it was the final meeting for Michelle Kruckenberg Scannell, who is moving to Texas. We have been fortunate to have Michelle as a member of our chapter, as well

Michelle is moving to Texas.



Rally Ticket Winners!

as having Michelle and Jean Jensen as Metro Chapter members while also serving as NE District Directors. Good Luck Michelle and enjoy your retirement (and the smart betting line in Las Vegas says that you will be moved back to Minnesota by the end of 2024).

We were also glad to see Joe 'Dirt' Krauss at the meeting following his recent medical issues.

If you have never been to a B.O.D. meeting (or if it has been a while), why not plan to go to Little Falls on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>??



#### **UP NORTH**

#### Next Meeting (s):

September 11<sup>th</sup>, Calumet Saloon, Calumet, 4:00 pm

Hello everyone,

It's been a while since I've written an article and I apologize for that. It has been a while since we have had a meeting because of everything that is going on. We have tried to hold meetings, but the attendance has been few and far between. I know that not everyone has Facebook and that is where we have had postings about when and where our meetings are, so I will get better about making sure there is an article every month so at least you will know where the next month's meeting will be.

We are on the books to have our Winter Fever Reliever in February, so it's time to start getting things organized for that. If you would like to be on the committee, please contact myself or Cory. It's always a great time to break up the winter blues and do something motorcycle related and see our motorcycle friends that we may not have seen since we put the bikes away when the snow flies.

Chapter officer elections are in March. If you are interested in being an officer, now is the time to get involved. Nominations are in January and February with the election in March. If you would like to see changes in how the chapter is run this is the perfect opportunity. Don't forget that in November we need to get out and vote. There are a lot of people leaving office and new members of Congress will



be making decisions. So, it is important that if you value your motorcycle freedoms, talk to the candidate and see where they stand on issues. It is easier to get them to sign onto motorcycle legislation when they already know a little bit about A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota and why these issues are so important to us.

Personally, Melissa and I would like to thank all of our A.B.A.T.E. family that was able to come and celebrate with us on our special day.

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

– Jay Hickok

#### SAND DUNES

Next Meeting (s):

September 11<sup>th</sup>, KJ's Refuge, Orrock, 5:00 pm October 9<sup>th</sup>, KJ's Refuge, Orrock, 5:00 pm

**Upcoming Event(s):** September 24<sup>th</sup>, Fall Ride, Ditto's, St. Michael, KSU 11:00 am

By the time you read this another State Rally is in the

rearview, but I hope you aren't thinking of putting your bike away yet. There is still great riding to be had and awesome events to support.

Speaking of awesome events to support, we have our chapters Fall Ride coming up on September 24<sup>th</sup>. KSU at 11:00 am from Ditto's in St. Michael. The committee has planned an awesome ride, with great stops and more fun you don't want to miss.

At the risk of sounding like a broken record, I have to thank our members for everything they do. The growth and successes this chapter has seen is a product of your ideas, your efforts, and your ability to work together.

We've come a long way. If we want to continue to grow, it's going to take everyone doing their part and a whole lot of that teamwork I mentioned before.

- Until next time, ride safe.



#### CENTRAL

Next Meeting (s):

September 11<sup>th</sup>, Stoney's Bar, Rockville, 3:00 pm

#### Upcoming Event(s):

September 10<sup>th</sup>, Lee Betz Memorial Ride for Veterans, Stoney's Bar, Rockville October 1<sup>st</sup>, Central Chapter Fun Run, BPM BOUJA Feed, Stoney's Bar, Rockville







Stoney's Bar is having another motorcycle ride. This year proceeds go to Veterans on the Lake. \$20 a person including meal. Registrations starts at 10:00 am and KSU up at Noon. The stops are Doochies (St Martin), Andy's (Eden Valley), and Bedrock (South Haven). Please come out and support a great cause. Cars are welcome.

Ride Safe Everyone,

– Babushka Lady

#### Northeast

#### Next Meeting (s):

September 7<sup>th</sup>, the Chalet, Hermantown, 6:30 pm October 5<sup>th</sup>, the Chalet, Hermantown, 6:30 pm November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Chalet, Hermantown, 6:30 pm

Hello all,

School started already, where does the time go?

We had a pretty good July here, lots of good riding weather. No chapter events to speak of, but we did have a special guest at our August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. State Attorney General candidate, Jim Schultz, came by for a question and answer session relating to his views on motorcyclist's rights and autonomous vehicles in the state of Minnesota. He was very interested in our organization and stated that he had met other A.B.A.T.E. members at different events and he was impressed at how far reaching our organization is and how active our members are. We were encouraged to hear that his views on mandated riding gear and profiling closely matched our own and he pledged to watch for the voting guide questionnaire from A.B.A.T.E. and fill it out promptly and honestly. We would like to thank him for his time and interest.

By this time the State Rally will have likely come and gone, here's hoping that it's a great success.

– Ride safe, Ed

#### **JACK PINE RIDERS**

#### Next Meeting (s):

Note the time changes to some of the meetings September 18<sup>th</sup>, Marge's Pub and Grill,

Brook Park, 1:00 pm

October 16<sup>th</sup>, Ryders Saloon, Henriette, 2:00 pm November 20<sup>th</sup>, Doc's Sports Bar and Grill,

Sturgeon Lake, 2:00 pm

December 18<sup>th</sup>, Bogey's on Main, Hinckley, 2:00 pm

January 15<sup>th</sup>, Bears Den, Bruno, 2:00 pm

February 19<sup>th</sup>, Maverick's Saloon Bar & Grill, Beroun, 2:00 pm

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

September 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Rally, Meeker County Fairgrounds, Litchfield September 18<sup>th</sup>, Roadside clean up.

Meet at Marge's Pub and Grill, 10:00 am

Roadside cleanup is scheduled for September 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all who help out with this

worthwhile endeavor. Looking forward to another great turn out. Chapter meeting will be held afterwards.

Special Thanks to Slim's Service, 405 Old Hwy 61 S. in Hinckley for donating the golf carts used by security personnel and general site transportation at the 2022 Upper Kettle River Shakedown. Really appreciated Slim!

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

For updated chapter/events and information, log on to our website: http://www.jackpineriders.org

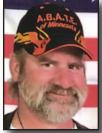
Or check out the Jack Pine Riders Facebook page.

- Respectfully, The Grapevine jesus



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#### NORTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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Howdy Folks,

MN State A.B.A.T.E. Rally!! If this gets to you before the rally. PLEASE bring a friend. If this is getting to you after the rally, I hope you brought a friend!!

Gonna keep it short as I'm packing for the ride to Sturgis! Stay Active and Stay Vigilant.

November elections are probably the biggest election for YOUR state! PLEASE take time to learn YOUR elected officials! These people control the future of YOUR state. I pray my grandchildren will have as much FREEDOM as WE do.

Stay safe out there. We are entering deer season. Let's make sure we get them with a weapon and not a motorcycle or car!!

Keep Up The GOOD work!! Any questions PLEASE call me, 218-849-5021

TAKE CARE and RIDE FREE

– Edgar

#### BORDERLAND

Hello Borderland!

So, by the time you read this, we are maybe at the State Rally. I know it will be better than ever, and we hope to be calling someone again that has won a cash prize or two on the rally raffle. Again, thanks to all that make it a success!

We now know that John B. and Mark J. have won their primaries, so contact them and thank them for supporting us on our motorcycle rights issues and the great job they have done in the Minnesota House and Senate. districts but as I write this the primaries just happened so we will find out all of the results and on both sides of the aisle.

At our last meeting we donated \$500 out of our gambling account to MRF A&E and we are always looking to find ways to help folks in need with our funds.

Also, don't forget that we have Buddy Bears to give to first responders and fire and rescue.

At our next meeting we will set up our annual Fall Colors Ride and chapter meeting.

Have a great fall and ride safe!

– Twistin' da Wick, Tim

I also know we have members in other

#### Northwest

#### Next Meeting(s):

September 10<sup>th</sup>, Gary "Chainsaw" Johnsrud's house, St. Hilaire, 9:30 am, Food /Toy Run to follow October 1<sup>st</sup>, Carol's Cozy, Brooks, 10:00 am, Ride to follow, weather permitting



#### **Upcoming Events:**

September 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Food/Toy Run, Gary Johnsrud's place, 9:30 am, Ride will leave around 10:00 am. Potluck and camping at Gary's after. Please check out our Facebook page for further details.

Our August meeting was

held at the Trail's End Bar in Trail. Afterwards, our chapter enjoyed the cool sunny day by riding to The Side Track Tap Bar & Grill in Leonard, The Clinic in Lengby, TJ's Tavern in Oklee, and Carol's Cozy in Brooks.

On July 30<sup>th</sup>, a few members helped Gary "Chainsaw" Johnsrud celebrate his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday by riding to the One and Only in Euclid, The Hobo Haus in Newfolden, The Wheel in Middle River, The Muny in Goodridge, and ended the day at the Plummer Legion. Happy Birthday Saw!! Thanks for your many years of service in our chapter.



#### FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS No Report Received

#### HEART OF THE LAKES No Report Received

#### NORTH STAR

#### Next Meeting(s):

September 17<sup>th</sup>, Pour Willie's, Tenstrike, 5:00 pm October 8<sup>th</sup>, Fozzies, Bemidji, 5:00 pm

At this time everyone is heading down to rally and hopefully having a blast!! Thank you to all who volunteered for this event to help! We have had a pretty busy schedule lately. First the Bemidji Water Carnival, thank you to all who volunteered to help, then the July Board meeting and finally as this is being written, we are getting ready to help out at the Beltrami County Fair.

Hope everyone has a great time at rally!!! We will see everyone there!!!





#### SOUTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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No Report Received.

#### SOUTHEAST LC

#### Next Meeting (s):

September 18<sup>th</sup>, The Trails End, Minnesota City, 11:00 am

October 16<sup>th</sup>, American Legion, Rochester, 11:00am November 18<sup>th</sup>, American Legion, Rochester, 11:00am December 18<sup>th</sup>, American Legion, Rochester, 11:00am

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Nothing scheduled at this time.

It's fairly quiet right now. We are working on putting a fundraiser together for the 21<sup>st</sup> of January. Still have many plans to work out so more details will be coming in future Road Noise articles, so be watching for those.

I attended the July B.O.D. meeting in Bemidji and learned a lot, as I usually do. I was unable to stay and camp with them as I had to get back for our Chapter meeting on Sunday of that weekend. It looked like they were having a lot fun and I'm sorry I couldn't stay. A big thank you to the Chapter who sponsored the July B.O.D. meeting.

By the time you read this, the August primaries will have come and gone. Hopefully, everyone got out and voted. We need a good house cleaning at the Capitol. You know the saying "not my circus, not my monkeys?" Unfortunately, this is our circus, and these are our monkeys and it's time to get them caged and sorted out. If you have not done so, please get to know the candidates or incumbents in your area and where they stand on motorcycle rights. Who you vote for could make or break our future endeavors and what we are trying to accomplish with regard to your rights as a motorcycle rider.

Our President, Rick, has been very concerned over the many motorcycle crashes that have been occurring in our area, some with fatalities. **EVERYONE PLEASE BE CAREFUL** when riding. Always be vigilant and aware of your surroundings.

To all new members, we welcome you and to those who have renewed your memberships, we thank you. Please don't forget to attend the monthly meetings as your presence is needed and much appreciated.

- Bye for now, Terry

#### STRAIGHT RIVER

#### Next Meeting (s):

September 10<sup>th</sup>, JC Park 631 Rice Lake St, Owatonna October 8<sup>th</sup>, Mathey Park, 225 24th St NE, Owatonna

First, we want to thank Kathy Dirksen for her service to our Chapter as she moves ahead with a change of address. Good luck girl!

Looking forward to State Rally coming up quick. Also looking forward to seeing members and friends at upcoming meetings. We will be doing short rides after meetings. Follow vehicles welcome.

Be Safe & Ride Free.

– Zoomer



#### TRI COUNTY

Next Meeting (s): September 8<sup>th</sup>, location TBD, 7:00 pm October 6<sup>th</sup>, location TBD, 7:00 pm

#### Upcoming Event(s):

September 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, State Rally, Litchfield September 11<sup>th</sup>, Hwy 21 clean-up, 10:00 am September 17<sup>th</sup>, Freedom Social, 900 Carver Beach Rd, Chanhassen, 12:00-4:00 pm

The Chapter has been busy slingin' Buddy Bears. So far, we have delivered bears to Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia, Cologne Fire Dept, Jordan Fire Dept, Belle Plaine Fire Dept, and Southern Valley Alliance to end domestic abuse (50 bears each). We have one more bag of 50 that needs to find a new home.

Our next highway clean-up is on September 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. We will be meeting at the train cars next to the motel on Hwy 21 in between Jordan and New Prague. Please join us in the effort to keep this country a beautiful one.

Anybody like ice cream? Come on out to our Freedom Social on September 17<sup>th</sup> in Chanhassen (see address above). There will be



free burgers, chicken, cheese curds, and ice cream. We will be accepting free will donations to A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, but they are not required. We have also invited some of our legislators to come out and socialize. If you plan on attending, perhaps invite your representation to come out to have some fun.

Well, I got to get packing for Sturgis but always remember...*Happiness isn't around the corner, it's IN the corner.* 

– Big Jon

Jordan

#### **RIVER VALLEY**

#### Next Meeting (s):

September 11<sup>th</sup>, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm October 9<sup>th</sup>, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

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

October 15<sup>th</sup>, Fall Ditch Cleanup, 10:00 am January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, January Thaw Dance, Eagles Club, Mankato, 7:00 pm



Welcome to fall. I sincerely hope everyone had a wonderful summer as we are entering the twilight of our riding season this year.

Thank you to everyone that turned out for the River Valley Gives Back ride this year. And a huge thank you to the planning committee for their hard work in putting everything together to make it a success.

I hope everyone that attended the State Rally had a wonderful time. I'm definitely looking forward to next year! Our Fall Ditch Cleanup is scheduled for October 15<sup>th</sup>. We will be meeting at 10:00 am at the CHS overflow lot as usual.

Next on the list for us is our January Thaw Dance. The date is set for Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. We will need all hands on deck for this one this year. Please come help put together an epic dance! More details to follow.

Please be safe riding this fall as harvest starts. See you in the wind!

– Big D, President

#### FLATLANDERS

#### Next Meeting (s):

September 24<sup>th</sup>, Tony and Stacy Roe's house, 10:00 am

#### **Upcoming Events:**

September 24<sup>th</sup>, Summer's Done Run after meeting at noon

Check out Flatlanders Chapter, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, on Facebook for meetings, events, and info.

– Da Buff



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#### SOUTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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Well, here it is September and I hope I get to see all of you at the Rally. I was an Election Judge for my County in the Primary last month and I have to say I was disappointed in the turn out. For a town with a population over 4,000 we only had a little over 400 come into vote. I am proud of the A.B.A.T.E. members that did show up. We must do better every election is very important. So, I hope that in November there are a lot more that do their civic duty and vote. If you don't vote, then you don't have a right to complain about what these elected officials do.

#### WAY WEST

**Next Meeting(s):** September 3<sup>rd</sup>, State Rally, Litchfield October 1<sup>st</sup>, Wood Lake City Park, Wood Lake, 12:00 pm

Greetings All.

Wow, the summer is flying by. The State Rally is coming up quickly. We need members there to help with security which slotted for Friday morning, setting up games and helping wherever you can. This OUR Rally and always a great time and it needs our support. If you have raffle tickets, sell, sell, sell!

There are important issues that we need to discuss at our next meeting at the Rally site. Thanks, members, for keeping our Chapter strong!

Later, it's a beautiful day and I'm going for a bop!

Keep your knees in the breeze,

– Gypsy Mama

#### Southwest

Well, hello, as much as it frustrates us, summer is half over. Algona Rally was fantastic. Great weather, wonderful bands, hanging with old and new friends. Perfect on all fronts.

This lady did not go to Sturgis, but by all accounts, that rally was just as great.

Our chapter has been pretty chill. The big news around here has been BABIES. In June, Jerrit and Kerry Prins welcomed their first grandson and he's a keeper for sure. Baby boy's big sister is delighted! Then, just two days ago, Todd and Deb Homan were blessed with their second grandson. Everyone is happy, healthy, and very proud. Nothing else transpiring on our corner.

Hope to see you in Litchfield! Watched a few of the bands on You Tube! They kicked ass!

Remember our military and their families in your thoughts and prayers!

– BAM

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#### GLACIAL RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

September 3<sup>rd</sup>, State Rally, Litchfield, 6:00 pm October 1<sup>st</sup>, Heidi's Bar, Sedan 6:00 pm November 5<sup>th</sup>, Heidi's Bar, Sedan 6:00 pm

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

December 3<sup>rd</sup>, Santa Day, Heidi's Bar, Sedan, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Greetings People,

It's been a fun summer so far. Been on a few rides supporting other causes, went to Algona, and last month Glacial Ridge had a campout at the Swift Falls Campground, which was a really good time, despite the rain Friday night, and Saturday morning. Thank you, Harmony for setting it up and thank you to all that were there.

As you read this, you're either getting ready to go to the State Rally, or were just there, or maybe home being bummed because you couldn't make it. Hopefully not the later. Hope to see you there.

In December on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, we are planning our Santa Day in Sedan from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm at Heidi's Bar in Sedan. It's a great time for the kids, and fun for all.

One last thing. We need to get the younger people involved, because they are the ones who will be taking over A.B.A.T.E. if it's going to

#### SOUTH CENTRAL Next Meeting(s):

October 5<sup>th</sup>, Valley Inn, Eden Valley, 7:00 pm November 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mug Shots Bar and Grill, Cosmos, 7:00 pm December 7<sup>th</sup>, Mug Shots Bar and Grill, Cosmos, 7:00 pm

#### Upcoming Event(s):

November 26<sup>th</sup>, Toys for Kids, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 6:00 pm

In August we will have completed our second Buddy Bears delivery to the Atwater Fire Department. Thanks to Jim and Kristy Orn who manned the A.B.A.T.E. booth at the annual Twine Ball Days in Darwin.



A great time with a gathering of our chapter members.



continue. If you have ideas how to get them involved, please share.

Keep your knees in the breeze. Be safe.

– Hives

Save the date for our next big event, our annual Toys for Kids drive will be Saturday November 26<sup>th</sup> at the Litchfield Eagles Club, with live music and our silent auction. If you would like to donate items for the auction, please contact Kristy LaPlante at (320) 282-6851.

Hoping for a warm fall so we can all still enjoy the breeze between our knees!

Ride safe and free,

– Ingrid Cohen, Secretary

#### BUFFALO RIDGE No Report Received



Buddy Bear donations to Rivers of Hope.

#### LAKE Next Meeting(s):

September 3<sup>rd</sup>, State Rally Grounds, Litchfield, 3:00 pm October 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris Kalway's home, Howard Lake, 3:00 pm November 5<sup>th</sup>, Madigans, Maple Lake, 3:00 pm

As I write this, I am getting ready to leave for South Dakota. So, I couldn't attend the August meeting. Hope it was fun. Summer meetings usually are!

Members had a good time at the AMA Motocross event and spread the word of A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota. It is nice to get our info out to other motorcyclists and maybe get some active new members.

We made a delivery of Buddy Bears to the Rivers of Hope organization. They were very appreciative.

The State Rally is finally here!! I am sure it will be a great time, so make sure you are there. The chapter meeting and group photo will be on Saturday.

That's all I have for now, got to get back to packing!

– Later, Mitch'n

> Lake Chapter's Lee Plante high up in the Black Hills on a full moon night.





Lake AMA booth.

<image>

Lake at AMA motorcross event.

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#### **ROLLING PRAIRIE**

Next Meeting(s): September 9<sup>th</sup>, Buckshot's Bar & Grill, Butterfield, 6:00 pm October 1<sup>st</sup>, Buckshot's Bar & Grill, 4:00 pm November 5<sup>th</sup>, Buckshot's Bar & Grill, 4:00 pm

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

September 10th, Fallen Friend's Ride, Program at 11:30 am, kickstands up at noon

The chapter's Buddy Bear has been completed with seven members present at three stops. We even had some Southwest Chapter members join us.

The Chapter volunteered hours at Buckshot's Bar and painted picnic tables, ten members present.

See you all at the Rally!



Jackson



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#### New & Renewals for JULY 2022

BORDERLAND	
Jim Carriere	R
Lorie Determan	N
Marlin Nelson	R
BUFFALO RIDGE	
Mike Fier	
Wayne Gorton	
Robert Lanners	
Craig / Harli Rose Mule	
Chuck / Rolly Muller .	R
Mark / Carol Oakland	
Chad D Petersen/And	
Dana Watts	N
CENTRAL	_
Kelly Andreasen	
Donald Boyd	R
Mark Bromenschenkel	/ DeniseR
Jacob Campbell	
Ronald Carlson	
Troy Dierkes / Moriah	
Robert Eggerth	
Gregory Fangman	R
Curtis Fischer	
Hank Foster	R
Jeff Friedrichs	R
James Galarneault	
Brandon / Katie Gallip	oR
Stacy Hargrove	R
Daniel Hatch / Christin	e HatchN
James Hellermann	R
Ron Hellermann / Paul	a Preston R
Bob Hines	R
Keith Hoeschein	R
Leroy / Arlene Huling	R
David Hulinsky	
Jesse Jurek	
Danny Kuhn	
Rick Laabs / Marilyn C	
Matthew Ledeboer	
Raymond / Donna Ma	
Alan Luethmers / Kim	
Tony Luetmer	
Jody Mackereth	
Billy / Montana Peters	
Aaron Rennie	
Richard Robarge	
Ronald / Clalien Rose	
Les / Donna Sand	
Terry Sauer	
Chris Schulte	
Matthew Schwingham	
Kelly / Rachael Sogge	
Greg Stang	
George Steffes / Jenni	
Kirt Stuve	
Mike Triebenbach	
Doug Utsch	
Scott Welle	
Richard / Tammy Winl	
John Wolbeck	
Jeffrey Zylla	
EAST CENTRAL	
Jerome F Baker	N
Michael Beckmann	
David / Jody Meyer	
Michael Naumann /Sh	
Dave / Jody Tasler	
Larry / Holly Wilson	R
FLATLANDERS	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Bryan /Tara Botten	R
Christian Carlson	

Jay Gaskill / Lisa Sandoval	
Wade Hansen	
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Michael Hemann	
Henry R Hostetler	
Patrick Hutch	
William E Klingerman	
Pete Leehey	R
Virgil /Michele Legried	R
Steve / Becki Petersen	
Dean Reiter	
Sonny / Cherie Rhein	
Kevin / Kim Sorenson	
Daniel / Julie Stuart	
Shane Thorn	
Joel VanNevele	
Sebastian / Harlee Vokon	
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Terry Borchert	
Thomas R Brown	
Josh Brummond	
Theodore Dinius David Ebnet	
Scott Fleishfresser	
Shawn / Leilani Hauge	
Gerald J Hines.	
Larry/ Pamela Hubbard	
Carl D Jante	
David Jante	
Mike Kopel	
Corrie / Diane Mattocks	
Becky Ann McBeth	
Bruce Riedner	
Kenneth Schlosser	
Chris Senger	
Wayne Senst	
William Sickles	R
Michael F Soenneker	
Gerald Valkenburg	
Dan Weinkauf	R
GLACIAL RIDGE Steven Loxtercamp	D
Tara "Spoon" Lynette	R
HEART OF THE LAKES	IX.
Scott / Cindy Berrell	
Todd Evans	Ν
Randy Hammer / Deb Morales	
Deidrik Wanderi / Katrina Lake	
Samuel / Michelle Woida	Ν
JACK PINE RIDERS	ы
Bill Conway /Barbara Heil Bill Cort	
Terri Rae Freltse	
Chris Hocking	
Brian Nordby / Heidi Stroeing	Ν
Daniel Olsen	R
Steve / Dee Sweeney	R
LAKE	_
Lance Ames	
Mike / Mary Berger	R
Charlie /Jenny Cassell	
Barry Hall /Kellie Lane	
Michael Kielty	
Keith / Sheila Knee	R
Tucker Knee	Ν
Jeff Kuusi / Michelle DuChaine	R

	Greg Mathews	R
	Mark Olson	
	Eric / Danielle Rasmussen	
	Mark Rickabaugh	
	Dylan Seymour	
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	Ann Bearl	
	Jerad Borchardt	
	Renee Burns	
	Jacob Charles	R
	Donald Christensen	Ν
	Cory / Veronica DeZeeuw	Ν
	Mike / Angie Evans	
	Randy Froehlich	P
	Dave Groth	
	Gary L Hansen	
	Nancy Harms	
	Jeffrey Henschke/ Jodie Peach	
	Nicolas P Herman	Ν
	Dustin Jackson / Nicole Casillas	Ν
	Mark "Jake" Jacobs	
	Jerald R Kruse	
	Brian Ladoux / Diana Kommer	
	Robert Larson	
	Josh Leclaire	
	Troy / Staci Lendway	Ν
	Alan Likewise	
	Kevin McNamara	R
	Dennis / Scharline Olson	R
	Bruce / Heidi Onsted	R
	Jeff Paulson	
	Jay Petersen	
	Thomas Pfleghaar	P
	Timothy Pfleghaar	R
	Jacob Reyant / Savannah Keithley	
	Shane Ristow	
	Devon Sahr	
	Ron Soppeland	R
	Stephen / Sandra Stano	R
	John "Farmer Towle	R
	Danielle Wilhelm	Ν
	Nicholas A Wright	
	Travis Yates	
NI (	ORTHEAST	
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	Lisa Gould	
	Damean McDonald	N
	Ed / Cherrie McPhail	
	DuWayne Moutho	Ν
	Abe / Michelle Savage	R
	Dean / Vickie Setter	Ν
	William "Spoons" Smith	R
	Kyle Timmer/ Ashley Smelser	R
	Kent Verner	
	Frank J Vidas	
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N	DRTH STAR	
	Daniel Chandler/ Jennifer Gardner	
	June Coller	
	William "Billy" Foster /Alisa Hepsak	
	Gary Gorden / Greta Amduson	
	Brian Goss	R
	Rusty Heller	R
	Jay / TraciMcConaghy	
	Sharon Polman	
	Dane Schroeder /Jody Westgaard	R
	Joe Tracy	N
	Fredrick L Whelan	N
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NORTHWEST
Travis HamannN
Rod / Rachel OlsonR
Ethan Shimpa N
John / Kimberly Wilson N
RIVER VALLEY
Darin Abel / Billy Jo KieckerR
Andrew BallmanN
Brian / Ashlee DehnR
John "JD" DietzR
Parris DubanN
Steven Duban R
Adam FischerR
Kevin Fortin N
Andrew GaardR
Curtis / Denise Gilbertson N
Joshua GimmerN
Kenneth GimmerR
Thomas Goebel R
Alonzo "Fonz" / Kristen GriffinR
Andrew Hansen N
Nathaniel HansenN
Cole Hanson / Allie StangerR
Mark Harmdierks R
Derrick HavemeierN
Scott HeronimusN
John Honetschalger N
Zach Johnson R
Weston Jongbloedt
David LehmanN
Brian MoreR
Ronald Neary/ Megan SmithN
Dustin Petersen / Kelsey Nuss N
Jason PiersonN
Rick PongratzR
Jim / Lisa PromR
Mark / Betty Ritz
Mike / Karla Schmitz R
Jason SchultzR
Harold StoffregenR
Thomas Swanson R
Jake Tate
Jim Thayer R
Mike / Nancy VogelR
ROLLING PRAIRIE
Ted Anderson N
Glen Berkner
Megan BorkenhagenR
Kimberly Fritor N
Andrew Fritsche R
Jeremy Hagseth N
Ben Hirschman/ Kassandra Brotherton . R
Michael Jensen
Thomas Kolbe II R
Dan Leiding / Shelly Deutsch R
Jeffery LuxN
Kirk Nichols

Steven Petersen	R
Joel Pingeon	Ν
Bick/ Cindy Sandbo	R
Todd Tegels / Lana Sinkie	Ν
Joseph Thill / Danielle Leiding	
Jacob Warembourg N	
Cody Wendt	
SAND DUNES	
Steve Bechtold /Julie Reeve	R
Karen Dahlguist	
John Dulmage	
Kyle Hotvedt	
Brett Magnuson	
Joshua Martell	
Don Meyer	
Michael Olkives	R
SOUTH CENTRAL	
David / Sunshine Devine	R
Marshall Dillon	R
Brian / Dawn Gillman	R
Tanar / Heather Haala	
Richard Johnson	
Todd Johnson	
Shannon Jurgens	
Daniel Kulberg	
Lyle Kulberg	
Brad / Michelle Latham	D
Alisha Lease	
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Robert Loehrer	
Colby / Rose Mickolichek	
James Pease	
Scott Persing	
Randy Rusch	
Josh Schulte	
Michael Schultz / Chelsey G Niffke	
Lee Vanoverbeke	
Hilario / Angela Vargas	R
Michael / Michelle Voigt	R
Jason Wagner	
Randall / Michelle Weiss	R
SOUTHEAST LC	_
Dylan Baer	R
Virgil / Michele Legried	R
Shane / Carla Moore	R
William Simmons	
Todd Willard	Ν

Jeff Reiter	. R
Larry Reiter	
Sharon Ringhofer	
Ken Robertson	
Steven Rossow	. R
Daren Ryg / Yvonne Zubia	. R
Gary Spatenka	
Cory Vaudrin	. N
Chris / Rachel Waskosky	. R
Michael S Winter	
TRI-COUNTY	
Timothy Edwin	. N
Jonathan /Mandy Fredrickson	
Russell Hestness	. R
Allen Hoeschen	
James Johnson	
Dennis Maciej	R
Jason Mesheski /Tanya Gunderson	. R
Terry / Linda Olson	
Sean Parker/ Lori Smith	R
Mark Rogers	. R
Brandon Romann/ Lauren Maybee	. R
Terry / Rachael Stier	. N
Jay Swenson	. N
David Wilson	
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Jay Hickok	. R
Bob Hoshal	
Roger Hoshal	. N
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Nick Matanich	. R
Cory Mauer / Sarah Burton	
Bob / Donna Maxie	. R
Danny Millan	. R
Dale / Debbie Peterson	. R
Joshua / Tanya Sturm	
James / Tina Yanez	. R
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Thomas Alderson /Michelle Overholse	r N
Shane Sachs	
Lawrence Schmitt	. R

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Cody Paschke .....R



Nathan Winkels .....R Mathew / Kandi Woodworth .....N

Jess / Lori Donkersloot ..... R Alan Freking ..... N Reuben Leslie ..... R David Mackie ..... R Deanne Renae Sprik ..... R

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
9/1/22	A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally	State Rally Grounds, Litchfield	
9/2/22	A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally	State Rally Grounds, Litchfield	
9/3/22	A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally	State Rally Grounds, Litchfield	
9/3/22	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	State Rally	6:00 PM
9/3/22	Lake Chapter Meeting	State Rally Grounds, Litchfield	3:00 PM
9/3/22	Way West Chapter Meeting	State Rally Grounds, Litchfield	12:00 PM
9/4/22	A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally	Litchfield Fair Grounds	
9/5/22	A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally	Litchfield Fair Grounds	
9/7/22	North East Chapter Meeting	The Chalet, Hermantown	6:30 PM
9/8/22	Tri-county Chapter Meeting	TBD	
9/9/22	Hay Days	Almelund, MN	
9/9/22	Heart of the Lakes ChapterMeeting	Fall Down 40277 Co. Rd 126 Rochert	7:00 PM
9/9/22	Rolling Prarie Chapter Meeting	Buckshots Bar & Grill, Butterfield	6:00 PM
9/10/22	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Tony and Stacy Roa's House	10:00 AM
9/10/22	Flatlanders Summer Done Run	Following the Meeting	10.00 / 111
9/10/22	Hay Days	Almelund, MN	
9/10/22	Lee Betz Memorial Ride for Vetrans	Stoney's Bar, Rockville	
		Gary "Chainsaw" Johnsrud's house, St. Hilaire, Food /Toy Run	
9/10/22	Northwest Chapter Meeting	to follow	9:30 AM
9/10/22	Rolling Prairie Fallen Friends Ride	Butterfield	10:30 AM
9/10/22		JC Park in Owatonna - rain location Reggies Brewhouse,	10.30 AM
9/10/22	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Owatonna	1:00 PM
9/11/22	Control Chanter Meeting	Stoney's Bar, Rockville	3:00 PM
	Central Chapter Meeting Hay Days	Almelund, MN	3.00 PIVI
9/11/22	Publication Committee Meeting	Via Phone	11.00 AM
9/11/22	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	Eagles Club, Mankato	11:00 AM
9/11/22	River Valley Chapter Meeting	KJ's Refuge, Orrock	12:00 PM
9/11/22	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting Tri-County Hwy 21 clean up		5:00 PM
9/11/22		meeting at the train cars next to the motel on hwy 21	10:00 AM
9/11/22	Up North Chapter Meeting	Calumet Saloon, Calumet	4:00 PM
9/13/22	A.B.A.T.E. University Meeting	Hasty Diner, Hasty	6:00 PM
9/13/22	Cycle Gear Membership Table	12237 Elm Creek Blvd. N, Maple Grove	5-8:00 pm
9/13/22	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
9/17/22	Tri-County Freedom Social	900 Carver Beach Rd, Chanhassen	12 - 4:00 pm
9/17/22	North Star Chapter Meeting	Pour Willie's, Tenstrike	5:00 PM
9/18/22	Jack Pine Chapter Meeting	Marge's Pub & Grill, Brook PArk - to follow Rodside Clean up	1:00 PM
9/18/22	Southeast Lower Corner Chapter Meeting	The Trails End, Minnesota City	11:00 AM
9/19/22	Jack Pine Riders Roadside Clean Uip	Marge's Pub and Grill, Brook Park	10:00 AM
9/20/22	Central Chapter Fun Run, BPM Bouja Feed	Stoney's Bar, Rockville	
9/22/22	Meeting of the Minds	Des Moines, IA	
9/23/22	Meeting of the Minds	Des Moines, IA	
9/24/22	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Tony and Stacy Roe's house	10:00 AM
9/24/22	Flatlanders Summers Done Run	Run after meeting	11:00 AM
9/24/22	Meeting of the Minds	Des Moines, IA	
9/24/22	Sand Dunes Chapter's Fall Ride	Registration 10:00 am - Ditto's, St. Michael's	11:00 AM
9/25/22	Meeting of the Minds	Des Moines, IA	
10/1/22	Central Chapter Fun Run BPM BOUJA Feed	Stoney's Bar, Rockville	
10/1/22	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Heidi's Bar, Sedan	3:00 PM
		Chris Kalway's home, Howard Lake	0.001 W



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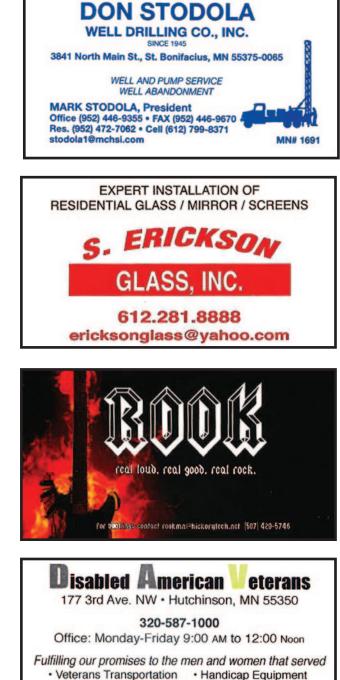






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