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Pool TOURNAMENT

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American Legion Smith-Pletcher Post 779, 2928 Penns Valley Pike, Centre Hall, PA 16828

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STATE COORDINATORS COMMENTS

BY ERIC MERSHIMER



One year down and still moving forward. Looking forward to another great year. I'm not sure if you will get this before the L&L or after but I'm sure it is, or was awesome.

So now let's get moving forward with the events of the year. The State Pool Shoot is February 24th in Center Hall at the American Legion. Even if you are not shooting, come out anyway and root on your chapter or just come out to meet and greet others.

The Grand Board Meeting is March 16th at the same place. All Chapter Coordinators are to be there. We are still working on legislation to keep riding free. Keeping an eye on all new legislation, bills or anything they try to push on us so we can stop it before it gets far enough to harm our way of life, along with the MRF. Check out the Legislative Coordinators article for more information.

Next is the Rights Rally and the ride to it.

The ride taking place at the end of May and the Rally on June 3rd. Please make plans now to come out and show we mean business.

We have a new state raffle this year. Your Chapter Coordinators have all the details but it's a prize raffle giving away 30 days of different prizes. There is more information further along in this paper.

Other than that, we are still as strong as ever and ready for a new year and new challenges.

Please reach out to the other chapters in your area and work with them to make their events great and they will come help you make yours great. It works both ways.

Help out your new officer's that are learning a new position to feel comfortable. It's a lot of work for a volunteer that also has a life, so try to help out whenever possible.

Thanks again,
Mersh

DISTRICT 2 POOL SHOOT TOURNAMENT



District 2 Pool Shoot Tournament on Saturday 1-6-2024 at the Moose in New Castle. Congratulations to the top 5: 1st-Tim Kelly (TK), 2nd Phil Neely, 3rd-Ron Pacsai, 4th-Arron Mercer, and 5th-John Pacsai.

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

BY KOURY "LEGS" BARR

Well, another L&L is in the books. I hope everyone who attended took some good information back to share with their chapters, and to help them with an officer position they may hold!

Don't forget about the A.B.A.T.E. of PA's State Pool Tournament on February 24, should be a fun day! Check out the Events also, a few chapters do have events the next few months!

I want to thank the chapters that have sent me their updates for the headings in the BTL.

If you are thinking about writing an article, or submitting information to me and would like to be on my reminder list, just send me your email address so I can add it to my list.

Ride Free - Ride Safe,
Koury "Legs" Barr,
BTL Editor

CENTRE LINE RIDERS PRESENTATION



Centre Line Riders President, Todd Wasson presented a Gold Card Certificate to the Millheim American Legion Post 444 manager Terri Spahr.



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OPERATION SAVE A LIFE UPDATE

BY BOB LEGORE

NEW YEAR, L&L WRAP UP, TIME TO GO

February newsletters are always hard to write. Winter is tough, no bike, no warm weather, some of us were all together at L&L. But I'll give it a try.

We hope those of you who attended the OSAL seminar at L&L learned something and took the information back to your chapters. We are trying our best to give you every tool you need to present the program to schools, churches, senior centers and wherever you can set something up. Leisa and I are here to help. The fact remains that the only way we spread this program is to get every chapter doing their part. Let's make this happen in 2024.

February is typically when we start sending emails and texts to the schools to arrange a time to present the program. Don't wait until April, the teachers have already set their guest speaker up. So, get busy and reach out to the schools.

I told you this was going to be short and sweet. Good luck to all of you this semester. And remember don't take no for an answer. You can do this.

Come on spring. I've got PMS –Parked Motorcycle Syndrome. As always "Look Twice Save A Life." Ride safe, be healthy.

Peace
Bob



FROM THE STATE SECRETARY DESK

BY HELEN COHENOUR

STILL WINTER, HUH??

I hope that those of you that came to the L&L in January walked away inspired, energized, and educated. I've always really enjoyed talking to different members across the state to see what is working for them. The successes of others could be future successes in your own chapter. I hope that you got to meet others, made connections, met your district and state officers, and feel supported knowing that we are all here working together to continue the mission of A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania.

Secretaries – do you feel prepared to work with your chapter officers to set the agendas for your monthly meetings? Have you found a meeting minute template you are comfortable working with? Did you get your abatepa.org email set up? Have you looked at the 'All Secretaries' SharePoint site? And the Secretary Team?

I am here for whatever you might need to be successful in your position. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me, secretary@abatepa.org or text 814-251-3816. I'm looking forward to working with each of you this year!



FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DESK THE BRIDGES WE CROSS

BY BRIAN MAGNESS, STATE MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

We all encounter bridges while riding. We see the surface as a way to get to our destinations, but have you ever taken time to think of the structure beneath? When you get an opportunity to look at the underside, you may see some impressive things. Most of them are astounding. Think of the time and talent that went into building these impressive structures that are meant to keep us on a safe path. Many people, over many years, devoted their expertise into creating a stable surface for future generations. While a bridge and a volunteer biker organization may seem unrelated at first glance, there are some metaphorical or symbolic similarities that can be drawn between the two.

Bridges connect two points, overcoming obstacles such as rivers or valleys. They facilitate movement and provide a path for people to reach their destinations. Similarly, volunteer biker organizations can be seen as bridges connecting communities or individuals. They help overcome social or economic gaps, providing support and assistance to those in need. Through the structure of the organization, we have created a solid foundation where our concerns, as motorcycling enthusiasts, reach the proper facilities to be heard and acted upon. Most of our Chapters are built like the Golden Gate. There are a few who need to request the help of engineers. Please reach out for that help.

Bridges are often essential elements in a community's infrastructure, fostering connectivity and engagement among people from different areas. Biker organizations, through our volunteer work, can also play a role in community building. Think about all the events we hold to do nothing other than help whomever we can. They bring people together for a common cause, creating a sense of belonging and shared purpose. We are accustomed to having the great feeling from doing what we do. When we connect others in the community to these feelings, it spurs growth and becomes contagious.

Bridges are designed to withstand various challenges, including natural forces like wind and water. They symbolize resilience and the ability to endure. Volunteer bikers face challenges such as adverse weather conditions or long distances during their charitable activities. Their determination and commitment mirror the resilience of a well-built bridge. What happens when a vital bridge is out-of-service? The community has a significant impact. This is also evident when an event doesn't go as planned and the organization, we

have been supporting for years doesn't receive what we normally contribute. We usually find some way to overcome these issues.

Bridges are often seen as symbols of unity, connecting different regions, and fostering a sense of togetherness. Isn't this one of the biggest things that our Brotherhoods are built upon? Biker organizations, by volunteering and working together for a common cause, symbolize unity and collaboration within a community or among diverse individuals. We often engage in activities that promote accessibility, such as delivering supplies to remote areas or participating in charity rides to raise awareness for a cause. Bridges make it easier for people and vehicles to move from one place to another, promoting accessibility and convenience.

The final similarity is none of our good intentions, be it a bridge or a volunteer organization, can work without a solid structure. If we are weak, we cannot sustain the amount of load or traffic put upon us and we will fail. Regular monitoring and maintenance must be done to ensure our structural integrity. Some might just need a new coat of paint while others may need some time to rebuild better and stronger. We should also inspect the forces that try to undermine our foundations. That flow of water or wind may not be easy to divert but at least you can recognize it and make plans toward alleviating the destructive forces.

One thing to remember, you don't have to reinvent the bridge. There are already proven practices available. Use what we have already tested and proven to be strong. Doing otherwise is just asking for catastrophe. Recognize that there is a beauty in the structure and it should be our mission to preserve it's integrity, functionality, and symbolism within the community.

Peace and Ride Safe.

State Membership Officer, A.B.A.T.E. of PA

PS. CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR YOUR EXPIRATION DATE and renew if needed.





JANUARY LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

BY KEN EDWARDS

Deep into winter and looking forward to Spring the outlook for the PA Legislature in 2024 is showing signs that Legislators will not be sending much to Governor Shapiro's desk in this Presidential election year.

With our agenda refreshed at the L&L Seminar, A.B.A.T.E.'s message needs to ring clear at the local level. I will keep bringing the message to Harrisburg. It is going to take more than that. Remember that all politics begin locally. Chapter Members keep educating your Senators and Representatives in the districts on what we want to see for Bikers. It is going to be a long road to success. Here's an example. Chairman Neilson's HB1284 to extend existing programs expiring at the same time the bill was signed.

The struggle to pass HB1284 renewing and (slightly) expanding automatic enforcement programs was tough to negotiate with bipartisan support. Cameras for school buses, speed cameras for active work zones and in certain parts of Philadelphia were the subject. Back and forth the bill went until the very last minute.

What lies ahead during an election year? To be certain it is going to be tough to move anything through in the current state of divided government.

Using the scheduled session days to plan a Lobby Day has been made harder as both chambers have been removing days from their calendars. Right now, it looks like March 18th to repeat our message and be noticed in Harrisburg

Senate activity of interest to A.B.A.T.E.

SB155 Extending Lemon Law Protection to Motorcycles, Brooks - An Act amending the act of March 28, 1984 (P.L.150, No.28), known as the Automobile Lemon Law, further providing for definitions, for repair obligations, for manufacturer's duty for refund or replacement and for presumption of a reasonable number of attempts. **Last Action: Laid on the table. March 1, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) Identical to HB360 below, A.B.A.T.E. will continue our long-standing support to put motorcycles on par with automobiles.*

HB 360 Extending Lemon Law Protection to Motorcycles, Piscattano - An Act amending the act of March 28, 1984 (P.L.150, No.28), known as the Automobile Lemon Law, further providing for definitions, for repair obligations, for manufacturer's duty for refund or replacement and for presumption of a reasonable number of attempts. **Last Action: Referred to Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure (Senate) May 15, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) Like SB155 if there is opposition to this I do not know where it is. Support.*

SB 420 Radar For Local Law Enforcement, Santasiero - An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for schedule of convictions and points; in rules of the road in general, further providing for speed timing devices; and, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for specific powers of department and local authorities. **Last Action: Referred to Transportation March 14, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) A.B.A.T.E. will not have a position in favor of violating any traffic laws. I have some concern these tools could increase motorcycle profiling encounters. Neutral.*

SB 459 Helping Local Police Protect Our Communities Through RADAR/LIDAR, Rothman - An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for speed timing devices. **Last Action: Referred to Appropriations March 8, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) Same position here SB420. Some concern for potential motorcycle profiling. Neutral.*

SB 595 Organized Motorcycle Processions, Brooks - An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to operation of vehicles, further providing for obedience to authorized persons directing traffic and providing for drivers in organized motorcycle processions; and, in rules of the road in general, further providing for following Repeal of Stacking for Auto Insurance too closely. **Last Action: Referred to Transportation April 17, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) Continue to support organized motorcycle rides having the same rights as funerals. See also HB 457.*

SB 901 Repeal of Stacking for Auto Insurance, Gebhard - An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in financial responsibility, further providing for availability, scope and amount of coverage, repealing provisions relating to request for lower limits of coverage, providing for offer of lower limits of coverage, repealing provisions relating to coverages in excess of required amounts and to stacking of uninsured and underinsured benefits and option to waive, providing for stacking of uninsured and underinsured benefits prohibited and further providing for notice of available benefits and limits and for availability of uninsured, underinsured, bodily injury liability and property damage coverages and mandatory deductibles. **Last Action: Referred to Banking and Insurance September 7, 2023.**

**(State LC's comment) A.B.A.T.E. is not in favor of SB 901.*

Scheduled Senate Session Dates

February 5, 6, 7; March 18, 19, 20; April 8, 9, 10, 29, 30; May 1, 6, 7, 8
June 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

House of Representatives Items of interest to A.B.A.T.E.

SB 656 Elimination of Alternate Fuel Tax on Electric Vehicles, Rothman - An Act Amending Title 75

(Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in liquid fuels and fuels tax, further providing for definitions and providing for electric vehicle road user charge; and imposing a penalty. **Last Action: Re-referred to House Appropriations, December 12, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) Collects a user fee with registration of electric vehicles in place of existing periodic user reporting system. Supported after amended to exempt electric motorcycles from this fee.*

SB 453 DUI Offender Reform, Phillips-Hill - An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing, further providing for sentence of total confinement; in licensing of drivers, further providing for driving while operating privilege is suspended or revoked and for ignition interlock limited license; and, in driving after imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs, further providing for ignition interlock. **Last action: Referred to House Judiciary June 6, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) Ignition interlock currently restores some privileges. Problems with the application of interlock technology and motorcycles are not resolved. Not in favor of motorcycles being excluded from these provisions.*

HB 315 Efficient Vehicle Registration Fee Waiver Incentive, Ciresi - This legislation would waive the registration fee for new and leased motor vehicles (not including motorcycles and motorized bicycles) with an estimated average city fuel economy of at least 40 miles per gallon, as determined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and United States Department of Energy, for the first two years of the vehicle's registration. **Last Action: Referred to TRANSPORTATION March 13, 2023 [House]**

**(State LC's comment) Incentive should apply to all efficient vehicles. Against excluding motorcycles.*

HB 457 Organized Motorcycle Processions, Stambaugh - An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to operation of vehicles, further providing for obedience to authorized persons directing traffic and providing for drivers in organized motorcycle processions; and, in rules of the road in general, further providing for following too closely. **Last Action: Referred to Transportation March 16, 2023 [House]**

**(State LC's comment) Continue to support organized motorcycle rides having the same rights as funerals. See also SB595.*

HB 538 Riding Motorcycles & Headphones, Mako - An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for prohibiting use of hearing impairment devices. (Allows one or more devices inside helmet made for that purpose). **Last Action: Placed on House tabled calendar November 14, 2023.**

**(State LC's comment) A.B.A.T.E. SUPPORTS CHOICE! This bill is all about letting riders choose what technology they think is best for them. Support.*

SB 37 ENHANCED DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY (while operating an interactive wireless communication device), Brown - An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles)

of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in licensing of drivers, further providing for learners' permits and for examination of applicant for driver's license; in rules of the road in general, further providing for prohibiting text-based communications and providing for prohibiting use of interactive wireless communications devices; in miscellaneous provisions relating to serious traffic offenses, further providing for the offense of homicide by vehicle and for the offense of aggravated assault by vehicle; and imposing penalties. **Last Action: Referred to House Transportation June 23, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) Distracted driving is the subject. A.B.A.T.E. wants to see an end to all distracted driving. Our stance became neutral after SB 37 was amended to reduce penalties.*

HB 1635 Help Make our Roadways Safer for Motorcycles & Bicycles, Scheuren

- An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in nuisances, further providing for the offense of scattering rubbish. **Last Action: Referred to TRANSPORTATION, Aug. 29, 2023**

**(State LC's comment) Already illegal to put debris on roadways. HB1635 adds fines and spells out grass clippings. Support.*

HOUSE SESSION DATES

February 6; March 18, 19, 20; April 8, 9, 29, 30; May 1, 6, 7, 8
June 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28



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2024. We are here! Greetings from Crawford County Chapter in NW PA!

Crawford County had a busy December – toy shopping, toy wrapping, Toyz4Kidz toy distribution, and our chapter Christmas party.

By the time you read this, L&L will be on the immediate horizon, happening, or even over (depends on the postal mail system, internet speeds, and so on).

Here's hoping many are attending and learning lots to take back to their full chapters.

Everyone will have much to share, be sure to listen to each seminar, new ideas, and take those ideas back. Everyone who attends will have much to share with their chapter. Set aside time to listen and learn about each other's duties, and the goals of your chapter.

There is so much to be accomplished when teams function as teams! Individuals have specific tasks, but teamwork is the outstanding fruition of honing skills and gelling those tasks into a productive unit. Respecting and highlighting the talents of your colleagues makes everyone shine.

There's an old saying, "Many hands make light the work."

There is a silent pandemic in our country. Did you know that? It has nothing to do with viruses, bacteria, or general germs.

It has everything to do with a lack of willing volunteers. This article delineates the issue quite well and is worth the read: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2023/12/09/volunteer-decline-homeless-pandemic/>.

Another article <https://doublethedonation.com/volunteer-statistics/> lays out the numbers from corporations to nonprofits. Again, huge fodder if we take it in and digest it.

One more article to share: <https://www.councilofnonprofits.org/articles/new-data-and-resources-volunteers> Did you know that April is National Volunteer Month?

Members, you are dared to volunteer one extra day per week, one extra weekend per month, one extra week per quarter, one full month per year!

Chapters, you are dared to inspire your membership to volunteer more time so that you all have time to go for those ice cream rides, charity runs, and other fun events (instead of being stuck finishing up projects that needed more hands to quickly complete)!

Dare you, Double Dog Dare You!

- Volunteer!
- Show up to meetings!
- Show up to projects!
- Show up!
- Sign up!
- Be UP!

Understanding People Equal UP!

Members, you are dared to be UP! You are dared to be an Understanding Person! You are dared to start stepping out of your comfort zone at home and coming back to chapter meetings and get involved! You are dared to escape the recent years of being 'away from people' due to the pandemic of 2020. You are dared to be the team you were always meant to be.

It is time for us all to live. Of course, follow safety guidelines as needed and/or required, but we are here on this earth to live.

Bring help and understanding to your colleagues, your fellow volunteers, and those you meet. Give of your time and many varied skills!

By the time we get to the month of April (just a couple months from now), it would be great to see that membership numbers are up across the state and hear word that so many more of us are getting back into the swing of things!

April is National Volunteer Month. Mark your calendars, Get set, Get UP, Go! Until then, Happy Valentine's Day! Give of your heart to your chapter and volunteer time. (Can you see where this will go by the month of March?)

Winter can be a great time for renewal. Gear UP and renew your team.

Crawford County Chapter meets on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 11:30am at VVnW Post 52, Dunham Road, Meadville PA. Officers meet immediately prior the chapter meeting. Join us anytime you're in our neck of the woods.

Sincerely --

-- Rita Preston, Public Relations Officer / Secretary A.B.A.T.E. of PA, Crawford County Chapter

Email: crawford.co.a.b.a.t.e.pr.officer@gmail.com

Erie - 01

PRESIDENT Tracie Irwin, 814-450-7514, tracieirwin@aol.com

MEETING PLACE South Erie Turners, 2663

Peach Street, Erie, PA at 7:00 PM the first Thursday of each month

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Shane Munger, 814-431-9370, lawnworklandscaping0@hotmail.com

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Larry Thompson, 814-450-2062, larryt23@juno.com

WEBSITE www.eriecoabateofpa.org

Happy New Year from District 1, Chapter 1, A.B.A.T.E. of Erie County.

Now that the Holidays are done and over for 2023, it's time to buckle down on the reason why we are here and why we work so diligently to get there. Motorcyclist rights!

Every meeting we have, our legislative coordinator Larry Thompson rambles off just a partial list of all the crap that is being pushed onto us with the utmost disregard of an actual due diligence on the effects of life, death, environmental impact, etc. It is refreshing to hear when he has some good news on some legislation that does pass on which is beneficial to all of us. But for the most part, we have a lot to fight for. This is why we need more involvement of motorcyclists and the education of the public.

For this reason, our chapter is planning on expanding our May Awareness ride into a larger county wide agenda focusing on building more involvement with riders, organizations, politicians and news media to gain a larger Awareness of not just that we are out on the roads again, but the actual reason of who A.B.A.T.E. is. Plus, more exposure and knowledge always help in achieving more riders to join and get involved. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please let us know.

One major project our chapter is being a leader in, is the elimination or relocating of the new style cable guards PennDOT has been putting up on our highway's median strips. These are being placed up close to the road, which pose a dangerous situation for not only riders, but to all vehicles in general. We are planning on meeting with the fire chiefs of Erie County to get their opinion and/or assistance.

Our donation of Christmas Gifts to veterans at the Soldiers and Sailors Home was a huge success! Thank you, Debbie, for all the time you put into this to give each veteran the gifts that they asked for! They were all ecstatic and surprised that Debbie listened to them and took the diligence and time to accomplish this great contribution to our veterans.

Our President Tracy, presented a plaque to Cowboy for his dedication and relentless involvement in organizing the Poker Run, Awareness Run and every other event we have! Well deserved! Also, a huge "Thank You" goes out to Goody and Darlene who work every event, from start to finish, sacrificing their ability to be able to actually ride in the runs.

We are reorganizing the way we give out donations and flower arraignments to be more consistent and to set a standard guideline on how to distribute the funds. If you like to put in your opinion, you'll need to come to the meetings.

The L&L Seminar will be said and gone by the time this goes to print. Those of us that are going is looking forward to returning with valuable information and knowledge that will assist in our chapter in growth, prosperity and safety.

Last, the gun raffle sold out in just 2 meetings! Congratulations goes to Mike Goodman for the win! LOL!

See you at our next meeting February 1st, 2024 at South Erie Turners starting at 7:00pm

Mike "The other Goody" Goodman, Assistant Coordinator

Mercer - 10

PRESIDENT Doug Bennet, 724-992-4576

MEETING PLACE Croation Club 412 Staunton St, Farrell, PA 16121 at 7:30 PM on the first Saturday of each month

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Jen Bartosh, 724-718-4066

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Wendy Clark, 330-646-5340, imadreamr36@gmail.com

WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Mercer

Venango - 04

PRESIDENT Doug Kirkwood, 724-674-4048, dougk31@verizon.net

MEETING PLACE VFW POST 1835, Franklin, PA first Saturday of every month at 1:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Miranda Swanson 804-493-7675 swansonfamily48@gmail.com

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Ken Knapp, 814-437-1751, kknapp@pa.rr.com

WEBSITE <https://www.facebook.com/venangochapterabateofpa/>

Warren - 09

PRESIDENT Greg Stanbro at 814-779-3033, agstanbro13@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE New Beginnings, 3 Main St, Sugar Grove, PA, First Sunday of every month at Noon

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Elizabeth Southworth, 814-664-3070, elizsouth53@gmail.com

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

Bill Slagle II 814-664-9425

WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Warren.html

DISTRICT 2

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and a Happy New Year. We are getting one day closer to spring.

Thank you to all those who participated and attended to cheer on at the District 2 Pool Shoot Tournament on Saturday 1-6-2024 at the Moose in New Castle. Congratulations to the top 5: 1st-Tim Kelly (TK), 2nd Phil Neely, 3rd-Ron Pacsai, 4th-Arron Mercer, and 5th-John Pacsai.

Beaver County Chapter's winners were: 1st-Tony Hollinbaugh, 2nd-Joe Polujan, 3rd-Ron Sessie, 4th-Steven Wilkinson.

Butler County Chapter winners were: 1st-Tim Kelly (TK), 2nd-Bob Tarantini, 3rd-Walter Rager, SR, 4th-Rich Pander, 5th Phil Neely

Clarion County winners were: 1st-Kirk Jacobson (Frankie), 2nd-John Pacsai, 3rd-Ron Pacsai, 4th-Steve Savory, 5th-Arron Mercer.

Lawrence County Chapter winners were: 1st-Joshua Guthrie, 2nd -Dick (Richard) Logan, 3rd-Melissa Huff, 4th-Douglas Salch, 5th-Linda Watcher and 6th-David Herzog.

The ballots have been counted and these are your following officers for our District 2 Chapters.

Beaver County: Coordinator: Joe Polujan, Assistant Coordinator: Tony Hollinbaugh, Secretary: Chris Katterson, Treasurer: Debra Polujan, Legislative Coordinator: Joe Polujan, Membership: Todd Haywood, Sergeant of Arms: Sue Fluharty, Products: Sharon Sessie, Public Relations: Sharon Sessie, Chapter Rep: Chris Katterson

Butler County: Coordinator: Harry Tebay, Assistant Coordinator: Hayden Mershimer, Secretary: Teena Mershimer, Treasurer: Traci Kennedy, Legislative Coordinator: Terry Stivason, Membership: Deana Rager, Master Sergeant of Arms: Carl Hortsman, Products: Joyce Kingsley, Public Relations: David MartinKovich, Chapter Rep: Harry Tebay, Web Master: Walter Rager, SR.

Clarion County: Coordinator-Tom Lewis, Assistant Coordinator: Rick Lasky, Treasurer: Barbara Jackson, Secretary: Jenn Myers, Legislative Coordinator: Chris Bradybough, Public Relations: Jeanne Best, Products: Mike Mercer, Sargent of Arms: Martin Skinner, Membership (currently open)

Lawrence County: Coordinator: Michael Dudo, Assistant Coordinator: Terri Warnick Guthrie, Secretary: Ashley Hause, Treasurer: Mackenzie Templeton, Legislative Coordinator: David Herzog, Assistant Legislative Coordinator: Tim McCurly, Membership: Theresa Andrews, Products: David Herzog, Chapter Rep: Michael Dudo, Sergeant of Arms: Linda Wachter, Assistant Sergeant of Arms: Joshua Guthrie, Assistant Sergeant of Arms: Mackenzie Templeton, Web Master: George Malich

District 2 Officer Members: Legislative Coordinator: Harry Tebay, Treasurer: Jen Myers, Chapter Rep: Walt Rager, Sr., Membership Officer: Deana Rager, Public Relations: Melissa Huff

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Don't forget the Grand Board Meeting is on March 16, 2024. Bike PAC Run is on April 27th, 2024.

L&L has happened January 26th-28th. More updates to come in the next newsletter.

Many holidays are coming up. Need a gift for someone who has everything? Why not buy them a membership?!

Beaver - 12

PRESIDENT Joe Polujan, 724-242-0113,

jpoulosan1968@yahoo.com

MEETING PLACE Beaver Valley Sportsman's Club, 1001 Grant Street, Monaca, PA 15061, Second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 PM

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Todd Haywood, 412-719-0945, dirtbagsnb@yahoo.com

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

Joe Polujan, 724-242-0113,

jpoulosan1968@yahoo.com

WEBSITE www.beavercountyabate.webstarts.com

February is here already time is just flying right by. I'm sure, all of you are 100% ok with this because that just means we are getting closer to nicer riding weather again. I know I personally can't wait.

Wow L&L was great. I got a lot of good information from the seminars that I personally attended and also got to meet a lot of you wonderful people. It was a fun weekend for the members that attended this year.

So not much is really going on in the Beaver Chapter other than our new officers getting their new positions figured out and we are also planning for some pretty exciting events that our chapter will be hosting this summer. So please keep watching for our updates. Right now, we are in high gear with all the planning of these events.

Happy Valentines Day everyone!!

CHECK YOUR EXPIRATION DATE TODAY!

*Butler - 13*

PRESIDENT Harry Tebay, 724-290-2078, harry.tebay@abatepa.org
MEETING PLACE VFW Post 249, 429 W. Jefferson St., Butler, PA 16001, Third Sunday of every month at 3:00 PM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Deana Rager, 724-712-6155, butterflyrose@zoominternet.net
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Terry Stivason, 724-496-2430, stivason357@gmail.com
WEBSITE abatepa.org/butler
Facebook - Butler County Chapter 13 - ABATE of PA

Greetings Chapter 13,

Well, as I am scribbling this down, the holiday season is winding down for another year. As you are reading this, we are in the mist of another Western PA winter. Here's hoping old man winter is chill this year, (wait, of course he's chill, he's old man winter, he's dammright cold), and is cutting us some slack on the snow, ice, and bone chilling temps. Looking back at least last year's season, overall, it really wasn't too bad. I think most folks would take a repeat performance again this year, at least this old man would.

Here's a brief recap of the last chapter meeting, in case you missed it. Here are the results of the chapter elections and your new board for 2024-2026, Chapter President or Coordinator, Harry Tebay, VP or Asst Coordinator Hayden Mersheimer, Secretary Teena Mersheimer, Treasurer Traci Kennedy, LC Terry Stivason, Public Relations Dave Martinkovich, Membership Deana Rager, Sgt at Arms Carl Horstman, Products Joyce Kinsley Clark. Thank you to all the new officers for stepping up and thank you to everyone who threw their hats in the ring and ran for a position. Win or lose, it speaks well for the chapter when there's tough choices on the ballot and new blood with a different perspective accepting the challenge. The Chapter also thanks outgoing chapter President Walt Rager Sr and VP Jim Norton for their service to the chapter over the last few years. The presentation of the proceeds of this year's Toy Run was presented to this year's beneficiary and partner, The Portersville Food Pantry, who was represented by Cindy and Dick Burns. Thank you for supporting the Toy Run and for brightening the holidays for some deserving kids and their families. The Vets Christmas gift party was reviewed and it turned out really well, as the Vets had a good time and their gifts were on point. Thank you again to everyone who donated their time and resources to make the event a success. A huge thank you to Faith and Mike Ireland who donated the pizza, and finally to event chairwoman Velvet McKerahan who puts this together every year, as well as Walt Sr., who filled in to coordinate the event in Velvet's absence. Speaking of Velvet by the time you're reading this, she should be home from the rehab facility and on the road to recovery. Tom is home as well and doing better, the chapter again sends its best

wishes to both of them. The chapter thanks Jim Norton and Joyce Kinsley for their generosity over the last few months of hitting the chapter 50/50 and donating their winnings back to the chapter treasury.

That's about it for now, except for the chapter to send its prayers and condolences to the friends and family of chapter member Dave Collins who recently passed away. RIP Dave.

Next chapter meeting Sun. Feb. 18, 3 pm at VFW Post 249, downtown Butler. Also coming up fast is the Annual Motorcycle swap meet, Sat., March 9th over at the East Butler Firehall in East Butler, PA. Vendors are needed so here's your chance to move some stuff you have laying around and turn it into some cold, hard cash. Don't have a lot of stuff that you think justifies buying a table or two, then get some of your fellow chapter members to throw in with you. Call Chapter President Harry Tebay at 724-290-2078 or check the chapter Facebook page for more info.

Take it easy and I'll see you down the road.
 Jim B.

Clarion - 15

PRESIDENT Tom Lewis, 814-473-8450, tomlewis1970@hotmail.com
MEETING PLACE Clarion Moose Lodge #101, 401 Grand Avenue Ext, Clarion, PA 16214 Second Sunday of every month at 10 AM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Mark Shumaker, 814-715-5321, kb3hww@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Chris Bradybough, 814-316-5776, chrisbradybaugh73@gmail.com
WEBSITE clarioncountyabate.weebly.com

Lawrence - 08

PRESIDENT Mike Dudo, 724-714-4192, mdudo1971@yahoo.com
MEETING PLACE Moose, 29 South Mercer Street, New Castle, PA 16101, First Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Doug Salch, 309-242-0665, el.livewire74@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR David Herzog, 724-355-1714, goofydave16@yahoo.com
WEBSITE www.lawrencecountyabate.org
 Facebook.com/ABATE of PA Lawrence County Chapter
 Happy Valentine's Day,
 Who can believe it's already February?! Have you stuck to your New Year's Resolutions? One day closer to Spring!
 Our chapter officers are: Coordinator: Michael Dudo, Assistant Coordinator: Terri Warnick Guthrie, Secretary: Ashley Hause, Treasurer: Mackenzie Templeton, Legislative Coordinator: David Herzog, Assistant Legislative Coordinator: Tim McCurly, Membership: Theresa Andrews, Products: David

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Please join us for our 2024 Spring Craft Show on March 23rd at the Moose from 9AM till 2 PM. Vendors can contact Mike Dudo, 724-714-4192 for a spot. Free to customers.

April 7th is our first Highway Clean Up at 1PM. Meeting at the Lawrence County Highway Maintenance Building. This will be a Stamp Book Stop.

May 4th is our Proclamation Run and Bike Blessing. April 27th is the Bike PAC Run (more details to come) Stamp Book forms are out. Businesses can advertise for \$60 a half page and \$100 for a whole page. This is a great way to advertise your business and for chapters to pick several of these businesses on their runs.

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DISTRICT 3

Hello District 3,
 Wishing you a joyous, invigorating Groundhog Day on February 2.

If you are not too hungover the next day on the 3rd, check out the District 3 Pool Shoot at White Tavern on Rt. 51 near Smock, PA. Registration starts at 11:00 AM (\$5.00 entry fee) and shooting will begin around noon. Cyndi Long always does a great job organizing and running this Herculean test of peoples' billiard skills. Even if you are not playing, stop by and check out the food, drink and camaraderie. White Tavern is always a very gracious host. In lieu of trophies, there will be cash prizes for the top 3 finishers. You can't put a stinkin' trophy in your gas tank or trade it for groceries.

Other days to celebrate in February: Ronald Reagan's birthday on the 6th, Abraham Lincoln's birthday on the 12th, Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday on the 14th (No, don't get your sweetheart a bag of ashes from your wood burner), Presidents' Day on the 19th, George Washington's birthday on the 22nd, and Leap Day on the 29th! Wow! For the shortest month of the year, that's a lot of celebrating. Most importantly, by the end of the month, we will be that much closer to riding season.

District 3 would like a member or two to step up and fill the positions of Membership, Public Relations Officer, and/or O.S.A.L. Coordinator. Any interest? Please talk to me, Shan, Duane or Darryl. I can't promise a cushy office with a sexy secretary or even a salary. But just like all the other hats we wear as volunteers, the reward of helping A.B.A.T.E. of PA thrive is priceless.

See you on the backroads soon,
 Lenny

Allegheny - 23

PRESIDENT John Samudosky, 412-877-2650, jsamudosky1@outlook.com
MEETING PLACE Dorothy 6 224 East 8th Avenue, Homestead, PA 15120, 412-464-9023, Second Wednesday of every month, 7:30 PM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER David Harris, 412-462-6887, dave.twopa@yahoo.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Wayne Toth, 412-559-6587, wtoth88@gmail.com
WEBSITE Facebook.com/AlleghenyABATE

Congratulations to our neighboring state Ohio for passing H.B. 201, a vehicle choice bill. This guarantees the citizens of Ohio the right to buy gas- and diesel-powered vehicles for as long as they like and rejects California's pending zero-emission requirements. We need a similar law here in PA.

Check your local Sheetz for ethanol-free fuel. The one on Lebanon Church Road carries it. The fuel is a little more expensive but it's much better for carbureted engines.

Chapter wise there's not much happening in frozen February other than the District 3 pool shoot on Feb. 3rd at Whites Tavern on 51. Let's see if anyone can end Roy Sluk's reign.

Remember to buy your significant other a Valentine's Day present that's at least as nice as what you bought your bike.

If you happen to get on the road at all in February, be sure to watch for salt, sand, and ash left by the plow trucks otherwise known as the grey film of death.

Be careful out there,
 Dave Sullivan

Fayette- 25

PRESIDENT Robert Woodke, 412-389-7986, robert.woodke@abatepa.org
MEETING PLACE American Legion Post 51, 508 E Main Street, Uniontown, PA, 15401, First Friday of every month at 7:00 PM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Dale Lemon, 724-963-3092, dale.lemon@abatepa.org
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Holly Martin, 412-735-4933, martineholly14@gmail.com
WEBSITE http://fayetteabate.wixsite.com/fayetteabate

Ok, I am sure by now many of you feel as I do and can't wait for warmer weather to arrive. At least the daylight is getting longer again little by little as each day passes. That always helps me get through the gloom of the winter months.

By the time this newsletter is out pool tournaments will be in full force. Gatherings like that help keep us involved and active during these non-riding months. Even if you don't shoot pool, attend the shoot if you can for support and comradery. What else does your Chapter do to encourage members to stay involved? Bowling, lunch or dinner, listen to bands, or anything else that can bring some members together?

It's a new year and time to set membership goals. We set a very high goal last year that I really didn't think was possible for us to get to 150 total members. It was a lot of work and we constantly talked about bringing new members in. We also tried to increase our awareness in the community through our Face Book page by posting more frequently our events and what is happening in the area. Dale Lemon our Membership Officer posts after every meeting the names of new members to welcome them right away to A.B.A.T.E. of PA and the Chapter.

The goal of the chapter is to reach 180 members this year for a 20% increase. My personal ambition is to make a concentrated effort to reach out to ADV and sports bike riders. I purchased a new dual-purpose bike this off season so I can meet and relate to their needs as well as encourage membership of these groups. I find it challenging physically and interesting to relearn how to ride offroad since it has been 50 yrs. since I was last on a dual-purpose bike. This also helps keep me on track for weight reduction and exercise to get back into shape.

Until next time my friends, make the best of the rest of winter.

Renew
YOUR
MEMBERSHIP



DISTRICT & CHAPTER REPORTS

Indiana - 22

PRESIDENT Christine Rumbaugh
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MEETING PLACE Officers Meeting is First Monday of the month, contact any officer for location;

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Kimberly Myers email kimbatwl@yahoo.com

Well, month number 2, really? Another L&L is behind us and now we get to share our experience with our chapter. They changed things up a bit this year but I believe it was to the greater good of the L&L. I know I can speak for myself in saying that it was great to hang out with other chapters, learn from them and of course the workshops were very informative. They had a theme dance party on Friday night (Oh, what at night...) and I'm sure that Sonja has captured some interesting pictures. You'll have to read the rest of the Between the Lines to find out.

We've reviewed the By-Laws and will discuss them with you at this month's meeting on the 20th. I will have copies of the By-Laws with me for anyone that would like to review them before the meeting starts. We will have lots to discuss at this meeting so bear with us as while we read our reports. Thanks in advance.

Chapter Coordinator Corner: Ah, Sweetheart's month. Start spending quality time getting the bike ready to ride: checking all the nuts and bolts for tightening, inspecting belt or chain, tires, oil, wash and polish...again! You know the drill...But are you missing something important for you and your sweet ride? Your rights! Get active with your chapter, read Ken's article and visit your legislators; make sure they know who you are and that you are a registered voter and know what is happening with our rights and safety! Join the MRF, I can help you with that. Be in the know. Get out and spend some quality time at meetings with your fellow members. See you February 20, 2024 at the Clymer American Legion, 7pm. Christine

The calendars have been printed and sent to everyone. I hope you have put it on your refrigerator and that we will see you at our events and rides. If you need extra copies, I will have them at the meetings so you can take a few to share with your family and friends. Speaking of your family and friends, let them know about A.B.A.T.E. of PA and what we have done and what we are working on to protect their right to ride.

On our Calendar:

Feb 5 Officer's Meeting, 6pm, Location TBD
Feb 20 Chapter Meeting,
7pm at Clymer Legion, upstairs
Mar 2 Too Poor for Daytona Party, Eagles in Indiana
Mar 4 Officer's Meeting, 6pm, Location TBD
Mar 19 Chapter Meeting,
7pm at Clymer Legion, upstairs
Apr Highway Cleanup TBD
Apr 1 Officer's Meeting, 6pm, Location TBD
Apr 16 Chapter Meeting, 7pm,
Clymer Legion, upstairs

See our Facebook Events for additional announcements, follow us on Instagram @a.b.a.t.e.pa_indiana for last minute fun outings during the riding season.

REMEMBER: CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR EXPIRATION DATE!!! We want to see everyone keep their memberships up to date. There are a few benefits to being a member. There's the Accidental Dismemberment & Death insurance and there are businesses that offer discounts to members. Check out our Gold Star and Platinum Star Supporters. If you're in the area stop in to see them, try out the restaurants and give a review to your chapter so they too can check these places out. Let us know what fun casual rides you would like to see us do. We're always willing to

listen to your input but you need to come to a meeting. Officers meetings aren't just for the officers, it's open to everyone. I'm happy to report that our numbers are increasing. We welcome two new members Bonnie & Lanny Ramper to our chapter. Look forward to seeing you at our meetings and at events and rides. We are at 107 in membership! Let's keep recruiting! Again, I remind you to check your cards for expiration date and watch for renewal letter in the mail. You can renew online, by mail, or at a meeting. Let me know if you need help renewing. Let's keep those numbers rising.

Ride free and safe! Don't forget the chocolates, the flowers and date night with your sweetheart! Happy Valentine's Day!!!

Membership and PR Officer,
Bevie

Mon Valley - 27

PRESIDENT Chuck Newman, 412-726-5294,
newmanc734@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE Second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Club 22 in Glassport

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Norma Saputo
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Roy Sluk,
triumphroy98@comcast.net, 412-654-2902

FACEBOOK Mon Valley ABATE District 3 Chapter 27

North Pittsburgh - 70

PRESIDENT Rich Clements, 412-760-4013,
rich.clements@verizon.net

MEETING PLACE Blue Haven Lounge, 492 Nixon Road, Cheswick, PA 15024, 724-274-9963, Third Tuesday of every month at 7:15 PM

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Rich Clements,
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Devin Clements,
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WEBSITE www.facebook.com/NPittsburgh

Somerset - 20

PRESIDENT James May, 814-254-7844,
debisekerak@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE Knucklehead's, 1866 Penn Ave., Jerome, PA 15937 Last Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Heath Leach,
814-241-5924, htleach@comcast.net

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Scott Griffith,
814-243-0059, sgriffith68@aol.com

WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Somerset.html

Washington - 21

PRESIDENT Bob Handwork, 724-746-8730,
r.handwork@comcast.net

MEETING PLACE American Legion,
124 West Pike Street, Houston, PA. First Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. **August and September meeting dates will be moved back a week to the second Monday of the month.**

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Sharon Powell,
724-866-4235, sharonclaudio@gmail.com

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR
Scott Griffith, 814-243-0059, sgriffith68@aol.com

WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Washington.html

Westmoreland - 24

PRESIDENT Mark Barr, 724-875-0215,
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MEETING PLACE Polish Brotherhood Meeting Hall, 523 South Fifth Street, Jeannette, PA 7:30 PM, 2nd Saturday every month

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Therese O'Brien,
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR TBD

WEBSITE www.westmorelandabate.com

DISTRICT 4

Elk County - 36

PRESIDENT Jeff Mohney, 814-771-6290,
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MEETING PLACE C.M.F., St. Marys, PA,
307 South St. Marys Street 15857, Second Sunday of every month at 1:00

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Paul Benson,
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Endless Mountains - 34

PRESIDENT Mike Banther, 814-335-7193,
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MEETING PLACE Tubby's Tavern, Emporium, PA at 11:00am the second Saturday of the month

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Eva Fredette,
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God's Country - 30

PRESIDENT David Brewster, 814-203-8402,
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MEETING PLACE Perma Stone Inn, 247 Route 6 East, Galeton, PA 16922, Second Sunday of every month at 1:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER C-Jay Loucks,
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

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Grand Canyon Chapter - 38

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MEETING PLACE Badges Sports Bar & Grill,
Tioga, First Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM

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Good Day A.B.A.T.E. Brothers and Sisters!

I hope everyone learned a lot at L&L! I know it was definitely a learning experience for me! There isn't a lot to report for the month of January. We have been busy planning our annual noteworthy rides such as Wreaths Across America Ride, Kevin Young Memorial Ride, Humble Bumble Ride and Sweats for Vets Ride! Be on the lookout for details about these events in the near future!

Next up is our Shenanigans celebration on March 9th at the Knoxville VFW. This year promises to be another great time with some awesome prizes to be won. We hope all can come out and join in the fun!

As always, RIDE SAFE!

Written by: Shelly Smith, Secretary/Public Relations Officer

Kinzu - 37

PRESIDENT Joshua Martin, 814-558-9675,
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MEETING PLACE VFW Post 212, 94 Barbour Street, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-368-3011, First Sunday of the Month at 6:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Adrienne Pritchard

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

Michele Snyder, 814-366-4375

WEBSITE www.kinzuabate.org

DISTRICT 5

Blair County - 59

PRESIDENT Dave Thompson, 814-935-7195
Phone number

MEETING PLACE Campbell Hill Rec Room, First Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm

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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Peggy Snyder,
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FACEBOOK PAGE A.B.A.T.E of Blair County/
Iron Horse Rail Riders

Cambria Summit - 19

PRESIDENT Mike Karabinos, Jr.,
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MEETING PLACE Castle Pub, Ebensburg, PA
Second Sunday of the month at 12 noon

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR
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WEBSITE http://www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Cambria_Summit.htm, Facebook page - ABATE of PA-Cambria Summit Chapter

Centre Line Riders - 18

PRESIDENT Todd J. Wasson, 814-880-6489,
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MEETING PLACE Millheim Hotel, Second Sunday of Every Month at 1:00 P.M.

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Jerry Albright,
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Deny Walk,
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Happy 2024!!! I can't tell you how much I've been waiting for this NEW year. 2023 was absolutely the worst year of my entire life for numerous reasons. This new year can only be better. I sincerely hope everyone out there has had a very good start to the new year with everything looking up for you.

During the December meeting of Centre Line Riders, among the many items covered, our Secretary Ceira "CC" Laird agreed to take over writing the monthly article in "BTL" for our chapter. This was greatly appreciated by yours truly who took over this job from Kim Volb many years ago. As enjoyable as it was writing for our Chapter, it was time to hand the reins over to one who is much younger and no doubt much smarter as well.

Just as a review of Centre Line Riders our new officers for 2024 are:

President – Todd "TJ" Wasson
Vice President – Hunter Homan
Secretary – Ceira "CC" Laird
Treasurer – Mike McGrath
OSAL – Bob Hemman
Legislative Coordinator – Deny "Worm" Walk
Membership – Jerry Albright
Products – Bob Hemman
Sargent at Arms – George Fye and Ross Baney
Public Relations – Ben Franklin

Thank You to all those members who accepted the nominations and were voted into the offices of our chapter. Please congratulate them when you see them.

On November 18th Centre Line Riders Chapter President, Todd Wasson, presented Millheim American Legion Post 444 manager Terri Spahr with a Gold Card Certificate. Thank You very much to this American Legion for their support of our Chapter. If you find yourself in Millheim, please do stop in and

*Mason Dixon - 57*

COORDINATOR Dale Bradt, 443-618-9840, dalan513@hotmail.com
ASSISTANT COORDINATOR David Kenney, 240-674-2770, dkenney1745@comcast.net
MEETING PLACE New Era Restaurant Bar and Motel, 7415 Lincoln Hwy, Abbotstown, PA 17301, (717) 259-0661, First Saturday of every month at Noon
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Brian Magness, 352-426-0118, membership.masondixon@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Matt Von Sas, 717-465-1306, lc.masondixon.abate@outlook.com
WEBSITE FACEBOOK - ABATE of PA Mason Dixon Chapter

Calendar of Events

February 3, 2024 (Saturday) - Chapter Meeting at New Era - 12:00 pm
 February 10, 2024 (Saturday) - Chapter Bike Drawing - doors open at 5:00 pm
 March 2, 2024 (Saturday) - Chapter Meeting at New Era - 12:00 pm
 March 23, 2024 (Saturday) - Vicky Zeigler Memorial

Memorial

Easter Egg Hunt - registration 11 am-12 pm
 April 6, 2024 (Saturday) - Annual Bike Blessing 11:00 am followed by the Chapter Meeting 12:00 pm at New Era
 April 14, 2024 (Sunday) - 1st Chapter Ride of 2024 time & location T.B.D.
 CHAPTER RIDES FOR 2024 WILL BE THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH STARTING APRIL 14, 2024

Hello Mason Dixon!

I am pleased to be your Public Relations Officer! Thank you to everyone for appointing me to this position!

Throughout the year, as a chapter, we will be doing some amazing things!

On December 9, 2023, the chapter Christmas party was held at the American Legion in Hanover. The children enjoyed seeing Santa, decorating cookies and making crafts. Special Thanks to DJ Taz for entertaining everyone as we shared dinner, games, laughter, dancing and much more! We are looking forward to seeing everyone again for the 2024 Christmas party.

January 1, 2024, not only marked the 1st of the New Year, but this was also a great day of brotherhood! Wheaty (Andy Wheatley) lead the New Year's Day ride through Adams County. For some, this was their first New Year's Day ride with the chapter, and some have done this ride many times. We endured the damp, cold, rainy weather and went to visit the graves of a few fallen brothers. Andy shared their stories with everyone. Everyone enjoyed the day together!

January 6th the chapter meeting was held despite the inclement weather. Thank you to all the members that were able to attend. We were able to discuss a lot of new and exciting upcoming events that will include the chapter's participation in monthly bike nights, monthly rides, new donation opportunities and much more. If you have a local charity that you are passionate about, please share your ideas with the donations committee. Look for the meeting minutes to be published on our private Facebook group page prior to the February meeting. We look forward to seeing you there!

The board would also like to thank Randy Horn for the beautiful gift presented to the board. Randy had two custom signs made with the chapter logo. The red sign has been hung by Matt VonSas at "The Office". The second metal sign, which is black, will be raffled off at our annual BB&Y Chapter Party on June 22, 2024.

Saturday February 10, 2024 is the Mason Dixon Bike Raffle, with the doors opening at 5:00 pm.. ALL 150 TICKETS ARE SOLD! This event is at Aspire Hotel & Suites, 2632 Emmitsburg Road, Gettysburg PA 17325. If you have purchased a ticket and would like to make a reservation to stay, please contact the hotel front desk at (717) 334-8121 and press 0 for an

operator. A block of rooms has been set aside with special pricing. You can only get this pricing by calling the hotel directly and asking for the "Mason Dixon A.B.A.T.E. block". If you have any further questions, please contact Matt VonSas or Butch Rivera.

The chapter is going to be updating the "24 Hour Call 4 Haul" cards. This is an emergency motorcycle road service that renders aid to Mason Dixon members. The only requirement to be added to the provider list is that you have a truck and trailer and are willing to assist other members in need. If you would like to be added to the list, please contact Sonnie Mauk.

As we are moving ahead throughout the year, please look for some new and exciting opportunities to become more involved! We have several committees you can join and have your ideas come to life. Every member plays a vital role in the success of our chapter.

We look forward to seeing you at the next chapter meeting, bring a friend!
 Much Love & Respect.
 Melissa Shorb
 Public Relations Officer

Monterey Pass - 52

PRESIDENT Gary Bracken, 717-752-0623, brackensheatingac@gmail.com
MEETING PLACE Bracken's, 13388 Pennersville Road, Waynesboro, PA 17268, 717-752-0623, Second Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Mark Henicle, 717-762-5538, mark.henicle@abatepa.org
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Scott Crum, 717-729-4098, scott@waynesboropa.org
WEBSITE www.facebook.com/ABATE-of-Monterey-Pass-205889689422481

Calendar of Events:

Feb 3 - Washington Co A.B.A.T.E. of MD - Benefit Fundraiser for Mike Tinsley (see below)

Feb 8 - Monthly Meeting

Mar 14 - Monthly Meeting

Hello A.B.A.T.E. Riders! Thank you, Monterey Pass members and guests, for attending our latest chapter meeting. We hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas holiday and are looking forward to enjoying rides and events in 2024. Some of our members rode on Christmas Day and possibly some on New Years Day as well. We are fortunate that it hasn't been really cold yet.

We appreciate all members who were able to make it to Antietam National Cemetery on Jan 13th for the wreath clean-up. As usual, many hands make light work! Although our Chapter sponsored numerous wreaths and we solicited donations from area organizations toward the effort as well, please consider personally purchasing a few wreaths on your own (<https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org>) for the upcoming year. If everyone in attendance at the wreath-laying ceremony this year would do so, I'll bet there would be a wreath to honor every soldier laid to rest there.

At the time of writing this article, about 15 of our members are looking forward to attending the L&L Seminar to learn about how we can best support our organization and the various aspects of our mission. And of course, we know it will be a fun reunion with our A.B.A.T.E. friends from across the state. Next year, we hope to bring along some of our brothers and sisters from a neighboring chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of MD. More on the L&L next month...

Update on our member Mike Tinsley - he is now in Chambersburg Hospital to focus on rehab for the foreseeable future. We encourage everyone to visit Mike since he is now permitted unlimited visitation. He's trying to keep his spirits upbeat, and visitors help break up the days. If anyone has ever experienced a long-term hospitalization, you know it's not fun and it's certainly not like home. Washington Co. A.B.A.T.E. of MD is also having a benefit fundraiser

for Mike on Feb 3rd at the Wolfe's Den in Smithsburg, MD. They've been working on putting together some baskets and other raffles. Please consider coming out to support their event any time from 12-8 pm.

Hope everyone is staying warm and hope to see you at the next chapter meeting - bring a friend! Best wishes for a safe and prosperous New Year!

Barb Henicle, PR

Patriot Riders - 53

PRESIDENT Philip Myers, 717-994-0344, bullridingchick33@yahoo.com
MEETING PLACE First Saturday of every month at 1:00 PM, meeting places change from month to month
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Don Hamer, 717-543-7062, umphamer@yahoo.com
WEBSITE www.facebook.com/groups/patriotriders/

The meetings take place on the first Saturday of every month at 1 pm and the location varies from month to month. Saying a warm welcome to Patriot Riders! Thank you to all who showed up to our January 6 meeting at the Steelworkers and Burnham despite the nasty winter weather. At our last meeting, we voted on our 2024 officers, our results or as follows:

Philip Myers- Chapter Coordinator
 Brent Campbell- Assistant Coordinator
 Shauna Kauffman- Secretary/Products
 Julie Hamer- Treasurer
 Don Hamer- Legislative Coordinator
 Michael Vodopija- Sergeant of Arms
 Nathan Kauffman- Road Captain
 Rosie Parsons- Membership
 Amber Knapp- Public Relations

With our 2024 team, we are excited to serve the Patriot Riders Chapter 53 and have a promising and fun year ahead! We, as a chapter, had voted to sponsor a table at L&L so our new officers could have a ticket and good seats. There was also a basket donated to the event as well.

As of our meeting on January 6, we as a chapter, voted on not having a family picnic this year due to little attendance last year. Hammer was the winner of the 50-50 drawing of \$22.50 while Jesse Reiker missed out on \$355.00 from the dollar jar. Our chapter is also planning the basket raffle for the Bulb Parks Cancer Fun Run, where a date and time is to be announced at a later date. The mileage contest you can enter at any chapter meeting but remember it starts and ends in June. You and the bike must have a license, proof of registration, and inspection. As always please ride safe! The next meeting will be held on February 3rd at 1 pm at the Eagles in Burnham.

I want to thank Steen for all his hard work and well put effort into this chapter over last four years. His time and dedication are what made our chapter what it is today. Even though he looks forward to some freedom and more road trips, he will still be a big part of our new officers and our chapter. Thank you, Steen, for all your continued support and everything we do. See you all on February 3rd for the next meeting.

Amber K, Public Relations

Ridge Runners - 58

PRESIDENT Daniel Buckley, 717-275-6528, buckleyjohndeere@gmail.com
MEETING PLACE The next Meeting will be at the New Bloomfield VFW, February 11 at 12:30 pm.
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Teresa Miller, 717-364-6177, tee6786@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Jennifer Murling, 717-829-9360, jennifermurling@gmail.com
WEBSITE http://www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Ridge_Runners.html

We haven't had January's meeting yet so I can't really tell you much about Chapter business. At this time, what I can tell you though, is Sunday February 14th at 12:30 we will be holding our Chapter meeting at the New Bloomfield VFW. We will be working on improving the previous year's events which is how we build success. Being satisfied with where we are is never option, striving for doubling the bikes leaving Newport for our Memorial Ride and doubling our donation for our charity is how we build success. Imagine the amount of people that will be having conversations about 350 plus bikes leaving Giant and then turn around and raise \$6,000 for a charity of our choice. Well, you don't have to imagine it because when we stay positive and work to be better, we will see it.

And then reason to get to your Chapter meeting and get involved is coming fast. Too fast to sit back, if you haven't already read Andy Kelly's MRF's report in January's BTL. GO BACK AND READ IT. What he talks about will be the future, if we sit back and don't do anything! It's scary when you think what the cost will be to eliminate the Internal Combustion Engine. This will go so much further than you realize. You gotta ask "how will this change be paid for?" The effect is more than transportation and we will be paying for it. The cost for "Off Roaders" will be so high that they will eventually just trespass on private property and you would not even hear their electrical bikes to know they were there, until you go on the back half of the property and see it's all tore up, while your wallet is empty.

We may have many legislative issues going on here in PA as well. Check out Ken Edwards legislative section in the State Newsletter. Election year is going to be very busy, get involved now, and don't let the BS slip by you!

See you Feb. 14th at our Chapter meeting.
 Ride Free,
 Mike R.

DISTRICT 8

Happy New Year! Thank you to all the returning officers and to the new ones that stepped up to help our organization. I am looking forward to working with you all. There will be a District meeting at the Office Mountaintop Pub, 501 S Main Rd, Mountain Top, PA 18707 starting at noon. Everybody is invited to attend.

There is a Grand Board meeting March 16 at the Legion in Centre Hall, 2928 Penns Valley Pike, Centre Hall, PA 16828 that the Chapter coordinators are required to attend and is open to all members. That meeting starts at 1:00 pm. I recommend attending a state meeting to get first-hand knowledge of how things are done at the state level, and it allows you to give your input on issues.

Rick Maynard

Luzerne - 43

PRESIDENT Charles Heddings Sr., 570-762-5765, kaddyrod@gmail.com
MEETING PLACE Rich & Charlottes, 2205 Lakeside Dr, Harveys Lake, PA at 11 AM on first Sunday of the month
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Lori Chamberlain, 570-328-2712, basiclures@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Ann Everetts, 570-256-6019, ann.everetts@frontier.com
WEBSITE <http://www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Luzerne.html>

Pike - 41

PRESIDENT Tyler Germann, 845-820-2428, pikecountyabate@hotmail.com
MEETING PLACE The Greeley Inn, 218 PA-590, Greeley, PA, last Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM.
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Rick Maynard, 845-283-6805, rick.maynard@abatepa.org
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Ann Everetts, 570-256-6019, ann.everetts@frontier.com
WEBSITE www.pikecountyabate.org



Tri-County - 47

PRESIDENT Richard Vought, 570-764-2513, richev1234@gmail.com
MEETING PLACE VFW, 115 Main Street, Catawissa, PA, 17820 Last Sunday of every month at noon
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER William Wood, 570-339-7467, tricountymembership1@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR David Bartlett, 570-492-0154
WEBSITE www.tricountyabate.weebly.com

DISTRICT 9

Chester - 64

PRESIDENT Stephen Sinson 302-463-3342 homeprepllc@hotmail.com
MEETING PLACE VFW 406 West Fourth Avenue, Parkesburg, PA 19365, First Sunday of every month at Noon
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Crystal Stanley, 610-658-8624, crystal.stanley@abatepa.org
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Pat Carnevale, 610-496-2118, patrickcarnevale@hotmail.com
WEBSITE www.facebook.com/Chester-County-ABATE-347007768775640/

Hi Chester County.
 The Brass Nut Run was a good turnout and 174 people showed up.
 We had 12 different groups of riders participate. Thanks to all who helped and thanks to everyone that showed up. It was great to talk to everyone and of course make everyone aware of A.B.A.T.E. and what we do. I saw some new faces so hopefully they will become interested in A.B.A.T.E.

February 17th at the Parkesburg VFW at 6:00pm is our Annual Spaghetti Dinner, \$10:00 all you can eat. Yes, we know its Valentines weekend, but it's the only available day we have the room upstairs. Volunteers needed to help set up and serve. Some of us will be going to the Lancaster Chapter earlier that day for bingo, so if you want to join us, let us know. The more the better and support The Lancaster Chapter.

April 20th will be Our Drug Awareness Ride. Starts at the VFW. Stay tuned for details.

Well, it's been one year as your Coordinator and I do enjoy being involved. Let's all get involved and have another great year. Thank you to all our officers for putting the extra time in. You do a great job.

Thank you to all our members for believing in our cause and the help you offer.

Stay warm, ride safe if you're out there, and spring is just around the corner.

Steve AKA Jacko Sinson
 Coordinator Chester County A.B.A.T.E.

Delaware Valley - 63

PRESIDENT Mike Difurio, 484-832-6428, delvalabate@gmail.com or difuriom@yahoo.com
MEETING PLACE PJ Whelihan's Pub & Restaurant, 4803 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA 19073, 610-848-4100, Second Monday of every month at 7:30 PM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Michael DiFurio, 484-832-6428, mike@furienterprises.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Thomas J. Keenan II, 267-377-6263, cosworth2715@frontier.net
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Lancaster - 65

PRESIDENT Drew Harmon, 717-278-0348, dharmon@clairglobal.com
MEETING PLACE VFW 219 Walnut Hill Rd, Millersville, PA 17551, second Sunday at 2:00 pm
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Cherie Kline, 717-468-3645, klinecheri18@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Douglas Hambleton, 717-286-3528, dougydo67@yahoo.com
WEBSITE: www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Lancaster.html

Hello from Lancaster!
 It is that time of year where ailments of all sorts plague everyone. I know several of our members have been down and out with all kinds of fun germs. Unfortunately, for many of our members, surgeries are also on the horizon. That is a hard pill for any biker to swallow. The inability to get on the bike and go like you used to is very disheartening and not just to the biker, but the group as well. The feeling that not being able to ride with everyone and just being in the way starts many to think "why bother to be a member anymore".

Well, I will tell you why. Whether it is temporary or permanent, you are a part of a very large and loving family. Family sticks together and have each other's backs. When you are so used to riding together it just doesn't feel right when one or more are missing.

Don't let your member pull away from the group! Just because riding the bike may not be in the cards for them for a while doesn't mean that their presence is not wanted. No one said you can't take a car on that benefit ride or group outing. Make sure and ask if there is anything they need or want help with. We bikers are always doing for others. Especially for people we don't even know. So, when the time comes when it is one of your members, be just as giving, compassionate and attentive. After all, we are family and that is what family does!

Blessings to you all!
 Mandy

Lehigh Valley - 66

PRESIDENT Joe Faraci, joebev71820@rcn.com
MEETING PLACE Grumpy's Bar-B-Que Roadhouse, 3000 Mauch Chunk Rd, Allentown, PA 18104. First Saturday of every month at 10:30 AM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Gary Spears, 941-400-2293, gspears@epix.net
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Thomas J. Keenan II, 267-377-6263, cosworth2715@frontier.net
WEBSITE www.lvabate.com

Montgomery - 68

PRESIDENT Fred Standaert, 215-704-0835, firecop48@aol.com
MEETING PLACE Blue Comet Motorcycle Club, Mensch Rd. Skippack, PA Fourth Sunday of every month at 11:00 AM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Melissa Tarantino, 267-642-8067, bcmcgoldstar@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Fred Standaert, 215-704-0835, firecop48@aol.com
WEBSITE www.facebook.com/montcoabate

To all of my fellow cold weather riders, heated gear or not? There is no correct answer of course, whatever works for you is the best answer if it keeps you on two or three wheels. Last weekend I went on a ride and we

ranged from no heated gear but lots of extra bulk: heavy socks, chaps, three sweatshirts under the jacket, two neck wraps, full face helmet and modified mittens over the gloves, to others with heated socks, insulated jeans, heated jackets, and heated gloves with significantly less bulk. A special award goes to Spaceman who rides all winter with no windscreen. The point is that your choice is your choice.

Some of us ride in the winter, and some of us don't ride in the winter, and some of us are passengers, and some of us don't ride at all. All are the correct answer because we choose to ride and not ride, wear certain gear and not wear certain gear, modify our bikes or keep them stock, and ride certain types of bikes and not ride certain types of bikes, because we choose. And we choose to be members of A.B.A.T.E. of PA to help ensure that we continue to have these choices.

Our next few chapter meetings, all held at the Blue Comets MC on Sunday mornings at 11:00:

- February 25
- March 24
- April 28

Plus our major spring event, the Swap Meet, is scheduled for May 11 at the Blue Comets MC.

Stay warm,
 Jim 'Longrider' Leistensnider

Philadelphia/Bucks - 62

PRESIDENT Joe Galioto, 215-595-4422, joegalioto123@yahoo.com
MEETING PLACE American Legion Post 960, 1537 Woodbourne Rd. Levittown, PA 19057 fourth Sunday of every month at 11:00 AM
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Joe DiSalvo, 267-471-5773
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Andy Kelly, 215-943-7534, 1957flh@gmail.com
WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Philadelphia

South Mountain - 61

PRESIDENT Bob Yohn, 717-466-0693, yohnie62@ptd.net
MEETING PLACE Meadowbrook Country Club, 1153 Rick Road, Reading, PA 19605, Fourth Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 pm
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Tommy Clark, 610-334-5569, tommyeclark@yahoo.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Keith Landis, 610-683-6049, kclandis@outlook.com
WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/South_Mountain.html

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CHECK BOOK BLANCE BROUGHT FOWARD	\$67,687.96
DEPOSITS:	
MEMBERSHIP	\$5,500.35
5/10 YR MEMBERSHIPS	\$308.34
PLATINUM STARS	\$800.00
GOLD STARS	\$1,500.00
L&L SEMINAR	
	SPONSORS \$7,341.28
	TICKETS \$7,040.04
	BROCHURE AD \$320.00
CHARITY DONATIONS	\$5,500.00
DONATIONS TO STATE	\$50.00
BIKE PAC (OFF BUDGET INCOME)	\$70.00
BTL AD - 12 MOS.	\$330.00
TOTAL INCOME BANK STATEMENT VERIFIED	\$28,760.01
TOTAL INCOME AND BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	\$96,447.97

PRE-AUTHORIZED EXPENSES:

ROBERT MORRIS & CO.	QB MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION	\$61.00
MERCHANT BANKCARD FEE	MONTHLY USAGE	\$126.20
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	LEAF COPIER	\$147.34
MICROSOFT	MS MONTHLY FEE	\$18.57
PRE-AUTH	COM CAST - DEC. OFFICE CELL	\$78.74
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	USPS - TAX MAILINGS FOR 17 CHAPTERS	\$56.73
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	USPS-ADDITIONAL TAX MAILINGS	\$31.59
INTERNAL TRANSFER	1-10 YR MEMBERSHIP TO LIFETIME ACCT	\$320.00

EXPENSES:

17444	STACEY HENRY	NOVEMBER OFFICE MNGR SERVICES	\$1,600.00
17445	KOURY BARR	DECEMBER NEWSLETTER SERVICES	\$1,000.00
17446	BRIAN MAGNESS	NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP SERIVCES	\$1,200.00
17447	HAAS PRINTING CO	DECEMBER NEWSLETTER	\$1,007.00
17448	ENGLE PRINTING	DECEMBER BTL TABS	\$1,706.38
17449	US POSTAL SERVICE	2024 ANNUAL RENEWAL PO BOX	\$100.00
17450	NEW OXFORD WRESTLING C	MASON DIXON DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$500.00
17451	WAGNER GROUP	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$100.00
17452	QUADIENT LEASING INC.	DEC - MARCH METER LEASE	\$248.73
17453	ARCHER PUBLIC AFFAIRS	DECEMBER LOBBYIST FEES	\$2,650.00
17454	POSTMASTER	DECEMBER BTL MAILING	\$2,700.87
17455	ROBERT MORRIS & CO P.C.	1099/W2G PREP JULY-NOV	\$225.00
17456	MIDD-WEST GIRLS BASKETBALL	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$500.00
17457	CENTRAL PA KHAOS	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$500.00
17458	MIDD-WEST SKI CLUB	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$500.00
17459	MICHELE ARNOLD	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$100.00
17460	VETERANS PLACE	ALLEGHENY CO DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$250.00
17461	PA DEPT OF STATE	REGISTRATION TAX - BCO BUTLER CO 2022	\$15.00
17462	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO CAMBRIA SUMMIT 2022	\$100.00
17463	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO CENTRE LINE 2022	\$100.00
17464	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO CLARION 2022	\$100.00
17465	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO CHINKLACAMOOSSE 2022	\$100.00
17466	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO CRAWFORD CO 2022	\$15.00
17467	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO ERIE CO. 2022	\$15.00
17468	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO GOD'S COUNTRY 2022	\$15.00
17469	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX -BCO HIGHLANDERS 2022	\$15.00
17470	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO JACKS MTN 2022	\$100.00
17471	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO JEFFERSON CO 2022	\$15.00
17472	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO KEYSTONE 2022	\$15.00
17473	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO KINZUA 2022	\$15.00
17474	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX -BCO MASON DIXON 2022	\$150.00
17475	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO MONTEREY PASS 2022	\$150.00
17476	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO -PARENT 2022	\$150.00
17477	PA DEPT OF STATE	REG. TAX - BCO SOMERSET CO 2022	\$15.00
17478	MERCY CENTER FOR WOMEN	ERIE CO. DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$500.00
17479	ROBERT MORRIS & CO P.C.	990 & BCO TAX FILING - MASON DIXON 2022	\$1,443.00
17480	ROBERT MORRIS & CO P.C.	990 & BCO TAX FILING - MONTEREY PASS 2022	\$1,443.00
17481	ROBERT MORRIS & CO P.C.	990 & BCO TAX FILING - PARENT/14 CH 2022	\$2,117.00
17482	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	CAMBRIA SUMMIT 2022 LATE FILING FEE	\$75.00
17483	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	CENTRE LINE RIDERS 2022 LATE FILING FEE	\$75.00
17484	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	ERIE CO. BALANCE OF 2022 FILING FEE	\$85.00
17485	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	ERIE CO. 2022 LATE FILING FEE	\$75.00
17486	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	HIGHLANDERS 2022 BALANCE FILING FEE	\$85.00

17487	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	HIGHLANDERS 2022 LATE FILING FEE	\$75.00
17488	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	MASON DIXON 2022 BALANCE OF FILING FEE	\$100.00
17489	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	MASON DIXON 2022 LATE FILING FEE	\$75.00
17490	COMMONWEALTH OF PA	MONTEREY PASS 2022 LATE FILING FEE	\$75.00
17491	WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA	MONTEREY PASS DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$2,550.00
TOTAL EXPENSES DECEMBER 31, 2023			\$25,586.15
END OF DECEMBER 2023 CHECKBOOK BALANCE:			\$70,861.82

ACTIVE ACCOUNT SUMMARY BALANCES FOR DEC 2023

PRIMARY CHECKING ACCOUNT	S & T BANK
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE	\$102,061.94
MONTH DEPOSITS	\$28,760.01
CHECKS & OTHER TRANSACTIONS PROCESSED	BY THE BANK (\$37,266.80)
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 12/31/23 \$93,555.15
CHECKBOOK UNCLEARED TRANSACTIONS	RECONCILIATION SUMMARY \$22,693.33
END OF DECEMBER 2023 CHECKBOOK BALANCE:	\$70,861.82

LIFETIME INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	S & T BANK - MONEY MARKET
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE	\$145,499.85
DEPOSITS	\$800.00
WITHDRAWALS	\$0.00
INTEREST	\$137.67
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 12/31/23 \$146,437.52

TAX ACCOUNT	S & T BANK
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE	\$999.89
DEPOSITS	\$0.00
WITHDRAWALS	MASON DIXON & STATE RAFFLE WINNERS TAXES / DEBIT MEMO (\$999.00)
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 12/31/23 \$0.89

STATE TREASURER UPDATE

By Amy Tebay

Hello All!!!!

February, honestly, I cannot believe it has been a whole year already. I want to thank all the treasurers for your hard work and dedication to this (very difficult at times) position. Hopefully you all were able to attend the L&L just a short week or so ago and learned new things, made new friends and got to ask those questions that you had. I did provide some new and or updated paperwork, so if you were not there, please make sure that whoever picked up your chapter information gets it to you. Be sure to email, text or call with any questions you may have. I have learned a lot over the last year, and this paperwork is what has been suggested to me to keep everyone on the same page and doing everything uniform across the State. I understand some who have been here for years may not like the change, or think that your way works, and it probably does, but unfortunately things must sometimes change. I'm confident that we will work together for the better good of A.B.A.T.E. of PA moving forward.

At L&L Chapter Coordinators received packets with Hazen tickets, as well as the new State raffle that we are trying. Please be sure to keep good track of how many tickets you send to the State and be sure that any that may not be sold are turned in on time. I do not have the deadline dates but they are provided in the packet.

Again, if you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me, make sure you have all your reports turned in as it is time to do taxes again....

Stay Safe,
Amy Tebay

“Shining From the Chrome”
Wreaths Across America
Mercy Center for Woman
Veteran's Place
Wagner Group





NUMBERS ARE IN... NEW YEAR = NEW LOOK

By Brian Magness

The January total is (4969). From December to January our numbers are **down by (-3)**. Our Monthly total, from last year is down by (-95). That is where the numbers are since the January edition of Between the Lines. This relates to the numbers from Statewide Membership totals for the beginning of January. So, here's the rundown.

DISTRICT 1	Total	Diff.	DISTRICT 4	Total	Diff.	DISTRICT 8	Total	Diff.
Erie	222	-1	God's Country	115	-4	Pike	96	5
Crawford	74	-2	Endless Mt	76	-3	Luzerne	87	2
Venango	97	0	Elk	96	-8	Tri County	68	6
Warren	24	-1	Kinzua	78	3		251	13
Mercer	107	4	Grand Canyon	80	0	DISTRICT 9		
	524	0		445	-12	South Mountain	51	0
DISTRICT 2			DISTRICT 5			Philadelphia	42	0
Lawrence	99	-3	Jefferson	116	0	Delaware Valley	61	0
Beaver	68	1	Chinklacamoose	141	-7	Chester	132	5
Butler	215	3	Centre Line Riders	99	1	Lancaster	105	-1
Clarion	83	-11	Cambria Summit	57	0	Lehigh Valley	95	2
	465	-10	Blair	70	2	Montgomery	107	2
DISTRICT 3			Jacks Mountain	98	10		593	8
Somerset	87	-7		581	6			
Washington	87	0	DISTRICT 6			Members at Large	135	0
Indiana	107	3	Monterey Pass	89	3			
Allegheny	121	-6	Patriot Riders	88	-3	GRAND TOTAL	4969	-3
Westmoreland	159	-9	Blue Mountain	93	0	Month to Month Report		
Fayette	148	-1	Highlanders	238	8	Districts Gained		4
Mon Valley	55	1	Keystone	161	2	Districts Lost		3
North Pittsburgh	27	0	Mason Dixon	421	-8	Chapters Gained		19
	791	-19	Ridge Runner	94	9	Chapters Lost		16
				1184	11	Chapters w/ No Change		10

TOP ONE MONTH GROWTH (DEC-JAN)

1	JACKS MOUNTAIN	10
2	RIDGE RUNNER	9
3	HIGHLANDERS	8
4	TRI COUNTY	6
5	PIKE	5

TOP 10 IN MEMBERSHIP

MASON DIXON	421
HIGHLANDERS	238
ERIE	222
BUTLER	215
KEYSTONE	161

This time of year is Prime Time to recruit Motorcycling Enthusiasts to join our cause. Use every resource you have to do just that. Keep yourselves advised on where your Chapter is. Maybe it'll motivate some growth, maybe it'll spark some competition or maybe it will reinvigorate your energy for A.B.A.T.E. of PA and for what we stand for.

Peace & Ride Safe!

Brian Magness

membership@abatepa.org

P.S. – CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR YOUR EXPIRATION DATE AND RENEW IF NEEDED.

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY

- 4 2024 District 3 Pool Shoot District 3
- 10 Chapter Bike Drawing Mason Dixon Chapter
- 17 A.B.A.T.E. of PA's 2nd Annual Bingo Lancaster Chapter
- 17 Annual Spaghetti Dinner Chester Chapter
- 24 A.B.A.T.E. of PA State Pool Tournament Statewide

MARCH

- 2 Too Poor for Daytona Party Indiana Chapter
- 9 Annual Motorcycle Swap Meet, Butler Chapter
- 9 Shenanigans Celebration Grand Canyon Chapter
- 16 Grand Board Meeting Statewide
- 23 Vicky Zeigler Memorial Easter Egg Hunt Mason Dixon Chapter
- 23 Craft Show Lawrence Chapter

APRIL

- 6 Annual Bike Blessing Mason Dixon Chapter
- 7 Highway Clean-up Lawrence Chapter
- 14 1st Chapter Ride of 2024 Mason Dixon Chapter
- 20 Drug Awareness Ride Chester Chapter
- 27 BikePAC Run Lawrence Chapter
- TBD Highway Cleanup Indiana Chapter



MEET YOUR 2024 *Chapter Officers* (PART 1)

By Sonja Mauk-State PRO

Thank you to all the chapters that responded to the group officer photo request. Over the next several months I will be showcasing chapter officers. I really would have like to have all 45 chapters (39 to go) submit a group officer photo. This includes District Reps too. It's always nice to have a face to go with the names being heard.

Thank you to all of the members who step up to volunteer as an officer for your chapter or district. Without these volunteers, we wouldn't have such a great organization.

Officers do not get enough recognition for all of the hard work and dedication needed to run a successful chapter. Too many members like to sit back, complain and not lift a finger while the officers do all the work. This is my way to introduce and recognize all the chapter officers across the state. Taking the time to take an officer photo, and send it in, shows how proud you are of both your officers and your chapter.

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart"
By Elizabeth Andrew



Beaver-#12-District 2

Sue Fluharty-Sgt.-at-Arms; Sharon Sessie-Public Relations Officer and Products Officer; Chris Katterson-Secretary and Chapter Rep.; Joe Polujan-Coordinator and Legislative Coordinator; Debra Polujan-Treasurer; Tony Hollibaugh-Asst. Coordinator.



Mercer-#10-District 1

Front Row: Corey Bacon-Chaplain; Andy Bodien-Asst. Coordinator; Jackie Verzilli-Secretary; Doug Bennett-Coordinator; TJ Gross-Sgt. at-Arms.

Back Row: Thomas Johnson-Road Captain; Wendy Clark-Legislative Coordinator; Bill Miller-Treasurer; Jen Bartosh-Membership Officer.



Washington County-#21-District 3

Billy Jo Lawhome-Secretary; Eddie Powell-Asst. Coordinator; Steve Stanish-Legislative Coordinator; Samantha Stanish-Treasurer; Sharon Powell-Membership Officer; Robert Handwork-Coordinator.



Allegheny County-#23-District 3

Front Row: David Harris-Membership Officer;
Duane Eagan-Asst. Coordinator;
John Samudosky-Coordinator;
Ken Walkowiak-Sgt.-at-Arms; Carrie Harbacho-Secretary;
Wayne Toth-Legislative Coordinator.

Back Row: Tim Kass-Public Relations Officer;
Rick Morrow-Treasurer and Products Officer.

Fayette County #25-District 3

Front Row: Shan Good-Asst. Coordinator;
Ray Keller-Road Captain; Lisa Keller-Secretary;
Steve Tressler-Sgt.-at-Arms;
Dale Lemon-Membership Officer;
Robert Woodke-Coordinator.

Back Row: Dean Logan-Road Captain;
David John (Buck)-Sgt.-at-Arms; Beth McTall Berry-Treasurer;
Holly Martin-Legislative Coordinator/Sgt.-at-Arms;
Bob Mitchell-Road Captain



Grand Canyon #38-District 4

Left to Right: Kristie Hill-Membership;
Tim Beard-Treasurer;
Mike Holley-Legislative Coordinator;
Dave Thompson-Coordinator;
Shelly Smith-Secretary;
Chuck Smith-Asst. Coordinator.

Jefferson County #14-District 5

Left to Right: Crash-Sgt.-at-Arms;
Nicholas Wells-Membership Officer;
Debbie Overholser-Products Officer;
John Ramsey-Coordinator;
Bartman Simpson-Asst. Coordinator;
John Glasl-Legislative Coordinator;
Deb Eckman Glasl-Secretary; Jen Stott-OSAL;
Marilyn Frantz-Treasurer;
Debi Appleton-Public Relations Officer;
James Frantz-Road Captain.





The Family of Kenneth Ubry have put in our trust an endowment. One use of these funds will be to award scholarships to A.B.A.T.E. of PA members completing motorcycle related schooling and to also encourage our members to become instructors of the Pennsylvania Motorcycle Safety Program by reimbursing the course materials expenses paid to the Safety Program. Please, take a moment to read of our fallen brother who was called home doing something all of us love, fight for, and cherish.

KENNETH UBRY | DECEMBER 1950-AUGUST 2021

First and foremost, Kenny was a motorcycle enthusiast. From an Allstate Moped to a BMW RT 1400, with a multitude of other bikes between the two. Born, raised & resided in western PA. He never stopped riding, if the roads were clear, he would be on the bike. He had a four-wheel vehicle, he preferred two wheels. There were usually at least two bikes in the garage, and at times as many as six, often changing out one or two every couple of months. All maintenance was completed by Kenny, with exception of mounting tires, and he went through a lot of tires!

Kenny rode, A LOT! To go out with Kenny for a ride you would need to clear your schedule for the morning or afternoon, and often both as the ride would progress. Two-to-three-hundred-mile days were normal scoots. Take a short break for a soda & candy bar and mount up again. Don't waste daylight, and get home before the deer come out.

Kenny knew more routes to get to Warren, PA than anyone. September and October were his favorite months to be out "catching leaves." West Virginia was a favorite place to spend several days for extended fine riding.

Among some of his riding milestones:

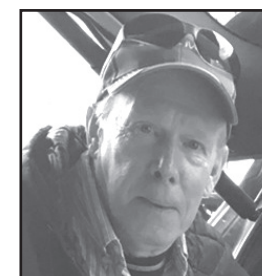
1. Iron Butt 1,000-mile day award.
2. Route 62 from New York to Texas. Full length.
3. 2020 National BMW Rally in Montana.
4. High mileage year award from BMW owners club for the year 2020; 24,000 miles.

Kenny was a unique and special person, very independent, extremely trustworthy, and loyal. He was able to enjoy conversation with anyone he met, at anytime and any place. If he was asked to be somewhere to help someone you could count on him to be there. He had a host of friends spread over the countryside, both riders and non riders.

When he was on the bike he was one with the ONE. The night he was called home he was on the bike returning to New Castle, PA following an evening helping a group of friends. The two most important things in his life!

Greatly loved and missed by the families of his sister Kathleen Shoaf, and brothers, Paul, and Bruce Ubry.

THE *Kenneth Ubry* MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND



CRITERIA:

1. The amount of the scholarship is not to exceed \$500 per award.
2. Open to A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania Members who have been members at least six months prior to the essay deadline.
3. Scholarship is open to all students attending motorcycle related schooling.
4. Selection will be based on leadership and good citizenship and will be judged on the essay provided.

CONDITIONS:

1. Must contact the A.B.A.T.E. state office at 717-731-8955 to obtain application or go online at abatepa.org to download a copy. Application must be postmarked no later than one week (7 days) prior to the scheduled A.B.A.T.E. of PA Grand Board Meeting in March. Please mail to: A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania, PO Box 619, Shippensburg, PA 17257. Emails or faxes are not acceptable when returning the application.
2. Proof of full acceptance and enrollment must be received before scholarship money is awarded (**before the check is written to the school, not before scholarship is awarded**).
3. Applicant must compose and attach a typed essay of 500-750 words on an A.B.A.T.E. related topic. Please do not put your name on the essay. The essay will be assigned a number that corresponds with your application. (You should also email this essay to stateoffice@abatepa.org)
4. All applicants agree to allow A.B.A.T.E. of PA to publish his/her essay with a photo in our newsletter, Between the Lines. Please include a photo for publication.

JUDGING:

1. Judging will be completed by a group of five board members (combination of executive board and board of directors)
2. Scholarship winners will be chosen at the March A.B.A.T.E. of PA Grand Board Meeting and winners will be notified within 10 days. Public presentation of the scholarship will be completed at the Motorcyclists Rights Rally at the state capitol.

TOPIC IDEAS

- What A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania means to me
- Motorcycle Safety
- Rider Education
- Charitable Events
- What A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania is about
- Motorcycle Experience
- Legislative Issues
- Benefits
- Enhancing the Public Image of ABATE of PA

This Memorial Fund will also be used to encourage members to become instructors for the Pennsylvania Motorcycle Safety Program. Members with one or more years of service who successfully complete the Pennsylvania Motorcycle Safety Program Instructors Course will be reimbursed course materials charges paid to the Safety Program upon submitting receipts of payment after course completion.



A.B.A.T.E. OF PENNSYLVANIA
PO BOX 619, SHIPPENSBURG, PA 17257



THE *Senator Clarence Bell* MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

CRITERIA:

1. The amount of the scholarship is \$1,000. One scholarship will be awarded.
2. Open to A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania Members who have been members at least six months prior to the essay deadline.
3. Scholarship is open to all four-year degree, two-year associate degree or trade school applicants.
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Pool A.B.A.T.E. OF PA STATE TOURNAMENT FEBRUARY 24, 2024



**AMERICAN LEGION SMITH-PLETCHER POST 779,
2928 PENNS VALLEY PIKE, CENTRE HALL, PA 16828**

**REGISTRATION STARTS AT NOON
WITH THE TOURNAMENT BEGINNING AT 1:00 PM.**



POOL TOURNAMENT RULES

CHAPTER, DISTRICT AND STATE

State Pool Tournament will be held on Saturday, February 24, 2024 at the American Legion, Smith-Pletcher Post 779 at 2928 Penns Valley Pike, Centre Hall, PA 16828 (south side of Route 144, just east of the intersection of Route 45 and Route 144 (same place as our state board meetings are).

RULES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Must be a member of their Chapter for one (1) month to be eligible to play in the Chapter, District and State Tournaments.

There should be five players from each chapter to go to the district pool tournament and five players from each district to go to the state tournament. There will be three trophies awarded at the state pool tournament – 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

The following are the Billiard Congress of America rules for eight (8) ball:

1. Object of the Game – Eight Ball is a call shot game played with a cue ball and fifteen object balls, numbered 1 through 15. One player must pocket balls of the group numbered 1 through 7 (solid colors) while the other player has 9 through 15 (stripes). The player pocketing his group first and then legally pocketing the 8-ball wins the game.

2. Call Shot – In Call Shot, obvious balls and pockets do not have to be indicated. It is the opponent's right to ask which ball and pocket if he is unsure to the shot. Banks and combinations are not considered obvious and both the object ball and the pocket must be called. When calling the shot, it is NEVER necessary to indicate details such as the number of cushions, banks, kisses, caroms, etc. Any balls pocketed on a foul remain pocketed, regardless of whether they belong to the shooter or the opponent. The opening break is not a "called shot". Any player performing a break shot in 8-Ball may continue to shoot his next shot as long as he has legally pocketed any object on the break.

3. Racking the Balls – The balls are racked in a triangle at the foot of the table with the 8-ball in the center of the triangle, the first ball of the rack on the foot spot, a stripe ball in one corner of the rack and a solid ball in the other corner.

4. Alternating Break – Winner of the lag has the option to break. During individual competition, players will alternate breaking on each subsequent game.

5. Legal Break Shot – (Defined) To execute a legal break, the breaker (with the cue ball behind the headstring) must either (1) pocket a ball, or (2) drive at least four numbered balls to the rail. If he fails to make a legal break, it is a foul, and the incoming player has the option of (1) accepting the table in position and shooting, or (2) having the balls re-racked and having the option to shoot the opening break himself. It is not necessary to hit the apex ball (the ball that is on the foot spot) to initiate a legal break in Eight Ball.

6. Scratch on a Legal Break – If a player scratches on a legal break shot, 1) all balls pocketed remain pocketed (exception, the 8-ball, see Rule 6) 2) it is a foul 3) the table is open. Please note: Incoming player has cue ball in hand behind the head string and may not shoot an object ball that is behind the head string, unless he first shoots the cue ball past the head string and causes the cue ball to come back behind the head string and hit the object ball.

7. 8-Ball Pocketed on the Break – If the 8-ball is pocketed on the break, the breaker may ask for a re-rack or have the 8-ball spotted and continue shooting. If the breaker scratches while pocketing the 8-ball on the break, the incoming player has the option of re-rack or having the 8-ball spotted and begin shooting with ball in hand behind the head string.

8. Open Table – (Defined) The table is "open" when the choice of groups (stripes or solids) has not yet been determined. When the table is open, it is legal to hit a solid first to make a stripe or vice-versa. Note: The table is always open immediately

after the break shot. When the table is open it is legal to hit any solid or stripe or the 8-ball first in the process of pocketing the called stripe or solid. On an open table, all illegally pocketed balls remain pocketed.

9. Choice of Group – The choice of stripes or solids is not determined on the break even if balls are made from only one or both groups. The table is always open immediately after the break shot. The choice of group is determined only when a player legally pockets a called object ball after the break shot.

10. Legal Shot – A player must cause the cue ball to contact a legal object ball (i.e. any ball of that shooter's numbers and then: a) pocket a numbered ball, of that shooter's series, b) cause the cue ball or any numbered ball of that shooter to contact a cushion or any part of the rail. Failure to meet these requirements is a foul.

11. Safety Shot – For tactical reasons a player may choose to pocket an obvious ball and also discontinue his turn at the table by declaring "safety" in advance. A safety shot is defined as a legal shot. If the shooting player intends to play safe by pocketing an obvious object ball, then prior to the shot, he must declare a "safety" to his opponent. If this is NOT done, and one of the shooter's object balls is pocketed, the shooter will be required to shoot again. Any ball pocketed on a safety shot remains pocketed.

12. Scoring – A player is entitled to continue shooting until he fails to legally pocket a ball of his group. After a player has legally pocketed all of his group of balls, he shoots the pocket the 8-ball.

13. Foul Penalty – Opposing player gets cue ball in hand. This means that the player can place the cue ball anywhere on the table (does not have to be behind the head string except on opening break). This rule prevents a player from making intentional fouls, which would put his opponent at a disadvantage. With "cue ball in hand" the player may position the cue ball on the table by hand (more than once if necessary). After placing the cue ball, the shaft and ferrule of the cue stick (not the tip) may also be used for positioning the cue ball for shooting.

14. Combination Shots – Combinations shots are allowed, however, the 8 ball or opponent's ball cannot be used first in the combination except when the table is open.

15. Illegally Pocketed Balls – An object ball is considered to be illegally pocketed when 1) that object ball is pocketed on the same shot as a foul is committed, or 2) the called ball did not go in the designated pocket, or 3) a safety is called prior to the shot. Illegally pocketed balls remained pocketed.

16. Object Balls - Jumped Off the Table – If any object ball is jumped off the table, it is a foul and loss of turn, unless it is the 8-ball, which is a loss of game. Any jumped object balls are spotted in numerical order according to General Rules for spotting balls.

17. Playing the 8-Ball – When shooting at the 8-ball, a scratch or foul is not loss of game if the 8-ball is not pocketed or jumped from the table. Incoming player has cue ball in hand.

18. Loss of Game – A player loses the game if he commits any of the following infractions; a) Fouls when pocketing the 8-ball (exception: see 8-ball pocketed on the break) b) Pockets the 8-ball on the same stroke as the last of his group of balls c) Jumps the 8-ball off the table at any time d) Pockets the 8-ball in a pocket other than the one designated. 3) pockets the 8-ball when it is not the legal object ball.

19. Stalemated Game – If in 3 consecutive turns at the table by each player (6 turns total) they purposely foul or scratch and both players agree that attempting to pocket or move an object ball will result in immediate loss of game, then the game will be considered a stalemate. The balls will then be re-racked and the breaker of the stalemated game will break again. Please note: three consecutive fouls by one player is not a loss of game.

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POST CHAPTER 105 17 S. Mill Street, North East, PA 16428, jbollinger383@gmail.com, riding to benefit veterans February 2024 (9 yrs)

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DISTRICT 2

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 474

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AFTERDARK North 3rd Street, Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-765-9100, open Tuesday-Friday at 3 PM, Saturday at 5 PM, daily food and drink specials February 2024 (6 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION KEYSTONE POST #444 112 Legion Lane, Millheim, PA 16854, 814-349-8367. December 2024 (1 yr)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 6 210 South 2nd Street, Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-765-1152 September 2023 (2 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 17 356 Liberty Blvd., Dubois, PA 15801, 814-371-1866, meet second Monday of each month January 2024 (7 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION POST 245 "Legion in the Woods" 1950 Pine Hall Rd, State College, PA 16801, 814-237-6880, State College American Legion Chapter 245. See Facebook page. May 2024 (6 yrs)

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FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES 983

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412 Washington Street, Huntingdon, PA. 16652, 814-643-5597, Frankphomonlegion24@gmail.com. February 2024 (3 yrs)

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BY MARK BUCKNER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION

For as long as I can remember – which is getting to be a LONG time! – those of us who love riding motorcycles and have devoted a large part of our lives to preserving and protecting our way of life have been telling anyone who would listen that the enemies of motorcycling don't just want to pass more and more restrictive laws where we're concerned. Their ultimate goal is to get us off the road entirely. A prime example of this is the recent push to outlaw internal combustion engines, just one of the issues the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and our partners in the state motorcyclists' rights organizations and the motorcycle aftermarket are fighting head on.

So why are internal combustion engines under attack? The Biden administration is calling for one in two new cars sold in the 2030s to be fully electric. Federal incentives intended to prop up 'green' proposals have been pushed through Congress. In some states, these initiatives have become all the rage, calling for the elimination of all internal combustion engines and the end of fossil fuels as an energy source. California's plan to ban all internal combustion engines by 2035 is the most obvious of these, while similar plans have been launched around the country and the world. On the surface, that might sound bleak for those of us who love our gasoline-powered bikes, cars, trucks, and boats, but there may be good news on the horizon. As more research is coming to light from a feasibility, a financial, and an environmental perspective, initiatives targeting zero greenhouse gas emissions are being reexamined.

The Connecticut state legislature, like their counterparts in California, initially targeted the elimination of internal combustion engines by 2035, but has now decided to pump the brakes, killing Senate Bill 1145 which would have set unattainable greenhouse gas emission goals. Part of that bill would have penalized non-compliant parties up to \$25,000 PER DAY for not meeting stated objectives, labeling the penalties as a 'tax'. Other uncoordinated decarbonization 'roadmap bills' are still being considered in Connecticut, but the all-out push to join states like Massachusetts, California, and others is on the decline.

Ohio is pushing back as well. Their state legislature recently passed House Bill 201, signed into law by Governor Mike DeWine. HB 201 prohibits state agencies, counties, or townships in Ohio "from restricting the sale or use of a motor vehicle based on the energy source used to power the motor vehicle." It also specifically prohibits a state agency from adopting the California emissions standards for motor vehicles. ABATE of Ohio played a major role in getting this law on the books. In northern Europe, Norway, which had targeted zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030, is likewise backing off on its plan as its feasibility becomes less certain.

None of this is to say that we shouldn't be concerned about pollution. We absolutely need to address these issues, especially in our major cities. But the outright elimination of vehicles powered by fossil fuels is not the answer.

Regarding the general public's opinion on an all-electric solution, many people are less than enthusiastic about moving away from gasoline-powered alternatives. According to the Sierra Club, in 2022 66% of car dealerships did not have an electric vehicle for sale. We can only assume that's because there was no market for them. Today, thousands of car dealerships around the country are pushing back on the Biden plan, saying they can't sell the electric vehicles they already have in stock. Car manufacturers are backing off as well, curtailing production of new EVs. Why is that?

First and foremost, electric vehicles are expensive. Some studies suggest that people who can afford to buy all-electric cars represent a finite group, and that many of those consumers have already purchased an EV car or truck, meaning the available pool of buyers is shrinking. Also problematic is that due in large part to the high cost of battery replacement, there is a very small market for used electric vehicles. Basically, no one wants to buy them knowing that a big repair bill is headed their way. While battery technology will likely improve in coming years, as of today that technology and questions about the cost of building a sufficient charging infrastructure are major concerns for consumers.

Finally, we should never forget that for the 'nanny state' crowd, going all the way back to Ralph Nader and the original safety-crats of the 1960s, the mantra has remained the same. That being, where safety is concerned, the public can't be trusted to make their own decisions or manage their own risks. In other words, these fine folks think they're smarter and better equipped to make policy decisions than us mere citizens. In their delusionary 'Road to Zero' world - where there will be zero accidents and zero fatalities - the best way to get there is to get rid of what they consider to be dangerous activities - like riding motorcycles. Eliminating internal combustion engines could go a long way towards achieving that goal.

Just as we have since the 1980s, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation is standing up for motorcycling, fighting against issues like the elimination of internal combustion engines, and we need every concerned rider to join us in our mission. If you're not already a member of the MRF, my only question to you would be 'why not?'

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