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HAPPY

YEAR

NEW

Staff Comments

COORDINATOR

As your new State Coordinator, let me introduce myself, my name is Chuck Blankenship. I have 23 years of experience riding motorcycles. I've been a member of ABATE for 10 years and was Coordinator of Cecil County for 5 years. I've been Cecil County's legislative and safety representative. For the last two years I've been a safety instructor for Motorcycle Rider Safety Foundation in Maryland.

My main goals for this organization: is to make it work smoothly and to have solidarity in these areas: Politically, Socially and Financially.

I hope to make it to some chapter meetings now and then. I'll be at most of the events. I look forward to meeting everyone and if you have any comments, let me know.

Until next time-

ride safe,

Chuck

P.S. ALL COUNTY COORDINATORS AND TREASURERS: IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO HAVE COPIES OF YOUR MONTHLY BANK STATEMENTS SENT TO THE STATE OFFICE - ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED AT THE JAN. 14 STATE MEETING

Now is the time to plan those big summer events - we have a date set for the State Party - in Western Maryland. How about some activity on the Eastern Shore, you know an overnighter, with bands or a bike show?

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Attention all coordinators and membership secretaries for the counties:

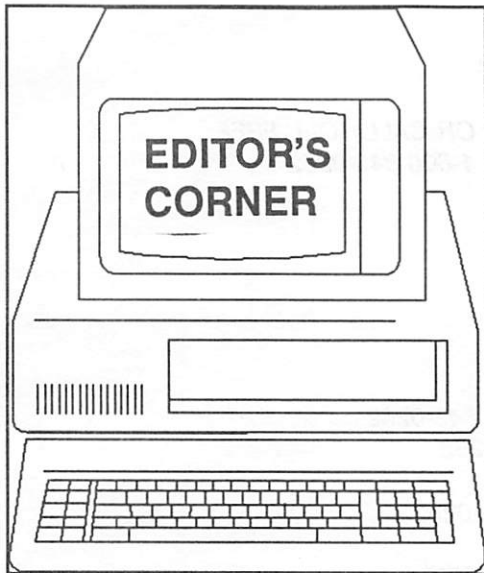
You need to send me a copy of your list of members that have an address or name correction, have not received a membership card or if you have any bogus names on the list you received in April. You will not receive an updated list of members from me until I receive this from you.

Send this to the State Office, P.O. Box 1733 Annapolis MD 21404.

LEGISLATIVE

All counties should have three representatives to participate during the General Assembly Sessions (which begin in January), to attend the Monday Night Lobbying. Choose your representatives now, you'll be receiving further information later.

Also, the Chafee Bill should not be ignored, if you're not into writing send a telegram!



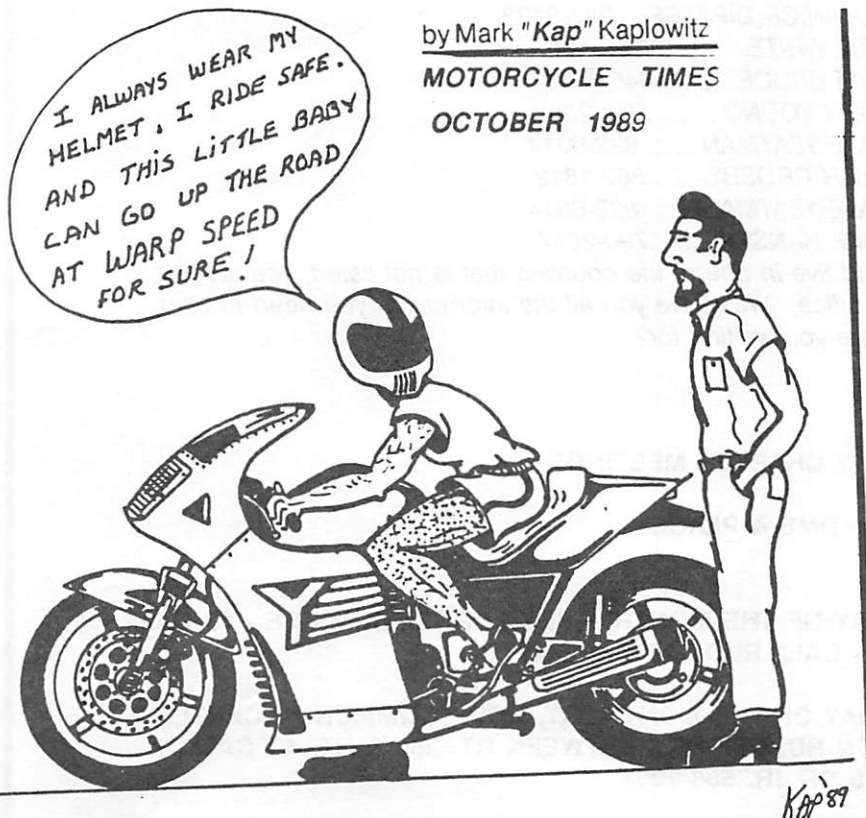
Hello!

I hope everyone has enjoyed the newsletters so far, I want to thank John Jordan for allowing me to print his artwork on this issue's cover. This was from his Toy Run tee shirt design last year. I also want to thank everyone who has sent me items to use in this issue, I can't use everything sometimes because of the space limitation. Please keep the articles coming. I also can use artwork, toons, and events flyers. To all County Newsletter Editors: It is your responsibility to send me copies of your newsletters and to notify me of any events coming in your chapter.

My address is 9312 Woodsboro Pike Walkersville, MD 21793.

The deadline for the next newsletter (February-March) is January 19!

That's all for now.
-Sally



by Mark "Kap" Kaplowitz
MOTORCYCLE TIMES
OCTOBER 1989

The main topic at the meeting was how much progress the Maryland Land Usage Committee has made towards establishing state-funded off-road riding areas in MD. A public hearing is scheduled for late Jan. in Charles County, site of the first Motorcycle Park. Discussion centered around how the dealers can encourage their off-road riding customers to write Governor Schaffer, Senator Mikulski, and Dr. Torry Brown, head of the Dept. of Natural Resources - the three officials with the most influence on our eventual success. It is hoped that all motorcyclists will inquire at their local dealer about this urgent matter.

Graduates of Delaware's state-funded rider education course will start getting insurance discounts in July, 1990. The state's General Assembly recently approved House Bill 250 - sponsored by Rep. Bruce Ennis (R-Smyrna) - which permits the state insurance commissioner to require insurance companies to reduce rates to motorcyclists who successfully complete the course.

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**If you received this Newsletter and live in one of the counties that is not listed, you are not being represented, why not call the State office. We'll give you all the information you need to start your regular meetings. Come on - what are you waiting for?*

COUNTY CHAPTER MEETINGS

TIME & PLACE

ANNE ARUNDEL LAST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH, RUDY BURGEE'S HOUSE - 13 OAK CT. ANNAPOLIS - CALL RUDY AT 224-2542

CALVERT FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH, MT. HOPE COMMUNITY CENTER - PUSHAW STATION RD. OFF RT.2 BETWEEN RT. 260 & RT. 4 - CALL BOB AT 855-4218 OR JR. 586-1951

CARROLL SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH, OS & GINNY'S (THE PIT), RT. 97 & W. MAIN, WESTMINSTER - CALL CLAY AT 876-9237

- CHARLES** **FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, LONE STAR BAR - INDIAN HEAD
HIGHWAY SOUTH TO LEFT ON GLYMONT RD, BAR 1/8 MILE ON LEFT -
CALL TOM AT 934-4944**

- FREDERICK** **FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 7:30 PM, BOB & DIANNE EILERS'
PLACE - 5014 WOODVILLE RD. MT. AIRY - CALL TOM AT 845-8868**

- HOWARD** **FREDERICK COUNTY WELCOMES YOU TO COME TO THEIR MEETINGS
CALL TOM AT 845-8868**

- MONTGOMERY** **FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, 8 PM, WOODS COZY CORNER,
OLNEY - THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, 8PM, PHILADEPHIA STYLE
RESTRUANT, GUDE DR. ROCKVILLE - CALL JOHN AT 942-2309**

- PRINCE GEORGES** **FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, LONE STAR BAR - INDIAN HEAD
HIGHWAY SOUTH TO LEFT ON GLYMONT RD, BAR 1/8 MILE ON LEFT -
CALL TOM AT 934-4944**

- ST. MARY'S** **SECOND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH, 7:30 PM, BENNET'S BAR -
BACKROOM, RT. 5 SOUTH OF LEONARDTOWN & COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS - CALL FAITH 862-1812**

- TRI-COUNTY OF EASTERN SHORE,
CAROLINE, QUEENE ANNES, TALBOT** **SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH, 11 AM, SIDE TRACK SALOON IN
EASTON. CALL DAVE AT 822-6041 OR ANDY 758-0523**

- WASHINGTON** **SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, 4 PM, GREENBRIER INN -
UPSTAIRS - CALL MIKE AT 790-2557**

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Motorcycle

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December 10, 1989**

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on right, thru gate. Building on right.**

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February 9, 10, 11, 1990**

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ATTENTION EVERYONE!

The Senate Hearing occurred on October 17th. The following Senators have not expressed their opinion on the S-1007 bill; therefore these are the Senators to target for letter writing:

**Burdick
Graham
BreauX
Lieberman**

Senators who have publically admitted that they oppose (they are on our side) the Chafee bill are:

**Warner
Jeffords
Reid
Symms
Durenberger
Humphrey
Simpson**

The issue that should be emphasized is State's Rights. If you don't want to write - send a Western Union message - dial 1-800-325-6000 ask for Hot Line 9490.

The following is an excerpt from a letter to Senator BreauX from Catherine Ditman, the Frederick County Chapter's Treasurer:

I am not a resident of Louisiana, but I am an American citizen and a registered voter. I am writing to express my strong opposition to Senate Bill S-1007.

I drive a car. I also ride a motorcycle. I believe that the use of protective equipment is, and should remain, a personal decision. At the very least, the administration of any such legislation should not be vested in the federal government. It smacks of coercion. Historically, democracy as we know it has thrived on a unified federal government coupled with the independent governments of the individual states. Mr. BreauX, I urge you to help us keep it that way.



BEWARE— NATIONAL HELMET LAW

NCOM's call for help

Senator Chafee

The National Coalition Of Motorcyclists asks every biker who believes in the freedom of the road to make his voice heard.

October 3 and 4 are the tentative dates set for the hearing on the Chafee Bill, S-1007. This federal bill (The National Highway Fatality and Injury Reduction Act of 1989) would blackmail all states into mandatory helmet and seat belt laws by withholding a portion of federal highway funds.

We urge each and every one of you to write the United States senators from your state, plus the senate members of the Environment and Public Works Committee, to let them know that this decision should be left up to the individual states, and not the federal government.

Senator Chafee (R-RI) has received hundreds of letters to this effect. The problem is, we feel Mr. Chafee has already made up his mind, and no amount of letter writing seems to persuade him to change his position. Your senators, on the other hand, may be able to apply the needed pressure on the committee that will help fight this devastating piece of legislation.

The time is now! If your state senators and other members of the Environment and Public Works Committee receive thousands of letters, it will make a difference and keep us free. We need everyone's help.

The following senators are members of the committee:

U.S. SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC WORKS

Majority Members - Democrats

Quentin N. Burdick (ND)
 511 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-0963

Daniel P. Moynihan (NY)
 464 Russell Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-32301
 (202) 224-4451

Joseph T. Lieberman (CT)
 123 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-0703

George J. Mitchell (ME)
 178 Russell Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-1902

Bob Graham (FL)
 241 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-0903

Max Baucus (MT)
 708 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-2602

Frank R. Lautenberg (NJ)
 717 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-3002

John B. Breaux (LA)
 516 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-1803

Harry M. Reid (NV)
 324 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-2803

Minority Members - Republicans

John H. Chafee (RI)
 567 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-3502

Alan K. Simpson (WY)
 251 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-5802

Steve Symms (ID)
 589 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-1202

James M. Jeffords (VT)
 126 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-4803

Dave Durenberger (MN)
 154 Russell Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-2301

John Warner (VA)
 223 Russell Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-2601

Gordon J. Humphrey (RI)
 531 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510-2901

Attorney Richard M. Lester (founder of AIM and NCOM) has pledged to keep telephone hot lines open 24 hours a day to inform you of the names and addresses of your United States senator. Call NCOM (800) 525-5355 or AIM (800) 531-2424.

In addition, a Western Union legislative hot line has been created for additional communication. This Mallogram has proven to have tremendous impact at a very small price. Each message costs \$5.75 and can be billed to your phone or a major credit card. The number to call is (800) 257-4900. When the Western Union operator answers, ask for hot line number 9490 (if switched to other operators, just keep asking for

hot line number 9490). The operator will read the pre-written messages, and you will be asked to select your choice. Then just tell the operator the state you live in or the senator you wish it sent to. This is a cheap price to pay for freedom, so please send one to both of your senators, and as many committee members as you can afford.

Your choice of messages are:

1. One of the most compelling factors in the success of American democracy is the unity of the federal government coupled with the continued diversity of the States. S-1007 strikes at the heart of that diversity. Vote NO on S-1007.

2. To use a seat belt or a helmet is a decision that should be reserved for the people. S-1007 is an attempt to erode the power of the people by coercing the states. Help preserve the 10th Amendment. Vote NO on S-1007.

3. Our state legislature has the power and the ability to develop traffic laws appropriate to conditions in this State. S-1007 is an example of federal coercion on an issue best left to the states. Vote NO on S-1007.

Our system of government will work if we all participate. You can help stop this coercive bill from becoming another bad law. Write or call today!

The following was printed in the Washington Post on October 15th

Motorist Charged With DWI in P.G.

By Debbie Price
Washington Post Staff Writer

Three people were killed and three were badly injured early yesterday in southern Prince George's County when a car crossed the center line of a rural road in Accokeek and plowed into the path of six motorcycles, police said.

The car driver, Bobby Dean Coates, 53, of Accokeek, was charged with driving while intoxicated and was released on his own recognizance, according to county police, who said further charges are pending.

Four other riders were unharmed.

"There was absolute devastation at the scene of the accident," said Cpl. Patrick Burley. "Debris was strewn all over the place and you had three totally destroyed motorcycles and a very heavily damaged car."

Other members of the Iron Horsemen, including Doane's cousin,

MOTORCYCLES, From D1
continued with their plans yesterday to help distribute toys, friends and family said. Members of the club gathered in the morning in Upper Marlboro, where they held hands and bowed their heads in a moment of silence for the victims before the toy run.

Most of the riders involved in the accident were members of the Iron Horsemen motorcycle club in Waldorf and were planning to participate in yesterday's national "Toy Run" to Baltimore, friends and family members said. The event, which draws more than 50,000 riders from across the country, is sponsored annually by the Motorcyclists for Operation Santa Claus, the Salvation Army and other nonprofit organizations. Participants collect toys and funds for Christmas presents for needy children.

Prince George's police said Coates's car swerved across the center line of Beallé Hill Road, about one mile from his home on Biddle Road, and struck three motorcycles head-on about 1:20 a.m.

None of the victims was wearing a helmet, police said.

Two of the cyclists, Brian Joseph Minor, 30, of the 12000 block of Charles Road in Wheaton, and Helen Doane, 24, of Waldorf, Md., were killed instantly on the road about 12 miles southeast of the District, police said. A third cyclist, Donald Blaylock, 38, of St. Leonard, Md., died at Southern Maryland Hospital Center of massive head trauma, police said.

Three other cyclists, including a husband-and-wife team, were injured. They were listed yesterday in serious to critical condition at area hospitals, police said. One of the victims was transported by helicopter to the shock-trauma center at the University of Maryland hospital in Baltimore, police said. Coates received facial injuries but refused treatment, police said.

Car Plows Into Path of 6 Motorcycles in P.G.

Doane, whose husband died three years ago, lived with her 6-year-old son, Lee, the family said. She was not a member of the cycle club but had recently begun dating one of the riders, her sister, Cathy Gray, said. The group apparently was on its way home from a gathering when the accident occurred, Gray said.

"Her son was her whole life and he adored her," Gray said. "We've told him what happened, but I don't think he understands."

Minor, a welder, also had a son, age 2, family members said.

The people involved in this accident were also ABATE members.

Most of the victims have left behind children - help make their holiday a little more bearable by sending a contribution on their behalf to:

Rudy Burgee
13 Oak Ct.
Annapolis, MD 21404

TOY RUN REPORTS

BALTIMORE

Unless you were totally laid up, you were probably at the October 14th Operation Santa Claus Toy Run in Baltimore. The weather was fantastic, the location wasn't. Unfortunately, it was the same day as the funeral for the Baltimore police officer who had been killed earlier that week. So all the cops that worked the Toy Run, could not attend the funeral - there were alot of unnecessary hassels by the cops to people wearing knives, the silly part was you could buy a knife once you got in to the festivities, you just could not bring one in - makes alot of sense, aaa?

Anyhow, the real meaning of the event is charity, and once again we have to thank everyone who attended and participated. You helped raise: \$20,000. for the Salvation Army, \$2,500. for the University of Maryland Pediatric Center and \$1,500. for the Baltimore City Summer Job Program. You helped donate 7 truck loads of new toys and canned food for the needy and helped to sponsor the Inner City Indoor Soccer League and the Howard County Youth Association and last but not least: 35 needy kids from the Fairins Elementary School in Baltimore will be receiving turkeys for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Give yourselves a pat on the back, you did a hell of a job.

Now let's see what we can do next year...

PRINCE GEORGES & CHARLES

Their 5th Toy Run was a big success! Thousands of people attended. They had a good band, great weather and field events and I heard it was a good location and facility. Everyone who attended should be proud you donated a truck load of canned food and toys for needy people in your area. The donations were split fifty-fifty between PG county Salvation Army and the Children's Aid Society in Charles County. Congratulations!



FREDERICK COUNTY ABATE
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Call Sally Bruce 301-845-8868 for more information

Events!

December

- December 9 ABATE of Cecil-Harford Counties are having a Christmas Party to benefit Needy Kids. It will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Rt. 40 (Polaski Hwy) in Elkton at 2 PM. Call Dominick for more information at 287-3123.
- Every Sunday till Xmas - ABATE of Calvert County will be sponsoring Turkey Shoots on Chaneyville Rd. in Owings, MD across from Northern High School - Call Bob for more info. 855-4218
- December 10 Montgomery County ABATE - 2nd Annual Toy Run - Toy Drive for the Children in Holy Cross pediatric ward - Call John for details 942-2309
- December 10 Swapmeet at Timonium Fairgrounds - Music all day with the Dixie Allstars (members from Blackfoot, Edgar Winter Group, Molly Hatchett and the Outlaws) and the Roadducks - Start at 10 AM (see flyer)
- December 16 Frederick County ABATE Christmas Party - 4 PM at Bob & Dianne's Garage in Mt. Airy - Bring canned food for the needy of Frederick County and a covered dish for the hungry bikers. Call Tom at 845-8868 for info.

January

- January 10th The Maryland General Assembly Convenes in Annapolis the beginning of the legislative year in Maryland
- January 14th State ABATE staff meeting - all coordinators should be there (if you can't be there - send a representative) 12 Noon State office in Annapolis
- January 28th Frosty Balls Poker Run, Norm's Motorcycle World, info:(301)284-5330

February

- February 9-11 International Bike Show in Baltimore at Festival Hall (see flyer)
- February 17 Frederick County ABATE is sponsoring a dance at This Is It - South Mountain Band will play (see flyer)

March

- March 2-11 Daytona Bike Week, Florida

*sometime after Daytona in the Spring - The ABATE Bike Show





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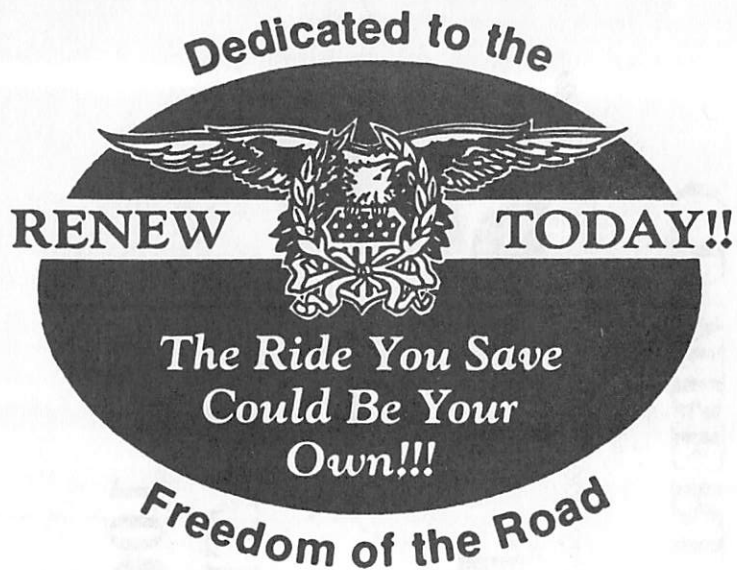
Food and Drinks will be available

DIRECTIONS: 70 West to 48 West to 220 South to Fairgrounds

Further information call: In State 1-800-843-0252 OR out of state 301-845-8868

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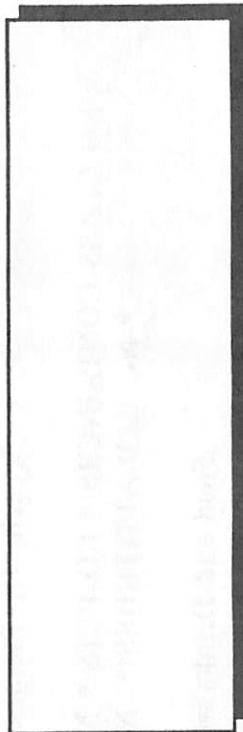
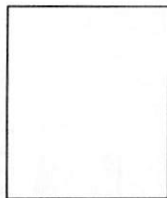
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City _____ Phone _____

State _____ Zip _____

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