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- 2) Next Chapter/Committee Meetings/Time, Place
- 3) Upcoming Events; What, Where, When
- 4) Meeting Updates, Important News, Comments

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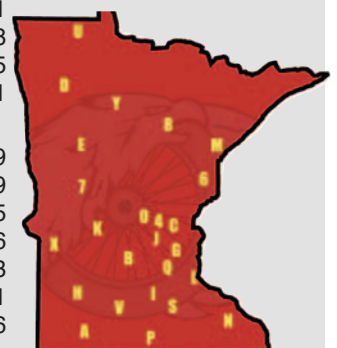
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American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education (A.B.A.T.E.) of Minnesota is a not for profit, grass roots organization that is committed to educating motorcyclists and the general public about motorcycling. A.B.A.T.E. members ride many different 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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Thank you to everyone who attended Bikerday at the capitol! We had a great day.

Are you ready for A.B.A.T.E University? Did you book your room? The committee has a great line-up of events for the weekend!

Right now we have so many wonderful things happening that I'm having trouble staying organized. I'm even feeling a little overwhelmed trying to keep up with everything. But soon things will settle down.

Don't forget to recruit new members before we have to throw out all of those tri-folds. The dues increase takes place on April 1st. Let's see how many new members we can get before the new tri-folds are distributed.

I'm still trying to make it to meetings and events when there's time available on my calendar. Hopefully I will see you soon.

I don't know about you, but I'm ready for riding season to start!

– Jane



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I would like to thank everyone that made it to Bikerday. It was surprising as you walked through the halls in your leather coats with all of our representatives, their aides and the senators hearing them say it looks like Bikerday. Sometimes a small group makes a big impact, so once again, thanks everyone that made it. For those that were unable to attend, it's never too late to send a letter or email to your representative or senator.

As for myself for the month of February and March, Kristie and I are taking a little time off, so I am a little out of the loop on what's going on. I always like to attend my committee meetings, but will have to catch up when we get home from Texas. For everyone that thinks I'm getting all this great riding time in, it's not looking good for the month of February in Texas, windy and 45 today, I did get out on my pedal bike though.

I hope to see everyone at A.B.A.T.E University. It looks like once again it is going to be a great time for everyone,

– Till next time, Jim



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The State Office has started to get busy with nominations & elections starting this month. After being gone to Puerto Vallarta for 10 days, I was busy playing catch-up, but I got it done!

I've been getting a lot of multiyear memberships coming in, it can be confusing, but everything is going well. As always, use LEGIBLE penmanship. I'm glad some of the new members have included their phone number, otherwise I'm not sure where these would go. When signing up a minor, PLEASE write the birthdate in and mark the membership MINOR on the side.

See you down the road,

– Shelly Deutsch, State Office Admin



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Some readers may remember when the "Save the Patch" topic was frequently discussed at meetings. Here are a few comments from NCOM reports submitted many years ago.

From my NCOM Report (September) 2009

The federal government's confiscation of a club's trademark and club colors was discussed at the board meeting. At this point the government has declared displaying certain club colors or insignias to be illegal.

From my NCOM Report (October) 2009

On October 22, 2008, a number of current and former members of the Mongols Nation Motorcycle Club were indicted in federal court for RICO violations and other offenses. However, the government did not charge the club itself or the overwhelming majority of its members with any wrongdoing.

In a novel attempt to extend RICO's asset forfeiture provisions, the government sought forfeiture of trademarks registered by the club. Club members and supporters display items bearing the marks to signify membership and association with the club and to express their beliefs and values.

Fast forward January 6, 2023, & freedom of speech has a victory

SAVE THE PATCH: MONGOLS M/C KEEP THEIR TRADEMARK LOGO

The Mongol Nation Motorcycle Club can keep their trademark logo, a backpatch typically worn on jackets and vests by members, thanks to a Ninth Circuit ruling handed down on January 6, 2023. But the three-judge panel also declined to overturn the 2018 criminal conviction of the organization on federal racketeering charges, reports Courthouse

News Service.

Stephen Stubbs, (former AIM attorney) the Mongols general counsel, called the ruling "a victory not only for the Mongols Motorcycle Club, but for all motorcycle clubs, freedom, and America as a whole."

As backdrop to the now-infamous courtroom battle with far-reaching implications for America's biker community; after a decade-long prosecution 77 members were convicted, as was the Mongols organization itself, under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO). A federal jury ordered the club be fined \$500,000 and forced to forfeit a large stockpile of vests, guns and ammunition seized by federal agents in raids. The jury also decided the club should forfeit their trademarked patch over to the government.

Months after the verdict, U.S. District Judge David Carter said the Mongols could keep their trademark, ruling that such a forfeiture would violate its First Amendment rights to free speech and association, and would also constitute an excessive fine prohibited by the Eighth Amendment.

Both parties appealed. The Mongols argued the organization wasn't an indictable "person" under the RICO statute. The federal government asked the Ninth Circuit to simply dissolve the Mongols' trademark, effectively allowing anyone to buy and sell products with the design.

In a unanimous opinion, U.S. Circuit Judge Holly Thomas wrote that the RICO law's forfeiture provision only allows the government to seize property, not destroy it.

Attorney Stubbs applauded the appellate ruling, saying that the "Mongol Nation is thrilled to push back against government overreach and win this important freedom of speech battle, first in the federal district court, and then at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals," and adding that "The Mongol patch is a symbol of the esteemed brotherhood of its members, and the Ninth circuit stood strong against the government's unconstitutional attempt to ban and extinguish important symbolic free speech."



Letter to the Editor:

Over the years I have had the pleasure of meeting some of the best motorcycle rights activists from all over the USA. Space does not let me list them all, but I consider them and every one of you reading this in that category. You are all motorcycle rights freedom fighters in my book. Much has been written by and about the people we consider leaders in our cause. This month I want to tell you about Sputnik Strain. A non-conformist from the start, Sputnik energized motorcyclists in the entire state of Texas with the simple call to "get involved".

He did this with his Five Steps to Freedom. Sputnik gave countless workshops, talks, and seminars on this over the years until he passed away some time ago. I can't possibly do justice on the topic, but I feel it is so important that I will share a revue of the Five Steps with you over the next few months. And add some details that are unique to Minnesota.

Step One:

Register to Vote and Exercise Your Voting Rights.

While most A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota members actively participate in the voting process, I do run into people who have never registered to vote. Voter registration in Minnesota is free, easy, and takes very little time. You can register online, in person, or on voting day (same day registration). Encouraging young people (18 and over) to register will set them on a lifetime path of civic duty. The Minnesota Secretary of State website is an excellent information source. After registering you will be given a card detailing your voting district and voting

location. With this info you can find who represents you. These are the people to contact when you have concerns or questions on political happenings. If you know anyone who needs more information on voter registration, please have them call me.

Next month:

Sputnik's Second Step to Freedom.

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Letter to the Editor:

I really enjoyed my visit to the Capitol and here's why:

I liked walking around and exploring the beautiful artwork and statues.

One thing I thought was really cool was getting to go through tunnels under the streets.

Another thing that was interesting was meeting our Senator and Representative.

While exploring I got to see all the different Senate rooms, what they look like and where they sit.

Audrey Christensen,
Age 11

Letter to the Editor:

I really enjoyed my visit to the Capitol. We got to speak to my district's Senator and Representative, which was very interesting. They made time for us to talk to them about motorcycling issues we would like changed. It was also really cool to see all the different artwork and sculptures around the Capitol. We also got to go to the different buildings thru the underground tunnels. I got to see what A.B.A.T.E. is really about on the legislative level, fighting for motorcyclists rights.

Gavin Christensen,
Age 16



YOUNG RIDERS REPORT

FRANK ERNST

We officially have Young Riders members, members have patches, and we have activities planned. As many of you may know we had four Young Riders join us at Bikerday at the Capitol. Now we invite Young Riders to join us at A.B.A.T.E. U and take in the Stop the Bleed, first aid, or other classes they may have interest in. I expect we will have space for them to participate in the Trilithon events on Saturday evening. We do need to warn them they may be at risk of being incarcerated in the A.B.A.T.E. University community jail.

We are currently working on getting membership cards printed, and a welcome letter drafted so we can get them sent to our new members. I expect this will be done by the time you read this. We have some momentum, there has been a lot of excitement expressed about this program, and I expect this excitement will continue to grow.

A Young Riders Facebook page has been designed and a QR code created that will take you directly to that page. We will set up a new e-mail address for the Young Riders committee, I expect it may be youngriders@abatemn.org. We are in the process of designing a poker chip that will have the QR code and young riders contact. When we get these made, we can hand them out to prospective members. We are anticipating most of the communication and contact we have with Young Riders will be through electronic platforms that young people understand and navigate (much better than I) so that is where we are focusing our attention.



I know this is just a beginning, but we are on the right path. I am excited to see the direction we are going, thanks to all that have helped.

We have asked before, but as a reminder if you have suggestions for events or ideas to improve the program, please share.

There is a virtual meeting planned for Thursday, March 23rd at 6:00 pm. We will get the invites out in advance so if you want to be included, please contact us.

Thanks again to everyone for your help.

– frank



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Upcoming Event(s):

April 21st-23rd, Heartland STEAM,
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May 15th-16th, Bikers Inside the Beltway,
Washington DC

Hello everyone,

Do you enjoy A.B.A.T.E. U and Bikerday at the State Capitol? Well, the MRF has the same thing at the federal level. In April we have Heartland STEAM in Bismarck ND. Motorcycle rights organizations from seven different states get together for classes and seminars similar to the style of A.B.A.T.E. U.

In May is Bikers Inside the Beltway. We are in the process of getting appointments set so that we can meet with all eight representatives and both senators. It is always nice to have constituents from each district there to show how important our motorcycle rights are to us. If you are interested in attending let Gary, Todd or myself know so that we can include that information when making the appointment with your Representative, that a constituent will be in DC.

Don't forget that if you have a meeting or event that you would like myself or one of the assistant reps to be at, please let us know.

Ride safe and hope to see you at the next event.

– Jay Hickok, MRF state rep



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Bikerday 2023

Thanks to all that attended the most important day of the year for us. Your sacrifice is appreciated. We had about 2% of our membership attending this year. Just think of the stuff that we could do if 98% of our membership attended.

Talking Points

No Change to the Motorcycle Helmet Law

The motorcyclists of Minnesota ask that you continue to support the current Minnesota motorcycle helmet law, which requires those under 18 and those on a learners permit to wear a helmet while allowing endorsed adults the choice to wear or not to wear a helmet while operating a motorcycle. No helmet on the market can prevent a crash. The best way to prevent injuries is to prevent crashes. Crash avoidance and holding those who use our roadways accountable for their actions are the key factors for injury prevention.

Internal Combustion Engines

The Federal government is actively pressing for increased use of electric vehicles. In the effort to put more electric vehicles on the road, the legality of internal combustion engines should not be threatened. A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota opposes all bans of combustion engines.

Ground effect lighting

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota is looking into legislation to allow ground effect lighting on motorcycles as a safety feature to allow the motorcycles to be easily seen on the roadway. This lighting will not flash or change colors while moving. The lights must be located under the vehicle where bulb/strips can not be seen and a reflection radius of no more than six feet on the ground.

Curtail Profiling of Motorcyclists in Minnesota

Motorcyclists are frequently stopped by police as they travel simply because they ride a motorcycle or are wearing motorcycle riding apparel. Often these stops are accompanied with the explanation that a traffic infraction has occurred, which is not always the case. In some cases, people have been told they are violating a law that does not exist. In other cases the

violation cited simply has not occurred. Motorcyclists come from all walks of life and most are law abiding citizens. Motorcyclists should not be treated differently from other members of the transportation mix. We support legislation that assures chief law enforcement officers, at the state and local level, establish a written policy governing the conduct of peace officers engaged in stops of motorcycle riding citizens.

Note: H. Res 366 passed

the U.S. House of Representatives on December 23rd, 2022

Reduce the Sales Tax Imposed on Older Motorcycles

Motorcyclists who transfer a title for a motorcycle which is ten years old or older and valued at less than \$3,000, or have a motorcycle that is 20 years old or older who ask for a "Classic" specialty plate, pay a much higher rate of sales tax than an automobile meeting those criteria. A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota feels this is wrong and has introduced legislation to have motorcycles on an even scale with automobiles. Motorcycles cause almost zero damage to our roads and should not be taxed at a higher rate than cars and trucks.

Autonomous Vehicles

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota has questions related to autonomous vehicles that are coming to Minnesota road and highways.

1. Are manufacturers that sell vehicles advertised to have self-driving capabilities required to have their technology specifically account for motorcycles and motorcyclists? If not, why?
2. Do motorcycle crashes involving autonomous vehicles represent a statistical outlier or are motorcycles overly represented in the crash data involving self-driving cars?
3. Are other roadway users including bicyclists and pedestrians accounted for differently by this technology? If they are, how does that differ from requirements detecting motorcyclists?

Are there discrepancies between manufacturers' self-driving technologies in how they identify motorcyclists and, if so, does NHTSA evaluate those differences?

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

– Gary Goracke



DIAL-A-RIDE

Next Meeting(s):

April 16th, Holiday Inn,
Alexandria

Happy to see John up and cruising, John's focus this year is Future of Dial-A-Ride, bike crashes are up, **WE NEED TO FOCUS ON GETTING OUR TRAILERS AND POSTERS AND COASTERS VISIBLE TO THE PUBLIC TO LET THEM KNOW WE ARE THERE FOR THEM.**

Vice President Duane Tchida, suggests posters and coasters to area bars, pull Dial-A-Ride trailer in parades. Ask bars if you can park the trailer in their parking lot for exposure. Let

Dial-A-Ride know when you have events so we can set up sober cabs for you.

If you have a personal trailer sitting at home, that you wouldn't mind picking people up to get them home safely please contact Big John at bigjohn.jn7@gmail.com or Sharon Polman at polmanse@hotmail.com with your location, name, and phone number and Chapter. If you do happen to be somewhere and someone needs to be taken home, please let us know, date, location and reason.

We want to announce a new member into Dial-A-Ride Richard Nelson if you see him thank him for stepping forward.

Next Dial-A-Ride season runs from April 28th - October 29th.



MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TASK FORCE

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The last task force meeting was January 19th and we had a lot to discuss. I gave a detailed report at the January B.O.D., most of which was not time sensitive. I will share that information in the next Road Noise issue to make room for something new and interesting in this report. I have written in the past about the short supply of rider coaches in this state. The proposed Motorcycle Safety Center budget would allow for the hiring of 12 new rider coaches, if they can find them. Last riding season, classes were being cancelled due to the lack of coaches and sometimes interest. A fellow A.B.A.T.E. member from Straight River Chapter, who is also a rider coach, reached out to me about his concern on the same topic. With rider training season creeping up on us, I wanted to share a rider coach's perspective on the situation. This is what he shared with me:

"I have been riding motorcycles for over 50 years. I became a Rider Coach in the summer of 2020. I enjoy the idea of sharing the techniques and skills I have learned over the years with folks that are coming back to refresh their skills and to learn new skills."

There is a need for more individuals with riding skills to step up to the plate and pay it forward with their skills and experiences. Years riding a motorcycle aren't important. New Rider Coaches don't have the baggage of years of bad habits. It is all about attitude. It is important that a person takes on the role of a Rider Coach because they want to help others improve or increase their skills.

I would like to encourage all riders, regardless of experience, to consider becoming a Rider Coach. You may really enjoy the opportunity to share your knowledge with other upcoming riders."

– Dale Fairbanks
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota
(Straight River Chapter)
MSF Rider Coach

There it is folks. I figured I would let somebody else share their viewpoint that happens to be consistent with mine. Thank you Dale, for reaching out to me! If anyone has questions or is interested in becoming a rider coach, please contact me and I will answer what I can and get you pointed in the right direction. You can also contact the State Program Administrator at jay.bock@state.mn.us.

Make your own choices and keep your head on a swivel.

– Big Jon



EDUCATION

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The Education Committee has been having a lot of discussion regarding the Young Riders Scholarship program along with district rider training events this summer and how to go about getting the word out. Not only to our membership, but also to the public.

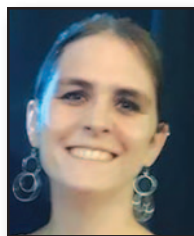
One of the sheets that was passed around at the B.O.D. was an advertisement for A.B.A.T.E. of MN Young Riders Scholarship Program. This explains who we are, what we do, and what the specifics of the scholarship program are. The 2nd sheet was an advertisement for A.B.A.T.E. of MN district rider training events that would encourage rider training free of cost, offered to our membership first, then open to the public after to fill the remaining seats in the class. The district rider training funding is subject to budget approval. The Young Riders logo and State logo will most likely be on the scholarship ad and the State logo would be incorporated into the district rider training ad. If anyone has graphic design ideas, both Education and Marketing will take it into consideration. As Education Chair, I recommend this is the direction we should take for advertising these rider training opportunities. Please keep in mind, riding training season will be upon us before you know it, so we must move quickly. Once the ad designs are finalized, the Education Committee will submit them to Jane for executive approval.

Concerning the "Share the Road" program, Darryl Holman gave a "Train the Trainer" class shortly after the conclusion of the B.O.D. He has updated the presentation which is in the executive approval process.

I don't know about you, but I can't wait to get back to rider training class this spring.

Catch ya next month!

– Big Jon



A.B.A.T.E. UNIVERSITY

STEPHANIE
CHRISTENSEN

(763) 443-4732

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April 14th - 16th, Holiday Inn, Alexandria

Standard and King Rooms - \$115.99 + tax

Pool view, Poolside, and Courtyard - \$125.99 + tax

Call and make you reservations now!

We are encouraging people to bring young riders. You can sign them up this weekend. Just see me!

We are encouraging young riders to take Stop the Bleed and get certified!

First Aid/CPR - is a certified class for \$22. Please register with me to take the First Aid/CPR Class. If any Young Riders would like to attend this class, we will pay for them.

Gun Class (Conceal and Carry) - will be \$69 and you can register at this link

<https://gunclass.wufoo.com/forms/ABATE>

Please sign up for the gun class as soon as possible.

The Road Guard class has been canceled due to not enough interest.

If any chapter or individual would like to sponsor Triathlon Game Equipment, Triathlon Trophies, please let me know. This would be appreciated.

We have one individual that has stepped up and sponsored one of the Triathlon Games and East Central Chapter has sponsored our First Aid/CPR Instructor Fees and her room for one night. Thank you to this individual and East Central Chapter! This is GREATLY APPRECIATED!

Keep putting your orders in for your A.B.A.T.E. University shirts. Let me know if you want men's, women's, how many and what size. Orders are due by March 30th. I am only taking pre-orders. You can call or text me at 763-443-4732 or email me at abateu@abatemn.org





"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 local, state, and national political process" This quote is taken from the Dear Fellow Motorcyclist statement printed in every publication of Road Noise.

This leads me to ask what do we consider "being involved in"? When we talk with our friends, neighbors and family are we talking about how much we love the way our country is being run? If so, have we sent a letter to tell our legislations how great they are doing? Or on occasion when we talk with others do we express a little concern about the direction we are headed? If that is the case have we sent a letter to our legislation to express our concern? I have heard many people express disappointment in the position their legislators have taken on issues but when I ask some of those people if they have shared their feeling on the issue with their elected officials, I get a deer in the headlight stare and they say "well they should know"! My question to our members is how should they know?

In 2022 less than 2% of our members submitted communications with legislators for Write 2 Ride records. Did the other 98% have communications and they are keeping it to themselves, or did they let someone else do it for them while they watched? I think you know the answer to that question.

The last thing I will ask is, if you think about the success we have in opposing legislation that is detrimental to our lifestyle and passing legislation that is favorable with less than 2% participating, how successful do you think we could be if we turned it around 98% participating and 2% watching.

Thanks to the 2% looking forward to hearing from the others in 2023.

– fe



STATE TREASURER

"MITCH"

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Spring is getting closer! Hopefully there will be good weather for A.B.A.T.E. University. That committee has been working hard to put on a great event and I am looking forward to it. The annual budget will be approved at that meeting too, so let me know if anyone has questions.

–Mitch



BUDDY BEAR REPORT

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I know everyone thought I was giving up on Buddy Bears, but seems you all are stuck with me. Buddy Bears are my passion and near and dear to my heart.

Bears have been ordered and should be on their way soon, looking for new homes. We had an awesome year for 2022. We delivered 1,139 bears this past season, for the State of Minnesota. GOOD JOB. This year we still have 275 bears available and ordered 1,000 bears. YEAH!

– Sharon Polman
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SLIGHTLY USED
or NEW
A.B.A.T.E.
t-shirts



to
A.B.A.T.E. University
for the staff to wear.



PRODUCTS REPORT

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Hello bikers.

I hope you all were able to attend Bikerday at the Capitol. If you were unable to attend, I hope you wrote to your legislators.

I found a supplier for the larger state logo decals, so if you need some, please let me know A.S.A.P. so I can order them in time for A.B.A.T.E. University.

I also found someone that can make the "May is motorcycle awareness month" buttons which I will have for sale at A.B.A.T.E. University.

If you would like to help with set up, tear down or working in products while at A.B.A.T.E. University or State Rally, please let me know. I appreciate any and all help.

I think that is all for now.

– Kari



PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

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Next meeting(s):

March 12th, by phone, 11:00 am

Spring is so close now, it's time to fill your calendar with upcoming events like A.B.A.T.E. University., Heartland STEAM and Bikers in the Beltway also many chapter fundraisers.

Check out the Calendar of events for dates and times. Keep sending in the featured articles to The Road Noise.

The Road Noise Committee wants to send a BIG Thank You to Rachael Pesta-Parker (a past RN Editor) for keeping a book of artwork by Rick Arguello safe and returning it to us. Look for some in future issues.

– Thanks, Tammy



MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION

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Just a reminder that as of April 1st, memberships are going up! From \$20 to \$30 for singles and from \$30. to \$40 for couples. Anything post marked after April 1st if not for the correct amount will be returned. It may be better to use the online ordering to make sure you get the right amount sent in.

We are finally going up in our memberships! I think a lot of people are sending in early to save money.

For the February report we are at 1417 singles and 1656 couples, that is up 44 members! Good work! The Chapter with the highest increase is Freedom First Riders with +16, very impressive! Second highest was Southeast LC with an increase of +7, and third highest was Central Chapter with an increase of +6. Keep up the good work everyone!

Keep on Keepin' on!

– Shelly Deutsch, Membership & Retention



GAMBLING REPORT

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Hello everyone and hopefully by the time you're reading this the white stuff is starting to go away. We had another great month of Chapters asking us to spend down their gambling funds. We have made donations from several chapters towards the purchase of Buddy Bears. This has been an awesome cause and we are so happy to continue it as a big part of A.B.A.T.E. goodwill. We have also made donations to a Veterans Organization and Dial-A-Ride.

Sales seem to be going well for A.B.A.T.E. U Raffle, but I'm still awaiting sales numbers from several chapters. Let's shoot for another sell out in 2023!

See you all in Alexandria.



A.B.A.T.E. U 2023

Preliminary Schedule *(subject to change)*

Friday, April 14

6:00 - 7:00 pm Gambling Meeting
 7:00 - 8:00 pm Pre-Board Meeting
 8:00 - 9:00 pm State Rally Meeting
 4:00 - 10:00 pm Meet & Greet
 4:00 - 11:00 pm Scavenger Hunt
 Chapter/Org.
 Product Sales Advance
 notice must be given to
 Stephanie!

2:30 - 3:10 pm
 3:15 - 3:55 pm
 4:00 - 4:40 pm
 4:45 - 5:45 pm
 7:00 - 9:00 pm
 9:00 pm
 9:15 to ??
 9:00am - 6:30pm

Internet Security
 Crash: Legal Do's and Don'ts
 Your Rights:
 Search & Seizure
 Stop the Bleed
 Live Auction
 Bike Raffle Drawing
 ABATE U Triathlon
 Silent Auction

Saturday, April 15

Officer Training

8:00 - 8:45 am President
 & Vice President
 8:00 - 8:45 am Secretary & Chapter Rep.
 8:00 - 8:45 am Treasurer
 8:00 - 8:45 am Sgt. @ Arms
 9:00am - 1:30pm Board of Director's Meeting

Sunday, April 16

9 am - noon First Aid/
 CPR Certification
 \$22 includes certificate
 register with Stephanie at abateu@abatemn.org
 9 am - 1pm Gun Carry Permit
 \$69 includes range time
 sign up at

<https://gunclass.wufoo.com/forms/ABATE>

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Inc. Preliminary Board of Directors Meeting Agenda Saturday April 15, 2023, 9:00 AM Holiday Inn, Alexandria, MN

CALL TO ORDER

9:00 AM Call to order Jane Doyle
 Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome Edgar Burke and Holiday Inn Staff
 Invocation Edgar Burke
 Roll call Michele Legried
 Agenda approval / changes Jane Doyle
 Secretary Report - Jan. 2023 Michele Legried
 Treasurer's Report Michelle Backlund

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

Legislative Director Gary Goracke
 Motorcycle PAC of MN Mark Senn
 NCOM (National Coalition of Motorcyclists) open
 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)

ABATE University Stephanie Christensen
 Education Jon Fernholz
 Young Rider's Program Jon Fernholz
 Gambling Dan Matzdorff
 Buddy Bear Program Sharon Polman
 Historian Gaida Trout
 Marketing Harmony Lillie
 Membership and Member Retention Shelly Deutsch
 Passport Run Jon Smith
 Products Kari Duncan
 Publications Tammy Winkels
 Rally Randy Prochazka
 Revisor Bob Gerhart
 Ways and Means Kristie Orn

OTHER REPORTS

State Office Shelly Deutsch
 MCDAR (Motorcycle Dial-A-Ride) John Nelson
 Motorcycle Safety Advisory Task Force Jon Fernholz
 Minnesota Motorcycle Club Coalition and Confederation of Clubs of Minnesota Jane Doyle and Frank Ernst

OLD BUSINESS

Bikerday 2023 Recap
 ABATE Motorcycle Safety Awareness Proclamation
 2023 Budget Approval

NEW BUSINESS

State Officer Election Results
 By-Law Proposal Results
 Announce Chapter Officers/ Chapter Challenge and Presentation of Awards

OFFICER REPORTS

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS /ADJOURNMENT

BUSINESS OF THE MONTH



Moonshine Bar & Grill

2752 75th Ave. • Princeton MN 55371
(763) 220-5888

Monday - Thursday 2pm - 1am
Friday - Sunday 10am - 1am

Moonshine offers a laid back atmosphere with great food and bar service. The staff at Moonshine have been supportive of A.B.A.T.E. from displaying posters for rides and events to being a current and past Passport stop and sponsor. They even opened early one morning to serve breakfast for a group of Sand Dunes Members before starting our ride to the Summer Hummer. They also own two other businesses, Taco Gringo's in Clearwater, and the Avon Cabin Cafe in Avon, both of which are also passport stops.

MEMBER OF THE MONTH



Gaida Trout

Gaida Trout is the Lake Chapter Sargent in Arms, is on the Ways & Means committee and is the A.B.A.T.E. Historian.

Gaida really stepped up and took over Products for Lake Chapter with great ideas and many new products.

Gaida is always willing to help with Chapter events and has gone above and beyond to seek out and talk with Bikers about A.B.A.T.E. and what it means to us.

— Scott Trout, Lake Chapter

BIKE OF THE MONTH

HD Softail Springer 2002 Harley Davidson FLSTS

owned by **Jim Pearson**
of **East Central Chapter**

88 cu inch Twin-Cam
Purchased from Fury Motorcycle in St. Paul in July 2022 with 42,000 miles. Was looking for a springer for about a year and was watching this one. He took it for a ride in July and had to make it his. The wife was a bit skeptical until she rode it. Now they kid each other who gets to ride it!



Chapter Grapevines



NORTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

KENT VERNER

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First of all, I want to thank everyone that attended Bikerday! The NE District bus only had five members last year - 22 this year. There were a couple of other bus problems, but I counted 80 during the opening comments. I got to meet several new people this year.

The weather is getting warmer, but the roads up here are a disaster. Pot holes are everywhere and are huge and deep. Spring riding is going to be a challenge, might not get in too much of a hurry to get the bikes out on the road. Please start planning for A.B.A.T.E. U. I see one class has already been cancelled due to not enough participation. The committee has put a ton of work into getting a variety of class opportunities for us, so sign up now and make your reservations so we can fill the hotel. As you are reading this article, chapter voting has begun. In our district the number of members stepping up to fill officer positions looks like all will be filled, I really hope so. Keep attending other chapter winter events, it helps them and they may in turn show up to yours. Bring a friend with and talk up our organization to sign up new members and get renewals for those that have expired.

– Later, Pedro



METRO

Next Meeting(s):

March 14th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm

April 11th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm

May 9th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 28th, MetroMorial Day Celebration, Route 47 Pub and Grub, Fridley, 12:00 - 6:00 pm

Greetings from the Metro Chapter.

2023 continues to be starting out on the right track. Attendance at our January and February meetings has been strong. The Metro Chapter was represented at Bikerday at the Minnesota State Capitol by a "Biker's Dozen" (15 members by my count). Members who attended in person in St. Paul to meet with and talk to their Senators and Representatives - Grass-Roots politics at the most basic level.

The Metro Chapter meets at 7:00 pm on the Second Tuesday of each month at the Coon Rapids VFW, 1919 Coon Rapids Blvd. The March is the meeting where members will have an opportunity to vote on the candidates for Chapter & State Officers who will provide the leadership for our group for the next year. All members are urged to attend in person and vote.

The Chapter is busy planning for our booth at the annual Donnie Smith Bike Show at the St. Paul River Centre on March 25th and 26th. We encourage chapter members to volunteer to help set up the booth as well as to man the booth during show hours on Saturday and Sunday.

We are also well into our planning process for our annual fundraiser, our third annual MetroMorial Day Celebration, Sunday, May 28th, at Route 47 Pub and Grub, 7820 University Ave NE in Fridley from noon to 6:00 pm. We are working

Metro Chapter at Bikerday 2023!

on a couple of new attractions which we hope will boost attendance.



MetroMorial Day is unique in that it is just about the only biker event on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. Unlike literally every other weekend from May through September which have events competing with other events.

Metro Chapter 2023 calendar sales remain strong. The 16-month calendars feature almost 200 photos from the 2022 A.B.A.T.E. State Rally last Labor Day weekend at the Meeker County Fairgrounds in Litchfield. This year, we are also offering for sale a flash drive which contains even more photos than the calendar along with some videos as well. Calendars are \$20 each and the flash drives sell for \$15 each. Ordering information is available on both the Metro Chapter website, www.metro-mn.com or our Facebook page, MN Metro Chapter A.B.A.T.E. For every 5 calendars/flash drives you purchase, we even throw in a FREE bonus calendar or flash drive.

We continue to hold monthly Taco Nights as a fundraiser at Casa Rio Mexican Restaurant in Anoka (typically the second Monday of the month) as well as our every-other-month Sunday morning Brunch at Route 47 Pub and Grub. Information about these events is on our website or Facebook page.

We look forward to seeing everyone in the upcoming months at these events as well as A.B.A.T.E. U in April and at the many other A.B.A.T.E. chapter events scheduled around the state this Spring and Summer.

SAND DUNES

Next Meeting(s):

March 12th, KJ's Refuge, Orrock,
5:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 20th, Spring Ride, location TBD
June 11th, Sand Dunes Bike Show and
Rodeo

If you haven't gotten out to ride yet it should be soon. Have you prepped your bike for spring? Have you done your TCLOCS?

I want to thank all the Sand Dunes members who made it out to Bikerday. We had about a dozen members and even two Young Riders. Bikerday is a huge part of how A.B.A.T.E. works. When our attendance is strong, our voice is also strong.

We have our spring ride coming up, unfortunately I do not have a starting time or location at this time. The ride date is May 20th. We will have more info in next month's Road Noise.

We are also planning for our 3rd Annual Sand Dunes Bike Show and Rodeo, scheduled for June 11th, starting at noon. Our bike show will have five classes, Paint, Vintage, Trike, Sport, and People's Choice. There will also be five games, but you'll have to come out and see us to find out what they are. Once again, we will be awarding our custom trophies created by chapter member Bill Prudhomme. The chapter members work really hard bringing this event together and evolving it to be better. It takes A LOT of hard work from A LOT of awesome people. Whether it's our rodeo, or a ride, serving an officer role, or volunteering at our rally, we can all contribute in some way.

Find what you enjoy, and give it your best.

Until next time, ride safe.

EAST CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

March 5th, American Legion, St. Francis, 11:00 am
April 2nd, American Legion, St. Francis, 11:00 am
May 7th, American Legion, St. Francis, 11:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

March 25th-26th, Donnie Smith Motorcycle Show,
St. Paul River Center
April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn,
Alexandria

Thanks for all the volunteers and auction item's donated to our Heart On Fundraiser. It was a great event and a great turnout! The chili and apple pie contests were a success. Excellent job by all contestants.

Our chapter is planning rider safety and road guard training classes. Please take time off to attend one or both. Try to sign up a friend or someone new to motorcycling.

– Your V.P. Jim

UP NORTH

Next Meeting(s):

March 12th, Calumet Saloon, 4:00 pm
April 9th, Calumet Saloon, 4:00 pm

Hello,

I hope everyone is doing well and is getting their bikes ready for the riding season. With that, I hope you have looked over the talking points from Bikerday and have written your legislators to discuss what concerns us the most about being able to continue to share the road with other motorists. These topics concern the use of our current motorcycles not be permitted use on our roadway system.

I want to thank everyone that came out and supported the Winter Fever Reliever. As always it was a great weekend meeting up with our fellow friends and motorcycle enthusiasts. The committee has always done an excellent job and I can't wait for next year. The yearly membership ride is next for the committee to plan, so if you have an interesting location that the ride should stop at please join the committee and give your input.

Don't forget that A.B.A.T.E. U is coming up in April and that is when the new officer training takes place. There are going to be a lot of great classes offered over the weekend. I hope to see you there.

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

– Jay Hickok, Pres.



Jeff Dotseth, Representative District 11A.

NORTHEAST

Next Meeting(s):

March 1st - 6:30 pm at the Chalet, Hermantown

April 5th - 6:30 pm at the Chalet, Hermantown

Hello all,

Bikerday at the Capitol has come and gone. It was well attended and productive for the Northeast Chapter in particular. As some of you know, the Chapter hosted several political candidates leading up to the general elections. Two of the candidates, Representative Natalie Zelezniak and Representative Jeff Dotseth were very supportive of our positions, and were subsequently elected to office. We stopped



Natalie Zelezniak, Representative District 3B

in at their offices and passed along our congratulations as well as reaffirming their support for our causes. We also stopped in to see our district senator Grant Hauschild who was unfamiliar with us but interested in learning more about A.B.A.T.E. All in all a very good day.

We've set the date for our annual Bunwarmer party which is April 1st at the River Inn in Scanlon. The party starts at 6PM with Aftershock playing at 8PM. There will be door prizes, live auction, and games so be there or be square! There are rooms with special rates available at The First American Inn in Carlton, phone number is (218) 384-3535.

Stay warm!! Ed

JACK PINE RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

(note, there are some time changes)

March 19th, Buffalo Tracks Bar & Grill,

Banning Junction, 2:00 pm

April 16th, Ryders Saloon, Henriette, 2:00 pm

May 21st, Marge's Pub & Grub, Brook Park, 1:00 pm

June 18th, End Zone Bar & Grill, Rutledge, 1:00 pm

July 16th, Village Bar & Grill, Pine City, 1:00 pm

August 20th, Blue Moose, Near McGregor, 10:00 am

September 17th, Marge's Pub & Grub, Brook Park, 1:00 pm

Upcoming event(s):

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn, Alexandria

It's time again for chapter elections. Nominations for chapter officers will be accepted at the February meeting. Elections will be held at the March meeting.

We are now selling A.B.A.T.E. U raffle tickets. First prize is \$20,000 cash, second prize is an Indian

Super Chief motorcycle, third prize is \$5000 cash, fourth prize is \$3000 cash, fifth prize is \$2000 cash. Tickets are \$100 each and only 800 tickets or fewer will be sold. Call or text Bill at 651-587-7625 or Liz at 320-280-0775 for tickets. (or contact any J.P.R officer) Drawing will be held April 15th at the Holiday Inn in Alexandria.

Band lineup for the 2023 Upper Kettle River Shakedown has been set. I do not have that information at this time. But if you want more information, attend the next chapter meeting or check next month's issue of Road Noise.

Next roadside cleanup will be in May. The last cleanup had a great turn out. Thank you to all that help out with this worthwhile endeavor.

For more events, check the Road Noise Calendar of Events and 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

CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

March 5th, Stoney's, Rockville, 12:00 pm

April 2nd, Stoney's, Rockville, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 20th, BACA 100 Mile Run

June 10th, Ride for Heroes

The combination of Stoney's Bar, Central Chapter A.B.A.T.E, and BPM have helped raise over \$2,500 for kids. Congratulations Everyone.

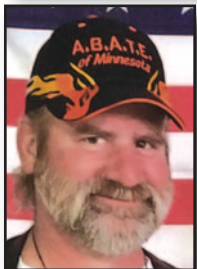
We are helping raise money for a few other causes this summer. The first ride we are helping with is the BACA 100 Mile Run on May 20th. Every BACA chapter is having their 100-mile run to help support abused children. This

year they will have sign up from 9:30 am - 11:00 am. KSU at 11:00 am. There will also be two stops which will be named in the next Road Noise.

The second ride we are helping with is Stoney's 9th Annual Ride for Heroes on June 10th. This year the ride will help raise money for the Richmond Fire Department. There are three stops along the route. The Watering Hole in Elmdale, CB's Bar and Grill in Meire Grove, and Pearl Lake Lodge in Marty. Afterwards, Stoney's is having a street dance outside their bar with the Pandemic Band playing.

Please come out and help support these great causes.

– The DLS



NORTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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Howdy Folks,

Well, we are nearing the end of the snow season. Hoping we all took time to get our bikes ready for the road. Also wondering what we did to get ourselves ready for the road. If you haven't taken a road training course I truly recommend it. I try to take one every year. As time goes by we tend to accumulate bad habits. We get another year older and always assume we get better with age. Well, I read a lot of stats that tell me we still need to train. It's even in our name. American Bikers Awareness Training and Education. It gets me sick to my stomach as I read the yearly stats. Many of the crashes are single vehicle crashes. And many are on a corner. The older I get the more funerals I seem to go to. Please take time to be safe.

This year as most the people on the other side continue to try take some of our freedoms of the road, remember, communication is key with this crowd. If we don't let them know how we feel they can't help us.

A.B.A.T.E University is coming fast. Hoping to see a lot of you there. Bring a friend. Bring your family. Bring a neighbor. Power in numbers and our numbers seem to be slipping. Let's let the world know how much fun it is to belong to A.B.A.T.E of MN!!

TAKE CARE and RIDE FREE

— Edgar



Freedom First Riders on Bikerday 2023.

FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

March 11, VFW Post 936, Alexandria, 6:00 pm

I would like to thank our members that attended Bikerday at the Capitol. It was a great day and progress was made on making our issues heard.

Next month is election time once again, please

plan on attending and voting for our new officers for next year.

Bike show meetings have started up, plan on attending so we can have once again a great bike show.

See you on the road, Expect the Unexpected.

Double G



Northwest Winter Social

NORTHWEST

Next Meeting(s):

March 4th, Greg McGlynn's, 3:00 pm

April 1st, Rod Olson's, 3:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 26th-28th, Spring Ride In, St. Hilaire;
Check our Facebook page for details.

In February, we held our annual Winter Social. We had a great turn out and a lot of fun. Thank you to The Deuce in Erskine for hosting our event and all the volunteers that helped make the event successful.

See you on the road, Expect the Unexpected.

– Double G

Chapter Grapevines



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No Report Received



FLATLANDERS

Next Meeting(s):

March 18th, George's of Geneva,
Geneva, 2:00 pm

April 29th, Blooming Prairie Serviceman's
Club, Blooming Prairie, 2:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

March 18th, Chapter Officer Elections
April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E.U, Holiday Inn,
Alexandria

– Da Buff

Flatlanders at Bikerday 2023.



STRAIGHT RIVER

Next Meeting(s):

March 11th, American Legion, Owatonna, 1:00 pm

April 8th, Reggies Brew House, Owatonna, 1:00
pm

May 13th, Moose Lodge, Faribault, 1:00 pm

Hello Straight Jackets. Bikerday and Valentines as

well as Presidents Day are in the books and happy to say the Legislatures we met with were "yes" on our talking points. Thank you, Flatlanders, for driving up. We have plans for upcoming fundraisers in May and will get all the information in next month's report. Or, if attending March's Elections meeting, we will have it there. Come on warm weather!!!



Bikerday 2023: Tri-County with Rep. Jim Nash (above) and with Senator Julie Coleman (below).



TRI-COUNTY

Next Meeting(s):

March 2nd, Cy's Bar and Grill, Chaska, 7:00 pm

April 6th, Cy's Bar and Grill, Chaska, 7:00 pm

May 4th, Cy's Bar and Grill, Chaska, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

March 2nd, Chapter elections

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn, Alexandria

May 6th, Tri-County Carver Motorcycle Ride

Hello my Tri-County brothers and sisters!

Bikerday at the Capitol was another cold one this year. A thanks to all of you that showed up to let your voice be heard. I'm happy to report that I brought 3 first timers to Bikerday this year, one of which is a new member of the Young Riders. There was lots to be communicated, learned, and seen.

I would like to take a moment to thank all the chapter officers for the work they have done this last year and also thank those who have stepped up to the plate this year. None of what we do would be possible without you.

With the Tri-County Carver Motorcycle Ride coming up in May, start looking around your home for door prizes to give away. It's a good way to clean out that drawer with a hundred can coozies you've never touched. You get the idea. That's it for this month, catch ya on the flip side.

-Big Jon





RIVER VALLEY

Next Meeting(s):

March 12th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

April 9th, Eagles Club, Mankato,
12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U.,

Holiday Inn, Alexandria

April 21st- 23rd, Heartland STEAM, Bismarck, ND

May 6th, Motorcycle Awareness Parade

May 12th, Spring Ditch Cleanup



Hello All!

We want to start out with a big thank you to each and every person that attended our January Thaw Fundraiser Dance! It's always nice seeing our past, present and new A.B.A.T.E. family each year. It was great seeing others from chapters further away due to the B.O.D. meeting in our district. Thanks much to all that helped out and participated in our January Thaw to make it a success. And a shout out to the Planning Committee that got it all together to make this happen. Thank you all for your hard work for this event. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

We are currently in the process of planning our May Motorcycle Awareness Parade. The parade is scheduled for Saturday, May 7th. Committee meetings are an hour before the regular meeting. Stay tuned for further information on our Facebook page.

Spring Ditch Cleanup is just around the corner as well. More details to follow.

A.B.A.T.E. University is next month so if you are a new Officer or Sergeant at Arms, please do make sure you attend A.B.A.T.E. University. Also, make sure you make your reservations. It's not only beneficial to attend the classes to learn about what to do for your position but it's also a great time socializing and participating and/or watching

the games and bidding in the auction...plus much more!

Please, please, encourage anyone you know to join A.B.A.T.E. We are continually fighting for our rights as bikers. Informational trifold are available from just about anyone. Every membership helps! Please continue to look in your Road Noise for other chapters' events/fundraisers. It's always nice to meet new people and support each other. See you all in the wind soon,

– Big D, President

Bring Your
SLIGHTLY USED
OR NEW
A.B.A.T.E.
t-shirts



to
A.B.A.T.E University
for the staff to wear.

SOUTHEAST LC

Next Meeting(s):

March 19th, American Legion, Rochester, 11:00 am
April-September--To be announced in the next Road Noise

Upcoming Event(s):

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn, Alexandria
April 21st-22nd, Heartland STEAM in Bismark, ND
May, Rider's Awareness Ride, Rochester, watch for more information to come

Hi All:

First off, I have to apologize for no article in the February Road Noise. I did submit an article before the deadline, and I got a confirmation that it was received and would be printed but for some reason it was not. So again, I apologize.

We had a very nice turnout for the January Winter Bash fundraiser. The food and music were awesome. Thank you to all who donated either food or items for the silent auction and all that attended the event. It was fun and the music was great. A BIG THANK YOU to the DJ who stepped

in at the last minute to provide music. He did an awesome job. Heidi sold a lot of shirts and took orders for several more. She has sent orders as far away as Oregon. GREAT JOB Heidi and thank you for bringing you equipment to print shirts at the event.

On another note, February 1st was Bikerday at the Capitol and unfortunately the bus never showed up to pick up the Rochester people. This was VERY disappointing as I for one really wanted to go and since I am not fond of driving in the Cities, much less around the Capitol, I was relying on that bus for transportation. I don't know where the ball got dropped but hopefully, it won't happen again.

Welcome to all new members and don't forget about our monthly meetings the 3rd Sunday of every month. Be sure to read your Road Noise or watch Facebook as it will be posted there. Thank you to all current members who renewed their memberships. Your loyalty to our cause is greatly appreciated.

So, until next month, I bid you Adieu.
– Terry



SOUTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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Don't forget that March is the month for chapter and state elections. If you have more than one person running, vote for the one that will do the chapter proud.

– Jon (Trashy) Smith

ROLLING PRAIRIE

Next Meeting(s):

March 11th, VFW, St. James, 2:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

March 11th, Chili Feed, St. James, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
March 18th, Rally Committee meeting, Eagles, Litchfield, 12:00 pm
March 25th, Freedom Run Chili Feed, Orange Door

Grill & Bar, Minnesota Lake, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
March 25th – 26th, Donnie Smith Show, St. Paul
April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn, Alexandria
April 21st – 23rd, Heartland STEAM, Bismarck, ND
May 15th – 16th, Bikers Inside the Beltway, VA

Not much going on other than Chili Feed and Elections! Hope to see you at the Chili Feed! Every Chapter Rep received two comp tickets, please join us.

– Shelly



Glacial Ridge donated \$500 to the Pope County Food Shelf and \$500 to the Pope County Humane Society.



GLACIAL RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

March 4th, Heidi's Bar, Sedan, 6:00 pm
 April 1st, Heidi's Bar, Sedan 6:00 pm
 May 6th, Heidi's Bar, Sedan 6:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

March 4th, Supper before meeting, Heidi's Bar
 4:30 pm
 April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn, Alexandria
 April 21st - 23rd, Heartland STEAM, Bismarck, ND
 May 15th - 16th, Bikers Inside the Beltway, VA

Hello people!

We had our voting on the 4th of this month. Not much for changes in our chapter. Other than less members every month. What are you doing to retain your members? I challenge everyone from each chapter to call an old member and get them signed up again. Your president has an expired list.

A.B.A.T.E. U is coming up fast! Get your room booked, these fill up fast. Don't forget to sign up for classes ASAP as Stephanie needs to get those numbers to keep the class. She's also needing T-shirt orders by March 30th.

Stay Safe, Stay Warm

BUFFALO RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

March 1st, City Hall Bar and Grill, Minneota, 6:00 pm
 April 5th, City Hall Bar and Grill, Minneota, 6:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn, Alexandria
 April 21st - 23rd, Heartland STEAM, Bismarck, ND
 May 15th- 16th, Bikers Inside the Beltway, VA

Come recognize Motorcycle Awareness Month at Minneota City Hall Bar and Grill on May 6th, 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Tap Takeover with Brau Brothers Brewery. Hope Everyone is writing their representatives for all the important issues coming up in their area. They don't change if you don't tell them.

Take care, hope to see you at Minneota.

– Jesse Warnke

WAY WEST

Next Meeting(s):

March 4th, VFW, Appleton, 12:00 pm
 April 1st, The Refuge, Odessa, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn, Alexandria
 April 21st - 23rd, Heartland STEAM, Bismarck, ND
 May 15th - 16th, Bikers Inside the Beltway, VA

Greetings A.B.A.T.E.'rs,

I just got home from ten glorious days in the Florida sunshine yesterday and remembered, crap the Road Noise is due. I witnessed many motorcycles on the roadways in those ten days and I was jealous. Not jealous of the traffic though.

Elections are amongst us at the March meeting. Congrats to those that stepped up to the challenge! I will miss being your Chapter Rep but, it is time for me to chill. I'll remain active, just in a different way.

Spring is almost here.... yippee!!! And that means riding season is drawing close.

See you soon,

– Gypsy Mama

SOUTHWEST

Upcoming Event(s):

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn, Alexandria
 April 21st - 23rd, Heartland STEAM, Bismarck, ND
 May 15th - 16th, Bikers Inside the Beltway, VA



**A.B.A.T.E. members
at Bikerday 2023.**



LAKE

Next Meeting(s):

March 4th, Red Lodge, Waverly, 3:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn, Alexandria

April 21st - 23rd, Heartland STEAM, Bismarck, ND

May 15th - 16th, Bikers Inside the Beltway, VA

We had another good turnout for the February meeting. And an awesome Grounded Hogs fundraiser! Rosa's quilted artwork was incredible and helped make our fundraiser a success. The band was great as always and lots of people got on the dance floor. There were also a lot of members wearing the new GH t-shirts. Hope you got yours as they were going fast.

Gaida has taken over the State Historian role. If you have any A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota flyers or other memorabilia, let her know.

Some of our members are meeting with the Wright County Sheriff's department to make sure they are aware of the Dial-A-Ride program. It has come to our attention that they could make use of this program but did not know it existed. If you are in another county of this state, consider getting some of the Dial-A-Ride cards and making a visit to your local police.

The motorcycle training courses have been scheduled for June 10th and 11th. There is no cost to our members who take these courses. But there is a limit for each class, so let someone know if you are interested.

We had a good turnout for Bikerday. Thanks to everyone who showed up and a special thanks to those that helped with registration. Lake Chapter always goes above and beyond when it comes to

helping.

We also had a good showing at the Bowling for Big Brothers/Big Sisters event. Our teams raised \$2,360 for this organization. Pictures were sent

to local papers to get some PR. Thanks to everyone who bowled, sponsored bowlers, and showed up for the event. It was a lot of fun.

Our Spring Run is coming up. Should have a date next month. Scott Bitzer is setting this up and told members to have a full gas tank for this ride! We will also be having the Bike Show at Camp Friendship and Camp Courage this summer. Watch your Road Noise for dates when we get this set up in the Spring.

Buddy Bears have been ordered and we should get them in April. Distribution dates will be set when we know for sure how many we are getting.

Nominations for chapter officers started in January. Here are the current nominees; President - April Murch and Scott Bitzer. VP - Rick VanHorn and Todd Riba. Treasurer - Dale. Secretary - Maureen. Chapter Rep - Scott Trout. Sargent at Arms; Jencks, Dean, Blythe, Gaida, April, Jim B and Nikki.

That's all for now, hope to see everyone at A.B.A.T.E. U. Make sure to get your raffle ticket. Lots of great prizes this year.

- Later, Mitch'n

**Grounded Hogs fundraiser and Bowling
photos are on page 28.**

SOUTH CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

March 1st, Mug Shots Bar & Grill, Cosmos,
7:00 pm
April 5th, Eagles, Litchfield, 7:00 pm
May 3rd, Mug Shots Bar & Grill, Cosmos,
7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

April 14th-16th, A.B.A.T.E. U., Holiday Inn,
Alexandria
April 21st - 23rd, Heartland STEAM,
Bismarck, ND
April 30th, VA Food Drive, Family Fare,
Litchfield
May 6th, Bike Show, Mug Shots Bar & Grill,
11:00 am - 4:00 pm
May 15th - 16th, Bikers Inside the Beltway, VA
June 24th, Fun Run, LaPlante's, Litchfield

Attending Bikerday at the Capitol was another great experience. So good to hear our State Legislature's perspective and listen to their support for our motorcycle rights during these critical times. I'm hoping our presence will help make the difference in their actions.

We are busy planning for spring. Our annual



South Central Chapter at Bikerday 2023.

Food Drive is coming up to kick off Motorcycle Awareness Month, and our Spring Fling Bike Show will be here before you know it! Save the date for Saturday, May 6th. If you can donate door prizes for the Bike Show, please contact Michelle Voigt at (320)292-6352.

Hang in there, we'll be riding free soon!

– Ingrid Cohen, Secretary



**Lake Chapter Grounded Hogs
and
Bowling for Big Sisters/Big Brothers**



A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota 2023 State Motorcycle Rally Sponsorship Program

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota (American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education), a not for profit motorcycle rights organization (501(c)4), is seeking sponsors for our 2023 State Rally, to be held September 1st-September 4th at the Meeker County Fairgrounds in Litchfield, MN.

As part of our Sponsorship program we are offering generous recognition, advertising, vendor space, and passes for the participation of you, your employees and customers in our event.

There are five levels of Sponsorship:

Diamond Sponsorship

The Diamond sponsorship is just \$3,000

It includes:

- Your business will have signage on either side or above the stage area in the bar and band hub location
- Your company name and logo published in the Road Noise magazine, A.B.A.T.E.'s official publication (circulation 4,000+)
- A full page ad in our Rally program and your company name and logo included on the cover
- Your company name and logo listed on our website
- 12 free weekend passes to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Gold Sponsorship

The Gold Level Sponsorship is \$1,000

It includes:

- Medium signage in the bar and band hub location
- Your Company name and logo published in the Road Noise magazine
- Your company name and a half page ad in our Rally program
- Your company name listed on our website
- Six free weekend passes to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Silver Sponsorship

The Silver Sponsorship is \$500

It includes:

- Signage in the bar and band hub location
- Your company name published in the Road Noise magazine
- Your company name and a quarter page ad in our Rally program
- Your company name listed on our website
- Four free weekend passes to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Chrome Sponsorship

The Chrome Sponsorship is \$250

It includes:

- Signage in the bar and band hub location
- Your company name published in the Road Noise magazine
- Your company name and business card ad printed in our Rally program
- Your company name listed on our website
- Two free weekend passes to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Copper Sponsorship

The Copper Sponsorship is \$100

It includes:

- Signage in the bar and band hub location
- Your company name published in the Road Noise magazine
- Your company name and business card ad printed in our Rally program
- Your company name listed on our website
- One free weekend pass to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Although A.B.A.T.E. is a not for profit organization and contributions are not tax deductible, you may be able to deduct this investment in your company's advertising budget. Check with your tax professional.

Partnering with us will make the 2023 A.B.A.T.E. State Rally the biggest and best ever. A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota is 3,500 members strong and our goal for attendance at the 2023 Rally is 2,000.

Our members are avid motorcycle enthusiasts who support those businesses who support them. For more information about A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota please visit our website at www.abatemn.org.

For more information, please contact:

Michelle Backlund at (763) 263-1532

Email: statetreasurer@abatemn.org

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to further discussing this exciting opportunity with you soon!

**Deadline to be included in our State Rally Program is
August 1, 2023**

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota 2023 State Rally Sponsorship

Sponsor Information

Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Business Telephone: _____

Business Contact Name: _____

Sponsorship Level: ☐ DIAMOND ☐ GOLD
☐ SILVER ☐ CHROME ☐ COPPER

Check Number: _____ or

Credit Card Number with expiration date: _____

Program Ad/Business Card:

☐ Enclosed ☐ Business will mail/email

Do not staple or deteriorate the scan quality of your ad/business card

Recruiting Member

Name: _____

Chapter: _____

Telephone: _____

Date: _____

Promotional Tickets

☐ Mail tickets to Business Contact
* Tickets will be mailed mid-July 2023

☐ Tickets will be picked up at the Rally by:
Contact Name: _____
* Identification will be required

Quantity given: _____

Ticket #'s: _____

Mail to: Michelle Backlund

16550 226th Ave NW

Elk River, MN 55330

Sponsor Receipt

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota 2023 State Rally Sponsorship

Date: _____

Business Name: _____

Sponsorship Level: _____

Recruiting Member Signature: _____

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, Inc. thanks you for your support!

If you have any questions please contact: Michelle Backlund
(763) 263-1532 or email statetreasurer@abatemn.org

Promotional tickets will be mailed mid-July 2023

If you don't receive your tickets by July 31st, 2023 contact Michelle Backlund

Visit our website at: www.abatemn.org

Contributions to A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota are not tax deductible. Consult your tax advisor.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
3/1/23	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	Minneota City Hall Bar & Grill	6:00 PM
3/1/23	Northeast Chapter Chapter Meeting	The Chalet, Hermantown	6:30 PM
3/1/23	South Central Chapter Meeting	Mug Shots Bar and Grill, Cosmos	7:00 PM
3/2/23	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Cy's Bar and Grill, Chaska	7:00 PM
3/4/23	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Heidi's Bar, Sedan	6:00 PM
3/4/23	Glacial Ridge Supper before meeting	Heidi's Bar, Sedan	4:30 PM
3/4/23	Lake Chapter Meeting	Red Lodge, Waverly	3:00 PM
3/4/23	Northwest Chapter Meeting	Greg McGlynn's	3:00 PM
3/4/23	Way West Chapter Meeting	VFW, Appleton	12:00 PM
3/5/23	Central Chapter Meeting	Stoney's	12:00 PM
3/5/23	East Central Chapter Meeting	American Legion, ST. Francis	11:00 AM
3/10/23	Heart of the Lakes Chapter Meeting	Silver Moon Bar & Steakhouse, Perham	7:00 PM
3/11/23	Freedom First Riders Chapter Meeting	VFW Post 936, Alexandria	6:00 PM
3/11/23	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	VFW, St. James	2:00 PM
3/11/23	Rolling Prairie Chili Feed	VFW, St. James	5:00-8:00 PM
3/11/23	Straight River Chapter Meeting	American Legion, Owatonna	1:00 PM
3/12/23	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
3/12/23	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	KJ's, Orrock	5:00 PM
3/12/23	Up North Chapter Meeting	Calumet Saloon	4:00 PM
3/14/23	Borderland Chapter Meeting	Skippy Finn's, Badger	6:00 PM
3/14/23	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
3/18/23	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	George's of Geneva	2:00 PM
3/18/23	Rally Committee Meeting	Eagles club, Litchfield	12:00 PM
3/19/23	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Buffalo Tacks Bar & Grill, Banning Junction	2:00 PM
3/19/23	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	American Legion, Rochester	4:00 PM
3/23/23	Young Riders Meeting	Zoom	6:00 PM
3/25/23	Donnie Smith Show	St. Paul River Center	
3/25/23	Freedom Run Chili Feed	Orange Door Grill & Bar, Minnesota Lake	4:00 PM
3/25/23	Northeast Chapter Bunwarmer	River Inn, Scanton	
3/26/23	Donnie Smith Show	St. Paul River Center	
4/1/23	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Heidi's Bar, Sedan	6:00 PM
4/1/23	Way West Chapter Meeting	The Refuge, Odessa	12:00 PM
4/2/23	Central Chapter Meeting	Stoney's	12:00 PM
4/2/23	East Central Chapter Meeting	American Legion, St. Francis	11:00 AM
4/5/23	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	Minneota City Hall Bar & Grill	6:00 PM
4/5/23	South Central Chapter Meeting	Eagles, Litchfield	7:00 PM
4/6/23	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Cy's Bar and Grill, Chaska	7:00 PM
4/8/23	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Reggis Brew House, Owatonna	1:00 PM
4/9/23	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
4/9/23	Up North Chapter Meeting	Calumet Saloon	4:00 PM
4/11/23	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
4/14/23	ABATE U	Holiday Inn, Alexandria	
4/15/23	ABATE U	Holiday Inn, Alexandria	
4/16/23	ABATE U	Holiday Inn, Alexandria	
4/16/23	Dial-A-Ride Meeting	Holiday Inn, Alexandria	
4/16/23	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Ryders Saloon, Henriette	2:00 PM
4/21/23	Heartland STEAM	Bismark, ND	
4/22/23	Heartland STEAM	Bismark, ND	
4/23/23	Heart of the Lakes Chapter Meeting	Playtime Sports Bar, Perham	5:00 PM
4/29/23	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Serviceman's Club, Blooming Prairie	2:00 PM
4/30/23	South Central VA Food Drive	Family Fare, Litchfield	
5/3/23	South Central Chapter Meeting	Mug Shots Bar & Grill, Cosmos	7:00 PM
5/4/23	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Cy's Bar and Grill, Chaska	7:00 PM
5/6/23	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Tap Takeover	City Hall Bar & Grill, Minneota	5:00 PM
5/6/23	Dirty Rotten Bikerfest	Princeton Speedway, Princeton	11:00 AM
5/6/23	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Heidi's Bar, Sedan	6:00 PM
5/6/23	Motorcycle Awareness Parade	Rochester	
5/6/23	South Central Chapter Spring Fling	Mug Shots Bar & Grill, Cosmos	11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
5/6/23	Tri-County Carver Motorcyle Ride		
5/7/23	East Central Chapter Meeting	American Legion, ST. Francis	11:00 AM
5/9/23	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
5/12/23	River Valley Spring Ditch Cleanup		
5/13/23	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Moose Lodge, Owatonna	1:00 PM
5/14/23	Heart of the Lakes Chapter Meeting	TBD	5:00 PM
5/15/23	Bikers in the Beltway	Washington, D.C.	
5/16/23	Bikers in the Beltway	Washington, D.C.	
5/20/23	East Central Spring Ride		
5/20/23	Freedom First Riders Chapter Event	RCC, Alexandria	
5/21/23	Freedom First Riders Chapter Event	RCC, Alexandria	
5/21/23	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Marge's Pub & Grub, Brook Park	1:00 PM
5/26/23	Northwest Chapter Spring Ride	St. Hillaire	
5/27/23	Northwest Chapter Spring Ride	St. Hillaire	
5/28/23	Metro Chapter MEtroMorial Day Celebration	Route 47 Pub & Grub, Fridley	12-6:00 pm
5/28/23	Northwest Chapter Spring Ride	St. Hillaire	

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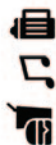
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