

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

CHAPTER MEETING

Location: moved to Becky's House, Buffalo
as Sturges Park was occupied.

Date: July 29th, 2006

Time: 3 p.m.

Officers Attending:

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| 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>0</u> |
| | Rod Quist | <u>0</u> |
| | Todd Riba | <u>0</u> |
| | Vulture | <u>X</u> |
| | Fred | <u>X</u> |

Total number of members attending: 26

Guests attending: 1

AGENDA

Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance - Fred.

President Remarks - Keith - Thanked Kimmer for the hospitality during the last meeting. Thanked Maureen for stepping in for the Chapter Retention. Thanked Mitch for doing Grapevines. Reminded that we need to sell State Rally tickets. We need to think about the next three meeting locations.

Vice President Remarks - Mike - Thanks to Becky for allowing us to have our meeting over at her place on such short notice.

Welcome new guests and members - Little John.

Secretary's Report - Olga - Motion to waive the reading of the minutes - Mitch, seconded by Fred. Discussion followed. Hands - motion passed.

Treasury Report - Kimmer -

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| Started July with | \$1,775.39 |
| Income: | |
| Memberships | \$136.00 |
| Products Sold | <u>\$203.00</u> |
| Total Income: | \$339.00 |
| Expenses: | |
| 1 st class postage for Road Noise | \$2.00 |
| Transfer MRF Rally Sponsorship | \$37.00 |
| Products purchased | \$364.00 |
| Postcards | \$91.00 |
| June 2006 Road Noise Advertising | <u>\$21.00</u> |
| Total Expenses: | \$515.00 |
| July ending balance: | \$1,599.39 |
| Petty cash: | \$50.00 |
| M.R.F. Donation Fund: | \$588.00 |
| Chapter Gambling Fund: | \$57.20 |

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| Food Shelf Fund: | \$14.36 |
| Toys for Tots Fund: | \$12.55 |
| Buddy Bear Fund: | <u>\$0.00</u> |
| Grand Total: | \$2,321.50 |

Motion to accept the treasure's report as read - Mitch, seconded by Charm, hands - motion passed.

Membership & Retention Report - Kenny - During the IA State Rally we took in about \$14,000, 800 new members that signed up. Please come to the Rally and please sign up to volunteer. If you need any tri-folds or posters - let us know.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation Report - Gene - We need to think about going to the Meeting of the Minds. Typically MOM has a very poor attendance from MN. Passed around a flyer with a description of MOM. It is going to happen on September 21st, 2006 in Lebanon, IN. It is possible that the 2009 MOM will be held in MN. We need to be more active. Too Tall made a comment that he has visited MOM before. It's a good opportunity to make a point on the national level. Gene showed the last MRF Report - governor Pawlenty signing the May Proclamation of the Motorcycle Awareness Month.

Government Relations Report - Mike - One of our supporters, Bruce Anderson is going through some tough times, his wife is dealing with some health issues. Charm will come up with a card to let him know that we are thinking of them. Reminded that it is the election year. There are a lot of opportunities right now with all the fundraisers and events to go out and meet with the candidates and talk to them. Too Tall is running for the MN Senate from District 44 - Hopkins, St Louis Park and a portion of Golden Valley. Too Tall said that he can use all the help he can get. Gene said that if even you don't live in the area - you could still talk to the people that do and work on that campaign. Mary B. - each year every person can make a political contribution of \$50 and submit it to the State and they will reimburse you for those \$50. You can make that contribution to a candidate. If you haven't done that this year - you can send it to Too Tall. Jeff said that Too Tall's opponent Ron Latz has a real problem with motorcyclists. And on the State of the State address he stood up and turned his back at the governor. We need to help Too Tall.

President's Committee on Increasing Meeting Attendance - Maureen - the drawing will be held later on today. Need to meet with some people after the meeting to discuss recommendations for the Committee.

MN MC Safety Advisory Committee - Mike - Mike was not present on the last meeting, but he will bring the updates on the next chapter meeting.

Public Relations Report - Mitch - Bowling for Kids Sake is coming up. Mitch has some sponsorship forms. It's going to be held at Doc's Holidays in Delano on October 8th, noon to 2 p.m. The team is going to be provided with red t-shirts and there will be great prizes. Encouraged people to step up and help out. Mitch also asked if the Chapter would like to have next year's calendar, as this year's sales were not very good. Discussion followed. Decided to order about 40 this year. Charm said that she would like to take a picture of the Chapter after each meeting, that could be used in the calendar.

Products Report - Jim Kosse - We have new Chapter pins - need to sell.

Special Events Report - Rosa - Amateur Bartending events are going to be held on September 17th at Grumpy's and on November 12th at Bootleggers. The Fall Run is going to be on October 14th. We now have three different routes submitted. We'll be checking them out. The committee talked about the costs for the tickets: \$7 for the advance tickets and \$10 at the door. The cash prizes are at the \$50, \$75 and \$100. We need more door prizes and donated items for the Silent Auction for the Grounded Hogs Fundraiser. The Grounded Hogs event is set for the second weekend in February. We are going to try to have it in Salida again. We are looking for the band. Discussion followed. Lee made a comment that the postcards have wrong dates for the Bartending events - please mention that to the members that don't know about it.

State Rally Report - Becky - The Rally advance tickets need to be turned in by August 13th so we can mail them in. The Raffle Tickets need to be turned in to Too Tall by August 14-15. The sponsorships are due by August 1st in order to appear on the programs. Be there. We need volunteers - sign up for the shifts, products

sales, raffle tickets sales, first aid. We need door prizes. August 27th is the clean up prior to the Rally. We are looking for the Waste Warriors. Looking for some new people for the Trashy Women's little parade. Reed will be taking care of the Chapter's bonfire. Charm made a motion for the Chapter to donate three t-shirts for the State Rally door prizes. Seconded by Kenny. Lee made a friendly amendment to donate a Lake Chapter pin with each T-shirt. Amendment accepted. Hands - motion carried. Becky - there will be a Dart Throw, not a Dart Walk this year on Sunday afternoon, the proceeds will be donated to the Motorcycle PAC. A member will be doing caricatures and donating a part of the proceeds to the Motorcycle PAC. Little John has the flagpoles for the Chapter site. Rosa asked if we are planning on doing the corn. Discussion followed. Rosa volunteered to cook the corn. Kenny will have the equipment needed. Charm made a motion for the Chapter to spend up to \$100 for the corn and all that needed. Becky seconded. Discussion followed. Hands - motion passed. Jim made a motion to accept all the committees reports, seconded by Mary B., hands - motion carried. Charm made a motion for the Chapter to spend up to \$100 to bring the big tent to the Rally, Becky seconded. Discussion followed. Hands - motion carried.

Maureen - Jim is the winner of today's attendance drawing.

Old Business:

The Chapter website has a new address www.abatelakechapter.org The old link still works - you will be redirected. Please let us know of any changes needed.

Dawn is still checking on the Mike Otto's headstone cost needs.

New Business:

The upcoming meetings:

Lee brought up Tommy's Tavern that now has a new owner. They have some space upstairs. They are sponsors at the Rally. The new name is Captain Rick's. Possible meeting space for the November meeting.

Saturday October 7th - Dave's Town Club in Delano.

Mary B. reminded that the meeting times are going to be at 4 p.m. starting in October.

The November meeting is going to be on October 28th at 4 Alarm at Rockford at 4 p.m.

December 2nd - Captain Rick's at St. Boni at 4 p.m.

Rosa - we are looking at getting some mesh yellow vests for our Runs, Ditch Pickups and other events at \$7 per vest. Becky made a motion to spend up to \$70 on the yellow mesh vests for the Chapter. Seconded by Mitch. Hands - motion carried.

Chris wondered if the Chapter would be interested in having a float on the 4th of July Parade. The Chapter is interested if there is enough volunteers. Discussion followed. Chris will be looking into organizing it.

Olga brought up that there is a couple of Lake Chapter members that are going through some tough financial times due to multiple health issues and medical bills. Asked if the Chapter would pass the hat. Chapter passed the hat. Mitch made a motion to add \$100 to the amount that got gathered with passing a hat for Tony & Linda Schafer to assist them with financial difficulties. Seconded by Becky. Keith made a friendly amendment to donate two tickets to the Rally in addition to the cash donation. Amendment accepted. Hands - motion carried.

Derek encouraged people to take a closer look at the Patriot Guard Riders and possibly assisting them in their mission. Check out their website for more info.

Upcoming Events:

August 8th Get together at WY's Casino in Central City, SD at 2 p.m.

Sept. 1st -4th A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally at Litchfield Fairgrounds

Sept. 9th Meeting at the backyard at the Corner bar in Silver Creek at 3 p.m.

Sept. 16th Highway Pick-up at Gas Station on Hwy 7 and Co Rd 92 in St. Boni at 11 a.m.

Sept. 17th Amateur bartending at Grumpy's

Oct. 8th Bowling for Kids Sake at Doc Holidays in Delano, 12:00 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Motion to adjourn - Mary,
seconded by Charm,
passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Olga Strobel, Chapter Secretary.

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