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ABATE is an organization dedicated to Freedom of the Road, raising public awareness through education, political and community action and charitable deeds. Membership is open to anyone, 18 years or older, interested in promoting freedom, whether or not you own or ride a motorcycle.

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Photo opposite page: ABATE road crew cleanup. (photo: Diane Waid)

Cover: ABATE at the Veterans Day Parade in Auburn. (photo: Key Peninsula Chapter)



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First off thanks so much to everyone out there that sent in corrected contact information for the main directories. Everything is now officially updated until it's not.

We've got a lot of runs and events going on this month and a few didn't have any other information in the newsletter than a date. I've tried to track down as much as I could and listed it below on this page along with the calendar row.

At the back of this issue is a national run down of motorcycle legislation around the nation sent in by Dave Cazel the MRF rep for Idaho. Not only very informative but also a reminder of what we do here in Washington doesn't just stay within our borders. Every victory gained elsewhere is another point in our favor when speaking with local legislators and it works just as well the other way around for theirs.

Enjoy the issue and I'll see you in January.



TOY RUN

Dec 9th, breakfast 9:30am / ksu 11am
Uncle Sam's Bar & Grill
16003 Pacific Ave, Spanaway

(O P) SANTA FOR SENIORS

Dec 9th, 11 am
Uncle Sam's Bar & Grill
16003 Pacific Ave, Spanaway

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Dec 10th, 1pm
Uncle Sam's Bar & Grill
16003 Pacific Ave, Spanaway

SANTA FOR SENIORS

Dec 16th,
Tacoma Chapter

SPANAWAY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Oct 22nd,
Uncle Sam's Bar & Grill
16003 Pacific Ave, Spanaway

PHEOBE HOUSE XMAS PARTY

Dec 17th, Noon
Spanaway Chapter

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FEEDBACK

We want to hear from you. Do you have ideas how we might improve this newsletter? Is there something you would like to see here that isn't here now? Send comments and suggestions to newsletter@abate-wa.org

SUBMIT A LETTER, ARTICLE, PHOTO OR FLYER

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CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 09 Toy Run,
Tacoma Chapter
- 09 Orchard Park Santa for Seniors,
Spanaway Chapter
- 10 Merry Mount Santa for Seniors,
Spanaway Chapter
- 16 Santa For Seniors,
Tacoma Chapter
- 16 Chptr Party, Bake Sale & Auction,
Spanaway Chapter
- 17 Pheobe House Christmas for kids,
Spanaway Chapter

JANUARY

- 27 Outta Control Night with SKCC,
South King County Chapter

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BLACK THURSDAY

January 18th 2018

BRING YOUR BULLHORNS
BRING YOUR PROTEST SIGNS

**MAKE AN APPOINTMENT
AND MEET WITH YOUR
LEGISLATORS
IN SUPPORT OF**

THE FREEDOM OF THE ROAD

COC Ride-In leaves Hawks Prairie Casino KSU 10:00AM

Speakers on the Capitol Steps beginning at 10:45 AM

Group Photo to follow afterwards

Coffee & Donuts inside in the Columbia Room

**BYOB "BIKER BASH" Meet & Greet at the
Governor Hotel, 621 Capitol Way, Olympia**

5:00 PM until ?

LIVE MUSIC

ALL MOTORCYCLES...ALL RIDERS...WELCOME



**For more information: www.abate-wa.org
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You DOWN??

IF YOU'VE BEEN INJURED IN AN ACCIDENT, YOU'RE PROBABLY GETTING A LOT OF **BAD ADVICE**

FROM FRIENDS

"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

"You need to hire us **right now**. We handle cases all over the country plus we've got **132 years combined experience**. And we're aggressive."

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

FROM DOCTORS AND CHIROPRACTORS

"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."

FROM INSURANCE ADJUSTERS

"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

If you have been injured in a motorcycle accident, then before you

- (1) talk to the adjuster,
- (2) hire an attorney,
- (3) or sign any forms,

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WHAT'S THE QUICKEST WAY TO FIND A **BAD** LAWYER?

TV ADS... Just because they run 10 TV ads a day doesn't mean they know what they are doing. Commercials can promise "fast cash settlements," but that is rare in today's insurance claims market, unless you agree to accept a low-ball offer on your case!

YELLOW PAGE ADS... They all say the same thing... "Experienced," "Trial Lawyer," "Free Consultation," "No Recovery - No Fee." How are you supposed to choose a good personal injury lawyer when all of these ads say the same thing?

OUT OF STATE LAWYERS... Do you want to use an out of state lawyer for your Washington accident? What does a California lawyer know about living and riding in Washington? Probably nothing. Plus, these lawyers just refer you to a local attorney who gives them a cut of the fees. If your lawyer is giving away a chunk of his fee, will he really be motivated on your case?

ATTORNEYS WHO SEND YOU ANYTHING JUST DAYS AFTER YOUR ACCIDENT... These attorneys are ambulance chasers and are looking to get clients any way they can! Ordering your police report without your permission is unethical. Do you really want an unethical lawyer as your representative?

WEBSITES... Do you find that most lawyers are just boasting about themselves and their firms, when all you are looking for are answers to your questions about what you should do after an accident? At a minimum, they should offer a free motorcycle accident book.

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From the State Coordinator

Lyle Coyle

In last month's article I touched on STEAM and said I believed that Kate Scott and her committee would do an excellent job. Well it was even better than I thought it would be, we had a very good turnout with people who already have a handle on things and new people that were looking for a little guidance so they can do their job as it should be. This was an event where everyone regardless of their experience could learn something, with everyone able to bring up ideas for what might work and what might not work it made for an interesting STEAM. After the initial discussion we broke into different groups by job title where people could get more one on one with people that new the job already, everyone seemed to like the breakout sessions as it wasn't a large group talking about everything. After dinner Scott Robinson and Chris Varner (deputy coordinators extraordinaire) took care of giving out some well-deserved letters of appreciation. One of the things I dislike about appreciation letters is there is usually more people deserving of these than

actually receiving them so if you did not get one and you support ABATE of Washington consider this my thanks to you. There is another group of people that kinda gets overlooked and that would be the ABATE of Washington's members family who might not be able to do things because ABATE has a meeting or event that they have to attend, so to these family members I say thank you for understanding that the ABATE member in your family is making a difference in the motorcycle community.

Well I really wish I had no gripes but unfortunately I do. Over the last 34 years I have seen a few members leave ABATE of Washington for a reason I really have never understood. Sometimes this has cost us not only the members but entire chapters. There have been times that some of these member leaving ABATE because of this reason have caused a rift in the motorcycle community that may never heal. What is this reason you ask, "Were quitting because ABATE of Washington is not going in the direction we think it should" this reason is about as a ridiculous reason as I can think of, but wait there is more, then they say "we're going to still fight for motorcycle rights but just on our own" but with the exception of a couple of people you never see them again. Here is the direction ABATE of Washington is going, with the exception of the chapters ABATE of Washington has four events each year Swap Meet, Spring Opener, STEAM, and Black Thursday. The swap meet and spring opener pay for STEAM and Black Thursday and without money we can't have these events. STEAM is an event that is aimed at training for members who have stepped up make this organization better and to motivate members that are considering stepping up. Black Thursday is what we are all about, motorcycle rights for all motorcyclist regardless of what you ride or circle you ride in. So if you are not into motorcycle rights, well then we are not going in the direction you think we should be and you might want to just crawl away, if you're into causing hate and discontent well then once again we are not going in the direction you think we should and you know what to do... just crawl away. I know that 99.9% of the people in ABATE are good people who believe in what ABATE of Washington is doing, what I don't know is what to say to the .1% who can cause so much grief. I do know that the 99.9% will keep fighting for all motorcyclist even for the .1% that think we are going in the wrong direction.

Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.

ABATE of Washington
Board of Directors & Executive Committee Meetings
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Jan 13th, Spanaway
Apr 3rd, Elk Country
Jul 21st, Inland Empire
Oct 21st, Kittitas County

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Eastside Deputy Coordinator

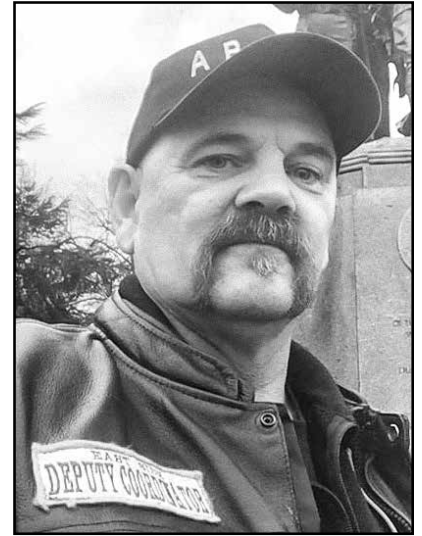
Scott Robinson

Members. This clock is running overtime and it seems these events and Bike runs are stacking up. We will just keep getting it done.

I understand I have an election coming up so I thought I would let everyone know I plan on running for my position again. Having all the great support makes it work so thanks to all the Coordinators who continue to get involved in our events. Thanks Kate Scott for stepping up for STEAM. You rocked that show.

Black Thursday is next up for ABATE. We are booking rooms again at the Governor Hotel for the event. These rooms are for Chapter LAO'S and Coordinators. Coordinators, if you do not have a Legislative rep you are that person. We will be doing a training event Wednesday evening with Brian Lang covering this. Thursday evening will be meet and Greet with a live band so get ready to torch the house and have some fun. Everyone is invited to this event and we want to fill the conference room with folks from all districts and from the entire motorcycle culture. Thursday evening is a time to meet like minded friends while the LAOS and state folks work with the Senators and Reps and LA's. Come out and support this event. It is BYOB. State LAO Brian Lang is putting out flyers for the event and there will be more info on the web site and in the Freedom Mag. See ya there.

Just a quick heads up this year's Swap Meet will be in Monroe. Work has started on this project and looks like we will be in the same building. We will have some rate changes because the fair grounds has increased our rent. Watch for the flyer in the future.



Black Thursday Jan 18th, Olympia

Here comes another Black Thursday, we want to continue to support this with funding and participation. Encourage your members and friends to step forward for motorcycle rights.

We will be staying at the Governor Hotel again this year. We have 30 rooms Wed and 40 Thurs at \$113. State will pay for Coordinator and Chapter LAO rooms based on double occupancy or for a designated person from the chapter to represent these positions.

Wednesday evening the 17th will be our training session put on by our State LAO Brian Lang. Come prepared to learn what you need to be successful when you go to the meetings on Thursday. He will also give updates on our legislative agenda and other info.

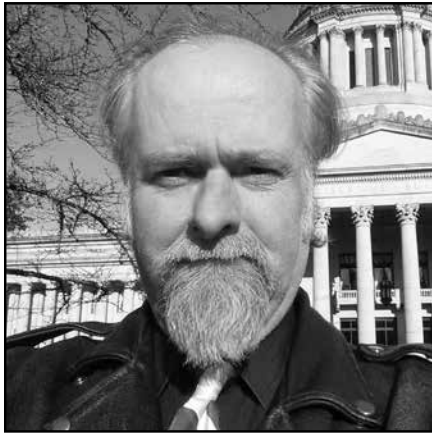
Thursday will start early for the folks who have made the appointments. We will have coffee and donuts in the Columbia Room.

We have the north Diagonal for parking. Also the steps of the legislative building for public speaking and photos. This will follow the C.O.C ride in from Hawks Prairie which will leave at 10 am.

Thursday evening will be Pot Luck dinner and the meet and greet. Bring some grub and take some time to chat with the reps and senators or their aids. Following dinner it will be time to have some fun with Live music this is BYOB event, last year was a great time and a fun way to end the day.

See you there. ~ Scott Robinson

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Legislative Affairs Officer
Brian Lange

December 2017 Legislative Report

The election is over, and the power structure in Olympia has changed. With the Democrats now controlling the House, the Senate and the Governor's office they can easily push through any legislation they want. This also means that the Chair of the House Transportation Committee has not changed. So we will simply have to adapt and overcome that obstacle as best we can. For most of our new proposed bills the Prime sponsors have already agreed to step up. However, with the change of majority in the Senate, we will have to find a new Senator to be our Prime Sponsor

for a companion bill to HB1804. By the time you read this I am hoping to have that taken care of and be moving forward with a Democrat Prime and bi-partisan co-sponsors. The plan is to have all our new bills dropped within a day or two of the session getting started in January.

It is going to take member participation to get all of these bills worked successfully during this upcoming short session. That means we need a two-way flow of communications between the Chapter LAO's and the State LAO. It is part of the Chapter LAO's job to organize the chapter members in action legislatively in conjunction with the State LAO. To do this means there needs to be an open pipeline for communication between all the Chapter LAO's and the State LAO. The 'Legislative Committee' needs to openly communicate together in order to effectively utilize ABATE members in our legislative efforts. As always, if a chapter doesn't have an LAO, the Coordinator has those duties. Before Black Thursday takes place, I will have sent out emails to the Chapter LAO's describing what each bill or prospective bill is about. In that way, the membership can discuss them in meetings and any questions that the Chapter LAO can't answer can be sent back up to the State LAO by email or phone for clarification. Having more direct participation in the Chapter LAO's should help increase overall membership participation.

Speaking of Black Thursday, I would very much like to see a member of each Chapter present at Black Thursday to meet with their legislator. Even better would be to have a member of each Legislative District actually come to Olympia. With the changes in the power structure of the Senate taking place, you may not be able to make appointments until almost Christmas. But DO MAKE THEM. Even more importantly, ATTEND the appointment. Once you have scheduled the appointment, email me the information on the appointment (District, Legislator, Time, Room, and who made the appointment). DO NOT POST THIS ON FACEBOOK! Posts are made too frequently on Facebook, and it is simply too easy to miss a post or Facebook message. Which means a scheduled meeting doesn't get on the hard copy at Black Thursday, and that causes confusion and loss of time. Simply email me the appointment information at the State LAO email address which is legislative1@abate-wa.org and I will get it scheduled.

I will be creating a spreadsheet with; the names of all the legislators, their office locations, and appointment times, and who scheduled the appointment, to be filled in as I receive the information. On Black Thursday, if you weren't the one who scheduled the appointment, please allow the person who made the appointment to come up to the table in the Columbia Room and check in. There will be 'talking points' on the bills in the January issue of Freedom. So familiarize yourself with them before Black Thursday.

Alice Brown, Secretary of Elk Country Chapter created a nice little form to help everyone to keep track of who their legislators are. There is a space for your; Legislative District, State Senator, and bot of your State Representatives. Use those spaces to write down the information and make it easier for you to remember it. It will be in Freedom, so just cut it out of copy it. This way each member gets their own form. Thanks, Alice, I think this will help considerably. The night before Black Thursday, there will be a training session at the Governor's Hotel. The activities for Wednesday night are still in flux at this point, but we are endeavoring to make it an educational night in preparation for people meeting with legislators on Thursday.

On Black Thursday, the same as in previous years, the COC will lead the mass ride in from the Hawks Prairie Casino. KSU at 10 AM. Speeches will begin on the Capitol steps at 10:45 AM. The group photo will follow immediately after the speeches are finished. There will be coffee and donuts in the Columbia Room before, during, and after the activities on the steps. After the events of Black Thursday, there will be a meet and greet at the Governor's Hotel. Which is located just down

Capitol Blvd. from the Capitol campus. There will be live music again this year. More information will be in next months issue of Freedom.

As Black Thursday approaches, talk to motorcyclists about the issues ABATE will be working on this year. All motorcyclists are affected by these issues, not just the cruiser riders. So talk to the dual-sport, and 'adventure bike' riders, and the sportbike riders too. If they ride, ABATE is fighting for their rights as well. Let them know that ABATE is working to bring; the option to lane share during congested freeway traffic, and to clarify the state's parking law to prevent motorcyclists from being ticketed for simply parking as we have since motorcycles were invented, as well as working on Enhance Penalties for anyone who recklessly fails to yield or stop at a light/sign hits a member of the state's 'vulnerable highway users' category causing 'substantial injury' (breaking a bone, or sending the person to the hospital). Of course, we are also pursuing the option to choose whether to wear a helmet with a health insurance requirement. Let's fill the steps of the Capitol with riders of ALL the various types of motorcycles, and stand together, unified as one community to stand and be seen, and heard, by the legislators in Olympia.

Catch you on the road sometime...



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CHAPTER REPORTS

Key Peninsula Chapter

From **BILLY SABLES, COORDINATOR**

PURDY - Hello all. I'm writing for you my first article as the new Key Peninsula Chapter Coordinator. I'll get the hang of writing these reports I'm sure and hopefully they will be worthwhile and not bore you if you take the time to read what Key Pen is up to. As all other chapters we recently held officer elections. Jamie McCarthy along with being our treasurer, and a fine treasurer he is, also took on the roll as our chapter secretary. My son Chad stepped up and accepted the nomination of and was elected to the Dept. Coordinator post. He brings a youthful point of view and will do good things for our chapter. Thanks buddy for stepping up!

Randy Mynatt (recently appointed as our Road Captain) and I joined in with SKCC and EPCC in riding with them in the Veterans Day parade in Auburn. Their group had a good turnout for the parade and we were honored to join them. Does my heart good to see the response we got from the community along the parade route as we rode to honor our countries heroes. Lot's of handshakes and good words traded!

We have a few events planned for this winter coming up including supporting the local Elks Club with their holiday dance for some local special needs folks. We are looking forward to that opportunity to give back! More to follow.

I as well as a lot of you don't put my bike away this time of year due to the weather. If you are like me and are still riding and will continue then ride safe friends and we'll see you on out there on the road. Stay cool! ◇



At the Veterans Day Parade in Auburn. (photo: sent in by Key Peninsula)

Tacoma Chapter

From **LEON "TREAD" STAUB, COORDINATOR**

TACOMA - It's almost Christmas and we've still been having so much going on. Tacoma Chapter co-hosted the Halloween Bash with Spanaway Chapter and I think everyone had a great time. Big thanks to Spanaway for spearheading the planning of the party.

Moving on into November, we had our semi-annual Tattered Flag run. This was an opportunity for Tacoma members to get a chance to win our righteous relic, the Tattered Flag. Our previous winner, Dan Barker passed it along to Molly Larsen. So huge congratulations to Molly for winning and she'll be able to select where we start the May Tattered Flag. The weather was a bit wet, but rain gear and camaraderie made it a fantastic day.

Now that it's December, our December activities are upon us. We have our annual Toy Run taking place on December 9th, starting at Uncle Sam's, where we will have breakfast starting at 9:30 AM and at 11:00 AM we'll hop on our bikes and make our way down to the YWCA and support those kids and families with toys and good times. I hope that a lot of people can make it and we have a good turn out.

I'm looking forward to the remainder of this year, and the year to come. There's a lot to look forward to and a lot of good times ahead. ◇

Columbia Gorge Chapter

From **MICKI ROBINSON, COORDINATOR**

GOLDENDALE - Hello again. I'm not sure where the time goes but it is going faster and faster!

We finished up with STEAM, which I think went very well as Kate from Star Lake did a great job. The breakout sessions were a great idea again.

We are moving right into Black Thursday which I'm sure will be another great event so please make sure to make time for your Legislation responsibility. It is a group effort that makes this work.

Things over here in Goldendale are doing just fine. I would like to remind all our members that without your support, we would not be where we are today. So thank you each and everyone of you for your continued support. Please keep coming to the meetings and bring new ideas. They are much appreciated.

Our 9th annual Trunk-or-Treat went well. We had a few members that stepped up and represented CGC. Thank you Doug and Shannon and (any one else).

I want to personally thank my Deputy Coordinator Terry Arthur for stepping up and taking over for me while I'm not there. You are the best.

Until next time, thank you. ◇

Spanaway Chapter

From BILLY DE HUNTER, COORDINATOR

SPANAWAY - First off I want to ask everyone to keep Porch Monkey in their prayers he is fighting cancer and needs our love. So please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Well with out a doubt winter is here. Burr been cold for over a month. As our year winds down I can help but reminisce on the riders we lost this year. Lots of them were friends and family members. I don't know if its more than last year but it sure seems like it is. Lets all make sure we let those ones close to us know we love them. Nothing in life is certain.

Our Halloween party with Tacoma chapter was another good event. Thank you goes out the SKCC for having their social Birthday party with us. Thank you to Snake for doing such a great job of selling raffle 50/50 tickets for us. Thanks to all who helped tear down and the ones who helped decorate. You know who you are. Its been a while since we had too much food but oh my it was good. No way was it all going to get eaten. Thank you all that came out and everyone who dressed up in costume. There were some good ones. Thanks to Sarah for stepping up and doing the pictures for us all.

December is always a very busy time for our chapter with Olympia toy run, Elk Country's Christmas party, Our Santa for Seniors at Orchard Park and then to our seniors at Merry Mount. Then we have adopted 15 kids in a halfway home and again it is one of our best events making their Christmas for them. Then we have our Chapter Christmas party and our annual Bake sale auction. Last year's was one of the best ever, I hope we can duplicate it again. All our events for December are in this newsletter so take a look and support what you can.

As always take care out there and look twice because they will not. Happy Holidays from Spanaway Abate Chapter. ◇

Pacific County Chapter

From LENNY PLETSCH, COORDINATOR

NASELLE - Hear that up north has some snow, so guess winter is close behind. Right now it's 45 and sunny, brrr. My son and family showed up for a few days so the house is full of people and love. At our meeting we had folks from Grays Harbor and North Coast. This was a nice change to see old friends and get different views, not that we don't have enough fun ourselves. Well this going to very short as it's time to play dad.

Enjoy your turkey and see ya down the road.. ◇

Sky Valley Chapter

From HIGHWAYMAN (ROGER HANSON), DEPUTY COORDINATOR

SNOHOMISH - Well we are heading out for our holiday family run. We (at this time) have already dropped off the dinners for our 3 holiday families this year. Next is the Christmas dinners and presents for the kids. These folks would have nothing for the holidays if it wasn't for our chapter stepping in and giving our money and our hearts to those in need. This is one of the things we do that makes me feel so proud to be a member of this chapter it brings tears to my eyes. We will be starting our work for next years big bike show in Snohomish on the third Sunday in May already. The profits from the show go to several charities and make our holiday family run possible.

I don't have much else at this time so I will wish you all a Merry Christmas! See you, "In the wind." ◇

South King County Chapter

From PETE FOX, COORDINATOR

AUBURN - This year is just flying by. I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and now to get into the Christmas spirit. With several toy runs coming up for us to participate in we'll have plenty of chances to spread the cheer.

The roads are getting wet and slick out there so be careful when out riding this time of year. Never like hearing of anyone getting injured. I want to thank all the different chapters and people that joined us in the Veterans Day parade this year. We had a great day and the weather was better than most years too.

And since I missed last month getting in a write up I want to welcome all our new members to the chapter. We are planning some new and exciting stuff for everyone, so make sure to come to the meetings to see what all is going on. We will be having our chapter Christmas party and yearly photo taken on Monday, December 18th, 6pm at our meeting location so hope to see as many members as possible for this. There will also be a gift exchange if you want to participate.

I want everyone to know at our last meeting we voted to change our meeting time from 7pm to 6:30 pm starting in December so our business meeting on the 4th will be at 6:30 pm at Longhorn BBQ. We are also starting to do a social monthly with EPCC and dates and times will be announced on both Facebook chapter pages. so if you can attend come join in as that also may spread out to other chapters too in the future if there is a interest.

Have a great month and see you all soon. I also want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. ◇

Elk Country Chapter

From ALICE BROWN, CHAPTER SECRETARY

MORTON - Rode in the hills yesterday, cleaned my bike for winter storage today. Snow is forecast here three days from now. Will have to catch a ride now and then when the weather permits.

It's not too late to join Elk Country for our annual Christmas party! It will be held at the Moose Hall in Morton on Sunday, December the 3rd. Be there at 1 pm and join us for a great meal, fun and plenty of auction items.

The Fire Pit Raffle will take place just before the auction begins. It's a beauty this year and tickets are still available. Thank you to those generous members of BOD who bought tickets from us at the October meeting. I wish you all to be the lucky recipient!

We had a great time at the October STEAM. Kate, Star Lake Coordinator, had an excellent overview of responsibilities. Great job Kate! And Star Lake Chapter really knows how to put out food. It was the best ever. We broke into "sections" specific to chapter responsibilities. It is wonderful to have an organized, concerned State Secretary in Steve "Boxman". In meeting with the secretaries group, we were able to get acquainted with each other and fine tune our record keeping abilities. As a result, our Chapter Sign-In sheet has been redesigned.

Saturday evening an award was presented to Robin Lange for going above and beyond the expected. No one who received an award that night deserved that recognition more than Robin. Congratulations! We are privileged to have you as a member of Elk Country.

May you all have a joyous Christmas. I look forward to the reports of the many acts of kindness and the generosity of ABATE members statewide. ◇

North Kitsap Chapter

From DEBRA MCVEY, CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

POULSBO - Well, December looks like it's going to be a quiet month so let's skip forward to New Year's Day. There is an annual Polar Bear Plunge that takes place from the Olalla bridge, located just north of Gig Harbor in Kitsap County, in the community of Olalla along Colvos Passage, right by Al's Market. The water is freezing but brave souls make the plunge and then swim over and warm up by the bonfire with family and friends cheering them on and hopefully having some hot coffee or hot chocolate ready! If you forget to bring some you can get it at the store. Weather is usually dry but cold so wear your warm gear! This is a fun ride and whether you're jumping in yourself or waiting onshore with a towel at the ready cheering on the brave souls. You'll have a great time!

Hope your holidays are awesome! By the way, our next general meeting is on January 3rd, from 7-8 pm at the All Star Lanes and Casino, 10710 Silverdale Way NW, Silverdale. Come by and help us start planning our next event! ◇

Inland Empire Chapter

From SHAWN WEST, COORDINATOR

SPOKANE - For any chapter members not paying attention here's a friendly reminder that it is already the start of December which means you only have three weeks left before you have to go do your Christmas shopping. So if there are weekend activities we've all been putting off now is a good time to do them because that second from the last this month is going to be very busy for some of us.

Our chapter officers are officially officiated following the STEAM event orientation. We heard nothing but glowing reviews and how helpful it was this year. A big thanks from our whole chapter to everyone who pitched in with such a great job.

At our last meeting we brought up several topics including; Run to the Sun ride, a Tri-State Poker Run, a Membership ride, motorcycle show booth in march, chapter spot at Spring Opener, attending Black Thursday, new products and how to coerce new members into joining or just ordinary riders into giving a damn about their own rights.

Some new doodles for products were passed around and please bring your ideas to the next meeting on December 9th at 10 am over at the Illinois. An official chapter patch for members was brought up and how it is about time we had one so speak up with ideas and keep in mind a sketch on a napkin is all it takes to pitch one. Ideas don't have to be perfect, only started.

And as always give a wave when we see you on the road. ◇



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Legislative Roll call of states Dave Cazal - Idaho MRF Representative

- MA:** 2-year General Court – 1st year just started
8½ (2 are the same – one house, one senate) bills filed, one opposed
S.1949 – Motorcycle Safety Fund – establishes accountability though the Auditor for the fund & adds up to a \$150 rebate for junior operators who take Motorcycle Training
H.2725 – adds a provision to enforce objective testing for Motorcycle Sound Testing & removes the subjective measurement
H.2752 – Right-of-Way – increases violations on a sliding scale based on level of injury
H.2731 – Vehicle-Specific Checkpoints
H.2750 & S.1948 – Equal Access – seeking to prevent prohibition of motorcycles to public access roadways, parking structures, etc., that are privately managed.
H.1845 – Removes restriction of MSF for Massachusetts Rider Education Program
Fighting H.1888 which enforces EPA +2dB as a measurement standard
- NC:** Charlie Boone 9 Bills
4 Bills passed house
HB28 – Equal Access Bill (based on SC) Public facility has to be accessible to MC
HB214 – Helmets not required for Autocycle Drivers or passengers Long-term strategy for MC Helmets
Anti-Profiling NOT successful – will try again next long session
Distracted Driving – filed but didn't go anywhere
Money to external groups – trying to get grants against that funding for safety programs
- SC:** Shelly Holcomb
Watching Helmet issues closely – want to stay
Helmet Choice State Helmet Choice Rally celebrates Freedom of Choice
Permit issue – people keep renewing permits without licensing DMV wants to fix it by mandating training
S.456 - Compromise 3-strikes you're out, then take Safety Course, Full Senate ran out of time, carry to next session
- AZ:** Mike
Defeated Mandatory Helmet Bill 8-0! Representative who filed the bill is now supporting the other ABATE AZ Bills! Will sponsor Anti-Profiling Bill!
Motorcycle Safety Fund back through (MMA AZ)
Teen Texting Bill
Civil Forfeiture Language Changed
Autocycle Language Change

Anti-Profiling Resolution (8 Representatives on Board)
Distracted Driving penalties bill
Opening dialog around Lane Advancement
Re-starting ABATE PAC

- PA:** Andy Kelley
HB64 – Systematic Vehicle Inspections Bill
HB74 – Adding Motorcycles to Lemon Law
HB831 – Making group rides safer
HB917 – Stop Motorcycle Profiling
- CT:** Sandra Clark
4 Helmet Bills filed – 2 were scooters only one was omnibus bill, helmet language already in it (HB755) Defeated all 4 – retain choice for 18 & over
Billboards for Motorcycles are Everywhere across states
Red Light Laws – want the Red Lights to work Signal Actuation changes across the State Sensitivity will even detect bicycles now
Cable Barriers – AARP & AAA are also opposed
- NY:** Prospector
Passed S2119A H7426A through both houses 5-hour Driver Education Class to include Motorcycle Component + Test Pending Governor's Signature
Profiling Bill in Assembly Senate won't sponsor Senate Republicans see it as anti-Law Enforcement
Senate Panel to study efficacy of Motorcycle Helmets
Asking for Motorcyclists on the Panel
Helmet Bill being held by Transportation Committee Chair
No-Fault Bill in Assembly Dropped by Senate Sponsor
- OK:** John Pierce
Cleared the table since 2008 All usual bills (Red Light, Helmet Choice, etc.)
Motorcycle Safety Fund - \$1.8M Locked up so can't be touched (\$2-per)
Share the Road Program going great 100 School Bus Drivers at one time
- IA:** Jody
Helmet Bill went nowhere
Share the Road Program 1 hour of Motorcycle Awareness – introduced in person over 12,000 people have seen it in person
Rider Education Program 4 mobile units & 1 permanent range
Invited to help plan IA DOT Motorcycle Safety Forum
Focus was Autonomous Vehicles Many AV's being tested in IA
DOT Director entered Private Sector, nominated to head FHA New Director of DOT wrote Autocycle Bill (enacted!)

Profiling – No Profiling Bills or Resolutions Can't find a problem in IA
 Fighting Insurance HF604 Intent to get uninsured drivers off the road, but instead penalizes multi-vehicle Owners

- CO:** Stump
 MOST Program – fighting with CDOT regarding reimbursements Bill after audit – get new administrators to CO State Patrol
 Automated Driving Systems – want to test in CO
 Automated don't notice motorcycles 0-3
 Automation – don't let vehicles on the road without pilot
 Autocycle Definition – still a motorcycle, but you don't need a helmet 3-year-olds wearing beanie, but no restraining law for motorcycle Autocycle allows child-safety seat regulation
- AK:** Tom Evans
 Helmet Choice
 No Ethanol Issues
 Profiling not an issue
 DC giving AK (2 Senators, 1 Rep) strong support for anti-profiling
 Rider Education – permanent site, may be losing it
 Municipality helping find another site
 SB91 – Prisons overcrowded, passed a bill to decriminalize Class C felonies e.g.: Citation for theft, etc. Bill to revert
- MI:** Vince C
 4306 – Rider Ed fee increase passed Look Twice, Save a Life program paid for by motorcyclists Tough because considered a fee increase / tax
 5-year study looking at Helmet Law Repeal vs SMARTER.com's study Plastic Surgeons reporting increase in business since Helmet Repeal
 Governor looking at Autonomous Vehicles
- MO:** Amy Allmon
 Helmet Bill made it to committee – but meeting delayed due to 3 hours of announcements
 Bill Riders over 21 with insurance exempted from helmet – no movement
 Secondary Infraction – No Traffic Stop for just failing to wear a helmet – no movement
 Profiling Bill – no movement
- TN:** Ed D
 Last year, attempted to push through Helmet Law Modification Bill Leveraging Tourism dollars argument Finance Committee rules say Tourism can't be used in financial analysis Deputy Commissioner for State Police Looking at what

to do next year

- New Governor expected next year (incumbent not running) State Police Colonel retiring
 Shoulder Use Bill (allow Motorcyclists to use shoulder in stopped traffic)
 Road Guard issue – other organizations tried to push bill through Attempting regulatory path instead
 Relationship with Homeland Security 2 State Grants received "Required" to present "Don't Ride Fried" to Legislators at State Capitol
- SD:** Jiggs
 Passed last of 5-years of bills Opposition this time around
 Vertical plate – any position except upside-down
 40th Anniversary of ABATE of SD in 2018
 Congressional Delegation to sign onto all MRF bills
- VA:** Wes Hurst
 Full Helmet Repeal Bill current focus
 Do have Dead Red support
 No Handlebar Height
 Can ride 2-abreast for motorcycles (no trikes)
- AL:** Matt
 SB88 – signed into law May 19 Felony Offense for Homicide by Vehicle or Vessel
- CA:** State Rep
 AB27 – law required 2-day motorcycle class or skills test
 Bill allows 1-day advanced class for experienced riders
 Traffic Actuated Signals – requires municipalities to check different vehicles Sunset clause removed (made it indefinite) On Governor's Desk for signature
 Traffic Cameras – bill for 5-year test program Was in San Francisco San Jose Bill stalled because San Diego wants in
 All Motorcyclists should wear hi-visibility vests ABATE of CA fighting it
 Anti-Profiling effort Numerous hot spots in CA
 Committee working on this – Monday weekly conference calls
 Lane Splitting Bill passed last year CA Highway Patrol has always been supportive of Lane Splitting
 Passed with no conditions CHP, CADOT, ABATE of CA, & MSF would define guidelines
 Will limit to 15 MPH faster, up to 50 MPH
- NH:** Sherm Packard
 Left on Red – defeated (too many complications)
 Eliminated Handlebar Height
 Looking at Lane Splitting Bill extensively
 New NHMO officers – rebuilding
 In depth study of autonomous vehicles & autocycles

IN: Mike Myer
Off-Highway Vehicle Helmet Usage
Autocycle cleanup bill – anti-lock brakes
Basic Rider Skills Curriculum
Tar Snake sealant
Ride with the Governor last year (current VP)

WI: Chubby
43-year anniversary 4 years helmet free
17-years of share-the-road class 200,000 students 3 program updates
DOT now has an awareness program
Motorcyclists Council with DOT
Former Exec Director, Ric Mellon sits on Autonomous Vehicle Committee
RoW Violations enhancements bill Adding other enhancements (26!) Passed Senate, scheduled for floor vote
Black Box (Vehicle Data Recorder) Bill Bill will be more restrictive than Federal
No Profiling Bill, but researching
Autocycle Bill – define a Motorcycle (reverse approach)

IL: Ryan Hubbard
30th Anniversary ABATE IL
Moving Tax Incentives for Ethanol – stalled intentionally
Noise Monitoring on Lake Shore Drive (O'Hare airport like equipment)
Motorcycle Noise-Level Bill – council members in Chicago feel motorcycles rattle window Now a bill talking about 100dB for sirens in cities with > 1M people Would limit Ambulances and other emergency vehicles
Recreational trail funds – passed – goes to Department of Natural Resources Build State Riding Park

MN: Todd Riba
Legislative session without any attempt to modify helmet law
Bill passed – Motorcycle Safety Bill Small part being diverted away (\$20,000/year) – restored 100%
Motorcycle Awareness License Plate - \$10 for Motorcycle Safety Fund Written that ABATE MN would design the plate
Working on Profiling Bill Seems that juts the fact of working on the bill has caused the problems to stop
MN will host MoTM 2018

NJ: 10th Anniversary of ABATE of NJ Rebuilding

ID: Dave Cazel
Anti-Profiling Bill went through house 69-0 Senate couldn't find any evidence of Profiling Lost 13-22
Largest Newspaper in ID wants a Helmet Law
Legislative Liaison responded, quoted in

national magazine "Motorcycle Helmets are not the panacea to Motorcycle Fatalities"
Reconstruct Motorcycle Training Manual

KS: Bill Cooper
42ns Anniversary
Checking into Profiling incident reports
Finding pumps with zero Ethanol
Pushing for stiffer penalties for inattentive driving
New State Lobbyist

RI: Lou Petrucci
43rd Anniversary
Increased penalties for RoW violations
Parking Bill – all public buildings with 30 or more parking spaces Must have 1 space for motorcycles per 30
Trade-in Bill – passed 7 years ago Motorcycles not included – can't get bill to move
Where 1% groups are involved with runs, Law Enforcement won't support as Road Guards
Break-down lanes, Law Enforcement doesn't want to allow
Lane Splitting not enforced, so not pushing a bill
Dead Red Bill not introduced – discussion turns to "running red lights" DOT called when lights aren't working well
RI Safety Coalition – AAA, AGO, State Police, etc. And now RIMA Working on a number of bills at the State House
Camera Bill – opposed by Law Enforcement Put cameras around the state to take pictures of license plates
Goal was to find uninsured vehicles Held for further study in Senate

St. Croix Valley Riders

MN Legislative Director & WI Legislative Director
Working with ABATE and other Motorcycle Safety Groups Toward Zero Deaths in MN Some killed by deer, many by too much speed
Motorcycle Plates in 2018
Lane Splitting Bill CA 17% Crash Rate in that situation – trying to work towards fixing those issues
Expecting amendments
Free Rider Education – Class Reimbursement
Profiling concerns
Autonomous Cars
Freedom of Choice

WA: Glenyce Jackson
Working on Helmet Choice Made it through House and Senate, but stuck in Transportation Committee
Lane Sharing Bill Traffic atrocious on western side of state Splitting at <35 MPH
Municipalities ticketing 2 motorcycles per spot Law states parallel to curb

FEBRUARY

TBD

MARCH

- 17 Pot O' Gold Run - South King County Chapter
 24 Bunny Hop Run - East Pierce County Chapter
 25 Spring Swap Meet - ABATE of Washington

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

See full copy of newsletter policy at:

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- **Deadline is the 15th of each month** for the following month's issue
- Email letters, articles, photos, flyers and ads to newsletter@abate-wa.org or mail hard copy to address on page 2, attention Newsletter Editor
- Material consistent with ABATE's purpose as a motorcycle rights organization is welcomed, particularly articles or images that bear directly on legislative issues and motorcyclist rights. In submitting work to this publication, authors agree to the policies of this newsletter with proper acknowledgment of authorship and source. The newsletter editor reserves the right to refuse or edit submissions for space, clarity, content and propriety.

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