

## Lake Chapter, A.B.A.T.E. of MN

Date: February 13, 2010

Location: Doc Holiday's, Delano MN

Time: 4:07 pm

**Officers Attending:**

<b>President</b>	Dawn Riba	X		
<b>Vice President</b>	Bill Jensen	X		
<b>Chapter Rep</b>	Dawn Riba	X		
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jim Kosse	X		
<b>Secretary</b>	Sheryl Immel	X		
<b>Sergeants at Arms</b>	Mike Edgett		John Dewey	X
	Michael Shinn	X	Lee Plante	

**Total number of members attending: 23**

**Total number of guests: 0**

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance** Led by Mike Shinn. At 4:07.

**Welcome of new members or guests**

**President's remarks (Dawn)** Welcome everyone. Thank you to everyone who was at the Grounded Hogs party and all the volunteers. The party was successful and we will talk about the numbers later.

**Vice President's remarks (Bill)** Thank you to everyone who volunteered at the GH party. Thank you to our chair person Cathie Jensen for a successful party.

**OFFICER REPORTS**

**Secretary's report (Sheryl)** *Motion to accept minutes as written – Mitch, 2nd by Becky. Hands – Motion passed.*

**Treasurer's report (Jim)**

### Treasurer's Report - January 2010

Presented at February 13, 2010 Meeting @ Doc Holiday's, Delano

Started January with	<b>\$2,189.47</b>
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**Income:**

Memberships	54.00
Products sold	138.00
Grounded Hogs advanced ticket sales	480.00
Grounded Hogs sponsorship	50.00
Advanced Ticket sales	340.00
GH Vendor	50.00
GH Sponsor	350.00

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Total:	<b>1462.00</b>
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**Expenses:**

1st class postage for Road Noise September	2.00
Chapter postcards postage & ink cartridge	136.81

Lake Chapter donation to Biker Day at the Capital	300.00
Road Noise add for Grounded Hogs	87.50

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Total:	<b>526.31</b>
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January Ending Balance	<b>\$3,125.16</b>
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**Earmarks:**

Grounded hogs	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
ABATE U Hospitality Room	<b>\$160.00</b>

Petty Cash:	<b>\$45.05</b>
MRF Donation Fund:	<b>\$6.55</b>
Chapter Gambling Fund:	<b>\$355.80</b>
Food Shelf Fund:	<b>\$5.00</b>
Toys for Tots Fund:	<b>\$0.00</b>
Buddy Bear Fund	<b>\$34.55</b>

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<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$3,572.11</b>
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spendable      \$1,965.16

*Motion to accept Treasurer's report –Becky, 2nd by Phil. Hands – Hands - Motion passed.*

Five minute limit on committee reports. A Sergeants at Arms will let you know how much time you have left.

**Chapter Rep report (Todd)** Todd passed the expired member list, call and harass anyone you know on the list. Lake Chapter is still behind in members. At the January board meeting Rock Casper was expelled from A.B.A.T.E of MN. The publications committee needs a publications committee chair, Becky would like to retire from this job. That committee also needs a secretary and a final proof reader. They are also looking for someone to write up the business of the month and bike of month. The A.B.A.T.E website now offers online renewal of memberships, new memberships and information on Biker Day. The next meetings for the publications committee will be February 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am at the Backunds's house in Elk River and March 14<sup>th</sup> at Becky's house in Buffalo. The Ways and Means committee also needs members; they meet 4 times a year at the Ugly Bar in Montrose. The Mississippi Valley chapter is looking for 1 t-shirt from each chapter to make a quilt for the auction at A.B.A.T.E U. Todd has raffle tickets for the motorcycles at A.B.A.T.E. U. We have the option to make a pledge for the chapter challenge at A.B.A.T.E U. Penny Jo needs help with the products at A.B.A.T.E.U, let Todd know if you can help on contact Penny Jo, her info is in the Road Noise. Inventory of the chapter products need to be to Mitch by April 1<sup>st</sup>. As of December 1<sup>st</sup> our gambling account has \$355.80. We need to sell more raffle

tickets to increase this amount. Todd passed the treasurer's report for the state. Officers nominated for the state level were; NE District Director: Darrell Sam & Gene Effroos, SE District Director: Stausch, NW District Director: Edgar Burke, SW District Director: Mike Berger & Jim Orn. State Coordinator: Mack Backlund, Acct State Coordinator: Kevin Todd, State Secretary: Jan Loft-Pilgrim and State Treasurer: Mitch Backlund. Todd passed event flyers and tickets, take them if you can use them. We need to go to other chapter events so they come to ours. *Motion to give \$500.00 to the chapter challenge at A.B.A.T.E. U – Becky, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karen, friendly amendment by Mike Berger for up to \$675.00 be donated. Hands - Motion passes. Motion to donate a Grounded Hogs t-shirt to the Mississippi Valley chapter for the quilt – Becky, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. Hands - Motion passes.*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Special Events (Cathie)** The Grounded Hogs party was a success, thanks to all the volunteers. Dawn received and e-mail from someone who attended the Grounded Hogs party with some concerns. She is asking everyone who is here to bring your ideas to the next special events meeting, including ideas for a new location and we will discuss ways to make it better. The spring run will be May 15<sup>th</sup>, leaving Delano at noon. Dawn has posters available. Tickets will be available at the next meeting.

**Products (Rhiannon)** If we return to Medina, Rhiannon would like to be placed in a spot with more exposure. We still have some GH t-shirts available. *Motion to spend \$100.00 for state patches, Lake Chapter patches, state pins and POW pins – Mitch. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Becky. Hands - Motion passes. Motion to donate 1-2 Grounded Hogs t-shirts for the staff at A.B.A.T.E. U – Becky. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bryan. Hands - Motion passes.*

**Training & Education (Mary)** Mary passed flyers for the Accident Scene Management class. It will be held at the American Legion in Chanhassen on March 13<sup>th</sup> (basic) and 14<sup>th</sup> (advanced) from 9 to 4. Cost is \$55.00. Mary will have the info for the Experienced Rider Course at the next meeting.

**A.B.A.T.E. U (Noma/Karen)** We need more people to register for the luncheon, \$15.00 for an awesome Italian buffet. Amy Koch and Slider Gilmore will be speaking. Becky would be happy to take your money for the luncheon. A local band has been secured. They need auction items. A schedule of events will be in next Road Noise.

**State Rally (Bill)** Tickets for the rally are available on the website. ([www.ABATEMN.org](http://www.ABATEMN.org)) From now until A.B.A.T.E. U advanced tickets are \$25.00. From then until the July BOD \$30.00. After that \$40.00. We will try to sign up for the Friday night security shift and the Saturday front gate shift. There will be a sign up sheet at A.B.A.T.E. U for the Algona rally, if you are not attending contact Todd to sign up. Mike Berger is doing to rally programs and posters and he would like ideas.

## OTHER REPORTS

**Legislative Director (Todd)** Todd encourages everyone to write to their legislators and earn a write to ride patch or rocker. PAC report: in the year 2009 we took in \$11,750.60, well short of the \$25,000.00 goal. PAC t-shirts are available for \$15.00. The financial statement was passed. Biker Day at the capital is February 24<sup>th</sup>, it is really important to get 700 people down there. Pre-register and they will set up appointments for you. If anyone has some time, call Mack. He needs someone to call and make appointments. The Coalition of Clubs and the Confederation is donating some money to offset the cost of Biker Day.

**Public Relations (Mitch)** Biker Day February 24<sup>th</sup>. The next event is the Wash Out on May 1<sup>st</sup>.  
*Motion to spend \$45.00 of gambling funds to send Danny Kasper to camp – Mitch. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Becky.*  
*Hands- Motion passes.*

**MRF Report (Todd)** The MRF is extremely concerned about the health care bill and any kind of potential it may have. Such as provisions for life style choices. Please be ready to respond with e-mails, phone calls and letters. Once the health care bill is over, the next big monster is the transportation bill; they will make sure there is no helmet blackmail language in there. They also want to make sure some of the money put into our gas tanks comes back to motorcyclists for awareness, training, education and motorcycle safety. Bikers from the beltway which is the MRF's version of Biker Day at the Capital, will be in Mid May sometime. Heartland Steam is in Clear Lake Iowa on April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. You can register on-line at A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa's website. The Freedom of the Road fishing contest is on Lake Waconia on February 27<sup>th</sup> at noon. They are asking for a \$5.00 donation. If you can't go, they will still take you \$5.00 donation. There will be prizes for fisher people and non-fisher people. Carol Downs, the conference planner for the MRF had to get a real job and she needed an assistant. Mary Berger has been volunteered to be her new assistant.

**MMSAC (Mitch)** Mack Backlund has been appointed to be the special advisor to the governor on motorcycle issues. This job will put him on the MMSAC committee. At the last meeting the committee did recommend supporting the increased penalties bill to commissioner Campion. Applications will be taken in the spring for committee members. Mack will be the only A.B.A.T.E member left on the committee. As the special advisor he will not be able to vote. There is a motorcycle safety conference on February 27<sup>th</sup> from 9-3 in St. Paul. Cost is \$45.00. *Motion that Lake Chapter pay for up to 2 people to go to the motorcycle safety conference – Becky. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil. Motion passes.* See Jim after the meeting if you are interested in going. The next MMSAC meeting is March 18<sup>th</sup> in St. Paul. Mike encourages people to apply to the committee. He will be applying at the March meeting.

*Motion to accept the committee Michael Shinn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Becky. Hands – Motion passed*

**Drawing of name (Mike E.)** Michael is the winner of the \$5 off chapter products coupon.

**OLD BUSINESS** - We need more members.

**NEW BUSINESS** *Motion to order 48 buddy bears – Mitch. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike B. Hands - Motion passes.*

The Lake Chapter member of the year is Mary Berger.

If anyone has the chapter's first aid kits, check the expiration dates on the items and bring them back to Mike Berger and he will replenish them.

Officer Nominations:

Sergeant at Arms:

John (Batman) Dewey – decline

Rick Oglesby - ?

Lee Plante - ?

Michael Shinn – accept

Charlie Cassell – accept

John Wachholz – accept

Randy Deters - ?

Secretary:

Sheryl Immel – accept

Treasurer:

Jim Kosse – accept

Chapter Rep:  
Todd Riba – decline  
Mary Berger – accept  
Mike Edgett – accept

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Todd Riba – decline  
Mike Edgett – decline  
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President:  
Dawn Riba – accept  
Mike Berger – decline  
Too Tall - ?  
Mike Edgett – decline  
Bill Jensen – decline  
Charlie Cassell – decline  
Keith Efron - ?  
Dawn will contact those in question before the next meeting.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

February 24<sup>th</sup> – Biker Day at the Capital  
February 27<sup>th</sup> – MRF fishing contest on Lake Waconia 12-3  
March 6<sup>th</sup> – Chapter Meeting, Delano Legion 4 pm  
April 10<sup>th</sup> – Chapter Meeting, Doc Holiday's Delano, 4pm  
April 16-18 – ABATE U Alexandria Holiday Inn (320) 763-6577  
May 1<sup>st</sup> – Washout, Ditch pick-up, Chapter meeting.

*Motion to adjourn – Olive.*

Time: 5:40

Minutes recorded and submitted by Sheryl Immel, Lake Chapter Secretary

#### **Motions made at the 3.7.09 meeting**

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- 2. Motion to accept Treasurer's report –Becky, 2nd by Phil. Hands – Hands - Motion passed.*
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