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MEETING	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	PRESENTER/ TOPIC
Board Meeting	July 10 3:00 p.m.	Foster Community Center 200 N. Foster St. Lansing, MI	Members are welcome to attend all board meetings to express their concerns. Due to time constraints, if you have a specific item to be brought before the board, please contact the President one week prior to the meeting and ask for add'l agenda item.
Membership Meeting	July 27 August 24 7:00 p.m.	Foster Community Center, 200 N. Foster St. Lansing, MI	Member meeting is the last Thursday of the month. July: DALMAC preparation August: Maryann Hyde, solo hike on the Appalachian Trail
TCBA Advocacy Committee	July 12 6:30 8:00 p.m.	Law Offices of Glassen, Rhead, McLean, Campbell & Schumacher 533 South Grand Ave. Lansing, MI	2nd Wednesday of the month Everyone is welcome to attend! http://advocacy.biketcba.org/

Chainwheel Deadlines

NEWSLETTER July 7	Please send items to Patricia Mead, via e-mail, chainwheelchatter@biketcba.org by the indicated deadline.
RIDE CALENDAR	Go to: biketcba.org, Event Calendar To have a ride listed on the Event Calendar send email to: Ridecoordinator@biketcba.org

SummerTour 2017
 We are looking forward to seeing everyone on the ride!

For information regarding Summer-Tour, please contact: summer-tour@biketcba.org



Remembering Joe Rabidoux

On the morning of May 4, Joe Rabidoux settled down onto the seat of his Tour Easy and pedaled off on that long ride from which there is no return.

Those who have known Joe for any length of time ought to know it was not one of the many maladies he endured for so long with self-effacing good humor that took him away on this endless journey. The end came because Joe decided his worn out knee would not keep him from riding, jogging, gardening, volunteering, traveling, or tractor shows. He turned to the doctors whose ministrations had healed, mended, or calmed him so many times before.

This time it was different. He was sickened by sepsis following exploratory surgery on his knee. His almost 78 year old immune system was overwhelmed and the antibiotics did not clear-up the infection. Joe had boldly decided to risk it all so he could roll on. As his wife Sue said, "this was not what we expected".

If Joe were here this summer, he would be back volunteering to help with club events and riding his recumbent after his knee recovered. Remembering Joe, we should do that too.

Tom Hardenbergh



DALMAC® Volunteers Needed

DALMAC®~ Volunteer Positions are available:

- Volunteer Coordinator - transition helper
 Coordinate all of the volunteers to ensure readiness of all aspects of DALMAC®
- Purchasing Committee
 Help to make selections for T-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, jerseys, and other swag for DALMAC®

Send a note to volunteer@dalmac.org if you would like further info on these opportunities...

2017 TCBA Calendar / Events

Month	Board Meeting	Member Meeting
August	1	24
September	5	28
October	3	26
November	7	30
December	5	Holiday Party

DALMAC 2017	August 30-September 3
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**2017 Greater Lansing Ride of Silence
 Report to the TCBA Board by Mike Unsworth**

In almost perfect weather, the evening of May 17, over 250 bicyclists participated in the nine-mile ride from the Wells Hall Plaza at Michigan State University campus to the Capital building in downtown Lansing. As in years past, we rode in memory of cyclists who have been killed or injured. The post-ride gathering was at the Lansing Brewing Company which is becoming one of the area's most bike-friendly establishments.

The total number counted by hand was 250. The total number of names on the registration sheets was 216. The following breakdowns are from the registration sheets. Fifty riders were TCBA members. The majority of the riders were from Ingham County (167), followed by Clinton County (17), and Eaton County (9). Riders came from these counties: Shiawassee, Midland, Livingston, Ionia, Oakland, Ottawa, Kent, and Macomb. Two riders came from Texas and Washington.

Several organizations supported the Ride: Velocipede Peddler, Sparrow Hospital Trauma Unit, Mid-Michigan Environmental Action Coalition, Playmakers, MSU Bikes, and Go Green Trikes. Individuals who donated cash or services were Bob Lovell, Lenny Provencher, Tim Potter, Mike Unsworth, Pat & Robin Harrington, Jennifer Burnett Eyre, and Nashon Robbins.

The Police Escort was provided by these departments: Lansing, East Lansing, Lansing Community College, State of Michigan, Ingham County, and MSU. The officers did a wonderful job in protecting the riders, especially from several impatient drivers.

The planning committee (Anne Readitt, Tim Potter, Art Slabosky, Lenny Provencher, Bob Lovell, Steve Leiby, Katie Dunkel, Dean Brailey, Kevin Schumaker, and Mike Unsworth) started work in late February and will have a review session in early June. We had the assistance and cooperation of local businesses, especially area bike shops, in publicizing the Ride. Finally, our volunteers were essential in making this event run smoothly.

I did start the ride early and apologized to those who were inconvenienced.

This is my last year in being the ride organizer due to family commitments. The Ride of Silence has become an integral part of the local bicycle community and forms a firm foundation for our advocacy efforts. I am proud to have been part of this effort.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July 2017 Sunrise & Sunset						1 Sunrise: 6:04am Sunset: 9:20pm
2 Sunrise: 6:04am Sunset: 9:20pm	3 Sunrise: 6:05am Sunset: 9:20pm	4 Sunrise: 6:06am Sunset: 9:20pm	5 Sunrise: 6:06am Sunset: 9:19pm	6 Sunrise: 6:07am Sunset: 9:19pm	7 Sunrise: 6:07am Sunset: 9:19pm	8 Sunrise: 6:08am Sunset: 9:18pm
9 Sunrise: 6:09am Sunset: 9:18pm	10 Sunrise: 6:10am Sunset: 9:18pm	11 Sunrise: 6:10am Sunset: 9:17pm	12 Sunrise: 6:11am Sunset: 9:17pm	13 Sunrise: 6:12am Sunset: 9:16pm	14 Sunrise: 6:13am Sunset: 9:15pm	15 Sunrise: 6:14am Sunset: 9:15pm
16 Sunrise: 6:14am Sunset: 9:14pm	17 Sunrise: 6:15am Sunset: 9:13pm	18 Sunrise: 6:16am Sunset: 9:13pm	19 Sunrise: 6:17am Sunset: 9:12pm	20 Sunrise: 6:18am Sunset: 9:11pm	21 Sunrise: 6:19am Sunset: 9:10pm	22 Sunrise: 6:20am Sunset: 9:10pm
23 Sunrise: 6:21am Sunset: 9:09pm	24 Sunrise: 6:22am Sunset: 9:08pm	25 Sunrise: 6:23am Sunset: 9:07pm	26 Sunrise: 6:24am Sunset: 9:06pm	27 Sunrise: 6:25am Sunset: 9:05pm	28 Sunrise: 6:26am Sunset: 9:04pm	29 Sunrise: 6:27am Sunset: 9:03pm
30 Sunrise: 6:28am Sunset: 9:02pm	31 Sunrise: 6:29am Sunset: 9:01pm					

Daylight Saving/Summer Time is in effect for the entire month.
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June 6, 2017 Foster Community Center, Lansing, MI

President Patrick Kelley called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. Present: Bill Smith, Steve Leiby, Deb Traxinger, Joel Wickham, Bob Noble, Ken Schwartz and Mike Unsworth

The meeting agenda and May board minutes approved

Correspondence received: The club received thank you notes from TART Trails and Norte Youth Cycling for DALMAC Fund grants, the Eaton Rapids Health Fair and from Joel Wickham.

Member Input: none

Board Reports

President: Patrick Kelley

- The ride leader in-service was held May 25th.
- The Critical Incident Guidelines – motion by Steve Leiby to adopt them. 2nd by Joel Wickham. Motion approved.
- DALMAC Fund 501 c 3 – work is still in progress. A draft agreement has been written.
- Steve Leiby will draft a policy regarding ads in the Chain-wheel Chatter. Review at next meeting.
- Discussion regarding a possible Gran Fondo Ride for TCBA. Steve Leiby and Ken Schwartz will ride the Gran Fondo in Grand Rapids June 24 to gather information. The club will pay their entrance fee. Motion to approve this action was made by Joel Wickham. 2nd by Bob Noble.
- The July Board meeting will be July 10 at 3 pm at Foster Center.

Secretary: Deb Traxinger – no report.

Vice President: Bill Smith – Bill raised the possibility of a club

hayride in October at Peacock Road Tree Farm. He will get more information from the owner. The Christmas Party will likely be held at Peacock Road Tree Farm December 7.

Treasurer: Steve Leiby - 1. The financial report was submitted. Motion to approve by Ken Schwartz. 2nd by Joel Wickham. Motion was approved.

Events Director: Joel Wickham - a DALMAC update was given. More riders have signed up since the last meeting.

At Large Directors: Ken Schwartz and Bob Noble - 2016 ride incentives will be available at the June 2017 membership meeting. Club members are encouraged to pass along ideas for 2017 ride incentives to any board member.

Northwest Tour (Jeff Dillingham) – no report.

T-Shirt Ride (Bob Noble) – The T-Shirt ride was a success. There were 265 riders and no incidents.

DALMAC Fund – Steve Leiby – no report.

Advocacy Committee: Mike Unsworth submitted his report by email. Mike reported about the Ingham County Parks Commission regarding their interpretation of the language of the Ingham Parks and Trails Millage. Board members were encouraged to talk to their county Commissioner about using the Trails millage for parks. Mike and Steve Leiby will continue to monitor this issue.

New Business: none

Old Business: The Drag a Friend Ride was held May 20th. There were a dozen riders. There will possibly be another ride in June or July.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:25 PM

Respectfully submitted by Deb Traxinger, Secretary TCBA Board of Directors.

May 2017 Advocacy Committee Report, by Michael Unsworth**Government Activities and Projects:**

- Michigan Pedestrian Bicycle Safety Committee: Lenny Provencher and Tim Potter attended.
- MDOT "Training Wheels" workshop: Mike Unsworth attended an exhaustive meeting that had dozens of good ideas in creating bike-friendly infrastructure. He will post the 254 slide Power Point to the Advocacy web site
- Ingham County Trails Millage: The Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission is trying to divert money (roughly 33%) for purely park improvement. TCBA has sent a letter to the Commission opposing this move.

Local Safe Passing Ordinances: Mike Unsworth gave a presentation to the East Lansing City Council on May 16. The Council is now investigating the proposed legislation.

Ride of Silence: See separate article

Speakers' Bureau: Kevin Schumaker and Mike Unsworth gave the presentation "Bicycles: Frequently Asked Questions" (<http://tinyurl.com/kjdqpm2>; must have TCBA username & password to access) to the Dewitt Sunrise Rotary on May 11.

Bike Film Festival: The Kalamazoo bike film festival has decided to cease its operations. The Committee has decided to get a film package from a Seattle-area bike club with a tentative screening date in February 2018.

The TCBA Advocacy Committee (<http://advocacy.biketcba.org/>) meets the second Wednesday of each month at Law Offices of Glassen, Rhead, McLean, Campbell & Schumacher (533 South Grand Avenue, Lansing) from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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For Sale: 2003 Silverado LS 2500 Heavy Duty, 4-wheel drive, 104,500 miles, ext. cab, V8 gas engine, ziebart, new Michelin tires, new wheels, one owner. \$22,500 including 1997 Lance Squire Camper, air cond., generator, loaded. Camper could be sold separately for \$8,500. excellent condition. Call Bob Bartlett at 517-676-9453 or e-mail BobBartlet@aol.com (07/17)



Wanted: A volunteer to be captain for a blind stoker. Call Fran at 517-694-1231. (6/17)

Pinareello "Paris", 57 cm. All carbon fiber. Dura-Ace 10 speed complete group. \$1,195 Tom Erb 517-622-2288 eaglehubert@aol.com (6/17)



Litespeed "Firenze", 55 cm., titanium frame, carbon fork, Dura-Ace 10 speed group with compact crank. \$1,150. Low Miles. Tom Erb 517 622-2288, eaglehubert@aol.com (6/17)



For Sale: For Sale: 3-Person Tents - 1 Mountain HardWear and 1 Marmont - each for \$75. Dick Janson (517) 675-7340 (07/17)

For Sale: 52cm Giant road bike. MSU green. Well maintained. Looking for a good home. Only \$100. 517-483-9610 (07/17)

Wanted: 2015 DALMAC short sleeve jersey. Women's small or medium or Men's small. Would be interested in long sleeve too. Contact Kristen Furseth at 517-930-3154 (6/17)

CHAINLINKS

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www.lmb.org League of Michigan Bicyclists

www.bikeleague.com League of American Bicyclists

www.adventurecycling.org Adventure Cycling

www.bikes.msu.edu Michigan State University (MSU) Bikes

www.walkbikelansing.com Lansing's Walking and Bicycling Network

www.capitalareasmartcommute.com Smart Commute Program

www.midmeac.org Mid-Michigan Environmental Action Council

www.bikems.org Various rides throughout the country

www.mmba.org Michigan Mountain Biking Association

www.railstotrails.org Rails to Trails Conservancy

www.michigantrails.org Michigan Trails & Greenway Alliance

www.facebook.com TCBA is there as a group; check us out!

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<http://www.nhtsa.gov/Bicycles> National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

<http://www.aabts.org/> Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society



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Ride Calendar at biketcba.org

Recurring rides are now on BikeTCBA.org. To view rides, go to the TCBA website, biketcba.org, Event Calendar.

If you want to lead a ride and list the ride on the Event Calendar, e-mail Ridecoordinator@biketcba.org

Helmets are required on all TCBA Rides!!!!
Rides : visit the web site www.biketcba.org.

Class	Pace (average speed on a "level" route with no wind)
Class A+	19+
Class A	17-19 mph
Class B	14-17 mph
Class C	12-14 mph
Class D	Up to 12 mph
Class Z	Over 40 miles at riders' own pace
Class M	Mountain bike "single track" rides

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