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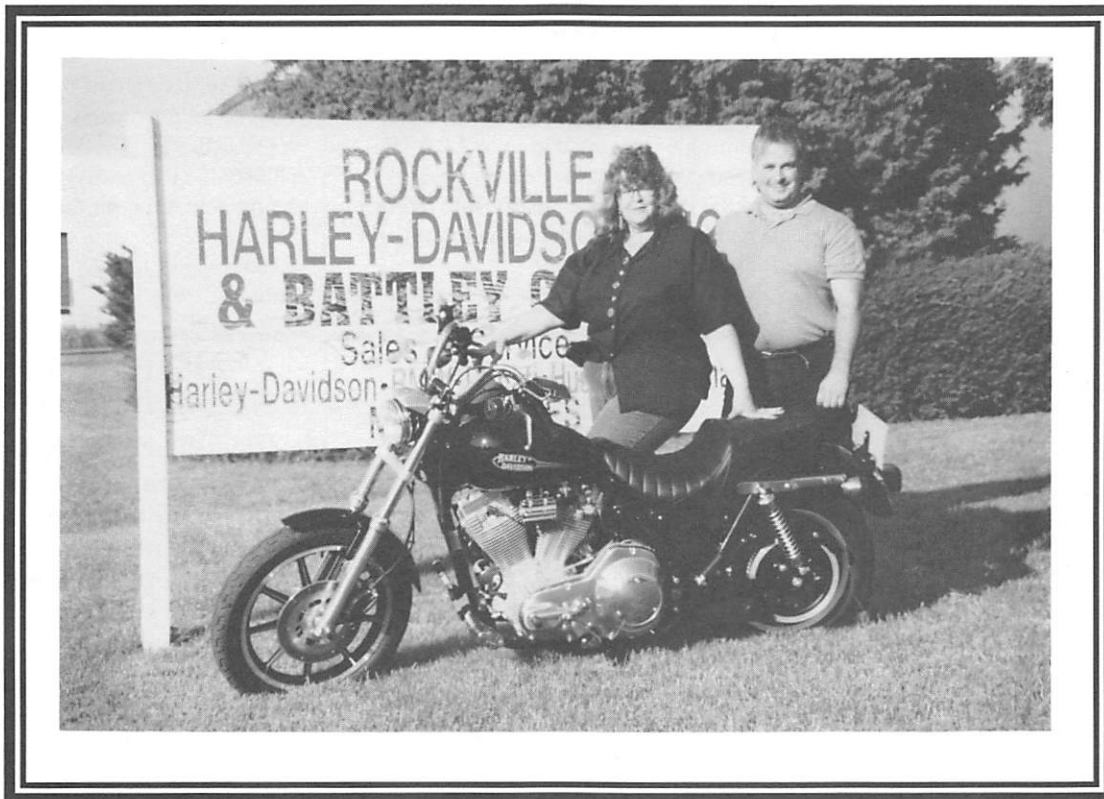


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## ***ABATE OF MARYLAND NEWSLETTER***

*September/October 1993*



**Linda Galford**  
**Anne Arundel County Chapter**

**Bike Raffle Winner!**

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***The next state staff meeting will be held on September 19, 1993, at 12 noon. Every chapter should have a representative attend!***

**October 1, 1993, is the cutoff date for the November/December 1993 newsletter. All information (articles, classified ads, letters to the editor, whatever) must be received by this date. Send all information to the ABATE office.**

## From The Editor

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

As I sit here on the editorial throne of ABATE of Maryland, looking back on the last year's worth of issues I have had a hand in producing, I am filled with a sense of pride. Or maybe that's just the burrito I had for lunch. Either way, it is with great sadness and regret that I step down as Editor of this newsletter. My own business is starting to take off, and I need to dedicate more time to that. Thus I will not have the time necessary to produce a newsletter of the style and quality you deserve. To those of you who enjoy my iterations when our ever-faithful Gov screws us, fear not. I shall continue to rag his ass whenever I am allowed the space. I have every intention of staying active in ABATE, so you can expect to see me at events and the like. I have greatly enjoyed the time I have spent working with you and for you. Thank you.

Now on to the good stuff. (Or maybe you think that was the good stuff.) The second annual helmet protest run is going on in October, with some pretty cool stuff associated with that gig, not to mention the MOSC toy run. (Last year was a blast, I worked one of the beer trucks for a while. You can bet your ass I'll be at this one.) The Gov's reign is coming to a close, and there is no shortage of candidates vying for the position. Yeah, I know our favorite idiot still has 13 more months to go, but you never know. He could slip and fall, lightning could strike, etc. You know what they say. "Tomorrow, tomorrow, there's always tomorrow..."

Anyway, I've about filled the space I had, so let me close with this. **YOU'RE STILL A BUTTHEAD, MIKE!!!** (I'm really going to miss being able to get in the last word!)

Later,  
John

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## From The Director's Desk

Hope are enjoying our riding season here in Maryland!

On the ABATE front we have some great news. The Cumber land party and the raffle were great successes! Several chapters have put on some great events lately too. All of this has contributed toward ABATE being on sound financial footing for now, and it is all because of you. Thank you! You deserve a big pat on the back. This organization was faced with near bankruptcy this time last year, but we have all worked hard and turned that situation around. For the first time in several years, we have enough money in the bank that we won't have to live from month to month wondering if we can meet our bills. By no means can we sit back and rest for too long, because we need to get to the next legislative session with a bankroll big enough to communicate to the entire membership and the rest of the motorcycling community. We can do it, and we will--just come on out to the events, participate any way you can, we have lots of work ahead of us.

Coming up soon is the 2nd Annual Helmet Law Protest Rally and Run to the Capital. We will meet at the Anne Arundel Fairgrounds, have guest speakers, then go for the run, come back and listen to some live music, have a skydiving parachutist drop in, and have a great day shopping from the vendors, eating some food and drinking some beverages. Again this is a membership appreciation event. All current members will be admitted free and membership will be available for purchase at the gate. The event will include the largest motorcycle run in Maryland. Last year we had a thousand motorcycles in the run. Let's get a bigger number than that. We've been riding around Maryland with these buckets on our heads for nearly a

year now, so let's get together and show our united disapproval for this law. Rain or shine, it will be a good one. There will be live music, vendors, and food and beverages available. See the flyer for details. The ABATE of Maryland staff are working on getting a permit so that everyone can ride the way they choose, we will also have police escorts, and hopefully the traffic police in the city like we had last year. I don't know what the outcome will be on the permit. Just know that we are working on getting the approval. Everyone is welcome, whether they ride or not, certainly it would be just as fine if we had a procession of automobiles riding after the motorcycles. Last year our procession was several miles long, let's make this one bigger. Tell everyone.

The MOSC Toy Run will be held on Saturday, October 16 at the GM Parking Lot in Baltimore. This is a new location. See the flyer for details. This is the largest one-day motorcycling event. It is the place to go to show our concern for disadvantaged children and families. Bring non-perishable foods or new toys. Hey, stuffed animals are cute and I know they look cool riding on a bike, but kids outgrow those things pretty fast. If you can, why not get something for the older kids, sometimes they get left out at Christmas; and besides, shopping for toys is fun.

It's that time when we need to start thinking about the legislature. Since our rights are being debated and threatened on both the federal and state levels, ABATE of Maryland has started a committee for the Helmet Law repeal. Gary Boward, the director for Washington County is the chair of that committee. Gary has been an active member for over twelve years, he was very busy last legislative session

working on the Safety Program Bills and communicating with the delegates and senators. He understands the legislative process in Maryland and he knows and is recognized by the key players in Annapolis. They know he represents ABATE. Anyone can help out on this committee. We have questionnaires, brochures, and other literature that need to be disseminated to the legislators. We need to follow up with phone calls and memos. We need to seek sponsors and co-sponsors for a repeal bill. We need to verify member's voting districts and develop lines of communication to our members to get in touch with their representatives. We need to track the governor's race as it will be heating up this year as well. I may have missed some things, but this gives you an idea as to how much work needs to be done. If you are interested call your chapter director, or call Gary, or call the ABATE office.

The last item on my list of things to mention is the MRF Convention. Several ABATE staff members will be going to the Convention this year. This is usually a two and a half day event that is packed full of seminars and workshops. This is a wonderful learning experience and is a way to re-charge our energies as some of us are primed for getting burned out on Motorcycle Rights. So several of the chapter directors are going to this convention, which is the last weekend in September. When you see them after they get back, be sure to ask questions about the convention. They will probably have a lot of good information to share.

That's all for now. See you at the Rally and the Toy Run!

Sally

# ABATE OF MARYLAND, INC.



*presents the*

## **2nd Annual Helmet Law Protest Run & Rally**

### **October 10, 1993**

*Rain or Shine*

***Meet at the Anne Arundel Fairgrounds at 10:00 a.m.***

***Guest Speakers at 10:45***

***Run to the Capitol at 11:30***

#### ***Afternoon Activities:***

***Live Music***

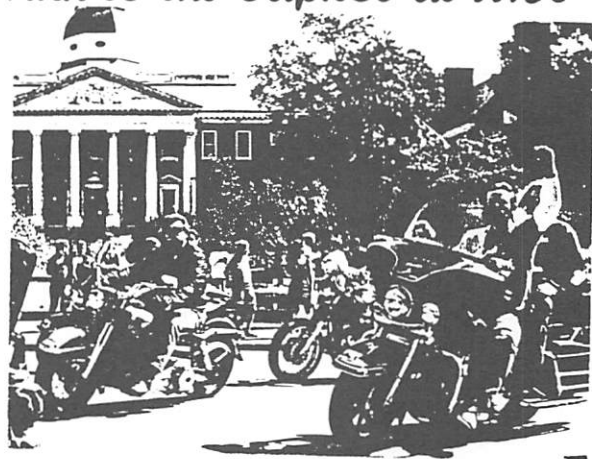
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and our united disapproval for the mandatory helmet law.***

***Call 1-410-263-9185 for more information.***

# TOY RUN '93

## Motorcyclists Operation Santa Claus

Sat., Oct. 16, 1993

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## "Cool the Harley stuff. I ride a Yamaha Big Single (SR500)."

On July 15th, I was in the ABATE office and the above statement, written on a renewal application, was brought to my attention. Through reading that statement and some personal P.R. work, I have found that an alarming number of folks out there are "riding" on a great misconception of ABATE. The majority of us know and understand ABATE's cause and basic principles, but I feel that a reminder to the membership is necessary at this time. I've been hit-up with questions and statements from people who have heard of ABATE (but who aren't members), everything from "Why are you talking to me? I don't have a Harley," to the above printed statement, to "I didn't think I could be a member because I don't have a Harley." Sure, every individual who rides has their preference of bike. Not only do I ride a Heritage, but you can pretty much tell what kind of bike I ride just by looking at me due to my attire. But that's me. ABATE, on the other hand folks, doesn't practice brand discrimination. ABATE is not a Harley click. The organization, as a whole, is dedicated to responsible legislation concerning all riders and their bikes, regardless of

origin of manufacturer. On every bike there is a rider. With every rider there is a vote. Every vote is equally important to ABATE's cause and principles. There will always be the rivalry between American and foreign-manufactured bike riders, but through it all, ABATE's strength is derived from unity. Now, more than ever before, we motorcyclists must pull our strengths together. Make those calls. Write those letters. We have to let the bureaucrats know that it's our choice on the decision of helmet use; that it is discrimination to be singled-out by the catastrophic health insurance bill; that it's against the law for the insurance companies to deny coverage simply because of "risky lifestyle," which can be anything from riding motorcycles, skateboards, and roller blades, to bungee and parachute jumping, to mountain climbing and scuba diving. Big Brother wants us all to sit in our homes wearing out our thumbs punching remote control buttons. I don't know about ya'll out there, but I'm tired of wearing that damned brain bucket 'cause they say "YOU GOTTA!" I want to ride free

again, people. How about you? Let's spread the right words to newcomers.

PREZ  
(On His Soapbox)  
Assistant Coordinator  
Anne Arundel County Chapter

### F.Y.I.

**We are still out of first and second year pins. They are back-ordered from ABATE of Indiana and as soon as they come in we will be sending them out to those who have received an I.O.U. We currently owe approximately 200 for each year, so give us some time to get them out when they finally get here. Thanks for your patience!**

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## Counties' Corner

### Anne Arundel County

Coordinator: John Odell  
(410) 647-1159

Meetings are the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at True Pit BBQ on Route 3 in Crofton. Come a little early and have dinner with us before the meeting.

Meetings have been pretty well attended, about a fifth of our county membership on the average. A few of us have been getting together for rides and other chapter events over the summer. No money-making ventures yet for us, but soon, we hope. We're not complaining though. We seem to be doing pretty well at the events we've attended; Linda won the '93 Super Glide raffled at the party in Cumberland, and Joyce won two trophies and \$400 certificates for more tattoos, then she had the winning hand at the Washington County Pig 'n Poker Run in July. If you haven't been able to join us for any rides or events so far, plan on doing so for the next one.

We're ending the summer with a Ride & Picnic and have started to move on an event/membership drive to be held sometime later. We are also working on having a state delegate from Anne Arundel County attend a chapter meeting in the fall to talk to us about how to be more effective with our lobbying efforts in Annapolis.

We did start a chapter newsletter in July, which should come out every other month (for now). Hope you find it interesting and useful. If not, let us know what you would like to see. Articles, ads, letters, etc., are being solicited. Send your stuff to the address below or bring it to the chapter meeting. See you there!

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Anne Arundel County Chapter  
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Millersville, MD 21108

### Baltimore County

Coordinator: Wil Crum  
(410) 780-9342

First of all, I'd like to inform everybody that I have moved and my new phone number is above.

Our meetings are at Ron's Golden "50s" Drive-In, 313 Back River Neck Road, Essex, Maryland, at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. I urge our chapter members to please come to a meeting a see what's going on. Lately our attendance has been down and I would like to see more people become active. The success of ABATE depends on our members' individual involvement. Just being a member isn't enough anymore.

On Sunday, July 24th, we had a ride to Senator Larry Haines' fundraiser picnic at the Carroll County Agricultural Center. We had eight riders leave from Baltimore. Later, we met two more riders in Owings Mills and then joined up with eight members of the Freedom's Few M/C. When we arrived, with 18 rolling across the open road leading to the parking lot, we were definitely noticed.

All together there were ABATE members from Baltimore and Carroll Counties, members of the Freedom's Few M/C, Rambling M/C, and Care-4-MD. Lynn Oldenburg and Tom Greenbank were also present.

I believe this is a good example of how motorcyclists band together to support the legislators that support us.

### Calvert County

Coordinator: Gene Gullickson  
(301) 855-7999

Meetings are held at The Paris Station restaurant and bar, formerly known as Lazy J's Bar, located on Route 260

(about two miles east of MD Route 2) in Owings, Maryland, on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

### Carroll County

Coordinator: Tina Keith  
(410) 857-5846

The September meeting will be held at Dean's Restaurant on Route 30 in Hampstead. In October, the meeting will be at the Frisco Pub, across from Shoney's on Route 140 in Westminster. Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Thanks to all Carroll County members for putting forth such good effort to make our first poker run a success. Please respond to the survey in your county newsletter. If something needs to be added let us know.

I would like to make a personal comment -- I have been getting a little heat under my collar lately. After nine years as a Carroll County member supporting ABATE 110 percent and two years as coordinator, I could talk 'til my face turns blue (and I'm pretty good at that). However, I can't stress how much more we can do with more "members" than individuals.

Let's keep riding in the sun!

### Cecil County

Coordinator: Bob Grier  
(410) 287-6970

Meetings are on the third Sunday of each month at the VFW on Route 272 in Northeast, Maryland. Meetings start at 2:00.

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## Counties' Corner

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### **Southern Maryland (P.G. and Charles Counties)**

Coordinators: Don Harvey  
(Charles County) - (301) 843-1658;  
Matthew Menke (Prince George's  
County) - (301) 702-1096

Meetings are on the first Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon at the Lone Star Saloon in Glenmont. Chapter officers meet at 11:30.

### **Frederick County**

Coordinator: Pat Mullen  
(301) 898-3626

Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Tank's Place in Frederick.

### **Harford County**

Coordinator: Merrill Padden

Meetings are held upstairs at Harvey's Place on Route 1 in Dublin on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Feel free to attend and enjoy the company of your fellow bikers. Find out the happenings around the state and be informed about the legislative issues affecting motorcyclists. All are welcome.

On July 24th, we held our first ever Poker Run. We made money; however, I was very displeased with the turnout. Many thanks to those who assisted in organizing the event. Your dedication is greatly appreciated. Our next poker run is scheduled for November 12 and maybe with what we learned from our first, this will be a better event.

### **Howard County**

Coordinator: Tom Greenbank  
(301) 854-0228

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Friendly Inn at 144 and Folly Quarter in Ellicott City.

### **Kent County**

Kent County members should come to the Mid-Shore Chapter meetings at Manny's Restaurant in Easton on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

### **Montgomery County**

Coordinator: Mike Sage  
(301) 460-8464

Meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Grand Marquis Cafe in Olney at 8:00 p.m.

### **St. Mary's County**

Coordinator: Mike Lewis  
(301) 863-0377

Meetings are held on the second Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Country Store on Route 244, south of Leonardtown.

It's hard to believe that the summer is gone. It went by too fast. I hope each of you enjoyed the riding and events this year. I certainly did. The ABATE party in Cumberland was a ball. The Beach Party on June 26 was also great fun and Turtle set up a good route for us to ride. We had 112 hands played; our largest poker run to date. We had a Crab Feast and a Rodeo scheduled for August and will update you on those events next time. A reminder that there will be a Toy Run on September 18 at

Rick's Sports Bar Ball Field in Callaway, Maryland, to benefit the needy kids of Southern Maryland. This is not a Chapter event, but many of our members are working very hard to make this run a success. If you have not made plans for September 18, please give this run a shot. It's a first attempt at something this big in St. Mary's County and we sure could use the support.

Please continue to write letters and make calls to our legislators. We still need to apply pressure on Senator Mikulski and Senator Sarbanes to support S.296. We have to let them know how we feel and what we want. Thanks to all who stay involved and lend their support. A special thanks to all of the retiring officers. Few know the time and effort you have put towards making this chapter strong and active. On behalf of all the membership, thanks. I would like to extend a welcome to the new officers. We have a big job ahead of us this coming year and I am confident that you are all up to meeting the challenges.

### **Mid-Shore Chapters**

Coordinators: Wes Cowley  
(Caroline) - (410) 820-6585;  
Wayne McCarty (Dorchester) -  
(410) 943-8575; Bill Kuykendall  
(Queen Anne) - (410) 758-2234;  
Marty Schultz (Talbot) - (410)  
745-5136

Meetings are at Manny's Restaurant, Ocean Gate Way (Route 50 East) in Easton on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. We also get together the second Sunday of every month at Manny's for breakfast and a ride.

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## Counties' Corner

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### Mid-Shore Chapters (Continued)

Come on out to the September 1st meeting to meet your new chapter directors, find out how the Bike Show/Swap Meet went (in case you didn't make it), and find out what else the Chapters are going to be doing and what's happening in ABATE as an organization.

Interested in a Helmet Protest Rally/Party? Come out to the meetings to get all the details!

On September 12th, members of the Mid-Shore Chapters and others will hold the annual benefit party for the Adams children at Mickey's in Henderson.

**Washington County**  
Coordinator: Gary Boward  
(301) 824-2782

Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the Greenbriar Inn, Route 40, East of Hagerstown.

Our Pig 'n' Poker Run was a success with "most" everyone having a great time. Thanks to all who attended.

The San-Mar Children's Home Bar-B-Que had a good turnout and, more importantly, the kids had a great time.

The Crab & Chicken Feed is on September 11, 1993.

With the Protest Run on October 10, 1993, our regular meeting will probably be changed. This information will be relayed to the membership when the date is decided.

P.S. Indian Joe is finally getting up and around. Not healed entirely, but up and around.

### Lower Eastern Shore Chapters

Coordinators: Linda Wainer  
(Wicomico) (410) 749-2674;  
Evelyn Reter (410) 957-1690

Meetings are held the first Sunday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at English's Restaurant, Route 13 South, Salisbury.

**County Coordinators are reminded that reports for the next newsletter must be received ON OR BEFORE October 1, 1993.**

**No exceptions.**

# ABATE OF MARYLAND

Washington County Chapter

## CRAB & CHICKEN FEED

SEPTEMBER 11, 1993



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July 14, 1993

Mr. Dave Presley  
PO Box 1733  
Annapolis, MD 21404

Dear Mr. Presley:

I am writing regarding your expressed interest in H.R. 799, Congresswoman Olympia Snowe's (R-ME) bill regarding motorcycle helmets.

As you know, the *Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA)* contained two provisions dealing with state-passed laws regarding motorcycle helmets. One provision provided additional funds as an incentive to states that adopted motorcycle helmet laws. The other redirected state highway money in an effort to punish states without such laws.

Congresswoman Snowe introduced H.R. 799, which would maintain the incentive, but remove the punishment. While I do not necessarily oppose mandatory helmet laws, I have decided that such decisions should be left to the states, not the federal government. For this reason, I have cosponsored H.R. 799.

Thanks again for your interest in this issue and I hope you will keep in touch.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wayne".

Wayne T. Gilchrest  
Member of Congress

WTG:jdw

## Ask Jay

**Question:** As a rider, I'm sure you've experienced the following. I would like to know your opinion on being refused admission and/or service of motorcyclists because of what you rode in on or that you happen to have a Harley shirt on. My wife and I have been asked to leave many restaurants and bars even after ordering our food after the manager notices the bike or shirts. This is discrimination. I'm strongly considering legal action.

What are my chances of winning? Aside from the dress code, can they serve who they want to serve legally?

**Answer:** On an individual level, in Maryland, it is very difficult to win a discrimination case as the statutory support is very limited. Discrimination is legal (I can serve who I want, when I want) as long as it does not violate any of the constitutionally or statutorily protected groups (race, creed, color,

national origin, sex, age, handicap. . .). California, unlike Maryland, has a separate statute which has been judicially determined to apply to motorcyclists and their apparel. Local organizations such as ABATE of Maryland are constantly looking for ways of ending discrimination, including sponsoring legislature similar to California's. If you are not a member of such a group, you should join. The phone number for ABATE of Maryland is 1-800-843-0252. They can give you information as to how to handle economic boycotts or, at least, "motorcyclist-friendly establishments" so that you can eat and drink comfortably.

**Question:** How is it that it is illegal to wear a helmet while driving a car and illegal not to wear one while driving a motorcycle? If the above is true and the reasons are the obvious, I'm surprised that there isn't a legal precedent for having the motorcycle helmet law repealed or making helmets mandatory for car drivers. I imagine this question gets asked a lot. However, I've never seen it in print or heard an answer.

P.S.--I should think that for a state to accept money from the federal government would be a conflict of interest with "states rights" and so should be illegal.

**Answer:** Unfortunately, as best as I have ever been able to determine, there is nothing illegal about wearing a helmet while driving a car in Maryland.

Although I have heard rumors of "somebody" being charged in the past, no one has ever been able to validate it. I have also spoken with several police officers and none of them are aware of the alleged incident.

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## AIM Representatives Needed For Maryland

AIM is looking for representatives to assist its local attorney. It is specifically looking for persons that can cover the following areas:

- Eastern Shore
- Southern Maryland
- Western Maryland
- D.C. and Suburbs
- Northern Maryland
- Baltimore Metropolitan Area

What will the AIM representative have to do?

1. Be on call to the AIM Attorney to interview new clients, especially those that are hospitalized or bed-ridden, and to investigate accident scenes, contact witnesses, obtain police reports, etc.
2. Visit various motorcycle shops and stores, distributing AIM materials.
3. Attend motorcycle events to supervise the distribution of AIM materials and sign up new members, and arrange for meetings with motorcycle groups and clubs to discuss and disburse AIM materials and sign up new members.

Best of all, you can get paid for your time and effort.

If you are interested, please prepare a resume and send it directly to:

Jay Irwin Block, Esquire  
110 Painters Mill Road, Suite 21  
Owings Mills, MD 21117  
(410) 356-6555 or (800) 875-6554

## AMA Government Relations News

### AMA Offers Hotline to Washington

The AMA's Legislative Hotline is now in service, giving motorcyclists from coast to coast a chance to express their views on two key federal issues.

The Legislative Hotline was established to allow motorcyclists to react quickly when important issues arise on Capitol Hill or in their own states. Since the service began on June 7, more than 600 motorcyclists have used the Hotline to have pre-written Mailgrams sent to their elected representatives in Washington, DC.

Currently, the AMA's Hotline is geared up to generate opposition to two controversial federal measures. The first is the California Desert Protection Act (S.21), which would lock out all motorized travel from vast stretches of the desert. Unless large numbers of motorcyclists act now, this bill could pass out of committee and be sent to the Senate floor for final action.

The other issue concerns the federal plan to coerce states into passing mandatory helmet laws covering all motorcyclists. Under the federal requirements, states must pass helmet laws or they will be forced to shift a portion of their federal highway construction funds to safety programs. However, the AMA's Hotline has been set up to promote two bills--S.295 and H.R.799--that would remove the sanctions against states refusing to pass helmet laws.

According to Robert Rasor, AMA vice president of government relations, the initial response to the Hotline has been encouraging. He noted that the system makes it easy and quick for motorcyclists to register their opinions on these important issues.

"This Hotline could mean the difference between success and failure

in the outcome of these measures," said Rasor. "We need calls from thousands of concerned riders to give motorcycling additional clout during this critical time."

To reach the AMA's Legislative Hotline, call (900) 454-RIDE. Callers will be asked which issue (desert closure or federal helmet laws) they wish to address. Then a pre-written Mailgram will be sent to the appropriate representative. The charge is \$4.95, billed to the caller's monthly telephone statement. All callers must be 18 or older to participate.

### Florida Riders Unite To Protect Safety Program

The cause of motorcycle rider-education is safe in Florida, reports the AMA.

A new law now on the books in Florida will protect the state's rider training program, which has been raided by legislators on several occasions to balance deficits in other areas of the budget. Motorcycle riders in the state have funded the safety program with an extra \$2.50 per license fee. But since 1987, lawmakers have used a loophole to "borrow" more than \$1 million of those funds.

However, that loophole was finally plugged this year, thanks to the lobbying efforts of ABATE of Florida, the Florida Motorcycle Dealers Association, the Motorcycle Industry Council and other concerned motorcyclist groups. The protection bill was quickly passed by the state Legislature, and it automatically became law when Florida Gov. Lawton Chiles took no action to oppose it.

As a result, the state is now required to place the money paid by motorcyclists into a legally protected account that can be used only to provide rider training courses.

"We applaud the efforts of motorcyclists in Florida," said Chris Kallfelz, AMA legislative affairs specialist. "They continued to promote this important effort even when the situation looked bleak, and now they can celebrate victory. We congratulate them on a job well done."

### Congress Hears Testimony on Highway Package

The AMA has called on the federal government to fund a new, comprehensive study of motorcycle accidents. The Association's appeal came in a hearing before a U.S. House of Representatives subcommittee to analyze the effects of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA), adopted late in 1991.

In testimony before the House Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, AMA Washington Representative Jim Bensberg pointed out that it has been more than a decade since extensive research had been conducted on motorcycle accidents. He called on legislators to shift funding into this area from other programs that deal entirely with the issue of mandatory helmet-use laws.

The last in-depth study on the causes of motorcycle accidents was carried out in the 1970s by the University of Southern California Traffic Safety Center. That study, organized by Professor Hugh H. (Harry) Hurt, included a comprehensive analysis of 900 motorcycle accidents. The findings of the study are still being used extensively in designing motorcycle safety programs.

"Motorcyclist fatalities nationwide have plummeted by almost 55 percent since 1980," noted Bensberg. "Now it's time to explore new avenues of

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research so we can continue this trend well into the future."

The hearing also gave the AMA an opportunity to testify on a wide range of issues passed as part of ISTEA, from motorcycle safety funding to High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes.

In addition, the AMA, along with the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and ABATE of California, argued against language in the current law that proposes penalties for states that don't pass mandatory helmet laws.

Also opposing the helmet-law language were Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell (D-Colorado) and Rep. Olympia Snowe (R-Maine). The two have recently introduced bills, designated as S.401 and H.R.799, respectively, that would reduce the pressure on states to enact helmet laws.

The AMA's testimony and the concerns raised by the other motorcyclist groups had an impact, especially on West Virginia Rep. Nick Joe Rahall, chairman of the Surface Transportation subcommittee.

Referring to the helmet-law provision in the highway act, Rahall stated, "It seems like a cruel hoax is being perpetrated upon the motorcycle public. First we have an incentive grants program that is really a disincentive. . . then under a blackmail regime, we try to force states to enact helmet laws, but place the burden on motorcycle riders themselves as to what constitutes a legal helmet."

"I have no love for this program. It smacks of Big Brotherism," Rahall added.

### Motorcyclists Oppose Desert Protection Bill

The American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) has called on federal lawmakers to oppose a controversial land-use plan for the California desert. The appeal came in a hearing before a U.S. House of Representatives subcommittee to consider a version of the highly restrictive California Desert Protection Act introduced by Rep. Richard Lehman (D-California).

Appearing before the House National Parks, Forests and Public Lands Subcommittee, Kurt Hathaway of the AMA's District 37 organization, which covers Southern California, urged congressmen to support H.R.2379, an alternative to Lehman's controversial desert plan.

The Lehman proposal, known as H.R.518, is nearly identical to Sen. Dianne Feinstein's desert protection bill introduced in the Senate. Either bill would designate 9 million acres of the desert as wilderness or national park land, closed to a wide range of activities, including motorized recreation.

The alternative measure being offered by Rep. Jerry Lewis (R-California) represents a balanced approach to management of the desert. Billed as the California Desert and Employment Preservation Act, it would scale down the amount of proposed wilderness land to 2.3 million acres and allow a variety of land uses to continue in other areas.

"The California Desert and Employment Preservation Act balances the critical need for desert protection with the very legitimate economic concerns of those who live and work in the desert," said Lewis. "This will provide a common-sense middle ground toward protecting our desert and our economy long-term."

The AMA supports Lewis' approach to balancing different needs in the California desert.

"We recognize the need for preservation of fragile wilderness areas, as well as providing for multiple-use trails and corridors for all outdoor enthusiasts to use," Hathaway told House subcommittee members. "While no legislative vehicle is ever perfect, this one comes as close as possible and warrants our support."

Motorcyclists are urged to write personal letters to their elected officials, urging them to support Lewis' desert-use proposal, H.R.2379. Letters should be addressed to senators at the United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510, and to congressmen at the U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515.

### Iowa Motorcyclists Defeat Discriminatory Legislation

Thanks to the combined efforts of several motorcycling organizations, a discriminatory piece of legislation that could have severely affected Iowa motorcyclists has been defeated, reports the AMA.

The legislation--designated SF-142--was vetoed recently by Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad.

In its final version, SF-142 contained two provisions that would have dramatically changed Iowa's current motorcycle laws.

The first provision would have required helmet use for all motorcyclists, unless they paid a special surcharge to the state--set at \$28 for the first year, but expected to rise substantially thereafter.

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## Attention: Members

Greetings Members!

As you may well know by now, there is a new Products Coordinator. That's me -- Mike Maude. I hope we will have a long a prosperous relationship and I hope to meet all of you soon. I plan on attending at least one chapter meeting in each county before the end of the year.

My goal in this position is to help ABATE (us) achieve our goals in all future endeavors to restore the Constitution of the United States in regard to personal freedoms, specifically in the world of motorcycling. This goal requires the two things we don't have a lot of -- MEMBERS and MONEY!

As I see it, ABATE products, handled properly, marketed honestly yet shrewdly, in the spirit of good ol' American "free" enterprise, can be a source of revenue in the near future to help ABATE achieve our goals and attract new members.

In the following questionnaire, I'm proposing specific ideas and products that through my own observations and experience as a consumer, will sell. I'm asking for your input and help.

For time's sake, please keep all suggestions simple and forward your best ideas no more than two or three at a time. I hope to hear all of them.

Please elect a product representative from your county chapter and forward

their name and telephone number to me. This will help simplify the handling of products. I will be in contact as soon as possible.

I would ask you to wish me luck; however, this is a "we" thing and I can't do it without you!

Thanks for your time,

Mike Maude  
Products Coordinator  
ABATE of Maryland, Inc.  
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Millersville, MD 21108

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"This surcharge scheme was totally unacceptable," said AMA Legislative Affairs Specialist Chris Kallfelz. "If legislators can charge motorcyclists to maintain their freedom of choice concerning helmet use, then what would be next? Would they impose surcharges on horsepower, on displacement or maybe on the brand of motorcycle a person rides?"

The other troubling provision would have required mandatory rider-education classes for all new motorcycle license applicants. "The AMA strongly urges all motorcyclists to take rider-education classes," said Kallfelz. "But the state of Iowa wasn't ready to implement such a program. It doesn't have enough training sites, motorcycles, instructors or money. Rider-ed course fees would have skyrocketed, while the waiting period to take such a course would have stretched to months or even years."

Kallfelz noted that many new motorcyclists may have simply ridden illegally under the terms of the legislation.

"Thanks to the combined efforts of ABATE of Iowa, the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, the AMA and the Motorcycle Riders Foundation," concluded Kallfelz, "this potentially dangerous piece of legislation has been nullified."

### Minnesota Gets Trail-Funding Program

Off-highway motorcyclists in Minnesota have succeeded in establishing a funding program for motorcycle trails, reports the AMA.

Lawmakers in that state have approved a bill that calls for registration of off-highway motorcycles, with the money generated through registration fees being used to pay for construction and maintenance of motorcycle trails. The registration plan passed both houses of the Legislature and was signed into law in May by Gov. Arne Carlson.

ATV riders and snowmobile enthusiasts in the state currently participate in their own registration program to help pay for upkeep on the trails they use, but motorcyclists haven't been a part of that plan. As approved, the new measure establishes a similar program exclusively for off-highway motorcyclists.

Under the terms of the new law, promoted by the Amateur Riders Motorcycle Association, off-road motorcyclists who want to ride on public land will be required to pay a \$30 registration fee every three years. The state will begin collecting those fees on January 1, 1994, and the money will be placed in a special fund that can be used only to create motorized recreation opportunities.

"This bill is a recognition by the state that off-highway motorcycling is a legitimate recreation activity and has a place on public land," said Don Youngdahl of the Amateur Riders Motorcycle Association. "Now we'll get a sticker for our bikes that shows we belong."

# QUESTIONNAIRE

**Please respond to questions with a head count of yes/no answers.**

**"Diversify, Diversify, Diversify..." J. Paul Getty**

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Average Number of Members Attending Meetings \_\_\_\_\_

1. Would you like to have available products that are specifically designed for women (lace tank tops, panties, etc.)?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

A. In colors other than black? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

B. With sayings? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

2. Would you like to have available children's products? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

A. With sayings? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Do you believe or think that trendy colors will sell (neon, tie dye, camouflage)? For example, bandannas, hats, etc.  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

A. Would you like polo shirts in basic colors? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

4. Would you be interested in seasonal items such as:

A. Fall/Winter -- stocking caps, leggings, sweatshirts. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

B. Spring/Summer -- tank tops, tube tops, cotton shorts. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

5. Would you like quality items (watches, money clips, wallets, Zippos)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Do you think dated items would add to their desirability or collectability? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

A. Should all products be dated (where applicable)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

7. Would you buy gift items (ties, cuff links, jewelry)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Would your chapter be interested in a yearly t-shirt design contest? (The t-shirt design will be printed and sold for the next riding season.) Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

A. Should the design be voted on at the State Party? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

B. Should a cash prize go to the winning chapter? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

C. Should the name of the designing chapter be printed on the shirt? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

D. Should each chapter have a contest in their group and submit a t-shirt design to the state contest (i.e., one design per chapter)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

9. Would you want t-shirts to wear to Annapolis for the legislative session with a logo/saying pertaining to our specific concerns? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions of motorcycle or political sayings/phrases: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

10. Should we invest in give-aways for state and chapter functions (disposable lighters, pens, key fobs, refrigerator magnets, etc.)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

11. Should ABATE safety/education messages be available on all items? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

12. Would you like a large ABATE of Maryland patch for the back of your vest or jacket? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

A. With county rocker? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

13. Would you like small county rocker for the small patches in the same color scheme as ABATE state patch? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

14. Would you like ABATE name patches and officer patches? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

15. Should we sell the generic pins, patches, stickers (i.e., Helmet Laws Suck, Loud Pipes Save Lives, etc.) in different colors than vendors? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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NOTE: All patches will have in red letters, white background, blue border -- same color scheme as the ABATE patches.

Any other suggestions are welcome.  
Thank you for your chapter's input in this matter.

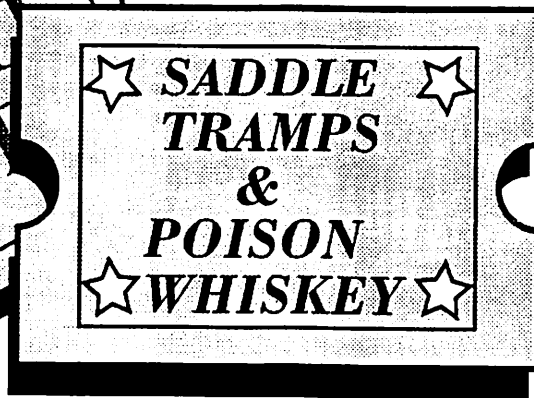
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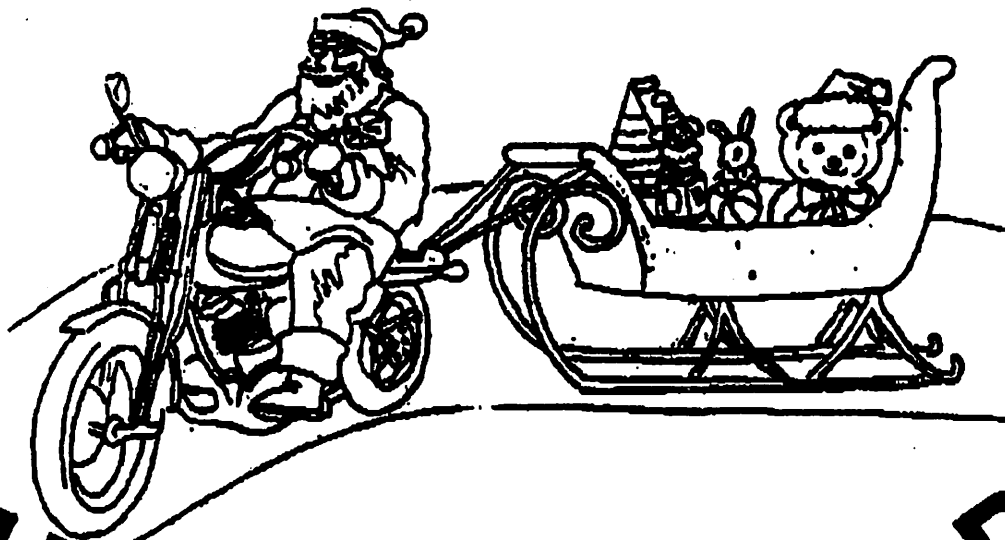
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# Always Keep Your Pants On!

By: Linda Galford

Ever since marking June 12th on the calendar attached to my refrigerator with a rather large magnet, a chain of events was set in motion.

June 12th was the second day into the Maryland ABATE state party.

Early on in 1993, I started to attend the local chapter meetings of ABATE. During the winter legislative session, my thoughts were concentrated mainly on lobbying. Paving a path to repeal the helmet law and reinstate the MSF training course were high on the agenda. However, winter soon gave way to a perfect spring, the legislative season was wrapping up, and my thoughts turned to riding.

I had taken the Motorcycle Safety Foundation beginning riders course with my daughter Kim and I was looking forward to finding a bike and getting my license.

Somewhere along about March, our ABATE meetings turned to spring events. The first major ride was "Rolling Thunder," the ride to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in D.C., on Memorial Day. Hot on the heels of the "ride to the wall" was the state party in the Western Maryland mountains of Cumberland.

John O', president of the Anne Arundel County chapter, brought a stack of the ever-present raffle tickets to the March meeting. These were the tickets being sold for the '93 FXR being raffled off in June at the party. There were ONLY 6,000 being sold and, at \$5 each, how could I go wrong? I bought four and took ten to sell. At the April meeting, I took another batch to sell over the next two months.

Before we knew it, riding weather was in full bloom and June 12th had arrived. We got off to a really early start (about noon) and rolled into the Cumberland fairgrounds several hours later. After holding the line up at the gate while trying to find my current ABATE card, we headed through the park to find our crowd. Surprisingly, this turned out to be an easy task. Within minutes of the front gate, I was climbing off the back of the bike.

About the time my feet hit the ground, I was handed a bottle of Cinnamon Schnapps by "Lapdog," events chairman for Anne Arundel County. Surrounded by tents, steel, and chrome, and with the bands' music echoing off the mountains, the weekend officially started.

Shortly after the usual "heys" and "what's happenings," a group of us headed for the beer truck and a cold brew.

While walking along "vendor row," I caught my first glimpse of the FXR that I had been hustling raffle tickets on for the past few months. It was the first "brand-new-straight-from-the-factory-last-available-'93" I had seen and I was taken by surprise at its plain-Jane looks. But even a plain-Jane can be a beauty. And, for a fleeting second, I thought how nicely that bike would fit me.

We stopped at a few of the jewelry tables and Tex, being the nice "ol' man" that he is, bought me a new pair of sterling, Indian feather earrings. With beer mugs in hand, we returned to the tent area. Big Ed, Mary, and Lapdog were back at the tents and I stopped to gab for a minute while Tex went to get some things off the bike. John O' joined us a few minutes later

with the ever-present handful of raffle tickets. He tried to get me to buy some more and I said "no way," I had enough. Ed reached in his pocket and told John if he didn't have more than \$100 worth that he'd take them off his hands. I reached in my jeans and come up with a lonely \$10 and gave it to John. "OK John, take my last \$10, give me two more before Ed gets his." Instead of filling the stub out like normal people, I scrawled "Linda Galford" across the ticket. No phone number, no address, just Linda Galford, and handed them back to John. I yelled over to Tex to see if he wanted one and he said no because I had already bought the winner.

About that time, Mike Maude yelled over to us that a group from Annapolis HOG were going to go to Warners, a local German restaurant, and did we all want to go. Of course, we did.

The salad bar was great and, after lots of good food, kibitzing, laughter, and picture taking, we headed back to the fairgrounds to settle in for the evening's events.

The first event was the men's tattoo contest. I had fun hollerin' for the guys. After the guys, were the gals, and our very own Joyce Henderson took the honors, the money, and a trophy. The wet t-shirts were next and the crown seemed to double instantaneously. I was getting some ribbing to get into the game, but just laughed at them and let everyone know in no uncertain terms was I going to show any part of my anatomy to this "biker trash," especially not for a paltry \$250.

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When the contests were over, the band started up again and after about an hour of dancing barefoot in the dirt, I was ready for a cup of coffee, quiet time, and bed. (Oh, by the way, before I finish this story I have to tell you. . . old bones do not belong on the ground, in a tent, and the next time I do any camping out, its going to be on the deck of the Regal Princess cruise ship.)

Well, I got my coffee, Tex and I went up to the tent and I got out of my jeans and into my night t-shirt. Then, into the tent I went! Tex said he was going to smoke a cigarette and just about then

he yelled "Linda, they're calling you name over the loud speaker." He took off running to the bandstand shouting "She's here! She's coming! She's gotta get her pants on!"

I was trying to find my pants, find my way out of that tiny tent, and find out what was happening, when Mike Maude came running across the field. "C'mon Linda, you won the bike!" I said "I can't find my pants!" And Mike said "F\*\*\* the pants girl, you just won a new Harley!" Mike grabbed me by the hand and to the stage we went.

The ticket that was drawn had "Linda Galford" scrawled across it, no phone number, no address!

So, when you see some gal scooting around Pasadena, Maryland, on a brand new '93 Super Glide, give a wave. You won't have any trouble recognizing me, I'll be the one with the big 'old cheesy grin on my face, and a vanity tag that says it all - WON IT.

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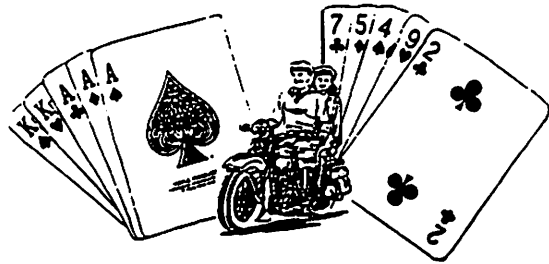
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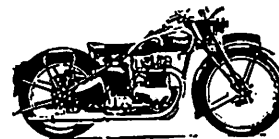
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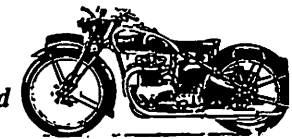
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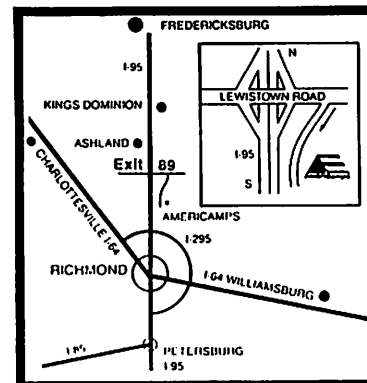
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ABATE is looking for someone to donate a 10' or so box truck. Please call ABATE's product coordinator, Mike Maude at (410) 261-6815.

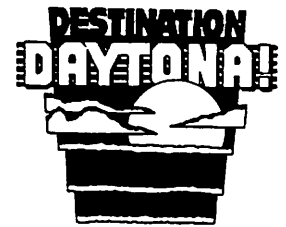
ABATE also needs an artist to volunteer to do mechanical drawing. Please call the ABATE office if you can help.

OPPORTUNITY - ABATE is now accepting bids/proposals for products from members, biker-owned businesses, and Maryland-owned businesses. Small, short-run t-shirts, patches/pins, and any other products associated with motorcycling. Send to: Products, ABATE of Maryland, Inc., P. O. Box 1733, Annapolis, MD 21404, or call the office.

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DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. -- "Biketoberfest" Classic Rally and Races (formerly called Fall Cycle Scene) has been scheduled for October 22, 23 and 24, 1993.

This is 15th year that races have been held in October in Daytona Beach. The highlight of the weekend will be the AMA Championship Cup Series Finale at Daytona International Speedway. Other events planned include a group touring ride of the Daytona Beach area and a vintage motorcycle show. Businesses throughout the area, including Main Street, will also be organizing activities for families, friends and fellow enthusiasts.

Publications, groups, chapters and members are being asked to include the "Biketoberfest" in their 1993 Calendar of Events listings.

The Motorcycle Safety Advisory Council will be the recipient of all event proceeds to continue their Rider Education Program currently attended by participants worldwide.

For more information, contact DESTINATION DAYTONA!, Tourism Events Department, P.O. Box 910, Daytona Beach, FL 32115, or call 1-800-854-1234.

Information on racing is available by contacting Daytona International Speedway at (904) 253-RACE (7223).

## Ask Jay

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As to a state accepting money from the federal government as a conflict of interest with its "state's rights," parents have been dictating to their children for years that, for their allowance, they must cut the grass. It requires the child to stand up and refuse to perform an unwarranted and unnecessary act when the funds are being held hostage. In this case, the states, through their

Senators and representatives, approved the "blackmail" and, therefore, it is up to them to unapprove it.

"Ask Jay" is a service to all readers. If you have questions, please write him at 110 Painters Mill Road, Suite 21, Owings Mills, MD 21117. He will make all efforts to answer any

questions and, if appropriate, include the questions and answer in future articles.

Please note that this article is for information purposes only. It is always recommended that you seek the assistance of an attorney to represent you with all legal matters.

## Maryland Safety Program Update-- Funds Partially Recouped

By: Lynn Oldenburg  
ABATE of Maryland Legislative Representative

A presentation of a proclamation on behalf of all the participants in the successful effort to preserve our outstanding Maryland Motorcycle Safety Program was made at the Motor Vehicle Administration by director Marshall Rickert on May 26. The proclamation made May Motorcycle Safety and Awareness month, signed by Gov. Schaefer. Those presented proclamations were Sally Bruce, director of ABATE of Maryland; Richard Riley, president of the Maryland Motorcycle Dealers Association; and Jay Block, director of the Coalition Advocating Rider Education for Maryland (CARE 4 MD). Senators George Della and Harry Haines presented copies of the proclamation to several other dedicated individuals in attendance.

After the presentation and obligatory picture taking, an announcement of the purchase of 150 new motorcycles and a two-year supply of the student workbooks was made. Approximately \$300,000 of the safety program funds

are being recouped, due to the pressures of the citizens. Way to go!

Andy Krajewski, director of the award-winning program, was full of praise for the coalition members' strength of purpose in setting aside differences to work on a common goal. We're talking as diverse a group of motorcyclists as I'd ever imagined! GWRRA, BMW, HOG, MMDA, ABATE, WOW, MRF, eventually it was all CARE 4 MD.

There are 12 training sites in operation, the course remains the same high-quality program, and the cost remains the same.

Congratulations on the respect your teamwork earned for all motorcyclists in the eyes of your elected officials.

The continued efforts to protect the safety program also have brought about the revival of the Motorcycle Safety Advisory Board. Preliminary work is being done to schedule the first meeting. Stay tuned!

## ATTENTION MEMBERS!

"United We Stand" has tentatively scheduled Senators Sarbanes and Mikulski to speak at town meetings at the Crofton Library on Route 3 at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

**Senator Sarbanes -  
September 20**

**Senator Mikulski -  
October 18**

**These are tentative dates, so you may want to call the library in advance to confirm.**

**Thanks to all who called or wrote to Representatives Hoyer and Gilcrest. They both have signed on to H.R. 799. We have six more congressional representatives who need to be convinced to sign on as co-sponsors. They are:**

**Connie Morrella  
Roscoe Bartlett  
Helen Bentley**

**Benjamin Cardin  
Kweisi Mfume  
Albert Winn**

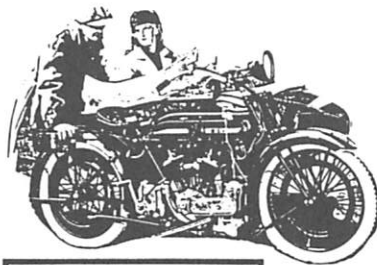
**Call the AMA Hotline at 1-900-454-RIDE or write to the representatives at :**

**House of Representatives  
New Jersey and Independence Avenues, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20003**

# BRITISH INVASION

SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 30th  
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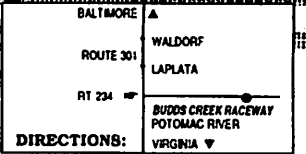
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## Upcoming Events

- September 11** Washington County Chapter Crab & Chicken Feed (See flyer in this issue.)
- September 18** Toy Run, Rick's Sports Bar Ball Field, Callaway, Maryland. Call Mike Lewis of St. Mary's County at (301) 863-0377 for more information. (See flyer in this issue.)
- September 18** MMTR 2nd Annual Toy Run (See flyer in this issue.)
- September 24-26** MRF Meeting of the Minds, Denver, Colorado
- September 25** Pro-Am Dirt Track Racing, Budd's Creek Speedway (See flyer in this issue.)
- October 2** Southern Maryland Chapter Crab Feast
- October 3** Virginia British Motorcycle Club Fall Rally (See flyer in this issue.)
- October 10** 2nd Annual Helmet Law Protest Rally, Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds. Admission free to ABATE of Maryland members, \$5 for nonmembers (memberships available at the gate).
- October 16** MOSC Toy Run (See flyer in this issue.)
- October 20** Washington County Chapter Kids' Halloween Party
- October 22-24** Biketoberfest, Daytona Beach, Florida (See news release in this issue.)
- October 23** Washington County Chapter Adults' Halloween Party
- October 30** British and European Motorcycle Show and Sale; Upper Marlboro, Maryland (See flyer in this issue.)  
St. Mary's County Halloween Party (See flyer in this issue.)  
Montgomery County Halloween Party

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