

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

Date: October 10, 2009

Location: Dave's Town Club, Delano

Time: 4:00 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: 31

Total number of guests: 1

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance 4:04 Lee

Welcome of new members or guests

President's remarks (Dawn) Welcome everyone. Thank you to Dave's Town Club for allowing us to hold our meeting here on such short notice. Thank you to the Delano Legion for calling us to move the meeting to another location.

Vice President's remarks (Bill) Thank you to all the A.B.A.T.E. and SCVR members for a very successful Meeting of the Minds. Keep recruiting new members.

OFFICER REPORTS

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

Treasurer's report (Jim)

Treasurer's Report - September 2009

Presented at October 10, 2009. Dave's Town Club, Delano

Started September with **\$2,039.79**

Income:

Memberships (Aug)	65.00
Memberships (Sept)	266.00

Total: **331.00**

Expenses:

1st class postage for Road Noise	2.00
Annual Event Insurance	100.00
Reimburse for potato feed at State Rally-Sheryl Immel	89.71
Road Noise Add for fall run	45.50

Total: **237.21**

September Ending Balance \$2,133.58

Earmarks:

Grounded hogs \$800.00

Petty Cash: \$45.05

MRF Donation Fund: \$0.00

Chapter Gambling Fund: \$296.80

Food Shelf Fund: \$5.00

Toys for Tots Fund: \$5.00

Buddy Bear Fund \$34.55

Grand Total: **\$2,519.98**

Spendable \$1,333.58

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

Chapter Rep Report (Todd) The State Treasurer's Report was passed around. As of June 30th our gambling account has \$296.80. That amount does not include the raffle tickets sold for the rally. The board meeting is next weekend, Todd will have new numbers at the next meeting. The PAC has about \$1700.00 in their account. We need to support the PAC to help with upcoming legislation. Todd has membership forms available. After November 1st, please pick up any Dial-A-Ride materials you dropped off. If there is anything you would like Todd to bring the next Board of Directors meeting contact him.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership and Retention (Sherry) Sherry is continuing to call off the expired member list. There are several members who have let their membership lapse, possibly because they did not attend the rally. Sherry will contact those members as well. We are only a few members ahead of South Central, so keep recruiting new members. Dawn passed the most recent expired member list. If there is anyone on there you know, please contact them.

Buddy Bears (Noma given by Dawn) 24 bears were taken to the Victoria Fire Department. It was an open house that day at the Fire Department so we got some good P.R.

Special Events (Kathie) The Grounded Hogs party is Feb. 6th, 2010 at Medina Ball Room. Advance tickets will be \$10.00, \$15.00 at the door. Tickets are available to sign out from Jim Kosse. For every 5 tickets you sell your name will be put into a drawing for a free room at the Medina Inn. Medina is taking room reservations, call 763-478-9770. The committee is thinking about doing a t-shirt for the event. Contact Kathie with design ideas. We need to start collecting donations now for the auction.

Products (Rhiannon) The memorial patches for Frenchy will be available at the next meeting. Rhiannon would like someone to consider taking over the products or taking over her position helping Penny with the State products. She will handle our products until the rally next year. It will cost about \$350-\$500 to order long sleeved t-shirts. We will talk about that at the next meeting.

Training and Education (Mary) Mary will try to schedule another Accident Scene Management class. It will most likely be scheduled with the Wild Prairie Hogs motorcycle group in the spring.

A.B.A.T.E University (Noma given by Karen) Senator Amy Koch from Buffalo will be the lunch speaker. Lunch will be a pasta bar and we are looking for sponsors so our cost for the lunch will be reduced. Freedom First Riders are looking for a local band so we don't have to pay for a room for the band. The dates are April 16th -18th.

State Rally Report (Bill) Updates on how the rally went will available at the next meeting.

Dial-A-Ride (Dawn) Report any interventions to Dial-A-Ride.

Committee Reports (State Level)

Legislative Director (Todd) We are still expecting some mandatory helmet legislation attempts this session. There is also concerns about mandatory insurance legislation. The failure to yield bill will be brought up again. A lot of help will be needed to get that passed. Biker Day at the Capital is February 24th. We need 700 bikers there to fill the rotunda. Todd has \$5.00 raffle tickets to support the PAC. Tom Emmer will be at the next chapter meeting. AAA is conducting a membership drive right now and they strongly support mandatory helmet laws. The MRF has a roadside assistance program and they will pick up your motorcycle, AAA will not.

Public Relations (Mitch) Bowling for Kids Sake is tomorrow. Amateur bartending is October 18th at Tommy Sue's in St Boni from 12-6. Send pictures to Mitch for next years calendars.

MN MC Safety Advisory Committee (Mitch) Currently there is only 2 A.B.A.T.E. members on the committee. Mitch encourages anyone to submit an application to be on the committee. Recent recommendations from the committee are: requiring mopeds to be registered as motorcycles, they then would have to get a motorcycle endorsement, legalizing motorcycle tail light modulators, setting up a pilot program in 2010 to encourage judges to offer motorcycle training in lieu of fines.

MRF Report (Todd) Thank you to everyone who worked on the Meeting of the Minds. This fundraiser helped greatly with the MRF's financial situation. All 26 chapters in A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota are now members for the first time ever. Donations and pledges are at about \$90,000. The MRF is concerned about legislation on health care discrimination and federal helmet laws.

Motion to accept the committee reports – Mary, 2nd by Keith. Hands – Motion passed.

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

OLD BUSINESS -

Thank you to Olga for updating the website.

Steven J. Kreitlow Award nominations are due today.

The Meeting of the Minds conference was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who volunteered. A big thank you to Mary for all her work on the MOTM conference.

NEW BUSINESS -

Bill had an idea for a new membership drive, recruiting family members. He would like some input on this idea and we will talk about it at a future meeting.

Take a poster for the Grounded Hogs party and hang the in places you frequent.

Motion to spend \$75.00 to get automotive magnets printed up with info on the Grounded Hogs party to be put on members cars between November and February - Todd, 2nd by Lee. Hands - Motion passed.

Fall ditch pick-up will be on Sunday October 18th at 11:00. Dawn will send out an e-mail with more info.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 17 - BOD Albert Lea

October 18 - Ditch pick-up 11:00 am, Dawn will e-mail more info

October 18 - Bartending for tips at Tommy Sue's in St. Boni from 12-6

November 1 - Chapter Meeting, Delano Legion 4:00

December 5 - Chapter Meeting, Delano Legion 4:00

February 6 - Grounded Hogs Party, Medina

Motion to adjourn – Fred Time: 5:20

Minutes recorded and submitted by Sheryl Immel, Lake Chapter Secretary

Motions made at the 9-5-09 meeting

- 1. Motion to accept minutes as written – Mitch, 2nd by Charm. Hands – Motion passed.*
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