

A.B.A.T.E. of MN LAKE CHAPTER

CHAPTER MEETING

Location: Doc Holidays Delano Date: May 6th, 2006 Time: 3 p.m.

Officers Attending:

President:	Keith Knee	<u>X</u>
Vice President:	Mike Berger	<u>X</u>
Treasurer:	Kimmer Moy	<u>X</u>
Chapter Rep:	Too Tall	<u>X</u>
Secretary:	Olga Strobel	<u>X</u>
Sergeant @ Arms:	Shad Skinner	<u>X</u>
	Rod Quist	<u>X</u>
	Todd Riba	<u>X</u>
	Vulture	<u>X</u>

Total number of members attending: 41

Guests attending: 0

AGENDA

Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance - Rod Quist

President Remarks - Keith - Thanked all the chapter members that served on the ABATE U committee and anyone who helped with ABATE U. Thanked Chad and Noma for participating in helping with setting up the event. The Chapter is looking for the new Special Events Chair person - please see Keith if you are interested.

Vice President Remarks - Mike - Thanks all for coming. Lee Plant agreed to take the place of the Special Events Coordinator for now, but anyone is encouraged to step in if interested.

Welcome new guests and members - Larry Suggs.

Secretary's Report - Olga - Motion to waive the reading of the minutes - Mitch, seconded by Mary Berger, hands - motion carried.

Treasury Report - Kimmer -

Started April with	\$2,774.35
Income:	
Memberships	\$220.00
Products sold	\$60.00
Grounded Hogs Fundraiser Adjustment	<u>\$118.00</u>
Total Income:	\$398.00
Expenses:	
Products purchased	\$285.32
Motorcycle PAC of MN (21 patches)	\$525.00
Reimbursement for Postage for Door Prizes (redeeming Marlboro Miles)	\$5.15
Reimbursement for Postage for Shipping of Door Prizes (Marlboro Miles)	\$24.95
Reimbursement for Meeting Cards	\$93.60
Reimbursement for Member of the Year Plaque	\$84.42
Annual Affiliation Fees	\$25.00
ABATE U Chapter Challenge	<u>\$250.00</u>
Total Expenses:	\$1,293.44

April ending balance:	\$1,878.91
Petty cash:	\$27.33
M.R.F. Donation Fund:	<u>\$463.00</u>
Grand Total:	\$3,026.44

Gambling Fund as of 03/31/2006	\$657.20
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Motion to accept the Treasury Report - Kenny, seconded by Lee, hands - motion carried.

State Rep Report - Too Tall - IA Freedom Rally is looking for shift leaders and help - June 30th, July 1-2. Gave an update on the BOD meeting during the ABATE U, what was discussed, etc. We have State Rally raffle tickets. Membership and retention: Lake Chapter has 466 members, the leader is SW district. June 9th-10th - ABATE of ND Rally - they'll be really excited to have us there. The Resolution of the Chapter from the previous meeting did not pass on the state level due to the disagreement on the language, it will be discussed in the future. Discussion about the shifts on the Rally followed (Friday 8 a.m. - noon, Saturday 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.) Keith encouraged members to sign up for the shifts.

Membership & Retention Report - Kenny - Read out the numbers in districts. The numbers' been going up and down in different areas. Charm encouraged to increase the Lake Chapter total to 500. Kenny mentioned that we gain and loose members randomly. Mitch pointed out that Lake Chapter presence on different events helps to increase numbers, for example they came back from the Heartland Steam with three new memberships.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation Report - Todd - Gave review on the BOD meeting during ABATE U. HR2042 Bill for the right for repair is in the committee right now. The California Air Resource Board is going to have a workshop on May 11th in California, they are working on the new emission standards and working toward nationwide standards, they are trying to implement standards similar to European. MRF is keeping an eye on the situation. TEAR1 took effect in 2006, TEAR2 will take effect in 2010 (mandatory fuel injectors, maybe different pipes going with the EPA standards), now they are talking about TEAR3. The world motorcycle test-cycle standards have introduced new technology in Europe for the bikes to make them quiet, limit the emissions. EPA is working with the United Nations and talking about bringing these standards to the US. The MRF is in Europe and DC fighting for the rights of motorcyclists. Encouraged chapter members to sign up for the MRF membership. Thanked Mitch and Dawn for working toward making MRF a sponsor at the State Rally.

Government Relations Report - Mike - This is an election year. Have sent out letters to representatives inviting them to our meetings. Will be in touch with the opponents to find out where they stand at. Encouraged members to send out letters to their representatives to find out their point of stand. The bill of the Failure to Yield is a part of the Public Safety Bill which might help the bill to pass. Keeping in touch with Tom Workman.

State Coordinator Report - Mack - not present.

President's Committee on Increasing Meeting Attendance - Popeye - there will be no drawing for the meeting attendance today.

MN MC Safety Advisory Committee - Mike - We have about 80 motorcycles that should not be used for the training. DPS feels that we might be able to replace 30-40 bikes. We are waiting for the application for the Federal Money. Read out the results of the questionnaire the purpose of which was to make the committee better, looking for points of improvement - was outraged by some of the comments. See Mike for details. Discussion followed.

Public Relations Report - Mitch - If anyone is interested in purchasing Lake Chapter video - see Mitch to order. There were 4 people on the Wash Out. Sent out letters to 8 newspapers on May 1st on the motorcycle awareness - look closer in your local papers for these articles. There will be pictures taken on June 1st at 6:30 p.m. at the Albertville Fire department for the Buddy Bear donation.

Products Report - Jim Kosse - We are running low on some of the Chapter products. Has some artwork for possibly new designs for the shirts - asked members for the input. Mitch made a motion to purchase \$75 worth of Chapter Products, seconded by Noma, hands - motion carried.

Lee - The Spring Run is coming up - we will need some products available. Lee made a motion to spend up to \$300 on the new Chapter products, seconded by Charm. Discussion followed. Too Tall added a friendly amendment to authorize the Products committee for the decision on the needs of new products available for the Spring Run. Hands - motion carried.

Keith thanked Jim for taking over the position.

Special Events Report - Lee - The Spring Run Pre-Run is on May 13th leaving Woody's at noon. Looking for the orange armbands. We are going to need a lot of volunteers for the mileage - you have to be a current Lake Chapter member to participate. We are going to need volunteers for the sing up sheets, taking tickets. The setup starts at 10:30 a.m. We need volunteers for the Chapter Rodeo in Delano on June 24th at 1 p.m. - see Lee or Sheila if you are interested. Discussion followed on the Special Committee members. Mike Berger encouraged people to sign up for the Special Events committee, looking for the chair person.

State Rally Report - Becky - The posters are ready and were handed out to all the Vice Presidents on the last BOD. We have advance tickets - see Becky if you would like to sign out. Too Tall has raffle tickets. The next meeting is on Saturday, May 13th at Mack & Mitch's at 2 p.m. We have about 40 sponsors for the Rally right now.

Mitch asked for the info on the people we are stopping by the gravesites on the Memorial Run.

Keith reminded to turn in the advance tickets for the Spring Run right after the meeting.

Fred made a motion to accept all committees' reports, T.C. seconded, hands - motion carried.

Old Business: Jim has bandanas for the Camp Friendship Bike Show.

Kenny brought up the discussion on the 7 Rally tickets that we get when we bring in a sponsor. Lee made a motion to table the discussion about the 7 Rally tickets until the next meeting, Fred seconded, hands - motion carried.

Mike Berger - Medina Ball Room Bike Show and Rally suggested to setup a table on their events. Discussion followed.

Lee - all the advance tickets for the Spring Run need to be turned in today.

New Business: Keith suggested different options for the upcoming meeting places.

Mitch made a motion to have chapter meeting/birthday party on July 8th at 3 p.m. at Kimmer's house, seconded by Charm. Discussion followed. Hands - motion carried.

Todd made a motion to meet in August at Sturgis Park in Buffalo at 3 p.m., seconded by Fred. Discussion followed. Becky will try to reserve a shelter in case of rain. Hands - motion carried.

Mike Berger suggested to have a meeting over at Lance's. Stroke suggested Silver Creek Park location for the meeting.

Todd made a motion to contact Lance about the meeting on Sept. 9th to find out whether we can have it there, seconded by Becky, hands - motion carried.

Todd made a motion to set Silver Creek Park for the September meeting as a backup, seconded by Becky, hands - motion carried.

Keith brought up Hwy Pickup on June 3rd - the same day as the chapter meeting.

Mitch made a motion to meet at noon on June 3rd for the Hwy Pickup, seconded by Becky, hands - motion carried.

Upcoming Events:

May 6	Minnesota Washout at Enfield rest stop, 9 a.m. to noon
May 20	Spring Run leaves Woody's in Rockford @ noon, sign up starts at 11 a.m.
May 20	Wing Nuts benefit for South Central after the Spring Run in Litchfield.
May 27	Lake Chapter Memorial Run. Meet at Tavern on Main in Hopkins at noon
June 3	Lake Chapter meeting at Missile Park in St. Boni at 3 p.m, birthday party for Mary at Bergers'.
June 3	Bootleggers are holding Annual Penny Run.
June 14	Camp Friendship Ride in Bike Show, leave Sturges Park in Buffalo at 5:30 p.m.
June 24	Motorcycle Rodeo at American Legion in Delano at 1 p.m.

June 30 Todd's big 40 celebration at a bar.

Motion to adjourn - Todd,
seconded by Mitch,
passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m..

Minutes recorded and submitted by Olga Strobel, Chapter Secretary.

05-06-06 Lake Chapter Meeting Minutes Motions.

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