

# WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** 08/24/09

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 7:30 p.m.

**ATTENDEES:** 35

**GUESTS:** New member Mike Carpenter

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**BLESSING:** Len Punzel

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Gary Niess

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Kay Sipple

**READING OF THE MINUTES:** Margo Virchow

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

## **COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS: JIM HENDERSON FOR ROGER YARNELL**

Roger and Sharon are enjoying a family vacation. Tonight will be the last meeting we will see Luke Stocker out of uniform for a while. He leaves on August 31<sup>st</sup> to report to Army basic training. Good luck, Luke!

## **OFFICER REPORTS:**

### **VICE COORDINATOR:**

**JIM HENDERSON**

See Coordinator's comments.

### **TREASURER:**

**LINDA HENDERSON FOR SHARON YARNELL**

**Deposits:** \$60 – proceeds from the sale of our extra ribs from Mid-Summer Run.

**Expenses:** \$60 NSF check from an EOS vendor + \$6 bank fee, \$75 to State for Toy Run sanctioning, \$89.50 to Charlie Chavez for Team OR course

**Balance:** \$3,575 remaining seed money for EOS, \$290 remaining seed money for the Not-So-Ugly Trailer, Working balance = \$3,231.06

Have EOS advance tickets for sale now. \$20 members, \$25 non-members. Will be \$5 higher at the gate.

### **LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR:**

**ED VAUGHN**

No report.

### **STATE BOARD REP:**

**MARGO VIRCHOW FOR ALLAN NICHOLS**

There are two tabled motions to vote on in September:

To send 4 people to the ACTS Conference in Hood River (American Community for Traffic Safety). Cost before September 25 = \$95 each, or \$380 for 4. Cost after September 25 is \$125 each, or \$500 for 4. Room rates are \$185.30/night DBL, or \$366.60 for 2 nights. After much discussion the chapter voted 28 in favor, 2 against. Will instruct Allan to vote in favor.

To buy a new state cargo trailer, cost = \$3,000, including decals for advertising. The old one is in sad shape. Cost estimate for parts to maintain the current trailer for the next few years is \$500. Ted has an offer to buy the old trailer for \$500 which will also offset the cost. After much discussion the chapter voted 16 in favor, 3 against. Will instruct Allan to vote in favor.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

**RICH VIRCHOW**

Flyers on the bar End of Summer Run, as well as yellow pocket cards that list our next several events. Sanctioning is finished for the Toy Run. There will be a Blues Revue on September 5 at Birkenfeld – see flyer for more info. Jim H. inquired whether the local dealerships had our EOS flyers and whether or not posters are printed. Rich will check with Ron Fryer re: getting some posters, flyers are at local dealerships.

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:**

**LINDA HENDER FOR CINDY HENDERSON**

**Members 328**

**Drawing \$ 106.75**

Last year at this time we had 270 members, so we're on the rise. Ted Tracy has won the membership drive with 8 recruits and will receive 1 entry to EOS, 1 event t-shirt, and 1 run pin.

**EDUCATION DIRECTOR:**

**TED TRACY**

Ted reminds everyone to keep your bike in gear at a stop, so you have a faster getaway plan in case of emergency behind you. Take an advanced Team OR course as well. If you pass, the chapter and state each reimburse ½. It will make you a better rider.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR: VACANT**

**WEBPAGE EDITOR:**

**ROBERT BEADLE**

No report.

**QUARTERMASTER:**

**PAUL HERING**

No report.

**HISTORIAN:**

**TRACE CECCACCI**

Absent. No report.

**CHAPTER PRODUCTS:**

**DAVE MEEKER**

This is our 20<sup>th</sup> annual EOS. Will have lots of t-shirts at the run. Bring money!

**WAYS & MEANS:**

**LUKE STOCKER**

Balance = \$966. Buy tickets at break.

**RUN COORDINATOR:**

**LEN PUNZEL**

EOS final details coming together. Will have Megan James band on Friday, Sinners Club on Saturday. Mark Pratt hopes to be off work to MC the weekend for us. Work party on Saturday, September 12 at the Birkenfeld property. Meet at Birkie's store at 10:00 a.m.

Toy Run – Plans are in progress.

We have a food box here at each meeting to collect donations for the Washington County Food Bank. Cash donations are also accepted as we can buy groceries based on the Food Bank's current needs. 2 cans of food = 1 door prize ticket.

**RUN COORDINATOR II:**

**JOHN KITTSON**

No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Gary Niess: 9/11 is a Memorial Run and candlelight vigil. Starts at Stewart Leathers, goes to 6 different fire stations. Camping overnight at Stewart Leathers and Swap Meet the next day.

Dave Meeker: Has Shriners Toy Run raffle tickets for sale - \$10 each to win a 2009 Fat Boy.

Rich Virchow: WaCo had a ballot and was asked to vote on best of show at the Wapato Showdown.

Scott: Westside Brother Speed is having their Wino Poker Run on 9/12. All poker stops are at wineries. Sign in from 10:00 – noon at Nacho Mama's. The Westside clubhouse has open house most Saturday nights starting at 7:00 p.m. Invites all to come down.

Two breakfast fundraisers coming up: Leedy Grange Hall this Saturday 8/29, 8:00 – 11:30 a.m. \$5 Forest Grove Grange Hall on 9/12. Flyers here tonight.

Linda Henderson: Ride this Saturday starting at the Wigwam Tavern in Scappoose. Check in is 9:00 a.m. and benefits the local Women's Resource Center.

Jim Henderson: Our Fall Road Clean-up will be Saturday, October 3.

Jim Henderson: Run Committee Meeting on Monday, August 31 at 7:30 at Jim & Linda's.

**NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME:** Monday, September 14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. PrimeTime in Forest Grove

**50/50 DRAWING:** \$27 Bill Michels

**MEMBERSHIP DRAWING:** \$106.75 Troy Ceballos was not present to win.

**CHAPTER MEETING ADJOURNED:** 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Margo L. Virchow*

Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary