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see [sē] *vb*:

perceive with the eyes; discern visually

mo·tor·cy·cle ['mōdər, sīk(ə)l] *n*:

a two-wheeled vehicle that is powered by a motor and has no pedals
with a husband, wife, son, daughter, friend, mounted on top





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GRAPEVINES AND REPORTS

The deadline is the 10th of the month prior to publication.

- DO NOT submit in all uppercase, or insert backgrounds.
- Include your chapter/committee name on the subject line of the email that you send to the Road Noise.

Use the following basic outline:

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

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Minutes:

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The State Office can print current mailing labels for your Chapter's newsletters, reminder cards, and event flyers.

Feel free to call me with questions, concerns, and inquiries 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm, or leave a message and I will return your call ASAP.

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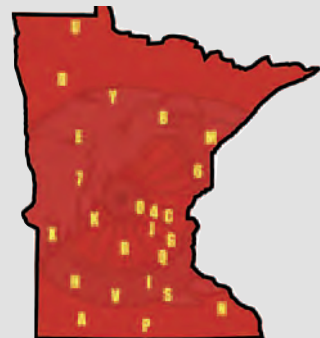
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Dear Fellow Motorcyclists:

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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ATTENTION! Is your chapter planning to hold a raffle? Do you know all of the rules that apply to raffles and 50/50 drawings? Dan is going to hold a "Raffle 101" class at the July Board Of Directors meeting. The class will follow the Gambling Meeting, and start at 6:30 on that Friday evening.

Facebook - I appreciate all of you who have sent me Facebook friend requests. Please do not be offended if I do not accept the

request. I am not an active Facebook participant, and seldom post anything.

A.B.A.T.E. University is over. Did you enjoy the classes and activities? What would you like to see next year? Let the committee know what you would like to see next year.

Are you spending some time in the fresh air? Enjoy your freedom to ride. Make sure your legislators know how you feel about issues that are important to you.

Jane

(this article was written from a desk in Kansas City at the beginning of the NCOM Convention - what are you up to this weekend?)



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Well, if you didn't make it to A.B.A.T.E University, you missed a great event to start the riding season off right. I feel it was a good turnout and everyone had fun.

With that being said, if you did not make it, I hope you get to a chapter meeting and your chapter representative will give you the cliff notes on what went on at the B.O.D.

It looks like there's a lot going on for events to go to this summer. If you can't find something to do on any given weekend, you didn't look in the right spot. Great job to all of the chapters for stepping up and putting on great events for everyone to attend.

Well, the weather looks great, so it's time for me to grill some burgers at the Mini Mart, spray some dandelions, mow the lawn, go camping, visit the grandkids in Colorado Springs and after that's all done, I will go for a ride on my motorcycle.

This being retired is starting to get to be alot of work too.

Till next time *Jim*

The July Board Of Directors Meeting

will be held at:

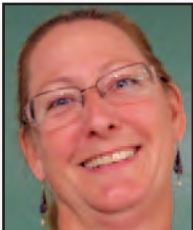
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Dreams
Bar & Event
Center**

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Available

No water or electric
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**Held in conjunction
with Southeast LC's
Summer
Shenanigan's Party**



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Happy Summer to All!

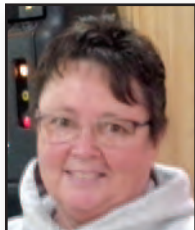
I love this time of year.
Riding whenever you can or
just being outdoors
and enjoying a great
Minnesota summer.

Check out the
Calendar of Events.
There are a lot of
great things going
on.

If your chapter is
having an event and
has a question, let
me know. If I don't
know the answer,
I will find out.

Reminder to always
post at the bottom
of event flyers
"Donations to
A.B.A.T.E. of
Minnesota are
not tax
deductible".

Mitch



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Not much new to report. Take a look at the expiration date on your membership card. Let's get everyone current. Remember to let me know if you move so we can do an address change.

I've been getting a lot of complaints about not getting a Road Noise. First; check to see if you are current. Next; do I have your current address? Then check with your post office to see if there is a problem there.

Keep on Keepin on!

Shelly

A.B.A.T.E. of MN Rally Volunteer Spots Available

VOLUNTEER SPOTS AVAILABLE - PLEASE BE SOBER DURING YOUR SHIFT						
CATEGORY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
REGISTRATION 3.5 hour shifts 8am - 10pm			4 spots	8 spots	14 spots	
SECURITY 4 hours shifts 8 hour overnight 5 hour bands			Front Gate 6 spots Shuttle 4 spots Patrol 6 spots Bands 2 spot	Front Gate 11 spots Shuttle 2 spots Patrol 2 spots	Front Gate 6 spots Shuttle 6 spots Patrol 6 spots Bands 1 spot	
FIRST AID 2 hour shifts 8 hour overnight			8 spots	9 spots	8 spots	
ENTERTAINMENT STAGE		SETUP 5 spots 3:00pm			TEARDOWN 10 spots 11:30pm	
PRODUCTS 2 hours shifts			7 spots	6 spots	5 spots (2 hours) TEARDOWN 8pm 3 spots	
MEMORIAL RIDE ROAD GUARDS				8 spots 9:30am		
WASTE WARRIORS						TEARDOWN 5 spots 10:00am
HAY RIDES 2pm - 8pm 2 hour shifts			5 spots	6 spots	4 spots	
MR. POTATO HEAD	SETUP 11am - 3pm 5 spots	SETUP 11am - 3pm 5 spots	Food Prep 1 spot 9am - 11am Server 1 spot 5pm - 7pm	Food Prep 1 spot 9am - 11am Server 1 spot 5pm - 7pm	Food Prep 1 spot 9am - 11am Server 1 spot 5pm - 7pm	TEARDOWN 5 spots 9 am - 12pm



Rally Committee 2024



STATE RALLY REPORT

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Next Meeting (s):

June 15th, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm

July 19th, B.O.D. location, 8:00 pm

August 17th, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm

Sponsorship Form

Please help sign up sponsors, see the sponsorship form in this issue of the Road Noise. The sooner they sign up the longer advertising time they will have in the Road Noise, on the state website, and on Facebook. The sponsorship form is also available for download at the state website.

Rally Flyers

Help us hang flyers to help spread the word. The flyer is available for download on the state website and was distributed to your Chapter Rep at the April B.O.D. A pdf copy has been mailed to each chapter in the Zoho account. Feel free to make your own copies, as it is a regular 8 1/2 by 11 size this year.

Advanced Admission Tickets

You can buy advanced tickets online at the state website, or from your chapter if they have them available. \$40.00 weekend pass.

Rally Raffle Tickets

Have your chapter contact Dan Matzdorff at (952) 250-5113 to get raffle tickets to sell! \$10 raffle tickets, anyone can purchase, and you do not need to be present to win. 1st Prize - \$2,000, 2nd Prize - \$1,750, 3rd Prize - \$1,500, 4th Prize - \$1,250, 5th Prize - \$1,000, 6th Prize - \$750, 7th Prize - \$500, 8th Prize - \$250. Winners will be announced on Sunday, September 1th at 8:00 pm.

VOLUNTEER SIGN UPS

See open spots listed on page 6. Contact Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029 to volunteer. Each shift you work

enters you in a drawing. Three worked shifts gets you a volunteer patch. Drawing prizes will be given out at the October B.O.D.

REGISTRATION

We are still looking for an assistant to help Tonja run the registration table. Call Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029 if you are interested.

ENTERTAINMENT

Friday - 5 Minute Major, Coconut Tiger

Saturday - Triple Dog Dare, Molly Hatchet

Sunday - Hill Billy Ink

RALLY BIKE SHOW

A suggestion was made to have the bike show outside of the South Gate (facing the school). This would allow young riders to attend, and to hopefully attract more residents to the Rally. Lake Chapter volunteered to do security at this gate during the bike show. JJ Jones (bike show chair) is asking for your feedback and suggestions, email him at longhair.jones@gmail.com

KING & QUEEN NOMINATIONS

Email debkviz@outlook.com no later than August 15th to submit your chapter's candidates for the Rally Royalty Pageant.

MEETINGS & SCHEDULE

Vice Presidents are required to attend the rally meetings or send someone in their place, and everyone is welcome. If you cannot attend in person but use Facebook and would like to join the meeting over Facebook Messenger, contact Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029 ahead of time to be included in the Rally Meeting group chat.

If you have any suggestions for the Rally, email us at rally@abatemn.org.

A huge thank you to all the Rally sub-committees, and those attending the Rally meetings, for their time and hard work!

Dougie Rally Chair



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At the April A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Board meeting, I was asked how people that are new to the process of writing legislators get started. If you are unsure of what or how to write to your legislators, here is some information that may help you. Much of what I am sharing is taken directly from the Minnesota legislative web site, it is not reflecting opinions of myself or others, just information on how to write to your legislators!

If you know who represents you, use the House Member or Senate Member Information pages to find their contact information. If you don't know who represents you simply google (who represents me mn)

You can call, email, or write a letter to your legislator. To speak to your Representative or Senator in person, contact their office to make an appointment. Email is perhaps the most convenient and effective method, preferably not a blanket mailing to all members or a cut and paste of a form letter sent by many. When sending an email, remember to include your name, postal address, and phone number.

Proper Address Format - State Representatives

Honorable (Full Name) or Representative (Full Name) Begin your letter: Dear Rep. (Last Name):

Proper Address Format - State Senators

Honorable (Full Name) or Senator (Full Name) Begin your letter: Dear Sen. (Last Name):

Proper Address Format - Federal Congress
Dear Congressman/Congresswoman (Your Congressman/Congresswoman Full Name) or
Honorable (Full Name)

Proper Address Format - Federal Senate
Dear Senator (Your U.S. Senators Full Name) or
Honorable (Full Name)

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 when writing 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 separate letters for each.
- Remember; you're the expert; make your letter informative.
- Identify yourself and the reason for your expertise.
- Get right to the point. example, 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.
- Tell your legislator what you think and why, 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.
- Don't lose your temper, even on paper.

If you need additional help or have questions on specific topics please reach out, Gary, Mack or I are willing to help.

Thanks for taking part.

frank



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Next Meeting(s):

July 18th, Saint Paul College,
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Our next gathering of applicants is a week from the day this report was written, so it will be brief. The task force applicants, contacts, and advisors received an email on May 1st from the Department of Public Safety Office of Communication that Governor Walz had signed a proclamation stating that May 2024 is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month. I am encouraged to hear that he was willing to do it this year.

However, I can't seem to find it anywhere online other than a copy that was sent to us on an email chain. It is not on the DPS website or on the Governor's newsroom site (<https://mn.gov/governor/newsroom/proclamations/>). I'm not quite sure what the holdup is, but perhaps we will see something before June arrives.

That's all I've got for now. The next report will have a lot more information.

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

Jon Fernholz



LEGISLATIVE REPORT

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No Report Received



DIAL-A-RIDE

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A.B.A.T.E. U was very successful, questionnaires were distributed during Board Meeting to chapters that participates in the Dial-A-Ride program, completed forms, and got their materials to distribute in their areas. Participating Chapters are asked to email a list of establishments receiving this information to "Bill Ernst" Wjernst84@gmail.com bars, dealers, anywhere that gets motorcycle traffic. Consider making sure the police in your area are also on that list.

Chapter	Coasters (bar)	Flyers Dealers	Card Business	County Location
East Central	7,000	200	800	Anoka
Jack Pine Riders	7,000		800	Pine
Sand Dunes	3,500	200	800	Sherburne
Heart of the Lakes	7,000	200	800	Becker
North Star	7,000	200	800	Beltrami
River Valley	7,000	200	800	Blue Earth
Straight River	7,000		800	Steele
Way West			800	Lac qui Parle
Rolling Prairie	14,000	400	800	Watsonwan
Lake	5,000	200	800	Wright
Freedom				
First Riders	7,000	200	800	Douglas
Flatlanders	7,000	200	800	Faribault

Ron Lischeid did a presentation on the history of Dial-A-Ride, and the importance of the program. Ron did an excellent job with his presentation and was received well by those that attended. Let us hope this becomes an annual event at A.B.A.T.E. U.

Dial-A-Ride feels that they have done a great deal to move motorcycle deaths down in Minnesota closer to zero deaths. Ron also said there are several bars that allow their patrons that become incapacitated to bring the bike inside the bar or storage that they can lock up and keys are handed over to the establishment. When interventions occur, DAR needs to know when and where it occurred. Examples of interventions that DAR is not called but takes place. When someone steps in to see that the motorcyclist or passenger not feeling safe is taken home safely. This lets DAR know where high target areas are and if no trailer is available there, we can work on making sure there is coverage. Send interventions to Duane Tchida duanetchida@gmail.com or John Nelson bigjohn.jn7@gmail.com.

Sharon Polman

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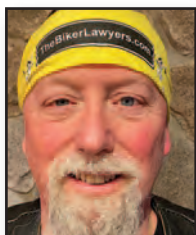
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Riding motorcycles begins by choosing which brand, size, model, and cost of course. But at what cost does your motorcycle manufacturer support what you do? Yet again this year Polaris Inc. [parent company of Indian motorcycles] donated more than \$130,000 to off-road vehicles and snowmobile riding clubs. Try as I might, I cannot find anything or any amount they have donated to any motorcycle rights group to fight for us!

Choose wisely,

N1D - Damon Dale



GAMBLING REPORT

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First, a huge thank you to all who helped sell and buy A.B.A.T.E. U Raffle tickets. The results were a huge success as we sold 984 tickets and these results will help us continue supporting great organizations and people in need.

Now onto moving the State Rally tickets. They are cheap and easy to move, especially if you take them to a drinking establishment after 10:00 pm! If you need tickets, please let me know.

Finally, we would love to see more Chapters hold their own raffles. They are not as scary as you think, and I will be there to help walk you through all the do's and don'ts the state requires. So, if interested please contact me and let us get the ball rolling.



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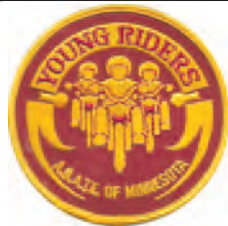
Next meeting(s): TBD, Via ZOOM

As I reported at the last board meeting, the Young Riders Scholarship Program has ended for the duration of this riding season. A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota has spent just over \$25,000 to register 98 youth statewide to take the Basic Rider Course. All the scholarship recipients were registered for their courses and the money was spent before the 2024 rider training classes even began!

I have received emails and in-person questions amongst our membership, and it has prompted me to clear up some confusion. YOUNG RIDERS A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota and the Young Riders Scholarship Program are two completely separate things. The Young Riders Scholarship Program is funded solely by gambling funds and will continue to be, for now. We are looking into ways to expand that in the future, but for now, gambling funds only. YOUNG RIDERS A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota is funded through Young Riders memberships and sponsors such as individuals, including myself, Chapters, businesses, etc. I would expect that you might find a similar description in the Young Riders report of this Road Noise issue.

Just a reminder, our organization promotes crash prevention through training and education. So do not forget to check in with you District Director about District Rider Training opportunities.

*"Live as if you were to die tomorrow.
Learn as if you were to
live forever."*



YOUNG RIDERS REPORT

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Hi, as some of you know, I took over from Frank with the Young Riders program. I am super excited to promote to our youth. My first question to you is, did you grow up around motorcycles/dirt bikes, or did you rebel against your elders and get a motorcycle, not being in a motorcycle family?

There's been some questions on Young Riders vs Young Riders Scholarship Program. One has nothing to do with the other. The scholarship program can only be for 20 years and under, and we can only use gambling funds. Regardless of memberships. We award these on a first come, first served basis. Only one Chapter has earmarked/ transferred gambling funds to the scholarship program. We registered the first recipient when they became available on 12/12/2023 for the July 13th class. The training season started on April 20th.

As for the Young Riders program, it is a membership. It is \$10, they get a membership card, patch and birthday card. This program relies on money from you, Chapters, and business sponsors. If we are going to have an outing, we can use these funds to do that.

We have another fun thing going on called the State Park Club. We have monetary prizes and other prizes after that. What it is, our Young Rider has their picture taken in front of a state park sign, send it to marketing and then are entered into the drawing. At A.B.A.T.E. U 2025, we will announce the winners! If you are not sure if you signed a photo release, I could send you one. So far, my kiddo is the only one entered so let us get these kids out there!

There is more information on this program on the Facebook page.

Harmony



Charlee, at Sibley State Park.

Thanks to our Proud Supporters!
Proud supporters of A.B.A.T.E. Young Riders

Jane Doyle June 23 - May 25
Jon Fernholz June 23 - November, 24
Jim & Kristie Orn June 23 - May, 25
Alex & Kelly Erickson June 23 - May 25
Vicki & Frank Ernst June 23 - May, 25
Tri-County chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN ... June 23 - May 25
Bob & Toni McChesney August 23-July 24
Glacial Ridge chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN ... Aug.23-July 24
Buffalo Ridge chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of MN November 23 - October 24
Kris Gruhot November 23 - October 24
Lake chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN ... Jan. 24 - December 24
Bergdale Harley Davidson,
Albert Lea MN. January 24 - December 24
Freedom First Riders chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of MN February 24 - January 25
Stephanie Christensen March 24 - August 24
Rolling Prairie chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of MN June 24-May 25
East Central chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of MN June 24 - May 25

***Would you like to become
a Young Riders supporter?***
Donations should be forwarded to
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Treasurer
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WAYS & MEANS REPORT

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Next Meeting(s):

June 30th, Ugly Bar, Montrose, 12:00 pm
Hop on your two, three, or four wheels and
come on out and join us.

Kristy



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I am so thrilled to say we got the women's BRC up, finally. Took a bit to find a date! Thank you to one of the members for helping teach it!

How is your social media going? Have you tied your page, (can't tie it to your group) to your Instagram? The "kids" tell me that Facebook is for old people now (she's not nice) and Instagram is the way to go. Have you contacted your area fair? I have had to contact them multiple times for a response, and I found that email is the way to go. They usually respond to that. I have been able to get a hold of a few, for chapters. There are more fairs than counties, so this is a good time to be seen!

Did your chapter rep bring back the question "is anyone interested in helping out at a booth for the State Fair?" I would like to get one but would need volunteers. I know there are some who don't go to the Rally in September, would you be willing to donate some time? Let me know, asap.

Our Chapter joined the Chamber of Commerce and I have been able to get a few things of theirs and I am able to get some exposure from that.

Most young people aren't sure how to ride in a pack, so we might need to educate on that, that's why you see so many lone riders. Isn't it much more fun to ride with others? Although, I know I will get flack saying that, because it's just fun to ride. We all needed to start somewhere, and I have to say, if you learned how from an early age, you are lucky. If you decide you want to be a rebel from your parents, you never had the exposure in the lifestyle.

Be safe out there,

Harmony



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Next Meeting(s):

June 10th, Zoom Meeting, 6:30 pm

As we roll into summer keep your Road Noise



PRODUCTS REPORT

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Greetings all! Well, I hope you found everything you needed at A.B.A.T.E. University. If you did not, Morgan and I will be out and about this summer traveling to different Chapter events. If you know you will be in the same place and need something specific, please email me and we will bring it along.

I will be ordering more of the flannel shirts that I had at A.B.A.T.E. University, but if you want to make sure I have either or both in your size, please email me to make sure I have enough on hand. I plan to have these in time for our State Rally.

I have a quote for the larger A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota flags (4x6). They are two sided so they can be placed on trailers, flagpoles, etc. Please let me know if you or your chapter would like one or more. The cost to you would be approximately \$150 each, but if we order enough there is a price break.

If you are in need of State Products for your Chapter, an event or want State Products at your event please email me the details. My summer is almost full, but I will squeeze you in if I can.

Until we meet again, ride safe,

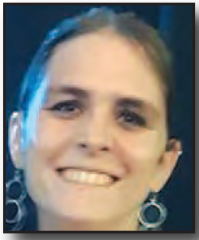
Kari

Calendar of Events handy so if you find yourself looking for something to do there are parades, fundraisers, Memorial rides, Chapter/committee meetings, bike shows etc. Check them out, support each other, and have fun too!

Thanks to Frank Ernst for all his hard work with the Young Riders program, and congratulations Harmony Sturges for taking on the Young Riders Chair.

Remember, you do not have to be perfect to be amazing!!

Tammy



A.B.A.T.E. UNIVERSITY

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Thank you to everyone who came out to A.B.A.T.E. U for another fun and successful year!

A special thanks to Dick York and his family for joining us this year and for all the information for the History of A.B.A.T.E. of MN class. Rick Lewis for sending and talking to our amazing Historian Gaida with helping getting information for the History of A.B.A.T.E. of MN class. Breezy for sending information for the class and items for the auction. Our Young Riders for putting the PowerPoint presentation together for the History of A.B.A.T.E. of MN class together! If anyone is interested in this PowerPoint, we can email it to you.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Scavenger Hunt Friday night. I hope you had fun, learned a few things, and met a few new people. Congratulations to Dan Leiding from Rolling Prairie for winning the \$50 drawing.

Thank you to everyone who attended the breakout classes and filled out the comment cards. By filling out these cards it helps us know what you want to learn more about. Congratulations to Dan Leiding from Rolling Prairie for winning the \$50.00 drawing for filling out the comment card.

I have extra A.B.A.T.E. University shirts still available if anyone is still interested. Sizes are Men's: 1-L, 2-XL. Women's: 1-L, 4-XL, 1-XXL. \$25.00 each. If someone has already paid for their two shirts and forgot them, I have them. I also have shirts that were pre-ordered and never picked up. I need these people to contact me ASAP.

We are starting to work on next year's plans. If you have suggestions, please contact me.

Thanks again for another great year!

Stephanie



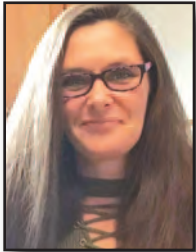
All State Coordinators that were present at A.B.A.T.E. U: Mack Backlund, Dick York, Jane Doye, Jazz and Frank Ernst



Dan Leiding, Rolling Prairie won \$50 Drawing Scavenger Hunt.



Dan Leiding, Rolling Prairie won \$50 Drawing Comment Card.



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As you may know, our articles need to be submitted a little early for printing purposes. So, I would like to now reflect on our A.B.A.T.E. University 'History of A.B.A.T.E. of MN' experience.

First of all, thank you to all that attended. I hope you enjoyed the presentation by Stephanie, the Young Riders and myself. Despite the technical difficulties, I believe we were able to get some interesting facts, and some fun facts as well, presented.

A special Thank You to Richard 'Dick' York, Lynda Blake, their family, and Todd Homan (#7) for attending our presentation and for sharing information on our organization's past. Fingers crossed, maybe we will be fortunate next year to also have Rick Lewis and Rick Cobb attending as well! Any and all Charter members are encouraged to attend. We would all be honored!

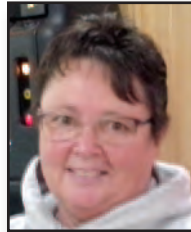
And reflecting on our History presentation, understand that the presentation was only possible because of the contributions of individual members of their documents, memories, submissions, stories and so forth. In order for us to continue reflecting on our past, how things were done, what did and didn't work, and any and all crazy or interesting stories being preserved, depends on the submissions to the History of A.B.A.T.E. of MN.

Flyers, posters, meeting minutes, agendas, Dial-A-Ride, PAC, MRF, news articles or videos, Road Noise, membership lists, In Memory Of, Rally, University - you get the idea. If we stop contributing what we can, the History archives cease.

*Gaida "G"
or "Gator" Trout*

Which do you like better?

Let me know! Take care!



MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION

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Keep those trifolds and tear-offs in your vest or saddle bags, our numbers are going the wrong direction. Only one Chapter had an increase from last month, Way West. One Chapter had no loss or gains East Central, every other chapter had a loss from last month's figures.

Take a look at your card, see when the expiration date is, let's get everyone current again!

See ya down the road,

Shelly



BUDDY BEAR REPORT

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East Central Chapter is planning a Buddy Bear delivery on June 22nd to Tower. We have to be there by noon (to be fed). We would like to invite all chapters to join us. If you would like to be a part of this, please let me know with a head count as I am need to make arrangements with the restaurant so she knows how many people are coming to eat and plan where to stay overnight, as it is a long ride up there.

Thanks, Stephanie

Sharon



MRF REPORT

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No Report Received

Veteran of the Month

Jim Halverson
*Jim, we Thank You
for your service!*



The top section features a large American flag background. On the right is an oval portrait of an older man with grey hair and a goatee, wearing a dark blue sweatshirt and light blue jeans, standing outdoors. To the left of the portrait is the text 'Veteran of the Month' in a large, bold, white font. Below this is the name 'Jim Halverson' in a bold black font, followed by the message 'Jim, we Thank You for your service!' in a smaller, italicized black font. Below the message is a square logo with 'U.S. NAVY' at the top, a circular seal with an eagle in the center, and 'VETERAN' at the bottom.



Molly Hatchet
8/31/24
10:00 pm
A.B.A.T.E.
of Minnesota
State Rally



The bottom section features a photo of the band Molly Hatchet on the left, standing on the steps of a building with a sign that says 'Abbey Road Studios'. To the right of the photo is the band's name 'Molly Hatchet' in a large, orange, stylized font. Below the name is the date '8/31/24', the time '10:00 pm', and the event name 'A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Rally' in a blue font. At the bottom of the section is a row of black guitar icons.

BUSINESS OF THE MONTH



*Thank You
to the
Ugly Bar
of Montrose*
for always hosting the
Ways and Means, and
Publication
Committee Meetings!

BIKE OF THE MONTH

Batman Lego Motorcycle

We thought
this would
be fun!



- anonymous



NORTHWEST DISTRICT

Chapter Grapevines

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Howdy Folks,

JUNE ALREADY! Riding Into the Summer. Ride on over to your Chapter or another Chapters fundraiser! As you ride along the beautiful roads we have in Minnesota, take time to get to know people and let them know about the **AWESOME** organization YOU belong to. Memberships keep slipping. The More the Merrier, IS the Key.

Our laws and freedoms are always being threatened. **We Need To Grow And Stand And Be Counted!!!**

Before We know it, Summer will be winding down and then **Boom! ... State Rally Time!** Take a friend. Take time to help for a 4-hour shift or more. I haven't found a job at the Rally to be very tough. **You Can Do It!**

Stay Vigilant and Stay Safe!! **Take Care and Ride Free!**

Edgar

BORDERLAND

Next Meeting(s):

June 9th, Hobo Haus, Newfolden, 3:00 pm

July 14th, Cyrus Resort, Baudette, 3:00 pm

Hello Borderland!

It was good to see you at our membership drive and we thank you for attending. Our numbers were down a bit this year, but it was a success! Thanks to all that donated food, door prizes, and silent auction items. If your membership is about to expire, I encourage you to re-up. We need ya.

We now have the \$10 State Rally raffle tickets to buy and sell so if you need some, 218-689-7969.

That's all for now so ride safe and we'll see you at the Hobo Haus!

— Twistin' da Wick, Tim.

NORTH STAR

Next Meeting(s):

June 8th, Silver Creek Saloon, Shevlin, 4:00 pm.

Upcoming Event(s):

June 1st, Meet and Greet in Cameron Park, 12:00 - 4:00 pm with a ride around Lake Bemidji to follow, also a silent auction. BYOB Camping, music, and fire available the night before at Dane's.

June 2st, Ride for the Troops

June 15st, Litchfield Eagles Club, Rally meeting, 12:00 pm

Our Dial-a-Ride trailer, with crashed motorcycle, is parked at Jacobson Autobody in Solway.

July 3rd, Jaycees Water Carnival Bingo tent, Bemidji, 5:00 - 11:00 pm

July 4th - 7th, Jaycees Water Carnival, Bemidji, 12:00 - 11:00 pm

NORTHWEST

No Report Received

UP NORTH

No Report Received

HEART OF THE LAKES

Next Meeting(s):

June 9th , Paul Miller Park, Perham, 7:00 pm

Well, I hope these lines find you all well and with some wind in your faces.

I find myself thinking about a ride on my son's bike last summer which required me to use hand signals. (Must confess, my brain was a bit sluggish recalling them.) This got me to thinking that I should maybe get up to snuff with them because who knows when I may need to use them again. My thought train then went to: well, piss, if I, an avid rider of motorcycles was that sluggish on the recall, what is the recall times of non-motorcyclists? Do they even know what the hand signals a motorcyclist perform mean or are they thinking they are just some stretches we all do while riding down the road. So, I looked in our state's drivers test manual to see if in fact non motorcyclists would get exposure there, nope, not part of the book. Why would a non-motorcyclist think "hey, maybe I should educate myself on hand signals of motorcyclists," they likely wouldn't. So, all those signals that I used and freshened up on last summer probably meant nothing and most likely mean nothing to the average person driving an automobile while sharing the road with me. Another risk to us. The MSF does have 14 signals in their handbook under Quick tips: group riding, again no exposure to non-motorcyclists.

Just some brain fodder for you all.

– Jess

FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

June 22nd, Eagles Healing Nest, 11:00 am

July 13th, Wood-N-Hearts Facility, 20849 S Lakeshore Dr, Glenwood, MN 56334, 11:00 am

Greetings FFR Members,

Thanks to all those that were able to support the last few State Events around the local area and for everyone that supported the ditch pickup and the Freedom First Riders Annual Bike Show!!

FFR sold the winning ticket for the A.B.A.T.E. University Raffle, sold by our own Patty Sherod!! The winner was also from our local area and that should definitely help the sales for next year. Congratulations to all the winners from the Raffle!

Our chapter has made several donations in the past few months to organizations that we normally support and a few new ones. Still looking for new ideas for fund raising opportunities for the chapter.

The Intermediate Rider Course is still set for the 7th of June, 3-8 PM, at the Alexandria Technical College. We have three out of the twelve spots spoken for and we would like to fill it with FFR members prior to reaching out the other chapters! Please let me know if you are interested and can conduct the course. It's a great learning experience for you with your ride!

"Expect the Unexpected"

– Big Papa





SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

Chapter Grapes

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First of all, I would like to give a thanks to Donna for all the help. Now that we're into the riding season, I hope that everyone's getting out and supporting other chapters rides and events. By the time you read this, we should have had our first District Meeting.

Until next time, ride free!

Mike

FLATLANDERS

Next Meeting(s):

June: No Meeting

July 13th, The home of Jim and Dena Brech,
216 1st St. NW, New Richland, 2:00 pm

Hello from the Flatlanders.

We would like to thank all of the previous officers for your time served at the head table. We would like to thank all of the new officers who are stepping into their role. Do not hesitate to ask questions or for help...We are all here to help you!! This Chapter could not be what we are without anyone who has ever been at the head table, manned the doors and kept control, and those who attend. Each and every one of you make a difference and we Thank you!!!!

Another month is in the books and there are many upcoming fundraisers planned by your sister chapters!! Have you attended any yet? Are you planning on attending any in the future? If not, why not? What better way to get miles in the seat than by traveling to different parts of this beautiful state we call home. Not to mention, on your journey, you may meet other like-minded people that would love to belong to our group, so recruit, recruit, recruit!!

In April, we lost a friend to the Flatlanders, Laura Zenk, to brain cancer. Laura was a recipient of gambling funds from our chapter on two different

occasions and was very appreciative of us, what we do and really believed in who and what we are. She will be missed. To Jim, her husband, and the man who smokes all of our meats on sight for the Summers Done Run fundraiser...we give our condolences and support as well as the knowledge that he is still stuck with us.

To those of you who have an abundance of gambling monies, please do not just sit on it. Put it to use and donate it to those in need. Although what we gave was not a million dollars, the gifts that we gave helped and made a difference.

On another note, to our friend Arvilla Bye...We are so very happy that you are still here!! When Dan came to the April meeting and shared your situation, we were all so very grateful that things turned out the way they did. I am speaking for the group when I say...we love you and want you to take care of yourself and get better soon!!

Key Points to Remember:

- Fundraiser Support
- Membership growth
- Gambling Funds

In the words of Dan the Gambling Man . . .SPEND the DAMN MONEY!!

Be safe on the roads when you are out an about!!

Peace, Love and Hugs

– Michele Legried

SOUTHEAST LC

Next Meeting(s):

June 16th, VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am
July 21st, VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am
August 18th, VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

July 19th, B.O.D. meeting (Gambling Committee at 6:00 pm, Pre-Board at 7:00 pm, and State Rally meeting at 8:00 pm) at Isle of Dreams Bar and Event Center, 13029 Co Hwy 3, Spring Valley
July 19th, Kick off for Summer Shenanigans Party, 13029 Co Hwy 3, Spring Valley
July 20th, B.O.D. meeting starting at 9:00am and Summer Shenanigans Party at Isle of Dreams Bar and Event Center, 13029 Co Hwy 3,

Also see the flyers Terry has for the upcoming events for the chapters statewide.

Hi All,

Well, another month has past us by, time is sure flying by. Riding season is finally upon us, now if it would only stop raining. Be safe out there and watch for road hazards and 4-wheeled hazards.

It was sure a good time at A.B.A.T.E. University in April. It was fun seeing everyone and it was educational as well. Even my husband had fun. Congratulations to all the winners of the cash, even though I wasn't one of those winners (drat). Spent some money at the silent auction and the live auction as well, so came home poorer that we went.

Don't forget about the Summer Shenanigans Party coming up next month (see above for dates). There will be free camping for RVs (no water or power) and tents or whatever you choose to sleep in. There will also will be food trucks all weekend (and they will serve breakfast), music, bike games, water slide relays, and of course the mud pit. More events are being planned, so come and check it out and have some fun with us. I don't think you will be disappointed. Hope to see you

there.

Unfortunately, the Board of Directors Meeting will also be held during the weekend (see above for dates and times). There are hotel rooms in Spring Valley, which is about 5 miles from the Event Center, that have been blocked. There is another hotel in Spring Valley that may have rooms available if needed. If you are wanting power and water for your camper, there are campgrounds within 10 miles of the Event Center that have power and water.

I think that's it for now, so until next month, ride safe.

– Terry

STRAIGHT RIVER

Next Meeting(s):

June 9th, The BoxCar, Waseca, 1:00 pm
July 14th, Joe's, Faribault, 1:00 pm
Aug 10th, Reggies, Owatonna, 1:00 pm

Hello everyone! Spring has sprung and it is time to ride.

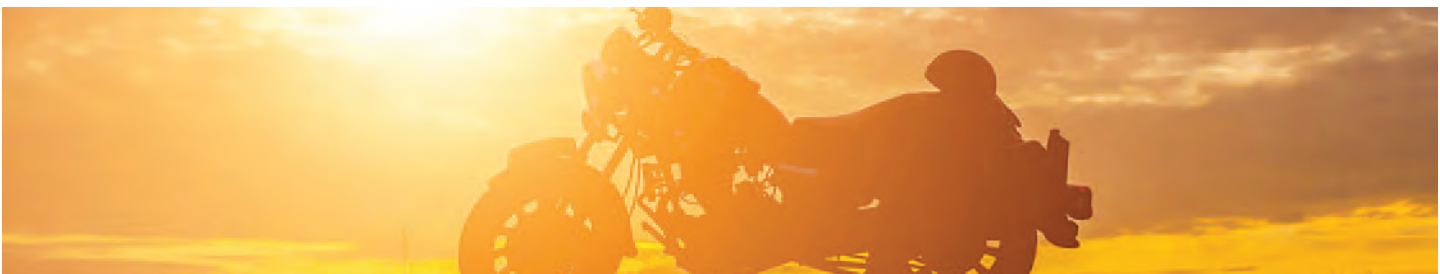
We have our District meeting in June. Hope to see everyone there.

We also have the Free Will ride June 15th. Follow the Straight River page on Facebook for details and updates.

I hope everyone is safe during the riding season. Remember that Dial-A-Ride is available locally by calling 888-342-5743.

When you are enjoying your wind therapy, make sure to spread the word about A.B.A.T.E. and sign up new members.

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



TRI COUNTY

Next Meeting(s):

Please Note Change of Locations!

June 6th, Home of Frank & Vicki

Ernst, 840 Cree Drive,

Chanhassen, food provided @

6:30 pm, Meeting 7:00 pm

July 11th, Home of Big Jon & Kristy,

310 Benton St. W., Cologne,

Potluck 6:30 pm,

Meeting 7:00 pm

August TBD

Upcoming Event(s):

June 29th, Motorcycle Safety Course

August 17th, Harley Heaven Ride

Thank you to our visitor, Jerry Kahle from Mayer, for stopping in and sharing his biker experiences!

TriCounty members expressed their sympathies to Dawn Riba on the passing of her father. A plant and tree were given to the family by our chapter.

On that same note, the Chris DeVoto memorial patches are available at the chapter meetings. See Jim Bengston if interested.

We are awaiting the arrival of our 50 Buddy Bears to be adopted by the Jordan Fire Department and the Ronald McDonald House in Minneapolis. Once we receive our little friends,



Registration for the Chapter Carver Fun Run fundraiser.

we will decide delivery date, location, time, etc!

Our Intermediate Motorcycle Training Course is scheduled for Saturday, June 29th from 2-7 pm. This is held at the Hennepin VoTech in Eden Prairie. Hopefully, following this, Chef Bill Ernst will cook up some burgers or brats on the grill for all attending and family are welcome too! If interested in attending this course, get a hold of Chapter President Big Jon. His contact is listed in the Road Noise under Chapter President Contacts.

Thanks to everyone who rode in the Carver Fun Run TriCounty chapter fundraising event! We had about 75 motorcycle enthusiasts and a good time was had by all! Thanks to everyone who donated food prizes and helped throughout the day!!

– Peace, Ger

I'M WATCHING. ARE YOU?
Keep an eye out for motorcycles.

Share the Road. The Way to Go.



RIVER VALLEY

Next Meeting(s):

June 9th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm
July 14th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm
August 11th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 8th, Mike Berg & Fallen Friends
Memorial Ride
August TBD, River Valley Gives Back Ride

Hello All!

First, I would like to thank everyone that came to our 34th Annual Motorcycle Awareness Parade to help spread the word that we are back on the roads!! And thanks to the ones that helped with lining the bikes up, registration, selling pins and doing stamps at the Fun Run locations, and to all the road guards!! Thank you Jeff Buck for pulling the Dial-A-Ride trailer!! Thanks to the Cpl David Sandmyer Scholarship Foundation!! And again, having an escort by the Mankato Police and the North Mankato Reserve Police was appreciated. Thank you all!!!

It was wonderful to see a lot of familiar faces at A.B.A.T.E. University and a lot of new ones too! Good times had by all!

A reminder to mark your calendars for Saturday, June 8th, which is our 5th Annual Mike Berg & Fallen Friends Memorial Ride! It's free will donation to participate. All proceeds go to motorcycle safety training... "If we can save just one life!"

The planning is underway for our "River Valley Gives Back" Ride in August. This year we are supporting our North Mankato Reserve Police! Keep watching our FB page for all the updates.

Our chapter is excited to be starting, in May, weekly rides to different locations throughout southern Minnesota. Riders will meet each Thursday throughout the summer and will ride to a venue for food and fun! It's a great chance to get to know each other better and we encourage others to bring friends/non-A.B.A.T.E. members to show them what we are all about. Check out the schedule on our River Valley Chapter FB page!

As always, please don't forget to support our fellow Chapters' fundraisers and events.

Enjoy your summer and keep it shiny side up!

– Anthony Crandell, President





SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

Chapter Grapevines

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Just a reminder we will be having a SW District meeting on June 2nd at 8:30 am. South Central Chapter is hosting. We will have the meeting prior to their Fun Run & Membership Drive & Campout. The meeting will be at Bill & Kristi LaPlante's place as that is where their ride is meeting. I'll send the address out in an email.

It's nice to see the chapters have their motorcycle training going already. Look around and I'm sure you will be welcome to join in if there is an opening!

I'm trying to get around to the chapter meetings, but somedays the distance is just too much right now. Not much else.

Until next time,

Shelly

ROLLING PRAIRIE

Next Meeting(s):

June 1st, Last Chance Saloon, Hanska, 9:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

June 1st, Summer Kickstart Ride, Last Chance Saloon, Hanska, Registration 10:30 am & Kickstands 12:00 pm

September 7th, Fallen Friends Memorial Ride, TBD

Hello fellow bikers. Hopefully you are getting out and enjoying the weather between the raindrops and getting some miles on. I personally have not been out on a ride yet, but it's coming soon.

We decided to change locations for our Summer Kickstart Ride this year and hope that we can attract different people to ride with us. We hope to see you there.

Our Annual Fallen Friends Memorial Ride will be on September 7th. Details will follow in next months Road Noise as we are finalizing some issues.

Remember to help support other chapters in Minnesota, not just in your district. All chapters of A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota need all of us working together to grow as an organization.

Ride safe, Giggles

SOUTHWEST

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, Rushmore Community Center, Rushmore, 7:00 pm

July 12th, Rushmore Community Center, Rushmore, 7:00 pm

Spring is starting off wet and chilly. When things dry up, we will conduct ditch cleanup. Burger nights are coming together. Watch for announcements!

Pictures of our members at the Capitol. Yep, I know it's a bit later than other chapters info, but rushing is not in the cards!

– Becky Murphy

BUFFALO RIDGE

No Report Received

WAY WEST

No Report Received

LAKE

Next Meeting(s):

June 1st, Rendezvous Bar, Annandale, 3:00 pm
July 13th, Smoker's Airport Marine and Storage,
Breezy Point, 3:00 pm
July 27th, (technically our August meeting) TBD
planning for Uptown Bar, Waverly 3:00 pm
September no chapter meeting

Upcoming Event(s):

June 8th-9th, Riders Training Classes
June 8th, Sand Dunes Bike Rodeo, Bailey Ray's
Roadhouse, Santiago, 11:00 am
June 15th, Spring into Summer Run, S.O.S
Clubhouse, Cokato, Registration 11:00 am,
Kickstands up 12:00 pm
June 22nd, District meeting at Bill LaPlante's House
with a membership ride to follow. Details
forthcoming. Litchfield
July 3rd-6th, Algona Freedom Rally, Algona, IA
July 11-14th, Clean N Sober Bike Rally 2024,
15237 County Road 8 Comfrey
July 19th-20th, B.O.D. 745 North Broadway Ave,
Spring Valley (primitive camping) Isle of Dreams
Bar & Grill, 13029 Cty Rd 23, Spring Valley
Aug 1st-11th, Sturgis Rally, Stugis, SD
Aug 6th, MN day in Central City, SD
Aug 17th, Gear Head Get Together, Maple Lake,
8:00 am-6:00 pm
Aug 17th, VFW Summerfest, Monticello
August 30th-September 2nd, State Rally,
Meeker County Fairgrounds, Litchfield
September 1st, District meeting, under the Lake
Chapter Tent at the Rally, 9:00 am
September 25th-29th, Meeting of the Minds,
Renaissance St Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis, MO

Thank you to everyone who supported the events
over the May 4th weekend. The Carver Run with
Tri-County, the membership table at Moon
Motorsports, Dirty Rotten Biker Fest, and the Lake
Chapter Ditch Pickup. Collaboration with other
chapters and organizations has always been a
focus point for us. We had gorgeous weather for
our May meeting at Missile Park in St. Bonifacius.

Please take a moment to follow us on all our social
media accounts and/or encourage all of your
young people too. It helps to get A.B.A.T.E. out in
the front and perhaps a young rider will find us.
Instagram: ABATEMNLakechapter, Thread which
you can access through Instagram, X(aka twitter):
ABATEMNLake, YouTube: ABATEMNLakechapter.

With the 2024 Grounded Hogs event behind us
we are beginning preparations for the 2025
Grounded Hogs.

We will again be running our sponsorship
program. If you would like to be a sponsor, please
reach out any chapter member. Everett Smithson
will again be our entertainment. Jim Kosse is
looking to build a bike sculpture out of old
motorcycle parts. If you have any to donate please
contact him. This event supports A.B.A.T.E. of
Minnesota, Motorcycle PAC of Minnesota, the
Motorcycle Riders Foundation and Dial-A-Ride.

Start saving your photos for the 2025 calendar. It
is never too early to start preparing. Photos can
be emailed to lakechaptermn@gmail.com.

We have people registered for the motorcycle
intermediate and advanced training classes on
June 8th & June 9th. There are still 4 open spots for
the intermediate class on the 8th and 1 open spot
for the advanced class on the 9th. Please reach out
to the chapter or Sherry Edgett to register
(lefty245@aol.com). There is a refundable \$25
deposit to secure your place. The deposit is
refunded after completion of the class, and
attendance at one of the following two Lake
Chapter meetings.

Our Spring into Summer Run will be Saturday
June 15th. Registration begins at 11 am at the
S.O.S Clubhouse in Cokato, with kickstands up at
noon. A great route is planned and there will be
giveaways along the way. Advanced tickets are
\$10 or \$15 at the door. Reach out to any chapter
member to get yours.

Our membership coordinator has some outreach
membership opportunities planned. All new
members who attend a meeting will be presented
with the A.B.A.T.E. patch and chapter rocker. The
Chapter was honored to present 3 new members
with their patch and rocker at our May meeting.

Thank you to our 2025 Grounded Hogs Sponsors:
Gold: Frederick Creek Sheet Metal
Silver:
Bronze:

Until next month my friends- Ride Free!

– April

GLACIAL RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

May 25th, Swift Falls Park,
Benson, 6:00 pm
(June meeting during
campout)

We had our May meeting on the 4th at Wood-N-Hearts. It was neat to see what they do for the vets. If a vet needs a bedroom set, they donate it. They make them all at their facility in Glenwood.

Dial-A-Ride will have a trailer in our area and by talking to the bartenders in the area, they are aware of the program and will be able to promote the cause. A few from our chapter went to the intermediate rider course. They all said they learned something. It was a great refresher, even for a seasoned rider.

The annual camp out is coming up. We have made it family friendly so Young Riders can be there. Planning the county fair, end of July and we will be in the parade in Brooten.

Love this season, seems like it goes so fast! Get out and ride, get your passport books signed!

Stay Safe!

– Harmony



Bob Sturges, Mike Pesta, Rick Kidrowski



2024 SOUTH CENTRAL FOOD DRIVE



SOUTH CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

June 5th, Horse Shoe Bar, Lake Lillian, 7:00 pm

July 10th, Off Center Bar, Clara City, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 22nd, Southwest District Meeting, LaPlante's, Litchfield, 9:30 am

June 22nd, Fun Run Membership Drive & Campout, LaPlante's, Litchfield, 10:30 am Registration, 12:00 pm kickstands up

We collected \$500 and 161 pounds of food for the Meeker

County Food Shelf at our annual food drive. Another great year! (See Photos on Page 25)

Our new 2 day bike show was a success, we had 33 bikes enter the show! We have already booked the venue for next year. Huge thank you to everyone who worked so hard at this event.

Special shout out to our Bike Show Chair Michelle Voigt, and to Mike Voigt for making our trophies. Congratulations to all the trophy winners:

Custom - John Nelson;

Classic - Rocky Wright;

Stock - Tyler Ally;

Bagger - Alvin Ploog;

Trike - Terry Craft;

Sport - Tammy Webb;

Best Paint - Greg Berggren;

Best in Show - Terry Craft;

People's Choice -

Milan Godejahn

Our 6th Annual Fun Run

Membership Drive & Campout

will be on Saturday, June 22nd at the LaPlante's in Litchfield, see

the flyer in this Road Noise. The Southwest District meeting will be held at 9:30am. Registration is at 10:30am, kick stands up at noon. Admission is \$20 which includes the ride, 2 meals, game prizes, music, and camping.

– Ride Safe, Ingrid Cohen



2014 Bike Show



Trophy Winners



Teardown Gang



NORTHEAST DISTRICT

Chapter Grapesvines

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I apologize. I was very busy and unable to write a report for this month. I will have one next month.

Chad



CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

June 2nd, Hideaway, Rockville 12:00pm
June 14th, 10 Spot, Royalton 12:00pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 8th, Ride for Hero's, Stoney's, Rockville
June 22nd, One more for George Ride, Stoney's, Rockville
August 15th - 17th, Biker Bash Revival; Band Line up;
August 15th, Jam it Anyway Entertainment
August 16th, Crimson Edge
Saturday August 17th, Diamond Back
We are still looking for vendors and sponsors, please contact Joe Bud Wiser for more information.



Special thank you to Doochies, St. Martin for hosting our last meeting

A.B.A.T.E. University was this past month. It was great seeing everyone. We all had a fun time as usual. This was a first experience for a few of our chapter members. Hopefully they will be back for next year.

– Until next month, Cowboy and Ling

July B.O.D. Meeting

held in conjunction with Southeast LC's
Summer Shenanigan's Party.

METRO

Next Meeting(s):

Second Tuesdays of each month - 7:00 pm
Coon Rapids VFW - 1919 Coon Rapids Blvd
June 11th, July 9th and August 13th

Upcoming Event(s):

Metro Chapter Recurring Fundraisers: Taco Night,
Casa Rio Restaurant, 201 Jackson Street,
Anoka, 4:00 to 8:00 pm

Upcoming Taco Nights (Second Monday each
month) - June 10th, July 8th and August 12th
Sunday Brunch - Route 47 Pub and Grub, 7820
University Ave NE, Fridley, 8:00 am to Noon,
See below

To keep up with Metro Chapter doings, make sure
to frequently check out our Website

www.metromn.com

or our Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/190580868718741>

Let me start by introducing myself. My name is
Rob Benjamin and I am the new Chapter Rep for
the Metro Chapter. Most people call me Shadow.
How did I get the name Shadow you ask? Ask me
and I will tell you as it is a fun story.

I started riding in '89 and had to stop for a bit.
I started riding again when I married my sweet-
heart in 2015. Together we have 5 kids and 3
grandkids. Rider safety and awareness are issues
that are near and dear to me and I keep trying

to find different ways to get the word out. Joining
A.B.A.T.E. was the first step. Being elected as the
Chapter Rep was the next step. My wife and I
joined Metro Chapter in 2023 and we love it.

At the time of writing this our MetroMorial Day
event has not yet happened. We feel that we have
put together a fun event and I will give a full
review in the July issue of the Road Noise
including pictures.

Even before our MetroMorial Day event has
happened, we are already working on our fall
event. Our fall event will be family-friendly and
will include something NEW for a Metro Chapter
event - a fall run/ride. This will be our first ride
event in many years and it is sure to be a planning
and learning experience. We will have more
information at the July B.O.D. meeting.

Quite a few of the Metro Chapter attended
A.B.A.T.E. U. and it was an experience that can be
overwhelming if you have never been there
before, like it was for me. Networking, having fun,
networking, sleep, morning classes, B.O.D. and
more networking. I forgot to mention eating and
having a beer or two or three lol. It definitely is an
experience that everyone should check out.

Until next month, be ready to read my next
installment to find out "WHAT THE SHADOW
KNOWS."

SAND DUNES

Next Meeting(s):

June 9th, The Buff, Big Lake, 5:00 pm
July 14th, The Buff, Big Lake, 5:00 pm
August 11th, The Buff, Big Lake 5:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 8th, Sand Dunes Bike Show & Rodeo,
Bailey Ray's, Santiago, 11:00 am-5pm
July 27th, Road Guard Class, 8:00 am - 11:00 am,
Pine Technical College

Sand Dunes was well represented at A.B.A.T.E. U.
There were a lot of great classes and informative
meetings. I particularly learned a lot about the
Dial-A-Ride program and the service our
organization has provided to keep bikers safe
and off the roads after drinking.

Sand Dunes big event comes up in one month!

Our 3rd Annual Bike Rodeo and Show on June 8th
at Bailey Ray's in Santiago. We will have bike
games and some outstanding trophies for the
winners. Our bike show will have several
categories including best paint, best sport bike,
best stock bike and best overall bike. We will be
awarding trophies for each category, and these
are one of a kind original trophies that we have
specifically made for our rodeo and show.

By the time this is published our Spring Ride will
be over. The forecast looks excellent! Glancing at
the calendar for A.B.A.T.E. it looks like there is a
ride or event going on every weekend. If you're
looking to ride there are no shortage of events.
That is all for now. Ride safe and peace out!

– Mike Olkives

Sand Dunes Chapter, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota
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JACK PINE RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

June 16th, Squirrel Cage, Willow River, 1:00 pm

July 21nd, Maverick's Saloon, Beroun, 1:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 20th - 23rd, A.B.A.T.E. of Wisconsin "Summer Hummer" - Greenwood, Wisconsin

July 3rd - 6th A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa "Freedom Rally," Algona, Iowa

July 12th - 14th, Jack Pine Riders 18th Annual "Upper Kettle River Shakedown", Finlayson

August 1st - 11th, 84th Annual Sturgis Rally, Sturgis, South Dakota

August 18th, Memorial Ride weekend. Ride ends at Nickerson Bar. Riding/Camping/Bonfire and more.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the 18th Annual Upper Kettle River Shakedown, featuring live music, camping, vendors, bike games, human games, auction, bonfires nightly, memorial ride, and more. Check this issue of Road Noise for the poster. Quick shout out to all our members to help with repairs, updates, clean up, and set up to our U.K.R.S. music trailer/stage and event grounds in general. Please attend and lend a hand. The more hands the quicker/easier we can be done. Show up early and stay late if possible. Beer and

refreshments available for those that help.

The next roadside cleanup is scheduled for September 2024, 11:00 am sharp. Chapter meeting to follow highway clean up. The last cleanup had a great turn out. Thank you to all who helped out with this worthwhile endeavor.

The winners of the A.B.A.T.E. U raffle have been announced. Unfortunately, no Jack Pine Riders.

Check this issue of Road Noise for 18th annual Upper Kettle River Shakedown poster. Posters and advance tickets are now available.

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/ events and information, log on to our website:

<http://www.jackpineriders.org>

Or check out the Jack Pine Riders Facebook page.

EAST CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

June 2nd, American Legion, St. Francis, 11:00 am

Upcoming Event(s)

May 18th, Sand Dunes Spring Ride (Road Guards)

May 26th, Metromorial Ride (Road Guards)

June 22nd, Buddy Bear delivery to Tower EMS at 12:00 noon

August 24th, Joe Boys run (Road Guards)

Another A.B.A.T.E. U. is in the books and it's time to get back to riding. Let's hope we have many months of great weather ahead of us. Now would be a great time to look thru the Passport Run book and plan a few rides. Pick a spot and go! Don't forget your passport book at home, they have to be signed at each of your spots.

Dial-A-Ride information is getting out to where it's all supposed to go and a big thank you goes out to Mike Wright for coordinating it all again this year. It's nice to have all the snowbirds back again, again.

The Buddy Bear drop in Tower sounds like it's going to be a lot of fun. Their senior community read about our last stop there and it sounds like they'd really like to see our bikes and talk motorcycles with us. Spend a extra minute or two and talk with these folks. Remember, if you're lucky someday you too will be an old, infirm biker looking back on the glory days. Shine your chrome up and make someone smile.

– Ride safe, Kelly

NORTHEAST

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, Chalet, Hermantown, 6:30 pm

July 3rd - Chalet, Hermantown, - 6:30 pm

This meeting is typically a meet up and ride to a supporter's place of business.

Facebook:

North East Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota

Hello all,

Finally, riding season is here and I'm sure everyone is racking up the miles after a long hard winter. Don't forget your riding season bike checks.

TCLOCS is a great way to remember what to look for. Tires and wheels, Controls, Lights and electric,

Oil and other fluids, Chassis and chain, and Stands. All of these are important but checking your tire pressure and tread wear is crucial especially at the beginning of the riding season after winter storage.

The chapter would like to thank Parrish Silbernagel for contacting the mayor of Duluth and getting the month of May designated as Motorcycle Awareness month with the accompanying declaration. This kind of extra effort by chapter members is greatly appreciated.

Not much to add, just getting revved up for the upcoming onslaught of weekend events. Have a great summer, see many of you at the various rides and parties !

– Ride Safe! Ed



Friends of Young Riders



■ Bergdale Harley-Davidson, Albert Lea

Lake Chapter Spring into Summer Run

June 15, 2024

Cokato SOS Club House
(main street Cokato)

Sign in Starts at 11am
Leave Noon Sharp

Everyone is Welcome
Advance tickets will be for Sale for \$10
\$15 day of the run

For More Information or to purchase advance tickets

Contact April (612) 741-0279

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
6/1/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Campout	Swift Falls Campground	
6/1/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Swift Falls Campground	6:00 PM
6/1/24	Lake Chapter Meeting	Rendezvous Bar, Annandale	3:00 PM
6/1/24	Northstar 2nd Annual Meet and Greet	Cameron Park, Cameron	12-4:00 PM
6/1/24	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	Last Chance Saloon, Hanska	9:00 AM
6/1/24	Rolling Prairie Summer Kickstart Run	Last Chance Saloon, Hanska, Registration	10:30 AM
6/2/24	Central Chapter Meeting	Hideaway, Rockville	12:00 PM
6/2/24	East Central Chapter Meeting	merican Legion, . Francis,	11:00 AM
6/2/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Campout	Swift Falls Campground	
6/5/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Horseshoe Bar, Lake Lillian	7:00 PM
6/6/24	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	City Hall Bar and Grill, Minneota	6:00 PM
6/6/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Frank & Vicki Ernst, 840Cree Dr, Chanhassen	6:30 PM
6/7/24	North East Chapter Meeting	The Chalet, Hermantown	6:30 PM
6/7/24	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Rushmore Community Center, Rushmore	7:00 PM
6/8/24	Lake Chapter Riders Intermediate Training Class	Hennepin Technical College, Brooklyn Park	8 AM - 1 PM
6/8/24	Mike Berg & Fallen Friends Memorial Ride		
6/8/24	Northstar Chapter Meeting	Silver Creek Saloon, Shevlin	4:00 PM
6/8/24	Ride for Hero's	Stoney's, Rockville	
6/8/24	Sand Dunes Bike Rodeo	Bailey Ray's Roadhouse, Santiago	
6/8/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Box Car, Waseca	1:00 PM
6/9/24	Borderland Chapter Meeting	Hobo Haus, Newfolden	3:00 PM
6/9/24	Heart of the Lakes Chapter Meeting	Paul Miller Park, Perham	7:00 PM
6/9/24	Lake Chapter Riders Advanced Training Class	Hennepin Technical College, Brooklyn Park	9 AM - 5 PM
6/9/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
6/9/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
6/10/24	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka	4 - 10:00 PM
6/10/24	Publications Committee Meeting	Via Zoom Meeting	6:30 PM
6/11/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
6/15/24	Lake Chapter's Spring into Summer Run	SOS Clubhouse, Cokato	11:00 AM
6/15/24	State Rally Committee Meeting	Eagles Club, Litchfield	12:00 PM
6/16/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Squirrel Cage, Willow River	1:00 PM
6/16/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
6/20/24	Summer Hummer - Wisconsin State Rally	ABATE Acres, Greenfield	
6/21/24	Summer Hummer - Wisconsin State Rally	ABATE Acres, Greenfield	
6/22/24	Freedom First Chapter Meeting	Eagles Healing Nest	11:00 AM
6/22/24	Fun Run Membership Drive & Campout	LaPlante's Litchfield	
6/22/24	One more for George ride	Stoney's Rockville	
6/22/24	Run for the Bears, Buddy Bear Deliver to Tower, MN		
6/22/24	South Central Fun Run Membership Drive & Campout	LaPlante's Litchfield	10:30 AM
6/22/24	Southwest District Meeting	PaPlant's, Litchfield	9:30 AM
6/22/24	Summer Hummer - Wisconsin State Rally	ABATE Acres, Greenfield	
6/23/24	Summer Hummer - Wisconsin State Rally	ABATE Acres, Greenfield	
6/29/24	Motorcycle Safety Course		
6/30/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Wood Lake City Park, Wood Lake	12:00 PM
6/30/24	Ways and Means Committee Meeting	Ugly Bar, Montrose	12:00 PM
7/3/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/3/24	North East Chapter Meeting	The Chalet, Hermantown	6:30 PM
7/4/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/5/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/6/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/8/24	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka	7:00 PM
7/9/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7/10/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Off Center Bar, Clara City	7:00 PM
7/11/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15237 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/11/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Big Jon & Kristi, 310 Benton St W. Colgne	6:30 PM
7/12/24	Andover Fun Fest		
7/12/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15238 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/12/24	Jack Pine Riders 18th Annula Upper Kettle River Shakedown	Finlayson, MN	
7/12/24	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Rushmore Community Center, Rushmore	7:00 PM
7/13/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15239 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/13/24	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Jim & Dena Brech's, 216 1st St NW, New Richland	2:00 PM
7/13/24	Freedom First Chapter Meeting	Woods-N-Hearts Facility, Glenwood	11:00 AM
7/13/24	Jack Pine Riders 18th Annula Upper Kettle River Shakedown	Finlayson, MN	
7/13/24	Lake Chapter Meeting	Smoker's, Airport Marine & Storage, Breezy Point	3:00 PM
7/13/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Joe's Bar, Fairbault	1:00 PM
7/14/24	Borderland Chapter Meeting	Cyrus Resort, Baudette	3:00 PM
7/14/24	Central Chapter Meeting	10 Spot, Royalton	12:00 PM
7/14/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15240 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/14/24	Jack Pine Riders 18th Annula Upper Kettle River Shakedown	Finlayson, MN	
7/14/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
7/14/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
7/18/24	Motorcycle Safety Task Force	St. Paul College	5-7:00 pm
7/19/24	Gambling Meeting	Spring Valley, Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill	6:00 PM
7/19/24	July Board of Directors Meeting	Spring Valley, Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill	
7/19/24	State Rally Commiittee Meeting	Spring Valley, Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill	8:00 PM
7/20/24	July Board of Directors Meeting	Spring Valley, Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill	9:00 AM
7/21/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Maverick's Saloon, Beroun	1:00 PM
7/21/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	The VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
7/27/24	Lake Chapter Meeting	Uptown Bar, Waverly	3:00 PM
7/27/24	Road Guard Class	Pine Tech	
7/28/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Granite Falls Memorial Park, Granite Falls	12:00 PM
8/2/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
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8/10/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/11/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/11/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
8/11/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff	5:00 PM
8/13/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
8/17/24	Harley Heaven Ride		
8/17/24	State Rally Committee Meeting	Eagles Club, Litchfield	12:00 PM
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8/18/24	Memorial Ride Weekend	and more.	
8/18/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	The VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
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