

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

**Location:** Delano Lanes, Delano

**Date:** December 1, 2018

**Time:** 3pm

**Officers Present:**

<b>President:</b>	Keith "Smoker" Efron	X	<b>Sergeant at Arms:</b>	Nikki Arne	X
<b>Vice President:</b>	Dan Arne	X		Mike Jencks	X
<b>Chapter Rep:</b>	Todd Riba	X		Curt Johnson	
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Karen May	X		April Murch	X
<b>Secretary:</b>	Leah Otto	X		Fred Pawelk	X
				Scott Trout	X

**Total number of members attending:** 28 **Guests:** Gary Goracke-MRF Rep.

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:** Fred Pawelk

**Welcome to members and guests; President's Remarks; Vice-President's Remarks:**

Smoker thanked everyone for coming out and braving the cold.

Dan- not much to say today.

**OFFICER REPORTS**

**Secretary's report:**

Motion to accept the minutes –Dave Dibb, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Berger, Motion Passes

**Treasurer's Report:**

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Fred 2nd Gramps, Motion Passes

**Chapter Rep Report: (Todd):**

We have a board meeting coming up on January 19<sup>th</sup> at the City Center hotel in Mankato. River Valley chapter is having their thaw fundraiser on January 19 there is also a B.O.D. meeting at Franks Ernst's house that same night. A gambling meeting will be held on December 14 so if you want to see how all the gambling stuff works now is your chance.

We are still looking for a person from Lake Chapter to do share the road classes. It would be going into schools, drivers training places and more to teach drivers to watch out for motorcycles. The share the road program will reimburse any teachers of these classes fourteen cents a mile for instructors driving to the classroom locations they will teach at. You will also get key chains to hand out if you so desire. Any questions, please ask Todd Riba or Paul Tjepkes, their information is in the road noise.

We are still looking for a membership chair at the state level, Jim LaSpisa is stepping down. We really need to get this position filled quick so we can get ramped up for Algona. This is running the membership table, handing out tri-folds and trying to recruit people that want to come to these events.

The ways and means committee is at the Ugly bar in Montrose at 1 pm on January 13, where they will go over the receipts and expenditures from the state, this is open to anyone who wants to come. Our state office administrator Liz will be out of the state for the majority of the winter starting in December. She's still going to be doing the job over the computer during the winter months. Please be patient with any concerns or issues that you need help with until she gets settled in.

A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota does offer members to have absentee ballots for the election. The ballots have to be in the office by February 10, so if you can't make it to the meeting to vote, please send Liz an email and to get an absentee ballot. The National Transportation Board recommends that all new bikes have ABS brakes. This is something we need to pay attention to.

Lower corner chapter, for those of you that remember, they didn't have enough people to renew their chapter charter, Virgil and Michele are working to get the chapter up and running again. We might need to send some help their way if they get something going.

Heart of the Lakes is having a pool and dart tournament in Detroit Lakes, Todd passed around a flyer on it for anyone that wants to go and your admission is paid. A.B.A.T.E University prizes this year are, First place: an Indian Dark Horse, Second place: HD Soft tail Slim, Third place: \$10,000 dollars cash, Fourth place: \$5,000 dollars cash.

The chapter discussed the issue of 18 to 20 year old members of the chapter being allowed into the rally. They feel like they are being left out of the rally. The chapter needs to decide if they are for allowing them or against allowing them into the rally with the legal drinking age being 21. We checked with the insurance company that provides insurance out at the rally and they don't have a problem with it as long as there is a system in place that would deal with someone that is caught drinking under age. Everyone at the rally has to wear a wristband and the minors would wear a different color than the legal drinking age attendees. As a chapter it was discussed and the outcome was to NOT allow them into the rally.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **Special Events (Open):**

The Grounded Hogs party is coming up in February and we have advance tickets available. Smoker has sign-up sheets for security, front gate, set up and food.

### **Membership (Scott):**

Scott not present. Lake Chapter is still number one chapter.

### **Legislative / Government Relations Report (Mike B.):**

Todd talked about Bikerday at the Capital coming up on January 30<sup>th</sup>. Carpooling locations currently set up are the Delano Legion and the Quick Trip in Chaska. If you plan on carpooling with someone from those locations you will need to be there prior to 7:45 am. We are having buses from other parts of the state but not from the Southwest District though, it sounds like most of the chapters are content on carpooling or driving. Plan on being at the Capitals basement room under the Rotunda by 8:30 am for registration. We have a lot of key items to talk about, the hands free cell phone bill, the fee increase on motorcycle endorsements, the fee increase on motorcycle permits. There is a bill that has been introduced by Senator Osmek that would make it a mandatory felony for anyone that causes a crash that results in a death if they are operating an electronic device. We need to have some discussion on this and decide if we want to be part of that bill.

### **Training and Education (Sherry):**

Sherry not present.

### **State Rally (Smoker):**

We are having the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota State Rally, we are looking at bands for the rally. Smoker threw it out to each of the four district directors to give him a name of a band that they would like to see play at the rally and he will do his best and try and get that band for the rally. Send your requests to Trashy, his information is in the road noise. The district director's choices will play on Friday night and Sunday night. Smoker will fill the Saturday night headlining band and one other additional spot. Smoker is hoping to have someone in charge of the sponsorship committee otherwise everything else is pretty much set. We are going to work on getting advance tickets out at the January Board of Directors meeting. The tickets will have all the information on them except what the bands are, so we can start selling advance tickets well in advance of the rally. Everett Smithson did contact Trashy about playing Sunday night at the rally.

### **Public Relations (Mitch B):**

Big Brothers and Big Sisters contacted Mitch. We got some additional PR that was sent out to other places besides the paper that Mitch had. The next big PR thing is the Toys for Tots at Kare 11.

Motion to accept the committee reports – Mike Berger, 2nd Mitch                      Motion Passed

## OTHER REPORTS

**Dial-A-Ride (Mike E):**

Mike Edgett not present. Dial-A-Ride was very successful, we picked up some people and kept them from drinking and driving. Thanks to everyone for getting the information out and for doing a pick up.

**MN Motorcycle Safety Task Force (Monte):**

Monte not present.

**Buddy Bears (Leah):**

Will be setting up a date and time to get the ten bears I have delivered to Wright County Human Services. Smoker said this will get Frank off our ass. Someone asked if we still want to do the Buddy Bears and yes we do.

**Products (Nikki):**

She has pre-orders for shirts, still have cool decals, the new calendars are here that Kimmer made up, she did an awesome job on them.

**MRF Report (Mike B.):**

Gary Goracke our MRF State Rep said the only thing going on right now is we have temporarily hired a lobbying firm to try and help us push the profiling bill possibly to a house floor vote before the end of the year. We don't know how long the firm is hired for but a bunch of people that was interviewed are out of our price range. They are hoping with the new turnover in administrations, Senators and Congress people coming in, we may be able to pick up a new firm at that time.

**Drawing (Mike E): \$5 off products winner**

Mike Edgett not present, no drawing today.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Presentation of the Steven J. Kreitlow award. Dave Clifton was the winner of the award.

**NEW BUSINESS: None**

**Additional new business, Karen asked how many people will be at this year's Toys for Tots at Kare 11. The benefit for Judy Potter is coming up on January 19<sup>th</sup> at the Rockford Township Hall from 3-11 pm. Judy is a longtime friend of Lake Chapter and is currently a member. We have advance tickets available to purchase and buttons for \$1.00. Three bands will be playing, the Everett Smithson band, Table 32 and the Groove Hawks.**

**Fred made a motion to donate \$100 to Judy and pass the hat, the motion was amended to make the amount \$200 and pass the hat, seconded by Mike Berger, motion passes**

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**December 7, Toys for Tots, Kare 11 studio, meet at the Holiday across from the station no later than 5:30 for the 6 pm news cast.**

**January 5, Lake Chapter special events meeting, 2:30 pm, Madigan's, Maple Lake**

**January 5, Lake Chapter Meeting, Madigan's, Maple Lake, 3 pm**

**January 19, Benefit for Judy Potter, Rockford Township Hall, 3-11 pm, Rockford.**

**January 30, Bikerday at the Capital**

**February 2, Lake Chapter meeting, Rockford Township Hall, NOTE: time change, meeting is at 4 pm**

**February 2, Grounded Hogs party, Rockford Township Hall, Rockford**

Motion to adjourn the meeting –Mitch, 2nd May Berger, Motion Passed 4:01 pm

Respectfully submitted by Leah Otto

**Motions Passed at the December 1 meeting**

Motion to accept the Secretary's report, Dave Dibb, seconded by Mary Berger, motion passes.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Fred, seconded by Gramps, motion passes.

Motion to accept the committee and other reports,

Motion made by Fred to donate \$100 to Judy and pass the hat, motion was amended to make the dollar amount \$200 and pass the hat, seconded by Mike Berger, motion passes.

Motion to adjourn, Mitch, seconded by Mary Berger, motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report - December, 2018**  
 For the Ninth Month Ending December 31, 2018  
 Presented at January 5, 2018 Meeting: Madigan's, Maple Lake, 3:00 pm

Started December with		<b>\$2,673.77</b>
<b>Income:</b>		
	Memberships - November	\$29.00
	Memberships - December	\$22.00
	Products Sold - October	\$40.00
	Products Sold - November	\$20.00
	Products Sold - December	\$303.00
	Toys for Tots Donations - November	\$865.00
	Donation	\$200.00
	SW District Passport Fundraiser	\$20.00
	Grounded Hogs Adv Ticket Sales	\$200.00
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	Total:	<b>\$1,699.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
	First Class Road Noise mailed to Lake Chapter President	\$2.00
	Toys for Tots	\$1,345.00
	Donation to Judy Potter Fundraiser	\$200.00
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	Total:	<b>\$1,547.00</b>
December Ending Balance		<b>\$2,825.77</b>
<b>Earmarks</b>		
	Reimburse Chapter Rep Hotel Rm @ BOD (1 remaining of 3 per year)	\$100.00
	2019 Grounded Hogs Party	\$900.00
	2018 Member of the Year plaque and Chapter paid Membership	\$50.00
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	Total:	<b>\$1,050.00</b>
Food Shelf Fund:		<b>\$0.00</b>
Gambling Fund:		<b>\$304.49</b>
MRF Fund:		<b>\$110.25</b>
Petty Cash:		<b>\$28.80</b>
Toys for Tots Fund:		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Grand Total:</b>		<b>\$3,269.31</b>
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Spendable:		<b>\$1,775.77</b>

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GAIL & WICK

Dan Arne

Nikki Arne

Jin Kene

Cyndi Battariker

DAVE & DIANE

WALLY & DIANE

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MR & MRS. CHEESE

Appl Mul

Mike Jones

Don & the Bucher

Buzz Plante

Karen May

Patricia Herzberg

Pat Morin

Karen

Becky

DAVE CLIFTON

Ann Kreitlow

Mitch Backe

GARY CORACKE

Todd Miller

Smoker

Leah Otto

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