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40th
Labor
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Rally

ABATE of Kansas Inc.
Wants Your T-Shirt Designs
For our 40th Annual Labor Day Rally

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February 1, 2015

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September 4th - September 7th, 2015
ABATE of Kansas, Inc.
40th Annual National Labor Day Rally

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IN YOUR
T-SHIRT
DESIGN

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State Meeting

11/07/2014 Perry, KS
Meeting came to order ~12:24pm
Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence
Roll Call~ all Districts present
Secretary Report~ Read by Deb W.
Mike S. Made a motion to Approve minutes. 2nd by Paul W. Approved.
Financial Report~ Read by Richard B.
Labor Day Rally finances break down report was given. and next years budget was brought forth. Discussion, questions and answers... Approved
Lobbyist Report~ Brian T. Gave his report. Please see Lobbyist report in the newsletter.
Lunch Break ~ 1:15-2:03 Thank you District 1 for the Great Food!
MRF Report~ Ed M. Gave his report. Please see and read his report in your newsletter.
If you're not a member already, please consider becoming a member of the MRF.
Motorcycle Awareness Report~ Paul S. Gave his report and mentioned that we will be receiving motor cycle awareness signs, and bumper stickers. May is motor cycle awareness month the kick off for this starts in March.
Public Relations Report~ Sis Gave the Dates for Republican Days. Jan 30-31 at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Topeka.
Mid South mile~ Great Success! we took the Plaque for the highest Attendance!
Dave M. made comments thanking Kansas For the great accommodations and service. He thanked everyone who attended the Mid South Mile. The next Mile will be in Texas.
Sis Mentioned that districts need to come up with a theme for next years basket. Sis also graciously thanked everyone who helped out on and at the Mid South Mile.
Corporate Secretary Report ~ Was Given by Rocky H.
Newsletter/website Report~ Tammy W. has added a new header on to districts newsletter she asked the Reps to please check the info. We need advertising for the newsletter Please see if someone in your district will try to go out and get some advertising.
~ Letters to the editor need to be signed in order to be published. This was voted on and agreed by a show of hands.
~ Tammy mentioned that at opencongress.org to stop motorcycle check points please electronically sign and share this will be sent to your government representatives.
~ Tammy mentioned when you send things to either Lea or Tammy to please check back in a couple of days after sending to make sure that they have received what you sent.
Products Line Report~ Given by Bill C. He said that he has new koozies and lots of new products! Bill is taking orders for Button down long sleeve ABATE shirts. Get with Bill C. to place your order.
Old business ~ LDR pre registration

Sheri C. Said that she would like to open pre registration to the Labor Day Rally 3 month prior to LDR.
motion 1.
A motion was made by Tony R. and 2nd by Jon P. On a start and finishing date to submit artwork for the LDR. This would start now and vote on all art work submitted at the February State Meeting.
Roll call vote districts 8, 12 voted no all other districts and board voted yes motion passed.
Motion 2.
A motion was made by Doyle P. 2nd by Bill S. on Policies and Procedures line II. D
State Officers/ appointed / non-voting
1. Corporate Secretary
2. Honorary, Ex officious or Emeritus
3. Newsletter Editor
4. Product Manager
5. Webmaster
6. Such other committee chairs as may be deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.
all districts and board voted yes and passed.
Motion 3.
Made by Ron V. 2nd by Paul W. Motion: Receipts for expenses must be turned in to the Treasurer within 30 Days or they will not be paid. Unless prior arrangements are made with the Treasurer. Roll call vote: all districts and board voted yes and passed.
New Business:
David F. our ABATE COC Liaison is now Chair for COC as well as our liaison to COC Congratulations Dave!
Motion 4.
Made by Doyle P. 2nd by Paul W.: to enter into a 2 year contract with Strobe and Associates, Inc. to continue to be our lobbyist. Roll call vote:
Dist 1. Y, Dist 2. Y, Dist 3. Y, Dist 4. Y, Dist 5. Y, Dist 7. Y, Dist 8. N, Dist 9.N, Dist 10. Y, Dist 11.Y, Dist 12.Abstained, Dist 13.N, Dist 15. Y, State officers Doyle Y, Richard Y, Deb Y, Paul Y, Ron V. N. 13 yes. 4 No, 1 AB motion passed.
Motion 5.
made by Mike S. 2nd by Ron V.
Richard B. Was given the ok to proceed further on looking into new format of news letter ie. cost of printing and postage.
Roll call vote: Dist 1. Y, Dist 2. Y, Dist 3. Y, Dist 4. Y, Dist 5. Y, Dist 7 absent, Dist 8. abstain, Dist 9. N, Dist 10. absent, Dist 11. Y,
Dist 12. Y, Dist 13. N, Dist 15. Y, Board Doyle Y, Richard B. Abstained, Deb Y, Paul Y, Ron V. Y, 12 Yes, 2 No, 1 abstained motion passed.
ELECTION RESULTS;
President: Ringo
Sgt At Arms: Ron V.
Secretary: Amber S.
congratulations!!
Door Prize won by Mike S.
A motion for the meeting to be Adjourned by Doyle 2nd by Paul W.at 6:46pm.



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Newsletter Deadlines The deadline for all information turned in for your Newsletter each month is as follows. The deadline is 5:00 p.m., the Tuesday after the State Meeting unless stated otherwise. Anything received after the deadline will be subject to time-available basis only, but most likely, **will not appear in that months Newsletter!** This is necessary in order to have your Newsletter to you in a timely manner. Thanks for your help and understanding.

January 13 | Febuary 17 | March 17

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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?

Yes, permits are required by the Corp of Engineers which are requested and obtained from the ABATE of Kansas State office in Perry, the only exception being if you plan to camp during the Labor Day Rally event.

If your question concerning our policies and procedures is unanswered
Please feel free to ask the Corporate Secretary at the contact information listed above.



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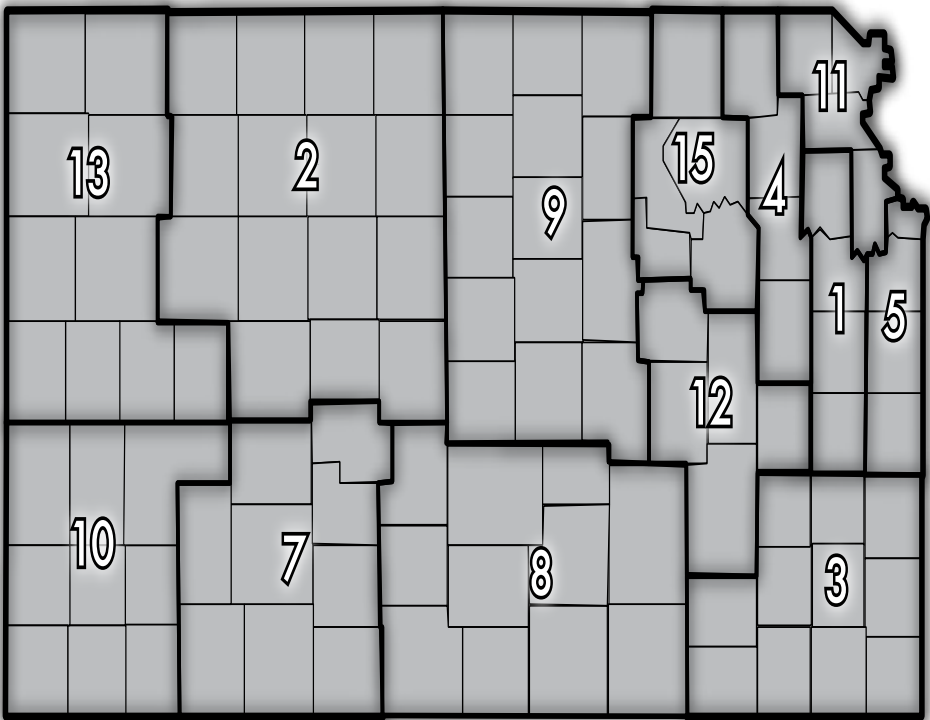
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DECEMBER STATE MEETING
Saturday, December 13th, 2014
Eagles Lodge
4726 Merriam Drive
Overland Park
MEETING STARTS AT 12 Noon

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
SECRETARY; NEWSLETTER REPORT;
WEB SITE REPORT; PRODUCT LINE
REPORT; OLD BUSINESS; NEW
BUSINESS; UPCOMING EVENTS

UPCOMING STATE MEETINGS:
January 10 (Dist 2) Pooches Smith
Center
February 14 (Dist 8) American Legion,
Newton
March 14 (Dist 7) City Limits, Dodge
City
EXCEPT FOR THE ANNUAL OCTOBER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING,
ALL STATE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO
EVERYONE!





DISTRICT NEWS

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Barton,Decatir,Ellis,Gove,Graham,Ness,Norton,Osborne
Phillips,Rooks,Rush.Russell,Sheridan,Smith,Trego

District Rep. Rick Gitchel 785-533-1205



The November Dist. 2 meeting was called to order by Rick with a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters, at Sharolyns in Norton.

Secretary's report was given by Sharolyn and accepted with no corrections. Treasure's report was given by Bear and approved with no questions. Rick gave the state meeting report. For details read state report in this newsletter. Committee reports, STATE MEETING AND CASINO NIGHT, the food is set for the state meeting. Casino night is ready to go. Bear is trying to get ahold of Darla to see about a door prize. If anyone has something for the cash auction let us know at the next meeting. Be looking for things for the funny money auction, anything will be

appreciated. BIKE SHOW, Bear is starting to get the trophy sponsors. It is never too early to get associate sponsors, if you know of anyone contact Gary Littrell or Bear. No old business at this time. New business, reminded everyone to get out and vote. There are several items on the ballots. Also ABATE state elections are next week. Door prize was won by Donna. Thanks to all who helped to put up the new motorcycle awareness sign East of Norton,before the meeting! Bear moved to adjourn, all seconded. The next Dist. 2 meeting will be at Terry and Donna's, 651 F. Street in Phillipsburg, on December 6th. Thanks to Sharolyn for hosting us and all the great food.

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Anderson, Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson
district1.abateks.org

District Rep. Bill Saric 785-207-7993



District 1 was unable to hold its November meeting due to a quorum not met. Election Ballot was invalid due to wrong address, new corrected ballot is in December and January newsletters.

Next meeting is December 14th at 1pm at the American Legion, Perry.

Thank you to all who did attend November meeting. Also some Dist 1

members donated time and money, thank you.

Dist 1 will have a "take your picture with Santa day" on December 14th at 2:30pm at the ABATE State Office, Perry. Donations of food or new toys are greatly appreciated.

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DISTRICT 1 BALLOT

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE: BILL SARIC ☐

WRITE IN: _____ ☐

SECRETARY: NOVALEE HORTON ☐

WRITE IN: _____ ☐

SGT. AT ARMS: MARK WEEKS ☐

WRITE IN: _____ ☐

MAIL BALLOT TO:

RON BOWSER
ABATE OF KS,- DIST 1
ATT: DISTRICT BALLOT
P.O. BOX 408
MERIDAN, KS 66512

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DEC. 31, 2014

ELECTION DATE: JAN. 4, 2015

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Allen,Bourbon,Chautauqua,Cherokee,Crawford,Elk
Labette,Montgomery,Neosho,Wilson,Woodson

district3.abateks.org

District Rep. Bill Cooper 620-764-3734



Our District 3 meeting was held Sunday, November 2nd at the American Legion in Caney at 1:00. Twelve members were present and Coop led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for brothers and sisters lost. Coop reported on the State meeting that was held in McPherson. Lake Perry was discussed and what our lobbyist is working on for our organization. There are legislative bills that we need to watch. Bill urged all to get informed. Read the newsletter and look up HR 2414 in particular.

The May state meeting location was discussed as we have changed Neodesha to the third weekend. The second weekend is when the state meeting will be held. We discussed having it at Chanute and at the Harley School in Frontenac. A motion was made by Dave. W and seconded by Leonard to have it at the Harley School. Motion passed. Bill will take this information to the next state meeting to get approved.

Ellie read the minutes from the newsletter and a motion was made to approve by Leonard and seconded by Dan.

All approved.

Bev gave the financial report and was also approved.

The t-shirt design for the Toy Run was voted on and approved. Twyla will be there and make them on site as they are ordered. Thanks Twyla!

Lynette has asked Bev and Dan to take over the Hawg Waddle in February. They accepted. Thanks Bev and Dan! Ellie agreed to be designated driver as needed. We will have Three-legged Dog and food will be provided as before. (Please remember to come out and support this fun and successful event.)

The turkey run ALR at Ft. Riley was discussed and Dave W. made a motion to donate to this cause for our military. Dan seconded and all approved.

The door prize was won by Tim V. and donated back. Thanks Tim!

See you on December 7th at the VFW in Fredonia, 10283 Harper Road at 1pm. We will tally district election results. If you have not sent yours in, please bring it to the meeting. Ellie



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Return Application to your nearest District or Mail to:

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Jackson,Memaha,Osage and Shawnee
abateksd4.com
Ben Halderman 785-207-2395

The Meeting was called to order at Papan's Landing on November 9, 2014. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Kelly Matthews was a guest speaker at our Meeting who explained benefits and services offered by our ABATE Insurance. Secretary Report : Waived by the District. Thank you Alvin B for filling in for me during my absence.

Treasurer Report: Read by Whitey and approved by the District.

State Report: State Election Results: President – Ringo , Secretary – Amber S , Sargent of Arms – Ron V . We have 10,000 eyeball signs on order. ABATE will have a hospitality room at the Republican Convention held at the Capital Plaza in January. John F and Brian T will continue to be our Lobbyist. The State is looking into having another fund raising event in addition to the Labor Day Rally. Looking into changing the format of the Newsletter. Mid South Mile will be held in Texas next year. Will report more details when available. A motion was made, seconded and passed by the District to pay for Theo, Good Bart and Bad Bart's ABATE memberships.

SMART Report: Steve C reported that training courses are done for the year. The advanced training course was not held due to a conflict in scheduling.

MRF Report: Steve C reported that there were 40 motorcycle fatalities so far this year in Kansas. Several of the accidents were the motorcycle rider's fault. Many riders didn't have an “M” endorsement on their license. Without an “M” endorsement you could be heavily fined. Harley Davidson riders had the biggest percentage without the endorsement.

Products Report: See Rrrrich for District 4 products. We welcomed two new members to our meeting . Cindy C and Shelly B . Welcome to our family.

Break taken and door prize won by Ringo.

Old Business: Toys for Tots Jam Session held at the Flamingo on November 2nd went well. Had a good turn out. Thank you to the staff at the Flamingo for hosting. Thank you Byron and Lori H for setting it up and MCing.

There were 92 people from Kansas at the Mid South Mile. There were an average of 15 people there from other states . Sis would like another District to come up with a theme for next years basket. Topeka Veterans Day Parade was held on November 8th. Thank you to everyone who helped with the float and participated in the Parade. A discussion was held about next years Parade .

New Business: Toys for Tots will be held on November 23rd. No cars can participate this year per Topeka Police Department. Toys for Tots Button Making Party will be November 15th, 3 pm at Don and Whitey Kitzman's residence. Please bring a covered dish. We will also be celebrating Don K's birthday. Happy Birthday Don! Baby Dolls will also be hosting a Toys for Tots fund raiser on November 15th, 7 pm. Non-parishable food items are needed for our two Christmas Families. Please bring items to next Bike Show Meeting or to December District Meeting. We will not have a Bike Show Meeting in December. Our Bowl-a-Thon will be January 18th, 2015 at Westridge Lanes. Sign in will start at 12:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn made , seconded and passed by the District .

Bike Show Committee Meeting will be November 11th , 7 pm at Papan's Landing . Next District Meeting will be December 14th , 1 pm at Papan's Landing.

District 4 would like to thank all current Military Personal and Military Veterans for their service ! Happy Veterans Day ! We would also like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving !

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Johnson,Linn,Miami,Wyandotte
abateksdist5.org
Distrt Rep. Tony Rawls-Riley 913-706-8449

District 5 meeting opened at 12:20 pm. with a moment of silence and Pledge of allegiance, 12 members and 4 visitors present. Thanks for coming.

Minutes from October meeting accepted as read. Charlie reported on bank accounts and what activities there have been in them.

Report on membership shows the district membership is growing, and thanks were given to Debbie H. for her extra efforts to recruit new members and re-sign former members that had dropped out for a while.

Product line report carried over to new business.

Web site and Facebook page showing future events all up to date.

Tony reported on previous state meeting and things currently in the works, things approved and other discussions about state level activities that effect the districts, Labor Day Rally activities/results, and plans already going on for next years LDR preparations. Questions asked about membership cards that have not been received and why some are not getting their news letters. Asked these members to Contact Tony A 913-706-8449 or e-mail tony@operating-sooner.com so information can be passed on. Remind all that State election ballots received by Nov.

8th., District ballots to be mailed in by Dec. 2nd (see this in the news letter), and responsibility to vote not only on ABATE elections but also in our State elections.

District old business was centered on December 13th State meeting and End of Year Party at Overland Park Eagles lodge. Menu presented by Bridgett and discussed, agreed upon and left all of us hungrier than we started.

New business was on District 5 product line getting going again. By district vote funds were designated to be used for obtaining ABATE of Kansas, District 5 identified product. Accounting for funds was discussed with discussion for currently having a ledger to track spending and income related to product line,

Next District 5 meeting will be December 6th at noon at the Overland Park Eagles Lodge.

4726 Merriam Drive, Overland Park, KS. Future meetings will be posted at www.abateksdist5.org. Meeting location may vary from month to month, and suggestions of locations appreciated.

December State meeting at noon December 13th, at Overland Park Eagles Lodge. 4726 Merriam Drive, OP Followed by End of Year Party at 7:00 pm. that evening, also at the Eagles lodge.

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DISTRICT 3 BALLOT

ASST. DISTRICT REP.: DAN HARRIS ☐

WRITE IN: _____ ☐

TREASURER: BEVERLY HARRIS ☐

WRITE IN: _____ ☐

MAIL BALLOT TO:

BILL COOPER

ABATE OF KANSAS – DISTRICT 3

ATT: DISTRICT BALLOT

115 S. 260TH ST.,

MULBERRY, KS. 66756

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DEC. 4, 2014

ELECTION DATE: DEC. 7, 2014

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DISTRICT 5 BALLOT

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE: TONY RAWLS RILEY ☐

WRITE IN: _____ ☐

SECRETARY: DEBBIE HARDEN ☐

WRITE IN: _____ ☐

SGT. AT ARMS: BOBBY SMITH ☐

WRITE IN: _____ ☐

MAIL BALLOT TO:

ABATE OF KANSAS – DISTRICT 5

ATT: DISTRICT BALLOT

P.O. BOX 223

MISSION, KS. 66206

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DEC. 2, 2014

ELECTION DATE: DEC. 6, 2014

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DISTRICT 8 BALLOT

<u>DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:</u>	TONY RAILSBACK	☐
	DAVE FIELDS	☐
	WRITE IN: _____	☐
<u>TREASURER:</u>	SAM MCKINNEY	☐
	WRITE IN: _____	☐
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MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DEC.10, 2014
ELECTION DATE: DEC. 14, 2014
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Distret Rep. John Kernell 620-225-1969



Minutes not arrived by deadline

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Distret Rep. Tony Railsback 620-204-8018



Tony called the meeting to order at 1:45 on 11/09/14 with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters.

Roll call was taken, District 8 rep, Alternate rep, Secretary, Treasurer, District 8 present. County reps for Sedgwick county, Cowley county, Butler county, 19 members, 6 guests.

Treasures report, read and approved by members.

Secretary report read and approved by members.

State report: See State report this newsletter.

COC report: David Fields has been appointed Chair of the Kansas COC. Next COC meeting January 17, 2015. Please check with David if wanting to attend. See COC report this newsletter.

Products: Tammy will be reviewing products to see what's needed for upcoming events.

Web site report: State site still running, Dist 8 a work in progress. Suggested that we send people to District 8 FaceBook page. Tammy and Brenda update and post. If anyone would like info posted, please forward to one of them.

MRF: See report this newsletter.

Editors reports: Toy run went well. Alefs Trunk or Treat went well.

Old business:

M.I.L.E was successful. Great turn out from Kansas. Kansas won the most attendees again this year. District 8 purchased the handmade wooden motorcycle. District 8 has several plans for displaying.

Elections are closed. Be sure to mail you ballots to Sis. They must be turned in by next meeting. If you don't have your membership number, add you name so it can be looked up. If you get you newsletter via email, we will have ballots available at the next meeting.

Ballot as follows:

Treasure:

Samantha McKinney

District 8 Representative:

Tony Railsback

David Fields

Member At Large:

Tina Nichols

Alan Van Dyke

Lynn Rodman

KDOT meeting Dec 5th. David Fields planning to attend. If wanting to attend, please let him know.

Wichita Toy Run, good turn out.

Participation was up this year. This year organizers had to notify the businesses along the route, pay for barricades, and pay Park City officers and Wichita officers. A lot of work went into going from a rally to a ride/run. Many volunteers work very hard to make sure a ride happened. Thanks to everyone!

Butler County had a great turn out of bikes, toys, and money. Thanks to everyone!

Next Meeting December 14 at Haysville VFW 1:30pm (We will hold all meetings at Haysville VFW until further notice). December meeting is potluck bring something if you can but not necessary. Happy Thanksgiving!!

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Clay,Cloud,Dickinson,Ellsworth,Jewell,Lincoln,Marion
McPherson,Mitchell,Ottawa,Republic,Rice,Saline,Washington
[district9.abateks.org](https://www.district9.abateks.org)
Distret Rep. Jon Puckett 785-427-2494



The District 9 meeting was called to order at 1:10pm on Nov 9th 2014 with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

The secretary's and treasure's reports were given and approved.

State news: See state news in the newsletter.

Awareness report: New sign installed at Delphos.

Products report: Still have stuff.

Several new items in the works.

Website report: All updated.

Old business: Report given on Casino Night... was a success again this year.

New business: Update given on the McPherson County Toy Run.

Upcoming events:

McPherson County Toy Run Nov 29th

Next Meeting Dec 14th at the Dry Dock in Kanopolis. Drawing won by Brenda D and Dave Z.

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Finney,Grant,Hamilton,Haskell,Kearney
Morton,Seward,Stanton,Stevens
Distret Rep. John Mowery 620-640-8471



Meeting called to order at 2 pm sharp Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

11 members and 2 guest were present, our 2 guest were there to discuss insurance with us.

Old Business discussed.

New Business Nov. 8 2014 Veterans Day Parade Meet at 3I parking lot at 9 am.

Dec. 14 at 1pm we will be going to Pershing Manor then to Garden Valley to deliver Christmas gifts or turkeys. Linda and Danelle volunteered their time for the leg work Thank you Ladies!!! Next

meeting will be Dec. 7th we will be wrapping gifts meeting will be at Art's at 2pm 1803 Neil Street Garden City. A big Thank you to Dodge City Harley Davidson for selling Art a Harley for Garth NICE toy!!! Meeting adjourned 3 pm sharp





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Atchinson,Brown,Doniphan,Leavenworth

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Distrct Rep. Mike Snavely 785-851-0885

November 2, 2014, meeting held at Wathena, VFW
24 members present and 3 guests.
Meeting called to order 12:09 by Mike Snavely
A moment of silence for all our fallen brothers and sisters and those who have and are currently serving in the military. Followed by The Pledge of Allegiance
Treasurer Report read by Ruth, approved
State Report. by Mike S.
Atchison and Hiawatha parade had a great turnout.
E-15 Fuel was cut down.
Working on Black Box law still.
What would it take to get more people to work during the Labor Day Rally.
Missouri made law against funds used for checkpoints use.
Assistant District Rep Report, Pat Howard went over upcoming events.
Presents for Doniphan County, Toys for Tots.
Veterans Day Parade, Leavenworth Annual Toys for Tots, Dec 7th
V.A. Chili feed, Dec. 21st, Leavenworth, 10:00 a.m.
Atchison County Rep., Jim B
Doves Women's Center in Atchison.
Funding cut 37 percent, are in need of funding awfully bad. Many items are needed. Mark J. and Doyle P. were asked if the could contact a few organization to see if they could help. Marlon C. mentioned he gets women's and kids clothes all the time. Lea suggested a coat and food drive. Motion was made to donate to Doves as they are represented in all counties of District 11. Motion to approve Jim B., seconded by Mo S. This is to help start

their holidays and needs. We would also like to thank the Doves Representative for attending meeting.
Product report, Lea P.
Shirts should be ready and can be picked up at the Dec. meeting.
Minutes from last meeting read by Pat H. for Jodi S. Motion to accept Mark J., seconded, Amanda W.
Mike S. thanked all those who brought toys. Mike also mentioned that the City of Muscotah, made a donation to the Toys for Tots.
Old business
150 hats purchased by Ruth. We still need more prizes for bingo at the V.A. Domiciliary chili feed. We could use more people to help out. Doyle P. will get with the CMA and will check with other organizations to see what they will be helping with.
Open discussion
Ruth still needs paper and tape to wrap hats. Leftover candy from the Halloween parades given to Doves for the kids. Motion to accept, Mo S., seconded Doyle P. Great job at the parades and for work done and all those who attended and participated and those that helped with the float.
Door prizes compliments of Sonja and VFW, won by the following; Marlon, Ruth, Jim, Jerry, Mo, Jodi, Eric, Pat.
Close recorded meeting with a 15 minute break and move on to planning meeting. Motion to accept, Mark J., seconded Jim B. at 1:35
Planning meeting calendar of events and meetings will be posted at a later date.
Next meeting 2:00 at the Wildwoods. 325 Delaware, Leavenworth

Membership number is required for membership verification and will be removed from the ballot before vote is tallied.

Without the membership number, the ballot is invalid.

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DISTRICT 11 BALLOT

ASST. DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:

PAT HOWARD

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JODY STUTZMAN

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Chase,Coffey,Greenwood,Lyon,Morris

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Distrct Rep. Richard Prock 620-342-8129

Our Dist Meeting was called to order at the American Legion On Sunday the 9th at 2 pm.
After a moment of silence for our fallen Brother and Sisters followed by the Pledge of Allegiance Ed M. read the minutes from the last meeting .
Connie P. gave the treasury Report and was it was approved ,
Devlon gave a report on what went on at the State meeting and Ed gave the MRF report. Charlie H. mentioned if you want to keep up to date on the Alerts coming down you can go to www.mrf.org Please stay informed it effects all us riders .
Old Biz
We talked over the placing the toys barrels out around town to collect toys for Christmas we have a few out already, we have a family for our adopted a family we will have everything ready for the family at our Dec 14 meeting.

Januarys 11th our meeting will be at noon followed by our annual chili cook off, we'll be judging Best tasting , Best named and Hottest chili if you bring a chili there will be no cost otherwise there will be a small fee which will be donated back to the American Legion for letting us host this there.
Also Dec 31, 6 pm our New Years party will be at El Lorito hope to see everyone there.
New Biz
Dec 6th Dist 12 will be having a bonfire and cookout at Devlon's 4 pm , 1301 S. Weaver bring a covered dish and a friend .
Next Dist Meeting Dec 14 American Legion Emporia, 2pm and bring a friend you might win something meeting adjourned.
Its that time of year stay warm stay safe !





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Cheyenne, Greely, Lane, Logan, Rawlins
Scott, Sherman, Thomas, Wallace, Wichitafacebook.com/pages/District-13-ABATE-of-Kansas-Inc/131146750282411

Jim Lange 620-397-8262



District #13 Meeting at Jim & Katy's on October 19, 2014 @2:00

Meeting was called to order by Rep Jim at 2:20. A moment of silence was given for all the fallen brothers/sisters lost, and the Pledge of Allegiance was given. Roll call was taken and 15 members and 1 guest was present.

Secretary's Report was read by Katy L on last months minutes taken. No questions on the minutes, Tom N made the motion to accept report as read and seconded by Don W, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read by Jim L in Steve's absence. No questions on financials, Tom N motioned to accept report as read and seconded by Kim W, motion carried.

Rep Report: Rep did attend state meeting in McPherson on October 11, 2014 @ 10:00 A.M. Rep went over the many topics that were discussed at the State Meeting and answered questions.

Tabled the MRF discussion until next meeting. Tom motioned to accept rep report as read and seconded by Bryan V, motioned carried.

Old Business: The floor was opened for nominations for district positions and nominated were for Rep is Jim L & Neil O, Alt. Rep is Neil O & Tom N, Treasurer is Steve K & Mike D, Member at Large is John F, Richie R, & Kim W, Sargent at Arms is Susy W & John F, Secretary is Ginger F & Katy L, Road Captain is Tom

N & Bryan V. Nominations were closed. Motion was made by members for the Rep to create and appoint the position of Chaplain. motion was made by Mike D and accepted/approved by members present. At which point Rep appointed Ray W.

Bryan & Tom reported that Greg from the State Park is still trying to get the Groves for the Memorial Buffalo Rally. The District is giving the Park until November to get a straight answer for our Memorial Buffalo Rally.

New Business: Jim brought up that the District should change/reword how each position is elected in the policy & procedures. Have the positions staggered so the whole board is not replaced at once. Mike D made the motion to amend policy & procedures to stagger the district elections and seconded by Kim W, motioned carried.

Door Prize was won by Tom N, and he donated it back. Thank You!!

Next meeting will be held at Tom's in Scott City on November 16, 2014 @ 2:00.

Motion was made to adjourn at 4:20, all in favor.

After the meeting we grilled hamburgers, and I made an Italian Pasta Salad, Don & Susy brought chips and salsa! It was a beautiful day out to cook out and be with friends! Thank you to everyone for coming! We Ride...We Decide...Ride Safe! Katy

ABATE of Kansas Inc. Wants Your T-Shirt Designs For our 40th Annual Labor Day Rally

Entries must be received by
February 1, 2015

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Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie, Riley, Wabaunsee

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Paul Woodward 785-313-2130



On October 12, 2014, Paul Woodyard called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. at 2nd Street, Frankfort. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was offered for lost brothers and sisters and the troops serving our Nation today.

Carl H. read the minutes for the September Business Meeting. Mark K. made a motion to accept them as read with the following change: instead of Polaris Powersports, it will state Flint Hills Powersports. Carl H. seconded. Having no further corrections, the minutes were approved.

Cathy H. gave the September Treasurer report. There were no outstanding bills. A motion was made by Carl H. to accept the report, seconded by Teresa V. Having no discussion, the report was approved. Cathy welcomed any member to view the district's itemized financial statement after the meeting.

Paul W. gave the District Rep State Meeting Report. More information regarding the accomplishments of ABATE of Kansas was needed for handouts at the Kansas State Fair. Deb W. gave a detailed report on the gate. Paul mentioned the State was considering leasing the rally site. He mentioned the pros and cons involved with the leasing. He asked members for their views regarding some changes the State Board was considering for 2015 rally; paying more for name bands, and increasing fees on attendees and campers. Paul asked members to take time and refer to the State Report in the Newsletter for additional details.

Old Business: Update on Toys for Manhattan, Christmas Family, Biker Ball, and District 15 Bash Site.

Herbie M. has verified all stops on the ride will be the same. Cathy H. reported

that Nick would be willing to cater the chili feed at a specified cost per serving. Herbie made a motion to have Nick cater the chili feed, seconded by Teresa V. With no further discussion, the motion passed. Paul encouraged all members to attend the Toy Run for District 4 on November 23rd, which is the day after ours.

Cathy H. planned to contact Bunny McCloud around the first of November for a Christmas Family. She will give more information at the next meeting.

Bill L. and Bonnie L. asked everyone to remember to bring their nonperishable food to the November meeting. Everyone was encouraged to help reach our goal.

Deb is locating decorations for the 50's era Biker Ball through different resources. At the next meeting, Deb would like male members to wear white T shirts, with a pack of cigarettes rolled up in the sleeve for a photo op. Others suggested bikes or cars, that could be used as a backdrop. The photo will be incorporated into the flyer, which Brenda K. has offered to design.

Paul reported he has been trying to contact Val for more specifics at the Bash site. So far, he has been unable to make the connection.

New Business: Veterans Christmas Gift Bag, and Calender of Events for 2015

Bonnie provided a printout regarding the Veterans Christmas Gift Bags. The handout gave information on what had already been donated and what was needed to complete the gift bags. Pat R. graciously donated the remaining items needed. Thank you, Pat.

Each member was given handouts which would help complete the Calendar of Events for 2015. During the process of filling out the calendar of events, Mark K. made a motion to have all meetings start at Noon; unless the time was subject to

change, seconded by Arlene T. With no discussion the motion passed. Cathy H. kept the group on track, read back what she had recorded to see if everyone was on the same page. Each place will be contacted to see if they would like to host our meeting. The final Calendar of Events for 2015 will be presented to the members at the next meeting. Any changes will be made then. Bonnie L. thanked Nancy W. for helping fill in the initial yearly events and dates. This allowed the process to go quickly.

Members Additional Comments:

A group consensus was to have Cathy H. buy a plant for Carol Maurich to enjoy as she recovers at home. In September, a get well card had been sent to her from District 15.

Paul announced this would be the last chance to vote for District 15 and State Boards officers. Mike F., Herbie M., and George T. offered to tally the ballots for District 15 Board officers at the November 9th meeting. Thanks guys.

Jane P-F and Mike F. thanked District 15 for their donation in helping them reach their goal for the "Biker for Babies" cause. She will report on the total number of dollars their entire team raised at the next meeting.

Pat R. donated four items to be used for door prizes. Teresa V. donated a portion of her winnings back to the District. Thank you Teresa.

A motion was made by Mark K. seconded by Teresa to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be on November 9th at 2:00 p.m. at Cock n' Bull, 2413 Stagg Hill Road, Manhattan

Following are the meetings and events

for the rest of 2014:

Saturday, November 22nd - ANNUAL TOY RIDE - Registration begins at 10:30 AM at The Little Grill, 6625 Dyer Road and Kick Stands up at Noon. Ends at R.C. McGraw's, 2317 Tuttle Creek Boulevard, Manhattan, with a Chili Feed

Sunday, December 14th - DISTRICT MEETING - 2:00 PM - Devil's Tail, 213 East Eighth, Junction City

The deadline dates for publication of the newsletter is before our meetings. Please refer to District 15 website: www.abateks15.com for our most recent meeting minutes and events.





DISTRICT SIGHTINGS

On November 1st. Dist. 2 erected an awareness sign 1 mile east of Norton Ks. Pictured left to right are Lauren (Bear) Weinert, Gary (Animal) Hardy, Donna Gitchel, Terry Gitchel, Gary Littrell, and Rick G.

RICK GITCHEL
ABATE DIST. 2 REP.

DISTRICT 3 SECOND ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY



The Second annual Halloween party took place on Oct. 3rd and 4th at Elm Creek Lake and was a big success. The grown-ups has as much fun as the children. The event started off with a cane pole fishing derby for the children, followed by an old fashioned gunny sack race. There was live music throughout the event by the band, Recycled. There was a pumpkin roll with motorcycles. Bob Nash won first place and Janice Schlicting won second. There was a gummy worm eating contest for the kids. The Nash brothers tied for that contest. There was a Porta Potties contest with Ronnie Coulter and son, Ronnie winning against Bill and Harley Cooper.

The CMA held Sunday services and everyone that attended had a good time. The District would like to thank everyone who came out and are planning next years event. Next year the CMA will have a chili cook-off and there will be a bounce house for the children. There will also be canoe races and paddle boats, weather permitting. Don't miss the 3rd annual Halloween party the first weekend in October!

-Bill Cooper
District 3 Rep





End of Year Party

ABATE of Kansas District 5

Promoting awareness of ABATE of Kansas



Saturday, December 13th 7 p.m. – Midnight
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At the 2014 Motorcycle Riders Foundation's (MRF) 30th Anniversary Meeting of the Minds Conference held in September in Kansas City, Missouri, a Legislative Strategy Session was hosted by the MRF's Legislative Committee. As has been done for the past several years, the MRF requested that it be attended by Sustaining State Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations (SSMRO) Legislative and/or Executive Officers. We welcomed several representatives from our Sustaining Motorcycle Clubs and Organizations as well. The goal was to set the MRF's Federal Legislative Agenda for the 2014 Meeting of the Minds to the 2015 Meeting of the Minds annual cycle.

The MRF's SSMRO partners responded once again with a majority attendance that resulted in a healthy dialogue focused on motorcycling. The MRF Legislative Committee remains extremely pleased at the aligned and clear direction we experienced again this year from our SSMRO partners. This level of agreement continues to allow for solid action plans to be developed by our Legislative Committee and our Board of Directors that can be effectively employed by our Government Relations Department and our SSMRO partners while in Washington D.C. and in working federal issues in their home states. Additionally, we continue to see productive gains in state legislative activities that support our federal efforts when it comes to protecting on-road motorcyclists, motorcycling, and its associated lifestyle.

The MRF Legislative Committee continued the practice instituted four years ago of recording one vote per SSMRO in attendance. A full breakdown of each vote can be seen in the upcoming issue of the MRF Reports. The session this year was moderated by MRF Vice President, Jay Jackson, with support from MRF Vice President of Government Relations & Public Affairs, Jeff Hennie, and MRF President, Kirk "Hardtail" Willard.

* MAP 21 upcoming reauthorization (the Highway Bill) – To include Motorcycle 2010 type Grant Funding (the MRF to pursue the current levels of funding along with a request to tighten up language for qualification and use), continuation of the NHTSA Lobbying Ban, pursue reinstatement of the Motorcycle Advisory Council (MAC) to advise the

FHWA (Federal Highway Administration), oppose any motorcycling related federal blackmails or federal sanctions contained in the highway bill; closely monitor for any action that would negatively impact motorcycles, motorcycling, and motorcyclists; seek to include HR1861 type language to ban motorcycle specific roadblock grant funding

* SAE Motorcycle Roadside Sound Test – The MRF to NOT promote the use of the SAE Sound Test as a National enforcement standard, majority considered this a state issue

* NHTSA motorcycle-specific checkpoint grant program – MRF to carry out a full effort to cut off specified use of funding for this motorcycle-based discriminatory practice, work with SMRO's to exchange information on passing anti-checkpoint laws within the state, work to get new HR1861 like resolution language written and introduced

* Continue monitoring the Federal Crash Causation study and the MSF Naturalistic study

* Strongly oppose any federal standard proposing stamping and certifying of motorcycle exhaust systems

* Continue to oppose federal agency activity regarding EPA Sound Emission User studies and the encouragement of state activity with federal resources – again deemed to be a state issue

* Work to discourage ALL forms of distracted driving, and oppose all forms of funding blackmails or withholding of funds as related to motorcyclists, watch this issue closely for motorcycle specific discriminatory language

* Continue participation at the federal level where the definition of a motorcycle is under review taking advantage of any opportunity available to enhance and further clarify

* MRF will oppose any motorcycling, motorcycle, or motorcyclist-based discriminatory legislation or rules proposed by the U.S. Congress or by a federal agency

* MRF to seek a legislative vehicle to include motorcyclist anti-profiling language this upcoming session

* Continue participation in motorcycle related activity in the European Union, United Nations and Canada

* MRF to fiercely oppose any mandatory helmet or apparel standards

* MRF directed by our SSMRO's to not support the use of ethanol fuels higher than E10 or any other newly developed fuel blends including alternative renewable fuels without further testing on motorcycle engines and obtaining specific recommendations from motorcycle manufacturers approving their use, MRF and SSMRO's to continue to pursue passage of HR875 type language

* MRF to continue to insure the inclusion of motorcycles in ongoing Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) emerging technologies

* Pursue safer roadway design strategies at the federal level, include safer cable barrier research similar to European improvements in the discussion

* Continue to promote our theme of crash avoidance versus safer crashing, using the principles of HR1498 urging NHTSA to focus on crash prevention and rider education

* MRF to pursue limiting funding of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) for their increasing involvement in motorcycling safety issues

* MRF to pursue limiting of funding of CDC on their involvement in motorcycling safety issues through a relevant appropriations bill, pursue CDC lobby ban and seek to remove language where CDC suggests motorcycle crashes are preventable injury events. MRF to continue to support efforts to refocus the CDC on their mission as stated in the letter from Congressman Petri to the CDC on September 27th, 2013

* MRF to monitor private organizations that oppose the legislative agenda or mission of the MRF and investigate their funding sources to make certain they are not receiving federal tax dollars

* MRF to monitor public organizations for funding sources when in opposition to our legislative agenda or mission and respond appropriately if they receive federal tax dollars

* MRF to monitor and report on transportation entities that are active in motorcycling but by their charters or mission statements are or should be non-relevant to motorcycles

* MRF to monitor and report on non-transportation federal agencies becoming increasingly involved in motorcycling such as the Government Accountability Office

(GAO)

* MRF to continue to closely monitor the federally mandated Affordable Health Care Act for potential motorcyclist and motorcycling discrimination

* MRF to fully engage the EPA on upcoming activity on motorcycle emission regulations and motorcycle drive train mandates

* MRF to support the Black Box Protection Act, currently HR2414, seek introduction of similar language in the upcoming Congress to regulate black boxes in motorcycles, seek to clarify the rights of the vehicle owner to ownership of the recorded data

* MRF to research fair tolling concepts on federally funded roads and roads supported by federal bonds

* Federal Agency Motorcycle Design Standards – MRF to oppose non-motorcycle manufacturer mandated specific design standards

* There was agreement that while the handling of non-motorcycle powered two and three wheelers such and mopeds, scooters, and the various cabin based steering wheel type vehicles was considered a state by state issue that there would be an effort to get these removed from motorcycle crash statistics if they do not have to follow the existing motorcycle licensing program in the state.

With the current U.S. Congress, combined with our comprehensive and aggressive legislative agenda, the MRF Legislative Committee strongly encourages our SSMRO partners and our MRF members to actively engage in a lively motorcycling dialogue with their U.S. House of Representative and U.S. Senate Members as an immediate priority. We will need a strong presence going into the new 114th Congress as well. If your SSMRO needs any assistance in planning a trip to Washington D.C. to begin or strengthen the dialogue with your members of Congress, contact Jeff Hennie in the MRF office at 202-546-0983 or Jeff@mrf.org. We would also like to encourage you to finalize your plans to attend our national biker lobby day event in Washington D.C., Bikers Inside the Beltway, on Thursday May 14th, 2015. See our website at www.mrf.org <<http://motorcyclridersfoundation.wildapricot.org>EmailTracker/LinkTracker>.

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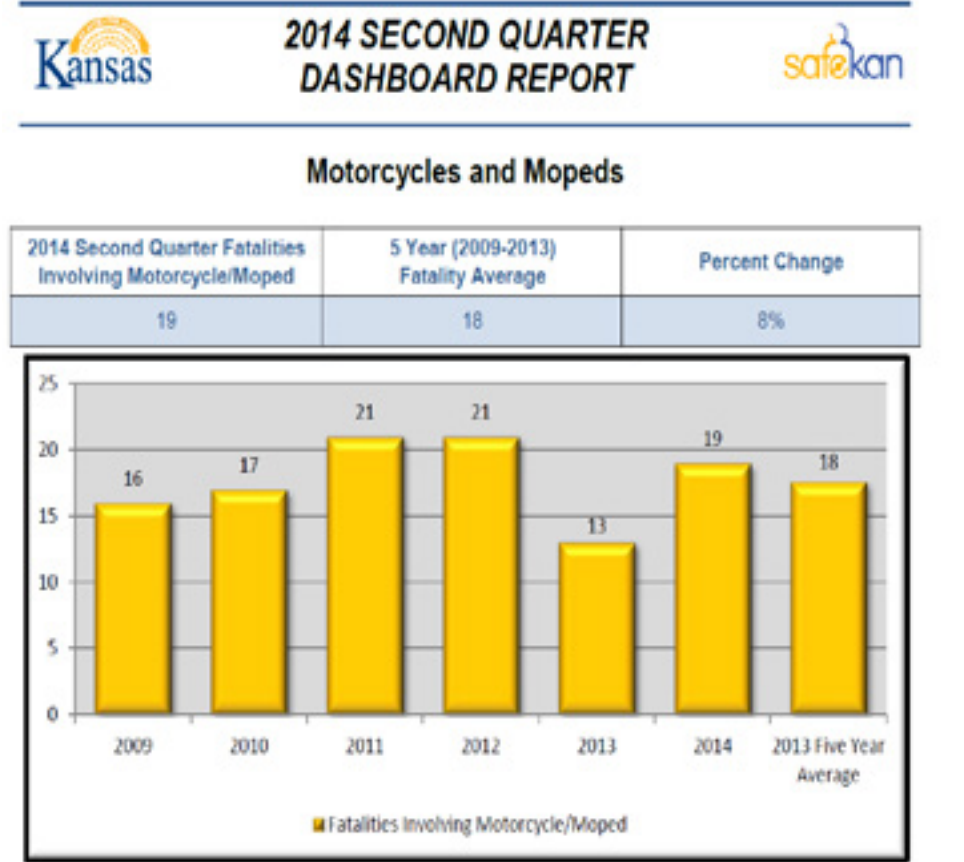
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Lobbyist Report

Well here it is Veterans Day 2014 Where has the year gone. Summer ended yesterday with the high temperature of 72 degrees and winter arrived today with a high of 36 degrees.	On Monday (11/17/14) we meet with KDOT Secretary King to discuss A) KTA toll reduction B) K-10 crossover crash solutions C) KDOT Resolution D) Safety Corridor
60 days from today the gavel comes down to start the 2015 Legislative Session. Currently we are in the process of drafting 3 bills for the session 1) Right of Way 2) Safety Corridor 3) KDOT Resolution	We have added a new associate this session. Your addition to the lobby team is as follows: Roy Dixon Brian R. Thompson President Strope & Associates
I attended the Midsouth Mile and gave the ABATE of Kansas annual report on Saturday October 18. Every year we appear to accomplish more and more on behalf of motorcyclist in Kansas.	of my life. She was that POWERFUL of an influence on me and everyone she met. She was at Peace in life so I Know she is at Peace now. Rest well my friend. !!!!!!I LOVE YOU DOROTHY !!!!!!!
On Saturday October 25 a staunch friend and supporter of ABATE, Dorothy Gagebin was laid to rest after a long and fruitful march thru life. She will be one of the people I will remember on the last moment	-Brian
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From your ABATE/COC liaison, David Fields.	provides clear and simple instruction on how motorcyclists can add their voices to the fight. We still need the motorcycling community to be involved.
"The Challenge"	
ABATE is here to harness the massive power potential of motorcyclists. Independents, Clubs, Associations, Organizations, and Groups. All while keeping the integrity of their different lifestyles intact.	The Challenge it seems, is how to get motorcycle community interested and involved. And keep them involved.
Most motorcyclist recognize our "Right to Ride". However, most don't want to attend political meetings. While ABATE	David pelicancedavid@yahoo.com 316-650-8911

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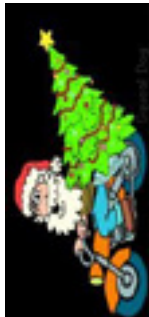
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- Lone Chief Cabin- 12 NOON
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- District 4(unless noted, meetings start at 1:00 pm)
- 12/13- Christmas party- TBD
- 12/14- Dist Mtg- Papan’s Landing
- District 5- (unless noted, meetings begin ay NOON)
- 12/06- Dist Mtg - Eagle Lodge, O.P.
- 12/13- STATE MTG HOSTS- Eagle Lodge, 12 NOON
- 12/13- END OF YEAR PARTY, Band –Stoned Ground Rock- 7:00 PM
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- 12/07- Dist Mtg- John’s- 2:00 PM
- District 11
- 12/07- ANNUAL TOY RUN- Wildwoods, 4th & Delaware, Leavenworth- 12 NOON
- 12/07- Dist Mtg- TBD (follows toy run) 2:00PM
- 12/14- V. A. Chili Feed– 10:30 A.M.
- District 12- TBD
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- District 15
- 12/14- Dist Mtg- Devils Tail, 213 e 8th, Junction City- 2:00pm

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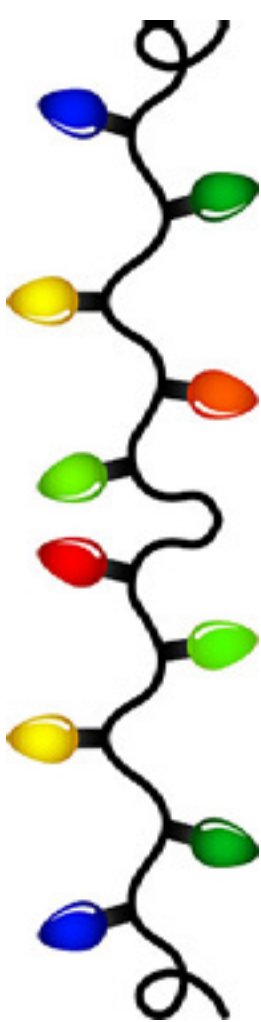


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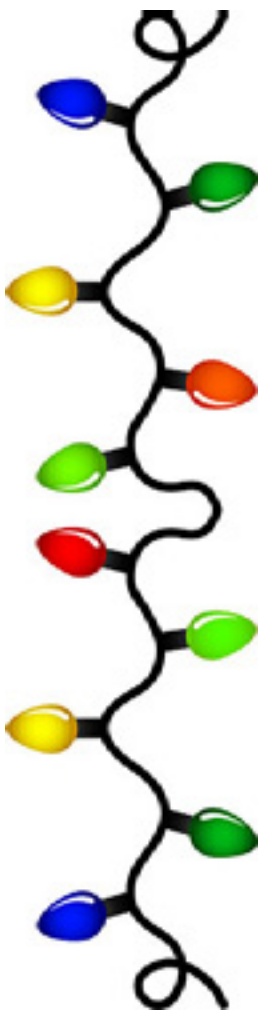
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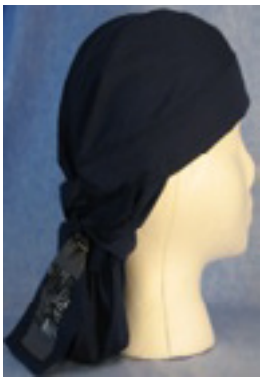
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