



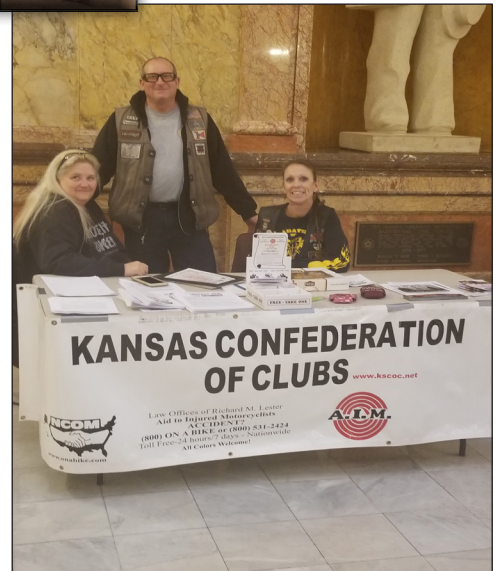
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MARCH STATE MEETING

Saturday, March 10th, 2018

RC McGraw's
2317 Tuttle Creek Blvd,
Manhattan, KS

MEETING STARTS AT 12:00 Noon

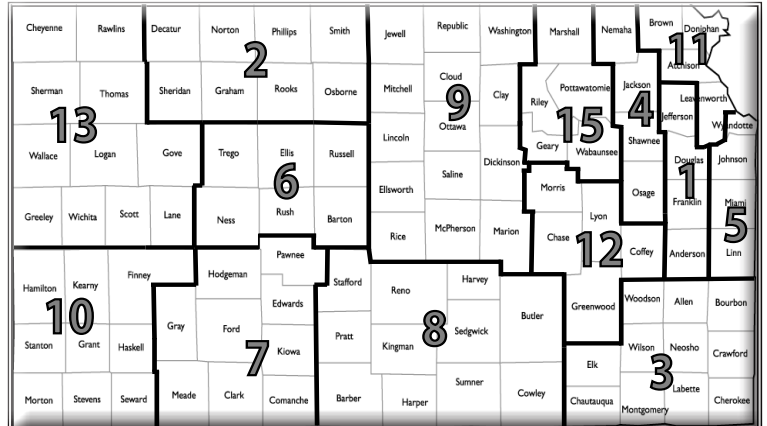
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
ROLL CALL; SECRETARY
REPORT; FINANCIAL REPORT;
LOBBYIST REPORT; MRF REPORT;
MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS
REPORT; PUBLIC RELATION
REPORT; MID-SOUTH MILE;
CORPORATE SECRETARY;
NEWSLETTER REPORT; WEB SITE
REPORT; PRODUCT LINE REPORT;
OLD BUSINESS; NEW BUSINESS;
UPCOMING EVENTS

UPCOMING STATE MEETINGS:

April 14th - (Dist 12) VFW Emporia
May 5th - (Dist 3) Girard Co Fairground
June 9th - (Dist 13) Colonial Steakhouse, Oakley

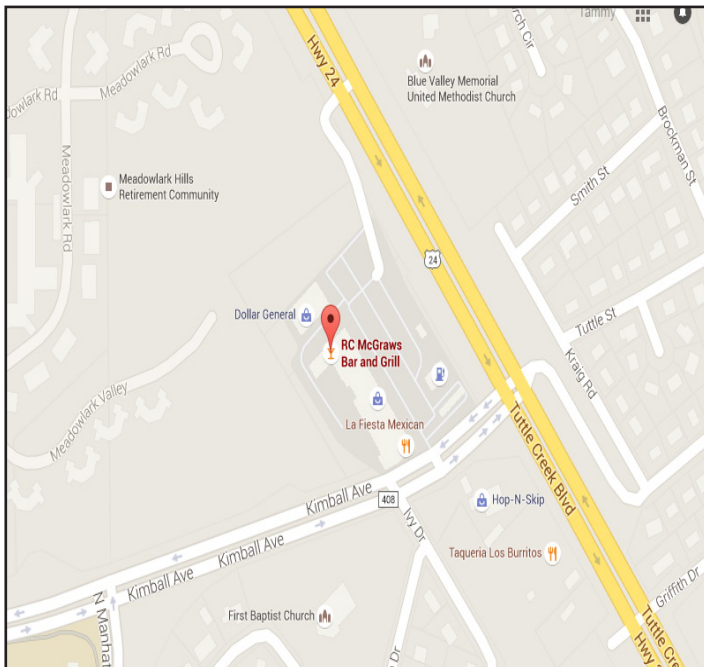
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MEETING, ALL STATE MEETINGS
ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE!

ABATE of Kansas District Map



A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas is divided into Districts by county. Each District
header lists the encompassed counties for each respective District.

To determine which District you are in, find your county name in the
headers, and the number designates the containing District. Every
active District of A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas has an elected District
Representative.



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State Meeting

Feb 10th, 2018 State Meeting
Meeting called to Order @
12:03 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Roll Call- All present except
for District 6, 7, 13, and 15.
Richard B for District 1.

Corporate Secretary absent also.

Guest Speakers -Sis
introduced Wink Hartman,
who is running for Governor in
Kansas. Sis also introduced Leo
Delperdang, who is a current
member of the Kansas House of
Representatives, serving at the
94th House District. Thank you
both for attending the meeting
and answering questions.

Secretary Report- Read by
Amber. Dora stated that the
motions did not have who
seconded them as she had
written. Motion made by Tony
to approve the minutes with the
changes to last month's motion
being added. Motion passed by
show of hands.

Financial report- Brian
went over report in the packet.
Discussion took place about
putting each district financials
on the state report. Take back to
your district for their opinion.

Old Business- Districts
need to send in calendar of
events ASAP for insurance
purposes. Paul reported that
the operational loan has been
paid off utilizing 3 CDs. Paul
stated that he would like to
see a certain amount put into
a CD for future use. A motion
was made by Jon to put a
predetermined amount after
LDR into a CD for future use.
Motion passed with all board
members voting yes except
Districts 8 & 12.

Byron, Ringo, Paul, Lori met
with people to move power
poles at the rally site. Cost is

not feasible at this time. Rally
t-shirt designs are needed by
April 9th.

Lunch 1:31 p.m.- 2:21 p.m.
Thank you District 8 for lunch.

New Business- Republican
days is February 16th and 17th
in Wichita @ Hyatt Hotel.
Please attend if possible.
Washington days will be March
2nd & 3rd in Topeka @ the
Ramada downtown. ABATE
will have a hospitality room on
Friday, March 2nd.

LDR

Site coordinator - Paul H-
Absent.

Security- nothing at this time.
Battle of the Bands- this year
is district 1-6 area bands. Please
send in band info asap. Let Lori
know if you can't find a band.

Mainstage- waiting on
contracts before announcements
are made. Bids have been sent
out to 12 DJ's.

Vendor- Contacted vendors-
adding early bird wording to
contract.

State products- Will have
them.

Sheriff/EMT/Fire- Good to
go.

Beverage Garden- Tent/
Canopy this year. 30x90 tent.
There's 6 p.m. open.

Good for volunteers- No
mixed beverages Thursday.

Want picnic tables- short
tables everywhere. Will have
to check out in nicer weather.
A motion was made by Richard
to take a break this year from
wrestling entertainment at the
rally due to low attendance.
Passed by a show of hands.
Entertainment ideas are
welcome.

District 1 beverage garden
- will have a larger tent this
year. Richard asked about more
tables. Paul said we would have

to look once it was warmer.

Main stage beverage garden-
good to go. Will have new
beverages this year.

District 4 beverage garden-
good to go. Paul asked that they
get order to state a.s.a.p.

Bike games- no issues

Dirt Drags- Good to go.

Shower / ice- ready, may
need help. Additional ice chest
will be at the shower house.

Frontgate- Paul asked that 2
members from each district help
during the day to relieve front
gate workers. Fencing for the
front gate needs to be set up on
Wed. Paul said there would be
an early bird meeting after the
meeting.

Membership- Paul approved
purchasing a new computer
last week for the office. It will
hold memberships only on it
that will be manually hand
typed on it. Paul read the letter
presented by John from District
9 membership secretary, (Janet
Bush) regarding concerns with
the membership list.

Calendar- Went over great.
A motion was made by Jack to
make another ABATE calendar
for next year. Motion passed
with all board members voting
yes except district 1 & 5 voting
no & district 10 who abstained.
Will try to have a proof ready
by September and calendars
ready by November.

Larry presented a donation to
ABATE from BBA Sunflower
Design and Furniture Company
in Russell KANSAS. Thank
You.

Lobbyists report - Steve
thanked the around 45 people
who attended Bikers Under
the Dome. Please see report
newsletter.

MRF - Please see report in
newsletter

Public Relations- Sis thanked
everyone that attended Bikers
Under the Dome

MidSouth MILE-Committee
meeting next weekend. MILE
will be somewhere outside
Oklahoma City. Sis asked for
basket ideas by April.

Newsletter- Tammy said it
went better this month

Website- Sheri is working on
asst. editor job description.

Corporate secretary report-
Ken did the report in Sheri's
absence. Ken asked for a
motion to accept the previously
proposed changes to bylaws.
A motion was made by Doyle
to approve amendments to the
bylaws that were posted in Jan
& Feb newsletters. Motion was
approved by all board members.
Membership committee asked
to provide business links to
membership. Tony RR made a
motion to add business links to
the gold & silver memberships.
Passed by show of hands.

Entertainment fundraiser-
Lori asked about purchasing
a guitar for a predetermined
amount & having the head
liners at LDR sign it for a
fundraising idea. Passed by a
show of hands. Byron asked
about putting collection cans at
LDR for the Perry Lake Marina
firework show. It was decided
not to at this time.

Door Prize- MRF & Door
Prize both won by Lori H.

Upcoming Events
Motion to adjourn at 4:55.





Attention

District Representatives and treasurers
Send your treasurer reports to the following

E-mails

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Thank you,
Brian Van Dyke
Treasurer
ABATE of Kansas



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Please be advised we will be ending our bring a guest in for member price option.

2018 Gate Admission
Members \$30.00
Non-Member \$50.00

Sign up to be a member today!
Help protect motorcycle rights

Individual memberships \$30.00
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Guest Speakers, Wink Hartman, republican candidate for Governor of Kansas, pictured left. Leo Delperdang,

current member of the Kansas House of Representatives, serving at the 94th District. Pictured right.





A.B.A.T.E. OF KANSAS, INC.

NOTICE OF APPROVED AMENDMENTS TO POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Approved during the monthly Board of Director's Meeting: January 13, 2018

F. A member may change districts upon written request. The member will be allowed to vote in one (1) district election during the calendar year in which the change of district was made. When the member changes districts during the calendar year and has voted in a district election prior to the move to a new district he/she will be ineligible to vote in the new district's election.

G. Each A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas, Inc. district shall be granted one (1) membership application per year at the January State BOD meeting to be awarded to a current member or given to a non-member who has performed tasks for the good of the organization. The District Board shall determine who will be the recipient of the one-year membership and is valid for one (1) year. All other memberships will be paid for or earned as a participant in the Incentive Program.

H. The membership in A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas, Inc. is valid for 12 months beginning with the month the application was completed and payment received. Memberships will not be extended beyond the 365 days without one of the following actions being completed:

1. Membership being renewed by completing a hard copy application with payment or completing an On-Line application with payment.
2. Participation in the Incentive Program, earning an award of a one-year membership.
3. Receive a free one-year membership as outlined in the Bylaws &/or Policies and Procedures.





ABATE of Kansas Inc.

Wants Your T-Shirt Designs
For our 43rd Annual Labor Day Rally
Entries must be received by
April 9th, 2018

Artwork must include:

August 31st - September 3rd, 2018

ABATE of Kansas, Inc.

43rd Annual National Labor Day Rally

Winner Receives:

Pass to the Rally, T-Shirt & Cash Prize



Send Artwork To:
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LOBBYIST REPORT

The turmoil at the national level continues, I'm afraid. The government had a 3 day shut down until a short term spending bill was passed, but it has to be renewed by February 8th. The primary issue is how to incorporate an immigration bill, and our congress is all over the place with it. According to polls over 75% of the public say there should be a way for the "Dreamers" to continue to live in the U.S., and a pathway to citizenship, but there has been little consensus in Congress.

President Trump re-nominated Governor Brownback as the ambassador for religious freedom, and the Senate narrowly approved the appointment (Vice-President Pence cast the tie breaking vote). Brownback was approved and resigned from the Governor's office on January 31st. Lt. Governor Colyer was sworn into office as Governor that afternoon. He has yet to announce the new Lt. Governor, as I write this. There has been little discussion so far about an education plan that must be submitted to the Supreme Court in April. I expect this topic, as well as the budget, to become a focal point of the legislature in the coming weeks.

The 2018 Legislative Session opened on Monday, January 8th. The first couple of weeks in the session were relatively slow, as expected, but things started moving by the end of the month as the various committees started meeting and new bills were being introduced. Four bills of interest to motorcyclists, at this point at least, are SB274, SB99, HB2194, and HB2188. SB274 adds a clause in the law that

provides guidance on fines for a several page list of infractions. That clause is "Negligent Driving," with a fine of \$45. The idea is that if a person is charged with negligent driving it would insinuate guilt and therefore responsibility for injuries or property damage. SB99 is a hands free driving bill, which would make it illegal to operate a hand held device while driving, effectively adding phone calls to the already illegal texting while driving. HB2194 pertains to motorcycle licensing, and passed the House last year and now is in the Senate Committee on Transportation. We testified on HB2188 (ROW bill) last year, but it was never worked, and will need to be amended in any case. I will be talking with Representative Proehl's (Chair of the House Committee on Transportation) office about that bill.

Our Bikers Under the Dome event was held on February 6th, and we had a fair turnout of ABATE members and Coalition of Club members. I had a sign up sheet to try and take a census of attendees, and 31 people signed it, but there must have been at least a dozen, if not more, who did not sign the sheet. It was a pretty good turnout of bikers, and we did get to talk to several legislators about our concerns.

As always, I encourage you to join the MRF (Motorcycle Riders Foundation) and the American Motorcyclists Association (AMA), to stay abreast of happens on the national front. The Bikers on the Beltway event will be in Washington in May next year, in September is the Meeting

of the Minds in Denver in, or attend the annual MRF conference. And of course we will have the MID-South MILE in Oklahoma in October.

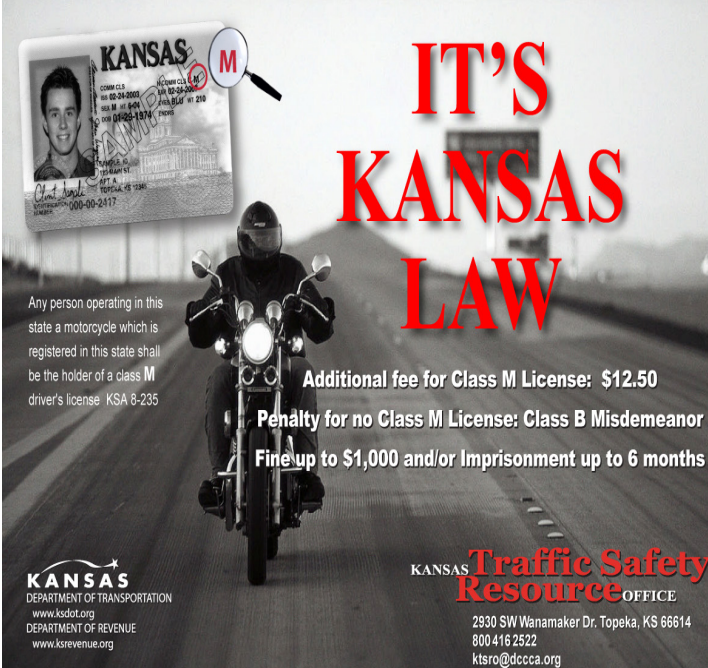
While elections for state offices are a year away, declared candidates are beginning to establish their positions on various issues. Given the large number of candidates on both the Republican and Democrat caucuses, it means that there will be heated discussions by the candidates long before the primaries next August. Listen carefully to what they say, as you'll be asked to vote for a candidate for the party in which you are declared. And if you have not registered to vote, DO SO! It is our responsibility to elect our representatives, and we can't do that if we do not register to vote.

As always, please contact me with your legislative concerns and also your legislative

contacts. It is always nice to be introduced to a legislator by someone who has a relationship with that person. And while it is a bit more difficult to contact your representatives during the off session times, I can provide you with their personal phone and email address if you need. My contact information is in the newsletter.

Respectfully
Steve Christenberry
Lobbyist
ABATE of Kansas

For more information:
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IT'S KANSAS LAW

Any person operating in this state a motorcycle which is registered in this state shall be the holder of a class M driver's license. KSA 8-235

Additional fee for Class M License: \$12.50

Penalty for no Class M License: Class B Misdemeanor

Fine up to \$1,000 and/or Imprisonment up to 6 months

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Frequently Asked Questions

Can I wear a helmet and be a member?

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

Do I need to be a Harley owner?

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

Do I need to own a motorcycle?

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

Do I have to live in Kansas?

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

Is ABATE a motorcycle club?

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

Which District can I belong to?

You can belong to any district you prefer. Districts are divided by county groups, except District 20 which is mostly out-of-state members, however also choose districts adjacent to their state, if preferred. You may choose any district based on where you work, live, or have social ties. The only restriction is that you can only belong to one district at a time.

Why did I stop getting a newsletter?

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

Do I need my ABATE card?

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

Is ABATE just about helmets?

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

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

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



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Business Name _____ Point of Contact _____

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Note: Small listing will consist of Business Name, Address, Phone, Point of Contact and if they support A.B.A.T.E. members with a discount or other perk.

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DISTRICT NEWS

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Anderson, Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson

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District Rep. Nova Horton 785 393 6994



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

District Rep. Rick Gitchel 785-533-1205



February 11, 2018 at 4:00PM
Rick called the meeting to Order.

Moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

There were nine members present.

Waived reading of Secretary report.

Treasurer Report presented by Gary. Bear moved to approved, Larry seconded. Motion approved.

State Meeting Report presented. Rick told the members that we have a deadline to have a band for the Battle of the Bands at the Rally. If not, the State has bands that are willing. No one has a band in mind at this time. Rick reviewed the State financials with the members. It will be voted on at next month's meeting if the district bank account amounts should be included in the States financial report handed out at State meetings to the State Board and all District Reps. There was discussion and recommendation made to not include it. We then discussed the Calendars to get the members opinions about

whether to participate in the calendar next year or opt out. It was suggested that district events be put on the calendar again but in larger font so easier to read. We currently have commitments for the big ad and one small ad. Discussed the Lobbyist Report and the bills being worked on at the State level. Rick reviewed the rest of the State Meeting which can be reviewed in the newsletter.

Committee Reports:

Bike Show--April 21st in Phillipsburg at the Community Building. Bear going to contact the City Council about blocking streets. He is also going to put a thank you in The Advocate (local newspaper) to our sponsors. And The Advocate is also interested in doing an article before the bike show. The Dyno is coming. PA system is confirmed. Bear has almost all the trophy sponsors complete. There was discussion about lumping Sidecars in with the Trike Class. The Dyno is sponsoring a class for kids. We voted on the trophy plaque design. Deciding on the Skull/American flag design. Planning

is going well for the bike show.

Porker Run--Anyone have suggestion yet on who to benefit yet? Will talk about more next month.

Old Business:

Awareness Signs--Bear is working on getting more metal bought for more frames. After more discussion, Jerry will take care of getting frames painted.

New Business: None

Next meeting March 11th at Pizza Hut in Phillipsburg.

Donna moved to adjourn, Gary seconded. Adjourned.

Winter Social followed.

Members enjoyed dinner, then a white elephant gift exchange and a few games of bowling.

Everyone had a good time!

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

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District Rep. Danny Harris 620-330-6861

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Jackson, Osage and Shawneeabateksd4.com

District Rep. Jack Frost 785-383-4836



Jack convened the meeting at 1:05. After the pledge of allegiance we had a moment of silence for lost brothers and sisters, as well as members of our response agencies and our service members and veterans. There were 14 district members present at today's meeting.

Secretary Report: The January minutes are in the newsletter. Frank moved to waive the reading, RC seconded, approved.

Treasurer Report: Nicole reported on our current balances and expenses. The Bowlathon attendance was not as great as in the past, but we did raise money that will be donated to Papan's.

State Board meeting: Jack reported that the meeting was in Newton yesterday. A candidate for Governor, Wink Hartman and Representative Leo Delperdang from District 94 were present to answer questions from the board about a variety of topics. It was voted to do the calendars again for 2019. Tammy would like to get them before Labor Day if possible, or at least by October. There was much discussion about the Rally. Artwork for the Rally shirts needs to be to the State by April 9th. Read the state report in the newsletter for more details of the discussions at the meeting.

SMART Report: No dates have been set at the schools yet. We did receive some possible dates at Seaman for the spring, and have been asked to submit dates to Shawnee Heights. Once we get those dates we'll see when the Coaches can teach, and then set the dates. Three

of us attended a MSF Rider Education Training Seminar on February 3rd at Kansas City Kansas Community College. There were instructors there from Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, and Kansas. All in all a good networking event.

MRF Report: The MRF has been following legislative proposals for the "Self Drive Act," which is intended to focus on driverless technology. Initially these cars would not be available commercially, only for research and testing purposes. The MRF has also delivered a petition with 5000 names to the Motorcycle Advisory Council, the newly formed group that currently has only one position for a motorcyclist, to ask them to add more positions from our motorcycling community. The Council's first meeting was held recently.

The issue of ethanol is still on the horizon, although the EPA is hinting that they may reduce the amount of ethanol to be produced across the country. The E15 issue is still out there, however, so we need to stay on top of this.

The RPM act, relating to the ability to modify motorcycles and cars, was passed by the Senate and now need the House to review and hopefully pass it in the near future.

Lobbyist Report: My Lobbyist report will be in the newsletter, so please read it there.

AMA Report: The AMA posted an article in the January American Motorcyclist Magazine about advocating for the future of motorcycling. They also report that the EPA

has released final renewable fuel mandates for 2018. The mandates call for an increase in ethanol, and an increase in E15 fuel, which motorcycles and virtually all small engines are not engineered to use, not to mention most cars and trucks. The AMA has also asked members to contact their representatives regarding President Trump's reversal of the size of national monuments in Utah and Montana, that were established by President Obama under the Antiquities Act. This would reduce the amount of land available for US citizens to use for recreational purposes.

The AMA has also filed a brief with the Supreme Court defending the rights of motorcyclists against unlawful search and seizure. This stems from a case where law enforcement searched a motorcycle under a cover without a warrant. The Supreme Court of Virginia ruled that because it was a motorcycle rather than a car or truck no warrant was required. I reported this last month, and nothing has happened since then, but I will continue to follow it.

ABATE Products Report: Kerry was present and reported on what he has now for sweatshirts and henleys. He has a variety of hoodies and henleys, in various sizes, mens and womens. Suggestions were made to have dew rags made, as well.

Old Business: Bikers Under the Dome: The event was held on February 6th this year. Over 40 ABATE and Coalition of Clubs members attended the event. We were a bit disappointed that there was not as much traffic on the 2nd floor Rotunda as there was last year, but several members brought

their representatives down to talk with us. Some of our members attended committee meetings, as well. Nevertheless, it was a good opportunity to make an impression at the Capitol. We had a few legislators and other passersby who stopped and complimented us on what we do.

New Business: Nominations for District Representative and Secretary were opened to the district. RC nominated Frank V., Frank abstained but is considering it. Frank nominated Steve C. for rep, Steve declined. Nicole nominated Steve C. for Secretary, Steve accepted.

RC won the drawing and donated it to the Run For the Wall.

Upcoming Events: Kansas Republican Convention (Kansas Days): Feb 16/17, 2018, Hyatt Regency in Wichita.

Kansas Democratic Convention (Washington Days): March 2nd and 3rd, Ramada Inn in Topeka. ABATE of Kansas will once again have a hospitality suite on March 2nd, starting at 6 PM.

30th Annual Run for the Wall: May 21, 2008. We'll do the gas stop as usual this year. Donations are appreciated. Other districts are planning fund raisers for the event and plan to do similar support as we do. Steve R anticipates that there may be as many as 450 riders this year.

District 4 will host the State Board meeting at the Ozawkie American Legion in August.

March 11, 2018 1:00 PM, Papan's Landing
Meeting adjourned at 3:35 PM.

Minutes recorded by Steve Christenberry





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District Rep. Tony Rawls-Riley 913-706-8449



February 3rd, 2018 District 5 monthly meeting started at 12:00 at Red Eye.

We started with a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tony read the state meeting report and legislative report.

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

Old business:

The new sound system has been ordered. We will be using it at future meetings to test everything out. This will be a huge improvement for our Rally games.

New business:

We currently have 125 members and we are working on verifying the numbers are correct. We will be comparing our roster to the state roster to make sure all members that belong in district 5 are listed

under our membership.

A design was approved for the next order of ladies shirts.

The color of the print will be decided once shirt colors are picked out. It was approved to try and get red as one of the shirt colors.

We still have 2018 ABATE calendars for sale. Reach out to Tony if you are interested in purchasing one, or a couple.

If you have a design you would like to submit for the 2018 Labor Day Rally shirt design, this must be done by April 9th. Get with Tony R. if you need further information.

Our next meeting will be March 3rd, 2018 at Red Eye 6102 State Ave beginning at noon.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm

rep, secretary or member-at-large.

Becca provided a recap of an email from MRF about self-driving cars and their reaction to motorcycles.

Upcoming events include the May monthly meeting which will be held on Saturday, May 20 at noon, prior to the district assisting with the Run For The Wall fuel stop in Bunker Hill; the Blessing of the Bikes on

Saturday, May 5 in Dorrance; St. Patty's Day parade in Rush Center on Saturday, March 17; upcoming scheduled dates for Dave Larsen/motorcycle drags,

Robin a motion to adjourn the meeting. Scott seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

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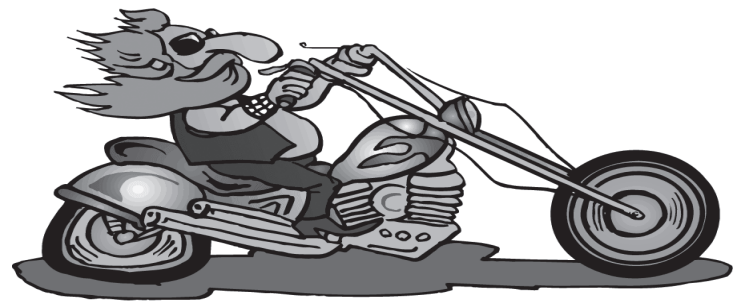
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District Rep. Doc Pritchett 620-339-5814



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Barton, Ellis, Ness, Rush, Russell,
Trego

District Rep. Becca Hardman 785-259-9557



The regular meeting of A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas District 6 was called to order at 4:00 p.m. on February 11, 2018 at the Golden Q by Representative Becca Hardman with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters as well as a moment of silent prayer for a member currently in the hospital.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Brian moved and Greg seconded a motion to approve the minutes as read.

Robin read the treasurer's report and it was approved as read.

In old business, a recap of the soup supper for run for the wall was provided and there was a discussion of music for our birthday bash in April. Everyone was reminded that we will also need to start working on the Toy Parade after the birthday bash.

We held the second round of open nominations for our annual elections. There were no other nominations for assistant





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**Barber,Butler,Cowley,Harper,Harvey
Kingman,Pratt,Reno,Sedgwick,
Stafford,Sumner**

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District Rep. Tony Railsback 620-204-8018



ABATE of Kansas District 8 meeting agenda meeting called to order at 1:49 p.m., February 11th 2018. Pledge of Allegiance was said and minute of silence for our fallen Brothers and Sisters. Roll call Dist rep, assistant rep, secretary, treasure, board Sgt at arms all present. Reno Harvey Butler Sedgwick present.

Sec. Report: Missed deadline last month.

Treasurer's report: Read, approved by Tammy and 2nd Brad.

Products report: Sold products at the state meeting ..doing good ready for upcoming events.

Editor's report: Went to the state meeting

Website report :It's there

State report: Wink Hartman republican candidate for governor and state representative of the 94th district Leo Delperdang were our guest speakers. Republican days the 16th and 17th at the Hyatt in Wichita stop in Friday evening and go Saturday to see your representative.

March 2nd is Democrats days it'll be at the Ramada Inn Topeka Friday night hospitality room help out if you can.

Labor Day Rally was discussed, state would like each district to send two people to work the front gate on Friday and Saturday.

Bikers Under the Dome was good show of people had a good time and it was productive House members was very receptive. HB 274 and Senate bill 99 is of interest please read

lobbyist report for more details. See state report for more state meeting information.

New Business: Proclamation Motorcycle Awareness May 1st 9 a.m. Wichita City Council. David F. of the Coalition of Clubs and Milton C. ABATE of Kansas D8 Sectary and Sedgwick County Rep will be there, please show up.

We voted to allow our financials to be included in state financial report to promote transparency state wide.

April 7th Augusta, Twisted Oz Motorcycle Museum bike show we're going to inquire about a booth.

Bobz Bikz 4th Annual Fun Run, Sunday, April 22 at 10AM until 3PM, 400 East D AVE, Kingman.

April 14th District 12 Spring Fling in Emporia D8 will have a booth please show up support us 11 to 5, Lyon County Fairground 2650 West Highway 50 in Emporia.

Mile: Mid-South Mile in Oklahoma, still trying to figure out a basket theme

Old Business: The previous gun drawing went well we're having a new one, only 54 tickets available get with a D8 member for more details.

Sis called meeting adjourned Tracy 2nd at 3:25 p.m..

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**Clay,Cloud,Dickinson,Ellsworth,Jewell
Marion,McPherson,Mitchell,Ottawa
Republic,Rice,Saline,Washington**

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District Rep. .Jon F Puckett 785-427-6519



The district 9 meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm on January 14th 2018 with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence given, with 15 members, 3 county reps, and 3 guests present.

The secretary's report was given and approved.

The treasure's report was given and approved.

State News: April 9th is deadline for artwork for LDR to be turned into state office. State is asking for 2 volunteers per shift at the gate from each district. Discussion on the boat docks at lake. Calendars are in, contact district board for them.

Awareness report: Still have yard signs and handing them out.

Product report: Still have Awareness shirts, District 9 shirts, and memory patches. Discussion on ladies shirts, tabled till later date. Will need

input from the ladies to help make decision on shirt color, style, and design.

Website report: Not update at time of meeting.

Old business: Still having newsletter delivery issues or timely delivery. District calendar for meeting location is available. Myrna gave details about Christmas toy donations.

New Business: Paul, State president, made an appearance today at the meeting.

Upcoming events: Biker under the Dome in February.

Drawing won be Brenda D.

Thanks to Russ and Myrna for hosting the meeting.

Next meeting February 11th is at Somewhere Bar & Grill, Tescott on February 11th.

Meeting in March at Tony and Janet.

The district 9 meeting was called to order at 1:14 pm on February 11th 2018 with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence given, with 11 members, 2 county reps, and 3 guests present.

The secretary's report was given and approved. Apologies to district for not getting minutes in last newsletter. 2 corrections need added to meeting calendar.

The treasure's report was given and approved.

State News: Discussion on LDR, membership applications, and SB-99.

Awareness report: No update.

Product report: Still have Awareness shirts, District 9 shirts, and memory patches. Discussion on ladies shirts, tabled till later date. Will need input from the ladies to help make decision on shirt color, style, and design. Ladies please come to meeting or get with your product rep for input on ladies shirts.

Website report: Not update at time of meeting.

Old business: no old business

New Business: 25 tickets for eagle statue to be made and sold after current item is drawn. Motion made, 2nd, and approved for district to buy





brick for memorial in Tescott to honor Vets.

Upcoming events: March 2nd & 3rd Washington Days in Topeka at Ramada Downtown Topeka. April 27 & 28 District 1 have their Cabin Fever event at Paradise point.

Drawing won by- no drawing

at this time.

Thanks to Somewhere Bar and Grill for hosting the meeting.

Next meeting March 11th is at Tony and Janet, 1722 Comanche Rd. Elyria.

Meeting in April at Ron and Brenda.

to report.

Leavenworth County- March meetings at 1 p.m. Tom's country stampede.

Nemaha County- Jody motioned Keegan for Nemaha county report. Lee 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Keegan will check with the American Legion in Seneca about helping with the bike show. Show will be in April or May.

Jody suggested participating in Goff's 4th of July.

Robin S. suggested having a booth for Sabetha's barbecue and bike show in September.

Old business- Discussed P.A. system. Money needs appropriated. Doyle and Robin S. will work on membership list. Will get reminders out for members to renew.

New business- Going to plant two trees at the dirt drag grounds. One for Richard Pantle, and one for Joetta W. Also going to do a memorial plaque for lost members at the District 11 dirt drag grounds.

It was suggested to buy a mini dirt bike to draw off for our dirt drags. Keegan motioned. Missy 2nd the motion. Motion passed. Lee motioned to make 700 tickets. Ric 2nd the motion. Jody made books of 5 tickets for drawing.

Will be updating policies and procedures. All updates will be posted to District 11's facebook page. Marty M. suggested doing a car show at the same time as the bike show. Car show in memory of Joetta. Lee motioned bike show Friday, car show Saturday. Ric 2nd the motion. Robin S. will donate a trophy for Joetta's car show. Doyle mentioned the bike show for Beefy. Jody suggested checking with Jonny Patterson. Robin R. asked if District 11 would like to put a

booth up at the Evil Knievel ride. Ruth motioned to do both. Todd 2nd the motion. Motion passed. Robin S. will donate 2 free passes to the Evil Knievel museum to 2 people working the vendors booth. Robin R. needs to know the numbers of riders so they know how many lunches to fix. He needs the numbers by the next meeting. Lee wants to do awareness signs to sell. Needing State approval. Doyle will inquire at the state meeting. Only have one submission for art work on dirt drags. Also need to get sponsors for the mother's day bike show. Jody will bring a list of past sponsors.

Door prize won by Lee. Not enough people signed up for the pool and dart tournament. it was cancelled.

March meeting is being held March 11, at Toms Country Stamped in Leavenworth. Hope to see you there. Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

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**Finney, Grant, Hamilton, Haskell, Kearney
Morton, Seward, Stanton, Stevens**

District Rep. Troy Love 620-214-3507



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Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Leavenworth

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District Rep. Doyle Pendergraft
913-704-9233



Meeting called to order at 12 p.m. Pledge of allegiance and moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Secretary report read by Robin S. Doyle motioned to accept minutes. Missy 2nd the motion.

Treasurers report- MRF application for sustaining membership will get from Bill Cooper to be sent in. A portion of our profits for the year will be given to state. Doug asked the district to find him a replacement as treasurer. He is unable to continue as our treasurer due to his work schedule. Doyle appointed Rusty B. to take his place until next election. Rusty accepted.

Bank account will be moved closer to Rusty. Doyle will get everyone together to do this change. Todd motioned for treasurer report to be approved. Keegan 2nd the motion.

Products report- Lee has sweatshirts. if you want your own shirts with the District 11 logo, bring them in. Stan asked

Missy if she turned in the order from the Topeka bike show. She said yes.

Web site- Nothing to report.

Assistant VP report- Nothing to report.

State Report- Nothing to report. State meeting is next week.

Bikers under the dome will be Tuesday, February 6. ABATE, COC, and MRF will be there as a group to represent motorcyclists.

Atchison County- Mothers day bike show was discussed. D.J. was already booked so he is not available. Shane M. can DJ if needed. Missy suggested just doing ads with K.A.R.E. radio for the bike show. 14 sets for 7 days leading up to the bike show. Todd 2nd motion. Motion passed. Robin R. motioned to have mother's day bike show shirts made to give to first place winners. Missy 2nd the motion. Motion not passed.

Brown County- Shane M. said he would bring equipment.

Doniphan County- Nothing





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Chase, Coffey, Greenwood, Lyon, Morris

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District Rep. Jerry Wenciker 620-794-4945



The February 11th, 2018 District 12 meeting was called to order by Jerry.

The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a Moment of Silence for our Fallen Brothers and Sisters.

Debi read the Treasurer's report, Shauntae read the December minutes and Jerry read State Report.

Nominations are closed for Assistant District Rep and Treasurer with the nominations being Don 'Devlon' for Assistant and Debi for Treasurer.

Sponsorships are due by March 1st, 2018 so that they can be on the flyer. Judges have been picked for the bike show.

We voted on the T-shirt

designs submitted and will have the winning design sample ready by the next meeting. Also, the meeting was followed by our chili cook off competition with the winners being Spike and Barb for hottest and Jerry for best named and best tasting. We had a great turnout and appreciate all who were able to attend.

The after party will be at the VFW in Emporia, Kansas at 932 Graphic Arts Road.

There'll be a special meeting on Saturday, February 24th.

The next ABATE meeting date will be March 4th due to needing all the information submitted to state to enable us to have things in the March and April newsletter.

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Cheyenne, Greely, Gove, Lane, Logan, Rawlin, Scott, Sherman, Thomas, Wallace, Wichita

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District Rep. Neil O'Connell 620-214-0485



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Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie, Riley Wabaunsee

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District Rep. Randy Bassler 785-826-6372



The District 15 meeting was called to order by Randy Bassler, District Representative, February 11, 2018, 12:15p.m., at the Eagles Lodge, Manhattan, KS. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a Moment of Silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. To our military we send our

"Thanks" for their service and sacrifice.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the January 14, 2018 meeting were read by Carey G.W., Interim Secretary. One (1) corrective action needed: removed George T and inserted Carl H. as the person that provided the name of the new

owner for Motorhead Cycles. A motion to approve the minutes as corrected made by Tony R., 2nd by Lance V. Approved by a show of hands.

Treasurer's Report: Cathy H. provided a detailed financial report to include beginning balance, expenses, and ending balance. Discussed the bank account Motion made to approve the Treasurer's Report by Steve C. with a 2nd by Teresa aka "T". Motion approved by a show of hands.

State Report: A statement in the February 2018 State minutes regarding the Front Gate & Randy/District 15 will need to be addressed by District 15 at the next BOD meeting. Highlights of the February State BOD meeting were provided to the members present.

Old Business: The members discussed soliciting donations and sponsorships for the 2018 Biker Ball with members choosing the businesses each will visit. Menu is in place, tickets available for sale, and

decorations chosen. Tickets can be won through radio giveaways. The veterans birthday party at Alma Manor will be May 12th. Ideas for the gift bags were discussed with funding approved & provided to Mark K. for purchases. We will have the annual motorcycle awareness ride April 21st.

New Business: State BOD meeting will be hosted by District 15 March 10th at RC McGraw's.

Comments & Information: The next District 15 meeting will be March 11, 2018, at the Sportsman Tavern in Onega, KS. The meeting will begin at Noon. The drawing was won by Steve C. who donated it back to the District.

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Tony R. with a 2nd by Carl H. to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 1:43p.m.

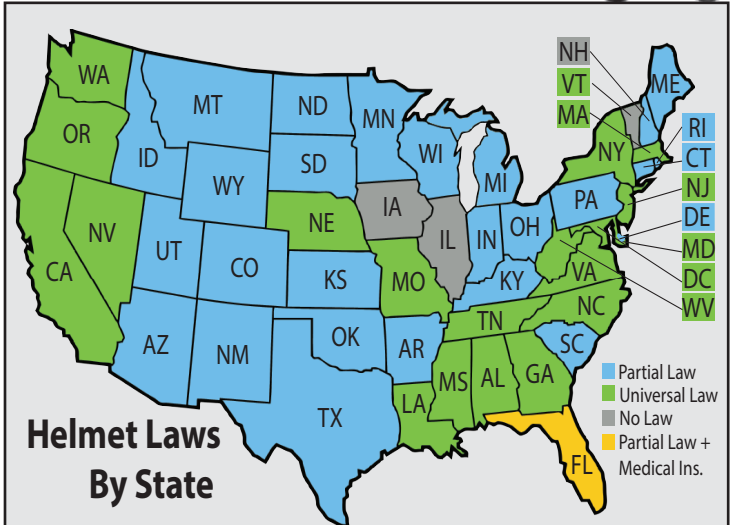
Respectfully submitted,
Carey Griffin-Wingett,
Interim Secretary



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1st Place \$300. / 2nd Place \$200. / 3rd Place \$100.

This is a family event with a BBQ Contest, Food, Games,
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Harley Davidson announced this week after bad sales in 2017 it will be closing its plant in Kansas City, Mo in July. About 800 people will be affected by this. Harley Davidsons Worldwide retail sales fell 6.7% in 2017 compared to 2016. The company US sales fell 8.5% and international sales were also down. Other set backs last year was a court order to pay a 12 million dollar fine to the EPA and buy back and destroy illegal tuning devices that were confirmed to increase air pollution from their motorcycles not complying with federal emissions standard costing Harley Davidson about 29 million dollars.

In San Francisco Motorcyclist Oscar Nilsson filed charges that a GM Cruze Chevrolet Bolt in self drive mode hit him. Nilsson claims the bolt changed lanes to the left as he rode forward, the bolt suddenly veered back into his lane knocking him down. In report GM filed with the California Department of motor vehicles the bolt aborted the lane change and was re-centering itself, Nilsson glanced the side of the car and fell over. The case

was filed in US District court in San Francisco.

The Helmet bill in Nebraska LB368 fails so all motorcycles fails so all motorcyclists have to wear a DOT certified helmet in the state of Nebraska. Missouri also still has a pending helmet law for all motorcyclists.

Harley Davidson is recalling more than 250,000 motorcycles because the brakes might fail. Over 30 models from 2008-2011 are in the recall. Harley Davidson has reported that deposits could form on brake parts if the brake fluid is not changed every 2 years as is specified in the owners manual. Not flushing the brake system can cause a valve in an antilock brake unit to stick.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration began in investigating problems in July 2016 after getting 43 complaints including 3 reports of crashes and 2 injuries.

Owners can use this link to validate their VIN against the list of recalled motorcycles: [www.harley-](http://www.harley-davidson.com/us/en/owners/mainfain-your-bike/service-recalls.html)

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DISTRICT'S ADVANCE NEWS – MARCH 2018

District 1: Meetings are 1st Sunday, start at 1:00pm

3/4– Meeting, American Legion, Perry

District 2: Meetings are the 1st Sunday, start at 4:00pm

3/11 - Mtg, Pizza Hut, Phillipsburg, KS

District 3: Meetings are 1st Sunday, start at 1:00pm

3/3– Meeting, American Legion, Independence

3/3/18- Hawg Waddle, begins at American Legion, Independence, KS

District 4: Meetings are 2nd Sunday, start at 1:00pm

3/ 11– Meeting, Pappan's Landing

District 5: Meetings are 1st Saturday, begin at Noon

3/3 - Meeting,

District 6: Meeting are 2nd Sunday, start at 4:00pm

3/11 - TBA

District 7: Unknown At Publication

District 8: Meetings are 2nd Sunday, start at 1:30pm

3/11 – Meeting, Southlake Apts 4141 S. Seneca, Clubhouse 1:30pm

3/17 3/17 - Sunflower Swap Meet, Booth

District 9: Meetings are 2nd Sunday, Lunch at Noon & meeting

3/11 –Meeting, TBA

District 10: Meetings are 1st Sunday, begins at 2:00pm

3/ 4 - Meeting, VFW (Bingo Hall), Garden City, KS

District 11: Meetings are 1st Sunday, start time varies

3/4 - Meeting , TBA

District 12: Meetings are 2nd Sunday, starts at 2:00pm

3/11- Meeting, TBA

District 13: Meetings are 2nd Sunday, starts at 2:00pm

3/11 – Meeting, VFW, 824 Main St, Goodland, KS

District 15: Meetings are 2nd Sundays, begin at Noon

3/10 – Hosting State BOD Meeting, RC McGraw's, 2317 Tuttle Creek Blvd, Manhattan, KS

3/11 – Meeting, Sportsman Tavern, 401 Onaga Bypass, Onaga, KS

STATE MEETINGS

Mar 10th – RC McGraw's, 2317 Tuttle Creek Blvd, Manhattan, KS, Noon

April 14th – VFW, 932 Graphic Arts Rd, Emporia, KS, Noon

May 5th – Crawford County Fairgrounds, 249 E. 47 Hwy, Girard, KS, Noon

June 9th – Colonial Steakhouse, 464 us Hwy 83, Oakley, KS, Noon

July 14th - Fish Hatchery, 12027 V Road, Meade Lake, KS, Noon

August 18 - American Legion, 10114 Old Town Trail, Ozawkie, KS, Noon

September 8 – American Legion, 10114 Old Town Trail, Ozawkie, KS, Noon

March 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Spring is coming – have you checked your bike?			1	2	3 District Mtgs: 2, 3, & 5 Hawg Waddle, Dist 3
4 District Mtgs: 1, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, & 15	5	6	7	8	9	10 State Mtg, RC McGraws, Manhattan, KS Noon
11 District Mtgs: 1, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, & 15 Daylight Savings Time Begins	12	13	14	15	16 ??? District 7	17 Happy St. Patrick's Day
18	19	20 Spring is Coming 23	21	22	23	24
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Who am I? What Kansas town bares my name?

ANSWER -

Satanta, As a young man Satanta participated in campaigns against the Cheyennes and the Utes

to protect Kiowa hunting grounds. He used both warfare and diplomacy to seek safety for the Kiowas. His actions earned him the respect of his people. Satanta spoke four American Indian languages and Spanish. Since he was highly regarded and possessed excellent communications skills, he was selected to be a negotiator.

Satanta was selected to be one of his people's representatives at the Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty in October 1867.

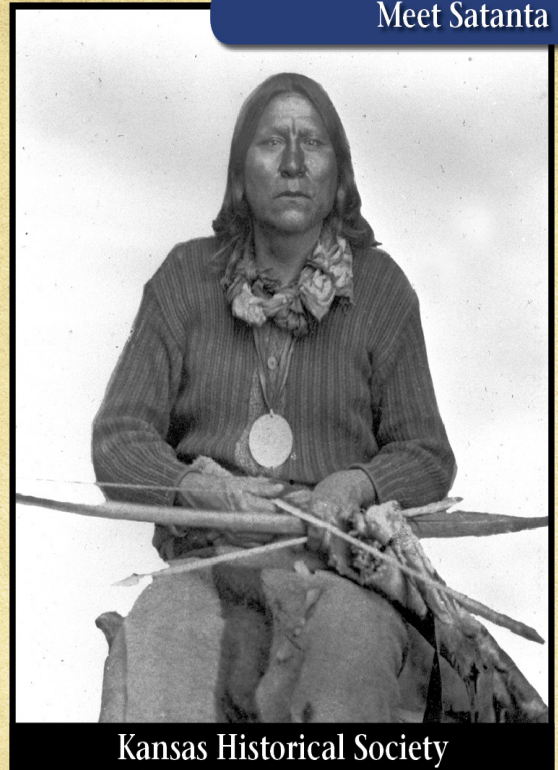
The Kiowas lived a few years in peace on their reservation. When in 1871 food rations became scarce, Satanta led a raid of 100 Kiowa men on Fort Sill. Seven

men were killed; Satanta was arrested and charged with murder. He was found guilty, but paroled after two years. Satanta led several more raids after returning to the reservation. In 1874 he was arrested and sent to Huntsville, Alabama, where he committed suicide October 11, 1878. A city in Haskell County is named for him.

Your people shall be our people, and peace shall be our mutual heritage.—Satanta

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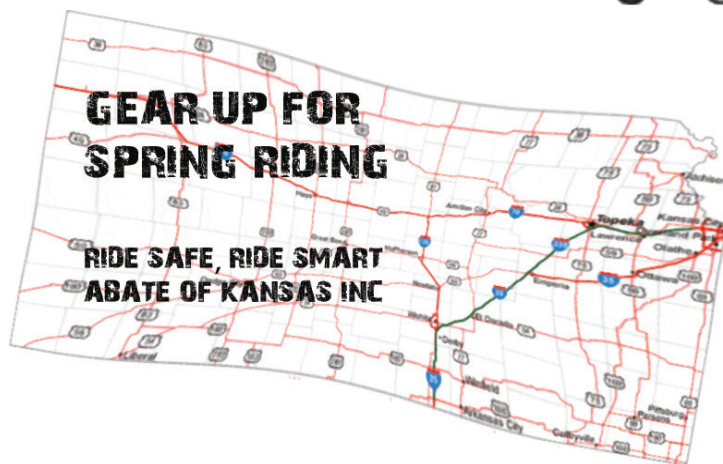


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