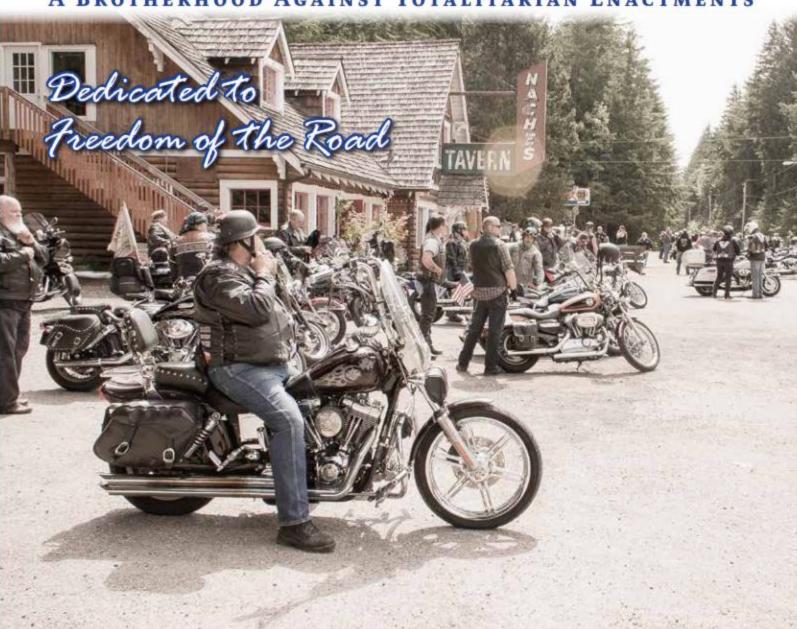
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## UPFRONT by TINA LAWSON, EDITOR

The season of rallies, runs and outdoor activities is in full swing. ABATE chapters are busy holding events benefiting local communities, charities and motorcyclist rights. Check out the list of activities on page 31 and let it be your guide for the last hurrahs of summer.

Inside this issue, Lyle recaps Spring Opener on page 6 and bike show and bike game winners on page 12; Scott recommends making plans to attend October's STEAM (page 7); and Brian offers a glimpse of what to look forward to next legislative session with a preview of Black Thursday 2017 (page 10).

If this reaches you prior to the beginning of the month, don't miss the opportunity to voice your opinion by exercising your right to vote. Ballots are due August 2 for the state primary election.

Until next month, ride safe and often. The



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## OFFICER REPORTS



## Hi everyone,

I have to say this year is just flying by. It seems the older I get the faster they go by. I want everyone to know that I believe in this organization and I believe in the people that work hard to make this an organization that is involved in making a difference for all motorcyclists. This last January we had two people willing to step up and take on the job as state deputy coordinator, Ron Crowe from Olympia Chapter and Chris Varner from North Kitsap Chapter. After all the votes were counted, Chris Varner won the election by just 8 votes. I would like to thank both Chris and Ron for being willing to take on the job. As much as I am going to miss Mike Campbell in that position, I know Chris will step up and work together to make sure the job that needs to be done gets done.

Our next item of business will be our annual STEAM that will be taking place in Ellensburg the same as last year. One of the things we need to know is what you as members want to see presented at STEAM, what you want to know about, what you would like to learn so you can help make us even better. We encourage everyone to attend so you can step into a position that others have

## From the State Coordinator Lyle Coyle

been holding. These people want to take a break or move on up and need you to take their place. Now I know some of you are saying that you can't do it but I know different, I know you can.

Okay, let's talk about Spring Opener 2016. It is my humble opinion that this event was a winner despite the Thursday night rain that did not stop the band Klover Jane from entertaining the people that came to hear some music. On Friday, Spanaway Chapter had their poker run which I was unable to do but I heard nothing but good from the people that participated. Friday afternoon Columbia River chapter took on the tattoo contest, this was their first year doing this and they did a great job. The music for Friday night was Steelhorse (Bon Jovi tribute band) and Banshee finished up the night. Saturday morning North Kitsap put on the motorcycle show which is always a favorite of the people that go the extra step in their customization, the unusual, or the age of their bike. After that was the bike games put on by Tacoma Chapter. This is not only a participant favorite but a crowd favorite and once again everyone involved had a great time unless of course you thought you were going to win and didn't. After that was Appetite for Deception (Gun's N Roses tribute band) who rocked until it was time to take care of the raffle drawings. Then at 10:00pm sharp we proceeded with finding out who were going to be the lucky winners. We started by getting six people out of the audience to draw the tickets, starting with the 2016 Street Glide that was

won by Todd Snyder. Then came the bikes won by someone at the event: the Sportster was won by Julie Lavergne, and the Kawasaki was won by Rene Kapaska. Then onto the pair of .45's that were won by Robert Procideo. You had to be present to win the last two guns which were a 10 MM Glock won by James Hystad and the .38 Tiffany won by Koeta Imhof.

We need to thank all of the people that helped sell raffle tickets, the top three sellers were: in 1st place Spanaway Chapter selling 1542 tickets; 2nd place was Tacoma Chapter with 688 and rounding out the top three was Columbia River Chapter with 174.

All in all I think Spring Opener 2016 went very well. The only complaint the ranch had was regarding the people that started a fire on the ground or the ones that had an above ground fire pit and dumped their ashes on the ground. I was informed that this cannot happen because they can lose their permit allowing them to have campground fires and we don't want that.

I could write for another hour naming all of the people that need thanks but I am going to make it short and sweet. Thank you everyone who worked, planned, volunteered, attended or did anything to make this event a success. ◊

## Eastside Deputy Coordinator Scott Robinson

Members, time is like the wind and it is flying by...Spring Opener was as good as it gets. Thanks to all the chapters who stepped up. We all put in long hours to make the event what it is. Some folks just want to build a party which is great. But the real reason I put so much effort into the Opener is so we can have the funds to build a war chest for fighting for our rights in Olympia. It is working as we continue to gain funds. What is the next step? It is up to the Board. I have some ideas that will be put out at the next B.O.D. Maybe the board members have some plans of their own...wait and see. Get ready for a big year in Olympia.

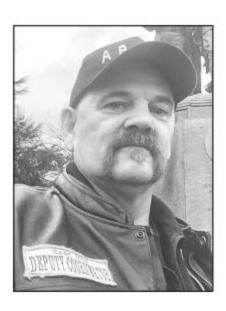
The next event we have on our calendar is STEAM, October 22. At the writing of this article we will be at the same location as last year: The Days Inn over in Ellensburg at 901 Berry Road, Ellensburg, WA, phone number 509-933-1500. We will have more details at the B.O.D.

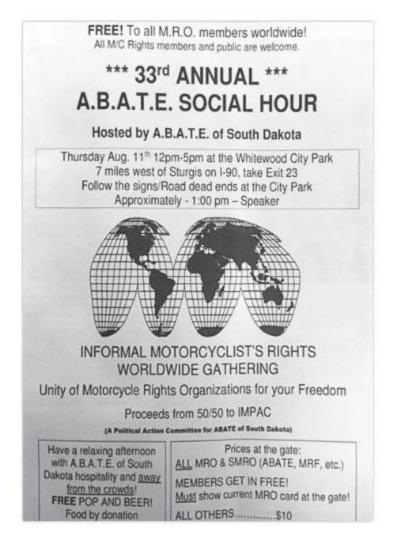
I have to take this opportunity to bring attention to the fact that Spanaway Chapter is officially over the 300 mark for membership. This is a first for ABATE of Washington to the best of my knowledge. Billy De and the chapter are leaders in growth for our organization. If you are a Coordinator, look and listen, they are doing it right. We have STEAM coming up, let's figure out how to keep this momentum with our membership moving.

I want to say that the Spring Opener has changed my view of the ABATE members and my feeling about the event. It is about seeing the Brothers and Sisters who I have not had a chance to get together with in the past year. The camp fires are the place to find old

friends and reconnect. Or talk about up and coming rides and remember members who are no longer with us. Had a great time, thanks!

If you are riding out to Sturgis this year be sure and stop by the 33rd annual ABATE social hour on August 11, 12pm to 5pm at the Whitewood City Park (flyer below). There will be ABATE members from a lot of states with a lot of good ideas. There will also be reps from other MROs there too, check it out. ◊







August 6-7, 2016 - Ellensburg, WA Kittitas County Fairgrounds

August 13-14, 2016 - Everett, WA Holiday Inn Downtown 3105 Pine St., Everett, WA 98201

August 20-21, 2016 - Yakima, WA Yakima Convention Center 10 N 8th St., Yakima, WA 98901

August 27-28, 2016 - Olympia, WA
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- "The Formula for settling your case is '3x the medical bills.""
- "Call Attorney Smith, he handled my divorce and we took her to the cleaners."
- "Since you were not at fault, you shouldn't call your own insurance company and report the claim."

### FROM LAWYERS

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- "Call us now if you want justice because we really care about you."

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- "Since you were in an accident, you aren't allowed to bill your health insurance company-you must use your PIP or give us cash."
- "We've got a treatment plan just for accident victims and we've signed you up for it."

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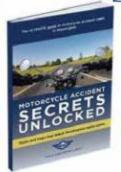
- "Just sign these forms and give us a statement and we'll take care of you."
- "If you don't settle with us soon, we'll just close our file and you won't be able to make a claim."

## HERE'S SOME ADVICE YOU CAN TAKE TO THE BANK

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## **LEGISLATIVE NEWS**



## Legislative Affairs Officer **Brian Lange**

## THE HEAD INJURY PREVENTION ACT OF 1990

That is what the universal helmet law was named when it came into existence. The title would seem to suggest a wide ranging effort to reduce head injury. But, as in most things political, the name was merely a thinly veiled effort to enforce control on a minority. Figures show that 23% of all motorcycle accidents result in some level of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), and a full 30% of all TBI's are due to motor vehicle accidents. Those can range from a simple concussion all the way to being left in a permanent vegetative state. While that may sound horrendous, and it is, the numbers show that the bill was never truly about protecting citizens from head injuries. If 23% of all motorcycle accidents result in some form of TBI, then by extrapolating from Washington State figures, approximately 525 of the 2,292 motorcycle collisions in 2012 resulted in some form of TBL Sounds pretty bad and it is. That also tends to be the theme used by those opposing amending Washington's universal helmet law. They repeatedly state how helmets help to reduce traumatic injuries and how horrible those injuries are seen to be in the emergency departments of hospitals. Well, I think it is time for the other shoe to drop so to speak.

If those opposed to amending the universal helmet law keep saying how much of a benefit helmets are to preventing injuries, let us put them to their fullest benefit by mandating their use where it will do the most good. While 23% of motorcycle accidents result in TBI's, 29% of passenger vehicle accidents result in

TBI's. Not only is that a higher percentage, it is a vastly higher real number (more than 49,000 in 2012 as compared to about 525 in motorcycle accidents). While these are only statistical findings, it does beg the question, "Since there are approximately 94 times more people receiving a TBI in a passenger vehicle collision than in a motorcycle collision, why are we the ones who are forced to wear helmets?" Ask your Legislator that, and see what sort of response you get.

That may actually be a three part answer. The first part is perceptual; we as riders have no vehicle "protecting" us, so we are perceived to be much more vulnerable. The second part of the answer is we are a small minority of the traveling public, and therefore have less perceived strength to resist the efforts to control us by regulators. The third part tends to be the least obvious, but I believe it is the most powerful one. The politicians know it will not only not be supported by the voters but probably would be nearly universally opposed for many of the same reasons we oppose being mandated to wear them. Therefore, we as the minority are singled out and forced to wear a "safety device" that the rest of the motoring public would not wear. Those same politicians also know that those who voted to pass such a law would see the end of their political careers in the next election. Perhaps that is why during a hearing of the Senate Transportation Committee on our helmet law amendment in 2015. Senator Benton received a chuckle from the entire committee when he asked why not mandate all road users to wear a helmet.

## **LEGISLATIVE NEWS**

### LEGISLATIVE CHANGES AHEAD

With the retirement of Senator Benton and several other key Legislators running for other offices, there will be some definite changes in the legislature after November. Several of the Senators who opposed our previous efforts are now running against each other for the position of Lt. Governor. Others in the House are running for Senate seats. This will open up seats in both the House and the Senate for new occupants. ABATE members should take full advantage of this to find the candidate in each of your districts who support our efforts and give them your support. It doesn't matter which party they belong to. ABATE has supporters, and sponsors in both parties.

With the Primary Election on August 2nd, there won't be time to find what candidates have filed for what and empower vourself to engage them in discourse about our issues. Hopefully you have already engaged in discussion with them and been able to judge by their response as to whether or not they support ABATE's legislative agenda. With the changes ahead, there is an opportunity to create a majority in the legislature. Not a majority of Republicans or Democrats, but of those who ABATE can work with to continue to get legislation passed into law. Once the primary is over, the candidates list will shrink drastically. With the efforts of the members getting ABATE's issues out to the candidates in their districts, by November we can hopefully look forward to electing a legislature somewhat more conducive to working with and not against us. So let us all focus on getting the supporters of ABATE elected in November.

### BLACK THURSDAY

In discussions with Lyle, Scott Robinson, and a few others, it looks like ABATE is going to try and bring back more of the political "rally" feel to Black Thursday in 2017. There are still plenty of details to be worked out, but some of the things we want to do is for members and chapters to bring along a rally spirit, and let the legislators and Governor know we are there. I was on the Capitol campus last session when another group held their rally down by the diagonals where we park the bikes every year. I was on the opposite end of the campus, and could hear them giving speeches and hear their cheers. I know the bikers of Washington State can make themselves heard if we really want to. So, do you really want to be heard? There will be more to come as the time gets closer. Don't forget, it is called "Black Thursday" because of all the black leather at the Capitol. We aren't in mourning, we are there to stand tall and be counted and put a real effort into getting the message of ABATE and the motorcycling community in Washington heard by the Legislators.

There are plans in the works to turn the meet and greet after Black Thursday into a real live "Biker Ball." What better way to unwind after spending the day lobbying our Legislators than to throw a real blow out party?  $\Diamond$ 



## SPRING OPENER RESULTS

## Bike Show Winners

## Bike Game Winners

ANTIQUE: 1st Beth Pimley

2nd Mo Thomas-Elk Country Chapter

3rd Rick Berg-NWE MC

CHOPPER CLASS: 1st (no registration sheet found)

2nd Joe Lochridge-COBB

3rd (no registration sheet found)

CRUISER CLASS: 1st Sean Bishop-Inland Empire

2nd Dickie Adams-Mason Cty Chapter

3rd Jackie Culver-N. Kitsap Chapter

TRIKE/SIDECAR: 1st Tammy Peterson-Sky Valley Chapter

2nd Ray Hash-EPCC

3rd Pop McVey-N. Kitsap Chapter

RAT: 1st Walt C

2nd Dean Grill

3rd John Polk

CUSTOMIZED: 1st Keith Price

2nd (no registration sheet found)

Touring: 1st Jake Cole

2nd Kim Kibler-N. Kitsap Chapter

3rd Jim Blackett-Elk Country Chapter

SPORT: 1st Russ Orr-Tacoma Chapter

2nd Alice Brown-Elk Country Chapter

3rd Duward Brown-Elk Country Chapter

BEST OF SHOW: Keith Price

KEG ROLL: 1st Pops S-Spanaway Chapter

2nd Dan-Independent, Ashford

3rd Chad-Independent, Omak

PING PONG

BALL DROP: 1st Huck & partner-Ind., Bremerton

2nd Dan & Terry-Tacoma Chapter

3rd Tyler & Katie–Ind., Eatonville

WEENIE BITE: 1st Dickie & Jenna-Mason Cty Chapter

2nd Dan & Terry-Tacoma Chapter 3rd Tyler & Katie-Ind., Eatonville

WOMEN'S SLOW

RACE: 1st Rachael-Tacoma Chapter

2nd Suzie

3rd Natalie-Independent

MEN'S SLOW

RACE: 1st Sonnyboy

2nd Robert-Independent, Bonney Lake

3rd Tyler-Independent, Eatonville

## **CHAPTER REPORTS**

## **Elk Country Chapter**

From BRIAN LANGE, COORDINATOR

What a rollercoaster of a past few weeks we have had. In June we had a good turn-out for our Dan George Memorial Ride that was going to raise money for Relay for Life this year. Our Senior Road Captain Rick took us on some awesome back roads through Lewis, Grays Harbor, Thurston and Pierce Counties before ending at Bertoglio's Pizza in Eatonville. Once there, the band played and the pizza and beer flowed.

Then as we were getting ready to head to Spring Opener, the throttle cable snapped at the end of my drive-way. I pushed Gypsy back under the carport, ripped off my chaps and helmet and threw them into the house. I caught the chase truck at the store and we all headed out to Silver Ridge Ranch to help get things ready for Spring Opener.

By the end of the Opener, Elk Country had at least 20 of its members attending Spring Opener. Maybe not that many, but when the whole chapter only has 45 members, it was pretty darn good! We had five members who entered and four who won trophies in the bike show put on by North Kitsap Chapter. Alice, our secretary even entered the bike games. Even though she had no idea what they were going to be like, she tried, and next year I think we may have a few more members step up and participate.

At our July meeting, our member Jim Blackett invited two legislators from the home district (the 2nd) to come and visit our meeting. Since J.T. Wilcox has known Jim for about 30 years, he made a point of arriving. Andrew Barkis also came, but he rode up on his Harley! By the end of the meeting, both said they supported ABATE's efforts. So a hearty thank you to Jim Blackett for stepping up and inviting them to visit.

It was at this meeting that we had to cancel our Chapters Run this year. Many of us were looking forward to going on the run. But with a rash of bike breakdowns and other personal issues cropping up, there was no one available to lead the run around the Olympic Peninsula who knew the roads well enough not to get lost. It was also voted that we do a run in September on our old 3 Pass Run route, starting from a campground outside of Randle on US 12. So it would be a campout and poker run on the second weekend in September.

We are also getting ready for our Dick Mapes Memorial Bike Show in Morton at Gust Backstrom Park. It's on August 27th. We'll be selling hot dogs and cool beverages, and having a bake sale as well. All the proceeds will go to the Mineral Food Bank.

No rest for the wicked. Catch you on the road sometime... ◊

## **Key Peninsula Chapter**

From JAY JACKSON, COORDINATOR

The Chapter is almost ready for the Brewery Run. Final stops are arranged and although the Run starts at the 7Seas Brewery in Gig Harbor same as last year, we have a different route. Slaughter County Brewery is the first stop after riding along the coastline and over the hills. There are some interesting sites along the way so bring your cameras. The guys saw a bald eagle on the ground eating a fish last week. There are camels to be seen too. Summer will be back by then, hopefully. The Run will end at the 101 Brewery so riders can make it back to the North Kitsap Rodeo before the evening festivities. Corey and Kris have done a fine job organizing this event.

Plans are in the works for the Fall Swap Meet in September. Vendors are already reserving spaces and it looks like there will be a wide variety of goods. Chad will be the Chair with Randy as back up.

The Jacksons will be on the road by then to Oklahoma City for the Meeting of the Minds. Would you like to ride with us? Now is the time to register and make hotel reservations to take advantage of discounts. Many fun things are lined up to top off the education and motivation sessions. The MRF is helping get the Anti-Profiling Act through the House and will soon get Senatorial action going to follow suit. There will be many lively discussions about that. More on that as it comes out.

Members have enjoyed several rides including the Round the Mountain, Bikers at the Beach, the altered Fun 101 Run (bad auto accident caused the change) to celebrate Freedom and the 4th of July, along with some Club Runs. Family picnics, weddings, and other activities keep all of us busy; not to mention WORK has to fit in there someplace so we can do the FUN stuff.

See you down the road. Ride safe, Ride FREE. ◊

## **CHAPTER** REPORTS

## Spanaway Chapter

From BILLY DE HUNTER, COORDINATOR

WOW, what a great Spring Opener. I had the best time ever. It was a good feeling seeing a lot of our new members experience Spring Opener for the first time. Only negative thing I overheard was the little rain we had. So I figure it was a success for all. Our Spanaway members in Moses Lake picked a fantastic route for our Poker Run. I like wide open country roads with lots of old farms and they took us through some of the best I have seen. Big thanks to Will and Laurie Schwartz. All of the stops on the run were well stocked with help and very friendly. We even had Mike Campbell on the ride with us. It was a pleasure to have you with us Mike.

We used the Spring Opener to sell raffle tickets and gain members. We signed up 19 members at the Spring Opener for our chapter and four others for other chapters. Where could you find a better place to sign up members? You have them all in one place and they mostly all ride. We missed some partying but we helped ABATE grow, and we sold raffle tickets. Jimmy worked his butt off to make the Spring Opener bigger and better for this year and we wanted to do our part. We had over 120 members of our chapter at the Spring Opener this year. And I'm proud to say we fed them all breakfast and dinner for the four days we were there, with a fully stocked bar for all four days. A big special thanks goes out to our State officers and Jimmy G for the best Spring Opener yet. Can't wait till the next one.

Our Ward 57 benefit for amputee veterans this year was one of the best ever. Our poker run was short only about 90 miles but it was a fun ride with the winning hand a royal heart straight flush with NO extra draws. It was unbelievable. I have never ever seen this in any poker run I have been on have you? Congratulations Lisa Stone. You beat the odds by a mile. Now go buy us a lottery ticket.

I hope everyone had a safe and fun fourth of July. I know all my pets are glad its over.

By the time this newsletter comes out our Rock and Libbie's Birthday Bash will be over. If you were there I hope you enjoyed all the food and drink and music from the band Knucklehead. For only a ten dollar ticket, it is always a good time. Thanks go out to Rock and Libbie for having us all at their beautiful place.

August for our chapter is pretty lax so we will be attending other chapters events and spreading the support. Just some of the good rides and parties to think about are the Brewery Run put on by Key Peninsula chapter, Lost Brothers and Sisters ride and camp out by Tacoma chapter, the ever so popular Teddy Bear Run put on by EPCC, and the popular Kickback Campout by Lewis County. All dates are in the back of this newsletter on back page in events and rides.

I have been working on getting entertainment for our night before Black Thursday. The idea of making the normal Meet and Greet in Olympia into a bigger and better attended event in hopes of making Black Thursday bigger and better like it used to be. If we all try it will be.

Here is a list of new members to Spanaway Chapter for the month of June. We want to welcome you all:

Randy White, Sheri White, Ronna Forsell, Phil Schultz, Doug Carnahan, Crystal Teets, Bill Hale, Leroy Pettit, Kari Stafford, Dave Scott, Kristi Rhodes, Gregory Wright, Jen George, Seani Fitzpatric, Xuan-Dao Ha-Richmond, Thu Thuy Richmond, Deane Workman, Laura L Hall, Tami Dunivan, Staycy Dayton, Jeramy Dayton, and Tony Gomez. I want to welcome you all to the ABATE family and to our chapter. Correction on last month's report: I reported new member Vince Blair. It should of been Vince James. Sorry Vinnie.

Ride safe ride responsible. ◊

## Columbia Gorge Chapter

From MICKI ROBINSON, COORDINATOR

Hello everyone, the time is going by so fast. It will be fall before we know it so get in as much riding as you can. ©

I hope y'all had a great time at the Spring Opener, I know we did. CGC had about 10 members come and we had a great time sitting around camp with a fire, hanging around the bowl and just catching up with some of you.

We are just about ready for our event in Goldendale, our Festival of Wheels is coming right up. We are planning on quite a few peeps to show up. I hope to see y'all there so you can enter your bike in the Bike & Car show. We are even going to blow a bike up along with a car. It is a good fundraiser for the New Hope Farms. We are also having our annual Lori Baranovich Poker Run on Sunday. The prize money was quite high last year so y'all plan on coming over on Friday night. There will be a live band on Friday night in downtown G'dale with 3 beer gardens. This is going to be the best year yet. You don't want to miss this one. Camping in the park, just a short walk to town.

We plan on going to Pendleton bike week, so if you're there stop by and say hi!!!!

Until next time... ◊

## **CHAPTER REPORTS**

## Sky Valley Chapter

From HIGHWAYMAN (ROGER HANSON), DEPUTY COORDINATOR

Just to let you know Sky Valley Chapter is alive and well, I will make this short. We are up to our eyes in the Kla-ha-ya car/motorcycle show for this weekend. Plus we are doing our Delta House Run, where we visit head trauma victims. There we ride our bikes right into the auditorium in front of their wheel chairs and tell stories of the road. You can see in their eyes they're with you on the ride for just a little while. It's a nice thing to do. Then we wheel them out to the parking lot where the whole chapter has bikes parked for a mini bike show for them. Wish I had more news and more time as I am packing the (mobile club house) motorhome with all the equipment to run the car/motorcycle show. So with that said... see you in the wind. ◊

## South King County Chapter

From "JOHNNY LOVE" LAWSON, COORDINATOR

Little by little our chapter membership is growing.

Welcome new members Nina, Francis and Roz. It's good to see folks join the cause for rider rights. Our membership secretary Judy and Snake, Pete and others in the chapter are busy handing out tri-folds and encouraging others to join. At our August and September meetings, officer nominations take place. I hope that some of our new/transferred members will consider filling the roles and taking our chapter to the next level. The current Coordinator and Treasurer will be taking a break after their terms end in September, so if you're interested in those positions or any others, speak up or have someone nominate you.

I heard nothing but good comments about our 'Round the Mountain ride in July. Of course it helped that the weather was perfect, not too hot, cold or wet. The spectacular scenery was not to be missed. Road Captain Pete Hansen led us at a comfortable pace with enough time at stops to stretch legs, visit and enjoy food and drink. Good job Pete and the rest of the chapter helpers: Karen, Tina, Snake, Cindy and others. Many thanks to other chapters and to new friends who rode with us.

It turns out the weekend we originally planned for our annual Fun Run also has several other local ABATE events taking place. To allow members the chance to support other chapters, our Fun Run date is moved to Saturday, August 13. The plan is to start at Rock the Dock, 535 Dock St., Tacoma, WA with kick stands up 11am. One of the first stops will be The Garage Bar & Grill in Bremerton with the rest of the route circling the peninsula.

Enjoy the rest of summer, be safe and keep the rubber side down.  $\diamond$ 

## Star Lake Chapter

From CATHY LEASURE, ROAD CAPTAIN

A big howdy do from all of us at Star Lake! We hope everyone is enjoying their summer! As always Spring Opener was a
blast and we signed up 4 new members including one that has
been an independent for 35 years, welcome! We are looking
forward to our first ride as a chapter, "Run for the Hills" on
August 13th - 10:30am KSU from the Orting Firehouse. Hope
to see some old friends and make some new ones as well.
As a friend of mine always says...ride skillfully brothers and
sisters! ◊

## **Tacoma Chapter**

From STEVE "BOXMAN" CARLSBERG, COORDINATOR

The Tacoma Chapter would like to invite everyone who can attend to our Lost Brothers & Sisters Memorial Ride & Campout at East Creek Campground in Mineral on August 26-28. Our flyer is in this newsletter. If you want to attend just the ride on Saturday the 27th, it's a \$10 ride fee and KSU is at 10:30 a.m. from the campground. If you want to attend the ride and camp with us the entire weekend the fee is \$25 per person for ABATE members and \$30 for non-ABATE members and it will be collected at the gate. We look forward to joining you and having a great time!

We also want to congratulate one of our long-time members Julie LaVergne for winning the 2016 Harley-Davidson XL883N Sportster at this year's Spring Opener!! Julie is an amazing woman that we are proud to call one of our own. Congratulations Julie!

We Are Tacoma. ◊

SKCC Spring Opener camp site; photo by Pete Fox



## ABATE OF WASHINGTON

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## NEW IMPROVED LANE SPLITTING BILL AMENDED IN CALIFORNIA

Motorcyclists in California are allowed to travel between lanes of traffic because unlike the other 49 states there is no law against such maneuvering, creating a legal grey area, so AB 51 was introduced last year to codify the act of lane splitting and provide legal guidelines (no faster than 50mph, and no more than 15mph faster than traffic).

But if it isn't defined, it isn't breaking the law, so motorcyclists generally opposed regulating "lane splitting," preferring to leave well enough alone and not create another new crime, and so AB 51 was pulled by its sponsor, Assemblyman Bill Quirk (D-Hayward), because "Lane splitting is a very complex issue and the author feels he needs more time to work out the details so that it's more likely to be signed." At the time, the bill had passed the state Assembly and was on its way to the California Senate floor.

Now, AB 51 was recently resurrected and amended to its purest form, simply riding between cars, with no limiting language in the current wording of the bill, retaining the spirit of lane splitting and let the rider decide what's safe. Even under current statutes, a rider can be cited with other violations for unsafe maneuvering. The new improved AB 51 strikes all references to miles per hour conditions, and simply defines "lane splitting" as "driving a motorcycle between rows of stopped or moving vehicles in the same lane, including both divided and undivided streets, roads, or highways."

Quirk's office said the current bill has the expressed support of more than a dozen key organizations, among them motorcycle organizations such as ABATE of California, as well as multiple law enforcement agencies.

AB 51 was swiftly approved by the State Assembly on May 28, 2016 by a vote of 58-14 and sent to the Senate where it passed Transportation and Housing Committee unanimously 11-0 on June 14 then re-referred to Appropriations Committee before coming up for a floor vote.

Although lane "filtering" is common throughout Europe and Asia and many other countries, California is the only state where it is not expressly illegal. A bill to legalize lanesplitting in Nevada was voted down in 2013. A similar bill in Oregon was defeated in 2015. Other bills have surfaced and died in Arizona and Texas. #

## Letters

I would like to commend Brian Lange for a well written and informative article in the July issue of the Freedom. If ABATE brings that kind of information and enthusiasm to the Capitol, the helmet repeal/modification bill might get a hearing, and maybe even a vote. Well done, Brian!

> Ron Fryer ABATE Member



## JUNE'S SUPREME COURT DECISION & MOTORCYCLE PROFILING

JULY 6, 2016

WASHINGTON, DC – Many Americans are recovering from 4th of July festivities – unpacking their picnic baskets, traveling back home after a long weekend, or putting their red, white and blue away until Labor Day. So it's ironic that a week prior to the day that millions of Americans celebrated their freedom and independence, the Supreme Court made a major ruling that affects your Fourth Amendment rights as an American.

In late June, the Supreme Court finished out its current term by making rulings on a number of major cases. Though arguably, access to abortions generated the most media coverage, another decision was made that didn't generate much media attention, but affects Fourth Amendment rights against unreasonable searches and seizures and probable cause. Specifically, the decision in the Utah v. Strieff case could impact the issue of profiling in America.

## An Anonymous Tip

In 2006 in Utah, a white male who left someone's home and was walking to his car in a parking lot was stopped by law enforcement and told to remain there. The detective wanted to know what was going on inside the house after receiving an anonymous tip. While Strieff waited, the officer discovered that Strieff had an outstanding arrest warrant for a traffic violation. As a result, Strieff was searched and drug paraphernalia was discovered in his pockets. Strieff was then charged with drug-related offenses. The problem with this scenario is

that Strieff was stopped without reasonable suspicion. And according to the constitution, when police illegally stop an individual on the street without reasonable suspicion, any fruits of that stop—such as the discovery of illegal drugs—may not be used in court, because the stop was "unreasonable seizure" under the Fourth Amendment.

However, the Supreme Court ruled 5-3 that the evidence obtained during the event in Utah could be used in court. Again, up until this case, law enforcement had to cite a reason for stopping the person. To detain someone, you had to have reasonable suspicion that a crime was being committed or was about to be committed. That fell aside with this decision, because the court found that if an officer illegally stops an individual then discovers an arrest warrant—even for an incredibly minor crime, like a traffic violation—the stop is then legitimized, and any evidence seized can be used in court.

### Connection to Motorcycle Profiling

This should raise red flags for some in the motorcycle community who have already begun to voice concerns about being at greater risk of being stopped arbitrarily by law enforcement. The issue of profiling and motorcyclists has started to gain traction after a law in Maryland was passed in May addressing the issue. Washington passed a similar bill in 2011.

How the Supreme Court's decision will play out has yet to be determined, but it certainly sparks questions about the Fourth Amendment going forward.

You can read the Supreme Court Decision here:

http://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/15pdf/14-1373\_83i7. pdf

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## Congressional Proposal Introduced Concerning Motorcycle Profiling

JULY 14, 2016

WASHINGTON, DC – This week, Representatives Reid Ribble (R-Wisc.) and Tim Walberg (R-Mich.) jointly introduced a resolution concerning the profiling of motorcyclists. H.Res.831, formally titled, "Promoting awareness of motorcycle profiling and encourage collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement officials to prevent instances of profiling" was introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The bill defines the practice of motorcycle profiling and cites states which have addressed the issue at the local level. As with all simple resolutions, it expresses the sentiments of a chamber on a particular issue. In the case of H.Res.831, it also promotes increased public awareness on the issue and encourages collaboration, education and training for the motorcycle and law enforcement communities in order to end instances of profiling.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation, who have been advocating for a national solution to address concerns over profiling, will work over the coming months with states' motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders to advance the measure.

The bill can be found by clicking on the link below:

https://www.congress.gov/114/bills/hres831/BILLS-114hres831ih.pdf

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About Motorcycle Riders Foundation

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) provides leadership at the federal level for states' motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders. The MRF is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. The MRF is committed to being a national advocate for the advancement of motorcycling and its associated lifestyle and works in conjunction with its partners to help educate elected officials and policymakers in Washington and beyond.

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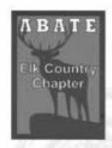
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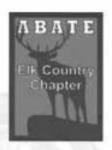
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## ABATE of Washington Elk Country Chapter



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## ABATE OF WASHINGTON



## Key Peninsula Chapter

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- Pursued claims against media giants for defaming motorcyclists

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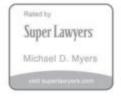
You know what they are? They're middlemen who sub-contract cases in exchange for a cut of the fee. How much do they know about Washington law? How much have they done for the local motorcycle community?

## You have a Choice: Keep it Local or Hire a Middleman

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- Call Myers & Fox. Speak with an attorney who rides and is going to work on your case. Maximize your recovery.

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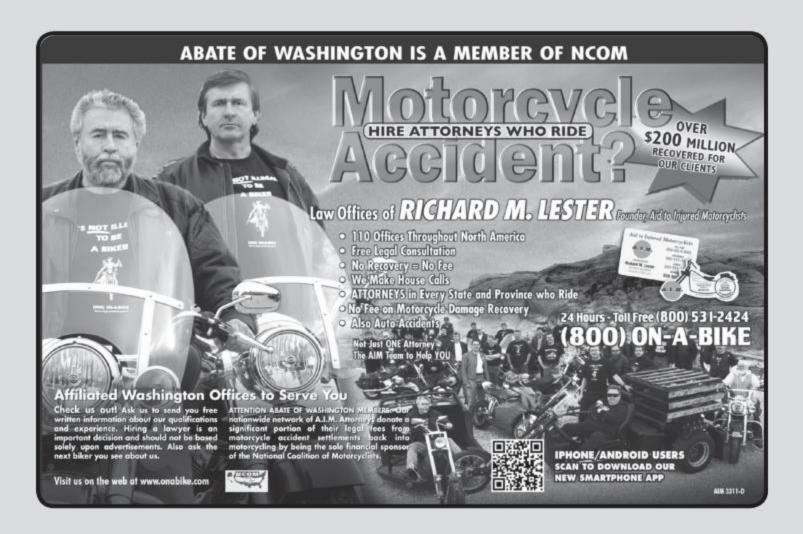


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