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NEXT DEADLINE:
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16TH





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January STATE MEETING

January 13th

Bullseye Event Center, 118 S Kansas,
Norton, KS, 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-
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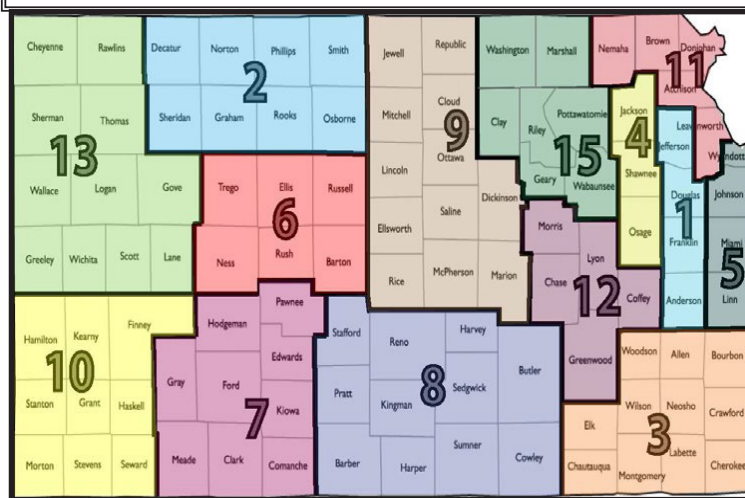
UPCOMING STATE MEETINGS:

February 10th

Moose Lodge, 1401 E 1st Ave
Hutchinson KS, Noon

EXCEPT FOR THE ANNUAL OCTOBER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, ALL
STATE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE
!

ABATE of Kansas District Map



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

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Attention District Reps and Treasurers!

Please send your Treasurer reports to the following:
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Thank you, Lori Harden, Treasurer/ office manager
ABATE of Kansas





~ State Meeting ~

The ABATE of Kansas state meeting was called to order at 12:03pm at the Moose Lodge in Kansas City, KS on 12/09/2023.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence- please keep the family of Hank Spellman in your thoughts as he passed away on 12/4/2023

Roll call- all present except Districts 7,10, & 13. Lindsey for District 8. Rusty for District 11.

Guest speaker - Jimbo was recognized by Byron & spoke about a COC sponsored event that will be held at the Ramada in Topeka on April 20th from 1-5pm. The event is called Bridging the Gap in Kansas & will be aimed towards all motorcycle organizations working together. Everyone is invited & a catered dinner will be provided at the end by the COC. Thank you, Jimbo,

Secretary Report- a motion was made by Tony Roberts (2nd by Bill) to wave the reading of the minutes. Motion passed with a show of hands.

Financial report-Lori went over the report provided in the packet. A motion was made by Tony Roberts (2nd by Russell) to approve the financials. Motion passed with a show of hands.

Old Business- Byron reported that the rally vendor that passed a bad check had been served & has not contacted ABATE to resolve the unpaid money. After discussing options, it was tabled until the January meeting to decide how to proceed. A motion was made by Bill (2nd by Barry) to change the October state meeting start time to noon instead of 10am if approved by the VFW. Motion passed with a

show of hands. After discussing what the district members would like for the gun raffle tickets, it was decided to leave the ticket prices at the original decision of \$5 each. A motion was made by Tony Roberts (2nd by Bill) to not offer a bundle price for the gun raffle tickets. Motion passed with all board members voting yes. A discussion was had about what to do with the money from lifetime memberships & what the district members thought. A motion was made by Tony Roberts (2nd by Dave) to put all money collected from lifetime memberships into a CD for future. Motion passed with all board members voting yes except District 2 & 5.

New Business - Byron let everyone know that Tammy has resigned as corporate secretary. Thank you, Tammy, for all of your work over the years. If anyone is interested in the position, please send a resume/application to the state office. All applicants will be reviewed at the January state meeting by the board. Lori said that the fire department would like to pick up the cans at the rally. After talking about it, it was tabled until January. Russell talked about changes needed to the "what is ABATE" for the trifold. Please take back & review the suggested changes with your district. Tabled until the January meeting. Russell asked about creating a District 21 for all of the members that have passed away. A motion was made by Russell (2nd by RC) to create District 21 for the members that have passed away. Motion passed with a show of hands.

Lunch 1:23-2:08pm. Thank

you to District 5 for the great lunch!

Executive session 2:08-2:23pm.

MRF report-please see in your newsletter

Raffle coordinator - Rusty asked that everyone share the online 50/50. Only 3 weeks left to participate. The winner will be picked on January 1st

Products - Bill has hats & black zip up hoodies. Buy them!

Public relations- nothing at this time

MidSouth MILE - Sis will have more information after the committee meeting in February. It was decided to auction the items won at this year's MILE

at the March state meeting.

Corporate Secretary - nothing at this time

Newsletter - Lauren asked that you not double space in minutes sent in as she has to remove that. Newsletter deadline is December 12th by 5pm. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Website - nothing new at this time. Happy Birthday Jacob!

Upcoming Events
MRF raffle - Sandy
50/50- Bill

The next ABATE of Kansas State meeting will be January 13th at the Bulls Eye Event center, in Norton, KS at noon.

Meeting adjourned at 3:04pm.



- ABATE of Kansas is currently running its online 50/50 raffle. It begins October 1st and ends December 31st 2023

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





A.B.A.T.E of Kansas, Inc.

Notice of Approved Amendments to Policies and Procedures

EVENTS

P. ABATE of KANSAS, INC., requires all district and state events to be insured. All insurance requests should be made by the District Representative no later than 30 days prior to the event.

Q. Event and Insurance Clarifications:

1. An event is any activity sponsored, promoted or supported by ABATE on a county, district or state level that involves liability; any activity is considered an event. Anything that involves conducting business is not an event.
2. All sanctions and sanction fees and/or requests from fund are to be turned into the insurance coordinator in writing, on a form provided by the coordinator thirty (30) days before the event at the latest.
3. All insurance fees must be turned in to the insurance coordinator (30) days prior to the event.
4. There are three (3) levels of Insurance, Low Liability, High Liability, High Liability with alcoholic beverages. Pricing for insurance Low Liability will be half the price of High liability and High liability with alcoholic beverages will have an additional fee above the price of high liability. *(April 2023)*

FINANCIALS

L. All monies received from Life Memberships will be deposited yearly in Certificate of Deposit (CD's) and Earmarked as Life Memberships. *(December 2023)*

NEWSLETTER

I. Newsletter Content:

A. Required monthly content includes: a current corporate board roster including contact information; the ABATE of Kansas state seal and mission statement; state meeting locations; state and district meeting minutes; a membership expiration listing as well as a membership application; deadline submission dates; and an events calendar. *(Amended May 2023)*

D. Ethnic slurs, religious slurs, sexual slurs and/or slang, and profane expletives are disallowed in any publication of ABATE of Kansas. In addition, mentions of specific monetary values, (except admission prices listed on fliers and Raffle ticket pricing), alcoholic beverages, or any use of the term "rodeo" are prohibited from publication.

(Amended June 2023)

H. Full names may be used in newsletter and in state and district minutes. *(Amended October 2023)*

MEMBERSHIPS

J. District 21 to include all deceased members that had a current membership at time of death. *(December 2023)*





MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS REPORT

I received some interesting data points recently:

Valid Motorcycle Licenses for the state of Kansas – 195,780

Registered motorcycles and motorized bicycles – 2021 and 2022

2021 – 90,671 Motorcycles, 3,905 Motorized bicycles

2022 – 89,488 Motorcycles, 3,746 Motorized bicycles

It is interesting to see that there are twice as many licensed individuals than there are registered motorcycles. I am speculating that many people may be aging out and no longer own a bike and simply keep their endorsement.

Also, here is a link regarding ABS for all new motorcycles:

https://www.iihs.org/news/detail/its-past-time-to-require-abs-on-all-motorcycles-iihs-hldi-petition-argues?mc_cid=31a540f249&mc_eid=52d2fa659b

While I believe that ABS can be a very good thing on motorcycles, my concern is that riders will pay more, and unless the systems can be disabled for racing or highway riding conditions they could ultimately cause some issues. Just like in cars and trucks with ABS, sometimes people rely on that technology rather than paying attention to their driving or riding.

Merry Christmas and Happy

New Year to everyone.

-Steve Christenberry

Lobbyist Report

NO REPORT RECIEVED



ABATE HAPPENINGS

JANUARY 2024 ABATE HAPPENINGS

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>1</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 14th, The Joint, 607 Cedar St, Perry, Ks , KS 1pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>2</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 13th , Bullseye Event Center, 118 S Kansas, Norton, KS, After state meeting Casino Night- January 13th , Bullseye Event Center, 118 S Kansas, Norton, KS,
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>3</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 7th, American Legion Post 35, 105 Vine St, Cheokee, Ks - 1pm Pool Tournament & Chili Cook-Off- January 20th- Mackey's Bar & Grill, 1532 E 3rd Ave, Caney, Ks Chili Sampling 11am Chili Sampling 11am - Pool Tournament Registration at Noon
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>4</u>	DISTRICT MEETING- January 14th, Papan's Landing, 619 NW Paramore, Topeka, KS -1pm- Bowlathon- January 21, 2023, Westridge Lanes - Registration begins-11am
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>5</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 6th Big D's on the Hill, 2139 S 34th, Kansas City, KS · Noon
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>7</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 11th, 2400 E Post Ave. , Dodge City, KS - 6:30pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>8</u>	DISTRICT MEETING, January 14th, American Legion Post 10, 115 West 10th Ave Winfield Ks 2:30 pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>9</u>	DISTRICT MEETING- January 14th, Russ & Myrna's, Galva, KS - Eat at Noon Meeting at 1pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>10</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 7th, American Legion Post 9, 405 S Main, Garden City, KS - Noon
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>11</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 7th, VFW Post 1175, 2201 Main, Atchison, Ks 2pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>12</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 14th, American Legion Post 5, 2912 W 12th, Emporia, KS, 2pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>13</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 14th, The Bee Hive, 170 W 4th , Colby, Ks 2pm
<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>15</u>	DISTRICT MEETING - January 14th - Lil Grill, 6625 Dyer Rd., Manhattan, Ks, KS - 2pm

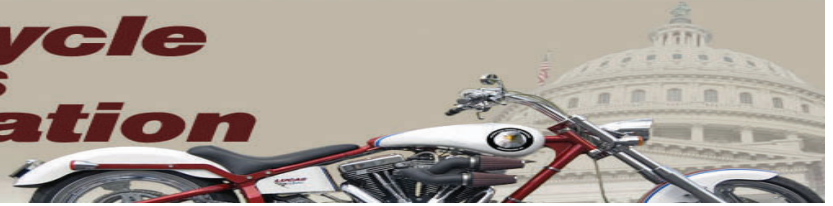
STATE MEETINGS & EVENTS

<u>2024 Jan</u>	<u>13th</u>	Bullseye Event Center, 118 S Kansas, Norton, KS , Noon
<u>February</u>	<u>10th</u>	Moose Lodge, 1401 E 1st Ave Hutchinson KS , Noon
<u>March</u>	<u>9th</u>	VFW Post 1714 , 909 N 13th, Dodge City Ks, Noon





Motorcycle Riders Foundation



On November 29 and 30th Tony and Tony R attended town hall meetings in Baldwin City. Currently we are working on Senate Bill 108 Motorcycle Profiling where we hope to get a hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee. We are also trying to introduce

a bill in the House 2024 session MC. profiling.

Bikers Under the Dome will be held at the capitol in Topeka on January 30th. at the Rotunda.

Regarding (EV) Electric and battery vehicles Self drive and driverless vehicles. Many dealers in almost every

state have asked to Tap the Brakes because the mandates are leading to consumers not buying

GM has had several incidents regarding its Cruise Division of Self Driving Vehicles after they were involved in several high profile incidents.

With the holidays being so nice weather for riding be extra careful out there on your adventures. Remember the best gift of all is getting home safe, remember to look twice save a life the life you save will probably be your own.

Bill Cooper
Kansas MRF Rep

- ☐ Annual Individual Membership \$35
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- ☐ Annual Sustaining Membership \$100
- ☐ Annual Industry Council Membership \$100



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- ☐ 3-Year Joint Membership \$140
- ☐ Sustaining Membership Club \$100
- ☐ Freedom Fighter Donation \$10 \$25 \$_____

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Phillips, Rooks, Sheridan, Smith

District Rep Larry Kibbee

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The ABATE of Kansas District 2 December 10th, 2023 meeting was held at Wayne & Deb Sanders house in Phillipsburg. After the Pledge of Allegiance & A Moment of Silence for Lost Members the meeting was underway. First off there was the Secretary's & Treasurer Report both of these were accepted & approved. Larry then reported on the State meeting. You can get a complete accounting of that by reading the State Report. We have gotten signatures collected on the petition concerning Anti-Profilng of Motorcyclists. We will be returning them into the lobbyist. We still have Raffle tickets available on the Mossberg Shockwave 12 Gauge Shotgun. This is a shortened version of a shotgun. We are hosting the State Meeting on January 13th. This will be held at the Bullseye Event Center in Norton at 118 S Kansas. The meeting starts at 12 noon. We went over the list

of who is donating food for the nonmeeting. We will hold our meeting after the State meeting. Then we will follow with A Casino Night Fundraiser this will run from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm. We can always use some wrapped White Elephant type prizes to Auction off at the end of Casino Night. The bidding is done with the Funny Money we use to play the games. We also have obtained several items we will Auction off for Actual Cash Money. Come out & help support your Local Abate District Next year we will hold the 40th run of our Annual Poker Run. For those who like to plan in advance it will be on June 15th. We will be looking to see who we can find for a Beneficiary of this Event. We are looking into the possibility of a 40th Anniversary Quilt. We'll see how that works out. That is about it. Thanks to the Sanders for hosting the meetings. Thank you, Debbie, I think,

for using us to test different kinds of Homemade Cookies. Now future meetings. As previously mentioned, January is on the 13th, approximately 4:00pm this is between the State meeting & Casino Nite. It will be held at the Bullseye Event Center 118 S Kansas, Norton, Kansas. The February Meeting will be on the 11th it will be held at 183 Lanes South Highway 183 in Stockton, Al's. This is what we call our Winter

Social. The district pays for the meal. Afterwards we have a Gift Exchange if you want to participate in the exchange, please bring a Wrapped Gift we loosely suggest a Limit of not over \$25 on the gift. It's your call. That's it for now.

Ride Safe

Bear OH Yes, I heard a winter tip the other day. Do Not make Snow Angels in a Dog Park.

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The ABATE of Kansas Dis. 3 meeting was on Dec. 3rd, 2023 it began shortly after one with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for downed brothers. There were 45 members in attendance.

Arlene gave the secretary's report. There was a new member who signed up. Dale motioned for the newsletter and chuck second. All agreed. Tada motioned to accept the secretary report and Al second that. All agreed.

Kitty gave the treasurer report. Al motioned to accept the treasurer's report and Chuck second it. All agreed.

State report was given by Russel and he brought up members asking about things at the state level being voted on without it being brought to the members. That being said, Life Membership used to be a lot more and they made it less. They have an emergency fund where the money goes into a CD to secure future events. They want to give the members a chance to decide if half that money goes into a CD and half in the general fund or if it all goes into the state CD. It was

asked if they were going to change how memberships are needed to get a free lifetime. Dale made the motion that we take it to the state that the entire lifetime memberships go straight into the CD. It was second Curtis and all agreed. The motion to accept the state report was given by Chuck and Chris second that. All agreed.

Toy run recap. We need to get shirts sold. It was suggested that we only make shirts on milestone years. What if we have a presale or raffle something off next year? Russel was talking about raffling a gun safe. Linda suggested that we do a preorder and then have order forms at the toy run. Kitty stated that there is a minimum of the amount of orders that you can make for the discount. Steve suggested to get more members or businesses from the community to come our toy run and try to sell t-shirts that way. Sherry motioned that we raffle a gun safe with a limit on what we spend. We will start with 300 tickets at \$10 a ticket. Kitty suggested that we shop for one now while things are on sale. Dale motioned that we cap the





amount and Chris second that motion. Motion passed. We will try to have raffle ticket available hopefully by next meeting. Dale mentioned bringing to the Bike Show and Rally and selling ticket there. There was a suggestion that we start selling at the rally. Dustin mentioned just printing a picture on poster board and not move the safe around. One person suggested 500 at \$5 or 300 at \$10. Show of hands voted that 300 tickets be printed. The moneys gained will recoup for the safe and the rest will go to the food bank. T-shirts were brought up Mike motioned that we sell them at cost. Tim second the motion. The motion did not pass. Chuck motioned to put them on the Facebook page for 20 for two months and then discount them to 15. Linda second that motion and it passed.

Artwork for the shirt design and flyer were passed around. With a show of hands, the vintage flyer will be our design for this year. Nick has offered to make us a new banner for the tank top kerfuffle from last year. It was suggested that if we update the seal and make sure that D3 is one there. Bring design ideas for the banner to the next meeting and we will vote on them then. We missed a year because of Covid. This will be the 37th Rally. Get it on the flyer!!! The band will also be on the flyer as soon as we have that locked down.

Jamon led the ballot counting. CJ and Tim and Troll counted ballots.

Turkey shoot was suggested that we do it March 2nd. Little Sherry stated that Bill will need help with it this year because of the work on their house. Motion was made by Denny and Chris second that. All were in favor. The Caney meeting is

generally the same weekend of the Turkey shoot and we would rather keep that. Hawg Waddle date April 20th. Zach suggested that we raffle off a smoker.

Angela stated that people said that it was too expensive. We sold them for \$10 a ticket. Chris stated that he will get the hog and the processing donated. Last year we did 500 tickets. Tracy suggested that we do 300 at \$5 a ticket. We will keep it open to be able to print more tickets. Dale motioned that we do 300 tickets at \$5 a ticket Chuck second it. All agreed.

Ol' Bastards Ball, Russel mentioned that we should not make it such a revenue thing and try to make it more of recognition of the elders. It was asked who the oldest member was here and it was handed to Papa Dave. There was a mention that we have the event every other year. Brotherton stated that the auction was nice, but things are tight right now. Russel stated that he would rather not have the auction this year and just have the celebration and dinner. Eric suggested that we do it in Parsons in order to get our name back there. February 17th was mentioned. Denny made the motion and Eric second that. Motion passed. Catering was tabled for later.

Angela brought up wanting to do an adult prom in September and whatever money is raised, we try to keep it in district and helping out families that may need help with Christmas. Russel said to try to get something together and bring something that we can talk about rather than tabling it over and over.

We have discussed the chili feed/ pool tournament. Russel mentioned that Natasha and Josh have a lot going on and

it was asked if we could get this going. Chris asked if we could do it in January. Al asked if we could use our downed biker fund. Russel does not want to touch that. Zach moved that we do January and do not touch the downed biker's fund. Sherry suggested the 20th. Trisha asked that we pass the hat right now and then get this deal locked down. Kitty will take the money directly to her on Tuesday. Linda asked for the 20th as well. Sherry C. motioned for the 20th at the Parsons VFW and Glenda second it. All were in favor.

Russel and Tracy had an idea to have a district wide poker run. We would have a stop in every county. Chris asked if we could make it a two-day run and many people stated that it would be hard to do that. Denny suggested that we do it in the summer when we have longer days. Tracy and Russel want to call it the Longer than Hell Poker Run. Only chips will be drawn instead of cards. It was suggested the 22nd of June. Zach motioned it and Tada second it. All agreed. Speed asked about outside people not wanting to come because it will be too long. Al stated that we have a contact at every stop and run it at your own pace. Tracy stated that you get a prize for making the entire run, a patch be made. Russel wanted to table it until a later date.

Meeting Calendar... ALL MEETINGS AT 1PM

Jan. 7th Cherokee Legion
Feb. 4th Arma Legion
Mar. 3rd Caney Legion
Apr. 7th Girard Legion
May 5th Girard Bike Show and Rally
June 2nd Parsons VFW
July 7th Chanute Legion
Aug. 4th Columbus VFW

Sept. 8th Ft. Scott – Denny will ask around.

Oct. 6th Bert's Tavern Yates Center - 13th

Neewollah is the 26th downtown Independence

Nov. 3rd Erie Legion

Nov. 30th Toy run

Independence Park

Dec. 1st Coffeyville Legion

Russel mentioned that we are riding for all motorcyclists. We need to be riding and supporting other organizations like Bikers for Christ their annual dirt drags April 27th in Fredonia at the Fair Grounds or Speeds organization (Loners MC).

Tada said that we should get our dates to them as well. Bikers for Christ are helping Natasha and Josh and we need to support them as well. Tada said that they will have their legion scheduling meeting on Feb. 10th

Sponsorship binders are ready. Zion Lutheran donated the materials and we agreed to donate to the school.

Arlene is working on a services binder or tri-fold for members to know who has what skill and services that they can help other members with.

50/50 Donna won it and donated it back to Down Bikers Fund

End of year raffle was won by Lila.

Elections were announced by Jamon. SOA was won by Dustin. Secretary was won by Arlene. Russel will be our District Rep for the next two years.

Linda Motioned to adjourn and Chris second that motion. All were in favor.





DISTRICT



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District Rep RC Harman

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RC called the December 10th, 2023 ABATE of Kansas District 4 meeting at Papan's Landing to order at 1:18 PM. There were 10 members and guests present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was held in remembrance of passed brothers and sisters, our military, and first responders.

Secretary's Report: The November 12th minutes are in the newsletter. Frank moved to waive the reading, Alvin seconded, approved. We did the drawing for the bike lift; David was the winner.

Financial Report: Debbie provided it and summarized what we have in the RFTW account and the cash received for Toys for Tots that we have received to give to the Marine Corp.

State Report: April 20th at the Ramada the Coalition of Clubs is planning a meeting for motorcycle organizations and clubs get together to try and discuss how to work together for motorcycle rights. Bikers Under the Dome on January 30th. The state wants to start District 21, which would compose of past ABATE members who have passed. Tammy is resigning from the

Corporate Secretary so we'll need someone to fill that position.

AMA/MRF Report: Please read the MRF report in the newsletter. Join the MRF and the AMA to support advocacy efforts in Washington. Discussion about the value of being a member, as well as the ability to sign up for digital posts.

Old Business: 2023 Toys for Tots Ride: We did ok despite the snow that shot down the actual report. Planning to help them sort toys and present them a check from the cash proceeds, just need to get a date established. Thanks to Alvin's mother and Brenda for baking cookies for the event.

2024 District Calendar: We need to put this together soon.

Upcoming events: Christmas Party: December 16th at One More Please (former Double D's). Bring a side dish.

Bowl-a-thon is scheduled to be on January 21st but Westridge Bowl has new owners so not sure what will happen, will send confirmation about it as soon as we know.

Next meeting: January 14, 2024, at Papan's Landing Senior Center

Motion to adjourn at 2:00 PM

those serving our country.

Sergeant at Arms Report: Tank reported on the members and visitors present.

Membership Report: Tony reported on the membership status of the District.

Product Line Report: Tony reported on the product line. There are still "Look Twice, Save a Life" license plates available. The price on the license plates has been further reduced. There are men's and women's sizes on all shirts, tanks, and hoodies. The district will continue to hold off on ordering new product until more of the current product is sold.

Secretary's Report: James went over the minutes from the November meeting. There were no questions and the minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Tony reported on the accounts, based on the report from Geoff. All accounts are up to date and in good standing.

State Report: Tony reported to the district on the items from the State Meeting. Please see the State Meeting report for the minutes from the State Meeting.

Legislative Report: H.R.-4468: Choice in Automobile Retail Sales Act (CARS Act stops the agenda to force Americans to drive electric vehicles) – Goes to full House vote the week of this meeting.

H.R.-906: Right to Repair Act – is not out of committee yet. Representatives can still be contacted (respectfully) to let them know how the public feels on the right to be able to do repairs to your motorcycle, lawnmower, chainsaw, car, etc.

H.B.4468: To prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from finalizing, implementing, or enforcing a

proposed rule with respect to emissions from vehicles, and for other purposes. Neither Davis nor Turner from Kansas have jumped on the bill yet, so mention your support.

Old Business: Party in a wagon tickets for the End of Year Party were still available at the meeting, as well as up to and during the party. Donations for the door prizes and silent auction are and will still being sought after and accepted for the End of Year Party.

The votes were counted for the District 5 board positions up for election. Debbie Harden was re-elected for the position of Assistant District Representative. Angela Thomasson was elected as the Treasurer.

The food menu has changed for the December State Meeting, which District 5 will be hosting.

New Business: There was some discussion about the District 5 website, as well as if the district should continue using the square to be able to accept credit/debit card purchases. The discussion about the square was tabled for another meeting.

There was some talk about a location for where to host the 2024 State Meeting and End of Year Party. Members are to think of some other locations, if not the Moose Lodge, and bring them back to the district. The discussion was then tabled.

The January District 5 Meeting will be held at noon on Saturday, January 6th, 2024 at Big D's on the Hill in Kansas City, KS.

The February District 5 Meeting will be held at noon on Saturday, February 3rd, 2024 at Big D's on the Hill in Kansas City, KS. There will be a chili cook-off during this meeting. If you think you make a mean

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District Rep Tony Rawls-Riley

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The December District 5 Meeting was held at noon on Saturday, December 2nd, 2023 at Big D's on the Hill in Kansas City, KS. Tony

called the meeting to order. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence for lost brothers and sisters, as well as





chili, bring some in to put it in the contest and share it with everyone.

The March District 5 Meeting will be held at noon on Saturday, March 2nd, 2024 at Papa C's BBQ in Paola, KS

(807 S. Silver St., Paola, KS 66071).

A motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded, no one opposed and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

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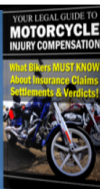
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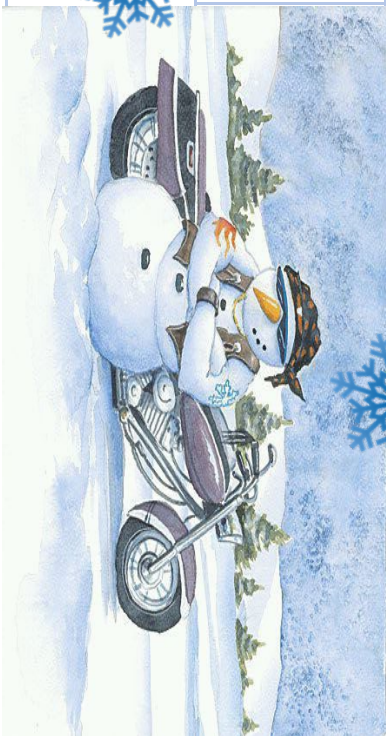
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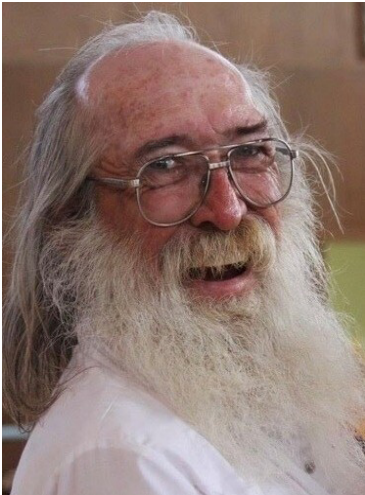


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IN MEMORY



Troy Allen Love, age 66, passed away on December 8, 2023 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He was born on July 20, 1957 to Elmer and Pauline Love. Troy served in the Marines, but was medically discharged. He was a retired heavy equipment operator and enjoyed hunting, fishing, riding horses and motorcycles.

Troy was a loving father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer and Pauline, his son Clayton Allen Love, daughter Shasta C. Cook, and grandchildren. He will be deeply missed by his surviving children, Dallas and Nikki Love, Tyrell and Kasey Love, Juanita Pauline Little, Ryan and Ashley Fagala, Joshua Dale Searcy, Brandy Lynn Gilbert, Donald and Stormy Venable, and Misty Rayne Love. He also leaves behind many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, friends, and cousins.

A burial will be held at the Highpoint Cemetery in Buffalo Oklahoma on December 11th 2023 at 1pm. Troy will be remembered for his kind heart, strong work ethic, and love for his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.



Frank "Hank" Lewis Spellman, 72, passed away on Monday, December 4, at St. Luke's North Hospital, surrounded by his loved ones. He is survived by his devoted wife of 50 years, Marla Wacker Spellman, and their cherished children, Amy Turner (Brian), Nick Spellman (Sandy), and Marc Spellman (Jen). He is also survived by eight beloved grandchildren, Bryce Turner, Brett Turner, Ashlyn Turner, Tyler Spellman, Samantha "Pax" Spellman, Audrey Spellman, Avery Spellman, and Amelia Spellman.

Hank was born on December 13, 1950 to Ray and Genie Spellman in Leavenworth, KS. He was the youngest of three boys. Ray II and Ron Spellman survive him. Hank attended St. Paul's Lutheran School, graduated from Leavenworth High School in 1968, and received a degree in psychology and sociology from Kansas State University in 1972. While at KSU, Hank was on the rifle team and supported his future wife by going to many games to watch her cheer. EMAW!

Hank spent 25 years in law enforcement, mostly as a detective for the Leavenworth County Sheriff's Department. Following that, he was co-owner of Pullman Place, Santa Fe Depot, and Unger's Bakery. He then went to work at the KC airport in food and beverage management until his retirement in 2018. In his retirement, Hank enjoyed attending events for his eight grandchildren, going to estate sales, and traveling with friends.

Throughout his life, Hank enjoyed playing and coaching softball and baseball. He was a vendor selling BBQ for Abate for 25 years at Lake Perry and other locations. He loved entertaining, hosting many driveway and holiday parties with friends and family.

He leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, and unforgettable memories. Hank touched the lives of many through his larger than life personality and charisma. He never met a stranger and would do anything for anyone. Hank's memory will forever be cherished, and his spirit will live on in the hearts of those who were fortunate enough to know him.

Family and friends are invited to a visitation on Sunday, December 10, 2023, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the R.L. Leintz Funeral Home. A funeral service will begin at 10 a.m. Monday, December 11, 2023, at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Research Hospital or Children's Mercy.



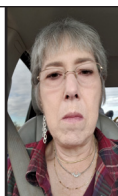


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District Rep Glenna Day
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Abate of Kansas District 7 meeting was called to order at 7:00pm December 7, 2400 Post Ave by District Rep Glenna. We began the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and then observed a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Roll call followed; 4 officers and 5 members were present.

Treasurers report; Brittney gave the financial report.

The secretary's report was waived since there was no meeting in November due to not enough board members available to attend.

State report District Rep Glenna did not attend but you can read the minutes in the newsletter.

Old business was discussed

next; we went over the toy run. We discussed doing thank you's, contacting the recipients of the toys, distribution of the toys and serving a meal and snacks during the toy handout. We will meet Sunday at 1pm at 2400 Post Ave to do the thanks you and call the families.

New business; the March State meeting was discussed. We confirmed the VFW as the location and having the car show and vendors again. A fundraiser or donation was discussed for Sherry Gillespie she is currently going through Chemo therapy and radiation for cancer.

Next District 7 monthly meeting January 11, 2024 at 6:30pm 2400 Post Ave.

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The Abate of Kansas District 8 Meeting was called to order at 3pm on December 10, 2023. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was given for not only for our fallen brothers and sisters but for Hank Spellman as well. Roll call was completed and missing a few county reps and Member at Large. Currently the district does not have a member at large. If you are interested in standing in, please get with one of the district board members.

District 8 had a guest speaker today and that was Brian Van Dyke who thanked Tammy for all her hard work for ABATE

of Kansas. Also, Brian thanked Tony for all his hard work as our lobbyist this past year and gave him his bonus from the State!! Secretary report was read and a motion was made by Steve, seconded by Rose to accept them as read. Treasurer report was next by Tony and after much discussion Brian made a motion to eliminate the service charge, by going to paperless account for the saving account. Rose seconded the motioned and it was passed. The next thing on the agenda was the State report which was gone over by Lyndsey. MRF report was gone over

and Bikers Inside the Beltway is May 20/21st in Washington D.C. Are you going? You should! January 26 and 27th is Republican Days in Overland Park at the Marriot. January 30th is also Bikers Under the Dome! Tony through in that he still has gun tickets!! So please find him, call him, Facebook him, or you know get with for some tickets before they're gone!! These are all super fantastic events to attend and make a difference!!!! So please get out there and get your voice out there! Next discussion was the date of the May District meeting! Tammy made a motion to move the date from May 12th to May 5th. Motion was seconded by Brian. Motion passed. Next topic for discussion was the location and

what food we would have for the February meeting since we as District 8 is hosting it!

Meeting will be held at Moose Lodge at 12p in Hutchinson, Kansas and we will be serving chicken so bring a dish or desert and join us!! Upcoming events was discussed lastly and Harley Holidays is next Saturday the 16th at Salty Cycles from 11a-2p. So, bring the kids, and get some goodies!! Next District Meeting will be at American Legion Post 10 in Winfield, KS. Thank you, Cowley County, for hosting! 50/50 drawing was done and Bill William won! Due to paperwork problems the election results will be announced at January meeting! Meeting was adjourned at 4:20pm.



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The ABATE of Kansas District 9 meeting was called to order at 12:57pm on December 10th, 2023, with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence given, with 27 members, and 5 county reps, and 1 guest present.

The secretary's report was given and approved.

The treasurer's report: None
State News: See state news in the newsletter.

Awareness report: Nothing new.

Products report: Items are for sale.

Website report: All updated. Facebook is current.

Old Business: Report on Marion County toy run.

New Business: Information on members family, hat passed for donations. Meeting calendar set for 2024.

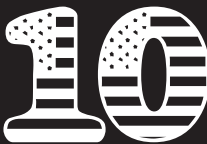
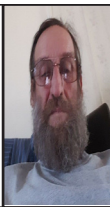
Upcoming events: Russ'





birthday party January 20th.
Drawing: Jeremy
Thanks to Virg's for hosting
the meeting and Ron, Deb, and
everyone for the food.

Next meeting January 14th at
Russ and Myrna's in Galva.
February meeting the 11th at
Miltonvale EMS building.

	Finney, Grant, Hamilton, Haskell, Kearney, Morton, Seward, Stanton, Stevens 620-640-8471 Milton "John" Mowery	
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ABATE of Kansas
District 10 meeting was held
on December 3, 2023, at the
American Legion, 405 South
Main, Garden City, KS.
District Representative John
M. called the meeting to order
at 12:00 PM. The Pledge of
Allegiance was said, followed
by a moment of silence for
our fallen brothers and sisters.
Roll call followed. All board
members were in attendance
minus Kelly N., and Milton
M., which are both excused.
There were 14 members in
attendance. Sharilyn S. read
the minutes from November's
meeting. Dallas S. made the
motion, William S 2nd, all
approved. Yolanda S. read
the financial reports. William
S. made the motion, Ray D.
2nd, all approved. Terry D.
was given a chance to explain
why he was absent from the
last meeting. Mark E. made a
motion to accept, Dallas S. 2nd,
all approved. John M. has made
contact with Ron V. at the state
to discuss some concerns and
express some complaints that

he has had. Ron told John M.
he would have something for
him by the 3rd week of January.
Group went to Pershing Manor
to hand out Christmas gifts to
the residents. Old Business:
Cookies with Santa was a huge
success. Bingo concessions
are steady. Still needing more
people to step up and help.
Saturday Dec. 9 at 1:00 PM we
will be presenting the cancer
center the check for the money
that was raised. If you want
to be a part of the pictures
and tour, you need to be at the
cancer center by 12:45PM.
New business: Discussion
of January 20th to have our
Sock Hop and February 10th
Valentines Dinner and Dance.
Start thinking about Freedom
Bash and what we can do. Need
to start advertising soon. Red
G. made a motion to reimburse
Mark E. for gas expenses for
traveling to meeting. Rose
K. 2nd. All Approved. Next
meeting will be January 7 12:00
PM at the American Legion,
405 South Main. The meeting is
adjourned at 1:40 PM.

	Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Leavenworth, Nemaha district11.abateks.org District Rep Doyle Pendergraft 913-704-9233	
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The ABATE of Kansas
District 11 meeting was
called to order at 2:00 PM on
12/03/2023 at Tom's Country
Stampede in Leavenworth with

the Pledge of Allegiance and
a moment of silence for all
our fallen brothers and sisters.
There were 12 members and no
guests in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Rusty
read the minutes from the last
meeting from the newsletter –
all approved.

Treasurer's Report: Rusty
read the checking and savings
account statements for
November – all approved.

Assistant Rep's Report:
Discussion held over gun
options for 2025 to raffle at
FE (Field Events) that year
since that will be our 25th
anniversary. Keegan is working
on art ideas – working with
Jason as well on possible gun
rack options to display and
eventually give as part of the
25th anniversary gun package.

Atchison County Report:
Nothing to report.

Leavenworth County Report:
Ric is MIA - hope all goes well
tomorrow (lol). Doyle is taking
the VA goodie bags that Ruth
provided and will meet with Ric
later to deliver the bags to the
VA.

Doniphan County Report:
Robin requested flyers for
the February Pool & Dart
tournament. Lea (I forgot) will
make the flyers for the pool &
dart tournament and have them
available at the next meeting.
Wreaths Across America at
the Leavenworth National
Cemetery is on Dec. 16th –
11:00 meeting time - location to
be announced later by Robin.

Brown & Nemaha County
Report: Nothing to report.

Products Report: Shirt order
is still pending and has not been
picked up yet. Nothing else to
report.

State Report: The state
meeting is next weekend so
nothing significant to report.
Byron and Lori attended our
district meeting, so Byron
mentioned that we have an open
corporate Secretary position.
Doyle had a discussion with

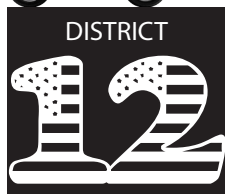
Rep. Jeff Pittman prior to the
Toy Run – they discussed the
Right to Repair and Profiling
bills.

Old Business: Robin
mentioned the vague wording
used on the Dead Red bill – he
was trying to do some research
on the status of that bill.
Discussion was held as a group
on the Dead Red bill and Byron
provided his input on how that
bill reads. Keegan mentioned
that the helmet law changes
in NE will go into effect soon
and the stipulations around not
having to wear a helmet when
those changes go into effect.

New Business: Lea made
a motion to reimburse Ruth
for the expenses that went
into the VA gift bags – Jason
S seconded the motion – all
approved. Another motion
made by Lea to have the district
pay for these gift bag expenses
in all future years as well - Mo
seconded the motion – all
approved. Doyle announced
the D11 ballot winners: Doyle
is the District Rep, Rusty is the
district secretary, Chop is the
Atchison County Rep, and Ric
Campbell is the Leavenworth
County Rep – congratulations
to all. Lori mentioned that
due to the lack of a corporate
secretary right now, anything
that would have normally gone
to the secretary should now
go through the ABATE State
office until a new secretary is
identified.

Mo motioned to close the
meeting – seconded by Lea –
meeting was closed at 2:42 PM.
The next monthly meeting will
be at the Atchison VFW on
01/07/2024 at 2:00 PM.





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District Rep Barry "Nasty" Lorson
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ABATE of Kansas District 12 meeting was held December 3rd, 2023 at the American Legion in Emporia, KS. District Rep Barry called the meeting to order at 2:00PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, followed with a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. RIDE FREE... We had 19 members attend with all board members and a few guests. With guest being present secretary and treasurer's report was waved. Motion was made 1st by Bob and 2nd by Joe.

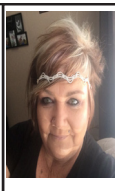
Our Emporia Toy Drive went very well this year. We had 4 tables full with 8 bicycles that were split. One half went to the Salvation Army and the other went to Shiloh House. Would like to thank everyone who pitched in and donated.

Chili cook off went really well. We had 8 different ones. Joe C. won hottest, Mike L won best name, and Bob B. and

Mark S. won best flavor. Thank you everyone who came out. Clay from American Legion donated part of the proceeds to our district.

T shirt designs are due at our next meeting for new T shirts to be made for our district. The bike show banner for the memory of people who have past is going well. We have already got a great number of names and enjoying going back through history and pictures. State meeting in April will be held at the VFW 932 Graphic Arts Rd, Emporia, KS on April 13th when we have our Spring Fling Bike Show.

Our next meeting will be January 14th at 2:00PM at the American Legion in Emporia, KS. Our February meeting will be at 2:00PM at the VFW in Emporia, KS. Motion was made to end the meeting, 1st by Bob and 2nd by Joe.



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ABATE of Kansas District 13, Dec. 10, 2023,

Meeting was called to order at the Winona Café in Winona Ks. At 2:36.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Skylar followed by a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters.

Board members present: Jimbo, Curtis and Bruce. There were 7 members present.

Sec. report it was recommended to read it in the newsletter.

Tres. Report given by Jimbo.

Andrea motioned to accept and Pam 2nd.

State report: Please read the newsletter.

Buffalo Run:

Still waiting to hear from Gove about the bands playing until 1 or 2 am. Food vendors are in the works. No answers from some of the bands yet. Next Tuesday is locked in. -1 degree is not available. No answer from Strong Like a Bull. Cheri is contacting Esper Winds. If you have a vender have them, contact Jimbo or Curtis. The vendor fee

is \$25. State Meeting will be there again.

Beer from Grinnell again, they transported to and from the rally and manned the beer garden last year.

Andrea made a motion to get Grinnell again and Pam 2nd, Motion passed.

Raffle items; 9mm or 380 Pit Bull donated by Bang Brothers. Kevin made a motion to sell tickets for the 380, Andrea 2nd, motion passed.

Tickets will be \$10 each and there will be 300 sold.

Curtis will be checking into something for the poker run. Possibly a PPK 380 or bigger.

Andrea and Kevin will donate a metal flag.

Darla made a motion for the tickets for Raffle to be \$1 each, 6 for \$5 and long arm pull \$20. Pam 2nd, motion passed.

Games for rally:

It was suggested to possibly have a cornhole tournament. Will need vol. to work it. Andrea will get the number of a man that makes the boards.

Darla, Bruce, Raymond and Laurie Harper volunteered to

work the tournament.

Darla made a motion to add a cornhole tournament and Pam 2nd, motion passed.

Darla and Bruce will donate a set of cornhole boards D13 will buy 2nd set.

Kevin made a motion to keep bike show and games the same as last year, Andrea 2nd motion passed.

H & H will be contacted about porta pots.

Ask Highway Guardians if they will do the misting tent and first aid station again.

Andrea made a motion to close new business Laurie 2nd.

Future Meeting dates:

Jan. Colby at the Bee Hive

Feb. Goodland at Tequila's

Mar, Oakley at Tres Hermanos

Apr. Scott City at the Scott

Rec.

May Sharon Springs location

TBA

June Buffalo Run

Andrea made a motion to accept meeting locations Darla 2nd. Motion passed.

Kevin made a motion to adjourn Meeting Laurie 2nd Meeting adjourned at 3:30.



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The December 2023 meeting for ABATE of Kansas District 15 was held at the Blue Room/McGraws in Manhattan, Kansas. The meeting was called to order by District Rep. Tony R at 2:10pm. Opening ceremonies were observed with a Moment of Silence for Hank, our First Responders and Service Members. Seth H. moved and Lance V. seconded to dispense with the Secretary's report. Jen S. gave the Treasurer's report. Lance V. and Seth H. moved to accept the report, both motions passed.

Old business: Gifts for the Leonardville Nursing Home Veterans and residents will be delivered on Sunday, December 17 at 2pm. Jen H. will have the gifts collected for them. The Run for the Wall letter has been approved. Jen H. will get those printed and ready for mailing or emailing by the first part of January. Contacts for the gas station, Central Route and National Coordinator will be notified.

Tony reported that the Bridging the Gap event will take place April 20, 2024 at





the Topeka Ramada Inn, he encouraged everyone that could to attend.

New business: Start thinking about the Awareness Ride, Lance V. and Seth H. moved and seconded that the ride be Saturday, May 11, 2024. Motion passed. Seth H. and Lori G. moved that the Hawg Wild Bash be held the weekend of June 29, 2024 at Fancy Creek. Motion passed. Lori G. will contact Tuttle Creek Lake to reserve the camp site. Planning for both events will start after the new year.

Lance V. asked about doing another raffle early next year. He then moved to discuss this proposal at the January meeting,

motion seconded and passed.

Jen H. read a note from Judy Padgett, coordinator for Toys For Manhattan, thanking us for the toys gathered on the toy run.

The January 14 meeting will be at the Little Grill, Manhattan, Kansas at 2pm. February's is at the Manhattan Eagles.

With no other business, meeting adjourned at 3:05pm.

Thank you to all the businesses and hostesses that allowed us to hold our meetings in your establishments. We hope to do more with you next year.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Hardy, District 15 Secretary.

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Tuesday November 12th

Tuesday December 17th

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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.

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Do I need my ABATE card?

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Is ABATE just about helmets?

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

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