

Chapter News

Aberdeen Chapter

Next Meeting: Contact Chapter Rep. Listed on Page 2

Sorry, no chapter news received.



Black Hills Chapter

Next Meeting: May 30, 2010, Noon

Location: Sidehack Saloon, Sturgis

Black Hills ABATE chapter held its monthly meeting on March 28th, 2010 at noon at the Side Hack Saloon in Sturgis, SD.

Auggie Minzlaff led the pledge of allegiance and also led the prayer. Roll was taken and discussions began.

President's report: Darlene Gilby passed around a copy of the NE Wyoming ABATE newsletter. She talked about the Polar Bear Poker Run & encouraged everyone to help support this chapter in their events.

Vice President's report: Barb Frerichs had passports available for \$10.00 each

Secretary's report: Sonny Mudlin made a motion & Sunshine Minzlaff seconded that the minutes be approved.

Treasurer's report: Susan Lettau read the treasurers reports & they were approved.

Sgt at Arms: No report.

Membership report: 119 members & 25 affiliates.

State Rep report: Wayne Lettau was absent. Darlene said that the report was in the newsletter. There was discussion on the Pier Pont party. Aberdeen Chapter has been hosting this party for several years. It has gotten to the point where just a few of their members do all of the work. They have presented information to the State BOD & are asked if the State would be interested in helping out with this party & maybe eventually take it over as a fund raiser. Wily Freidel made a motion & Sonny Mudlin seconded that our chapter not support this.

Road Captain: Sonny Mudlin encouraged everyone to go on the IMPAC poker run to Pierre. BH Area Bikers will not be having the Awareness Ride this year & he hopes that as many people as can will make the trip to Pierre. The riders from our chapter will be meeting at 8:00 am at Sturgis Harley Davidson on May 15th to make the trip to Pierre. If anyone from Rapid City is interested in going & would like to leave from there at the same time, they should be able to meet at Hays, SD. If you aren't able to go on the ride but would like to play, you can get your money to Darlene, Sonny or Wayne, & they will play the hand for you. It was mentioned that someone in Rapid City is checking into having the Awareness Ride but no one knew any details.

LRC report: Mike Chamberlain was absent. There isn't much happening in the legislature at this time.

Sno Ball: Darlene said that we are set up with the Knuckle for the Sno Ball next year. There may be a conflict on the date, so we may

have to have it on a different weekend next year. There was discussion & it was decided to see if Reman's Law is able to play next year. Susan will contact Rock Reman.

Dart Tournament: Will be held April 17th, 2010 at the Side Hack.

Ed Netterberg Weekend: Everything is ready for that weekend. Darlene will be contacting Joe to confirm.

BH Charity Poker Run: There was quite a bit of discussion about some possibilities for the poker run. Wily Freidel has contacted a new business that has opened in Whitewood about possibly working with us on an event at the end of the poker run. The run will go to all of the same stops as in the past but this year, it will only be necessary to get a stamp at each of the stops. You will then draw your cards when you get to the end. Darlene is going to contact Bullwackers about ending the run there & possibly having food available.

Whitewood Social Hour: Wily advised that the plaque is going to be ready at the Whitewood Park for the Social Hour. He said that the City of Whitewood is going to be using some of the money that was donated to them to do some underground wiring. The Whitewood Chamber & Horizons are looking into possibly putting a band shell in the park. Sonny will see about getting a banner made to list everyone that made a donation.

Old Business:

History: Mac is still working on this.

State Poker Run: Susan has the poker run hands available.

Bike Show: The bike show will be on April 11th & 12th, 2010 at the Civic Center. It was discussed who will work the booth.

Products: Darlene will be contacting Turkey Graphix about updating our product inventory.

Heartland STEAM: April 23rd – 25th, 2010 in Clear Lake, IA

New Business:

Motorcycle Awareness Month: Darlene is going to contact some of the businesses in Sturgis that have reader boards to see if they would be willing to put something up in May about motorcycle awareness month.

Sign: Wily asked about the ABATE sign that used to be up along the interstate. Susan said that this sign is in their backyard. There was some discussion & we will see if we can possibly get this sign back up. Susan will check over the sign & see if the paint needs to be touched up on it.

Memorial Service: Susan asked if there had been any discussion about someone having a memorial service for Rhea Trevino during the Rally. Wily said that he had heard some discussion about it but didn't know anything for sure at this time. It was discussed & the chapter may try & help out with sometime of service.

Announcements:

BH Area Biker Run will be June 5th & September 25th

Heartland STEAM is in Clear Lake, IA – April 23rd – 25th, 2010

Black Hills/Rushmore Passports are available

Affiliates of the Month: Trevino's Leathers

Trivia: Barb Frerichs won the trivia question.

50/50: \$12.00 to the chapter. Jim Landers won.

Pocket Change for IMPAC: \$12.71 was donated.

Meeting adjourned.

Susan Lettau, Treasurer

Chapter News

East Central Chapter

Next Meeting: May 8, 2010 Noon

Location: Sportsmans Steakhouse, Madison

Sorry, no chapter news received.



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Lake Chapter

Next Meeting: May 1, 2010

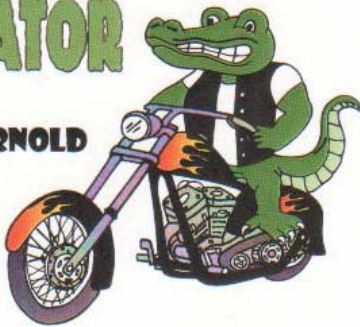
Location: (Time and place to be announced)

Sorry, no chapter news received.

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Lewis & Clark Chapter

Next Meeting: May 8, 2010, 1:00 PM

Location: Kozy's, Yankton

The meeting opened with 18 members present.

Treasurer report was read and approved.

Secretary report was read and approved.

John Haas volunteered to help support road Hazard Safety Program.

State Rep. Derrick informed us we will not have a booth at Sturgis this year and not cuts were made in the safety course budget. John Steele is head of riding committee and anyone interested in information on the safety course please ask Derrick for contact info.

Heartland S.T.E.A.M. is April 23-25 in Clearlake Iowa, if you need info contact Derrick.

Algona is July 1, 2, 3 and we need volunteers for the South Dakota booth, anyone wanting to donate their time please let Derrick know at the next meeting.

May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness month; John Haas will contact Joe Gill to advertise on the radio to the general public and Laurie will contact the mayor for advertising.

Laurie will also send out postcards about the April 17th run and anyone needing to update their address or phone number so we can be current on the calling tree.

The first week in June Laurie will send out postcards for anyone needing to renew membership before Algona to avoid the long lines-please get with Robin to renew.

Paperwork was paid and sent to corporate.

Procession for the Charlie battery had 13 bikes present; anyone wanting to know when the next ride is, go to patriotguardriders.com and the ride captain will let you know when and where the next ride is.

Everyone donated their pocket change and Ron won 50/50 which he donated back to the chapter.

We will be having Subs at the next meeting so come hungry!!

See you there!

Jen



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Northeast Chapter

Next Meeting: May 4, 2010 7:00 PM

Location: 2nd St. Station, Watertown

The NE chapter of ABATE met at the Second Street Station on April 6th 2010 with 7 members present.

Abbreviated minutes from past three meetings were read and approved.

The Financial Report was presented and approved.

The new slate of officers were presented.

New Business:

Election for officers for the coming year were held.

The new officers are as follows

President--- Derek Sinner

V President --- Curtis Watkins

Secretary/Treasure --- Dale Gerriets

State Rep --- Rick Brownell

Other new business: Upcoming poker Run sponsored by Legion Riders to be held on 8th of May have invited to attend.

Bike Blessing to be held on May 23rd.

Reminder that May is Motorcycle Safety Month

Flyers with cards attached to be posted

Thursday Evening Dinner rides will be held beginning on the 13th of May. ALL Rides meet at the Cowboy Convenience Store Junction of Highways 81 and 21 meet at 6:30. ALL Cycle Riders and guests are invited to participate.

May 13 -- Henry

May 20 -- Waverly

May 27 -- Clark

June 17 -- Lake Poinsett

June 24 -- Lake Cochrane

July 1 -- Pickerel Lake

July 15 -- Bristol

Chapter News

North East Chapter

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- July 22 -- Madison MN
- July 29 -- Milbank
- Aug 12 -- Waubay
- Aug 19 -- Bruce
- Aug 26 -- Lake Norden
- Sept 2 -- Clear Lake
- Sept 16 -- Florence
- Sept 23 -- Summit

Motion was made by Michael Gerriets to Adjourn. Seconded by John Cunningham. Motion Carried

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North Star Chapter

Next Meeting: May 1, 2010, 8:00 PM

Location: Northstar Saloon, Gregory

- July 10 - North Star Annual Poker Run, Northstar Saloon, Gregory
- August 28 - North Star Nostalgia Run, Northstar Saloon, Gregory

Oahe Chapter

Next Meeting: May 8, 2010 1:30 PM

Location: Nystrom's Goose Camp, Pierre

Next Meeting: 1:30 on Sat. May 8th, Potluck lunch at the Fun Run site (Nystrom's Goose Camp). If there is bad weather let's meet at the Chateau in Fort Pierre.

President Brandon Butler called the meeting to order with 5 officers and 7 members attending.

Treasure's report was given and accepted. Secretary's report was given and accepted. Membership secretary Tonna was not present so no membership updates were reported for this month. State Rep. Joe reported he is a new member of the MRF - Motorcycle Rider Foundation.

Old Business - The Awareness Run is May 15th. We are meeting at the Capital at 12:00. Leaving at 1:00 for a dice run ending at Lily Park. We are cooking Hamburgers and Hotdogs ect. and having a keg of beer in the beer wagon for after the run. There are campsites available, first come first serve.

New Business - The Fun Run was discussed. We are going to do the walking poker run on Friday night then the Medicine Creek Band is going to play. On Sat. Tony and Lilly's wedding is at 11:30 with the poker run to follow. We should be back around 5:00 for supper. Kooz and Monty will be running the bike games. Stolen Cats are going to play after the bike games. It was voted to keep the same logo for the T-shirts, just changing the date. We are selling raffle tickets for 2 to the Buffalo Chip. If you are interested in selling some contact our event coordinator Lori Butler. It was voted to not do the Silent Auction this year.

Upcoming Event reminder - At Oahe Days this year they are having a Motorcycle Show and Observation Run on Sat June 19th at the State Capitol. They would like anyone that would like to be in it to participate. Show begins at 9:00 am, register on arrival. They will be having a People Choice award at Pederson Motors at 4:00. Observation run begins at 2:00 pm. Begins at State Capitol and ends at Peterson Motors Harley Davidson. All correct sheets will be entered for a chance to win a prize.

Mike made a motion to adjourn. Joe 2nd motion passed. Dan Wagner won \$21.00 on the 50/50. No SOL was done as we didn't have the slips.

Hope to see everyone at the Fun Run site for help with clean up. Bring your gloves and something for potluck.

Tina Flynn
 Oahe ABATE Secretary



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Rushmore Chapter

Next Meeting: May 2, 2010, Noon
Location: American Legion, Piedmont

The April 11th general membership meeting of April 11th was called to order with Pledge of Allegiance being said. Barbie led in prayer for Chaplain Auggie. Roll call was taken with Cheryl and Jeremy being excused. Steve P. motioned and John H. seconded to approve the March minutes. Motion passed. A bill was presented by Ginny for State ABATE meeting of \$69.88. Craig motioned and Ed seconded to pay this bill. Motion was passed.

OFFICERS REPORTS--Pres. Troy stressed that Bike Raffle tickets need to be sold. Vice Pres. John T. had nothing at this time. Treasurer Kim gave account reports. Sno & Shine poker hand winner was Cheryl B. Wild Game Feed poker hand winner was Jiggs. Treasurer's report was motioned to accept. Motion was passed. Sec. Barbie had newsletters for correspondence. State Rep. Ginny stated that Jan. 21 and 22 will be Legislative Day in Pierre. The State ABATE Poker Run is May 15th. Oahe ABATE will have a poker run and camp out after the State ABATE run. Much discussion on State ABATE being involved with the Pierpont event in July. RU chapter cast a vote for the State Rep. to take back to the next meeting in May. Barbie motioned and Ed seconded that State ABATE not participate in the Pierpont Event. All in favor and motion was passed. LRC Mike stated that not much is going on in Rapid City or the State pertaining to motorcycles. Texting on motorcycles, which KOTA news reported on, was discussed at length. Mike brought up about training wheels on motorcycles. He talked to Al at A&L Trikes about this item. It is very dangerous to have them on a motorcycle and Mike feels they should be outlawed. Membership Sec. Geoff reported on 342 members and 58 affiliates. Buffalo Wild Wings and Sports Rock will have ABATE specials. Make sure you carry your card with you to get affiliate specials. Geoff mentioned that we should remember Uncle Don. Barbie asked for a moment of silence and led in prayer for our ABATE friend Uncle Don. Sgt. at Arms Rod informed us that Chris Nelson is running for congress. Keep up on your legislative information for voting in the June primary.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS--PR Janet thanked those that worked the car show and are working the bike show. RU chapter needs more State ABATE tri-folds. Ginny will get them. Newsletter editor Ginny stated that any affiliate specials be given to Geoff, then she will put them in the newsletter. The chapter is looking at different printers for the newsletter to lower our cost. The new newsletter program is working great. Ruby asked if we want to pdf the newsletter as a link. Much discussion. No decision was made at this time. This will be discussed at the next RU board meeting as we already have a vote in the RU chapter that our newsletter will be on paper. Web Page mistress Ruby asked for people to participate in the Where in the Hills is This? She has been updating the web page. Road Captain has a new chairperson. Steve P. stepped up for Road Captain. We will plan on a road clean up in May. MRF Jiggs gave Heartland Steam and Meeting of the Minds information. Products manager John T. will have items out next month.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS--Bike Raffle tickets are available. Please check some out with Troy. Sell-sell!!!! 2010 Membership Party information was given. Volunteers are needed to help out with the party. Susan L. volunteered to do salads again for this party.

OLD BUSINESS--Small trailer, paperwork in office, and ABATE presentation are all working.

NEW BUSINESS--Troy introduced John Trudo as the new vice president. Craig Waddington and Jeremy Klabunde are new board members. Welcome on board guys. Members of the month of March are Steve (Bumpy) Nudd and John Hazel. Thanks for your volunteer

work guys. Affiliate of the month of March is Sports Rock. Thanks for supporting ABATE. Shoudla/Coulda of \$60.00 was won by Craig Waddington. Congrats Craig, you lucky guy!! IMPAC Fund raised \$23.20 at this meeting. No 50/50.

ANNOUNCEMENTS--Gin H. announced that The Eagles has drink specials. Rohde did a picture of Uncle Don and it is on display at the Piedmont American Legion. Becka announced that Roach is having heart surgery. Barbie announced that BH chapter of CMA is having their Run for the Son ride on May 1st and invited all to join them. There will be a Ray Trevino Ride June 12th and an Ultimate Canyon ride on June 5th. Mike stated that people are saying they are ABATE members and getting the discounts when they are not ABATE members. Affiliates need to be asking for our State ABATE cards when getting the discounts. We as ABATE members, need to offer our card if they don't ask. There being no further discussions or business to attend to, the meeting was adjourned by Jiggs and Steve.

LIFE ISN'T FAIR-BUT IT IS STILL GOOD. (anon.)

Be safe and God Bless All!!!

Barbie

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Shadow Riders Chapter

Next Meeting: (Contact Chapter Rep listed on page 2)

Sorry, no chapter news received.

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Sioux Falls Chapter

Next Meeting: May 1, 2010 6:00 PM

March Meeting: June 5, 2010 6:00 PM

Location: 406 S. Second Ave., ABATE of Sioux Falls Office

The next highway clean up is May 1, 2010 at 2 pm. Meet at the ABATE office. Thanks to everyone who helped with the Highway clean up.

Check out our website at www.abatesfsd.org if there is anything

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Sioux Falls Chapter

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you would like see added or changed let us know.

We need volunteer's to help sit up Baltic for next year 2010. If you want to help call the ABATE office. Would like to Thank Ken, JR and Nancy for all the hard work they did putting Baltic on this year; and to everyone who helped. We can't do this without all your help.

We have Sioux Falls Abate t-shirts for sale. If anyone would like to order one contact the ABATE office. We have t-shirts, long-sleeved, tanks / sleeveless, sweatshirts and hooded sweatshirts. The money goes to State ABATE to help defray the Freedom Flyer cost. They are cool.

Swap Meet has come to pass for 2010. Larry and Diane would like to say Thank You to everyone who placed their bikes into the bike show. we had a good turn out. A special Thank You to Dauby's Sports Center for the great trophy's. They just keep getting better every year and to Dakota Beverage for giving them to ABATE.

Don't forget Hot Dog feed at the ABATE office. Also CMA bike blessing at 11 am.

Hope to see you all there.

Sioux River Chapter

Next Meeting: May 1, 2010 3:00 PM

Location: 412 32nd St. S, Brookings

Next Meeting: May 1st at Chris Schmidt's 412 32nd St. So. 3:00 P.M. Ditch Clean-Up / Meeting / Pot Luck

The meeting was called to order and started with the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Theresa Bren with 28 members present and 3 guests.

The Secretary and Treasurer's report were given, seconded and approved.

Our State ABATE Lobbyist Diana was present she talked about the Map Project. This is a map of Western South Dakota rating the level of difficulty for driving the roads. They are working on mapping Eastern South Dakota (Minnehaha and Lincoln) Counties for now. She also talked about the Grant which has 5 key points in promoting Safety and Education. 1st Highway Public Safety 2nd Beginner and Experience riding classes. 3rd Advertisements on the television and radio about sharing the road. 4th Share the road power point presentation to share with ABATE chapters. 5th Impaired Riding Project. Thank You Diana we enjoyed having you and as always you were very informative.

Old Business:

Theresa presented Quinn with the plaque for donating radio time promoting Sioux River ABATE events.

Rod is still looking for a storage shed hasn't found anything yet.

March 20th was Chili for Charities this was a good turn out. Theresa and Chris thanked everyone who helped. The Polar Plunge was a huge

success. About \$21,000 was raised for Special Olympics. Jeff Miller plunged once an hour for 24 hours.

Brandi Reeser was awarded the Bammer Scholarship she will receive this in May.

March 13th members put together a scrap book on Sioux River's history. We are still working on past officers.

Advance Pancake Feed was held it was kind of slow going with at least 2 other pancake feeds going on at the same time.

New Business:

Cal and Rod will attend Heartland Steam in Clear Lake, Iowa April 23-25.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to donate to Safety Town.

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month. Chris has donated the use of her property to put up signs and lights.

Bi-Laws were not discussed as Brad had surgery on his knee and was not present. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Tickets are available for the Special Olympics bike raffle. It is a 2011 Street Glide.

Bill is the area assistant rep for MRF. Larry has received a promotion and travels frequently and needed some help. Larry does not receive a salary for doing this and would take donations to help out with travel expenses. A motion was made, seconded and approved to donate money for travel expenses.

Dale Heesch gave information on a bond that would cover the President and Treasurer since they are the ones who can write checks. A motion was made, seconded and approved to purchase a bond.

A quarterly check will be sent with Janelle to be presented at the next State Rep meeting.

Mark talked to Downtown Brookings Inc. they have given the go ahead to have a burn out pit present at the Ride Thru. They will be meeting this month to decide on a beer garden and band.

The ride Thru will be held at Skinner's instead of Jim's Tap June 26th.

Supper Runs start May 5th the first one will be at Cedrics in Hendricks (formerly Main Street). Meet at Pioneer Park leaving at 6:30 p.m. sharp. Larry Buckley is the road captain.

Announcements:

Ron Flute volunteered for the phone tree.

Mark B. will be working for Park and Rec as a maintenance man.

Congratulations Dave & Kristi Owens Proud parents of a daughter.

May 8 Camelot School pancake feed.

May 15 State Wide Poker Run

May 16 Trout Extravaganza

May 22 SD Law Enforcement Torch Run

May 29 March of Dimes Poker Run

June 4-5 Huron Wheel Jam

Clark County Riders website: clarkcountyrider.com

ABATE membership renewal reminder for April: Dale Heesch, Wayne Hillestad, Jerry Nissan, Steve Sneer, Larry Stensgaard and Steve Torino.

May: Bryan Cronin, Dan Lamp, Debbie Thompson, Gary Thompson, Mary Zylstra and Vince Zylstra

Card Game: Kevin Moad (jokerless)

50/50: Lenny Knutson (not present)

Ride Safely,

Cindy

Chapter News

Those Guys Chapter

Next Meeting: May Meeting Cancelled
Contact Chapter Rep listed on Page 2 for more info.

March 28th, 2010 meeting

Meeting called to order at 4:30 pm with 43 members present.
 Minutes from February meeting were read by those interested.
 Minutes approved and seconded.

State Rep Report:

MRF Report – membership numbers about the same – about ½ dozen states fought & beat helmet laws.

Motorcycle Awareness, Training & Education grant – a total of 80,000 maps will be printed & distributed state wide– distribution boxes still being worked on.

Impaired Riding – will have a total 2 breathalyzers state wide. These are to be used for educational purposes only. Charlie is looking into getting the machine some time this summer.

Sturgis rodeo – Board voted to not have an ABATE rodeo at Buffalo Chip this year.

Heartland Steam is being held in Clear Lake, IA 4/23-4/24.

American Income Life – This is the \$2500 AD&D policy we receive as an ABATE member. There have been reports of aggressive sell tactics from several people. For overly aggressive rep issues, get their name and let Charlie know.

Iowa & Minnesota state rallies – If anyone is interested in working the SD ABATE booth let me know. The board voted to charge \$20 for a SD ABATE membership instead of the normal \$25.

Be sure to call the 800 number for road hazards.

Old Business:

Motion made to have members bring in designs for t-shirt by July meeting. Seconded and approved. Fresh Horses will award a \$25 gift certificate for the person bringing in the winning design. Teal will do t-shirts once a design is decided.

New Business:

Thanks to everyone who helped out and made the Swap meet a success! Thanks to Red Eye Bar and Crazy Dave for arranging for the tables and chairs for our booth! The weekend was a great success-we sold \$91 in raffle tickets, signed up 3 new members, got 10 renewals and sold 249 poker run books.

Two Dollar, on behalf of SF Abate, thanked everyone for attending the Swap meet. It was great having SF Abate members attend our meeting-they did a great job on the Swap meet!

Back Woods is having the 3rd annual car and motorcycle show on Saturday, May 8th in Marion. For more information call 605-648-3020.

Winner of the blanket raffle was Jeff Joneson.....not surprisingly, he donated it back to Those Guys! See you again next year blanket! The two winners of the \$25 Fresh Horses gift certificates were Christina Bisbee and Patty DeLay.

One of our own has been diagnosed with cervical cancer. There will be a poker run and benefit for Diann Sveegen on Sunday, May 23rd. Poker run sign up will be from 11-1 at Fresh Horses in Harrisburg. Benefit will take place from 3-8 at Wild Willy's. Come join us in wishing Diann love, encouragement and support! Contact Natalie with questions.

Al Luze wanted to remind everyone to become a registered voter.

Motion was made to cancel the May meeting because of scheduling conflicts. Motion seconded and approved.

WELCOME new members Scott & Teresa Kafka and John Seten!

50/50 total was \$80. Winner of \$40 was Roger Erschens.

SOL of \$30 went to Mark Ritter. Next month's SOL will be \$10.

REWARD for Crazy Dave's hat. Reward determined by condition of hat when returned!

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Quote of the month, "Young riders pick a destination and go. Old riders pick a direction and go".

Next meeting will be April 25th @ 1:30 pm

May meeting has been cancelled

RIDE SAFE

THOSE GUYS ABATE

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Turtle Creek Riders Chapter

Next Meeting: May 20, 2010 7:30 PM

Location: Foul Play, Lake Byron, Huron

The Turtle Creek Riders met on March 18th in Miller at the Hi-Lite at 7:30 P.M. There was 4 officers and 2 members and 1 guest present.

Meeting was called to order by president John G. Secretary's report was read and accepted. Treasurer's report was read and accepted. State Rep reported that there will be no booth at Sturgis this year and talked about IMPAC run on May 15th.

Old business: Talked about the run that is being planned for July 10th. Sica Hollow.

New business: Nominations:

President: John G.

Treasurer: Donnie G.

Secretary: Lilly W.

Vice President: Jack D. and Jon W.

Road Captain: Jon W.

Sgt. at arms: Dwight B.

Products: Frances G.

State Rep: Jeni B.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be in Hitchcock at Captain Tony's, meeting time is 7:30. April 15

May meeting is May 20th at Foul Play, Lake Byron, Huron

Lilly Werner, secretary



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Chapter News

Windriders Chapter

**Next Meeting: May 3, 2010 7:00 PM
June 7, 2010**

Location: Hangar Restaurant, Huron supper at 6:00 PM

Members present at April 5th 2010 meeting: Mike Hofer, Amy Hofer, Laurie Smith, Phil Hohm, Norma Hohm, George Parmeter, Jeannie Hofer, Wil Kleinsasser, Gary Hopkins, Leigh Smith, and Donnie Quiram.

Meeting called to order at 7 pm by Mike Hofer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President's Report: Mike Hofer had nothing to report on at this time until we get to old business.

Vice President's Report: Amy Hofer had nothing to report on until we get to Coats for Kids Report.

Secretary's Report: Laurie Smith had nothing to report on.

Treasurer's Report: Phil Hohm provided us with a statement of finances for April. Jeannie Hofer made a motion to accept the report and Leigh Smith seconded it.

State Rep Report: Phil Hohm reminded us of the IMPAC run on 5/15, we will be meeting at West Park at 8:45 am and leaving at 9:15. The first stop will be in Miller, then Highmore, and then meeting the Western Riders of the State at the Capital in Pierre at 12:30. We will also meet the Oahe Chapter at this location. There is more information on the IMPAC Run in Phil's Around the State Column. There will be no rally booth or bikers games sponsored by South Dakota ABATE this August in Sturgis. We need workers for 4 hour shifts at Algona this year to sell ABATE memberships. If you have an ABATE membership you get a discount at the gate. Rod "Thumper" Hersrud was nominated for Vice-Coordinator and Jan Wiesmantel was nominated for Treasurer. Phil and Norma plan on attending Heartland STEAM in Iowa later in the month. Leigh made a motion to sponsor Phil and Norma, for Norma's registration fee to attend Heartland STEAM for \$50.00, this motion was seconded by Don Quiram. Leigh Smith made a motion to accept these minutes and it was seconded by Norma Hohm.

Coats for Kids Report: Amy has the raffle tickets for the gun and the day spa. If you want to sell any tickets please contact her to do so. A motion was made to pay Trendz Day Spa for the package because the prices will be going up, this allows us to save a little money. Phil provided Amy with a check for this. Amy also provided us with information about the cost of the food at the Crossroads after the run before the start of the auction. Leigh Smith made a motion to not provide food after the poker run at the Crossroads. This motion was seconded by Wil Kleinsasser and it passed. No food will be supplied by Windriders at the toy run/auction because food is usually provided by stops along the Coats for Kids run.

OLD BUSINESS: Leigh was asked how the web site research was going. He provided that Heidi Maas has checked with Mike Dramstad about doing a web page. Mike is no longer doing this and will be checking with some high school students who might be interested in doing this. Fr. George provided a name of someone who might also be interested for us to contact. Phil has ordered Windriders shirts and will let us know when they come in. Larry Nielson has 2 beginning motorcycle safety courses this April. Remember that the Windriders Culver account pays for 50% of the cost of the course for Windriders members and their immediate family. Don't forget about the Jan Manolis Family Safe Center fundraiser on April 17th. It will be at the Crossroads. Social starts at 6:00 and the meal will be served at 6:45. Norma bought some Harley jewelry to be auctioned off at the fundraiser.

NEW BUSINESS: A big thank you went out to Wil & Elaine Kleinsasser for the great job they did in setting up a super good looking booth at the Sports Show in the Huron Arena and at the Sioux Falls

ABATE swap meet. Wil talked about both events and let us know that it went very well. Wil also got 1st place in the Touring Class at the Sioux Falls ABATE Swap Meet Bike Show. Congrats to Wil! Wil will be getting prices on a new banner that can be used at future events. So if anyone has any ideas about a design please contact Wil. It was voted on that we would not spend \$350 on an ad in Automania magazine for the Coats for Kids Run. It was voted on that we would spend a little more on some nicer posters and advertising for this area. Phil will be checking with Creative Printing for a price on these posters.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Members who need to renew are: Harlen Erickson, Shaun & Shelley Schnathorst, and Gaylord Sammons. Members who renewed are: Lowell Funk, Chris Wolff, Lanny Thomas, Daniel Richey, and Wil Kleinsasser.

Mike Hofer made a motion to adjourn the meeting and this motion was seconded by all attendees.

Minutes typed by Laurie Smith and edited by Phil Hohm.

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Zzen Chapter

Next Meeting: Contact Chapter Rep listed on page 2

Location:

To my fellow Freedom Fighters, first it was reported that my rants were too radical and free for the Freedom Flyer, so I toned it down for a couple of months. Then people thought I was on mello meds or the Feds were watching what I wrote and the consensus was I lost my balls and was out to pasture to die without a whimper of discontent. Heh, heh, heh, guess what...I'M BACK YOU MUTHAFU*%ERS!! Yeah, that's it, let's talk about BALLS, CAHONIES, WAVEOHS, GUTS, GRIT, FORTITUDE, MY Backs Up Against the Wall so If You're Feeling Froggy Chump...JUMP!!! type of stuff! "What makes the Elephant Charge his Tusk in the Misty Mist of the Dusky Dusk? What Makes the Musk Rat Guard His Musk? What Puts the Ape in Apricot?" You know what I'm talkin' about Baby! It's that unsettling drive that makes us bikers. To not be satisfied with the common man's pastimes like stamp collecting, bingo, arts and crafts [unless it's made out of 90 mph hot, hard, gleaming steel], gardening, and golf! Yeah you heard me right GOLF, like watching paint dry! The best time I had with that "Sport" was getting drunk as hell and making that hokey, gutless, cart do things it wasn't made to do. When you hear the song "Born to be Wild" by Steppenwolf your mind doesn't automatically go to some yuppie in shorts at a golf course. If it does, WOOF, we need to get you into some intense therapy in the realm of EXCITEMENT! I suppose there is a time and a place for everything and it's ok to be multi-faceted, but right now this column is about getting in the face of DEATH and surviving! That's what we do every time we straddle one of those contraptions that by all wants and purposes shouldn't even stay up! But they do and the irony of it is the faster you go the more they want to stay there. Until something catastrophic brings them down.

Chapter News

Zzen Chapter

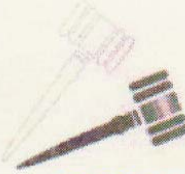
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How many of you have had that happen? Then it's a raw, bloody, mangled mess. But that is the price we are willing to pay for the THRILL! I guess knitting or needlepoint sounds good compared to that for some, but those pointy needles can PUT YER EYE OUT!! Risk is everywhere but we seek it out. Whenever you climb onto one of those mechanical monsters the possibility of disaster should always be in your subconscious mind somewhere. If it ain't and you think it can't happen to you today, you're gonna find out that it can and will! Never assume safety. Heck, as far as that goes, never assume Life! There are alot of people in this world that woke up this morning ALIVE that are DEAD this afternoon. "In a New York minute everything can change." Do we hide under our bed for fear of our demise? You would probably live longer but is that living I ask? As Janis Joplin said "I would rather have 10 years of good, hard living than 50 years in front of a TV set." By the way if Janis, Jimi Hendrix, John Lennon, and Jim Morrison were alive right now you know what they would probably be doing?.....Scratching their fingernails on the inside of their COFFINS!!! Come on, lighten up, get sum balls and live a little! Nobody gets out of here alive, well they say one guy did about 2,000 years ago but that is the only case I've heard about so far. Everyone of us is going to take our turn in that box, and if you believe in reincarnation we've all done it many times already so why be afraid. You know that is what damn [I was going to say darn but this is about having some nuts, right?] near every movie or drama is about is the FEAR of death. "Oh, Oh, we're all gonna DIE!" Yup, that's right Bubba and Bubbette, get over it! Our biggest way of having a good time while experiencing we are ALIVE is saying "Nana, Nana, Boo, Boo" to the Grim Reaper and living to tell the tale. You ever see somebody wearing a t-shirt that says "I survived Sturgis" on a Tuesday of the rally? Knida premature if you ask me. You don't wear that shirt untill you get home. I wonder how many wind up in the Sturgis morgue attired like that. Isn't it ironic, don't ya think? The Natives have a saying that goes "It's a Good day to Die." Sounds negative but what it means is you are satisfied with life and accept that you can go at any time with no remorse. Squeeze everything you can out of today folks, it might be our last. I'll add some Zzen stuff as it becomes available. HOOTIE-HOOT!!! WIZ

Did a nice brisk ride on the radical "Goodtime Charlie" chopper to Chancellor for the Zzen meeting the other day. I actually, finally made one. Surprised the crap out of everyone. Of course they started looking for a rope an' sumwhere to string me up in an ol' fashion necktie party but once they got into arguin' they fergot about me an' got down to business. The president slammed down his gavel at 1:00 sharp [which is the only sharp thing around, might hurt ourselves] with 20 or so of them scallywags present in their various disguises. Minutes of last meeting approved and we found out how much dinero we got from the treasurers report. Can't say the exact amount but it was in the millions, who says crime doesn't pay! Talked about old business [what to do with K-Bob, old folks home or bullet]. If you got pictures for the website send them to info@zzenabate.org. Report given on The Patriot Guard, a good group that show respect and remind others to do the same. Broke even on T-shirt sales. We are making sure it's legal to raise funds through pull-tabs. Some folks are going to Heartland Steam in Clear Lake, Ia. We need riders to rate and report roads in Lincoln and Minnehaha [Little Gigggle] counties for skill levels and possible hazards to be put into a brochure to be given to traveling bikers who travel through our state, good idea iffing' ya want my opinion. Turns out one of our new members is a Notary and along with another an EMT we are almost respectable [almost]. Our Rodeo, YEEHAW, is at Ed & Dea's Backwoods Bar in Marion July 31, sign up 10 till noon with

camping available for the Buckaroo's attending. A motion was made to donate 50 bucks to Muscular Dystrophy Assn. and in return our illustrious leader will jump in the Sioux River, money well spent [need cinder blocks]. Pierre report was given with highlights being no more Sturgis booth or Buffalo Chip Rodeo, primary elections are more important to potential politicians, ABATE membership dues statewide are now \$20. for every chapter, need ideas for ABATE TV commercials, development of our impaired [too drunk to ride] prevention program with proper use of our breathalyzers, and call in road hazards like potholes and lights that don't recognize motorcycles to 1-866-470-6765. Our 50/50 winner gave half back to the chapter, he knew he better iffing' he knows what's good fer him [it ain't purty]. And oh yeah, someone needs a rubber mount Sportster motor [92 or newer] 'cause they broke theirs, call 605-595-3675. WOOF, being responsible is hard but I got 'er done. Over'an Out, ya all!

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For more information about any of these events, contact the chapter, organization, or business listed with the event or see individual ads that may be printed elsewhere in this publication.

May.....Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month

May 8....Sioux Falls Bike Blessing & Hot Dog Feed, Sioux Falls
Women In The Wind Poker Run, Sioux Falls
CMA Empire Riders Biker Blessing, Sioux Falls
East Central Bike Blessing, Madison
Shadow Riders Mothers Day Run, Huron
Founders Ride to Glacial Lakes HD, Sioux Falls
Car & Bike Show, Back Woods, Marion

May 15.....IMPAC Poker Run to PierreState Board of Directors Meeting, Pierre

.....Sioux Falls Poker Run, Sioux Falls
Oahe Awareness Ride, Pierre
Aberdeen Awareness Run & Dance, Aberdeen

May 22.....Bike Night, Guest House, Watertown

May 28.....Bike Night/Military Appreciation Night, J&L HD

May 29.....Almost Home Poker Run, Madison
Humane Society Poker Run, Sioux Falls

May 29-31.....Way West Memorial Weekend Bash,
Watson, MN

May 31.....Memorial Day

June 3-6.....Ribfest, Sioux Falls

June 4-5.....Midwest Bikefest, Norfolk, NE

June 4-6.....Wheel Jam, Huron

June 5.....Those Guys Poker Run, Sioux Falls
Bikes 'n Babes Benefit for CMN, Sioux Falls

June 11-12.....CCR Run, Bradley

June 11-13.....Automania at the Fairgrounds, Sioux Falls
ABATE of ND State Rally, Menoken Grove, ND

June 12.....El Riad Shrine Poker Run, Harrisburg
Camp Lakodia Poker Run, J&L, Sioux Falls

June 16-19.....Sturgis On The River, Davenport, IA

June 18.....Those Guys Friday Night Poker Run, Sioux Falls

June 19.....J&L Poker Run, Sioux Falls

June 21.....Windriders Fathers Day Poker Run, Huron

June 25.....Bike Night, J&L H-D, Sioux Falls

June 25-26.....Oahe Fun Run, Pierre

June 25-27.....Deadwood Poker Run, Harrisburg
Sioux River Ride Thru, Brookings

.....Poker Run to Ride Thru, Madison
Wind & Fire MC Poker Run, Harrisburg

July 1-3.....ABATE of Iowa Freedom Rally, Algona, IA

July 4.....Independence Day

July 9-11.....15th Annual Hot Harley Nights, Sioux Falls

July 10.....Hofer's Relic Run, Sioux Falls
North Star Annual Poker Run, Dixon

July 16-18.....Wheel In Run, Pierpont Lake

July 17.....State Board of Directors Meeting, Pierre

July 17-18.....Wheel Inn Run, Pierpont Lake

July 18.....Those Guys Childrens Home Society Run, Sioux Falls

July 23.....Those Guys Friday Night Poker Run, Sioux Falls

July 24.....Sioux Falls Family Picnic, TBA
SD Auto Dealers Poker Run, Sioux Falls

July 30.....Bike Night, J&L H-D, Sioux Falls

July 31.....Zen Rodeo, Backwoods Bar, Marion

Aug. 6-7.....Sturgis Biker Bash @ J&L, Sioux Falls

Aug. 8.....Black Hills Charity Poker Run, Sturgis

Aug. 9-15.....70th Annual Sturgis Rally & Races, Sturgis

Aug. 12.....Whitewood Social Hour, Whitewood

Aug. 21-22.....28th Annual Swapmeet, Onawa, IA

Aug. 27.....Bike Night, J&L H-D, Sioux Falls

Aug. 28.....Those Guys Golf Outing, TBA
Zen Gathering, Sherman

.....Windriders Coats for Kids Run & Auction, Huron

.....North Star Nostalgia Run, Dixon

.....Red/White/Chrome Cruise for United Way,

.....Glacial Lakes H-D, Watertown

Sept. 3-6.....ABATE of MN State Rally, Litchfield, MN

Sept. 4.....Second Chance Rescue Poker Run, Sioux Falls

Sept. 11.....9/11 Memorial Poker Run, Madison

.....American Pride Poker Run, J&L H-D, Sioux Falls

.....Glacial Lakes H-D Bike Night,

.....Guest House, Watertown

Sept. 11-12.....Sioux Falls Baltic Rendezvous, Baltic
 Fall Open House & Demo Days, J&L H-D, Sioux Falls

Sept. 17.....Bike Night & Bike Giveaway, J&L H-D, Sioux Falls

Sept. 18.....State Board of Directors Meeting, Pierre

.....Sioux Falls Poker Run for Toys, Sioux Falls

.....Fall Open House & Demo Days,

.....Glacial Lakes H-D, Watertown

Sept. 18.....El Riad Shrine Poker Run, Harrisburg

Sept. 19.....Those Guys Poker Run, Sioux Falls

Sept. 25.....Those Guys End of Summer Poker Run, Harrisburg

Oct.....Lake Chapter Christmas Raffle Begins

Oct. 31 (Sunday).....Halloween

Nov. 6.....Lake Chapter Chili Cook-off, Madison

Nov. 20.....State Board of Directors Meeting, Pierre

Nov. 25.....Thanksgiving

Nov. 26-27.....Holiday Open House, J&L H-D, Sioux Falls &
Glacial Lakes H-D, Watertown

Nov. 27.....Photos w/Santa, J&L and Glacial Lakes H-D

Dec. 2.....Ladies Night, J&L H-D, Sioux Falls

Dec. 10.....Sioux Falls Christmas & Toy Wrapping Party, TBA

.....Ladies Night, Glacial Lakes H-D, Watertown

Dec. 11.....Sioux Falls Toy Run to CCHS, Sioux Falls

Dec. 11-12.....Lake Chapter Christmas Bake Sale, Madison

Dec. 25.....Christmas

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Jan. 20-22.....Legislative Days, Pierre

Feb. 19.....Frozen Pub Run, Harrisburg

Aug. 8-14.....71st Annual Sturgis Rally & Races, Sturgis

Aug. 11.....Whitewood Social Hour, Whitewood