

The

# Rogue Review

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## SAME NIGHT, NEW LOCATION!

**Our March 9th Chapter meeting will be at Jacks Sports Grill** at 315 N Ross Point Rd. (Hwy 41 & Seltice Way, just south of KFC/A&W)

**THANK YOU to Pennies Family Diner & Pub** for being such great hosts for the past few months!

Look for the **Idaho Biker Information Guide** due out in April!

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## NEWS FLASH! A CALL TO ACTION!

Idaho **SENATE BILL 1367** (stoplight bill) received a **DO PASS** recommendation from the Senate Transportation Committee and will be heard on the Senate floor soon. Next Step will be the House Transportation Committee, then floor. If passed, it will just need the Governor's signature to be law!

### CALL YOUR IDAHO REPRESENTATIVES NOW!

Call during the weekday day or e-mail your message anytime. Use your Representatives name if possible. **If not, your legal, registered address will do!** Make sure you leave your name and address, phone number is optional and that you are a *registered voter*. Also, mention that you are a member of ABATE of North Idaho...*very important!*

### SAMPLE MESSAGE

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, my address is \_\_\_\_\_, and I am a registered voter and a member of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. Please leave this message for Senator \_\_\_\_\_, and House Representative \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to support and vote for the passage of Senate Bill 1367 for the benefit of Motorcyclists. Thank you.

**1-800-626-0471 or [idleginfo@Iso.Idaho.gov](mailto:idleginfo@Iso.Idaho.gov)**

## YOUR BASIC LITTLE BLACK BAG (TOOL KIT)

This article is in tribute to all the 'old school bikers' who've passed their knowledge down from one biker to the next. Thank you for taking the time to stop and help out a stranded biker; teaching a new biker some of the ropes; sharing a few hard lessons learned stories; and making it a safer ride for all of us! May the tradition continue!

All right! You know all the rules forwards and backwards. Heck, you probably can recite them in your sleep by this now! You've taken all the required driving tests and possibly even taken the local motorcycle safety class. Your local ABATE may have even been a part of your safety training.

And to top it all off, you've got your bike. Maybe it's not the bike of your dreams. Or the one you've been putting pennies aside all these

years yet. But it's your bike. You've put in your time, money, and a lot of hard work to get to this point. All that matters now is you've got your bike. You're ready to ride. Anywhere. Anytime. And you do.

You ride it every chance you get. You ride it to work. You ride it after work. You ride it on week-ends. Shoot, you're even riding it on runs and rallies now. Your confidence is growing in yourself and your bike. Solo rides no longer give you pause. It's time to hit the freeways and by-ways of America. And then it happens. You're flying with the wind down the road and you can't see in your mirror any-

more because all those 'good vibrations' have loosened the nut. Or, you come out of the establishment refreshed and ready for the next jaunt of the run. You walk up to your bike and bingo!

*"You don't have one tool to fix any of it because no one ever told you..."*

Your turn signal is hanging by a wire. Or your license plate is looking like a candidate for a ticket from your local state patrol 'cause it's hanging by a thread...literally. And guess what? You don't have one tool to fix any of it because no one ever told you what basic tools you should carry in your little black bag (tool kit). Always. Every ride. No matter how short or long the ride.

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# RIVER CITY CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES:

February 9, 2006, Pennies Family Diner

Call to Order/Introductions at 7PM

Roll Call/Quorum - 10 Members and 1 Guest

Secretary's Report (minutes): amended and approved

Treasurers Report:

Beginning Balance \$0

Ending Balance \$136.00

Holiday Fund \$0

Membership Secretary's Report: Current membership: 20

Guest Speaker: Kent Bailey, District 3 Senate Seat Candidate (former Idaho State Senator), announced and passed around a prototype motorcycle Idaho License Plate designed for veterans. The plate will cost \$34, the standard specialized plate cost. To apply for the veteran's license plate, you will need to have a copy of your DD-214. You can apply by mailing in a form or by doing it online at <http://www.itd.idaho.gov/dmv/> (click on Vehicle Services, scroll down to Forms and Other Information, select Special License Plates). All of the money, except for \$6, is going to a veterans' cemetery in Boise. Greg raised the question about why there isn't a veterans' cemetery in North Idaho. Kent responded by informing him that the Idaho Forest Service has 60 acres they are looking to possibly donate for that cause. This may take 5 years or so. If you need information on veterans, contact me at [www.kentbailey.net](http://www.kentbailey.net)

Committee Reports:

### Legislative - T.J. Herzog

Tim passed around the Idaho Legislative Directory (who's who in Idaho Legislation). He purchased six (6) booklets at \$3 each. He intends to give one to each Chapter Legislative Officer. The State (ANI) pays for the booklets. If someone wants a personal booklet, contact T.J. and he'll get you one.

Tim updated members that our legislation was going to be introduced as a bill. He has not heard anything as yet. He is hoping maybe next week it will.

### Runs/Events - Greg Raschke

He has all his paperwork in order for the May Awareness Run. He has the ID Department of Transportation liability waiver form and the release form for participants under age 18. The event is scheduled for May 13, sun up to sun down. Greg reminded members this is a **passive** windshield wash event.

Please contact Greg if you are interested in participating or would like to be a Committee Member.

### Charity & Fundraising - Karen Hunley

Willie announced Karen Hunley has volunteered to be Chairman for the Charity & Fundraising Committee.

Karen shared with the members a picture she and Willie have donated to the Chapter to use as a possible future raffle item. The picture is of an eagle, nicely framed.

Karen raised the question of whether the Chapter wanted to host a raffle at the Spring Opener or host a separate raffle. She also inquired if the Chapter thinks we should have more than one item available in a raffle.

Most members concurred that more than one item should be available for a raffle because there could be more winners. Gift certificates from restaurants, hotels, etc. were suggested as possible raffle items. Spike stated he might be able to get some. Pennies donated a \$25 gift certificate.

Karen is looking for Charity & Fundraising Committee members. Please contact her if you are interested.

### Safety & Education - Willie Stephenson

Dewain, Willie, and T.J. will be doing the Safety & Education presentation (Awareness Class) February 14 at the Harding Family Center at 6:00pm. Willie invited Kent Bailey,

## River City Chapter Charter Memberships!

Those who sign up and become ANI and River City Chapter members on or before *March 15, 2006* will be designated as *River City Chapter Charter Members!* Pass the word along.

*“Membership alone does not guarantee our liberties without active participation...”*



[www.aimncom.com](http://www.aimncom.com)

District 3 Senate Seat Candidate. Kent checked his schedule, stated he was available, and he will be there.

Willie updated the members on the status of the safety movie. Dave Bremenour now has made copies of the movie onto DVD and vhs. Hopefully they will be in our mailbox soon. A Safety & Education Kit (Awareness Class briefcase) is still being worked on.

Please contact Willie if you are interested in participating or would like to be a Committee Member.

Old Business:

By-Law Manual – Willie S.

We want to keep track of information. Some of this information need not be for every member. Willie suggested perhaps there could be different levels of content information such as a 1<sup>st</sup> level for members; a 2<sup>nd</sup> level for Officers, and maybe an archive edition.

RC Charter Member – Willie S.

Any one who joins the RC Chapter by March 15, 2006, is a Charter Member.

New Business:

Chapter Meeting Location Change – Willie S.

Jack’s Sports Bar and Grill located at Hiway 41 & Seltice Way in Post Falls (next to KFC). This is the only meeting room we have found that holds about 20 people and is **free**. It is a closed meeting room. We’ll see how it goes. If we like it, we’ll keep it. Meantime, if anyone has any other suggestions for potential meeting locations, please submit them to Willie. If anything happens and we cannot meet at Jack’s, we’ll meet at Pennies.

River City Chapter Brochure – Willie S.

Willie passed around a sample River City Chapter, ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. brochure. Please let Willie know ‘yea’ or ‘nay.’

Name Badges – Karen H.

North Idaho Trophy can make them up for \$7 plus tax. At seven (7) positions, that would be a \$49 Chapter expenditure.

Chapter Patches - RC S.

Can we make some Chapter patches? Maybe like River City Rogue, Charter Member? We could pay for them out of our own pocket. Bar patches with the words ‘Charter Member’ can be readily purchased individually and added to a Chapter patch. RC will check into prices for 4-inch patches. If you have a patch design suggestion, please submit it to RC or Willie.

Open Forum/Announcements:

- EPA has decided to mess with motorcycles. There are some new regulations you might want to be aware of. You can go to the front page of ANI’s web site for a link to American Iron Magazine ([www.aimag.com](http://www.aimag.com)).
- ABATE of WA’s Spokane Chapter is holding a meeting on Friday February 17, 7:00pm at Volcanos, 20 N. Raymond. We as a Chapter have chosen to do whatever it can do to support them.
- When RC and TJ opened the bank account, they were given a gift, a **LED lantern**. What does the Chapter want to do with it? Members suggested adding it as a raffle item. Agreed

50/50 Drawing: Chad won the pot with lucky number 630100. Chad donated his share back to the Chapter funds.

Adjournment: 8:35pm

**Time for Renewals!**

Many of us will need to renew our ANI *State* membership dues in March. An updated membership application can be downloaded and printed from the ANI web site. A completed application, with check of course, can be mailed to:

River City Chapter  
PO Box 2577  
Post Falls, ID  
83877-2577

or

ABATE of North Idaho  
PO Box 2244  
Coeur d’Alene, ID  
83816-2244

Thanks!

This e-newsletter is for you the River City Chapter membership. For those of you who wish to submit something to the Rogue Review by e-mail please forward it, attention Rogue Review, to the following e-mail address: [rivercitycoordinator@abateofnorthidaho.org](mailto:rivercitycoordinator@abateofnorthidaho.org)

**LOCAL ABATE OF NORTH IDAHO SUPPORTERS!**

**Hawgs Grill**  
208-882-8705

**One Eye’s Landing**  
208-682-4179  
Kingston, Idaho

**One Eye’s**  
Rathdrum, Idaho  
208-687-1926

**Debbies Small Business Support Service**  
208-687-1743

**Lawrence’s Motorcycles**

We thank these business for their help and support!



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February Featured Link:

### Idaho Biker Information Guide:

“The Little Biker Magazine & Website That  
Has it All.”

[www.idahobikerinformationguide.com](http://www.idahobikerinformationguide.com)

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## YOUR BASIC LITTLE BLACK BAG (TOOL KIT)

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Not every one of us is blessed with riders who are good friends, family who ride, or that chance individual rider who'll take the time to tell you some of the basic things you should have in your tool bag; the things not covered in a class but gained through time and experience.

Basic for your tool bag:

4-way Screw Driver  
Continuity (Light) Tester  
Black Electrical Tape  
Duct Tape  
Spark Plug Socket Wrench with Extension  
Spark Plug Spacer  
Spark Plugs  
Replacement Bulbs (tail light, turn signals)  
Tire Pressure Gauge  
Misc. washers, screws, bolts  
Wire Ties  
Allen wrench set  
Oil (won't fit in your tool bag but pack it along—wrap in a plastic bag)  
Pen and Paper  
Rag  
If you have room in a saddlebag, it's a good idea

to stash these too:

Bike Manual (if it came with one) or a copy of your bike's specifications  
Jumper Cables  
Tire Repair Kit  
Tools to be able to remove your bike's front and rear tires  
1<sup>st</sup> Aid Kit with protective gloves

One experienced old school rider suggested purchasing a roll up open-end wrench set. Add to that two (2) spark plugs, one (1) feeler gauge, one (1) 12" crescent plug wrench, one (1) roll of black tape, some wire ties, a multi-head screw driver, and a pen and paper to write phone numbers on.

Continuity Tester: A tool in which you touch one end on one end of the wire and one end on the other and it will tell you if there is a break or short in the two points.

There are some other things you need to keep in mind besides just packing all those handy tools. You need to know your bike. Not just how it handles or how many miles you can go on a tank of gas. You need to know what is the right way to jump your bike if you have a need to do that some day. If you have your manual, read it. If you don't, look it up on the Internet and see if there's a copy available.

Another thing to keep in mind is a lot of the newer bikes are built with computers and unless you're a computer wiz kid/mechanic, it probably would better to let the shop take care of matters especially if it involves electronics. Don't try to fix things that are beyond your expertise. Fix what you yourself can fix. Leave the rest. If you have absolutely no mechanical ability at all, make sure you have “Road Side Assistance” coverage and a cell phone.

If you ever do break down, chances are someone will stop and give you a hand and boy, will they be impressed with you that you've got the tools to fix your bike! Now all you need is a little know-how on how to apply those tools for what needs fixing. So pay close attention when that old school biker stops and takes the time to explain it to you. Someday you'll be that old school biker passing it down.

Ride safe y'all!

LittleSisterWA

*The author wishes to thank all those who contributed thoughts and ideas for this article — lswa*

