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**Happy
New Year**

River City Chapter Meetings!

Our Jan. 10th, 2008
Chapter meeting
will be at the
Pizza Factory
Mullan & Hwy 41
(3904 East Mullan)
Post Falls, Idaho
208-777-4373
at 7PM.

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THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

To all those who chose to purchase tickets for our *River City Chapter Charity Raffle* this year we wish to extend our thanks and appreciation! A special thank you to those that simply made a donation to our chapter charity, as well. Your support was awesome.



Along with Santa and because of your generosity on December 13th *River City Chapter* was able to donate over \$365 to CJ and Bridget of the *Post*

Falls Police OASIS Program this year. This years donation, thanks to you, exceeded our donation last year!

We just learned and are excited to report

that the *OASIS Program* may also be eligible to apply for a grant from a local bank. Our hope is that they will qualify for this grant enabling them to help even more folks in our growing community.

Congratulations to the winners in the River City Chapter Charity Raffle. The winning names drawn are as follows:

1st Prize: Greg R.

2nd Prize: Tim H.

3rd Prize: Chad O.

Thanks for your participation and support!



Santa (Spike Fisher) presenting the River City Chapter donation for the OASIS Program to Bridget (left) and CJ (right) at the December chapter meeting.

If you would like to learn more about the *OASIS Program* you can Call CJ or Bridget at 773-1080 or go to:

<http://www.postfallspolice.com/OASISMain.htm>

RIVER CITY CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES:

Dec. 13th, 2007, Pizza Factory, Post Falls ID

Call to order/Roll Call/Quorum

Secretary's Report accepted.

Treasurer's Report accepted.

Membership Report: 19 current plus 2 renewals and 1 new member, total 22.

Bridget and CJ from the *OASIS Program* were the honored guests. Santa Claus presented them with \$365.00 from proceeds of our Chapter raffle and Holiday fund.

The Chapter members were invited to the *OASIS* Holiday party December 20th at the Post Falls police station to meet some of the people involved with this important program to help victims of domestic violence.

Legislative: Tim spoke of the efforts of *BikePac of Idaho*. Idaho's legislative session runs January thru March. We are keeping close contact with our Legislators in case any Bill surfaces that could affect our rights as motorcyclists.

It was noted that *A.B.A.T.E. of Washington* has decided to no longer sponsor any NCOM meetings in the future. This may be due to lack of participation by it's members, which is unfortunate.

Charity & Fundraising: More used cell phones were collected for *OASIS*. We will continue this project. It will be discussed at the January Chapter meeting if we want to continue to support *OASIS* as our Chapter charity in 2008.

A new 2008 Chapter inventory list is being gathered so we will know what is needed for future events. Please let Karen know if you have anything at your home that is part of our inventory to add to the list.

Charity Raffle winners are: 1st prize won by Greg Raschke, 2nd prize won by Tim Herzog and 3rd prize won by Chad Oakes. Congratulations to all 3 winners!

Meeting ended with Christmas gift exchange.



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 (\$15 renewals) plus \$5 to join *River City Chapter*. A completed application and check can be mailed to:

River City Chapter

PO Box 2577
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Learn how to make democracy work for motorcyclists at the "Washington, D.C. Ride into Political Action" seminar



Are you tired of politicians not representing your views as a motorcyclist? Are you willing to do something about it?

Whether you're a veteran lobbyist or just a concerned motorcyclist who wants to be heard on Capitol Hill, the American Motorcyclist Association's "Washington, D.C. Ride Into Political Action" seminar is for you.

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*At this event, set for **February 23-26** at the Holiday Inn on The Hill in Washington, D.C., you'll learn from the experts about the issues facing motorcyclists today. And you'll learn the ins and outs of working with members of Congress and federal agencies.*

Registration for the Washington, D.C. Ride into Political Action" seminar costs \$99. To reserve your spot, [download the registration form \(.pdf\)](#) and send it to the AMA:

By fax: (614) 856-1920 By Mail: 13515 Yarmouth Drive Pickerington, OH 43147 Or, call (614) 856-1900, ext. 1252, for more information or to register by phone.

For additional information go to: www.amadirectlink.com/legisltn/DCseminar.asp



NCOM NEWS BYTES

Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish,
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FEDS ANNOUNCE CAMPAIGN TO CURB RIDER FATALITIES To combat the rising trend of motorcycle injuries and fatalities, U.S. Secretary of Transportation Mary E. Peters recently announced a comprehensive new federal initiative to improve motorcycle safety with more rider education and training, tougher standards for helmet certification labeling, law enforcement training, and road designs that consider motorcycle dynamics.

Secretary Peters – an avid motorcyclist herself – also released a television public service announcement promoting rider safety and use of personal protective gear, referring to her own crash on a two-lane highway near Tucson in 2005 when she suffered a broken collarbone.

Peters said the motorcycle safety initiative will create new national safety and training standards for novice riders, curb counterfeit helmet labeling so that consumers can be certain they are buying DOT-certified helmets, place new focus on motorcycle-specific road improvements, and provide training to law enforcement officers on how to spot unsafe motorcyclists. In addition, Peters said, the plan includes a broad public awareness campaign – including the PSA - on safe riding techniques.

NHTSA TO EVALUATE STATE MOTORCYCLE SAFETY PROGRAMS The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) recently announced plans to conduct a survey of State Motorcycle Safety Administrators and/or State Highway Safety Offices in all 50 States and the District of Columbia to gather data on state-level motorcycle safety programs.

The study will use the State Motorcycle Safety Administrator and State Highway

Safety Office survey to gather comprehensive data on what each of the 50 States and the District of Columbia are doing to promote and ensure safe riding behavior.

SURVEY FINDS MAJORITY OF MOTORCYCLE OWNERS AT HIGH RISK FOR THEFT



Motorcycle theft rates are at their highest levels nationwide, and continue on the rise.

According to the most recent figures by the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB), 71,523 motorcycles were stolen in 2006, and motorcycle theft has risen a full 137 percent since the year 2000.

LoJack Corporation in cooperation with the NICB conducted an online "Fitness Test" geared to gauge the risk of theft for motorcycle enthusiasts, and found that a full 67 percent of motorcycle owners who responded to the survey are at a high risk for theft.

The 10-question Motorcycle Theft Prevention Fitness Test conducted over the summer revealed that the majority of the respondents were at a high risk for theft because they are not taking necessary precautions, such as securing their bike to an immovable object when parked in a lot or garage, and arming their bikes with theft deterrents (alarms, kill switches, etc.) and recovery systems. Respondents did score well, however, when it came to applying good common sense theft protection measures, such as parking in a concealed area at home, parking in a well lit area in a garage/parking lot, and never leaving keys on the their parked bike.

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

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

CDA Honda
2745 Seltice Way
CDA, ID
208-765-5005

Specialty Recreation & Marine
910 Kathleen Ave.
CDA, ID
208-667-3571

River City Yamaha
3932 W. Riverbend Ave.
Post Falls, Idaho
208-457-8010

Beaudry Motorsports
1525 E. Edmondton
Post Falls, ID
208-777-2453

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This Months Featured Quote:

"The more laws, the less justice."

Cicero

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River City Chapter

Bulletin Board

- *River City Chapter* is still collecting used cell phones working or not for the Post Falls Police O.A.S.I.S. program. They will be refurbished and put to good use. If you have a phone that you wish to donate bring it to a *River City Chapter* meeting or function.

Call CJ or Bridget at 773-1080 or email

cjones@postfallspolice.com

- **Please, renew your membership dues!**

A FEW IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2008 IDAHO LEGISLATURE

January 7 Session Convenes

January 18 Senate Personal Bill Deadline

January 26 House Personal Bill Deadline

February 4 Deadline for Bill/Resolution Drafting Requests to LSO for 36th Day

February 11 36th Day - Nonprivileged Committee Introduction Deadline for Bills and Joint Resolutions

February 15 JFAC Target to Complete Agency Budget Hearings

March 1 Target Date for Transmittal of Legislation Between Houses

March 7 JFAC Target to Complete Appropriations

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"As this survey showed, motorcycle owners need to step up their theft protection measures in order to keep their bikes safe," said Patrick Clancy, Vice President of Law Enforcement, LoJack Corporation. "Unfortunately, using good common sense is not enough to protect bikes from today's clever thieves, who typically know just which bikes they want and how to steal them."

LoJack and NICB have developed a booklet entitled "Get in the Know" that details the steps owners can take to protect their motorcycles from being stolen. The two nationally recognized authorities on vehicle theft and prevention have also launched a joint education initiative called the Vehicle Theft Protection Program to help owners protect their assets from theft, and began their campaign by designating July, the highest vehicle theft month of the year, as National Vehicle Theft Protection Month.

THE AIM/NCOM MOTORCYCLE E-NEWS SERVICE is brought to you by Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) and the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM), and is sponsored by the Law Offices of Richard M. Lester. For more information, call us at 1-(800) ON-A-BIKE or visit us on our website at <http://www.ON-A-BIKE.com>.

