

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

Date: August 15, 2009 Location: Kreitlow Residence, Buffalo, MN
Time: 2:00 pm

Officers Attending:

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

Total number of members attending: 29 Total number of guests: 1

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance 2:09

Welcome of new members or guests

President's remarks (Dawn) Welcome everyone.

Vice President's remarks (Bill) Bill is in Hibbing so we will move on to the officer's reports.

OFFICER REPORTS

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

Treasurer's report (Jim)

Treasurer's Report - July 2009

Presented at Jim & Rosa Kreitlow's Aug 15, 2009 meeting

Started June with **\$2,805.86**

Income:

Memberships (June)	120.00
Products sold	20.00
Memberships (July)	180.00

Total: **320.00**

Expenses:

First Class Postage for Road Noise (June)	2.00
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Silver Sponsorship-ABATE MN State Rally	500.00
Reimburse mileage for Dial-A-Ride trailer @ Spring Run	24.50
Split w/State on Spring Run	227.48
Lake Chapter officer name badges and business cards	86.50
Reimburse Bill Nelson for toner cartridge & postcards	98.99

Total:	941.47
 July Ending Balance:	 \$2,184.39
 Earmarks	
Grounded Hogs	\$800.00
Chapter member recruitment challenge	\$50.00
 Petty Cash:	 \$45.05
MRF Donation Fund:	\$607.40
Chapter Gambling Fund	\$296.80
Food Shelf Fund:	\$5.00
Toys for Tots Fund:	\$5.00
Buddy Bear Fund	\$34.55
<hr/> Grand Total:	<hr/> <u>\$3,178.19</u>
	Spendable 1334.39

Motion to accept Treasurer's report - Charlie, 2nd by Maureen. Hands – Motion passed.

Chapter Rep report (Todd)

Anyone who distributed Dial-A-Ride information please put the contact info on the sheet passed by Todd.

Information was passed on how many missions the Patriot Guard has had from a report given at the board meeting. This is great PR for motorcyclists.

Todd has fliers for the rally available. We need to start putting these up.

A sign up sheet was passed for shifts at the rally for security, first aid and the front gate.

We ordered our Flag to be flown over the US capital on August 6th in honor of Steve Krietlow.

John Kline flew that for us.

Lake Chapter was thanked during the PAC report for their contributions. Todd passed a financial report from the PAC.

Gambling funds are at about \$296.80.

State Treasurer's report for A.B.A.T.E. was passed.

Gambling report - At the rally, Todd and 1 other member got volunteered to sell raffle tickets from 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday. If you would like to help Todd, let him know.

Total profit from the A.B.A.T.E U raffle ticket was about \$19,200.00. \$10.00 per ticket sold will be given back to the chapters. About 960 tickets were sold.

If you have sold any Rally raffle tickets turn the money into Todd so he can get more tickets.

When you take a personal check for raffle ticket send it in immediately so they can cash it.

A products sign up sheet for the rally was passed.

Rolling Prairie has a fall run coming up, Todd passed the info around with 2 free tickets. Take them if you can use them.

The next B.O.D. is October 16th at the Ramada Inn in Albert Lea. If you have anything for Todd to bring to that meeting tell him at the October meeting.

Reminder of a 5 minute maximum for reports, hold your questions and comments until after the reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership & Retention (Sherry) Sherry would like to say thanks to everyone who sent cards and called after her motorcycle accident. She has been calling members on the expired list with some positive results. She will keep calling while she has some time before she goes back to work full time.

Products (Rhiannon) Memorial patches for Frenchy are available from the Legion Riders. The chapter will order 25 more for anyone who wants one.

Rhiannon will have prices for long sleeved shirts and sweatshirts at the September meeting.

Motion to donate 4 t-shirts and 1/2 dozen patches to the Meeting of the Minds - Mitch. 2nd by Charm, hands - motion passed.

Buddy Bears (Noma given by Dawn) We are planning on delivering buddy bears on the day of the fall run to the fire department in Victoria.

Special Events (Rosa)

Grounded Hogs party will be February 6th. Medina was given a check for \$1200.00 to secure the facility. We will receive 15% of the bar take. The balance still owed to Medina is \$1,187.89.

Doors will be open from 7pm to 1 am. We can start setting up as early as 8 am. Everett Smithson has been secured for \$400.00 and Pork Chop has been secured for \$800.00.

Mary Berger will be handling the advertising for the grounded hogs party. Contact her with any advertising information.

The fall run is October 16th. Ticket prices will remain the same. The ticket price includes a hotdog, chips and a beverage at one of the stops. A pork chop dinner will be available at Bootleggers for \$7.00 with \$1.00 coming back to the chapter.

Motion that the chapter will pay for the food and beverages at the first stop of the fall run with a tip jar to offset the cost - Lee. 2nd by Todd, hands - motion passed.

Lee and Todd will be doing the run for the first time this week. If anyone would like to go contact Todd.

Training & Education (Mary) Reservations for the Experienced Riders course will be in February. Mary will also see if there is any interest in the Accident Scene Management Class. A decision will be made this winter if anyone is interested. There is an opportunity in the Rogers area for the Share the Road classes. If anyone can attend contact Dawn.

Committee Reports (State Level)

A.B.A.T.E. U (Noma) No report.

State Rally (Bill) Lake chapter is signed up for a security on Sunday from 4-8, we need 8 volunteers to sign up. If the security shifts are not covered, A.B.A.T.E. will be hiring to fill in where there are no volunteers. Dawn sent a sign up sheet for the openings. On the top are shifts we are committed too, below that are extra shifts if anyone would like to sign up to them. We are also committed to work the front gate from 3-7 on Saturday. Anyone who can help Todd with the Mud olympics contact him.

Since we are a sponser for the rally we have 6 promotional tickets. *Motion to give one promotional ticket away to new memberships - Todd. 2nd by Mike, hands - motion passed.* Let Dawn know if you are using a promotional ticket. Dawn will make poster for the meeting and the group photo at the rally. Dawn will contact Little John for the tent.

Mike has the mail box and the big sign and he would appreciate it if someone could take them off his hands.

Motion that we spend \$100.00 of chapter funds to supply some kind of food at the rally - Todd.

2nd by Rosa, hands - motion passed.

Batman has volunteered to get the tent to the rally. He will need some help to set it up. Maybe the weekend before.

We do have firewood for the rally from Terry. He will need some help getting it there.

Dial-A-Ride(Dawn) No report.

OTHER REPORTS

Public Relations (Mitch) October 18th Bartending, October 11th bowling.

MRF Report (Todd) Todd passed out newsletters. The MRF's membership is up about 800 members, still short of the goal of 1200. The MRF is bracing for the Transportation Finance package. They will be reading the package carefully so no new legislation is slipped in. Meeting of the Minds - Donation request letters were passed, bring them to business you frequent and ask for a donation. Volunteers are needed for the MOTM, contact Mary to schedule a shift. The MRF needs the MOTM to be a success to keep an office open in Washington.

MMSAC (Mike) 4 new people were appointed to the committee. None of them were from A.B.A.T.E. or any other SMRO. Mike's term ends in September. High visibility clothing requirements may be brought to legislation.

Legislative Director (Todd) There will be some kind of mandatory helmet legislation coming in the fall session. Talk to your legislators and tell them to leave the current helmet laws the way they are.

Motion to accept the committee reports – Todd, 2nd by Mike B. Hands – Motion passed.

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

OLD BUSINESS - Contact Dawn to sign up for volunteer spots at the Rally. She will also be sending an e-mail about this.

The new member recruitment contest will be awarded next month.

Dawn needs help with our centerpiece for the Meeting of the Minds.

NEW BUSINESS - The chapter website needs to be updated. Contact Olga with pictures or information to be put on the website.

Dawn will send an e-mail about the next Medina Bike night.

Victoria Bed races are August 29th, contact Dawn for more information if someone would like to put a team together.

Motion to donate \$700.00 to the Meeting of the Minds from gambling funds, the rest to be covered by general funds - Mitch. 2nd by Mike, hands - motion passed.

Starting in October the chapter meetings will be held at the Delano Legion.

Bill asked if we would like to continue sending out the postcards. Dawn said there are a lot of members who she does not have e-mail for or they are bad e-mail address.

At this time we will continue to send them. Dawn will get Bill a list of upcoming events for the next postcard.

We received a letter from Pioneer Park thanking us for having our last meeting there and for the donation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 4-7 – A.B.A.T.E of MN State Rally, Litchfield - Chapter meeting and picture (times will be posted at the Rally)

September 24-27 – Meeting of the Minds, Bloomington
October 10 - Chapter Meeting, Delano Legion
October 18 - Bartending
February 6 - Grounded Hogs Party, Medina
Motion to adjourn – Michael Time: 3:40

Minutes recorded and submitted by Sheryl Immel, Lake Chapter Secretary

Motions made at the 8-15-09 meeting

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