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Hello from the newsletter committee!

We know you haven't had a newsletter since April. Besides being short on manpower, a lot of hard work and long hours have been put into our website: www.abateofnorthidaho.org

There is everything you want to know about your organization on this site with links to other MRO's and supporters. If you don't have a computer, find a friend or go to your nearest library and check this stuff out! Upcoming Runs, Events and Flyers are posted as they are received. This website is updated almost daily by your webmaster. The State and Chapter minutes are also now on the website. They can be printed as can the Flyers and other information.

Your help is needed to determine what you, the membership, want in a newsletter. The committee needs your ideas, thoughts, comments and feedback on the contents, size and the frequency it is published. Let us know, call write, email.....

It's State Officer *ELECTION* time of year again and this newsletter contains qualification statements per State by-law requirements (see Below) from some of those nominated at the July State Board of Directors meeting. The official ballots will go out to all current members September 1st. Please vote and return your confidential ballot to the State PO box or give to an Officer before the October 9th State Board of Directors meeting. Don't forget to write your membership number on your ballot. The ballots will be tallied and the results announced at the October 9th State BOD meeting which will be held in Moscow at the Sandpiper Grill (now known as the Mark IV) hosted by the Hoodoo Chapter. Exact time and place will be announced at a later date.

6.2 STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION. Nominees shall submit a statement of qualification to the State Office within two weeks of nomination, to be printed in each issue of the State publication prior to ballot mailing.

By-laws, ABATE of North Idaho, Inc

The following letters have been submitted to the state office per by-law requirements.

- **For the position of State Coordinator:**

7-22-05

I have been actively involved with A.B.A.T.E. of North Idaho since it's inception in this area. Being with the original Chapter then branching out from Coeur d'Alene. At that time being an area representative, and later establishing our local Chapter within the state. Also having held positions of Sergeant-At-Arms to Coordinator allowing being on various committees on the Chapter and State levels.

I have been involved with communities local and about to inform the public on the functions of A.B.A.T.E. of North Idaho. With established and newly formed resources, A.N.I. has and will continue to grow. In asking

to extend my position in A.N.I., lets continue to R.I.S.E. into 2006.

Sincerely, Moose

July 14, 2005

For those members that do not know me, my name is Willie Stephenson. I was nominated for the positions of State Coordinator and State Ambassador-at-Large at our July 10th state meeting in Orofino. This statement of qualifications is submitted as outlined and *required* of State officer nominees in Article 6.2 of ABATE of North Idaho's state by-laws.

Idaho motorcycle rights organization (MRO) experience and/or positions held include:

- Co-founder, President and charter member of Kootenai District, ABATE of Idaho
- Co-founder, incorporator, State Coordinator and lifetime member of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.
- Deputy Coordinator and Ambassador-at-Large of Kootenai Chapter ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.
- Co-created the drivers education Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP) at ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.
- Current Co-webmaster of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.
- Currently serve on or chair:
 - State By-law Committee ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.
 - State Budget/Financial Committee ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.
 - State Safety & Education Committee ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.

Other past or current MRO memberships include:

- ABATE of Washington
 - Spokane Chapter
 - Four Rivers Chapter
- ABATE of Montana
 - Northwest Chapter
- American Motorcyclists Association (AMA)
- British Columbia Coalition of Motorcyclists (BCCOM)
- Idaho Coalition for Motorcycle Safety (ICMS)
- Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF)

I have been involved in this regions motorcycle rights movement, at some level or another, since the 1980's. My service to this organization has been and will continue to be focused on the traditional and fundamental principles, priorities and values that ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. was founded on and providing responsible and experienced leadership. This service includes, among other things, recognizing, supporting, assisting and defending, if necessary, those dedicated members, both past and present, that so graciously and unselfishly choose to support these same traditional and fundamental principles, priorities and values also.

It has been an honor in the past to serve with some outstanding, hardworking and dedicated members and officers of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. and I will continue to do so as a state officer again if you wish me to do so.

• **For the position of State Deputy Coordinator:**

I, *Tim (TJ) Herzog*, according to the By-laws of Abate of North Idaho, Inc. hereby submit my formal acceptance of nomination for Deputy Coordinator. Following are my

qualifications for this State Office.

Lifetime member of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.; Charter Member of the former Kootenai District Chapter, ABATE of Idaho; first Public Relations/Legal Committee Chairman and Legislative Committee Chairman, Kootenai District Chapter. Approximately six months after Kootenai District was initiated, I was formally appointed Deputy Coordinator and remained in office until ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. was formed. Elected Deputy Coordinator, ABATE of North Idaho, Inc., Charter member and Co-Founder of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. and Legislative Committee Chairman. Served in these positions until 1995.

My accomplishments in ABATE: Instrumental in the defeat of the *Idaho Adult Helmet Law Legislation of 1991*, introduced into the House Transportation Committee, along with many ABATE members and in coordination with the Idaho Coalition of Motorcycle Safety (ICMS), Co-Founded ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.; provided support to (ICMS) in passing *Idaho's first Motorcycle Endorsement Legislation*. Appointed Honorary Member to ICMS. During my tenure, I participated in the Motorcycle Awareness Classes presented at local High Schools. I am a *Lifetime Member* of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc., an AMA member and currently self-employed in a small business venture.

My main goals for ABATE of North Idaho, if elected, are to pursue all and any legislative issues that affect Motorcyclist's and Motorcycling at both State and Federal levels. Also, I would *encourage and help* those interested ABATE members and *select members* of all Chapters with understanding the legislative process and in making that important personal contact with our State Legislators on issues relevant to motorcyclist's and motorcycling in general.

• **For the position of State Treasurer:**

July 15, 2005

In accordance with The ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. State By-laws, I, *Karen Hunley*, am submitting my statement of qualifications to the State office for the position of State Treasurer.

I am currently the State Treasurer and the State Secretary . As a Co-Founder, Incorporator, Charter and Lifetime member of ABATE Of North Idaho, Inc., my qualifications include:

- Current Paid member of AMA.
- Implemented the ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. financial records to Quickbooks 2005.
- All State Officers are ex-officio members of all committees.

Past offices of ABATE held are:

- ABATE Of Washington- Spokane Chapter Treasurer 1988.
- Secretary AND Treasurer of Kootenai District (Now Kootenai Chapter) 1989-1992.
- State Secretary AND Treasurer 1989 Thru 1996.

My professional world for the past 30 years includes Bank Secretary, Office Manager and currently the Executive Secretary to three Vice Presidents of a local Bank. My current duties include extensive Bookkeeping and Accounting.

I will continue to support ABATE of North Idaho at any level in the utmost professional and respectful manner of which this organizations deserves.

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