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The deadline for all information turned in for your newsletter each month is as follows. The deadline is at 5pm 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 won't be included in next months newsletter. This is necessary in order to have your newsletter to you in a timely manner
Thanks for your help and understanding.



Next Deadline:
Tuesday, February 11 - 5pm





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February STATE MEETING

February 8th

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Hutchinson, Ks - Noon

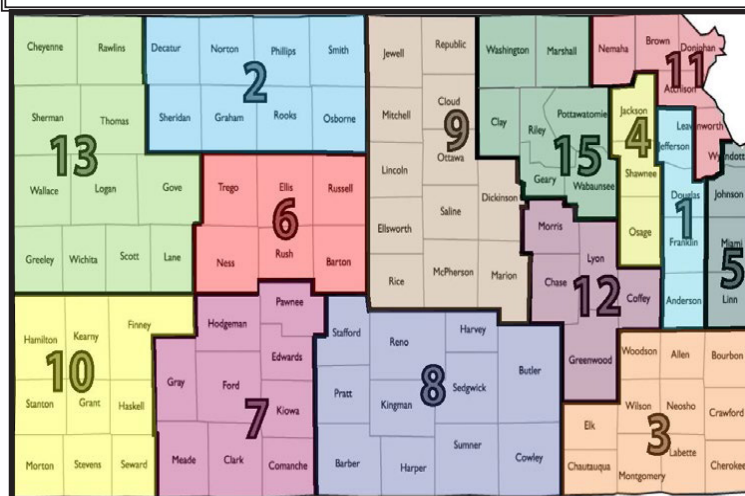
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MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS REPORT;
PUBLIC RELATION REPORT; MID-
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March 8th

VFW Post 1719 - 909 N 13th Ave,
Dodge City, Ks - Noon

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STATE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE

ABATE of Kansas District Map



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All submissions to Newsletter including event flyers,
district minutes, ballots must be submitted to the
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the office for official records and to the editor for early placement in
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Attention District Reps and Treasurers!

Please send your Treasurer reports to the following:
office@abateks.org

Thank you, Lori Harden, Treasurer/ office manager
ABATE of Kansas





~ State Meeting ~

The ABATE of Kansas state meeting was called to order at 12:00pm at the Cowboy Junction in Hill City KS on 1/11/2025.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Roll Call- all present except Districts 4,10,11,12, & 15. Richard for District 7 & Jon for Member at Large.

Secretary report- Amber read the minutes. A motion was made by Larry (2nd by Russell) to approve the minutes. Motion passed by show of hands.

Financial report- Lori went over the financials. A motion was made by Bill (2nd by Larry) to approve the financials. Motion passed by show of hands. Lori asked that all the districts get their financials turned in asap so that accountant can prepare the 2024 tax filing.

Lunch 12:06pm- 12:44pm. Thank you District 2 for a great lunch

Old Business- Byron said that the district event forms are in your packet & need to be turned in to Lori asap. Byron asked what color shirts are wanted for the Back To Our Roots rally. After discussing, a motion was made by Dave (2nd by Bill) to go with black shirts for the Back To Our Roots rally. Motion passed by show of hands.

New Business- Byron asked if anyone had ideas for games at the Back To Our Roots rally. None yet. After discussing vendors & pricing, a motion was made by Russell (2nd by Bill) to charge \$125 for vendor spots at the Back To Our Roots rally. Motion passed with all board members voting yes. There will be work weekends

Feb. 15th & 16th / Feb. 24th & 25th at Old Military Trails to get the site ready. Lori let the district reps know that they have new District Rep info sheets, Treasurer info sheets, & board sign-off sheets in their packets that need to be filled out & turned in to the office. Bids for the services at the Labor Day Rally have gone out. Beverage gardens need to get their list of needed supplies into Lori asap. Byron asked about vendor pricing at the rally if the vendor wanted a smaller space than what is offered now. After discussing, a motion was made by Dave(2nd by Bill) to charge \$300 (with electric) for a half vendor spot at the Labor Day Rally. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

MRF report-please see report in your newsletter

Lobbyist report- Tony Railsback gave the report. Please see the report in your newsletter. Tony also reminded everyone that Bikers Under the Dome is February 3rd @ 9am in Topeka on the 2nd floor of the rotunda. Everyone is welcome.

The Republican Convention & Washington Days will be held the same days this year, February 28th & Mar 1st. Lori asked about the hospitality booth for Washington Days. After discussing, a motion was made by Tony Rawls Riley (2nd by Russell) to use the predetermined amount for food & drinks at the hospitality booth for Washington Days. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

Products- Bill C absent

Mid-South MILE- no new update

Corporate Secretary- Kitty

absent. Lori said that the District policies are in your packet. Make sure they are up to date. Fill out the form & sign please.

Newsletter report- Lauren absent. Deadline for the newsletter is January 14 @

5pm.

Website report- Jacob absent
Upcoming Events

Raffle- MRF- Tony Rawls
Riley- donated to Mic

50/50- Tony Rawls Riley-
donated to the state

Legislative Director Report

As of January 13th, 2025, we are entering the 2025 legislative session. Tammy and I have a lot to do to meet and greet legislators new and old and build positive relationships.

Before the legislative session started we started preparing for this legislative session. The week before the session started we went to Topeka and had a meeting over coffee and lunch with Representative Tobias Schlingensiepen. Representative Schlingensiepen has agreed to sponsor The Right to Repair for us. The state of Maine has a good statute on the right to repair. We are going to submit their language to the office of the revisor and use their language. Maine's Right to Repair Statute covers Motor Vehicles only.

We are also going to try and introduce legislation on promoting Motorcycle Tourism and prosperity in the state of Kansas. The goal behind this is to promote tourism in the state of Kansas for related Motorcycle events and reduce the cost of insurance related to these events held in Kansas.

We are also going to try and introduce legislation on the definition of a motorcycle. We are also going to introduce legislation on profiling.

Kansas Confederation of Clubs is also going to introduce legislation on Motorcycle Profiling. They are also going to introduce legislation on what is called Bentley's Law.

Bentley's Law is common in many states. Bentley's law is a law that if you are convicted of a DUI in Kansas and were in an accident that killed or gravely injured someone who has dependent children. The convicted person would have to pay child support to the dependent children till they are of age. We as ABATE voted to support Ks. COC in this effort. MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers from The national level also has committed to help on this. Ks. COC is also to try and get The State Board of Education to put in their curriculum some Motorcycle Education in drivers education.

I am sure as the 2025 session progresses we will engage in anything motorcycle and motorcyclist-related good or bad.

I would also like to tell or remind everyone that February 3rd, 2025 is Bikers Under The Dome (BUTD) at our State Capitol in Topeka Ks. We have The 2nd floor Rotunda again for the day.





Please come and join us for a day at the capitol. Please make appointments with your personal legislators ahead of time.

We will have handouts for you on our speaking points to take with you. If you feel a little intimidated one of us would be glad to go with you. If you need help before finding them or finding their room. Please reach out to Tammy or Myself.

We are also going to have some guest speakers. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is sending Kurt Hardtail Willard, the president of the (MRF) to speak.. He is a very dynamic speaker.

We need to fill the capitol Building with Black Leather on that day.

If you have never been to (BUTD) it is a great experience.

I will try and keep everyone up to date on what is going on legislatively this year Federal And State. This year is going to be a short session.. The powers to be vowed to make this a 90-day session. There is nothing on the Capitol calendar past April 9th. 2025

Respectfully
Legislative Director /
Lobbyist
Tony Railsback



- ABATE of Kansas is currently running its online 50/50 raffle. It begins January 1 and ends March 31st, 2025

Email all raffle reporting sheets to
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Office office@abateks.org

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Labor Day Rally



August 29th - September 1st, 2025



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8:15 PM



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The 119th Congress took the oath of office to begin a new two-year term. While we often focus on who lives in the White House, it is also critical to understand what a new Congress means and how it impacts the issues we care about as bikers.

First and foremost, a new Congress means new lawmakers and Kansas has a new US House Representative. Rep. Derek Schmidt was the former Kansas Senate in 2000. In 2004, Schmidt was elected the Senate majority leader, holding this post through 2010. He won the general election against the incumbent, Democrat Steve Six and took the office of Attorney General on January 10, 2011, Derek won reelections in 2014 and 2018. and in 2022 was unsuccessful in running for Kansas Governor.

On April 26, 2024, Schmidt announced that he would run for the U.S. House of Representatives in Kansas's 2nd congressional district, seeking to succeed U.S. representative

Jake LaTurner, who had announced his retirement a week before. Derek was sworn into the 119th congress on January 3, 2025.

I have considered Rep. Schmidt to be a friend to ABATE of Kansas, I hope this continues in DC.

Tony and I are making our rounds this year talking to districts about the Kansas lobby agenda, the MRF, legislation issues and what this all means to you. If you would like us to visit your district, please let your district representative know.

One of my speaking points is a congressional caucus, what is it? and the motorcycle caucus.

What is a caucus?

A congressional caucus is a group of members of the United States Congress that meet to pursue common legislative objectives.

The Congressional Motorcycle Caucus

The Congressional Motorcycle Caucus is a bipartisan bicameral caucus

in the United States House of Representatives and United States Senate.

We would go over in depth at your district meeting if wanted.

BIKERS UNDER THE DOME

WHEN: February 3, 2025

WHERE: State Capitol, Topeka, Second floor rotunda.

WHY: Kansas roots run deep in motorcycling rights thanks to ABATE of Kansas. We must continue that and keep Kansas free.

We are excited to announce that MRF President Kirk "Hardtail" Wilard will be our guest speaker this year. A little history on Hardtail, he has been President and Board Chairman of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, the predominant rider's rights organization in the country, since 2006. His involvement in motorcyclists' rights goes back further than that, as he has held membership and leadership positions in rights groups throughout the country. Willard was awarded the Freedom Fighter Award by

the Sturgis Museum in 2018.

The other big ticket in DC is the swearing in of our new President Donald Trump, we are staying alert and in hopes more motorcycle legislation will be passed these next 4 years.

BIKERS IN THE BELTWAY is May 19 & 20, 2025 in Washington DC, this is the only federal legislative day. I look forward in speaking with our representatives and senators. If you would like to go please make your arrangements now. More information please email or call me.

As always keep our Internal Combustion Engine alive visit <https://imamembers.org/>

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MRF Asst. Rep Tammy Ward-Railsback

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District Rep Bill Saric

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On January 12, 2025, the ABATE of Kansas District 1 meeting was held at the America Legion in Perry. The meeting was called to order by Bill at 1:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence for our Fallen Brothers and Sisters; there were 14 members present.

Bill gave a summary of the State meeting. Points of discussion: Work weekends begin at military trail for the Back to Roots Rally on February 15 & 16 and February 22 & 23; Bikers under the Dome on February 3, 2025; Washington Days on February 28 & March 1, 2025; Republican Days on February 28 & March 1, 2025; Motorcycle show in Lawrence at Douglas County Fairgrounds on February 2, 2025; AMA is having trouble with their insurance; partnering with COC at the statehouse. See State Report for further information.

Secretary Report. Jason made a motion to waive, Roger seconded. All in favor.

Financial Report. Holley gave the financial report. Jason made a motion to approve, Roger

seconded. All in favor.

Old Business.

Cabin Fever – Jason made a motion to sell alcohol, Brian seconded, all in favor. Bill will be checking into having a bigger tent. Need raffle items. Jason/Holley will be checking with Burger Bus and Over the Top about a burger challenge on Saturday. Brian will check with Lago Vista on being a vendor. Discussion on possible games. Gun raffle drawing will be on Saturday.

New Business.

Brian made a motion to make a donation to Kevin & Kim for medical expense travel during Kim's surgery and hospital stay. Isse seconded. All in favor. Our thoughts and prayers are sent to them during this time.

Next meeting will be February 9, 2025, at 1:00 PM, at the American Legion, 10098 Old Town Trail, Ozawie. March meeting will be March 9, 2025, at 1:00 PM, at the VFW, 612 E. Palmer, Meriden.

Brian made a motion to adjourn, Mat seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 2:05 PM.



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

District Rep Larry Kibbee

785-623-0420



The January 11, 2025 District 2 meeting was held at Cowboy Junction in Hill City with 7 members present. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for lost members.

The Secretary's Report was given and hearing no corrections or additions, the report was approved as read. This was followed by the Treasurer's report, which was approved with the unanimous consent of those present.

State Meeting Report:

December report: decided to go back to the previous fee for campers \$650, because of complaints received about a proposed increase.

Motorcycle Awareness designee, Steve Christian is stepping down and looking for any interested parties in filling this position for ABATE, KS.

Agriculture Tourism, has a bill passed that should help with insurance premiums. Motorcycle Tourism is trying to do something similar to have a positive impact on the cost of the insurance required for motorcycle events.

Details and meeting minutes are in the Newsletter. January meeting was attended by those present.

Old Business:

2025 Poker run

☐ Benefit:

moved, second to benefit Von Poage. Asked Von for suggestions for the logo and will talk to Rick to use in the tshirt design. Motion passed.

Casino Night:

☐ Prizes:

discussed disbursement and final arrangements

New Business:

Reviewed District Policies and signed officer acknowledgment of policies and duties.

Free membership:

Suggestion, Ralph of Cowboy Junction. Larry will pursue.

Designate Assistant

Secretary: Bear

Discussed Profiling

Survey: complete and submit from ABATE KS website. Information collected is essential in ABATE lobbying efforts at the KS state level.

Next Meetings:

February 9th, Winter Social, 183 Lanes, 906 S. Cedar St, Stockton. Bring gift for Chinese gift exchange.

March 9th, Rick Johnson, 807 Meadowlark, Bogue, KS

April 13th, Wayne Sander, 1585 Prospect Street, Phillipsburg, KS

With no more business to discuss, a motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting.

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County rep roll call. 20 members were in attendance. Arlene gave the secretary's report. Tada motioned to accept the minutes and Troll second that. All agreed. JR made the motion to have a contest to see who can bring in the most new members and Dr. John second the motion. In 12 months, we will review who has brought in the most new members and they will win \$100. Motion passed. Motion to accept the secretary's report was made by Dale and second by Troll. All agreed. Sam gave the financial report. Sam is asking that if you have a receipt book, please bring those to him for anything over \$200. Chuck made the motion to accept the treasurer's report and Troll second it. All were in favor.

Russel gave the state report. There have been two state meetings since our last meeting. Tammy Railsback went over the Kansas Motorcycle and Tourism and Prosperity. She also gave lots of information about whom and how to contact legislators and senators for the state of Kansas. Tony went over the Right to Repair and where we are with the profiling awareness. He also talked about Bentley's Law. There was a motion that was made for the hospitality room at the republican days and it was passed for \$500 at the state meeting.

Old business: Bogart was invited to play at Nikole's benefit, but it wasn't voted on by the members. We will be paying out of pocket. Russel mentioned a way to earn the

money back. The Eagles in Neodesha have invited District 3 to be a part of the steak night spotlight and we can use it as a fundraiser. Trisha made the motion to pay for Bogart and to do the spotlight at a later determined date. Chuck second the motion and all passed it. It is of the understanding that whatever money we do not recover for this, we will be responsible for.

Turkey Shoot is February 1st. Ol' Bastards Ball is March 15th. Dale made the motion that we move it to Parsons and Glenda second that and all agreed. Dinner and such tabled until the next meeting. JR discussed where we are in regards to our upcoming Bike Show and Rally.

New business: Brotherton wanted to see if we could put a function together for HomeSweetHome in Independence. JR mentioned that he has wanted to put a ride together to begin in Independence and then end in Girard during the Rally? Brotherton is open to any suggestions. Jr said he wants to do a ride for Saturday May 1st to help support this homeless community. Sam stated that we could put donation jars out at the gates at the rally. Russel said that we will visit this next month. Sam mentioned the service for Aubrey...can we get a memorial flower? JR motioned that we give Sam a budget of \$100 and Trisha second. All agreed. Sam also made a comment about a D3 custom challenge coins or recognition coins to those who

do above and beyond for our district. JR made the motion for 25 coins and Troll second. Dale stated that we need to have a design, size, and criteria for our motion. JR rescinded his motion until next month.

Russel stated that we are supposed to go over our policies and procedures but we are

tabling it until next month and that it cannot be tabled again. Brotherton made the motion and Trisha second. All agreed.

Next meeting on February 9th is in Arma. Dale made the motion for the 50/50 and the Adjourn. Russel won the pot and donated it back to the Downed Bikers fund.

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The January 12th meeting was called to order by Brandon at 1:10 PM, it was held at Gayle's Bar in Topeka, there were 8 members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was held in remembrance of passed brothers and sisters as well as prayers for the people in California dealing with the fires.

Secretary's Report: a motion was made, second and approved to waive the reading of the minutes.

Treasurer report: read by Stephanie, she mentioned that we will be cutting a check to pay for the storage unit for a quarter of the year. Alvin made the motion to accept the Treasurer Report; it was seconded and passed.

State Report: Back to Roots was discussed, The "Bikers Under the Dome" is coming up, we need as many that can make it to please attend. Brandon mentioned that the Democratic and Republican Conventions are the same weekend this year. Mike made a motion to donate \$100 to the Hospitality Room for the Washington Days Convention. It was seconded by Alvin and voted on and

accepted. Other points of discussion were Insurance and the Bently Bill.

Old Business: Bowl - A - Thon is March 16th. Much later this year because the bowling alley is booked.

The Bike show meeting is at Kat Ballou's Bar and Grill on the 19th of Jan., Dist. 4 is responsible for only the Bike show and Ride.

Run for the Wall- Frank is going to find out how to get the KTA to work with us on the turnpike fees. Brandon Motion to accept old Business it was seconded and passed.

New Business: Getting back on track with the jobs the Board members are responsible for. Discussed Policies and Procedures and what is expected of each position. Brandon is interested in becoming District Rep. when RC steps down. The Assistant Rep position will be open and Mike is interested.

Nominations:

Assistant Rep: Mike was nominated by Brandon, Mike accepted.

Treasurer: Frank nominated Stephanie as Treasurer, Stephanie accepted.

Next event: Bowl-A-Thon March 16th @ Westridge Lanes





in Topeka. Registration 12pm.
Bowl 1-4pm. \$15 donation.
Next meeting: February 9th

12pm Kat Ballou's Bar and
Grill in Holton Kansas
Meeting Adjourned.

the discussion to the February
meeting.

The February District 5
Meeting will be at noon on
February 1st, 2025 at Big D's
on the Hill, 2139 S. 24th St.,
Kansas City, KS 66106. This
meeting will also involve the
District 5 Chili Cook-off. Enter
your chili into the cook-off
if you want. Come and eat
some of the chili that has been
entered and hang out with us at
the meeting.

The March District 5 Meeting
will be held at noon on March
1st, 2025 at Full Draw, 100 E.
2nd St, Edgerton, KS 66021.

The April District 5 Meeting
will be held at noon on
Saturday April 5th, 2025 at The
Double Nickel, 189 Rogers Rd.,
Olathe, KS 66062.

The May District 5 will take
place at Big Dawgs (formally
The Bar), 6720 Kaw Dr.,
Kansas City, KS 66111. The
Meeting will be followed by a
ride in bike show in support of
motorcycle awareness month.
The date is to be determined,
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the newsletter, the District 5
Website or Facebook page for
more on this event.

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The January District 5
Meeting was held at noon on
Saturday, January 4th, 2025
at the American Legion Post
199 on Leavenworth Rd, in
Kansas City, KS. Tony called
the meeting to order. Bud
made a motion to skip the
normal opening practices and
get the meeting going due to
the weather circumstances.
The motion was seconded
and everyone agreed without
question. The motion was
passed. The meeting was also
kept mostly informal and short,
due to winter storm.

Secretary's Report: James
quickly went over the highlights
and items to be carried over
from the December District 5
Meeting.

State Report: Tony went over
the items from the December
State Meeting. The December
State Meeting was hosted by
District 5 in Kansas City, KS.
See the State Meeting Report
in the newsletter for items from
the state meeting.

Old/New Business: Tony

stated he has items to hand out
at ABATE Booth at the Antique
Bike Show in Lawrence.

There was discussion
again about what type of
event District 5 is going to
put together for motorcycle
awareness month in May, and
if it would be in conjunction
with the May District 5
Monthly Meeting. After much
discussion and confirming with
the establishment, Becky made
a motion for the May District
5 Meeting to take place at Big
Dawgs (formally The Bar),
followed by a ride in bike show.
The event will be in support
of motorcycle awareness
month. District 5 will be
promoting ABATE of Kansas
memberships. There will be
District 5 products available as
well. Beth seconded the motion.
All were in favor and the
motion passed.

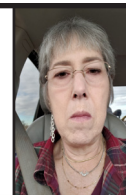
Bud brought up he wanted
to discuss thoughts about bike
games and bike show for the
Back to the Roots Rally in
June. It was decided to table

DISTRICT



Clark, Comanche, Edwards, Ford, Gray,
Hodgeman, Kiowa, Meade, Pawnee

District Rep Glenna Day
620-826-5293



Abate of Kansas district 7
was called to order at 6:30 pm
January 10, 2025 at Connie's,
Dodge City. Richard called the
meeting to order. All present
stood for Pledge of Allegiance,
followed by a moment of
silence for lost brothers and
sisters.

Roll call followed: 3 board
members and 7 members and 2
non members were present.

Treasurers report : Richard
gave the financial report.

The secretary's report:
minutes were waived.

State report, Richard went
over the state report.

Old business; Left over
toys from our toy hand out we
Donated couple of boxes to toys
for tots. Big thank you to the

American Legion for the use of
the building for our toy run and
hand out. Thanks

New business: State meeting-
VFW- we have our deposit in
to hold the the building for that
day March 8th Sat. we need to
get the arts and craft show up
and going. We decided on how
many places/plaques we will
need. Food we will do what
we did last year at the state
meeting. We voted to donate
money back to the VFW.

Nominations no new
nominations Ass Rep, Richard
, Treasurer, Bonnie and Sergeant
at Arms, Rod Nominated.

Next District 7 monthly
meeting Feb 7, 2025 at 6:30pm
at Connie's 309 Cherry st
Dodge City.





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District Rep Charles "Mick" Jiminez
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ABATE of Kansas District 8 Meeting was called to order at 2:56 pm on January 12, 2025 at American legion Post 10 in Winfield, Ks. All stood for The Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was given for our fallen brothers and sisters. Roll call was taken.

District Rep, Assistant Rep, and Secretary present, Missing 7 County Reps. 12 Total Present.

The Secretary Report was waived, Sam made the motion to waive, Seconded by Justin. The Treasurer's report was not available, the names on the account will be changed on Wednesday January 15, 2025 in order to reflect the current District board that has access to the account. Tony has resigned as interim treasurer.

For the State report, we went over many of the topics that were brought up at the state meeting, for more details see State Minutes in Newsletter.

For Old Business we discussed the Back to our Roots Rally.

For New Business we discussed where the Next two

meetings will be held, as well as who is bringing what food items to the state meeting, hosted by District 8 in February.

Sis made a motion for Brian to be our District 8 Treasurer, Justin seconded the motion, it passed unanimously, Brian Accepted.

We tabled discussion for a more central location for district meetings until next month.

Also tabled discussion on ways to get more District 8 members to come to meetings until next meeting.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT District 8 District Meeting after the State Meeting (Moose lodge 1401 E 1st Ave Hutchinson, Ks) on February 8th, 2025 at the Topsy Owl, 2203 E 4th Ave, Hutchinson, Ks

50/50 drawing winner was Frank, congrats. We sold 36 tickets.

Sis made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Justin. Adjournment was 4:04pm.

Thank you Mick for running the meeting, you did a great job.

DISTRICT



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District Rep David Zeller
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The ABATE of Kansas District 9 meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm, January 12th, 2025, with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence given, with 17 members, and 3 county reps, and 3 guests present.

The secretary's report was given and approved.

The treasurer's report: Treasurer report given and approved.

State News: See state news in the newsletter.

Awareness report: Nothing new

Products report: Still available

Website report: Website needs updated. Facebook is

current.

Old Business: Raffle item and tickets paid.

New Business: Membership given to Fran P. Stoker award to Bob M

Upcoming events: Russ's B-day party Jan 18th, Bikers under the dome February 3rd.

Drawing by Kevin M. donated back.

Thanks to Russ and Myrna for hosting the meeting and everyone for the food.

Next meeting February 9th at EMS building 207 Star ave. in Miltonvale.

March meeting the 9th at Lincolnville VFW.

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ABATE of Kansas - District 8 Policy Changes

Under the Officers section we added that the District Representative only votes in a Tie Breaker, Moved District Sergeant of Arms up from county to Elected District Officers, Changed "District Board Members are expected to attend State Events" to "District Representative, or their Appointee, is expected to attend State Events and Meetings".

Under General Duties, District Secretary we changed "3. Keep a constant updated list of district membership" to "3. Turn in minutes by Newsletter Deadline".

Under General Duties, District Treasurer we changed "5. Any applications and moneys taken by members, the member must buy a money order, make copies of money order and membership application before mailing to the state office. Then forward the copies to the District Representative." to "5. Any applications and moneys taken by members, the treasurer must make copies of membership application before mailing to State office. Then forward the copies to the District Representative."

Under General Duties, District At-large Board Member/Sergeant of Arms we added "3. Must keep Meeting in Order."

Under General Duties, County Representative we changed "2. Call meetings on a county level and presides over these meetings so as to comply with state and district policies" to "2. Call meetings on a county level and presides over these meetings so as to comply with state and district policies, if needed."

Under Section III, Office Terms, District Board of Directors we changed "A. the officers of District representative and the District At-Large Board Member shall be elected Bi-Annually for a 2 year term" to "A. the officers of District representative and the District Sergeant at Arms Board Member shall be elected Bi-Annually for a 2 year term", "C. If the District Representative's position becomes vacant for any reason, the State board shall appoint an active District 8 Member to fill the position for the remainder of the Term" to "C. If the District Representative's position becomes vacant for any reason, the District Members shall appoint an active District 8 Member to fill the position for the remainder of the Term", we added for further clarification "1. The Assistant District Representative will take over until the next meeting so we can Vote for an Interim District Representative"

Under Office Terms, County Representative We changed "A. The election of all County Board Representatives shall be elected for a One-year term and the same time as the district elections" to

Under Office Terms, County Representative We changed "A. The election of all County Board Representatives shall be elected for a One-year term and the same time as the district elections", we added "E. A member can hold Two County Representative Positions."

Under Removal from office , County Representative, B. we added "1. By post on social media, or call."

Under Events, District and County events we changed "C. Counties must submit event proposal form, map, and flyer to the district representative 60 days prior to the event." to "C. Counties must submit event proposal form, map, and flyer to the district representative 90 days prior to the event.", and "1. District board approval is required to avoid conflict with other events" to "1. District board approval is required to avoid conflict with other events statewide.", "E. All district and county flyers must include ABATE Logo and District Logo promoting awareness of ABATE of Ks." to "E. All district and county flyers must include ABATE Logo promoting awareness of ABATE of Ks.", "J. Counties that need start-up money shall include the amount needed on the event proposal form" to "J. Counties that need start-up money shall request the amount needed from the District Board."





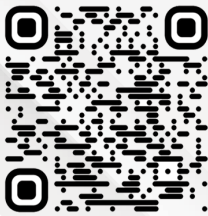
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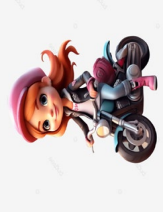
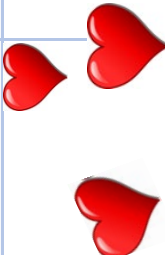
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February 2025



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9 District Meeting 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 12, 13, 15	10 Bikers Under the Dome 9 am	11	12 Lincoln's Birthday 	13	14 Valentines Day 	15
16	17 President's Day	18	19	20	21	22 Washington's Birthday 
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February 2025 ABATE HAPPENINGS		
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>1</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 9, American Legion Post 225, 10098 Old Town Trail, Ozawkie, KS 1pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>2</u>	DISTRICT MEETING & Winter Social - February 9, 183 Lanes, 906 S Cedar st, Stockton, Ks, 4pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>3</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 9, American Legion Post 182, 512 Main, Arma, Ks , 1pm Turkey Shoot - February 1, American Legion Post 138 - 1607 US Hwy 75, Caney, Ks. , 9am
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>4</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 9, Kat Ballou's, 325 New York , Holton, Ks, 1pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>5</u>	DISTRICT MEETING & Chili Cook-off - February 1, Big D's on the Hill, 2139 S 34th st Kansas City, Ks - NOON February 2, Booth at the Santa Fe Trail Antique Motorcycle Club of America - Kansas City Chapter Motorcycle Show 2120 Harper Street, Douglas County Fairgrounds Building 21, Lawrence, Ks, - 9 am
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>7</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 7, 309 Cherry St, Dodge City, KS 6:30 pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>8</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 8, Tipsy Owl, 2203 East 4th Ave, Hutchinson, Ks - 5pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>9</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 9, EMS Building, 207 N Starr Ave., Miltonvale, Ks. Eat at noon Meeting at 1pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>10</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 2 - American Legion Post 9, 405 S Main, Garden City, Ks. - Noon
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>11</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 1 - VFW Post 5531, 107 N 4th, Wathena, Ks 2pm February 1 - Pool & Dart Tournament to follow meeting. VFW Post 5531, 107 N 4th, Wathena, Ks
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>12</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 9 - VFW Post 1980, 932 Graphic Arts Rd, Emporia, Ks, 2pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>13</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 9 - Farmhouse Restaurant, 1685 US Hwy 40, Sharon Springs, Ks 2pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>15</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - February 9 - American Legion Post 17 - 114 McCall Rd, Manhattan, Ks - 2pm
STATE MEETINGS & EVENTS 2025		
<u>February</u>	<u>3rd</u>	Bikers under the Dome - 2nd Floor Rotunda- State Capitol, Topeka, Ks 9am
<u>February</u>	<u>8th</u>	Moose Lodge, 1401 E 1st Ave, Hutchinson, Ks - Noon
		February 15-16 & 22-23, Work Weekends at Old Military Trail
<u>March</u>	<u>8th</u>	VFW Post 1719 - 909 N 13th Ave, Dodge City, Ks - Noon





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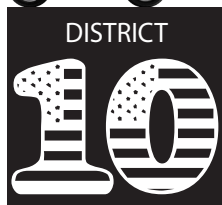
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People Games





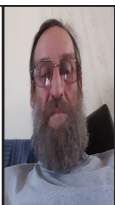
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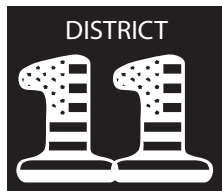
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Meeting was cancelled on Sunday January 5, 2025 due to weather. Next meeting will be held on February 2, 2025 at the

American Legion 405 S. Main Garden City Kansas 67846 at 12 p.m.



Atchison, Brown, Doniphan,
Leavenworth, Nemaha
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The meeting was called to order at 2:08 PM on 01/12/2025 at the VFW in Atchison, KS with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for all our fallen brothers and sisters. There were 5 members and 2 guests in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Rusty read the minutes from the December meeting. Robin motioned to accept – Chop seconded - all approved.

Treasurer's Report: Rusty read the checking account and savings account financial statements. Chop motioned to approve – Robin seconded - all approved.

Assistant Rep's Report: Keegan has purchased the gun safe – will make arrangements to deliver to Rusty's house sometime this month to be stored until the raffle.

Atchison County Report: Chop got sponsorship forms from Rusty and reminded everyone that we all need to start working on sponsorships for the Mother's Day Bike Show 2025.

Leavenworth County Report: Ric is MIA. Gift bags items were purchased and assembled and delivered to the vets in the domiciliary – thanks to Ruth and Ric and Deb for taking care

of this.

Doniphan County Report: Robin reminded us about the Pool & Dart tournament next month after the district meeting on 02/01/2025. Robin also made mention that February 3rd is Bikers Under the Dome in Topeka.

Nemaha & Brown County Report: Angel is MIA.

Products Report: Lea was MIA.

State Report: Doyle was MIA and was not able to attend the state meeting this month so you can read the state updates in the newsletter.

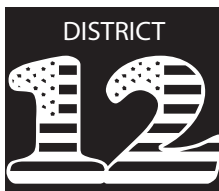
Old Business: Robin is still working on details for the Blessing of the Bikes event scheduled in late April. Discussion was held on radios for Field Events and noted that we have purchased 4 Cobra handheld radios already. We will see how it goes this year to determine if more radios will be needed. Discussed purchasing tires for the trailer – noted that we have a couple price quotes, but we are waiting until spring to take care of this so that the trailer is not sitting on new tires during the winter months. Discussed gun safe tickets – determined how many would be printed and Ruth has received

approval to print the tickets when ready. No progress has been made yet on the minibike for the LDR raffle. It was mentioned that we still need to confirm a band for Friday night for Field Events in 2025.

New Business: Nothing to discuss.

Ruth motioned to close the meeting – Robin everyone

seconded - meeting closed at 2:41 PM. The February monthly meeting will be held at 2:00 PM on 02/01/2025 at the VFW in Wathena, KS – located at 107 N 4th Street followed by the local Pool and Dart Tournament. The March monthly meeting will be held at 2:00 PM on 03/09/2025 at the VFW in Atchison, KS – located at 2201 Main Street.



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Our official meeting for January was cancelled due to bad weather on 01/05/2025. We had a non-official meeting with the bike show committee on 01/12/2025. Details will be discussed at the next meeting on February 16th, 2025. We will have the chili cookoff start at noon. The District meeting will start at 2:00PM at Harry and Lloyds in Americus, KS. The March meeting will be held on 03/09/2025 at 2:00PM at the

Emporia Public Library.

Our Elections are coming up in May. Positions open are District Representative, Secretary, and Sargent at Arms. Barry was nominated for District Representative and has accepted. Deanna was nominated for Secretary and has not given her answer. Matt was nominated for Sargent at Arms and has accepted.



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Abate 13 January 12, 2025
BHive – Colby, Ks
Jimbo called the meeting to order @ 2:07 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jimbo followed by a Moment of

Silence for our fallen brothers, sisters and Military.

Ben Hopper's youngest daughter is in a coma in Wichita. Prognosis is unknown at this time. They will have





expenses getting to and from Wichita. We will pass the hat today to assist in their expenses.

Secretary's Report: Darla read the Secretary's Report from December 8, 2024. Kevin made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report as read; Steve seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Bruce gave the Treasurer's Report. The account that was in Scott City has been closed. Our only account is now at Western Bank. Balances were given. Jimbo said he does have some expenses to reconcile. He and Bruce will take care of those. Steve made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Annie seconded. Motion passed.

State Meeting: State meeting was held in Hill City, KS 1/11/2025. Jimbo, Curtis and P.D. attended.

LDR is taking bids for trash removal. Vendor spots at Lake Perry: It was voted to split regular spots in half the size. These spots will rent for less and have no electrical.

Bikers under the Dome will be February 3, 2025. This is our opportunity to have our voices heard at the State level with our Government officials.

Friday February 28, 2025 in Goodland KS. Republican Party officials will be there to discuss concerns and ideas. Anyone that would like to attend could join along with Curtis, PD, and Jimbo as they have plans on attending. Also upon request Jimbo has a handout from Tony that list, speaking points plus tips for meeting with legislators and more.

As we all know, insurance for events has been a growing concern lately. We are finding out this is not just an issue with motorcycles. Know that ABATE and

others, are working hard on this issue. Jimbo brought some information from AMA insurance company working with Donald Birdsong with Birdsong Insurance pointing out some of the issues and what they expect to come about. Some coming restrictions mention are "Extended Risk Management Requirements as well as a more detailed application process" ask Jimbo if you would like copy or to read his.

Jimbo then mentioned a fight for something like "Bentley's Law" Which takes effect when a working parent is killed due to DUI; Under such law, that person could be held liable for Child Support of any minor children until the age of 18 said victim was caring for. This is on the list for approval. Annie made a motion to approve the State meeting information; Bruce seconded. Motion passed.

Elections coming in May 2025

January Nominations:
Nominee: Nominated by:
District Rep: Jimbo Carver
Kevin; Steve 2nd
P.D. Williams Jimbo:
Bruce 2nd

Secretary: Pam Doud Darla:
Kevin 2nd
Darla Jarmer Curtis: P.D.
2nd

Darla Jarmer rescinded the position effective March 1, 2025 Annie: P.D. 2nd

Member at Large: P.D.
Williams Darla; Steve 2nd

Road Captain: Mona Carver
Jimbo: Bruce 2nd

Annie made a motion to close nominations; Steve seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Fallen Brothers and Sisters
Ride: Saturday, April 19. Route to start in Goodland and end in

Winona. Bobbie made a motion to hold our April Meeting following this ride on Saturday; P. D. seconded. Motion passed.

Checks will be needed for Insurance for Gove Rally and Ride. Checks also needed for expenses for location and beverage for Gove Rally. --- --Gove bands are set. Friday night is Anthony and the Anamals; Saturday Dead City Rockers. -----Discussion regarding awards for Bike Show, -----Cornhole Tournament and Bike Games. ----Skyler suggested gift certificates instead of trophies for Bike Games. We came up with several different options for trophies, wood carvings and gift certificate ideas. Also do we want single or double elimination for the Cornhole Tournament? Also the idea was raised to have a new cornhole set as the prize to the winner of the tournament.

Again this year's "Buffalo Rally Ride" will be a Gun Run. You must ride on a bike, (or three wheeler), to win the gun raffle. Other transportation types are welcome and encouraged to go along. No one can buy tickets for a person not riding. Must ride to be eligible to win.

We need to come up with one or two more ideas for raffle items at the rally.

Annie made a motion of \$500.00 Visa Gift Card and to sell these tickets for \$5.00 each; P.D. seconded. Motion passed.

Darla will contact Ed

regarding the tattoo gift certificate.

Annie made a motion to go with a \$400 tattoo gift certificate; Bruce seconded. Motion passed. Kevin made a motion to sell tickets for tattoo for \$10.00 each, Skyler seconded. Motion passed. Should have tickets ready to sell for these at September. meeting.

If all members could get donations for raffle items to raffle for Gove Rally that would be appreciated. Also needing a larger item to raffle at Gove. Metal sign, etc. Bring our ideas next month.

Jimbo asked about arrangements for State Meeting meal in June. Annie made a motion to cater the meal; Steve seconded. Motion passed. Bobbie made a motion to go with Broken Spoon as in the years passed as the caterer; Skyler seconded. Motion passed.

Jimbo asked if we would like to sponsor KBOBB again this year. Kevin made a motion to sponsor again in 2025; Steve seconded. Motion passed. Form was given to Bruce to fill out and send.

We spoke about adding tarps or something around South and East corner where our bands set up at Gove to protect their equipment should it rain. We will table this until next month. No New Business.

Kevin made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Steve seconded. Motion passed.





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The January 12 meeting of Abate of Kansas District 15 was held at The Little Grill in Manhattan, Ks. Tony Roberts, District Rep opened the meeting at 2:10pm.

Due to low attendance, Tony R dispensed with opening ceremonies and the Secretary's report.

Jen S gave the Treasurer's Report, it was moved and seconded to accept the report, motion carried.

The Kameron Banks Family Benefit Silent Auction has begun and will run through noon on January 18th. Because of a family emergency, the chili feed has been called off. Tina I. will reschedule and let us know the changes. She will also take care of the auction.

State Meeting, Tony R. encouraged all to read the State minutes in the next newsletter as he was unable to attend.

Old Business:

Lori G. has the RFTW plaques, those that have not been delivered will be sent once contact with those organizations has been made.

Jen H. reported that the

Veterans gifts did not happen as she never heard back from Via Christi Village. She recommended that we do an event as an ending to the Awareness Run since May is Military Awareness Month.

Next year's bash will be June 27 – 29th. Lori G. has reserved the Lakeview Campground site. She has contacted a DJ for that Saturday, more info at next month's meeting.

New Business.

The Awareness Run has been scheduled for May 3, Jen H. will ask Seth H. to do artwork for a patch with rockers that we can sell to riders.

Run For the Wall will be on or about May 18. Letters will be sent soon.

Next meeting is February 9th at the Eagles Club in Manhattan. March 9 meeting is at McGraws Blue Hills Room, Manhattan.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:41pm. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Hardy, District 15 Secretary.

FEBRUARY 2025 EXPIRATIONS

DANIEL	WOODSON	1
MIKE	DINKEL	2
SHERI	DINKEL	2
LORIE	HESSLER	2
ROGER	HESSLER	2
JAN	WILCOXSON	2
MARVIN	WILCOXSON	2
WINDY	ADAMS	3
MATTHEW	COLLINS	3
SHANA	COLLINS	3
WILLIAM MATTHEW	COX	3
TAMMY S	DAWE	3
JOHN	GUTIERREZ	3
DONNIE "BILL"	REYNOLDS	3
PATRICIA L	THOMPSON	3
EMILY	VAIL-KELLER	3
DINA	MOULDEN	4
GRAHAM	MOULDEN	4
KEVIN	GARDNER	5
BING	JANSSEN	5
HARLEY V. "H.V."	PHILLIPS	8
FRANKLIN BURL	TIPTON	8
GARY	BELL	9
JANET	MCCLELLAND	9
LEANNE	PENDERGRAFT	11
BRET	PURSEL	11
SCOTT	METCALFE	12
SHEILA	METCALFE	12
STEVE	BOLIN	13
RITA	POWERS	15
KENNY	WHEARTY	15
KERRY	WHEARTY	15
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Do I need to own a motorcycle?

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Do I have to live in Kansas?

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

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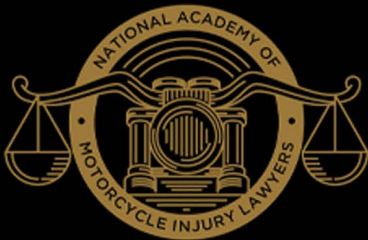
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