

December 2016

The Phoenix/Shadow Mountain Chapter met on Sunday October 9th at the AAIC. Scott, our Sgt at Arms opened the meeting with a recital of the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. Our Coordinator Mike led the meeting, and among other things the following was discussed.

Sunny's Treasurer report was accepted as submitted and then Trauma Mamma's Safety report was relayed to us by Ben in her absence. He reminded us to be aware of medication side effects. Especially if you have a cardiac condition or are experiencing any dizziness; always check with your doctor if you have concerns or questions about the medications you are taking and what side-effects you are experiencing.

Ben, our Membership officer, reports that our membership numbers are down. Everyone is asked to assist by encouraging those we know to renew or join ABATE of Arizona. For the most part, Ben can only reach out to the people we already know, it's up to our members to reach out to their extended network of riders that are also interested in motorcycle legislation and education. Please represent the organization when attending events and runs because strong membership takes everyone's involvement. You are welcome to grab some ABATE of AZ trifold brochures to share with others. They are available at our monthly meeting.

Johnny D and Mike Infanzon, our Designated Lobbyist, shared Johnny's PAC report with their thoughts on the ABATE Candidate Questionnaire results and which candidates did and did not reply. We were encouraged to get informed about which candidates are pro motorcyclist rights when casting our ballots. Johnny also contributed to Ben's Membership report by reminding us of the additional benefits of joining ABATE of Arizona; such as the AD&D insurance benefit, Masterlink subscription and TBFS discount already being worth the membership cost.

Clyde, our Director, reported on the last State and Board of Directors meeting held in Tucson on October 2nd. He reinforced the urgency for the Chapter budget to be submitted for approval and reminded those nominated for Chapter Officer positions of the State and Chapter Officer training to be held on Saturday January 7, 2017 from 10- 12 pm at the Arizona American Italian Club. Also, Woody from our ABATE High Country Chapter and MotorcycleSafari.com has offered \$200 cash raffle prize at the end of the meeting. The meeting is mandatory and all Officers should save the date and plan to attend. Other matters discussed at the meeting were to make better use of the ABATE of Arizona Calendar on the website, the need to work on better interaction and communications between chapters, and Ben resolving a processing issue within our membership systems.

ANNOUNCING: 2017 elections have been held for our Chapter Officers and Director. I am pleased to announce that Mike Schneider will continue to be our Coordinator, Jimmy Page, as Vice Coordinator, Tara Rudometkin, as Treasurer, Jean Cooper, as Secretary, Scott Gibbons, as Sgt. at Arms, Teresa McClelland, as Safety Officer, Ben Martinez, as Membership Officer, Jeremy Kellim, as Run Coordinator, Robb Felder, as Communications Officer, Sandy Hassinger, as Merchandise Officer, and Johnny Dreyfus, as P.A.C. These volunteers will serve the next year as your Officers and Mark Million will join the Board of Directors on behalf of our Chapter. Congratulations to you all.

UPDATE: Head over to Desert Wind Harley-Davidson on March 31st and April 1st 2017 for their fundraising concert for our Chapter. 38 Special and Jackyl are the headliners and

volunteers are still needed for that Friday and Saturday to help with event duties and promoting ABATE. Members that are interested in volunteering are encouraged to bring friends to help with the event. Coordinate with Jeremy Kellim, our Run Coordinator, for more information and to sign up to volunteer. Please save the date and plan on attending this important fundraiser for our Chapter.

Keep in touch with the Chapter by joining our Facebook group at:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/shadowmountainabate>

Please subscribe to our Chapter email list to keep informed about events, bulletins and other announcements. All are welcome to join by sending an email request to:
ABATEPhxShdwMtn@gmail.com or by visiting:
<https://groups.google.com/d/forum/phxsm-forum>

Meetings for the Phoenix/Shadow Mountain Chapter are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month. We invite you to attend our next meeting on December 11th at the Arizona American Italian Club (AAIC) - 7509 North 12th Street, in Phoenix. Breakfast is available for \$5 at 10:00am and the meeting starts at 10:30am.

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