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John Bland, President

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July 2006

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I have written the attached letter and will forward it to the Free Press editor. Too many people are misinformed about helmet use. This letter is meant to be informative and non abrasive. We must educate the public and our officials so they understand the importance of supporting voluntary helmet use.

John Bland -President, ABATE of Northern Nevada

July 3, 2006

ARE MOTORCYCLE HELMETS SAFE?

Dear Editor,

The Elko County Commissioners signed a proclamation recognizing May as Motorcycle Awareness Month. In June Elko hosted its 6th Elko Motorcycle Jamboree, and Ben Roethlisberger, Pittsburgh Steelers quarter back was in a motorcycle accident and broke his jaw. With all the opinions about motorcycles and helmet use, it seems an appropriate time for ABATE of Northern Nevada to comment.

ABATE is an acronym for A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education. ABATE is not a

club or gang, we are a non-profit political organization created to keep motorcyclists informed about pending legislation pertaining to motorcycle rights, and to promote a better public awareness of motorcyclists. ABATE is a national motorcycle organization with several thousand members, our local ABATE membership has over 200 members.

ABATE has a thirty year history and the helmet controversy has been one of the primary issues of discussion and concern over the years. NHTSA (National Highway Transportation Safety Administration) is the federal organization that receives tax dollars to find ways to make our highways safer. Many of the highway laws we are regulated by are a result of NHTSA studies and findings, some of these regulations have undoubtedly saved lives. On the other hand, NHTSA has made serious mistakes and poor recommendations that reflect a lack of common sense, remember the 55mph speed limit on our interstates? That was NHTSA's answer to reducing highway deaths. Accidents probably were not

reduced, and maybe even increased, because drivers were falling asleep at the wheel from boredom. NHTSA's mandatory passenger air bag was injuring and killing children that were seat belted in the path of the air bag. In reaction, the design of the device was altered allowing an adult to disarm it if a child was occupying the passenger front seat. The seat belt law is another result of NHTSA's recommendations. The seat belt is still controversial; some believe it should be left to the adult to decide if and when this safety device should be used. In the 1970's NHTSA mandated that if a state did not enforce their recommended highway laws that millions of dollars in federal highway repair funds (tax dollars paid by you and generated from each state) would be denied to that state. The introduction of the helmet law and outlawing customizing of motorcycles were in the NHTSA's safety package, in reaction concern motorcyclists organized and ABATE was formed. The strong arm of the federal government withholding tax

dollars from individual states was viewed as blackmail, this federal mandate was taken to the Supreme Court and repealed. The states regained their right to decide upon issues regarding highway laws without the threat of losing federal funding.

The motorcycle helmet as a safety device has been relentlessly pursued by NHTSA. The motorcycle helmet law is one of those safety issues that NHTSA failed to blackmail the individual states with therefore, some states require it and some do not. In the early 70's NHTSA's influence had every state enforcing the use of motorcycle helmets. Since then 30 states have repealed it or amended it giving an adult, over 21 years of age the right to decide if, or when, to wear a helmet. After thirty years of controversy the statistics comparing mandatory helmet states with non-mandatory helmet states has revealed little in regard to the effectiveness of a helmet. There are some very interesting facts that have arisen out of the quagmire that might lead one to favor respecting an adult's personal choice to wear or not to wear a helmet. Very few, including many motorcyclists, are knowledgeable of some very important helmet facts:

The motorcycle helmet is only tested and approved to protect the head up to a 14 mph impact. (The helmet gives little or no protection in accidents exceed

Message from the President Continued.

ing 14 mph)

At a 50 mph impact the helmet becomes a 200 lb. object strapped to the neck. (Past a critical impact speed, helmets exacerbate neck injuries).

Because of the liability and inevitable associated law suits from helmet caused injury and death, motorcycle helmets are manufactured in foreign countries.

Helmets are required to have the approved DOT sticker indicating it has passed the 14 mph impact test. (The fact is; DOT does not approve helmets).

Car accidents are the leading cause of head injuries. Brain injuries occur when an object such as a windshield strikes the head of the driver or passengers of a car or truck. It is against the law to wear a helmet in a car because the helmet restricts vision and hearing. The helmet also restricts hearing and vision on a motorcycle.

Motorcycle helmets do not avoid or reduce accidents. The helmet is only intended to reduce injury after the fact. Proper motorcycle rider training programs and education reduce accidents. Automobile operators should be better educated how to share the road with motorcycles.

When increased motorcycle registration and miles driven is taken into consideration, there is little, if any, increase in motorcycle accident injuries or death when a state amends or repeals its mandatory helmet law.

Mr. Roethisberger's motorcycle accident and media reporting is all too typical. Approximately 50% of all motorcycle accidents are caused by the car pulling into the path of the motorcycle this is what happened to Mr. Roethisberger. The media shouts helmet regulation without knowing the facts. I don't remember reading anything about car drivers being the cause of most motorcycle accidents and the need for them to be more cautious of motorcycles. It is legal for an adult to ride without a helmet in the state of Pennsylvania. Mr. Roethisberger's is an adult and whether it was right or wrong, he made the decision to ride his motorcycle without a helmet. It doesn't matter if he has a \$22 million football contract or if he is a blue collar worker, everyone's health and life is equally valuable. Mr. Roethisberger's jaw broke when it took the blunt of the impact, a full face helmet with chin guard would had transferred the impact to his neck and could have possibly broken his neck instead.

ABATE does not object to helmets and even encourages their use. A helmet is apparel just like heavy pants, jacket, and boots. Because of the questionable protection the motorcycle helmet provides and the potential to increase the severity of injury or death; ABATE, AMA (American Motorcycle Association) MRF (Motorcycle Riders Foundation), and the Coalition of Motorcyclists, have all concluded that proper education is the answer. An American adult should have the right to decide. Some decisions are not meant for legislators. Liberty is not a privilege and it isn't subject to polls or popular vote. It's still part of Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.

To learn more about mandatory helmet use and other motorcycle related issues, visit us at www.abatennv.org

Respectfully,
ABATE of Northern Nevada

Living on the Edge
By CJ

“If you think your vote doesn’t count, you are definitely wrong!” These words were spoken by Karen Bolin, president of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, opening the 2006 Best of West conference in Prescott, Arizona. She was referring to the governor’s race in her home state of Washington, where after several recounts a governor was elected by 117 votes, a governor who was not in favor of freedom of choice.

June 15, 2006 marked the start of the trip to Arizona for the MRF conference. Those attending were John Bland and I, Dale & Vicky Andrus, Marvin & Jacque Orr, Bruce & Mary Dempster and Bud Jacobsen. We started out after work on Tuesday night and together we rode to Ely for the first night of our excursion. On Wednesday morning we split up with Dale & Vicky, Bud and Marvin & Jacque taking the fastest route through Las Vegas. John and I, along with Bruce & Mary took the longer more scenic route through Baker, Nevada to Milford, Utah then into Kanab, Utah where we spent the night. On Thursday we left Kanab and used the time being tourist, stopping at Cedar Breaks, Utah which is over 10 thousand feet elevation moving on to sight seeing at the Grand Canyon. We met up with the rest of the group Thursday night about 10:00pm in Prescott. On Friday after breakfast and registration at the conference we had several hours of free time before the general session to go shopping in Old Town Prescott. It was exciting to have such a large group representing Nevada and it was nice to see Carol Downs and the many familiar faces from last summer’s conference. We learned a lot from the breakout sessions during the conference, here is a quick synopsis of some of the classes that we attended.

Class 1, *Getting Involved in the Legislative Process*

Knowing your Local, State and Federal Legislators. The U.S. and State Constitutions gives us the right to ask them to do something for us. How to communicate with our Legislators and how a bill becomes law.

Class 2, *Building Local Membership*

We had some good ideas to share with this class. It also talked about how 90% of the work done in an organization is done by 10% of the membership. The term used for these people are the 10%’rs. The 10%’rs in any SMRO are the members who plan, participate and attend every event but also these are the same people who have the most fun and get more out of the organization than the non active members.

Class 3, *Helmets and the Social Burden*

This was a very interesting and controversial class filled with lots of discussion on the so called “social burden” non helmeted motorcyclists present in a state. The only way you really become a social burden is by not paying taxes. A common misconception is that without helmet laws insurance goes up. NOT TRUE, it is poor underwriting on the part of the insurance companies that raise costs. The Motorcycle Industry Council, statistical manual estimates 23.3 billion dollars is spent by motorcyclists nation wide. The state of Nevada in 2004 alone saw revenue of approximately 29 million. What if a motorcycle helmet fails to meet testing standards, well there is no obligation to the public to recall these helmets. Helmets are designed to protect the head only, not the neck.

This was some of the information we learned at the classes. The other classes were: *Lobbying in D.C., A look at a Political Campaign* and *How to be Successful in your SMRO*. As you can see it was well worth the trip, and I hope all of you will take the opportunity to attend the 2007 conference here in Elko.

John and I took the long, scenic way home and logged a little over 2000 miles. If you are into twisty roads, try Mingus Mountain outside of Jerome, Arizona. It has 158 curves in 12 miles. My little red scooter has over 7000 miles now and is one and half years old. I think I can safely say we all had a great time on the trip.

I would like to say thank you to Leslie Andrus for stepping up into the secretary’s position for ABATE, we really appreciate it. *Continued on Page 5.*

MRF Run to Prescott, AZ



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On Saturday July 1, 2006 some of ABATE's 10%'ers participated in the Basque/Fourth of July parade. John and I, drove the Model A into town and decorated it with ABATE banners and Dawn Gibbons posters. Dale Andrus brought his motorcycle trailer in and used Bill Hartsock's four wheeler to pull it in the parade. It too was decorated with ABATE banners, Dawn Gibbons posters and lots of red, white and blue. Thank you to Dale, Vicky and Leslie for always coming through for us. ABATE also donated 100 dollars to the 4th of July fireworks display. We would also like to welcome John Ellison as a new member of ABATE of Northern Nevada, thank you for all you have done for ABATE.

The next activity will be the Taylor Canyon Run and Rodeo, July 15 & 16, 2006. It should be a lot of fun. Don't forget to bring an auction item to the July monthly meeting or drop it off to me at work.



ABATE members Charlie Myers and Dave Huckaby exchanging pies in face at the 2006 Pediatric Brain Tumor Run in Lamoille. Photos by Connie Campbell.

Check Out these Websites:

- www.mrf.org
- www.bikernation.us
- www.ldrlongdistancerider.com
- www.lets-ride.com
- www.nevadagop.org
- www.thereidworld.com
- www.damnbikers.com (good jokes)
- www.harleylovers.proboards56.com
- www.CycleQuest.com
- www.AMAdirectlink.com

If you have a favorite website, send it to me and I'll post it. Thanks, Deb

Welcome and Thanks to the Following New and/or Renewed Members:

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|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Dan & Brandie Allen | Kathy Troutman |
| Ken and Eva Wellington | Jamie Moe |
| T.A. and B.J. Silva | Bill & Nancy Larsen |
| Don Gantenbein | Johnny & Dallas Cunningham |
| Leo Cormier | Ken Weight |
| Dwayne Bratten | Todd Turville |

**50/50 Winner at the June Meeting was:
 MARVIN ORR**

Do you get mailings from AAA urging you to send in for a “No-Obligation AAA Insurance Quote”? If you do, then take the time to respond to AAA with a letter similar to the one below. Remember, AAA lied to the Nevada Legislature in 2005 when they testified against our helmet repeal bill. This is the second or third time John has written to them. We all need to do the same.

**ABATE of Northern Nevada
P.O. Box 1566
Elko, Nevada 89803
www.abatennv.org**

Dear Paula F. Downey, President

I received the enclosed no-obligation AAA Insurance Quote Request Form. ABATE is a national political motorcycle organization with several thousand members. You should be aware that AAA Insurance actively lobbies against adult volunteer motorcycle helmet use. I have personally witnessed AAA Insurance representatives lie and present false information to our legislators during the 2005 Legislative session. It is obvious that AAA Insurance is a large corporation and has only fiscal success in mind, American rights and freedoms are not considered in your financial spread-sheets.

Car accidents are the leading cause of head injuries. Brain injuries occur when an object such as a windshield strikes the head of the driver or passengers of a car or truck. In other instances, drivers and passengers of cars and trucks experience head injuries that occur when the brain undergoes a sudden acceleration / deceleration movement without a direct trauma to the skull. These forces cause bruising, bleeding and twisting. Damage to the brain may occur at the time of the accident, or develop over time as tissues swell and bleed within the head. These are the hard facts. The leading cause of head injuries in the United States are car accidents.

A critical impact velocity to a motorcycle helmet (approximately 13 mph), shows a statistically significant effect, which increases the severity of neck injuries. Will AAA Insurance “feel” better if a motorcyclist experiences neck injuries instead of head injuries? Since car accidents are the leading cause of head injuries, would AAA Insurance support an all-driver / all-passenger helmet law for occupants of cars and trucks, or is AAA Insurance comfortable with their double standards?

ABATE is actively boycotting AAA Insurance until AAA Insurance stops actively lobbying against volunteer motorcycle helmet use.

Sincerely,

John Bland- President, ABATE of Northern Nevada

cc: All ABATE members

Dale, John, Connie, Bruce and Mary with Bob Beers



2006 Jamboree – ABATE Booth – Many Thanks to Bill and Diane Hartsock and the Hobbs Family

Bill and Deb would like to thank all of the people that helped on Elko's Clean Up Green Up Day. We were one of the lucky recipients of the clean up crew and appreciate so very much the hard and dangerous work you did to clean up the alley and area between the old building and the market. We never imagined there could be so many broken bottles in one place. You saved us days of back-breaking work. Thanks to Marvin for hauling all the garbage to the dumps in his Kimberly Nursery Truck and for loaning us the saw to trim the trees. Many Many Thanks to All of You. Bill and Deb Bonetti



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WHO'S RUNNING FOR GOVERNOR?

GOVERNOR:

[Kenny Guinn (R)* - Not Eligible to Seek Re-Election in 2006.]

Bob Beers (R) - State Sen. & Accountant

Melody "Mimi Miyagi" Damayo (R) - Adult Movie Actress & Erotic Dancer

Jim Gibbons (R) - Congressman, Ex-State Assemblyman, Attorney, USAF

Veteran & '94 Nominee

Lorraine Hunt (R) - Lt. Governor, Ex-Clark County Commissioner & Banker

Stan Lusak (R) - Retired Janitor, Ex-Postal Worker & Frequent Candidate

Jim Gibson (D) - Henderson Mayor

Leola McConnell (D) - Art Dealer & Liberal Activist

Dina Titus (D) - State Senate Minority Leader, College Professor & Author

Craig Bergland (Green) - Environmental Activist & '98 Reno Mayor Candidate

Christopher Hansen (IAP) - State Party Chair, Computer Consultant & Frequent Candidate



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Motorcycle and Scooter Ride to Work Day is Wednesday, July 19, 2006

This year's fifteenth annual motorcycle and scooter commuting demonstration will increase the number of riders on the road, according to Ride to Work, a non-profit advocacy organization. "Riding to work on this day shows the positive value of motorcycles and scooters for transportation. For many people, riding is an economical, efficient and socially responsible form of mobility that saves energy, helps the environment and provides a broad range of other public benefits," states Andy Goldfine, the event organizer. Motorcycle and scooter enthusiasts and rider organizations worldwide encourage their members to ride to work on this day.

According to the United States Census Bureau and the Department of Transportation, over eighty million cars and light trucks are used for daily commuting on American roads, and about 200,000 motorcycles and scooters are a regular part of this mix. On Ride to Work Day, the practical side of riding becomes more visible as a larger number of America's 8,000,000 cycles are ridden to work.

Ride to Work Day helps demonstrate how these vehicles make parking easier and help traffic flow better. Studies have shown that across equal distances commuting motorcyclists reach their destinations in less time than those using automobiles, that motorcycles and scooters consume less resources per mile than automobiles, and that they take up less space on roads. Motorcycle and scooter riders seek improved employer recognition and support for this form of transportation, and more public and government awareness of the positive value of riding.

Ride to Work Day, a 501 c4 nonprofit organization, can be reached at:

POB 1072, Proctor, Minnesota, 55810 USA

<http://www.ridetowork.org>

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Christine Holt chold@ridetowork.org

Andy Goldfine agoldfine@ridetowork.org

Ride to Work Day Mission Statement:

To advocate and support the use of motorcycles for transportation, and to provide information about transportation riding to the public.

Taylor Canyon Run and Rodeo

All Motorcycles Welcome

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July 14, 15, 16th**

You must be 21 to attend this event

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Pay RV fees to Taylor Canyon Resort
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Dale Andrus: (775) 738-5568
Or visit: www.abatennv.org**

Taylor Canyon Resort is located 42 miles north of Elko. Take Mountain City Highway 225, 26 miles to Lone Mountain Station; then left on Highway 226 approximately 17 miles to Taylor Canyon. You can't miss it

CLICK IT OR TICKET (A MINORITY VIEW BY WALTER E. WILLIAMS) RELEASE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2006, AND THEREAFTER

Virginia's secretary of transportation sent out a letter announcing the state's annual "Click It or Ticket" campaign May 22 through June 4. I responded to the secretary of transportation with my own letter that in part reads:

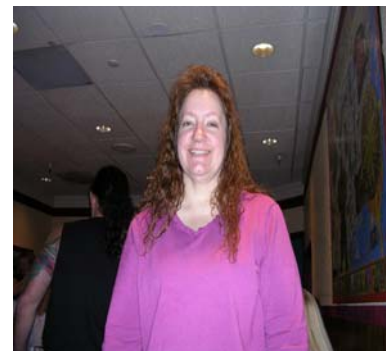
"Mr. Secretary: This is an example of the disgusting abuse of state power. Each of us owns himself, and it follows that we should have the liberty to take risks with our own lives but not that of others. That means it's a legitimate use of state power to mandate that cars have working brakes because if my car has poorly functioning brakes, I risk the lives of others and I have no right to do so. If I don't wear a seatbelt I risk my own life, which is well within my rights. As to your statement 'Lack of safety belt use is a growing public health issue that . . . also costs us all billions of dollars every year,' that's not a problem of liberty. It's a problem of socialism. No human should be coerced by the state to bear the medical expense, or any other expense, for his fellow man. In other words, the forcible use of one person to serve the purposes of another is morally offensive."

My letter went on to tell the secretary that I personally wear a seatbelt each time I drive; it's a good idea. However, because something is a good idea doesn't necessarily make a case for state compulsion. The justifications used for "Click It or Ticket" easily provide the template and soften us up for other forms of government control over our lives. For example, my weekly exercise routine consists of three days' weight training and three days' aerobic training. I think it's a good idea. Like seatbelt use, regular exercise extends lives and reduces health care costs. Here's my question to government officials and others who sanction the "Click It or Ticket" campaign: Should the government mandate daily exercise for the same reasons they cite to support mandatory seatbelt use, namely, that to do so would save lives and save billions of health care dollars? If we accept the notion that government ought to protect us from ourselves, we're on a steep slippery slope. Obesity is a major contributor to hypertension, coronary disease and diabetes, and leads not only to many premature deaths but billions of dollars in health care costs. Should government enforce, depending on a person's height, sex and age, a daily 1,400 to 2,000-calorie intake limit? There's absolutely no dietary reason to add salt to our meals. High salt consumption can lead to high blood pressure, which can then lead to stroke, heart attack, osteoporosis and asthma. Should government outlaw adding salt to meals? While you might think that these government mandates would never happen, be advised that there are busybody groups currently pushing for government mandates on how much and what we can eat. Government officials, if given power to control us, soon become zealots. Last year, Maryland state troopers were equipped with night vision goggles, similar to those used by our servicemen in Iraq, to catch night riders not wearing seatbelts. Maryland state troopers boasted that they bagged 44 drivers traveling unbuckled under the cover of darkness.

Philosopher John Stuart Mill, in his treatise "On Liberty," said it best: "That the only purpose for which power can be rightfully exercised over any member of a civilized community, against his will, is to prevent harm to others. His own good, either physical or moral, is not a sufficient warrant. He cannot rightfully be compelled to do or forbear because it will be better for him to do so, because it will make him happier, because, in the opinions of others, to do so would be wise, or even right. These are good reasons for remonstrating with him, or reasoning with him, or persuading him, or entreating him, but not for compelling him, or visiting him with any evil, in case he do otherwise."

Dale Andrus is now a field registrar. If you are not registered to vote, please contact Dale Andrus and register to vote today.

ABATE'S
New
Secretary
Leslie Andrus



A.B.A.T.E. of Northern Nevada held a special election at the June Meeting and elected Leslie Andrus as the New Secretary. Thanks Leslie for Accepting the Position.

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2006 Elko County Election Dates

- May 1 First day to file declaration of candidacy
- May 12 Last day to file declaration of candidacy
- May 23 Last day candidate can withdraw name from ballot
- July 15 Last day to register to vote by mail or at an agency
- July 25 Last day to register to vote in county clerk's office
- July 29 Early voting for primary election begins
- Aug 11 Last day of early voting for primary
- Aug 15 Primary election
- Oct 7 Last day to register by mail or at an agency
- Oct 17 Last day to register in the County Clerk's Office
- Oct 21 Early voting begins
- Oct 27 Nevada Day, no early voting
- Nov 3 Last day of early voting
- Nov 7 GENERAL ELECTION

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**Taylor Canyon Run
and Rodeo
This Weekend
July 14, 15, and 16**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- A.B.A.T.E. Meeting July 13, 7:00 P.M. Round Table by Raleys
(A.B.A.T.E. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 P.M. at the Round Table by Raley's.)
- Bike Nite is Every Non-ABATE meeting Thursday at 6:00 P.M. Everyone is Welcome.
Unless you receive an e-mail otherwise, we will be at the Elko City Park by the Museum.
Bring your own food.
- July 14, 15, 16th 2006 Taylor Canyon Run and Rodeo
- September 1, 2, 3, and 4 Banbury's Hot Springs Hagerman, ID
- September 15 – 16 Middlegate Run
- September 14 – 17 Las Vegas Bike Fest
- September 20-24 Street Vibrations
- What's goin' on in August. Help me Out!!
-