

November 2010

The November Chapter General Meeting on Sunday the 14th is crucial to the future of Yavapai Chapter. This is urgent; we strongly request that membership show up for this extremely important meeting. We will be voting for our 2011 chapter officers. What makes this year different from previous Novembers is all officer positions are open and we, as of yet, had anyone come forward with a definite yes. Especially needed to hold the chapter together are the three primary offices; Coordinator (run the meeting following the agenda), Secretary (if I can do it anyone can) and Treasurer (if you are honest, you can balance a check book and have a calculator you're good to go). Without these three positions filled the chapter will fold. There are also secondary offices up for grabs; Vice Coordinator, Membership, P.A.C., Run & Events, Safety, Merchandise and Sgt. at Arms. If you can attend the Sunday November 14th meeting we will discuss this further and you will be given the opportunity to ask questions about any position you're interested in. If someone is thinking of the Secretary office but feel you have no experience taking meeting minutes, don't be concerned, I had no experience either and no one to really teach me. I will, on the other hand, help the new Secretary until that person is comfortable on their own. Every new officer will have plenty of help getting started. In January there is an officer training to show you the ropes.

Once again, if you choose not to attend this meeting, ABATE of Arizona Yavapai Chapter will be shut down, the end, finis. If you give a damn about your rights and freedoms as a motorcycle rider (even if you don't ride) than please step up to the plate, volunteer for at least a year and keep this great chapter alive.

If by chance you will be attending for the first time here's the time and place; we meet the 2nd Sunday of every month at The Pinon Pines Bar & Grill, 2701 E. Hwy 89A in Prescott. Hopefully you've been reading your monthly Masterlink and the Yavapai Chapter Report, if so, you know what good work ABATE does for Arizona rider's rights and in the report how much fun this chapter has on runs. Now the call is out for you to join us, get involved and be part of the solution.

When I write my last Yavapai Chapter Report for December and sign off for the last time as Secretary I will only be saying good bye as an officer. I hope to God that I won't be saying good bye to Yavapai Chapter because it will abate. The definition of abate is 'to put an end to, nullify'. Interesting, that is the name of this Motorcycle Rights Organization, ABATE of Arizona. This organization works to stop legislation aimed to take our rights and freedoms away, that's a good thing, if that word applies to the existence of this chapter it's a bad thing. The future of this chapter, along with your rights and freedoms, are in your hands now. See ya' all November 14th and let's keep the chapter going.

**Until next month,
Ride with your eyes open and your head clear,
Linda "Gabby" Kocar
ABATE of Arizona
Yavapai Chapter, Secretary**