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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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Happy New Year!

What are your goals for the year? Does your chapter have goals that they would like to accomplish this year?

There is so much work to be done. Have you heard the saying, "Many Hands Make Light Work?" We need lots of hands to hold successful fundraisers, find and welcome new members, and most importantly - let our legislators know how we feel about the legislation that affects us!

It's time again for nominations. Consider running for a position; friendly competition is a good thing. If you are currently holding a position and are running again, Thank You! We all need to help and support each other.

Let's make 2024 a fantastic year!

Jane

Well, I hope every one had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year’s. I’m sure we did, after all our running and time with family. I know Kristie would not have it any other way.

I feel we had a very productive rally meeting in December and will continue to do so moving forward. I feel Doug and Ingrid have a good handle on it even though they don’t think so. They’re going to do a great job. Let’s have everybody step up and give them a hand for this year’s rally, and make it bigger and better than ever before.

Next thing coming down the pipeline is Bikerday at the Capitol. I know as for myself, I have a previous engagement and will be unable to attend. I am struggling with this, but I have to do a cruise with my sister on her 65th birthday, leaving out of Florida the first part of March. I will try to make the best of it. Sounds like a family affair, my sister, Kristie, our 2 boys, their wives, and our grandchildren.

And then it will be time for A.B.A.T.E. University, and, like I’ve said many times before, it’s always a great time and you might even learn a little bit.

And if you get bored this winter, there’s always a good fundraiser or some good tasting chili to be had over the winter months. If it stays like this, with the lack of snow and warm temperatures, it’s going to be a great winter in my books.

And now that it’s after the first of the year, let’s get out there and see what we can do with our A.B.A.T.E. University raffle tickets. Who couldn’t use $29,999? This is probably one of the best odds in a raffle of winning something.

Till next time,

Jim
Next Meeting(s):
January 15th, via Zoom, 6:00 pm

Hello all, I would like to start off this report with an update about the accomplishments that we, as an organization, have made in 2023 regarding the Training and Education part of A.B.A.T.E. (you know...the T the E).

Our organization has spent almost $15,000 in gambling funds to pay for 60 kids, under age 21, to take the Basic Rider Course statewide. From our State general funds, we spent $900 for three District Rider Training events (less participation than hoped, but a new model in place for next year).

I have reached out to our State Treasurer to see what chapters have used their own funds to pay for rider training events. I also reached out to every chapter through ZOHO to ask about chapter training events and participation numbers. At this point, I have only received responses from four chapters.

What I received from our State Treasurer is that Lake Chapter spent $800 of their funds for rider training, Heart of the Lakes Chapter $935, North East Chapter $300, and Way West Chapter $300. If you add that up, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota has collectively spent just over $18,000 to fund rider training for members and non-members in this State during the 2023 riding season. This is an amazing feat and I believe we should give ourselves a huge pat on the back!

I hope this information will encourage our membership to continue to support rider training efforts now and in the future. My opinion is, a job well done in 2023 and even more in ’24!

“Anyone who has never made a mistake, has never tried anything new.” -Albert Einstein

Jon Fernholz

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Happy New Year!
I can’t believe another year has gone by. During the holidays, A.B.A.T.E. business has been slow. But now the fundraisers are starting and it looks to be a great 2024. Please help your chapter treasurer with these events, so all the work does not land on only a few members. Gook luck on making 2024 a year to remember!!

Let me know if you have questions or concerns.

Mitch
Preparing for 2024? Here are answers to your questions before you even ask!

**How do I contact my Legislator?**
Email is a convenient method! To find out who represents you simply google “who represents me, MN”.

When sending an email, remember to include your name, address and phone number. The best way to get a legislator’s attention is with a short, well-reasoned message.

Here are a few do’s and don’ts on how to write an effective letter to your Legislator:

**Do . . .**
- Find the House or Senate file number and status of the bill before you contact your legislator.
- Be brief; never write more than one page. Make your letter neat and easy to read, use your own words, not form letters.
- Identify the issue at the top of the letter and cover only one issue per letter. If you have more than one issue to address, write a separate letter for each.
- Remember; you’re the expert; make your letter informative.
- Identify yourself and the reason for your expertise.
- Get right to the point. You may wish to begin: “I hope you will support (oppose) HF or SF___."
- Give your reasons for supporting or opposing the measure.
- Tell your legislator why you think the bill, if it becomes law, will help or hurt you, your children, your business, or your community.
- Explain what it means to you. (This can be a personal issue. My Grandma can’t afford to buy a fishing license on her fixed income)
- Use terms they will understand and avoid using abbreviations.
- Offer to be of assistance, offer to testify if there is a hearing regarding the issue.
- Ask for a reply.
- Be polite and reasonable. They may disagree with you. Try to respect their views. Don’t lose your temper, even on paper. Tell your legislator what you think and why, but be polite.
- Be sure to say “thanks."

**Don’t . . .**
- Don’t use form letters or post cards. Legislators say, “I’d rather get one short, simple, handwritten letter than a hundred form letters”
- Don’t threaten legislators. Threats and insults don’t work.

This is the proper way to address your letter: When writing Minnesota State Legislators.
- Dear Representative (Your State Representative’s Full Name) or Honorable (Full Name)
- Dear Senator (Your State Senators Full Name) or Honorable (Full Name)

When writing about federal issues
- Dear Congressman/Congresswoman (Your Congressman/Congresswoman Full Name) or Honorable (Full Name)
- Dear Senator (Your U.S. Senators Full Name) or Honorable (Full Name)

If you need any help please reach out. Gary, Mack or I are willing to help.

Thanks for your anticipated participation.

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April 19th - 21st, Holiday Inn, Alexandria

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Reservations are open for A.B.A.T.E. U!

Court side, poolside, pool view and king rooms $135. All other rooms $125.

Make sure when you call to make your reservation that you mention it is for A.B.A.T.E. U. If you have any trouble making your reservation, please reach out to me.

Breakout Classes:
• History of A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota
• Social media - Platforms and Use; Snapchat/ Twitter/ Discord
• Principles of Leadership

Stephanie

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Happy New Year!

Just the normal wintery things to report on this month. If your Chapter is having a fundraiser this winter and wants State Products there, please email me so I can get you on my schedule. If you need products at your chapter event please email me as soon as possible, so I can get things ordered if necessary. If you have ideas or suggestions for future products or something you want specifically, please email me and I will see what I can do.

Until next time stay safe,

Kari

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Happy New Year! Were you able to give a gift of an A.B.A.T.E. of MN membership?

I am happy to report the December 2nd report shows an increase of +77! We have 1,289 singles and 1,434 couples. The chapter with the highest increase was Lake with a +20, that is AWESOME! Second highest increase was Flatlanders with an increase of +11, way to go! Third highest was Central with a +9, very nice! Only one chapter lost members this month, and 5 chapters had no loss, no gain. Keep up the good work everyone!

Remember to keep the trifolds and tear-offs in you vest pocket or car, you never know when you could meet someone who has never heard of A.B.A.T.E.!

See ya down the road!

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Next Meeting(s):
January 14th, Ugly Bar, Montrose, 1:00 pm February 11th, Zoom Meeting, 11:00 am

As winter sets in, remember to check out the calendar of events and support other chapters by attending their fundraisers.

YOUR Road Noise needs articles of high-fives and shout outs to the awesome members, motorcycles, veterans and businesses, you know of.

“You don’t have to be perfect to be amazing.”

Tammy
I want to thank all of our Young Rider supporters and extend a special thank you to our first Business Supporter of Young Riders, Bergdale Harley Davidson. They have added their name to the list of supporters and in addition committed to being our first “Friends of Young Riders” business. They will be offering a 10% discount on rider safety apparel to Young Rider members. Thanks to Bergdale Harley for making the choice to help new riders that are becoming part of the motorcycling community and doing their part to help keep them safe. I would also like to thank Virgil Legried for his help in sharing the word about Young Riders with Bergdale Harley.

Harmony has made arrangements to have a Young Riders table at The Donnie Smith show and she has ordered some small gift handouts we can use at the DS show or other places when we are promoting Young Riders. Harmony is also working on plans for a Young Riders Tour the Parks event for this coming summer. We will work on making a small competition to encourage Young Riders to participate and possibly have some small prizes to award.

As mentioned previously, we would like to invite Young Riders to join us at Bikerday at the Capitol. We would like to get a picture of the group of Young Riders and with permission from the participant, and if underage permission of the parents, we may use the photos to help promote Young Riders and A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota.

We have begun the process of developing a formal Young Riders tri fold application similar to the A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota application. We are looking for ideas on what information should be included to best represent Young Riders and A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota. If you have suggestions, please let us know.

The next Young Riders/Education meeting will take place January 15th at 6:00 pm. Please let us know if you would like an invite.

Again, thank you to the “Proud supporters of A.B.A.T.E. Young Riders”
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Bikerday at the Capitol
Bikerday is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13th. Please add this on your calendar and let’s make this the biggest Bikerday yet. Registration is open online.

Bus Schedule

**Detroit Lakes/Alexandria/St. Augusta:**
- 4:30 am . . . . Depart Detroit Lakes-Holiday Inn Hwy 10
- 6:15 am . . . . Depart Alexandria-Holiday Inn on Hwy 29
- 6:55 am . . . . Depart St. Augusta – McDonalds off of 194.

**Rochester/Owatonna:**
- 6:00am . . . . Depart Rochester - Wildwood Sports Bar (by Best Western)
- 7:00 am . . . . Depart Owatonna - Wal-Mart (southwest corner)

**Cloquet/Rock Creek/Forest Lake:**
- 5:55 am . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Depart Cloquet SW corner of Walmart parking lot.
- 7:10 am . . . . Depart Rock Creek-Marathon Gas Station
- 7:50 am . . . . . . Depart Forest Lake - Forest Lake VFW

**Mankato:**
- 6:45 am . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Depart Mankato Mills Fleet Farm South end of parking lot.

**Granite Falls:**
- 5:30 am . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Depart Granite Falls Prairies Edge Casino
- 7:15 am . . Depart Glencoe – Bumps Family Restaurant

**Legislation**

The following are bills that have been introduced. Please note we are watching closely. With the upcoming session we are expecting the crazy to come out of the Capitol.
- SF 2132 Motorcycle ground light.
- SF 2573/HF 2376 Motorcycle sales tax.
- Support HF2365/SF 2395 Motorcycle sales tax.
- Support SF 1598/HF 1337 Digital Fair Repair Act.
- Oppose, specifically states not for motorcycles.
- HF2630/SF 2178 Electric Vehicle Surcharge – This states that motorcycles will get charged $30.

I am looking at setting up a legislative team. If this is something that interests you, please send me an email.

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

Gary Goracke
Happy New Year to everyone! I hope this finds everyone finally relaxing after the holiday chaos.

Did you know......A.B.A.T.E. was founded by Lou Kimzey, editor at the time, of Easyriders magazine. A.B.A.T.E., or the idea of, was started in 1971. However, to start, this non-profit organization for bikers was called NCCA, which stood for National Custom Cycle Association. At that time, dues were only $3 for a one-year membership!

It didn’t take long for Lou Kimzey to change the organization’s name from NCCA to A.B.A.T.E. At that moment, A.B.A.T.E. stood for A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments. Lou decided on the Eagle logo when he came across an old civil war publication. The Eagle has long been a symbol of power, courage, and freedom.

In 1972, A.B.A.T.E. implemented area coordinators in different states. They felt this would help to organize a larger population of bikers to represent A.B.A.T.E. on a local level.

Next month I will share how A.B.A.T.E. members were able to help keep choppers from being outlawed.

Till then, I hope we all continue to support each other as we are all in this continuous fight for our right to choose. And support those who choose to do the opposite of ourselves.

Helmet...no problem.
No helmet...no problem.
Fighting for our rights, better conditions and being SEEN...Hell ya!

Harmony

Do you know that your local county fair is a great way to be seen? There are 127 county fairs in the State of Minnesota, but only 87 counties. That means if every Chapter finds one or two county fairs to go to, we have the potential to get new members, to get Young Riders, and to show that we are good people with a great mission.

I would love to come talk to you about what I am thinking. Do you know when your fair is?

Do you know of any open houses in motorcycle shops, dealers, youth events, that you might be able to ask if you can set something up? I am going to be at the next B.O.D. and I can’t wait to tell you about what I am thinking!

Harmony

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State Rally Report

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Next Meeting(s):
January 19th, B.O.D., Holiday Inn Express, Rogers, 8:00 pm
February 17th, Litchfield Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm
March 16th, Litchfield Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm
April 19th, A.B.A.T.E. U, Alexandria, 8:00 pm
May 18th, Litchfield Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm
June 15th, Litchfield Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm
July 19th B.O.D. location, 8:00 pm
August 17th, Litchfield Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm

“Celebrating Our Right For Freedom”
This is the theme for our State Rally. I realize that the Rally has the potential to be one of the biggest fundraisers for A.B.A.T.E. of MN, but we cannot lose sight of the real reason for it. It is a time for all the A.B.A.T.E. family to come together and celebrate all the accomplishments we have achieved throughout the year. It is a time to reunite with old friends and make new ones.

We had our November/December meeting on December 9th. Thank you to all who attended. I would like to have seen a better representation from the chapters though. As a reminder it is the duty of every chapter’s Vice President to attend the Rally meetings. The VPs are the direct liaison between the Rally committee and the chapters. We rely on suggestions, concerns, and questions from all members in efforts to make the Rally a success. We must improve on this as I am huge on communication. The budget for 2024 has been submitted for approval. We are looking into the possibility of getting a national act for 2024. Smoker is already in the process of seeking bands and could use your help with suggestions. If you have a band your chapter would like to perform, please submit the contact information to Smoker at 19smoke69@gmail.com as soon as possible.

We are also looking for a new licensed electrician for the Rally. This would need to be an A.B.A.T.E. member or someone who would be interested in doing the setup, walk through with the inspector, staying at the Rally for any electrical needs, and oversee the electrical tear down afterwards. If you are interested, please contact Fred Pawelk at (612) 240-5767.

We only had one submission for the picture design of the Rally flyer... mine. My goal is once I have all the pertinent information updated and approved, then they will be printed and available at A.B.A.T.E. U.

The 2024 Sponsorship forms are available now. See a copy in this month’s issue. It is never too early to start reaching out and obtaining sponsors. Stressing the selling point that the sooner they participate the more advertising they will get is very important. You should have a few sponsorship forms readily available wherever you go. Keep them in your car, saddle bags, etc.

Again, I must express my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all the sub committees that continue to devote their time and efforts towards making this celebration a success. I cannot thank you enough! And a big thank you to Erin Fredricks for stepping up to be our Rally Treasurer.

Our next meeting is Friday, January 19th at the B.O.D. All are welcome to attend, and I look forward to seeing you there and welcome any feedback you would like to share.

Dougie Cohen

Ways & Means Report

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Next Meeting(s):
January 14th, Ugly Bar, Montrose, 12:00 pm

Hope to see you there.

Kristy
To pick up where I left off, I have a few updates. My last report stated there was only one member appointed to the task force and that is incorrect. The DPS has since updated their website to accurately state that there are ZERO members appointed to this task force. In my opinion, they dropped a large ball last spring and still haven’t managed to figure out how to pick it up. Once again, we have been told appointments will be official at the next meeting (3rd Thursday in January), but I am not holding my breath for that.

As far as attendance goes, we had full attendance from the applicants and then some. Minnesota State Senator Judy Seeberger (41, DFL) was invited to the meeting by a member of the St Croix Valley Riders (SCVR) and spoke about her experience during her freshman term in the Senate. Senator Seeberger also shared how she has recently got back into motorcycling and took an Intermediate Rider Course in 2023 to freshen up her riding skills. Senator Seeberger offered to be a point person for motorcycle related legislation in the Senate and was interested in hearing more about the Motorcycle Ground Lighting bill.

We had another guest at the meeting that took his liberties disrupting the agenda of the task force meeting by approximately 30 minutes. Don M. (SCVR Legislative Director) spoke about fully autonomous vehicles (eg. Robotaxi) and how they should be banned from operating in this state. While I believe it would be a good topic of discussion for the task force to have, there was slated business to attend to, and that wasn’t on the agenda. I feel that was inappropriate. Another thing that I feel was inappropriate, was that the Chair of the task force stated that the task force is against the idea of having fully autonomous vehicles on the road. In the six plus years I have served as a member of the task force, I have never been asked my opinion on fully autonomous vehicles and have never been asked to vote as an advisor as to what the position the task force should take on the subject.

During the meeting, we were informed that the motorcycle safety ad insert that used to come in the mail along with your motorcycle tab renewal notification will finally return this year. The ad concept is something the task force used to vote on every year. I’m guessing they will be using a concept that we voted to approve a couple of years ago? The reason the task force voted annually to advise on these concepts in the past, was to react to the ever-changing motorcycle fatality statistics and focus on those trends.

Another heated topic that may be resolved, is the printing of the "Share the Road" tri-fold. I have written about this topic in my last couple of reports and have been working to get these materials back into the motorcycle safety center budget, to resume printing them. I received a verbal and also written commitment that they will resume printing these materials and they should be ready for dispersal in late January. I would like to thank Darryl Holman (North Star Chapter member, MSF Rider Coach, Motorcycle Safety Advisory Task Force applicant, and more) for attending the meeting and giving the task force an overview of what A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota’s Share the Road program consists of. I think we were successful, but I will wait until February to confirm that.

I don’t want to dwell on the subject, but give a quick update. There were 67 motorcyclist fatalities this year as opposed to 82 in 2022. Less is good, but 67 is still too many. Let’s do whatever we can to reduce these numbers next riding season. Keep your head on a swivel and make your OWN choices.

Jon Fernholz
Mike Diaz

Mike joined the Marines in 1986 following H.S. He spent 9 1/2 years as a Machine Gunner and other specialties. He is a combat veteran of Desert Storm.

After the Marines he became a criminal investigator with Immigration and Nationality Service which became Homeland Security following 9/11. While he was with Homeland Security Investigations, he was an operator with their SWAT team and a Medic. After 9/11 Mike served with the Army Reserves as an interrogator for 6 years.

During the final years with Homeland Security, he worked in South Dakota on the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. In 2019, he retired from government service and now owns a small hobby farm.

Mike’s passion is wanting to help those who have served in our military and our first responders suffering from PTSD. He plans on creating a non-profit organization that helps foster and rehabilitate horses and other animals who need care. He wants to create a veterans helping animals as an animal therapy for veterans. This dream is progressing slowly but nevertheless it’s still progressing.

From Mike Diaz: "I want to thank my sister for inviting me to join A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota. No, I don’t have a motorcycle, yes I’ve always wanted one to ride with my wife, perhaps one day. I’ve lost a co-worker and friend to a motorcycle accident that shouldn’t have happened. Motorists need to keep vigilant and on the lookout for motorcycles. Everyone needs to stay safe."
Winter is in full swing and many of our bikes are hibernating. Unfortunately our government does not and we need to keep doing the work to ensure the freedoms we so highly value. Just check through these grapevines and the calendar at the back to find the events and meetings that interest you and come out and meet some awesome people while helping them fight for us.

Don’t forget to register for Bikerday and make plans to attend. We are scheduled for March 13th this year which promises to be much warmer than the last couple years. As your chapters begin to have your January meetings your presidents will be looking to the membership to fill the officer positions. Many members have great ideas to help further our goals. Volunteering to take on these roles can be a great way to help your chapter and champion those ideas. A.B.A.T.E. members are well respected and that respect is a product of the countless hours our volunteers put in. We can all be a part of continuing this legacy while growing this great organization. Every member counts and we won’t succeed without your efforts.

Until next time, ride safe.

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**Jack Pine Riders**

**Next Meeting(s)**
January 21st, Ryders Saloon, Henriette, 1:00 pm.
February 18th, Mikey’s, Denham Run, 1:00 pm.
March 17th, American Legion Post 51, Pine City, 1:00 pm.
April 21st, Doc’s on 23, Askov, 1:00 pm.
May 19th, Marge’s Bar and Grill, Brook Park, 1:00 pm. (meeting follows highway cleanup)
June 16th, Squirrel Cage, Willow River, 1:00 pm.
July 21st, Maverick’s Saloon, Beroun, 1:00 pm.

**Upcoming Event(s):**
January 20th, B.O.D., Holiday Inn Express, Rogers
March 13th, Bikerday at the State Capitol
April 18th-21st, ABATE University, Holiday Inn, Alexandria.
July 12th-14th Jack Pine Riders Annual Upper Kettle River Shakedown.
August 18th, Memorial Ride weekend. Ride ends at Nickerson Bar. Riding/Camping/Bonfire and more.

The next roadside cleanup will be in May 19th, 2024 at 11:00 am sharp. Chapter meeting to follow the highway clean up. The last cleanup had a great turn out. Thank you to all who helped out with this worthwhile endeavor.

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

Thank you to all that attended the Jack Pine Riders Annual Christmas Party. Keep in mind, you do not need to be a Jack Pine Riders member to attend any J.P.R. event. Members are encouraged to attend. And better yet, members are encouraged to bring a friend. Non-members are encouraged to stop by and see what we are all about.

For more events, check the Road Noise calendar of events.

Also be sure to check your sister chapter grapevines for more events. For updated chapter/evetns and information, log on to our website: http://www.jackpineriders.org Or check out the Jack Pine Riders Facebook page.

Happy New Year,

— The Grapevine jesuss

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**East Central**

**Next Meeting(s)**
January 7th, The American Legion, St Francis, 11:00 am
February 4th, The American Legion, St Francis, 11:00 am
March 3rd, Chapter meeting and elections, 11:00 am.

**Upcoming Event(s):**
February 10th, Heart On fundraiser, The American Legion, St Francis, 1:00-5:00 pm.
March 13th Bikerday at the Capitol
April 19th - 21st A.B.A.T.E. U.

Our Heart On fund raiser is coming up fast. Remember to bring in your auction items, baked goods, moonshine whiskey and a pot of chili for the chili contest. Set up starts at 11am. We are looking forward to seeing our friends from other chapters!

Elections are coming up .. stretch beyond your comfort zone and run for a office. New people bring in new ideas and that’s something we need to grow. Try it for a year, you might like it.

Make sure you set aside March 13th for Bikerday. It’s the most important day that a A.B.A.T.E. member can show their pride. Take the taking points and talk to your state reps.. make your voices heard, stand up and be counted. If nothing else, just show up because there is strength in numbers. See your chapter officers for a bus schedule and enjoy the ride.

Try to sign up a friend or someone new to motorcycling

— Your VP Jim

East Central Photos on Page 17
Greetings and Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas. As of this writing we’ve barely had any snow and the temperature later this week (Thursday, 12/14) will reach 45 degrees. Think I’ll ride.

We had a pretty light turnout for our December meeting. Not surprising for this time of year. Things are a little quiet for the Sand Dunes Chapter right now; however, we do have a lot of plans in the hopper for events coming up this spring and summer. We are excited to bring back our annual Bike Show & Rodeo on June 8th at Bailey Ray’s Roadhouse in Santiago. This year we have moved it to a different location and from Sunday to Saturday. It is our hope in the future to make it bigger and badder by adding a band and maybe even camping.

We do have a couple of important events in January. Sand Dunes will help host the January B.O.D. at the Holiday Inn Express in Rogers. There will be a Rally meeting on the 19th and the official B.O.D. on the 20th. Also, Sand Dunes will be helping out Lake Chapter with their Bowling For Kids Campaign to support Big Brothers/Big Sisters. This event takes place January 21st (day after the B.O.D.) from 11:00-2:00 PM at McPete’s Sports Bar & Lanes, Big Lake.

That is all for now folks. Take care, be safe, and Peace Out!

– Mike Olkives
**METRO**

**Next Meeting(s):**
- January 9th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm
- February 13th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm.
- March 12th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm.
- April 9th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm.

**Upcoming Event(s):**
- January 8th, Taco night, Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka, 4:00 - 8:00 pm
- February 12th, Taco night, Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka, 4:00 - 8:00 pm
- March 11th, Taco night, Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka, 4:00 - 8:00 pm.
- April 8th, Taco night, Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka, 4:00 - 8:00 pm

Sunday Brunch, Route 47 Pub and Grub, 7820 University Ave NE, Fridley, 8 am to 12 pm. The next Sunday Brunches will be in February, April, June, August, October and December 2024.

As we enter a new year, we briefly look back at 2023 - the Metro Chapter had successful events in May at Metro Memorial Day and in October at the Fall Family Festival Kid’s Halloween Party. We welcomed a dozen or more new members who have become important contributing members to the chapter.

We are pleased to announce that the 2024 State Rally Calendar will be available by the end of December (featuring many photos taken at the 2023 A.B.A.T.E. State Rally by photographers Nick Capra, Harmony Sturges and Dale Morin). Originally started as a fundraising project for the Metro Chapter, this year it was decided that, going forward, the profits from the calendar sales will be donated to Motorcycle Dial-A-Ride to help support the life-saving work they perform.

Once again in March, Metro Chapter will be hosting the A.B.A.T.E. membership booth at the Donnie Smith Bike Show on the weekend of March 23rd and 24th at the St. Paul River Centre. Stop by to say ‘Hello’ and to renew your memberships for 2024.

We will be making a big push to get as many Metro Chapter members as possible to attend Bikerday at the State Capitol, Wednesday, March 13th, as well as to attend Heartland S.T.E.A.M. in Sioux Falls, SD, April 13th-14th and A.B.A.T.E. U in Alexandria the following weekend, April 19th-21st.

As always, keep in touch with us via our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/groups/190580868718741) and our chapter website at www.metromn.com.
Central

Next Meeting(s):
February 4th, The Rusty Nail, St. Stephen, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):
February 17th, Polar Plunge, Avon Beach, 12:00 pm
August 15th-17th, Biker Bash, Morrison County Fairground, Little Falls

If you would like to join the Chapter’s Polar Plunge please reach out to Travis Rolfes.

We are looking for sponsors for the Biker Bash. If you know of a business that would like to sponsor and you need one of the sponsorship forms please reach out to one of the committee members. They are: Joe “Bud” Wiser, Julie Hoffarth, Ron Rolfes, Sherry Rolfes, Angie Webb-Darwin, Ryan Janisch and Steve Schwartz.

Thank you to Rollies in Sauk Rapids for hosting our December meeting. Big thank you to CJ&J trucking for sponsoring our Saturday night band Diamondback.

We would like to thank South Central for putting on a great Toys for Tots event. Lindsey (my wife) really enjoyed the jewelry she won in the silent auction.

On December 2nd we participated in the Candy Cane parade in Rockville to promote A.B.A.T.E and the Biker Bash Revival. Fun was had by all.

We are getting ready for Bikerday at the capitol so that we can talk to our legislatures and have our voices heard, so that we may continue to fight for our bikers rights. (And PARTY)

Hope you all enjoyed the holidays with your loved ones. And that the New Year will bring great things for everyone!

Hopefully soon the roads will be clear so we can get those bikes out of the garage and back on the road.

— Until next time: Cowboy
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!! A New Year is upon us. So Many NEW Possibilities!

State and Chapter Nominations Start, NOW!! I say it every year. We have so much GREAT Talent in this organization, please, take a moment and sit back and think what YOU could do for this organization, your chapter or Motorcycle Rights and Safety! Not one moment goes by that I don’t look around and know YOU can do this! Please Think about It.

Wintertime doesn’t stop the legislators from trying to take YOUR Rights and Freedoms away. Bikerday at the Capitol is the time to bring these out. Politician’s work for YOU. Although if YOU don’t let them know YOUR feelings and thoughts, They won’t know what they are.

STAND and Be COUNTED! A Very Powerful statement. Let’s make it a new year’s Commitment.

KEEP Up the Good Work! THANK YOU for what YOU Do.

TAKE CARE and RIDE FREE

Edgar

Heart of the Lakes:

Upcoming Meeting(s)
January 12th, Jess Cooper’s house, Evergreen, 7:00 pm
February 9th, Silver Moon, Perham, 7:00 pm
March 2nd, Pool and Dart Tournament, Silver Moon, Perham, 7:00 pm

Heart of the Lakes:

We are busy planning the Pool and Dart tournament, which will be held on March 2nd, at the Silver Moon in Perham. There will be more information coming in the next couple of months.

There will be flyers out, and tickets are available now for the drawing. Don’t forget to get your tickets, you could be the lucky winner!

Elections are right around the corner, and we are excited to see new members step up and help with our Charter duties.

All stay safe out there, winter brings snow and icy roads.

– Scott
Freedom First Riders

Upcoming Meeting(s)
January 6th at 4:00 pm
February 10th at 6:00 pm,
March 9th at 4:00pm
All at the VFW in Alexandria.

Greetings FFR Members,

I want to capture and thank our special guest speakers that we had at our November Meeting. Jane, Frank, and Jon came and spoke about the Young Riders Program. We got some good information and also made a donation.

We just had our annual Christmas Party and it was great to see all that could make it. Food was great as always and great times catching up with everyone.

It has been decided to do the pasta feed at the Eagles Healing Nest on Saturday, January 13th, time TBD. Please watch the FB page for any updates.

Expect the Unexpected!
— Big Papa

Borderland

Next Meeting(s)
January 9th, Skippy’s, Badger, 6:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):
February 3rd, Borderland Ground Hogs party and meeting, 5:00 pm. Location TBA
March 13th, Bikerday at the Capitol

Happy New Year Borderland!

I hope you all had a blessed Christmas season and have a great new year. At our Ground Hogs party, we will have a potluck dinner, games of skill fundraiser, and optional white elephant gift exchange.

We thank all members that accepted Chapter officer nominations and elections will be at our March Chapter meeting.

We have the Great A.B.A.T.E. University raffle tickets, so buy and sell! 218-689-7969. Keep in mind that this year’s tickets have a weak perforation so keep them flat and don’t bend them.

See ya soon!

Twistin’ da Wick, Tim.

Northwest

Next Meeting(s)
January 6th, Deuce in Erskine, 3:00 PM
February 10th, Rod Olson’s, 3:00 PM

Upcoming Event(s):
February 18th, Winter Social: Check our Facebook page for details.

— Tiffany

North Star

No Report Received
HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024!

Hope Santa gave everyone what they had on their wish lists, and we all know we were on the Nice list! While the weather has been somewhat mild and the snowfall, while pretty from the window, hasn't been a lot. I give thanks for that. I know we need the moisture, and I suppose if it is going to be cold, we may as well have the snow. However, I can live without it.

With January comes more than the cold weather. Election time is upon us. This is the time to ask yourself if you are happy with how A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota is growing, and / or doing. If your answer is no, or you have ideas that might help change things around, then you need to step up to the plate and accept a nomination. Be it for a State Board position or on the local Chapter level. State officers can only be nominated at the January B.O.D. Chapter nominations start in January and will continue in February with elections in March (write-in candidates can be done at that time if you should change your mind). Step up and maybe you will be the difference.

Also, with January comes lots of fundraisers. Check out the Calendar of Events along with the Grapevine articles for all of the Chapters. There is always something going on! If you haven't attended a meeting in a while, this might be the time to start going. Gives you something to do to get out of the house.

March 13th, 2023: Bikerday at the Capitol. Have you gotten the day off from work? Have you registered for the bus? Please remember that if you have young people going, they need to be registered as well. It'll be tough to get everyone on a bus if 70 people show up, only 15 are registered and the bus only holds 50 people. Please get registered early.

As always, I will be at your upcoming meetings soon.

Ride Safe, Ride Smart, Donna

Happy New Year from the Tri County Chapter!
Greetings:

Christmas and New Years have come and gone. Boy that came and went fast. Time is sneaking away from me at a very rapid pace. The next several months are going to be very busy for our chapter. We have a Winter Fundraiser and Membership Drive in January. We would like to see all of our members there. It's always nice to see everyone. This is open to the public, so bring friends and relatives. We will have a silent auction, music and of course, food. So, let's eat, drink and be merry. And starting in January, we will start planning for our Summer Shenanigans Party. We had a great time last year.

Don't forget that January and February are nominations for officers at the chapter level and the state level. If you want changes, now is the time to make your voice heard and nominate yourself or some else. Get involved! It's for a great cause. You are helping the biker community as well as the general public. It doesn't take much but a little time.

Also, DON'T FORGET Bikerday at the Capitol on March 13th. Let's fill the bus and fill the rotunda. Let's let the people in the Capitol know what we stand for and we are not going away. Don't forget to register for this day at abatemn.org. It's very easy to do.

I think that's it for now. Hope to see you all on January 13th at our party.

Bye for now

— Terry

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**Southeast LC**

**Next Meeting (s):**
January 21st, Rochester VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am
February 18th, Rochester VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am
March 17th, Rochester VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am

**Upcoming Event (s):**
January 13th, Winter Fundraiser and Membership Drive, Stewartville American Legion, 4-9 pm
January 19th - 20th, January B.O.D., Rogers
March 13th, Bikerday at the Capitol, busses leave the Wildwood Sports Bar & Grill in Rochester at 6:00 am
April 19th - 21st A.B.A.T.E. University and B.O.D. meeting, Alexandria

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**Straight River**

**Next Meeting (s):**
January 13th, The Box Car, Waseca, 1:00 pm
February 10th, Elks Club, Owatonna, 1:00 pm
March 9th, American Legion, Owatonna, 1:00 pm

**Upcoming Event (s):**
February 24th, Chili Feed, Elks Club, Owatonna, 5:00 pm

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Happy Holidays! Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas!

To participate in the Chili Feed, contact Laura Knudson @ 507-456-3906 or Dirck Hogan @ 507-456-6032. Entry fee is $10 with a maximum of 15 recipes. There will be prizes given for best chili.

Also, our Chapter is planning a ride to Poopy's over the Memorial weekend. If interested contact Mike Smith @507-213-8845. The dates are May 24th - May 27th. (Bring camping gear.)

Our chapter is also going to be ordering merchandise, sweatshirts, t-shirts and sweatpants. Contact Roger Mays @ 507-444-0347 with quantity and sizes.

More events to come in 2024!

Best wishes for a prosperous 2024!

— Mike Smith
Straight River Chapter President
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota

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**Flatlanders**

No Report Received
Hi all!

Happy New Year everyone…welcome to 2024!!!! We hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and a safe fun filled New Year’s celebration!

Now that our scoots are tucked away for the season, it gives us a bit more time to support other chapters events. We work hard at putting together our fundraisers so that we have the funds to support and defend our motorcyclist rights...so let’s get out there and help out our sister chapters!

Speaking of fundraisers...our JANUARY THAW FUNDRAISER AND DANCE PARTY is January 20th at 7:00pm, located at the Eagles Club in Mankato. We will, once again, have our silent auction, grab bags, food, and a live band featuring ROOK! We are looking forward to seeing a lot of you once again!

Reminder that NOMINATIONS for chapter officers are starting at your January meeting...so start thinking of who you would like to see seated at that table. And if YOU are thinking of running for position(s), do talk to other members and let them know you are interested in being nominated.

Bikerday at the Capitol has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 13th. You really should attend if you never have. Not only do you learn a lot of information, but it’s our time of the year to meet with our legislators. It’s important that they hear our voices on our motorcycle rights. So let your boss know that you’re taking that day off. There will be busses available, so get in touch with your chapter for the schedule.

A.B.A.T.E University is April 19th - 21st at the Holiday Inn in Alexandria. Please consider attending…it is always a good time to connect with old friends and make new friends! More importantly, new officer training will be done along with many other informative meetings. To make reservations call (320) 763-6577.

To the new members, we welcome you and hope to see you at our monthly meetings and scheduled events. And to those who renewed their memberships, Deb and Mike Burgess, thank you for your continued support!

Happy 2024 New Year!!!! Cheers!!

— Lori, Sgt-at-Arms

Here’s To Another Year of More Adventures

Happy 2024
Here we are starting a new year, did you make a New Year’s Resolution? Resolution or not, I promised myself that I was doing more camping this year and riding my bikes! Going 2 years not being able to ride, just plain sucked.

Have you signed up for Bikerday at the State Capitol set for Wednesday, March 13th? Why not? I bet most of you have the dates for the Algona Rally, Sturgis, and State Rally penciled into your calendar. If we don’t go to the Capitol and fight for our Freedom to Ride, in the future there may not be any rallies to go to!

Are you out promoting the Young Rider Program? Bring your Young Rider’s to the Capitol, most schools give credit for the day for going.

I hear a lot of grumbling around the districts about how so-in-so is leading the chapter. Well, here is your chance. Nominations are starting this month. Let someone know you’re interested and have them nominate you. Be prepared and know what will be expected of you. Ask to see the Procedure Manual. There should always be one available at the meeting. And please remember, this position lasts one year, not a month after you receive your name badge.

Nominations for State Offices take place at the January B.O.D. That is it. Until next time!

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Southwest

Next Meeting(s):
January 5th, Community Center, Rushmore, 7:00 pm
February 2nd, Community Center, Rushmore, 7:00 pm

Our Christmas party was a good time! Food for food shelf was collected. We had many laughs, did a little reminiscing, enjoyed adult beverages and great food! Looks as if we will probably have a Christmas without snow. And that’s OK. There isn’t much going on right now, but hoping everyone had a safe and merry Christmas, followed by a very happy and healthy New Year! Keep our military and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

— BAM

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Glacial Ridge

Next Meeting(s):
January 6th, Heidi’s Bar, Sedan, 6:00 pm
January 19th-20th, B.O.D., Holiday Inn Express, Rogers
February 3rd, Heidi’s Bar, Sedan, 6:00 pm

We got Santa Day wrapped up, December 2nd. We were able to sign up 7 new young riders. We only had about 55 kids, which is way down from last year, but I know that the flu was going around the schools.

We are all working on selling A.B.A.T.E. U tickets. Now we are going to focus on our big fundraiser, Taco Bar Night. March 9th.

— Harmony Lillie
**Buffalo Ridge**

**Next Meeting (s):**
- January 4th, City Hall Bar & Grill, Minneota, 6:00 pm (officer nominations)
- February 8th, City Hall Bar & Grill, Minneota, 6:00 pm (officer nominations)
- March 7th, City Hall Bar & Grill, Minneota, 6:00 pm (officer elections)

Greetings from southwest Minnesota!

The Buffalo Ridge Chapter was once again called in to teach another Share the Road class in November. This was a surprise to us and the Driver's Ed team, as the classes had been put on hold pending further instruction from the State in light of Driver's License for All legislation. We were more than happy to oblige, simply to keep the message out there: Look Twice, Save a Life! After the November 9th class, the numbers for Buffalo Ridge Chapter are 987 students overall (since 2016), with 128 students in 2023 alone! I feel like those are pretty good numbers considering COVID took us out for three straight years (2020, 2021 & 2022).

The Buffalo Ridge Chapter is committed to continuing classroom education, and have partnered with the Minneota Memorial Run in bringing a comprehensive one-hour presentation to whomever would like us. Educating young drivers and saving the lives of motorcyclists is our goal. We have been informed by Jon Fernholz that the Department of Public Safety will once again resume printing of the “Share the Road” pamphlet that is the center of our classroom instruction. We are very grateful for Jon spearheading this fight!

I want to take this opportunity to publicly thank the Minneota Memorial Run for their continued donations to the Buffalo Ridge Chapter. We promise to do great things with this money, and want to encourage motorcyclists far and near to support their Memorial Run the 3rd Saturday every August.

I hope everyone had a great holiday season!

-- Kris Gruhot, Sec/Treasurer

**Way West**

**Next Meeting (s):**
- To be determined

**Upcoming Event(s):**
- January 19th-20th, B.O.D., Holiday Inn Express, Rogers

Greetings all and Happy New Year!!

I hope each and every one of you had a blessed Christmas holiday with friends and family.

Welcome 2024! My wishes for you all are for good health, good times, and peaceful times...and a safe, upcoming riding season.

At the time of this writing, our chapter “Toys for Kids” program will be complete. Thank you to all the businesses and persons who donated in any way, it was a success. I'll put a total amount of what was raised in next month's Road Noise. We will have donated to 5 counties and supported 2 families that have gone through crisis. Great job Way West!

The January B.O.D. is in Rogers. I hope to see a lot of you there.

-- Later, ABATERS, GYPSY MAMA
LAKE

Next Meeting (s):
January 6th, Choo Choo Bar, Loretto, 3:00 pm
February 3rd, Rockford Township Hall, Rockford, 3:00 pm
March 2nd, Red Lodge, Waverly, 3:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):
Now until February 23rd, Bikerday preregistration
January 19th-20th, B.O.D., Holiday Inn Express, Rogers
January 21st, Bowling for Kids, McPete’s, Big Lake, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
February 3rd, Grounded Hogs Party, Rockford Township Hall, Rockford, 6:00 pm
March 13th, Bikerday at the Capitol
March 23rd-24th, Donnie Smith Bike Show, River Center, St Paul
April 19th-21st, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn, Alexandria
June 8th-9th, Intermediate & Advanced Training Classes

Thank you to everyone who came to the December meeting. Thank you to Dave’s Town Club for hosting our meeting and Ollie, our amazing bartender for the evening.

The Grounded Hogs fundraiser planning is well underway for February 3rd at the Rockford Township Hall. Advance tickets are available as is the newly launched scholarship program. Look for the form in the Road Noise or contact a chapter member to sponsor. Sponsors get recognition as well as free tickets to the event. The committee has plans in motion to make this the best one ever. So, make plans to be there and bring a few friends! This event supports A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, Motorcycle PAC of Minnesota, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and Dial-A-Ride.

The 2024 Lake Chapter calendar is ordered and should be available for purchase at the January meeting. Start saving your photos for the 2025 calendar. It is never too early to start preparing.

Bowling for kids is scheduled for Sunday, January 21st. We are partnering with Sand Dunes again and Central Chapter will also be joining us this year. The online link is on Facebook. Please share with family and friends. Paper sponsorship forms were handed out at the meeting. Reach out to April if you need one. This is an event that is very much appreciated by Big Brothers and Sisters so please participate either as a bowler or cheering from the sidelines.

Arlys, Wright County Food Shelf Volunteer and Gaida Trout, Employee.

Member of the year was voted on and the announcement and award will be presented at the January meeting.

A.B.A.T.E. University raffle tickets are available. Please reach out to Scott Trout to purchase one or two. Grand prize this year is $29,999.

The chapter donated 94 toys and $475 to the Wright County Food Shelf in Waverly.

Bikerday registration is up and running until February 23rd. Remember to pre-register as it is very important for organization on the state level.

The Steven J. Kreitlow award recipient for 2023 was the well-deserved Fred Pawelk. Congratulations Fred and thank you for the generosity and support you offer both Lake Chapter and A.B.A.T.E.


Until next month my friends- Ride Free — April
South Central

Next Meeting(s):
January 3rd, Niesen’s Bar, Biscay, 7:00 pm
February 7th, SOS, Cokato, 7:00 pm
March 6th, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 7:00 pm

I hope everyone had a Very Merry Christmas and are all GEARED up for a fantastic ABATE New Year!!!

Our Toys for Kids was a huge success!!! Thank you, Bill and Kristy LaPlante, for another fabulous job. I would like to also thank all the members that helped, and Peggy and Porkchop for working the welcome table all night. I have said this many times before…it takes our whole family to make our events turn out the way they do!!! Also, a big shout out to the other chapters and MC’s that came out and supported us. Not only was it great seeing you all…it was also a pleasure taking your money and toys! 😊

It is my honor to list the following members who have earned the 2023 South Central Active Member Patch. I am so blessed to have so many dedicated members that help in our Fight for Freedom!!!

Jim and Kristie Orn                Brian Schemmel
Ron Lischeid                       Tad and Brenda Lothert
Jon Deitel                        Jim and Deb Nowak
Robin Schmitz                     Glenn Newgaard

Troy Olson & Joyce Compart        Mark Berggren
Mike and Michelle Voigt           Curt Schmitz
Doug and Ingrid Cohen             Steve Dobsmeier and Joyce Melson
Mike Niece and Tina Myllykangas   Kevin and Pat Haugen
Doug Louris and Jen Sommerfeld    Danny and Angie Cairl
Charles Ardolf                    Bill and Kristy Laplante
Brian Rick                        John and Gina Maningoine
Porkchop and Peggy Sundin         Amanda Weibel
Jennifer Heggestad                Sabrina Groff
April and Dustin Suchy            – Dougie Cohen, President
Rolling Prairie

Next Meeting(s):
January 6th, Village Inn, LaSalle, 4:00 pm
(Chili mtg 3:00)
February 3rd, Last Chance Saloon, Hanska
4:00 pm (Chili mtg 3:00)
March 2nd, VFW, St. James, 4:00 pm
(Chili mtg 3:00)

Upcoming Event(s):
March 13th, Bikerday at the Capitol
March 22nd, Chili Feed Prep Day, VFW,
St. James, 9:00 am
March 23rd, Chili Feed, VFW, St. James,
5:00-8:00 pm

Happy New Year!

Well now that old man winter is showing his

Remember Happiness Is A Way
of Travel, Not a Destination!

BORDERLAND
Alicia Olson ............R

BUFFALO RIDGE
Bob McLean ............R
Wesley Cole ............R

CENTRAL
Kenny Huckenpoehler/
Shannon Pooler ..........R
Joe Winkels ............R
Barry/Yvonne Wolbeck ..R
Dean Andrews /Mary Binczik .........N
Jerad Storlien ..........N
Zach Thomas ..........N

EAST CENTRAL
Zeke Clausen ............R

FLATLANDERS
Dan /Arvilla Bye ............R
Ben /Meghan Baumann ....R
Tad Cornelius /
Sarah Nesje ............R
Dean /Joleen Zilm .........R

FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS
Norman Schlosser ..........R
Corrie/Diane Mattocks ..R

JACK PINE RIDERS
Duane Tchida/ Judy Soder ..........R

LAKE
Ronald Zenzen ..........R
Keith May .............R
Frank Ernst .............N
Olga Strobel ..............N
Karen May/Buzz Plante .R
Todd Everett Vail /Jennifer M Grotte .R

BILL/T/Marianne
W Nelson .............R
Sherry/Mike Edgett ....R
Scott Bitzer /
Christine Kalway ..........R
Tyler/Lindsay Prescott .R
Bill /Cathie Jensen .....R
Kathy Lynn Moreland ....R

NORTH STAR
Will /Vikki Dekkers ....R
Jeffery/Joanne Finley ..R

RIVER VALLEY
Glen Zollner .............R
Jerry G Hermann ..........R

ROLLING PRAIRIE
Harry Hale .............R
Benjamin Andert ..........R
Andrew Howk /Nikina .......
Smith-Howk .............R
Wendell Else .............R

SAND DUNES
Dean/Tamra Webb .........R
Chris Mahan .............R

SOUTH CENTRAL
Gregg Berggren ..........R
Charlie/Mary Arndolf ..R
Wes Peters ..........R
Brian/Catherine Rick ..R
Badboyscustom ..........R

SOUTHEAST LC
Jerome/Ranae While .....R

STRAIGHT RIVER
John /Lorie St Clair ....R
Michael "Chopper" /Karsten .........N

TRI-COUNTY
Gerry Berger /Paul Kleaver ....R
Mary K Donnay ..........R

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Call to order .................Jane Doyle
Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome ...........Chad Marchand
Invocation ....................Edgar Burke
Roll Call ....................Michele Legried
Agenda approval/ changes .......Jane Doyle
Secretary Report
  July 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) ..........Dale Peterson
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 ......Frank Ernst
Gambling ......................Dan Matzdorff
Buddy Bear Program ......Sharon Polman
Historian .....................Gaida Trout
Marketing ....................Harmony Sturges
Membership and
  Member Retention .........Shelly Deutsch
Passport Run ............... Jon Smith
Products .....................Kari Duncan
Publications ...............Tammy Winkels
Rally .........................Doug Cohen
Ways and Means ...........Kristy Luhman

OTHER REPORTS
State Office ...............Shelly Deutsch
MCDAR (Motorcycle Dial-A-Ride) ...John Nelson
Motorcycle Safety Advisory Task Force ...........Jon Fernholz
MMCC & COC of MN ..........Jane Doyle and Dale Peterson

OLD BUSINESS
• Bikerday 2024 update & donations
• Payroll and Accounting Fee Increase Proposal

NEW BUSINESS
• ABATE Proclamation
• Chapter Product Inventory Request from State Treasurer
• 2024 Proposed Budget (April 2024 through March 2025)
• By-law Proposals
• State Officer Nominations

OFFICER REPORTS
Treasurer .................Michelle Backlund
Secretary ..................Michele Legried
Northeast District Director .Chad Marchand
Southeast District Director . . .Donna Larish
Southwest District Director . .Shelly Deutsch
Northwest District Director . . .Edgar Burke
Assistant Statem Coordinator ......Jim Orn
Trustee ...................Mack Backlund
State Coordinator ...........Jane Doyle

ANNOUNCEMENTS /ADJOURNMENT
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota
B.O.D.
January 19th - 20th, 2024

Holiday Inn Express
20930 135th Ave N, Rogers, MN 55374

Room Rate $122 + tax
Free breakfast      Pool      Fitness Center      Restaurant next door

Call, text or email Jane or Michele to make your reservations.
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M Michele Legried: 507-251-3805   statesecretary@abatemn.org

DO NOT contact the hotel.
At check-in, you will need to provide your credit card.
Unreserved rooms will be released to the public on Dec. 11th!
If you don’t have a room reserved through us by then, you will be on your own to find a hotel room.

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