

## November Meeting Oahe ABATE Chapter

November 8, 2014 – Bill's Garage

Vice President Brad Bruns called the meeting to order at 6:53 pm with 13 members present.

Treasurer Steve Schwellenbach gave the Treasurer's Report and was accepted.

Membership Secretary Bonnie London reported that there are 67 members and gave a list of those needing to renew and contact status.

Secretary Marcia Kaup reported that the chapter is on a wait list for decorating a Christmas tree at the Capitol. Marcia will be notified if a tree becomes available and will ask for help if needed. There was a tremendous amount of applicants due to being the 125<sup>th</sup> year celebration.

State Representative – absent but the next State ABATE BOD meeting is November 15 at 1:00 at the Legion Cabin and is open to any ABATE member to attend.

Road Captain Dennis Bruce had nothing to report.

### **Old Business:**

The Christmas Party/Toy Run Fundraiser will be held on Friday, December 12 at Eastside Pub & Casino (formerly Bogey's Pub) beginning at 6:00 pm with Minnow sales. There will be a Chili Cook-off beginning at 7:00. Free will donations are welcome! Only Chili will be voted on but other types of soup will be accepted. Cheese, crackers, chips or other appetizer items welcome. Minnow Races begin at 8:00. Mystery Raffle tickets will be sold to "current" Oahe ABATE Chapter members. Another Mystery Box will be raffled off after completion of the Minnow Races. Posters were distributed as well as raffle tickets to be sold. Invite your friends to attend! The more the merrier!

December 13 is Pie Day at the Capitol. Meet at Bubba Ray's at 11 to proceed to the Capitol at noon. We have toys left over to distribute to the kids. Brad will check with Joe to see if he will be available to be Santa. After Pie Day any interested members are urged to meet at Kmart for shopping for gifts. The gifts will be wrapped and tagged after the meeting that evening.

Legislative Days is January 15-17. Oahe ABATE Chapter is in charge of the supper on Friday evening. Marcia, Steve, Jolene and Tina will plan the meal. Anyone interested in helping out contact any of the above to make your intentions known. A meeting will be planned after the Christmas Party/Toy Run Fundraiser to discuss the menu and other planning.

Discussion was held on what to do with Jeff's Circus Circus stuffed animal collection. Brad will talk with Kurt to discuss selling the collection.

### **New Business:**

A thank you from Warren Dozier was received.

Discussion was held on hiring The Onslaught for the Fun Run and how to pay for it. Brad will talk to Kurt to see if Rob would be willing to have the chapter hold Minnow Races there one time a month until May to raise money to put toward the hiring of the band.

Election of officers was held and will begin their duties at the January 2015 meeting:

President: Brad Bruns (1 year)

Treasurer: Bill Poppenga (2 years)

Secretary: Marcia Kaup (1 year remaining)

Membership Secretary: Jolene Juneau (1 year)

Sergeant-at-Arms: Kip Eichoff (1 year)

State Rep: Lori Butler (2 years)

Kip made a motion to table election of Vice President and Event Coordinator officers until the December meeting, Bill Meagher 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion carried.

The next meeting will be held Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at Bill Poppenga's garage beginning at 6:30PM. We will be wrapping gifts and sorting them so plan on being there later than normal. Drawings and donations will still be taken and pot luck will follow the meeting. Bring a dish to pass if you want.

With no further business to discuss Bill M. made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Dennis seconding. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Dawn Trapp won the 50/50 drawing. Jim Bruce was drawn for SOL and was not present so the pot remains intact for the next meeting.

Marcia Kaup - Oahe ABATE Secretary

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