

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

**CHAPTER MEETING**

**Location: Kimmer Moy's**

**Date: July 8<sup>th</sup>, 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>0</u>	Mary Berger <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:** 48

**Guests attending:** 0

**AGENDA**

**Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance at 3:10 p.m.**

**President Remarks - Keith** - Thanks everyone for coming to and participating at the Lake Chapter Rodeo. We've had a group of people on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in Delano. We got to talk Amy Koch and Tim Pawlenty. We need to begin thinking about nominations for the Steve Kreitlow award. Thanks for coming to the meeting.

**Vice President Remarks - Mike** - Thanks for coming out.

**Welcome new guests and members** - Mitch's brother - Todd came home from Iraq, new member - Larry.

**Secretary's Report - Mary** - Motion to waive the reading of the minutes - Todd, seconded by Sheila, no discussion, hands - motion passed.

**Treasury Report - Kimmer -**

Started June with	\$2,136.21
Income:	
Memberships	\$129.00
Products Sold	\$250.00
Adj. Spring Dart Run Fundraiser	<u>\$75.00</u>
Total Income:	\$454.00
Expenses:	
1 <sup>st</sup> class postage for Road Noise	\$2.00
Chrome State Rally Sponsorship	\$250.00
Products purchased	\$150.20
Replenish Petty Cash	\$37.50
Memorial Party (ground beef / porta potty rental)	\$180.12
Lake Chapter ABATE of MN window decals	\$100.00
Adjustment Spring Dart Run Fundraiser to 10% of gross sales instead of 50 cents per ticket	<u>\$50.00</u>
Total Expenses:	\$814.82
June ending balance:	\$1,775.39

Petty cash:	\$50.00
M.R.F. Donation Fund:	\$588.00
Chapter Gambling Fund (as of 3/31/06)	\$457.20
Food Shelf Fund:	\$14.36
Toys for Tots Fund:	\$12.55
Buddy Bear Fund:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Grand Total:	\$2,897.50

Motion to accept the treasurer's report as read - Mitch, seconded by Karen, no discussion, hands - motion passed.

**State Rep Report - Too Tall** - The BOD is next weekend - please let Too Tall know if there is anything that needs to be reported.

**Membership & Retention Report - Kenny** - ABATE took in over \$16,000.00 on the IA State Rally in Algona. We are over the last year's numbers. Thanks everyone who was there and helping.

**Motorcycle Riders Foundation Report - Todd** - Not a lot of going on in Washington, they are still working on closing the health insurance bill. Right to Repair is moving along. Handed out some MRF introduction papers about what it does and what it is. Meeting of the Minds is on September 21 - 24 in Lebanon, IN. Mitch made a motion for the Chapter to pay for the registration for 2 people to go to the Meeting of the Minds that are the 1<sup>st</sup> time attendees, Noma seconded, no discussion, hands - motion passed. Todd and Dawn Riba are going. Talk to Keith if you are interested in going. Too Tall mentioned that he is interested in going. Michigan tried to repeal the mandatory helmet law - it failed. Michigan AAA is working against ABATE. If you are an AAA member and if you are looking for a different provider - Todd knows another RoadSide Assistance Program. We had two parades on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July - one in Delano riding with Senator Amy Koch, another one in Chanhassen with Congressman John Kline. We got to meet/ interact with multiple legislators. We made a huge impression and got to talk to people from the county and up to the federal government. There is another parade in Lakeville tomorrow for congressman John Kline, afterwards they are planning on having a volunteer appreciation picnic with Mary Liz Holberg. Todd handed out a form for MC PAC of MN.

**Government Relations Report - Mike** - The 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade - Governor Pawlenty noticed our presence and visited with us. Thanks for participating.

**State Coordinator Report - Mack** - We are working on the survey for the candidates for office, to find out where they stand on our issues. July 18<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to file to run for Office in MN. On July 20<sup>th</sup> we will know everyone who is running for Office in MN. We will have the questionnaire ready to go and we'll send it to everyone and the results will be published in the October issue of the Road Noise. Take that questionnaire with you on November 7<sup>th</sup>, when you go to vote. During the next legislative session we are going to push for the Failure to Yield increase in penalties bill and MC Awareness in all safety-training classes. 55 and Alive classes are not required to have MC awareness. Share to Road classes are taking off and doing good. We have to build relationships with the candidates running for state senators and state representatives. If you get any invitations in the mail for public fundraiser events - send Mack a copy. It is a very good way to build relationships and get answers for our questions. We have a lot of true friends in the Capitol. Mack explained how Failure to Yield bill is being processed and which committees it has to go through in order to pass. Tony Cornish - representative from Good Thunder was pushing for the bill and supporting us.

**President's Committee on Increasing Meeting Attendance - Maureen** - Monthly winners are Reed, Larry and Charm.

**MN MC Safety Advisory Committee - Mike** - The next meeting is on Thursday after the BOD. Mike cannot attend - asked if anyone is interested in attending. There will be a discussion about limiting the public's ability to make comments at the MN MCSAC meetings. A lot of general public is starting to

think that wearing a helmet is a good idea. Encouraged everyone to educate the public. Go to the Sons of Liberty website for the helmet law statistics ([www.solriders.com](http://www.solriders.com)).

**Public Relations Report - Mitch** - Mitch has photo albums. We are planning on having Bowling for Kids October 15th. Mitch will find out if we can have it in Delano instead of Big Lake. Annandale Advocate published a story about Lake Chapter visiting Camp Friendship. Keith will talk to Camp Friendship about going there for the second visit this year in August.

**Products Report - Jim Kosse** - We have new Chapter pins, decals, new shirts.

**Special Events Report - Sheila** - We are working on the Fall Run Route - let us know if you have any ideas. Thinking about not making many stops at bars. Would like to make stops at dealerships, parks, etc. Would like to start at Salida Depot and go north and west. We are going to be doing bartending on September 17<sup>th</sup> at Grumpy's in St. Boni from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Chapter will get 25% of the sales and all the tips. Dawn mentioned that Jalapenos in Monticello expressed their interest in becoming a part of biker community and has offered their space which can hold up to 1000 people for one of the Fall Colors Run stops. Keith - if you have any suggestions for the Fall Colors Run - come over for the Special Events Meeting, which is usually held an hour before the Chapter meeting and bring it up. Sheila - we are going to be going bartending at Bootleggers on November 12<sup>th</sup>, noon to 6 p.m. The Chapter gets all the tips and, plus the bar will match up to \$500. Special Events committee will be placing ads in the Road Noise. Let us know if you have any ideas for the band for the Grounded Hogs Fundraiser.

**State Rally Report - Becky** - The next meeting is after the next BOD. Advance tickets are due to be turned in on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Members are encouraged to sign them out. Becky has sponsorship packets. We need more sponsors. Olive mentioned that the Chapter needs to submit fallen members names to Rod. The Chili contest is requiring crock-pot size portions now that all attendees can vote. The bike show will have some new categories. The Games will be on Sunday. We are signed up for the front gate and the security - need volunteers. The shifts are: security on Friday 8 a.m. to noon, gate - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dawn Riba - we are trying to make the MRF a chrome sponsor at the Rally and we are about \$65 short. Todd made a motion to donate \$65 to cover the shortage for the cost of Chrome Sponsorship for the Rally for the MRF, seconded by Becky, hands - motion passed. Charm - Lee can no longer run the Lake Chapter bonfire. Todd made a motion for the Chapter to handle the big bonfire on the 2006 State Rally in Litchfield, seconded by Mitch. Discussion followed. Hands - motion passed. Too Tall has bike raffle tickets - we need to sell them, encouraged to pass out the posters.

Noma made a motion to accept all committee reports, seconded by Dawn, no discussion, hands - motion passed by hands.

#### **Old Business:**

We need to find out the amount that is needed for the headstone for Mike Otto. Gabby mentioned that Leah thinks that the Chapter has already done much. Dawn R. will call her.

The Rodeo needs to go back to Litchfield.

Charm - the Road Runner that is hosting the Chapter is website does not allow anyone but the subscriber to edit the website. Charm made a motion for the Chapter to cover the expenses up to \$100 for the Lake Chapter website, seconded by Todd, no discussion, hands - motion passed.

#### **New Business:**

Buddy Bears need a person to chair the Committee. Becky made a motion to purchase 100 Buddy Bears out of gambling funds, seconded by Stroke. Discussion followed. The Chapter will wait until there is enough money in the gambling funds. Hands - motion passed.

Mitch volunteered to be a chair of the Buddy Bear Committee.

Keith - the Steve Kreitlow award nominees need to be in by September. Todd will order the flag. Keith will make the box.

Noma - ABATE U meeting: We need someone to be in charge of the ABATE U auction. We are looking at having a DJ instead of the band. We are looking for someone to do the food reservations. We need more committee members.

Gabby - There is a Diabetes Run on July 22<sup>nd</sup> in Little Falls. They would like us to come up and organize a rodeo. Rod will talk to the Sand Dunes Chapter.

**Upcoming Events:**

July 14<sup>th</sup>      Gambling Committee meeting at Perham, MN, Playtime Bar & Grill, at 7 p.m.  
July 15<sup>th</sup>      BOD at Perham, MN, Playtime Bar & Grill, at 9 a.m.  
July 15<sup>th</sup>      Rally Committee meeting, following BOD  
July 29<sup>th</sup>      Chapter Meeting at Sturges Park in Buffalo at 3 p.m.  
Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>      Get together WY's Casino in Central City, SD

**Motion to adjourn** - Dawn,  
seconded by Gabby,  
passed.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Olga Strobel, Chapter Secretary.

## **07-08-2006 Lake Chapter Meeting Motions.**

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