

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

Location: Hollywood Road house, New Germany

Date: March 16, 2019

Time: 3pm

Officers Present:

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

Total number of members attending: 41

Guests: None

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Jencks

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

Smoker thanked everyone for coming. He has a lot of stuff for the sergeant of arms to pass out. Member of the year ballots. In the interest of the safety of all our members, it was best to postpone the meeting until today from last Saturday. Election of the chapter officers was voted on first. Nominees for each new chapter officer gave their speech. State ballots were handed out.

Jim Kosse asked if he could get a definition of resolution 1 that's on the ballot. Todd clarified this by saying they wanted to open up nominations for state level officers, so you can nominate in October and January. The board voted against this because if someone wanted to run they could start earlier in the year. They just got to make sure they will have someone to nominate them.

Dan said spring is here.

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary's report:

Motion to accept the minutes -Kenny, 2nd Chris, Motion Passes

Treasurer's Report:

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Kenny 2nd Chris, Motion Passes

Chapter Rep Report: (Todd)

Todd had the expired membership list, he passed it around for people to look at. We have the chapter challenge, Motion made by Mike Jencks to put \$350 dollars towards the chapter challenge, seconded by Sheryl, motion passes. The gambling account fund is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$300 dollars, we need to build this back up. Dawn has the tickets, we probably sold under twenty tickets so far. Our May meeting is on a Sunday this year because of the Carver County Motorcycle ride. The ways and means committee meeting is April 14th at the Ugly bar in Montrose at Noon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Special Events (Karen):

Karen has some sheets showing what we have done the last five years for Grounded Hogs Party. Our attendance for the Grounded Hogs Party was 126 people this year. We are usually in the Two Hundred range. Last year was our lowest year with 120 people. We need to try and figure out how to get more people there. However, we did do very well on the auction items, so we made a good chunk of money. We had a profit of \$2,002.92 After the split with the state, Lake Chapter got \$1,001.46 in the Lake Chapter account. A special thanks to everyone that brought auction items.

The next special event that will be coming up is the Abate Hospitality Room which is April 26th thru the 28th. The room is reserved. We need to talk about the food, what kind are we going to have. The special events committee discussed

doing a 5 or 6 pm evening snack time. The quoted word for the kind of food there should be is "drinking food" like BBQ meatballs, potluck type kind of food.

Saturday night Abate U Hospitality Room food will be a couple different kinds of chili and some salads plus more snack kind of food. Motion made by Mary that we put \$200 dollars towards the hospitality room food, seconded by April, Motion Passes.

Next special event is the Memorial Run on Saturday May 25th. The run will be similar to last year. Meet at the Hopkins Legion at 9 am, kickstands up at 9:30 to leave for Fort Snelling. People will have time to visit their family member's sites then the group will join back up before leaving and heading back to the Hopkins Legion. The group will leave again from the Hopkins Legion at Noon on the Memorial Run. The party will end at Buzz and Karen's house. There will be some sandwiches, salads and stuff for lunch. Bring a tent the day before, day of if you would like to stay overnight and camp. There may be a fire. There will be some beer that was left over from the Grounded Hogs Party.

Toys for Tots fundraiser was discussed and yes overwhelmingly people want to continue doing this. There was talk about going to some pull tabs booths like the ones that Mitch goes to get money for bowling so we can get more money for Toys for Tots. We will see how the pull tab situation works out.

The date February 1st for the 2020 Grounded Hogs Party has already been booked for a wedding next year. The second Saturday February 8th is open. Mary made a motion for the \$100 deposit to hold the date of February 8th, 2020 for the Grounded Hogs Party, seconded by Cyndi, Motion Passes. Karen will take the check to the lady at the hall to secure the date and have her also pencil us in for 2021.

A mid-summer scavenger run was discussed, more to come on this. If you have any thoughts or ideas, please let Karen know. We did ok on last year's mystery run and had a blast.

Membership (Scott):

Total for the state is 3,512.

Lake Chapter is #1 with 274

Central Chapter has 233

River Valley has 224

We still need more members, so let's try and sign people up.

Legislative / Government Relations Report (Todd R.):

Todd talked about the bills that are being worked on at this time in the legislature. The hands free cell phone bill sailed through the House, waiting for it to get to the floor, good movement in the Senate. Motorcycle fees are increasing. Each person will pay an extra \$4.00 when renewing your license. We really need to have people sign into this bill as it is A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota's bill. This would put about \$400,000 per year into the motorcycle safety fund. There's a bill on underinsured/uninsured insurance floating around. If you get taken out by a driver that doesn't have insurance, this is great stuff to have. The word mandatory in the bill is a concern for the younger riders on their sport bikes because it's very expensive.

Training and Education (Sherry):

June 29th and 30th is motorcycle training. Please put these dates on your calendar.

State Rally (Smoker):

We are having a State Rally again this year. Smoker has a national act set, contract has been signed, he can't announce who it is until they get paid. We paid \$9,000 for the band. The other four spots are pretty much worked out, it's just getting an ok from everyone in the band. Let's get out and get some sponsorships. Thank You to the ones that goes out and gets sponsorships and to whoever is sponsor. Lake Chapter always gets a big share of them. Another band is set and Smoker is waiting for a contract from them.

Public Relations (Mitch B):

Mack spoke for Mitch, it's pretty quiet right now.

Motion to accept the committee reports -Kenny, 2nd Lee Motion Passes

OTHER REPORTS

Dial-A-Ride (Mike E):

Thanks to everyone for supporting Dial-A-Ride every year. A list was sent out to Jodi for the twenty five locations we delivered materials to this year. Monte did twenty six rides from the Grounded Hogs Party.

MN Motorcycle Safety Task Force (Monte.)

Dan Arne gave Monte a great idea "I Spied the Biker Guy" to help kids traveling help others be aware of motorcyclists. It didn't make the top ten in the task force. The Ottertail County Safer Communities liked the idea and printed up a poster. We got to see one of those posters today at the chapter meeting.

The term of the present task force members is expires in May and they have been asked to reapply. We need a few more members to replace the ones that have quit. If you are interested in applying check the Minnesota Motorcycle Safety center website at the end of April. It's important we have A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota members on the task force to voice our opinion on state motorcycle issues.

Buddy Bears (Leah):

All the (50) Buddy Bears have been accounted for and the order form for (30) more has been sent in.

Products (Nikki):

Dan spoke for Nikki. We have everything here today. We have one medium t-Shirt left from Grounded Hogs, come get it otherwise we may donate it at Abate U. Batman talked about the passing of Dave Barber and asked if any arrangements have been made to make a patch. Motion made by Batman to make a patch for Dave Barber, to spend \$100 dollars, seconded by Lee, Motion Passed.

MRF Report (Todd R):

The MRF is looking for money above and beyond our normal contributions. We're trying to look at the donations for Bikers Inside the Beltway a little differently this year. When we ask organizations for money for Bikers Inside the Beltway they say ok I will give you \$100 dollars for Bikers but they are going to take that out of the funds they are going to give in September. So we are looking for anyone that would like to make a donation individually to fund this cause. As we lobby we bring a packet into all the offices for what we are lobbying for, there are printing costs, parking costs that need to be covered for this event in Washington D.C.

Dawn talked about the MRF A&E that you can make a tax deductible contribution to Bikers Inside The Beltway. Lee made a motion to donate \$100 to MRF Bikers Inside the Beltway, seconded by Mary, Motion Passes.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Orn said we can donate to the MRF A&E from selling raffle tickets, so get out there and sell some tickets. Selling tickets is also a great way to build gambling funds and you can donate those funds to the MRF A&E.

Todd talked about Meeting of the Minds coming up in September.

NEW BUSINESS:

Results of voting:

President: Jim Kosse

Vice President: Karen May

Treasurer: Cyndi Buttweiler

Chapter Rep: Todd Riba

Secretary: Maureen O'Hern

Sargent of Arms:

Mike Berger

Colleen Johnson

Scott Trout

Nikki Arne

Dave Truax

Additional New Business: None

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 6, Lake Chapter Meeting, The Red Vest, Rockford, 3pm

April 26-27, Abate University, Alexandria

May 4, Ditch pick-up, St. Bonifacious, 9 am followed by the Carved Run.

May 4, Wash-out, 9 am, Enfield Rest stop.

May 5, (Sunday) Lake Chapter Meeting, Son's of Silence Clubhouse, Cokato, 1 pm.

May 20-21, Bikers Inside the BELTway

May 25, Fort Snelling Run from Hopkins Legion, sign in 9 am, Memorial Run from Hopkins Legion, Noon

Motion to adjourn the meeting –Mike Berger, 2nd Colleen Motion Passed 4:32 pm

Respectfully submitted by Leah Otto

Motions Passed at the March 16 meeting

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Motion to accept the Treasurers report, Kenny, seconded by Chris, Motion Passes.

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Motion to adjourn, Mike Berger, 2nd Colleen, Motion Passes.

Treasurer's Report - February, 2019
 For the Eleventh Month Ending February 28, 2019
 Presented at March 16, 2019 Meeting: Hollywood Roadhouse, New Germany, 3:00 pm

Started February with	\$1,445.77
Income:	
Memberships - February	\$159.00
Products Sold - Grounded Hogs	\$220.00
Grounded Hogs advanced ticket sales	\$390.00
Grounded Hogs ticket sales at the door	\$580.00
Grounded Hogs Silent Auction	\$893.00
Grounded Hogs Live Auction	\$920.00
Grounded Hogs tips and donations	\$247.00
Food Shelf donations	\$13.00
Return of Grounded Hogs damage deposit	\$500.00
Return of Grounded Hogs start up cash	\$250.00
Total:	\$4,172.00
Expenses:	
First Class Road Noise mailed to Lake Chapter President	\$2.00
beer for Grounded Hogs	\$286.67
pop for Grounded Hogs	\$51.11
10% of Grounded Hogs auction proceeds to Dial-A-Ride	\$181.30
5% of Grounded Hogs ticket sales to MRF	\$84.00
5% of Grounded Hogs door ticket sales to Motorcycle PAC	\$29.00
Grounded Hogs Party split with state	\$1,001.46
NSF checks from Grounded Hogs	\$507.00
bank fee for NSF checks	\$24.00
transfer to Food Shelf fund	\$13.00
Chapter Rep hotel room (Jan BOD)	\$120.86
Lake Chapter MRF membership	\$100.00
Total:	\$2,400.40
February Ending Balance	\$3,217.37
Earmarks	
2018 Member of the Year plaque and Chapter paid Membership	\$50.00
Total:	\$50.00
Food Shelf Fund:	\$13.00
Gambling Fund:	\$304.49
MRF Fund:	\$194.25
Petty Cash:	\$26.55
Toys for Tots Fund:	\$0.00
Grand Total:	\$3,755.66
Spendable:	\$3,167.37

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- 4 SCOTT BITZER
- 5 Cyndi Buttweh
- 6 Jim Kossee
- 7 Jaida Ulrich
- 8 ~~Frank~~
- 9 Jifer
- 10 April
- 11 Buzz Plante
- 12 Jim FLORING
- 13 Shelly Deutch R.V.
- 14 Dan Leiding RV
- 15 Gary SPRACKLE
- 16 Jim Kallweg
- 17 Duil Jansen
- 18 Gruze Amund
- 19 W. Mike Edgett
- 20 W. MIKE EDGETT
- 21 SHERRY EDGETT
- 22 Scott Trout
- 23 ~~Jim Kallweg~~
- 24 Dave Ould
- 25 Chris Kallweg
- 26 Dhyllie Dichel
- 27 Curt Jensen
- 28 Colleen Jensen
- 29 Mr Nelson
- 30 Batman
- 31 Mar Nelson
- 32 Dale Morin
- 33 Marel Beyer

- 34 Mary Berger
- 35 Mack Backlund
- 36 MAUREEN EDWARDS
- 37 Jim Owo
- 38 Kristie Orn
- 39 Jodi Chirogge
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