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# ABATE of Northern Nevada



Don't forget!! Those of you that are competing in the high mileage contest keep adding miles onto your bike! The awards ceremony will be in January.



John Bland, President

*October / November 2009*

I missed our annual Hagerman Idaho trip this fall. I wanted to be there but an opportunity came up to meet my son Jesse at the Four Corners Rally. I partnered up with Shovel chopper rider and new ABATE member Doug Hughes and his friend Rich. We rode back roads 1,700 miles across remote Western states on bikes over 30 years old. We slept on the ground every night, without plans or schedule. We found ourselves staying in ABATE of Colorado's Four Corners campsite. They treated us like old friends and shared their food and shelter with us. We met Jesse here and road back to Albuquerque with him to see his newly purchased home. We made it back to Elko in time to participate in the Morrodders/ABATE bike show. What a great way to finish a week long road trip.

I invite ABATE members to submit articles to be published in this newsletter. It's a great opportunity to express your ideas, suggestions, frustrations, or successes. ABATE member John Hobbs has educated himself about our Constitution and politics in general. His thoughts and writings are impressive, read his article slowly and methodically, I'm sure that's how they're written. Thank you John Hobbs for sharing your thoughts with us.

John Bland – ABATE NNV President, MRF State Rep.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I have an uneasy feeling law enforcement is ratcheting down on riders that wear helmets that don't meet the officers perception of a "safe" or "approved" helmet.

This week I was informed of motorcyclists being ticketed in Las Vegas for wearing helmets that did not have the proper DOT certification. Reno Street Vibrations was held September 23-27 and a news report yesterday stated that alcohol related accidents have been increasing each year. To curb this, DUI road blocks were set up to stop cars and motorcyclists. If the officers determined the motorcyclist was wearing a non-complying helmet they would issue a helmet ticket. This reminds me of the story about how to cook a live frog by slowly turning up the heat or how to catch a wild hog by erecting one side of the cage at a time. A law is passed but they don't enforce it for a few years, most people will tolerate a new law better if it's not enforced. This is the "get used to the law" grace period. The seat belt law is the perfect example of how they pass a law opposed by the majority. I grew up not wearing a seatbelt, it was no big deal. As I got older I

remember the media educating the public about the safety of seatbelt use and made recommendations to use them. Not too many years ago a law was introduced to make it a secondary offense to not wear a seatbelt. I remember very clearly that we were told if the secondary law passed it would never be a primary offense. As a secondary offense you cannot be pulled over and ticketed for a seatbelt violation, you must be pulled over for some other offense, a primary offense, and if you are not wearing a seat belt during your visit with the officer he can also give you a ticket for not wearing a seatbelt. A law almost passed this legislative session that would make the seatbelt a primary offense. When it becomes a primary offense the officer can pull you over if he "thinks" you were not wearing a seatbelt. I also grew up riding motorcycles not wearing a helmet. I remember having the choice to wear one or not, I remember my mother telling me to. I remember when California became a helmet state, I was shocked. I couldn't believe it could happen; California was the motorcycle Mecca of the country with its mild climate, scenic roadways and coastal

border. Motorcycles were truly everywhere and represented a California lifestyle. Gun regulation is being taken down the same path, one small click at a time the laws ratchet away our rights to own, reload, purchase, and sell guns. Notice the similarity with the current road closure fight, one click at a time we lose access to our public lands. It must be a science carefully studied by our government, how to influence and take from the public without causing the majority to become too concerned or angry, just one click at a time.

Mike Davis "Bones" president of Southern ABATE held the first and successful freedom ride down the Las Vegas Strip on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Approximately 200 riders participated and about 6 different riding clubs were present. About half of the riders chose to ride without helmets. Law enforcement was in force but didn't hassle anyone and no tickets were issued. I appreciate this effort; this type of activity makes everyone think about laws, enforcement, government, rights, and personal freedoms.

Dear Patriots and Defenders of Freedom,

Author, John Hobbs

I write this not with a pointing finger but rather great anguish over the current condition of our once great republic. I write it with a helplessness knowing not only do we need to do more to protect what little is left of our bequeathal from the founding fathers but in a revelation that I myself must expend more than what is convenient. That every ounce of patriotic duty is needed in defense of life sustaining liberty, for as John Adams noted liberty is as essential to life it's self as the very air we breathe. For not only do I feel a overwhelming anguish for posterity when I look into the eyes of a child, when I update myself on current affairs of our nation I feel as if I literally cannot breathe.

We must not be so arrogant in the blessings of liberty or negligent to reason where we can not accept that we are in the beginnings of our Second American Revolution. A revolution brought about by realization from many that the responsibility of liberty has been lifted from our worry by a government which promises to dispense it back with kindness. A brilliant moment of insight that those liberties were taken over many years through silent encroachments as James Madison had warned. That our Constitution can no longer be trusted to those of power and that we must thoroughly understand it. Where the battles fought are won with the pen, tongue, and ballot.

This revolution cannot afford us the time to self debate the issue of pertinence. We cannot trot in later with our muskets and engage in a late battle. Battles fought dressed in principals coupled with keen sensibilities, armed with words and peaceful action must be fought in great numbers early. The numerous defenders of liberty must have patients and stamina, for this despotism will not shrink back into the shadows of deception easily. It will be a great inconvenience to everyone and those they love, but far from the inconvenience of an overbearing master's whip lashing out upon the backs of our posterity. Where could we find the convenience in putting this argument on the shelf for a later and impossible date?

Thomas Paine once noted that his revolution must be fought and endured by him so that his children could live in peace. Once liberty was bestowed to its rightful place at the feet of god's children, Patrick Henry had deemed it a jewel and had offered the warning that we must guard it with suspicion of everyone who approaches that jewel. We have forgotten to guard that jewel and realized it only when we clearly saw the burglar halfway out the window. Like the prior revolution our second has a fuse that slowly burns its way to the charge, the fuse then burned in the open for the transgressions on the human spirit was acceptable. The fuse this day has burned in secret in the manner of transgressions masked as what must be done in the name of the common good, both igniting a charge called The Tea Party.

Contrary to some propogandists this is a movement of an organic nature and is being waged by those who fully know why colonists carried out the Boston Tea Party in 1773. The modern movement ties are uncanny to that of its forefather when relating the issues of high taxation, government chokehold on the economy in terms of regulation, government's thirst for drinking all of the prosperity out of the economy to grow its self, and government's unwillingness to let the individual the breathing room to spark growth. Like now, after the act deemed to have been carried out by terrorists, came retaliation of our government. Then enters the examples the Bill of Rights set out to protect us from and the encroachments we fight today.

This modern day finds us defending the right to speak out against despotism with the possibility of loosing it. Some who believe in our founding principals have been barraged by death threats through all forms of communication. Some have had their house broken into in the middle of the night. Our newly appointed FCC Chief Diversity Officer has exclaimed that broadcasters use an exaggeration under the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment and sees no reason why the FCC cannot regulate what they say. He also prides himself on his plan to fine conservative and christian personalities, where the proceeds of such would be given to the liberal and donation based National Public Radio (NPR). In the houses of some states we not only find legislators trying to create a government board to run a certain religion but we also find courts demanding bright children be taken from home school to government education because the 10 year old defended her religion to vigorously.

We find ourselves with a newly confirmed Regulatory Czar by the name of Cass Sunstein who believes private ownership of firearms has outlived its revolutionary intent of arming dissidents in protection of a returning empire and has the belief that it is unlawful to shoot animals. Cass further believes animals have an essential right to file lawsuits for something as trivial as a bad given name. Our President acknowledges that he believes the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment preserves the right to gun ownership but has openly said he does not agree with it. Congress has yet to ratify a treaty between our President and Mexico that makes re-loaders file with the Federal Government.

The current administration has deemed it acceptable to find creative ways to allow them to remotely search your computer. Every one of us has been encouraged to inform on our neighbors in the guise of patriotism. Our Department of Homeland Security has started training girl scouts to be informants. The ATF has boasted that it is above constitutional law when it comes to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Amendments. Suspension from our constitutional right to Habeas Corpus is allowed under the existing Patriot Act left over from the last administration.

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Letter from John Hobbs, continued from page 2.

Though just compensation for landowners is not being denied, the Omnibus Land Act of 2009 has plans to acquire thousands of acres for National Wilderness. It dedicates miles upon miles of waterways as wild waters and blocks millions of acres from being used to extract oil. Travel Management Plan (TMP) with the USDA Forest Service sets out to limit access to public lands all over the Western United States. The TMP also sets out to put strict restrictions and fines on roads allowed to remain to insure our submission.

In relation to the 6<sup>th</sup> Amendment some have not enjoyed a speedy trial or any trial at all under the existing Patriot Act. Americans who were snatched up in the name of a war on terror and not even told what their crime was. When the executive branch was ordered to adhere to the 6<sup>th</sup> amendment the prisoner was then released with no explanation, in some cases after seven years. A right to a lawyer had also been denied for those seven years. In relation to the 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment some of those prisoners were given if not cruel, unusual punishment in order to extract information. It isn't the argument that we don't need information, I am making the argument that this was done in some cases to Americans who were born here. In a much broader argument the Constitution chains the government from doing such things to anyone under its law which governs sovereign soil.

Earlier this year many states re-stated their sovereignty and right to govern under the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Amendments. Though the symbolism is important to shed light on a problem, it accomplished very little. It was a mere annoyance to our despots who have no interest in releasing its grip on states rights. Some of these violations of the bill of rights were here before the current administration, some in retaliation to tea party goers and town hall attendees. This is a general list of transgressions that has excluded much and will have more to add as well as time moves forward. This is the fuse and the report of the detonation.

I can assure you with certainty that this time will be remembered by history. It has both the possibility of being nothing more than a flash in the pan or a time recorded for posterity where we stepped out of convenience to save a free republic. I call out to my brother and sister, whose relation was forged through the common struggle for liberty. The hope and aspirations of our legacy depends on every last one of you to act with bold swiftness. Like you I may be the harshest critic of my pen and find it child's play, regardless I promise to write even in inconvenient times. Though my tongue may be nervous and ill equipped for oratory, I shall never back down from the challenge. In accordance with advice from Ben Franklin I shall vote, it will be on principal alone even though I may be the only one.

In a time where executive chiefs concentrate power outside of the boundaries of check and balances. Our own President has come to resemble nothing less than an elected monarch. Our own legislative houses resemble that of an aristocratic parliament, appointed by old money and families of legacy. Where the idea of a new bill of rights is proposed to dictate what a government must do on your behalf instead of the old negative one that cites what it can't do. Where do you stand? Will you look posterity in the eye and say, "I gave everything my soul had to carry out a peaceful revolution"? "I sacrificed my convenience to preserve what was bought with blood before me". I say to you now I feel sheepish for the lack of my actions, it is not my intent to be Paine's summer soldier and sunshine patriot.

Rally! Rally to the defense of liberty! We must join many whom we know and have heard of who have been diligent in the beginnings of this revolution. Let us take our place on the battlefield of ideas, in the picket line of common sense, dressed in guiding principals, and armed with our god given talents which we may yet to discover! Dissolve the irons of political thought and turn to your mind for a political party. We of personal views can rally behind guiding principals which has created the greatest country ever known to man. What is the price of liberty for you?! (Any constructive criticisms will be greatly welcomed if any do arise. In Liberty, John Hobbs)

"All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain silent." – Thomas Jefferson

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FYI:

Here's NRS 486.231. Protective headgear and glasses: Standards; when use required.

1. The Department shall adopt standards for protective headgear and protective glasses, goggles or face shields to be worn by the drivers and passengers of motorcycles and transparent windscreens for motorcycles.
2. Except as provided in this section, when any motorcycle, except a trimobile or moped, is being driven on a highway, the driver and passenger shall wear protective headgear securely fastened to the head and protective glasses, goggles or face shields meeting those standards. Drivers and passengers of trimobiles shall wear protective glasses, goggles or face shield which meet those standards.
3. When a motorcycle or a trimobile is equipped with a transparent windscreen meeting those standards, the driver and passenger are not required to wear glasses, goggles or face shields.
4. When a motorcycle is being driven in a parade authorized by a local authority, the driver and passenger are not required to wear the protective devices provided for in this section.
5. When a three-wheel motorcycle, on which the driver and passengers ride within an enclosed cab, is being driven on a highway, the driver and passengers are not required to wear the protective devices required by this section.

**9. *How does a helmet get added to NHTSA's approved helmet list? DOT or NHTSA does not "approve" motorcycle helmets, thus, there is no list of "approved" helmets. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has the statutory authority to issue Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) applicable to motor vehicles and items of motor vehicle equipment, including motorcycle helmets. The law establishes a self-certification process in which the motorcycle helmet manufacturers certify that their products are in compliance with FMVSS No. 218, which establishes minimum performance requirements that the products must meet. NHTSA enforces the standard by randomly selecting and purchasing motorcycle helmets from the marketplace and testing to the requirements of the standard at independent test labs. (from NHTSA's website)***



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and  
John and Jenn Hobbs

(I apologize if I forgot someone.)

Thank you.

We're happy to have you on board.

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**09NR33 - MRF News Release - DISTRACTED DRIVING SUMMIT  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**5 October 2009**

Contact: [Jeff Hennie](#), MRF V.P. of Government Relations

**DISTRACTED DRIVING SUMMIT**

Distraction: The performance degradation of a primary task upon introduction of a secondary act.

Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood convened an important two-day meeting in Washington DC last week to shine a light on the increasing incidents and opportunities to be distracted while operating a car or public transportation vehicle. Naturally, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) was represented at that meeting.

With the amount of distraction from increased use of cell phones (some with full keyboards), GPS systems, DVD players and the vast array of other complex video displays at an all-time high, it should not come as a surprise that the opportunity for an operator of any vehicle to become distracted has risen significantly in just the past few years.

Distracted driving is certainly not a new issue. One could argue that the minute someone in Detroit came up with the idea to put lighters and ashtrays in cars, or when a little company called Motorola produced the first in-car audio entertainment device, or when Ray Kroc sold his first burger out of the window of his restaurant, distracted driving was born.

What's truly startling is the dramatic rise in the amount of "texting" people are doing behind the wheel. Some stats say sending and receiving text messages while driving is up 500 percent in just the past two years. Because of the complexities involved with typing on a handheld keyboard, some experts refer to texting while driving as the perfect storm for disaster.

The two-day meeting brought together experts of all types including auto manufacturers, cell phone providers, government officials, state legislators, behavioral experts and even a rocket scientist from NASA who specializes in the distraction of pilots under heavy cognitive load. Cognitive load is the amount of brain power you use to complete a task, relative to the complexity of the task, or as we learned, thinking about or talking about anything overly emotional. The other forms of distraction are visual (eyes off the road) or manual (hands off the wheel).

We know that distraction is a problem for all road users, and particularly motorcyclists and other vulnerable road users, but what can we do about it? Ray LaHood said it best when he opened the meeting with the statement, "You cannot legislate behavior." Eighteen states and DC have enacted texting-while-driving bans. While this is a

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good start, it's sort of missing the mark. Banning texting may remove one part of the equation, but that means it's still ok to eat a burrito, watch a movie, paint your nails, pick something up off the passenger side floor, or talk on a hands-free cell phone, all while checking out your hair in the flip-down vanity mirror. Any ban at the state level should be against all forms of distracted driving, not just a few specific forms.

### **THERE OUGHTA BE A LAW**

Senator Chuck Schumer from NY and Amy Klobuchar from MN both made an appearance at the event to plug some legislation they both support. Their bill, inappropriately called the Alert Drivers Act, would force states to pass texting bans or forfeit a whopping 25% of their road money. The feds have a long history of using this sort of "carrot and stick" approach to forcing states to enact legislation, and it's problematic for a variety of reasons.

The MRF simply cannot support the bills (S. 1536 and HR 3535) to force states to pass texting bans for the simple reason that this is the same method that is used to force states to pass helmet laws, and blackmailing the states to enact legislation that they may or may not want should be strongly discouraged.

The two-day meeting is certainly a good start to the conversation about distracted driving, but far too much focus was given to texting instead of keeping all distractions on the table. We at the MRF hope that discussion continues, and we look forward to working with the powers that be to put distracted driving on the decline.

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### **Morrodders Car and Bike Show:**

Congratulations to Bike Show winners, Cortney Worline, Joshua Randall, Dave Edson, Tom Ouellette, Donna Young, and Doug Hughes.

Thank you to everyone that entered a bike and to everyone that helped out at the event!

## *Constitutional Talking Points*

*By: John Hobbs*

The Healthcare Reform Debate

Let us explore the *myth* and compare it to **Fact**

*The preamble to the US Constitution states “Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness”. Good healthcare essential to life and happiness are demanded by the Constitution.*

**“Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness” are not found in the preamble of the US Constitution but can be found in the Declaration of Independents which is not a legal governing document.**

*The preamble to the US Constitution states “to provide for the common welfare” Healthcare is a perfect example of providing for the common welfare.*

**The preamble is not a legal part of the document; it has no law in it. It simply outlines the reason for the document and the spirit in which it is to be carried out.**

*The “Provide for General Welfare Clause” is also in Article 1 Sec. 8 and clearly allows congress to legislate bills like healthcare reform, welfare, Medicaid, Medicare, ect.*

**Though it is true that it does appear in Article 1 Sec. 8 within the “Taxing and Spending Clause”, it is not a legislative power but rather a limitation to legislation, as is “provide for the common defense” within the “taxing and spending clause”. It is a limit to how congress may spend the money and for what purpose they may tax. That any revenue must be used for the common good of the most amount of people within limits of the enumerated powers given to congress within the Constitution and not expressly denied by the limitations of the Bill of Rights. This may be better backed by the Anti-Federalist Papers No. 32 in a rebuttal to Hamilton with regards to *McCulloch v. Maryland*. The Federalist Papers No. 41 give a better understanding from James Madison (Father of the Constitution). Madison explains that the “General Welfare Clause” is neither a statement nor a grant of power. It is a mere synonym for the enumeration of particular powers, which are limited and wholly define its content.**

*The courts have defined the “Provide for the General Welfare Clause” as a legislative power ((United States v. Butler (1936) and Helvering v. Davis (1937)).*

**While the courts have ruled in favor of this clause being a legislative power that ruling its self smacks of unconstitutionality. “The Vesting Clause” Article 1 Section 1 of the US Constitution gives legislative authority to the legislative branch alone and making such rulings encroaches on that enumerated power to congress and tampers with the separation of powers. No where in Article 3 (Judiciary) does it enumerate such power to the court system.**

*Healthcare Reform is not limited under the enumeration of the “Commerce Clause” Article 1 Sec. 8, “To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes;”*

**First it is important to understand the definition of commerce, it is a transaction or selling of goods. Under the Constitution no legislation can be made on the manufacture or creation of goods and services. Legislation can be made to the transaction but only as long as that transaction transcends state lines, notice “and among the several states”. Further more “regulate” means to keep regular, in England today if your watch is regulated you would keep it in good working order and on time. Now apply this to “to coin money and regulate the value there of” within the enumerated powers (Article 1 Sec. 8) and suddenly that portion makes more sense (keep the value regular or constant). Healthcare currently is not allowed to transcend state lines and therefore does not fall under enumerated powers for any regulation. It falls on the states to see that the flow of instate trade runs constant.**

*Insurance companies excluding people care for pre-existing conditions is in violation of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendments “Equal Protection Clause” where it is stated “no state shall ... deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws”.*

**It is unclear to which law of protection this refers to. However let us suppose it applies, let us say a state has an existing law no one should be denied insurance for any reason what so ever. This does not then enumerate the power to congress to legislate. The individual being denied equal protection of law would then refer to Article 3 Sec. 2 “to controversies between” jumping past the non-applicable scenarios for this situation to “between a state, or the citizens thereof, and foreign states, citizens or subjects.” In short it would be settled in the Supreme Court.**

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*The Constitution is a living document*

No, it is an amendable document which in this case is hard to do. Let us not forget as well that what is written is not open for interpretation, it is in English, it can be interpreted with writings from the men who created this country if the English is hard, it can be defined with a 1826 Webster's Dictionary for those words that have changed meaning or are outdated, and above all it is law.

*Everyone has a constitutional right to healthcare*

The US Constitution grants no rights to an individual, those rights in the eyes of our founders were granted by our creator. The Constitution is best explained as chains on our government. It narrowly limits powers to keep the scope of government as small as possible while keeping society enriched with the blessings of what few things a government is capable of delivering. Think of it as one step above anarchy but limiting it from two steps above anarchy. The Bill of Rights are not rights at all but a tool to narrow legislation more by prohibiting government in general to use their enumerated powers against these laws. Your rights are your individual responsibility and for you to obtain whether you decide to buy a gun, printing press, a bible, a filing cabinet for your secure papers, health insurance or a phone. If our rights worked that way I believe it would be the government's responsibility to stock my house with firearms and the bullets to go with them.

**My talking point:** No where in Constitutional Law can I find a valid argument for government to legislate on healthcare now or in the past with what we do have. Nowhere can I find a substantial argument for the government sponsored healthcare infrastructure we do have with Medicare, Medicaid, Veteran benefits, or the benefits for Native Americans. If an argument can be found other than what I have seen so far, I can assure you with all certainty it will have a stronger and constitutional rebuttal. So, what do we do? Amongst other things these laws protect free market principals which we can attribute to our huge amount of growth in this country. When we abandon free market principals, for regulation and over taxation we destroy that sector of the economy. Healthcare is one of the most over burdened sectors of our economy with both of these factors. Medical research however is not, which would account for its continuing growth, quality, competitiveness, and reduction in cost as we move forward. You be the judge. John Hobbs

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## 2009 Calendar Of Events

### Oct. 2009

Start working on Christmas For Kids  
10/30 Nevada Day

### Nov. 2009

Make decisions on CFK  
11/11 Veterans Day Parade  
11/12 Meeting

### Dec. 2009

Christmas For Kids  
12/10 meeting  
12/10 Barrick Raffle Ticket Sales Begin  
12/12 Parade of Lights

Volunteers are needed to sell Raffle tickets at the Barrick Christmas Parties December 10, 11, 12, 17, and 18. This is a great fund-raiser for Christmas for Kids. Contact Any Christmas for Kids officer For more information.

**Bike Nite is Discontinued Indefinitely.**

**Anyone wishing to coordinate bike nite is welcome to do so.**

## Parade of Lights

December 12th

Meet at Last Chance Auto  
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2:30 P.M. to Load the  
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**Freedom Isn't Free  
Join A.B.A.T.E. Today**

**Nevada Day Parade  
Ride in Costume**  
If there's enough interest,  
we'll have a Potluck  
Afterwards \$5.00  
Please RSVP to Connie.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **A.B.A.T.E. Meeting: November 12th at Elko Trophy 6:00 P.M.**  
(A.B.A.T.E. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month at 6:00 P.M.) We change the meeting place from time to time, so watch for emails announcing the place.
- Check the Website for upcoming events. [www.abatennv.org](http://www.abatennv.org)
- Bike Nite has been postponed indefinitely.
- Up and Running: [www.nvabatetravel.com](http://www.nvabatetravel.com). If you need to book travel arrangements, do so through [www.nvabatetravel.com](http://www.nvabatetravel.com).
- Nevada Day Parade and Potluck October 30th. Watch for emails.
- Parade of Lights December 12. Meet at Last Chance Auto Body 2:30 P.M. to load the float.

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