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## Editor's Corner

How is a biker the same as the Postman? Both brave foul weather as we did braving the freezing temperatures, heavy fog, and patches of ice and snow travelling to the Capitol for a day with our legislators.

Some came in on Wednesday and were there for the reception Wednesday evening. There was pizza, snacks, pop, bottled water, and beer provided to those of us who braved the elements. We reviewed the strategy for Thursday and planned our attack. There were even a couple of new people in attendance to show their support. Mr. Breeze had everything well organized and under control. There were some last minute details that were promptly taken care of, and we had a lot of fun the rest of the evening.



Thursday began in the Columbia Room with the packets ready to go and the different chapters gathering together their appointment lists and papers to distribute to their legislators. In order to cover all the districts, the legislators without appointments were assigned to chapters that had some extra time in their schedules to visit these legislators and, at the very least, drop off the packets with their aids. As the chapters received their schedules and paperwork, they were dispatched to complete their duties; and then the fun began. Groups heading in all directions to several different buildings, armed with information and courage to present to all our Representatives and Senators everything we had to convince them to vote in our favor. It was a sea of leather throughout the Capitol.

It was a very productive day on, with much support for all of our bills and concerns. There was enormous support for the Left Turn Bill, which will allow us to treat a malfunctioning left turn light as a stop sign and

proceed when safely if we do not get the green arrow.

The Sharrows issue was also well received and many legislators agreed that the current code needs revision. It seems that no matter what we do, if we are on a motorcycle, we cannot pass a bicycle in the same (sharrow) lane, we cannot slow down to their speed (or we are blocking traffic) and we cannot cross the double yellow line to go by; so no matter what we do, we are subject to an infraction. Hopefully, a smart legislator will propose a revision to the existing code and allow a motorcycle to pass a bicycle in a sharrows lane legally.

The helmet repeal/modification bill was received with mixed results, however, it appears that we will receive a hearing in the Senate. If we do, we may have enough support to pass the bill in the Senate. Where it goes from there is yet to be determined. We still have a roadblock in the House Transportation Committee. There may be enough support in the House to pass the bill, but it needs to pass through the Transportation Committee before it can be heard and voted upon. We will know more by the time you read this. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have a choice again?

Overall, I think it was one of the most productive Black Thursday events that ABATE of Washington has ever had. I have gone for the past five years, and it was certainly the best Black Thursday I have experienced. If you missed it, you missed one hell of an event. Some of the first-timers I talked to said it was eye-opening, and more than they expected. Everyone I talked to said it was better than ever.

I look forward to the hearings on these bills, and intend to attend them and testify if necessary. You can, too.

Start planning now for next year. Darcy is making the reservations, and many people are beginning to plan for next year already. In the meantime, ride safe, and keep the rubber side down.

Best Regards, Ron



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Hi Everyone,

Well I hope your new year is starting off on a good note, with February here already and Black Thursday behind us, it doesn't mean to forget about our legislative endeavors until next January's Black Thursday, Donnie Landsman works all year long on our legislative issues and we have to do what we can to help which means making sure they do not forget who you are, I am not trying to take over Donnie's article I just want everyone to realize the amount of work Donnie and the other LAO's do and we all have to stay focused.

Looking to the future of ABATE of Washington in my opinion we have two main issues we have to deal with, first is WE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER !! we will continue to struggle to get things done if we can't get it together, just remember we don't have to be best of friends but we do have to work together if we want to accomplish anything. Another thing we need to work on is COMMUNICATION, communication is the key to effectively getting a job done in a timely manner, and both of these go hand in hand for an organization like ours to succeed. Please don't think I am pointing fingers if I was I would start with myself because it is something we all have to do.

As most of you have probably figured out by reading my articles that I am not the most gifted writer but I hope you get my meaning. Just a reminder everyone is working hard on the Spring Opener, we should have a t-shirt design, working on having everything done by the Spring Swap Meet. Remember to buy your raffle ticket for that 2009 CrossBones.

Lyle Coyle

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Michael Campbell



**Black Thursday 2013**

I felt privileged to be part of the process of “dropping” a bill into the hopper for ABATE of Washington for Helmet Repeal on January 18th. Thank you to Donnie “Mr Breeze” Landsman, ABATE of Washington Legislative Affairs Officer

for getting us to this point that we could drop the bill with the promise of a hearing from Senators and Representatives.

I truly believe this year was our best Black Thursday ever and not with just numbers of participants, but with the energy and enthusiasm of those participants. Our Black Thursday is only the beginning as we must be vigilant throughout the whole session. Hopefully everyone contacted thru emails, social site messages, phone calls and etc had contacted their Legislators to sign on to our bills that have been dropped.

The night before Black Thursday we had a very good turnout for a last minute work party to finalize our Black Thursday presentation. The reception after Black Thursday went very well with at least 20 plus Senators, Representatives and Legislative Assistants in attendance. We had signatures placed on the “blue” or “pink” sheet at that time.

I would like to give special thanks to all who helped put this event together. The “grunts” working behind the scenes to make sure it all came together. There were many hours spent doing paperwork, phone calls, letters and personal visits. I would like to mention each individual, but I know I would leave someone out. Thank you to ALL.

Thank you to ABATE members, Confederation of Clubs, US Defenders, and enthusiasts who support our cause and a special thank you to ABATE of Southern Idaho for making the trip to Washington State to support ABATE of Washington.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Campbell  
State West Deputy Coordinator  
ABATE of Washington





# **NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES**

Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish,  
National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM)

## **EPA TO DROP FOUR GALLON MINIMUM GAS PURCHASES**

Ethanol-laden gasoline is known to cause engine damage, and many manufacturers warn that using the product will invalidate warranties, so when the EPA approved E15 (fuel blend containing 15% ethanol) it raised concerns amongst motorcyclists, off-roaders, snowmobilers, boaters and others who use vehicles and equipment driven by small gas-powered motors... none of which are approved for its use.

The EPA's response was to require a minimum four gallon purchase, the misguided rationale being that it would dilute any residual E15 remaining in a gas pump's lines. Again, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency came under fire, with powersports and automotive groups pushing back against the federal agency's push for the grain alcohol-blended biofuel.

Apparently realizing that a viable solution to the problem needs to be conceived, the EPA is abandoning its four-gallon minimum on blender pumps that dispense both E10 and E15 from the same pump, and instead the government body says it will likely require gas stations to label shared pumps, as well as offer a dedicated E10 pump/hose for non-approved vehicles.

In the meantime, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia has denied a rehearing on the EPA decision to put E15 on the market. The federal appellate court decision is a setback for the oil-and-gas industry, which opposes the use of E15 and a federal biofuel blending mandate that requires refiners to blend 36 billion gallons of biofuels into traditional transportation fuels by 2022.

## **WOMAN FIRED OVER HUSBAND BEING IN A MOTORCYCLE CLUB**

Her husband's membership in a motorcycle club has cost the job of a human resources technician with the city of Kingman in northwest Arizona, according to a

Phoenix lawyer who is representing the woman in her bid for reinstatement.

The city served 11-year employee Melissa Summerson a notice of intent the day after Christmas and terminated her employment Dec. 28, attorney David Kresin told the Las Vegas Review-Journal. "She was terminated for the stated reason of her husband's membership in a family motorcycle club - the Desert Roadriders," he said, adding that the dismissal violates her constitutional right to freedom of association. "There's no allegation that Ms. Summerson personally did anything wrong in her job or engaged in any conduct personally that violated any of the city's rules, and we believe there's no cause for termination as she's been an outstanding employee with a great record for her entire employment."

## **AUSTRALIAN TOP COP VOWS TO BAN BIKIES FROM PUBS**

Declaring that outlaw bikies "...are not the type of people who should be running licensed premises," Chief Commissioner Ken Lay has vowed to ban bikers from pubs and clubs across Victoria. "The legislation is designed to ensure that doesn't occur," he told the Herald Sun newspaper of his plan to move "bikies" out of venue ownership, operation and security.

Earlier this year, police swooped on bikies in a series of raids and seized 120 guns after ruling them not fit people to have the weapons under the Firearms Act.

Meanwhile, police are telling licensees not to allow patched-up bikies entry, so some Melbourne strip clubs, bars and nightclubs are refusing entry based on a "dress code standard," and some have even banned motorcycles from parking outside.

Inspector Paul Ross, of licensing enforcement, said police "advised" licensees "it's probably better if they don't allow outlaw motorcycle gang members inside ... wearing colors."

One operator, who is enforcing the ban, said police asked him and others to sign an agreement that the dress code standard relating to bikies was upheld.

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### **Mason County**

Meets 2nd Wednesday @ 7pm  
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Hello fellow ABATE members and friends,

The New Year has started and we wish everyone a safe and prosperous year. Our chapter welcomed two new officers. They are: David "Bottles" Childers as Coordinator and Derek VanSpoor as Deputy Coordinator. Many thanks to out-going Coordinator Greg Hansen and Rick Zehner. You guys did an awesome job. Thank you so very much.

We were welcomed warmly and graciously by our Representatives on Black Thursday. All of our Representatives in the 35th District, agreed to support our causes. After all, being active with our Legislatures, is the heart of what we as ABATE membership is all about. The more that we are seen, the more that we are heard. I urge all of you to keep tabs on what the legislature is doing and how it affects us as freedom loving motorcyclists and citizens.

This past December, our chapter adopted a family in need for Christmas. Toys were purchased by our happy elves and delivered in the company of Santa and Mrs. Claus in their North Pole attire. A good time was had by the happy family and chapter members alike. (Thank you Santa and Mrs. Claus, you guys are amazing as always.)

We had our chapter Christmas party after Christmas and before New Year's Eve. The pot luck dinner was terrific and the company out-standing. Thanks to our friends from the Olympia chapter that came to share in our fun. The gift exchange always brings a ton of laughs. Our chapter is part of the Olympia Toy Run coalition. We had a wonderful time doing our appointed tasks as always. The weather was somewhat uncooperative as it can be in December. The weather was kind at the event itself, thankfully, but fell apart for the ride home. Most of us stopped for a break at a favorite spot for a beverage and warm up before finishing our journey back home. There were several puddles below our chair hung leathers. We are looking forward to next year's run for this oh so worthy cause.

A very worthwhile safety tip was brought up at our

last chapter meeting. As the roads become icy, please remember that the de-icers and salt on the roads play havoc with the aluminum and chrome on our bikes. One way to avoid the pitting and other damage is to spray the affected areas with Pam cooking spray prior to riding. Also, please keep in mind the sand on the roads that is left over after the inclement weather. Ride safe and keep the shiny side up.

Rob Pearson  
LAO  
Mason County Chapter.

### **North Kitsap County Chapter**

1stWed.-7:00PM in the Atrium  
Silverdale All Star Lanes & Restaurant  
10710 Silverdale Way  
Silverdale 98383.

Hi Abate friends,

Well Black Thursday was the main event for the motorcycling community in January. For everyone who showed their support many thanks! It's your support that helps get our message across to our leaders. I'm sure many things were considered in making the best decisions.

If you remember in the January issue, N.K. Chapter has planned an 'After Holiday Party.' The Annual Toy Run is a commitment N.K. Chapter has enjoyed doing for many years. The 'After Holiday Party' is our way to give ourselves and all who support us every year, a chance to reflect on a great job and have fun. We hope you have a chance to join us.

'After Holiday Party.' Feb 2, 2013 8:30 p.m. at 'OUR PLACE,' 9322 Silverdale Way Northwest, Silverdale, WA 98383. LIVE MUSIC. Come have fun with us for the 'After Holiday Party' and a great time. Guests are welcome.

Some of you are still riding on winter days, as a reminder be aware of the other guy! Many cage drivers aren't expecting to see a motorcyclist so sometimes unpleasant things will happen. Be safe and enjoy the ride!

Sue, N.K. Abate



### **Tri-Cities Chapter**

Meets: 1st Thursday at 6:30 PM  
American Legion Post #34  
1029 W. Sylvester  
Pasco, WA

### **TCC Goes to Olympia!**

On January 17th, Black Thursday, Tri Cities chapter met with other ABATE of Washington chapters, and freedom fighters, from all over Washington State, to speak with our Senators and representatives at the Capitol in Olympia. Many braved the freezing temperatures and rode their motorcycles to the event. TCC members spoke with reps from Tri Cities, Walla Walla and the Colfax / Pullman, areas and found our reps to be very interested in our plight to regain our freedoms. We are very hopeful that we will finally get a hearing to repeal the helmet law this year! It was great to find that so many were willing to hear us and are interested in our issues. They even showed up to party with the bikers at the Governor Hotel. From what was told, "they love us!"

Now we wait to hear from our state LAO as to when we will get a hearing for the helmet law repeal, so we can be there to support it! We should hear something within the next few weeks. We will get very short notice, so be prepared to be there at a moments notice, to show your support! A 'Call to Action' will be sent out, and we will need as many Washington riders there as possible!

At our last chapter meeting over at the Legion Hall on Jan. 10th, we had a great turnout and signed up 2 new members. There was a glitch in the scheduling of our meeting date, with the Legion Hall management, and we ended up having to change it to the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. Thanks to all the members who brought the fantastic dishes.

TCC discussed dates for our this years events and have set aside 2 dates of April 20th and July 13th. Please mark your calendars. We are excited to announce that we have a benefit planned for the NRA! We have it scheduled for April 20th. It is going to be really fun and different. There is even a stop at the gun range involved with the event. The committee will come

up with a flyer soon and give us all the details. If you support your second amendment rights, you DON'T want to miss this event! We hope to get the media involved to hear what Tri Cities riders have to say about possibly losing, yet another, freedom!

The Olympia Chapter asked if we wanted to swap out October hosting of the BOD meeting with them. Theirs was scheduled for July. It was agreed on and TCC will now be hosting the state BOD meeting, on July 20th. Please join us to meet members from 24 chapters coming here to Tri Cities, from all over the state.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on February 7th., 6:30 pm over at the American Legion Hall. 1029 W. Sylvester, Pasco. The theme for the potluck is Italian food.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Catherine 'Chatty' Salomone  
TCC Secretary / [tricitiesabate@hotmail.com](mailto:tricitiesabate@hotmail.com)



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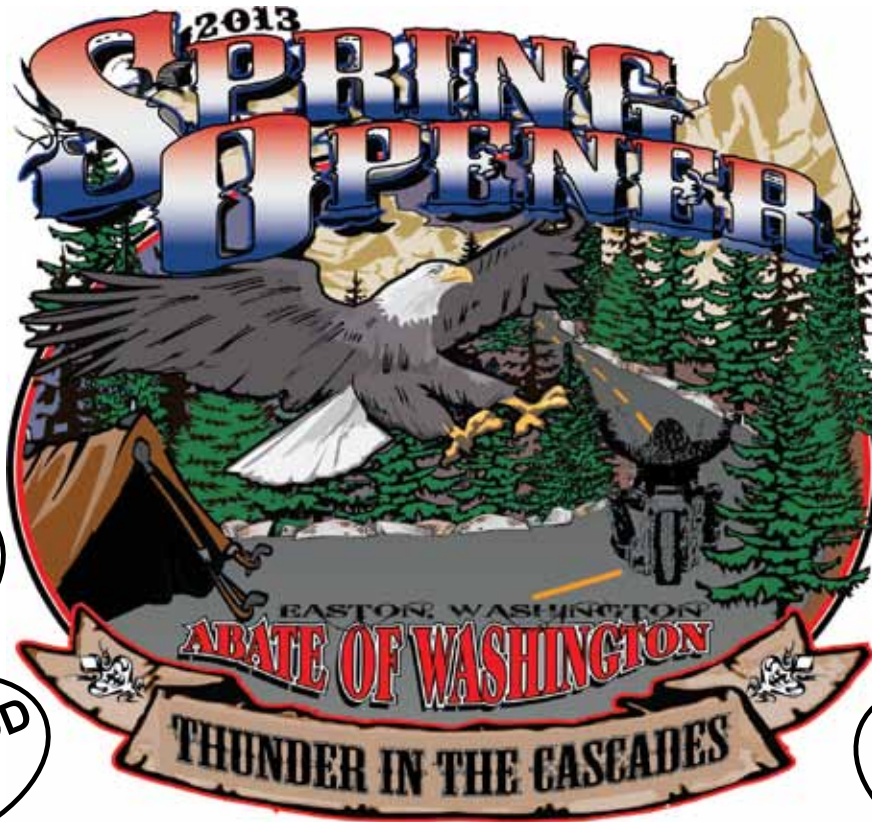
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Chapter meetings  
Meets 2nd Tuesday -7 PM  
Bike Show meetings  
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CCR  
215 Cypress Ave.  
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Well here we all are watching it rain and looking back on all the nice rides we took last summer. Now looking forward to the big swap meet in Monroe in March and the shakin' the winter blues party the night before. Looks like we will be having the party in Monroe at the Eagles club. I will give where's and when's next month.

The big news is still the Sky Valley ABATE's Classic and Antique motorcycle show back in Snohomish. The third Sunday in May. The info is at the Sky Valley Abate .com web site. Also the bike show hotline at 360-568-7820 will be the place to call if you don't have a computer. This year promises to be the biggest and best yet!!! So mark your calendars now so you won't miss it!

Other news of Side Rode Ron home and doing better after a couple of weeks in the hospital for a ulcer that exploded!

Also I'm sending out a prayer request for Pastor Dean's wife. She is in the hospital for the next month fighting for her life. Pastor Dean has been a major factor for our chapter helping not only with the bike show but with all of the problems with our folks at Sky Valley when in need. So let's all pull together for him. Remember all we have is each other.

Not much more to report this month except for a group move for Jim Blowers girl friend. We all showed up and helped her move from one apartment to one only 40 steps away. I was very helpful as I carried the deep fryer through out the house not realizing I was spilling grease and oil all the way across the carpet....ooops!

Last but not least looks like we will be losing Dazzlin' Dave for several months as he heads East for a job. He will be missed. All for now. See you in the Wind!

Highwayman



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### **Rat City**

Meets: 2nd Tues @ 7 PM 6 PM Social  
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Contact: Chad Mall 206-240-0262

Black Thursday was our highest priority as this is written. It was an outstanding demonstration of our core purpose. Under the leadership of the Breeze, Donnie Landsman, we were well prepared and full of determination to be heard. The seminar held January 6th was an excellent presentation and we knew where we stand! The arrangements at the Governor Hotel were a brilliant move bringing those who could stay over together for fellowship, training and an awesome experience. After the day on the "hill" we regrouped and were able to savor the reception we had had by our representatives and senators. About two dozen legislators and staffers joined us during the evening and several signed on to our repeal bill which was dropped on Friday morning. Rat City was represented by Mark Sherman, Irish McKinney and yours truly. What a great and unique experience. Makes you proud to be a citizen in this democracy. We will get a hearing!!!

Even with an incredible Seahawks game to watch on January 13th, five Rats came out after the game and we cleaned up our piece of Highway 509.

Our chapter elections meant only a minor change – we are led by James Hemmingsen as Coordinator, Teresa Vineyard as deputy coordinator, Pete Guichard has taken over as Secretary and Irish McKinney is Treasurer. At the last BOD, Irish was re-elected NCOM Ambassador. He'll be riding to Reno in May for the National Convention along with quite a group of ABATE OF WASHINGTON members.

Next up is our annual Freeze Your Butt Off ride on March 9. Due to conflicts we learned about with both SKCC and EPCC events, we have moved the date back a week. There should be a flyer in this issue of the newsletter. We'll be playing games and riding and having a great time, ending the day at the Barrel for a Spaghetti Feed and giveaways. We'll start the day at Elmer's in Burien for breakfast. Then to the Royal Bear in Algona, the Red Dog on Maple Valley Highway, the Alki which will be closing soon! And ending at the Barrel. Join us!

Ride safely in the freezing stuff, and keep the dirty side down.

Marjorie McKinney  
Rat City Chapter, ABATE of Washington

### **Columbia Gorge Chapter**

Meets Third Thursday of month 7 PM  
Roadhouse Bar & Grill  
1533 Hwy 97  
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After being gone for the past couple years it was very exciting to attend the Black Thursday event this year. There were so many people involved at the Capitol working together. From the guy who kept us with fresh coffee all day to the person who made the last appointment. What a great team effort.

The best news of all we have success, were having a hearing for our Helmet Repeal Bill. There is still lots of work to be done. The fight is just beginning join the legislative Team contact Breeze and see how you can help.

Columbia Gorge Chapter continues to grow slow and steady signed up a couple new members last meeting. We are having a Super Bowl Party at the Road House just north of town. All are welcome to stop by.

Planning a Poker Run this July it will coincide with the City of Goldendales Community Days. Weekend of the 6TH, they will have a car show and other events in town that day. More info later.

Scott Robinson  
Deputy Coordinator  
Columbia Gorge Chapter

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**Chaplin's Report**  
Ranger Ric

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Just returned from Black Thursday and I am so excited to report that the day was huge. There was an air about the place that seemed strangely positive with our message. I was also excited that we still have the right to proclaim the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ from the steps of our State Capitol. They may seem like extremist issues but they are a reality in many places. I pray for you and your families and the issues you face day to day, whether they be physical emotional or spiritual in nature.

Stay the course and fight the good fight,  
1 Timothy 6:12  
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that you were called to  
and have made a good confession about  
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\*because of God's Grace,  
Ranger Ric  
Assistant Pastor G.O.N.W./C.C.M.  
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Micah 6:8

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Galatians 6:9  
1 Corinthians 13  
Revelations 12:11\*



This is my letter to acknowledge that I have been seated by the B.O.D. for the position of East Side Deputy Coordinator. I will accept this position at the July B.O.D. I want to have a chance to make ABATE of Washington a strong political force in Wash. State. I will do this using my years of experience working with the Corp of Engineers, the knowledge

I gained from my experiences in Afghanistan being a site manager and Mentor with the ANA Army. I deeply believe in fighting for the rights of all motorcycle riders. ABATE is one of the greatest opportunities we have to do our legislative work.

At this time I also hold the position as Precinct Committee officer in my home district. This has enabled me to work with some of the Elected officials to reach our goals.

Recently I retired and have the time and energy at this point in my life to go full throttle with ABATE.

I have held several positions in ABATE Charter Member Coordinator, Chapter Rep,

Deputy Coordinator and East Side C.O.C. Rep. Have worked with a lot of folks on different committees with no complaints.

If elected, I promise you that I will carry out the duties as East Side Deputy Coordinator as directed by the Board of Directors

and members of ABATE. I will listen to all members and work with them to reach our goals so we can be a stronger political force in the State of Washington. I will abide by all bylaws and policies that Govern ABATE of Washington.

“ABATE is an organization of Motorcycle enthusiasts, individuals and Chapters who are pooling our strength in numbers and votes to have a say in our government about the laws pertaining to us.” My goal is to make ABATE of Washington a better organization to benefit all members. ABATE is “Dedicated to Freedom of the Road” and I am dedicated to helping retain and obtain that Freedom and the others guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States.

My Operations SGT Major always said we will improve our fox hole with every opportunity we get. Keeping that thought in mind we will move ahead.

Thanks for taking the time to read this.

Scott Robinson 509-250-2001





Hello, my name is Darcy Mugartegui, I am running for the State Secretary position of ABATE of Washington. I have been with the Olympia Chapter since 2003 and currently hold the treasurer, legislative affairs officer and membership positions. I was the secretary for over four years before that. I have been the stand in State Secretary when a substitute was needed. I have been both the State Parliamentarian and State Audit officer for about five years. I have enjoyed going to the Board Meetings. I belong to the Harley Owners Group since 2003 and was the Olympia chapter secretary 3 years

and membership secretary for two years. I will continue to be involved in our Legislative process as I believe this is one of the most important things we do as a organization.

I think that in any organization it is important to have a shift of officer positions every few years so we can have new ideas. I am very thankful for Rona's commitment and hard work for our organization and hope if I am elected I can show my commitment to ABATE as well.

About myself, when I was a kid my dad bought my brother a trail 50 however, he was too small and scared of it. I don't think my dad counted on me liking it so well. When I was 18 living in Tacoma I met what is now the Tacoma Chapter of ABATE and enjoyed many years with the Tacoma Chapter including being at the first several Spring Openers. I left Tacoma in 1985 and moved south raised my children but, missed riding. I moved back to Olympia in 1993 and one day met the Olympia Chapter coordinator and was hooked. I did not officially join until I got my own endorsement in 2003 with my husbands support. I love riding my purple dyna and my recently acquired Volkswagen trike.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns. My promise to ABATE is to be honest and fair in all I do in my life and for our organization.

Thank you,

Darcy Mugartegui

State Parliamentarian

alildab40@gmail.com

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*From the desk of  
your State Secretary  
Rona K Smith*



Hi everyone,

So, as you may have heard I was nominated again for the position of state secretary at our last Board of Directors meeting. I accepted the nomination with enthusiasm.

For our new members who may not know me, I would like to introduce myself.

I have been the State Secretary for ABATE of Washington since August 2006. I live in Milton and I am a member of SKCC. My duties as secretary are to record the minutes of our ECOM and BOD's meetings, keep the corporate records, take care of updates, and whatever else our board of directors tasks me with. I feel I have successfully fulfilled these responsibilities for the last 6 years. For more information on the job description, please see state bylaw 6.4.3

I do want to say that I am excited with the direction we are heading in. I am still dedicated to my position and I would appreciate your vote of confidence in me to continue to serve ABATE of Washington.

Aside from the many great things I see coming in ABATE, I have missed and I am looking forward to the return of STEAM. It gives me a chance to personally meet our new chapter secretaries and enables me to give them direction to be successful.

Thanks for your time ~

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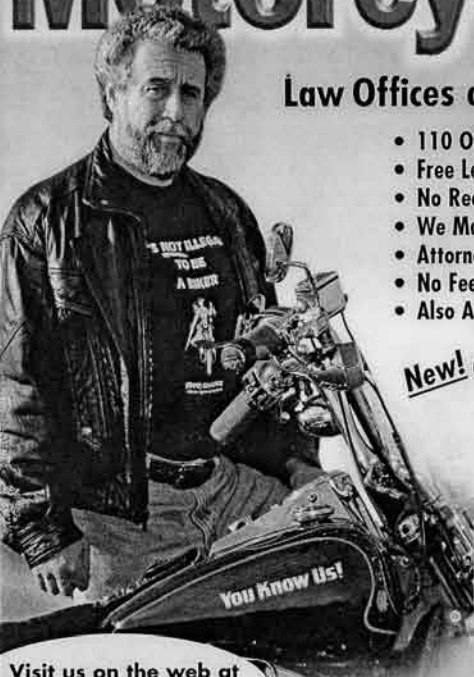
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Rat City (see page 26)

**Mar 24 Spring Swap Meet**  
State event (see page 20)

**Mar 24 March Madness Run**  
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**Apr 20 Pig Out Charity Run**  
Pacific (See page 9)

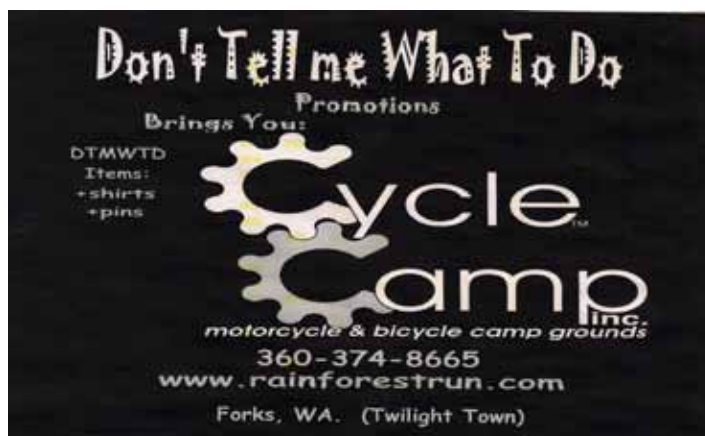
**June 13-16 Spring Opener**  
State event (See page 16)

**June 15 Bike Raffle**  
State event (see page 24)

**July 12-14 Wildwood Rally**  
Pacific County (see page 9)

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