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A BROTHERHOOD AGAINST TOTALITARIAN ENACTMENTS

We are Freedom Fighters, Activists, Patriots.

We are ABATE of Kansas, We are a Motorcycle Rights Organization

We Support the MRF, Meeting of the Minds, MidSouth Mile, State and Local meetings

With OUT our brotherhood and the support we receive from one another our rights and freedoms as motorcyclist will be trampled

Let us not forget what we stand for, let us stand up and be heard!

MOTORCYCLISTS IMPROVING LEGISLATIVE EFFECTIVENESS

An opportunity for motorcyclists rights groups
members to meet and benefit
from each other's experiences -
working together toward a common goal -
the preservation of our freedom as motorcyclists



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BANQUET/PARTY FEE PREREGISTRATION - \$20 - (\$25 at Seminar if not Preregistered) - (to insure accurate meal counts)

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ORGANIZATION _____ DIVISION _____





State Meeting

Meeting called to order @ 4:17 pm Pledge of Allegiance Moment of Silence

Roll Call- All present except Dist 2, Dist 7, Dist 10 & Dist 13. Lori H in for Dist 4 and Sis in for Dist 8

Guest Speaker(s)- Representatives for the fire department stated that this was a great year at the Rally. Jon P suggested ABATE should do something for the fire department for all of their volunteer work. Tony RR(2nd by Sis) made a motion to donate a discussed amount to the fire department for all their work at the rally. Motion passed with a yes vote from every board member. Sis wanted to thank the fire department for their extra help at vendor gate. Kirk with the sheriff department said that this was a slow & good year with minor issues at the rally. Jon suggested we do a sponsorship for the sheriffs department to show our thanks. Motion was made by Jon(2nd by Sis) to sponsor 100 children through Jefferson County Sheriffs Office program for the discussed amount. Motion passed with a yes vote from every board member. EMT- not present at meeting. Thank you for all of your volunteer work,

Secretary Report- Motion was made by Bill S(2nd by Lori H) to wave reading of secretary report. Motion passed by show of hands.

Financial Report- Richard B stated that he will have a better handle of the LDR financials at the October meeting. The drawing winner was announced Sunday at the Rally. The winner was Steve N ticket # 3354.

We did receive enough donations to cover the drawing. Thank you to Tony R & Tammy W & everyone else that helped

make sure this would be a success.

Old Business-Discussion was had about the registers that were tabled from last month. Richard showed pics of the donated register from Clay. Richard said they would not be cheap to check out & maintain. Lori asked about the difference between purchasing & renting them. Richard said we need 1 for products all year long, Tabled until October meeting. LDR

Ron V. stated that security did their jobs & had each others backs. Thank you security for keeping things safe at the LDR. Sheri stated that we had a nice turnout this year with 4212 people thru the main gate.

Lobbyist Report- Brian not present, Bill S read report, Please see report in newsletter.

MRF- Bill C gave report. Please see report in newsletter. A motion was made by Jodi (2nd by Jon) to pay Ed & Tish's expenses to the Meeting of the Minds up to a pre determined amount. All Dists voted yes except Dist 3 & Treasurer abstaining. Motion passed.

Motorcycle Awareness- Paul S gave report. Please see in newsletter.

Public Relations- Sis stated there was nothing at this time.

MidSouth Mile- Sis stated that Jon & Ron need items for the basket by October meeting. If you don't know what the basket theme is please talk to your Dist Rep. Tish stated that we need to support the MidSouth Mile, Meeting of the Minds, & MRF. They are our foundation & need our support to continue fighting for our rights!

Corporate Secretary-Rocky not present

Newsletter- Tammy not

present due to attending State Fair

Website - Kevin stated that the web page is doing well. Need to add MRF & MidSouth Mile links to ABATE website. Thank you Kevin for your work on the website.

Products Report- Bill C stated that there is a few LDR shirts left. He will be taking them to Bikers for Babies. Great job with the products Bill & Ellie.

More LDR

Byron stated that the winner of the Battle of the Bands is Swift Kick. Thank you to all of the bands. It went very well & suggestions were made for next year to make it even better. Thank you Lori & Byron for all of your work put in to making this a success!

Jon thanked all of the maintenance staff for all of the hours put in to make LDR a success. A special thanks to Paul H, Richard M, & Chad! You guys did great!!! Ringo stated that at the end of the Rally Paul H's truck broke

down. He asked for a motion to allow Paul to use the Abate van. Tony made a motion (2nd by Jon) to allow Paul H to use the ABATE van. Motion passed by a show of hands.

Russell B did a good job with the vendors this year. There were more & spread out well. Thank you Russell.

Next month is the LDR bitch session. Please bring ideas from your dist to improve on next yrs rally.

Doyle stated that ABATE of North Carolina had sent a request to see our bylaws in hopes of reworking theirs. It was approved to send them a copy of our bylaws.

Both Door prize drawings were won by the same guest- congrats

Meeting adjourned at 5:48pm

Thank you Dist 4 & American Legion of Ozawkie for the good food!

Steve N. The \$10,000 Giveaway Winner!!



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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.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Return Application to your nearest District or Mail to:
 ABATE of Kansas, Inc., P.O. Box 102, Perry, KS 66073 Dist.

☐ Address Change
☐ Renewal
☐ New

☐ Regular Annual Membership \$30 per person
☐ LIFE Membership \$300 per person

☐ Registered Voter ☐

Date

Membership #

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Date

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First Name M.I.

Last Name

Address / Apt #

City State/Reg. ZIP Code

E-Mail Telephone

County

Applicant Signature

Signed by

ABATE of Kansas, Inc.

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DISTRICT NEWS

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Anderson, Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson

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District Rep. Bill Saric 785-207-7993



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MEMBERSHIP # _____

DISTRICT 1 BALLOT**ASST. REPRESENTATIVE:**

CHAD GUENTHER

WRITE IN: _____

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TREASURER:

NOVA HORTON

WRITE IN: _____

WRITE IN: _____

SGT. AT ARMS:

RON BOWSER

WRITE IN: _____

WRITE IN: _____

MAIL BALLOT TO

BILL SARIC
ABATE OF KANSAS – DISTRICT 1
4632 CLARK RD.
MERIDAN, KS. 66512

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DECEMBER 10, 2015

ELECTION DATE: DECEMBER 13, 2015

REMINDER:WRITE "**BALLOT**" ON OUTSIDE OF ENVELOPE.

Meeting held September 13, 2015 at 1 PM was held at the Ozawkie American Legion.

Bill S. opened the meeting with The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Paul S., Member at Large was in attendance. He wanted to thank everyone from District #1 for their hard work at the beverage center at the LDR and that the State also only had positive comments. Next year will be even bigger and better with a bigger tent and prime location.

District #1 wants to extend a big thanks to everyone that worked the LDR and thank you to Byron and Lori for arranging the Battle of the Bands.

State Report: The next meeting will be 10/10/ 2015 at the VFW McPherson, 10 AM.

Treasurer Report: Read by Nova H. Motion was made by Pam W. to accept the report as read. Ron B. second.

Secretary Report: Read by Pam W. Report as read was accepted. Motion by Robert W., Nova H. second.

Old Business: Bylaws discussion will be tabled until the next meeting and instead of a plaque for Brads Café, he will be recognized in the newsletter. The badge design for district board members is to be submitted at the October meeting.

Nominations for Assistant Representative, Treasurer, and Sargent at Arms were opened up. Ron B. was nominated for Sargent at Arms by Robert W. Ron B accepted. Nominations from the August meeting were

Assistant Representative – Chad G. Treasurer – Nova H. Sargent at Arms – Ed S.

Ballots will be published in the October and November 2015 newsletter with ballots being counted at the ABATE District #1 December 2015 meeting. Those elected will take office January 2016.

Discussion of when a State meeting coincides with the District #1 meetings and to move the meetings from the 2nd Sunday of each month to the 1st Sunday of month and retain the time of the meeting at 1 PM was discussed and determine to leave the meetings as scheduled with no change.

New Business:

District #1 will host the November 14th State Meeting at the Perry Legion.

Chad G presented a list of Lessons Learned from the LDR that will be taken into consideration by District #1 and shared at the State meeting

Bill S. adjourned the meeting. Motion to accept was made by Ron B., Robert W., second.

Next meeting is October 11, 2015, Perry Legion at 1 PM.

We appreciate all the members that made it to the meeting.





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

District Rep. Rick Gitchel 785-533-1205



The September 13th meeting was called to order by Rick with a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters.

Donna read the secretary's report, and it was approved with no corrections.

Gary gave the treasures report, and it was approved with no questions.

Rick gave the State meeting report, to save space and reduce possible errors read the State meeting report in this newsletter.

Old business, we discussed the fact that we are still looking for locations in Decatur, Sheridan, Rooks, and Osborn counties to put up awareness signs. Anyone with ideas bring them to a meeting.

New business, we discussed Casino Night coming up in January. As Gary and Peggy

will be out of town for their son's wedding, we will need others to step up and help, as they always do a lot. Rick and Kenny said they would make some of the food for the State meeting that day. But we will need help that night, and it is never too early to start thinking about prizes. Next Peggy wanted to thank everyone for the support at the benefit run on the 12th. To help with her expenses from breast cancer treatment.

Peggy made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Donna, all approved, meeting adjourned.

The next Dist. 2 meeting will be October 11th at 4:00 pm at Gary and Peggy's house 876 6th street in Phillipsburg.

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DISTRICT 02 BALLOT

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:

RICK GITCHEL

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SECRETARY:

ARDIE VANBEBBER

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WRITE IN: _____

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ASST. SECRETARY:

PEGGY LITRELL

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WRITE IN: _____

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WRITE IN: _____

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MAIL BALLOT TO:

TERRY GITCHEL

ABATE OF KS - DISTRICT 2

651 F ST.

PHILLIPSBURG, KS 67661

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 - ELECTION DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2015

REMINDER:

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IT'S KANSAS LAW

Any person operating in this state a motorcycle which is registered in the state shall be the holder of a valid M driver's license. KSA 8-228

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

KANSAS Traffic Safety Resource OFFICE

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

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District Rep. Bill Cooper 620-764-3734



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DISTRICT 3 BALLOT

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:

BILL COOPER

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DAN HARRIS

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SECRETARY:

ELLIE WALDON

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WRITE IN: _____

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WRITE IN: _____

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MAIL BALLOT TO

BEVERLY HARRIS

ABATE OF KANSAS - DISTRICT 3

701 COFFEYVILLE, KS. 67301

PHILLIPSBURG, KS 67661

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DECEMBER 8, 2015

ELECTION DATE: DECEMBER 13, 2015

REMINDER:

WRITE **"BALLOT"** ON OUTSIDE OF ENVELOPE.

Coop started the meeting off with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our brothers and sisters lost.

Coop gave the state report and talked about the Labor Day Rally. He is excited to be going to Milwaukee for the Meeting of the Minds put on by the MRF and will tell us about it at the next meeting.

Bev gave the treasurer report and all approved.

The secretary report was waived. Please read your newsletter.

The Hiattville Halloween party at Elm Creek Lake will be moved to Fri 23 and Sat 24 of October. The district meeting will be held again in Chanute Sunday the 4th of Oct. Curtis pointed out that breakfast is served from 7-11 the first Sunday of the month and encouraged all to come. He said it is really good.

The Allen county rep mentioned the Biblesta is held in Humboldt the first Sat in Oct. There is music and free food and a parade.

Leonard G. said there will be an American Legion Toy Run at Post 138 on Sat Oct. 10th in Caney.

There will be a fundraiser for Speed Sat Sep 19th to help with medical costs from his motorcycle accident a few months ago.

There were concerns about members who filled out the insurance cards not getting called back. Coop will check with the state how it all works.

The Toy Run in Independence was discussed. It is always the Sat after Thanksgiving and falls on Sat the 28th of Nov this year. Half-Pints will provide breakfast at the American Legion. Food is provided at the Lone Chief Cabin and there will be a door prize given away. Dan H. said flyers will be out soon. Coop will check to see if we can get T-shirts again this year.

Our preparations for the Rally at the Crawford County Fairgrounds in May are moving forward. Coop is taking names for sponsors so if you know someone or a business that would like to be on the t-shirts and the flyers please call him at 620-764-3734.

The floor was opened for nominations. Rep and Secretary of up for elections in December. No new nominations were brought up. Our ballot should be in the Newsletter. Please vote!

The door prize was drawn and Kim H. won. He donated it back. Thanks Kim! Motion by Dave W. to close the meeting. All seconded and approved! See you on Sunday Oct 4th in Chanute!



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Jackson, Nemaha, Osage and Shawnee
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District Rep. Ben Halderman 785-207-2395



Meeting called to order at 1:20 p.m. followed by Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Secretary's report read by Carrie. Treasurer report read by Lori.

Battle of the Bands and Bike Show cards are available. Please take some and distribute.

State report by Lori, donation made to fire department. Donation made to Child Safety Council. Giveaway winner already received giveaway. Enough tickets were sold to cover the giveaway amount. Mid-South MILE basket needs donations. Please contact Sis for more information. Cash register for product sales approved. LDR Battle of the Bands winner was Swift Kick. Paul H. authorized to use ABATE van. Many thanks to everyone that helped make the rally a success.

SMART Report given by Steve, deciding to downsize some and selling some bikes. Purchased enclosed trailer that can fit 12-14 bikes. Need alternative site. Working on another possible site. Numbers of participants declining.

Paul S. discussed state funding for billboards etc. Traffic fatalities have not decreased – need safety training. More eyeball signs will be ordered. No "M" endorsement on license – Insurance companies have right to refuse claims.

MRF report given by Steve, last federal Highway Transportation Bill will affect funding. Paul S. provided more information on E-85 – flex fuel.

Old Business: Bandanas will be available for people that

worked the LDR main beer garden.

Benefit for Dee Dee Lange is on October 31st at Vinewood. Wear your costumes. There will be a Budweiser grill given away, door prize etc. Time: 5:30 p.m. until Midnight.

Meeting break at 2:05 p.m., reconvened at 2:34 p.m.

District 4 Beer Garden brought in about the same as last year. Need more people to help. New margarita machine needed before next LDR.

New Business: Artwork for Toys for Tots needed a.s.a.p. Hibernation Party 6 p.m., October 3, 2015, at Paradise Point.

Lori & Byron will provide music. Christmas party – Paul S. to contact regarding Goodyear shelter house.

Motion made to donate to the state for sustaining MRF membership. Passed.

Battle of the Bands fundraiser is Sunday, September 20, 2015, at B & B Backyard. Gate opens at 1 p.m., bands begin at 2 p.m. Please distribute cards.

Motion to adjourn by Ken
 Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.



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Carl's Body Shop, LLC.	Welliever Construction
Cashman Trucking	Wetmore Mens Club
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Johnson, Linn, Miami, Wyandotte

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



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DISTRICT 5 BALLOTASST. DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:

DEBBIE HARDIN

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BOBBY SMITH

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TREASURER:

BETH SULLIVAN

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PAM BECHTOL

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WRITE IN: _____

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MAIL BALLOT TO

TONY RAWLS-RILEY

ABATE OF KANSAS - DISTRICT 5

14750 S. KAW DRIVE

OLATHE, KS. 66062

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DECEMBER 1, 2015

ELECTION DATE: DECEMBER 5, 2015

REMINDER:

WRITE "BALLOT" ON OUTSIDE OF ENVELOPE.

September 5, 2015 District 5 monthly meeting started at 11:00 AM, at the Labor Day Rally prior to the bike games with 6 members present and 8 guests.

Product Line - We now have tank tops and girls shirts available!! We plan for the next run to be t-shirts and more Hoodies ready by December. If you would like one please contact Beth or Debbie.

2015 Motorcycle Olympics Winners

Slow Race: 2nd James

Crowell 1st Horndog

Weenie bite: 1st James & Tracy Crowell

Tire Toss: 2nd Marty Smith & Ellen Whitter, 1st Rick & Marie Kuhlman

Potato Pick-up: 1st/2nd who knows James & Tracy Crowell, Steve Pfeifer & friend

Keg Push: 2nd Horndog 1st Brandon Korg

Tire Drag: 2nd Johnny Bill ? 1st James Crowell

Barrel Race: 2nd Dennis Schmidt 1st Horndog

Mini Bike Race: 1st Heat 2nd Randy Johnson 1st Johnny Schmidt

Championship Race: 2nd Randy Johnson 1st Johnny Schmidt

Bike Show winners:

Custom 2nd Rob Morris 1st Gus Noyla

American: 2nd Sandra Barker 1st Mellisa Fish

Metric Sport: 1st Chuck Volgt Rat-Rod: 2nd Pat Haith

1st Bob Jose

Metric Cruiser: 2nd J.D.

Bussa 1st Cory Pfeifer

Trike: 2nd Ed Niesluchowski

1st Randy Manulak
Touring: 2nd David Stracke
1st Larry House
Antique: 2nd Jim Nichols 1st Corvette Al
Classic: 2nd Larry
Furtwangler 1st Pat Mead
Sportster: 2nd John Thorton
1st Andy McNary
Special Interest/Mini Bike:
2nd Eric Mesuise?

1st Jarred Peters
Peoples Choice: High Tower
Best in Show: David Stracke

Thanks to all who helped, Bobby, Pam Seth, James, Bud, Debbie, Stripe, Lonnie, Randy and several others. If we missed your name here, we apologize

The October 3rd meeting will be at the Eagles lodge in Overland Park. November 7th meeting will be at the Eagles lodge in Merriam.

December 5th meeting is to be held at the Moose lodge in KCK 6621 Turner Dr, Kansas City, KS 66111.

The End of the year party and State Meeting on December 12th will be at the Moose Lodge 1999 located at 6621 Turner Dr, Kansas City, KS 66111 Music for the party will be SGR's FINAL DRIVE.

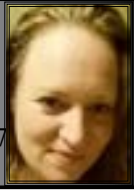
Always remember, other motorcyclist, family, interested people, are always welcome. As you can see our District is growing rapidly. If you know someone that would like to join, you can contact anyone on the board for the membership forms or bring them to our next meeting.



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**Barton, Ellis, Ness, Rush, Russell,
Trego**

District Rep. Becca Hardman 785-259-9557



Meeting called to order at 7:15 at the Golden Q in Hays. Moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introduction of members ,guests and new members... great turnout!!!!

No report of last minutes or treasure report.

T shirts are made and ready for sale!!! Thank you Greg!!!!

Old business.. There will be no Great Bend Rally for us this year.. Options open for next year

New business: State meeting was discussed. Needing help, tickets available. Needing more vendors this year. Tattoo vendors were discussed. At the lake Perry rally an ATM will be available (yeah)!!! We being a new district will do what we can. Dist 6 now has a "bus" look for us

Meeting of the minds, we are looking at next year.

Motorcycle signs were discussed, mostly construction zones to let riders know of hazards.

Benefit run for Dist 2 was brought up. Support for both districts.

Benefit run in Salina to be held Sept 20, benefit for MDA.

Discussion for fund raisers: looking to host a Halloween party with costumes and dance . This was approved... date and time TBA

Mike's run was discussed. Needing signs made. Helmet laws, if u wear one ok,,must be DOT approved.

Decals for cars and shirts are now available for Dist 6

Meeting adjourned at 7:38
Ride safe!!!!

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**Barber,Butler,Cowley,Harper,Harvey
Kingman,Pratt,Reno,Sedgwick,
Stafford,Sumner**facebook.com/pages/ABATE-of-Kansas-District-8/114523255250459

District Rep. Tony Railsback 620-204-8018

District 8 ABATE Of Ks.
Minutes Sept 13th. 2015

Tony opened district 8 meeting at 1:45 pm with pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence for lost brothers and sisters.

Roll call vote district Rep. Present / assistant district rep. present / treasurer present / secretary absent / Sargent of arms absent / county reps present Harvey, Butler, Cowley

Secretaries report none given due to no meeting last month

Treasures report given by Tony, Sam was pre occupied. We have money. Approved as read

Products report given by Tony we did well at T.O. Drags and Alfes HD birthday bash. We have enough products to get buy the rest of 2015.

State Report Read your newsletter. Mid-South Mile, Mick and Teri Jimenez are the only ones going from District 8. District 8 will pay for Seminars

Old Business we missed Alfes HD fall open house, to many things going on for District 8 in Sept. Nominations were opened back up Assistant District Rep. Brian VanDyke / Secretary Sandra VanDyke (AKA Sharon) County Reps Cowley Co. Joe Rose / Reno Co. Alan Turner, Tammy Ward / Harvey Co. Shayla McIntosh / Butler Co. Mick Jimenez, Brian VanDyke / Sedgwick Co. Milton Collins, Tracie Collins, David Fields, was not present to accept or deny. October meeting will be last month for nominations for these positions.

The Ballot will be posted in Nov. and Dec. newsletter. Elections will be held at our Dec. meeting

New Business None

Upcoming events Butler Toy Run Progress going well please attend if you can Oct. 3rd See flyer in Sept newsletter / Cowley Co. Planning going well This year Toys will not go to Salvation Army for distribution. This year is there Silver Anniversary toy Run. Contact Rose Rose for more info. Reno Co. toy run Planning going well contact Tammy W. for more info. Sedgwick Co. Wichita Toy run to end at Hartman Arena from now on.

NEXT MEETING To Be At Harvey Co. East Lake at Egret shelter Oct. 11th at 1:30 pm this will be our last meeting at the lake for the year. We will be returning to American Legion in Haysville for the remainder of the year.

NOTES FROM TONY I Want to Very Much THANK Tina, Debbie and Joe n Rose, Brad n Tracie, Meadow, Howard and Sharon, Bill Cooper from District 3 and Ed n Tish from Dist 12 for helping Tammy at the state fair. It wouldn't have happened without them and a very Big Awesome Job putting it all together Tammy Ward.

MEETING ADJURNED
Ride Safe

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**Clark,Comanche,Edwards,Ford,Gray
Hodgman,Kiowa,Meade,Pawnee**[Facebook.com/pages/abatedist7/101952168299](https://facebook.com/pages/abatedist7/101952168299)

District Rep. John Kernell 620-225-1969

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DISTRICT 9 BALLOT

ASST. DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:

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DAVE ZELLNER

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TREASURER:

RON VAWTER

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MAIL BALLOT TO

JON PUCKETT

ABATE OF KANSAS - DISTRICT 9

P.O. BOX 216

MILTONVALE, KS 67456

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**Clay, Cloud, Dickinson, Ellsworth, Jewell
Marion, McPherson, Mitchell, Ottawa
Republic, Rice, Saline, Washington**
district9.abateks.org

District Rep. Jon Puckett 785-427-2494



The District 9 Meeting was called to order at 1:15 pm on Sept 13th 2015 with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

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

State news: See state news in the newsletter.

Awareness report: Mike reported that several deliveries of yard signs have been made.

Products Report: None

Website Report: All updated. Information given on Brotherhood Of Mann Event next Saturday

Old business: Discussion held on "Mid South MILE" Items still needed for the Kansas Basket.

New business: Discussion held on Cloud County, Marion County and McPherson County Toy Runs. Discussion also held on ABATE booth at the State Fair. Ideas discussed for next year.

Upcoming events:

Cloud County Toy Run- Oct 3rd in Concordia

State meeting Oct 10th VFW in McPherson

Next Dist Meeting Oct 11th VFW in McPherson

Marion County Toy Run Nov 7th in Marion

Drawing won by Rick R Thanks to Chris and Jerry at TPJ for hosting the meeting and the food.

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

District Rep. Troy Love 620-640-8471



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Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Leavenworth**district11.abateks.org****District Rep. Jodi Stutzman 785-364-7265**

On Sunday, September 13, 2015 at The Chatterbox in Lansing, Kansas the meeting was called to order at 2:08 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence for all of our fallen veterans, police, firefighters and first responders.

Secretary Report – Last month's minutes read by Debbie. Eric approved, Kevin seconded.

Treasurer's Report – Not Present

Product Report – Product will be given to Robyn for the Bikers for Babies ride in Kansas City. Eric motioned for Angel to take over product, Lea seconded. Lea will get with Angel to pass on all current product information. All working on new ideas for new products.

Webmaster Report – New format for the website should be up and running soon. The new format will make uploading pictures easier. Kevin thanks Robyn for sending several pictures to be added to the website. Please send photos and new ideas for content to Kevin at boulwarek@gmail.com

Assistant District Rep. – Not Present – Jodi spoke with Pat and Pat said "Thank you to everyone who helped with stage setup and tear-down for LDR".

District Rep. – Jodi gave State meeting report. Spoke of AMA and would like everyone to check out AMAmotorcycle.org and sign the petition if they are interested. This petition has to do with the E-85 fuel initiative that is in legislature. Need silent auction items for the Mid-South Mile basket.

(The Chatterbox will donate an item for the basket.) Jodi thanked all the members and everyone else that volunteered to help before, during, and after the LDR. We had over 37 volunteers.

Atchison Co. Rep. – Not Present – Lea stated that Mike Reams is wanting to take over Rep. Position.

Brown Co. Rep. – Nothing to report. Todd did want to give a special thanks for everyone's thoughts and prayers for Angel's recovery.

Doniphan Co. Rep. – Robyn spoke of Bikers for Babies, said we were still short of meeting our goal. Bikers for Babies will take place September 19, 2015 at the Kansas City Speedway.

Leavenworth Co. Rep. – Nothing to Report.

Old Business – Finger Patches discussed and are in the works.

New Business – Nomination were made for: Leavenworth Co. Rep. – Lea nominated Ric Campbell, seconded by Eric. Atchison Co. Rep. – Todd nominated Mike Reams for Atchison County Rep., seconded by Eric. Nominations are still open for Secretary, current nominations are Debbie Grigsby and Angel Dexter.

Due to Grain Valley Races the next meeting will be moved to October 11, 2015 at The Milk House in Atchison, Kansas at 2:00 p.m. District Special election voting ballots are due by the next meeting, please bring them to the meeting to hand in or mail to Ruth, she needs to have them in hand no later than October 3rd if you are

mailing them. The votes will be counted at the meeting and the new District 11 Rep. will be announced.

Robyn brought up the idea of having a calendar printed up for next year with pictures from a previous year events. Charmaine brought up an idea to maybe sponsor a scholarship for a student, this will be discussed more at a later meeting.

Motion was made and approved to start selling tickets for the quilt that was made by Todd's mother and purchased by D11. The drawing for the quilt will be done at the VA Chili Feed December 20th. Please contact Jodi if you have items to donate for the bingo prizes, or wish to help put this event on for the veteran's. There is a benefit ride for Shippy a long-time D11 sponsor who is battling cancer. This ride for Shippy will be October 3, 2015. The Brown County Shoot Out will be October 10th. 12:00PM, at the Martinson Pond (Field Event Site) In October there is potential to participate in the Halloween

parades again.

The Atchison parade is October 24th and the Hiawatha parade is October 31. Need to discuss this more in detail to get arrangements set up and to find out who all would like to participate.

Doyle spoke about his re-election for ABATE State Vice President. He appreciates all the support we have shown and would like our continued support.

Jodi made special thanks to Betsy Gast for attending our meeting. Betsy was the first woman to serve on the State Board as V.P. We will be asking our local businesses if they will set a box up for non-perishable foods so we can adopt a family for Thanksgiving.

Nanette won the drawing and paid for a new member's membership.

Motion was made and approved to donate the remaining of the drawing to Bikers for Babies. Motion to close the meeting was made and approved at 3:29 p.m.

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DISTRICT 11 BALLOT

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:

STAN RUHNKE

JODI STUTZMAN

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TOPEKA, KS. 66614

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District Rep. Lori Siebenaler 620-757-1664



The meeting was called to order with a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Connie gave the treasurer's report, a motion was made by Tish to wave the previous monthly minutes that was seconded by Ed, the motion was carried, Lori and Ed read the state report, and all reports were approved as read.

Old Business:

First order was a motion made by Richard for a monetary donation for the Mid South Mile Basket that was seconded by Ed and the motion was carried.

Second order was discussion about our annual Benefit Ride taking place next weekend on September 19th. Everything is in order and we are ready to ride. THANK YOU to everyone for their hard work in making this a success as always!!

New Business:

First order is our annual Toy Drive for Christmas; please bring ideas for organizations that are in need and placement of our toy barrels at our next meeting.

Second order was a motion made by Richard to help one of our members, Danny W. with transportation costs to Boston next month for research purposes for his ALS. This was seconded and carried.

Third order was discussion about Cindy's family donating her wheel chair ramp to move/modify for our member Barry. Details were taken care of and this is in the works.

Fourth order was a motion made by Sarah and modified by Deb C. to give Lori & John a monetary donation to help with the costs they are incurring from their daughter's recent wreck. This was seconded by Danny W. and the motion was carried. God is good, she's lucky to be alive and God bless Lori & John for all they've been through!!

Fifth order was a motion that was made from old business to make a monetary donation on behalf of his grandparents, Roberta and Julian Seaman, to Wade's Ride coming up in October in memory of Jensen Connor Stephens, he passed from SIDS.

Up coming events are as followed:

CMA has changed their meetings to the third Monday of the month at Pizza Hut at 7:00 p.m. (September 21st will be the first meeting to change).

Wade's Ride for SIDS will start Saturday October 10th at 9:00 a.m.

The Wagon Wheel
Steakhouse
2909 W. 9th Ave.
Emporia, Ks 66801

Our next meeting will be October 11th @ 2:00 p.m. at the American Legion in Emporia, Ks.

Door prize was won by Jerry.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was carried.



**13****Cheyenne, Greely, Lane, Logan, Rawlins
Scott, Sherman, Thomas, Wallace, Wichita**

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

**MEETING MINUTES NOT RECEIVED BY DEADLINE****15****Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie, Riley
Wabaunsee**

www.abateks15.com

District Rep. Paul Woodward 785-313-2130



On August 30th, 2015 District Rep Paul Woodyard called the meeting to order at 12:08pm at Paradise

Point. The Pledge of Allegiance was said followed by a moment of silence for our brothers and sisters

lost and the troops serving our nation.

Secretary's Report was read by Mark K. Mike F made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by

Randy M, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was given by Cathy H. Jane F made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report,

seconded by Herbie M, motion passed.

State Report was given by Paul W, he asked members to refer to State meeting report in the newsletter.

Old Business:

The names nominated for District 15 Rep and District 15 Treasurer were sent to the ABATE State Office

to be put on the ballots. Ballots will appear in the September newsletter.

Deb W gave an update on the Toy Run, the ride will start at the Eagle's Lodge and end at the Cock-n-Bull.

There will be prizes given away along the ride and Doug Long will have a meal available at the end of

ride. George T made a motion for the district to pay the winning prize, seconded by Mike F, motion

passed.

New Business:

The November meeting and district food drive has been moved from 2nd St in Frankfort to the 7Rs in

Blue Rapids. This year's donations will be distributed to Marshall Co.

Additional Comments:

Richard Bassler, ABATE State Treasurer, gave update on a new program for tracking finances, he also stated he is seeking election for ABATE State Treasure.

Paul Haviland answered questions about the LDR site, he also stated he is seeking election for the ABATE

State Vice President.

Jane F announced she and Mike are doing the Bikers for Babies again this year. George T made a motion

to donate an amount to the Bikers for Babies, seconded by Herbie M, motion passed.

Drawing was won by Nancy W.

George T made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Arlene T, motion passed.

Next meeting is on September 13th at Carl and Cathy's, 2840 Edwards St, Manhattan.

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DISTRICT 15 BALLOT**DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:**

STEVE ROWE, JR.

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☐**TREASURER:**

CATHY HODGES

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MARK KRAUSE

ABATE OF KANSAS – DISTRICT 15

10550 WESTMORELAND RD

WESTMORELAND, KS 66549

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40TH ANNUAL NATIONAL LABOR DAY RALLY

Written by Hillary Myers
September 15, 2015

As one travels along 118th Road, winding through its beautiful curves, catching glimpses of the vast lake anxiously awaiting the top of the hill where a large banner has been hung to welcome all to the 40th National Labor Day Rally.

Paradise Point, the 2nd home of the National Labor Day Rally in its 40 years, is a beautiful camping ground on Lake Perry, a US Army Corps of Engineers operated reservoir in northeast Kansas. Paradise Point boasts plenty of space for camping and vendors, as well as roads for parading motorcycles. Over the years, certain areas have taken on monikers of their own such as Beer Can Alley, Downtown and The Crossroads with some camping spots even having the luxury of overlooking the lake itself.

The National Labor Day Rally attracts motorcyclists and motorcycle enthusiasts from all over the country with some traveling from as far away as Wyoming, Texas and the East Coast. This year's rally attendance was around 4,400 with the majority being from Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. Security for the rally was handled by ABATE of Kansas Sergeant-at-Arms, Ron Vawter with help from District 2. Rick Gitchel, the District 2 Representative, mentioned that while he thought from looking over the rally that there seemed to be more in attendance this year, it was an incredibly smooth rally. When asked how

many volunteers it takes to secure the rally, he said that he had close to 15 volunteers working different shifts all 3 days.

Working the gate for over 25 years, District 15 has successfully streamlined the rally entrance process allowing for less than a half hour wait to get into the rally. Paul Woodyard, District 15 Representative, said, "To avoid the Oklahoma land rush scenario, we opened the gate registration to pre-registrants at 7:30A, general admission at 8:00A and opened the gates to the site at 9:00A. This is the 2nd year that we have done it this way and it went really well."

New to the rally this year were several new events for rally goers to attend. North of The Crossroads was a day stage complete with around ten vendors, its own beer garden ran by District 1, Battle of the Bands and a wrestling event provided by Great Plains Wrestling. "This was the first time that we have had a beer garden in this spot, the idea was to bring people out of their campers and get them involved in the Rally."

It was a fantastic success and we have ideas to make it even better next year," said Bill Saric, the District 1 Representative. He also mentioned that at first, he was a little unsure of the wrestling event, but after watching the event and people's reactions to it, he said it was a hoot and

that he heard people already looking forward to next year's wrestling event. Big promoters of the inaugural Battle of the Bands event were Byron and Lori Harden, who had been working with the idea for quite some time. "Our good friend, Big Mike Donaldson, had given us the idea and this year, we just decided to make it happen," said Lori Harden, District 4 Treasurer, "It was a great success and we are looking forward to doing it again next year." Participating in the Battle of the Bands were Benevox, Swift Kick, The Lucky Bastards, The Water Dog Nation, Blazing Mojo and Empire, with Swift Kick winning the honor of opening on the Main Stage at next year's Labor Day Rally.

With around 50 vendors at the rally this year, finding a new trinket or something different to eat every meal was a piece of cake. Vendors from all over the Midwest and beyond brought an assortment of collectibles, clothing, jewelry, leather and more. Rally Vendor Contract and Setup Coordinator, Russell Barker, said, "Due to this rally being the 40th annual, we had more vendors than normal, so for as many vendors as we had, vendor setup went fairly smooth."

Entertainment was aplenty at this year's rally; with live music always being a crowd pleaser the addition of a day stage was a great move by ABATE of Kansas. With 15 bands rocking

the rally this year on two stages, it wasn't hard to find a place to sit back and enjoy live music. When asked what his favorite part of the rally was, Doyle Pendergraft, ABATE of Kansas Vice President and Rally Entertainment Coordinator, said, "Doing the entertainment and seeing the great response from our guests and hearing all the great reviews. I would tell people to look for things to continue to grow – ABATE of Kansas is coming back as one of the must attend rallies." Headliners at the event were The Chris Duarte Band on Friday, The Nigel Dupree Band on Saturday and The Schwag on Sunday; opening for each act was Stoned Ground Rock, Southern Reign and Last Chance Flight, respectively. Dust and Rust, Jackson Taylor and the Sinners and crowd favorite, Shawn Ward, also played the main stage. When asked to comment on how she felt about this year's performance, Julie Elliot Culbert, lead singer for Southern Reign said, "We had over twice the audience, more crowd response and a lot of compliments on our music style and variation. We definitely left the stage having had a great time and feeling we pleased the audience." Assisting in the Main Stage production was Midwest Entertainment Consultants, a branch of AME Entertainment, Ron 'Captain Ron' Hensel said, "We had a great time this year, we saw





improvements from last year and shared ideas about future changes. Our big question remains what to do to get people in front of that stage, we have been all over the country doing what we do and this is the only place I have ever seen that draws such a small crowd to the main stage. As we have said small steps bring big changes and we want the rally to be as the name states a 'national event'."

For the 3rd year in a row, District 11 brought their bread and butter event, dirt drag racing, which was met with a fabulous response. With 22 racers and three classes bringing the action to Paradise Point, hordes of people lined up all the way down both sides of the 300 foot track to cheer on the participants. "The crowd loved the races," said Debbie Grigsby, a District 11 member and emcee of the dirt drag event, "I thought we had a great turnout and hope to have even more racers next year." Trophies were presented to the first, second and third place winners for the Street and Knobby Classes, with bragging rights being awarded to the top three

racers in the Open Class.

Providing the ABATE shuttle for the second year in a row and utilizing an extremely unique and custom van were the United Riders. The United Riders reported that they logged 182 miles throughout the three day event. Patrick Lawrence, a United Rider and District 11 member, said, "The United Riders all had a great time as usual and our party van was a big success even more this year working with ABATE as the shuttle. I've noticed through my years of coming that the different varieties of motorcycles and motorists are being more welcomed in and in a nicer fashion than before, which is awesome! We can't wait until next year and hopefully we can keep working with ABATE."

For many years, District 5 has coordinated a successful Motorcycle Olympics and Bike Show, with this year being no different. There were 40 bikes participating in the Bike Show in 12 classes ranging from Custom to Touring to Antique. The bike show brought many spectators out to peruse the entries, with

People's Choice being awarded to High Tower and Best of Show going to David Stracke. A comical part of any rally is the Motorcycle Olympics, often referred to as the Bike Games, this year's bike games had over 50 individuals with some participating in multiple games. Crowds of people showed up to cheer on the would-be winners of the bike games, the crowd favorite, hands down was the Tire Drag, with the Slow Race garnering the most participants out of the classic bike games. District 11 member, Tom Etherton said, "I joined a team for the 5 Man Shuffle, we were all strangers and never once spoke throughout the race. We were smoking the run and then, in the last few feet, we hit a brick wall and never got it back together. Fun as hell!" The 5 Man Shuffle is where five people are fastened to two two-by-fours and are made to shuffle down the course, the shuffle was one 'non-bike' events designed to get more people involved. District 5 Representative, Tony Rawls-Riley jokes, "We are always trying to improve the games, one of

these days we will get it figured out."

With so much to do, see and hear at the National Labor Day Rally, it is no wonder that it is one of the hottest motorcycle events in the Midwest. While there is always more work to do, things to improve and things to change, there is no doubt that ABATE of Kansas's National Labor Day Rally is an awesome close to the summer. ABATE of Kansas President, Mike 'Ringo' Ringgold said, "This year's National

Labor Day Rally went very well and was an extremely successful rally. Personally, I would like to thank everyone who showed up and I hope that they had a great time. A special thank you to those who helped prepare for the rally beforehand, who helped during the rally and who helped clean up afterwards, we couldn't pull this event off without you."

Thank You for attending the 40th Annual National Labor Day Rally
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By the time you read this report in the newsletter the 30th Anniversary of the meeting of the minds in Milwaukee Wisconsin will be over. Ed Martin and I hope to bring a wealth of information back to share with you. Sunday the 13th at our District 3 Abate meeting I was informed of another motorcycle traffic fatality in Kansas. Bev is getting me the details please let me know any information about these accidents so I can forward this to the M.R.F.

On September 11th 2015 Jeff Hennie wrote "The Language to end checkpoints and conduct an ethanol study are in the house transportation bill. More details and a full release are to come."

On September 13th 2015 Ralph Bell reported

after months of work South Carolina will be starting a Motorcycle Study Committee. They had resistance from the D.M.V. while having total support from the chairman of the senate transportation committee senator Grooms. He put it in the D.M.V. budget and it wont be removed. The purpose of the motorcycle study committee is to access issues related to the purchase , operation, use, training, operator license, registration, and other motorcycle issues in South Carolina.

If you missed our 40th annual Labor Day Rally for ABATE of Kansas you really missed out. The Weather was perfect, the bands were great, and the food from the vendors didn't kill me.

The 24th Annual Mid

South Mile will be held in Dallas Texas on October 16th-18th. We are taking Ellie's minivan and as it looks we will have a full vehicle. There is always a wealth of information at the mile and we hope to see a lot of Kansans there.

Deer season is coming upon us and the are out everywhere. You don't need that trophy buck mounted on your handlebars. Please ride safe the life you save could be your own!

-Bill Cooper Kansas M.R.F. Rep.



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A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas District 9's **CASINO Night**

Saturday, October 10th 2015

V.F.W. @ 120 Taft Street

McPherson Kansas

See an ABATE Member to buy tickets
To win a pistol 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20

The evening will begin @ 7:00 pm
Auction starts @ 11 pm.



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Lobbyist Report

Well here it is September all ready.

On September 1, 2015

I and a group of ABATE BOARD MEMBERS and volunteers met with Lake Perry Corps Of Engineer staff to open negotiations on ABATES next lease. It was informal but very informative. Our next

meeting will be Saturday November 14, 2015 at 3pm, at the November State Board meeting in Perry Kansas.

The 40th ANNUAL ABATE NATIONAL LABOR RALLY has come and gone.

From my point of view it was a HUGE SUCCESS in both attendance and new ideas.

Everyone seemed to be having nothing but fun and good times.

Congratulations to ALL who had a part in planning it or working it. You are to be commended for a job WELL DONE.

For those who took part thank you for your support see you next year.

The legislature is adjourned

The Safety Corridor Bill HB 2194 is in the House Transportation Committee, we will be working the committee to move it out.

The Right-Of-Way Bill HB 2195 is in the House Transportation Committee. We are continuing to work it as well.

The Alcohol Bill HB 2200 is in committee. We will continue to watch it.

Other legislation we are watching...

HB 2006 Free parking for Disabled Veteran in public parking facility.

HB 2219 Prohibiting use of wireless device while operating a motor vehicle.

HB 2033 Additional 10MPH above speed limit when passing.

2016 Governors Freedom Rally June 3th , 4th, and 5th,2016.

As always
RIDE SAFE

For more information:
<http://www.kslegislature.org/>

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Joke of the Month

A mom texts, "Hi! Son, what does IDK, LY, & TTYL mean?" He texts back, "I Don't Know, Love You, & Talk To You Later."

The mom texts him, "It's ok, don't worry about it. I'll ask your sister, love you too."

Abate of Kansas



29th Annual Toy Run October 3rd, 2015

\$5 per entry

To Benefit: Riley, Geary, Pottawatomie,
Marshall, and Wabaunsee Counties

Bring Toys for the Kids

We are collecting toys for Christmas to be distributed by Toys for Manhattan in December

Entry fees to help fund the districts Holiday family adoption

Start: 10:30am Sign-up: Eagles Lodge 312 S 4th, Manhattan

Noon: Kickstands up & Ride

Local Ride to Multiple Locations

Finish: Cock-N-Bull, 2413 Stagg Hill Rd, Manhattan

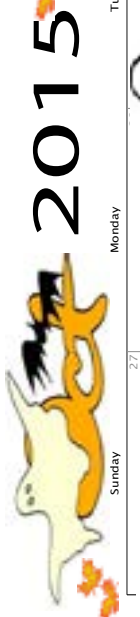
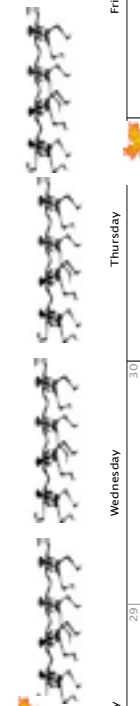
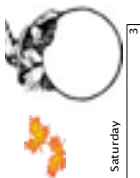
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ADVANCE NEWS

District 1 (unless noted, all meetings start at **1:00 pm**)

10/11- Dist Mtg, American Legion, Perry

11/08- Dist Mtg- American Legion, Perry

12/13- Dist Mtg- American Legion, Perry

District 2- (unless noted, meetings start at **4:00 pm**)

District 3- (unless noted, all meetings start **1:00 pm**)

10/04- Dist Mtg- Chanute

10/23 & 24- **HIATTVILLE HALLOWEEN PARTY**

Elm Creek Lake

11/01- Dist Mtg- Caney

11/28- **TOY RUN** w / breakfast- American Legion, Independence

12/16- Dist Mtg- Fredonia

District 4(unless noted, meetings start **1:00 pm**)

10/11- Dist Mtg- Echo Cliff

11/08- Dist Mtg- Papan's Landing

TOYS FOR TOTS- Orselan's Lot

12/13- Papan's Landing

District 5- (unless noted, meetings begin **NOON**)

12/05- Dist Mtg

District 6-

District 7- (unless noted, meetings start at **7:30 pm**)

District 8- (unless noted, meetings start at **1:30 pm**)

11/01- **WICHITA TOY RUN**, Lawrence - Dumont,- (10am) bikes leave 1:00pm

11/03- **BUTLER CO. TOY RUN**, 4-H Bldg,

Eldorado- (10am) bikes leave 11:00am

11/14- **COWLEY CO. TOY RUN**- Island Park, Winfield

(Noon) Bikes leave **1:00pm**

11/22- **RENO CO. TOY RUN**-

Avenue "A" and Washington,(10am) bikes leave

1:00pm

District 9 (unless noted, meetings start at **1:00pm**)

10/10- **Casino Night**, VFW, McPherson- **7:00pm**

10/11- Dist Mtg- VFW, McPherson

11/07- **MARION CO. TOY RUN**, Hillsboro

11/08- Dist Mtg- Miltonvale

12/13- Dist Mtg- Dry Dock, Kanopolis

12/28- **MCPHERSON CO. TOY RUN**, Mcpherson

District 10

District 11

10/11- DIST MTG, THE MILK HOUSE, Hwy 59-

ATCHISON- **2:00PM**

10/24- HALLOWEEN PARADE- ATCHISON- **2:00PM**

10/31- HALLOWEEN PARADE- HIAWATHA- **7:00PM**

11/01- PLANNING MTG- VFW- WATHENA

11/11- VETERAN'S DAY- LEAVENWORTH

12/06- **TOYS FOR TOTS- NOON**

12/06- DIST MTG- FOLLOWING TOY RUN

12/20- V.A. CHILI FEED

LEAVENWORTH V.A. DOMICILLARY- **10:30AM**

District 12

District 13

District 15

10/03- Dist. 15 **TOY RUN**, Eagles Lodge, 312 S. 4th, Manhattan- **10:30AM**

11/15- Dist Mtg & Food Drive, 7r's, Blue Rapids

State

(Unless noted, meetings start at **Noon**)

10/10- Mtg- VFW, 120 Taft St, McPherson-

10:00 AM

11/14- Mtg- American Legion, 410 Perry Place, Perry

12/12- Mtg- Eagle Lodge, 4726 Merriam Dr, Overland Park





In Memoriam Sen. Ben Vidricksen



Senator Benjamin Eugene Vidricksen Senator Benjamin Eugene Vidricksen, age 88, of Salina, Kansas, passed away peacefully into God's open arms on September 14, 2015, having been surrounded for many days by his loving children. Services for Senator Vidricksen will be held on Saturday, September 19, at 11:00 am, at Sam's Chapel, 100 E. Claffin, Salina, Kansas, Pastor Loren Houlberg officiating. Burial will follow in Highland Cemetery, New Cambria, Kansas. Visitation will be held on Friday at Ryan's Mortuary from 2:00 - 7:00 pm, the family receiving visitors from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Those wishing to do so may make memorial contributions to the Benjamin E. Vidricksen Memorial Community Fund at Emmanuel Foursquare Gospel Church to continue his legacy of selflessly serving his community. In honor of Ben's wonderful care, memorials may also be made to the nursing department of Eaglecrest Retirement Community. For more information or to leave an online condolence please visit www.ryanmortuary.com

Editors note: Sen. Vidricksen was a great supporter of ABATE and our highway system. He will be missed.

2015 Motorcycle Olympics and Bike Show Winners

Slow Race:

2nd James Crowell

1st Horndog

Weenie bite:

1st James & Tracy Crowell

Tire Toss:

2nd Marty Smith & Ellen

Whitter,

1st Rick & Marie Kuhlman

Potato Pick-up:

1st/2nd who knows

James & Tracy Crowell,

Steve Pfeifer & friend

Keg Push:

2nd Horndog

1st Brandon Korg

Tire Drag:

2nd Johnny Bill ?

1st James Crowell

Barrel Race:

2nd Dennis Schmidt

1st Horndog

Mini Bike Race:

1st Heat

2nd Randy Johnson

1st Johnny

Schmidt

Championship Race:

2nd Randy Johnson

1st Johnny Schmidt

Bike Show winners

Custom:

2nd Rob Morris

1st Gus Noyla

American:

2nd Sandra Barker

1st Melissa Fish

Metric Sport:

1st Chuck Volgt

Rat-Rod:

2nd Pat Haith

1st Bob Jose

Metric Cruiser:

2nd J.D. Bussa

1st Cory Pfeifer

Trike:

2nd Ed Niesluchowski

1st Randy Manulak

Touring:

2nd David Stracke

1st Larry House

Antique:

2nd Jim Nichols

1st Corvette Al

Classic:

2nd Larry Furtwangler

1st Pat Mead

Sportster:

2nd John Thorton

1st Andy McNary

Special Interest/Mini Bike:

2nd Eric Mesuise

1st Jarred Peters

Peoples Choice:

High Tower

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Each and every effort made this year's Kansas State Fair a success.

OCTOBER WORD SEARCH



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RE-ELECT Richard Bassler ABATE of Kansas State Treasurer

Fellow Abate members where has the time gone??? I am close to the end of my current term as your State Treasurer and what a ride it has been. I am proud of our accomplishments so far however I believe we still have more work to do. I am asking for your support in the upcoming election for one more term as your State Treasurer.

With proper research, I helped bring the newsletter back to our state office building. I was able to cut our productions costs by more than half with the purchase of our new Toshiba color copier and began producing a nicer and easier to read newsletter.

I developed a separate Bank Account just for the Labor Day Rally. Now we can control costs and spending easier before, during and after the rally.

I met with our accountants to review our practices of the past and discussed better ideas to make us financially secure.

I spent 3 months auditing and reconstructing the main account. With new software I was able to recreate an electronic check register, EVERYTHING financially inside Abate is now coded and categorized. Reports can now be run to track where every dollar is. As of today everything is balanced and accounted for.

Pre-Registration for the Rally was built by me and members of my financial committee. Today it serves as a strong vital tool that produces income before the rally but also measures attendance.

On Line Membership is also very strong and getting even more popular for members to renew.

A newer look of our web site has us looking stronger today we were able to do this without extra costs.

I was able to control costs of state office building. We lowered utilities, switched phone companies and cut wasteful spending.

I submitted a yearly budget to guide us throughout the year and we have managed to accomplish goals.

We need to continue to work together to make the Labor Day Rally bigger and stronger and with everyone's help we will succeed.

It is still a strong goal of mine to promote better awareness of Abate of Kansas and ensure that the membership has a voice along with educating others about this great organization.

...I still have the desire to put in the long hours needed to serve as your State Treasurer. The 2am late nights will continue... I'm sure!!!

I would appreciate your re-election vote for State Treasurer
Richard Bassler
785-409-7255



ELECT Carey Griffin-Wingett ABATE of Kansas State Treasure

My name is Carey Griffin-Wingett. I reside in Topeka, Kansas, with my husband Ken Wingett. After a long and diversified career with the Department of Defense; Department of Veterans Affairs; and, Department of the Interior, Office of Trust Responsibilities and Bureau of Indian Affairs, I retired.

I have been nominated for the position of Treasurer for ABATE of Kansas, Inc. The person who holds this position is the trustee of the financial affairs of the organization. As Treasurer I can offer a wide-ranged background that includes academic studies and hand-on experience with accounting principles and methods of the financial cycle – budget, appropriations, funding and accounting process. I am detail-oriented in the performance of my duties. During my career I gained office management experience, customer service relations, and accounting knowledge and skills. I was responsible for cash flow including deposits, payments, updating account balances, drafted annual budgets, provided written reports, and created Excel spreadsheets for tracking purposes.

The positions I held during my career required knowledge and use of the following programs: DOS & Windows, WordPerfect, Microsoft Office including Excel and Access; Quicken, and QuickBooks. I have experience using a computer to input, manipulate and retrieve data. I wrote monthly business and financial reports. I also have experience with writing policies and procedures, bylaws and standing rules for Federal entities and the local chapter of Women in the Wind, Inc. I am also a Notary Public and am bonded.

Memberships include the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF), STAR Touring & Riding Association; Women in the Wind, Inc. (WITW), an international women's motorcycling group; This is my third year as president and I have also held the offices of vice president, treasurer, secretary, and sergeant-at-arms.

I am an active member of ABATE of Kansas, Inc. My involvement with ABATE began in 1999. I am currently a member of District 4. I participated in ABATE activities in several states before moving to Kansas and continue to attend district and state meetings; volunteer for the Capital City Bike Show, Run for the Wall, and the National rally. My husband and I are avid motorcyclists and participate in several rallies and rides during the year including, Toys for Tots, Freedom Rally, Ride for the Red, Sparks America, Sturgis, Easy Rider, and more. We enjoy and support the rights and freedoms earned through education and legislation of our motorcycle rights organizations.

If chosen as treasurer I will do whatever is in my power to ensure the continued success of ABATE of Kansas, Inc. and to hold myself accountable for ensuring the financial stability of the organization. As a member I understand the financial responsibility and the importance of being accountable to the organization for work done. Thank you for the nomination and opportunity to run for treasurer. I would appreciate your vote in November.





RE-ELECT Doyle Pendergraft ABATE of Kansas Vice President

Greetings!

For those who may not know me, my name is Doyle Pendergraft and I am currently the Vice President of ABATE of Kansas and running for re-election, I would appreciate your vote.

I, first, would like to thank everyone for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Vice President for that past 2 years. While we have made a lot of progress, there is still much work to be done to continue growing our rally into a profitable, nationally recognized event.

In spite of stumbles here and there, our entertainment level has expanded, and in turn, our numbers are growing. We have extended the venues and brought more entertainment, vendors and fun. This has enjoyed an excellent response, as proven by the overwhelming response we have had this year. Two years ago, I brought District 11's Dirt Drags to the rally. It is an exciting addition. Improvements to the Labor Day Rally have brought in larger attendance, which raises the profitability of the organization, which in turn allows us to further our legislative cause of ensuring your rights and safety as a Kansas Motorcyclist.

I have also worked hard to expand my skills in working with people and our contractors, as well as the entertainment. I found and manage our new insurance company, which, being a more appropriate policy, has allowed to come out of the dark and be fully protected as the entity that we are. I have handled everything from picking

up water, mowing, building and tearing down stages, arranging for supplies such as fork lift, generator and found road repair materials. I am a person motivated to serve my fellow members and willing to step up and do anything asked of me. I have built many new friendships over the past 2 years and I have found most have the same vision as I do for bettering and growing the LDR.

I have found that listening to the ideas and suggestions of our membership is not only educational, but we have very creative people with great visions. Working together as a TEAM is where we achieve our greatness successes, and your input helps in making ABATE of Kansas a standout organization. Feel free to give me a call or email, anytime with your ideas, suggestions, and, yes, your complaints. Anything that betters us is worth listening to.

Thank you for your support and hope I can continue to serve ABATE and you. I look forward to serving as your Vice President for another 2 years.

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RE-ELECT
Paul Swoyer
ABATE of Kansas
Member at Large

Hello all , my name is Paul Swoyer . I currently hold the position of Member at Large and I am seeking re-election .

I have been an active ABATE Member for twenty years with eleven of those years serving as either a District 4 or State Board Member .

The last two years I have been to the Capital with our Lobbyist to meet with Legislators and have also met with KDOT on many occasions to discuss issues that effect all motorcyclist . I also serve as the State Motorcycle Safety Awareness Person .

I feel like our Organization is moving in the right direction , but there is still more work that needs to be done . We also need to remember what ABATE is all about .



ELECT
Bryon Harden
ABATE of Kansas
Vice President

Fellow ABATE members, my name is Byron Harden and I am seeking the office of Vice President. Riding a motorcycle has been a passion of mine for most of my life.

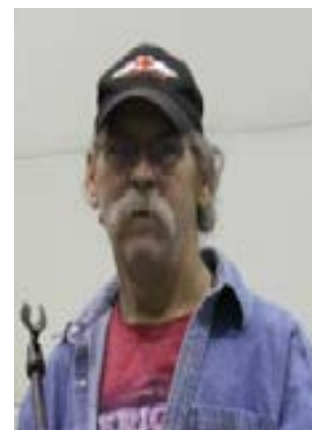
I've been fighting for the rights of bikers for over ten years as an active member of ABATE of Kansas. During that time I've held the offices of District 4 Historian and Assistant Representative and have also served on the State Board as Member at Large and as an Alternate member for six years. I have been a member of the MRF for ten years. I am also a member of ABATE of Indiana & the AMA.

I, along with my wife Lori, were in charge of the Battle of the Bands at the Labor Day Rally this year. This event has received a lot of positive feedback. I will work to continue having the Battle of the Bands every year. I have attended the Mid-South Mile for eleven straight years and through this I gained a great deal of knowledge on the fight for bikers' rights. The Mid South Mile has provided me with both a nationwide and

even worldwide perspective on the ongoing battle to protect the rights of bikers.

My goal is to do what is best for ABATE and its members while supporting the MRF anyway I can. I feel I am an open minded good listener who makes decisions based on facts not hearsay. I would like to work with others to continue improving the Labor Day Rally. Additionally, I believe ABATE needs to keep working to improve its communications with those outside our organization. If we intend to be successful in preserving motorcycling for future generations, we must keep our voice strong by actively recruiting new and younger members continuously moving our organization forward.

Byron





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