

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

**Location:** Woody's in Rockford

**Date:** Jan 5th, 2008

**Time:** 4pm

**Officers Attending:**

<b>President:</b>	Mike Berger	X
<b>Vice President / Chap Rep:</b>	Dawn Riba	X
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Rosa Kreitlow	X
<b>Secretary:</b>	Maureen O'Hern	X
<b>Sergeant @ Arms:</b>	Fred Pawelk	X
	Jim Kreitlow	X
	Lee Plante	X
	Mike Shinn	X

**Total number of members attending:** 44

**Guests attending:** 3

**AGENDA**

**Call to order / Pledge of Allegiance** – 4pm / Led by Lee

**Welcome new guests and members** – Thank you all for coming. Do we have any guest or new members? Welcome to Sheri, Randy & Matt.

**President Remarks – Mike** - We have a lot to go over today.

**Vice President Remarks – Dawn** – Dawn spoke about the passing of Augie Weber.

**OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Secretary's Report – Maureen -**

*Motion to waive the reading of the minutes - Mitch, 2nd by Charm. Hands – Motion passed.*

**Treasurer's Report – Rosa –**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$2,329.20</b>
<b>Income:</b>		
Memberships	48.00	
Donation Gr. Hogs	50.00	
Products Sold	165.00	
Adv. Gr. Hogs Tickets Sold	340.00	
Ind. Spon. / Gr. Hogs Sold	<u>50.00</u>	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$653.00</b>	+653.00
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Postage	2.00	
BOD Mileage	66.10	
Flag Purchase	30.90	
Calendars	595.97	
Memorial Patches	<u>98.48</u>	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$793.45</b>	<u>-793.45</u>
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$2,188.75</b>

**Grounded Hogs Fundraiser**

\$1,050.00 Adv. Ticket sales turned in  
 \$50.00 Individual Sponsorship sold  
\$150.00 Donations for the Everett Smithson band  
 \$1,250.00 Earmarked for the Grounded Hogs Fundraiser

**Funds:**

MRF	48.25	
Toys/Tots**	-4.71	
Food Shelf	141.22	
Petty Cash	50.00	
Gambling**	<u>253.80</u>	
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$488.65</b>	<u>-488.65</u>

\*\*Gambling Fund – Began with \$1,053.80  
 Paid \$100.00 to Freedom Farms, Paid \$100.00 PTBF  
 Approved for payment: \$200.00 Matthies, \$300.00 transferred to  
 Toys for Tots, \$100.00 for Suicide Prevention

**Grand Total** **\$2,677.31**

*Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read – Keith, 2nd by Smoker. Hands – Motion passed.*

**State Rep Report – Dawn** – We had a District meeting in Appleton, MN. Some of the SW District chapters hold letter writing sessions at their meetings. In the past our chapter has been good at supporting other chapters, lately we have been slacking. There are a couple of chili feeds coming up. Lee reminded everyone that we have money set aside to pay for attending other chapter's events that we can use for this. Dawn encouraged everyone to attend a District meeting and the Jan 19th Board of Director's meeting.

**Membership & Retention Report – Mary** – Thank you to Maureen for mailing out letters to our expired members asking them to rejoin Lake Chapter. Maureen reviewed the information that was sent to the sent out.

**Motorcycle Riders Foundation Report – Mike** – Todd is attending a Board of Director's meeting. Smoker asked about parking at the Capital on Bikerday. Mike stated that he doesn't have any Bikerday as of yet and to call Tom Workman about the parking situation. Mary reminded everyone that she has MRF info available and encouraged everyone to join the MRF. Dawn mentioned that a guy named Bruce Arnold is sending e-mails to MRF members and that he should be ignored he's a kook.

**MMSAC / Government Relations Report – Mike** – Mike restated that he doesn't have any Bikerday info as of yet, but stressed the importance of attending because we are in danger of becoming irrelevant if we can't get the "Failure to Yield" passed this year. **Dawn** - South Central chapter is trying to schedule a bus that we run down Hwy 7 and that it will pass many Lake Chapter members. **Mike** - MMSAC will be starting their recruitment period soon, we have a couple of A.B.A.T.E. members on the committee already, let's get more on it. Mike spoke about an issue California SMRO's are having and that we shouldn't ignore what happens in other states because eventually these things come to our state. Mike will make a motion to donate money to their legal defense fund at a future date.

**Public Relations Report – Mitch** – Pretty quiet right now. The next upcoming event is the Hospitality Room at A.B.A.T.E. University and we can address this at the next meeting. May is Motorcycle Awareness Month.

**Products Report – Jim** – I have calendars available also Men & Women's T-shirts, Pins & Patches. There was discussion about an Augie Weber memorial patch it was decided to wait to see if others will be making up a patch before we have one made.

**Dial-A-Ride Report – Dawn** – Nothing new to report.

**Special Events Report – Rosa** – Rosa read through the income and expenses associated with the Grounded Hogs party. Every committee needs help. Committee Heads were then identified: Mitch – Front Gate, Charm – Membership Table, Kenny – Live & Silent auction, Becky – Cashier, Jim Kreitlow – Auctioneer, Jim Kosse – Products, and Lee – Sponsorships & Vendors. Rosa reminded everyone that this is a working night so please help out. January 26th is the sponsorship deadline. Set-up starts at 12pm, Shifts start at 5:30pm and the Doors open at 6pm. Rosa, Mike B. and all of the Sgt @ Arms were going to meet after the meeting to go over security issues. A comment was made that everyone is basically on security duty. **Charm** – We should push the individual sponsorships.

**State Rally Report – Becky** – Nothing new, the next meeting will be on Jan 18th at the Hilton-Garden Inn in Shoreview at 6pm.

*Motion to accept all Officer and Committee Reports – Stroke, 2nd by T.C. Hands – Motion passed.*

**Chapter Drawing – Mary B.** – Julie A. is the winner of the \$5 off chapter products coupon.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Mike thanked everyone who attended the Toys for Tots at KARE 11.
2. He went to Jazz Matthies' son benefit to show support.
3. Dawn mentioned that if anyone would like to sign out A.B.A.T.E. University raffle tickets to see her after the meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Memorial Run – Batman** – He is looking for ideas/changes that people have about the Memorial Run. Think about it and we will readdress this at the next meeting.
2. **Emissions update – Todd** – Mike covered this earlier in the meeting.
3. **Kickstart T.V. – Jim Kosse** – Kickstart T.V. is giving us free advertising for the Grounded Hogs party. It is on Channel 23 from 5 to 6am, they have approx. 65, 000 viewers. **Mike B.** – I gave Kickstart T.V. \$50 worth of Grounded Hogs tickets. **Smoker** – I have I friend that runs the website Harley Brats and she is advertising the us out of the kindness of her heart. Smoker then asked Jim if the host of Kickstart T.V. be interested in attending Bikerday at the Capital? **Jim** – I'll ask and see. Mike asked for a round of applause for Jim for doing all of this.
4. **Member of the Year Nominations** – The Nominees are: Buzz Plante, Dawn Riba, Jim Kosse, Maureen O'Hern, Noma Griffin, and Olga Strobel.

## 5. Nominations for the 2008 Lake Chapter Officers:

*Note - A.B.A.T.E. bylaws have been changed to recognize 4 Sgt @ Arms.*

<b>President:</b>	Keith Efron – Accept	Jim Kosse – Defer	Mike Berger – Decline
<b>Vice President:</b>		Dawn Riba – Defer Jim Kosse – Defer	Lee Plante – Decline Mike Shinn – Decline Noma Skinner – Decline Rod Quist – Decline
<b>Chapter Rep:</b>		Charm Bolgrean – Defer Dave Anderson – Defer Dawn Riba – Defer Ken Kalway – Defer	Becky Hasslen – Decline Gene Bolgrean – Decline Karen May – Decline Mary Berger – Decline Mike Berger – Decline Shelia Knee – Decline
<b>Treasurer:</b>		Jim Kosse – Defer Maureen O’Hern – Defer	Jeanne Truax – Decline Cathie Jensen – Decline Julie Anderson – Decline Karen May – Decline Olga Strobel – Decline Rosa Kreitlow – Decline
<b>Secretary:</b>	Maureen O’Hern – Accept		Sheryl Immel – Decline
<b>Sergeant @ Arms:</b>	Bill Jensen – Accept Fred Pawelk – Accept Matt Collins – Accept Mike Shinn – Accept Rick Van Horn – Accept	John Dewey – Defer Lee Plante – Defer	Becky Hasslen – Decline Charm Bolgrean – Decline Dave Dibb – Decline Dave Truax – Decline Jim Kreitlow – Decline Keith Knee – Decline Rod Quist – Decline Shad Skinner – Decline

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jan 19th – Board of Director’s Meeting
- Jan 26th – Metro Chapter’s Winter Bash
- Feb 1st – 3rd – International Motorcycle Show, Minneapolis Convention Center
- Feb 9th – Chapter Meeting, Woody’s, Rockford, 4pm
- Feb 27th – Bikerday at the State Capital
- March 1st - Chapter Meeting & Chapter Elections, Woody’s, Rockford, 4pm

**Motion to adjourn** - Fred, 2nd by Mitch. Hands – Motion passed.

**Meeting adjourned** at 5:17pm.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Maureen O’Hern, Lake Chapter Secretary.

### 1-5-08 Lake Chapter Meeting Minutes

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