



59th Issue

February 2010

ABATE Of Helena

Meeting on January 28, 2009

Called to order by Jeff Schepp at the Eagles on Fee Street in Helena, MT.

Moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters especially.

Roll Call/Introduce everyone

Minutes from last meeting –Andrea Schepp made a motion to accept the minutes from the November meeting. Paul Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed. There were no minutes from December since the meeting was cancelled due to no quorum of officers.

Treasurer's report-Andrea Schepp made a motion to accept the Treasurers report which was seconded by Gary Schiller. The motion passed.

Membership Report-There are 60 active members and seven members who are expired over the last 3 months. Mike Smith made a motion to accept the Membership report and Jackie Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed. We did not have the membership appreciation run this year and this could be a reason the membership roll is down.

Old Business/New Business

Fall Closure-The Officers were responsible for making sure the Fall Closure occurred. A budget of \$1000.00 was set and only \$686.50 was spent. We had many nice donations for the Silent Auction. The cost to get in was less than the previous year yet this year we came out ahead of last years total funds collected. Most of those who did show up stayed until the end. The band members continued to play despite one of their members going to the hospital.

Calling Committee – Tonight's meeting is one of our better turnouts. The calling tree will now be divided into 3 sections and the calling tree members are Andrea Schepp, Jackie Williams and Rachel Ihnot.

Nominations of Officers - All five positions are up from nominations as the current officers are declining to be nominated again. If no one steps up and accepts a nomination then the chapter will fold and all funds in the chapter bank accounts will be sent to the State of Montana A.B.A.T. E. chapter.

This brought about much discussion which some members saying send the funds to state while others said no. The end result brought about the combining of the Membership and Treasurer positions. The nominations are: Coordinator Mike Smith, Deputy Coordinator—Ben Williams and John Berry, Secretary – Jackie Williams and Treasurer/Membership – Chrisy Courchane.

Rachel Ihnot will prepare the ballots for mailing and the current officers will make sure the ballots are out in the mail by the 12th of February.

State Meeting – The next state meeting will be in Billings on March 27th.

Website – Ben Williams presented some ideas on how to make our Website more user friendly and brings us into the 21st century. Mike Smith made a motion to have Ben take over the website and make our website more user friendly, Paul Williams seconded the motion. The motions passed

Political Updates

None

Fun Bucket- was won by John Berry who donated his winnings back to the general funds of the chapter

Next Meeting is February 25, 2010 at the Eagles on Fee Street 7:00 PM

Bike Blessing Helena 2010



Grey-haired bikers
don't get that way
by pure luck!

Westside Welding

1030 Euclid Avenue

Saturday, April 24, 2010



Noon to 3PM



All bikes & riders welcome

FOOD ~ MUSIC ~ NEUTRAL TURF ~ NO ALCOHOL

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