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NEXT DEADLINE: March 15th- 5PM CST





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MARCH STATE MEETING

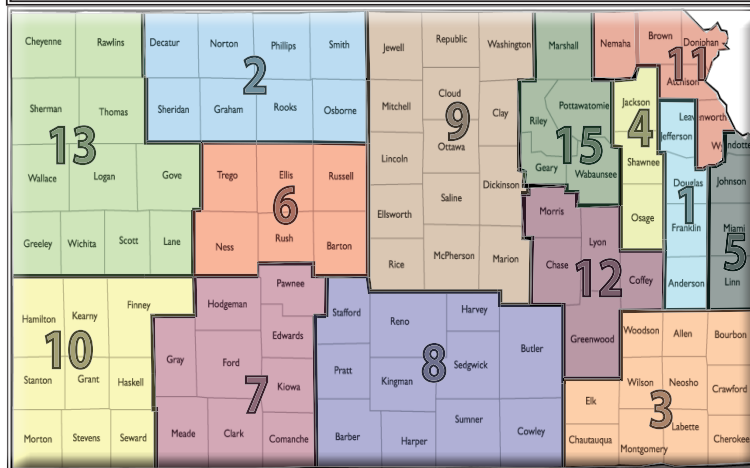
Saturday March, 12, 2022
VFW Post 1714
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MEETING STARTS AT 12 Noon

AGENDA: MOMENT OF SILENCE;
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
ROLL CALL; SECRETARY
REPORT; FINANCIAL REPORT;
LOBBYIST REPORT; MRF REPORT;
MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS REPORT;
PUBLIC RELATION REPORT; MID-
SOUTH M.I.L.E.; CORPORATE
SECRETARY; NEWSLETTER REPORT;
WEB SITE REPORT; PRODUCT LINE
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BUSINESS; UPCOMING EVENTS

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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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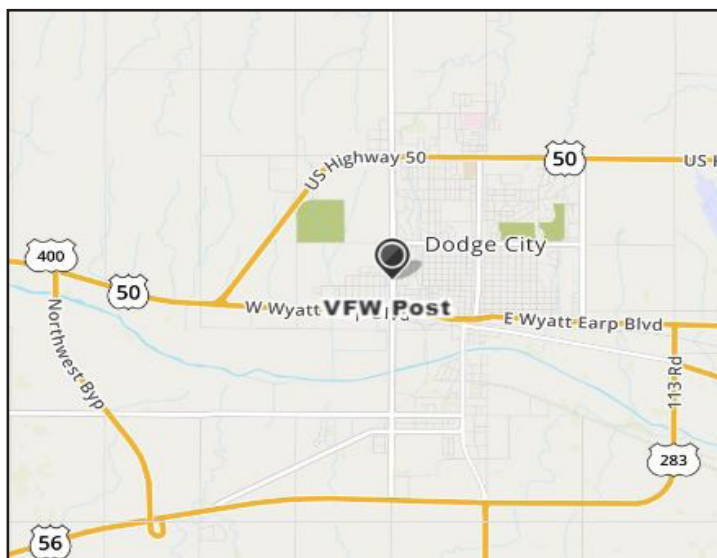
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~ State Meeting ~

Meeting called to order at 12:01pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Roll call- all present except Districts 10 & 13.

Secretary Report- condensed version read by Amber.

Revisions - Vote on Rally

Reconfiguration was voted on as discussed passed by roll call vote., Mayhem art work must handed into the office by March 9th, Washington Days was not cancelled only the hospitality rooms were cancelled. Bill made a motion (2nd by Tony R15) to approve the minutes. Motion passed by a show of hands.

Financial Report- Lori went over the packet. All Districts financials have been received for 2021 & turned in to the accountant. A motion was made by Barry (2nd by Tony RR) to approve the financials. Motion passed by a show of

hands. Lori said that Tammy had asked about paying to boost the 50/50 raffle on Facebook. A motion was made by Brian (2nd by Tony RR) to pay up to the predetermined amount to boost the 50/50 raffle on Facebook. Motion passed with all board members voting yes. Lori reminded everyone that the resale tax form must be filled out & turned in for any products sold. If you have questions contact Lori at the state office.

Old Business- the hospitality rooms for Washington Days have been cancelled. Artwork for the 2nd annual Motorcycle Mayhem is due in the office by March 9th. Artwork for the Labor Day Rally is due April 7th in the office.

New Business- Byron asked if we'd like to do anything for the month of May since it is motorcycle awareness month. After discussing, a motion was made by Tony RR (2nd

by Brian) to do something special in May for motorcycle awareness month. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

Bear brought up the Run for the Wall stops in Kansas. It was reminded that the savings account from Districts 6 was now frozen & only to be used to restart the districts. JR suggested seeing if more of the districts would be willing to help out with the Run for the Wall fuel stops. The 2nd Annual Motorcycle Mayhem will be June 24th-26th. Dave said suggested a banner near the entrance to make it easier to find. JR made a motion (2nd by Dave) to have the drag queen races again. Motion passed with a show of hands. Districts 1 opposed.

Labor Day Rally- a lot of discussion was had about compensating volunteers/ Districts at the rally. Discussion was tabled until March. There will be a tree trimming needed

Feb 19 & 20. Hours worked will go towards work hours for early entry.

Entertainments- Byron announced two of the bands for the main stage, Scott Heidner & The Nashville Connection and Creed Fisher. Other bands are pending.

Vendors- Tammy stated there will be Axe throwing this year. Pete & Elena will set up Mon-Thurs this year in addition to their rally booth. Breakfast will be 8-10 & dinner will be 5-7.

Break for Lunch and MILE basket auction 156-359. Thank you Districts 8 for the lunch. Thank you to everyone that took part in the auction

Beverage Gardens- it was reminded that Districts 1 & 4 beverage gardens would be under same 140 ft tent this year as it was voted on & passed last month. Wauneta's beverage garden & mobile garden would remain by the main stage. Districts 4 does not want to do the beverages that

A.B.A.T.E. LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE

At the State BOD meeting on February 13, 2021, the board voted unanimously to start a Lawyer Referral Service. Lawyers participating in the A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas Lawyer Referral Service will pay 10% of their fees from any injury claim to A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas in turn, referral fees received by the A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas Lawyer Referral Service will be used to fund the Mission of the organization.

While the goal is to always keep two wheels down, we all have experienced other motorists not keeping a lookout for motorcycles, turning in front of us, or driving while distracted. The Referral Service will ensure that attorneys participating in the program support the Mission of A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas, are motorcycle riders who are highly experienced in representing motorcyclists in Kansas, and understand the unique legal and insurance issues surrounding motorcyclists.

All injury claims - motorcycle, car, truck, semi, dangerous product, dangerous premises, etc. - qualify for the service. Additionally, in an effort to make sure that members have adequate insurance, lawyers participating in the referral service will be available to review insurance policies and coverages on members' policies at no cost.

To refer an injury claim, please contact Lori Harden or Tammy Ward-Railsback.

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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
ABATE of Kansas





they have in the past due to machine issues. Would like to do new beverages. After a lot of discussion, it was decided to table until March to allow the Reps to talk to their Districts. Byron went over the ice & grey water removal bids. A motion was made by Tony RR (2nd by Doyle) to approve the ice bid & grey water removal bid. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

Lori & Byron stated that 1 of the office cameras have stopped working & Lori cannot get a hold of the security company. A motion was made by Doyle (2nd by Dave to) to get a new security company & allow Lori to purchase 1 new camera for the office. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

Lobbyist report- please see in your newsletter.

MRF - please see in your newsletter

MidSouth MILE- will be in Kansas. Please plan to attend.

Corporate Secretary- all raffle tickets must be approved before being printed. Tammy is working on the updates for the policies & procedures.

Website/ Newsletter- all fliers need to be on white background to be printed in the newsletter. Angela will be training to be the new Editor for our newsletter.

Products- new Labor Day Survivor shirts are available. Buy them

Upcoming events

50/50- Lunchbox

Meeting adjourned at 5:15pm

Put down the phone. JUST DRIVE.





Want to Learn to Ride a Motorcycle?

Need \$50 Bucks?

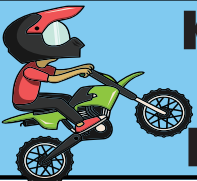
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To get a \$50 reimbursement for attending a Motorcycle Safety Foundation Rider Course all you need to do is:

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Lobbyist Report

It has been a very busy several weeks at the capitol. On January 18th, I went to the capitol and had a good visit with Representative Jason Probst and Senator Elaine Bowers and set up an appointment with Senator Mark Steffen and Representative Michel Murphy. Representative J. Probst And Senator E. Bowers both suggested to us that we should talk to Ed Klump who is the lobbyist for Law Enforcement. On January 26th. Myself and Tammy had a zoom meeting with LEO Lobbyist Ed Klump and Dean Andrew KDHP on our proposed profiling legislation. Ed Klump was totally against item #3 which was the piece that required law enforcement to receive training and education on motorcycle profiling, biased based profiling is supposedly already in their training curriculum. On January 23rd, myself, Tammy, Byron and Lori H. had a meeting with former representative Ramon Gonzales and Jefferson Co. Sheriff Deptuy Kirk Vernon and discussed motorcycle profiling on how to pursue it legislatively. There were several good ideas that came out of the meeting. On February the 1st 2022 I went to the capitol for a hearing in the House on SB101 E-Bikes. At the E-bike hearing as a representative for motorcyclists in Kansas, we are neutral the way it is written currently. There are 40 states with statues on e-bikes. A few of the states require a license and a few of them that classify them as motor vehicles. The Kansas bill SB101 does not have any of

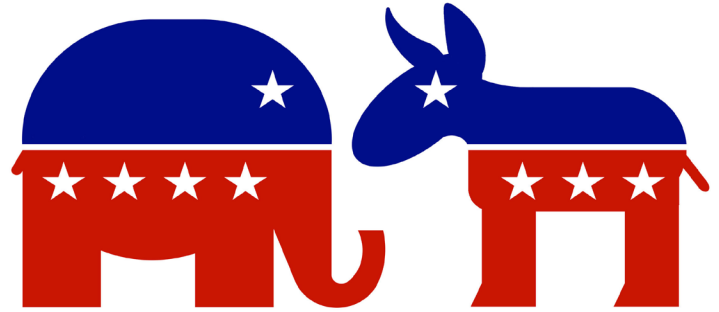
that language in it at this point. If that were to change then we would take a negative position and be an opponent to the bill. The bill has already passed the full senate and is currently in the house transportation committee. After the hearing on E-Bikes I had good visit with Representative Joe Siewert and Representative Micheal Murphy and we discussed motorcycle profiling. Representative Joe Siewert is a motorcyclist.

ABATE is also watching SB322 which is the current version of the hands free bill. It has recently passed the Senate transportation committee. This bill would let no one under the age of 18 use a cellphone in a school or work zone.

On February 7th we held Bikers Under The Dome on the 2nd Floor Rotunda of the state capitol. ABATE Of Kansas, Kansas Coalition Of Clubs, MRF. and AMA were all represented. I did feel like ABATE should have been better represented. There were only a handful of us. While at BUTD I did make a appointment with Senator E. Bowers and Senator R. Kloos to discuss motorcycle profiling legislation. Senator Bowers was going to get with Ed Klump lobbyist for LEO and try and get him to a neutral position on the proposed profiling legislation and Senator Kloos was going to get with Senator Molly Baumgardner who is the head of the Senate Judiciary committee in hopes that we can get a profiling bill this introduced this year. At the time of writing this lobbyist treport Senator Kloos has taken our proposed legislation minus #3

to the revisor's office and has a statute ready to introduce into committee. It does not have a bill number till it is introduced.

ABATE OF Kansas
Tony Railsback
Lobbyist / Vice President



Motorcycle Awareness Report

The State Motorcycle Task Force, facilitated by the Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office, met this month. Their website is www.ktsro.org, and the direct link to the motorcycle specific site is <https://www.ktsro.org/motorcycle-safety>. They have numerous other links that include car seat installations and many more that you can find on their main site. There is a link to the Task Force as well, <https://www.ktsro.org/motorcycle-task-force>, but it really only lists the organizations that participate on it.

At this month's meeting we began planning the 2022 Share the Road campaign. The goal is to have Task Force members provide ideas for the campaign prior to the next meeting, which will be the end of March. KDOT and JNA Advertising are open to suggestions for

messaging and stories from motorcycle crash victims, so if any of you have information to share, by all means send it to me.

Motorcycle law cards and "Share the Road" reflective stickers may be ordered and shipped for free from KTSRO. Also, KTSRO has a limited quantity of "Look Twice For Motorcycles" yard signs that can be picked up at their office in Topeka. Call first, at 800-416-2522. I picked up a few of the eyeball signs, but they are out of the metal stands. If you know of anyone with old political signs those stands are the same thing and will work just fine.

One of the discussion topics was about providing parents information about motorcycle safety that they could share with their young and new motorcyclist. My comment





to the group was that if the registrations at SMART are typical of programs across the state, there are few high school age you taking motorcycle training classes. Once in a while we'll have to ask a parent to come in to sign for a person under the age of 18, and sometimes we have a parent and their child take a class together, but this is an exception rather than a norm. However, we also discussed whether the increase in electric bicycles and motorcycles might bring young people into the sport. There is pending legislation related to electric bicycles, SB101, but so far nothing related to the electric motorcycles.

The Task Force has also committed to continuing the \$50 reimbursement to student who take and pass an approved program. You can find those programs at this link: <https://www.ksrevenue.gov/pdf/DrSchoolsMoto.pdf>. The link is the updated list of programs in 2022. You'll note that some of the programs are listed as commercial driving schools. This is a new thing the Department of Education started last year, which is classifying programs that are not by a community college or a unified school district as

commercial schools. These include the programs taught by Harley Davidson or other private entities. While students taking classes there can get their endorsement just like those at the community colleges or USDs, their programs are not eligible for the funding from the State Motorcycle Safety Fund. Interestingly, the data that I provided in the January newsletter did NOT include training numbers from those programs. I questioned why not, and only got a response that no one is tracking it. Yet they still require those programs to submit annual reports to KSDE.

My term on the Kansas Driver Education Advisory Committee as a representative from the motorcycling community expires in June. I have told them I am willing to serve another term, but so far have not heard back from them. If anyone is interested in serving on the committee let me know and I'll send you the application.

All for now, get your bikes serviced so you can start the year knowing your machine is in road worthy condition.

Steve Christenberry



While working on my bike this past week it made me stop and think of how I became so involved in the motorcycle community. It all started on a flat track dirt race at the age of eleven. I was hooked right away.

My family were friends with the owners of a local shop that sold and serviced boats and Bridgestone motorcycles. I was hired to clean parts and help the techs as a runner for whatever they needed. I traded all my time to buy my first motorcycle, a 50cc Suzuki. With the help and advice from the techs I was able to turn this bike into a small flat track bike. The first lesson they taught me was: "if you're going to ride this thing you better learn to work on it!" From then on I took every opportunity to practice riding at the local flat track. By the time I was 14 I was racing a 90cc Bridgestone at tracks around the state.

As flat track racing in Kansas faded away, I became interested in motocross. I purchased a Hodaka Race bike and ran in the 125 class. But as I always seemed to do, I pushed the bike beyond its limit. Thinking I needed to move up to the 250 class I purchased a Yamaha

250YZ and of course I had to add all the performance parts I could find. I was set to go! I found out then that not only do bikes have limits, so do people! I also learned I was very good at crashing. Thing is, I'd still do it all over again.

Participating in flat track, motocross and enduro races all helped me become a better rider. I'd encourage young riders today to go out and get similar experience. It's those experiences that also teach you the value of the freedom of the ride. Of course, the other piece of advice I'd give to any up and coming rider is: "if you're going to ride this thing you better learn to work on it!"

As we wait for riding season to get back here, I hope you all take a little time to think back on what got you involved in the motorcycle community. If you see me at an upcoming ABATE event, I'd love to hear your story!

Until next time, Ride Safe, Ride Free, and enjoy the Freedom of the Ride!

Byron
ABATE of Kansas
President

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No exceptions.





Our Deepest Condolences



Cheryl D. O'Connell

Cheryl D. O'Connell, age 68, passed away on Friday, February 11, 2022, at the Kansas University Medical Center in Kansas City, Kansas. She was born on October 21, 1953, in Kansas City, Missouri, the daughter of Louis Freeland and Patricia A. Casper. A resident of Scott City, Kansas since 2006 moving from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, she was a Radiologist Technologist for 25 years.

She was a member of the Baptist Faith and Abate of Kansas Chapter 13 and Highway Guardians.

On June 6, 2008, she married Neil O'Connell in Golden, Colorado. He survives.

Survivors include her Husband - Neil O'Connell of Scott City, Kansas, One Son - John "Jake" & Amy Jones of Scott City, Kansas, Two Daughters - Suzan Gilbert of Garden City, Kansas, Shirkara Lumpkins of Newton, Kansas, One Brother - David Freeland of Illinois, Nine Grandchildren, and Two Great Grandchildren.

She was preceded in death



by her Parents, Two Brothers - Lonnie "Ratty" Freeland, and Two Grandchildren - Trent Truax and Hunter Truax.

Memorial Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 26, 2022, at the First Baptist Church in Scott City, Kansas with Rev. Kyle Evans presiding.

There will be no calling times.

Memorials may be written to the Cheryl O'Connell Memorial Fund in care of Price & Sons Funeral Home, PO Box 553; Scott City, Kansas, 67871.

Michael K.

"Spot" Kesel, found his forever wings on the evening of Thursday, February 3rd, 2022, as he was attempting to make his way home to Flagler Beach, FL., on his motorcycle.

Riding and that wind therapy was something he always loved. Some of his other loves are the children and grandchildren he leaves behind, a legacy he was always proud of.

Spot was born in Syracuse, NY, on February 22, 1956 to Truman and Faith Kesel. They had both preceded him in death. He leaves behind his wife Evelyn Frazier, of Oneonta, NY., his loving children, Michael Jr. (Kris), of Mayetta, KS., and daughter Melanie Gordon (Ryan), of Topeka, KS., his grandchildren Alayna, Alexia, Paxton, and Lennon. He is also survived by his step sons: Bruce (Jenn), Joseph (Lauren) and Michael (Katie) Skellie and his 5 step grandchildren: Nathan, Noah, Lily, Jack and Olivia.

He lived part time in Oneonta, NY and was a "snowbird" in Flagler Beach, FL. He came to Kansas as often as he could and that was always a place he called home. Mike had intentions of living full time in his RV and following the warm (riding) weather. He had been stationed in Kansas in the army many years back, and after meeting his first wife Sherry Kesel of Topeka, he planted those solid roots in Kansas. Much later in life he reconnected with his high school sweetie, Evelyn, and they were married in 2011.

His biggest joy in life beyond family was his motorcycles. He was proud of the many miles he put on his bikes and was also



an exceptionally skilled rider. He didn't believe in trailering a motorcycle and chose two wheels every chance he could. Mike was also a proud veteran, skilled handyman, great cook, EBL brother, ABATE member and the best friend so many asked for.

Spot lived the life he wanted. He worked and played on his own terms. His hard work and determination when he was younger, afforded him the freedom to choose the remainder of his days, as he saw fit. When to travel, where he wanted to go, what he wanted to do, and to just be in the moments HE wanted. This was a life well lived. He loved freely, he hugged greatly, and he gave whenever he could. He leaves this place with big shoes to fill, and an amazing legacy.

Memorial service will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2022, at 11:00 am at the Parker-Price Funeral Home. After services, the family would like to invite everyone to the Kickstart Saloon.

Please join us as we raise a glass, or toss some coins, and share the many wonderful memories of him. Once weather permits, there will be memorial services and spreading of ashes in Oneonta, NY.





A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments



Ridin' with Roberta



Hello my wind friends,.
Well I haven't done much with it being winter. I will say Ruby has spent sometime with her favorite mechanic (Andrew Harmon) with Always broke custom cycles. She should be home soon with new handle bars, heated grips, new front tire, brake n clutch cables, and a light for her war bonnet to match the underglow lights.

This year I fell 5000 miles

short of my record the previous year of 25,000 (due to covid cancellations) so I've got some making up to do. Right now I have the 5 state run planned, the devil's tower run, I'll be going to Wisconsin a few times, and North Carolina. I'll need to add some more, but we'll see what comes up. Oh and of course the Dist 3 rally! Hope to see you all there.

We want to see your smiling faces!

Send us pictures of members attending events in your district.

No event flyers, please.

Email to: newsletter@abateks.org





Motorcycle Riders Foundation



Bikers Under the Dome was held at the Capitol in Topeka with ABATE of Kansas, the Kansas Confederation of Clubs, AMA, and the Motorcycle Riders Foundation all setting up tables with information for our legislators about motorcycle rights.

Tony Railsback, ABATE Lobbyist talked with our legislators about House Resolution 366 regarding the profiling of motorcyclists. The current resolution version has 54 bipartisan cosponsors.

There was discussion about Senate Bill 379 which pertains to Self Driving Vehicles. There has been 4 hearings on this matter since January 4th of this year.

The MRF is lobbying for the passage of the Consumer Protection and Fuel Transparency Act of 2019 (House Resolution 1024) which requires information to be provided to the public about the risks of using E15 fuel in certain vehicles, engines, and equipment. This legislation revises the current EPA rule to

include warning labels for fuel pumps that dispense E15.

The MRF is also educating policy makers for changes the current definition of motorcycles and three wheel motorcycles. The MRF has concerns about the federal definition of a motorcycle, ensuring that crash and fatality statistics continue to be separate from other classes of vehicles including autocycles, non-motorcycle powered vehicles such as mopeds, scooters, and various cabin-based steering wheel type vehicles.

As usual, the MRF opposes any mandatory federal helmet, apparel, or conspicuity standards along with limiting funding of any federal government entity with increasing involvement in advocating for a universal helmet law.

The MRF is moving forward with a transition from C Q Engage for tracking federal and state legislation of Motorcycle related bills to Policy Engage which will be more effective. This system will

help with our Call To Actions (CTAs) and is supposed to be much easier to work with.

On May 16 and 17, 2022, Bikers Inside the Beltway will be held in Washington D.C.

where Bikers across our nation will lobby our Nations Capitol about Motorcycle issues.

Bill Cooper
Kansas MRF rep

- ☐ Annual Individual Membership \$35
- ☐ Annual Joint Membership \$60
- ☐ Annual Sustaining Membership \$100
- ☐ Annual Industry Council Membership \$100



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- ☐ Sustaining Membership Club \$100
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DISTRICT



Anderson, Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson

district1.abateks.org

District Rep Bill Saric
785-806-8585

The January ABATE of Kansas District 1 Meeting was held at the Perry American Legion on January 16, 2022. Meeting was called to order by Bill S. at 1:10pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and A Moment of Silence for Fallen Brothers and Sisters; there were 11 members present.

State Report was given by Bill S. Some of the topics of that meeting were: location of beer tent; Bikers Under Dome in Topeka on February 7; 50/50 Online; Motorcycle Mayhem in Strong City on June 24-26. 300 Ton of asphalt milling have been delivered to LDR grounds. Work weekend on February 19; Corp. gave permission to clean up trees.

Secretary report was given by Holley.

Financial report was given by Richard B. Jason H. made a motion to accept the financial report, Bob W. seconded, all in favor.

Old Business:

Cabin Fever – Holley reported that the Cabin Fever flyer was submitted and approved by Tammy. Copies will be made at office and will try to locate the Cabin Fever Banner.

Discussion on charges for

vendors, \$ w/o electricity and \$ w/ electricity. Jason H. made a motion to approve, Brian S. seconded, all in favor.

Ride for Hippie was discussed and tabled again. Bill S. will find out more information from Ron B. Ride will be scheduled for warmer weather.

Discussion on the coolers for the beer tent. Jason H. will print an estimate for Bill S.

New Business:

Bill S. will find out at the State meeting on February 12 what needs to be done for work week.

Holley is checking into price of Long Sleeve w/ Pocket District One ABATE shirts.

Next meeting will be at the Ozawkie American Legion on February 20 at 1:00 PM.

Brian S. made a motion to adjourn, Richard B. seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 2:20 PM.

MARCH ADVANCE NEWS

District 1 - District Meeting—March 20th, VFW Post 10185, 612 E Palmer St, Meriden Ks 1pm

District 2 – District Meeting—Bear's Garage, March 13th, 4pm, Call District Rep Larry Kibbee- 785- 623-0420 for more information

District 3 - District Meeting— March 13th, Dickey BBQ, 204 N. Pennsylvania Ave Independence, KS, 1pm,

Hawg Waddle – March 5th , VFW Post 1186, 113 East Myrtle, Independence, Ks, 4pm

District 4 - District Meeting— March 13th, Papan's Landing, 619 NW Paramore, Topeka, Ks at 1pm. Biker's Ball, March 19th, The Woodshed, 1901 North Kansas Ave, Topeka, Ks, 7pm

District 5 - District Meeting— March 5th, the 913, 6102 State Ave, Kansas City Ks, KS- Noon

District 7 - District Meeting -March 11th, 1116 Hillcrest, Dodge City, Ks 7pm

District 7 – Fundraiser Event -March 12th, VFW Post 1714, 909 N 13th Dodge City, Ks, 6 pm

District 8 – District Meeting – March 13th, VFW Post 6957, 7507 South Broadway, Haysville, Ks 2:30pm

District 9 - Meetings are 2nd Sunday, Eat at Noon- Meeting at 1pm

District Meeting – March 13th, The Bar, Geneseo, Ks - 1pm

District 10 – Meetings are the 1st Sunday, Noon- District Meeting

District meeting March 6th, American Legion Post 9, 405 S Main Garden City, noon Community Breakfast March 6th, American Legion Post 9, 405 S Main Garden City, 8-11 am

District 11 –District Meeting – March 6th, Doyle & Lea's House, Leavenworth Ks, 2pm

District 12 - District Meeting- March 13th, VFW Post 1980, 932 Graphic Arts Rd Emporia, Ks, 2pm

District 13 - District Meeting – March 13th, Scott City Rec Center, 912 Jefferson St, Scott City, KS– 3pm

District 15 - District Meeting— March 13th, The Lil' Grill, 6625 Dyer Rd, Manhattan, 2pm State Meetings

State Meeting- March 12th- VFW Post 1714, 909 N 13th Dodge City, Ks Noon

State Meeting- April 9th - VFW Post 1980, 932 Graphic Arts Rd Emporia, Ks- Noon

DISTRICT

Decatur, Graham, Norton, Osborne,
Phillips, Rooks, Sheridan, SmithDistrict Rep Larry Kibbee
785-623-0420

MINUTES NOT RECEIVED BY DEADLINE





Allen, Bourbon, Chautauqua, Cherokee, Crawford,
Elk, Labette, Montgomery, Neosho, Wilson and Woodson
district3.abateks.org
District Rep JR Watts
806-217-1160



JR Watts called The ABATE of Kansas District 3 meeting in session and there were 32 members in attendance.

County Rep roll call was made and all were here except Montgomery, Cherokee, Labette, Bourbon and Woodson. Ricky Jakee was appointed as the new Neosho County Rep.

Sledge made the motion to refer to the Newsletter for the Secretary Report, Troll 2nd and all in favor

Kitty read the treasurer report motion was made, 2nd and all in favor to accept.

JR requested a budget be given to purchase new district products. Sledge made the motion, Troll 2nd and all were in favor.

JR spoke about the Ride to The Wall run coming and asked if the District would be interested in donating money to the cause. Speed made a motion to donate \$\$\$ and challenge other Districts to match. Troll 2nd and all were in favor.

JR shared State Report high points and asked the district if we support paying volunteers for LDR and nobody agreed. JR asked to refer to newsletter for the rest of the state meeting information. Brotherton made the motion and Troll 2nd all were in favor

Old Business- The calendars are done but Paula couldn't get them printed in time to have at the meeting. Reminder that the Old Bastards Ball is next weekend. We talked about the awning for the district trailer and Gerarld offer to donate

what he had and Russel and Donovan said they could modify and install on the trailer. Jason Denny found a storage unit next to the police dept. for us to rent and said if we paid a year at a time we could get a discount. John made the motion to get a 20' unit and Troll 2nd all were in favor.

The Turkey Shoot was a big success again this year with several shooters for both Adults and Youth teams. The 12g was donated back. Thank you Tony!! Thank you to everyone that helped and came. We still have Raffle tickets for the 250lb. Hog give away if anyone one wants some please see Kitty. Brotherton made the motion to offer a reward to the person that sales the most tickets of a hat, t-shirt or beanie Troll 2nd and all were in favor.

We are still working on the Girard Gun Raffle tickets. Vendors are all setup for the Bike Show. We raised all the money needed to award \$1,000 to the Best in Show for the Bike Show. All of the bands have been secured. There are more shows added such as an old school carnival show, tattoo artists, axe throwing and we have added a burlesque show for both Friday and Saturday nights. Thank you Jerry at the Pink Pickle in Girard! Next we will be working the track for the Dirt Drags. WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS please contact us if you can help.

New Business- The Hawg Waddle is next month March 5th and starts at 2:00 pm at the VFW. We will award the Hog

before the waddle starts. This is the 10 year anniversary and will be making recognition to those that started it so we hope you will come and show some love.

Another great meeting and thank you to JC a new member

that came and we got to meet.

50/50 was by John.

Next meeting is March 13th at Dickies BBQ in Independence at 1:00pm See you there!

Ride Free!!



Jackson, Osage and Shawnee

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District Rep RC Harman

785-224-5063



The ABATE of Kansas District 4 meeting was held at Papan's Landing. RC called the meeting to order at 1:08 PM. There were 20 members present. We cited the Pledge of Allegiance and had a moment of silence for lost brothers and sisters, our military and first responders. Frank then gave an opening prayer.

Secretary's Report: Steve read the January 9th meeting minutes as they were submitted too late to get into the February newsletter. Thank you, Debbie for taking the minutes in Steve's absence.

Treasurer's Report: Jennifer provided the report, starting with what we raised at the Bowlathon fundraiser for Papan's Landing. We'll try to present the check to Debbie Lake at 4:45 on Tuesday. Jennifer also reported on the proceeds of the patio heater raffle and noted our bank totals in the checking account and the RFTW savings account.

State Report: RC provided the report. He and several other District 4 members attended yesterday's meeting. The first discussion was about RFTW, followed by a long discussion about the changes planned at the LDR. One change that was voted in at the state level is District's 1 and 4 share a

bar in one large tent, at the location District 1 has used for the past several years by the showers. District 4 presented a proposal that we serve mixed drinks in addition to beer and margaritas and daiquiris. Lori stated that she could clean our slush machine and see if it would work. There was other discussion that an additional machine would need to be obtained. A vote was not taken on suggested changes to the beverage garden as the District 1 Rep wanted to take it back to his members. There also be shift in where the vendors are placed, as well as the stage. The asphalt pad will be used for RVs.

AMA and MRF Report: Bikers Under the Dome was on Monday, February 7th. Please read the MRF report in the newsletter. Join the MRF, and the AMA to support advocacy efforts in Washington.

Old Business:

District 4 Calendar: A few copies were provided for the members. We still need a site for our September 11th meeting. Banner Creek was suggested, but Alvin reminded us that we count tickets from the beverage garden at that meeting so we might need an inside location.

Officer Nominations: RC





opened nominations for District Representative and Secretary:

RC had been nominated for Rep and accepted at the January meeting and Julie Riggles was nominated for Secretary, but said she'd have to check on it before accepting it. She was not present at today's meeting so no decision known.

Debby nominated Steve for Secretary, who accepted. Hearing no additional nominations, RC closed nominations.

New Business: 2022 Fire Pit Fundraiser: Eric at E & K Metals in Emporia is working on it. It will be designed like the one we did last year.

D4 materials: Jack Frost dropped by to bring a few small tubs of District 4 items that Dee found at their house a few days ago. There were a couple of the "squares" for attaching to phones to accept credit card payments and other items, including some District 4 plaques. RC proposed that we give Jack a plaque for his work leading and supporting District 4 and ABATE of Kansas.

New Business:

RFTW planning has begun. The riders will be in Junction City on Sunday May 22, and ride through Topeka to the fuel stop on the turnpike on the morning of May 23rd. RC and others went to Junction City a week ago to attend a pre-event meeting. The JC American Legion quit dispensing water a few years ago so RC was instrumental in getting a team together to distribute water there. Paul has contacted the Turnpike. They will continue to write a check to the District to pay for some of the fuel we dispense.

Appointed Officer Positions: RC brought up the idea of appointing 3 non-voting Board

positions of Trustees, to work with the Treasurer to help make sure we are accountable for things like counting money at fundraising events and at the rally. We took a short break to let the members discuss this, and who they would like to be Trustees. After re-convening, Jason nominated Brandon, who accepted, Tanya was nominated and accepted, and Ryan was nominated and accepted. RC stated that he is nominating the 3. Three-year staggered terms were suggested, and these will be established after the meeting and presented at the March meeting.

RC stated he is also interested in appointing someone for Sgt at Arms, and asked Jason if would be interested in serving as Sgt at Arms. Jason looked over the D4 By-Laws and agreed to serving as a Sgt a Arms appointee.

RC also proposed appointing a Road Captain, and suggests Charlie Unrein. It was agreeable to the members, so RC will approach him about it as well as to make sure his membership is current.

Retirement Celebration for Debby Lake: Alvin moved that we have a cake and ice cream and a gift card for \$50 at Hobby Lobby for Debbie Lake that we can present to her before she retires in June.

Washington Days Hospitality Rooms on February 25th have been canceled due to Covid. Business meetings will continue.

Upcoming events:

Bikers Ball: March 19th at The Woodshed

District 4 Meeting March 13th, Papan's Landing

Meeting adjourned at 2:31 PM

DISTRICT



Johnson, Linn, Miami and Wyandotte

abateksdist5.org

District Rep Tony Rawls-Riley
913-706-8449



On February 5th, 2022 ABATE of Kansas District 5 monthly meeting started at 12:00pm at the 913 Bar.

Many were in attendance.

We lead the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and silence for our fallen brothers.

The minutes and treasurer report were read and approved.

The weekend of February 19th, 2022 we will start clearing back trees and brush from the roads. Working counts towards early admission to the Labor Day Rally. Contact Tony or Debbie for more information.

Debbie H. and Mary S. are beginning to reach out to members whose memberships have expired. If your membership has lapsed, you can go to <https://abateksonline.wufoo.com/forms/qp7dg13j9rf2/> and renew your membership online or reach out to a board member for additional assistance.

"Be Aware" front plates have arrived. Get with Tony R. if you are interested in purchasing any.

Our next meeting will be March 5th, 2022 at the 913, located at 6102 State Ave KCK.

50/50 was drawn, Debbie H won and she donated her portion back.

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

Always remember, other motorcyclist, family, interested people, are always welcome. As you can see our

District is growing rapidly. If you know someone that would like to join, you can contact anyone on the board for the membership forms or bring them to our next meeting.

DISTRICT



Barton, Ellis, Ness, Rush,
Russell, Trego

INACTIVE





District 7 Ballot

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Richard Knoeber

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Treasurer

Jennifer McCabe

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Secretary

Brittany Wondra

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Amber Bogner

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Abate of Kansas District 7

Glenna Day

PO Box 1031

Dodge City, Ks 67801

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Election date is May 6, 2022

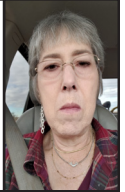
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DISTRICT



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Hodgeman, Kiowa, Meade, Pawnee

District Rep Glenna Day
620-826-5293



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Pratt, Reno, Sedgwick, Stafford, Sumner

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District Rep Brian Van Dyke
316-217-1446



ABATE of Kansas District 8
Meeting called to order 1:31
pm on 02/13/2022

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call: Rep, Treasurer,
Sectary (Melissa filling in for
Sandy) SGT of Arms

New Member: Mike
(Monkey) W. came to the
meeting

Sectary report: approved

Treasurer Report: approved

Old Business: We discussed
coming up with a new district
8 design. Everyone felt the
current design works, why
change something that works.
Brian will get with the old
district rep to see if we still
have the design, if anyone
wants to have a patch.

Discussed having a booth
at Emporia and Girard, not
enough interest to have a booth
at either location.

Next month March 13, 2022
meeting at 2:30 PM VFW 5407
S. Broadway, Haysville KS.

We are going to have a potato
barlunch. Melissa is going to
smoke the potatoes, Sis is going
to bring the toppings, Melissa
is going to bring bacon. District
bringing plates and plastic ware.

Brian thanked everyone
who helped during the social,
state meeting, and the district
meeting. He said he could not
do this without everyone's
help and support. A special
thanks to Pete and Melissa for
running the auction and kitchen
(Melissa), thank you, thank
you both. Everyone seemed to
have a good time at the social.
Should discuss if we want to do
that again. March 26, Brian will
be setting up a booth at Savage
Cycles, Swap Meet/Bike Show
31 SE 100th St, Leon, KS
67074. Call 316-733-8300 for
more information.

May is Motorcycle
Awareness.

Meeting adjourned 2:45 PM





DISTRICT



Clay, Cloud, Dickinson, Ellsworth, Jewell, Marion, McPherson,
Mitchell, Ottawa, Republic, Rice, Saline, Washington
district9.abateks.org
District Rep David Zeller
620-755-5445



The ABATE of Kansas District 9 meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm on February 13th, 2022 with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence given, with 21 members, 0 guests and 3 county reps present.

The secretary's report was given and approved with corrections.

The treasurer report was given and approved.

Discussion on Cloud County toy run.

State News: See state news in the newsletter.

Awareness report: Discussion on the sign for Back Porch Liquor.

Product report: Still have items available.

Website report: Updated. Facebook is current. Thanks to all of the administrators of the Facebook page in keeping it current.

Old Business: The Stoker award to Dave Z.

New Business: None
Upcoming events:
Washington Days

Drawing: Robin F. donated back to the district.

Thanks to Russ and Myrna for hosting the meeting, Nick and Kelsey for the meat, and everyone else for the food

Next meeting March 13th in Geneseo, Bar and Grill.

April meeting the 10th, at the Senior center in Canton.

ABATE OF KANSAS, INC. DISTRICT #7 FUNDRAISER FOR

SHELIA ERICKSON AND CRAIG DILL

On Friday, February 4, Shelia & Craig lost the majority of their belongings as well as their 3 beloved dogs due to a kitchen house fire in Bucklin, KS.

We will be selling tickets for a drawing to raise funds for them as they put their lives on hold to start rebuilding what they have lost.

The drawing will be March 12th @ the VFW Post 1714, 909 N. 14th, Dodge City, KS @ 6pm.

**Tickets are \$1 each or 6/\$5
You won't want to miss out on a chance to win this drawing.**

**Details to come!
NO NEED TO BE PRESENT @ DRAWING**

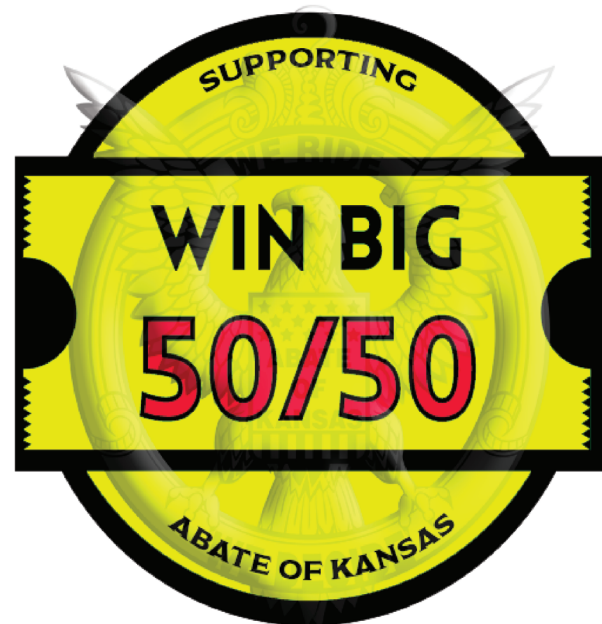
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SECRETARY: Melissa Garcia

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Write-In: _____

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MBR-at-Large: Terry Dale

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Write-In: _____

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MAIL BALLOT TO: Kelly Nevin
 ABATE of Kansas, Inc., District 10
 1915 E Sloan St #7
 Garden City, KS 67846

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 ELECTION DATE: May 1st, 2022

ATTENTION! PRINT THE WORD "BALLOT" ON THE OUTSIDE
 OF THE ENVELOPE.



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

620-640-8471
 Milton "John" Mowery



ABATE of Kansas District 10 meeting was held on February 6, 2022, at the American Legion in Garden City.

In attendance was 6 board members, 6 members and 2 guests. Board member Wendy was not in attendance but was excused.

Meeting was called to order at noon by District Rep John Mowery. The Pledge of Allegiance was said followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Secretary read the minutes from last meeting and corrections were needed. After the corrections were made then minutes were approved by all.

Treasurer report was not available, but District Rep discussed always having a certain amount of money in the checking account to cover expenses. John discussed the need to pay our sales taxes due. Motioned by Red and 2nd by Yolanda to pay them.

Old business was discussed. cancer center gave us a donation form for the money that was raised and donated to them from last year. Also, the fridge that was donated from station 57 needs a donation form. John suggested it comes from the American Legion since that is who it was donated to. All approved. District Rep also reminded everyone that everything must come through the district rep for final approval before sending to the state. Everyone understood and agreed. Next on the agenda was the upcoming elections. Corporate Secretary

Tammy called in on phone to discuss how the elections will go. Everyone understood. Nominations were taken. Linda nominated Milton Mowery for the Assistant Rep position and he accepted. Linda then nominated Melissa Garcia for the secretary position, she accepted. The nomination for member at large from last month was Terry Dale, no new nominations this month. With that the nominations for all positions have ended and ballot will be in the next 2 newsletters.

New Business: March 19th Ride and Fly Event. We discussed having Big John DJ the evening of the event. Red motioned and Yolanda 2nd. Flyer needed to be amended. After amended Garth motioned to accept and Red 2nd. We also discussed that the Shirts and hats needed to be ordered soon. The need to try and keep business local to district 10 was mentioned. We also discussed speaking to local vendors to make the shirts for our events. Garth motioned and Red 2nd. Next on the agenda was the State Meeting we are hosting in July. Discussed were bike games, DJ, Food vendors, product vendors and a bike show. We are asking that everyone bring their ideas to the next meeting so we can get flyers made and start getting vendors lined up.

Mike K. donated money to District 10 for any use needed. Thank you, Mike!

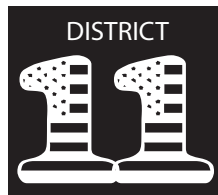
Door prize was won by Yolanda, and she donated some back. Thank you, Yolanda!





Next meeting is March 6th at the American Legion in Garden City at Noon. Community

breakfast is served from 8-11 on the 6th of March as well.



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ABATE of Kansas District 11 Meeting was called to order at 2:00, February 5th and we had 14 members and 1 guest.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Secretary read notes from last meeting.

Treasurer went over the financials. Lea moved to accept and Ric accepted.

Doniphan Co. Rep has the Blessing of the Bikes on April 23rd in Troy. There is a nonperishable food drive. Atchison Co. Rep is going to check with the city to see if we can still have the Mother's Day Bike Show at the same spot or not.

Leavenworth Co. Rep is going to check to see if we can do the bike show and ceremony at the VA this year for Memorial Day.

Brown Co. Rep, still can't attend.

Nemaha Co. Rep, still need a rep.

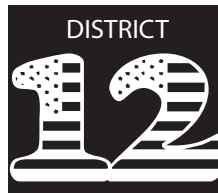
Lea P. went over the products. If you want a sweat shirt, get her your order! You get two passes and two shirts

if your design gets picked. Lea and Chop mentioned have the winning racer on the shirt for the next year.

Lea talked about changing the design for the Mother's Day Bike Show shirts.

We are NOT going to be upgrading the mini bike this year since we are having two raffles this year. Chop moved to accept and Ric second. Keegan went over the guns that he priced for the giveaway. Keegan mentioned doing a gun raffle for the Mother's Day Bike Show. Keegan motioned and Lea P second. Ruth is going to start making the tickets for the Mother's Day gun raffle.

The CMA bike show is June 11th in Leavenworth. District 11 will be attending that bike show. Ruth mentioned starting to take credit/debit cards at our events. Robin has the register we can use for the mother's day bike show and field events. Next meeting is at the Lea Doyle's house in Leavenworth in on March 6th at 2:00pm. Meeting ended at 2:30pm.



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ABATE of Kansas February District 12 Meeting was brought to order by District

Representative Barry at the VFW here in Emporia Kansas at 2:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of Silence for our Fallen Brother's and Sister's & Ride Free.

District 12 Representative called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. 14 People were present at the meeting.

The Secretary's report was read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved. It was approved and seconded.

State Meeting was yesterday and Art Work for Mayhem and the Labor Day Rally. Due April 7th for Labor Day Rally. March 9th for Mayhem.

On May 14th, 2022 we will be having Open House at the State Office. Bikers Under the Dome only had a Handful of people show up to.

Old Business

We are wanting to get a hold of some people to make the T-Shirts but if we have 50 T-Shirts done will be done. We already have a tote of T-Shirts. Hoodie's and Long Sleeve's will need to be special ordered to.

We discussed the Auction

items for the upcoming Bike Show in April 2022. Right now the items that we have up for Auction are \$ Gift Card from Topeka Harley Davidson, Griddle and Propane Tank, Sheila has a pair of Chap's and so does Barry.

New Business We will open up nominations for elections for Assistant District Representative and Treasurer. for 2 months and then in the newsletter for 2 months and vote in July.

The Station here in Emporia Kansas is going to be the Location for our After Party for the Bike Show in April 2022.

On the 27th of February 2022 we are going to have a Meeting at Lowrey Funston to go over things for the up coming Bike Show.

Mayhem is coming up June 24th, 25th and 26th 2022.

Our next meeting in March is March 13th @ 2:00 p.m. at the VFW here in Emporia Kansas.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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Neil O'Connell

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Mona Carver

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Emmett Douglas

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ABATE of Kansas District 13 met on Sunday, February 13th, 2022, in Oakley, at Buffalo Bills. Thank you Ben for hosting us!

All board members were present, with exception of Road Captain (vacant) with 19 members in attendance.

Before the meeting, Neil raised a drink in honor of his beloved wife, our sister, Cheryl "Boots" O'Connell who gained her wings Friday February 11th. We will miss her and the members send their condolences to Neil and the family.

District Rep Neil, called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a Moment of Silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Secretary Report: Mona read minutes from January's meeting, with a correction on location of Goodland meeting from VFW to Crazy R's. Tom N motioned to accept the minutes. Criag W seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: No official report was given.

State Meeting: No report. Members are encouraged to read their newsletter for the latest updates. John P has offered to help get state information to members, until Neil returns.

Old Business: Mona brought the new banner for members to see. Bill was submitted. Chase vehicle discussion was tabled until the next meeting. Neil will hold the title and insurance of the RV donated by Bobbie for

use as the D13 Headquarters, at the Buffalo Run Rally and other events. The RV will also hold D13 storage.

Buffalo Run Rally: Neil, Mona and Curtis met with city officials in Gove City, Neil presented our bid to use the City Park for the Buffalo Run Rally. All officials voted Yes. The rally will be held at the Gove City Park. Curtis secured Cammies Vintage Inn to host the State meeting. Curtis will reach out to the RV park 4 blocks from sight to secure all sights for the rally. Mona shared pictures of the venue sight. We are excited about this new venue with hopes it meets our needs and if so, to secure a 10 year contract to use every year. 3- 4 bands will be book, A swap meet will be an added feature this year. Vendors are welcome. A gun raffle will be drawn for a .380 Walther Saturday night. And we will have a Fun Run Gun Run with a .22 Walther as the prize.

Flyers with more details will be out soon.

Elections will be in May, Neil opened nominations: Dist. Rep; Neil was nominated and he accepted the nomination last month, no new nominations. Recording secretary; Mona was nominated, she finally accepted. Member at Large; Curtis was nominated last month and he accepted. No other nominations. Road Captain; Mona was nominated last month and she accepted; Tom N. was nominated and he accepted last month, but has rescinded his nomination for road captain.





Stu E was nominated, he declined, however he did offer to assist. Lonny C was nominated and he accepted, Emmett D was nominated and he accepted..

Neil closed nominations. Lila S has agreed to collect mailed ballots.

Events were slated for the following: April 23rd Fallen Brother and Sisters Memorial Ride ; May 22nd Fun ride to promote motorcycle awareness, Run for the Wall is coming thru, a stop at the Gove overpass, to show our respect. June 10th -12th Buffalo Run Rally; July 23rd Xmas in July Toy Run co sponsored with Tri State; Sept 17th BiketemberFest ;Sept 24th Thunder on the High Plains; Emmett motioned to close old business, Kevin P seconded.

New Business: Neil was approached by Scott City LEC if D13 would help with a poker run to benefit Child Advocacy

on June 4th. He will bring back the information. Mona asked members to sponsor the upcoming KBBOB ride August 6th. Craig W motion to sponsor by monterey donation, Emmett D seconded Motion Passed. Tom N motioned to close new business, Tina F seconded,

Announcements:

Abate 13 District meetings; March 13th Scott City , Scott Rec; April 19th Goodland , Crazy R's ; May 8th Tribune at the Trench and June 12th Buffalo Run Rally Gove City ; July 23rd after the toy run.

Tri state meeting March 6th Atwood

Lap of the Lakes April 30 & May 1 with Tri State meeting afterwards; May 21 Mike Ginsell Memorial ride; June 4th DJ Toy Run ;

July 17th Butterfield Trail run; August 19-21st Tri State Summer Bash

The raffle tickets for the Visa card are ready, please take and sell.

Plans for next summer's bash, Jay G. called about Stockdale and will call about Thunderbird. It was moved and seconded that he be given authority to book either location and use his judgement with regards to cost for those locations. Motion passed.

Seth H. gave a report on the upcoming Awareness Ride to be held Saturday, April 30. Plans so far are to start at the Little Grill in Manhattan then ride to Wamego, Paxico, Frankfort, Clay Center, Milford, and end at Rosebuds in Junction City. He and Cindy are still working out details and will finalize by the March meeting.

Tony R. reported cleanup at the Rally site next weekend to do tree trimming and brush cleanup (February 19). Byron will be there around 8am to begin.

New Business:

T-Bars Rally motorcycle rally will be June 11 in Odgen. It was moved and seconded that the district participate. Motion passed.

Announcements:

Mark K. has a shelter from the estate of Larry and Nancy Woodyard to donate to the district.

Judy P. introduced a new magazine called "Manhattan City Lifestyle" that featured a short article about the toy run and the districts contribution to Toys for Manhattan.

Bill P. presented Jen H. with a t-shirt for Kevin H.

Next months state meeting is in Dodge City, Tony R. will not be able to attend and would like a volunteer. Lori G. will get back to him.

Next months District 15 meeting is at the Little Grill in Manhattan, April is at the Eagles in Clay Center.

Run for the Wall will be May 22.

With no more business, it was moved and seconded the meeting adjourn, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 3:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Hardy, secretary.

DISTRICT 	Clay, Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie, Riley, Washington and Wabaunsee www.abateks15.com District Rep Tony Roberts 785-458-9668 
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The February 13, 2022, District 15 meeting was called to order at 2:15pm by District Representative Tony Roberts at the Manhattan Eagles Club, Manhattan, Kansas.

Tony R. opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence for fallen brothers/sisters and our service members. It was moved and seconded to waive reading the January minutes with one correction, the Awareness Run is April 30 not April 16, motion passed. Jennifer H. gave the Treasurer's Report,

there were no changes to last month's report. It was moved and seconded to accept the treasurers report, motion passed.

For the State report, Tony asked everyone in attendance to read the minutes in the next newsletter.

Old Business:

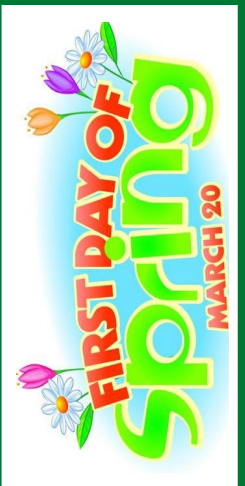
Tony R. reported that the State Board approved the Member-at-Large position for District 15. Tammy will get us the revised by-laws. Lori G. will fill that position until the next elections.





MARCH 2022




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Ash Wednesday	3	4	5 District 5 Meeting District 3 Hawg Waddle 4pm
6 District 10 Meeting & Community Breakfast	7	8	9	10	11 District 7 Meeting	12 State Meeting Dodge City, Noon District 7 Event 6pm
13 District Meetings 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15 Daylight Saving Time Begins	14	15	16	17 St Patrick's Day	18	19 District 4 Biker Ball 7pm
20 District 1 Meeting Spring Begins	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		





MARCH 2022 EXPIRATIONS

ASHLEY	ALLERHEILIGEN	1
CHRIS	CATES	1
PATRICK W.	REYLE	1
AARON	SIMS	1
RICK	JOHNSON	2
JEFF	MILLER	2
LIBBY	MILLER	2
CARLA	BROOKS BURCH	2
JERRY	GROFF	2
TERESA	GROFF	2
STEVE	VAN DER VEER	2
MORGAN	KENDALL	3
TRAVIS	KENDALL	3
BRIAN	NORTH	3
BEVERLY	NORTH	3
JESSICA	ROUTH	3
EDWARD A.	BORING	3
ISABEEL	CHASE	4
CURTISS	CHASE	4
CHRISTINA	GARDNER	4
Randy	Steenbock	4
BRENDA	STEENBOCK	4
JESSE	HOWARD	5
CHARLENE	HOWARD	5
TONY	SCHEINA	5
PAULA	WHEELER	5
TRAVIS	SCHECK	6
CESAR	ANDRADE	7
RACHEL	BAKER	7
STASIA	CROWLEY	7
LARRY	KOEHN	7
MARK	BOGNER	7
AMBER	BOGNER	7
HEATHER	DAY	7
ROBERT	DIERKING JR	7
KERRI	FELLERS	7
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MICHAEL J	WAGNER	7
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BLAKE STEVEN	WONDRA	7
DESIRE R.	SMITH	8
DOUGLAS A	SMITH	8
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MIKE	KETTERLING	10
RHONDA LOUISA	CONNOLLY	10



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Do I need to own a motorcycle?

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Do I have to live in Kansas?

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Is ABATE a motorcycle club?

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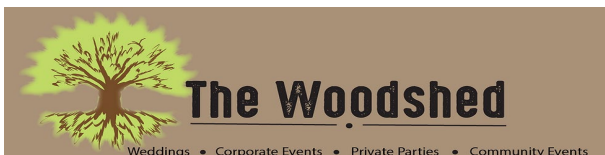
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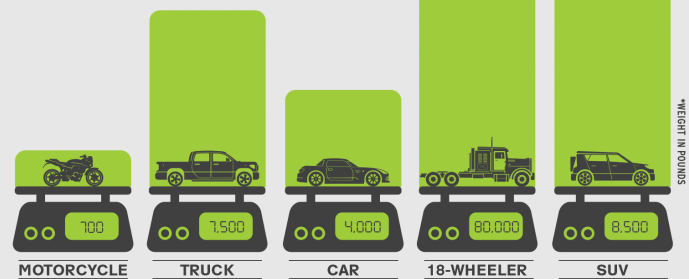


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Notice of Approved Amendments to Policies and Procedures

Approved during the monthly Board of Directors meeting held: January 8th, 2021

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