

Calender of Events

Jan 31st & Feb 1st (IL) Chicago Motorcycle Swap Meet & Parts Expo McCormick Place North building Lakeshore Drive, Chicago, IL. for more info www.paragonpromotions.com

Jan 31- (WI) Region 1A "Ridin' out Winter" party at Koozy's Bar & Grille in West Allis, WI 4PM-1AM advanced tickets 414-698-7285

Jan 31 & Feb 1- (MI) Swap Meet & Expo at the Gibraltar Trade Center in Taylor, MI Sat noon - 7pm & Sunday 10 am - 4pm for more info gibraltarttrade.biz

Feb 1- (WI) Expo 1 Swapmeet, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 10am - 5 pm for info 414-839-2712

Feb 1- (MN) Gringo & Mickey's Motorcycle swap meet at Anoka Armory 408 East Main St in Anoka, MN 9-3pm for more info 612-308-9034 or www.motopsycoswapmeets.com

Feb 4- (MN) The 6th annual Biker day at the Minnesota State Capitol from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm. Protect YOUR Riding Freedom – Improve Motorcycle Safety. www.abatemn.org

Feb 7- (WI) Road Road Runners MC North Chapter Log Cabin Fever Bash at Side Tracked Bar & Grill Wisconsin Dells. Starts at 6pm. for info 414-467-2721

Feb 8- (WI) GT Promotions Swap Meet at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Neillsville, WI 920-202-4590

Feb 14- (WI) ABATE Region 8B Chili Cook-off, 3 p.m. Club LaMark in Madison, WI www.abatewis.org

Feb 14- (WI) ABATE Region 7C Chili Cook-off. Jailhouse Salloon, Centerville, WI. www.abatewis.org

Feb 14- (WI) Magneto's MC 17th Annual Valentine's Dance 8pm at the Watering Hole 2107 Velp Av. Green Bay, WI for more info 920-655-1416 or 920-609-0625

Feb 15- (WI) Expo 1 Swapmeet (formerly the Zodiac MC Swapmeet) Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, 10am-5pm 414-839-2712

Feb 21 & 22nd- (IA) 40th Annual O'Reilly Auto Parts Rod & Custom Car Show at Monticello Berndes Center in Monticello Iowa for more info www.rodandcustomcarshow.com

Feb 21- (MN) Rochester Bike Show & Swap Meet at the Mayo Clinic Center in Rochester, MN for more info www.donniesmithbikeshow.com or call 952-746-7786

Feb 20&21-(WI) Second Annual Cruizin' for the Cause. Visit 14 Arbor Vitae and Woodruff locations on snowmobile or other vehicle. All proceeds benefit Angel on My Shoulder. Call 715-614-0334 for further info.

Feb 21- (WI) USA Pride presents the 34th Annual Motorcycle Swap Meet at Weston Lanes in Weston, WI 10-5pm for more info 715-693-4381 or usaprideinc@verizon.net

Feb 21- (WI) The High Riders MC North Chapter "The Heat is on party" starting 6pm at the Clubhouse 330 Hwy 45 South Eagle River for info 715-891-1377

Feb 21- (Mn) St.Croix Valley Riders Mid Winter Party & Membership Drive at the Red Barn VFW, Post 8752, 9260 E Point Douglas Rd, Cottage Grove MN info www.scvr.org

Feb 26- (WI) Abate of Wisconsin Lobby Day in Madison. Plan now to take the day off from work to attend. No experience necessary. For more info www.abatewis.org

Feb 27-(WI) Music by Rocker!!! Rocker!!! Rocker!!! 9-1am at Sassy's in Black Creek, WI for more 920-733-1852

Feb 28- (WI) ABATE District 4 Chili cook-off & Tourney to benefit ABATE of WI held at the Finish Line Lounge in Thorp for more 715-512-0062

March 1- (MN) Gringo & Mickey's Motorcycle swap meet at St. Paul Armory 600 Cedar Street St. Paul, MN 9-3pm for more info 612-308-9034 or www.motopsycoswapmeets.com

March 7- (IL) Northern Illinois ABATE Cabin Fever Party And Membership Drive at The Round Lake American Legion. in Round Lake Ill Starts at 7:00pm. Call Big Mike At 847-445-6437. or www.niabate.com

March 14- (WI) ABATE Regions 7C and 7D Annual Red-Neck-Express bus poker run. www.abatewis.org

March 14- (WI) St. Pat's Day Swap Meet & Bike Show at Northwoods Banquet Center in Rhinelander 9-5pm sponsored by Region 5B for more info 715-550-2014

March 15- (MI) Kalamazoo Motorcycle Swap Meet & Parts Expo Wing Stadium 3600 Vanrick Dr Kalamazoo, MI for more info www.paragonpromotions.com

March 15- (WI) AbATE Region 2E Swap Meet & Show at Waverly Beach in Menasha, WI 10-4pm for more info 920-989-7934 or 920-853-7169

March 28&29th- (MN) 22nd Annual Donnie Smith Bike Show at the Saint Paul RiverCentre St. Paul, MN 952-746-7786 or www.donniesmithbikeshow.com

March 29- (OH) Swap Meet in Springfield, Ohio. Clark County Fairgrounds, I-70 & Hwy 41, Springfield. Walneck's 630 / 985 – 2097 www.walneckswap.com

April 4- (WI) GT Promotions Swap Meet at Sunnyview Expo in Oshkosh, WI. 9-5pm for more 920-202-4590

April 25- (WI) ABATE Region 7D Swap Meet and Bike Show, Monroe County Recreation Park (Fairgrounds), Tomah, WI. www.abatewis.org

April 19- (IL) Swap Meet in Woodstock, Illinois. McHenry County Fairgrounds, Woodstock, Illinois. Walneck's 630 / 985 – 2097 www.walneckswap.com

April 26- (MI) Swap Meet in Marshall, Michigan. Calhoun County Fairgrounds, Marshall, Michigan. Walneck's 630 / 985 – 2097 www.walneckswap.com

You got an event? A benefit? Or just something you want to let everybody else know about, let us know. E-mail your event to preacher@freeriderspress.us. Many more events listed at www.freeriderspress.us

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*****ABATE Lobby DAay 2009*****

A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments of Wisconsin is celebrating its 35th year providing a united voice for all motorcyclists in Wisconsin with regards to their future, their way of life, their safety and their legal rights as motorcyclists and citizens. With a new legislature seated and schedule confirmed, ABATE of Wisconsin has announced the date of their 2009 Lobby Day. In 2008 over 500 concerned motorcyclists attended this important event. Membership in ABATE of WI is not required and we'd like to welcome all bikers to join us.

ABATE of Wisconsin will be hosting a lobby day on Thursday, February 26th for all bikers at the State Capitol in Madison. We will be assembling between 8a.m. and 4:30p.m. at the Inn on the Park prior to walking across the street to meet with our legislators in the Capitol.

Information and hand-outs for legislators will be available at our meeting area.

The legislative issues of current concern to ABATE of WI are:
*Enhancement of the rules concerning right of way violations defined in Wisconsin Act 466

*Reaffirm our position on the current helmet law in Wisconsin and offer solid facts supporting our position including that 2008 had the lowest motorcycle fatality rate in over four years.

*Alcohol awareness; show that ABATE of Wisconsin is committed to making motorcycling safer for all riders by implementing a self-funded, statewide peer to peer anti-impaired riding program.

Bus routes have been planned to promote attendance at this event. Check out the routes in our current ABATE of WI newsletter or contact your ABATE regional representative for more information or call our state office at 800-386-4442.

People not riding the buses are welcomed to park their cars at the CC Rider's MC Clubhouse on Parkside Dr (turn off of East Washington at the corner of E Washington and Lien Road (Wendy's in on the corner) go one block to Parkside Dr, turn right, and the Clubhouse is at the end of the block.) We will be operating a shuttle from the Clubhouse to the Inn on the park every half hour from approximately 8am to 4:30.

No experience necessary. Someone will be available to join you when meeting your legislators. Appointments are your responsibility. Please check with your ABATE regional rep to see if an appointment has already been made with your legislator. To find out who your legislators are, please visit our website at www.abatewis.org and click on the resources link.

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transient blistering herb scents through the lush exotic air. A hubcap heads deliriously toward a curb & Blue Caps bop. It's just the difference between dreams & fantasy.
-Kenn Hartmann

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