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GATES OPEN FRIDAY AT NOON**

Saturday: Bike Games, Burnout Pit

Sunday: Bike Show, Dirt Drags

Saturday & Sunday Afternoon: Battle of Bands

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AUGUST STATE MEETING

August 17, 2019

American Legion

10114 Old Town Trail

Ozawkie, Kansas

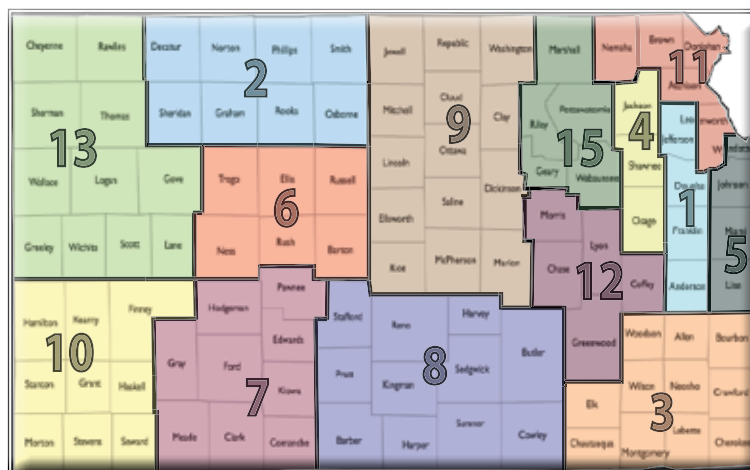
MEETING STARTS AT 2 pm

Agenda: MOMENT OF SILENCE;
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE; ROLL CALL;
SECRETARY REPORT; FINANCIAL
REPORT; LOBBYIST REPORT; MRF
REPORT; MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS
REPORT; PUBLIC RELATION REPORT;
MID-SOUTH MILE; CORPORATE
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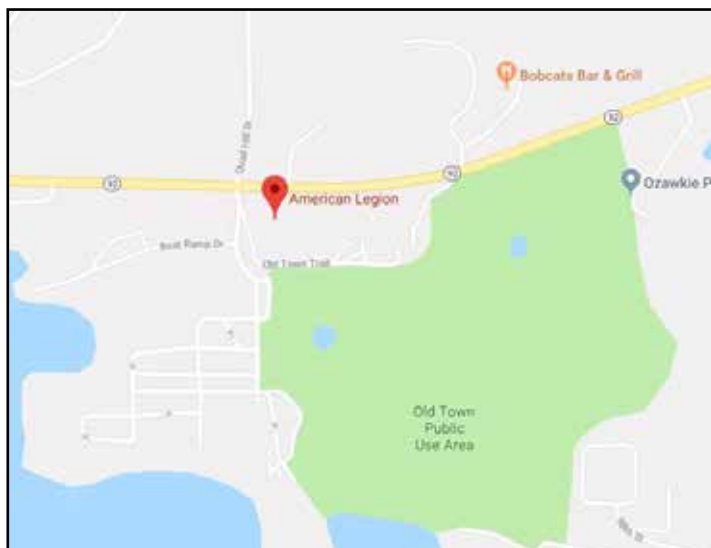
UPCOMING STATE MEETINGS:

Sept. 7 (Dist 11) American Legion, Ozawkie
Oct. 12 (Dist 9) VFW, McPherson
Nov. 9 (Dist 1) O-Town, Ottawa
Dec. 14 (Dist 5) Moose, Kansas City
EXCEPT FOR THE ANNUAL OCTOBER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, ALL
STATE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE!

ABATE of Kansas District Map



A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas is divided into Districts by county. Each District header lists the encompassed counties for each respective District. To determine which District you are in, find your county name in the headers, and the number designates the containing District. Every active District of A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas has an elected District Representative.



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State Meeting

Meeting called to order 12:05 pm. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence. Roll call - All present except District 11.

Secretary Report: Amber read the report. Dora asked that report be changed to show that Rick nominated her for treasurer at the June meeting. Motion made by Neil (seconded by Don) to approve the secretary report as read. Motion passed by a show of hands.

Financial report: Brian went over the report. Suggestions were made about how to save money such as emailing the newsletter only, reimbursing one MILE committee member to attend the meetings, and the district reps contacting their expired members to renew. Will discuss more at the August meeting, bring ideas. Becca reminded everyone that we are one organization and need to be working together. Motion made by Larry (seconded by Tony RR) to approve the financial report as read. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

Old Business: Tammy thanked Districts 1 and 4 for their help with the Women's Freedom ride in Topeka, June 15. The ride broke the previously held record for the US with 762 women. Thank you to everyone that helped and showed support. Byron said that any district needing insurance for an

event needs to contact Lori at the state office at least 30 days before the event, not the insurance company.

Nominations: Vice President - no new nominations this month. Byron was nominated and accepted the nomination in June. Treasurer - Lori nominated Steve K. Steve accepted. Bill nominated Deb H. Deb declined. Ron V was nominated in June and declined the nomination at the July meeting. Dora was nominated in June by Rick and accepted. Member at large - Sis nominated Ron V and he accepted. Tammy nominated Becca H. Becca declined. Tony R, Bill S, Brian V, and Bill C were all nominated at the June meeting and all nominees accepted. Nominations are closed at this time. August will be the last month for nominations.

New Business - Lori has ordered the Jesse James beverages. KDOT donated millings for the roads at the rally site. Thank you! Any used vegetable oil can be donated to help with the road repairs.

Lunch 1:30-2:30 pm. Thank you District 6 for hosting.

Tony RR asked about not having some of the monthly state meetings to help with costs. After discussing, it was decided for the Reps to talk with their members and bring back their thoughts to

the August meeting.

Labor Day Rally:

Site coordinator - work weekends have started. Please come out and help. Make sure to sign in and out or hours worked will not count.

Stage Security and Entertainment - all is good to go.

Vendors - Tammy reported that there will be two new leather and a general store type vendor this year.

Products - t-shirts are being done now.

Sheriff/EMT/Fire - good to go.

Showers - good to go.

Beverage Tents - all three are good to go.

Front Gate - Districts 2 and 6 are helping. As always, please help at the gate if possible. Byron passed out copies of Abate of Illinois waiver to review and discuss next month.

Setup/clean up.

Pre-registration - Sheri has it open online and gave the numbers of people that have pre-registered so far. Lori suggested to get more people to sign up for the early bird entry. After discussing it, motion made by Danny (seconded by Tony RR) to give the 73rd person that does the online Early Bird pre-registration a refund of the fee at the front gate of the 2019 Labor Day Rally. Must be present at the front gate to receive the reimbursement. Motion passed with all board members voting yes except District 8 and member at large that

abstained.

Lobbyist Report - please see in your newsletter.

MRF Report - please see in your newsletter.

Motorcycle Awareness report - please see in your newsletter.

Mid-South Mile - Sis asked for items for the basket and auction items. Jack relayed prices for a bus to go to Louisiana. Get with Jack asap if interested.

Ron V brought up not doing the monthly MRF donation due to money concerns. Motion made by Ron V (seconded by Dora) to drop the MRF drawing at the meetings effective at once. Motion passed with all board members voting yes by a show of hands.

Corporate Secretary - Sheri said that she would be resigning as of the November 2019 meeting.

Website - Tammy said that it is being updated. Permission to put rally sponsor links on the Abate website was ok'd.

Products - Bill said there's hats. Buy them.

Upcoming Events:

Brian reminded everyone that taxes are due in October. Bank statements and district financial reports are needed.

Drawing Winner was Tammy. Happy Birthday Tammy!

Meeting adjourned at 3:46 pm.



Attention

District Representatives and Treasurers
Send your treasurer reports to the following:

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office@abateks.org
cdguenther@att.net

Thank you,
Brian Van Dyke, Treasurer, ABATE of Kansas





Lobbyist Report

June was a relatively quiet month at the Capitol, as it will be the rest of the year. There will be some sporadic interim committee meetings, but that is about it until the session convenes in January. Committee appointments for the next session typically are in December, so hopefully, that will happen on time so we'll know who the players are on the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, which tend to be the ones we work with the most. As for bills I am recommending we pursue the hands-free driving bill that was discussed but no action was taken on it in the 2018 session, and the negligent driving bill that passed the House this year but was never heard on the Senate side. Colorado is working on similar legislation. Idaho's anti-profiling legislation passed the House but was defeated on the Senate floor. Minnesota passed HF50, a hands-free cell phone bill, which will be effective August 1st. Louisiana just passed an anti-profiling bill. I am hoping that this will become federal resolution/legislation so

that it will apply to all states, so we don't have to battle it out individually.

Campaigns for the 2020 elections are beginning, and with over 20 Democrats that have announced their candidacy for president, it will be an interesting year. The first two Democrat presidential debates happened the last week of June. In Kansas Senator Pat Roberts has announced that he will not run for office again, so the battle for that position will be on the forefront here. Senator Wagle is one possible candidate, and several others have expressed interest and are exploring support from constituents and donors. Elections for Kansas Senator and House positions will also be in 2020, so pretty much every position is up for grabs. Please attend any town hall meetings put on by candidates in your area so you can ask questions about their position on topics. The Kansas Legal Research office has compiled their report of all the legislation proposed in 2019. The numbers are staggering. During the 2019

Session, 660 bills were introduced: 241 in the Senate and 419 in the House. Of these 660 bills, 68 (10.3 percent) became law: 29 Senate bills and 39 House bills. Further, of the 68 bills becoming law, 64 (94.1 percent) were introduced by committees and 4 (5.9 percent) were introduced by individual legislators. The Governor vetoed 3 bills and 4 line items in an appropriations bill (House Sub. for SB 25). The veto of the line items was overridden. A total of 563 bills will be carried over to the 2020 Session of the Legislature. The full report can be seen at:

http://www.kslegresearch.org/KLRDweb/Publications/SummaryofLegislation/2019_summary_of_legislation.pdf

I attended the Veteran's 1st Day at the State Capitol on June 15th. I mention this as virtually everyone there were motorcyclists, many from the Combat Veteran's Motorcycle Association and a few from ABATE. Congressman Steve Watkins and Kansas Senator Goddard were two of the presenters. It is striking how many motorcyclists are veterans and how many riding groups support efforts to provide

resources to veterans, service members, and their families.

As reported previously, the Congressional Senate has passed a resolution regarding motorcycle profiling. Work continues by the MRF on the House side to get them to pass a similar resolution. The resolution is H. Res 255. There are currently 52 cosponsors for the resolution. Please contact your congressional representatives and ask them to sign on and vote to approve it.

As always, I encourage our members to join the AMA and the MRF to have information on the current state of affairs in Washington, as well as state news. You can also get on their websites to sign up for email notifications.

As always, if you have personal contacts with your elected officials and can help connect me with them it would be appreciated. Personal relationships go a long way in pretty much every endeavor, be it work, personal, or legislative in nature.

Respectfully

Steve Christenberry, Lobbyist
ABATE of Kansas

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY ■ AUGUST 31 TO SEPTEMBER 1 ■ 2019
ABATE OF KANSAS PRESENTS at 44TH ANNUAL NATIONAL LABOR DAY RALLY

5TH ANNUAL BATTLE OF THE BANDS

LOCATED ON THE SECOND STAGE inside DISTRICT 1 BEVERAGE GARDEN

Saturday - Noon

STEEL RIZING
KINGS OF THE FALLEN
Redline

Sunday - Noon

STRAIGHT AWAY
RADIO ACTIVE
SinFool

Come support these extremely talented bands and help them win an opening spot on the 2020 Main Stage.

District 1 Bar is serving up cold drinks.

Looking to be part of our Battle of the Bands next year? Contact Byron Harden, Rally Entertainment Coordinator 785-945-3729.





BALLOT DISTRICT 1

Membership number is required for member verification. Number will be removed before vote is tallied. Without the membership number the vote is invalid.

MEMBERSHIP # _____

ASSISTANT DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:

Richard Bassler _____

Jason Farr _____

WRITE-IN: _____

TREASURER:

Dora Guenther _____

WRITE-IN: _____

MAIL BALLOT TO:

Bill Saric, District Representative
ABATE of Kansas District 1
PO Box 771
Perry KS, 66073-0771

**IF MAILED, BALLOTS MUST BE POSTMARKED
BY August 30th, 2019**

ATTENTION!

**Print the word "BALLOT" on the
outside of the envelope.**

ELECTION DATE: September 8, 2019

DISTRICT



Anderson, Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson

district1.abateks.org

District Rep Bill Saric
785-207-7993



District 1 meeting was called to order at 1:04 pm July 7, 2019. The meeting was held at Sinderbloc, Pomona, Kansas. 9 members and 1 guest present. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

State Report: Bill explained to the district that we would be adding Jesse James brand beverages this year at Labor Day Rally as well as some of our normal beverages. He said that Goat will be at the rally this year. Bill explained that CMA would be working some of the nights up at the front gate but unsure of who else would be working it. Bill explained that the next state meeting was also being held out in Western Kansas. Bill also told the district he asked at the state level about moving our November state meeting to Ottawa, Kansas, and it was approved. He said nominations opened at the state level. Bill was nominated for Member at Large and Dora G, who is currently Assistant Treasurer, was nominated for Treasurer.

Secretary report: Dora read the last meeting minutes. Roger F motioned to accept the report as read, seconded by Nova H. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Roger F presented the district with the financial report. Dora G motioned to accept the report as read, seconded by Nova H. Motion passed.

Old Business: There was no old business.

New Business: Nominations are open for District Assistant

Representative and Treasurer. Dora nominated Jason Farr for Assistant Representative; Jason accepted. Bill Nominated Dora Guenther for Treasurer, Dora Accepted. No other nominations were made. Lavonna Bassler had been nominated for Treasurer in last month's meeting and was not in attendance to accept. Nominations are as follows: District 1 Assistant Representative: Richard Bassler from Topeka and Jason Farr from Olathe; District 1 Treasurer: Dora Guenther from Topeka. Nominations closed. Ballots to be in August and September newsletters.

Bill explained that gun drawing tickets are ready. They are the same as the last one with one exception - only 100 tickets were made, and the drawing will be held once all tickets are sold. Date and time to be announced once they are all sold. He also stated that the first winner gets first choice, the second winner gets remaining choice. He also mentioned that Dora G made the tickets to try and save the district money for printing and that member Rene N also donated the use of her office equipment to staple the tickets.

November State Meeting: Dora explained that the Ottawa VFW had accidentally scheduled our state meeting while another function was going on so we would not be able to use the facility. Dora with help from Jason F, Anthony S and Krystal S was able to secure O-Town at 128 S Main St., Ottawa, Kansas for our meeting that starts at 12 noon on Saturday, November 9, 2019. The district had also dis-





cussed have an event after this meeting. It was decided that as this is a first year away from the Perry area, that we do not do anything but plan for the following year. Also discussed was the Labor Day Rally beverage garden. District 1 reimburses you the cost of a member to enter the Rally, but you must pay upfront and once you complete 8 hours of work, you are reimbursed on site. If you wish to sign up, please come to one of our District 1 meetings where the sign-up sheet is available, or you can message us on Facebook or call Dora G at 785-230-3109 to sign up.

Labor Day Rally: Bill explained that fencing will be put around our beverage garden to deter large coolers from coming under the tent. He also stated that

the district will now have a golf cart and that someone would be on hand to help us get beverages from the main beverage garden to ours on the hill. Bill at this point passed around an email he received from the state asking the district for a small donation. Upon some discussion, it was decided that the district would like to donate to help the state. Bill stated he would know more about it at the meeting this coming Saturday in WaKeeney, Kansas.

Dora motioned we adjourn, seconded by Nova H. Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm. Thank you to all who attended our meeting. Next meeting August 3, 2019, 1:00 pm at the rally site by old shower house. Please bring a chair.

er, Rick seconded, he accepted. Lou Ann nominated Bear as Assistant Secretary, Jeff seconded, he accepted.

Scheduled meetings for next three months: August 18, at Pooches Bar & Grill, 106 E.

Kansas Ave., Smith Center; Sept. 8 at 4 pm at Kibbee's (house) 2910 Roosevelt Ave., Hays; Oct. 13 at 4 pm at 183 Lanes, 906 S. Cedar St., Stockton. Rick moved to adjourn, Bear seconded, Adjourned.



Decatur, Graham, Norton, Osborne,
Phillips, Rooks, Sheridan, Smith

District Rep Larry Kibbee
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The District 2 July 14 meeting was held roadside, 4 pm, after members installed our last wooden Be Aware road sign just west of the Highways 183 & 383 junction. The meeting was called to order by Gary Littrell, Assistant Rep, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. There were five members in attendance. There was a motion to waive the reading of the Secretary report by Rick, seconded by Jeff, motion passed. The Treasurer report was presented. Bear moved to approve the report, Rick seconded, motion passed. Lou Ann presented the State Meeting Report. There was a discussion about the District donating to ABATE of Kansas. Rick made the motion to make the donation and Bear

seconded. Motion passed. The Mid-South M.I.L.E. will be in Shreveport, LA on Oct. 25-27. The state got the costs of renting a bus to go as a group if enough people are interested.

Old Business: Discussed results of our 35th Annual Porker Run in June that helped Lacie Shields. Everything went well although we could have had more participants, it was a busy weekend. A check was presented to Lacie to help with expenses related to her cancer diagnosis. There was some discussion about other possible fundraising ideas.

New Business: Nominations were held for three positions. Larry Kibbee was nominated for District Rep by Rick, seconded by Jeff. He accepted. Bear nominated Terry Gitchel for Treasur-



44th Annual ABATE of Kansas National Labor Day Rally

August 30th-September 1st, 2019

5th Annual Dirt Drags

Sunday, September 1st, 2pm

Three Classes-Street Tire, Metric Knobby & Harley Knobby.

Helmets are Required

Everyone welcome to participate





A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas 44th Annual National Labor Day Rally

Aug. 30-Sept. 1, 2019

Early Bird Entry

Thursday, August 29th, 2019 2pm Entry
Members Only

Early Bird Party Thursday 8pm-Midnight

Bar Open (beer only)

Live Music

EARLY BIRD PKG INCLUDES:

- *PRIME PARKING
- * 7 BEVERAGE/ICE/SHOWER TICKETS
- * EARLY LDR VENDOR SHOPPING
- * 1 EARLY BIRD LDR TSHIRT

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EARLY BIRD TSHIRTS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT RALLY.
AFTER AUGUST THEY ARE GONE!!

Prices are per person.
ALL EARLY BIRD entries (including guests)
must be ABATE or MRO members.





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The July meeting for ABATE District 3 was held Sunday, July 7 at Bender on 7, Girard. I did not get a count taken on attendance, but we had a nice turnout.

After the meeting was called to order, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and we had a moment of Silence for Our Fallen Brothers and Sisters.

First, we would like to thank Bender on 7 for opening to host our meeting. We really appreciate it.

It was reported that the Appreciation Party held in June at the Blackmore's was a complete success and a blast. Cannot wait till the next one. Glad for everyone that could make it.

Jess then read the minutes from the June meeting.

Tim motioned to approve them; Sherry seconded. Bev then read the Treasurer report, Sherry motioned to approve it, Curtis seconded.

Beverly also brought us up to date on the figures in our relief fund. Everyone seemed pleased and satisfied with the information.

Mike gave a report on the last state meeting, Danny reported that he plans to go up for the next one this Friday.

We still have rally tee shirts for sale. We have sold several and just need to finish this up. Contact Danny or Bev to get one if you would still like to have some.

District 3 was happy and pleased to have 6 brand new members join

up and attend. Welcome to JR, Amy, Sherry, Bill, Jessie, and Cindy. Glad to have them aboard.

Next, we did some light talking over pre-planning for next year for the rally, and some discussion on purchases the District needs to make. Brian reported that the shower benches are on schedule to be at the fairgrounds before the fair. Thank you, Brian.

Mike volunteered to get the ball rolling on tickets to get the TV drawing going. Thank you, Mike.

Jason reminded everyone that the Hotter than Hell ride was coming up the next Saturday, July 13, with numerous stops, and invited everyone to join in the fun.

Sherry won the drawing and donated it all back. Thank you, Sherry.

Tim made the motion to adjourn, and it was seconded.

Everyone have a great Summer, try, and stay cool and Ride Safe.

The August meeting will be held at the Holmtown Pub in Ft. Scott on Sun. August 4 at 1 pm, 206 National Street.

The September meeting will be held at the Eagles Club in Neodesha on Sun. Sept 8 at 1 pm, 113 S. 4th Street.

The October meeting will be held at The American Legion in Pittsburg on Sun. October 6 at 1 pm, 2815 N. Joplin Street.



Jackson, Osage and Shawnee
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District Rep Jack Frost
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District 4 meeting at Kyle and Julie's. Jack called the meeting to order at 1:14 pm. There were 16 members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and we had a moment of recognition for lost brothers and sisters, veterans, and active-duty military and first responders.

Secretary's Report: The June report is in the newsletter. Ben moved to waive the reading of the report. Frank seconded, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Karen provided the treasurer's report, including our current revenue, and the donations collected for the Rescue Mission Ride.

State Board Meeting: This month's meeting was in Wakeeney on July 13. Please read the report in the newsletter. There were over 700 riders for the Women's Freedom Rally in Topeka. The Full Throttle DJ will be at the Rally. Steve volunteered the SMART paint machine to put lime on the parking lot at the rally if ABATE will pay for the lime or paint. Cost for bus to Louisiana for the MILE costs were discussed. Nominations for vice-rep, treasurer, and member at large. Work weekends are still going on, get with Paul Haviland. The state is having difficulties with revenue, so Jack wrote a check based on the funds we have in the District 4 account.

SMART Report: Our third trike class was the weekend of July 5-7 at Shawnee Heights Middle School. Registration for the trike classes can be done on this website: <https://can-am.brp.com/on-road/learntoride/registration.html>

We have 2 BRC2 (formerly called the Experienced RiderCourse) classes scheduled on July 20 and 21. If you have your M on your license and insurance you are encouraged to attend. The BRC2 is a one day class. We have several Basic Rider Courses scheduled,

go to smartbiker.org to register.

MRF Report: Please read Coop's report in the newsletter.

Lobbyist report is in the newsletter, so please read it there.

Products: We need a person to step up and take care of our product sales. Jack picked up the rest of the products from Nicole and Charles and will inventory them and price them for sale. Bruce Overturf has expressed interest, and Frank indicated that he may be able to assist (if we twist his arm enough). Jack reported that the coolers we use for beverages at the Rally are still at Stevenson's for modifications, but they are done, and Jack will pick them up tomorrow.

New Business: 2019 Bike Show: Karen, RC, and Steve met with the Post 400 Executive Board to discuss this on April 17. We agreed that Sunday, September 15 would be a good option for it. We have had two planning meetings. Several members volunteered to help with planning a ride-in show, which probably is the one that Post 400 offered up. RC said he believes that the Post beverage license would cover sales in the parking lot but will confirm this. We agreed to meet on June 26 and July 11 at 7 pm at Post 400 for the planning meetings. Thanks to those who volunteered to help.

Upcoming events: 2019 Mid-South MILE in Shreveport, Louisiana: Oct 25-27, 2019 Jack noted that a bus has been chartered, fees will be dependent upon how many people sign up to go.

Next State Board Meeting: August 17, American Legion in Ozawkie.

Next District Meeting: August 11 at Paradise Point. Usual 1 pm meeting time.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.







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District Rep Tony Rawls-Riley
913-706-8449



On July 14, 2019, District 5 monthly meeting started at 12 pm at the Red Eye at 61st and State Ave in KCK. We started with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters.

Roll call. We had a good turn out with many members present.

Tony read the state meeting report and legislative report.

Product Line – District 5 has shirts and hoodies! Get yours while supplies last. Please contact Debbie.

New Business – Discussion: Labor Day Rally bike games, changes that may happen this year. We were also asked by State to donate 10% of District Funds to help. This was voted on and approved.

Also, End of the Year party at the Moose Lodge. We voted on the band Tequila Moon to play and

serve Taco Dinner again as this seems to go over well.

August 3, 2019, the district meeting will be held the Labor Day Grounds at Paradise Point. This is also our District's clean up weekend. So get your hours in if you want to come in early at the rally. There is lots to do so bring lawn mowers, trimmers, rakes, etc.

There were many new ideas brought to the table for events to get ABATE in the public eye. We will think further on these ideas and talk about them in upcoming meetings.

Always remember, other motorcyclists, family, interested people, are always welcome. As you can see our District is growing rapidly. If you know someone that would like to join, you can contact anyone on the board for the membership forms or bring them to our next meeting.



Barton, Ellis, Ness, Rush, Russell, Trego

District Rep Becca Hardman
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Clark, Comanche, Edwards, Ford, Gray, Hodgeman, Kiowa, Meade, Pawnee

District Rep Doc Pritchett
620-339-5814



The June District 7 meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm on June 14, 2019. With the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters given, with 16 members and 5 guests.

Mitch motioned to waive reading

of the minutes, Mike seconded, motion passed.

Rep report: Doc brought us up to date on state meeting. Refer to state newsletter.

Assistant rep report: Dave covered the importance of checking

everything on your motorcycles before a ride and maintenance of motorcycles.

Treasurer report: Starla gave report and approved.

Secretary report: Nothing to report.

Member at large report: Rod brought us up to date on local porker runs and Car shows. U&I Riders are hosting a benefit ride for Dodge City Special Olympics and Sun Porch of Dodge City on June 22. Registration is at 8:30 am at HD's Sports Bar, Dodge City, Kansas. The 40th Annual Lake Scott Rod Run and Car Show will Be August 17 and 18 at Scott City, Kansas. The Offerle Car and Bike show will be August 24 in Offerle, Kansas. Ness City Fun Run Car and Bike Show will Be August 31 at

District 7 July meeting was called to order at 2:18 pm July 21st, 2019. The meeting was held at Kernell Body Shop in Fowler, Kansas with 9 members present.

Dave, sitting in for Doc, called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters.

Rep report: Dave brought us up to date on state meeting. See state newsletter.

Assistant rep report: Nothing to report.

Treasurer report: Starla read report and approved.

Secretary report: Brice made a motion to waive reading of the minutes, Stacia seconded, motion passed.

Member at large report: Rod was not present.

Product Report: Rod was not present.

Old business: Stacia reported that G&G donated 20 cases of water to the District to hand out at Dodge City Days parade. We will be handing out water at Roy and Karen's house on Market Street on Saturday, July 27.

We are planning a cookout after the parade at Connie's house in Dodge

Ness City, Kansas.

Product Report: Nothing to report.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Stacia is going to get with G&G to see if they will donate water for the Dodge City Days Parade. A date has been set for Meadow Lark Benefit Ride for Saturday, October 5. We also discussed Brandon and Lynn's memory patch.

Membership drawing won by Brittany Wondra.

Door Prize won by Brice and he donated it back to the district.

July meeting will be July 21 at 2:00 pm at Dave and Starla's house, 510 West 4th, Fowler, Kansas.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

City, Kansas. Brice made a motion that the district pays for the food, Mike seconded, motion passed.

New business: Meadowlark House Benefit Run is set for October 5. The route will be Dodge City, Bucklin, Greensburg, Kinsley, Spearville, back to Dodge City. The first bike out at 10 am, the last one in at 3 pm. Each member needs to approach 2 businesses for sponsorship. Each member also needs to approach a business for a silent auction item. We will need volunteers - 2 for registration, 4 for game runners, 2 for t-shirt sales, 2 for the drawing. Need volunteers for food setup, etc. Records keeper will be Jennifer McCabe who will keep track of all donations. John also mentioned getting classic cars to ride with us. Stacia is going to contact Dodge City Classics. We will have a Meadowlark House meeting at John Kisner's House Benefit in Dodge City on Sunday, August 11 at noon.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm. August meeting will be Sunday, August 25 at Doc's House, 2700 Hennessey, Dodge City.





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District Rep Tony Railsback
620-204-8018



Meeting brought to order at 1:37 pm. Pledge of Allegiance was given, and a moment of silence was observed for fallen brothers and sisters.

Roll call: district rep present, assistant rep present, secretary present, treasurer present, board member at large present. Reno County, Butler County, Sedgwick County, Cowley county present. We had one new member show up his name was Bill Worley; Bill is a Kansas local post member and a Vet. Thank you, Bill for attending.

A motion made by Brian to forgo reading last month's minutes.

Treasurer's report: we have a positive balance. Motion to approve by Sandy, all said aye.

Products report: We are doing good on products. Website is there, check it out.

State report: Tony, Tammy, Coop, Sis, Sandy and Brian made it to The Women's Freedom Ride. 762 women showed up for this run, it was a record thanks, everybody.

Just to mention Bryan V is doing an outstanding job as treasurer. Thank you, Bryan. A.B.A.T.E. financials are down this year. Need to find ways to increase our financials.

Tammy made a motion to donate approved amount to the state Treasury. Sandy seconded, and passed.

There is no flooding at Lake Perry, we will not have any issues. State elections are coming up. Brian nominated for president. Dora for treasurer, there were four nominated for board member at large.

Coming up at Labor Day rally we will be selling beverage shots from Full Throttle. We need vegetable oil by the 55-gallon drum if possible, putting asphalt down on

our roadway at Lake Perry LDR site.

We need an experienced motorcycle mechanic to help Rick out at his booth where there will be general repair, tires, tune-ups, etc. You will be compensated. This year will have TJs general store which will have a large selection of items that you could want and not have to run to town. Tracy C will be running that. Our t-shirts to do, new patches are done, all really look good, may not last long so get yours as soon as possible.

We really need help at the front gate at LDR please all who can, help. If you work 12 hours you will get a free Thursday night entry. Early bird tickets get you in on Thursday and not have to wait till Friday and get in the line.

MRF in the newsletter, check it out.

Tammy made a motion that District 8 be an outstanding member to the MRF, seconded by Sandy, motion passed.

Brad C and Tracie C will be working on District 8 Mid-South Mile part of the basket and we are talking about a bus to hold 52 people to the Mid-South Mile.

Corporate secretary Sheri C is going to resign as corporate secretary as of the end of the year.

Newsletter - if you prefer e-mail to let the state office know or if you still prefer a hard copy we can print and mail them with no problem.

Tammy R is District 8 membership person about renewing memberships.

Do not forget T&Os Drags is right around the corner. Brad, Tracie and Hardcore will be there. It is the same weekend as a state meeting so if you can come out and give

them a hand, please do.

The door prize winner was Linn.

New business: Butler County Mick needs a design for a T-shirt by September 1. The toy run is on the 1st Saturday in October which is the 5th. A little over 70-mile ride, please show up if you can.

The gun winner was Tony Roberts out of District 15, was contact-

ed by Tammy, thank you.

Do not forget motorcycle laws have changed you can no longer go to a dealer and buy a motorcycle and drive away without an M endorsement on your driver's license.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:27 pm by Brian, seconded by Rose.

Thank you, Everyone.



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Mitchell, Ottawa, Republic, Rice, Saline, Washington

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District Rep Ron Vawter
785-827-4167



The District 9 meeting was called to order at 1:10 pm on July 14, 2019, with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence given, with 15 members, and 2 county reps.

The secretary's report was given and approved.

The treasurer's report was given and approved.

State News: See state news in the newsletter. Discussion on nominations for Vice President, Treasurer, and Member at Large.

Awareness report: Still handing out yard signs. Quote for bumper stickers. Motion 919-009 made, seconded, and approved to order bumper stickers.

Product report: Still have Awareness shirts, District 9 shirts, tags, and memory patches. In memory patches for Rick are still available.

Website report: All updated.

Old Business: Motion #919-

010 was made, seconded, and approved for fundraiser item.

New Business: Discussion on lake level at Perry due to current rains. Next month ends board nominations at District level. Start thinking about nominations for Asst Rep and Treasurer. Nominations so far are Ron Davis for Asst Rep and Brenda Davis for Treasurer.

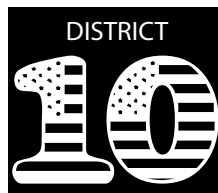
Upcoming events: LDR at Perry Lake. Sept 21 - District 9 bike show.

Drawing won by Myrna.

Thanks to Kevin & Karen, Mike, Fran & Terry, and Ron & Brenda for hosting the meeting

Next meeting is at Bob and Juanita's, 301 S. Michigan, Delphos, Kansas, August 11.

September meeting at American Iron Motorcycles, Salina, Kansas.



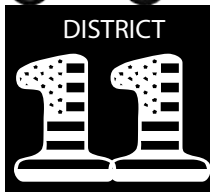
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District Rep Doyle Pendergraft
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District 11 meeting called to order at 2:15 pm on July 7, 2019, at the District 11 Field Events Site. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Twelve members were in attendance and one District Rep.

Doyle read June meeting notes. Treasurer's report waived, Rusty B out of town.

New business: LV County - no new business. Nemaha County - no new business. Atchison County - no new business. Brown County - no new busi-

ness. Doniphan County - no new business.

The 2019 Field Events were discussed including food vendors, water, trash service, Fire Dept. and EMS, track preparation and products. Meeting closed at 3 pm. District 11 Field events July 26-28. Drawing tickets available for 110cc Four-Wheeler Giveaway. Contact your County Rep or purchase at the D11 Field Events. Next meeting Sunday, August 11, 2 pm, Field Events site.



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District Rep Don Morfitt
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The June meeting was at The Last Chance Bar in Olpe, KS. The meeting was called to Order by Don. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and a moment of silence was done. The benefit ride was discussed and tabled until the July meeting. Barry voted to waive the minutes of the Secretary's report and Joan seconded it, motion carried. The treasurer's report was read, Jerry made a motion to approve and Barry seconded it to accept as read, motion carried. Don read the State minutes from the state meeting. The office needs painting and the air conditioner needs to be serviced; Elections will be in Ottawa in October. Tony from District 9 has the wood for the 4x8 signs. Full Throttle beverages will be sold at the rally this year. Trash bids are in; there was a question on whether the golf

carts used had to be insured; the showers are needing soap donations, maybe a few motels might be willing to donate. There was a question on how much longer the printers are under contract.

The guest speaker was the grandmother of Ethan Riley, a 5-year old with leukemia. She requested a possible donation to help the family with transportation costs of driving back and forth to Kansas City to receive treatments and care. Barry made a motion to give the donation and Joan seconded it, motion carried.

The Mile was discussed, and it is in Shreveport, Louisiana this year. Discussion tabled until next meeting. Jerry found the ride safe sign out by Cottonwood Falls; he says it is good to go. Leather and Lace Rally is July 18-21, Lathrop, MO.

Under New Business, Barry gave a report on Sheila Metcalfe as she fell down a flight of stairs and has been in the hospital for some time. She is home now but still unable to work, she has no insurance. He made a motion to give Sheila a donation to help with expenses and Ed seconded it, the motion carried. It was decided to award Sheila the local award "Eagle of Freedom" for all the work and time she has donated in the years past. Jerry made the motion to send our percentage of sales to the State and Barry seconded it, that motion carried. The next meeting will be at The Gym bar in Emporia, at 2 pm on July 14. Drawing held, and the meeting was adjourned.

The July meeting was called to order by Don, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was given for our fallen brothers and Sisters. We had several members and several guests in attendance. We welcomed 3 new members and 1 renewal member. A motion was made by Mike to waive the reading of the Secretary's report and seconded by Devlon, the motion carried.

Tish read the treasurer's report and Mike made the motion to accept the report as read, Debi seconded the motion and the motion carried. Don read the State report, they are asking for financial help from all the districts, as they are running low on funds. Devlon made the motion to send the State a donation and Mike seconded it, the motion passed. Memberships are down to an all-time low. The state office is trying to find ways to cut spending and tighten their belt. Elections are held in November and Steve from District 13 is nominated for the treasurer's position and Robert from Dis-

trict 9 is nominated for Member at Large.

The State of Kansas donated 60 ton of millings for roads at the Rally in exchange for letting them use our picnic tables, with possible help to spread the millings and fill the potholes. They have waiver form, pre-registration, and camper, and new membership forms ready to go.

In new business, the M.I.L.E. Conference was discussed, Devlon made the motion to send in District 12's money so members can attend the conference, and Mike seconded the motion, motion carried. New members are W. Allen Korte, Deanna Karr, and Larry Meyer. Ethan Riley was chosen as the recipient for the benefit ride on September 21, as the tentative date. The starting point will be Richard Prock's house and will end there as well. The route will be made out in the next few days. We will be needing donations as soon as possible. We are going to offer our help to the Sertoma club, to see if we can help with a work weekend to get the miniature train up and running. Devlon made a motion to donate a dollar for every District 12 member to the MRF that passed, and Mike made the second, that motion carried. Don Hensley made a motion to send a donation to the Veterans Memorial Fund to help with fixing the damage caused by vandals, it was seconded by Herb Burris, that motion carried as well.

The next meeting will be held at the Heidi Inn in Lebo at 2 pm on the 11th of August. The drawing was held, and the meeting was adjourned.





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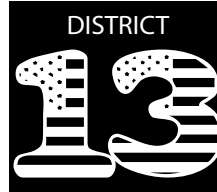
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District Rep Neil O'Connell
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ABATE District 13 met on Sunday, July 14th in Dighton at Pete's Place.

All board members were present except the Assistant Rep Jim H and Sergeant of Arms Curtis B. Guest Jon Puckett, President, ABATE of Kansas.

Neil O, district representative, called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm central time. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a Moment of Silence for our fallen brothers and sisters and our military.

Secretary report: Neil read the report. Jimbo C motioned to accept the secretary report with the amendment to add the word "Some" of the bills were paid, Tom N seconded. Motion passed.

Finance Report: given by Steve K. All bills associated with the Buffalo Run has been paid. Some of the plaques for corporate sponsors were distributed out to members to follow up and present to sponsors. Thank you Spudz Bait and Tackle in Scott City for making them. Several businesses were missing. Steve K was going to follow up on them. After some lengthy discussion, Mona motioned to accept the report as given, Tom N seconded. Motion passed.

Elections and board news: District 13 will be holding elections in August. Nominations are as followed: District Rep: Neil O and Charles S; Secretary: Mona; and Member at Large: Darin W. Lonny C has withdrawn his nomination. Curtis B. has resigned his position as Sergeant of Arms. Jimbo C will take over duties as SOA once

his term as Member at Large is up in August, to fill the vacancy until next year's elections. Steve K has accepted a nomination for state treasurer. Make sure you fill out your ballots and mail them into the state or give them to Neil in a sealed envelope.

State meeting: As always Neil encourages members to read their newsletters for news and updates from the state meetings. Neil did mention a few issues needing to be discussed with present members. The State is asking for monetary help from each district for LDR expenses. Neil mentioned that without the state, we would have no ABATE districts. The state has asked for their 5% now for the Buffalo Run Rally and an additional 10% of the district's bank balance. After some discussion and question answered by John P. Mona motioned to pay the 5% and the additional 10% to the State office to help with LDR funding. Darin W seconded. Motion passed. Steve K wrote out the check and handed it to Jon P. Please speak with Neil if you have ways to save the state money with its operational funds. A suggestion was to eliminate the printed newsletter or charge an additional amount for a copy. Email copy will be free. Other ideas?

Memberships: across the state memberships are down, we however as a district grew. We need to be vigilant of keeping up with expired memberships. Mona will send out reminders via email and postal mail. John P suggested a self-addressed stamped envelope with the





membership renewal form.

Old Business: Large tent for Buffalo Run Rally was tabled. Neil will research more with specific dimensions and come back with a price. Darin motioned that we speak with Cap'n Jacks and High Plains campground about the venue for next year, before buying any tent. Mona seconded. Motion passed. Darin will visit with Jim and Jess about next year.

Strong like Bull will play our venue on Oct 5 "Raise the Roof" membership appreciation party at the airport in a private hangar in Leoti. Details and flyers will be available at a later date.

New Business: Darin challenged every member to bring a

guest to the next meeting.

Announcements.

District meetings:

August 11, Goodland, VFW at 2 pm.

September 8, Sharon Springs, Towns End Tavern, 2 pm.

October 13, St Francis, Hilltop Restaurant at 2 pm.

November 8, Grinnell Grocery, 2 pm.

December 8, Scott City, 2 pm.

July 28, Abate #13 "Christmas In July" Toy Run.

August 16-18 Tri-State Coalition Summer Bash, Russell Springs.

Motion to adjourn by Cheryl, seconded by Mona. Meeting adjourned 4:05 pm.

Respectfully, Mona.



Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie,
Riley and Wabaunsee
www.abateks15.com
District Rep Randy Bassler
785-826-6372



The District 15 meeting was called to order July 14, 2019, 12:22 pm, at Willie's Hideout Bar & Grill, St. George, KS, by Randy Bassler, District Representative. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited then a moment of silence was held for our fallen brothers and sisters as well as those men and women serving in the military.

Secretary Report: Carey Griffin-Wingett read the minutes of the June 9, 2019 meeting. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. Motion to approve the minutes by Tony R. Motion seconded by Dennis L. Motion approved by a show of hand.

Treasurer's Report: Carey G.W. said the banking information had not been received for presentation to the District as of this date. Reading of the financial report was tabled until the August meeting.

State Meeting Report: Randy B supplied information on the State BOD meeting which included a request from the State Board Officers for a percentage of each districts' funds be given to the State. The State nominations began this month. State Offices up for election in 2019 are Vice President; Treasurer; and Member-at-Large. For complete details please see the State minutes in the Official Newsletter.

Old Business: The drawing for a gun as a fundraiser was discussed and tabled until the August meeting. More options are to be brought to the next meeting. A review of expenses and income for the Awareness Ride will be completed by Carey G.W. for the August meeting. Need to check with Mark & Brenda about the Alma Manor veteran's options for November 9.

New Business: The date for the Toy Run is scheduled for Oc-

tober 12, the only date that does not conflict with K-State home games. Tony R & James oversee planning the ride. George will get a flyer done. Budgeting and tracking our expenses were discussed by the group. One of our members talked about why he joined ABATE and the issues he has seen since. Nominations were opened. George T nominated Tony R for District Representative; Tony R accepted the nomination. Tony R. nominated Brent Graham for Treasurer; Brent accepted the nomination. Brent Garrison nominated Dennis L for Sergeant-at-Arms; Dennis accepted the nomination. Brent Graham nominated Tony R for Sergeant-at-Arms; Tony R accepted the nomination. No other nominations were given at this time. Nominations closed until the August 2019 meeting when they will resume. Per a request by Tony R, the duties of the treasurer were ready by Carey G.W. Discussion by the members noted that a computer was needed to conduct Treasury business. Arlene suggested we buy one for the district. After discussion, Caleb H. made a motion to buy a

laptop for the district treasurer's use. The motion was seconded by Tony R. Unanimous vote by show of hand. Motion approved. Carey & Ken will research laptop and program costs, notify the district board, and bring to the next meeting.

Comments and Information: Arlene wants to step down from managing our Facebook account. We need a member to take over that position. Next meeting will be August 11, RC McGraw's, Manhattan, KS.

September meeting will be September 8, The Cove Bar & Grill, Milford, KS. October 13 meeting will be held at Prairie Hawk & Leather, Manhattan, KS. A "Thank you" was given to Willie's for hosting the meeting. There were no other business items for discussion.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by George T, seconded by Arlene T. The motion passed with a show of hands. Meeting officially adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carey Griffin-Wingett
District 15 Secretary

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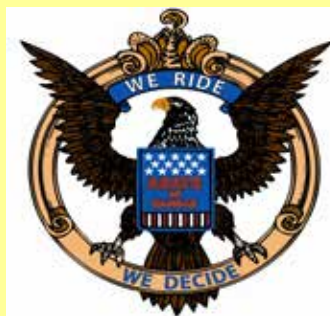
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Alaska Bound

by Steve Kucharik

I missed Alaska when the pipeline, the largest construction project in the world at the time, was built. A project fitting the vastness of Alaska. I was attending the University of Colorado when job ads appeared in the campus newspaper. The ads touted salaries unlike any of us had ever heard. The minimum wage was \$2.00 an hour while the pipeline promised \$2000 per month, so people responded.

A guy from my high school, for instance, dropped out of college, bought a semi and trailer, and went north. A girl I knew was moving North, too. For what, I will never know. Rod, another high school friend, caught on with a seismic crew and flew in a helicopter to work stringing cable. His job was to carry the sensors and place them for the explosion at the end of the week. Meals and housing were included. He was looking for oil in the wilds of Alaska. His job allowed him to swim in the Arctic Ocean, though not for long he assures me. He claims he stood on the last pipeline tower before Valdez, but I have not seen any pictures.

Me? I worked food service for United Airlines just above the minimum wage. Day-after-day standing at the end of a 45' long dishwasher loading or unloading the dishes. I stayed in school. Colorado in the 1970s was not having an oil boom; quite the opposite, we were suffering from an oil bust. Combined with a general recession, it made moving a risky adventure. My parents were both Depression and World War II folks. They were extremely risk-averse, and I was raised to play it safe.

I filed thoughts of Alaska in

the back drawers of my mind and moved on with my safe life. School, teaching, marriage, the family stood front and center. I focused on my career and my family. Thoughts of Alaska remained where they belonged. Just another thing I missed.

Years later, we were parked at Cedar Bluff with Jon and Marilyn for our traditional first camping trip over Easter weekend. As was often typical, the weekend was cold. That particular year was an early Easter requiring that we disconnect the hoses and keep anti-freeze in the tanks. Not terrible since we had heaters but still cold. A fire and firewater made the daytime hours tolerable. John and Marilyn spent part of the summer traveling. They had traveled to all 50 states, Canada, and Mexico. They had stories to share, and Jon can tell stories. At some point, they talked about Alaska, and I could feel my mental file drawers opening and closing.

The Lips talked about getting to Alaska, they talked about camping. They talked about everything they knew about Alaska. I hung on to every word. I asked about every step, every mile, every moose, and every bear. Jon must have known what he was doing when he mentioned, "Arctic Circle." I was all in at the mention of the place.

From that moment, I knew that I was going to both Alaska and the Arctic Circle. The Arctic Circle might be an imaginary construct, just one of five lines that show a relationship between the noon sun and the winter solstice. It is not even fixed, according to Wikipedia, it changes based on the tilt of the Earth. All that does not matter because the

Arctic Circle became a symbol for me. The target, the finish line of my quest.

I told a select few about my goal, and I got more than a fair share of rolling eyes. People who only passed 7th-grade geography preceded to tell me all about the Al-Can Highway. The dirt road, the lack of gas, etc. They were experts because their crazy uncle drove there, or their neighbors went fishing in Canada. Horror stories of epic proportions.

When I explained I was going to ride my bike, I received even more special looks. "You are a kook" summed up the reaction of most. I was 75% in, but that turned to 90% when I talked to a guy at the Hampton House breakfast room in Overland Park.

As I stepped out of the serving area, he and his wife were sitting at the table closest to the door. I couldn't have missed them, and he was wearing a Sturgis shirt gave me my opening. I asked about Sturgis. We shot the usual Sturgis BS, then he said he and his wife were heading to Alaska for the summer to pan for gold. One of those guys. Another guy I met who leads a far, far cooler life than I do.

I decided this was an excellent opportunity to gain experience about traveling to Alaska, so I sat at the table next to him. He told me all about their trips and panning for gold. He informed me of the current conditions.

Then, he said, "You know how people take extra tires and an all that? They pack like they are going to look for gold back at the turn of the century?" I signified that I did, so he finished, "Forget about all that. The roads are good enough, and all you need is available along the way. Just go."

Right you are, unknown guy in a hotel breakfast room, right you are.

I am going.

At that moment based on that sentence, I decided in two years that I am going. Two years would give me time to get the money together. I would have time to get myself together. I could study and plan. I could study maps the old-fashioned way. 3300 miles one-way.

Seeing Denali.

Seeing the pipeline.

Seeing the Arctic Circle sign.

Seeing a dream come true.

Two months, two days and counting.





Frequently Asked Questions

Can I wear a helmet and be a member?

Yes, ABATE strives to ensure all motorcyclists reserve the right to choose to wear a helmet or not. ABATE's stance is not Anti-Helmet, but rather Anti-Helmet Law. The factors of helmet use are too complex for a simple statistic, so ABATE believes, before government law needlessly endanger lives, that such a decision should be left to the rider, and pursue other venues of motorcycle safety--primarily education and awareness.

Do I need to be a Harley owner?

No, ABATE is an advocate for the rights of all motorcyclists, regardless of what or where they ride.

Do I need to own a motorcycle?

No, ABATE consists of all advocates of motorcyclists and motorcycling. The rights of which may be supported by anyone who cares, and are welcome to do so.

Do I have to live in Kansas?

No, ABATE of Kansas has many non-Kansas-resident members who still ride in Kansas. ABATE of Kansas does not believe the rights of motorcyclists stop at the state borderline. ABATE of Kansas works with other state and national Motorcycle Rights Organizations (MROs) to preserve rights wherever the road leads.

Is ABATE a motorcycle club?

No, ABATE of Kansas is classified as a lobbying organization.

Which District can I belong to?

You can belong to any district you prefer. Districts are divided by county groups, except District 20 which is mostly out-of-state members, however also choose

districts adjacent to their state, if preferred. You may choose any district based on where you work, live, or have social ties. The only restriction is that you can only belong to one district at a time.

Why did I stop getting a newsletter?

Chances are most likely you have either moved or your membership has expired. Please check with your district or the ABATE of Kansas State office. It may also be you are not listed with your local post office. Please check with them to make sure you are listed at that address.

Do I need my ABATE card?

Yes, keep your membership card with you when you can. At events, it's faster and more reliable than roster checking. Also, many of your stops may give discounts for ABATE members.

Is ABATE just about helmets?

No, ABATE monitors all bills, laws, and regs that impact motorcycling, including manufacturing, operation, environment and education.

Do I need a permit to camp on leased area at Lake Perry?

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District 2 - Meetings are the 2nd Sunday, 4 pm
8/18 - Pooches Bar & Grill 106 E. Kansas Ave., Smith Center, KS
9/8 - Kibbee's (house) 2910 Roosevelt Ave., Hays, KS
10/13 - 183 Lanes 906 S. Cedar St., Stockton, KS

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8/4 - Holmtown Pub, 206 N National, Fort Scott, KS

District 4 - Meetings are the 2nd Sunday, 1 pm
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District 5 - Meetings are the 1st Saturday, Noon
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8/11-Heidi Inn, 107 W 3rd St, Lebo, KS

District 13 - Meetings are second Sunday, 1 pm
8/11- VFW, 824 Main, Goodland, KS

District 15 - Meetings are the 2nd Sunday, noon
8/11- The Local, 712 Main, Alta Vista, KS

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9/7 - American Legion Post 225, 10114 Old Town Trail
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10/12 - VFW, 120 Taft St., McPherson, KS –10 am

11/9 - O-Town Bar & Grill- 128 S Main St Ottawa, KS-Noon

12/14- Moose Lodge, 6621 Turner Dr, Kansas City, KS-Noon





Motorcycle Riders Foundation



The Women's Freedom Ride was held in Topeka, Kansas on June 13-15 where ABATE of Kansas had a table at the Ramada Inn. I would like to thank District 1 and District 4 for donating the funds for making this possible.

Norine M. and Tammy R even got to participate in the ride. It is my understanding this is the largest group ride ever assembled for women in the United States on motorcycles. An unofficial count was 762 riders. We passed out Motorcycle Awareness signs and information about ABATE of Kansas. I would have liked to have seen more ABATE people there, but unfortunately, some people must work for a living.

In Missouri, Governor Mike Parson, vetoed Senate Bill 147 which included the repeal of the Mandatory Helmet Bill. So, if you ride in Missouri, you still must wear a helmet.

As of this week, there are 54 co-sponsors from 23 states for the Motorcycle Profiling Resolution that Tiffany and Rocky are

working on in Washington D.C. for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation.

This Thursday, Sis and I are off to Lathrop, Missouri to the Leather and Lace Rally where we will be meeting with Mathew C. from Canada, whom we hope to have as a speaker at the Mid-South MILE in October.

Next weekend, the Mid-South MILE meeting in Arkansas, then from there every weekend will be a work weekend for our 44th annual Labor Day Rally at Lake Perry.

The 35th Annual Meeting of the Minds will be held in Bloomington, Minnesota from September 19-22, 2019. It will be held at the Crowne Plaza AIRE Suites MSP Airport Mall of America, 3 Appletree Square, Bloomington, Minnesota, 55425. Phone 952-854-9000.

A couple was killed Saturday night when they struck a deer on Interstate 35 in Johnson County. Another motorcycle rider following the the bike was also injured when his motorcycle struck debris

from the deer, according to the Kansas Highway Patrol.

The rider of the first motorcycle Jason M. Huen, 37, of Gardner was pronounced dead at the scene. According to the Highway Patrol, Huen was traveling north on I-35 when a deer ran in front of him. The motorcycle struck the deer then hit the guardrail. Both rider and passenger were thrown from the motorcycle. The second occupant of the first motorcycle, Julie Marie Huen, 27, of Gardner was also pronounced dead at the scene. Both occupants were wearing helmets and eye protection. The rider of the second motorcycle Kevin Anthony Watkins, 22, of Florissant, Missouri was transported to the hospital with minor injuries. Watkins also was wearing a helmet and eye protection.

Remember to look twice - save a life. The life you save will probably be your own.

Bill Cooper, Kansas MRF Rep



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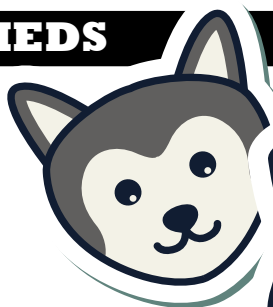


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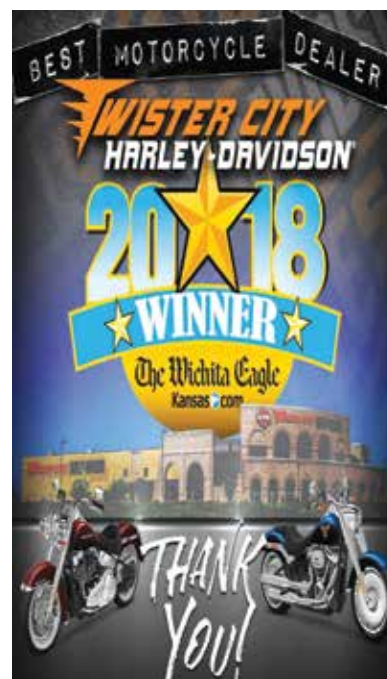
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