

# Rogue Review

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## River City Chapter Meetings!

### NEW MEETING LOCATION!

Our December 14th Chapter meeting will be at the **Granny's Pantry** 14683 W. Hiwy 53 Rathdrum, ID at 7PM.



## Some AMA Motorcycle News

**US Senator Frank Lautenberg** (D-NJ) sent a letter to all fifty governors praising the benefits of compulsory state helmet laws. Eighty-two-year-old Lautenberg is gearing up for a fifth Senate term in 2008 and appears ready to continue his efforts to mandate safety. While Lautenberg played down his sound defeat on the Senate floor last year following his call for a vote on a mandatory motorcycle helmet law amendment, he closed his recent letter suggesting similar legislation may be introduced in the US Senate in the near future.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF), along with Garden State ABATE (ABATE of NJ) and the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA), arranged a meeting with Mr. Lautenberg's DC office staff. The purpose of the meeting was to attempt to determine the Senator's goals and focus the Senator's staff on a comprehensive approach to motorcycle safety rather than simply mandating rider protective gear.

Courtesy of the American Motorcyclists Association

**The American Motorcyclist Association** (AMA) has announced the release of a new video public-service announcement that reminds motorists to watch for motorcycles when they drive.

The 30-second PSA -- which also is available in 20- and 10-second versions -- depicts a distracted driver's near-collision with a passing motorcyclist who, as the driver learns later that day, is his dentist.

Produced by SOS Video Communications of Columbus, Ohio, the PSA is intended for free distribution to television networks and local stations nationwide. Interior scenes were recorded at the dental offices of AMA member Dr. Doug Kowalczyk, and AMA Life Member Colter Rule contributed his well-known voice to the project.

The new video PSA, along with three radio PSAs released earlier this year, is available for download in the "Rights Resources" section of the AMA's website at <http://www.amadirectlink.com/legisltn/resources.asp>. The AMA offers other valuable information for new and experienced riders in the "Rider Resources" and "New Rider" sections of [AMADirectlink.com](http://AMADirectlink.com), and at [RideStraight.com](http://RideStraight.com).

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*Merry Christmas* 

## River City Chapter Raffle

**\$1 per Ticket**

Framed Eagle Print, Harley Gift Basket, \$20 Gift Certificates to Red Lobster and Applebee's

*Drawing is Dec. 14!*

Tickets available at Chapter meetings/functions or call:

Karen @ 208-772-4823, Anne @ 509-220-2819 or Belva @ 208-773-1346

# RIVER CITY CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES:

Nov. 9th, 2006, Hauser Lake Resort

Call to Order/Introductions – 7:16p

Roll Call/Quorum

Secretary’s Report (minutes):  X  accepted    \_\_\_ amended    \_\_\_ not accepted

Treasurers Report: *read and accepted*

Beginning Balance    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ending Balance        \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Holiday Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Secretary’s Report: Current membership: 27

Guest Speaker: None

Committee Reports:

Legislative; Tim

Legislative report

*When elections are over I’ll begin my letter campaign. Senator Shawn Keogh (R), is on the Transportation Committee. Idaho Legislative Committee assignments will be watched closely as they are important to us. It is important that we contact have and get to know some legislators on the Senate & House Transportation committees.*

Safety & Education; Willie

Awareness Class... any update information.

Will continue to post on our web page any updates as to dates/times/location.

*River City Chapter listed on AMA web site as Justice for All Supporting Org.*

AMA Justice for All campaign (<http://www.amadirectlink.com/justice/index.asp>) we are listed as a support group.

Run/Events; Greg

Update on or ideas for other Runs/Events next year? – GREG ABSENT (again)

*We are now considering have a Christmas Party at Greg’s place.*

Charity & Fundraising; Karen

Chapter raffle update and Holiday Fund suggestions & ideas...?

*We have \$143.30 so far in our funds. RC will get more in depth information. RC also took a couple of bags of groceries to the Hoodoo Hippies Chapter Food Drive. It is important for us to support other local ABATE Chapters drives whenever possible. Anne suggested perhaps the various Chapter secretaries could email other local Chapter secretaries of events, etc.*

Old Business:

Any updates on Chapter logo (Greg & Chad)

*Chad got back one response so far. Guys in Billings can do our patch for \$50 set-up and \$7 per patch. They will be making a prototype next.*

Web site and eNewsletter update... Member pics, update list of where we drop off newsletters, etc., Web site post card (Willie) *We don’t have to use Belva’s high school picture – she finally turned one in.*

Meeting place update & info. (RC & Tim)

*Capone’s wants \$300 per night*

The River City Chapter eNewsletter can also be picked up at the following locations!

**Big Boyz Toyz**  
208-683-5125  
6101 Hiway 54  
Athol, Idaho

**Lawrence’s Motorcycles**

1704 N. Gov’t Way  
Coeur d’ Alene, Idaho  
83814 208-664-8032

**One Eye’s**  
Rathdrum, Idaho  
208-687-1926

**Dick’s Upholstery**  
9710 Schmidt  
Hayden, ID 83836  
208-772-6365

**Helmet Outlet USA**  
5648 Govt Way  
CDA, ID



American Legion wants \$50 per night

Still researching a couple of other locations: the new Dug Out, Granny's at Rathdrum, and Patty's 2

New Business:

AMA Risk Management Workshop report.

AMA sanctioned events/runs sponsored by groups and clubs are required to purchase insurance for their events. Greg is going to the Workshop in Denver. State ABATE is paying for his hotel and gas. Willie will post on our website and ANI website, his report.

Charter Renewal

Annual renewal is coming up soon.

NCOM

Tim Herzog has been appointed to the NCOM Legislative Task Force. A formal announcement will be forthcoming. Chapter member Butch Harbaugh is the LTF chairman. In the meantime, Tim is working closely with Rich Bright of WA State ABATE.

Open Forum or Announcements:

AMA Ride Into Political Action seminars, February 24-27, 2007 in Washington, DC (more info on RCC web site)

A bunch of us went to the Q'emiln Park (pronounced "ka-mee-lin", located at 12201 W. Parkway Drive, Post Falls) even and rubbed shoulders with the big wigs.

Spokane Chapter meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Wed. at Last Lap and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri. at Volcano's.

3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays at Volcanos—canceled until new location can be determined

Spike is officially the Chapter's Santa for all Santa-related functions.

50/50 Draw - \$16.00 Bevla won - contributed to Holiday Fund (thank you Belva!)

Adjournment - 8:09p

**The American Motorcyclist Association (AMA)** is hosting a Washington, DC Ride Into Political Action seminar for motorcyclists Feb. 24-27, 2007 in Washington D.C. For more information, contact Sharon Smolinka at (614) 856-1900, ext. 1252 or by e-mail at [ssmolinka@ama-cycle.org](mailto:ssmolinka@ama-cycle.org).



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**Important Notices!**

We were saddened upon receiving the news that Karen Bolin, past President of the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*, had recently lost her battle with cancer. We wish to extend our condolences to all her family and friends.

**River City Chapter** Legislative Chairman and motorcycle rights advocate "TJ" Herzog has been appointed to the NCOM Legislative Task Force.

Congratulations Tim!



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[newsletter@rivercityabate.org](mailto:newsletter@rivercityabate.org)



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This Months Featured Link:

BikePAC of Idaho: "Dedicated to the Pursuit  
and Preservation of Liberty".

[www.bikepacofidaho.org](http://www.bikepacofidaho.org)

Your Chapter Officers & Committee Chairs are:

- **Coordinator:** Willie Stephenson – 208-772-4823  
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**Want to join River City Chapter?** A downloadable membership application can be found on our web site above. Annual dues to join ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. are \$20 plus \$5 to join *River City Chapter*. A completed application and check can be mailed to the PO Box above.

**From The GUNNY'S SACK**

*More on Mr. Lautenberg...*

NEWSBITS 'N' PIECES:

The following is something from the Sons of Liberty Riders' website. These folks are an excellent resource for info for BIKERS RIGHTS. They're at [www.solriders.com](http://www.solriders.com), and you can get on their discussion list and boards as well, and it's all free. Here is what I saw there:

"Just when you thought it was safe to ride your bike again...our old enemy, Senator Frank Lautenberg of New Jersey is coming after us again, via our Governors! It's not enough that we killed his Safety-Nazi agenda during the amendment process in TEA-LU. He doesn't care about what we or anyone else wants. He's a one man jack-booted thug that won't stop until we're

all wearing helmets and paying homage to him. Read his latest attempt at stealing away your rights at the

following link:

<http://www.solriders.com/pdf/lautenberg.pdf>. What he did was write a letter to every Governor, singing the praises of helmet laws! Spread THIS news far and wide. EVERY biker in the nation needs to see how this snake-in-the-grass is working against us, not only in Washington, but in our statehouses, too. Contact YOUR governor tomorrow, and explain that you and your state don't appreciate Frankie sticking his nose in our business.

And, it might not hurt to send Frankie-boy a little message about how he should stay out of issues that are strictly "states' rights" - read his letter first, and

if you wanna comment, here's a link to his "contact page." These elected servants don't use regular e-mail anymore: <http://lautenberg.senate.gov/contact/> Or, contact him the old fashioned way:

Hart Senate Office  
Building Suite 324

Washington, DC 20510

Phone: (202) 224-3224

TTY: (202) 224-2087

Fax: (202) 228-4054"

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