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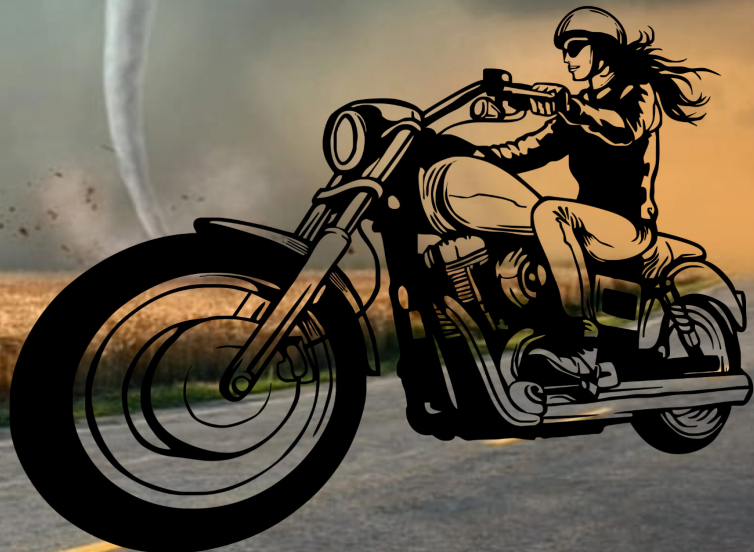
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The deadline for all information turned in for your newsletter each month is as follows. The deadline is at 5pm the Tuesday after the state meeting unless stated otherwise. Anything received after the deadline will be subject to time available basis only, but most likely won't be included in next months newsletter. This is necessary in order to have your newsletter to you in a timely manner  
Thanks for your help and understanding.



**Next Deadline:  
Tuesday, April 16**





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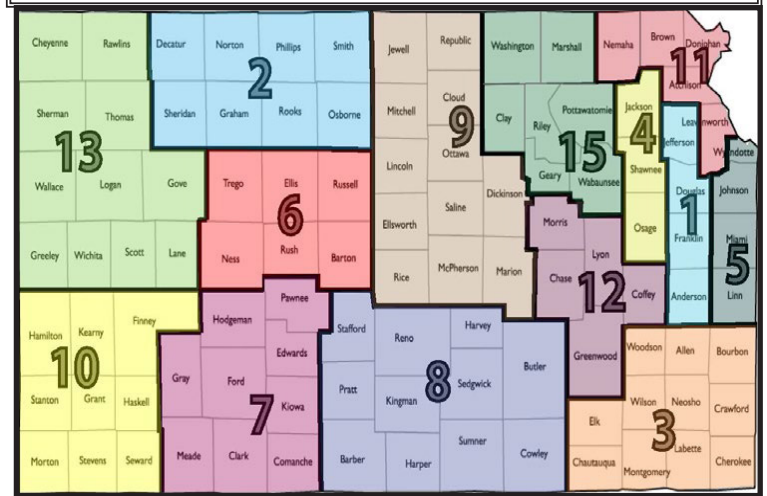
### APRIL STATE MEETING

APRIL 13TH, Bruff's, 2640 W 18th  
Ave. Emporia. Ks., Noon

**AGENDA:** MOMENT OF SILENCE;  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;  
ROLL CALL; SECRETARY  
REPORT; FINANCIAL REPORT;  
LOBBYIST REPORT; MRF REPORT;  
MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS REPORT;  
PUBLIC RELATION REPORT; MID-  
SOUTH M.I.L.E.; CORPORATE  
SECRETARY; NEWSLETTER REPORT;  
WEB SITE REPORT; PRODUCT LINE  
REPORT; OLD BUSINESS; NEW  
BUSINESS; UPCOMING EVENTS

**UPCOMING STATE MEETINGS:**  
Crawford Co. Fairgrounds, 249 Hwy  
47, Girard, Ks., 10am  
EXCEPT FOR THE ANNUAL OCTOBER  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, ALL  
STATE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE

## ABATE of Kansas District Map



A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas is divided into Districts by county. Each District header lists the encompassed counties for each respective District. To determine which District you are in, find your county name in the headers, and the number designates the containing District. Every active District of A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas has an elected District Representative.

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## NOTICE:

All submissions to Newsletter including event flyers,  
district minutes, ballots must be submitted to the  
Corporate Secretary for approval prior to publication,  
the office for official records and to the editor for early placement in  
newsletter until approved minutes are received. This will make it easier to set  
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Letters to the Editor go to the editor, [Lauren.abatekseditor@gmail.com](mailto:Lauren.abatekseditor@gmail.com) and the  
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All membership issues and newsletter  
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785-597-5140 or email at  
[office@abateks.org](mailto:office@abateks.org)

## Attention District Reps and Treasurers!

Please send your Treasurer reports to the following:  
[office@abateks.org](mailto:office@abateks.org)

Thank you, Lori Harden, Treasurer/ office manager  
ABATE of Kansas





# ~ State Meeting ~

The ABATE of Kansas state meeting was called to order at the VFW Post 1714 in Dodge City KS on 3/09/2024 at 12:03pm

Pledge of Allegiance  
Moment of Silence- please keep Earl Unruh in your thoughts as he was in a motorcycle accident recently.

Roll call- all present except District 11 & 15. Bear for District 2.

Lunch- 12:05pm- 12:41pm. Thank you District 7 for the hospitality

Guest speaker - Jimbo reminded everyone that the CoC was putting on the Bridging the Gap event on 04/20/2024 from 1pm-5pm at the Ramada Inn in Topeka KS. Everyone is invited to attend & the event is free. Thank you, Jimbo,

MRF report-please see in your newsletter

Secretary Report-Amber read the minutes. A motion was made by Tony RR (2nd by Bill) to approve the minutes as read. Motion passed with a show of hands.

Financial report-Lori went over the report. A motion was made by Barry (2nd by Bill) to approve the financials. Motion passed with a show of hands

Old Business - The silent auction for the basket from the MidSouth MILE is set up for today. Byron asked that all art work for the Labor Day Rally be sent to the state office no later than April 11th or brought to the April state meeting to be voted on. Bear asked for the district reps to ask their districts for a donation towards the fuel cost of the Run for the Wall that is in May. Byron asked opinions on the "What is ABATE" description in the

trifolds that has been tabled the last 2 months. After discussing, a motion was made by Bill (2nd by Russell) to remove the 2 sentences discussed & then approve the "What is ABATE" for the trifolds. Motion passed with a show of hands.

New Business -Washington Days will be at Hotel Topeka in Topeka KS on March 13th. ABATE will have a table set up. Thank you to everyone helping with this event. Dave showed pictures of the rifle that has been engraved for the 50th LDR. Thank you, Dave! Thank you to Amy Smith for doing the front cover of the District 21 in memory book. Byron asked if we'd like to do anything for motorcycle awareness in May. A motion was made & then amended by Bill (2nd by Bear) to do a \$5 discount on all membership except the life membership that would be a \$50 discount for the month of May for motorcycle awareness. Motion passed with all board members voting yes except Recording Secretary & Treasurer.

Labor Day Rally - there will be a work weekend March 16-17 to start cleaning up trees/limbs. Byron said that a new 30ft office trailer would be needed this year at the rally. If anyone knows of one to rent please contact Lori at the state office. A motion was made by Barry (2nd by Bill) to have the sheriff be at the LDR Thursday this year. Motion passed with all board members voting yes. Lori & Byron went over the bids that have come in. A motion was made by Barry (2nd by Bill) to approve the bid from M&M golf cars at the LDR. Motion passed with

all board members voting yes except treasurer who abstained. A motion was made by Bill (2nd by Barry) to accept bid from Westside liquor for the 2024 LDR. Motion passed with all board members voting yes. A motion was made by Tony RR (2nd by Bill) to accept the bid for the grey water. Motion passed with all board members voting yes. A motion was made (2nd by Barry) to accept the bid from At Your Disposal trash bid for the 2024 LDR. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

Legislative Director-please see report in your newsletter.

Corporate secretary - Kitty reminded everyone not to put

money amounts in your minutes unless it is reference to a raffle or entry fees to an event.

Newsletter - newsletter deadline is March 12th at 5pm. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Website - Kyle stated that he & Jacob had made some updates to the website & are working on more.

Products - Bill has new hats & bucket hats

Upcoming Events  
Raffle MRF -Dave (donated to Adam)

50/50- Bill S  
Thank you to everyone that participated in the silent auction for the MidSouth MILE basket Meeting adjourned @ 2:50pm



- ABATE of Kansas is currently running its online 50/50 raffle. It begins January 1st and ends March 31st 2024  
Email all raffle reporting sheets to  
Rusty Burdette Rusty.Burdette@gmail.com and the  
Office office@abateks.org





# Legislative Director Report

The 2024 Legislative session is at its 1/2 way point. SB108 and HB2286 are dead for this session We will have to reintroduce them again next year. This year is the end of a 2-year session. We will try and get the reintroduced next year using the language in Iowa’s Profiling Bill. That way, the House and Senate Bill language are the same.

I have been watching and participating in HB 2783 and SB 411. These Bills are to help protect your right on The Right To Purchase a vehicle of your choice not forced into an EV. These Bills were introduced by The American Petroleum Institute. The language is the same in both bills. Hr 2783 had a hearing in the Federal and State Affairs committee and passed. It then went to the full house and also passed. From there it went to the Senate Federal and State Affairs and had a committee hearing on 3/11/24 There hasn’t been any decision yet from that committee as of 2 day. I went to both hearings and feel pretty confident this will also pass

the Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee. It will then go on to the full Senate if it comes out of committee.

The weekend of 3/15/24 is The Democratic convention to be held in Topeka. ABATE of KS. will again have a hospitality room there. I will be there trying to mix and mingle with the Democratic Legislators and their Aids.

I am also working on getting a bill for next year on The Right To Repair. I have been talking with Representative Tobias Schlingensiepen from Topeka. He seems to be very interested in this, but has yet to say ya or na.

On the Federal side of Legislation, Congressman Tracey Mann has signed onto the Motorcycle Cacaus. That is Good news to no we have someone from Kansas on that Committee.

At this point, it is all I have to report on. As always you can reach out to me or Tammy with any legislative concerns.

Respectfully  
Tony Railsback  
Legislative Director

**Freedom of the Ride**  
There has been an increasing attempt by some to push for electric, hybrid and alternative fuel automobiles options. This effort has led to increased concerns about a potential phase out of gas vehicles. Several state legislatures throughout the country have begun taking a closer look at this issue. Most motorcycle riders believe they should have the right to choose what they ride and not be forced into an alternative option.

Efforts to limit the sale of gas powered vehicles are all around us. In 2022 California Air Resources Board (CARB) adopted a measure to require zero (0) tailpipe emissions on new cars by 2035. When one state makes this sort of move, other states will surely follow. Already several other states, including Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York , Oregon, Rhode Island and Washington are planning to follow the CARB model and to prohibit the sale of gas powered vehicles in the future.

ABATE of Kansas believes that riders should have the freedom to choose. We are

working hard to ensure these type of bans do not happen in Kansas. As always we are keeping a watchful eye on the Kansas statehouse and are supporting efforts in the Kansas legislature to prevent cities from banning the sale of gas powered vehicles.

Remember we can’t be successful in our efforts without you. Join ABATE of Kansas and help us in the fight for your rights to ride. And encourage others to do the same! If we aren’t successful in our efforts, our kids and grandkids will not get to enjoy the same experiences we’ve enjoyed.

Ride safe, Ride free and enjoy the Freedom of the Ride

Byron Harden  
ABATE of Kansas  
President





# ABATE of Kansas

## District 3

### 37th Annual Bike Show & Rally

**MAY 3-4 2024**

**Crawford County Fairgrounds**

**Girard, Kansas**

**Free Primitive Camping**

**Free Showers**

**RV Camping & Electric Hookup \$40/Night**

**GATES OPEN @ NOON FRIDAY**

**\$25 Non Members**

**\$20 Members  
exhibit & vendors**

**Bike Show Saturday  
Awards**

**\$1,000 Best in Show**

**\$100 1st Place each class**

**Kids' Games Winner  
gets a New Bicycle**



**Friday:**

- \*Bike Sled Pulls
- \*Mini Bike Races

**Saturday:**

- \*Bike Show
- \*Kid Games
- \*Drag Races  
w/ knobby &  
street tire class
- \*Bike Games
- \*Oil Wrestling

### LIVE MUSIC

#### FRIDAY

**BOUND AND DETERMINED**

**10:30-12:00**

**LEFT OF CENTER**

**8:00-9:30**

#### SATURDAY

**LOVE LIKE WAR**

**11:00-12:00**

**BOGART**

**8:30-10:00**

**TBD 5:00-7:30**

**PROMOTING AWARENESS OF ABATE OF KANSAS**





# DISTRICT 11 ABATE OF KANSAS



31st ANNUAL

# Mother's Day BIKE SHOW

**MAY 12, 2024**

Open- 10:00 A.M.

FREE ADMISSION TO PUBLIC

**BIKE SHOW REGISTRATION**

**10:00AM - 12:00PM**

Trophies at 1:30PM

\$10.00 Entry Fee per Bike



**LOCATION**

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People's Choice

Best Bitchin'

Right On Retro

Hopefully Someday

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Classy Custom



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Radical Rat





# MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS REPORT

NO REPORT RECEIVED

## ABATE OF KANSAS INC. WANTS YOUR T SHIRT DESIGNS

Entries must be received by April 11 to the office or April 14 at the state meeting



WINNER RECEIVES:  
PASS TO RALLY,  
T-SHIRT AND CASH PRIZE

Artwork must include:  
August 30th-September 2nd  
ABATE of Kansas, Inc  
49th Annual National Labor  
Day Rally

SEND ARTWORK TO:  
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PERRY, KANSAS 66073  
OR  
EMAIL OFFICE@ABATEKS.ORG

All entries become property of  
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### ABATE OF KANSAS, INC DISTRICT 13 7TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL RUN FOR FALLEN BROTHERS & SISTERS

## APRIL 6TH, 2024

Registration at 9:30am Kickstands up at 10 am  
\$20 First hand All times are central \$5 Additional hand

#### THE ROUTE

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LEOTI  
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27/40 CONVENIENCE STORE  
EAGLES TRVL PLAZA  
EAGLES CONVENIENCE STORE  
SCOTT REC SPORTS BAR



70 % goes towards our Biker Down Fund  
High hand 30%  
Low hand



One (1) single pass to the 16th Annual Memorial Buffalo Run Rally, Gove, KS June 7-9th

ABATE of Kansas, INC District 13 meeting to follow



Promoting Awareness of ABATE of Kansas, INC



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BIKES ON THE BRICKS CLUB AND PORTERS DESIGNS AND GRAPHICS

### ALL VEHICLES WELCOME

## Kansas Confederation of Clubs

### BRIDGING THE GAP

Conference starts at 1:00 to 5:00 pm  
Suggest everyone arrive early  
to complete the registration process  
Conferences and meal are complimentary

Rooms have been blocked  
for the 19th and 20th.  
Include the code  
"Bridging The Gap"  
when booking  
Rooms: \$91.00 w/breakfast

5:30-6:30 Dinner  
Burger Bus providing meal  
Pulled Pork Sandwiches  
Beans Potato Salad

Meal paid for by Kansas Confederation of Clubs

To all our valued speakers  
and attendees, we would  
like to express our sincere  
gratitude. May we  
continue to stand together  
as a united force, ready to  
overcome any challenges  
that come our way.



## APRIL 20, 2024

### DOWNTOWN TOPEKA RAMADA

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# Motorcycle Riders Foundation



During Bike Week in Daytona Beach Florida the MRF along with the Independent Aftermarket Motorcycle Council and members of the motorcycling media present met with motorcycle shop owners, bike builders, and non-OEM parts manufacturers from the aftermarket industry. Topics included The Right To Repair/Rights To Modify and Preservation of Internal Combustion Engines. The EPA has proposed the concepts of Vehicle End Of Life Directives, about making it illegal to repair vehicles over 15 years old and most recently a plan to ban chroming beyond 2024 were hot topics.

IMA Chair, Bob Kay, brought up what is going to happen with requirements to sign waivers certifying race use only to have access to performance parts, potentially providing VIN numbers on bikes with parts installed, or a check the box program to acknowledge the end of use of

the part. This method would transfer liability to small shop owners that would legally put them at significant risk and the IMA does not recommend doing this without checking with an attorney.

Bob Kay stated, "The IMA is happening and will be there along with the MRF to protect the right to repair and modify motorcycles for independent shops in the aftermarket industry. The time is now to join the Independent Aftermarket Council and get involved in saving the motorcycle aftermarket industry and end users from extinction."

Jimbo and the COC has invited us to an event called Bridging the Gap in Kansas, it will be held in Topeka at the Ramada Inn on April 20th from 1:00 to 5:00 and all motorcyclists are invited, a catered dinner will be provided by the COC.

The MRF team from Kansas is selling tickets on a stainless steel Colt Python 357 Magnum as a fundraiser for us to go to

Washington DC for the 15th National Lobby Day Bikers Inside the Beltway.

We are also giving away YES GIVING AWAY a Ruger LCP 9 mm just for being a

member of the MRF in Kansas. The drawing will be December 31st.

Bill Cooper  
Kansas MRF Rep



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Anderson, Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson

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District Rep Bill Saric

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On March 10, 2024, the ABATE of Kansas District 1 Meeting was held at The Joint in Perry. The meeting was called to order by Bill at 1:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and A Moment of Silence for Fallen Brothers and Sisters; there were seventeen members present.

The State Report was given by Bill. Some points of discussion: Corps of Engineers meet March 18th to discuss site plans, Washington Days will be March 15 at Hotel Topeka @ the Expocentre, Bridging The Gap on April 20th at Ramada Inn Downtown, Run for the Wall on May 19th, the new "What is ABATE" is approved, work weekends begin March 16 and 17th. See State Report for additional information.

Secretary Report. Roger made a motion to waive, Jason

seconded, all in favor.

Financial Report. Holley gave the financial report. Isse made a motion to accept, Roger seconded, all in favor.

Old Business:

Cabin Fever is coming together. Still need raffle items.

Need workers for the beer tent at the Labor Day Rally.

New Business:

Voted on Cabin Fever artwork. Isse made a motion to approve, Roger seconded, all in favor.

Roger made a motion to adjourn, Brian seconded, all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM. The next meeting will be April 14, 2024, at the American Legion, 10114 Old Town Trail, in Ozawkie @ 1 PM. The May meeting will be at the Labor Day Rally site, during Cabin Fever, on April 27, 2024 @ 1 PM.

However you need to have proof you Attended & Passed a Motorcycle Riders Course. They can't stop you only for the Helmet, But if they Stop you for Something else they can write you a \$250 Fine for No Helmet. Your Call.

Onto New Business. We received a request from the Christian Motorcyclist Association (CMA) for a Donation for Run For The Son. This helps them spread Evangelism Worldwide. A request was also requested for the Run For The Wall. This is a Ride from California to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington D.C. our donation would help them pay their Fuel Stop in Bunker Hill. We Approved Donations to both Projects.

Our 40th Poker Run will be held on June 15th. They decided to go back to Pre-Covid Status & Ride as A Group. The route will be Stockton, Plainville, Hill City, Norton, Phillipsburg ( By the way of H 383 ) Ending in Stockton.

We are making a 40th Anniversary Quilt to Raffle. Like the 30th Quilt it will be made up of 40 Years T-Shirt Designs. Only 250 Tickets will be Available. Price is \$5

Each or 5 for \$20. This will be a Raffle with short lead time so Please be Ready. While we would like to see you all there, you need Not to be present to win. Watch the Newsletter for further Developments. Better yet, Get the information at a meeting.

Speaking of meetings. The April 14th meeting is at Larry Kibbee's Shop in Stockton at 183 Cedar this is Hwy 183 the shop is on the East Side between a Bank & the Carwash.

The May Meeting again will be in Stockton on the 12th. It will be at 514 S. 5th the home of Roger & Lori Hessler. At this time the June Meeting will be in Smith Center on the 9th.

That is it for now. Weather will be warming up & Riding Season will Fire up. Ride Safe Hope to see you down the road.

Bear

Oops Almost Forgot Jeff & Libby Miller ( CMA ) are Having their Annual Blessing of the Bikes. This will be on April 13th. Their address is 800 S. Broadway in Plainville. Go West at the Liquor Store to Broadway then a Block North. Come by & have a Hot Dog & Have you Bike Blessed.



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District Rep Larry Kibbee

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Our March meeting was held at the Phillipsburg Health Annex on the 10th.

After the Pledge of Allegiance & A Moment of Silence for Fallen Brothers & Sisters it got underway.

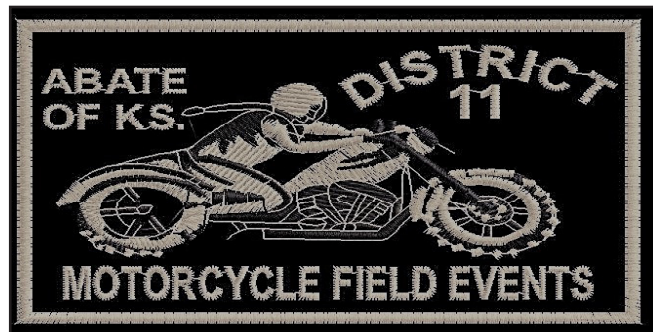
After the Secretary's & Financial report which were approved we moved to the state meeting report.

As mentioned last month both Anti-Profiling Bills died in committee. They will be pursued again. They will also be working on a Right to Repair Bill. It is items like this

that makes Abate an important group for Motorcycles. Read the State Report to get a more detailed account of what went on at your State Meeting.

Also check out the columns in your newsletter that report on the happenings in the motorcycling world. These are the Legislative Director Report, the Motorcycle Awareness Report & the Report from the Motorcycle Riders Foundation.

Brandon brought up how the Nebraska helmet law works. True you can get by without wearing a helmet.





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## Member at Large

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Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

## Member at Large

Jason Denney

## Write in

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The meeting began at 1pm at Caney Legion with the pledge and a moment of silence. County rep roll call. Bourbon needs to be changed to JR.

Arlene gave the secretary's report. Tada motioned to accept the minutes in the newsletter and JC second the motion. All agreed. Arlene mentioned that there was a request for how many active members we have. There are 266 active members as of now. Arlene is working on the document for the county reps to be able to get a hold of expiring members in their districts. Chuck motioned to accept the secretary's report and Chris second the motion. All agreed.

Russel gave the financial report, as Kitty was absent and a rundown of the Turkey Shoot and Ol' Bastards Ball. Numbers were down at the Turkey Shoot and it was suggested that the weather may have been a factor. There was some discussion as to either changing the date back to what it was or keep it. Ol' Bastard's Ball was fun. There was some discussion of having to move this event to January and the turkey shoot in February. We will table this and discuss it later. Chuck motioned to accept the treasurer report and Chris second it. All agreed.

State report was given by Russel and he mentioned that the insurance will not cover anything mechanical. It is not the state that is holding us back, it is the insurance company. He feels that this is more of a profiling thing. JC is willing to look into insurance, but it will also need to go through the state. Dyno Drags is also having trouble getting insurance. 2024 LDR raffle tickets They will be doing first place as 750 dollars and second place will be a lifetime membership.

State paid our taxes for 2022. An extension was filed and it will be taken care of by November. March 15 Washington Days at the Ramada

in Topeka and they will have a hospitality room.

COC is having a special meeting the same day as the Hawg Waddle, if there are some that would like to go, get with Russel. Otherwise we would like to see a good attendance for the Hawg Waddle. There was a big thank you to Papa Dave and Sledge for donating the shotguns for the Turkey Shoot. There was a photo booth at the Old Bastard's Ball. There was some discussion about having one at our Bike Show and Rally. Sherry mentioned having it at the products tent. It will cost more than that for the Rally, but we may want to charge for photos. JC mentioned having it set up in a place where people can take a picture with their bike. Steve mentioned having her as a vendor and having her pay a vendor fee and give her space of her own. We will do some more visiting with her and see what she comes up with.

As for the Bike Show and Rally, we called JR on speaker phone. Bands are set. We are down to the last two for the final options of one time slot. There was some discussion about getting a chicken vendor, but other than that, we are pretty well set on vendors. Bill wanted to bring up a topic on sponsors. Bill said that we are doing a plaque for over \$1,000. He suggested that we do a write up in the newspaper rather than a plaque. There are some that want the write up and some will want the plaque, but maybe this is something that we look into changing in the future. While we are on the topic of sponsors we have two big sponsors that are not cash. Southern Crane and Lifting is going to bring a crane to fly the flag. There will be a light plant at each gate and on the flag donated by Taylor Crane. Bill asked that they be put on our trailer and get them the valued reward for their donation. The same thing for Dave's Body Shop for the paint on





our trailer. Russel mentioned that it was mentioned that they be put on a first place trophy, but he is nervous about promising this to Dave's before we actually get the service. We just need to discuss it and agree as to what we want to do and how it should look. Cash and other services of value should be under the same umbrella and we need to vote on it and agree on what we are doing from here on out. JR also brought up trophy sponsors. The trophy sponsors are different, and he thinks that we need to keep that separate. Banners need to get done. Budweiser is not going to do all of our banners so we may need to purchase them. Tada and Bill need to get together as to how this will look. Amy mentioned that we get a facebook ad put together and have the radio station advertise the Rally again. Russel and Bill spoke with KOAM to get JR to do a TV interview. There was also conversation about having a county rep get with their local stations and get the word out. JC gave an update on the trophies. We are not bringing in strippers this year. Russel mentioned that there would be a possibility to have a bike wash with some gals...but they want money and camping and free passes. There was another gal that would be willing to send four girls to work for tips and we would only pay 300 for two days. We have some money that could go toward anything, but we need to discuss what we want to spend it on. That is why we have sponsors. JR mentioned that if you are providing a service and making money, they should be paying the vendor fee. JR wanted to have some of our girl entertainment to be replaced with

the oil wrestling. Bill mentioned that we use some of our sponsor money for this attraction. If we can get more sponsorship for this and then get it out there and advertised within the next month. JR again mentioned that the sponsor for a service and cash should be the same. There is also a kids bike that was donated for the kid games. Melissa reached out that they still need little prizes for the rat ball. Bill mentioned that we have things left over from the Turkey Shoot and if we each bring a toy to the next meeting and get this rolling. The trophies have already been turned in with sponsorship, but we definitely need to get things to the guy within the next week or so. As far as banners, we do need to start getting information turned in.

We need to vote on sponsors being a service or cash being the same. As far as the bike wash goes, we need to decide if this is something that we want to do, or not. They will not pay a vendor fee because they are only working for tips and the owner cannot be there to track money. Steve asked if there is anyone in Pittsburg that would ask around to volunteer for the bike wash and would be willing to join in the oil wrestling. Dave said that Chicken Mary's has a two side thing as opposed to Chicken Annie's. Russel will look into that. Trophies are not in our sponsorship book because it is just this event. We keep these sponsorships separate. JC mentioned that there has been confusion about what the costs were and whether or not the tshirt option was available. Russel mentioned that we add it to the sponsor binder. JC motioned that we keep trophy sponsorship

separate and that we add it to the binder. Chuck second and all agreed. Russel then brought up the fact that a service sponsorship be the same as a monetary value. JC mentioned that there needs to be some sort of documentation, and Bill and Tracy both mentioned that there will be an invoice that will need to be turned in. Dustin is confirming a donation from StructureCrete. Bill motioned that we state that services and monetary value be treated the same as far as sponsorship. JC second and all agreed. Bill mentioned that he knows someone who would have her guy make Gumbo and we would charge \$12 dollars a plate and he would keep two dollars for every twelve. That would get us a ten dollar profit per bowl of Gumbo. So he would not pay a vendor fee and we would actually make a profit off of him. Steve asked about food cost. This guy is going to pay for everything. Matt motioned that we have this guy come in. JC second the motion. All were in favor. Legion Auxiliary will be doing hamburgers and biscuits and gravy and scrambled

eggs this year. Bill is asking the Legion Riders to come up to do a ceremony for raising the flag on Thursday. If there is a need to take down the flag we will look into the Combat Vet Riders to take it down. We are not doing ice, but the Legion Auxiliary will be selling it. They will make their own signage. The Pink Pickle will be doing beer sales. The Legion will not be selling beer this year.

Russel wanted to talk about the Longer than Run Poker Run. We will visit that later.

When it comes to the amount of t-shirts that we order, there was some discussion about how to order. Speed made the motion that we get 50 shirts based on Kitty making the choice of what sizes and Tracy second that. All agreed.

New business: Trisha and Angela have been talking about the adult prom and that will be discussed when there is more detail to provide.

Papa Dave motioned that we draw 50/50 and close the meeting. Speed second that and all agreed. Matthew won the 50/50. Next meeting will be in Girard Legion



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Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

#### District Representative

RC Harman

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#### Secretary

Julie Riggles

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District Rep RC Harman

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RC called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM. There were 10 members and guests present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was held in remembrance of passed brothers and sisters, our military, and first responders.

Secretary's Report: The February 11th report is in the newsletter. Moved and approved to waive the reading.

Treasurer's Report: Debbie provided the report. We paid the MRF sustaining membership and a couple of months of the storage rent. Debbie recommended that we try to pay it quarterly instead of monthly. She reported our bank account and the RFTW savings account balances. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report, approved.

State Report: Brandon and RC reported that there were issues with the hotel that was booked for ABATE, and even other guests were not happy with the service and the quality of the hotel. There was discussion at the meeting about the rally grounds, and there is a meeting among the Corps of Engineers scheduled on March 18th where hopefully the discussion will be in ABATE's favor about continuing the contract. The trash pickup company has provided a lower bid than last year. On April 20th from 1 to 5 there is a conference with the Coalition of Clubs at the Ramada Inn called Bridging the Gap. The whole idea is to better work together with ABATE and the various clubs, be that legislatively or events. There is also a raffle planned this year and next year, which will be the 50th anniversary of the rally. Tony is also having a raffle for current members of the MRF the end of this year.

AMA/MRF Report: Please read the MRF report in the newsletter. Join the MRF and the AMA to support advocacy efforts in

Washington. Discussion about the value of being a member, as well as the ability to sign up for digital posts.

Old Business: 2024 District Calendar: May meeting location? Steve visited Overbrook Lake and the park in Burlingame and Brandon went to some places in the Holton area. We need to check to see if reservations are required between now and next month's meeting.

Brandon revisited the discussion of having some kind of fundraising event since we no longer do the bike show and have not done other activities. Brandon's idea was to consider having some kind of October event in Holton. He's from there so knows a lot of people and businesses there. Apparently, Holton has an event at the town square with vendors and food and have even had a band there before. Perhaps we could work with them to collaborate on their event, maybe even have a bike show there.

Nominations for the positions of District Rep and Secretary were held at the February and March meetings. We need to have the ballots set to be in the newsletter in April, May, and June. The election will be held at the June meeting. Steve announced that he was withdrawing his nomination for the Secretary position, after consulting with Julie about her desire to assume the position, of course depending on the vote in June. RC is our nominee for District Rep and Julie Riggles is our nominee for Secretary. Nominations were closed at 2:45 PM.

New Business: RC noted that we have not had a products person in our District for some time and that might be another avenue to provide some revenue.

Next Meeting: April 14, 2024, at Papan's Landing Senior Center Motion to adjourn at 3 PM.





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|  | District Rep Tony Rawls-Riley<br>913-706-8449          |   |

The March District 5 Meeting was held at noon on Saturday, March 2nd, 2024 at Papa C's BBQ in Paola, KS. Tony called the meeting to order. All present for the meeting stood for the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

**Sergeant at Arms Report:** Tony gave the report in Tank's absence. Tony reported on the number of persons present at the meeting.

**Secretary's Report:** James offered to go over the minutes from the February meeting. It was decided to wave the reading of the February meeting minutes. Some of the items from the February meeting were brought back up later in the meeting. The February meeting minutes were accepted and approved as reported and printed in the newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** Angela went over the accounts and numbers and presented to those present at the meeting. All of the accounts are in good standing.

**Membership Report:** Tony reported on the District 5 membership numbers. Remember to bring up and talk to those you know about ABATE and what it is about. If there is anyone who may have let their membership slip behind, give them a reminder.

**Product Line Report:** District 5 has men's and women's short and long sleeve t-shirts, tanks, and other products available. The product designs are pretty cool. Come to a district event and/or see any board member for District 5 products.

**State Report:** The February State Meeting was held in Hutchison, KS. The March State Meeting will be held in Dodge City, KS. Tony went over some of the items from the state meeting. See the newsletter for the State Meeting report.

**Legislative Report:** The Republican Convention was held in Overland Park, KS. The Democratic Convention will be held in Topeka, KS. ABATE will have a presence at the convention.

Washington Days will take place on March 13th. Becky made a motion for District 5 to make a donation toward Washington Days. Kim seconded the motion. No one opposed, all were in favor of the motion and the motion passed. District 5 will make a contribution.

**Old Business:** It was mentioned there is a District 21. District 21 is for ABATE members who have past on.

Solders for Jesus' Thunder on the Speedway will take place at Lakeside Speedway on July 20th and 21st, 2024. District 5 will have a booth at the event. There are a lot of other live shows and things going on at the event as well as primitive camping.

District 5 will be putting on the motorcycle games at the District 3 Rally, on May 4th in Girard, KS at the rodeo grounds.

**New Business:** There was some discussion about having a sign made to be used at District 5 meetings and events to

promote the district's presence to those passing by who don't get a message in a newsletter, or by word of mouth. It could also be for those who may have heard of ABATE, but don't know how to get involved. It could also just be for those riding by and see a bunch of motorcycles together, don't know what's going on, they see the sign that says "Welcome, come join." Becky made a motion for a sign/banner to be made to be placed at our district event and meeting locations, not to exceed a certain amount of funds, that would say something along the way of "ABATE of Kansas. All are welcome. Come join in. etc." The motion was seconded by Beth. All were in favor, no-one opposed and the motion passed. The district will begin looking into having a sign/banner made.

The Run for the Wall is coming up. District 5 usually donates toward ABATE's contribution to fuel up cycles on the run as they pass through Kansas. Beth made a motion for District 5 to make its contribution to the Run for the Wall. The motion was seconded by Kim. All were in favor, no-

one opposed and the motion carried. District 5 will make its normal contribution.


The April District 5 Meeting will take place at noon on Saturday, April 6th, 2024 at Full Draw Bar & Grill. 100 E. 2nd St., Edgerton, KS 66021.

The May District 5 Meeting will take place at noon on Saturday, May 11th, 2024 at Wyandotte County Lake - Shelter 10 (83rd St. Shelter). This meeting is in conjunction with District 5's Motorcycle Awareness Event. The district will have a cookout and have products available there. All are welcome at the event. Bring your own drinks.

The June District 5 Meeting will take place at noon on Saturday, June 1st, 2024 at Big D's on the Hill in Kansas City, KS.

As always, all District 5 Meetings are open to all members, as well as the general public. Come join us at the meetings.

Becky made a motion to adjourn. Kim seconded the motion. All were in favor, no-one opposed. The meeting was adjourned.

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Abate of Kansas District 7 was called to order at 6:30pm March 8, 2024 at 2400 Post Ave by District Rep Glenna. We began the meeting

by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and then observed a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Roll call followed; 5 officers





and 7 members were present.

Treasurers report; Brittney gave the financial report.

The secretary's report; Minutes were waived you can read in the Newsletter.

State report, Minutes were waived you can read them in the Newsletter.

Old business; we discussed the upcoming March State Meeting and elections.

New business; Looking for some new locations to have the

District 7 meetings at during the nicer weather. We need to figure out how to increase our bank account balance to keep operating expenses covered.

Next District 7 monthly meeting April 12, 2024 at 6:30pm at 2400 Post Ave Dodge City.

May meeting will be May 10, 2024 location and time TBA.

and he spoke about Bridging the Gap in Topeka. If you can go, do it! Fight for what you believe in! The secretary report was read and Bob made motion to accept, 2nd by Joe to approve. Motion passed. Treasurer report was gone over next and motion was made by Rose to accept, 2nd by Daryl. Motion passed. State report was next and The Run for The Wall is coming up May 19th and Stacy asked the district if we wanted to make a donation . Mick made a motion to donate \$\$\$ by passing the hat and 50/50 winnings for 3 months and D8 will cover remainder if necessary. We all took a vote, and all voted yes! Old Business was gone over next and Tony mentioned that he still has a gun and tickets to sell! About 6 tickets left so throw your money at him! He'll take it with a smile! MRF report was discussed and was asked if

wanted to be a member to get with Tammy or Jimbo!! If you are a member of the MRF by 12/31/24 you'll be entered in a drawing for a gun!! Also get with Tammy or Jimbo if you're interested in going to Bikers Under the Beltway!!

Upcoming events: We have the Savage Cycles swap meet the 23rd of March. Next District meeting will be April 14th at Savage Cycles in Wichita.

50/50 drawing was done and Katlyn was our winner this month!!

Mick made motion to adjourn meeting, which was seconded by Tammy. Meeting adjourned at 4:14pm.

Kyle Van Dyke  
ABATE District 8 Intern  
Secretary



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The District 8 meeting was called to order at 2:45pm on March 10th 2024. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was given for our fallen brothers and

sisters along with Ron from D13. RIDE FREE. Roll Call was completed and all present excluding treasurer and some country reps. Jimbo was our guest speaker for this meeting

# ABATE HAPPENINGS

| APRIL 2024 ABATE HAPPENINGS  |             |  |
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| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>1</b>    | <b>DISTRICT MEETING -April 14, American Legion Post 225, 1004 Old Town Trail, Ozawkie, Ks., 1pm</b><br><b>Cabin Fever- April 26-28 , Paradise Point, Lake Perry, Ozawkie Ks- Gate opens 9am Friday</b>   |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>2</b>    | <b>DISTRICT MEETING - April 14, Kibbee's Shop, 318 S. Cedar Stockton, Ks. - 4pm</b>  |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>3</b>    | <b>DISTRICT MEETING - April 7-American Legion Post , 144 E 47 Hwy, Girard KsKs. , 1pm</b><br><b>Hawg Waddle- April 20, American Legio Post 139, 1531 W Main St , Independence, Ks. registration 2pm , KSU 3:30 pm</b><br><b>District 3 Bike Show &amp; Rally- May 3 &amp; 4, Crawford Co. Fairgrounds, 249 Hwy 47, Girard, Ks. ,Gates open Fiday at Noon</b> |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>4</b>    | <b>DISTRICT MEETING- April 14, Papan's Landing, 619 NW Paramore, Topeka, Ks. -1pm</b>  |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>5</b>    | <b>DISTRICT MEETING April 6 , Full Draw Bar &amp; Grill, 100 E 2Nnd St., Edgerton, Ks. , Noon</b>  |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>7</b>    | <b>DISTRICT MEETING &amp; ELECTION - April 12, 2400 E Post Ave. , Dodge City, Ks., 6:30pm</b>  |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>8</b>    | <b>DISTRICT MEETING April 14, Savage Cycles, 1109 E Harry, Wichita , Ks., 2:30 pm</b>  |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>9</b>    | <b>DISTRICT MEETING- April 14, Easy, 307 N Main, McPherson , Ks.. - Eat at Noon Meeting at 1pm</b>   |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>10</b>   | <b>DISTRICT MEETING &amp; ELECTION - April 7, American legion Post 9, 405 S Main , Garden City , Ks. , 12:30</b>   |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>11</b>   | <b>DISTRICT MEETING - April 7, VFW Post 1175, 2201 Main St, Atchison , Ks., 2pm</b>  |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>12</b>   | <b>DISTRICT MEETING - April 6th, VFW Post 1980, 932 Graphic Arts Rd, Emporia, KS, 2pm</b><br><b>Bike Show- April 13- Lyon County Fairgrounds 2350 W Hwy 50, After Party- Arnies Tavern- 1516 W 6th Ave,8pm, Emproria, Ks</b>   |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>13</b>   | <b>DISTRICT MEETING - April 6, Scott Rec Center, 318 Main St Scott City Ks, After the Ride</b><br><b>April 6 - Fallen Brothers &amp; Sisters Memorial Ride-24/7 Travel Plaza, Hwy 27 &amp; I-70, Goodland Ks, Registration 9:30 K.S.U. 10am</b>  |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>              | <b>15</b>   | <b>DISTRICT MEETING -April 14, Fraternal Order of Eagles, 415 Lincoln Ave, Clay Center, KS, 2pm</b>  |
| STATE MEETINGS & EVENTS 2024 |             |  |
| <b>April</b>                 | <b>13th</b> | <b>Bruff's, 2640 W 18th Ave. Emporia. Ks., Noon</b>  |
|                              | <b>20th</b> | <b>Bridging the Gap- Ramada Inn Topeka, Ks 1</b>   |
| <b>May</b>                   | <b>4th</b>  | <b>Crawford Co. Fairgrounds, 249 Hwy 47, Girard, Ks. ,10am</b>   |
| <b>June</b>                  | <b>8th</b>  | <b>Gove Community Building, 305 Broad St, Gove, Ks., 10am</b>  |
| <b>July</b>                  | <b>13th</b> | <b>American Legion Post 9, 405 S Main, Garden City, Ks., Noon</b>  |





# ABATE of Kansas District # 15

## "Awareness Ride"

### Poker Run

# Saturday May 11th, 2024

Starting @ R.C. McGraws  
 Registration 11:00AM  
 Kick Stands Up 11:45AM  
 \$10 Entry fee/person

Route: 98 miles

1. R.C. McGraws—Manhattan (kickstands up at 11:45AM)
2. 4th & Elm—Wamego (Lunch Stop) 12:15-1:30
3. Boomers—Frankfort 2:15-3:00
4. Jock's—Waterville 3:30-4:00
5. T's Longhorn—Leonardville 4:30-5:00

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| STEVE AEMISEGGER 3   | JANET GEORGE 5        |
| DARLA KNUDSEN 1      | RANDY RICE 5          |
| CARLA BURCH 2        | DAVID STRACKE 5       |
| RICK JOHNSON 2       | MARY STRACKE 5        |
| GARY LITTRELL 2      | AMBER BOGNER 7        |
| PEGGY LITTRELL 2     | MARK BOGNER 7         |
| CURTIS MOSER 2       | JAMES F GARUFO JR 8   |
| ANDREW C NOONE 2     | TROY D SPELLMAN 9     |
| MAKAYLA BEACH 3      | HOWARD D. BLEAM 11    |
| SHAUN BEACH 3        | MICHAEL WISDOM 11     |
| MATT CHISM 3         | TROY L ANGELL 12      |
| DONNA KEENAN 3       | SARAH GONZALES 12     |
| BECKY KUEHL 3        | MATTHEW RYAN          |
| TED F. ROE 3         | GRENTZ 12             |
| LEA PATRICE SEMRAD 3 | JEFF JACOB 12         |
| DONNA M SMITH 3      | JOHN NICHOLS 12       |
| JESSIE SMITH 3       | RICK TAYLOR 12        |
| JOHN L SMITH 3       | CHARLES ENGEL 13      |
| LORI SMITH 3         | RAY FINLEY 15         |
| LAURA SULLIVAN 3     | SHERRI GUENTHER 15    |
| CARL W. COULTER 4    | J KEVIN HARDY 15      |
| CARL HERRING 4       | LEXI MARIE HARDY 15   |
| JENNIFER HERRING 4   | SEAN MICHAEL HARDY 15 |
| BRENDA STEENBOCK 4   | SEAN MELLSTROM 15     |
| RANDY STEENBOCK 4    | LESA DUNWOODIE 20     |

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|--|---|---|--|---|---|---|
| Calendar   | Calendar  | Calendar  | Calendar   | Calendar  | Calendar  | Calendar  |
| <br><b>District Meetings 3, 10, 11</b><br><b>D10 election</b> | <br><b>April's F Day</b> |    |     |   |  | <b>District Meeting 5, 12, 13</b><br><b>D13 Fallen Brother &amp; Sisters Ride</b> |
| 7  | 8   | 9   | 10   | 11  | 12  | 13  |
| <b>DISTRICT MEETINGS 1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 15</b>   | 14  | 15  | 16   | 17  | 18  | 19  |
| 21   | 22  | 23  | 24   | 25  | 26  | 27  |
| 28   | 29  | 30  |  |  | <b>Cabin Fever D1</b>   | <b>Cabin Fever D1</b>   |
|   |                        |  | <b>D3 Bike Show &amp; Rally</b>  | <b>D3 Bike Show &amp; Rally</b>   | <b>D3 Bike Show &amp; Rally</b>   | <b>D3 Bike Show &amp; Rally</b>   |





### District 10 Ballot

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Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

#### Assistant District Representative

Milton Mowery

Red Garone

Stan Rinehart

#### Member at Large

Mike Ketterling

Dallas Scisney

#### Secretary

Sharilyn Stewart

Rose Kopp

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Abate of Kansas District 10 Ballot

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The ABATE of Kansas District 9 meeting was held at VFW Lincoln and called to order at 1:02pm, March 10th, 2024, with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence given, with 17 members, and 3 county reps, and 2 guests present.

The secretary's report was given and approved.

The treasurer's report: Treasurer report given and approved. Memorial \$\$ from Jerry G.

State News: See state news in the newsletter.

Awareness report: None  
Products report: None  
Website report: All updated. Facebook is current.

Old Business: Discussion on raffle tickets, and update on prize procurement.

New Business: Passed the hat for Earl and Deb. Motion to increase to even amount. Free membership to Joseph S.

Upcoming events: Washington Days-Topeka, Bridging the Gap April 20th-Topeka

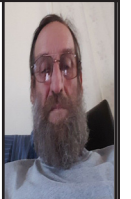
Drawing: Jon P.

Thanks to Lincoln VFW for hosting the meeting and Michelle, Joseph and everyone for the food.

Next meeting April 14th at Easy 107 N Main McPherson  
May meeting the 12th in Beverly



Finney, Grant, Hamilton, Haskell, Kearney, Morton, Seward, Stanton, Stevens  
620-640-8471  
Milton "John" Mowery



ABATE of Kansas District 10 meeting was held on March 3, 2024, at Bonnie and Clyde Grill and Sports Bar, 615 S. Monroe, Hugoton, KS. District Representative John M. called the meeting to order at 12:50 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Roll call followed. All board members were in attendance, minus Milton M, whom is excused. There were 13 members in attendance. Sharilyn S. read the minutes from January's meeting. Darin S. made the motion, William S.. 2nd, all approved. Yolanda S. read the financial reports.

Ray D. made the motion, Carl G. 2nd, all approved. Nominations were made for the following positions: Assistant Rep: Milton M., Stan R., and Red G. Secretary: Sharilyn S., and Rose K. Member at Large: Dallas S., and Mike K. Old Business: Needing volunteers for the month of March for the concessions stand. New business: March 16th is our 1st run and event. Flyers are ready to go. Next meeting will be April 7, 2024, at the American Legion, 405 South Main, Garden City, KS at 12:00 PM. The meeting is adjourned at 1:35PM.





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The meeting was called to order at 2:10 PM on 03/03/2024 at the VFW in Atchison, KS, (located at 2201 Main St, Atchison, KS 66002) with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for all our fallen brothers and sisters. There were 14 members and 4 guests in attendance.

Secretary's Report: February minutes read by Rusty – all approved.

Treasurer's Report: Checking and Savings account financial reports read by Rusty – all approved.

Assistant Rep's Report: Keegan noted that we need to keep on the gun raffle ticket sales - first drawing at Mothers' Day Bike Show (MDBS). Keegan will not be available for MDBS or Field Events (FE) this year.

Atchison County Report: Chop was MIA.

Leavenworth County Report: Ric is going to the VA this week to meet and discuss D11 probability of re-initiating the annual Memorial Day Bike Show and BBQ.

Doniphan County Report: Robin was MIA.

Brown & Nemaha County Report: Jason was MIA.

Products Report: Lea had nothing to report – we are stocked and do not anticipate any additional products needed until we place an order for FE.

State Report: Discussed raffle ideas for Labor Day Rally (LDR) - \$750 for first place – life membership for 2nd place in the State raffle. D4 is adding wine to their tent inventory for LDR. LDR bids are completed for tents, ice, and porta-pots. There was a report on Bikers Under the Dome.

Old Business: Mothers' Day Bike Show sponsorships are needed. Doyle attended the Easton city council meeting. It appears that liquor sales will be allowed at FE this year according to the city council, so we plan to have a liquor vendor on site. Tim will not be able to run security at FE this year – Jason S will step up and run security this year. Discussion was held about where to put the entrance for FE this year because we had a lot of unpaid walk-ins last year due to having multiple entry locations. Discussion was held on bands for FE this year – Silas Dogan

will be the Friday night band and Snafu will be the Saturday night band.

New Business: Keegan would prefer to move the burnouts back to Saturday at LDR this year – Doyle will take this back to the State meeting. Discussion was held about D11 providing staff shirts for all our events and we started a shirt size list. We will bring this back up for more discussion and any additions to the shirt list at the next 2-3 district meetings as well. Discussion was held on possible bike wash options at FE this year if we decide to have another bike wash. Doyle attended the Soldiers for Jesus meeting on Saturday (03/02/2024) to discuss the dirt

drags that D11 will be running at their event. Discussion held on our current D11 PA system – Rusty will look into options to use horns instead of speakers at our events.

Mo motioned to close the meeting at 3:35 PM – seconded by Stan – meeting was closed. The April monthly meeting will be at 2:00 PM on 04/07/2024 at the VFW in Atchison, KS. (located at 2201 Main St, Atchison, KS 66002). The May monthly meeting will be at 2:00 PM on 05/12/2024 at Mueller's Lockroom in Atchison, KS (located at 120 S. 2nd Street, Atchison, KS 66002) directly after the MDBS.

**ABATE of Kansas District 5 Motorcycle Awareness Day**

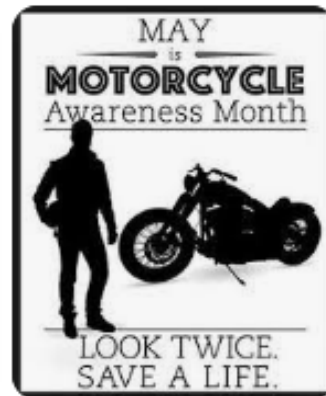
May 11th, 2024 @ 11AM

Location: Wyandotte County Lake shelter 10

The Meeting starts at 12:00 pm

We will have a cookout and have products for sale there

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### District 12 Ballot

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Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

#### Assisant District Representative

Michael Lauppe

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#### Treasurer

Sheila Metcalfe

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Barry Lorson

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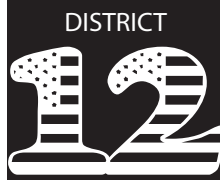
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Election date is MaY 12, 2024

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District Rep Barry "Nasty" Lorson  
785-258-4007



ABATE of Kansas District 12 meeting was held on March 10th, 2024, at Harry and Lloyds, 608 Main St. Americus, KS 66835. District Rep. called the meeting to order at 2:10PM with the Pledge of the Allegiance and followed with a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. RIDE FREE!! We had 12 members in attendance including all board members. The Secretary report was read by Deanna and then the Treasurer report was read by Sheila. Motion was made 1st by Bob 2nd by Joe. Both were passed. Our District Rep. Barry went over the state meeting. This year the Mid-South Mile will be in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Spring Fling Bike Show is coming together pretty smoothly, but can always use more door prices and live auction items. We will have flyers done this week and get them posted and handed out. We had some issues at the printers with the T-shirt design. We decided to change the design and color of the shirt. Charcoal grey is the new color that was chosen. A motion was made 1st by Bob and 2nd by Joe. It was passed. Sarah did such amazing job at the Cassody Bike Run for the month of March selling raffle tickets for the Spring Fling Bike Show. She also got some vendors, sponsors, and new memberships while she was there. Thank you for everyone that went up and pitched in with her. Sarah is planning on going back to set up a booth at the Cassody Bike Run April 7th, 2024. It's held right on

Main Street in Cassody, KS. District Rep. asked if there was any new nominations for our upcoming elections. None were made. We have Assistant District Rep, and Treasurer up for elections that will be held in May. We decided to go ahead and have an April meeting to make sure everything was fine tuned for our Spring Fling Bike Show. A motion was made 1st by Joe and 2nd by Sheila. Our next meeting will be April 6th, 2024 at 2:00PM. It will be held at the VFW, 932 Graphic Arts Rd, Emporia, KS. Spring Fling Bike Show is April 13th, 2024. It will be held at the fairgrounds at the Anderson building, 2700 US-50 Emporia, KS 66801. State meeting will also be held on April 13th,2024 at Bruffs, 2640 W18th Ave, Emporia, KS 66801. May awareness ride will be held May 5th, 2024. We will be meeting at the Veteran's Memorial 931 S. Commercial St. Emporia, KS 66801. We will be riding through all our counties for our district while heading to Cassody, KS. Our May meeting and elections will be May 12, 2024 at 2:00PM. It will be held at the VFW 932 Graphic Arts Rd. Emporia, KS 66801. A motion was made to end the meeting 1st by Karlee and 2nd by Bob.







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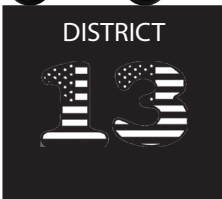
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## February

Abate of Kansas District 13,  
February 18, 2024

Meeting was called to order at Tequilas in Goodland, KS at 2:10. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Charles followed by a Moment of Silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Board Members present: Jimbo, Curtis, Bruce and Darla. There were 13 members present.

Elections: Assistant Representative; Treasurer and Sergeant of Arms.

Mona nominates Curtis for Assistant Rep; Stu seconded. P.D. was nominated by Jimbo; Steve seconded. Mona nominates Charles E. for Treasurer, Kevin seconded. Steve nominated Andrea, Mona seconded. Darla is Secretary as per last meeting. Kevin nominated Bruce for Sergeant of Arms, Andrea seconded. Nominations closed at this time.

Jimbo went over the Motorcyclist Awareness Report. The Bikers under the Dome event went well. MRF profiling - they are hoping to wrap up our end this year. House Bill 2783 - trying to control the sales of motor vehicles. This Bill is to stop that. Mona made a motion to close reports, Steve seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary report: Darla read the minutes of the January meeting from the newsletter. Skyler made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report, Andrea seconded. Motion passed.

The Treasurer Report was given by Jimbo. Mona made

a motion to accept, Kevin seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business: Buffalo Rally- Event t-shirt budget. Mona makes a motion to keep the budget the same as last year, Kevin seconded. Motion passed. Several vendors will be there. Group is going to get a list of corn hole guidelines for the corn hole tournament. Mona makes a motion to buy Abate Corn Hole boards. Bruce & Darla are donating a set to Abate 13. Abate logo and information will be given to Ryan to get those made, Skyler seconded. Motion passed. Group will look into bags and carrying cases. Skyler and Jimbo will look into the pricing of these items. Jimbo will get a list of available slots for people to volunteer to assist with the Rally. Help from others is greatly appreciated.

Needing to pick our May meeting location. Mona made a motion to have it at the B Hive in Colby, Andrea seconded. Motion passed. It will be May 12, 2024. Steve makes a motion to close old business, Mona seconded. Motion passed.

New Business: Biker Down. Steve K. resigned and has asked for help taking this over. It was suggested to change the name to Brothers/Sisters Down. Steve will be taking this over.

Bank account: Jimbo will go to the bank with Curtis to remove former board members. Curtis will be added as an approved signature on account as Assistant Representative .. Jimbo will remain as

an approved signer on the bank account as District Representative/ Treasurer and after Elections in May, the new treasurer will be added to the account.

Curtis will get a handgun for Gun Run at the Buffalo Run Rally. Mona makes a motion to close New Business, Andrea seconded. Motion passed.

Future Meeting Dates:  
March13 : Oakley-Tres

## March

Abate of Kansas District 13,  
March 10, 2024

Meeting was called to order at Tres Hermanos; Oakley, KS at 2:00. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Curtis followed by a Moment of Silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Board Members present: Jimbo, Curtis, Bruce and Darla. There were 18 members present and 2 guests.

Secretary report: Darla read the minutes of the February meeting. Rina made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report, Craig seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report was given by Jimbo. All bills were paid. Mona made a motion to donate to Run for the Wall in Oakley and Bunker Hill for fuel. Andrea seconded. Motion passed. Mona made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Rina seconded. Motion passed.

Jimbo attended the State Meeting 3/9/2024. Lobbyist report and MRF updates given. Bikers under the Dome was held February and was a successful event. LDR clean up is this weekend on Saturday and Sunday. They are asking for help in the clean up for the event. Reach out to Jimbo for information if interested in helping. Curtis read the Newsletter regarding Bill 2783.

Hermanos; April 6: Scott City- Scott City Rec; May 12: Colby-B-Hive; June 9: Gove - Buffalo Run. Meeting starts at 2 pm central time.

Soup Supper in Scott City@ the Scott City Rec March 9, 2024. Benefit for Ron G. Dinner @ 6:00 & 7-11 dance.

Stu made a motion to adjourn, Mona seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned @ 3:32.

Old Business: Mona has put together guidelines and Mission Statement for Brother/Sisters Accident fund. Rina made a motion to accept Mission Statement & guidelines; Steve seconded. Motion passed. Buffalo Rally; June 7-9, 2024. Sponsors must have their money in by May 20th to be listed on our event t shirt. Curtis is looking into several guns for the Gun Run. Guns and prices were given. Raymond made a motion to get the AR-15; Rina seconded. Motion passed. We have 9 vendors listed to be there along with one food vendor at this time. Color suggestions for t shirts were discussed. Mona will check on availability. Skyler had 2 or 3 corn hole bag options and carrying cases he's found. He wasn't present to give group the information. Abate logo and information has been sent to Ryan by Darla for making of cornhole boards. He will be using a lighter stain and Abate logo. Jimbo will have a sign up sheet with a list of available slots for people to volunteer to assist working our Buffalo Rally. Help from others is greatly appreciated so please all that can sign up for a shift or two. Mona made a motion to close Old Business; Steve seconded. Motion passed.





New Business: Mona has finished the drafted Amendments to the Policies and Procedures, reflecting changes to a board member living outside the District territory. Andrea made a motion to continue with the Amendment changes to the Policies and Procedures; Craig seconded. Motion passed.

Elections: Assistant Representative; Treasurer and Sergeant of Arms.

Assistant Rep: No new nominations were made : Andrea nominates Bruce for Treasure ; Mona seconded. Motion passed. Andrea rescinded her nomination for Treasure: Mona nominates Steve for Sergeant of Arms: Craig seconded. Motion passed. Bruce rescinded his nomination for Sgt of Arms

Mona makes a motion to close New Business; Rina seconded. Motion passed.

Future Meeting Dates: April 6th Scott City- Scott City Rec; May 12th Colby – B-Hive; June: Gove – Buffalo Run.

ABATE Dist 13 Seventh Annual Memorial Run For Fallen Brothers and Sister April 6th Rigitration Goodland 9:30 -10:00 est. Kickstands up at 10:00

Tri State: Benefit Soup Supper for Ron on March 9, 2024 was a great success. April 7: Goodland – location TBD; May 19: Fallen Brothers & Sisters Ride.

Craig made a motion to adjourn, Raymond seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned @ 3:21.

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Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Assistant Rep

Curtis Brungardt

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Treasurer

Charles Engel

Bruce Jarmer

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Sgt at Arms

Steve Bolin

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February

Abate of Kansas District 13, February 18, 2024

Meeting was called to order at Tequilas in Goodland, KS at 2:10. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Charles followed by a Moment of Silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Board Members present: Jimbo, Curtis, Bruce and Darla. There were 13 members present.

Elections: Assistant Representative; Treasurer and Sergeant of Arms.

Mona nominates Curtis for Assistant Rep; Stu seconded. P.D. was nominated by Jimbo; Steve seconded. Mona nominates Charles E. for Treasurer, Kevin seconded. Steve nominated Andrea, Mona seconded. Darla is Secretary as per last meeting. Kevin nominated Bruce for Sergeant of Arms, Andrea seconded. Nominations closed at this time.

Jimbo went over the Motorcyclist Awareness Report. The Bikers under the Dome event went well. MRF profiling - they are hoping to wrap up our end this year. House Bill 2783 - trying to control the sales of motor vehicles. This Bill is to stop that. Mona made a motion to close reports, Steve seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary report: Darla read the minutes of the January meeting from the newsletter. Skyler made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report, Andrea seconded. Motion passed.

The Treasurer Report was given by Jimbo. Mona made a motion to accept, Kevin seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business: Buffalo Rally-Event t-shirt budget. Mona makes a motion to keep the budget the same as last year, Kevin seconded. Motion passed. Several vendors will be there. Group is going to get

a list of corn hole guidelines for the corn hole tournament. Mona makes a motion to buy Abate Corn Hole boards. Bruce & Darla are donating a set to Abate 13. Abate logo and information will be given to Ryan to get those made, Skyler seconded. Motion passed. Group will look into bags and carrying cases. Skyler and Jimbo will look into the pricing of these items. Jimbo will get a list of available slots for people to volunteer to assist with the Rally. Help from others is greatly appreciated.

Needing to pick our May meeting location. Mona made a motion to have it at the B Hive in Colby, Andrea seconded. Motion passed. It will be May 12, 2024. Steve makes a motion to close old business, Mona seconded. Motion passed.

New Business: Biker Down. Steve K. resigned and has asked for help taking this over. It was suggested to change the name to Brothers/Sisters Down. Steve will be taking this over.

Bank account: Jimbo will go to the bank with Curtis to remove former board members. Curtis will be added as an approved signature on account as Assistant Representative .. Jimbo will remain as an approved signer on the bank account as District Representative/ Treasurer and after Elections in May, the new treasurer will be added to the account.

Curtis will get a handgun for Gun Run at the Buffalo Run Rally. Mona makes a motion to close New Business, Andrea seconded. Motion passed.

Future Meeting Dates:  
March 13 : Oakley-Tres Hermanos; April 6: Scott City-Scott City Rec; May 12: Colby-B-Hive; June 9: Gove - Buffalo Run. Meeting starts at 2 pm central

time.  
Soup Supper in Scott City@ the Scott City Rec March 9, 2024. Benefit for Ron G. Dinner @ 6:00 & 7-11 dance.

Stu made a motion to adjourn, Mona seconded. Motion passed.

March

The March 10th meeting for Abate of Kansas District 15 was held at RC McGraws, Manhattan, Kansas. The meeting opened at 2:10pm with the Flag Salute and a moment of silence.

Following opening ceremonies, Randy M. introduced Charlie, Audible Empire, as a band for the summer bash. After hearing a recording of the band and their costs, Charlie was excused, and the district discussed the possibility of hiring them.

Due to scheduling and the band's following, Jay G. moved that the bash dates be changed to July 14-16 to accommodate Audible Empire's schedule, Kenny seconded. After discussion and Jen H. reminding those in attendance that District 15's summer bash used to be Father's Day weekend,

Tony R. called a vote, motion passed unanimously. Charlie was called back to the meeting, accepted the terms, and will put it on Audible Empire's calendar.

Jen. H then read the February minutes and Jen S. gave the Treasurer's report. It was moved and seconded to accept the reports, motion passed.

Tony R. could not attend the State Meeting, please read the minutes in the next newsletter.

Old business:  
Tony R. met with the Junction City American Legion Riders regarding The Run for the Wall.

One member suggested we contact the Central Region Fuel Coordinator to about purchasing the gas for the bikes. This would be easier logistically for both Abate and RFTW. Jay G. moved that we transfer 50% of what we have raised now to the RFTW directly, holding 50% back as a reserve for next year but increasing that by 10 percent each year following. Lori

Meeting adjourned @ 3:32.

G. offered to contact Phillip Garcia Central Hub Fuel Chief X Chief, to let him know.

Lori G announced that fliers are available for the Awareness Ride on Saturday, May 11, 2024. The ride will begin at McGraws and end at T's in Leonardville. She also said all stops have been notified, 4 th and Elm will be a lunch stop, they will have the staff. She and Jay will also ride the route to make sure there are no road issues or construction, and anyone is welcome to ride along with them.

Jen H. asked about Cabin Fever, several members are interested in attending.

Jen S. asked if we could do a second raffle, Jay G. moved that we do another gift card raffle to be drawn at the May meeting. Rachel B. seconded; motion passed. Jen H. will contact the state office regarding both raffles since the drawing date for the first has been changed.

Tony reminded everyone about the Bridging the Gap event on April 20, 2024, at the Topeka Ramada Inn, he encouraged everyone that could to attend.

Announcements:  
The April 14th meeting will be at the Clay Center Eagles at 2pm. May is at Rosebud's in Junction City.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30pm. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Hardy, District 15 Secretary.





### Frequently Asked Questions

**Can I wear a helmet and be a member?**

Yes, ABATE strives to ensure all motorcyclists reserve the right to choose to wear a helmet or not. ABATE's stance is not Anti-Helmet, but rather Anti-Helmet Law. The factors of helmet use are too complex for a simple statistic, so ABATE believes, before government law needlessly endanger lives, that such a decision should be left to the rider, and pursue other venues of motorcycle safety--primarily education and awareness.

**Do I need to be a Harley owner?**

No, ABATE is an advocate for the rights of all motorcyclists, regardless of what or where they ride.

**Do I need to own a motorcycle?**

No, ABATE consists of all advocates of motorcyclists and motorcycling. The rights of which may be supported by anyone who cares, and are welcome to do so.

**Do I have to live in Kansas?**

No, ABATE of Kansas has many non-Kansas-resident members who still ride in Kansas. ABATE of Kansas does not believe the rights of motorcyclists stop at the state borderline. ABATE of Kansas works with other state and national Motorcycle Rights Organizations (MROs) to preserve rights wherever the road leads.

**Is ABATE a motorcycle club?**

No, ABATE of Kansas is classified as a lobbying organization.

**Which District can I belong to?**

You can belong to any district you prefer. Districts are divided by county groups, except District 20 which is mostly out-of-state

members, however also choose districts adjacent to their state, if preferred. You may choose any district based on where you work, live, or have social ties. The only restriction is that you can only belong to one district at a time.

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**Do I need my ABATE card?**

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**Is ABATE just about helmets?**

No, ABATE monitors all bills, laws, and regs that impact motorcycling, including manufacturing, operation, environment and education.

**Do I need a permit to camp on leased area at Lake Perry?**

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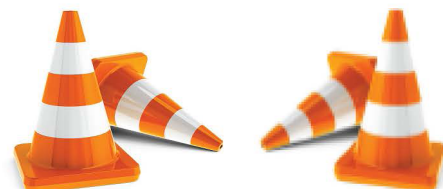
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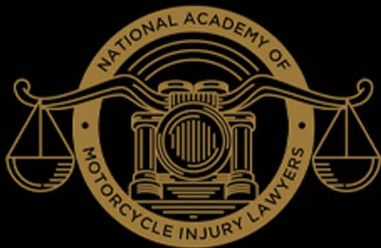
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